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Beefeater Moirra makes history

Lochgilphead woman starts work at the Tower of London

MOIRRA Cameron from Lochgilphead has finally started her new role as the first female Beefeater after months of media attention.

While women have never been excluded from being Yeoman Warders, the requirement of 22 years continuous service has meant that it is only recently that women – who can now count maternity leave as part of their service – are notching up as many years as men.

Moirra, 42, is not the first woman to apply for the job, but she is the first in 522 years to have made it through the notoriously difficult interview process to gain the post.

How has she coped with all the attention? 'It's all starting to calm down now but it been

pretty manic', she told *The Advertiser*. 'It was about six years ago that I first thought about doing it then last year there was an advert in *Soldier* magazine to encourage women to apply and I thought I'd give it a shot. I'm sure there will be more girls wanting to do it now.'

Moirra has been stationed all over the UK, most recently in Aldershot, while also spending time in Cyprus and Northern Ireland. However, she seems ready for her new role at the Tower of London.

'I've heard that some visitors poke and prod the Warders to get their attention, or thrust cameras into their hands rather than ask for a photo to be taken... but I think I can handle that.'

Tarbert to welcome sailors in 2008

CLYDE Cruising Club and Bell Lawrie announced on Wednesday that the Bell Lawrie Scottish Series will be based in Tarbert in 2008.

The dates are May 23-28.

Alan MacDonald, chairman of Tarbert Harbour Authority, said: 'We are delighted that the Clyde Cruising Club have decided to continue their long association with Tarbert and look forward to a renewed long term association in the future.'

Connect takes off on a high

THE first year of the Connect festival may have been struck by rain but spirits weren't dampened in one of the most good-natured events imaginable.

Tickets are already on sale for next year's event as Argyll puts it's place on the map of major music festivals.

16,000 people turned out to see Echo and the Bunnymen, Mogwai, Primal Scream and Bjork strut their stuff in the grounds of Inveraray Castle.

Organiser Geoff Ellis said: 'I want to say a big thanks to the Duke of Argyll for letting us use his garden, to the Argyll and Islands Enterprise and Highland 2007 for helping to make the event happen and the support of the fans who we hope in ten years time will be boasting that they were at the first ever Connect in 2007. I can't wait to do it all again next year.'

(full coverage on page 6, 9 and 10)



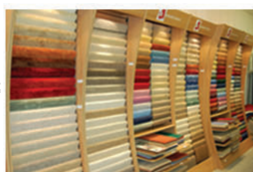
Moirra Cameron smiles for her cameras in her new role at the Tower of London.

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Visitors have a natural-ly good time at woodlands of Dalriada

THE WOODLANDS of Dalriada came alive last week with a range of special events to celebrate one of Argyll's most under-used natural resources and create an inclusive environment for the communities in the area.

Events took place from Sunday, August 26 through to Wednesday, August 28, at Barnluasgan, Kilmory and Blarbuie, in the grounds of the Argyll and Bute Hospital. Visitors travelled from across Scotland – some even came from England – to take part in the activities organised by Woods for All at Reforesting Scotland.

A group from Gartnavel said: 'We all had a good time. One of our group said it was the best time of his life.'

At each site were tents loaned from Forestry at Whitegates and SNH at Kilmory, with exhibits and catering, and at two of the sites there was a Dalriada Project Community History Tent, and the Touchwood



Visitors are kept busy making Windcatchers in Barnluasgan. a36dal02

History of Forestry Tent. In the Touchwood tent there was a projector presentation featuring pictures and words collected in Argyll and elsewhere telling the story of the early days of Forestry. The Dalriada Project are collecting stories in Mid Argyll, on any subject, and the Woodlands of Dalriada organisers are also involved with the Project

through the restoration of native woodland.

At Kilmory there was orienteering organised by the Forestry, which was taken up by a large number of people – young and not-so-young, able and less-able, local and visiting. Members of Argyll Green Woodworkers Association and Forest School graduates led woodcraft, with pole-lathing and weaving and splitting and pressing, with a range of woodland materials. There was also shelter-building in the woods, using branches coming out of another part of the woodland which was being simultaneously pruned as part of an ongoing community

effort at Kilmory to restore its woodlands.

At Argyll and Bute Hospital Blarbuie Woodland was opened, with a piper-led procession to the Entrance Arch and the cutting of a ribbon at the start of the new all-abilities path. The wood has been restored, with large numbers of contractors, woodworkers, volunteers and service-users working very hard for three years on path trails, seating, ramps and boardwalks and viewpoints. Following the ceremony and walks people congregated on the Lawn in the sunshine, with woodcraft and food, and music by the Hospital band and Lochgilphead Resource Centre drummers. Locals and guests and visitors were very impressed by the Blarbuie Woodland Project and want to stay informed of developments.

At Barnluasgan Loch, in North Knapdale – a Forest Reserve of special importance for its trees and plants and wild-life – there was woodcraft and a specially-created Story Trail. The woodcraft involved the making of creatures and woodland sprites using twigs and leaves, and the framing of pictures which had been produced reflecting the Story Trail. This used part of the all-abilities



Mairead Rees hides in a shelter with family and friends. photo courtesy of Paul Spence

path around the Loch, with a specially-written poem in English and Gaelic (Gaelic translation by Roddy MacLeod), telling the story of the Bodach – the Little Old Man of the Woods, accompanied by Elspeth sitting in the woods playing the Clarsach, or Celtic Harp.

Organiser Hugh Fife from Reforesting Scotland said: 'Protection and management of local woodlands is very important. Local woodlands can provide us with a sustainable source of timber and other products, can provide us with skills, and give us health and pleasure. It is important to us at Reforesting Scotland that communities are involved at every level of woodland development, and we make efforts to ensure that access and inclusion are always priorities. We are very pleased with the turnout for these events here in Mid Argyll, people with a range of mobility and sensory and health



Young apprentice Cormac Burns helps decorate the Bodach in Barnluasgan. a36dal01

issues, from Bute, Du- nish Natural Heritage, noon, Mull, Fife, In- West Highland Leader verness, Glasgow and Plus (European Funds), elsewhere, and many Hugh Fraser Founda- local youngsters. We tion and Comunn na are indebted to so many Gaidhlig.

Support was also re- ceived from Forestry Commission Scotland, Argyll Green Wood- workers Association, the Dalriada Project, the Blarbuie Woodland Partners.

The events were funded by Highland 2007, Argyll and Bute Council, Argyll and Is- lands Enterprise, Scot-



Gary Lindsay was expert at the pole-lathing.

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Harpist Elspeth gives the woods that enchanted feeling. a36dal04



The new walkway at Blarbuie impresses the guests. photo courtesy of Paul Spence

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Lochgilphead man denies 'flasher' allegations

Police Files

THE TRIAL of a Lochgilphead man accused of exposing himself to a patient of Argyll and Bute Hospital, began at Lochgilphead annexe of Dunoon Sheriff Court last week.

Robert Davies, aged 42, of 27 Dewar Avenue, denies exposing himself and committing an indecent act in front of a woman on a forestry track near to Kilmory Loch on April 24, 2005, and again on November 26 last year on a forestry track at the rear of Argyll and Bute Hospital.

The first witness to give evidence against Davies did so in private by video link from hospital.

Also giving evidence against Davies was a nursing assistant who works at Argyll and Bute Hospital.

She told how she passed Davies on a bicycle in the afternoon of Sunday, November 26 last year.

She said: 'I waved at Robert and he waved back.'

Seconds later, the nursing assistant came across

the alleged victim, who was a patient at the hospital where she worked.

The nursing assistant stopped her car and the woman asked her if she knew the man on the bike.

The nursing assistant told the court: 'She told me that's who the flasher was. She looked a bit frightened and was stuttering and stammering.'

The matter was reported to a charge nurse at Argyll and Bute Hospital, who later contacted police due to the seriousness of the allegations.

Distressed

The charge nurse told the court that the woman was 'quite distressed, flushed in the face and her breathing was rapid,' when she returned to the hospital after the alleged incident.

Davies was arrested that night and taken to Dunoon police station where specialist investigating officers questioned him.

During the taped interview, Detective Sergeant

David Jack of Dumbarton police told the court that Davies seemed agitated during the interview, and broke down crying at one point.

The detective was then asked by procurator fiscal David Webster to read out parts of Davies' interview from the transcript. The detective began: 'I saw the woman and I stopped at the century box and I exposed myself when she went past. I recognised her. I just started masturbating in front of her.'

'I was sideways with my back to her and she turned around to see what I was doing. I jumped on my bike and carried on.'

Detective Jack read out another part of the transcript of Davies' interview in which he admitted that about a year ago when he was on his bike, stopping and waiting on her and committing an indecent act in front of her.

The trial will continue at Dunoon Sheriff Court on October 30.

Breach charge

A 40-YEAR-OLD man was arrested for breach of the peace in Lorne Street, Lochgilphead, in the early hours of Sunday, September 2.

Theft

A 21-YEAR-OLD man was arrested for theft after an alleged incident took place at the Argyll Hotel, Inveraray, on Monday, September 3.

Fire raising

CONSTABLE Ian MacLeod of Lochgilphead police office is appealing for information regarding the wilful fire raising to a shed in MacBrayne's Lane, Lochgilphead, around 4.45pm on Sunday, September 2.

Drink driving

A 62-YEAR-OLD man was arrested for drink driving on the A83 near to Lochgilphead.

Road closed

THE A82 between Crianlarich and Tarbet will be closed over the next two nights to allow Scotland Transerv to carry out work at Inveruglas.

The closures, between 10pm and 6am, have been taking place since Monday and will end on Saturday morning. The essential repairs are taking place approximately 3.5 miles north of Tarbet. Diversion routes are in operation via the A82, A85, A819, and the A83. Motorists should allow extra time for their journeys and should pay attention to location and timings of these closures.

Diana is half the woman she was

Inverary woman sheds seven and a half stone and changes her life for the better

AS A SHOCKED Diana MacDonald browsed through a pile of photographs she'd just had developed, the 55-year-old from Inveraray knew the time had finally come to tackle her life-long weight problem.

Being on the heavy side had never bothered her much, and her 'bubbly' personality was more important to her than being slim.

However, things changed a year and a half ago when Diana saw the evidence for herself, and admits that at those particular pictures, she felt 'unbelievably disgusted' with herself.

'Even though my weight was never a big issue for me, I had tried every diet going over the years but nothing seemed to work and I always gave up. I knew I had to do something when I started getting tired really easily. Every time I sat down I'd fall asleep, and the pictures were the final straw. I knew then it was time to take my weight seriously.'

Diana joined Slim-



Before: This picture spurred Diana MacDonald into losing seven and a half stones. a36sl1NO

ming World in Lochgilphead on April 24 last year and hasn't looked back. This week, she was rewarded with losing a staggering seven and a half stone when she picked up the club's Woman of the Year award – an achievement she would never have thought possible not so long ago.

'Life is brilliant now,' she said. 'I have so

much more confidence than I ever had and it's terrific being able to go into shops for clothes. 'I never exercised at all before, but I've since learned to swim and I walk every day. My whole lifestyle has changed for the better.'

Embarrassed about how heavy she was before she joined Slimming World, Diana has kept her starting weight to herself, and hasn't set herself a target. 'I'm just going to keep going until I stop losing weight,' she said.

Losing weight isn't the only change Diana has made to her ap-



After: Diana's life has changed for the better and she's never felt as confident. a36sl101

pearance. 'I've gone blonde for the first time in many years,' she laughed. 'Losing weight is the best thing that's happened to me, and I'd urge anyone else who thinks they have a problem to go for it and do something now. It's never too late to change your life.'

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Woman guilty of racial abuse

AN ARDRISHAIG woman was found guilty of racial abuse at Dunoon Sheriff Court recently - but escaped punishment due to the circumstances of the case.

The court heard how Edith Jane King, 38, had retaliated to verbal abuse she had received by making racist comments about the niece of her abuser - a charge King denied.

Defence agent Ruben Murdunaigum, argued that as the conversation took place over the telephone, King could not have known that the niece would hear.

However, Sheriff Ward stated: 'If you telephone someone and they put on the microphone you are not necessarily speaking to one person. That's a chance that you take'

King, of 2 Victoria Terrace, Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig, said: 'I was told by his ex-partner that he'd called me and my family 'scoots'. I called him to challenge him on this and he confirmed that he did. I asked what myself and my family do to deserve this and he said 'that's what you are, scoots'.'

King denied making any racist remarks in response. When challenged about the contrary evidence of witnesses, she said: 'I've been set up. He's trying to make me out to be as bad as him.'

Sheriff Ward said: 'I have no doubt that you said those words. You may have said it in retaliation but I don't doubt that you said it.'

The court admonished King and dismissed the case.



The staff and pupils of Inveraray Primary School play host to US Congressmen last week. A36inv1NO

Inveraray pupils impress VIPs

STAFF and pupils from Inveraray Primary School showed some traditional Scottish hospitality when members of the United States House of Representatives visited the school from Washington DC.

The politicians were part of the first

official Congress visit to Scotland. Led by Congressman Mike McIntyre, the delegation of the Friends of Scotland Caucus on Capitol Hill were welcomed to the school by two pipers and drummers who are former pupils. Accompanied by their wives, they were given a presentation by the children about healthy eating before being treated to a fine display

of highland dancing. Afterwards, the group had the chance to sample the delights of the school canteen by having lunch with the children before being given a guided tour of the school gardens and being shown some of the fruit and vegetables the children have grown. The Council's spokesperson for Education and Lifelong Learning, Councillor Isobel Strong, said: 'It

is a great privilege that the congressmen chose to visit Inveraray Primary School during their time in Scotland. They had a very busy itinerary but still managed to make time to visit the school and see the achievements it has made over the last few years. The children are also to be congratulated for the wonderful and friendly welcome they gave to the congressmen.'

Second drink drive offence

A TWENTY-YEAR-OLD Ardrishaig man appeared at Lochgilphead annexe of Dunoon Sheriff Court last week, after being caught drink driving for the second time.

Police came across John Cook, of 35 Upper Glenfyne Park, and another male trying to move a car that had been stranded across a roundabout on the A83 near to Kilmory Industrial Estate, Lochgilphead, just after midnight on July 14 this year.

When officers approached Cook, they could smell alcohol on his breath, and he admitted the car belonged to him.

Appearing at court, Cook pled guilty to drink driving while disqualified and driving with no insurance.

Sheriff Carol Kelly deferred sentence on Cook until September 26 for background reports to be carried out, and told him: 'This is extremely concerning, drink driving when you'd just been disqualified for the same offence.'

One year driving ban

AN ARDRISHAIG man was caught drink driving when he drove his van from outside the pub to his house - just yards away in the same street.

Gordon Law, aged 53, of Mile End, Glenburn Road, had gone to the pub with friends after his work on January 30 this year.

Defence agent Ruben Murdunaigum told the court that self-employed electrician Law had only had two pints of beer when he decided to drive his van home. Mr Murdunaigum added: 'The reading was exceedingly low. He had tools in his van, which is why he decided to take it home.'

'Because he works for himself he will be severely penalised by this, as will his family. He has never been in trouble with the law before and feels very distressed at what happened.'

Sheriff Carol Kelly disqualified Law from driving for one year and fined him £400.



Happy children at Tayvallich Primary School's Pre-five Unit. a35tay01

Thumbs-up for Pre-five Unit

TAYVALLICH Primary School's Pre-five Unit have received a thumbs-up from the inspectors in a report released earlier this year.

Key strengths in the HMIE report highlighted included the good relationships between staff, children and parents and the support available for children and families.

The 'high quality interaction between staff and children' was also noted, along with the 'overall quality of programmes and children's experiences'.

Another pleasing comment for staff was the commendation of the 'effective partnership and commitment of the hardworking pre-five unit staff and headteacher.'

The only recommendation was that a fuller risk assessment should be carried out over the children's access to the outside area.

This was resolved within a week of the report's publication.

Head teacher Marjory Bickett said: 'I am terribly proud of the staff for all their hard work. 'The report is a trib-

ute to the work they have done over the last seven years and it's nice that they get some recognition for it.'

The unit is located in Tayvallich village hall and is registered for ten children, although the current roll is four.

It operates three days a week on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9am to 11.30am.

The inspection was carried out in February on behalf of the Care Commission and HMIE with the report released on May 23, 2007.

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Roll up for the MacBrayne's magical memory tour

It was smiles and waves all the way and old friends were reunited when a famous old bus made a nostalgic journey through Kintyre.

BUS owner Lawrence Macduff has been turning the clock back, not on board his 40-year-old, 49-seat AEC Reliance but for the travelling public in Kintyre.

Many people will have memories of the days when MacBrayne's ran buses in Kintyre.

The company had a garage in Ardrishaig until 40 years ago and its buses were a regular sight on the Campbeltown - Glasgow run.

Today West Coast Motors, which celebrated its 80th anniversary in 2003, operate their smartly turned out modern fleet of coaches on the same route.

Lawrence's bus, which turned 40-years-old this year was here in Kintyre on August 15 and 16 to mark the occasion

with a special meeting between the old and the new. Lawrence used to work for the Bank of Scotland in branches at Lochgilhead, Ardrishaig and Inveraray and also in Campbeltown.

When he retired, Lawrence switched from banking to buses and took up driving professionally and occasionally drives for West Coast.

Lawrence said: 'I've always had an interest in MacBrayne's and bought this bus in 1990 and had it restored.'

'It was built specifically for the Campbeltown service in 1967; I've taken it back to all the other places it used to operate, but had never managed to return to Kintyre until



West Coast's coach and the MacBrayne's preserved coach rendezvous at Kennacraig.

now, so this was really a trip down memory lane. Your older readers will remember that in Tarbert most MacBrayne's buses from Glasgow met a West Coast Motors bus from Campbeltown and exchanged passengers.'

Lawrence wanted to mark this fortieth anniversary by having his coach meet up with today's West Coast service.

He arranged to rendezvous with a coach West Coast bought in its 80th year, which was the first one to carry a special livery marking this milestone.

'The meeting had to be planned and carried out in something of a hurry so that the service coach was not held up, but thanks to everyone at West Coast, another little piece of history was able to be recorded,' said Lawrence.

Lawrence then headed to Campbeltown, stayed over, and thanks to the directors of West Coast Motors and the firm's managers and drivers he was able to arrange another rendezvous the following day with another very smart, liveried coach, which was specially allocated to the same route and timings as the old bus.

'All I had to do was be there at the right time,' said Lawrence.

'There's a great deal of pleasure to be enjoyed from owning an old bus which has such a strong local identity.'

'MacBrayne's buses are still fondly remem-

bered all over the west coast and in the islands by the people who drove them, worked as conductors, maintained, cleaned or even just went to school on them.'

'It was just the same on this trip, people waved and smiled in recognition everywhere I went and the whole event was a marvellous experience altogether.'

'But it was made a bit more special thanks to the wholehearted support of West Coast Mo-

tors, which has a strong identity throughout Argyll. My friend Donald Booth, area manager for the firm in Dunoon approached his colleagues to start the process rolling.

'I'm very grateful to West Coast's directors for their hospitality; to Danny Halliday, their traffic manager for seeing I had somewhere to stay, accommodating my bus and then deploying a further suitable coach especially for the meeting of the old and new.'

'Gordon Galt and Alan Ross at Ardrishaig also helped by bringing Hughie to the depot for his wee trip as well as doing a minor repair for me.'

'Finally thank you to drivers Jackie Morrison and Ian MacLennan made who made it possible for suitably placing their vehicles for the photo shot and to them and everyone who contributed in any way: many, many thanks.'



Former drivers John MacKay, Tarbert and Hughie Campbell, Lochgilhead, with the bus at Pier Road, Tarbert.

WHEN word of what was being planned reached West Coast Motors' staff at Ardrishaig they contacted 91-year-old Hughie Campbell, who had driven the MacBrayne's bus when it was new.

This was an unmissable chance for him to renew his acquaintance with his old charge.

'Had Hughie's sight been better he'd have been behind that wheel and away with the bus in a flash,' said Lawrence. Hughie went along for the ride and when they reached Tarbert, Lawrence was spotted by former bank colleague Isabel Grieves and it transpired that her papa, 94-year-old John MacKay had also driven the bus when new and so the bus was taken along Pier Road in Tarbert so that John could also see the bus and reminisce.

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Getting into the festival spirit

Locals get into the swing of things at Connect (full review on pages 9 and 10)



Karra, Hugh and Cathie Fife from Crinan show their appreciation. a36con15



Robbie MacTavish and Kirsten Eadie from Lochgilhead were in fine form on Saturday. a36con03



Your intrepid reporter takes a break from his strenuous work with Russell Taylor, Tom Blythe and Joe Shepherd. a36con04



Enjoying the sounds on Saturday afternoon near the Oyster Stage were Mid Argyll posse, from left, Innes McLean, Fiona Margach, Garrick McCann, Lindsey White, John Frier and Seona White. a36con01



Colin McFarlane, Carys McFarlane and Tamsin Dickinson are ready for the rain. a36con02

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Tarbert Flower Show results (part one)

The President's Cup (Most Points for Flowers, Fruit and Vegetables. Amateur & Open Classes): John Logan, Islay; The Meall Mhor Bowl (Most Points in Open Classes): John Logan, Islay; The Duntrune Challenge Bowl (Most Points in Amateur Classes): N J MacLean, Ardrishaig; The McTier Cup (Most Points in Amateur Sweet Pea Classes 1 and 2): Jim Hatton, Ardrishaig; The Stonefield Barometer (Best Vase of Roses arranged for effect Class 46): John Logan, Islay; The Dunmore Cup (Most Points in Amateur Dahlia Section): D McDougall, Taynuilt; The Blair Plate (Most Points in Arts and Crafts Section): Mary Logan, Islay; The Malcolm Johnston Trophy (Most Points in Home Baking): Alison Johnson/Janette Hunt, Tarbert; The Berry Cup (Most Points in Home Industries): Annette MacLulich, Tarbert; The Garden Club Cup (Most points in Class 64): Jim Young, Lochgilhead; The Tamos Cup (Most Points in Floral Art Class 126): Mary Logan, Islay; The Strongarbh Plague (Most Points in Rose Section): John Logan, Islay; The Sam Andrew Memorial Cup for Annual Competition (Floral Art Classes 125-133): Rosemary McKellar, Tarbert; The Jimmy Ferguson Cup (Most points in the Veg Classes - entries grown in Kintyre & Tarbert): John McNicol, Tarbert; The Glencreggan Trophy (Most points in Junior Competition up to and including 11 years): Eden MacDonald, Tarbert; The Clark Trophy (Most Points in Junior Competitions 12-16 years): Anna Preston, Tarbert; The Tarbert Trophy (Pot Plants Classes 141-152): Norman Munro, Ardrishaig; The Ena Singleton Trophy (Petite Flower Arrangement Class 131): Jenny Peden, Tarbert; The McGugan Cup (Most points in Junior Baking Class 185): Emma MacFarlane, Tarbert;

The Alastair Graham Memorial Trophy (Most Points Open Dahlia Section): D McDougall, Taynuilt; The Doyle Plaque (Most Points Amateur Floral Section): D McDougall, Taynuilt; Alastair MacKay Memorial Tankard (Best Exhibit in Class 10): Jim Young, Lochgilhead; The Grant Rose Bowl (1st Prize Novice Class 135 in Floral Art): Mike Rimmer, Tarbert; Chairman's Prize (Presented for Best Exhibit Class 129): Rosemary McKellar, Tarbert; James & Helen MacFarlane Quaich (Class 42): A MacFarlane; The Blue Riband (Entry judged to Best in the Show): Hector McKenzie, Dunbeg, Class 96, 6 Round Potatoes; Royal Horticultural Society Bankian's Medal (Most Money or Most Points): Douglas McDougall, Taynuilt; Port Askaig Quaich for Border Carnations Class 59: John Logan, Islay; Port Askaig Tankard for 12 Shallots Class 94: Hector McKenzie, Dunbeg; Port Askaig Shield for Model Garden Class 219: Niamh Hegarty; Sound of Islay Shield for Hand Tied Bouquet Class 133: Rosemary McKellar, Tarbert; Kintyre Shield for Best Dahlia in Show: D McDougall, Taynuilt, Class 76, Medium Dahlia Cactus; Bill Martin Memorial Trophy for Tuberous Rooted Begonia Class 145: Norman Munro, Ardrishaig; The Harvey Bowl (Best Garden in Tarbert which must include a vegetable plot): Sheena MacFarlane, Tarbert; The Argyll & Bute District Council Bowl (Best Council House Garden): George Dickson, Tarbert; Best Ornamental Garden (Class 279) Cathie MacFarlane, Croftpark, Tarbert; Best Flower Garden (Class 280): Malcolm MacKinnon, Oakfield, Tarbert; Best Vegetable Garden (Class 281): John McNicol, Croftpark, Tarbert;

Hanging Basket in Situ and/or Window Box (Class 284): Andrew McDiamid, The Moorings, Tarbert; One Vase Sweet Peas, one variety. Twelve Sprays: 1, Jim Hatton, 2, Archie MacFarlane, 3, John Hunt; One Vase Sweet Peas mixed. Twelve Sprays No Foliage: 1, Jim Hatton, 2, Archie MacFarlane, 3, Peter Tyler; One Vase Gladiolus, One Spike: 1, Francis Fleming, 2, N J MacLean, 3, Norman Munro; One Vase Gladiolus, Three Spikes: 1, Emma Dixon, 2, Hilary Sinclair; One Vase Scotch Marigolds, Three Blooms: 1, D McDougall, 2, Janette Hunt, 3, Malcolm McGougan; One Vase French Marigolds, Three Blooms: 1, F McColl, 2, Jason McArthur, 3, Brenda Galbraith; One Vase Double Asters, Three Blooms: 1, Jim Hatton, 2, Fergus Galbraith, 3, Brenda Galbraith; One Vase Hydrangea (Hortensis), Two Spikes: 1, Catherine Blair, 2, M Mundell, 3, R MacColl; One Vase Annuals, cut from border, comprising four varieties: 1, Jim Young, 2, Annette MacLulich, 3, John McNicol; Three Small Decorative Dahlias: 1, D McDougall, 2, Kirsty Dixon, 3, Wilma Dixon; Three Small Cactus Dahlias: 1, D McDougall, 2, Fergus Galbraith, 3, Brian Wilkinson; Three Small pom-pom Dahlias: 1, D McDougall, 2, Brenda Galbraith, 3, Elma



Neil John MacLean from Ardrishaig got the most points in the amateur section. a36ff001

McGougan; Three Dwarf Bedding Dahlias: 1, Brian Wilkinson, 2, Fergus Galbraith, 3, Brenda Galbraith; One Vase African Marigolds, Three Blooms: 1, Jim Young, 2, Malcolm McGougan; Three Stems of Any Other Flower: 1, Brenda Galbraith, 2, Jim Young, 3, Hilary Sinclair.

Vegetable Section

Six Pod Peas: 1, John McNicol, 2, John Logan; Three Onions from Seed: 1, M J MacLean, 2, John McNicol, 3, A MacFarlane; Six Round Potatoes: 1, M J MacLean, 2, Andrew Johnston, 3, A MacFarlane; Three Onions from Sets: 1, N J MacLean, 2, A MacFarlane, 3, J Logan; Six Kidney Potatoes: 1, N J MacLean, 2, J Logan, 3, A MacFarlane; Three Carrots, stump roots: 1, J Logan, 2, Jim Hatton, 3, A MacFarlane; Two Lettuce, Cabbage: J Logan; Six Stalks Rhubarb: 1, N J MacLean, 2, J Logan, 3, Dan MacIntyre; Any Other Vegetables: 1, Ann Thomas, 2, Sandy MacKellar, 3, Richard Gray; Three Blooms, Red HT: 1, Archie MacFarlane, 2, McGougan, 3, Janette Hunt; Three Blooms, Pink HT: 1, John Logan, 2, Malcolm McGougan; Three Blooms, White HT: John Logan; Three Blooms, Yellow HT: 1, John Logan, 2, Catherine Blair; One Vase Roses, Three Blooms Assorted: 1, Janette Hunt, 2, John Logan; One Rose in Vase with Foliage Attached - Named: 1, A MacFarlane, 2, Jim Hatton; One Spray, Miniature Roses: M MacKellar; Two Blooms, One Variety - to be Judged on Perfume: 1, John McNicol, 2, Janette Hunt; One Vase of Twelve Roses, Arranged for Effect: John Logan; One Vase Gladiolus, One Spike: D McDougall; One Vase Double Asters, Three Blooms: 1, Jim Young, 2, D McDougall; One Vase Phlox, Three Spikes: 1, Norman Munro, 2, Val Barker; One Vase Antirrhinums, Three Spikes: 1, Jim Young, 2, Janette Hunt, 3, John Hunt; One Vase Border Carnations, Disbudded, Six Blooms: 1, John Logan, 2, Jim Hatton, 3, D McDougall; One Vase Hydrangea (Hortensis), Two Spikes: 1, Douglas Barker, 2, Gordon McLean, 3, Donald McLean; One Vase Hydrangea (Lace Cap), Two Spikes: 1, Annette McLulich, 2, Janette Hunt, 3, John Hunt; One Vase French Marigolds, Three Blooms: D McDougall; One Vase Scotch marigolds, Three Blooms: 1, D McDougall, 2, S McKellar; Six Blooms Fancy Pansies, On Board: 1, Jim Young, 2, Brenda Galbraith; Six Violas, on Board: Brenda Galbraith; One Vase Annuals, Cut from Open Border, Six Blooms: 1, Sheena MacFarlane, 2, Douglas Barker; One vase African Marigolds, Three Blooms: Jim Young; Three Stems of any Flower: D McDougall.

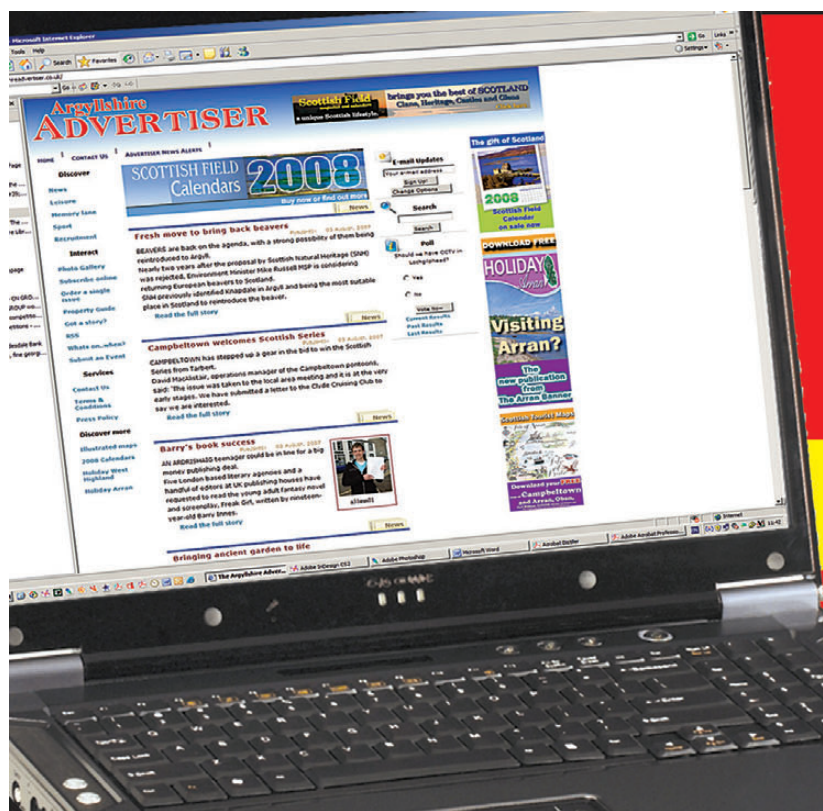
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Jim Young from Lochgilhead won prizes for his pansies and herbaceous plants. a36ff004



Annette MacLulich from Oakfield had another successful year with her preserves. a36ff002



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Thought for the week

LAST week we had a problem here in Tarbert. No, the village wasn't overtaken by hoodies (mind you, there have been days this summer when a hood would have been appreciated!), nor were we flooded, or invaded, or even overrun with midges. The problem was that the filling station's computer had broken, or, to be more specific, the computer that operates the unleaded petrol pump had developed a fault and, although there was plenty of petrol in the underground tank, not a drop could get from there to any car, no matter how much it was needed.

Jesus said, 'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.' We are all burdened, each in our own individual way, and we all need the rest only Jesus can give. He is always near, but the connection between our need and his presence is often as ineffective as the filling station computer. We are needy, Jesus is the answer, and there is nothing connecting us up. What's missing? It's prayer. Jesus is only a prayer away. If we are running on empty, maybe the time has come to ask Jesus to fill us with himself.

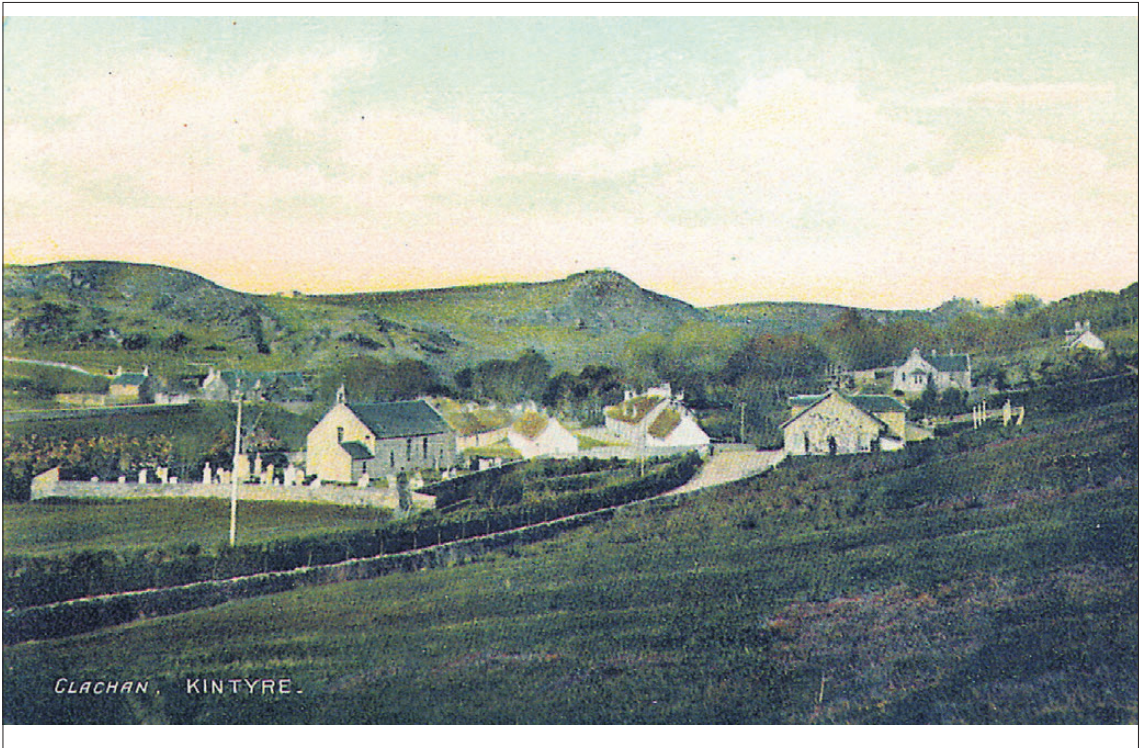
(see Matthew 11:28)

Dalriada success

Sir,
A large number of people joined in the activities of the four-day Woodlands of Dalriada Highland 2007 event, at Blarbuie, Kilmory and Barnluasgan.

Many funders and supporters and helpers contributed to the event's success, all we hope suitably acknowledged elsewhere, but we would like to take this opportunity to thank the fol-

Down Memory Lane



This picture of Clachan, Kintyre, dates back to the late 1800s and was handed in by Mr Ian MacDonald, previously of Clachan and now of Lochgilphead.

The thatched houses in the picture were superseded by houses with red tiles, by John McKinnon of Balinakill in 1905. John was the nephew of previous owner of Loup and Balinakill estates, Sir William McKinnon, who died in 1893.

The picture was given to Ian MacDonald by a family in Canada, who are descendants of people who left Clachan in the 19th century. a36cla1NO

lowing: Craig the piper, the Argyll and Bute Hospital Band, Lochgilphead Resource Centre Drummers, the Hospital Volunteers, Whitegates Learning Centre, Ashfield School, Tayvallich School, the caterers, the craft workers, individuals at Forestry Whitegates and Argyll and Bute Council - beyond the call of duty, the Dalriada Project, and the Squeak itself for regular and valuable coverage of our local activities. We have celebrated access and inclusion in the woods of Mid Argyll, and many valuable contacts have been made for the future. We are still completing some of the signage at the Hospital woods but Blarbuie Woodland is now officially open. Thankyou to all involved at all sites,

Hugh Fife, Woods for All at Reforesting Scotland, and the Blarbuie Woodland Partners

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Foot and mouth

Sir
As restrictions are relaxed as the foot & mouth crisis winds down, one area that continues to cause concern is that there are not enough livestock drivers or vehicles to cope in reducing the backlog in the short term. This will mean that many animals that are due to be moved for slaughter, sale, breeding etc cannot be moved.

This lack of movement will exacerbate an already parlous situation for the agricultural community in Scotland.

The only solution is for Dept for Transport to relax the drivers hours and tachograph regulations until the backlog is cleared. RHA in conjunction with Scottish Executive, NFU Scotland, Scottish Association of Meat Wholesalers and National Sheep Association has repeatedly asked for this over the last three weeks but have not had a positive response. We are facing a serious animal welfare problem and the long

term economic consequences could be disastrous for all involved.

We urgently call for Dept for Transport to grant this relaxation for Scotland.

**Phil Flanders
Road Haulage Association**

Important local matters

Sir
Through your columns we now learn that our Council are negotiating with Fyne Homes Ltd the sale of the school shortly to be vacated in Lochgilphead rather than selling it on the open market and that the 'future' of the valuable community assets such as the sports centre coming free do not even appear to be up for public discussion.

The reported idea that our young people are moving away to get more affordable houses elsewhere is ludicrous. They are moving away to get what they need which is jobs. If the site has to be sold the Council should get the million pounds and spend it to help the re-establish-

ment of the Irish ferry and the beavers and generally to get more tourists and thereby to get more jobs.

Fyne Homes Ltd set up an ill considered competition and showed the results to the public and to the school children! How this could come to be reported as public 'scrutiny' defies credibility. Scrutiny for the poorly informed is defined as 'a prolonged intense look'. The brief to the competing architects was to develop the site with 100% affordable housing with no restriction on density when the requirements of the local plan were for medium density housing with 25% minimum affordable homes. The result was 100% affordable homes with a density of more than 10 to the acre. I suppose we should be grateful that the scope of Fyne Homes proposal is now reported to be reduced to about 6.5 houses to the acre.

The NHS raised some £530,000 for the vacated hospital site and Fyne Homes Ltd now possess a site that will

Those Were The Days

The Argyllshire Advertiser, September 4 1987

Driving down the fairway of Argyll AN 18-HOLE championship golf course, 30 bedroom hotel and 60 time-share units are to be built in Mid Argyll if an application lodged with the planning department on Friday is given the go-ahead.

The application has been submitted by Mr Neil MacNeill of Killinochonoch who plans to develop 182 acres of land bounded by the road to Long Walk, the main A816 trunk road, and the B8025 back road to Slockavullin.

The land belongs to a member of the Malcolm family at Poltalloch.

Speaking of the £2 million development, but not in his capacity as district councillor, Mr Robin Malcolm said: 'Probably a year or two ago it was not the best thing to do with agricultural land, but the Government says we are producing too much food so the thing to do is take good land out of production.'

Secretary of Lochgilphead Golf Club, Mr P Tate was more muted in his reaction: 'We have recently purchased 55 acres from the Forestry Commission and are negotiating a further 12 and a half acres in order to extend our course to 18 holes. The area could not support two 18 hole golf courses.'

Town rejoices band's success

THE Mid Argyll Pipe Band will move up to Grade 3 for the first time in their history after reaching second place at the Cowal Games out of 65 competing bands.

Their performance on Saturday raised their points total to 16 and they finish the season as joint Grade 4 winners with Witchburn and District. Sadly the champion of champion's title went to Witchburn.

In a day of brilliant sunshine, it seemed that the whole of Lochgilphead had turned out to celebrate the band's success. After they had played a short selection in the square, the Mid Argyll Pipe Band marched down Argyll Street led by a group of proud youngsters who carried the trophies.

be difficult to develop with affordable homes. This is by dint of the local plan restrictions; the severe contours, the awkward shape, the difficult access and now the cost per plot, which on the basis of the local plan requirements, will be some £25,000 each. This sum is for a plot still to be serviced with roads, footpaths, street lighting, sewerage and public utilities. Fyne Homes will of course be very anxious to subsidise it with free land from the Council school site but I hope that, more in accordance with the refreshing sentiments of Councillor Robb from Helensburgh who thought that the land should be sold

on the open market, this will not happen. This common sense approach keeps better control of the money and is just good business but was depressingly opposed by his 'colleagues' with scandalous disregard for the value of our money.

The young people of Mid Argyll are currently in houses and those who are moving away are doing so to get jobs, not to get affordable houses as is reported. For the young people of Mid Argyll the prospect of a house at a rent of £25 a week is too lacking in ambition for words. We need a public discussion on these important local matters.

**Ian McCallum
Lochgilphead**

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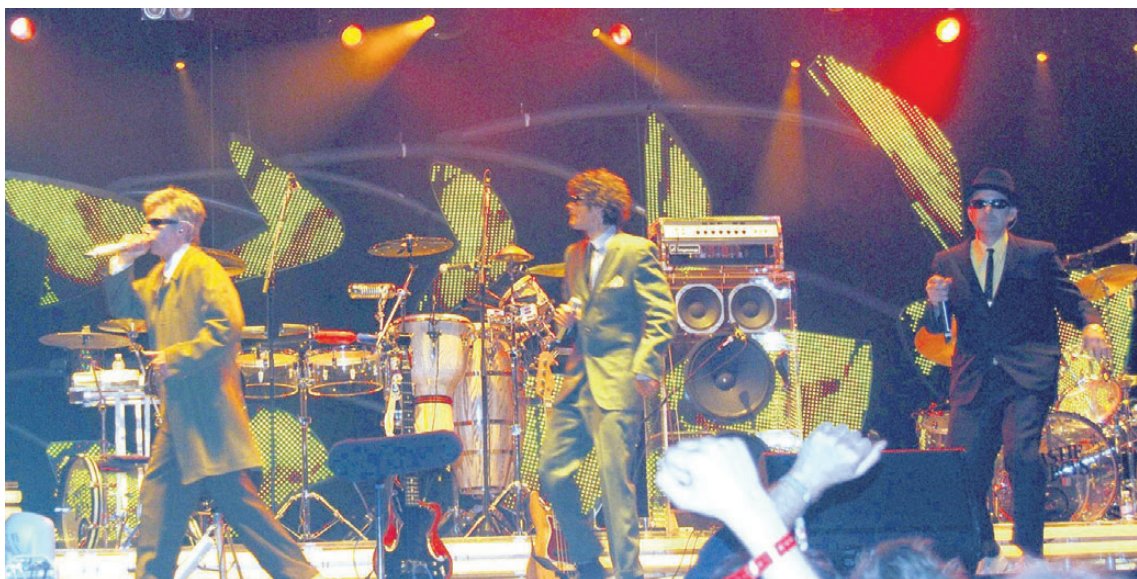
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Get yourself connected



The Beastie Boys were looking sharp as they strutted their stuff on Friday night. A36con05

REPORT BY CRAIG HUNTER

A NATIONAL daily tabloid may have called it a 'washout' but this was not a view shared by anyone I met at Connect, as thousands of revelers braved the mud and drizzle for the biggest musical event ever to reach these parts.

Loch Fyne Oyster bar ran out of oysters on Saturday as the local produce went down a storm. It was a good weekend for local businesses with Jim McCulloch, manager of Argyll Caravan Park, Inveraray, commenting: 'It's been a wonderful weekend for tourism throughout Inveraray. At the caravan park we catered for over 50 groups of tourists coming to the festival and they were an absolute delight to work with. They were grateful to get clean toilets down here and showers.'

Overpriced beer was compensated for by the 10p refund on plastic glasses and only one arrest was made over the weekend for breach of the peace.

There were, however, 71 reports of theft which better security would sort out for next year but Glasgow DJ Ryan McDonald chased them off the site on Sunday filming them as they jumped off the fence, never to be seen again. Unfortunately, police never caught up with the crooks as they sped off in a white BMW.

All this aside, the most important thing at a festival is the crowd and the music. Both were superb.

Friday started off quite calmly on the Oyster stage with Amy MacDonald, Stephen Lindsay and the Trashcan Sinatras. Those looking for some electronic excitement were better suited to the Manicured Noise tent where Glasgow's Sleepless Crew were ripping it up in fine style in the afternoon. Band member Colin said: 'I just wanted to take a break and go down the front to see what it sounded like. It was great fun.'

Festival favourites CSS livened up proceedings on the Oyster stage with their funky guitar-driven electro craziness. Singer Lovefoxx knows how to please a crowd and a colourful catsuit is always a good idea.

I hear ex-Pulp man Jarvis was very entertaining after CSS but I wouldn't know because I was off to see The Vector Lovers and The Aliens. The Vector Lovers are another of these electroclash acts that keep popping up when you're not looking and, like so many others, they're good but not great. The Aliens are better. Formed out of the ashes of The Beta Band, they follow the more straightforward folk-rock hinted at on the latter's final album and are a fine live proposition.

Back to the Oyster Stage for the first really exciting moment of the day as the mighty Jesus and Mary Chain take to the stage. Ex-drummer Bobby Gillespie doesn't make an appearance but that's okay - they can cope without the Primal Scream frontman.

Definitely one for the fans, the brothers Reid tear through their back catalogue with favourites such



The silent disco keeps the noise pollution down to a minimum. a36con06

as Sidewalking, Head On, Reverence and You Trip Me Up. Just Like Honey is kept for the encore and could warm the cockles of even the coldest heart.

One punter moans afterwards that it wasn't quite Psychocandy (their debut album). I remind him that they didn't know how to play their instruments when it was recorded and only had two drums. The point was conceded.

Headliners The Beastie Boys know how to rock a party - they've been doing it for over 20 years - and in that time they've also learnt some new skills.

With the help of Mixmaster Mike on the decks, Money Mark on keyboards and Hurricane playing lots of things, they've come a long way from their brat-rap roots. Of course, they still play No Sleep 'Til Brooklyn but they also play jazz instrumentals (Sabrosa), punk (Heart Attack Man) and some guitar-led instrumentals from their recent album The Mix-Up. Mike D claims that for this evening 'I'm the Duke'. No complaints here.

One of the good things about Connect that gives it the edge over T in the Park is the array of bars and tents that are open until 2am. This gives an opportunity to catch Glasgow dub stalwarts Mungo's Hi-Fi play some ground-shaking reggae and drum and bass into the wee small hours before the muddy trek back to the campsite. (continues over)



Bjork's light show dazzles the crowd. a36con12



Free hugs - the perfect way to start the day. a36con13

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Bjork gave a show-stopping performance on Sunday night. Photo courtesy of David Beaton



They tried to get people to come by bus but not everyone listened. a36con08



M.I.A. takes audience participation too far. a36con14

(Continued from page 9) Saturday is Scottish day at Connect and the 1990s start things off with their bright selection of guitar pop. However, as lead singer John notes afterwards, a lot of people still hadn't got out their beds by this stage.

The Fire Engines are a bit of a cult act these days but, although many would not know the tunes, the crowd at the Oyster Stage was still bouncing along nicely to their funky melodies.

Over at the Manicured Noise tent, the Marcia Blaine School for Girls were introducing the public to their ambient electronica scattered with breakbeats. They go down well but possibly sound better on record or a small club than a cavernous tent.

The crowd starts to build for the live experiment that is Four Tet with jazz drummer Steve Reid. Kieran Hebden has carved out a niche for himself with his folky electronics over the years but this is something else. The two musicians face each other in a sort of challenge as they jam and try to match the other's musical experiments. Incredible.

Mogwai have been quietly plugging away at their instrumental guitar rock for a decade now and are sounding stronger than ever, although a bit more prog. than the last time I saw them. Highlights include early tracks Yes, I am a Long Way From Home and Mogwai Fear Satan in a cataclysmic cascade of melodic noise. Very good, but should have been even louder.

Primal Scream started off on the wrong foot when a full plastic cup soars past bassist Mani's head and off a monitor. After challenging the perpetrator to a fight, things feel a little uneasy. They still create a party atmosphere with a mainly rock and roll set but I'm not sure they're giving it their all. Mani brings up the incident again before the encore which just seems a bit unnecessary.

On Sunday Tilly and The Wall have the right attitude and are perfect for that festival vibe. Whilst not hugely impressive on record, the happy atmosphere, tap-dancing percussion and the sun making a rare appearance gets things off to the right start.

Regina Spektor is an intriguing sort. Catchy off-kilter tunes with a delicate voice and piano accompaniment make for an interesting performance. The word-of-mouth buzz has clearly spread about Regina as the crowd swells for her set – definitely one to watch.

M.I.A.'s a different pot of piranhas altogether. Sri Lankan dancehall, anyone? Maya's interesting family background means that she gets a lot of press (her dad's a Tamil Tiger leader) but it's



'Tats' what I'm talking about. Tilly and the Wall were a breath of fresh air on Sunday. Photo courtesy of David Beaton

not all hype. The crowd get involved in her booty-shaking grime to the extent that half of them end up on stage at the end on Maya's invitation. All good fun but awkward when she finishes and no-one really knows what to do apart from wave to their friends.

Rumours abounded about Bjork canceling her set – voice problems – but a last minute visit from the doctor sorts her out and for that we are most grateful. She is astounding. She may be sick of the 'cute Icelandic pop pixie' remarks but they're unavoidable when you charm the crowd and bounce around the stage like an seven-year-old at a party. What shouldn't be forgotten is that this seven-year-old has one of the most distinctive and heart-stopping voices you're likely to hear. Her choir and Mark Bell from LFO on electronics add to a dazzling show from one of music's true innovators. Bjork, we salute you.

LCD Soundsystem have a hard act to follow but do their level best. Party hits Daft Punk Are Playing at my House, Trials and Tribulations and North American Scum keep the masses bouncing and singing along happily to the end. Their classic acid techno stomper Yeah is the highlight of a fun set and I believe is when I lost my voice.

Tickets are now on sale for next year's event for one month only at this year's prices. Make a note in your diary: bring wellies and don't leave your stuff in the tent.



Samba Ya Bamba got the crowd moving in the afternoon. a36con07



Sri Lankan rapper M.I.A. kept it colourful as she perched on the speaker.

Congratulations on your graduation



Dr Sally Damborough graduated from Warwick University with MSc (distinction) in community gynaecology and sexual reproductive health.



Gail Hendry, a former Lochgilphead High School pupil recently graduated from the University of Stirling with a 1st class Bsc (Hons) in Psychology. Gail has recently secured funding from the Economic and Social Research Council and will undertake a Doctorate in Education and Community Psychology at Stirling University this autumn.



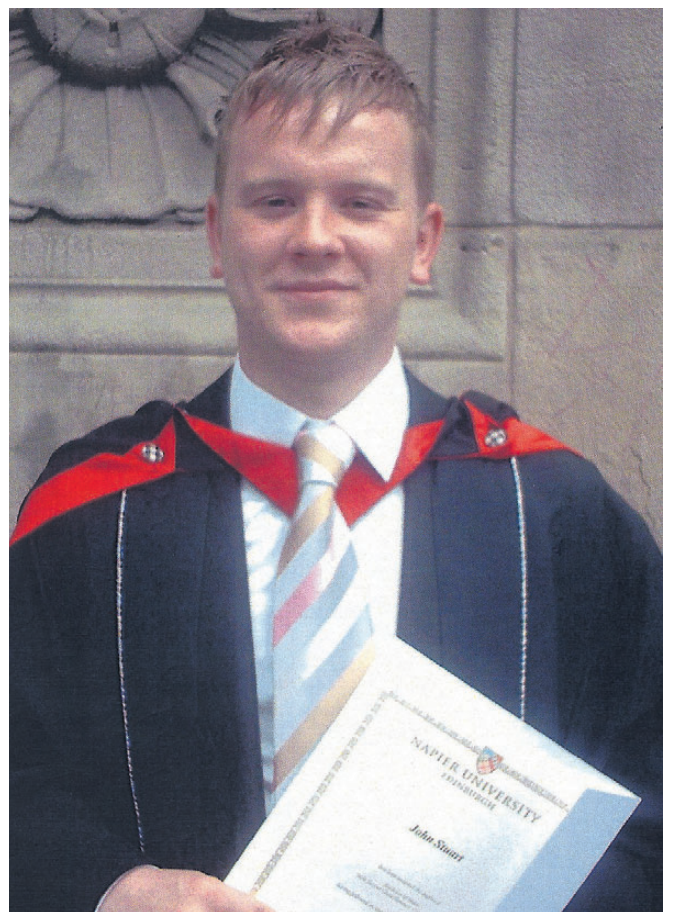
Lisa Bond MA(Hons), MSc graduated from The Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen in July 2007 with a Master of Laws (with Distinction) in Employment Law and Practice.



Fiona Graham has recently graduated from the University of Dundee with a BA in Community Education with Community Studies. Fiona is continuing to work within Argyll and Bute Council as a Community Learning and Development Worker. Fiona's husband Stuart, daughter Claudia and her parents Adam and Lesley are all very proud of her.



Leigh-Ann MacInnes recently graduated from Stirling University with a Bsc (hons) in Psychology. Leigh-Ann is the daughter of Duncan and Maureen MacInnes, Range Road, Campbeltown.




John Stuart graduated from the Ian Tomlin School of Music, Napier University Edinburgh with a BMus (Hons) degree. John is a former pupil of Tarbert Academy.

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MEMBERS of the Mid Argyll Pipe Band are now putting the finishing touches to their show Blackwood & Hickory, the culmination of a year-long programme of workshops and rehearsals that has taken the band forward to a new chapter in its illustrious history.

Working alongside music industry professionals, and admirably meeting the challenges of an opportunity not often made available, the pipes and drum corps of Mid Argyll have helped secure the future of the pipe band through team work, dedication, positive attitude and recognition of their own talents.

Blackwood & Hickory is their own show, a



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reflection of the musical diversity and commitment to be found amongst the ranks of one of the oldest pipe bands in Scotland. The rehearsal schedule has been about more than just playing the music, however, as aspects of stage production, pres-

entation and technical know-how have all been vital to the overall outcomes of the project.

The house band providing a new framework to the programme of traditional and original tunes adds an eclectic dimension, with elements of world music and urban beats lending a subtle overtone to the talents of the pipe band.

Guitarist John Saich and drummer James Mackintosh worked together on the Capercaillie Secret People and Get Out albums during the mid 90's, supporting Runrig on the Big Wheel UK tour and headlining many festivals across Europe. Keyboard player Brian McAlpine, now an integral member of Session A9, was a contemporary of the

Glasgow music scene for many years with the Pearlfishers, along with Davy Scott, now a familiar voice on Radio Scotland.

The stars of the show are the pipers and drummers themselves that have devoted their time and energies into producing a unique and entertaining performance that will resonate for years to come.

Tickets for Blackwood & Hickory are priced £8.00 and available from the Argyll Book Centre, Lochgilhead, telephone 01546 603596. The Mid Argyll Pipe Band and Blackwood & Hickory are sponsored by Angus Maitland with grant assistance from HIE Argyll and the Islands and Awards For All. For further information visit www.wildbiscuit.com



Pipe Major Andy Gibbs and Pipe Sergeant Stephanie Brodie of Kintyre Schools Grade 3A Pipe Band with the massive Benmore Challenge Trophy following their band's success on Saturday.

Cheered on at Dunoon

ALL ROADS led to a dreary Dunoon last Saturday 25 August, for the final Major Pipe Band Championship contest of the 2007 season. The three Kintyre Schools Pipe Bands were cheered on by a large and vocal support led by Andy Robertson of the Bands' sponsors, McEachran & Robertson.

In the Juvenile Grade, Kintyre Schools medley sparked from start to finish, but the band was nevertheless edged into third place by George Watson's College (Edinburgh) and the Robert Malcolm Memorial Pipe Band (Vancouver).

In the Novice category, the Band won its heat in the morning, but had to settle for spot seven in the 12 band final.

Kintyre Schools have decided to revert back to just two competing pipe bands for 2008. As a result, Cowal 2007 was to be the last competitive outing for their Grade 3A Band which was formed earlier in 2007 as a stop-gap to deal with grading problems. The Grade 3 Band had not won a prize in any Major Pipe Band contest all season. But, to everyone's delight, and despite a difficult build up, the Band of young pipers and drummers produced its best ever performance in its final outing to claim fifth place in their tough Adult grade.

Retiring Pipe Major, Andy Gibbs said: 'It's been a tough year, but today certainly made me feel it was all worth it! I'm delighted for the young players that played their best for this result. It proves just how well the band could do, though nothing like waiting till the last gasp!

'We've known all year how well we can play, so it was good to get some recognition. I'm sure Ian McKerral will now have some very competent young pipers and drummers who are ready for the next step. I have really enjoyed the challenge this year and I am looking forward to seeing the players developing as they move into the Juvenile Grade Band.'

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We look forward to seeing you.

Crear crosses frontiers

ONCE again, Literature Across Frontiers in association with the Scottish Poetry Library and, this year, the Helicon Society for the Advancement of Poetry in Israel organised a fascinating evening of poetry readings at Crear on Thursday, August 9.

The six poets, who had never met before, were Valerie Gillies (the Edinburgh Makar), Robert Minhinnick from Wales, Fatima Naoot from Egypt, Naim Araidi from Israel who is a bi-lingual Arab-Israeli, Amir Or from Israel (joint founder and editor-in-chief of the Helicon Society) and Seyhan Erözçelik from Turkey.

Robyn Marsack chaired the evening. The audience chose to hear the poems in their original language first so the poems were read by their authors and then by one or more of the other poets in translations which they had prepared during workshops earlier in the week. All were read in English except one which was heard in all the other languages: Arabic, Hebrew and Turkish – a delightful experiment. The poems covered many subjects.

One by Fatima Naoot, who read her pure Egyptian Arabic beautifully, was about Christina, who ran a café in Alexandria where artists gathered.

In Naim Araidi's poem about two holidays in Jerusalem in 1973, Ramadan and Yom Kippur, he wrote 'we haggle again about history'. Seyhan Erözçelik's poem 'Coffee Grounds' was about the Middle-Eastern custom of reading coffee grounds as tea leaves are read in Britain, 'writing our stories into the sky like the grits of a coffee cup spinning round'.

Robert Minhinnick read disturbing and emotive poems from his 1999 book, 'Twenty-five Laments for Iraq' written in Wales, Jordan and Iraq. Valerie Gillies read poems about visits to wells and springs in Scotland and Ireland. Her anger at the state of the Monk's Well at St. Andrews in one poem has led to its restoration, an example of the power of poetry! Amir Or's skillful translation of this into Hebrew closely followed its structure and metre.

Fatima Naoot could find no Arabic equivalent for the sound of the drips in the well such as 'Dist!' so she did not change them. The difficulties of translation were discussed afterwards.

Amir Or, who lectures on this subject, said he encouraged two approaches: either to follow the structure and metre of a poem as closely as possible or to attempt to express the meaning in one's own style so that the poem is not a dull copy.

The poets had needed time to discuss the exact meaning of the words they had to translate. Asked how he decided to write in Arabic or Hebrew, Naim Araidi said when he dreamt in Arabic he wrote in Arabic and when he dreamt in Hebrew he wrote in Hebrew.

He has the great advantage of living inside two languages. The audience then very much enjoyed meeting the poets. Fatima Naoot said that the beautiful setting and warm reception at Crear had inspired her to write many more poems on her return to Egypt. **WJS**

Battling bands

ARDFERN Battle of the Bands takes place tomorrow, Saturday August 8. There will be 11 young bands playing; five out of Oban, two out of Lochgilphead/Ardishaig/Tarbert, two out of Glasgow, one out of Taynuilt and female rockers Henry Sugar from Ardferrn.

The audience will vote for the winner after some X Factor judging and antics from our panel of music industry experts and local promoters.

The bands performing are: Another Misadventure, No Nightmares, AFB, Secret Cyclists, The Spinoffs, The Anyways, Powertrip, The Waterfalls, Henry Sugar, Dolls Of Venus and Killing Spree.

Cash and other prizes are available for the winners in the under 18s and over 18s categories and a great night for all at Craignish Village Hall, Ardferrn. The show starts at 7pm with tickets on the door only £2 so come along and have some fun!

Active summer comes to an end for South Kintyre kids

ACTIVE Schools Summer Holiday Programme 2007 was drawn to a close with the Scottish Youth Dance (Ydance) workshops and performance recently.

To coincide with existing clubs already taking place throughout the summer in South Kintyre, rugby, dance, tennis, netball and golf were planned although due to a number of factors both the rugby and netball were cancelled at last minute.

Golf, tennis and dance went ahead as scheduled and attracted more than 65 pupils throughout the weeks.

Big thank you

Active Schools Co-ordinator for the South Kintyre, Lindsay Owen said: 'A big thank you to all of the local sports clubs and partners who supported the summer programme – Machrihanish Golf Club, Campbeltown Tennis Club and Scottish Youth Dance, FUSIONS, Aqualibrium, Kintyre Healthy Living Partnership, KADAS, and Kintyre Home-link Project.

'In addition to this, thanks to the volunteers who gave up their own spare time to promote their sport in South Kintyre.'



Tennis was one of the three activities taking place over the summer, which saw 65 pupils taking part. c36act1NO

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Forthcoming events at Auchindrain Museum

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Peter Humphreys, chief executive of first Milk said: 'It is crucial to the dairy farming sector in the UK that a sustainable price be paid to ensure that the country has adequate supplies of milk.'

'I am pleased to announce this further increase to our members with effect from October 1, which will go some way towards offsetting current spiralling on-farm costs.'

'Furthermore, given the mix of markets in which we are operating, we would anticipate being able to lift our price by a further 2ppl from November 1, 2007, which will take our core price to over 25ppl.'

Young farmers throw the welly in

YOUNG Farmers gathered at Campbeltown Grammar School on Saturday to participate in another event of their summer syllabus.

Welly throwing, football, rounders and tug of war were all played as part of the sports night.

More than 20 young farmers turned out in reasonable weather conditions.

Chairman Thomas Cameron would on behalf of all the young farmers like to thank, Campbeltown Grammar School and head



Sheep shearing courses have been in demand.

Big demand for shearing courses

THERE HAS been a big increase in the number of young people attending shearing courses this year, according to the British Wool Marketing Board.

Almost 1400 people attended the Wool Board's sheep shearing courses during 2007 – and over one third were young people who were taking up shearing for the first time.

The Wool Board has seen an upward trend in the demand for training across all levels. Courses providing training in the maintenance of shearing equipment catered for over 300 individuals while there was an equally positive uptake for courses throughout the UK providing training in a range of sheep management tasks.

Colin MacGregor, the British Wool Marketing Board's Shearing Manager, said he was 'extremely encouraged' by the figures.

He said: 'It's very rewarding to know that so many young people are keen to master sheep shearing techniques and that the Wool Board can continue to lead the way in maintaining high standards of shearing sheep.' Sheep health, hoof care, sheepdog handling and lambing have all been covered during the year and while a new programme is currently being planned for 2008 the Wool Board welcomes suggestions from sheep farmers.

teacher William Crossan for allowing them to hold their event.

Previous events they have held include the car treasure hunt at the start of the summer and a beach party.

There is hope that the

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Islay's new abattoir gets the go ahead

Council decision ends eight-month wait for farming community

AFTER months of waiting the new Islay abattoir has finally been given the go-ahead from Argyll and Bute Council.

The abattoir, to be sited at Avonvogie, Port Ellen, was, on Monday, granted the building warrant Dunlossit Estate applied for in February this year.

The farming community on the island was said to be frustrated with the length of time taken to get the building warrant but Dunlossit Estate manager Chloe Randall said the time for unrest and anger has passed and, she admits, the irony that Dunlossit Estate planned to start building on April 1 has been noted.

Ms Randall, who admitted many farmers were beginning to lose faith with the project, said: 'At this stage there is no point in rattling cages. We are just delighted we seem to be past the difficulties.'

'I have to thank Jim Mather MSP, Alan Reid MP and Lord George Robertson who I spoke to at the Islay Show. They very kindly agreed to take an interest in the matter and they seem to have managed to unblock the communication difficulties.'

'We're now having positive discussions with Scottish En-

vironmental Protection Agency (SEPA) and the council's building control and we're hoping to see action on the site shortly.'

So confident are islanders that the abattoir is a certainty, Ms Randall has already received bookings from stock owners.

It is envisaged that the first beast through the slaughterhouse will be one of Mrs Macgown's cattle from Callumkill Estate. Mrs Macgown is the island's oldest resident.

Consent

Planning consent has already been given for the 1,300 square-metre site, which will include a slaughterhouse for cattle, sheep and pigs.

Islay farmers have welcomed the news, as the Islay abattoir will cut out costly trips to Glasgow, which also cause stress for the animal.

There has not been a slaughterhouse on the island since the Ballygrant abattoir shut down in 2003.

Farmer James Brown, Octomore, said: 'This abattoir will be a huge asset to any farmer on the island.'

'It was so uneconomical to take a beast away, have it slaughtered in Glasgow, and bring it back.

'Now farmers can actually eat their own produce and sell it directly to islanders.'

'An abattoir could also open up new business ventures it is just common sense to have one here. I'm delighted Dunlossit Estate has taken it on.'

And a new abattoir will be a financial benefit to all islanders according to Port Ellen butcher Neil Campbell. Mr Campbell said: 'An abattoir would help immensely as it would cut out the vast cost of going to the mainland.'

'At the moment I'm paying over the odds to get Islay lambs to the mainland and back.'

'If we get an abattoir customers will also see the financial benefit in the cost of meat and I will be able to sell Islay lamb, beef and pork.'

Although the news of the approved building warrant has been greatly received, some in retrospect may feel aggrieved over the delay, which, according to Argyll and Bute Council, is down to 'a breakdown in getting information from the consultant to the council'.

Dunlossit Estate will now apply for a slaughterhouse licence and is seeking available contractors.

Sheep ID: farmers warned

WHEN official Scottish Executive on-farm inspections resume, farmers and crofters are being warned not to fall foul of sheep identification rules.

All sheep producers have been issued a reminder by NFU Scotland to properly identify animals and keep their

movement records up to date if they want to avoid penalties to their subsidy payments.

The rules governing sheep identification are complex, although they were relaxed last year to avoid unnecessary bureaucracy.

A factsheet on the relevant rules has been

produced and is available to NFU Scotland member by calling 0131 472 4000.

Nigel Miller, NFU vice-president said: 'It was clear at the Scottish Executive road shows earlier this year that producers have a lot of questions about how the system operates.'

'With official inspections starting up shortly, it is important farmers know all the dos and don'ts on sheep tagging and movement records.'

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First up will be Stuart Liddell of Inveraray who won the Clasp to the Gold Medal, then Iain Speirs, from Edinburgh, who won his second Gold Medal, William McCallum was third in the former winners, March Strathspey and Reel, Angus MacColl from Benderloch near Oban, was

second in the Clasp, James Murray from Cupar, in Fife, was second in the former winners March Strathspey and Reel. Roddy MacLeod MBE won the silver chanter at Skye; Gordon Walker won the Senior Piobairchd at Oban so you see they are all on top form. It's nice to see

such a host of piping talent coming to Campbeltown, and it is all down to the generosity of the main sponsors Springbank Distillery and Mr Hedley Wright, the principal director, and of course the many other sponsors, without whom Kintyre Piping Society could not stage



Left to right: Angus McColl, Chris Armstrong, Willie McCallum, Euan MacCrimmon, Simon Mckerrell, Iain Speirs, Stuart Shedden, Roddy MacLeod.

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the event. Incidentally one of the judges Mr Iain MacFadyen, recently celebrated 50 years since he won his first gold medal. Iain who now lives at the Kyle of Lochalsh, but whose family originally comes from Mull, now retired, is well noted for his piping talent and is much sought after as a judge. The Kintyre Piping Society only employ top class judges. They are Iain MacFadyen, Commander John Wilson, and Major Gavin Stoddart MBE OBE. Two new trophies are to be presented this year and are for second winners in the March Strathspey and Reel and for Piobaireachd. The trophies are being presented by Mr and Mrs John and Margaret Carmichael in memory of their respective parents. One is the Mr and Mrs James B Carmichael Memorial Trophy, who hailed from Tobermory and the other is the Mr and Mrs Duncan Muir Memorial Trophy, who were from the Moy, Campbeltown. Mr and Mrs John Carmichael each year also present a Skean

Dubh to the winner of the Hornpipe and Jig competition. The Fear-an-tighe, this year is the highly respected Pipe Major Angus John MacLellan, Angus is an authority on piobaireachd and well known for his wonderful stories and anecdotes amassed over years of piping and performing. The Society encourages the young pipers to come along and hear the wonderful music played by the experts, and anyone under 14 will be allowed in free. After the competition a ceilidh will be held at 9pm, with Gus McAlister's Scottish Dance Band, the Kintyre Schools Pipe Band, Champion Highland Dancers from the James McCorkindale School of Dancing, and a top class singer, plus of course fiddle tunes. All the champion pipers will play together, making the event a first class ceilidh, so come along and enjoy a good night out. Tickets can be had from the Pottery Shop or Argyll Arms Hotel, where all this will be taking place. Prizes will be presented by Mr Stuart Robertson, who is the manager of Springbank Distillery.



Frank McHardy, director of production at Springbank distillery, right, with Angus MacColl. Photograph by Derek Maxwell



Back row :- Simon McKerrrell, Iain Speirs and Chris Armstrong. Middle row :- Stuart Shedden, Euan MacCrimmon and Roddy MacLeod MBE. Front Row :- Willie MacCallum and Angus MacColl



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number of alcohol-related road incidents, Volvo is the first manufacturer to launch a fully integrated in-car alcolock system called Alcolock, which will be unveiled at the Frankfurt Motorshow

on 11 September. Alcolock is a user-friendly and reliable safety device. The driver blows into a wireless hand-held unit, the breath is then analysed and if the blood-alcohol

limit is exceeded, the engine simply will not start. It will be available as an accessory in the UK on the Volvo S80, V70 and XC70 during early 2008 and will extend to other models in the Volvo range later next year². Volvo estimates global sales of 2,000 units a year – a figure expected to increase over time.

HOW IT WORKS

Alcolock employs the same fuel-cell technology used by the majority of police forces in Europe. Before the car can be started, the driver has to blow into the wireless hand-held unit which is stored and charged behind the centre console. The driver's breath is then analysed and the results are transmitted via radio signal to the car's electronic control system. The car's information unit displays messages to help the driver use the device, for instance, to indicate if the test was approved or if the driver needs to exhale longer into the hand-held unit. Thanks to advanced sensors, it is not possible to use external air sources such as a pump to cheat the system.

If the blood-alcohol limit³ of 20mg of alcohol per 100ml of blood is ex-

ceeded, a red LED will appear and the engine will not start. Further results of the breathalyser test are also shown via two other LEDs. Green means 0 – 10mg alcohol per 100ml of blood and the car engine will start, while yellow signals 10mg – 20mg of alcohol per 100ml of blood and the car will start but the driver is advised not to drive.

The hand-held unit is wireless, which makes it possible for the driver to remove it from the car. Although it will always give an accurate measurement of blood-alcohol level no matter where it is used, it has to be within 10 metres of the car to communicate with the car's system.

Service and battery replacement in the hand-held unit are carried out together with the car's regular servicing. If the next owner of the car does not wish to use the system, it is easy for a Volvo dealer to remove it.

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The fully-independent suspension set-up has also been tuned for European roads and delivers handling agility that is unmatched in this class. This new Mazda combines sensationally spirited performance – top speed is 130mph and 0-to-60mph is achieved in under 8.0 seconds – with exhilarating driving dynamics and genuine everyday practicality, plus remarkable refinement. It is the ultimate expression of 'Zoom-Zoom' driving excitement in a sophisticated Sports Crossover vehicle.

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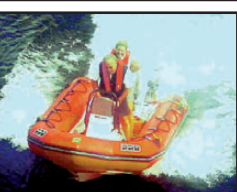
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- 1 Advertising copy shall be legal, decent, honest and truthful and comply with the British Code of Advertising Practice and all other codes.
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- 3 The Publisher reserves the right to cancel or alter the advertisement by giving reasonable notice.
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- 9 The Advertiser/Advertising Agency agrees to indemnify the Publisher in respect of all costs, damages or other charges falling upon the publication as the result of legal actions or threatened legal actions arising from the publication of the advertisement in any one or more of a series of advertisements published in accordance with copy instructions supplied to the publication in pursuance of the Advertiser/Advertising Agency order.
- 10 Adverts under the value of £75 must be paid on acceptance of order by the Publisher. All advertising on a credit basis must be agreed with the Publisher in advance.
- 11 Payment of any invoice raised by the Publisher will be due 15 days from the date of invoice or as otherwise directed on the invoice. In the event of non-payment the Publisher may charge late payment interest at a rate of 2% and this is chargeable on a daily basis from the due date until the bill is paid. In addition the Publisher may charge a late payment levy of £10 as an administration fee. In the event of late payment the Publisher reserves the right to disallow any discounts given and to raise an additional invoice for the discount which will be treated as though it has been raised with the original invoice.
- 12 A request to insert an advertisement assumes acceptance of our conditions.

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PLANNING

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997, RELATED LEGISLATION PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

Take notice that the applications in the following schedule may be inspected during normal office hours at the location given below, at 67 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig and by logging on to the Council's Website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk and clicking on Online Planning Applications. Anyone wishing to make representations should do so in writing to the undersigned within 14 or 21 days of the appearance of this notice, whichever is applicable as indicated below. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence.

SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PLANS

- **Ref No: 07/01636/CONAC**
Applicant: P Semple
Proposal: Demolition of barn
Site Address: Barn North East Of Barnbrae Garage Barnbrae Inveraray Argyll And Bute PA32 8UH
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Inveraray
Regulation 5 Listed Bld Consent - 21 Day
- **Ref No: 07/01637/DET**
Applicant: Mary Bernadette Paterson
Proposal: Use of log cabin as permanent dwellinghouse and siting of storage unit (retrospective)
Site Address: Bracken Hill Log Cabin Long Rigg Clachan Tarbert Argyll And Bute
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert
Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days
- **Ref No: 07/01641/DET**
Applicant: Co-Operative Group/Mr Iain MacDonald
Proposal: Erection of Class 1 retail food store including associated car parking, servicing and highway infrastructure
Site Address: Caravan Park Lorne Street Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8NX
Location of Plans: Lochgilphead Area Office
Section 34 and Article 9 Advert 14 Days
- **Ref No: 07/01641/DET**
Applicant: Co-Operative Group/Mr Iain MacDonald
Proposal: Erection of Class 1 retail food store including associated car parking, servicing and highway infrastructure
Site Address: Caravan Park Lorne Street Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8NX
Location of Plans: Lochgilphead Area Office
Development in Conservation Area 21 Days

Area Team Leader Development Control, Planning Services, 67 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig, PA30 8DX

Any letter of representation the council receives about a planning application is considered a public document. Please therefore note that representations will be made available for public inspection and, under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act, will be copied on request. They will also be published on the council's web site. The author of such a representation is solely responsible for its content and accuracy. Anonymous representations will be "shredded" and those marked confidential will be returned to the sender. Neither will be taken into account when the application is being considered. Details of representations we receive on planning applications can be viewed on the council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/publicaccess

OPERATIONAL SERVICES

THE ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL (CAIRNBAAN VILLAGE) (40 MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2007

On Monday 3rd September 2007, Argyll and Bute Council made the above named Order in terms of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

The Order, which comes into operation on 22nd October 2007, introduces a 40mph speed limit on that section of the B841 Cairnbaan to Crinan Road and the UC14 Cairnbaan Back Road through the village of Cairnbaan.

A copy of the Order is available for inspection during normal working hours Monday to Friday inclusive at the following offices;

- (i) Operational Services, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, Argyll;
- (ii) Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, Argyll.

Any person, who wishes to question the validity of the Order or any provision contained in it on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or on the grounds that any requirement of that Act or any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order may, within six weeks from 7th September 2007, apply to the Court of Session for this purpose.

THE ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL (ROUTE B843, DRUMLEMBLE VILLAGE, KINTYRE) (30MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2007

On Monday 3rd September 2007, Argyll and Bute Council made the above named Order in terms of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

The Order, which comes into operation on 22nd October 2007, introduces a 30mph speed limit on a section of the Machrihanish Road (Route B843) at Drumlemble Village, Kintyre.

A copy of the Order is available for inspection during normal working hours Monday to Friday inclusive at the following offices;

- (i) Roads and Amenity Services, Dell Road, Campbeltown;
- (ii) Operational Services, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead;
- (iii) Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Kilmory, Lochgilphead.

Any person, who wishes to question the validity of the Order or any provision contained in it on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or on the grounds that any requirement of that Act or any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order may, within six weeks from 7th September 2007, apply to the Court of Session for this purpose.

Andrew R Law, Director of Operational Services, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8RD

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**VACANCY
ON DUNOON
LEGALISED
POLICE CELLS**

VISITING COMMITTEE

Argyll and Bute Council are seeking to fill a vacancy on the Dunoon Legalised Police Cells Visiting Committee.

Visiting Committees act as an independent observer on behalf of the Scottish Ministers and service as a member of the Visiting Committee is recognised as a public duty.

The main duty of the Legalised Police Cell Committee is to satisfy itself as to the state and administration of the legalised cells and in particular, the treatment, of prisoners. The work of the Visiting Committee Member can be complex, at times highly sensitive and a little time consuming. It can also be very rewarding.

Members of the Committee receive no payment but travelling expenses are paid. Appointment is subject to clearance by Disclosure Scotland.

As part of its commitment to Social Inclusion, Argyll and Bute Council is inviting applications from local people who consider they have the qualities necessary to fill a vacancy on the Committee.

For further information or an application form please contact Charles Reppke, Head of Democratic Services and Governance, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, PA31 8RT (or by telephone - 01546 604192)

Closing date for applications is 28 September 2007



Dunbartonshire and Argyll & Bute
Valuation Joint Board

**THE REGISTER OF ELECTORS
DOOR TO DOOR CANVASS**

Electoral Registration Forms were posted to every residential property in Argyll & Bute during the month of August, listing the registration details held by the Electoral Registration Officer.

During the month of September/October canvassers will be visiting properties in some areas in an attempt to collect forms from those households who have not yet made a return.

IF YOU HAVE NOT MADE A RETURN YOU MAY RECEIVE A VISIT FROM ONE OF OUR CANVASSERS. IN THE MEANTIME, YOU CAN STILL USE ONE OF THE METHODS BELOW TO MAKE YOUR RETURN.

Register by Freephone or by Internet

Details of how to do this will be on the Registration Form.

Both services will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, throughout the canvass period and can be used by households where the names on the electoral register remain UNCHANGED from the previous year.

Electors can also opt to remove their name from the edited version of the register used by mailing companies. The service also allows callers to request a Postal Vote application form.

Register by Post

If any CHANGE is required to the details appearing on the Registration Form, amendments should be made accordingly, and the form must be returned by POST in the pre-paid envelope provided.

David C Thomson
Electoral Registration Officer

Autism Argyll

AGM

Tuesday 11th
September 2007
11.30am
George Hotel,
Inveraray
All welcome

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**GOODS VEHICLE
OPERATOR'S LICENCE**

Robert H Martin trading as Robert H Martin Ltd of No 5 Oakhill, Tarbert, Argyll, PA29 6TB is applying for a licence to use Churchill Quarry, Campbeltown Road, Tarbert as operating centre for 2 goods vehicles. Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds, LS9 6NF stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representors must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A Guide to Making Representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's Office.

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WE'RE NOW GROWING OUR OWN AND WE WANT YOU!

Have you considered the career opportunities available on your own doorstep?

Are you interested in working with people, horticulture, vehicle maintenance, finance or another specific area?

Did you know that your Council employs social workers, gardeners, mechanics, accountants, etc.

Would you like to help deliver services within your area?

The following job opportunity is currently available:

Apprentice Gardener

£150.52 per week Lochgilhead

Ref: OSR00638

In order to meet the college requirements you should be aged between 16 - 18 years. Salary starts at 70% of £215.03 and rising thereafter each year until apprenticeship completed. You will be part of a small but highly trained team, undertaking work in public parks, playing fields, landscaped areas and similar open spaces. Where possible this will include work in one of the two plant production nurseries to gain a wider experience of horticultural tasks. The use of small hand tools and power tools under supervision will be required. In addition trainees will be expected to attend college on block release to study Horticulture to NVQ level 3 standard. No formal qualifications are necessary, however, you should be numerate and literate and willing to work towards qualifications as part of training. A keen interest in plants is essential as is a willingness to learn. Experience of working with plants in an outdoor environment would be an advantage, while a current driving licence is desirable.

If you meet the above criteria then we want to hear from you.
For a recruitment pack, call 01546 604870.



Closing Date: Friday, 21st September 2007.

Please access our website www.argyll-bute.gov.uk for job opportunities as they become available.



Currently Recruiting M&Co.

M&Co. Fort William Store Manager Required

An exciting management opportunity has arisen in our Fort William store for a Store Manager.

Do you yearn for a more vibrant and rewarding career? Then a management position at M&Co, the dynamic high street fashion retailer, could be just what you're looking for. The successful candidates will have the opportunity to help drive sales and maximise store performance, in a fast paced ever changing retail environment. You will have retail management experience and a flair for fashion and sales, which will aid you in motivating your team and delivering results. M&Co. is famous for its training and development having won several Scottish National Training awards. As well as this we have recently been awarded Investor in People Status. We offer excellent training packages designed not only to help you develop in your career but as a person as well.

If you are interested in applying please e-mail your CV to ejoyce@mackays.co.uk specifying Fort William in the subject line. Alternatively contact our recruitment line on 0141 555 7347 to request an application form.

Closing date Friday 21st September 2007.



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Springboard
UK LIMITED
Promoting Careers in
Hospitality, Leisure, Travel & Tourism



Highlands & Islands
ENTERPRISE

Creating a Positive Image of the Tourism Industry

Part time Project Manager Post – 17.5 hours - £25,000 pro rata
Location: Argyll & Islands

Springboard Scotland in partnership with Highlands & Islands Enterprise and the European Social Fund, is seeking to appoint a new team member who needs to be a dynamic and highly motivated individual to take forward an intensive programme of work within Argyll & Islands. The successful candidate will work face to face with industry and a wide range of partners including Local Enterprise Companies, Careers Scotland, Local authorities and the education sector to create a positive image of the region's tourism industry as a career of choice. The successful applicants will also work within the industries of Hospitality, Leisure, Travel & Tourism to aid employers with their Recruitment & Retention issues.

Working for Springboard Scotland you will have the opportunity to make a real impact on one of the area's most important industries. Promoting good employment practices and raising awareness of what working in tourism is like will be the key focus of your work. To do this, you will need to possess exceptional organisational skills, plus a great personality, which will bring drive and energy to the Highland & Islands initiative. It is essential that you are able to communicate at all levels, work under pressure and demonstrate practical IT skills. Experience and/or a passion for the hospitality, leisure, travel and tourism sectors would prove beneficial to the role.

Applications by e-mail only and must include a covering letter and full CV to marlynh@springboarduk.org.uk

Closing date for applications is Friday 14th September 2007

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Support Worker*^*** (Part time) (3 Posts)

£6.60 per hour
CSC62053 - 15 hours per week
CSC62054 - 15 hours per week
CSC62055 - 10 hours per week

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Support Workers provide a range of services to people living in the community with mental health and dementia needs under the guidance of the Community Support Organiser. This may include support with personal care, assistance with household tasks, planning shopping, preparing etc preparing meals, attending groups and accessing community activities. It may also involve providing support to carers. Flexibility of hours will be required to suit the individual needs of clients. You should have a good basic education. Experience of working and caring for people with mental health needs and/or dementia is desirable. You must be able to work independently using their own initiative and also have team working skills. A full driving licence is required.
Recruitment packs from 01586 553536

Mechanic

£332.65 per week
You will be required to inspect, service and repair vehicles and plant in the workshop and on site ensuring that the work is completed to the required standards. You will also be required to drive vehicles when necessary, complete vehicle documentation and be available for callout on a standby rota throughout the year. Experience including inspections, servicing and repair of light and heavy commercial vehicles is essential. You must have a City & Guilds qualification in vehicle repair or equivalent. A driving licence is essential, LGV licence is preferred. This position also attracts a bonus which is paid on all hours worked. Ref OSF0019/R
Recruitment packs from 01546 604870

Closing date 21 September 2007

*Applicants should note that this is an EXCEPTED POST, i.e. a post to which the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exclusions and Exceptions) (Scotland) Order 2003 applies

^Successful applicants will be subject to Disclosure Scotland vetting

***This post is subject to vetting under the POCSA 2003

The Council welcomes applications from New Deal Applicants.



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Equal Opportunities Employer
A 'no smoking' policy is operated



DELIVERY DRIVER/ CUSTOMER SERVICE

(WORKING HOURS 0500 - 1400HRS)

We would like to hear from applicants in the
OBAN AREA

who can demonstrate a real appetite for customer care backed by knowledge and experience gained in a customer service environment.

In return, we offer the following benefits: Competitive basic salary, ongoing training, support and development, profit related pay scheme, contributory pension scheme and purchase scheme.

Send your CV to Karen Forrester, Finance Manager
CGL, 15 Lochside Street, Oban, Argyll PA34 4HP.
Tel: 01631 565485 Email: karen@cg-ltd.co.uk



Our busy restaurant is busier than ever and we need to recruit extra staff.

All our food, including our stocks, is cooked from scratch and we are looking for chefs who can respond to our cooking ethos.

We are happy to invest in the people who can make a long term commitment to the company. Excellent terms and conditions.

Please contact Ian Brown on 0141 334 7109
between 3-6pm

Or email to mail@ubiquitouschip.co.uk

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CONTRACTORS-ONICH

An established firm of contractors carrying out a wide variety of interesting contracts throughout the Highlands and Islands is seeking to recruit an adaptable, motivated and resourceful

CIVIL ENGINEER/QUANTITY SURVEYOR

Experience in contract management will be an advantage but consideration will be given to recent graduates with a good construction degree. The position will offer excellent career prospects to the successful applicant and will be based at our office in Onich near Fort William. Accommodation may be available.

Candidates are invited to apply, enclosing full personal, academic and career details, to

D M Michie Ltd, Old Manse, Onich, PH33 6RY
tel: 01855 821202 fax: 01855 821312 e-mail: don@onich.co.uk

Beaver Timber LIMITED

Part Time Book Keeper required

Flexible hours - 1 day or 2 half days
Must be computer literate
with Sage experience
General office duties

Tel: Gary 01631 720353

ACHA
argyll community housing association

ACHA - Putting Tenants First.

ACHA wishes to recruit customer focussed individuals, seeking a rewarding and challenging career in a forward thinking housing organisation. These posts are key to delivering the quality of services our customers deserve. In return, we will reward the successful applicants with a generous remuneration package, modern work practices, family friendly "people policies" and the opportunity for personal development and training.

Cleaner, Ford Spence Court, Benderloch

Salary Grade 8 (£5.77 to £6.41 per hour) 12.5 hours per week

The successful candidate will require to work on a relatively self contained basis to maintain the public and communal areas of the sheltered housing complex at Ford Spence Court, Benderloch in a clean and tidy manner.

For recruitment pack please contact the HR & Corporate Services Department, 63/65 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig, PA30 8DX, Tel No 01546 604098 or email marina.macarthur@acha.co.uk, or visit the Recruitment section on the Association's website at www.acha.co.uk where recruitment packs can be downloaded.

Closing Date for Applications: 12 noon on Friday 14th September 2007

Interviews will be held on 27th September 2007 in Ford Spence Court, Benderloch.

This post is subject to a Disclosure Scotland check.

LANDCATCH

Landcatch Limited is part of the Lithgow Group of Companies, and is Scotland's leading independent producer of juvenile Atlantic salmon. As part of the company's development programme, Landcatch has the following vacancy in freshwater production:

SITE MANAGER: You will be responsible for fry and smolt production on a land based tank system near Inverness, Scotland. You will hold an HND Aquaculture qualification or equivalent, have previous staff management experience, be computer literate and have relevant experience of freshwater salmon production. For further information, please see www.landcatch.co.uk or telephone Dave Danson, Freshwater Production Manager, on 01880 770720.

The ideal candidate will be motivated and enthusiastic, and committed to achieving the best results in a challenging environment. With Landcatch's operation and expansion of production sites in both Scotland and Chile, there will be opportunities for progression with this position.

In return, we offer a comprehensive training and development programme, and a good employment package including a competitive salary relevant to the position, extended notice period, pension and death benefit scheme, BUPA membership and rent free housing. Assistance with relocation will be provided.

To apply, please write with comprehensive CV to:-
Nicol McCloy, Human Resources Manager, Lithgows Ltd, Netherton, Langbank, Renfrewshire, PA14 6YG

The Oban Times & WEST HIGHLAND TIMES

QUALIFIED SENIOR REPORTER

required for our newspaper group

We require:

- Minimum of two years experience working on weekly newspapers.
- Talent, self motivation and keenness
- Knowledge of West Highland an advantage

Great career opportunity
Full current driving licence essential
We offer competitive salary excellent benefits and great working conditions

Please send covering letter and C.V. to:
Christine MacBryde, Personnel Officer,
P.O. Box 1, OBAN, Argyll PA34 4HB
Fax: 01631 568001
Email: personnel@obantimes.co.uk

Connaught Putting you first

Connaught Partnerships Ltd are leading refurbishment specialists within the social housing sector in Scotland and the UK. Following the award of the contract to replace kitchens and bathrooms throughout Argyll and the islands for the Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA) we now require:

Site Manager (Lorne and the Isles and Islay) - Oban

Site Manager (Cowal and Bute) - Dunoon

Quantity Surveyor (Argyll wide)

Tenant Liaison Officer (Customer Services) (Lorne and the Isles and Islay) - Oban

Excellent salary and benefits packages available

Positions may be available throughout Argyll for the following:

Joiners	Plumbers	Labourers
Tilers	Plasterers	Electricians

Good rate of pay, continuous work, workwear and additional benefits are included in the job package.

For an application form please contact Jackie Hughes on 0141 646 3800 or jacqueline.hughes@connaught.plc.uk. Alternatively for an informal discussion and further information please call the Partnership Manager, Gordon MacKeller on 07824 537364.

www.connaught.plc.uk

Connaught is an equal opportunities employer and recognises diversity in the communities it serves.

INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

BARCALDINE MARINE

Boatyard Operator

Barcaldine Marine wish to recruit an operator for its expanding yachting services sector. Excellent communications, customer relations and organisation skills are required. A knowledge of boats, plant and equipment would be an advantage although training would be given to the right candidate. Duties will include lift out and launch of vessels and storage both indoors and outdoors. Additional duties will include general site operations using mobile plant.

In return we offer an excellent employment package including salary, weekend overtime payment, pension and death benefit service.

Please apply in writing with full CV to **Nicol McCloy, Group Personnel Manager, Barcaldine Marine, The Marine Resource Centre Ltd, Barcaldine, Oban, Argyll, PA37 1SH, by 11 September 2007.** For more information on the position telephone Martin Waterhouse on 01631 720291 or visit www.barcaldinemarine.co.uk

Barcaldine Marine is the leisure marine division of the Marine Resource Centre Ltd, a member of the Lithgows Group.

LOCHABER CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU

Post 1: Bureau Manager
35 hours from January 2008.
Salary: AP5 pt 31 £24,942

An enthusiastic, socially aware person with good communication skills and the ability to manage a team of volunteers and staff are prerequisites for this demanding position. A commitment to developing and expanding the advice service throughout Lochaber area is also needed.

Good organisation skills are essential and experience in advice work would be advantageous, as would knowledge of computer systems and their applications. Must have access to own transport.

This post carries provision for a personal pension plan.
The successful applicant will be required to attend some evening meetings.

Post 2: Temporary Welfare Rights Officer
(17.5 hours) to 31st March 2008.
Salary: AP3 pt 23 £9,655

Motivated person required who has knowledge of the benefit system and the ability to work as a representative, and to address the requirements of persons in need. Excellent verbal and written communication skills are essential. You must have the ability to research complex material, and have excellent interpersonal skills. Organisational skills are very important in this post, and training experience would be advantageous. The applicant must be a car owner with current driving licence.

Post 3: Independent Advice & Support Service Worker
(17.5 hours), 3 years from January 2008.
Salary: AP2 pt 19 £8,676

The CAB is looking for experienced advice worker to fill part-time post in support of the development of its Independent Advice and Support Service for users of the NHS. Applicants should have:-

- wide experience in advice work and ability to deal with client cases from start to completion
- a sound knowledge of NHS structures and service delivery patterns
- a sound knowledge of welfare benefits
- ability to identify second tier advice or representation needed by the client
- ability to provide regular service reports and statistical information

A key requirement of this post is the ability to identify the scope for the development of advice and representation services for users of the NHS in future. Applicants should have their own means of transport. A mileage allowance will be paid.

Application form and job description are available from:
Cath MacLennan, Citizens Advice Scotland. Tel: 01463 237696
David Whyte House, 57 Church Street, INVERNESS IV1 1DR

Closing date: Thursday 20 September 2007

Interview date: WRO, 2 October 2007; Manager, 16 October 2007; IASS worker, 23 October 2007
The CAB is committed to equal opportunities both in service provision and employment.

ARGYLL & BUTE CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU

Independent Advice & Support Service Worker, based in Lochgilphead
17.5 hours per week, negotiable
Salary: £19,311 (pro rata)



Experienced advice worker required to support the development of an Independent Advice and Support Service for users of the NHS. Applicants should have:-

- experience in advice work and ability to deal with client cases to completion
- a sound knowledge of NHS structures and service delivery patterns
- a sound knowledge of welfare benefits
- ability to identify second tier advice or representation needed by the client
- ability to provide regular service reports and statistical information

A key requirement of this post is the ability to identify the scope for the development of advice and representation services for users of the NHS in future.

Applicants should have their own means of transport. A mileage allowance will be paid.

Further details and application pack from:

Cath MacLennan
 Citizens Advice Scotland
 David Whyte House
 57 Church Street
 Inverness IV1 IDR
 Tel 01463 237696

Closing date: 28th September 2007

Interview date: Week beginning 15th October 2007

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Community Learning



YOUR COMMUNITY NEEDS YOU!

Tutors Wanted

Part time, flexible, work on community based courses

We are particularly looking for Tutors in Computing, Healthy Living, Craft Techniques and Personal or Community Development however we'd like to hear from anyone who has a skill they would like to share – it's your enthusiasm that's most important

Initial training will be available.

Tutors will be employed by Clydebank College

Contact Tricia Slater 01631 562466 patricia.slater@argyll-bute.gov.uk or polly.crooks@argyll-bute.gov.uk for a chat.

RAPID GLASS

Require **Window Fitter/Glazier**

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Please contact Zack Slater on 01397 701177 or drop CV in to: Head Office Unit 2, Glen Nevis Business Park FORT WILLIAM PH33 6RX

Carer required in Lochgilphead
 For more information contact

07769 655519

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 Waiting and house staff required
 full or part time
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 Ask for Mike or Marion



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GENERAL INSURANCE BROKING

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Due to continuing business growth, we require to recruit a self motivated and efficient person to join our small friendly team in Oban.

We are interested to hear from candidates who possess experience in General Insurance and also applicants who would like an opportunity to develop a career in the Insurance Industry.

To apply, please forward your CV, along with a covering letter in support of your application to:

Nicky MacIver, Branch Manager, Clark Thomson Insurance Brokers Ltd
 19 Airds Crescent, OBAN PA34 5SJ
 nmaciver@clarkthomson.co.uk

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Argyll & Bute CHP



Oban, Lorn & Isles Locality

Based at Lorn & Islands District General Hospital, Oban

Clinical Redesign Facilitator – Band 7

Fixed Term for one year

Full-time, 37.5 hours per week

£26,269 - £36,416

Ref: 07ab/092

We are looking for someone with experience of the health service either as a clinician or manager with proven redesign skills, excellent communication, IT and team working skills. You will be working as a redesign facilitator as part of the Planned Care Collaborative within NHS Highland and more specifically working within the Argyll & Bute Community Health Partnership. The post is based at LIDGH as the majority of work will concentrate on in-patient, diagnostic and out-patient services at this site, although travel to other localities within Argyll & Bute will be necessary to support out-patient redesign.

Informal enquiries to David Whiteoak, Locality Manager – Tel: 01631 788905.

Application packs are available from HR Department, NHS Highland, Argyll & Bute CHP, Aros, Lochgilphead, Argyll PA31 8LB – Tel: 01546 606788 (24 hour answer phone) or by emailing recruitment.lab@nhs.net quoting the reference number.

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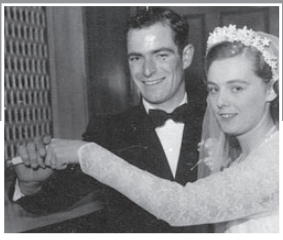
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Happy Birthday SUSAN on your 21st

Love from Mum & Dad

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Happy Ruby Wedding Anniversary

Love from all The Family X

Jack & Jessie Galbraith
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Thank you all very much.

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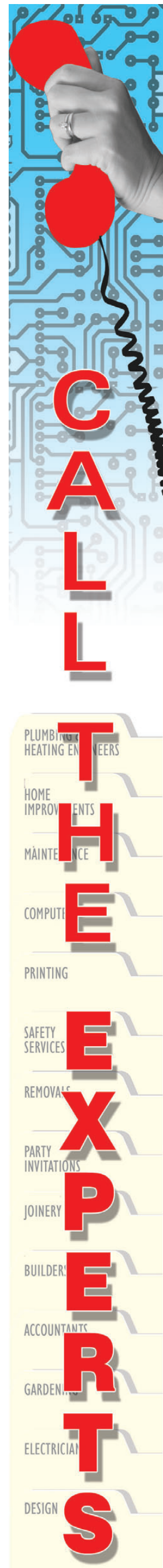
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Bill Grinstead
and family would like to thank all those kind and generous people who attended his 100th Birthday Party at Christlach, on Sunday afternoon 26th August.
Blessed with fine weather a super day in every way.

I would like to thank Dr Morrison and nurses from Ward 21A of the Southern General Hospital for all the care and attention I received while I was there, also family and friends who came to visit me. I would also like to thank family, friends and work colleagues, also Anne and Jean for all the lovely flowers, gifts and cards I received. Thanking you all once again
Flora McCaig


Who's this sitting on the chair Champagne in hand and rollers in hair
Toasting 19 years since her 21st
When she sees this she'll be fit to burst!
Happy 40th Birthday Mandy on the 11th

Catherine MacDougall
wishes to thank family, relatives and friends for the lovely cards, presents, flowers, plants etc I received on the occasion of my 80th birthday. Special thanks to Ali for the lovely dinner, Irene and James for the beautiful bouquet and Libby for her gorgeous card.



Dugald MacGilp is this year's champion angler

LOCHGILPHEAD Angling Club held its last singles competition of the year last Sunday, September 2.

The total weight of fish is added up for the six club loch competitions, and the results were as follows:

Dugald MacGilp is this year's club champion and wins the Roy Clark Cup and Senior Members Cup with a total weight of 22 pounds eight and a quarter ounces.

Neil Ward is the runner-up with 13 pounds six and three quarter ounces and wins the Ronnie Reid Cup; Murdo McDonald is third with nine pounds 13 and a half ounces; Archie MacGilp is fourth with eight pounds 15 and a half ounces. Archie only finished three competitions due to a back injury early on in the season; Robert McCallum is fifth with seven pounds one and a quarter ounces and Sandy McDonald sixth with six pounds ten ounces.

All six will represent Lochgilphead in next year's Scottish Club Championship.

The second leg of the Inter Club Competition, Lochgilphead v Oban will take place on Loch Nant on September 23. The first leg totals were very close, and the away leg will decide the outcome. Oban has 20 pounds 10 ounces and Lochgilphead has 19 pounds two ounces. Oban lead by only one and a half pounds.

National bronze for Laura

INVERARAY teenager Laura Fyfe won a bronze medal at the Scottish Age Group Athletic Championships held at Grangemouth recently.

Laura, aged 13, is a member of Mid Argyll Athletic Club and she was competing in the shot putt and discus events in the under 15

category. Laura's throw of 8.77 metres secured third place in the shot putt and her 19.60 metres effort in the discus ensured fifth place.

Laura has already won medals at previous district and national competitions this year and is still in the same age group in 2008.

Mid Argyll finish season on a high

MID ARGYLL Cricket Club traveled to the Stirlingshire village of Gargunock last Sunday in their last full match of the season. After some recent poor weather, sun greeted the players for this 40 overs per side match.

Gargunock won the toss and elected to bat. However, with some cloud cover the Mid Argyll openers managed to get some swing from the moderately overcast conditions, which created difficulties for the Gargunock batsmen. Robin Finlay took two quick wickets; with catches taken by Josh Battle and Matt Lewis. This left Gargunock on 3 for 2. So a good start! The home side rallied but they found the then found the father and son partnership of Peter Shackleton and Angus Shackleton in fine form as they both took a couple of wickets. So 39 for 6 and Gargunock were looking at small total. Unfortunately, the clouds rolled back to produce a nice late summer's day and as a result batting became easier.

Steady batting by the middle order, especially Stuart



Mid Argyll celebrate a successful end to their season. a36eri1NO

Bailey 26 and Winston Smith 15 ensured the scoreboard moved towards three figures. However, Mid Argyll continued to take wickets through Robert Davies and Matt Lewis but Everett (28) and Shaw (22) punished the Mid Argyll side as the home side concluded their innings on 149.

Mid Argyll started their innings well. Openers Matt Lewis and Gordon Lyburn looked solid to all the bowling they faced. However, with the score on 44, Lewis was caught in two minds and

he prodded a straight delivery to square leg. Lewis's contribution was 22. Peter Shackleton joined Lyburn at the crease and he soon set about the Gargunock attack, as runs came from parts of the ground. The score continued to climb and this pair soon reached their century partnership. However, with the score on 148, Shackleton mistimed a shot to mid off. Shackleton's contribution was a season's best, 61.

So a great victory for Mid Argyll to conclude their sea-

son. Overall, the weather was probably the biggest winner with nearly half the matches postponed. Next season, there is a return to Dunadd where a new wicket and outfield have been prepared.

Practice will continue throughout the autumn and winter on Tuesday evenings at the new Sports Centre.

Scores: Gargunock 149 (M Everett 28, S Bailey 26, R Davies 3-12, A Shackleton 3-40) Mid Argyll 150 for 2 (P Shackleton 61, G Lyburn 37 not out) Mid Argyll won by wickets.



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Victory for Star in first home game of the season

RED STAR played host to YM last Saturday. The home side were almost at full strength with only MacMillan, Craig and Iain Houston missing through suspensions. With this being the

first home game of the new season Star were looking to build on last week's performance and come away with another three points.

In the opening five or 10 minutes neither team really settled and the game was very congested in the middle of the park, but it was Red Star who grabbed the first goal of the game on 12 minutes. As Russell collected the ball 20 yards from goal his only thought was to shift the ball to his right and curl a fantastic shot into the top left hand corner, for the Star striker's third goal in two games.

After this clear cut chances were at a premium, the star defence of MacDougall, Broderick and C Campbell cutting out all of the visitors attacks and restricting them

to just one shot on goal in the first half, through a 22 yard free kick which was well held by Baxter.

The Stag hotel sponsored side had two great chances to double their lead through Asen, who could only find the keeper with his shot after being played through on goal and Russell who was inches away from a Morrison cross across the face of goal.

Second half

In the second half Star knew that if they managed a second goal the game would be over as Carlton were providing very little threat going forward but Lochgilphead didn't cash in on chances from Phillips and Asen who both came close with efforts. In the 62nd minute Star did add a second when the

ball was swung into Asen who controlled the cross and smashed a low drive just inside the post.

The Café 35 sponsored side grew in confidence and inside 10 minutes had added a third after Russell hit a shot across the face of goal the keeper could only parry the ball into the feet of Morrison for the easiest of goals. The game was over now as a contest and a minute from the end a fourth was added as the ball was spilled by the keeper after a stinging shot from Broderick, the ball fell to Russell who side footed it home for his second of the game.

Star are in league action again this weekend as they travel away to face another newly promoted side, Port Glasgow Amateurs.



Star's Iany Phillips and Davey Campbell race for the ball. a36sta01

Wanderers are 'coolness personified' in well-earned victory over Davaar

WANDERERS travelled home in buoyant mood after beating Davaar in windy Campbeltown.

They lined up in 4-4-2 formation with Thomas McCulloch in goal behind a back four of A Provan, 'Old Head' Sandy Crawford, C Bruce and Connor Crawford, a young midfield of D Weir, A McCulloch, A Brough and C Weir, with a front two of E McDonald and C Wishart. The well earned victory came from a combination of hard work and moments of individual skill with McDonald cushioning the ball on his instep before swivelling a la Cruyff past two helpless Davaar defenders, Bruce trapping the ball with his head and side stepping the opposing midfield in one movement, McCulloch coolness personified in goals

as he plucked the ball out of the air and Connor Crawford chipping the winger into the trees.

Lead

Wanderers took the lead when Wishart found McDonald with a well placed pass for the big striker to turn leaving two defenders on the floor then slamming the ball under the keeper. Davaar came out after the break to put pressure on the Wanderers back line.

McCulloch made some fine saves which combined with solid defending forcing Davaar to shoot from distance

This was a well-earned victory for Wanderers over a fine Davaar side, with Euan McDonald back on form and Colin Weir in good nick.

Inveraray gets help on course

THE SMALLEST field of the season contested the August Medal at Inveraray Golf Club last Sunday.

In the event, Paul Kytsia came out on top with a net 72. Inveraray stalwart Kenny Macdougall finished runner-up, beaten by just one stroke.

This Sunday, September 9, is the Pairs Stableford Trophy and entries are also invited for the re-scheduled Inveraray Open to be held on Saturday, September 29.

Inveraray Golf Club has recently been working with The Tigh-na-Linne garden Project in helping to maintain the golf course. Garden Project's Joanne Gladstone said: 'This has been a marvelous opportunity for trainees, giving them work

experience on a professional level.

'We will be eternally grateful to Inveraray Golf Club and other local organisations - not to forget private individuals - that have supported us and given us the opportunity to work within the community, breaking down barriers such as stigma and prejudice and promoting inclusion'.

The Tigh-na-Linne garden Project is based in the grounds of the Argyll and Bute Hospital in Lochgilphead, Argyll. Funded by the European Social Fund, NHS, Argyll and Bute Council.

Victory for MacNab at Glenralloch

LAST Saturday saw the first round of the Archie MacNab Memorial trophy take place at Glenralloch with 18 members competing. Overhead conditions were pretty miserable but the course was in great condition.

Early starter Roddy MacDonald was in sparkling form with a 69 and 41 stableford points. However, later in the day Roddy realised he had a six at the eighteenth

and not a five, which he signed for. Roddy honourably declared his mistake and, unfortunately for him, was disqualified.

Three players - Steven Barclay, Stuart Litster and Jimmy MacNab shared the lead on 40 points at the end of the first round.

Duncan Johnstone and Jackie Cupples were on 39 with John MacNab a further shot back on 38. Fifteen

members came back for the second round with at least seven players still in with a chance of victory.

Conditions for the early starters were not at all pleasant with heavy smirr making conditions difficult. However, they didn't seem to cause John MacNab too many problems when he returned 70-8=62 nett and 40 stableford points. This gave John a 36 hole total of 78 points.

The later starters knew what they had to beat but first round leaders Jimmy MacNab and Stuart Litster came up short when both returned 36 points for a 76 point total.

John was delighted with his two point victory.

This week sees the James Johnson Cup take place for the over 50s with the 'youngsters' playing for the monthly medal.



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