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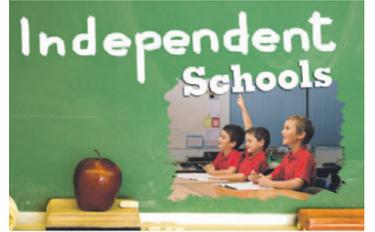
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## Farming Review



# Clampdown on drugs in Mid Argyll

## Frequent road blocks will be used

POLICE have vowed to clamp down on the use of drugs after concerns were raised that cocaine is being transported into Mid Argyll.

Acting on these concerns Strathclyde Police embarked on a roadside search of vehicles in Inveraray.

Stopping cars and buses travelling through the Royal Burgh, an Argyll transport hub, police officers used sniffer dogs to search for illegal drugs being carried into the area.

Chief inspector at Lochgilphead Police Station, Marlene Baillie, said information suggests that there could be an increase in the availability of cocaine.

'We will be deploying a variety of tactics, including frequent road blocks at key locations, in an effort to disrupt activities of those bringing controlled drugs into our communities,' she said.

In an effort to tackle the

problem police have also used cocaine wipes in public places including licensed premises. These wipes test for traces of cocaine and could be an indicator of drug use within the premises.

'The use of the wipes have been well received by local licensees and are used for the purposes of intelligence gathering and raising awareness of staff,' chief inspector Baillie added.

**Suffering**  
Manager at Encompass in Ardrishaig, which provides support to people suffering from addiction and substance misuse problems, Peter Garrett said he is aware of a 'an increase in the use of cocaine in the area'.

He said: 'This is a small place and people talk, there is

not a lot that gets past people, we know what is going on and people are aware of it.'

Saying that he is determined to 'nip it in the bud', Mr Garrett warned of the dangers of using cocaine, with the support of the local authority.

**Addictive**  
'Cocaine is addictive', he said, and people have to find ways of paying for that addiction, which can lead to fraud and criminal activity and we don't want or deserve that in such a wonderful place as Mid Argyll.

'As a professional, both as a former policeman and from working in counselling, I have seen the harm it causes.'

Anyone with information about drug supply in Mid Argyll is urged to contact either Lochgilphead Police Office, on 01546 702200, or report information anonymously to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or online www.crimestoppers-uk.org.

**EXCLUSIVE  
REPORT by  
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## Fete raises funds

**BETTY Kirk and Ishbel McArthur manned the cake stall at the Lochgilphead Parish Church Autumn fete on Saturday. The ladies served up a host of homebaking, which helped raise thousands of pounds for the church hall fund. For more on this story see this see page 9.**

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## Police praise public

POLICE have praised members of the public for reporting erratic driving after two men were arrested for alleged drink driving.

Officers at Lochgilphead Police Station received two phone calls from members of public worried about the manner in which other motorists were driving.

Acting on the information police traced one man, who is alleged to have been drunk in charge of a vehicle near Cairndow. The Glasgow man, aged 42, was arrested at 1.50pm last Wednesday.

**Alarmed**  
Less than two hours later police officers received another call from a member of the public, again alarmed by the actions of a driver.

After investigation, a 62 year-old local man was arrested for alleged drink driving at 3.40pm in Ardrishaig.

Sergeant Iain MacNicol of Lochgilphead Police Station thanked the members of the public for alerting the police.

'We are always very keen to hear from concerned members of the public about such incidents and will always act on information passed to us,' he said.

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 Community Centre, Lochgilphead – Wednesday 5 and Thursday 6 October – 9.30am-4.30pm

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This FREE workshop run by HM Revenue and Customs will be run on the last afternoon of the 2 day workshop, but can be booked separately. The workshop will give you the knowledge you need to register your self-employment; setup and maintain business records; know what National Insurance to pay; know what expenses you can claim and know which pages of your Self Assessment Tax Return you need to complete.

Workshops will be held on the following dates:

Fyne Homes, Rothesay – Friday 2 September – 1.30-4.30pm  
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Argyll Hotel, Inveraray – Tuesday 20 September – 9.30am-12.30pm  
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 Islay Service Point, Bowmore – Thursday 29 September – 9.30am-4.30pm  
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Please contact the Business Gateway team to book an appointment with an advisor

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- Self Assessment Online

The workshop will be run at the following venues:

Argyll Hotel, Inveraray – Wednesday 28 September – 1-4.30pm  
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 Queens Hall, Dunoon – Friday 30 September – 1-4.30pm

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Workshops will be held on the following dates:

Argyll Hotel, Inveraray – Tuesday 11 October – 1-4.30pm  
 Menzies House, Oban – Wednesday 12 October – 1-4.30pm  
 Queens Hall, Dunoon – Thursday 13 October – 1-4.30pm

To book your place on any of the above workshops

please call 01546 605459 or e-mail us at

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Places are strictly limited to 12 so we advise you to book early.



# Jobs fears remain as opening hours axed

THE FUTURE for staff at Mid Argyll Sports Centre remains unclear this week as working hours at the gym are cut.

Argyll and Bute Council has confirmed staff are being consulted about changes to working hours but would not comment on the possibility of redundancies.

Fears expressed last week were that staff at the gym could be made redundant after the council said opening hours at the gym would be slashed.

Confirming that the sports centre would no longer open on weekday mornings, an Argyll and Bute Council spokeswoman, said:

'We are currently discussing the implications of the changes with staff. It would be inappropriate to comment further at this stage.'

The only council leisure facility that is run outwith a swimming pool complex, the Mid Argyll sports centre was built as part of the Lochgilphead Joint Campus.

It was opened in October 2007 at a cost of £17 million.

Outlining the new timetable for the sports centre the spokeswoman said the new opening hours will be: Monday to Friday 12:30pm to 10:30pm and Saturday, Sunday 9am to 5pm. The timetable will come into effect on October 1.

Whilst the opening hours at the gym will be reduced by almost 20 hours a week, the cost of membership will remain the same at £22 per person per month.

Asked how this can be justified the spokeswoman said: 'The council is adding new classes and activities within the new opening hours that members will have free use of.'

'Our charges are very competitive and we are looking to extend the hours that are available to off peak membership members at weekends.'

She added: 'There is currently very low use during the morning hours.'

## MP tours Argyll to hear concerns

FUEL prices, roads and rural education continue to be the main concerns of people in Mid Argyll, MP Alan Reid has said.

Speaking after a whistle-stop tour of Argyll and Bute, Alan Reid said these recurring problems continue to plague many residents. Explaining households are worried about the forthcoming winter because of the rising cost of electricity and oil, Mr Reid said the current conflict in Libya, an oil rich nation, would drive the cost of oil up.

Residents in rural villages such as Tayvallich, Ford and Crinan have expressed concerns over the state of the road in the area, with the school road in Tayvallich said to be in a terrible state.

Following a visit to Minard Primary School Mr Reid said children, parents and teachers remain anxious about the future of their school. 'They are all still worried about the threat hanging over them,' Mr Reid said. 'The moratorium implemented by the Scottish Government has only delayed that threat. What they want, and quite rightly so, is for that threat to be permanently removed.'

Using the summer recess to spend time with his constituents Mr Reid visited 11 Mid Argyll villages this week.



Alan Reid speaks to education officer at Kilmartin House Museum, Kate Moody, about the continued success of events at the museum. 06\_a34reid01

## Young cooks' chance to win with smokehouse

CHILDREN are being encouraged to send the recipe for their favourite healthy meal to Inverawe Smokehouse.

The child with the best recipe will win a £100 voucher for sports

equipment for both themselves and their school. The runner-up will receive a £50 voucher for themselves and their school.

Entries to the competition will be collated to create the Inverawe

Cookbook for Children. The competition is open to young people aged between five and 16 and has been launched to encourage youngsters to lead a healthy lifestyle.

## Allotment cash boost

PLANS to create two community allotments in Tarbert have received a financial boost this week.

Tarbert Community Healing Garden has been awarded almost £10,000 to create 16 raised allotment beds for community use.

The money, awarded by the Awards for All grant programme, will be used to provide gardening courses for new allotment holders and purchase adapted tools for people with disabilities and mobility problems to use.

The grant, issued by the Big Lottery Fund, will help the community create a better and more sustainable environment.

## Beach party fundraising fun at Lochgilphead Co-op

CUSTOMERS of Lochgilphead's Co-op store will enjoy a tropical trip to the supermarket today (Friday) as staff launch their own beach party.

Staff at the store on Oban Road will don their sun hats and shades as they dress up to raise funds for Enable Scotland, the Co-op's charity of the year. The money raised will be used to help the charity transform the lives of 20,000 young people with a learning disability. Lochgilphead Co-op store manager Derek Guy said: 'We hope all our customers will visit the store on Friday to join in the fun. It's fantastic to know that fun events like this one can help inspire thousands of young people with a learning disability to change their world.'



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## Green light for new homes

PLANNERS have approved two new houses at Inverneill.

The two plots, at Allt Na Criche, lie in a designated rural opportunity area and the buildings will be largely concealed from the road by mature trees.

### Man arrested

A MAN has been arrested after he allegedly vandalised property and caused a disturbance in Lochgilphead.

The local man, aged 34, is said to have been shouting and conducting himself in a disorderly manner in the early hours of Sunday morning in Union Street.

He was arrested for an alleged breach of the peace, a report has been sent to the procurator fiscal.

### Fined £40

AN INVERARAY man has been fined after allegedly committing a breach of the peace on Friday evening. The man, aged 42, was issued with a fixed penalty notice of £40 by police officers after conducting himself in a drunk and disorderly manner.

### Apprentice mechanic found guilty of assault

AN APPRENTICE mechanic from Minard has been fined a total of £375 for verbally abusing then head butting a woman.

Taylor Somerville, of Leacroft Cottage, Minard, had denied the assault when he appeared on trial at Lochgilphead Annex of Dunoon Sheriff Court, last week, while a tendered plea of guilty to behaving in a threatening manner was rejected by the Crown. The court heard that Somerville, 17, had approached the 18-year-old and started to make abusive and threatening remarks, eventually goading the woman into a confrontation before butting her on the forehead.



Worker on the Crinan Canal by day and a film maker by night, Ross Shaw has spent the last two summers working on the Mid Argyll canal. 06\_a34ross01

# Ross lands job on Brad Pitt film set

## Experience of a lifetime for Ardrishaig man

AN ASPRING film maker from Mid Argyll has enjoyed the experience of a lifetime – sharing a film set with Hollywood A-lister Brad Pitt.

Ross Shaw, from Ardrishaig, has spent two days as a runner on the set of Pitt's latest movie World War Z.

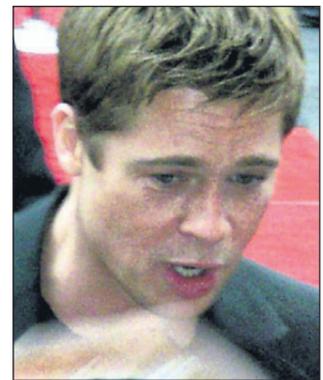
Filmed on the streets of Glasgow a mix of Scottish and international crew members, including Ross, worked to bring Max Brooks' World War Z novel to life.

Explaining how he got the dream job Ross, who has spent his summer working on the Crinan Canal, said his friend from university had secured a roll acting as 'red neck hillbilly'.

'A friend of mine in Glasgow got a small part in the film

and he managed to pull a few strings and get me on set.'

Recently graduating from the University of the West of Scotland with a 2-1 in film making and screen writing, Ross said the film was a great opportunity to meet other people in the film industry.



Star of the show Brad Pitt.

He said: 'I was making coffee and moving items to and from different sets and between the different streets, doing the stuff that other people don't want to do, but you have to start somewhere.'

'It was good experience and I met a lot of people that will help me in my future projects.'

Not managing to speak to the star of the film, Ross said he spent time with Pitt's body double.

Hoping to return to Glasgow and gain more experience in the film industry, Ross, 23, wants to one day make his own film based in and around Mid Argyll.

World War Z is due to be released next year.

### Investigation launched into how patient escaped from secure hospital unit

AN INVESTIGATION into how a patient managed to escape from Argyll and Bute Hospital is to go ahead.

NHS Highland has confirmed it will be conducting an internal investigation at the hospital after a patient escaped from a secure unit last week.

Fraser Griffiths, aged 38, went missing from the mental health hospital in Lochgilphead last Wednesday morning and was later found in Hamilton.

Mr Griffiths, who has since returned

to Argyll and Bute Hospital, was discovered by police officers at 2.40pm in the Lanarkshire town after a member of the public alerted them to his whereabouts.

A spokesman for Argyll and Bute Hospital said: 'NHS Highland will be carrying out an investigation into what happened recently in Argyll and Bute Hospital and we will be looking at what lessons can be learned for the future. We would also like to reassure the public that incidences such as this are extremely rare and that we treat them very seriously.'

### Racist remarks land man with fine

A LOCHILPHEAD man who swore and made racist remarks to a take-away restaurant employee has been fined £270.

William Young, 61, of Flat E, 61 Lochnell Street, admitted to the racial abuse at a premises on Argyll Street on May 11 this year.

### Probation for teenage thief

A LOCHGILPHEAD teenager who stole a cash box containing £210 and forced it open has been placed on probation for two years. Appearing at the Lochgilphead Annex of Dunoon Sheriff Court last week, David Henderson, 17, of 25 Glengyre Park, was also ordered to complete 135 hours of community service.

He had previously admitted the theft from Argyll and Bute's Roads Department on Manse Brae on July 30 last year.

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## NHS Highland launch local newspaper

A LOCAL newspaper has been produced to help people keep up to date with changes in the health services in their area.

*Healthcheck*, produced by NHS Highland, has been launched to allow people to help shape the future of health services in the area.

The eight-page paper was distributed to households in the Highland area this week.

Chairman of NHS Highland, Garry Coutts, said: 'We know that with there being a lot less money around people are concerned this might result in damaging cuts.'

'We hope the paper will reassure people that we have plans in place that will ensure the quality of health care is maintained and that we will always be available to people if they need us.'

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Joan Barclay's looking forward to strutting down the catwalk for charity Breast Cancer Care Scotland.

## Joan turns catwalk queen to inspire other cancer patients

A WOMAN recovering from breast cancer is to take to the catwalk in a bid to inspire others to live life to the full.

Joan Barclay, from Ardrishaig, will step on stage next month to show women that you can look and feel amazing after a cancer diagnosis.

Taking part in Breast Cancer Care Scotland's fashion show, Joan and 19 other models will be styled in a range of designer outfits and transformed with a top-to-toe makeover.

Hoping to inspire and uplift the spirits of other women suffering from breast cancer, Joan said: 'I attended shows after my diagnosis and was inspired and enthused as all the models appeared to be living and enjoying life to the

full, having lots of fun.' Joan, aged 52, was diagnosed with breast cancer three years ago and has been in very good health this year.

'I was completely shocked when I discovered a small lump in my breast and saw my GP at the earliest opportunity,' Joan said.

Unable to get an appointment with the NHS for three weeks, Joan, and her husband Arthur, who lost his first wife to cancer, booked a private appointment for the next day.

'We attended a private hospital at 8.30am. By 6.30pm that evening, after scans and biopsies I was told that I had three lumps which I would never have found as they were so deep. I knew I was facing a mastectomy, reconstruction,

if appropriate, chemotherapy, radiotherapy and hormone treatment.'

The treatment lasted two years and saw Joan experience a catalogue of side effects including hair loss, extreme fatigue, sickness and severe joint pain.

Looking to the future and the fashion show, Joan said: 'Stepping on the catwalk in front of everyone, including my family and friends, who have supported me every step of the way, will be a chance to say I'm still here, living life to the full and feeling feminine.'

The Breast Cancer Care Scotland fashion show takes place on the September 29 at the Raddisson Blu hotel in Glasgow.

## Man facing jail after failing to convince sheriff over ACHD

A LOCHGILPHEAD man is facing a possible jail sentence after failing to convince a sheriff that ADHD caused him to miss his community service.

Robert Alderson, 24, was ordered to complete 120 hours of community service in August last year after pleading guilty to an assault to injury in 2009. While he had completed all but 32 and a half hours since, he failed to turn up to three appointments.

Alderson, of Flat 1, Argyll Street, Lochgilphead, had denied breaching the terms of his sentence when he appeared in front of Sheriff Peter Reid at the town's annex of Dunoon Sheriff Court last week.

Defence agent Sandy Mitchell claimed that his unemployed client's memory was compromised

by Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and it was this that may have caused him to miss three appointments, on February 17, April 30 and May 7. But the court heard that he missed the appointment in February as he had gone to Islay to work and did not return in time, while the remaining absences were as a result of him claiming he did not know how long the Easter break was. Noting that Alderson had previously breached a community service order, and that he had not seen a doctor or received treatment for ADHD since he was 15, Sheriff Reid said Alderson had 'simply decided not to go'.

He told Alderson: 'You had an opportunity and didn't take it. I now have to see what other options there are to deal with you.'

## Local access forum on lookout for new members

ARGYLL and Bute Local Access Forum (ABLAF) is looking to recruit new members.

The independent forum advises on the management of outdoor access in Argyll and Bute.

Members have helped with the production of

the core paths plan and are now looking at ways to help manage the paths that already exist.

If you are interested in applying to become a member of ABLAF contact Douglas Grierson on 01546 604228 or email douglas.grierson@argyll-bute.gov.uk.

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### GRADUATIONS



**MATTHEW BRAILSFORD** graduated recently from the University of Strathclyde with Second Class Honours, upper division in Finance and Business Law

### WEDDING



**GILMOUR - MILLER,** Colin Gilmour and Jacqueline Miller were married at Lochgilphead Parish Church on Saturday June 4, 2011. Colin is the son of Sheena and the late Ian Gilmour and Jacqueline is the only daughter of Jamie and Muriel Miller. Fantastic day had by all

Please note that insertions for graduations and wedding photographs must be submitted no later than Friday 4pm for publication the following week

## Sheriff jails man for theft of quad bike

THE THEFT of a quad bike from Kilmory Industrial Estate has cost a Greenock man his liberty.

Appearing at Lochgilphead Annex of Dunoon Sheriff Court last Wednesday, James McWaters Senior, 51, of 42 Clynder Road, pled guilty to stealing a quad bike from a locked compound on January 21 this year.

He further admitted that, on the same day, on the A83 Port Ann to Minard road, he did have tools and other objects in his possession with which he broke into the compound, including bolt cutters and a crow bar, and had them with the intent of theft.

A plea of not guilty by co-accused, James McWaters Junior, was accepted by the Crown.

McWaters Snr was ordered to serve 163 days in prison for stealing the bike, and a further 81 days for being in possession of tools for the purpose of theft, to be served concurrently.



Members of Mid Argyll Pipe Band celebrate winning first place at Bute Highland Games.

## Drunken argument leads to fine

A DRUNKEN argument in Lochgilphead caused a pre-fives worker to chase her partner and repeatedly throw 'haymaker' punches at him.

Describing the incident at the trial at Lochgilphead Annex of Dunoon Sheriff Court last week, Constable Iain MacVicar said Christine Townsley, 34, of Dunchologan Cottages was 'chasing her partner across the road, throwing haymaker punches towards his head and body' during a dispute in the early hours of April 6 this year.

The couple had previously been warned

by Constable MacVicar and his colleague, Constable David Able, after being spotted arguing in Argyll Street that evening.

Defending, agent Sandy Mitchell said: 'The police officers were simply observers in what was a playful exchange. She was not punching, she was using an open hand.'

However, Sheriff Peter Reid said: 'In my opinion the defence case is entirely without merit.'

'The police evidence is both consistent and very clear.'

Townsley was fined £150.

## Young band hits the high notes at Bute games

MID ARGILL Pipe band have achieved their first win at a competition since returning to competitive performing earlier this year.

The band were awarded first place in their grade at Bute Highland Games on Saturday.

Congratulating the band on their success in the grade four competition, president of the band Jim Thorpe said: 'They have only competed in three competitions and already they have been awarded second place twice and now first place.'

'It's a big achievement for all the band members, most

of whom are under 16.' Mid Argyll Pipe Band retired from competitive piping some years ago but returned to competing this year under the stewardship of Pipe Major Struan Thorpe.

Commending the team for its work ethic, Mr Thorpe said the band had worked incredibly hard throughout the winter months.

The band is now looking forward to the Cowal Games, taking place tomorrow, Saturday.

The first major championship the band has competed in for many years Mr Thorpe said to play at the Cowal Games was an achievement in itself.

## Planning permission granted

PLANNING permission for a house at Achnambrac, Lochgilphead, has been renewed. There were no objections to the plans, submitted by M&K Macleod, for a slightly larger house with a small sunroom and porch.



A NEW house will be built south of Achnamara after planners granted permission for a one and three quarter storey dwelling close to Castle Sween.

Work at the site, within a National Scenic Area, will include improved access.



The band members with KSPB-sponsors Phoenix Motors representatives of the sponsors, Duncan, William and Darren Renton, along with Darren's three children, Andrew, Iona and Ailie. c34kspb1NO



On parade: the Kintyre Schools Pipe Band at the Mull of Kintyre Music Festival. c34kspb3NO



Here's some we won earlier: this year's haul of trophies, for British European and World championships were on show as the band marched in the Mull of Kintyre Music Festival Parade on Saturday. c34kspb2NO

## Phoenix Motors to sponsor Kintyre Schools Pipe Band at major Cowal Pipe Band Championships

KINTYRE Schools successful season draws to a close with the final Major Pipe Band Contest of the year being held at Cowal tomorrow (Saturday August 27).

The highlight of the year for Kintyre Schools Pipe Band has of course been its victory at The World Pipe Band Championships just a fortnight ago. 'That's us holding

the British, European and World Championships,' said Piper Colin Ronald. 'We're leading the Champion of Champions rankings at the moment, and there's every chance

that we could land the title with another strong performance. But we dare not be too confident as we'll be up against another 21 bands in our grade at Cowal.'

## A great day anticipated at Cowal

KINTYRE Schools Pipe Band is due to play its set at 1.13pm tomorrow (Saturday August 27). Hopefully, there will be a large Kintyre contingent to cheer the band on the day.

## Phoenix Motors help Kintyre Schools on their way

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Duncan Renton said: 'We are delighted to have this opportunity to associate our firm with the highly successful Kintyre Schools Pipe Band by sponsoring its annual outing to the Cowal Gathering. Here's hoping that we may be cheering the Champion of Champions Band back to Campbeltown on Saturday night. I'd like to wish the Band and of course its Drum Major, Kevan Renton, every success the day.'

Speaking on behalf of the band and his World Champion Drum Corps, Campbell Anderson said: 'Thanks Duncan. Kintyre Schools depends on generous local support from the likes of yourselves. Here's hoping Phoenix Motors bring us that crucial bit of good luck at Cowal.'



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## Those Were The Days

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### Superloo site fight

ARDRISHAIG residents this week won the first round in the battle of the village superloo.

Argyll and Bute's environmental committee overturned the local councillor's recommendation that 'the site was right' and voted to build the toilets on the site of existing portaloos.

Plans supported by local councillor Mr Neil Brodie to build the new £40,000 toilet block on Ardrishaig Front Green caused angry reaction among residents who penned a 150-signature petition against the proposal.

But at Wednesday's environmental health meeting Mr Brodie claimed villagers were forced to sign.

'A number of people have apologised to me saying they were harassed into signing,' he said.

'I'm the one getting the flak and I haven't petitioned anyone.

### New postmaster

SUB-Postmaster Roy McArthur and his wife Jean, new owners of The Mail Box in Argyll Street, said it feels like they are coming home.

Mr McArthur, who comes from Ardrishaig, said: 'I've come home.

'I was educated in Glasgow but spent all my time out of school in Ardrishaig.'

Leaving The Mail Box after one-and-a-half years are George and Irene Maxwell.

### Facelift for 90 year old skiff

A LOCH Fyne Skiff, built in Ardrishaig in 1901 is currently undergoing a major facelift in a Plymouth boatyard.

Owner of the 30 ft vessel, Chris Perkins from Norfolk is on holiday in Mid Argyll and hoping to gather background information on the 'Vallina'.

'I know she was built by Archie Munroe of Ardrishaig boatbuilders and engineers, D Munro and Sons and she used to sail under the name of Eala Mysie,' said Crhis.

## Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



THE wee gallery on Gigha was a buzz of activity and excitement. The paintings flooded the walls with light and colour as people filled the small space to see the latest art work by John Lowrie Morrison, more usually known as Jolomo.

The paintings caused quite a stir and a few red dots indicated that several of these works of art had already been sold.

We enjoyed the whole atmosphere as we shared cheese and wine and chatted to the artist. A few days later we returned, not to buy a painting, but just to take time to look again.

It was then we discovered the gem in the collection. This came in the form of a delightful youngster called Tristan.

Tristan is an eight-year-old entrepreneur who has a few businesses on the go. Inspired by Jolomo, Tristan has set up a little studio of his own, and for 99 pence you can have your portrait painted. However, there is a special deal on at present, where two people painted together can have a portrait completed for just £1 – irresistible, you must admit!

It is an experience not to be missed. Tristan is an artist in every sense of the word and has all the skills of a master conversationalist.

He keeps his clients greatly entertained and informs his subjects that the 'sitting' time takes as long as you wish to chat with the artist.

Tristan also offers a 'drying' service and will keep your painting to let it dry while you enjoy the island, enhanced, at no extra cost, by the tourist advice of Tristan himself.

What a memorable and delightful experience this was, and Tristan's painting has pride of place in our kitchen.

It might not be quite as prestigious as Jolomo, or as expensive, but it has a value that goes beyond price.



## Down Memory Lane

**THIS week's Down Memory Lane photo was submitted by Mrs M Scott from Easfield, Tarbert. The photo is believed to be of footballers at the Fisherman's Cup in 1980 or 1981. Back row: Gordon 'Spoooner' Blair, John McNab, Jack Maxwell, Chris McCrindle, Grant 'Skinner' Scott and Scott Goldie. Front row: Brian 'Barney' McNeil, Kenny Prentice, Peter McLean, Duncan McGregor, Bruce 'Pele' McLean, David 'Busto' McArthur, Alan McKenzie and coach Malcolm McAlpine.**

### Activists' call to boycott milk

Sir,  
Dairy farmers have long blamed badgers for spreading bovine tuberculosis, yet all the while keeping cows incarcerated for much – or even all – of their productive lives inside the filth and squalor of a factory farm shed.

Those animals that do not succumb to one of the many illnesses and conditions found inside these 'disease factories' will be sent to slaughter when their productivity declines.

Their young – an unwanted by-product of milk production – are likely to meet a similar fate.

The public has spoken vociferously against badger culls through a number of consultations, and still Defra pays no attention.

The clamour from dairy farmers has drowned out all rational argument. We are, therefore, asking all people who care about badgers now to put their money where their hearts are and boycott milk.

By choosing dairy-free alternatives, compassionate people can help end the misery of dairy cows and at the same time send a strong mes-

## Letters to the Editor

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sage to dairy farmers: don't blame badgers for your own welfare failings.

**Kate Fowler,  
Animal Aid,  
Tonbridge,  
Kent.**

### Mid Argyll Show thanks

Sir,  
I write on behalf of the committee of the Mid Argyll Agricultural Show to thank everyone for their continuing support of the Mid Argyll Show. This is very important to us.

In spite of the poor weather conditions leading up to the show, from the feedback we have received it was seen as a success.

The show is now seen as a major event in the agricultural calendar for Mid Argyll and a day for all communities of Mid Argyll to enjoy.

We say thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make the show so enjoyable

and look forward to seeing you in 2012.

**David Anderson,  
President of Mid Argyll Show,  
Barnakil Farm,  
Cairnbaan,  
Lochgilphead.**

### Disappointed at reaction

Sir,  
I have been disappointed at some of the reaction to my proposal for a windmill north of the Skipness road and to the apparent disregard of the undertaking by Genesis to provide community benefit of three per cent of the gross revenue.

On current financial models this would result in Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust receiving approximately £12,000 per annum for 20 years (rising with inflation) to invest in the community.

Statements have been made that I do not understand rural communities but I can assure

you all that I do understand just how fragile communities are in rural areas and how important benefits derived from sustainable energy resources can be to help reverse declines in local services and facilities. Some of these declines can be traced to the government's current straitened financial circumstances and I note that this project will also bring substantial tax revenues for HMRC.

I am investigating how community investment into this project might increase the share of benefit available locally and hope to formulate proposals for this shortly in consultation with the trust and the wider community.

Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust have a proposal for a turbine. The scale of volunteer effort required to achieve this is considerable and I have offered my help to the trust directors - as I would be very happy to do with other local wind energy projects.

**Jonathan Waxman,  
Genesis Energy,  
jonathan.waxman@genesis-energy.co.uk.**

### Wind turbines a danger to hen harriers

Sir,  
We are so lucky to have at least one breeding family of hen harriers in the Tarbert and Whitehouse area. Throughout Scotland there are between 450 and 500 pairs of breeding hen harriers, a number comparable with the golden eagle population.

We hope that changes in land management and especially the spread of wind turbines will not take this wonderful bird from our lives.

The 'spring courtship' displays, often described as 'sky dancing' involve elaborate in-flight gyrations by both male and female birds.

To be able to witness such behaviour from our homes, or whilst walking, is a rare privilege enjoyed by only a few people in the UK.

Of more local concern is the proliferation of wind turbines. Windfarms pose a very real threat but if they can be concentrated in limited areas, as the council's local plan envisages, that threat will be contained. The worst development would be the spread of individual turbines or very small groups throughout the area.

Although very capable and fast flyers, the speed of the tip of a wind turbine blade – which may be over 100mph – may cause fatalities.

**Graham Terry,  
Bluebell Cottage,  
Whitehouse.**

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# Social work services making 'good progress'

SOCIAL work services in Argyll and Bute are 'making good progress on a well-planned improvement journey' an inspection has found.

Social Care and Social Work Improvement Scotland (SCSWIS) carried out the inspection in February on the area's social work services with the findings presented to councillors in a detailed report.

## Assessment

Rosie Lawrence, senior inspector for SCSWIS told the meeting of the full council that out of Argyll and Bute there was no area where they found a significant risk. The initial assessment considered both performance and improvement activity.

The analysis of risk was based on nine questions, which SCSWIS used to

analyse information and data gathered on the council.

She said that there were four areas of no significant risk, with the other five areas being of uncertainty.

'What I found overall is there was a broad improvement in the social work of Argyll and Bute,' Rosie told the meeting. 'What we have now asked the council to do is develop an action plan.'

Councillor Andrew Nisbet, Argyll and Bute's spokesman for social affairs said: 'The reason that we are making the changes we are is to continue to improve the services offered to the Argyll and Bute community at a time when we have an increasing demand for services and a decreasing pot of resources with which to meet that demand.'

## Walk to school

CHILDREN are this week being encouraged to start the new school year by walking to school.

As Argyll and Bute Council works on creating a series of 'core paths' to get people walking, a national charity says the number of children walking to school is at an all time low.

Over the last decade the number of children who walk to school in Scotland has dropped from approximately 56 per cent to 46 per cent according to charity Living Streets.

The charity is working with schools across Scotland to increase walking and active travel for all or part of the school journey.

## Are you dancing?

AS THE SUMMER ceilidh season draws to a close, those unwilling to hang up their dancing shoes are being invited to join Scottish Country Dancing.

Described as 'the lesser known cousin of Highland and ceilidh dancing', Scottish Country Dancing is based on a series of patterns, with dances usually done in sets of six to eight people.

With the new country dance session kicking off in September, dancers in Mid Argyll are hoping to welcome some new faces to their group.

A special beginners class will be held on September 5, giving people an insight into the dance group's activities.

Chairwoman of the Mid Argyll Scottish Country Dance Society, Kim Ritchie, said: 'The Ardrishaig dancers are really friendly and welcoming, so as well as a great way to keep body and brain in good shape, it's a lot of fun.'

The class meets every Monday at 7.15pm in Ardrishaig Hall. For more information please contact Kim on 01546 830268 or log on to www.rscds.org.



## Harry Potter star on the Crinan Canal

A VISIT to Oban and Kerrera by Harry Potter star Timothy Spall on his round Britain barge trip will feature in an upcoming television show on BBC Four.

He and his wife Shane set out to circumnavigate the British Isles in their barge, Princess Matilda.

The next episode of Timothy Spall: Back at Sea, will be aired next Wednesday, August 31, at 8.30pm. It features their trip from Troon to the Crinan Canal, on to Oban and northwards via the Caledonian Canal.

**Film star Timothy Spall travelled through the Crinan Canal for a BBC Four programme to be shown next week.**



# We're getting behind your club

The new RBS Club Rugby programme is supporting your local rugby club. As the new season kicks off, now is a great time to get involved whether you're playing, volunteering or cheering on your team.

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# Flower show's diamond jubilee



Archie Macfarlane, of Ardrishaig won first prize for his celery. Archie's father and uncle were founding members of the Mid Argyll Horticultural Society.

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DIAMONDS were being given away in Ardrishaig last Friday night as Ardrishaig Horticultural Society celebrated 60 years of its annual show.

Competitors in vegetables, flowers, baking, floral arranging and art were awarded diamond shaped crystal trophies to mark their success in the flower show's diamond year.

Young and old entered a series of competitions in the 2011 show, with one of the founding members of the horticultural society winning first prize for begonias.

### Only Competitor

Entering the Ardrishaig show every year for 60 years, Alex

Weir was the only competitor to enter the first and sixtieth show on Friday night.

Epitomising the passion for the horticultural competition, Alex Weir has been displaying his renowned begonias for generations.

### Presented

Councillor Dougie Philand officially opened Ardrishaig Flower Show and presented trophies to the winners.

He said: 'It is a real privilege to be asked to be here today. To all of the entrants and to the committee members for all of the hard work in erecting this great display - well done.'



Alex Weir has entered the Ardrishaig Flower Show every year for 60 years. His prize-winning begonias are renowned amongst local horticulturalists.

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(L-R) Jenny Campbell and Cathy Robertson received diamond awards for their achievements in floral arranging and homebaking.

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President of the flower show Neil John MacLean thanked renowned horticulturalist JG Cathro, of the National Vegetable Society, for judging the vegetables in the show. Mr Cathro travelled from Dundee to take part in the show.

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Libby Crawford, Helen Gray and Bell Hatton enjoyed looking at the entries in the home industries section of the show on Friday afternoon.

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## Community Noticeboard

Glassary Kilmartin and Ford Parish Church  
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Friday 26th August 10am - 6pm  
Saturday 27th August 10am - 5pm  
Demonstrations on both days by Local Artists and Craftspeople  
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# Fete raises £2,000 for parish church funds



There were plenty of folk having a flutter on the human fruit machine. Here are cousins Katie, 15, and Zoe, 13, Glencross and 13-year-old Christina MacLean. 08\_a34fete8s



Ten-year-old Beth Johnson took her Alsatian Toby along to the church fete pet show. 08\_a34fete2

VISITORS to the autumn fete at Lochgilhead Parish Church have helped to raise more than £2,000 for church funds.

Revellers at the fete enjoyed a host of games and activities on Saturday, proving fundraising can be great fun.

### Great Hit

And with the first ever pet show, the event was a great hit with children and animal lovers.

Stalls selling bric-a-brac, books, crafts, plants, bulbs and seeds,

along with food stalls, helped raise the cash, which will be used to renovate the church hall.

Speaking after the event Reverend Hilda Smith of Lochgilhead Parish Church said she was amazed by the generosity of the local community.

'People donated so much to the stalls at the event,' she said. 'Without people's contributions and support we would not have made that amount of money. I am delighted with the total'.



Kieran Wragg and Pat Maguire were playing guessing games with visitors. Pat was asking people to guess how many sweets were in the jar, while visitors were asked to guess Kieran's birthday (it was January 30). 08\_a34fete5



Emma Smyth, 9, Cameron Gilthorpe, 10, Emma Lowe, 9, and Emma Smyth's twin sister Nicola try their hand at boules. The object of the game was to land the ball on a £5 note to take the prize. 08\_a34fete1

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## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

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Visit the wee pictures website for more what's on and coming soon.

## GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD

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- 3 Flexible (8)
- 9 Illustrate in detail (7)
- 10 Pelvic bones (5)
- 11 Substitution (12)
- 13 Soothe (6)
- 15 Big test (6)
- 17 Go-between (12)
- 20 Fork part (5)
- 21 To that place (7)
- 22 Ineffectual (4,4)
- 23 Celebrity (4)

**Down**

- 1 Accelerations (8)
- 2 French caps (5)
- 4 Figure out (6)
- 5 Afternoon (4,8)
- 6 Burn up (7)
- 7 Dash (4)
- 8 Ready to leave (5,7)
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# Autumn

IT'S been quite a year for weddings! William and Kate and Zara and Mike topped the bill and got us all in the mood for confetti and cake.

Kate may have got her prince but Zara had got the good sense to get married in Scotland! Hey, we're not biased and we're not boasting, but there's something about a wedding in Scotland that has got England, Wales and Ireland beaten. Sorry, but that's a fact.

In fact, a lot of people agree and come here from all over the world to get married because of our romantic, beautiful countryside and locations; our readers won't have to travel far but they might have to move fast if they've named the day because all our venues get quickly snapped up. All across Kintyre, Mid

Argyll, Gigha, Islay and Jura there are some beautiful churches in fabulous places; A'Chleit church, right on the beach is stunning.

And your wedding and reception can both be held on the beach at the Argyll Hotel, Bellochinty, where the owners have invested to make this a perfect spot for your big day (see story on this page for more).

The wedding rooms at the Grade A listed Burnett Building in the heart of Campbeltown with the Lady Linda McCartney Memorial Garden outside have to be the jewel in the crown for Argyll and Bute Council for its civic wedding venues. All kind of venues are licensed for weddings; Peninver Village Hall is another popular location.

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# Weddings

So if you've just done the 'Will you?' part, make sure your 'I do' is said here in the most beautiful and romantic part of Argyll. . . . And did you know that Scotland is one of the few countries where Humanist marriage ceremonies are legal, if a celebrant of the Humanist Society of Scotland, whom the Registrar General of Scotland has formally authorised, conducts the service.

## Argyll Hotel Bellochantuy

WHY travel to the Caribbean to wed on a white sandy beach, when you can do so here in Kintyre. Joyce and Stewart Rafferty and daughter Katie have just made a major investment, refurbishing their Argyll Hotel at Bellochantuy to create everything a bride could wish for her dream day. The family has designed an incredible wedding package using their own local staff and local expertise. The hotel itself is licensed for weddings. The historic building offers eight en-suite bed-



The newly refurbished conservatory at the Argyll Hotel Bellochantuy.

rooms and five holiday chalets; 80 people can dine in the conservatory overlooking the beach, or 110 at a buffet. The conservatory opens out onto a new patio, which in turn leads directly onto the stunning white sand beach at Bellochantuy. The patio has been designed to take a luxury marquee, which increases the number of diners to 120. As part of the renovations the dining room and conservatory have been tastefully re-decorated and a sprung, wooden floor for

dancing installed; the hotel has its own disco equipment. The Argyll Hotel works with other Kintyre businesses; fresh strawberries come from Glenbarr and seafood from Macmillan's, Campbeltown. The hotel has links with Kintyre's wedding cake makers, florists, pipers and musicians for all the finishing touches, and beauticians and hairdressers to pamper the wedding party and guests.

Link these with the Argyll Hotel's selection of food and drink menus you can see that the Rafferty family has very cleverly created all the elements of a wedding package but one that can be tailored to suit individual tastes, needs and budgets. No wonder that summer dates are being snapped up for next year. Make sure you book early; provisional dates can be reserved for 14 days.

## The Kilt Shop

Since its opening in early spring this year "The Kilt Shop" on Longrow, Campbeltown is now firmly established as the place to go for Highland dress hire in Argyll. Hardly surprising when you learn that this is the latest venture by Celtic Clothing of Stornoway, who have a well-known reputation for quality and service. "We've been busy making a brand new stock of both traditional and contemporary kilts as

well as all the other bits and pieces that make up a kilt outfit for any occasion. Attention to detail is paramount." So says Kathleen, master kiltmaker and co-owner. The Kilt shop is about so much more than just kilts. There is a wide range of wedding related gifts for not just the groom and best man, but also for the bridal party. There is so much to plan and prepare for the big day so it is refreshing to find "a safe pair of hands". Over the

last 15 years, Celtic Clothing's reputation throughout the Western Isles has become legendary. Kathleen says "Kilts these days are primarily worn on special occasions, including weddings, where memories and photographs will be treasured. We want our men to look special and feel special on their day to remember." With a fully trained professional staff providing a personal, friendly service, a visit to The Kilt Shop is a must.

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## ACHNAMARA

## Fungus foray

CEPS AND chanterelles were on the menu in Achnamara on Saturday when a fungus foray took place near Seafield Farm.

James Livingston led a guided walk in the forest where people of all ages learned how to identify edible mushrooms and which ones to avoid.

The find of the day came in the shape of a very impressive cauliflower fungus. Found by Ardrishaig youngster Piers Gritten, it was a mushroom big enough to fill several dinner plates.

Back at the farm everyone had the opportunity to sample a delicious wild mushroom risotto.

Organised by Kilmartin House Museum, in partnership with Scottish Natural Heritage and Forestry Commission Scotland, the event is the latest in a series of cultural and natural heritage events to be hosted by the museum outdoors.



**Piers Gritten from Ardrishaig shows off a cauliflower fungus, found during a search of woodlands in Achnamara.**

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## Birthday celebrations at Tarbert Lunch Club

BIRTHDAY cake was on the menu this week at Tarbert Lunch Club as the group celebrated its first birthday and the arrival of a new baby.

Fraser Gibb, whose mum, Kelly Gibb works at the lunch club, charmed the group when he paid a visit to Tarbert Youth Group headquarters with his mum on Monday.

Tucking into their soup, members of the lunch club praised Kelly and co-ordinator of the club Heather Bellshaw for their continued hard work in making the lunch club a success.

Presenting a card to the team of workers at the club, member Anne MacFarlane, said: 'We have had a lovely time in a lovely year.'

With 22 registered members, the club, managed by Tarbert Youth Group, continues to grow in popularity.

Asked what makes the club so good members said: 'It is the company, humour and hot soup'.

## After School Care Club

CHILDREN at Tarbert's after school care club have recently been learning about the emergency services.

Visiting all the emergency services for land and sea within the Loch Fyne Village, the youngsters got an insight into life as a police officer, paramedic and coastguard volunteer.

Spending time at Tarbert Police Station, the youngsters were taken in for questioning,



**The oldest diner at the lunch club, 89-year-old Jenny MacFarlane with new arrival Fraser Gibb and mum Kelly Gibb.** 06\_a34lunch01

locked in the jail and tried on hats, coats and shields before trying out the police car siren.

At Tarbert Ambulance Station, the children got to take blood pressure, lie on the stretcher and learn all about the equipment inside the ambulance.

And at the coast guard office, the group was shown some of the rescue equipment and told stories of dramatic sea rescues.

## MINARD

## South America at Crarae

SENIORITAS and amigos are invited to Crarae Garden next Sunday as the garden

celebrates everything South American.

A highlight of the event will be Freddie the Alpaca. Visitors to the event will be able to learn more about alpacas, which are becoming ever more popular in Mid Argyll.

At the event visitors can see demonstrations of carding and spinning Alpaca wool and gardeners will be on hand to highlight plants typically grown on the sunny continent.

## AUCHINDRAIN

## Knitting group

KEEN knitters and crochet artists are being invited to join a knitting group based at Auchindrain.

The group, which has not

## TARBERT

met in recent weeks, is being restarted now that the school holidays are over.

It is envisaged that the group will meet once a week at Auchindrain Tearooms. For more information contact Katy on 01499 500548.

## Sale of Work

THE SALE of work, which has been held in Inveraray Church in the Royal Burgh, will end on Wednesday.

The sale, which raises funds for the Glenaray and Inveraray Parish Church, has been running for two months.

## ARROCHAR

## Top attraction

LOCH LOMOND has been voted as one of the seven wonders of the UK.

In a recent survey carried out by OscarUK it has been revealed that Loch Lomond,

home to the villages of Arrochar and Tarbet, is one of the most beautiful places to visit in the UK.

Listed number five in the UK's seven wonders, Loch Lomond featured alongside Stonehenge, the Giant's Causeway and the White Cliffs of Dover.

## TIGHNABRUAICH

## Late summer market

KILFINAN Community Forest will host a late summer market at Kames Recreational Hall tomorrow (Saturday).

Taking place between 10am and 1pm, the market will feature everything from jams and jellies to fresh vegetables and fruit, delicious home baking and sweet treats, plus fair trade oils, herbs and spices and local crafts.

## KILMICHAEL

## Shaun joins horticultural society

KILMICHAEL youngster Shaun Doy has been invited to join the Ardrishaig Horticultural Society after his success at the village flower show.

Shaun, a pupil of Ardrishaig Primary, was awarded a diamond trophy for his achievements in baking, growing vegetables and floral arranging at the show.

Shaun's success comes just one week after he won the Centenary Cup at the Mid Argyll Show.



**Shaun Doy at Ardrishaig Flower Show.** 06\_a34flower10

## GRADUATIONS



**Lynsey Macintyre has graduated with a PhD for research undertaken in the Strathclyde Institute of Pharmacy and Biomedical Sciences, University of Strathclyde. Lynsey is the daughter of Iain and June, Gleneherve, Southend.**



**Rosslyn Oman has graduated BA (Hons) in Fine Art from Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art, Dundee, also gaining the MacNeillance prize for Painting and Drawing. Rosslyn is the daughter of Kate and Les Oman, Campbeltown and granddaughter of Mary and Hector MacKinnon, Campbeltown and Margaret and the late Colin Oman, Carradale.**



**Scott McGeachy graduated from the University of Edinburgh with LL.B in Law with First Class Honours. During his time at university Scott won the Biggart Baillie Prize, the Miller Prize in Scots Law and the Berriedale Keith Essay Prize. Scott is the son of Ian and Alison McGeachy, Ralston Road, Campbeltown and the grandson of James and Jean McGeachy, Ralston Road, Campbeltown and John and Fiona MacMillan, Wallace Cottages, Southend. Scott is returning to the University of Edinburgh this year to study for a Diploma in Professional Legal Practice.**



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Twenty-seven children have joined Lochgilphead Primary School. The school with the largest intake of youngsters in Mid Argyll, Lochgilphead Primary will have two primary one classes, taught by Mrs MacDonald and Mrs Lees. 06\_a34lochgilphead01



The little ones at Kilmartin Primary School had been practicing their smiles ahead of the arrival of the Argyllshire Advertiser reporter. The three new starts will be joining their primary two counterparts in the classroom. 06\_a34kilmartin01

# Mid Argyll's Primary One pupils

AS THE new school year got underway last week the *Argyllshire Advertiser's* roving reporter met a host of primary one pupils embarking on their school career.

### Smiles All Round

Introduced to several primary one classes from Lochgilphead, Craignish, Kilmartin, Ardrishaig and Tarbert, there

was not one tear to be seen in Mid Argyll.

It was smiles all round and sparkling clean school uniforms as the youngsters posed for their first official *Squeek* photograph.

To meet the primary ones from the remaining Mid Argyll schools see next week's *Argyllshire Advertiser*.



These happy youngsters are the 150<sup>th</sup> new intake at Craignish Primary in its anniversary year. The school has welcomed six new primary ones to Ms Joyce Henderson's combined P1-4 class and so far playing in the school's playground has been the highlight. 08\_t34craig01



Showing off their new school uniforms, the youngsters at Ardrishaig Primary School formed a class of 15 at the village school. 06\_a34ardrishaig01



Thirteen little 'dookers' started primary school at Tarbert Academy last week. The youngsters, taught by Mrs Brough, were missing one of their classmates when the picture was taken on Monday. 06\_a34tarbert01

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## Guild hold summer sale of work

A QUEUE formed outside Furnace Village Hall on Friday evening as Cumlodden and Loch Fyneside Guild held its summer sale of work.

The sale, which featured homebaking, plants, books and household goods, drew bargain hunters from all corners of Loch Fyne.

The sale, one of two that are hosted by the guild each year, raises funds for renovation works needed on local churches – Lochgair, Cumlodden and Loch Fyneside – and local charities.

## Furnace Fun Day this weekend

THE COMPETITIVE spirit is rising in Furnace this week as residents prepare to take on neighbours and friends in a host of sports at Furnace Fun Day.

The event, which kicks off at 10am at the village hall, will see residents fight to be named the best gardener, baker and football player.

The fun day will begin with the horticultural contest, where green-fingered enthusiasts will present containers of wild flowers, cultivated flowers, a plate of four vegetables and even their own miniature garden.

For the first time ever men will be taking on the women in the baking contest. With

much competitive banter in the village residents are waiting with baited breath to see who emerges triumphant.

The hotly anticipated annual football match between the over and under 30s, and the pimp my wheelbarrow race will also take place.

The main attraction of the fun day, the race will see villagers sprint, wheelbarrow and willing participant in hand, from the doctor's surgery to the Furnace Inn.

Richard Polanski and Mungo Sinclair are the defending champions from the 2010 event.

A disco, kicking off in the village hall at 8pm, will end the day's festivities.



(L-R) Cumlodden and Loch Fyneside Guild president Jean MacLeod and secretary Edna Locke at the sale of work in Furnace. 06\_a34furnace01

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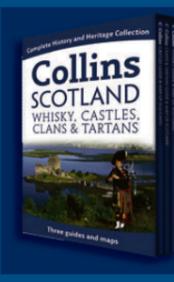
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# Mid Argyll Show results

## Clydesdale Horses

Class 3: Filly, Colt or Gelding under 3 years 1 David MacPhail Junior, 2 Neil MacPhail; Class 4: Yeld Mare or Gelding over 3 years, 1 David MacPhail Junior, 2 David MacPhail Junior, 3 Neil MacPhail; Class 5: Horse in Harness 1 Neil MacPhail; Champion Clydesdale - MacFadyen Cup presented by Malcolm MacFadyen & Special prize £20, David MacPhail Junior, Campbelltown, Reserve Champion - Pat McGinlay Silver Salver and Special Prize £15 David MacPhail Junior, 3 £10 David MacPhail Senior, Campbelltown

## Cattle

Class 1: Bull, 1 Mrs Q Strickland; Class 2: Cow in calf or with calf at foot, 1 G & M Porter, 2 Mr & Mrs RD Schuster; Class 3: Three year old heifer, 1 S & M O'Hara, 2 Mrs Q Strickland, 3 Lady Lithgow; Class 4: Two year old heifer, 1 Mr & Mrs R D Schuster, 2 Mrs Q Strickland, 3 Lady Lithgow, 4 G & M Porter; Class 5: One year old heifer 1 Mrs Q Strickland, 2 Sir W Lithgow, 3 G & M Porter, 4 Mr & Mrs R D Schuster, 5 S & M O'Hara; Class 6: Suckled Calf, 1 Mr & Mrs R D Schuster, 2 J Warmerdam; Highland Cattle Champion (Cup 7) Challenge Cup - Highland Cattle Society Rosette and Special Prize £40, Mr & Mrs R D Schuster, Dalmally; Reserve Champion (Cup 7a) Mrs Strickland Trophy & Special Prize £20, S & M O'Hara, Appin, Best Opposite Sex in Highland Cattle Section (cup 8) Cnoc Fold Quaich, Mrs Q Strickland, Dalmally; Best group of three Special prize of £10 Sir W Lithgow, Ormsary; Any other pure breed of cattle suitable for breeding; Class 11: Heifer in calf, Bruce Dixon, Laggan Farms; Class 10: Cow in calf or in milk, G & M Porter; Cups for classes 9 - 13 Open Champion (cup 10) Dunamuck Cup and £40, G & M Porter, Islay, Reserve Open Champion Special prize £20 Bruce Dixon, Killinonochoch; Cross Suckled Calves; Class 15: Best Heifer Calf Sired by Limousin, 1 D Semple; Class 16 Best Bullock Calf Sired by any other Pure Breed, 1 D Semple; Class 18: Best Bullock Calf Born after 1 February 2011 1 D Semple; Class 19: Best Heifer Calf Born after 1 February 2011 1 D Semple; Cups for classes 14 - 19 Champion Cross Suckled Calf (cup 11) Achnaba Cup and £40 D Semple, Carradale; Reserve Champion Cross Suckled Calf - Heifer calf born after Feb 1 2011 special prize £20 D Semple, Carradale; Commercial Beef Cattle - prime cattle; Class 20: Bullock, One year old and over D Semple, Commercial Beef Cattle - prime animals, prime animal champion, special prize £20 D Anderson, Cairnbaan; Unaltered and Naturally Shown; Class 22: Cow in calf or in milk 1 P MacCallum, 2 Sir W Lithgow, 3 Sir W Lithgow, 4 Sir W Lithgow, 5 Sir W Lithgow, 6 D Anderson; Class 23: Cow with own calf at foot, 1 P MacCallum, 2 Sir W Lithgow, 3 D Anderson, 4 Sir W Lithgow, 5 Sir W Lithgow, 6 D Anderson, Class 25: Heifer, Yeld Suitable for Breeding, 1 Bruce Dixon, 2 Bruce Dixon; Class 26: Heifer Calf Suitable for Breeding (Poltalloch Cup), 1 D Anderson, 2 Bruce Dixon, Laggan Farms, 3 Bruce Dixon, 4 D Anderson, 5 Sir W Lithgow; Class 27 Bullock Calf, 1 I & R Malcolm, 2 D Anderson, 3 P MacCallum, 4 D Anderson, 5 Sir W Lithgow, 6 P MacCallum; Class 28 Heifer Calf for Beef, 1 I & R Malcolm, 2 D Anderson; Class 29 Bullock Calf Native Sire 1 Sir W Lithgow, 2 I & R Malcolm; Class 30: Heifer Calf Native Sire 1 I & R Malcolm, 2 I & R Malcolm; Naturally Shown Champion (Classes 22 - 30) Represented Perpetual Challenge Bowl £50 voucher I & R Malcolm, Nether Largie; Naturally Shown Reserve 2 No Cup (classes 22 - 30) £30 voucher I & R Malcolm, Nether Largie; Naturally Shown 3 - No Cup (Classes 22 - 30) £20 voucher, P MacCallum, Acha Bheinn; Best Crossbred Animal for Breeding (classes 22 - 30), Cup no 18 - Crear Quaich P MacCallum,

Acha Bheinn: Best Animal in Commercial Beef - Open (classes 14 - 30) Cup no 13 SAI Commercial Beef Championship Trophy D Semple, Carradale; Best Animal in Commercial Beef, Confined (classes 14 - 30) no cup D Anderson, Barnakill; Interbred Beef Cattle Trophies, Confined Beef Champion - Parker Cup & Special prize £15 D Anderson, Barnakill, Reserve Champion Sir W Lithgow, Ormsary; Open Beef Champion MAAS Perpetual Challenge Cup & £25 United Auctions D Semple, Carradale, Reserve Champion Mr & Mrs R D Schuster, Glenstra; Best Homebred Beef Animal (Classes 1 - 30) Drimdrishag Cup, D Semple, Carradale, Best Team of three Breeding Animals - Uigle Cup Sir W Lithgow, Ormsary; Bull or Cow and two of its offspring - Progeny Cup D Anderson, Barnakill;

## Sheep

Blackface Sheep (Confined): Class 1 Ram Two years old and over, D Shaw; Class 2: Shearling Ram 1 J Cockburn, 2 J Cockburn, 3 R & I Shaw, Blackface Sheep (open) Class 8: Ram, two years old and over 1 J & J MacPherson, 2 D Shaw, 3 J & M Turner, 4 D Kent, Class 9: Shearling Ram: 1 J Jackson, 2 J Cockburn, 3 Messrs MacArthur, 4 J & J MacPherson, 5 R D Schuster; Blackface Sheep (Confined) Class 3 Ram Lamb, 1 D Shaw, 2 R & I Shaw, 3 J Cockburn, 4 J Cockburn, 5 R & I Shaw, 6 D Kent; Class 4 Ewe, in milk 3 years old and upwards 1 R & I Shaw, 2 D Shaw, 3 J Cockburn; Blackface Sheep (open) Class 10: Ram Lamb, 1 Messrs MacArthur, 2 Messrs MacArthur, 3 D Shaw, 4 J Jackson, 5 R D Schuster, 6 J & J MacPherson; Class 11: Ewe, in milk, 3 years old and upwards, 1 J Jackson, 2 R & I Shaw, 3 J & J MacPherson, 4 R D Schuster, 5 J & J MacPherson, 6 D Kent; Blackface Sheep (confined): Ewe in milk 2 years old, 1 D Shaw, 2 D Shaw, 3 R & I Shaw; Class 6 Gimmer, 1 D Shaw, 2 D Shaw, 3 R & I Shaw, 4 J Cockburn; Blackface Sheep (open) Ewe in milk 2 years old, 1 Messrs MacArthur, 2 J & J MacPherson, 3 Messrs MacArthur, 4 D Shaw; Gimmer, 1 Messrs MacArthur, 2 J & J MacPherson, 3 J Jackson, 4 D McVicar, 5 D Shaw, 6 D Shaw; Confined: Ewe Lamb, 1 R & I Shaw, 2 J Cockburn, 3 R & I Shaw, 4 D Shaw, 5 R & I Shaw, (open) Ewe with own lamb or lambs at foot 1 J & J MacPherson, 2 J & J MacPherson, 3 D Shaw; Ewe with own lamb / lambs at foot Fay MacDiarmid Cup, J & J MacPherson, Dalmally, (open) Ewe Lamb, 1 J & J MacPherson, 2 J & J MacPherson, 3 D MacVicar, 4 R & I Shaw, J Jackson; Best Blackface Ewe Lambs Championship - Duncan Lamont Salver, J & J MacPherson, Dalmally; Sheep with fleece most suitable for manufacturing (Confined and open) J & J MacPherson; Confined Group Champion - Ram, Ewe, Gimmer, & Ewe Lamb) Knock Quaich, D Shaw, Ardfern; Open Group Champion - Lochgair Hotel Trophy, Messrs MacArthur, Glenbar; Best Blackface Female Bred by Exhibitor (confined) special prize £20, R & I Shaw, Ardfern; Best Blackface Sheep bred by Exhibitor, Coulinlongart Cup, Messrs MacArthur, Glenbar; Confined Blackface Champion (Mid Argyll area) - Ormsary Trophy and special prize £40, R & I Shaw, Ardfern; Reserve Champion special prize £20 D Shaw, Ardfern; Overall Blackface Sheep Championship - Challenge Cup and special prize £40, Messrs MacArthur, Glenbar, Reserve Perpetual Cup and special prize £20 Messrs MacArthur, Glenbar, Blackface Sheep Opposite Sex to Champion Silver Cup Messrs MacArthur, Glenbar; Best Blackface Male Championship Alexander MacBrayne Cup Messrs MacArthur, Glenbar; Best Blackface Female Championship Society Challenge Cup, Messrs MacArthur, Glenbar; Suffolk Sheep (open) Ram, one year and over, N & J MacDonald; Ram Lamb, N & J MacDonald Ewe 1 N & J MacDonald, 2 S MacMillan, 3 N & J MacDonald; Gimmer 1 S MacMillan,



Ten-year-old Cameron MacNaughton, from Ardrishaig Primary School, shows off his family's 51-year-old Ford Dexter tractor. 06\_a34mid03

2 E MacMillan; Ewe Lamb, 1 McGillivray, 2 S MacMillan; Champion Suffolk Open Perpetual Trophy and special; prize £40, N & J MacDonald, Islay; Reserve Champion (open) special prize N & J MacDonald, Islay; Texel Sheep (open) Ram, one year and over 1 N & J MacDonald, 2 R Colville, 3 R MacDougall, 3 R MacDougall, 4 J MacKenrick, 5 M Ralston; Ram Lamb, 1 McGillivray, 2 G Gillespie, 3 R Colville, 4 D H MacKendrick, 5 R Lines, 6 C Taylor; Texel Sheep Confined: Ram, one year and over, Messrs MacLean; Ram Lamb 1 C Taylor, 2 Messrs MacLean; Ewe, 1 G Gillespie, 2 M Ralston, 3 N & J MacDonald, 4 N & J MacDonald, 5 D Anderson, 6 M Ralston; Gimmer, 1 R Colville, 2 R Colville, 3 M Ralston, 4 MacGillivray, 5 C Taylor, 6 D H MacKendrick; Texel Sheep Confined: Ewe 1 D Anderson, 2 D Anderson, 3 D Anderson, 4 Messrs MacLean; Gimmer, 1 D Anderson, 2 Messrs MacLean; Ewe Lamb, 1 MacGillivray, 2 N & J MacDonald, 3 MacGillivray, 4 C Taylor, 5 D H MacKendrick; Champion Texel open Perpetual Trophy and special prize £40 G Gillespie, Campbelltown; Reserve Champion special prize £20 N & J MacDonald, Islay; Texel Sheep Confined: Ewe Lamb 1 C Taylor, 2 D Anderson, 3 Messrs MacLean; Champion Texel Sheep (confined) Perpetual Trophy and special prize £40 D Anderson, Cairnbaan; Reserve Champion Quaich presented by Donald Hatton and special prize £20 C Taylor, Kilmichael; Blue Faced Leicester Sheep (open), Ram, one year and over 1 P Grumoli, 2 P Grumoli, Ewe, 1 J & M Turner, 2 J & M Turner, 3 P Grumoli; Ram Lamb, 1 J & M Turner, 2 J & M Turner, 3 P Grumoli, 4 J & M Turner, 2 J & M Turner, 3 P Grumoli, 4 D & F Lyon; Ewe Lamb, 1 Mrs J MacLachlan, 2 Mrs J MacLachlan, 3 J & M Turner, 4 P Grumoli; Any Other Breed (open) Ram, one year and over 1 N & J MacDonald, 2 G Brechin, 3 R Smith, 4 R Smith; Champion Blue Faced Leicester Sheep (open) (Ewe Lamb) Perpetual Trophy and special prize £40 Mrs J MacLachlan, Campbelltown; Reserve Champion (open) (Ewe) special prize J & M Turner, Kildallog; Any Other Breed (open): Ram Lamb, R Smith; Ewe, R Smith; Ewe Lamb 1 R Smith, 2 D & S Robb, 3 D & S Robb; Gimmer 1 D & S Robb, 2 R Smith, 3 R Smith; Champion any other Pure Breeds Perpetual Trophy and special prize £40 N & J MacDonald, Islay; Reserve Champion special prize £20 D & S Robb, Tarbert; Cross Breed Sheep (open) Ewe in milk 1 Sir W Lithgow, 2 D & H MacKendrick; Ewe Lamb: 1 J & M Turner, 2 J & M Turner, 3 J & M Turner, 4 D & H MacKendrick, 5 D Anderson, 6 Sir W Lithgow; Gimmer, 1 J & M Turner, 2 Sir W Lithgow; Three ewe lambs off any Blackface Ewe, 1 J & M Turner, 2 I & R Malcolm, 3 Sir W Lithgow; Crossbred Sheep Champion perpetual Trophy and special prize £40 J & M Turner, Campbelltown; Reserve Champion J & M Turner, Campbelltown; Rare and Minority Breeds (open): Ram, one year and over 1 D & S Robb, 2 D & S Robb; Ram Lamb 1 S MacCallum and Sons,

2 D & S Robb, 3 L Bastow; Ewe, 1 M & C Ralston, 2 S MacCallum and Sons, 3 L Bastow; Ewe Lamb, 1 M & C Ralston, 2 S MacCallum and Sons, 3 L Bastow, 4 D & S Robb, 5 L Bastow; Gimmer 1 D & S Robb, 2 M & C Ralston, 3 S MacCallum and Sons, L Bastow; Champion Rare and Minority Breeds Clochkeil Cup and special prize £40 M & C Ralston, Campbelltown; Reserve Champion special prize £20 S MacCallum and Sons, Kilmichael; Single Prime Lamb 1 R Lines, 2 Sir W Lithgow, 3 D Anderson, 4 R & I Malcolm, 5 R & I Malcolm, 6 D & F Lyon; Three Prime Lambs of any Sire 1 R Smith 2 S MacCallum & Sons, 3 I & R Malcolm; Three Prime Lambs off Texel Sire 1 D & H MacKendrick, 2 D & F Lyon, 3 Sir W Lithgow, 4 L Bastow, 5 I & R Malcolm; Champion special prize £10 D & H MacKendrick, Campbelltown; Reserve Champion £5 R Lines, Campbelltown; Champion Sheep (confined) MAAS Cup and special prize £20 R & I Shaw, Ardfern, Best Sheep than Blackface Confined to Mid Argyll D Anderson, Cairnbaan; All Sheep Overall champion (goes forward to Supreme Championship Barbreck Cup and special prize £35 United Auctions G Gillespie, Campbelltown; Sheep other than Blackface Open Achnaba Cup, N & J MacDonald, Islay

## Poultry

Large Fowl, Heavy Breed Male 1 D & F Ferguson, 2 D & F Ferguson, 3 H & A Bevis; Large Fowl Heavy Breed, Female, 1 Emma Dixon, 2 D & F Ferguson, 3 Angus Drynan; Large Fowl, Light Breed, Female, 1 H & A Bevis, 2 H & A Bevis, 3 Kirsty Dixon; Bantam Heavy Breed, Male, 1 Catriona Wilson, 2 J Bastow, 3 D & F Ferguson; Bantam Light Breed, Male, 1 C Wilson, 2 MacTavish & Jenkins, 3 MacTavish & Jenkins; Bantam Heavy Breed, Female, 1 J Bastow, 2 D & F Ferguson, 3 D Bosomworth; Bantam Light Breed, Female, 1 MacTavish & Jenkins, 2 C Wilson, 3 MacTavish & Jenkins; Ture Bantam, any variety 1 MacTavish & Jenkins, 2 MacTavish & Jenkins, 3 Kirsty Young; Farm Cross Breed Fowl, Female 1 E Dixon, 2 E Dixon, 3 S MacCallum; Likeliest Laying Fowl / Bantam 1 A MacCallum, 2 S MacCallum, 3 S MacCallum; Waterfowl, any variety, Drake 1 E Dixon, 2 S MacCallum, 3 E Dixon; Champion: MacTavish & Jenkins, Arrochar; Reserve Champion ACHA Cup Catriona Wilson, Lochgilphead; Waterfowl, any variety, Duck 1 S MacCallum, 2 E Dixon, 3 S MacCallum; Maximum points in Sheep and Cattle: Grassick Cup: D Anderson, Cairnbaan; Supreme Champion of Shop - Logan Richmond G Gillespie, Campbelltown; Confined Champion of Show - Duisdale Cup, R & I Shaw, Acharonich; Best Young Handler aged 12 - 17 years - Kilmartin Quaich, Fraser MacNicol, Ormsary

## Dogs

Most Attractive Puppy under 12 months: 1 Ferguson, Arrochar, 2 Harrington, Cairnbaan, 3 Smith, Ardfern, 4 MacArthur, Ormsary, 5 Sinclair, Lochgilphead, 6 McLean, Kilmartin; Dog Best in Condition, 1 Lithgow, Ormsary, 2 Pyne, Strachur, 3

Campbell, 4 Hoey, Dunoon, 5 Jackson, Kilmartin, 6 Green, Lochgair; Dog and Handler most alike, 1 Amanda Jackson, Kilmartin, 2 Sandilands, Lochgilphead, 3 Campbell, 4 Ruth Gordon, 5 Campbell, Lochgilphead, 6 Lithgow, Ormsary; Dog with the Waggiest Tail, 1 Pyne, Strachur, 2 Feeney, Minard, 3 Manchester, Ormsary, 4 Tarn, Tarbert, 5 Gordon, Kilmartin, 6 Sinclair, Lochgilphead; Best Veteran Dog (7 years and over) 1 Oliphant, Kilberry, 2 Lithgow, Ormsary, 3 Cox, Kilmartin, 4 Donna Brunton, 5 Daisy, 6 Drynan, Ormsary; Best Child Handler (13 years and under) 1 Wilson, Kilmichael Glassary, 2 Ferguson, Campbelltown, 3 Lemmon, Port Ann, 4 Lithgow, Ormsary, 5 Campbell, 6 Lithgow, Ormsary; The Kilmartin Hotel Cup Fun Class Winner Lithgow, Ormsary; The Achnabreac Cup for Best Barker Miriam Tarn, Tarbert; Any Variety Puppy (6 - 12 months) 1 MacArthur, Ormsary, 2 Susan Wood, Lunga, 3 Valerie Smith, Ardfern; Any Variety Gundog, 1 Lithgow, Ormsary, 2 Drynan, Ormsary, 3 Paterson, Garvachy, 4 Shephard, Ford, 5 Pyne Strachur, 6 Baston; Any Variety Terrier, 1 Hoey, Dunoon, 2 Harvey, Campbelltown, 3 Cox, Kilmartin, 4 Lithgow, Ormsary, 5 Oliphant, Kilberry, 6 McMurchy, Campbelltown; Any Variety Toy or Utility 1 Tarn, Tarbert; Any Variety Hound or Working 1 Lang, Lochgilphead, 2 Ferguson, Arrochar, 3 Arthur McLean, Kilmartin; Any Variety Pastoral, 1 McDonald, Lochgilphead, 2 Ferguson, Arrochar, 3 Sandilands, Lochgilphead; Flauden Cup - Best Pedigree Dog C Lang, Lochgilphead; Conic Trophy Best Gun Dog, Lithgow, Ormsary

## Vegetable Section

Leeks: 1 Hector MacKenzie, 2 Shaun Doy; Cabbage: Helen Hope; Onions: 1 Hector MacKenzie, 2 Matt Donald; Cauliflower: Helen Hope, Tomatoes 1 J MacLarty, 2 J MacLarty; Carrots - stumpy Hector MacKenzie; Carrots - long, Hector MacKenzie; Potatoes white, 1 Hector MacKenzie, 2 Shaun Doy, 3 Ellie Donald; Cucumber 1 Hector MacKenzie 2 Helen Hope, 3 Emma Dixon; Coloured Potatoes 1 Hector MacKenzie, 2 Helen and Jim Hope, 3 Elsie MacGinty; Lettuce, 1 Hector MacKenzie, 2 Helen Hope; Selection of Vegetables 1 Matt Donald, 2 Hector MacKenzie, 3 Shaun Doy; Cress (Children only) 1 Shaun Doy, Eleanor Dale, 3 Mhairi Campbell; Salad Selection, Hector MacKenzie; Mis-shaped Vegetable 1 Charlie MacKinnon, Zoe Prentice, 3 Shaun Doy; Shuttlewood cup for best exhibit - Hector MacKenzie; Fred Shuttlewood Memorial Cup (most points) Hector MacKenzie; Reserve Exhibit, Matt Donald

## Baking Section

Cherry Cake, 1 E Scott, 2 Shaun Doy, 3 Fiona Helbert; Banana Loaf: 1 Pauline Lynch, 2 Jenna Samborek, 3 Helen Hope; Sultana Scones, 1 Jenny Davies, 2 Helen Hope, 3 Jenna Samborek; Ginger Nuts, 1 E Scott, 2 Rebecca Bowen; Drop Scones 1 Helen Hope, 2 Shaun Rodgers, 3 Thelma Green; Apple Tart 1 Helen Hope, 2 E Scott, 3 Helena Bevis; Decorated Scones 1 Helen Hope, 2 Fiona MacNicol, 3 Emily Maxwell; 1/4 lb Tablet, 1 Jenna Samborek, 2 Alison Ferguson, 3 Raymond Flanagan; Clootie Dumpling 1 Fiona MacNicol, 2 Fiona Drynan, 3 E Scott; Oatcakes, 1 Fiona MacNicol, 2 Vivien Little, 3 Helen Hope / E Scott; Almond Slices 1 Helen Hope, 2 E Scott, Bread Plat 1 Helen Hope, 2 Vivien Little; Park Challenge Bowl (most points) Helen Hope; SWRI 75th Quaich (Best exhibit) Helen Hope

## Dairy Preserves

Hen's Eggs: 1 Wilma Dixon, 2 Jemma McLarty, 3 A Wilson; Duck Eggs, 1 Cathy Smith, 2 Wilma Dixon, 3 Grace McKendrick; Blackcurrent Jelly, 1 Fiona MacNicol, 2 Elsie MacGinty, 3 Margaret Allan; Strawberry Jam, 1 Sheena Rodgers, 2 E Scott, 3 Sheena MacNair; Raspberry Jam 1 Elsie MacGinty, 2 Fiona MacNicol,

3 Rebecca Bowen; Orange Marmalade: 1 Elsie MacGinty, 2 Sheena Rodgers, 3 Nicola Dodd; Beetroot Chutney 1 Margaret Allen, 2 E Scott; Vegetarian Pate 1 Rebecca Bowen, 2 Sheena Rodgers, 3 Fiona Drynan; Stuffed Beet Tomatoes E Scott; Quiche 1 Sheena Rodgers, 2 Rosslyn Smith, 3 E Scott; Pavlova, Vivien Little; Coleslaw 1 Alasdair MacKinnon, 2 E Scott; Preserve Cup E Scott / S Rodgers; Best Exhibit Sheena Rodgers; Reserve Margaret Allan

## Crooks and sticks

Shepherds Crook - Horn Head, 1 D MacKillop, 2 J MacLarty, 3 D MacKillop; Walking Stick - Horn 1 D MacKillop, J MacLarty, 3 D MacKillop; Walking Stick - Hazel 1 J MacLarty, 2 J MacLarty; Ornamental Stick, 1 D MacKillop, 2 J MacLarty, 3 J MacLarty; Park Championship Cup D MacKillop, MAAS Cup, J MacLarty; Novice Special Prize, Andy Wilson

## Flowers

Single Hybrid Tea Rose, 1 Emma Dixon, 2 Hector MacKenzie 3 Donald Shaw; Floribunda Roses 1 Donald Shaw, 2 Helen Hope; Case of 6 Sweet Peas 1 Hector MacKenzie, 2 Helen Hope; Vase of 3 Dahlias 1 Hector MacKenzie; Vase of 3 Pom Pom Dahlias, Hector MacKenzie; Pansies Displayed on a Board Helen Hope; Exhibit of Cut Flowers, 1 Hector MacKenzie, 2 Helen Hope; Indoor Pot Plant Flower 1 Vivien Little, 2 Sheena MacNair, 3 Margaret Devine, 4 Helen Hope; Indoor Plant Foliage, 1 Margaret Devine, 2 Diane Smith, 3 Vivien Little; Ladys Spray 1 Sheena MacNair, 2 Margaret Devine, 3 Jeanette Kelly; Gentlemans Buttonhole, 1 M Devine, 2 Helen Hope, 3 Jeanette Kelly; Royal Wedding Arrangement - small, 1 M Devine, 2 Sheena MacNair, 3 Helen Hope; Decoration using a Candlestick, 1 Linda MacLaren, 2 Sheena MacNair, 3 Jeanette Kelly, 4 Margaret Devine; Display of 3 Lilies 1 Margaret Devine, 2 Sheena MacNair, 3 Helen Hope; Arrangement in a glass 1 Sheena MacNair, 2 Jeanette Kelly, 3 Helen Hope; Arrangement using driftwood 1 Shaun Doy, 2 S MacNair; Fyne Flower Cup - Hector MacKenzie; Jane MacKenzie Cup Sheena MacNair; Ferguson Cup Sheena MacNair

## Handcraft

Cardigan with hood, 1 Libby Crawford, 2 Margaret Devine, 3 Cathy Smith; Crochet Articles, 1 M Devine, 2 C Smith, 3 Shaun Doy; Items in handmade felt 1 Christen MacKinnon, 2 Jae Ferguson; Toy any craft 1 David MacKillop, 2 Libby Crawford, 3 M Devine / Shaun Doy; Collage - framed Shaun Doy; Handspun hank of yarn Jae Ferguson; Photo Winter Scene 1 Richard Gray, 2 Rosemary Neagle, 3 Kathryn McGeachy; Driftwood Animal 1 Fiona MacNicol, 2 Cathy Smith; Agricultural Print: 1 Margaret Allan, 2 Catriona MacLeod, 3 Cathy Smith; Painting any medium 1 Jenny O'Neill, 2 Shaun Doy; MAAS Cup - most points in section - Shaun Doy, Best Exhibit Christen MacKinnon; Reserve Libby Crawford

## Children's Section

Vegetable Animal 1 Ruth Gordon, 2 Holly Helbert; Decorated up cake, 1 Alasdair Toner, 2 Robert Toner, 3 Rose MacCallum; Pasta Necklace 1 Ruth Gordon, 2 Alistair Toner, 3 Robert Toner, 4 Thomas Maxwell, 5 Rose MacCallum, 6 Holly Helbert; Drawing of my pet, 1 Thomas Maxwell, 2 Ryan Harding & Ruth Gordon; Decorated cup cake 1 Niamh MacGill & Shaun Doy, 2 Iona MacNicol, 3 Holly MacKinnon, 4 Emma Dunsley; Handmade Pom Poms 1 Molly Dykes, 2 Shaun Doy, 3 Niamh MacGill, 4 Emma Dunsley; Bracelet - any craft, 1 Niamh Adams MacGill, 2 Holly MacKinnon, 3 Iona MacNicol, 4 Shaun Doy; Mid Argyll Show Poster 1 Niamh Adams MacGill & Shaun Doy, 2 Emma Dunkley; Cup for most points 4 - 7 Ruth Gordon; Cup for most points 8 - 12 Niamh Adams MacGill; Best Exhibit Niamh Adams MacGill, Reserve Best Exhibit Thomas Maxwell.



Mhairi Dempster, showing a calf from Duiletter Farm, Glenstra, Dalmally, took first place in the suckled calf category. 06\_a33mid12



Reserve confined champion of the blackface sheep category came from Innisaig Farm in Ardfern and was shown by Neil Shaw. 06\_a33mid22

# Blackface sheep breeders prepare for the autumn sales



The Blackface breed is the most numerous breed in Britain accounting for over 1.7 million ewes, representing 11% of the British pure-bred flock (source: 2003 breed survey).

The vast majority are found in Scotland. The outstanding qualities of the breed are survivability, adaptability and versatility, with the ability to fit into any farming situation. They are

one of the hardest breeds in the country and are the backbone of the Scottish sheep industry.

As farmers prepare for the Autumn sale season, The Black-

face Sheep Breeders' Association which was formed on 20th August 1901 is on hand to help. The Association provides information about the breed, sale details, Blackface lamb mar-

kets and up to date information on the activities of the association. For more information contact Aileen McFadzean Tel: 07768820405 aileen.Scottish-blackface.co.uk



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 SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER – weaned calves, store breeding and OTM cattle.  
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*Saturday 8th October: Argyll's Great Annual Sale of Blackface Rams & Ram Lambs including consignments from most noted breeders from throughout the country.*

**ISLAY AUCTION MART**  
*Thursday 29th September: Annual Show & Sale of Rams including a good selection of Blackface*  
*Friday 30th September: Annual Islay Breeding Sheep Sale to include a good selection of Blackface Warranted Ewes, Gimmers & Ewe Lambs.*  
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**BLACKFACE SHEEP BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION**

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<b>SEPTEMBER</b> 1 Ayr 2 Hexham 2 Newton Stewart 5 Stirling (UA) 5 Castle Douglas 7 Lanark 10 Dumfries 16 Hexham 20 Huntly 20 Oban 21 Stirling (UA) 24 Dalmally 26 Kingussie 27 Oban 28 Lanark 28 Longtown 29 Hexham	<b>OCTOBER</b> 3 Stirling (UA) 5 Thainstone 6 Fort William 7 Dingwall 7 Dumfries 11 Longtown 12 Lanark 14 Stirling (Cal) 15 Forfar 24 Stirling (UA) 27 Dingwall 28 Fort William	<b>SEPTEMBER</b> 1 St Boswells - Fortnightly 5 Stirling (Cal) - show 6 Oban - show 6 Longtown - weekly 7 Stirling (UA) - show 10 Dalmally - show 16 Dingwall - show 16 Hexham - show 20 Oban 23 Fort William 24 Forfar - show 28 Lanark - Show
<b>OCTOBER</b> 5 Thainstone 7 Dingwall 11 Longtown	<b>NOVEMBER</b> 4 Hexham	<b>OCTOBER</b> 15 Forfar 18 Longtown - show 19 St Boswells - show 27 Dingwall
		<b>NOVEMBER</b> 22 Oban
		<b>DECEMBER</b> 14 Dalmally

**For further information on the breed contact Aileen McFadzean Tel: 07768 820405 aileen@scottish-blackface.co.uk**

Dunbia will be requiring Blackface lambs from mid November for Sainsbury's successful 'Border Blackface Lamb' range.

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# The MacNicol's of Turnnault - lifelong members of the Blackface Sheep Breeders Association

THREE generations of Alasdair MacNicol's family have farmed this beautiful glen at Turnnault, Barbreck, and it has always been blackface sheep.

'My grandfather came here about 1900; he was manager of the Barbreck Estate at that time,' said Alasdair. 'Round about 1926, the laird left this farm to a nephew of his and at that time the family took on the tenancy. In the 1960s, my father, mother, uncle

and aunt bought the farm.'

Now Alasdair and his brothers, Hamish and Iain, work full time on the farm, and with their 1,500 blackface flock, they are lifelong members of the Blackface Breeders Association.

'They are suitable for this type of land,' Hamish explained. 'You get a lot of other breeds that are far too heavy for the hills. The best thing about blackface are they live well - they are a healthy breed and

live a long time.'

The almost-4,000 acre farm includes 100 arable acres on the floor of the glen, used for lowland grazing for the farm's 60 suckler cross-breed cattle, as well as silage, hay, potatoes and turnips.

'We are quite lucky to have this low ground,' added Alasdair. 'A lot of places have just got hill park so we are quite fortunate to have the arable as well.'

Thanks to a good summer, the brothers have the silage made and a breathing space before it is time to draw the lambs for the autumn sale.

'It'll mostly be the males, we sell about 350 of them at the

first sale,' said Hamish. 'We will bring them in and sort them in the fanks in the week before the sale and then bring them down from the hills - we have got to watch the weather because the flooding can hold us back.'

'We have done quite well this year. We have got a good name for selling sheep now so they sell themselves.'

'We sold a Tup lamb for £1,400 about twenty years ago. Sheep prices have improved this last two years, some of them are double, but the prices have been flatlined for 20 years. Now there seems to be less stock about.'



These shearing tups are among a 1500-strong flock 08\_t34sheep01



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Brothers Hamish, Alasdair and Iain MacNicol are the third generation to farm blackface sheep at Turnnault, near Ardfern.  
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## George and Sybil MacPherson, working to raise the profile of Argyll Hill Lamb

**'IT'S not a job, it's a way of life,' reflected Sybil Macpherson. 'Every time you are out on the hills, you notice something different.'**

The Crerars have been farming at Brackley near Dalmally since 1842. Now Sybil, who has 1,250 ewes over 1,600 hectares, is vice chair of the National Sheep Association.

She said: 'As you can see on the hills about here, its only very poor vegetation on this type of hill land, it's unimproved land, the only thing that can turn this into quality protein is a sheep.'

'In this part of the world, it is very important that we keep the females, the daughters of the ewes, they are hefted to the ground

– they know where to go in poor weather. 'Once the sheep have departed from these hills it is incredibly difficult to re-introduce them.'

But the financial incentives to abandon sheep in favour of forestry are sorely tempting to hard-pressed farmers, despite the impact on the land.

'Sheep grazing the land maintain a huge variety of biodiversity. The hills round here have peat and are really important for carbon capture, something that's just been recently recognised.'

'In this part of the world, sheep are the only alternative to forestry. The sheep industry has underpinned the whole rural economy – if these

glens were planted with trees, the families will go.'

Brackley is one of 16 farms which has been working with Forteiths to promote Argyll Hill Lamb as a premium product.

Sybil has also been involved in the Blackface Sheep Breeders Association for 30 years, and husband George is vice president of the local branch.

'They work to raise the profile of the breed as a premium product and to promote the blackface ewe as part of the whole UK sheep industry,' she added.

'The social aspect is really important too. By the nature of the working with sheep in the hills, it is an isolated job. You can get quite bogged down and to be able to share that with other people is really helpful.'

'It is the quality of sheep that comes off the hills, it is a very natural product – organic in all but name.'

'You probably don't get as big a carcass as a lowland sheep, but its very good quality.'

**George and Sybil MacPherson of Brackley Farm, Dalmally**  
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## SAINSBURY'S PARTNERSHIP WITH BORDER BLACKFACE PRODUCERS CONTINUES INTO 4th YEAR

Sainsbury's will continue to source Border Blackface Lamb from Dunbia for the fourth year running, supporting the supermarket's commitment to selling the best in season lamb.

The Border Blackface Association met with Sainsbury's buyers and agriculture team at the Royal Highland Show earlier this year. As a result, the retailer committed to another extended season of sourcing lamb

for their premium Taste the Difference range.

Alice Swift, Agriculture Technologist, Beef, Lamb & Dairy for Sainsbury's stated that "Border Blackface is an important part of our Taste The Difference lamb range ensuring that we offer customers 'best in season' lamb 52 weeks of the year. We want to encourage farmers to finish their blackface lamb in order to utilise the

premium and promote the breed."

The announcement was welcomed by the Blackface Association and offers a major market opportunity for its members. Sainsbury's in partnership with lamb supplier Dunbia will require 2000 in-specification lambs per week (14-21kg) during the season.

Billy Renwick, President of Blackface Sheep Breeders Association said "We

are delighted to be working with Sainsbury's for another season. The partnership between Sainsbury's, Dunbia and the Association has been a great boost for Blackface Lamb producers, giving us the opportunity to let consumers appreciate 'Border Blackface Lamb' within Sainsbury's 'Taste The Difference Range'. It is now an important part of our marketing calendar"

## Information on SAC events

SAC intend to hold several practical, informative events this autumn which will be funded by the Scottish Government as part of its Public Good Veterinary and Advisory Service.

The first of these will be on Sheep, addressing sheep scab, liver fluke, ewe condition and any topic raised by those attending. Delivering this will be Rhidian Jones one of SAC's Sheep Specialists.

There will be one in Kintyre and one in Mid Argyll in September so watch this space for more news.

In addition SAC have produced a new booklet "Year round feeding the ewe for lifetime production" which can be obtained from SAC Campbeltown or at events. A worthy read.

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# The McArthurs of Arnicle prepare for the most important part of the year

MESSRS McArthur, the partnership of Iain and Elma McArthur and son David of Arnicle Farm, Glenbarr are well known names in the Blackface sheep farming community in Scotland.

The McArthur family came to Glenbarr when Iain's father Alastair returned from the Second World War and decided to move into farming.

Blackface sheep have always been the main enterprise on the farm; up until 1996 they also had suckler cows but decided then to increase sheep numbers and give them their undivided attention.

Today Arnicle is 5,000 acres and car-

ries 2,300 breeding ewes in total; 450 crossed with Blue-faced Leicesters producing mule lambs, the rest of the flock are pure breed. And they also have 20 pure breed Blue-faced Leicester ewes to breed replacement rams from, with the surplus going for sale each year.

The family's philosophy over the years has been 'to buy one or two good rams' each year and then use their male progeny throughout the farm. The McArthur's agree that the turning point for their stock came with the purchase of The Ace, a £4,200 Ailanfald tup lamb at Dalmally in 1989.

'This was the biggest change in our stock; we used a lot of sons off him and changed the type of sheep that were wanted at the time,' said David.

Another purchase, a Conachan shearing, bought for £2,400, known as King Cole fathered the £26,000 sold as a lamb by Arnicle at Lanark in October 1996 and also left his mark on his female progeny.

In recent years significant shared purchases have been a £2,800 Conachan lamb in 2008 at Lanark, a £27,000 Auldhouseburn lamb in 2009 and last year a £20,000 Auldhouse-

burn plus a £1,400 Lurg shearing. These sheep are all breeding well and have produced all the farm's show winners this year.

'Hopefully you are always bettering your stock,' said Iain. 'Every year you try and buy something to improve.'

Right now, like farmers across Scotland they are preparing for the autumn sheep sales, gathering their flock, weaning lambs and selecting ewe lambs and the cast ewes.

'It is perhaps the most important part of our sheep year. It can be pretty hard work but can also be very satisfying,' said David.



Tup lambs and their mothers. 21\_c34bfs04



Elma and Iain McArthur, son David and his twin daughters Casey and Otumn. 21\_c34bfs01

BOTH Iain and David McArthur are office bearers of Kintyre branch of the Blackfaced Sheepbreeders' Association. Iain is also a member of the national council.

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# Mull of Kintyre Music Festival

MID ARGYLL folk travelled south last weekend to enjoy the Mull of Kintyre Music Festival.

With a host of Mid Argyll musicians performing at numerous locations across the four-day event, locals made the trip south to support them.

Headlining Saturday's open-air event, Doon the Green, Mid Argyll based soul and R&B group, Cabin Fever, played to a rapturous applause on Kinloch Green.

### Concerts

Tribute band *Bootleg Beatles* headlined on Saturday night with people from Mid

Argyll and Tarbert performing at various other concerts over the weekend.

Amongst the Tarbert musicians playing at the event were teenagers Caragh Sinclair and Lauren Prentice. Residents of Tarbert Music Centre, the girls played at the Young Folk night on Thursday.



Denise Brolly with mum Jennifer and Lorraine MacDonal from Lochgilhead with Fiona McArthur from Campbeltown. 21\_c34mok47



Suzanne Houston, front left, and her ceilidh band just before going on stage at Friday's ceilidh. 12\_c34mok17



Tarbert Music Centre's Caragh Sinclair and Lauren Prentice performed at the Young Folk night in the heritage centre. 21\_c34mok02



Cabin Fever soul and R&B band from Mid Argyll headlined the Doon the Green concert - Dave Bagley, Andrew Allan, Tom Fisher and Stu McInnes. 12\_c34mok36



Well-known Campbeltown band The Twisted Melons supported the Bootleg Beatles on Saturday night. 21\_c34mok39



Alan Ross, 'Goldie', brought his Mini moke along to the parade. 12\_c34mok24



The Killers tribute act, the Fillers, headlined Survivors night to round off another Mull of Kintyre Music Festival. Various local bands also played including the Gilchristians and Session A83. 21\_c34mok69



Scooter Muse from Alabama and Campbeltown's Rebecca Brown who now lives on Islay. Both are regulars at the MOK Fest. 21\_c34mok66



A special encore for the evening were Campbeltown pipers Ian McKerral and John Brown who accompanied the Bootleg Beatles for Mull of Kintyre. 21\_c34mok46



Sunday's Dalriada connections concert celebrates Kintyre and Northern Ireland's musical and cultural links. The concert ends with a 'super group' of all the artists performing a set together: Suzanne Houston, Kevin O'Neil, Rebecca Brown, Ross Kennedy, Ali Hutton, Scooter Muse and Lorne MacDougall. 21\_c34mok65



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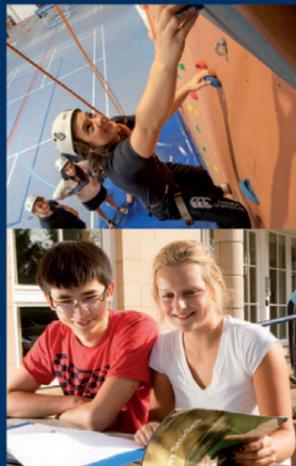
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At Advanced Higher the overall pass rate at Grades A-C was 93% with a remarkable 73% of those presented achieving either an A or a B. Lomond, which is the only boarding school in the West of Scotland, saw many of its students achieve straight A's at Higher and 8 A's and 1's at Standard Grade/Intermediate 2. The headline pass rate at Higher was 83% (pre appeals) with 64% of pupils achieving A and B grades. The headline pass rate at Standard Grade and Intermediate 2 (grades 1-3/A-C) was a hugely impressive 96% (pre appeals) with 85% being achieved at 1/2 or A/B. Lomond awards Academic Ties to pupils in S5 achieving four or more Grade A Highers with 18 pupils receiving the award.

One notable success was Tarbert based student, Michael Bertoli. Michael joined Lomond as an S5 boarder in 2011 having received his early education locally. He achieved the clean sweep in Chemistry, French Maths, History and English and will return to the school to study Advanced Higher



Chemistry and further Highers in Biology, Modern Studies and PE. Michael hopes to train as a PE teacher on leaving school.

Commenting on the results, Lomond's Headmaster Simon Mills said,

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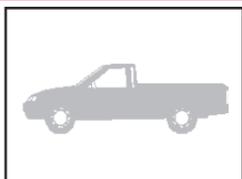


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11/01513/PP	Demolition and replacement of existing gatehouse to form ancillary residential accommodation to 'Greenoak' (Renewal of planning permission 05/02437/DET).	Green Oak Low Askomil Campbeltown Argyll and Bute PA28 6EP	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
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Informal enquires can be made to Gideon Pringle, Farming Director, Mobile 07747 487232, E-mail [gideon.pringle@dawnfresh.co.uk](mailto:gideon.pringle@dawnfresh.co.uk)



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**TEXT FOR THE WEEK**

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**BIRTHS**

**BARBER** – To Martin and Elaine (née Robins), a daughter, Anna Sandra. First granddaughter for both sets of grandparents.

**BRADLEY** – Neil and Tizleem are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Adam, on August 12, 2011 at Southern General Hospital.



**LAING**

Raymond and Ailsa (née Robertson) are delighted to announce the arrival of Ava Robertson, on August 14, 2011 at the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley. Third grandchild for Netta and the late Willie, Tarbert and eighth grandchild for Anne and Ray, Irvine. Special thanks to all midwives at Lochgilphead Maternity Unit.

**MARRIAGES**

**SOUDAN – CLARK** – On Saturday, August 13, 2011 at Stonefield Castle, Tarbert, Margaret, eldest daughter of Archie and Margaret, Tigh-na-Croit, Whitehouse, Tarbert, to Donald, youngest son of Bridie and the late Duncan, Tarbert.

**DEATHS**

**ADAMS** – Peacefully, at Auchinlee Residential Home, Campbeltown, on August 20, 2011, Eily Watson, in her 104th year, formerly of Carradale Hotel, dearly beloved wife of the late Arthur Adams, much loved mother of Marcus and Miranda and a loving and much loved grandmother. A private cremation service will take place in Clydebank Crematorium.

**HENDERSON** – Peacefully at home, in the loving presence of his family, on Friday, August 19, 2011, Norman (Norrie) Henderson MBE of Broughty Ferry, formerly of Perth and Lochgilphead. Dearly loved husband of Helen, much loved dad of David, Lorna and Andrew. Loving grandad of Andrew, Beth, Jack, Scott, Eddy, Saffron and Donovan, a dear brother of Frances, David and Ray. Funeral service in Dundee Crematorium on Friday, August 26 at 2.00pm, to which all family and friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers only please, but donations to Alzheimer Scotland, if desired, may be made at the crematorium door.

**MAYNARD** – Suddenly, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on August 21, 2011, John Maynard, in his 68th year, 35d Albyn Avenue, Campbeltown, beloved son of the late Mr and Mrs John Maynard.

**MCCALLUM** – On August 22, 2011, suddenly at Ninewells Hospital, Dundee, Colin in his 71st year, beloved husband of Amy Jackson, much loved father of Colin and Edward, dear father-in-law of Emma and Katie and a dearly loved grampa of Jessica, Gregor, Lewis, Farrah, Laura and Archi. Funeral service at Tarbert Parish Church (today) Friday, August 26, at 1.00pm, interment thereafter at Carrick Cemetery, to which all family and friends are respectfully invited. Flowers welcome, collection if desired for Tarbert Parish Church.

**MCLELLAN** – Peacefully on August 23, 2011 at the Beatson Hospital, Glasgow, Marion McLellan, aged 89 years, of Glengilp, Ardrishaig and formerly of Luibs, Kilmartin. Beloved wife of the late Donald and loving mother of Margaret and the late Marie. A much loved grandmother and great grandmother to all the family. Funeral service will be held in Kilmartin Parish Church on Monday, August 29, 2011 at 11.00am, thereafter to Kilmartin Cemetery. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to Mid Argyll Chemotherapy Unit. All friends and family are respectfully invited to attend.

**SCOTT** – Suddenly after a long illness, borne bravely, on August 15, 2011, Donald Scott, aged 39 years, of 36A Ross Crescent, Lochgilphead and formerly of 19 Duncuan View, Ardrishaig. Much loved son of Nancy and good friend of Archie. Cherished brother of Fiona and Calum, and much loved uncle of Emma, Michael, Kieran and Abi. A dear brother-in-law of Michael and Karen. Loving father of Kyle. Funeral service will be held in Ardrishaig Parish Church today, Friday, August 26, at 11.00am, thereafter to Kilmartin Cemetery. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to District Nurses and Homecare Teams.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**CAMPBELL** – The family of the late Jean (née Black) would sincerely like to thank all family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues for their kind expressions of sympathy during their sad loss and all who attended graveside to pay their respects on such a wet day.

**COFFIELD** – The family of the late Jean Blue would like to thank friends, relatives and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy and support following their recent sad loss. Many thanks to the girls at Medico and Carr-gomm for their care and attention during the last few months. Mum's last days were also made easier by the kindness and companionship of Mary McMillan. A sincere and special thanks to Dr Vialba and Ian McPherson for their endeavours. Our gratitude to Rev Burroughs for his comforting words, Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for their professional service, the Ardsheel Hotel for

excellent purvey and to Julie Blue for a touching send off. Many thanks to all who paid their respects at the church and graveside.

**GREIG** – Ken, Violet and family thank neighbours and friends for cards and flowers received after the sad loss of Ken's mum, Jeannie. Special thanks to Kintyre Care Centre for their care, love and attention. Also thanks to Doctors Lazarus and Anderson and Mr Blair for their professionalism.

**IN MEMORIAMs**

**HAMILTON** – Remembered with love, my wife Kathleen Anne, passed away August 23, 2010. Miss and love you always. Gone too soon.

- Angus and family.

**MCGREGOR** – In loving memory of a very dear Aunt Chrissie, who died August 26, 2005.

Ever remembered and greatly missed.

- Raymond and family.

**MCKERRAL** – Neil, a loving and much loved son, brother and uncle, who died August 28, 2008.

Missed every day.

- Mum, Iain, Marie and Phil. Miss you lots, Uncle Neil xx.

- Hannah and Liam.

**MCKERRAL** – Neil, August 28, 2008.

Why did you have to go away

I miss you more than words can say

Always in my thoughts

Love you forever.

- Marjorie.

**ORR** – In loving memory of Uncle Archie, who died August 26, 2003.

Always in our hearts and thoughts.

- From all the family.

**SHIELDS** – In memory of a dear friend Rita.

Never more than a thought away

Quietly remembered every day

Miss you.

- Andrea.

**ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES**

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND KILBERRY LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE PARISH CHURCH**

**Saturday 27th August 2011**  
Induction Service for the Rev Tommy Bryson Tarbert Church 2pm  
**Sunday 28th August 2011**  
Kilberry Church 10am  
Tarbert Church 11.30am  
Sunday School 11.20am  
Rev Tommy Bryson  
For all church enquiries and pastoral care  
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*Everyone very welcome*

**LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH**

All Welcome  
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson  
**Sunday 28th August 2011**  
11.00am Morning Service  
with communion  
Jumpstart Group  
Friday 10.00 – 11.30am  
Scottish Charity SC015187

**WEST LOCHFYNESIDE**

Church Services Sunday 28th August - all welcome!  
**Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair**  
Charity No. SC016097  
**Lochfyneside** (Minard) 10 am informal evening service 6.30 pm in Furnace Village Hall  
**Glenaray and Inveraray (Inveraray Church)**  
Charity No. SC016665  
**Communion service** 11.30 am Sunday Club  
**Summer Sale** in Inveraray Church Hall  
11am-4pm daily except Sunday until 31st August

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH**

**Sunday 28th August 2011**  
Kilmartin 11.30am  
Rev Cliff Acklam  
All welcome  
Friday 26th and Saturday 27th August Art and Craft Fayre, Kilmartin Church with refreshments in Church Hall, sales table, bottle stall, raffle and home baking. Demonstrations of felt making, spinning, lace or bead work and oil painting during the two days. Details from Jen 01546 605309  
SC002121

**PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE**

**Kintyre Christian Fellowship**  
Meeting to be held on **Friday 19th August** at 7.30pm in Lorne & Lowland (New) Church Hall, Campbeltown  
Guest Speaker: Rev Jeff Wright  
Southside Baptist Church, Glasgow  
Musical Items  
Tea/Coffee served after meeting  
Everyone Welcome

**SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

75 Longrow, Campbeltown  
**Sunday 28th August 2011**  
10am Breaking of Bread  
**Mr Gordon Cosgrove**  
10.50 Coffee  
11.15  
Family Service with Sunday School and Crèche  
**Mr William Crossan**  
Wednesday **7.30pm**  
**Bible Study and Prayer**  
For details & other enquiries contact The Church Secretary **01586 551237**  
For **Furniture Recycling Project** call **01586 551547**  
SC014646

**NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH**

Charity Number SC001002  
**Sunday 28th August 2011**  
Bellanoch Church  
10am Morning Worship  
7pm Evening Worship  
Worship led by Rev Cliff Acklam  
All Welcome  
Enquiries **01546 606926**  
www.argyllcommunities.org/nknapdalecofs

**ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES**

**LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN**

**Sunday 28th August 2011**  
11.00am  
Worship Services for all ages  
Followed by light lunch  
Speaker: Graham McLean  
"a handful of meal"  
**Thursday 1 September 2011**  
7.30pm  
Praise, prayer and sharing  
Quarterly Prayer Breakfast  
**Saturday 3 September 2011**  
Breakfast: 8am  
Meeting 9am  
All welcome



**LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH**  
**SUNDAY 28th AUGUST 2011**  
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**Rev. Hilda Smith**  
All Welcome  
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**LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH**

Scottish Charity Number SC011686  
**Saturday, 27th August**  
Scottish Bible Society  
[Kintyre Action Group]  
'Bible Fresh' Weekend  
(Film & Bible Study) - 11:00 to 3:15 p.m.  
(Bring your own packed lunch)  
**Sunday, 28th August**  
Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m.  
(Crèche and Triple C)  
Rev. Philip Burroughs

**Highland Parish Church**

**Sunday 27th August 2011**  
11.00am – 3.15pm  
BIBLEFRESH Workshop  
Day –  
Lorne and Lowland New Hall  
**Sunday 28th August**  
11.15am Morning Worship  
**Mr Peter Chirside**  
Scottish Bible Society  
FunDay Club(3yrs – P5): Kirk St Hall  
JaM (P6 upwards): Church  
**Thursday 1st September**  
7.00pm – 9.00pm  
Big Clean at Church  
**Advance Notice:**  
**Sunday 4th September**  
3.00pm  
**Communion Service in Hall**  
Rev Michael J Lind  
*Everyone always welcome*

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**Argyll Street, Campbeltown**  
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**Sunday 28th August 2011**  
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10.45am Family Communion  
**Details of services are on the church door**  
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# Last gasp goal brings Kyles Macaulay glory

## Newtonmore stunned as late collapse allows Kyles Athletic to snatch dramatic cup victory

A GOAL from Kyles' Roddy MacDonald, two minutes into injury time at a sun-drenched Mossfield Stadium, Oban on Saturday, snatched a dramatic Macaulay Cup Final victory for the Tighnabruaich side - and left opponents Newtonmore shell-shocked.

For the majority of the 90 minutes, Newtonmore appeared to hold the trump card of the only goal of the game - but Kyles' legendary ability to produce a dramatic finale again proved decisive.

The early stages of what was to prove a highly tactical battle, saw the north side

repeatedly drive forward and force veteran Kyles' keeper Kenny MacDonald into a string of fine saves. Newtonmore effectively stifled Kyles' creative style but had to look to keeper Michael Ritchie as Thomas Whyte broke from midfield to fire in a swirling shot which Ritchie turned off his shoulder and onto the post then, minutes later, block Peter Currie's cut-in from the right bye-line.

Newtonmore manager Norman MacArthur surprised the crowd with an early substitution ahead of half-time, but he was almost immediately

rewarded when replacement John MacKenzie took full advantage of a rare Kyles defensive error, a minute from the interval, to rifle a vicious shot high into the roof of the Kyles net.

Before the break, another error almost gifted Kyles' an equaliser as Ritchie advanced from his goal to intercept a bouncing ball which evaded him, and full-back Norman Campbell dived across his own goal-line to effect a clearance.

The second period produced another tactical battle with the midfield area seeing the



Kyles Athletic celebrate after winning the Macaulay Cup at Mossfield Stadium, Oban last Saturday. Photo: John MacTavish

majority of the ball and neither forwardline being brought into the game for more than sporadic periods.

The pace of the tie was beginning to tell the longer the cup tie went on, with the younger and fitter Kyles team beginning to gain the upper-hand but lacking success in the final third.

In the 74th minute, Grant Irvine broke through on Ritchie but a great late touch from Fraser Macintosh cleared at the expense of a corner before Kyles' captain Duncan Kerr blazed a shot over the Newtonmore bar.

With the clock ticking down against them, the Cowal crowd were wondering where a goal was going to come from, until four minutes from the final whistle, when the 'More defence failed to fully deal with a moment of goalmouth pressure and Kerr pounced on the loose ball to equalise from the edge of the box.

Kyles now found themselves in the driving seat and clear favourites should the cup tie go into the anticipated extra time - but another dramatic twist saw the young Tighnabruaich team emerge as victors.

In the second minute of in-

jury time, Newtonmore, who looked to be running on empty for the final 15 minutes of the tie, were caught out by a quick diagonal switch of play which saw Roddy MacDonald chase the ball to the right before firing a low shot across the face of Ritchie's goal and into the opposite corner of the net.

Newtonmore were left to contemplate what went wrong, while Kyles Athletic celebrated getting their name back on the Artemis Macaulay Cup after an absence of 22 years. Midfielder Robbie MacLeod also lifted the Man of the Match award.



(L-R) Donald Crawford, John Vallis of Keyline and Archie MacVicar. a34bowls01no

## MacVicar and Crawford win McKerlie Trophy

TWENTY pairs met at Lochgilphead Bowling Club on Saturday to compete for the Keyline sponsored McKerlie Pairs Trophy.

Playing in a league format, five league winners and the three highest scoring pairs went on to compete in the quarter final stages.

Four very competitive games saw the pairings of Christine Morris and Alan Guy, Sandy Cameron and Peter MacArthur, Ian and Craig Bruce and Archie MacVicar and Donald Crawford progress to the semi finals.

All bowlers played an excellent game in the semi finals resulting in two close games. Completion of the regulation seven ends saw Ian and Craig Bruce and Archie MacVicar

and Donald Crawford progress to the final.

When the Bruce brothers scored four shots at the first end, spectators wondered if an upset was on the cards! But the experience of Archie and Donald showed and they pulled back the deficit and went into a lead, which they never lost.

### Presented

John Vallis of Keyline presented the prizes to the both semi finalists and the finalists. Phyllis Angus, assisted by her grandson Jamie, then presented the prestigious McKerlie Pairs Trophy to Archie MacVicar and Donald Crawford.

The next competition on Lochgilphead's green is The Catto Trophy on September 3.

## Ciaran signs for the Jags

A STAR footballer from Lochgilphead Soccer Centre has been signed by Scottish Football League club Partick Thistle.

Ciaran McPhie, aged 12, has been signed to play for the Glasgow side in the club's first ever under 13 football team.

Invited to train with the under 14 team at Partick Thistle earlier this year, Ciaran was recently asked to become a member of the under 13 squad, officially signing on for the club last week.

The Lochgilphead youngster, signed to Partick for one year, will not play in a league but compete against the other teams in the Club Academy for Scotland.

Ciaran came to the attention of the Glasgow Club after he took part in a SPARCS football camp with Kevin Morrison, who set up a trial for Ciaran at Partick.

Ciaran's first big break in the world of professional football, he has been impressing football coaches in Mid Argyll for years.

A member of Lochgilphead Soccer Centre, from the age of five, Ciaran has won a host of trophies for his skill and was recently invited to join the Argyll and Bute select football team, which brings together the best footballers in the region.

Proud parents, David and Lisa McPhie, who will be taking turns driving Ciaran to football training in Glasgow every week, said 'Ciaran lives for football'.

Lisa continued: 'He has been kicking a ball from the day he could walk and I think his first word was ball. He was always playing football; I think he gets it from me, the amount of time I spent in that goal when he was growing up.'

Pleased to see Ciaran progressing to the next level of football David said playing with Partick would see the youngster compete in a more challenging environment and playing 11-a-side football for the first time. David, Lisa and younger sister Jasmine will be cheering Ciaran on on Sunday Partick Thistle take on Elgin at home.



Ciaran with mum and dad, David and Lisa McPhie. 06\_a34ciarano3

## A must win game for Inveraray

INVERARAY manager John Smylie said a victory over Kingussie this weekend was imperative, if the Royal Burgh is going to maintain its premier league status.

The Argyll side have tough away games at Tighnabruaich and Newtonmore in the last two games of the season, so are desperate to get points in the next two matches against Kingussie and Glenorchy.

However, their task has been made difficult by suspensions and injuries and the return from suspension of Kingussie hitman Ronald Ross.

'The last time we played Kingussie we lost 2-1 and Ronald had just come back from injury so we are unlucky again to get them this week.

'We are missing Andrew McMurdo through suspension and usual long term injuries.

Douglas Dando and David MacPherson have hamstring strains and may be doubtful too.

'I will be doing a head count at training to see how many players are left!

'I reckon we need four to six points to stay up this year and with games against Kyles and Newtonmore away, we will need to start with a win this Saturday.'

## Well deserved draw for Dunadd

DUNADD Camanachd played host to Cowal and Bute on Sunday at Ardrishaig Park.

Dunadd started strongly and kept up good early pressure on the Cowal girls defence.

This paid off when Dunadd took an early lead through Fiona McCuaig. But Cowal equalised within five minutes, which gave them the momentum to add a further two quick goals before the break.

Despite a number of chances for both sides the score line remained unchanged for most of the second half, mainly due to Dunadd's strong defence of Iona Campbell, Katie Donald and Danielle Finlay keeping Cowal's forward line at bay.

Dunadd's mid field of Eilidh Elkin, Leone Airlie and Shannon Wilson worked tirelessly throughout the game and created some good chances. With 10 minutes to go Dunadd pulled another goal back through Roslyn McGuinness.

Cowal were then awarded a penalty for a kick in the box but the Cowal forward put her shot wide.

Laurene Cameron came on for Dunadd with minutes to spare and linked up well to score in the last minute of the game to giving Dunadd a well deserved draw.

Katie Donald was named player of the match.

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## Narrow defeat for Red Star in local derby

### Dougie's double not enough to earn Star the points

A DOUBLE from Dougie Moore wasn't enough to save Red Star from a disappointing defeat last Saturday as they played old rivals Tarbert AFC.

The Dookers welcomed the Lochgilphead team at the Cil Andreis ground, prepared for a closely fought match.

But the Lochgilphead side got off to a bad start when Moore was adjudged to have handled in the box and Ronald converted to put Tarbert a goal up.

The Dookers were now in the ascendancy and determined to add to their lead when the second goal duly arrived. Prentice picked the ball up on the left wing and beat three Star defenders before shooting at goal. His effort was blocked but after a scramble the ball

found its way back to the striker who made no mistake from 12 yards.

But Star pulled themselves back into the game, pressing the home defence for that elusive goal, when Moore managed to head home the ball, following a corner pass from Crawford.

#### Possession

The second half began as the first had ended with the away side enjoying some possession in the middle of the park, but the Tarbert defence stood firm to keep their lead intact.

Things got better for the home faithful when they restored their two-goal advantage.

A trademark Ronald long throw was flicked to the back post by Prentice, where Iain Smith beat his marker to head

home his first goal of the season.

Lochgilphead continued to press for a lifeline and were handed one, with minutes remaining, as Star centre back Moore popped up again in the Tarbert box to bundle the ball home, giving the team hope for the closing stages.

But despite a few nervous moments remaining for the home side, the Dookers managed to hold on as referee Scott blew for full time.

The game – a much-needed boost for the Dookers – came as a huge disappointment for the Red Star team, which is back in action tomorrow. The team will be hoping to bounce back quickly as they take on Port Glasgow Hibs at home. The game will kick off at 2pm at Ropework Park.



Tarbert forward James Prentice takes on a Lochgilphead defender Innes Meikle.  
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Kathryn McBrayne, Cerys Baird, Aifric Pirrie and Kathryn McCorkindale celebrate their equestrian awards.

## Barrglen pony club awards

AWARDS and badges were given out to members of the pony club at Barrglen Equitation Centre last Saturday.

Cerys Baird, aged 9, from Tarbert achieved her bronze award and grooming badge,

along with Campbeltown girls Kathryn McBrayne, 13 and Kathryn McCorkindale, aged 16.

A fourth member of the club, 13-year-old Aifric Pirrie, from Ardrishaig, also achieved her

bronze award.

The pony club will meet again tomorrow (Saturday) when some of the girls will be going for their silver award, native breeds and feeding badges.

## Walk on water at Mid Argyll swimming pool

PEOPLE can literally walk on water at Mid Argyll Community Pool (MACPool) following the arrival of four Water Walkerz and a portable pool.

The Water Walkerz are 6ft inflatable balls that allow people to walk on water, or more likely, roll, spin, and flip, without getting wet.

The walkerz and pool, which have already proved an instant hit with children, teenagers and energetic adults, can be transported to communities around Mid Argyll, extending the services the pool provides.

#### Initiative

Chairman of board of directors at the pool, Stephen Whiston, said: 'The idea behind this initiative is to further our aim of providing more services to our community. We are a community-run facility and it is very important to us that we get to all the community we serve.'

The Water Walkerz, said to be great fun and good exercise, were partly funded by the Mid Argyll Public Health Network and Argyll and Bute Council.

## Archie MacNab Memorial Trophy

GLENRALLOCH was in superb condition last Saturday for the first round of the Archie MacNab Memorial Trophy, with 23 members taking part.

Keith McTaggart, playing off a handicap of 18, got off to the perfect start by birding the first two holes and, despite not scoring any points at the sixth hole, finished the first nine with 22 points. His good play continued on the back nine, where he added a further 23 points for a total of 45 to take the first round lead.

Defending champion Bruce MacNab shot a two over par 68 to give him 41 points and

second place on the day.

Steve Bleasby had a welcome return to form with 40 stableford points to take third-place, while John MacNab, with consistent halves of 35, had 39 points to finish fourth.

In-form steady Eddie White, the newly crowned James Mundell Memorial Open winner, lies in fifth place with 38 points.

James MacNab (snr), Chris Smyth and Jonathan McLean are all on 37 points.

The final round of the competition takes place tomorrow (Saturday) with a whole host of players in with a good chance of victory.

## Club lottery numbers

THE JACKPOT for Kilmory Camanachd Club's lottery has reached £1,000 after another week passes with no winner. The numbers for this week's draw were 6, 7 and 13.

The winning numbers in the Inveraray shinty Club lottery draw this week were 5, 16 and 20. There were no winners and the jackpot will be £300 next week.

There were no winners in the Tarbert Football Club lottery draw this week, with the numbers for 7, 19 and 20 drawn on Monday night. The jackpot will be £400 next week.

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