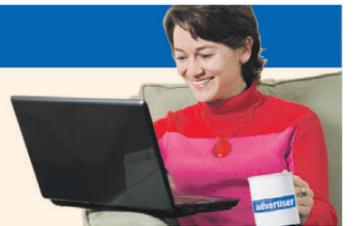




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## Council boundary plans 'ridiculous' Ardrishaig set for Kintyre move

REPORT by  
**COLIN CAMERON**

PLANS to re-draw the local government boundaries of Argyll and Bute could 'destroy' attempts to regenerate rural areas, according to Mid Argyll community leaders.

Under the proposals - by the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland - Ardrishaig, Achnamara and Tayvallich would become part of Kintyre, while Lochgilhead would be lumped in with areas including Dalavich, Dalmally, Tyndrum and Bridge of Orchy in the new 'Mid Argyll' ward.

The idea behind the scheme is to create council wards with approximately equal numbers of voters in each.

The boundary commission's plans affect the whole of Scotland - but will result in an overall reduction of just four in the number of councillors and one ward relative to current arrangements.

Proposals for wards in the Argyll and Bute Council area would leave the region with 33 councillors representing seven wards with three members and three wards of four members, reducing the number of wards in the area by one and councillor numbers by three.

The commission has said that the outline plans incorporate suggestions from Argyll and Bute Council.

The local authority, however, issued a letter to the boundary commission in June this year opposing the plans.

The letter, from the local authority's head of governance and law, Charles Reppke, said: 'There is significant concern at the impact these proposals will have on existing communities, which will see a number of major changes in the current arrangements which will lead to the break-up of existing community connections

and cohesion, and which the council believes very strongly will be the subject of much public outcry and concern when you consult with them...'

At a meeting of Lochgilhead Community Council (LCC) earlier this week, there was incredulity among those present as the chairman outlined the plans for Mid Argyll.

Echoing the concerns expressed by the local authority, LCC members voiced fears for the future of current community initiatives to regenerate the local area.

One community councillor said: 'We're trying to get Mid Argyll back on its feet, and these proposals could destroy it and blow it out of the water.'

'Does Ardrishaig know it's going to be in Kintyre, and does Tayvallich want to move there?' LCC vice chair, Betty Rhodick, asked.

Councillor Donnie MacMillan said: 'It's a

numbers game. It's just going by population and it doesn't matter about communities.'

'They say the biggest cost to the council is in travelling expenses, so what will this do for costs and for the representation of the people? This is ridiculous', commented another LCC member.

The Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland is currently consulting on the proposed changes to council ward boundaries. The public consultation ends on October 22.

The proposals will be on public display in council offices and published on their website.

Comments on the proposals can be submitted through the commission's consultation portal website, [www.consultation.lgbc-scotland.gov.uk](http://www.consultation.lgbc-scotland.gov.uk), by email to [lgbcsc@scottishboundaries.gov.uk](mailto:lgbcsc@scottishboundaries.gov.uk), or in writing to Thisle House, 91 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh, EH12 SHD.

## What a show!



Show champion puppy, Holly, with proud owner, Kayla, and her winning rosette. aaMAS13

Last weekend's Mid Argyll show offered a great day out for all the family. Don't miss our round-up of the big day on pages 13, 14 and 15.

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**Government's £18m rural broadband boost**

The Scottish government has pledged £18million to help bring broadband to rural communities.

The boost will be given to speed up the roll-out of the Digital Scotland Superfast Broadband scheme. This aims to give 95 per cent of homes access to fibre broadband by the end of 2017, and has already reached 356,000 properties.

**Council cracking down on dog fouling**

ARGYLL and Bute Council is cracking down on dog fouling after a rise in incidents across the area.

The council has already been in touch with several community councils and there have been suggestions that radio adverts and social media could be used to encourage people to report incidents to council wardens.

A step up in patrols and naming and shaming those who don't clean up after their dog have also been discussed.

# Working hard to complete school



Construction work is well under way to the extension 08\_a33school01

ARDRISHAIG primary school is a hive of activity as local building firm, D A MacDonald, works to complete an extension to the building.

MacDonald contractors took over the site on August 5 to complete the work after original contractors, Stewart McNea (Dunoon) Ltd, went into administration

at the end of July. Argyll and Bute Council has confirmed that it expects to have the building ready for pupils by the start of the school year on August 19.

## Police files

**Disturbances**

A 33-year-old man was arrested at 4am on August 5 following a disturbance in the grounds of the Mid-Argyll hospital. The man was allegedly in possession of cannabis resin.

At 1am on 9 August, a 25-year-old man was arrested at Riochan, Inveraray, following a disturbance. He has been detained until a court appearance on other charges.

**Theft**

Car wing mirrors were stolen from a vehicle in Letter Dail, Cairnbann, sometime between 8.30pm on August 4 and 11am on August 5. Police are appealing for information.

**Road accidents**

A crash between a car and an HGV occurred on the A83 near Tarbert at 4.20pm August 5. The 25-year-old car driver has been reported to the procurator fiscal for careless driving.

A three vehicle crash occurred on the A83 at Achnatra near Inveraray at 2.30pm. The road was closed for a short time and no-one sustained serious injuries.

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# Argyll bands take on the world's best

MID Argyll Pipe band will be competing at the World Pipe Band Championships in Glasgow this weekend.

They will be compet-

ing at Glasgow Green in the Grade 4B competition against pipe bands from Ireland, Canada, Switzerland and Oman among others.

Other local bands competing are Kintyre Schools and Oban High School in the Novice Juvenile section, Oban in Grade two and Inveraray and District in Grade one.

We wish all the Argyll bands the best of luck for this weekend.

**Mid Argyll Pipe Band gets in some practice performing at last weekend's Mid Argyll Show.** 06\_a33mapb01

## Support sought for visitor centre at the Rest and Be Thankful

DEVELOPERS hoping to build a visitor attraction overlooking the old military road at the Rest and Be Thankful have claimed the support of motorsport legend, Sir Jackie Stewart.

The project, said to incorporate 'retail, cafe and arts spaces within a contemporary building' is the brainchild of Douglas Anderson, the man responsible for the return of the Monte Carlo Classic Rally to Scotland, back in 2011.

Designs for the the proposed building have been drawn up by KennedyTwaddle Architectural Design.

The glass-fronted building will accommodate adequate parking and may also provide respite for diverted drivers if the A83 major road, running above it, succumbs to further landslips.

'We wanted it to be

sympathetic to its context, but we also wanted to frame the view and accentuate the natural amphitheatre of the valley,' said architect Gary Kennedy.

'We feel it is subtly quiet but also visually exciting.'

Sir Jackie added: 'The top of the Rest and Be Thankful is a beautiful setting with breath-taking scenery.'

### Opportunity

'It would be a tourist attraction to have such a facility as is being proposed and it would provide an opportunity to bolster Scotland's great motor racing heritage and successes around the world which have been going on for a very long time.'

'In Scotland, we don't do enough of this.'

The developers are currently canvassing support for feasibility funding for the scheme.

## Baking their way to a record at Mid Argyll Show

IT'S PERHAPS not surprising, given the tempting selection of delicious home-baked cakes and other delights, but a fundraising drive at Saturday's Mid Argyll Show resulted in a record donation figure.

Local treasurer, Margaret MacDougall, said: 'Thanks to everyone who baked, helped on the day and everyone involved - and of course to

everyone who donated for our charity.'

'Selling teas, coffees and cakes at Mid Argyll Show this year raised £3,469 and it is still rising, and that is our best ever total.'

She added: 'There was very little left to eat at the end.'

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# Jolomo's canal reflections show

POPULAR artist, John Lowrie Morrison, or Jolomo, is currently exhibiting his paintings at Archway in Lochgilphead.

The exhibition, entitled Canal Reflections, focuses on his paintings of the Crinan Canal

as well as canals in the more exotic location of Venice.

There are 30 paintings on display and many have already been sold since the exhibition opened its doors on Saturday. It has received glowing reviews with

one happy customer describing it as 'life affirming' and others commenting on the beautiful colours and contrast between the canals. Pictures cost between £2,200 and £6,000 and can be purchased from Archway.



A selection of the exhibited paintings a33canalreflections01



## Off on their adventures

Pictured above are the 19th Argyll Scouts leaving for their first week-long camp under canvas at the Barwood scout campsite near Falkirk. The scouts will have opportunities to try a range of activities including hill walking, raft building, swimming, caving, archery and canoeing in addition to learning bushcraft and camping skills. They also plan to visit Stirling Castle and the Falkirk Wheel.

### Ditch the tech and get a dog

DOGS Trust has launched a campaign urging parents to get their kids dogs to encourage them away from the computer.

A survey carried out by the charity found 42% of parents said the family got more exercise since getting a dog as they need walking and playing with.

The campaign also wants people to share photos of their dogs.

### Appeal for Children's Panel members

CHILDREN'S Hearings Scotland is looking for people from Argyll and Bute to join their children's panel.

It is looking to fill 560 roles nationally and is particularly keen to hear from men as there must legally be a gender balance at children's hear-

ings. The children's hearing system is unique to Scotland and aims to improve the lives of troubled young people across the country.

#### Deadline

Applicants must be over 18 and the deadline for applications is September 30.

# McFadyens Transport Ltd sponsors Kintyre Schools Pipe Band

KINTYRE'S haulage contractor, McFadyens Transport Ltd, has stepped in to sponsor Kintyre School's Pipe Band's assault on the World Pipe Band Championships at Glasgow Green on Friday and Saturday, August 14 and 15.

Charles McFadyen started his haulage business in 1901 in Campbeltown where he met cargo vessels at the pier and delivered their freight with a horse and cart to local merchants; bricks and coal were regular loads.

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the first motor Lorries were purchased by Archibald McFadyen in the shape of second-hand Bedford tippers.

Historically, a large amount of the business was based on livestock transport but today the business focuses mainly on timber haulage and wind turbine transportation for the renewable energy sector.

McFadyens Transport trucks are well-known and easily recognisable with their original colour scheme: Oxford blue, with contrasting red chassis, white wings, bachelor blue grill and hand-painted livery.

Calume McFadyen said: 'McFadyens Transport is delighted to be given the opportunity to sponsor Kintyre Schools Pipe band on their trip to the world championships and wish them every success.'

Pipe major Ian McKerral thanked McFadyens Transport for their help and support at the upcoming world championships.



The bands will have an early start tomorrow to complete at the World Pipe Band Championships.

The Novice Juvenile Band is due to play at 09.42 and the Juvenile Band will play at 10.04.



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For the first time, more than a million people in Scotland invited for screening in a two-year period (between November 2012 and October 2014) successfully completed and returned their testing kits.

Uptake between those dates was 57.6 per cent, with around 26,000 more kits returned compared to the two-year period November 2011 to October 2013.

The largest increase in uptake was in the most deprived 20 per cent of areas - an increase of nearly two percentage points compared to the previous two year period.

The home bowel screening test is the most effective way to find bowel cancer early - when it can often be cured.

# Courtney Pine to headline Islay Jazz Festival

CELEBRATED saxophonist, Courtney Pine, will headline the Lagavulin Islay Jazz Festival in September, accompanied by MOBO award-winning jazz pianist, Zoe Rahman.

The festival aims for a high quality artistic programme - a showcase of everything that is new and exciting.

The music is presented in the most unusual and atmospheric surroundings - from bird sanctuaries to distilleries - against the beautiful backdrop of the most southerly island in the Hebrides.

Islay is a magical place at all times, and during the festival it has an extra dimension to its allure. Listeners get a choice of music throughout the week-

end. They can mix and match, creating their own odyssey of concerts and places. Decisions may be made according to the appeal of a specific musician, but they might also be made by scheduling a distillery visit, a seafood lunch, a walk on a beach or a birdwatching trip. Alternatively, there is the special limited-edition Jazz Festival bottling of Lagavulin single malt Scotch whisky.

Playing the festival for the first time, Courtney Pine and Zoe Rahman will perform at Lagavulin Malt Mill and Ionad Chalum Chille Ìle. Italian pianist Enrico Zanisi also makes his festival debut, playing three concerts across the island while Alan Barnes and

Jim Mullen fly in from London.

Other highlights of the festival include Brass Gumbo playing a pop-up concert at Bowmore Pier, the mighty 12-piece Fat-Suit at Bowmore Hall, Rose Room, Fergus McCreadie, New Focus Quartet, Islay's 95 Roots while Mario Caribe's Band delivers the grand finale at Bruichladdich Hall.

Stuart Todd of Islay Arts Association, co-promoters of the festival said: 'Visitors to the festival are smitten with the combination of nature and art, and the sense of community which is central to the experience of living on Islay and which can be shared even on a weekend visit.'



Courtney Pine and Zoe Rahman

Dr Nick Morgan, Diageo's head of whisky outreach, commented: 'The festival is a great way to put Islay on the map and we're happy

Lagavulin has been involved for six years.' The Lagavulin Islay Jazz Festival takes place from September 11-13.

### Youthful thumbs up for Highlands and Islands

Young people choose to stay in the Highlands and Islands because of opportunity, strong community links and good quality of life, a report by Highlands and Islands Enterprise has found.

The report also revealed that more than half of the 4,400 people (aged 15-30) who were interviewed thought the region was a better place to stay than it was five years ago, and think it will be better still in 2020.

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All common sense dictates that the new ward boundaries proposed for Argyll and Bute will cause real difficulties, and it is hard to disagree with a view expressed at Monday's Lochgilphead Community Council that they are simply 'ridiculous'.

What, for example, does Lochgilphead have in common with Bridge of Orchy? And do Ardrishaig and Tayvallich want to be shunted into Kintyre?

In other areas, why lump Bute in with part of Cowal - then call the ward 'Bute'? What does Kilmun know about Clynder? It's hard to fathom.

The proposed changes would do nothing for efficiency, and indeed would stand to hinder, rather than help, local democracy. With the best will in the world, councillors would be hard pushed to get round and meet people, never mind get to know the outlying areas. And the increase in travelling expenses is bound to be huge.

It's time for local people to make their views known.

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## Urgent need to update 999 emergency service

Sir,  
Smartphones have become the hub of our daily lives and are now in the pockets of two thirds of UK adults, and the vast majority of young people own one. Even half of 55-64-year-olds now own a smartphone.

The Ofcom 2015 communications market report highlights the urgent need for radical changes to be made to the 999 emergency service so that those in need can text as well as call.

Much of the technology we need to update our emergency service is available today but we urgently need to make progress now, with clear ownership from government and ministerial leadership.

A data-based emergency service would allow people to text alerts via any appropriate app on a chosen easy-to-remember special number, such as 999 - and these alerts would then be passed to the human emergency operator.

The main engineering challenge would be to set up priority routing of alerts to this special number in order to avoid delays at busy times.

This needs to be arranged in consultation with the main mobile and app-based text providers, and with makers of new technology like wearables that might aid or even make emergency calls.

**Prof Will Stewart**  
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## Changes to electoral registration

Sir,  
The Tories are changing the system of electoral registration. This means that people who are still living at the same address as last year will no longer be automatically kept on the electoral register.

That could mean losing your vote for next year's Scottish parliament election and the EU referendum. To be certain of keeping your vote, ensure that someone in your household returns the form which will have been sent to your house by the Electoral Registration Office or register online.

As a former MP, I know that, at every election, there are some people who only find out too late that they are not on the register. With the changes the Tories are making, this could easily happen to more people, so don't forget. Register now.

**Alan Reid**  
Missed opportunity  
by the Scottish  
Government

Sir,  
It is often said that only the best is good enough for The Queen and this is no doubt why Her Majesty will be hauled by a steam locomotive as she opens the Borders Railway. What is regrettable is that the same courtesy and sound engineering principles will not be extended to her subjects for whom the regular service will be provided by unreliable diesel traction.

Yet another missed opportunity by the Scottish govern-

ment who should have used part of their investment in the re-opened Waverley route to support the skills and technology needed for the next generation of steam train construction.

**John Eoin Douglas,**  
Edinburgh

## Inspiring a whole new batch of home bakers

Sir,  
This year's BBC Great British Bake Off is set to inspire a whole new batch of home bakers, and we at the Scottish Women's Institutes (SWI) welcome the impact this programme has on Scots of all ages. It's the icing on the cake to see two Scottish contestants taking part including 19 year old Flora Shedden who comes from a family of SWI members.

Baking and cooking remain skills at the heart of the SWI and I'd like to encourage anyone who is inspired by this year's Great British Bake Off to come and find out more about us. We're currently running some new style meetings across Scotland which are less formal than our more traditional gatherings. We have also removed the word rural from our title (although we're happy to still be called 'The Rural' by generations of Scots!) and we're setting up more city-based institutes with meetings at flexible times.

If this year's Great British Bake Off makes you wish you could learn some new baking skills or improve and challenge yourself with your existing skills please look at our

new website for an institute near you where you'll be given a warm welcome and the chance to learn from generations of Scottish women.

**Christine Hutton,**  
Chairman,  
Scottish Women's Institute

## Fracking and nuclear plants may create thousands of jobs

Sir,  
The SNP's claims of the UK government being anti-business after wind subsidy cuts are hypocritical.

It's rather odd for Nicola Sturgeon to accuse the UK government of being anti-business, when her own administration has blocked both fracking and new nuclear plants, both of which have the potential to create thousands of jobs.

Very many people in Scotland are supportive of the subsidy cut.

We do not want to see wind farms covering every part of rural Scotland, especially when we already have enough to meet our renewable energy targets.

They certainly do not want to be bankrolling them from their electricity bills at a level far above what is justified.

The SNP has to drop this fascination with wind energy and instead develop a balanced energy policy, with a focus on sources that are going to keep the lights on.

**Alastair Redman,**  
Islay.

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Freydis will begin her journey to Norway today, Friday

# Tarbert's Viking ship heads for Norway

VIKINGS will be seen along the Crinan Canal this weekend as Tarbert's Viking ship, Freydis, heads for Norway.

She is due to be a guest at Norway's Tønsberg Viking Festival which takes place between 9-13 September.

Tarbert Viking Festival organiser, Hans Kok, said: 'When we were invited to Tønsberg for their viking festival we

hadn't envisaged taking Freydis. But, as with all good plans, this one grew and, before we knew it, we'd planned a viking adventure.'

The journey will take six weeks and will begin in Tarbert today. Freydis will make some stops in Scotland at Crinan, Corpach, Fort Augustus, Inverness and Burghead before heading north to Norway.

During these stop-off points, there may be opportunities for members of the public to try their hand at sailing or rowing Freydis.

### Promoting

The boat and her crew will not be the only Argyll locals going to Norway for the festival, Hans said: 'We'll be

promoting Argyll to the locals. As well as promoting food from Argyll, we have arranged for the new all-girl Argyll group, Smorach, to perform in Tønsberg. We will, of course, be extending an invitation for a reciprocal visit to the 2017 Loch Fyne Viking Festival.'

### GRADUATIONS



**BILLY RONALD**

Recently graduated from Glasgow Caledonian University with a BSc (Hons) Degree in Computer Games Design. Billy is the son of Billy and Astrid Ronald, Tarbert and the grandson of the late Tom and Mary Brown, Campbeltown and the late Willie and Mona Ronald, Tarbert.

### Runners take to Tarbert

OVER 300 runners are expected for Tarbert's annual 5 and 10K races taking place tomorrow, Saturday.

Organisers have been delighted at the demand for the races and even re-opened entry for a short time at the end of July.

Among the 5k runners will be five fire-fighters from Tarbert who will each run 1k in full fire kit and carrying a dummy for the fire-fighter's charity.

### £18m broadband boost

THE Scottish government has pledged £18m to help bring broadband to rural communities.

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**Success for art exhibition**

THE Mid-Argyll Art Exhibition in Lochgilphead's Drill Hall came to an end on Saturday August 8.

Despite having stiff competition from the Mid-Argyll show, as well as football and golf tournaments, lots of people came through the doors on the final day.

There were complementary messages in the visitors' book and people from as far afield as Israel saw the exhibition.

Mid-Argyll Camera Club contributed some of the 150 exhibits on show which helped broaden the appeal and it will be something they will look to do again in the future.

Mid-Argyll Art Society would like to thank all who made the exhibition possible including all artists and photographers as well as the army which allowed them to use the Drill Hall.

# One Tongue tour Argyll this month



One Tongue will tour Argyll

MARY ANN Kennedy's new group, One Tongue, (Aon Teanga) will be performing across Argyll at the end of August.

The group comprises of Mary Ann, Ruth Kegan and Eoghan Ó Ceanabháin. Ruth Sings in Manx Gaelic, Eoghan in Irish and they are looking to promote their re-

spective Gaelic heritages.

During the tour they will take in Mull on August 18, Iona on August 19 Strachur on August 20 and finally Tayvallich on August 22.

The trio met when Ruth was recording her debut album with help from Eoghan at Watercolour studios which

is part owned by Mary Ann.

The three got chatting and, realising they each had a passion for their respective Gaelic cultures, decided to bring the songs and culture together.

Since then they have developed an album and are now hitting the road for the short tour.

**You dancin'?**

STRICTLY Lochgilphead will take place again this year on December 5 and the organisers are looking for dancers.

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The opportunity is open to anyone 18 and over. If you're interested you can email Emma at emmatcm@googlemail.com



Strictly Lochgilphead 2014 winners Scott MacDonald and Alison Whitehead

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# Fun and games for all at Inveraray's gala weekend

INVERARAY enjoyed a successful gala weekend between August 7 and 9.

The Argyll Hotel was the venue for the kids disco on the Friday, and the fancy dress winners were Erin Evans, Molly Blyth, George MacCulloch and Innes John.

The fun continued on Saturday at Inveraray fire station between midday and 4pm, with plenty of community tables, a bottle stall and other side shows raising

funds for a new community bus.

The football tournament on Sunday at the Winterton was won by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service team, with the George Hotel runners-up.

The young player of the tournament was Gregor McGeachy and the senior player was selected as Willie Gemmell. Russell MacKinlay came out the top scorer. Goal of the day came from Ewan Car-

michael. Organiser Linda Divers said: 'Thanks to Brian from Londis for refereeing the football and to Gala Queen, Ruth Owen, and her princesses Danni Bell and Sophie MacDougall.'

She added: 'A big thanks as well to John Munro and the fire brigade boys for use of fire station for the gala and their open day. It's been a good weekend, and we raised about £700 towards the community bus fund.'



Gala Queen, Ruth Owen, with Princesses, Danni Bell and Sophie MacDougall. a33invgala05no



Young George McCulloch knows what he wants to be when he grows up.

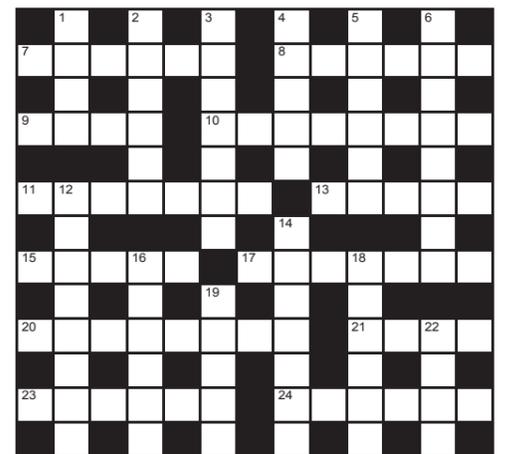


Jordan Aarts, working as a barman at the George Hotel, entertains with some music.



Gala Queen Ruth Owen with Princesses Danni Bell and Sophie MacDougall and members of Inveraray fire brigade.

## GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD



Across

- 7 Announce (6)
- 8 One who peruses (6)
- 9 Assortment (4)
- 10 Comfort (8)
- 11 Circle to keep openers together (3,4)
- 13 File (5)
- 15 Run at Epsom Downs (5)
- 17 Interfere (7)
- 20 Mark where wintery weather starts (4,4)
- 21 Buttonhole (4)
- 23 Idle (6)
- 24 Pongy (6)

Down

- 1 Actual (4)
- 2 Work (6)
- 3 Like fans (7)
- 4 Livestock enclosure (5)
- 5 Type of cab (6)
- 6 Pendant gem shape (8)
- 12 Forever (8)
- 14 Smoothness (7)
- 16 Child's dog name (3-3)
- 18 Bacon serving (6)
- 19 Presented (5)
- 22 Surrounded by water (4)



Arlettes - one of this week's challenges. a33arlettes01no

## Perfect biscuit tips from the SWI

AFTER the drama of the opening episode, where we witnessed tension, tears and troubles, and the first farewell - to musician Stu who didn't quite manage to rise to the occasion - the new series of the Great British Bake Off is shaping up to be compelling Wednesday night viewing.

But it's not just judges, Paul Hollywood and Mary Berry, who can offer up expert comment and advice - in an exclusive new series for the Argyllshire Advertiser, members of the Scottish Women's Institutes (SWI) offer up some tips based on the current episode of the BBC programme.

Wednesday's episode

featured biscuits and in our opening column, Lochgilphead SWI member, Jenny Campbell, offers her thoughts:

'Biscuits are notoriously difficult to get just right and in my 30 years as a judge I've seen the good, the bad and the very soggy,' said Jenny.

'The most important element to get right is the heat of the oven. Fan ovens are much hotter and so the temperature needs to be moderated to accommodate this. Generally speaking about 150C works well, but as every oven has its own little quirks, it takes time to perfect the heat and cooking time ratio. Make sure you don't pack the biscuits too

closely together on the tray - they can go from perfect to overcooked in just a few seconds. Always follow the recipe to the exact gram. Too much flour results in a dry, unpalatable result. I still follow the same recipes I was given when I joined the Rural 58 years ago.

'Look to achieve a smooth mixture, but not too soft; it needs to have enough substance so it doesn't collapse.

'This week's episode wasn't an easy task, including biscotti and arlettes. When I'm judging, I look for a biscuit with a nice crisp texture and I think the majority of this week's contestants achieved that really well.'

For more details of how to find your nearest SWI institute, or advice on how to set up a new one, visit [www.theswi.org.uk](http://www.theswi.org.uk) or go to the Scottish Women's Institutes Facebook page.

You can watch the Great British Bake-Off every Wednesday evening at 8pm on BBC1. Past episodes are also available on BBC iPlayer.

Last week's solution





# MULL of Kintyre MUSIC FESTIVAL

19th - 23rd OF AUGUST 2015

## MOK Fest's Top Class Line-up for 23rd Year

THE 23rd Mull of Kintyre Music Festival promises another great line-up with The Treacherous Orchestra, Daimh, Fergie MacDonald, The Carrivick Sisters, Tom Callister & Adam Rhodes, Esperanza & Slainte Davaar Allstars headlining the Festival.

This five day event offers a mixture of ticketed and free concerts from August 19 to 23 2015 that brings international, national and local acts together to perform at various indoor and outdoor venues across Campbeltown.

The two Saturday night concerts cater for all audiences with The Treacherous Orchestra, Esperanza and Harry and the Hendersons

playing on the CalMac Culture Stage in the Victoria Hall on August 23rd.

Daimh will headline the seated concert in the Heritage Centre supported by Scooter Muse & Jil Chambless from Alabama who are joined by a variety of the musical friends they have played with over the years.

The main Victoria Hall concert on Saturday, August 22 which is now sponsored by Caledonian MacBrayne promises to be something special with three bands performing this year.

High energy folk band Treacherous Orchestra make their debut at this years MOK Fest in a year where they have headlined festivals across the UK including

the Heb Celt Festival in Stornoway.

Ska sensations Esperanza fresh from playing in front of a packed out audience at the Wickerman Festival are really looking forward to playing in Campbeltown for the first time. Calmac Culture winners Harry and the Hendersons will open an upbeat concert that is sure to get you dancing. The new format also includes partial seating but arrive at the hall early if you want a seat.

The Saturday Night seated concert in the Campbeltown Heritage Centre also on August 22 headlines Gaelic supergroup Daimh, champions of massive Highland music and seductive Gaelic songs.

The support band is Scooter Muse and Jil Chambless from Alabama USA who will be accompanied on stage by various musical friends including local artists Lorne MacDougall and Frank Rochford. Arthur Johnstone MC's the concert.

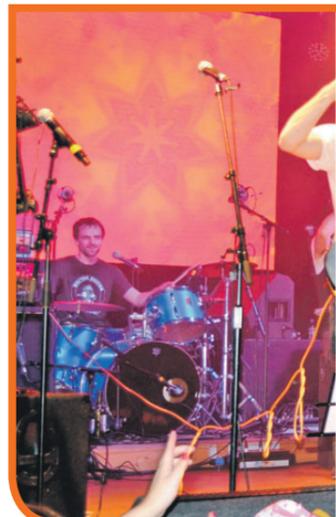
Festival ceilidh night on Friday, August 21 in the Victoria Hall has 'Ceilidh King' Fergie MacDonald playing the set with his four piece band.

Vocal and instrumental duo Laura-Beth Salter and Jenn Butterworth make their debut performing set tunes and songs with a bluegrass slant.

Starting this year's Ceilidh Night is the Dalriada Connections Band who will feature guest appearances from many of the artists who will be appearing across the weekend.

The Kintyre Schools Pipe Band will open up this hugely popular family event which Kay Johnston will MC.

The Festival starts on Wednesday, August 19 with the Festival Gaelic Night at Ceol Campbeltown, Seafield Hotel with a fantastic line-up including Riona Whyte, Alasdair Whyte, Clanna Ceol plus many local musicians and



Slainte Davaar Allstars



Fergie MacDonald

Christine Macintyre as Bean-an-Tigh.

The Mitchell's Glen-gyle Dalriada Connections Concert in the Campbeltown Heritage Centre on Sunday, August 23 joint headlines with two vocal and instrumental duos Tom Callister & Adam Rhodes from the Isle of Man and The Carrivick Sisters from Cornwall, also appearing is Ciaran Mulholland from Northern Ireland in a concert will have the usual mixture of local and visiting musicians.

The legendary Survivors Night on Sunday evening headlines with Campbeltown super-group Slainte Davaar Allstars and welcomes the return of the Wee Toon Tellers first



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Esperanza

Daimh



Treacherous Orchestra



Harry-and-Hendersons



Tom Callister and Adam Rhodes



Scooter Muse and Jil Chambless

time since 2010.

Further acts include The Gilchristians, Deep Joy, Il Brasso and Session A83 with more surprise guests on the night.

The Festival also has firm favourite, the Young Folk Night will on Thursday, August 20, The Grand Parade, Doon the Green, the Festival Club in the Royal Hotel this year plus Brass and pipe band performances, children's entertainer The Funky Chicken and The Barrow Band all go together to make a weekend of music and fun for all the family.

All Tickets are on sale from TicketWeb and A.P. Taylors, Main Street Campbeltown for more updates go to our website at [www.mokfest.com](http://www.mokfest.com)



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## Speed limit will not be reduced to 50mph

THE speed limit on the A83 from Tarbert to Ardrishaig will not be reduced from 60mph to 50mph after several concerns were raised.

Argyll and Bute councillor Robin Currie had written to Transport Scotland in March this year raising saying that, in his opinion, on slower roads people would be more likely to 'take chances' which could result in more accidents.

The councillor was also surprised about

the lack of communication from Transport Scotland with the communities that would be affected by this change, but a Transport Scotland spokesman said there had been a consultation, and adverts in the local press.

Transport Scotland said that after looking at the concerns raised by the council and the community, as well as information on accidents and traffic flow, they were no longer going to propose a reduction in the limit.



Councillor Rory Colville, Malcolm McMillan (MACC Business Development Manager), David Stewart MSP and Council Leader Dick Walsh

## Council gives its support to Spaceport

ARGYLL and Bute council have begun a formal partnership with Machrihanish Airbase Community Company (MACC) which is bidding for their site at Machrihanish to become a spaceport.

The new consortium will be led by MACC subsidiary Discover Space UK which officially launched its bid to become the UK's first spaceport in May.

Council leader, Dick Walsh, said: 'MACC remains one of five per-

manent sites being considered by the UK government. We are delighted to be a part of the Discover Space UK consortium and look forward to taking full advantage of this opportunity. As the only shortlisted site to exceed the criteria for runway length and located away from densely populated areas, Machrihanish has a strong case.'

If it is successful in the bid it is hoped the new spaceport would bring up to 5,000 jobs and

multi-million pound investment to the area.

MACC chairman and director of Discover Space UK, Tom Millar, said: 'The launch campaign really put Discover Space UK on the map and positioned Machrihanish as a serious contender in this process. Now we are ready to push ahead and are delighted to be working in partnership with Argyll and Bute council. Together, we will continue to work closely with Highlands and Islands

Enterprise, who have been massively supportive since the announcement last year. We are expecting an invitation to tender from the UK Government later this year.'

The bid will be one of five being considered along with sites at Stornoway, Prestwick, Newquay and Llanbedr. The successful bid is expected to be a working spaceport by 2018 and will be a base for tourist flights as well as satellite launches.

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## Wild about Scotland bus visits Argyll

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The bus is run by the Royal Zoological Society for Scotland and travelled to many primary schools in the council area.

Thanks to funding from Clydesdale Bank, the double-decker bus has been specially fitted so it can be used as an interactive classroom and has room for 26 children at a time.

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## 'Lovely' Bailey steals a cracking Mid Argyll Show

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Rescued as a puppy

from a very uncertain future by his current owner, golden retriever, Bailey, triumphed over adversity to be crowned top dog at Saturday's event.

After one of the wettest summers on record, the

organisers were grateful for a dry show day. Though still soft underfoot, the showfield held up surprisingly well, despite the odd tow being needed for bogged vehicles.

And the crowds turned

out. Organisers estimate that over 2,000 people came along to Kilmory to enjoy the big day.

There was plenty for all the family to see, do and taste.

More on pages 14 and 15.



Kayla Willan, aged 7 with her 11 month old puppy Rosie, winner of the puppy class. aaMAS12



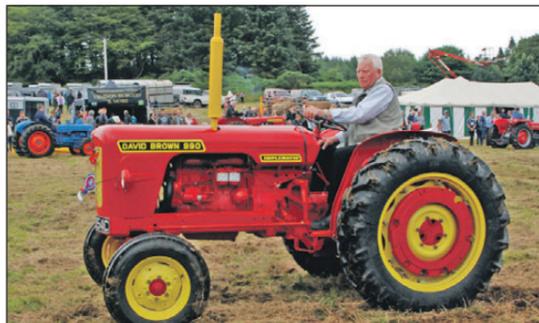
Judge Ian McKerrall from Islay casts his eye over the bluefaced Leicesters. aaMAS08



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Lochgilphead rider, Ashleigh Kilgour with Dafydd, who was the reserve show champion in the confined section. a33MAS01no



Riding through hoops were the incredible young riders from Daltote. a33MAS02no



Mid Argyll Pipe Band performs for the crowds. aaMAS01

# Top entertainment at Mid Argyll

ASIDE from the usual top quality livestock on display at the show, spectators could take in musical entertainment by Mid Argyll Pipe Band, a daring display of horsemanship by young riders from Daltote Equitation Centre, a parade of lovingly maintained vintage tractors and much more besides.

The home industries tent produced some deserved winners, while a huge variety of stalls offered something for everyone.

For the first time ever, this year's show featured a supreme championship, across all species of creature - from hens to Clydesdale horses and dogs to Highland cattle. Show umpire, Bob Cunningham, of Neriby Farm on the Isle of Islay had the unenviable task of choosing the winner.

Coming away with the inaugural supreme championship, in just her third outing of the season, was a two-shear

blackface ewe from J&J MacPherson, Ballymeanoch, Loch Awe. Off a £6,000 Connachansire and out of a Lurgbred ewe, the blackface champion also won at the previous weekend's Lorn Show and came home with a fourth place rosette from June's Royal Highland Show.

Reserve open champion was the supreme winner at the previous day's Kintyre Show, Clydesdale mare, GarCal-Fra Sweet Chloe, from David and Calum McPhail, Campbeltown.

Not too far behind was the Highland cattle champion, three-year-old heifer Iona 1st of Cnoc, from M & S O'Hara, Cnoc Fold, Appin, and shown by stockman, Iain MacKay. The Highland cattle champion, described by judge Mrs Moyra Porter as 'just a sweet wee heifer' is daughter of Chieftain 5th of Glengorm and dam Iona 1st of Bein Esk.

Judging the dog show was Mrs Victoria Miller from Inverawe - draft-

ed in just the day before to judge Mid Argyll for the second time after the original judge was unable to attend. She had no easy task deciding the winner across 16 different competitions, but the supreme championship was particularly difficult.

'The quality at the show has been great,' said Mrs Miller. 'What I look for is a dog that is fit for function, and I think our champion fits the bill.'

Selected as the overall winner was a two-year-old white-coated retriever called Bailey, owned by Jan Burgess of Minard. Asked what had tipped the balance in Bailey's favour, Mrs Miller replied: 'It was a tough decision, but he's just really lovely, and you can see the character.'

Bailey's owner, Jan, said that she had taken him on as a scrawny four-month-old puppy from Northamptonshire. 'He was just so thin. He

was starving,' Jan explained.

Jan, who has another four retrievers at home, has taken Bailey from the edge of starvation to the supreme championship at Mid Argyll Show.

An excited Jan continued: 'It just feels fantastic. Bailey is a big personality and to come here and win this...I just can't explain it.'

Among the light horses and ponies, Oban's Rebecca Scott in the riding ponies (under saddle) competition was the open champion on Silent Whisper II.

The confined champion from the mountain and moorland (in hand) contest was Ashleigh Kilgour from Lochgilphead, riding 21-year-old Dafydd, and this combination went on to the supreme championship where they were awarded the reserve confined champion title.

Aged from seven upwards, the young riders from Daltote provided



The blackface champion and supreme show champion with (l-r) Malky MacDonald, Grant MacPherson, Iain MacPherson and Alec MacPherson. aaMAS44

# Comment Show

some great entertainment with their displays of incredible skill on horseback.

Susan Doe of Daltote Equitation Centre said: 'I'm just so proud of all these young riders. The condition of the ground made it that bit more difficult to balance. The ponies were tremendous, but the riders did really well, so hats off to them.'

Away from the furred and feathered creatures, there was a digger challenge designed to test the skill on a mini excavator, while the crate climbing challenge demanded skill, balance and nerves of steel.

Speaking afterwards, show president, Bruce Dixon, commented: 'I want to thank everybody involved, including all the competitors and sponsors.'

'We have got a really good, strong committee behind the show, including David Renwick, Stella Cockburn, Karen McClarty, Dee Lyon, Diane Smith, Joanne

McGillivray, Jean Campbell and vice president Tim Lister - and it wouldn't work without them pulling together as a team'

Bruce added: 'We appreciate the efforts of the people who did a great job of commentating duties at the show; Alan Green, Angus MacKay and Davy Anderson.'

The show featured no fewer than 11 judges from the Isle of Islay, and Bruce Dixon said: 'Thanks to the Islay judges and to all the others. They all did very well, and I hope they enjoyed their day.'

He concluded: 'Three dry days before and a dry show day made a big difference. What also helped us a lot was the fact that we put in hard roads round the field, helped by show sponsor, M&K MacLeod, and I don't know what we would have done without these.'

'The whole event has gone really well.'



**Nine-year-old Mirren Angus from Kilmichael reaches 14 crates to lead the crate challenge competition.** aaMAS14



**Rebecca Scott from Oban on Silent Whisper II.** aaMAS03



**Brodie and Libby Peaton have a go at driving a vintage Fordson tractor.** aaMAS02



**Engraving the trophies on the hoof in the secretary's tent.** aaMAS07



**Three-year-old heifer Iona 1st of Cnoc, Highland Cattle champion, with handler, Iain MacKay.** aaMAS17



**A good pen of gimmers for Islay judge Chris Anderson to place.** aaMAS15



**Reserve supreme show champion, Gar-Cal-Fra Sweet Chloe from Kintyre Clydesdale breeders, David and Calum McPhail.** aaMAS42



**Winner of the walking sticks and crook making competition, Alasdair MacNair, with the MAAS Cup and Park Championship Cup.** aaMAS32



**Dog show champion (and confined champion) Bailey (right) with the reserve champion and reserve confined champion in the dog show. Judge Victoria Miller is centre.** aaMAS21

# Inveraray businesswoman hits all the right notes

A MUSICIAN who specialises in teaching the piano and harp has set up her own business offering tuition and bespoke musical compositions for special occasions.

Alicia Chapple from Inveraray set up Wild Mountain Heather after she composed a unique piece of music for her friend's new baby.

Receiving support from Argyll and Bute Council's Business Gateway service, Alicia now produces original scores and recordings to celebrate special life events as well as being in demand as a tutor throughout Argyll.

Alicia's unique gifts have been commissioned to honour weddings, birthdays, anni-

versaries and openings.

Alicia said: 'Composing was a hobby at this stage and it took me another year or so to really formulate what I wanted to do in terms of setting up a business.'

'My clients are not only given a recording but also a framed copy of the score and the feedback I've had so far has been lovely. Creating music for someone's life event is a privilege and I like the fact that I have been able to capture a special moment for someone through my music.'

Although Alicia is regularly creating music for customers, it is her tutoring which has become the focal point of her business.

Her piano and harp

classes remain a hit throughout the region with the pupil list continuing to increase.

Alicia added: 'Since I moved back to Argyll last year, the demand for instrumental tuition has been significant. I now have a number of pupils in both piano and harp and regularly teach workshops for both adults and children. As the demand in this region is high, I will be looking for premises in Mid Argyll soon and I would like to expand to include other specialist music teachers.'

'I attended several of Business Gateway's courses and was very impressed with the quality. All the workshops, on subjects like website development, so-



Musician and businesswoman, Alicia Chapple

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## Six local businesses to showcase at Best of the West festival

SIX local businesses are preparing to showcase their products at this year's Best of the West festival after winning a competition run by Ar-

gyll and Bute Council's Business Gateway service.

Business Gateway encouraged pitches from a host of companies in

the council area, which were then put in front of three judges who picked the winners.

Skinny Sketcher, Hiya Pal, A Touch of Glass,

Sea Tree, Moine Mhor Jewellery and Fyne Silver, will all sell their products in the Business Gateway-sponsored craft tent for one day over the festival weekend which takes place on Saturday and Sunday September 12 and 13 at Inveraray Castle.

Gillian Logan, founder of Skinny Sketcher, based in Helensburgh, will be exhibiting her drawing kits for children, aimed at budding young architects.

Gillian said: 'I was delighted to be selected for Best of The West Festival, a fantastic event in the stunning setting of Inveraray Castle. It's especially exciting as the castle is featured in our 'Capture The Castle' drawing kit and I'm looking forward to seeing busy sketchers cap-

turing the castle on the day.'

Gillian will be joined in the Craft Tent by Niki Sammon of Hiya Pal.

The Helensburgh designer creates a range of greetings cards, handmade with real tartan.

Also on show will be glass art made by Mid Argyll based Kirsty Brady of A Touch of Glass studio as well as ceramics and decorative items made by Michaela Goan of Sea Tree in Dunoon.

Festival-goers will also have the opportunity to get their hands on unique jewellery by Margaret Ker of Moine-Mhor Jewellery and Lynne Girdwood of Fyne Silver.

To win a place in the craft tent, companies were asked to pitch, in 250 words, why their

products represent the best of the west. The winners were based on the quality and appeal of their products, the strength of their sales pitch and their fit with the craft tent and the festival overall.

The three judges were the event host, The Duchess of Argyll, Fergus Murray, the council's head of economic development and strategic transportation, and Councillor Aileen Morton, Argyll and Bute Council's policy lead for sustainable economic growth.

The Duchess of Argyll said: 'We saw some incredible entrants and it was certainly a difficult decision, but we look forward to welcoming these six winners to this year's Best of the West to show off their truly

fantastic creations.'

The festival will see over 120 musicians performing, with Skerryvore, Skipinnish and the Peatbog Faeries already confirmed to headline this year, alongside an eclectic mix of modern and traditional bands and Gaelic singers.

Against the backdrop of Inveraray Castle, the festival will have a strong food and drink theme with fresh, local produce available including Mull cheddars and Loch Fyne oysters, while over 20 whisky distilleries will be represented.

Children can have fun on the climbing wall, face painting, laser blast and art area. For more information on the festival and to buy tickets, visit [www.bowfest.co.uk](http://www.bowfest.co.uk).



Carr Gomm senior operations manager, Denise Murdoch, is delighted with the new vehicles

## Carr Gomm care staff hit the road

THERE is little chance of missing the Carr Gomm care staff as they travel the roads of Argyll, after the company took delivery of three new leased cars.

### Cover gifts

The new Kia Rio vehicles are based in Lochgilphead, Oban and Campbeltown, meaning that staff who can drive, but don't have access to a car,

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## House purchase lending up 22% in June



House purchase lending in the UK in June saw a substantial month-on-month increase in activity with over 20 per cent more loans being advanced to purchase a house compared to May. However, the number of loans and value for home-owner house purchase remained relatively steady compared to June last year, with the number of loans decreasing slightly but the amount borrowed increasing. There was a relatively similar trend in activity for home-owner house purchase in the second quarter overall. The rise in the number of loans for house purchase in June was driven by both first-time buyers and home-movers. The increase in the two areas was broadly the same in value and volume terms. As previously reported, gross lending in June totalled £20.1bn, up 25 per cent on May and 13 per

cent up on June last year. This meant in the second quarter, gross lending came to £52.2bn, up 17 per cent on the previous quarter and a two per cent rise on the second quarter 2014. Overall in June, the value of home-owner loans for house purchase accounted for 54 per cent of gross lending, while remortgage activity accounted for 25 per cent. Buy-to-let as a proportion of total lending remained at around 17 per cent but still makes up a larger portion of total lending compared to the same time last year. Competitive mortgage rates mean first-time buyers are paying a record low proportion of their monthly household income in June to service the capital and interest rate payments of their mortgage. This is the lowest level since the CML began tracking it in 2005.

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15/01858/PP	Erection of dwellinghouse, installation of septic tank and formation of new vehicular access	Plot 4 Ardnacross Farm Peninver Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 60P	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
15/01860/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse	Plot 1 Lower Auchans Dunmore Nr Tarbert PA29 6XZ	Sub Post Office Harbour Street
15/01861/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse	Plot 4 Lower Auchans Dunmore Nr Tarbert PA29 6XZ	Sub Post Office Harbour Street
15/01863/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse	Plot 5 Lower Auchans Dunmore Nr Tarbert PA29 6XZ	Sub Post Office Harbour Street
15/01887/AMSC	Approval of details relative to conditions 3(ii), 5(iii), 6 and 8 of application reference 12/02819/PPP (Site for the erection of three dwellinghouses)	Land To South West Of Gigha Cottage Craobh Haven Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute	Mid Argyll Area Office
15/02110/PP	Renewal of planning permission reference 10/01563/PP - Erection of a dwellinghouse and associated works	Plot 10 Dalkeith Farm Glenbarr By Tarbert	Sub Post Office Tayinloan
15/02186/PPP	Renewal of Planning Permission in Principle reference 12/01078/PPP (Site for the erection of one dwellinghouse)	Land To East Of Craiganterve Beg Ford Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8RH	Mid Argyll Area Office
15/02187/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse	Land South East Of Ballochroy (Plot 2) Tayinloan Tarbert Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Tayinloan

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with Marilyn Shedden



A MINISTER friend of mine on an island parish found himself with a problem.

His organist, a man of tremendous talent, left the island and also left a big space where the organist should be.

People had been used to a very high standard of music and the minister wondered what on earth he could do.

Where could he find another organist of such talent on an island?

Well, maybe he couldn't find another organist, but help came in the way of a young lad of seventeen.

This willing lad said he could play the guitar, or have a go at the organ with one hand.

Well after such a high standard, the minister wondered if he could risk such a thing.

Would it be fair to the congregations? Would it be fair to the young lad?

Let's call him 'Daniel' as he was willing to be thrown to the lions.

So the minister agreed to give this lad an opportunity - and verily and forsooth - it worked!

'Daniel' brought life and laughter to the worship, and had everyone singing with a smile in the song.

We are all urged to use our gifts, however small these gifts may be.

'Daniel' was not afraid to offer his gifts in the service of the Kingdom, and these were affirmed and blessed.

So often we think we have nothing to offer, and how wrong we are.

God accepts every gift, no matter how small, and he blesses it and uses it in ways we cannot imagine.

In our communities there are any people with many gifts - gifts of baking, of farming, of knitting, of sewing, of serving, of caring, of sharing, of talking, of teaching - and God uses them all.

On Sunday I will have the privilege of sharing worship with 'Daniel' on his island, and to receiving the blessing of his offering to God.

**FORD**

**Ford fun day**

FORD fun day will be held at the village hall on August 22. The day will feature a barbeque, coconut shy and fish race, among other entertainment. For the first time there will also be a kids tent. The fun begins at 12 noon.

At 7.30pm there will be a ceilidh with the Glasgow music sensations Reel Stramash. There will also be a buffet and all proceeds go to Ford Village Hall.

**STRACHUR**

**Dance club restarts**

STRACHUR and District Country Dance club will start again on September 3 at 7.30pm in the new hall. The club will also hold its annual dance on October 2 in the Memorial hall.

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**Ardrishaig flower show on August 21**

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Doors will open at 2.30pm with the event being officially opened by Margaret Annan at 3pm. There will then be plenty of time to look around the displays before the presentation of trophies and a raffle at 7pm.

Catalogues and entry tickets can be purchased from Danny's in Lochgilphead, as well as Keystore and Morna's in Ardrishaig.

**CAIRNDOW**

**Art and photography exhibition**

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Coffee morning funds will go towards building a school in Zambia.

**Charity coffee mornings to be held in Lochgilphead Parish Church Hall**

ZAMSCOTED, formerly known as MALL, is holding the first in a series of coffee mornings in Lochgilphead Parish Hall on August 15.

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the charity is doing in building a new school, which it wants to open in time for the next Zambian academic year in January, and providing an education to vulnerable children in Zambia.

**FURNACE**

**Pub quiz will kick off Furnace Gala Day**

THE Furnace Gala will take place between August 14-16 and will kick

off with a pub quiz on Friday night.

There are many fun events planned for the weekend including family bingo, archery and sell your stuff stalls on the Saturday. There's

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There will be a tea dance with music by Alan Baird on Sunday evening.

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**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

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- Jane and girls xx. **MCLEAN** - Loving memories of Christina (Tina) McLean, passed away August 16, 2014.

- All the family, at home and abroad.

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**Sunday 16th August**  
11.15am Worship Service  
Rev Finlay Mackenzie  
**Wednesday 19th August**  
12.30pm  
Bible Study & Prayer  
The Water of Life Café is closed until Wednesday 9th September  
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Scottish Charity Number: SCO09980



Argyll Street, Campbeltown  
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Scottish Charity No SC023277  
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SCO02493  
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Achahoish at 9:45am  
Ardrishaig at 11:00am



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4th Sunday of the month  
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Scottish Prayer Book

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11.00am  
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Kilmartin  
6.30pm for 7pm  
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From 10am  
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in Inveraray Church at 11.30 am

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Creche  
Rev P Wallace

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Tarbert Service 11.30am  
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Everyone very welcome  
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# Inveraray's Camanachd Cup final dreams dashed in extra time defeat

## SSE Scottish Hydro Camanachd Cup semi-final

INVERARAY were left with no coveted Camanachd Cup final place after a 3-1 defeat at the hands of Lovat in Saturday's semi-final.

The men in yellow and black arrived in Fort William minus experienced player, Douglas Dando, held up in delays caused by road accidents on the A82.

The early signs were not good for Inveraray.

Lewis Tawse had the north men in front just two minutes into the game after outpacing the Aray defence. Stung by this, Inveraray responded by mounting an attack of their own, hitting the Lovat bar in the process. Lovat continued to look dangerous in the first period, but Inveraray resisted, led by man of the match, Nicholas Crawford in defence. The breakthrough came for the Argyll club just before half-time when Euan McMurdo bulleted home a spectacular equaliser from distance.

Inveraray had much of the second half play, but to no effect as the 90 minutes ended all-square.

Aray player-manager, Gary MacPherson, had the ball in the net shortly after the re-start, only

for ref Billy Wotherpoon to controversially rule it out for, in the whistler's view, an earlier push on Lovat defender, Drew Howie.

The Argyll side were dealt another blow when they lost defender, Alan Munro, with an injured foot at the start of extra time, leading to a reshuffle that clearly unsettled the defence.

Jamie Matheson, on 106 minutes, gained the advantage for Lovat with a smartly-taken goal. Ten minutes later it was Kevin Bartlett who took advantage of tiring Inveraray legs to secure Lovat's first Camanachd final berth for 62 years.

Inveraray's veteran goalkeeper, Graham MacPherson, was philosophical after the defeat.

He said: 'Overall we did alright. Alan getting a broken toe didn't help, and with not having Douglas Dando, we were stretched. We collapsed a wee bit at the end of extra time, but I can't fault the effort of the players.'

Inveraray now have a home league tie to look forward to tomorrow versus fellow premier-ship strugglers, Oban Camanachd.

## Marine Harvest Premiership Kyles Athletic

Kingussie took the



A helmeted Inveraray player/coach, Gary MacPherson, challenges for the ball in a game in which he had a goal chalked off

lead down at Kames Playing Fields, only for the home side to complete a trademark Kyles comeback to beat their Badenoch rivals.

It took just over 20 minutes for Kingussie to break the deadlock through 19-year-old Rory MacGregor. Ten minutes before Lachie Wood's half-time whistle, Robbie MacLe-

od levelled matters. Two goals in two minutes after the re-start caught the visitors cold. The ever-improving Grant Irvine sneaked his team ahead just a minute into the second period. Human dynamo, Gordon Whyte, got the quickfire second. Rory MacGregor's second for Kingussie 20 minutes from the end was to prove a

mere consolation for his team, while Kyles cut the gap behind league leaders Newtonmore to three points.

'Kingussie has a solid defence with an excellent goalkeeper, so we're happy with that result' said Kyles coach, James Perlich.

Kingussie's Russell Jones added: 'I was pretty pleased with the way

we played, and on another day, with the rub of the green, we might have got something out of the game. But the next few games for us, including two games against Inveraray, will be crucial for league safety, and our focus is fully on them.'

The win keeps the momentum going for Kyles, who play Newtonmore in Taynuilt on Saturday for the chance to face Lovat in next month's Camanachd Cup Final.

'We're looking forward to the game,' commented James Perlich.

'Newtonmore will certainly be favourites, but it's good the game's at Taynuilt, and we should get a big support.'

He added: 'We knew we'd be up against it in the league with the size of our squad, so the Camanachd Cup is something we've had a focus on all season.'

'It should be a good game.'

## Marine Harvest South Division One Inveraray

A good crowd turned up at Inveraray's Winterton Park last Saturday lunchtime to witness an entertaining Loch Fyne-side derby.

Visitors Strachur pressed the home defence from the start

and scored the opener through Stevie Bull-och on the quarter hour mark. Strachur continued to play well, but the Inveraray defence held out. A penalty, scored by Robert Wood after half an hour, levelled matters. Inveraray improved greatly in the second half and had a good deal of the play, but a closely-fought match ended 1-1. Aray remain top of the ten-team league with five games of the season remaining.

## Strachur

An improving Strachur side, sitting in eighth place in the league, inches ever closer to league safety after a slow start to the 2015 season. A club spokesman said: 'The boys battled well against Inveraray and I'm pleased with the attitude they have shown in recent games. If we continue with the same enthusiasm, we should stay in the division, which would give us something to build on for next season.'

## Marine Harvest South Division Two Kilmory

Kilmory's away league game against Glenorchy was scratched after the Lochgilphead side was unable to field a team. The tie is to be re-scheduled.

## Club lottery numbers

Kilmory Camanachd Club: This week's lottery numbers were 8, 12 and 18. There were no winners, so next week the jackpot will be £300.

Tarbert Football Club: The winning numbers in the lottery this week were 3, 7 and 18. There were no winners this week so the jackpot is now £700.

Inveraray Shinty Club: The winning lottery numbers this week are 1, 12 and 15. As there were no winners this week the jackpot goes up to £400 next week.

## Sporty Michael's Tour De Shanks

LOCAL man, Michael Harvey, an employee of Shanks Waste Management, decided to finally listen to his wife, Mary, and 'get on his bike'.

Michael had been deliberating on a charity fundraiser and, when the idea of visiting all of the Shanks Group depots in Argyll and Bute by bike came up, he jumped at the chance.

Several weeks of training took place in preparation (or at least many chats about training for the event) and, by August 1, he was ready to go.

Day one saw Michael travel from the Camp-

beltown depot and finish at the ferry terminal at Tarbert, with a well-timed shower giving him a taste of what was to come in the following days.

Day two saw a nice easy start with a ferry trip to Portavadie, only for a rude awakening when the hills to Tighnabruach loomed ahead. According to Michael he had done this section before... in the jeep. Much puffing and muscle straining later he had reached Colintrave, caught the ferry to Bute and cycled into Rother-

say to tick off another Shanks site. Back to the

ferry then over the hill to Sandbank for the final check point of the day.

Day three saw some better conditions for the hard slog back up the main road from Sandbank to Inveraray for an overnight stop.

Day four, the penultimate of the challenge, saw a scenic cycle with beautiful views over Loch Awe, at least there would have been had it not rained solidly from Inveraray to Taynuilt. From Taynuilt down to Shanks' Moleigh site, south of Oban, the weather improved slightly as did Michael's spirits, as he

could see Lochgilphead on the road signs once again.

The final day dawned with monsoon conditions and a final 36 miles to travel. The Oban to Lochgilphead road is a chore in a car never mind soaked, tired and not too happy with the choice of saddle after four days' hard slog. Lochgilphead was reached, then out to the Lingerton depot for the final check point with one final sprint finish into Lochgilphead and the Shanks offices.

All in all a fantastic achievement completed with the usual good hu-



Michael Harvey nearing the end of his cycle

mour and spirit that Michael and his family and friends bring with them to any event. Michael appreciates the backing and encouragement received along the way as well as the invaluable support of his orthopaedic

cushion since finishing the challenge.

To date the sum of £1500 has been raised for MacMillan Cancer Support, a charity close to Michael's heart. Donations can still be made at his Just Giving page.

**Invitational pairs at Ardrishaig**

ARDRISHAIG Bowling Club has held its annual invitational pairs.

The competition was again this year kindly sponsored by Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors.

Twenty-four pairs took part despite the weather and a lot of good bowls were played.

The final was contested by last year's winners, Craig and John Martin, and Robert Scott and Jamie Lang, which was a very close game.

The winners were Robert Scott and Jamie Lang.

**SAFL fixtures**

THE Scottish Amateur Football League season gets underway on Saturday with the following fixtures: Premier Division - Campbeltown Pupils v East Kilbride RR; Oban Saints v East Kilbride.

Premier Division One - Easthall Star v Lochgilphead Red Star.

Premier Division One - FC Clydebank v Tarbert.

All games kick off at 2pm

# Campbeltown Pupils just too strong for Sons of the Rock

Campbeltown Pupils	3
Dumbarton Under 20s	0
Friendly match	

LAST Sunday afternoon witnessed an excellent game of football as Campbeltown Pupils' senior team and Dumbarton FC's development side locked horns at Kintyre Park.

The Sons of the Rock included a number of young Lochgilphead

players among their ranks, but the trip home to Argyll for Keir Whitefield and Coll MacCallum had a less than happy ending.

It was Dumbarton, featuring first-team player, Donald McCallum, in their ranks, along with 16-year-old Daniel Pat-

erson, who has a strong family connection in Campbeltown, who threatened in the opening ten minutes. But it was the Pupils who took a shock lead on the counter-attack.

Ryan Deans advanced down the right wing, sending a low cross to the edge of the box where Gary Grumoli waited to send a controlled shot high into the net to the keeper's left.

The McFadyens-sponsored Pupils' lead was doubled when Stuart Crossan floated a free kick to the back post, which Gary Grumoli controlled and squared across goal and John McCallum tucked the ball home from close range.

Dumbarton's response was swift, with 18-year-old McCallum dancing through the Pupils' rearguard, for once evading the close attention of friend and Glasgow flatmate Crossan, to square the ball for Andy Bidulph. The striker, how-



**On the ball - Lochgilphead's Keir Whitefield evades a tackle from Campbeltown Pupils' Gregor McFadyen.** 25\_c33pupils08

ever, was deemed to be in an offside position and the goal disallowed.

The hosts' third goal arrived through Ryan Deans, after the young midfielder met Gregor McFadyen's cross to score at the second time of asking.

Despite going three goals down, the Sons persevered in search of a goal, and their efforts resulted in a penalty.

Sons' talisman, McCallum, stepped up, but opted for power and struck the post with Reid Anderson beaten.

Anderson pulled off a superb save near the end to preserve his clean sheet and finish off a tough weekend for the Pupils on a high note, after the disappointment of an Argyll Cup group stage exit the previous day.

**Dickie's Cup at Tarbert**

THE women of Tarbert Golf Club held their annual competition for the Dickie's Cup on Saturday August 8. The cup was originally donated over 80 years ago by the Dickie family, who were boat builders in Tarbert. Unfortunately, following a few years of competition, the cup was lost, and only found 70 years later, when it was re-presented to the club, and the competition reinstated.

Strong competition for the cup resulted in a great winning score of net 62 by Seona Martin, and Catriona McKnight was runner-up with a net 65.

The women will be competing again in the club's Open AM AM on August 29, to which members of other clubs are invited.



**Cold Shoulder - Gary Grumoli holds off Dumbarton player, Coll MacCallum, from Lochgilphead.** 25\_c33pupils04

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Harbour View  
Campbeltown
- P Greenlees**  
Limecraigs Road  
Campbeltown

**All you have to do**  
We have removed the football from the photograph opposite. Now look carefully at the position of the players and use your skill and judgement to place a cross at the exact point where you think the centre of the ball was. You may have a maximum of 10 attempts on this coupon at a cost of £1. If you wish to have more attempts, you must enter on separate coupons. The game starts with a jackpot of £250 and will increase by £50 per week until it is won outright. To win the jackpot, the centre of your cross must be in the exact centre of the ball.  
**Entry will be void if crosses overlap.** Prizes will be shared between those submitting correct entries. If no correct entry is received, two 'near miss' prizes of £25 will be awarded. When the jackpot is won, no other prizes will be awarded that week.

**Easy to enter**  
Cut out your completed coupon and put your entry plus £1 per 10 attempts into a sealed envelope and post it to reach "Spot the Ball" Competition, The Campbeltown Courier, Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown, Argyll PA28 6AE by 4pm on Tuesday. No refunds will be given for entries received after the deadline. You may hand it into The Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown by the same time. Otherwise all entries must be posted.

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## Saints triumph in Lochgilphead feast of football

THE Argyll and Bute Cup, sponsored by MAYDS and the Stag Hotel, made a welcome return to the amateur football scene on Saturday as Lochgilphead Red Star hosted the competition which was last held in 2008.

Section 1 was played at the Ropework and saw St Mirren top the group with seven points after 3-1 and 2-0 wins over Tarbert and Dunoon Ams respectively and a 0-0 draw with Red Star.

They were joined in

the semi-finals by a Dunoon side that played well on the day, defeating Red Star 2-1, thanks to a last minute winner before an impressive 2-0 win against Tarbert.

Tarbert won the bragging rights in the Mid-Argyll derby thanks to a 3-0 win over a disappointing Red Star who finished bottom of the group.

In section 2, which was played at the Astro, there was an early upset as Oban Athletic surprised Saints with a 1-0

win in the opener. Saints recovered to qualify for the semi-finals thanks to a 2-1 victory over Campbeltown Pupils.

Pupils beat Dunoon Athletic 1-0, but this wasn't enough to advance as they lost out on goal difference, with Oban Athletic beating Dunoon Athletic 3-0 to secure their spot in the semis as group winners.

The semi-finals saw section 1 winners, St Mirren, take on Oban Saints. Despite another positive showing from the young St Mirren team, it was the more experienced Saints side which made the final after a 2-0 victory ended the Paisley club's involvement in the tournament.

The other semi-final finished in a 1-1 draw between Dunoon Ams and Oban Athletic, so the match was decided on penalties. Athletic

came out on top to set up an all-Oban final.

At the end of a long day, the final took place on the Ropework Park between Oban Saints and Oban Athletic.

There was to be no repeat of the earlier surprise result as, this time, Saints gained revenge and showed their quality in a 4-0 victory to lift the trophy.

After an enthralling day's play, players and officials retired to the Stag Hotel for the presentation where Red Star Chairman, Douglas Moore, thanked all the teams for their participation as well as match officials and committee members who ensured that the day ran smoothly.

As well as receiving the Argyll and Bute Cup, Oban Saints captain, Donnie Campbell, received the player of the tournament award.



Some of the victorious Oban Saints team and supporters with the Argyll and Bute Cup 25\_c33cup40



The Lochgilphead Red Star team 25\_c33cup01



Oban Saints striker, Allan MacKay, scores his side's third goal in the final 25\_c33cup26

## Triathletes in training for Mid Argyll challenge

FIVE athletes from Mid Argyll who have never done triathlons before are being coached to take part in the MacQueen Bros Mid Argyll Sprint Triathlon on September 27.

The training is being provided by Mid Argyll tri and cycle club (MATCC) which has been given over £4,000 from the Scottish Sea Farm's Heart of the Community trust.

MATCC club president, Colin McFarlane, said: 'We're determined to make our sport even more accessible. We asked each new athlete for a maximum of four hours per week and, in return, we will help them to complete the triathlon in September.'

'MATCC knows that

many people can be put off by a perception of the events being physically demanding, a lack

of training awareness and the pressures on time management, skills and cost. We consider

that we have a responsibility to educate the public on the benefits of the sport. This Scottish

Sea Farms funding will go a long way in helping us achieve this.'

Morag MacNichol, Morag Goodfellow, Rebecca Hepburn, Laura Clark and Aoife Brennan are receiving coaching on all three sports as well as workshops on things like bike maintenance and nutrition.

Coach John Rea said: 'We have been really impressed with the dedication of those who have signed up and, as September approaches, we are seeing breakthrough performances at each session.'

The Mid Argyll Sprint Triathlon will set off from Mid Argyll Community Pool, and will incorporate a 500 metre swim, 20km cycle and 6.5km run.



Team coach John Rea puts (l-r) Laura Clark, Morag MacNichol and Aoife Brennan through their paces



Action from the game between Lochgilphead Red Star and Campbeltown Pupils. 25\_c33cup10

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