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Crunch time looms for Inveraray's Royal Bank

'We will be reviewing the use of each branch on its own merits'

Colin Cameron

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The axe hovers over Inveraray's Royal Bank of Scotland branch – but there is still a short time for people to have a say.

Along with nine other rural branches, Inveraray was given a stay of execution earlier this year – but if the figures do not stack up by December 2018 the bustling tourist town will be left with no bank to serve residents, businesses or visitors.

RBS has appointed accountancy firm Johnston Carmichael to review the 10 branches temporarily saved – while 52 others closed across Scotland closed.

Mid Argyll writer and journalist Marian Pallister kicked off a petition when news of the planned closure broke in December last year. On Wednesday August 8 she presented the document, with 743 signatures, to Johnston Carmichael representatives in Inveraray.

Speaking after her meeting with Johnston Carmichael, Marian Pallister said: "The petition was accepted as "helpful" and we can now only hope that when this company has seen how things are on the ground in the various rural situations where RBS intends closure, that minds will be changed."

Inveraray hotelier Donald

Clark also spoke to Johnston Carmichael's people during their Inveraray visit and discussed a range of issues. But it boils down, he said, to one thing: 'RBS has a social responsibility and they are abdicating that responsibility in proposing to close the Inveraray branch.'

Argyll and Bute MP Brendan O'Hara questioned the customer usage figures used by RBS to justify the closure proposals, adding: 'We have to remember that many people rely on face-to-face dealings with their bank; businesses with cash to deposit, the elderly, those with learning difficulties and those with no access to online banking facilities at all.'

A Johnston Carmichael spokesperson said: 'We will be reviewing the use of each branch on its own merits and then providing RBS with a recommendation on whether we consider each branch should remain open or be closed.'

Tamara is queen for a day



Queen Tamara Johnston waves to her subjects during the Ardrishaig Gala Day parade. More on our photo special on pages 10 to 13.

Still time to have your say

Have your say on the importance of Inveraray's RBS branch by the final deadline of Tuesday August 14.

Write to:

The RBS review team, Johnston Carmichael LLP, 29 Albany Place, Aberdeen, AB101YL, or complete a questionnaire at www.jcca.co.uk/rbsbranchreview or email rbsbranchreview@jcca.co.uk with your views.



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Pupils celebrate exam success

School pupils in Argyll and Bute have been celebrating exam success – with 100 per cent of National 3 and 4 students passing and more Higher and Advanced Higher pupils achieving pass marks than last year.

A snapshot of the results for Argyll and Bute, announced by the Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) this week, showed that every child who sat National 3 and 4 exams in 2018 passed, while 81.9 per cent of pupils sitting

Advanced Highers achieved a pass, up 4.92 per cent on 2017. National 5 pass results decreased slightly by 1.24 per cent, to 79.86 per cent. However, there was a rise in the number of Higher pupils passing their exams – 78.79 per cent, up 2.9 per cent on last year.

The figures show attainment in Argyll and Bute is on the rise and councillors are congratulating pupils and teachers on their success, while reminding those that

did not get the results they hoped for that there is support in place to help them explore various options.

The council's Policy Lead for Education Councillor Yvonne McNeilly, said: 'Pupils and teachers can be proud of their efforts, with their success reflected in the results. Congratulations to them all.'

'We are determined to do everything we can to ensure our young people are given every chance to achieve success in their lives. Supporting

them to get the best possible outcomes is a priority for the council. As well as the efforts of pupils and teachers, I want to highlight the support and encouragement given by parents and guardians and to thank all school staff for making our schools great places to learn. For those pupils who maybe didn't get the exam results they hoped for, it's important to remember that help is on hand. They should contact their school who will arrange support and advice.'



Councillor Yvonne McNeilly.

POLICE FILES

Police warnings

Two men, both aged 29, were issued with recorded police warnings for urinating on Harbour Street, Tarbert, at 1am on Sunday July 29.

No insurance

A car was stopped by police for a routine check on Paterson Street, Lochgilphead, at 5pm on Monday July 29. Checks revealed there was no insurance for the vehicle.

The driver, a 33-year-old

man, was charged and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Fixed penalty

At 5pm on Tuesday July 31, a vehicle was stopped by police on Lochnell Street, Lochgilphead.

Checks revealed the car's MOT had expired and the driver, a 34-year-old woman, was issued with a £100 fixed penalty.

No MOT

A vehicle was stopped by police on Lochnell Street, Lochgilphead, at 1am on Thursday August 2. Checks

revealed the vehicle had no MOT and the driver, a 64-year-old man, was charged and issued with a £100 fixed penalty ticket.

Abusive behaviour

At 11.30pm on Friday August 3, an 18-year-old woman behaved in an abusive manner in Union Street, Lochgilphead.

Police arrested the woman who then resisted arrest. She was charged and a report was submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Drunk driver

A 63-year-old man was arrested by police for drink

driving at 9pm on Saturday August 4, at Argyll Caravan Park, Inveraray.

Drugs charge

At 1am on Sunday August 5, on West Bank Road, Ardrishaig, a 14-year-old youth was stopped and searched by police and found to be in possession of cannabis.

A report will be submitted to the children's reporter.

Assault

A 24-year-old man was arrested for behaving in an abusive manner and assaulting a woman at 1am on Sunday August 5, on West Bank Road, Ardrishaig. The man was charged, held for court and a report was submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Drunk driver

At 8.30pm on Sunday August 5, a 32-year-old man was stopped by police while driving his car on the A83 at Stonefield, Tarbert.

The man provided a positive breath test and was arrested.

Vehicle damaged

Sometime between 3pm on Sunday August 5 and 7am on Monday August 6, in Duncuan View, Ardrishaig, the body work of a red Ford Fiesta was damaged.

Police are investigating.

Theft of boat

Sometime between April 1 and August 4, a dark and light blue 9ft long rigid dingy was stolen from the shore near Rhu Point, Kennacraig, Tarbert.

Police are investigating.

Windows broken

The windows of a red VW camper van were smashed sometime between 10pm on Wednesday August 1 and 6am on Thursday August 2, at Coille Mhinnean, Furnace.

Police are investigating.

Any members of the public with information in relation to any incident should contact their local police office on 101, or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

Primary care improvement plan approved

The Argyll and Bute Integration Joint Board approved the Health and Social Care Partnership's (HSCP) Primary Care Improvement Plan on Wednesday August 1.

The plan is a key requirement of the new General Medical Services contract recently agreed by GPs and the Scottish Government.

Commenting on the approval of the plan, Stephen Whiston, head of Strategic Planning and Performance for the HSCP, said: 'Our GPs provide a high quality primary care service for communities across Argyll and Bute and in many cases are the first health professional the public sees if they are using our health and social care services.'

'The new contract will allow GPs and their practice teams to spend more time with patients who have complex health conditions. This will require some services currently provided by GPs and their teams to be provided by other clinicians employed by the HSCP. In Argyll and Bute we have worked closely with local GP Clinical Leads and representatives from the NHS Highland GP Sub Committee to develop our plan. This plan details the scale of service change required, how we intend to provide services, improve recruitment and retention of GPs and other clinicians and use technology to deliver these new services across Argyll and Bute.'

'This plan was presented to the Integration Joint Board on August 1 when it was approved for implementation over the next three years.'

'The next stage of the process is to consult with the public, staff and stakeholders on the service changes planned and identify/clarify how they will be delivered.'

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GRADUATION



KERI MCDONALD

Daughter of Murdo and Janette, graduated from the University of Edinburgh in a Master of Science Sport Policy, Management and International Development with Distinction.

Avenue arch improvement scheme to be re-tendered

A project to improve the condition of Inveraray's iconic 18th-century arches looks to be making progress as bids to carry out the work are invited.

But the Dalmally road archway, refurbished around five years ago but never

repainted, will not be part of the contract.

This will be the second time the work has been put out to tender by Argyll and Bute Council.

Speaking at last month's annual general meeting of community development

company Inspire Inveraray, council regeneration manager Audrey Martin said: 'It has already been out to tender, but the bids were too dear. The work has been rescoped and the work will be re-tendered, hopefully in the next month. 'Part of the problem is that



The Dalmally road arch beside the Inveraray Inn will not be part of the current project. 06_a31InvArch01

there is a limited pool of the specialist skills required to carry out the work needed to the arches.'

The council this week confirmed the work is now being re-tendered. A spokesperson said: 'Additional funding has been earmarked for improvements to the Avenue arches.'

'Regarding the Dalmally [road] arch, we do not have any plans to paint it at this time.'



A contract to improve the Avenue arches is being put out to tender for the second time. 06_a31InvArch03

Iconic Bluebird takes off on Bute

The Isle of Bute was chosen as the site for the re-launch of one of the 20th century's most iconic vehicles - Donald Campbell's Bluebird K7.

The two-ton jet hydroplane was recovered from the bottom of Coniston Water in the Lake District in 2001 - 34 years after the notorious crash which killed Donald Campbell on a world record-breaking run and sent Bluebird to the lake bed.

The man behind the salvage operation was Bill Smith and, after 17 years of restoration, the vessel was piped into Rothesay on the evening of



Bluebird K7 getting up to speed on Loch Fad on Monday.

Photograph courtesy of the Bluebird Project.

Friday August 3 to begin two weeks of trials on the freshwater Loch Fad.

Teething troubles were overcome and, with the Bluebird team and lead driver Ted

Walsh behind her, Bluebird K7 reached 100 mph on the loch by Tuesday August 7.

The team will be on Bute until August 16 undertaking extensive trials.

Give blood in Lochgilphead

The Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service will be coming to Lochgilphead early next month.

A spokesperson for the service said: 'We aim to maintain a six-day supply of each blood group, at all times, to continue to meet hospital requirements. Whether you've never donated before, give blood regularly or haven't been for a while, we would like to invite you to your local blood donating session.'

The Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service will be at the Community Centre, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, on Wednesday September 5.

There will be two sessions - between 2pm and 3.30pm and from 5pm to 7.30pm.



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Tarbert plans for the future

Laura Maxwell

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The people of Tarbert are drawing up a plan of action following VisitScotland's decision to close the village tourist information centre.

The closure was announced last autumn, with the doors due to shut in March 2019.

But the move has now been brought forward and the Tarbert iCentre is set to close on the last weekend in October, as will iCentres in Campbeltown and Inveraray.

VisitScotland blames the decision on visitors' increased use of the internet and smartphones to obtain information, and justified its decision in a statement which said: 'In the past 10 years, Tarbert iCentre has experienced a 10 per cent decrease in footfall, while Campbeltown and Inveraray have experienced 51 per cent and 62 per cent decreases respectively.'

But the Tarbert community is not taking this lying down, with Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust planning to open a heritage display, community hub and limited tourist information service in the building currently occupied by the iCentre.

The trust has been canvassing lo-



cal support for its plans, and forms placed in Tarbert shops have already gathered more than 100 signatures in favour of the proposals, with many additional suggestions.

Trust chairman Alan Macdonald said: 'We are excited at the opportunity to provide an additional attraction to the village and continue to provide a limited information

service. We look forward to VisitScotland accepting our proposals and working with us to ensure a smooth transfer of the facility over the coming weeks.

Tarbert businessman Ian MacIntyre believes that the transfer of the premises to the community should be a formality.

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'A lot of work will need to be carried out before the transfer and anyone wishing to volunteer should get in touch through our website.'

A VisitScotland spokesman said: 'We are currently in discussions with Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust about proposals for future use of the property and have the support of the local community.'

Tarbert businessman Ian MacIntyre believes the transfer of the premises should be a formality. He told the Advertiser: 'In the original constitution for the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay Tourist Board, the last paragraph is that in the event of this situation, any assets should be transferred to an appropriate local body. I think that should still hold.'

The trust's asset transfer plan is backed by Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell, who said: 'I made it clear when this plan was first announced that there would have to be alternatives in place before any closure. That remains my position and

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DOES TARBERT NEED A TOURIST OFFICE?

'It's terrible, because we get people coming in here asking us for information. It's a good resource.'

Catriona Arnot, Loch Fyne Gallery staff member.

'It's a disgrace. It's mad, even if it was just simply

for the limited hours in October but we definitely need something in the summer months.

'They keep talking about the internet but you can't use it here. People arrive here and if they don't get an email saying the time

of the ferry has changed, they don't get on it. I think they're shooting themselves in the foot if they're trying to promote the country.'

James Hamilton, Whisky West Coast.

'It's going to be a big miss in the village. I don't know what they're trying to do to small places.'

Flora Shaw, Earra Gael gift shop.

'I'm not happy about it. They are a mine of information and when it closes, I don't know what we'll do because our internet signal is so sketchy around here.'

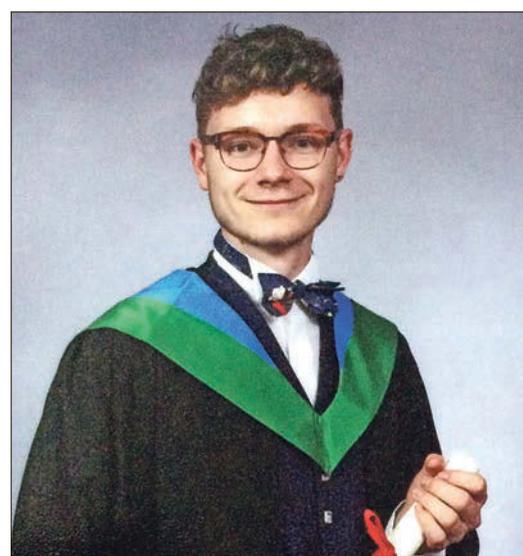
Christine Entwistle, Harbour Gallery.

'I think it's a great pity. We bring our yachts to Tarbert and we went in just to find out travel arrangements – a different way to get home on different routes – and sometimes we need rooms. It's useful and they're very good in there.'

Visitor Marilyn Lord from Ayrshire.

Another visitor commented that it 'is a big miss in Dunoon' since its iCentre closed recently.

GRADUATION



TORQUIL JAMES FERGUSSON

Graduated from Glasgow Caledonian University with a BSc honours in Applied Psychology. Torquil is the elder son of Colin and Janet Fergusson, North Connel and grandson of Billy and Margaret Martin. A former pupil of Lochnell Primary School and Oban High School.

with community hub vision



Right, beautiful Tarbert may have its own community-run information hub – if there is enough local support. 06_a32Tarbert01; and above, Inveraray iCentre, which is due to close on Sunday October 28.

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I am concerned that, for example, there is still no fast mobile phone speeds and broadband in some parts of the area which are necessary to get information from the developing providers.

'I have been supporting the proposal from the community trust for the Tarbert premises and I am hopeful that there can be an asset

transfer, not least because it seems that the building was only given to VisitScotland on the understanding that if it stopped using it, it would revert to another body doing the same sort of work.'

Councillor Alastair Redman added: 'I would support the Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust in their talks to ask for an asset handover and



take over the tourist centre building.'

VisitScotland states that tourist information provision will continue across Argyll and Bute through a network of more than 130 VisitScotland Information Partners

(VIPs) primarily based in hotels and guest houses, with three of these in Tarbert, four in Campbeltown and two in Inveraray, alongside 'out-reach' staff attending events around the country.

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Let's work together

There is no question, as large organisations desert Argyll we must come together for the greater good.

In this edition alone we read about positive moves in Tarbert to take on the former tourist office for local people – but only because our national tourism body is leaving town.

And make no mistake, Inveraray will lose its last bank, because that is what RBS bosses intend to happen – and they care not a jot for pensioners in Glenaray or Furnace – if people do not stand together and make such a racket they hear it in Edinburgh and London.

By all accounts the folks from Johnston Carmichael were perfectly nice when they visited Inveraray on Wednesday and let us hope they listen to the heartfelt concerns expressed.

But if you haven't yet made your point – do it by next Tuesday or it will be too late.

Fun and games

There was plenty going on last weekend in Mid Argyll. From village galas to arts events and from footie to Picts running around Lochgilphead, it was great fun.

Long may these community events thrive.

Rent or buy

Sir,
At the latest Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islands meeting I stated a large number of my younger constituents have been contacting me in regards to the availability of housing.

While a greater number of affordable rental accommodation is more than welcome, a larger amount of affordable housing to buy needs to be built across Argyll.

I was also very happy at a recent meeting with my fellow Conservative councillors to discuss the huge importance of having a more streamlined planning service that helps rather than hinders economic strength across Argyll and Bute. An effective planning system plays an important role in supporting growth – promoting and enabling the homes, jobs and services that communities need, creating a more competitive local economy and minimising uncertainty and delay for those proposing or affected by development.

We in Argyll are seeing a tremendous increase in our industrial output and we as a council must not place barriers in the way of future growth in this area.

Councillor Alastair Redman, Islay.

Best small shop

Sir,
I am calling on Argyll and Bute's small shopkeepers to enter the Best Small Shops competition, celebrating the creativity of small shops and the central role they play in their local

community. Argyll and Bute is a hub of small local retailers, many of which are a lifeline.

The Best Small Shops competition is open to any small shop operating in the UK. The competition is free to enter and all shops who enter will also be promoted to consumers through an online Indie Retail Directory.

Shopkeepers can nominate their businesses until Sunday September 9 via bestsmallshops.co.uk. A shortlist of 25 of the most impressive applications will be shortlisted by a panel made up of established representatives from the independent retail industry.

The judges will be looking for evidence of a small shops' entrepreneurial spirit, ways that they have been innovative in their business and what they have done to have a lasting positive impact on their community.

The shortlisted small shops will be invited to a parliamentary reception on November 13 to meet their Member of Parliament and find out who will be crowned Best Small Shop 2018.

Argyll and Bute has an amazing array of small shops which help support our rural economy and I would love to see them recognised.

Brendan O'Hara, MP for Argyll and Bute.

Is this acceptable?

Sir,
Since when is it okay for a man to stand in a layby and urinate in broad daylight?

It has become more noticeable in recent years and is never a pleasant sight. It strikes me this sort of selfish attitude is something that may

also be contributing to the growing problem of drivers throwing rubbish out their windows on Argyll's road network.

If you cannot find a public toilet, at least find a tree to hide behind when you are caught short. And a bin to chuck your rubbish in.

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Royal Mail goes digital

Sir,
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Customers expecting tracked items from large retailers are among those to benefit from these changes. If they are not at home when we deliver, they will now receive email/SMS notifications on the whereabouts of their delivery. For customers who have provided their contact details, the notifications will confirm when their items have been delivered to a neighbour, as well as specifying the neighbour's address.

The 'Something for You' card is also going digital, making it easier for customers to retrieve their item if they are not at home when

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Gerry McAuley, Glasgow Mail Centre.

Decision on assisted dying

Sir,

The Supreme Court appears to have come to a sensible decision for the terminally ill in its landmark right-to-die ruling.

One year ago my adult children and I watched helplessly as a most loved, mentally alert member of our family, with terminal cancer, suffered a needlessly horrible and prolonged death. This, after the patient had pleaded, for two weeks with family doctors and religious leaders to end the constant suffering by requesting some form of assisted dying. This Supreme Court decision has come too late for our loved one but hopefully Westminster and Holyrood will now each consider and pass a bill to allow assisted dying and prevent suffering for current and future patients.

Gordon Caskie, Muasdale.

YOUR PICTURES



Something slightly different in this edition. This week's photograph was taken while the Argyllshire Advertiser was covering the Lochgilphead Celtic and Pictish Festival on Saturday August 4. Our photographer turned round and found the evocative scene of mum and daughter gazing out to sea over Loch Gilp – while in Viking dress. Mum was Elaine Strong, a member of Glasgow Vikings, with her daughter Freya. Elaine said: 'We were just talking about why Freya couldn't go down and play in the sand.' Send your favourite pictures to editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk or via the Argyllshire Advertiser Facebook page.

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Dochas Centre celebrates Calor cash

Carers and volunteers gathered in the Dochas Centre on Thursday August 2 to celebrate the successful bid for their £5,000 grant from Calor.

Dochas can now create

the safe space it wants in a new building after receiving important grant funding. It is one of just five UK groups to be awarded cash through the Calor Rural Community Fund.

The £5,000 grant will go towards installing hospital standard non-slip flooring in an extension currently being added to its Lochgilphead premises.

Volunteers and carers



Catherine Paterson, Netta Chisholm, and Linda Tighe. 08_a32Dochas06



Back left to right: Catherine Paterson, Heather Moore, Craig Butler, Helen Butler and Margaret McGlynn. Front left to right: Joan Ralston, Marian McNicol and Jean Sayer.

08_a32Dochas04

shared drinks and chatter and talked of their experience with the centre.

Jean Sayers said: 'The Dochas Centre means companionship. Although I'm not a carer, I do care about how people are so this is a way of checking in, meeting friends and enjoying good company.'

Margaret McGlynn added:

'There is a lot of care and if you're in trouble or have questions, they will help you.'

Success in the Calor programme only came about through the support of the public, who were able to vote for their favourite project. The top 10 vote-winners were whittled down by an independent panel to reach the

final five successful projects. Catherine Paterson of the Dochas Centre said: 'Thank you to everyone who voted for us because that is what helped us get there.'

The Dochas Centre offers help and support to people caring for others and is celebrating its 20th birthday in 2018.

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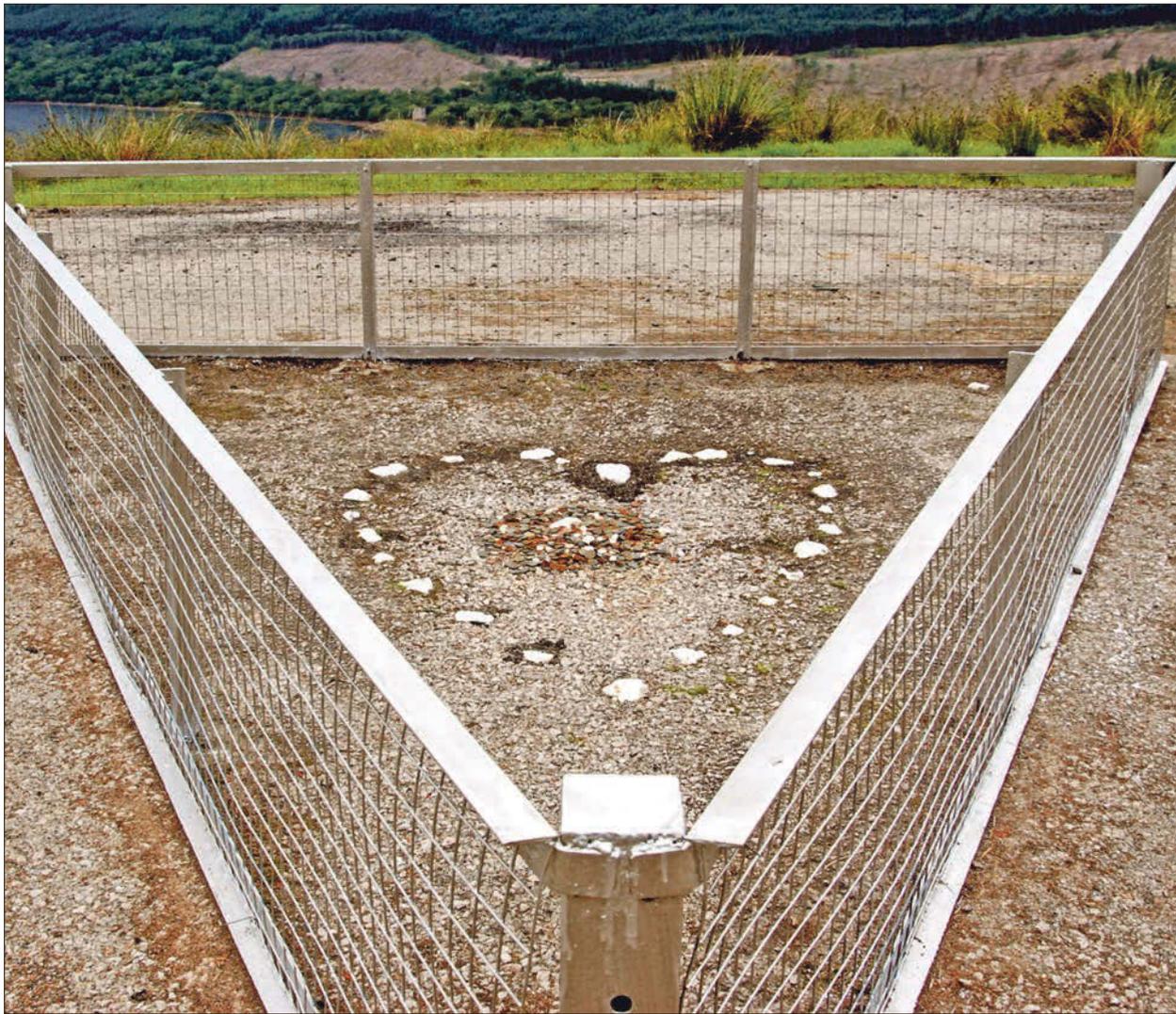
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The newly-painted fence around the heart, with Dunderave Castle in the background. 06_a31TinkersHeart02

Conserving Argyll and Bute's historic landscape

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Argyll and Bute has 32 designated conservation areas, from Campbeltown to Tobermory.

Some small-scale developments do not need planning permission.

If your home is listed, however, or is in one of the conservation areas, the chances are you will require planning permission before making any alterations.

Listed buildings will also need specific consent for any internal or external alterations if they affect the historic fabric of the building.

Policy lead for planning and regulatory services Councillor David Kinniburgh said: 'Argyll and Bute is steeped in history and we are proud of the beautiful towns and villages we have.'

'Because of this we have created a set of guidelines for businesses and home owners in our conservation

areas and listed buildings to provide them with useful information regarding making changes to their property.

This has been done to protect our natural built heritage and historic landscape for future generations and it is vital people read this if they are considering making alterations to affected properties.'

For more information, visit the Argyll and Bute Council website and look for Planning and Building Standards on the left of the homepage.

The conservation areas are: Auchindrain; Bowmore; Campbeltown; Cardross; Clachaig; Cove and Kilcreggan; Crinan Canal; Cullipool; Dervaig; Dunoon; Easdale; Ellenbeich; Hill House, Helensburgh; Inveraray; Iona; Keills, Jura; Kerrycroy; Kilmartin; Kilmoluaig; Lochgilphead; Lorn Furnace; Luss; Port Charlotte; Port Ellen; Portnahaven and Port Wemyss; Rhu; Rosneath; Rothesay; Tarbert; Tobermory; Toberonochy; and Upper Helensburgh.

Tinkers' Heart spruced up by retired builder

The Tinkers' Heart near Cairndow has been given a tidy up by a local tradesman.

The site, well-known to local people for generations, hit the national headlines in 2014 when a campaign was launched, led by Perthshire woman Jess Smith, to have it formally recognised as a scheduled monument.

The site comprises a series of 25 quartz stones set in tarmac and formed into a heart shape, with another in the centre.

It originally lay at the junction of the Lochgoilhead and Cairndow-Dunoon roads, but having been bypassed by a new carriageway in the 1960s it now sits in the 'old road' in the middle of rough pasture.

Cattle grazing around the site led to the heart becoming overgrown and untidy, prompting Cairndow-based community group Here We Are to erect - with the

Community group director gets to work on generations-old site

agreement of landowner Kate Howe - a single wire fence around it with help from the Clachan Wind Farm Trust. This, however, proved ineffective at keeping back cattle so a solid barrier was built in its place. Following the campaign by Ms Smith, which featured a petition to the Scottish Parliament, Historic Environment Scotland examined the site and - after an initial refusal - decided the Tinkers' Heart should be added to the list of scheduled monuments and this was done in June 2015.

The origin of the quartz heart is unclear, but there are records dating back to 1928

which indicate that a heart-shaped area of grass existed at the location.

It is said to have significance for the travelling community and in recent years has been ascribed spiritual importance by various groups.

The heart has also served on occasion as a venue for ceremonies, including weddings.

Cairndow man and retired builder John MacDonald, a director of Here We Are, took on the job of cleaning the site and giving the fence a paint job - silver-grey this time rather than black - to blend in with the regular Argyll grey skies and Loch Fyne far below the heart.

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A day for children of all ages. 08_a32ardrishaiggala34



Ryan Logan accepted the teddy and Aston Martin (here with Councillor Donnie McMillan) for winner Catriona Brown. 08_a32ardrishaiggala45

Ardrishaig Gala entertains with gleeful gusto

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This year's annual Ardrishaig Gala opened to great enthusiasm on Saturday August 4.

A parade led by the Mid Argyll Pipe Band marched through the village with the 'royal family' following and the floats hot on their heels.

The gala itself was bursting with activities, with the stalls selling everything from lucky dips to face painting to not-on-the-high-street items, as well as the new and very successful addition of the cocktail bar.

In the next car park over were the tea cups, trampolines and goalies, for the children

to enjoy while tea and cakes were served in the church, and a tug of war between the genders and the generations raged in the playground.

All 250 tickets to the evening entertainment, the Crackin' Craic ceilidh, sold out hours before the event.

The organisers of the event,

the Mid Argyll Pipe Band, fulfilled its promise of a bigger and better gala than the year before. There is a high bar set for 2019.



The Mid Argyll Pipe Band led the gala parade through Ardrishaig. 08_a32ardrishaiggala03



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Queen Tamara cut the ribbon to open the gala.



The MacBrayne's bus gave tours of Ardrishaig and shared some history. 08_a32ardrishaiggala25



More pictures from Ardrishaig Gala Day available to buy and can be viewed on the Argyllshire Advertiser website



The 'ladies' of Lochwatch float was a very bright addition to the parade. 08_a32ardrishaiggala08



Gala queen Tamara Johnston, prince Blair Houston and princess Esme Bain.
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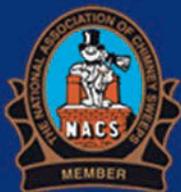
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The Mid Argyll Pipe Band opened for the queen to be crowned. 08_a32ardrishaigala24



The funfair was a soaring success. 08_a32ardrishaigala26

More Ardrishaig Gala



The ladies of Lochwatch won the float competition. 08_a32ardrishaigala42



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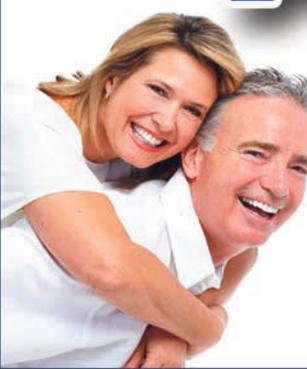
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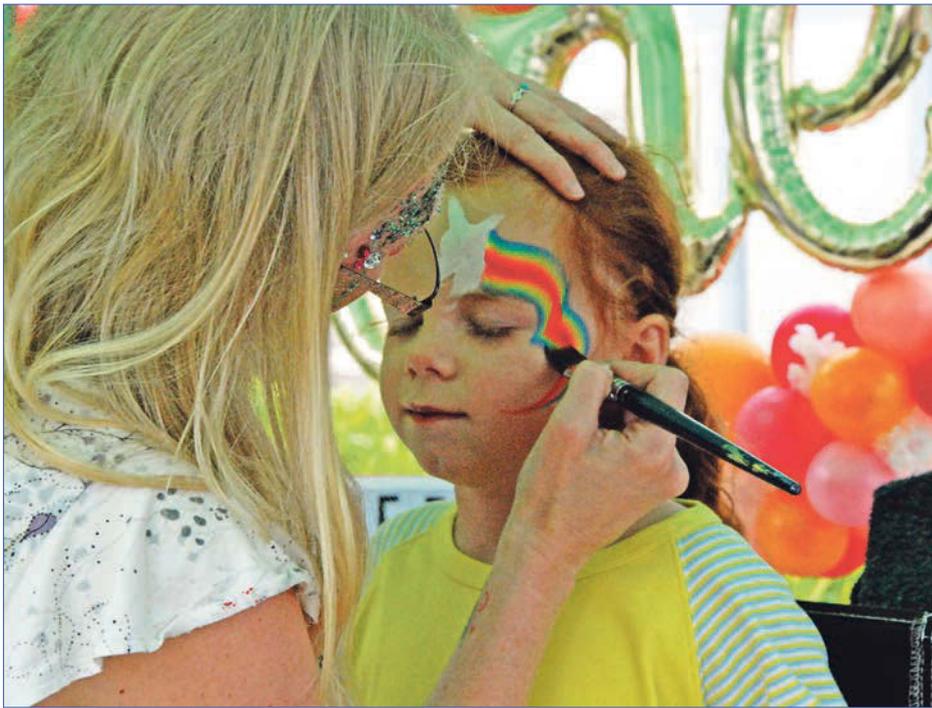
Bobby MacGregor and Shona Keith enjoy sampling the newest addition to this year's event: the cocktail bar. 08_a32ardrishaiggala35



The kids got to try on the firefighting equipment. 08_a32ardrishaiggala29



The Globo Gym Purple Cobras compete in the tug of war for a crate of Tennent's. 08_a32ardrishaiggala37



Annie Adcock got her face painted at the glitter and bling bar. 08_a32ardrishaiggala31

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Hundreds step back in time for annual festival

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Organisers reckon 450 people came along to enjoy a dip into the past.

Lochgilphead Community Council's annual Celtic and Pictish Festival is gathering momentum year on year as it grows into an event with a character all of its own.

Morning shoppers on Argyll Street were treated to the unusual sight of Picts, Vikings and Romans parading to Lochgilphead front green to begin the festivities. In front of the parade was musician Pat Kenny playing haunting tones on a carnyx, an Iron Age Celtic war horn.

On the green there were stands selling everything from soap to artwork and woolly bunnets to garden shrubs.

As well as battle re-en-



The traditional roar from Glasgow Vikings re-enactment group. 06_a32PictFest02

actments and weapons demonstrations, there were living history demonstrations and workshops where adults and children tried their hand at traditional crafts such as

spinning, weaving, metal-working, woodwork, dressing up and blowing the carnyx.

Children took part in the Lughnasa Games, featuring various tests of Celtic warrior

skills. Brian MacLennan, of Lochgilphead Community Council, said: 'The day was a massive success and I've had lots of positive feedback.'

'Having a full programme of events in the arena as well as lots of workshops for adults and youngsters to take part in throughout the day has really made a big difference this year.'

He added: 'I would like to give a special mention to the 19th Argyll Scouts, the MS Centre and Lochgilphead Parish Church, without whom I'd have had no marquees, tables or chairs, and to Bluestone Gift Shop, the Grubs Up Recovery Cafe and the new Scottish Canals Steamer Terminal in Ardrishaig who all stepped in on the day before the festival with the additional funding and sponsorship I needed to ensure the full-scale festival

could go ahead as planned. I'd also like to thank all the performers, providers and other contributors for making such a great day.'

'And I would especially like to thank the volunteers

who helped set up the site on Friday night and took everything down and away on Saturday evening.

'I'm already thinking of ways to make the festival even bigger and better next year.'



Ian Glendinning, of Scottish Green Woodworkers, creates a miniature wooden sword using a length of alder.

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Above: Glasgow Vikings put on a realistic display of fighting with axes. 06_a32PictFest16



Left: The head of the carnyx. 06_a32PictFest30



The haunting sound of the carnyx leads the way. 06_a32PictFest05

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Youngsters had a great time with foam swords. 06_a32PictFest10



Celtic and Pictish Festival

Left: wool spinner Innes Carmichael of Inverclyde Waulking Group delights children with her demonstration. 06_a32PictFest25



Lochgilthead's Terrie Munro with her colourful display of crochet work. 06_a32PictFest08



Marching along Argyll Street, much to the surprise of shoppers. 06_a32PictFest04



Tayvallich-based artist Jan Oliver with some of her acrylic-based work at the festival. 06_a32PictFest06

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A display of metal working at the Celtic and Pictish Festival. 06_a32PictFest24



Above: Brian MacLennan keeps the head at the festival. 06_a32PictFest20

Left: Inverclyde Waulking Group, or Sgioba Luaidh Inbhurchluaidh, demonstrate waulking the tweed. 06_a32PictFest26

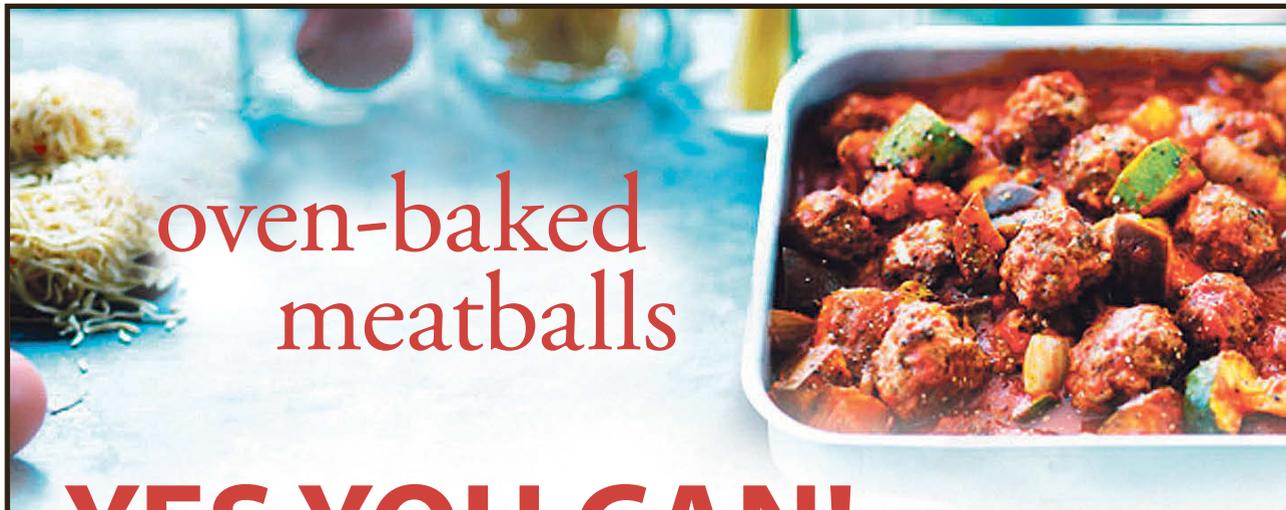
Right: Ceci Alderton from Strachur was there with her woolly hats. 06_a32PictFest07



Six-year-old Aiden McBride gets seriously Celtic at the Kilmartin Museum stand. 06_a32PictFest31



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If the idea of camping calls to mind images of a mouldy tent, a leaky air mattress and muddy clothes, then you haven't been introduced to the joys of glamping. According to Niche Brands, glamping itself was first heard of in the UK in 2005; however, it isn't the first time it has been around in Scotland. Luxurious camping can be seen as early on as the 16th century when the Earl of Atholl prepared many tents for King James V with a vast amount of wine and food that he had grown accustomed to in his palace.

Glamping – or glamorous camping – is seeing strong growth in the UK as some holidaymakers stick closer to home for their vacations.

Glamping fascinates more and more people who would otherwise not be interested in camping holidays. It has become especially popular with families and the over-65s but, more and more, couples and even solos are discovering how fabulous a camping trip can really be. Or maybe you are a holidaymaker who loves nature, but does not want to buy their own camping equipment. Today's glamping accommodations range from luxury bungalows, lodge tents and original sleeping quarters such as tree houses, yurts, circus wagons, barrel cabins and teepees.

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Imagination and colour at Lochgilphead Lego Show



Bravely taking on the Lego firewalk were 10-year-old Eilidh Flanagan and Mirren Bowden, nine. 06_a32LegoShow08

A vast array of imaginative models were on display at the two-day Lochgilphead Lego Show.

Lochgilphead Community Centre was the venue for the weekend of plastic brick magic on Saturday and Sunday, August 4 and 5.

Interactive workshops with Glasgow-based Bricks4Kids gave an insight into basic engineering using Lego, while the imagination room did exactly what the name suggests. The Lego firewalk was a big hit with daredevils of all ages, and there was a mini figure design competition, won by Eilidh Cameron, Jack McMillan and Eilidh Flanagan.

Organisers thanked the helpers Kevin, Christina, Shirley, Hannah, Sarah, Fiona and Katie, Heather and Ben, and the local business who provided raffle prizes.

They also acknowledged

the support of everyone who helped build the models and Raymond for providing access to his collection.

Special thanks went to sponsors Taylor Wishart Scaffolding, MAYDS, The Empire Lodge and to Midton Arlytics for designing and producing the trophies and Live Argyll for the use of its premises.



R2D2 of Star Wars made an appearance. 06_a32LegoShow07



Never mind the brilliant models, Dexter Forsythe, aged four, just wanted to play with Lego. 06_a32LegoShow14

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Sponsor Lewis Anderson of Midton Acrylics with his three-year-old son Calvin, who was having a great time. 06_a32LegoShow04



Elidh proudly shows off her creation, a Lego Friends cruise ship. 06_a32LegoShow09



Sam Brown and Carrie Barr from Bricks4Kids made basic engineering fun with Lego. 06_a32LegoShow13



The working Lego models were incredibly detailed. 06_a32LegoShow02



It took a month just to build the base for this Lego Statue of Liberty. 06_a32LegoShow01



Left: Lewis Hendry from Inveraray spent weeks building his fantastic Lego models, including one of a London double decker bus. 06_a32LegoShow10



Event organiser Yasmine Bowden draws the raffle.



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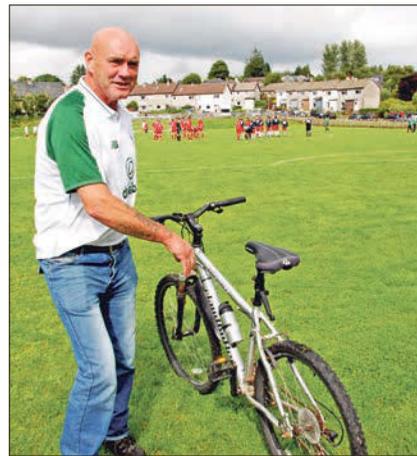
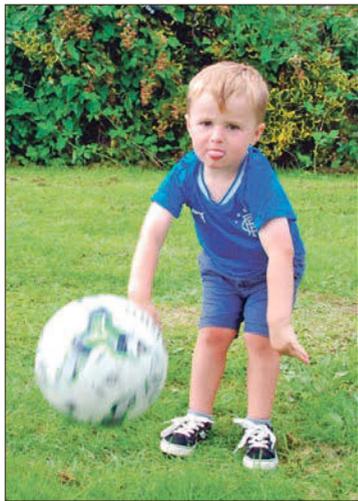
Colin Cameron

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Eight football teams gathered in Lochgilphead last weekend to knock lumps out of one another all day in the Argyll and Bute Cup – before Lochgilphead Red Star lost out in the final to Oban Saints.

There was the usual fierce determination from the players, accompanied by fruity language from pitch and sidelines – but it wasn't all Deep Heat and sliding tackles.

Read all about the action from last weekend's matches on page 42.



And the Beard of the Tournament award goes to – Kilsyth goalie Gordon Murray 06_a32ABC_Other07; the Ropework grandstand 06_a32ABC_Other04; do you know this man? A two-wheeled pitch invasion before the semi-final penalty shoot-out between Campbeltown Pupils and Oban Saints 06_a32ABC_Other05; what would football be without the oranges cut into quarters? 06_a32ABC_Other03; two-year-old Jamie Burns was there cheering on Campbeltown Pupils with his dad. 06_a32ABC_Other02;



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A sense of place at Cairndow

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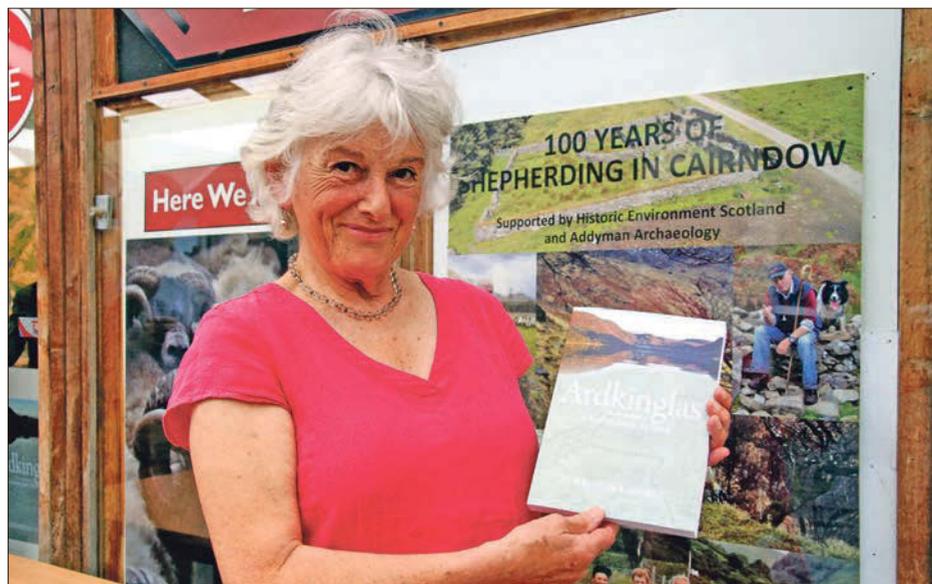
Around 60 people – a mixture of folk belonging to Cairndow and many others with a connection to the area – squeezed into the Here We Are centre at Clachan.

They were there to witness the official launch of a book by Christina Noble entitled *Ardkinglas – The Biography of a Highland Estate*, published by Birlinn.

The book is an account of the people, places and stories on the estate since 1905, when Christina's great-grandfather, industrialist Sir Andrew Noble, purchased the 45,000-acre property.

After introductions by historian Dr Annie Tindley, who assisted with the technical aspects of the book, appetites were whetted at the launch when local people read extracts.

Dot Beattie opened proceedings, reading the words of her mother Alice recalling family life of years gone by. Builder John MacDonald followed with colourful tales of Archie McVicar, with



Christina Noble with a copy of the new book

whom he worked as a young man. Greta Cameron talked about the early years of the Oyster Bar, established on the estate in the late 1970s by Christina's brother Johnny Noble, along with fish farmer Andy Lane.

Piecing together records from her father's journal, estate records and blending these with the recollections of the people of the estate, Christina has created a

remarkable piece of work. This book is not just about the Nobles, but the Ardkinglas community, the people who make it and have made it, and the story of how they lived and worked.

'I'm very pleased that so many people have come along today for our launch party,' said Christina.

'Ardkinglas is a place that is very dear to me, and the place and the people have contrib-

uted to making me who I am today. It feels like home.'

Publisher Hugh Andrew said: 'I think it's a marvellous book. It was a pleasure to work with Christina, and she's definitely a lady who knows her mind in all things.'

Ardkinglas: The Biography of a Highland Estate can be purchased at the Argyll Book Centre in Lochgilphead or from the Here We Are centre next to Loch Fyne Oysters.



Christina Noble signs a copy of her book for Jean Verrall, now of Stirling but a former Lochgoilhead resident.

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A round of applause for Greta Cameron during her reading from the book.

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Art society exhibition colour and culture

Mid Argyll Art Society's 51st annual exhibition opened on Monday August 6.

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ing oils, acrylics, charcoal, watercolour and tapestry.

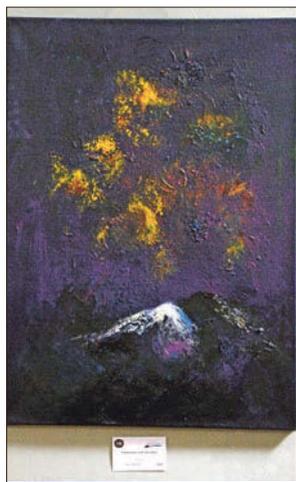
As befits an art show in Argyll, the speciality of exhibiting beautiful landscapes continued. A large painting of three well-drawn fish caught the eye on entering the Drill Hall.

There were also paintings and photographs of boats, flowers, birds and animals, with a striking painting of a Mystic Cat adding to the mix. There were also portraits and figure drawings along with abstract work. It all makes for an excellent display which, in the main, came from amateur artists.

On Monday, 104 people had visited the exhibition, with five days of the event remaining.

A remark in the visitors' comments book read: 'Great work. Some very creative pieces.' A number of sales were made.

The show ends tomorrow (Saturday August 11) at 2pm.



Sue Hillman's Fireworks over the Alps. 08_a32artexhibition10



Exhibits from Mid Argyll Camera Club. 08_a32artexhibition16



Water and sealife were a running theme. 08_a32artexhibition07



Matthew Manao's Scottish Stag. 08_a32artexhibition01



Right: Alexander Hamilton's Off Shore. 08_a32artexhibition13

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Visitor centres reported that the highest number of visitors came from Germany and the USA, followed by those from India, China and Japan.

Karen Betts, Scotch Whisky Association chief executive, said: 'These record figures are great news for the industry and great news for Scotland.'

The cabinet secretary for culture, tourism and external affairs Fiona Hyslop MSP welcomed the survey results.

Ms Hyslop said: 'These record figures show the value of the industry and how well-regarded Scotch whisky is to tourists from the UK and abroad.'



Rapid sales at the Springbank Malts Festival open day. 25_c22springbank18

Mr Toad comes to Lochgilphead

After last year's success of The Wizard of Oz, Mid Argyll Musical Society is once again going into the realms of make-believe and getting ready for this year's show - The Adventures of Mr Toad.

The show is based on Kenneth Graham's The Wind in the Willows and follows the daring and hilarious exploits of Toad and his friends Badger, Mole and Rat.

Of course, all adventures have to have baddies - in this case the Chief Weasel and all his cronies.

Throw into the mix a crazy Lady Magistrate, a policeman, a washerwoman, a pretty young girl and all the creatures of the riverbank and we have a riotous, fast-moving show with musical numbers ranging from ballad to punk rock.

Join the fun whether you want to sing, act, dance, make costumes or scenery and be part of The Adventures of Mr Toad. Rehearsals start on Thursday August 16 at 7pm in Lochgilphead Community Centre and thereafter on Sunday afternoons and Thursday evenings in Ardrishaig Hall.

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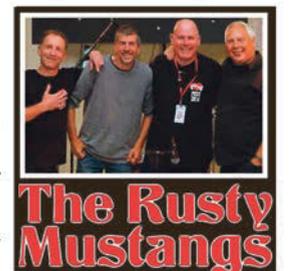
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area, on August 19 from 11am to 8pm. Food and drink from a selection of Argyll and the Isles-based companies will also be on offer, including Loch Fyne Oysters, Winston Churchill Venison, Coast Coffee from Dunoon and Bute Brew.

The event is not just about

food and drink and will feature Argyll and Bute's unique artists, designers, musicians and actors.

Items on display include jewellery, furniture design, printmaking and textiles, with musical to theatrical entertainment.

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CHArts is a growing network which brings together creative people and organisations living and working in the region.

CHArts aims to promote its network through local and national platforms and provide real opportunities for growth for culture, heritage and arts.

The festival is the first in a long line of upcoming opportunities from which the network can benefit.

Wild About Argyll is the face of Argyll and the Isles Tourism Co-operative Ltd



Woodwork from Lochgoilhead's Bearmakes will feature.

(AITC), which works at a local and national level promoting Argyll and the Isles as a must-visit destination.



Helensburgh-based Pippa Reid-Foster will play her clarsach at the festival.



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The 40-piece orchestra is currently on a 70-date tour around Scotland on its mission to provide 'music for everyone, everywhere' and arrived on Sunday afternoon, August 5, at Auchindrain to perform a lively mix of classical, ceilidh and even a bit of the Proclaimers before heading off to Craignish Village Hall for another recital later that evening.

One concert-goer, Davy MacDonald, expressed his admiration for the Ensemble. He said: 'What they're doing is so important because normally to go and see an orchestra you need £20, £30 right away but you don't see that up here.'

'It's the best gig venue I've been at in a while.'

'It's been really great,' said Nevis Ensemble general manager Jamie Munn. 'The musicians only met last Friday in Garelochhead, but despite never having played together we did our first concert four days later. Most of them are not from Scotland. Many are from the Netherlands, Belgium, Finland, the US, Australia and New Zealand. Most of them have never been to Scotland before, so coming to the Highlands is really lovely.'

'Yesterday we had a performance on a vegetable farm in Glasgow among the runner beans, which was nice, but this is the first one on the border of the Highlands so it's great to be surrounded by hills and mountains.'

The concert was free to at-



Worth the journey as the Nevis Ensemble arrive in idyllic Auchindrain.

tend and saw a large number of locals and tourists turning out to enjoy the music, with many getting up to join the ensemble for a dance at the end.

Though the orchestra had been delayed on its drive up from Glasgow, spectator Frances Doherty said it didn't affect the mood.

'The fact the weather was so nice meant you didn't mind.'

No-one got anxious or fidgety because it was so nice just sitting there enjoying it all,' she said. 'It was a fantastic setting and the music was brilliant.'

Alison Hay, convener of The Auchindrain Trust, said: 'We are delighted to have been able to welcome Nevis Ensemble to the museum and pleased that everyone who attended the concert enjoyed themselves so much.'



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The Chinese folk tale was displayed in the MAYDS hall by the Monday drama club, bringing fairies and spells to Lochgilphead. The play was put together by James Quarton and Andrea Fisher with the help of a grant from Lotteries Funds For All.

Next stop is Madame Butterfly on Broadway.

Sadie Johnstone with fairies Neve Bowden, Myah Long, Ellen MacBrayne and Zara White. 08_a32MAYDSplay01

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Friends and colleagues gathered to mark Archie McArthur's retirement from the position of general manager of Ormsary, Inver and Drums Estates.

Archie grew up at Kilmory Castle Home Farm and farmed in Canada prior to starting as grieve for Sir William Lithgow at Ormsary in 1977.

He started on £50 a week, plus milk and potatoes. Within four years Archie had been promoted to farm manager at Ormsary – then

with 12 farm workers and a small dairy operation.

He later became general manager at Ormsary, also overseeing the Lithgows' properties in Renfrewshire and on Jura.

Among other achievements, he served with distinction as president of the Highland Cattle Society. His skill as a judge of Highland cattle has taken him across Europe, Australia, Canada and the USA.

With his wife Anne, Archie also found time to raise Lynsey, now an accident and emergency nurse in Mid Argyll Hospital, and Shona, a radiographer at the Golden Jubilee Hospital in Clydebank. Archie is session clerk of South Knapdale Parish Church.

He and Anne will be kept busy in retirement on their own farm holding near Kilberry.

James Lithgow said: 'After 40 harvests, we are sorry to be losing a good man, but Archie can be rightly proud of the farm at Ormsary and the many younger farmers he



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Kilmartin farmer Bruce Dixon died in the autumn last year and organisers want to remember the part he played in the show.

Show secretary Dee Lyon said: 'Everyone who knew Bruce will be remembering the great contribution made by him over many years.'

'His knowledge of our farming industry was second to none and his willingness to help anyone was without question.'

She added: 'Many of us will always remember his laugh, which would be heard across the showfield.'

In memory of Bruce, seats and benches have been bought and will be placed around the ringside for spectators.

To encourage the next generation of livestock farmers, judges at this year's Mid



Bruce Dixon, here showing cattle in 2010, will be remembered at this year's Mid Argyll Show. 06_a34maas03

Argyll Show will be young farmers.

The 121st Mid Argyll Show will be held on Saturday August 11 at Kilmory showfield behind Lochgilphead Joint Campus.

There will be plenty of family fun and entertainment as well as fierce competition in baking, crafts, flower and vegetable classes, as well as

the ever-popular horse shows, dog show and livestock sections.

Headlining in the main show ring this year is Dangerous Steve, performing hair-raising fire and chainsaw juggling stunts.

Loch Fyne Pipe Band and talented young Highland dancers will perform, and children's competitions plus bouncy castles, trampolines, climbing wall and more will ensure families enjoy a great day out.

Judging to decide the Mid Argyll Show supreme champion will take place at around 3pm in the main ring.

Entry to the show is £7 and £3 for concessions, with under-fives free. Disabled parking is available onsite.

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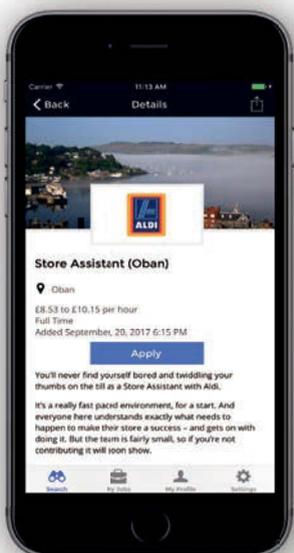
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CRAIGNISH

Craignish Village Hall's summer ceilidh will be held on Sunday August 12, featuring music from Craignish's own ceilidh band.

The ceilidh is free to enter at Craignish Villiage hall, with a fully licensed bar.

ARDFERN

Th' Arr-dfern Pirate Parade of 2018 will kick off on Saturday August 25. Muster at noon at the land-lubbin' village hall an' prepare fer a 12.30pm parade to the gallery.

From 1pm, thur be pirate burgers, hot dogs, pulled pork rolls, chips 'n' grub available from Arr-gyll Hog Roast on th' gallery lawn.

Death defyin wheel barrow racin' to follow for those who dare.

Contact The Fox at 500685 with any queries, or a bottle o' rum.

TAYVALLICH

The annual Tayvallich flower show took place on Wednesday August 8.

Ted Self presented prizes to green-fingered competitors who gathered in Tayvallich Village Hall to present their plants to competitions such as tallest sunflower and heaviest potato.

CAMPBELTOWN

A Campbeltown pedaller joined an Argyll peloton for this year's RideLondon 100 event.

The eight-week London heatwave came to an abrupt

end just in time for the cycling quartet to take to the roads.

Campbeltown cyclist Marjorie Leighton had enthused so much after taking part last year, that she encouraged three Mid Argyll friends - Morag MacNicol, Catriona Crawford and Iain MacNicol - to participate in this year's challenge.

The Argyll cyclists beat the target required for their chosen charity, Bloodwise (formerly Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research) which helps to fund research for specific types of cancer. This charity was selected because each of the participants has had some experience with cancer. The cyclists said: 'We would like to thank everyone who has donated so far for this very worthwhile cause.'

They have currently raised approximately £3,000 and will keep the JustGiving page open until the end of August should anyone wish to donate. <https://justgiving.com/fundraising/morag-macnicol>

FORD

Friday August 31, bat evening, 8pm. Meet at the Heart of Argyll Wildlife Organisation centre.

Adults £6, children £3, families £14. More information at heartofargyllwildlife.org. All walks subject to weather conditions. Booking is advised on 01546810279

Ford's village hall is hosting a celebration for its re-opening on Sunday August 26. As part of Ford fun day, the celebrations will include a party in the evening featuring a live band.



Christiane Burns has 'braved the shave' for Macmillan Cancer Support.

TARBERT

Christiane Burns of Tarbert has 'braved the shave' for Macmillan Cancer Support. In a brave move to raise money for the charity, Christiane has shaved off her hair.

To donate £5, text SHAVE 13483 to 70550.

Tarbert was hosting its annual Marie

Curie tea party on Wednesday August 8 in the Templers arts and leisure hall between 2pm and 4pm.

Every year villagers raise an amazing amount of money which is used locally to provide care to people in their homes.

Event organisers are asking for support again this year. Any baking would be gratefully received and can be handed into the surgery or the Templers hall after 12.30pm.

Thought for the Week
with Marilyn Shedden

I had never heard of 'boomwhackers', let alone played one. However, I had my introduction at the Presbytery youth camp on Cowal last Thursday.

It was great fun and was just part of a super day with more than 50 teenagers enjoying lots of activities at the Benmore Centre.

There was kayaking, canoeing, rock climbing, abseiling, biking, caving, music, art and much more. I stuck to the more 'grounded' pursuits!

However, the best part of the day was the many wonderful conversations with these enthusiastic young people. They are an inspiration as they face the world with hopes and dreams and visions.

As well as having a lot of fun together, they consider the serious issues in the world today.

Folk from Christian Aid had spent a day with them simulating, as near as possible, what it would be like to be a refugee.

They had to consider what was truly important in their lives. They had to think what they would prioritise if they only had minutes to flee their homes and could only take one thing with them.

This really moved the young people as they considered what was of real value in their lives.

I wonder what you would stop to take with you if you had to make that choice.

Our lives are cluttered with possessions and often they dull our vision and blind us to what is really important.

This exercise inspired the young people to want to do something.

I went home tired, but so refreshed and enthused from being in the company of these visionaries of the future.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

'Praise the Lord, O my soul:
all my inmost being, praise his
holy name' (Psalm 103:1).

DEATHS

MCCALLUM - Peacefully, with her family by her side, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on August 4, 2018, Elizabeth Jean Vernall (Betty), in her 80th year, 24 Barochan Place, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Donald McCallum, much loved mum of Iain, Peter, Stuart and Lindsay, loving granny of Thomas, Laura-Jane, John, Abigail, Christie, Donald, Marnie, Sophie, Kyle, Logan and Emma, and great granny to Liam. Funeral service in the Highland Parish Church, today Friday, August 10, 2018 at 1.00pm, thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Marie Semple Fund and the RNIB.

SKILLING - Peacefully, at the Kintyre Care Centre, Campbeltown, on August 2, 2018, Mary McQuilkan Shaw, in her 87th year, formerly of Dairy Cottage, Largie, Tayinloan, dearly beloved wife of the late Samuel Skilling, formerly of Lynn Walk, Garelochhead, much loved mother of William, Anne, Callum and Mhairi and a loving granny and great granny. Funeral service in A'Chleit Church, on Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at 1.00pm, thereafter to Killean Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation.

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HAMILTON - Marianne and the family of the late Annie McNeill would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy received following their recent sad loss. Special thanks to Dr Lazarus, Mari Allibone and all former staff at Auchinlee and Lorne Campbell Court for their lovely care and attention to Annie over the last four years. Grateful thanks to Kenneth Blair for his professional and caring arrangements, to Rev Philip Wallace for his comforting words and to all who attended at the crematorium.

MACBRAYNE - The family of the late William (Willie) MacBrayne would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy received following

their recent sad loss. The family would like to thank Dr Lazarus, Dr Toledo, community staff and Acute Ward staff for their care and kindness, which was greatly appreciated. Special thanks to the home care team, who took such good care of Willie over the last three and a half years, thank you! Sincere thanks to the Rev Crooks for a comforting service, pianist David McEwan, for his beautiful music, T A Blair Funeral Directors for their professional and caring arrangements and the Ardshiel for a lovely purvey. Finally, sincere thanks to everyone who attended the church and graveside and gave to the retiral collection, which will be split between Shopper-Aide and the Acute Ward at Campbeltown Hospital.

MUNRO - The family of the late Margaret Munro would like to thank all family, friends and neighbours for the lovely flowers, cards, telephone calls, expressions of sympathy and support received following the sad loss of Margaret. The family would like to thank Dr Lazarus, Dr Norrie and community nurses for their care and attention, which was greatly appreciated. Sincere thanks to Rev Catriona Hood for a fitting service, organist Catherine Black for beautiful music, T A Blair, funeral directors for their professional and caring arrangements and Argyll Bakeries for their lovely purvey at Stronvaar Bowling Club. Finally, sincere thanks to everyone who attended the church and graveside and gave generously to the retiral collection which raised £428.91 for Cancer Research and Kintyre Community Nursing Team.

IN MEMORIAM

ADCOCK - Keira, August 11, 2000 - December 19, 2003. As we raise a glass We'll shed a tear We'll always wish that you were here. Happy 18th Birthday Keira! Love from all the family xxxx. Jah Bless.

ALLAN - Sweet and happy memories of our darling youngest son, Iain Kelly, died July 30, 2006. Also my beloved husband, Robert Galbraith (Big Bert), died August 13, 2006. Love and miss you both so much, till we meet again. Always and ever. - Jean xx.

MACLENNAN - In loving memory of our mum, Elizabeth, died August 12, 1985. Memory drifts to scenes long past, Time rolls on, but memories last. Always loved. - Lorne, Leone, Darren and Laurene x.

MACLENNAN - Fond memories of our beloved sister, Elizabeth, who died August 12, 1985. Also of our nephew, Kevin, who died on June 21, 2010. Missing you both. - From Rachael, John and family.

MACMILLAN - Treasured memories of a loving husband, dad and papa, David, who passed away August 15, 2017. A light from our family is gone, A voice we love is still, A place is vacant in our hearts, No one can ever fill. - Katrina, Sharon, Lorraine and families.

MCGOUGAN - Remembering Meiky, a loving dad and husband, died August 14, 2016. Memories are a gift to treasure, Ours of you will last forever. - Love from the family.

MCKENZIE - In loving memory of Sandy, who died August 11, 2005. Loved and missed. - Jane and girls xxx.

MORRISON - In loving memory of my fiancé, Murdo, who died August 13, 2009. It is nine years since you slept away I knew forever you would not stay My heart still aches, my tears still flow For what it meant to lose you, No one will ever know. - Annie xxx.

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11.00 am
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Sunday 12th August
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Saints retain Argyll and Bute Cup

Lochgilhead Red Star once again hosted the Argyll and Bute Cup – and for the second year in a row they reached the final, only to be outlasted by an impressive Oban Saints side.

The eventual finalists on Saturday August 4 met in their opening group game at the Joint Campus 3G with the sides playing out a high tempo 0-0 draw, with Kyle Selfridge going close for Star. Saints had the majority of possession in the second 20 minutes but the Star back line of Kyle Selfridge, Andy Weir and Luke Naisby remained resolute, along with Luke Kalache in goal.

The other sides in group two were debutants Port Glasgow, who ran out 2-0 winners against Neilston as two first-half goals sealed the match in the Inverclyde men's favour.

Red Star's next game against Neilston was an entertaining affair. After a goalless first half, Star took the lead through Ian McGuinness before an equaliser from Neilston after some sloppy defending. Innes Meikle restored the Red Star advantage with a long-range effort which he curled away from the Neilston keeper for 2-1.

Star were once again pegged back, however, as a free kick into the box bamboozled Kalache in and ended up in the back of the net.

Just as it looked like the points would be shared, Gregor Peacock got on the end of a Cammy MacDonald flick on and headed into the net to secure a 3-2 win for the hosts.

Oban Saints and Port Glasgow took to the Astro next and the Oban side soon got into their stride and ran out comfortable 2-0 winners to move to the top of the section on goal difference.

Saints stayed on to play their final group match against Neilston and they continued to play some excellent attacking football with Donald

Campbell scoring the pick of the goals in a 3-0 win to secure top spot.

This left Red Star and Port Glasgow to face each other in the final game to determine who would go through as runners-up. Both sides were keen to secure the victory but the defences remained on top in a 0-0 draw and the Lochgilhead side made it through after picking up five points from their three matches with Port Glasgow finishing on four.

Over at the Ropework, Campbeltown Pupils opened up their campaign with a 1-0 victory over local rivals Tarbert. Kilsyth, making their tournament debut, also got off to an excellent start with a 3-1 victory over Dunoon.

Dunoon stayed on to play against old rivals Campbeltown Pupils in what turned out to be a feisty encounter with the Pupils running out 2-1 winners thanks to a Martin McCallum free kick in the final minute.

Tarbert then took on Kilsyth in a 1-1 stalemate before fighting out another draw with Dunoon to end the campaign with two points.

This left Kilsyth and Pupils fighting for the top two spots in the final match of the section and the North Lanarkshire side edged the tie 1-0 to secure top spot and a semi-final against Red Star.

The first semi-final saw Oban Saints take on Campbeltown Pupils, with Saints taking the lead in the first half after Fraser McFarlane was felled in the box. Up stepped Lewis Cameron to make no mistake from the spot.

Pupils weren't lying down, however, and got back into the game with a penalty of their own to equalise, and will be disappointed not to have forced a winner late on.

The match was decided by a penalty shoot-out and Saints eventually came out in top 6-5 in a contest that



The victorious Oban Saints side.

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swung back and forward, providing some excellent entertainment for the crowd.

The second semi-final also proved to be an exciting affair as Red Star took on Kilsyth. The hosts fell behind early on when Kilsyth opened the scoring after their midfielder finished well from 20 yards to beat Kalache in the Star goal.

Red Star equalised soon after with a Ben Forbes wonder strike from 30 yards which thundered past the Kilsyth keeper. Star took the lead when Gregor Peacock was barged in the box and Andy Weir stepped up to fire the penalty beyond the 'keeper to give the hosts the lead. Kilsyth were causing Star plenty of problems, however, and were level again before the half-time whistle when a scramble in the box saw the ball deflect in off the unfortunate Luke Naisby.

The winner came for Star early in the second half when Kilsyth couldn't clear a free kick into the box and the ball broke kindly to John Kennedy, who volleyed home to secure the win and send Red Star into the final where, for the second year in a row, they would face Oban Saints.

Into the final and the Red Star side were clearly feeling the effects of



Red Star's Gregor Peacock slides in to challenge Oban Saints' Shaun MacIver during the final. 06_a32ABC01

their exertions as they struggled to contain a fluid Oban Saints attack early on. Saints had a couple of good attempts saved by Luke Kalache before Matt Rippon opened the scoring after the ball broke kindly on the edge of the box.

The Premier Division side put themselves 2-0 up on the stroke of half-time when more good play saw the ball fall to Shaun MacIver who bundled home.

The second half saw Saints stretch their lead through James Ford before Cammy McDonald pulled a late consolation for Red Star but it was Oban Saints who ran out deserved

3-1 victors and won the tournament for the second year running.

Saints also had the player of the tournament, which was awarded to Lewis Cameron who was excellent throughout the day.

Red Star would like to thank all the teams and officials who took part in the competition, as well as the Stag Hotel for their excellent hospitality.

Tomorrow Red Star round off their pre-season schedule with a home match against Helensburgh which will take place at the Ropework, with a 2pm kick-off.

Turn to page 23 for more photos from the Argyll and Bute Cup.



A stramash in the box during the Red Star-Oban Saints final. 06_a32ABC08



John Kennedy fires home the winner for Red Star in the semi-final against Kilsyth.

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David Ronald on the attack for Tarbert versus Kilsyth in their group match. 06_a32AB03

The Fun Fours football forms firm friendships



There was a good turnout for the Ardrishaig Community Trust's 'Fun Fours' football game on Saturday August 4. About a dozen players of various ages joined the game on Saturday morning, as part of Ardrishaig Gala Day to have a friendly match. Despite the drab weather, the boys enjoyed themselves and were raring to join the celebrations after their match. 08_a32funfour05

McGlynn wins Mundell Memorial Open

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most enthusiastic member, Malcolm McAlpine, who was left wondering what might have been.

The scratch prize went to Ross Sinclair on 71 with the better inward half over Lee Mathieson, while locals Iain Macalister and Bruce MacNab took the other two places with 72 and 73 respectively.

Closest to the pin at the eighth was Ryan McGlynn; longest drive at the second was Iain Johnstone Jr.

Captain Chris Smyth in his closing remarks thanked all visitors who made the effort to support the open, especially the gents from Shiskine Golf Club on Arran who are great supporters.

Also to the ladies of the club who did a fantastic job all day and to Graham Prentice for his excellent presentation of the course.

This Saturday is the first round of the Archie MacNab Memorial Stableford take place at Glenralloch.

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INSIDE THIS WEEK:
 Saints retain Argyll and Bute Cup

Red Star host a feast of football at A&B Cup day



Eight teams took part in the Argyll and Bute Cup in Lochgilphead last weekend. Player of the tournament was Lewis Cameron of the eventual winners Oban Saints, and he is pictured above putting Lorne Robertson of Campbeltown Pupils under pressure in the semi-final. Much more on page 42.

McGlynn wins James Mundell Memorial Open

Forty seven players gathered at Glenralloch for the playing of the James Mundell Memorial Open in perfect golfing conditions on Sunday August 5.

Early starter Ryan McGlynn, who has returned to top form of late, set the early pace with a superb one under par 65-3 for 62 net. Ryan had four birdies in his round, one of which was at the eighth where he almost had a hole in one.

This was going to be a difficult score to beat but another man returning to form, Duncan Johnstone, gave it a good go with a net 64 which included a back nine of 34.

Lochgilphead's Alec McAulay always plays well at Tarbert and this time was no different with his net 65. He was joined on 65 by Tarbert's

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Late Inveraray surge leaves islanders sweating

Bute	3
Inveraray	2
South Division One	

Bute saw off a late fight-back from the Inveraray second team to win at the Meadows.

With Gregor Mather missing for Inveraray and Graham MacPherson serving the second of a two-match suspension, Kieran Kirkhope provided cover in goal.

The sun was shining as the hosts drew first blood, punishing the Inveraray defence for not dealing with a routine corner. The ball made its way through to the unmarked Robert Walker who had the simple task of tapping the ball home to open the scor-

ing with 15 minutes played. Bute's centre line started to dominate play and John MacCallum set up Iain MacDonald who made it 2-0 five minutes before the break.

Inveraray came out stronger in the second half, enjoying the bulk of play, but it was Bute who scored a third goal with Robert Walker netting with 15 minutes remaining.

The goal seemed to spark life into the Inveraray team who went on to score two goals in a four-minute spell.

Craig Taylor fired home an unstoppable shot on 79 minutes, and just a few of minutes later captain John MacKenzie made it 3-2.

The visitors almost snatched a draw at the death

through a Steven Cameron shot which went just inches wide of goal.

Taynuilt	2
Kilmory	3
South Division One	

Alister MacArthur scored twice as Kilmory beat Taynuilt at the Taynuilt Sports Field.

Taynuilt started strongly, but, while they dominated play, the Kilmory keeper didn't have a save to make as the home side missed chances.

The second half was only three minutes old when Alister MacArthur, who individually has scored more goals than the whole

Taynuilt team this season, showed the reason why by firing the ball past Reid in the Taynuilt goal.

He repeated the feat five minutes later to give Kilmory a two-goal cushion.

This seemed to stir Taynuilt into action and David Campbell scored from the edge of the D on the hour to reduce the deficit.

Taynuilt went all out for the equaliser but were caught out on 72 minutes when Sandy Leiper ran away from his marker and laid the ball off to Ally MacLennan to slip it past Reid and restore Kilmory's two-goal advantage.

It was a crucial strike as

the home side pulled a goal back just six minutes later after a well-worked corner between David Campbell and Jamie MacFarlane, with the latter firing a shot past the Kilmory keeper to make it 3-2.

Taynuilt laid siege to the Kilmory goal for the remainder of the game but they lacked the composure to get an equaliser.

Best for Kilmory were Jones, Cunningham and MacArthur and man of the match Leiper.

Kilmory leapfrog Taynuilt in the league and unless Taynuilt can find someone to put the ball in the net, they are going to be in the relegation dog-fight.



Ryan McGlynn.



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