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### No new leads in Suzanne search

DESPITE hopes of finding the body of murdered accountant Suzanne Pilley in the forests of Argyll, police have confirmed there are no new leads after an plea from her parents on the BBC television programme Crimewatch.

Suzanne was murdered in May 2010 with her former colleague and lover David Gilroy jailed for her murder in 2012.

See next week's Advertiser for full story.

### Man arrested for drink driving

A MAN who crashed his car into the canal road bridge in Ardrishaig has been arrested for drink driving.

Police officers came upon the crash shortly after midnight on Friday. The man was reported to the procurator fiscal.

### Ward still closed

THE SPECIALIST dementia ward in Mid Argyll Community Hospital remains closed as NHS Highland confirms five members of staff have been off sick for more than a month.

Full story - page 3.

# Lochgilphead campaigner laughs in face of hate mail

A YES campaigner whose family home was the target of referendum-related hate mail has laughed it off by displaying the 'offensive message' in a window of her Lochgilphead house.

Gillian Voinot, who has used her Argyll Street home to display Yes stickers and posters, received a newspaper article about the 'ugly face of nationalism'; it included notes with explicit and offensive language.

The newspaper clipping was put through the letterbox of the house between 11.30pm on Sunday night and 6am on Monday morning.

Gillian, who has been actively campaigning for a yes vote in Mid Argyll, said:

'This has not fazed me, the only thing that bothers me is that the person didn't chap the door. I'd like to thank them for putting an article through our door slating yes voters

for the same behaviour in which this person exhibited to us.

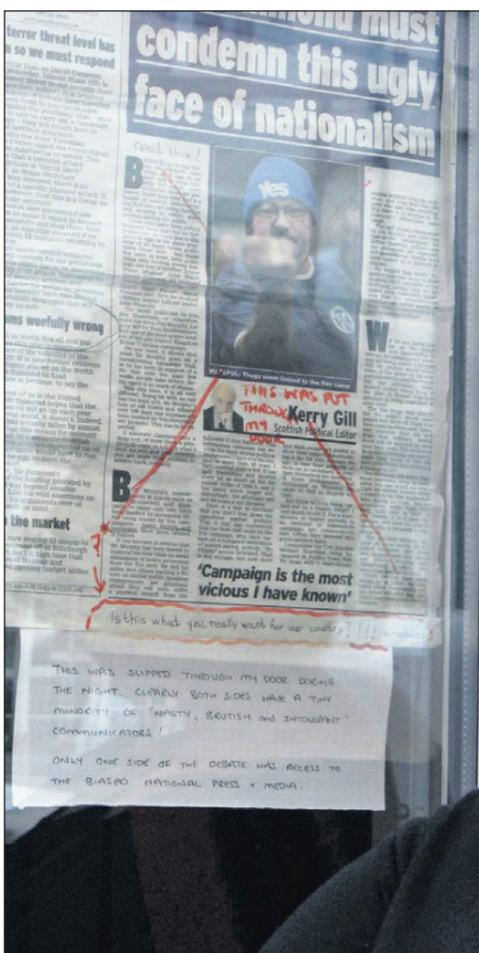
'There are minorities on both sides of the campaign, but I have canvassed for yes Scotland and have never met a no voter who has been rude or impolite to my face. People have seen it in the window have stopped to have a good laugh about it.'

A registered childminder, Gillian admits that she is a first time voter who has been compelled to get involved in the independence debate, happily using her home and car to display the yes campaign message.

'This will not stop me from campaigning and continuing to do so even after the referendum,' she added.

Gillian shares her home with her husband Jean-Michel and two sons aged 17 and 21.

See pages 16 and 17 for the Advertiser's latest coverage of the independence debate.



Gillian with the newspaper clipping on her window. She say she will keep it up because there has been a positive response from the community. 08\_a36voinot01



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# Transport Scotland failing to address 'real' road safety concerns

## Row over 50mph speed limit endures

TRANSPORT Scotland are 'taking a sledge hammer to crack a nut' when dealing with road safety concerns on the A83, according to a community councillor.

Bob Chicken, from Tarbert, made the comment after Transport Scotland proposed reducing the speed limit on the A83 between Tarbert and Ardrishaig to 50mph.

Mr Chicken said the plan failed to address

people's real concerns.

'As a community we have been campaigning for pedestrian crossings and wider roads in certain areas. I don't think that a 50mph restriction from Ardrishaig to Tarbert is the solution in this case,' he said.

'I think [Transport Scotland] is taking a sledge hammer to crack a nut and that it would be much better, from a safety point of view, for 30mph speed limit signs

to be placed at either side of the Erines Narrows.'

The 50mph restriction on the road was originally mooted in 2012 when Transport Scotland completed its nationwide speed limit review. No further action was taken until last week when Tarbert and Skipness Community Council received a letter stating a consultation on the proposed change was un-

derway. A spokesman for Transport Scotland said: 'Feedback on our proposals is central to all of the work we do, and we have written to community representatives to extend the prior consultation period by a further two weeks to ensure ample time is allowed for local communities to discuss the plans.'

Adam McKenzie, Police Scotland inspector for Argyll's new road policing unit, said: 'Speed limits on this road are a matter for Transport Scotland, however Police Scotland welcomes any moves designed to create safer roads.'



Jenny MacAulay, Jess Hendrie and Isobel McMillan turned up to support the Lochgilphead Parish Church coffee morning on Saturday. To see how much money the coffee morning raised for the 'project fund' see page 9. 08\_a36coffee02

## Works on the A83 to be complete before BoW fest

FURTHER work to improve the A83 near Furnace, which got underway on Monday, will be complete before the popular Best of the West Festival gets underway in Inveraray.

### Two weeks

Transport Scotland said the £145,000 works, carried out by BEAR Scotland, would last two weeks, but would not include weekend work or road closures.

Instead the work will be done Monday to Friday between 7am and 7pm,

when traffic will be reduced to one lane.

Traffic lights and a 10mph convoy system will be in operation during the work, while a temporary 30mph speed limit will be enforced outwith working hours.

Eddie Ross, of BEAR Scotland, said: 'These essential works will improve the condition of this section of the A83 and have been planned to minimise disruption to local residents, businesses and road users.'

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## Village drivers rescue wedding

A COUPLE'S wedding went without a hitch after the people of Ardrishaig rallied to provide transport for their 100 guests.

Marianne Krog-Sand and Ottar Alme, from Norway, were to be wed by Reverend David Carruthers at Ardrishaig Parish Church on Saturday.

But the pair awoke on their wedding day to learn the company they had hired to transport their guests from Tarbert to Ardrishaig and back had cancelled.

West Coast Motors came to the rescue by rearranged buses to get guests to the ceremony, but another booking meant the wedding guests could not get to the reception.

That was until Ruth Carruthers, the minister's wife, stepped in.

'I phoned everyone I could with a car,' she said. 'People from Ardrishaig Church and from the wider community turned up with their cars and drove and we put on a fleet of taxis to Stonefield [to the reception].'

'They were so appreciative,' she added. 'Every driver that I spoke to said the people in the car were so thankful.'



## Pupils help in fight to stamp out dog fouling

PUPILS at Minard Primary School have launched a campaign to stamp out dog fouling in their village as part of a school project.

The students, who last term completed a survey of the litter in and around their school, have attempted to tackle the problem with the support of Argyll and Bute Council.

Realising there was a lot of dog mess in the

village and nowhere to dispose of it, youngsters at the school wrote to the council's environmental officer, who later met the children to address their concerns.

And after a long summer holiday, the pupils returned to find a special bin had been installed in Minard.

A wealth of posters encouraging people to pick up after their pets have also been put up.

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# Hospital ward remains closed

Five members of staff off work for more than a month

THE SPECIALIST dementia ward in Mid Argyll Community Hospital remains closed as NHS Highland confirmed five members of staff have been off sick for more than a month.

NHS Highland announced on August 5 that it was closing Cara Ward 'temporarily', moving patients from the eight-bed Cara Ward into Glassary and Knapdale wards.

It said the closure was a result of staff shortages.

Seven members of staff were off sick, three were retiring and another leaving their post.

But now, almost one month later, the health authority says five members of staff have still not returned to work.

### Assessing

Asked what action was being taken to boost staffing levels, allowing the ward to re-open, a spokesman for NHS Highland said: 'We are constantly assessing our staffing levels to

ensure we have the right level of staffing for the number of patients being cared for in the hospital.'

The spokesman confirmed that no one from Mid Argyll in need of inpatient dementia care or dementia assessment has been referred to hospitals outwith the area since the closure of the ward.

Currently there are 21 dementia beds available at the hospital; 17 were occupied on Tuesday morning.

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## Co-op tight-lipped over new store

THE COOPERATIVE Food Group has refused to set a date for building its proposed new store at the Caravan Park in Lochgilphead, while seeking to extend its planning permission.

The business has submitted an application to Argyll and Bute Council seeking to extend its planning permission for an additional three years, meaning the store should be in place by 2017. If granted, this will be the second extension agreed; an earlier one year extension to the original application was granted in 2013.

A spokesman for the Cooperative refused to comment on speculation that the company was merely holding on to the site to prevent competitors from setting up shop in the town.

But he said: 'We are exploring options for the site, and hope to see a development on-site in the next few years.'

# Cash given to open up new museum artefacts to public

ONE OF oldest examples of 'beaker' pottery found in Britain and a 4,000-year-old 'footed food vessel' will be displayed at Kilmartin Museum in the coming years after the museum received a cash windfall.

The museum, which has been forced to keep a range of ancient artefacts in storage because of a lack of space, has been given cash by Museum Galleries Scotland (MGS) to look at ways of including the pieces in its permanent exhibition.

MGS handed over the money in a bid to help the museum unlock its potential as a key destination for Neolithic artefacts.

And while the museum has already embarked on an expansion plan to create more space, chiefs at the museum say the MGS money will help them explore how the artefacts can be used to tell a wider story of the area's history than it does currently and to adapt fund-raising measures to ensure the museum's sustainability.

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### Undisclosed

The undisclosed grant from MGS's Strategic Investment Fund will not be used to finance the separate redevelopment project.

Reconfiguring space within the museum for additional artefacts means an array of archaeological finds from Kilmartin Glen from the past 10 years can be publicly displayed.

Kay Owen, development administra-



The display at Kilmartin House Museum has not been updated since it opened 15 years ago.

tive officer at the museum, said the funding will enable the museum to showcase the unique artefacts and to tell the stories of the people who made and used them.

She said: 'As an independent charity,

fundraising and offering an exciting and interesting visitor experience are key areas to address in order to safeguard Kilmartin Museum and its important collection for the future.'

The museum is also

looking at ways of providing information about internationally important natural habitats nearby and linking those to stories of the people who lived there thousands of years ago.

## Lochgilphead WRI gets ready for the season

LOCHGILPHEAD Women's Rural Institute (WRI) will meet for the first session of its autumn programme on September 16.

The theme of the evening will be 'Name that Place', which will see the ladies show a photo of somewhere in Argyll and ask their fellow members to guess the location.

The competition for the evening is to make two macaroon bars.

Women of any age are always welcome to attend the monthly WRI meetings which include talks on Alpacas and 'Travels in China', as well as demonstrations in home crafts such as quilting and Christmas decorations.

September's meeting will be held at Lochgilphead Community Centre at 7.30pm.

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# Missing patient numbers increase

THE NUMBER of people being reported missing from Lochgilphead's mental health hospital has been increasing, according to anecdotal evidence within the town.

The Advertiser has learned from several sources that seven patients have been reported missing from Argyll and Bute Hospital in the past six weeks.

NHS Highland would not

confirm the numbers but Lochgilphead residents and businesses have reported seeing more police and concerned families searching for patients.

Nick Jackson, manager of RS McColl in Lochgilphead, said: 'We have had a definite increase in the number of times people have been coming into the shop looking for patients who have been

reported missing to the police, over the last few months.'

He added: 'If the police are looking for them then the hospital is suggesting that there is a problem, and possibly concern for that individual's safety.'

A spokesman for NHS Highland said: 'When an individual is admitted a risk assessment will be carried out and this will be reviewed

on a regular basis. We have a standard observation practice and people are checked on 16 times each day, however if a patient needs additional support then they are checked on more often.

### Observation

'A small number of patients will be under constant observation and have their movements restricted and the remaining patients are allowed

to leave the ward and have an agreed time when they should return.

'If a patient does not return or leaves without permission then staff would check the surrounding areas and if the patient could not be found then the police would be contacted.

'This procedure is exactly the same for a patient whether they are in a mental health or any other type of hospital.'

## Pensioner charged with stealing cat

A PENSIONER has been charged with stealing a cat in Lochgilphead, police have confirmed.

Officers allegedly found the 71-year-old woman with the cat after its owner had reported it stolen from Highbank Park last Thursday afternoon, August 28.

The cat has been recovered and returned to its owner.

## Boat damaged in Loch Fyne

DAMAGE was caused to a boat in Minard after it was set free from its mooring and allowed to run aground in Loch Fyne.

Police are investigating what appears to be a deliberate act, which saw damage caused to the boat and its engine.

They are appealing for information on the incident which occurred some time between 11pm on Friday, August 29, and 6.30am the following morning. Anyone with information can contact police on 101.

## Call for 24-hour access to mental health care

### Man turned away after going to pub

A PATIENT who was turned away from Argyll and Bute Hospital in the middle of the night is calling for 24-hour mental health access.

Craig Blair, 38, said he was suffering with anxiety and suicidal thoughts when he turned to medical help.

He had been referred by his GP to the Succoth Ward of the Lochgilphead hospital - but was refused access when he presented himself at 2am in the morning.

NHS Highland said, while refusing to comment on individual cases, that if a patient turned up under the influence of drugs or alcohol it made clinical assessment extremely difficult.

Emergency access

was available via local casualty departments, where a patient would be assessed and there would be a discussion with a duty psychiatrist.

Mr Blair, who has previously worked in mental health care, was shocked to find himself sleeping on the floor of the local police station as he had no money.

He said: 'I was treated no better than a rabid dog by the hospital.'

I was desperate for support, and I know. It was in the early hours of the morning - but I wanted help.'

Admitting he had taken to the pub to steady his nerves before his hospital admission, he said: 'I admit it, I should have gone to the hospital earlier but I didn't realise I had to be in by 6pm. I thought there would be 24-hour access to care.'



**Locked out: Craig Blair wants 24-hour access to health care after he was refused admission to hospital during the night.**

## Search for toilet age old problem

A SEARCH for a toilet is an age old problem in Argyll it seems, after the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historic Monuments of Scotland (RCAHMS) revealed it only has one cludgie on a national register for the area.

The public conveniences at the pier in Inveraray are the only one of its type within Argyll.

RCAHMS is now desperate for owners of toilets to be added to its list by emailing a picture of any ancient water closet or princely throne to the national organisation.

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## Ugly face of campaigns?

THE SHEER number of letters being sent to the *Squeak* and the number of residents dropping into our Argyll Street office shows that, without doubt, Mid Argyll people are fully engaged in the independence debate.

Passionate yes voters, those determined to say no thanks and those who are still to decide are all making their voices heard.

However, some are choosing to articulate their message more wisely than others.

The incident whereby an article entitled 'the ugly face of nationalism' was put through the door of a yes campaigner only serves to remind everyone there is an ugly side to both campaigns.

The sheer irony of the incident this week made the issue more laughable than offensive.

However, we should remember that whether Scotland decides yes or no, we will still have to live peacefully with the yes or no campaigner next door.

Throughout the debate figureheads on both sides have lauded Scotland as a tolerant society; let's hope it remains so when the result is announced.

## Transport Scotland out of touch

NEWS that Transport Scotland proposes reducing the speed limit from 60mph to 50mph on the A83 between Tarbert and Ardrishaig only serves as a reminder that the national agency is out of touch with Mid Argyll residents.

Repeated calls for safe crossings and traffic calming measures to reduce speeding cars at the heart of rural villages have fallen on deaf ears for decades.

While anything that reduces accidents in this area is to be welcomed, the latest move by Transport Scotland shows that for the people of Ardrishaig and Tarbert its priorities are all wrong.

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## People must let common sense prevail

Sir,  
I was delivering Better Together leaflets in my area recently. I had a short conversation with a householder who said she was undecided but was thinking about voting for independence. We touched on various topics such as the economy, currency, defence, oil and gas, the NHS, EU membership and so on.

We concluded with her saying that she was still undecided and admitted that voting for independence would be a gamble but she might give it a try! It is disappointing to think that there are others who are prepared to give it a try, to gamble with the future of our children and grandchildren, our people, our Scottish nation and the United Kingdom to which we have belonged for over 300 years, in the most successful union in history.

This is not like having a flutter on the Grand National or buying a Euromillions lottery ticket. It is not an experiment where if it goes wrong and we don't get the result we expected we can go back to the status quo. Independence is forever. It is well to heed the adage that one should never gamble what one can't afford to lose.

And there is so much to lose in the event of independence. For example: the pound, fully backed by the Bank of England, the Financial Services Compensation Scheme to protect savers, the UK's defence forces and the UK's intelligence and security services, access to all the NHS

services across the UK, guaranteed pensions and benefits, paid in the UK's internationally recognised currency, nearly 200 UK embassies around the world promoting the UK and Scotland's interests, the sharing of risk and the pooling of the resources of the entire UK.

It is to be hoped that wild gambling instincts can be suppressed and sound common sense prevails on September 18 and that we choose to stay together within the family that is our United Kingdom.

**Stuart Smith,  
West Lennox Drive,  
Helensburgh.**

## Astonishing and primitive scare story

Sir,  
Farmers in Argyll have every good reason to ask what impact Scottish independence would have on their business and incomes.

But the story about the instant blocking of CAP payments, in The Argyllshire Advertiser two weeks ago by the normally reasonable and industrious Alan Reid MP, is completely untrue - an astonishing, primitive scare story unworthy of what has been a generally grown-up referendum campaign.

I was in Brussels last month, discussing just these questions of how the EU might deal with an independent Scotland in the event of a Yes vote.

I talked to men and women in the European Commission - many of them Scots.

And all of them, with one not-sure exception, agreed that the EU's running pro-

grammes for Scotland - CAP payments, structural funds support and the rest - would of course continue on a 'provisional' basis while negotiations to redefine Scotland's status in the EU went on.

The '10-year phasing in' period for new member states quoted by Alan Reid would not apply to a nation or territory already within the EU.

It's worth adding that I could find nobody who took seriously the idea that any member-state would veto Scottish membership.

'Who could be so crazy?' I was asked.

Yours,  
**Neal Ascherson  
Poltalloch,  
by Kilmartin.**

## Patriotic win-win

Sir,  
I watched the trailer last night for the forthcoming BBC documentary, 'Mibbes Aye, Mibbes Naw', where a husband and wife are arguing about the referendum decision.

The lady keeps telling her husband he was born in Scotland, despite him maintaining he was born in the UK, clearly determined to vote No.

I couldn't help but feel that that was a perfect example of why choosing to say No Thanks allows us to keep both identities.

By saying No we will be doing the best for Scotland through guaranteeing our currency, our large economy, our pensions, our welfare, our large and unimpeded UK jobs and business market, our world-class defence and counter-terrorism and our large 'foreign ser-

vice' that does so much for the Scottish economy.

That is what I call a patriotic win-win!

**Angus Young,  
Helensburgh.**

## Thanks to Tarbert 10k team

Sir,  
Could I show my appreciation to Jessica Little and all the team at Tarbert 10k.

Although it poured with rain it did not dampen the crowd on the day; I suppose being on the west coast of Scotland we are a bit used to rain.

We had a stall for the Fishermen's Mission, kindly set up by the organisers.

Believe me, the organising of this event is a mammoth undertaking, but the old adage says 'many hands make light work'.

I would like to pay particular thanks to Sean Taylor, who raised more than £800 pounds for the mission by running the 10k, and Stella MacCallum, who raised £113 doing the 5k race.

Thanks so much to everyone, we will be back with the Dookers next year.

**Matthew M Ramsay,  
Mission Port Officer,  
Fisherman's Mission.**



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**Better Together meetings extended**

ALAN Reid, MP for Argyll and Bute, has issued further dates for his the Road to the Referendum meetings in Mid Argyll.

The MP is hosting a meeting in Lochgilphead Community Centre on Monday, September 8, at 7.30pm.

At the meeting, Mr Reid will speak briefly outlining his views on the referendum, which will be followed by a question and answer session.

He said: 'This is an excellent opportunity for all who are undecided, to get their questions answered.'

**Correction**

LAST week the Argyllshire Advertiser reported that Kenny MacNab of Tarbert would trek 6,000km on the Great Wall of China, in fact he will trek 90km over six days for up to eight hours each day, he has already raised more than £10,000 for The Fishermen's Mission charity.

**Thirty-one abseil for MS charity**

ONE BRAVE abseiling instructor wore equipment that mimicked the symptoms of multiple sclerosis (MS) during a cliff-hanging fundraiser for a Lochgilphead charity.

MS Centre Argyll teamed up with Stramash to organise a sponsored abseil at Ganavan Sands, Oban, on Saturday which saw 31 people abseil down a 90ft cliff.

Rob Brown, abseiling instructor from Stramash, wore marigold gloves, one flipper on his foot, wrist weights and double-vision glasses during his abseil.

He said: 'The vision affected me most, it was really hard. It definitely gives you an appreciation of what it feels like to live with

MS. I felt the weight on one side with the flipper on and wearing the gloves made me unable to grip the rope properly, as it would be like for those with MS.'

By 'Trying on MS' for the abseil Rob initiated discussion and spectators were even trying on the kit.

**Thanks**

Karen McCurry, manager of the MS Centre, said: 'Rob was so game and thanks to his efforts we were able to educate spectators on what he was doing and why. It really raised awareness not only of our centre, but of the disease itself and that is priceless.'

The MS Centre has held a series of fundraisers this year which saw Mid Argyll people walk barefoot on broken glass and hot coals, as well as bungee jump



Abseiling leader, Rob Brown, 'tying on MS'.

from a crane on Lochgilphead Front Green. All sponsored events have been well supported by the Mid Argyll community.

Karen added: 'We

are absolutely delighted by the support we have had and would like to take this time to say a special thanks to everyone who has helped us.'

**Mid Argyll young people will benefit from £49,000 Big Lottery grant**

A CHARITY has been awarded £49,000 to continue delivering life-line services that boost the employability and life chances of young people in Mid Argyll.

The Big Lottery recently handed over the cash to Mid Argyll Youth Development Services.

The money will fund skills training for young people entering the job market, days out for youngsters, facilitate weekend opening at the Lochgilphead centre and additional activities for two years.

**Remove barriers**

Fiona Kalache, manager of the centre, said the money will help the charity remove barriers for young people, both in employability and social opportunities.

She said: 'We go to Disney on Ice in October and to see Diversity in December and that gives young people an

opportunity to enjoy a trip away.'

Also awarded £49,000 by the lottery in 2012, MAYDS has used some of the money to pay for training, which when completed sees young people gain industry-level qualifications.

To date it has paid for youths to complete powerboat, chainsaw and life-guarding courses - skills important to the relevant industries in Argyll and Bute.

Fiona added: 'This year we want to focus on something different.'

'We try to change training every year because there would be no point if we continued to do the same courses when we want to keep youths interested and encourage them to live and work in Argyll.'

'We want young people to tell us what they want so that they can get what they need from the funding.'

**Time to Remember service to be held in Lochgilphead**

A SERVICE to support people who have been devastated by suicide is to be the first of its kind in Lochgilphead when it is held next week.

A Time to Remember is a service being held in the town for those bereaved by suicide and will mark suicide prevention week, from September 8 to 12.

**Host**

The Free Church of Lochgilphead and Tarbert will host the service in the Lochgilphead Church on Manse Brae at 7pm on Wednesday.

It will be led by Lochgilphead's Reverend Robert Macleod, who came to Argyll follow-

ing a lengthy career in healthcare.

He said: 'Within Forth Valley Royal Hospital year on year the numbers grew at the annual event which coincided with World Suicide Prevention Day.'

'It was always moving as well as a privilege to participate with colleagues in this service. The pain of people's loss was often palpable but the sharing helped.'

This short service aims to offer a platform for people in Mid Argyll to commemorate their loved ones.

Suicide was the second leading cause of death in 15-29-year-olds globally in 2012.

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## ACT alfresco for £100

LEISURE groups that encourage Argyll people into the great outdoors are being told about a grant scheme that may support their work.

ACT Alfresco, run by Argyll and the Isles Coast and Countryside Trust, is offering groups and individuals £100 for projects that enhance the countryside and encourage more people to enjoy it.

Julie Young, project manager, said: 'It doesn't have to be a large-scale project. Whether its building a chair in the outdoors so others can enjoy a view, creating a garden that helps to nurture our wildlife or painting an unsightly building – as long as it enhances, promotes and protects our environments, it qualifies.'

For more information on act alfresco visit [www.act-now.org.uk](http://www.act-now.org.uk); the incentive is open until the end of September.



# Wingin' It guitar duo set for Tayvallich Hall gig

## Former Lochgilphead student winging his way back home

AN AWARD winning guitar duo are 'winging' their way back home to Argyll as they perform at Tayvallich Village Hall.

Wingin' It, which includes former Lochgilphead High student Adam Bulley and Oban's Chas Mackenzie, will be playing to old friends when they reach the Mid Argyll village next Saturday, September 13.

Adam, from Kilmelford, and Chas are well known in Argyll and formed Wingin' It in 2005 having met playing in other projects in and around the west of Scotland.

The pair started out playing in venues on the West Coast, performing

a wide range of material including rock, pop and funk, as well as instrumental pieces in the style of gypsy jazz, bluegrass and classical.

Soon they began writing their own music and in 2007 they won a Danny Kyle award at Celtic Connections.

### In-demand

In 2013 the duo released their own album For the Many with some of Scotland's most in-demand session musicians.

The project has garnered praise from respected musicians, as well as critics across Scotland.

Stuart Morrison wrote in The Herald: 'They are dazzling, jazzy, very



**Wingin' It - Adam Bulley and Chas Mackenzie - will be playing to old friends and acquaintances when they take to the stage at Tayvallich Village Hall next week.**

funny, a breath of fresh air. They leave some traditionalist mouths hanging open, the boys absolutely nail it.'

Adam Bulley, who chose Lochgilphead High School because of the strength of the music department, went on to study music at Perth

College, gaining a BA in Music Performance.

He has performed alongside the country's best musicians and groups, most recently with Salsa Celtica and the legendary jazz guitarist Martin Taylor.

Oban guitarist Chas formed the duo The

Shoes alongside Finlay Wells and they frequently perform in the rock covers band The Democrats. Chas is currently touring with some of the country's best known musicians including Angus Lyon and Duncan Lyall's New Voices projects.

## Guides available for new churchyard project

A RANGE of trails highlighting the creatures and wild flowers inhabiting the church yard at Christ Church Lochgilphead have been created as part of an ongoing environmental project.

The guides are part of the Living Churchyards programme - a nationwide initiative that aims to make churchyards a space for wild plants and wildlife to flourish.

Father Simon Mackenzie said: 'We are preserving wildlife within the churchyard by creating shelters for insects and wildlife and looking after our plants and flowers.'

Guides on the new trails around the church and yard are available to visitors and can be picked up inside the building. The church and churchyard are open every day and visitors are invited to come and enjoy them.

Bishop Kevin from Argyll and the Isles formally inaugurated the project last month when he blessed the churchyard and prayed at the grave of Bishop Ewing, who founded the church in 1852.

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### DALRIADA SINGERS

rehearse classical choral music in the North Hall, Ardrishaig at 7.30pm on Wednesdays. No experience or auditions necessary All welcome

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on 3rd & 4th October in the Victoria Hall Full advert to follow.

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From left: Brenda Nicolson, Katharine Weir, Irene Serwin, Rowena Ranger and Moira Shaw are the women behind new choir Dalriada Singers.

# Dalriada Singers continue local classical tradition

THE NEWEST choir in Mid Argyll is to take to the rehearsal room next week to continue the great local tradition of classical choral music.

The Dalriada Singers, formed by enthusiastic amateurs who sang with the former Corran Singers, will perform under the baton of instructor Irene Serwin.

An experienced choral director, Irene has worked with young people's choirs in Australia.

Speaking of her vision for Dalriada Singers, she said: 'The aim is to share the joy of blending voices together, supporting each other to produce something that we can share with others, bringing a little

more light and harmony into our lives.'

Katharine Weir, chairwoman of the working group behind the new choir, said: 'What a happy coincidence that a group of us wanted to carry on in the tradition of the Corran Singers and Irene was available to help us in the venture. We welcome everybody who would like to

sing classical music.'

The choir, which will hold its first rehearsal at the North Hall, Ardrishaig, on Wednesday, is already planning its first concerts of traditional and new music for Christmas. Anyone with an interest is welcome to join the first rehearsal on September 3 at 7.30pm; there will be no auditions

## BoW Fest returns to Inveraray

THE BEST of the West festival returns to Inveraray this month with more than 120 home-grown musicians performing and 30 food and drink suppliers selling the best produce the region has to offer.

Inveraray Young Musicians group, which only launched this year, will have a slot on the Saturday, alongside Lochgilphead-based Gaelic choir Coisir Og Dalriada.

The two-day event will, once again, be held within Inveraray Castle grounds on September 13 and 14.

The event, in its fourth year, celebrates all things good about the West Coast and festival-goers will be able to try an array of food, as well as whisky from 17 of the area's finest distilleries.

Eleanor Campbell, Duchess of Argyll, said:

'We are delighted to bring Best of the West back to Inveraray this year.

'This is an area absolutely brimming with passion for good food, live music and community spirit and we look forward to showing off all that is amazing about the West of Scotland to locals and visitors alike.'

To learn more about the festival log on to [www.bowfest.co.uk](http://www.bowfest.co.uk).



Gregor and Kirsty Mochrie, aged seven and 10, enjoyed cakes at the coffee morning.

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## More success for Inveraray Pipe band

SUCCESS for Inveraray and District Pipe Band appears to be never ending as it lifted the Cowal Gathering pipe band championship at the weekend.

Just weeks after being named second in the world and European Champions, Inveraray lifted the Grade One title ahead of Lomond & Clyde, who were second and Oban Pipe Band,

placed third. Jim McMillan, secretary of the Inveraray band, said while the Cowal Gathering was no longer a major championship, the event marked a great end to the band's most successful piping season to date.

**Success**

There was success too for both Mid Argyll Pipe Bands.

The junior band, led by

pipe major John Hunt, took fourth place in the novice juvenile section, while the senior band secured fifth place in Grade 4.

The event marked the end of an era for the novice band which will now be incorporated into the senior group, creating one overall band. It will be led by pipe major Craig Lang and drum sergeant Brian Hastings.

## Project fund boosted

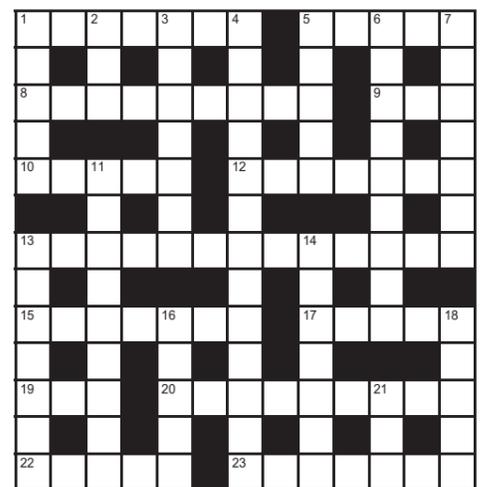
THIS month's coffee morning at Lochgilphead Parish Church raised money for building a link-corridor from the hall to the main building.

Known at the church as the 'project fund', the pot was boosted by £460 on Saturday. It will go towards the development, which will cost an estimated £10,000.

Minister Hilda Smith said: 'As long the general fund, which covers all the day-to-day running of the church and the hall such as electricity, is paid into and is up to speed then the coffee morning funds are normally put into the project fund.'

'Today's coffee morning has been really good and very busy as well.'

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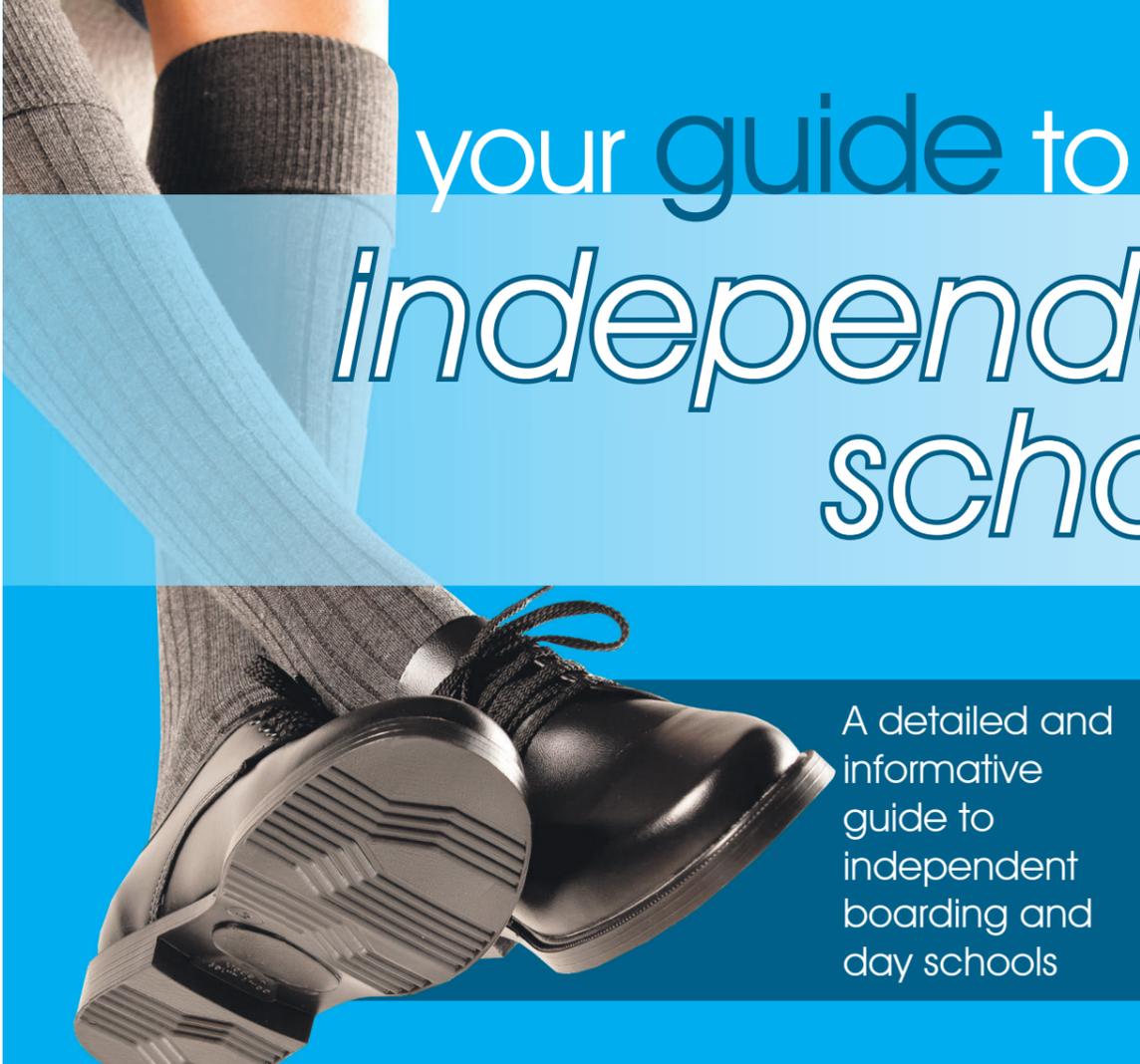
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Parents choose to send their children to independent schools for many different reasons but, above all, they choose independent schools because they feel a particular independent school will best serve their child and their child's social and educational needs.

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You can find details of independent, fee-paying schools in Scotland on the SCIS website at [www.scis.org.uk](http://www.scis.org.uk) 'Around 31,000 children of mixed abilities from diverse social backgrounds are educated at independent schools in Scotland with around 20 per cent of pupils receiving some financial assistance from the schools.'

**Curriculum and qualifications**  
Independent schools in Scotland have a strong tradition of academic attainment, reflected in pupils' performance in public exams. Many schools follow the Scottish curriculum with exams awarded by the Scottish Qualifications Authority. Most boarding schools follow

the English curriculum, offering GCSEs, AS and A levels. A few now offer the International Baccalaureate and others are considering its merits.

**Meeting the cost**  
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St Mary's pupil Brighde with her bagpipes.

**No puffins in Tarbert**

RUMOURS that puffin birds could be colonising in and around Tarbert have been quashed by the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB).

The charity has stated that reported sightings of the birds, under threat of extinction, are likely to be a 'one-off'.

A spokesman from RSPB Glasgow said puffins may have been in the area searching for food but added genuine sightings in the area are rare.

He said: 'There is a slim chance of encountering them out at sea, but there are no recognised breeding colonies [in Tarbert].'

The announcement comes after the crew of Ocean Breeze Rib Tours thought they spotted puffins while running tours out of Tarbert Harbour last month.

# Lochgilphead women on the run for healthy hearts

**'We are determined to run the full distance'**

TWO WOMEN, who have raised more than £2,500 for charity, are 'determined' to run the full distance of the Bupa Great North Run this weekend.

Lorraine Macdonald and Jennifer Coyle, from Lochgilphead and Ardrishaig, plan to raise money for The British Heart Foundation.

The pair have been preparing for the event by running for 12 miles each week and taking on local treks using the Bupa 12-week training plan.

Lorraine said: 'We both took part in the Santa Dash last Christmas and it really was a

pivotal point for us and we decided we wanted a real challenge to get our teeth into, so we went for this.

'It's been hard getting into it, as we are both not especially sporty. But we are determined to run the full distance.'

**Fundraising**

Lorraine's husband suffered from a post-operative heart attack two years ago and it has changed their lives. She threw herself into fundraising in order to help her through the difficult and stressful time that the couple went through.

Jennifer on the other hand is doing it 'just to

do something nice for someone else'.

Jennifer said: 'I really want to remind people that just because it hasn't affected you, doesn't mean you can't take part and try to raise a bit of money for a good cause that could potentially save lives.'

The women also ran in the Mull of Kintyre (MOK) half marathon in May and will set off on the Bupa Great North Run half marathon from Newcastle on Sunday.

To sponsor the women log on to [www.justgiving.com/Lorraine-MacDonald1/](http://www.justgiving.com/Lorraine-MacDonald1/) and [www.justgiving.com/jen-is-running](http://www.justgiving.com/jen-is-running).



From left, Lorraine Macdonald and Jennifer Coyle running on the Front Green at Lochgilphead ready to take on the Great North Run. 08\_a36bh01

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## Parking regulations should be tailored to different towns in Argyll and Bute

BETTER parking arrangements could be made for Mid Argyll after the local authority agreed parking regulations should be tailored to the different towns within the county.

Argyll and Bute Council recently agreed to allow councillors greater control of parking in their respective areas, via the local area committees.

**Review**

The change means Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islands area committee will, this winter, review the level of available parking, the

number of paid for and free spaces, as well any parking related issues.

Once complete, a series of proposed changes to existing parking regulations could be proposed for Inveraray, Lochgilphead and Campbeltown town centres, with a public consultation likely.

A spokesman for the council said: 'Members recognise that a one size fits all approach would not work in Argyll and Bute, with its huge area and diverse local needs. As such, the policy formalises the arrangement whereby

traffic regulation orders are within the power of area committees, allowing parking to be managed at a local level. If an area committee was minded to change the existing charging arrangements... this would have to go through the council's executive committee process, as is normal practice.'

**Boost**

The council's parking strategy aims to increase parking turnover in town centres, ensuring there are spaces available for people to park and access local shops and boost the local economy.

## Pipers bring games atmosphere to home



Mabel with her granddaughter Iona Macfarlane Kidd and great grandchildren Cameron and Mya.

THE ATMOSPHERE of the Cowal Highland Gathering was brought to the residents of a nearby nursing home thanks to members of Mid Argyll Pipe Band.

The band's Cameron Kidd, together with Gregor McGeachy, Andrew Cupples, Rachael MacIndeor and Jo Gaskin, travelled to Ardenlea Care Home in Dunoon to perform for his great grandmother.

Cameron and his family had hoped to take 92-year-old Malbel Galbraith to the games while she was on a two-week respite at the home.

But the weather was

too poor to take Mabel, from Ardrishaig, out for the day.

Iona Macfarlane Kidd, Cameron's mother, said: 'I had a plan if we could not get nani to Cowal then we would take a little bit of Cowal to nani and the other residents of Ardenlea.'

'She was blown away with such kindness and couldn't get over how handsome Cameron was in his regalia.'

She added: 'Each and every one of the group was happy to help and deliver such a lovely act of kindness to our ever growing elderly population.'

# Best of the West Festival 2014



**MAIN ATTRACTIONS:** Skerryvore (far left) and Capercaillie (below)

**OPENING:** Freya (left) will play on the music stage at Best of the West.



AN ACOUSTIC songstress has been plucked from obscurity to play this year's Best of the West festival after the Duchess of Argyll watched her perform on a YouTube video.

Freya Giles, 29, from Glasgow, was taking part in Caledonian MacBrayne's CalMac Culture competition, held at King Tut's Wah Wah Hut, where performers competed for a spot on the Hebridean and T'ree Music Festival bills.

The evening was being streamed online when the Duchess, Eleanor Campbell, tuned in and was blown away by her performance.

She said: "When Freya took to the stage and began singing, I knew I had to have her at Best of the West. Her voice was so beautiful and exactly the sort of folksy sound you would find at the festival. We have a huge span of artists; from trad bands, to Gaelic singers, to acoustic sets. Freya blends a number of genres with her songs and seemed a perfect fit. I immediately sought to get her added to the lineup."

After receiving a phone call asking her to perform, Freya was all too happy to accept.

She said: "It was so surreal to answer my phone only to be told that the Duchess of Argyll wanted me to perform at her festival. I had to take a few minutes to process what was happening but, of course, I said yes. It's an amazing opportunity and I'm so grateful for the chance to play at one of Scotland's best loved festivals."

Best of the West takes place on Saturday 13 and

Sunday 14 of September in Inveraray. Set in the grounds of Inveraray Castle, the festival celebrates all that is great about the West Coast of Scotland. It is targeted at families looking for a day out, with free kids activities including laser blast, archery, fly fishing and bouncy castles. For adults, there is the Loch Fyne Whisky Bar, with 17 of the area's finest distilleries available to sample. There will also be food and drink available from such vendors as Loch Fyne, Food from Argyll and Fyne Ales, as well as 121 music acts, including Skipinnish, Capercaillie and Skerryvore performing over the weekend.

Freya will play on the Main Stage on the Sunday, opening for one of her favourite bands, Skipinnish.

She said: "Playing before a band I have listened to and who have influenced me for many years is such a strange feeling. I'm nervous but more excited to be able to perform in front of such a great crowd as Skipinnish fans."

As the final touches are put to the festival, The Duchess of Argyll is certain it'll be the festival's biggest year yet.

She said: "We are thrilled so many local vendors are taking part and that the music lineup is bursting with both well-known and as up-and-coming talent. Having Freya added to the bill further shows just how much talent the West Coast of Scotland has and how important it is to celebrate it."

Tickets are still available for the festival, with combined tickets and travel from Dunoon, Oban or Glasgow with West Coast Tours.

For details of bus packages, please visit: [www.bowfest.co.uk](http://www.bowfest.co.uk) <http://www.westcoast-tours.co.uk/great-days-out/bowfest-2014>.

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## Yes campaign holds women's only debate and coffee morning

WOMEN from Lochgilphead and nearby villages attended a Women's Only Yes Debate in the town, as part of a campaign in the lead up to the referendum.

More than 30 women arrived for the session at The Stag Hotel last Friday.

Active campaigner for Women for Independence Linda Morpurgo was the guest speaker at the event.

At the three-hour event Linda reversed the roles of voters and they discussed an already independent Scotland joining forces with the UK again.

Linda said: 'The general feel tonight was hopeful and I feel that women only meetings are generally very inspiring and powerful.'

The event was followed by a coffee morning on Saturday where people of all ages and genders were invited to discuss the referendum over a cuppa with members of the Yes Mid Argyll group.

### Ordinary people

Bob MacIlwraith, convenor of the group, said: 'The people we have found to be joining us today have been ordinary people who want a wider community engagement.'

'We are offering people the opportunity to come along and raise questions that they have and openly discuss their views.'

Yes Mid Argyll meets every Saturday at 10am at The Stag Hotel.

# Education, the po top women's list

With only 21 days left before the nation casts its verdict on independence and enters a new era in its history, many experts believe that women hold the key to power. Carry the women's vote, goes the argument, and you carry the day. But are we now locked in a desperate tussle to win the support of the female vote? What messages working in Argyll and the west Highlands? **Steven Rae and Emma**

MANY political pundits and strategists believe the fight for the female vote is the battleground where the referendum will be won or lost.

Recent polls have shown the 'Yes' campaign behind amongst women voters, with figures at one time as low as 27 per cent confirmed as 'Yes' voters, compared to 41 per cent of men.

Issues including the currency union, pensions and a general feeling of uncertainty appear to have put off some women, along with distrust of First Minister Alex Salmond.

However, the gap is clearly narrowing as September 18 approaches, and the 'Yes' campaign is beginning to gain significant traction with female voters. Better social care, nuclear disarmament and university tuition fees being issues that strike a chord with women.

Fiona Stage, 55, who owns a bed and breakfast in Oban, plans to vote 'Yes'. She argued that independence would create a fairer society for her and her three children. She said: 'For me it's about social justice.'

'I went to a talk by Julie Webster who runs Maryhill food bank in Glasgow, which was a real eye-opener.'

### Massive issue

'It made me realise that poverty is a massive issue in Scotland, hunger especially, which is appalling in 2014 and in a rich country like this.'

Fiona also feared that university tuition fees would be introduced in Scotland as they are in the rest of the UK. This, she said, would affect her life seriously.

She explained: 'I have three children and two are at university, and I simply couldn't afford it without free tuition fees - the living costs are hard enough to find without an extra £5,000 a year.'

Linda Dignan, a 44-year-old



**FAIRER:** Fiona Stage argues that independence will lead to a more equal society



**PACIFIST STANCE:** Jane MacIntyre feels independence will lead to a nuclear-free Scotland



**VOTE COUNTS:** Linda Dignan says she feels disengaged from Westminster politics

couldn't have paid up to £9,000 a year to send him to university.

'There are a lot of reasons why I'm voting 'Yes' but the main basic reason is I feel my vote will count for something.'

'I think the 'Yes' campaign has definitely been the most positive, especially in Lochaber.'

'I feel disengaged from Westminster. I don't agree with their policies but my vote in elections won't change that. The only way to change things and make a more equal society is to vote 'Yes'.'

Alana Brown, 22, is a shellfishmonger in Oban, and feels that the Westminster government is too detached from life in Scotland.

She said: 'We need a government that lives in Scotland, one that knows what the people here need, rather than one that pops up for a visit once in a while.'

### Poverty

'About 23 per cent of children are born into poverty, live in poverty and die in poverty in Scotland compared to 12 per cent in other parts of the UK - it's ridiculous.'

She also feels that remaining part of the UK will mean the end of free healthcare, saying: 'The NHS is already becoming privatised in parts of England and I fear for the future of it in the UK.'

'The NHS saved my life, in one night I had £6,000-worth of surgery done. If we had privatisation, I would be dead.'

Jane MacIntyre, 68, from Oban, has lived both sides of the border and feels that Westminster puts English interests ahead of the rest of the UK.

She said: 'I lived down south for 20 years, and used to think that everything that needed to be done in England by the government got done, and got done first.'

'Scotland is a pacifist country, yet we have waged a war in Iraq

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# Salmond and NHS of policy issues

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**UNCERTAINTY:** Jakki Watt says the lessons of history are stacked against nationalism



**CURRENCY WORRY:** Jenny McEvoy fears that Scotland will lose out over the exchange rate



**MAJOR RISK:** Catriona MacDonald argues that the cost of independence is too high

and Northern Ireland have, they only have assemblies.

'As a history student, you see that through the ages nationalism is never really a good and positive development.

'There are no real answers for what will happen in a 'Yes' vote, particularly with currency and pensions, two huge issues.

'There's just far too much uncertainty.'

Jenny McEvoy, 73, who is a retired nurse, believes there is too much to lose financially from separation.

She said: 'Currency is the big issue. If we have to change money when travelling to England, it will cost an awful lot of money and we don't know what the exchange rate would be.

'We're bound to lose money when we adopt a new currency too, as we did when we changed from pounds and shillings to decimal pounds and pence.

'I just don't think Scotland can survive on its own.'

Gallery owner Catriona MacDonald, from Portree, also feels the uncertainty over the currency is a crucial factor in her voting against independence.

The 55-year-old islander said: 'The currency issue is the one that's hitting me the hardest.

'I don't think the 'Yes' side has really addressed the issue.

'The 'No' side has raised questions about what impact independence will have on the economy.

'Yes' just keep saying "we're using the pound and that's that", rather than saying "no, you're wrong" and explaining why.

'I think independence is a major risk to the economy and the 'Yes' side is painting a rosy picture of how great everything is going to be.



**NHS FEARS:** Alana Brown is concerned privatisation will sweep through the NHS



**UNCONVINCED:** Anne McOmish says fears over currency and pensions have not been answered

'But it doesn't have a good plan for how we are going to afford all these things.

'I think if we vote for independence one by one they will realise we can't afford to have everything and a lot of people will soon become very disappointed.'

Anne McOmish, who is 67 and lives in Crieff, accuses Alex Salmond of failing to answer questions on key issues, which has made independence too risky.

She said: 'Salmond says one thing, then when he's pushed into a corner he says something else - he waffles too much.

'There's too much uncertainty about currency, and pensions is another thing we don't seem to be sure about.

'I don't think he knows whether it will be better or not and I'm simply not convinced it's a good thing for the country.'

## Space and quiet on offer to help people decide

PEOPLE seeking a place for quiet reflection ahead of the independence referendum can find space for thought at Christ Church Lochgilphead.

Father Simon Mackenzie, from the Scottish Episcopal Church on Bishopton Road, has issued an invitation to all those who are still to make a decision.

Quoting Neal Ascherson's Stone Voices - The Search for Scotland, Father Mackenzie said: 'At Election Time, a man should go into the hills alone, and hearken to the voice of his own conscience'.

He said: 'I was deeply struck when I read these words... they were spoken to the author as a boy by the forestry game-keeper, Neil MacLennan, in their walks around Crinan.

'The referendum is a call to more than ordinary reflection. At Christ Church we will be playing our part in many different ways, but especially by offer-

ing a space for quiet and reflection.

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available and there will be an open time of silence and prayer every Thursday during September from 12 noon to 12.30pm.'



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# Mid Argyll primary ones in the picture



These two boys started Furnace Primary School three weeks ago. 08\_a36furnace02



Minard Primary School welcomed these lads to primary one. One said: 'I like music.' His teacher Lesley Goodwin added: 'He loves the harp, the music teacher is very good with them. They are both doing great.' 08\_a36minard02

THIS week primary one pupils put on their best smiles for the camera and told the Argyllshire Advertiser what they

enjoy most at their new schools.

**Coped well**

Furnace, Tayvallich, Minard, Inveraray

and Clachan primary schools have welcomed their new starts and teachers have said the kids have coped well

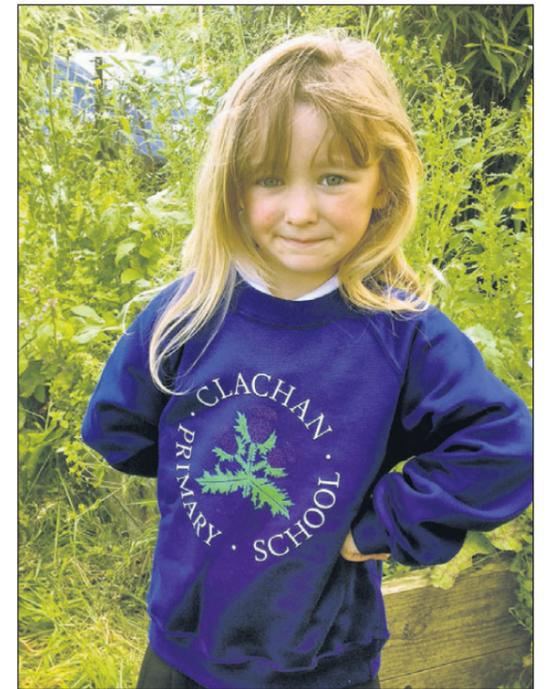
with the new curriculum which has seen the wee tots go from nursery to full seven-hour days in school.



Inveraray Primary School's class of 2014 strike their best pose for a class picture.



Little Rosie from Inveraray Primary was out of school when her class picture was taken. The little one, however, put on her best smile when she returned to the classroom.



Little Grace Norris is looking forward to learning like her big sister Eilidh, who is already in school. Grace started at Clachan Primary School and she told her teacher that she is loving being at school and cannot wait to take part in all of the exciting activities that her sister would come home and tell her about.



These three primary ones, from Tayvallich Primary School have been enjoying their playtimes and writing. 08\_a36tayv01

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## Milk price drop will hit dairy farmers in Argyll

DAIRY farmers in Argyll will be hit hard by a price cut for both First Milk's liquid and manufacturing pools by 3p per litre from 1 October.

The drop is in response to fall in global demand. This week, George Jamieson, NFU Scotland's milk policy manager called the move 'worrying' and said the union would be seeking a meeting with the co-operative 'as a matter of urgency'.

He said: 'NFU Scotland has ongoing dialogue with all milk processors, and all are feeling the impact of weakening global prices.

'This is much more than a UK issues as no one is immune to the significant decline in dairy product values, caused by a very unusual situation where all major dairy producing regions have reacted to

good weather, prices and input costs, at the same time a sound demand, until the turn of the year.

'However, NFU Scotland remains adamant that producers must benefit from strong markets if they are to accept the impact of weak markets, and the supply chain must properly share the risks as well as the rewards.

### Exposed

'First Milk's cut is deeper because it is more exposed to commodity markets than other processors.

'It is being hit particularly hard by the very weak skimmed milk powder markets, as well as an over reliance on commodity cheese, with too little impact as yet of the added value initiatives.

'This is a difficult situation and the co-op and farmer members need



The profits from dairy cattle in Kintyre will be hit from October.

to manage this together and from a wider perspective the dairy supply chain must address the threat of volatility.

'While members will be shocked at the size of the cut, First Milk has given NFU Scotland reassurances that it is paying as much as it possibly can without putting the business under pressure.

'The co-op must however very quickly address the fundamental weaknesses of the business, which have very clearly been highlighted.

'This global imbalance between supply and demand for dairy products has been exacerbated by the Russian food ban and has been recog-

nised by the European Commission in the private storage aid and intervention measures that it is proposing.

'NFU Scotland has called for the commission to use all the tools available to minimise the worst impacts of the downturn, including the raising of the current intervention price level to recognise the higher costs and values of the dairy sector.'

Sir Jim Paice MP, chairman of First Milk, said: 'Global and European markets have been falling since early spring, in some cases by almost 50 percent.

'Despite us making a number of price reductions since June, market prices for our core

products have declined further and faster than our price cuts. 'We are well aware of the impact that this price cut will have on our members' cash flow, but this latest move means that we now have our milk prices in line with our projected market returns.'

## Cow and bull stories

TALKS on the welfare of the suckler cow and bull management will be given at Ormsary Estate, Lochgilphead on Thursday, September 11.

The event, from 11am to 3pm, will have David Gibson, SAC Veterinary Services, and SAC beef specialist Rhidian Jones as main speakers with Dalriada Vets in attendance.

Funded by the Scottish Government, the workshop is free to farmers, land managers and crofters and a light lunch will be provided.

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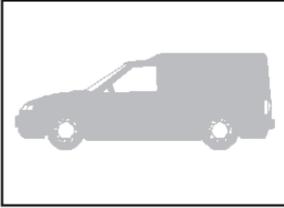
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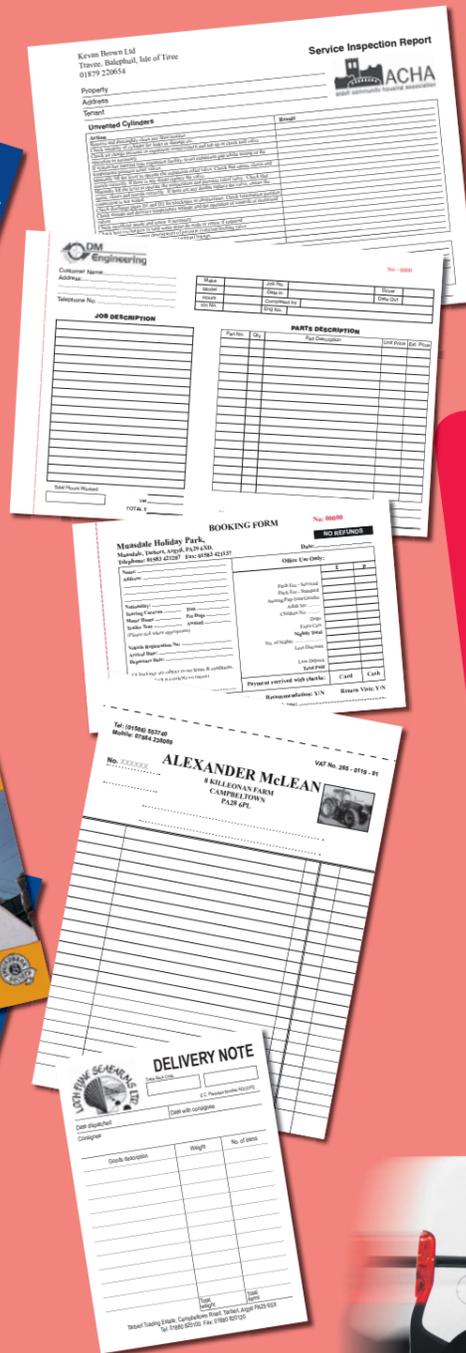
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**Thought for the Week**  
with Marilyn Shedden



I WAS thinking recently about how important our names are to us.

Our family name is something we treasure as it tells our history throughout generations and is very precious to us. The name our parents gave us at our birth is also very important to us because it is our chosen name, and the one by which we are called.

This may be the name of a much loved parent or grandparent, or simply a name that has a special significance for the prospective parents.

Parents waiting for the birth of their baby can spend days and months trying to decide on a name. It is important because this is the name this potential little person will be known by all of her or his life.

We hear of some dreadful situations whereby a child is named after an entire football team just because the father is a fanatic.

This makes a mockery of the importance of naming a child.

When we meet people we feel affirmed if they call us by name.

We feel valued if new people we meet bother to remember our name, and use it when they are talking to us.

When God brought his son into the world, his name had been known to God from the beginning of time.

His name was to be Jesus, the one who saves.

Jesus was true to the meaning of his name and so fulfilled the ancient prophecy about the Messiah. We too can fulfil the purpose God has our name on. For whatever your name is, know that God has it written on the palm of his hand.

Know that he won't let you go it alone, for he will be there beside you all the way.

In Isaiah God said, 'Do not be afraid. I have called you by your name, you are mine'.

Listen for his call.

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**FURNACE**

**Gala weekend fun and fundraising**

THE YOUNGSTERS at Furnace's MAD.GOV (making a difference, generating our village) ran a 'Whisky in the Box' stall at the Gala Weekend, raising more than £700.

The game which sees people attempt to unlock the golden liquor from the box raised £702.23, alongside a juice stall, and will be spent on projects that benefit young people in Furnace.

Last year the funds raised were used to purchase benches for the football pitch and Christmas decorations for the village.

An additional £808 was raised throughout Furnace Gala weekend and the money will go towards village funds.

After a bout of heavy rain, the gala's duck derby was cancelled on the Sunday afternoon.

It has been rearranged for 2.30pm on Sunday, September 7 at Furnace Bridge.

Ducks are still available to buy at Furnace Shop.

**KILBERRY**

**Award-winning art work in spotlight**

CRAFTSMAN Richard Kennedy will talk about his award-winning art work at the next Meet and Munch on Tuesday, September 9.

Richard, whose family run The Bole Gallery at Kilberry, is an artisan wood turner and recently won the Selected Maker gold award in the Craft & Design Magazine Awards.

Visitors will be welcome to the event at Kilberry Church from midday and the talk will begin at 12.30pm.

Everyone is asked to bring a plate of finger food to share.

**DUNOON**

**Business wins stall at festival**

A BUSINESS from Dunoon has been dubbed one of the



Primary pupils with their favourite road safety teacher Ziggy.

**Ziggy drops in on Glassary with road safety message**

PRIMARY one to three pupils at Glassary were excited to get a surprise visit from their favourite school book character, Ziggy, last week.

Ziggy is an alien character from a series of books produced by Road Safety Scotland which encourage children to 'go safe' when out and about.

Maxine Rowe, head teacher at Glassary Primary, said the youngsters were enjoying the books and were delighted to welcome Ziggy on

his first visit to Mid Argyll. She said: 'P1-3 are learning all about road safety and what to do in emergency situations.'

'Road safety officers June Graham and Kay McGhee came to school today to explain all about road safety and let the children practise safe road crossing skills on a giant road and pavement floor mat.'

'This has inspired the pupils to find out more about Ziggy's road safety mission and keep themselves safe.'

'best in the west' after winning a stall at this year's Best of the West Festival in Inveraray.

Wood Turner Products was one of four businesses to be awarded a stand at the popular two-day BoW festival after winning a competition run by Argyll and Bute Council's Business Gateway.

Wood Turner Products, owned by Eric Large, offers high quality handcrafted products including globes, kitchen accessories and home wares, which are all made out of Scottish wood.

To win a place in the craft tent, companies were asked to pitch in 250 words why their products represent the best of the west.

Business Gateway

then short listed eight, based on the quality and appeal of their products, the strength of their sales pitch and their fit with the craft tent and the festival overall. A judging panel, which included the Duchess of Argyll, then had the unenviable job of selecting the eventual winners. The duchess said: 'I've really enjoyed judging and thought the standard of applications was a great reflection of the creativity and talent in Argyll.'

**TARBERT**

**Volunteers sought to help look after sheep**

PEOPLE will have the chance to help look after

farm animals in a unique setting this winter.

Volunteers are being sought to help care for the sheep grazing at Tarbert Castle in the harsher months, feeding and administering medicine.

More information will be available for potential volunteers when members of the Tarbert Castle working party meet at the grounds tomorrow (Saturday) morning.

Tarbert Castle Trust's monthly work parties are set to continue on the first Saturday of the month throughout winter.

Tomorrow duties include giving sheep medicine, clearing the willow area of weeds, strimming and clearing the pool of weed.

Work begins at 10am.

**INVERARAY**

**New leaders join jogging group**

EVEN more Inveraray people are getting their running shoes on this year as the royal burgh's jogscotland has four new leaders to guide would-be and experienced joggers. The group, which is growing in popularity all the time, is offering come and try sessions today (Friday), when people of all abilities are being encouraged to meet the leaders and learn more about what jogscotland has to offer.

There will be a walk-to-jog beginners group, a Kids-on-the-Run session for P4-7 and jog/running group for the more experienced.

The open event begins at 5.45pm at the Nicol Hall. For more information contact Fee Corner on 01499 302160.

**STRACHUR**

**Historical findings to be unveiled**

VILLAGERS and visitors will be able to enjoy two days of unveiled historical findings this month.

Strachur District and History Society will hold an open evening and morning where visitors can view displays, photographs, census information and listen to recordings which unveil the often hidden history of Strachur and its surrounding areas.

Other activities will include stalls, a raffle and the mandatory tea and coffee.

The open events will be held in Strachur Memorial Hall on Friday September 26 between 7pm and 9pm and on Saturday September 27 between 10am and 4pm.



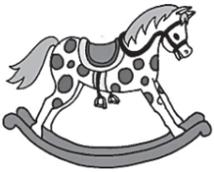
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**TEXT FOR THE WEEK**

Jesus said, 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep' (John 10:11).

**BIRTHS**



**MURRAY**

Alastair and Audrey, née McGougan, are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Theia Elizabeth Brodie Murray, on August 30, 2014. A sister for Torin. Third grandchild for Robert and Christine McGougan, Campbeltown, and fourth grandchild for Ian and Agnes Murray, Cramond.

**GOLDEN WEDDINGS**



**SOUDAN - LOGAN**

On August 28, 1964, by the Rev Leslie G Watt at Cockpen Parish Church, Bonnyrigg, Midlothian, Duncan to Norma. Present address, Dalbuie, Southend.

**DEATHS**

**MARQUIS** - On August 28, 2014, peacefully at home, Mary Morrison, in her 100th year, beloved wife of the late James Marquis, much loved mother of Rhea and the late Christine, a dearly loved granny, great granny and great great granny. Sadly missed by all. Funeral service was held at Tarbert Free Church, on September 2, interment thereafter at Tarbert Cemetery.

**MACAFFER** - Bella, peacefully at Auchinlee, Campbeltown, on August 30, 2014, aged 89 years, beloved wife of the late Malcolm, much loved mother of Billy, loving sister of Duncan and the late Chrissie, Flora and James McDougall. Late of Orchard Park, Ardrishaig and formerly of Port Ellen, Islay. Funeral service to be held at the Baptist Church, Port Ellen, Islay, on Monday, September 8, 2014, at 11.30am.

**MCGOUGAN** - Suddenly, but peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on September 2, 2014, Alice Jean McGougan, in her 79th year, 112 Davaar Avenue, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of Stewart McGougan, much loved mother of Stewart, Heather and the late James, much loved gran of Kerry, Louise, Iona, Norman-James and Erin, and much loved great gran of Harvey. Service in the Highland Parish Church, on Friday, September 5, 2014 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Macmillan Nurses, Kintyre Locality.

**MURPHY** - Suddenly at home, Methven, Perthshire, on August 27, 2014, Elaine McInnes, in her 58th year, much loved mother of Stephen and Julia, dearly beloved nana of Katie, Sean, Keiran and Abigail, loving daughter of John and the late Margaret McInnes, Smith Drive, Campbeltown and dearly loved sister of Caroline McShirley. Service in the Victoria Hall, Campbeltown, on Monday, September 8, 2014 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation.

**RENNIE** - Frank Rennie, in his 80th year, peacefully at the Mid Argyll Community Hospital, on September 1, 2014. The funeral service will be held at Tayvallich Parish Church of Scotland, on Friday, September 5 at 1.00pm. No flowers please, but the family would appreciate donations to Parkinson's Scotland, the Dochas Centre or the Scottish Bible Society. Sincere thanks to the clerical and medical staff at the Mid Argyll Hospital, staff of Argyll Home Care, and staff of Carr Gomm for their compassionate care and attention received in recent years.

**SEMPLÉ** - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on August 30, 2014, Daniel Young Semplé (Dan), in his 82nd year, Auchnacree, Drumore, formerly of Ballochgar Farm, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Catherine Newlands, much loved father of Helen, Jean, Daniel and the late John, father-in-law to Gus, devoted papa to Jennifer, Craig, Christopher, Alyson, David and the late Alasdair, and great grandpa to Grace.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**DEANS** - Margaret, Lorna and Jennifer would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy received following their sad loss of Archie. We would like to thank doctors and staff at the Mid Argyll Hospital, with special thanks to all the staff of Cara Ward for all the kind care and attention given to Archie. Finally, thanks to Rev William Crossan for a comforting service, Alasdair Blair for professional services, the Ardsiel Hotel for an excellent purvey, and to all who paid their respects at the church and graveside. The retiral collection raised £400 for the Mid Argyll Hospital.

**MACDONALD** - The family of the late Donnie MacDonald would like to thank all relatives, friends, neighbours and former work colleagues for the many kind expressions of sympathy, phone calls, cards, flowers and visits received following their recent sad loss. Special thanks to the staff at Mid Argyll Hospital, especially Glassary Ward and also to the local ambulance staff for all their care and attention to Donnie and the family. Our thanks also to Claire Russell for her support and compassion, and to all carers who looked after Donnie during his illness. Our grateful thanks to Father David for such an appropriate service and for his spiritual guidance and support; to Charles Ferguson for piping; to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for their faultless services and arrangements and to the Stag Hotel for excellent purvey. Finally, our

thanks to all who attended at church and graveside to pay their respects. The donations, to date, have raised a generous £1,000 for the nominated charities.

**MCLEAN** - The family of the late Alexander McLean would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions of sympathy received after the sad loss of Alex. Special thanks to the Reverend Catriona Hood for her kindness and comforting service, to T A Blair Funeral Directors for professional services, and to the Argyll Hotel. Grateful thanks to Doctors Anderson and Bhimani, Kitty Millar, Maggie Wilkeson, the Macmillan nurses and members of the Community Nursing Team. A total of £1,435.20 was raised for the Macmillan Nurses (Kintyre).

**IN MEMORIAMS**

**GODDARD** - Beautiful memories of our darling niece and cousin, Agnes (Robertson), who was taken from us on September 6, 1999.

Agnes, if we could build a stairway We would build it with loving chains And bring you home again.

- Auntie Sandra, Uncle Andy and Harrison cousins xxxxxxxx.

**JACKSON** - Edna Mary Elspeth, died September 6, 2012. Though absent you are always near, Still loved, still missed, still very dear.

- From Billy and all the family.

**MCDUGALL** - Henda, five years have passed. Always in our hearts, Night, night Lamb.

- Love from Willie, Karen and Marie.

**CHURCH NOTICES**



**Highland Parish Church**  
SCO02493  
**Sunday 7th September**  
11.15am Rev Anne McIvor Service in Kirk Street Hall  
**Monday 8th September**  
Session Meeting in Kirk Street Hall at 7.00pm  
**Friday 19th September**  
Ladies come along to a pampering evening with hints on makeup, hair styling and flower arranging to be held in Kirk Street hall at 7.30 pm.  
*Everyone very welcome*

**CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Sunday Service 11.00 am with Sunday school Refreshments after the service  
Baby & Toddler Group 10.00 - 11.45 am  
Every Thursday (term time only)  
We meet at the Guide Hall, Kinloch Road  
www.campbeltowncommunitychurch.co.uk

**Campbeltown Community Church** is a member of the Baptist Union of Scotland SC043322

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES**

**Sunday 7th September**  
"What sort of man is this?" (Matthew 9:27)  
Services in Achahoish at 9:45am (including the Lord's Supper) and Ardrishaig at 11:00am

**Scottish Episcopal Churches**

**Christ Church Bishopton Road, Lochgilhead** (SC013787)  
Sundays 11.00 am Eucharist service  
4th Sunday of the month 10am Mattins & 11am Eucharist Service  
Coffee & Cake follows the service  
**St Columba's, Poltalloch, nr Kilmartin** (SC031391)  
1st Sunday of the month 9.00am Eucharist service  
3rd Sunday of the month 6.00pm Evensong  
Scottish Prayer Book  
**All Saints, Inveraray** (SC025646)  
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Father Simon Mackenzie  
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Holy Mass Sunday 10am  
**ALL SAINTS, INVERARAY**  
Holy Mass Sunday 12.30pm  
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**WEST LOCHFYNESIDE Church Services**

**7th September 2014** - all welcome!  
Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair  
Charity No. SC016097  
Morning Service in Lochgair Church at 10 am  
**Glenaray and Inveraray**  
Charity No. SC016665  
Morning Service in Inveraray Church at 11.30 am  
Short service in Chalmers Court, Inveraray 2.30 pm

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

**Sunday Morning Worship 7th September**  
Glassary - 10am  
Marilyn Sheddon  
All welcome  
SC0 02121

**free church of scotland**

George Street, Campbeltown  
**Sunday 7th September**  
11.15am Worship Service  
Rev Iain McDonald  
**Wednesday 10th September**  
12.30pm  
Bible Study and Prayer  
2.30pm - 4.30pm  
Water of Life Cafe  
*All Welcome*  
Scottish Charity Number: SC009980

**LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN**

**Saturday 6 September 2014**  
Quarterly Prayer Breakfast  
Breakfast: 8.00-8.30am  
Praise & Prayer: 9.00am  
**Sunday 7 September 2014**  
11.00am  
Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch  
Speaker: Graham McLean  
"Practicing the Presence of God"  
**Thursday 11 September 2014**  
7.30pm  
Praise, prayer & sharing  
All Welcome

**NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH**

Charity Number SC001002  
**Sunday 7 September**  
Tayvallich Church 11:30 am  
Morning worship  
Marilyn Shedden  
**Tuesday 9 September**  
Tayvallich Church 7:30 pm  
Congregational Board  
All welcome  
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Rev Tommy Bryson  
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**LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH**  
**Sunday, 7th September**  
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**Every Wednesday**  
10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Drop-In Cafe  
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Wednesday 10th Sept. 7pm  
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Minister: Rev. R Macleod  
*All welcome.*

**lochgilphead baptist church**

All Welcome  
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson  
**Sunday 7th September 2014**  
11.00am Service  
mainly music  
Tuesday at 10am  
Jumpstart  
Friday from 10am  
Scottish Charity SC015187

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH**

Scottish Charity Number SC011686  
**Sunday 7th September**  
Morning Service 11.15am  
Creche, Triple C Next Generation  
Rev P Wallace  
**Tuesday 9th September**  
Mothers and Toddlers 9.45am New Hall  
Boy's Brigade  
Anchor Boys 6.00 - 7.00pm  
Junior Section 7.15 - 8.00pm  
Church Hall  
**Friday 12th September**  
Lunch Club 12.00 noon  
New Hall

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7.00pm The Make & Munch Mob  
Thursday  
7.30pm Bible Study & Prayer  
Lt. Mark Scoulding



**Argyll Street, Campbeltown**  
St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown  
Scottish Charity No SC023277  
**Sunday 7th September**  
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
10.45am Morning Prayer  
**Tuesday 9th September**  
10.00am - 4.00pm  
Doors Open Day  
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Service with crèche  
Pastor Ross Ferguson  
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Jellytots - Toddler Group 10.00am  
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## Unfortunate start to season for under 16s

Antonine YFC 2  
Lochgilthead Red Star YFC 1

DFDL Under 16s League

IT WAS a less than perfect start to the season for Red Star under 16s - the current league and cup champions - when they travelled to Clydebank for a game with a less than full strength squad.

Facing old rivals Antonine FC at Mountblow Park, Star managed to start the game on an even footing with their opponents.

The home side, however, was the first to take the lead.

A deep cross from the left saw keeper McVicar make a great save, touching the ball onto the post. But it was Antonine's winger who reacted quickest and knocked the ball into the net.

Star clawed their way back into the match and were unlucky to see a couple of headers go just wide of the Antonine goal.

On the half hour mark, Aaron Whitefield equalised as he latched on to a through pass and netted past Andy Carrol from 12 yards.

For the rest of the half both sides looked to edge ahead but both defences held firm.

In the second half, play swayed from end to end until the latter quarter of the fixture when Antonine grabbed a vital goal.

Lochgilthead failed to clear their lines and the home side's striker took full advantage to put his team back in the lead from 18 yards.

Star pushed hard to level the game but keeper Carrol and his defenders stood firm.



The victorious Kyles team with the Sutherland Cup.

## SHINTY

### Kyles win cup final

CONGRATULATIONS to Kyles Athletic who won the Aberdeen Considine Sutherland Cup against Fort William last Saturday at The Eilan, Newtonmore.

A thrilling match went to extra time, with the full time score Fort William 2, Kyles Athletic 4.

Goal scorers were - Fort William: Duncan Rodgers and Chris Blair (own goal); Kyles Athletic - Mathew McColl (2), Gordon Whyte and Scott Macdonald.



Kyles' Christopher Blair deals with an attack from Graham Campbell, Fort William, during the Sutherland Cup Final, played at The Eilan, Newtonmore. Photo: Neil Paterson

## Star's struggle for points continues

Easthall Star 0  
Red Star 0  
SAFL Premier 2

RED STAR travelled to Glasgow to take on Easthall Star on Saturday looking to put the previous weekend's defeat to Ferguslie behind them.

A tough game was expected as Star failed to beat Easthall in their four previous meetings, and it was a scrappy start to the game.

Star however had Kalache to thank for keeping the home side at bay,

saving two attacks on goal within the first half; he turned the first shot round the post before tipping another powerful strike over the bar.

Star's best opportunities were from counter attacks with the pace of Kirk and Peacock keeping the Easthall defence on their toes, but at the break the sides went in 0-0.

With a strong wind favouring them in the second half, Red Star fancied their chances of snatching the three points but the visitors

were up against it when early in the second half Meikle was ordered off for a rash challenge on his opposing midfielder.

Despite being a man down, Star had some opportunities to break the deadlock. Peacock brought out an excellent save from the Easthall keeper after he created a chance for himself with some direct running. Kennedy also went close with a volley.

Easthall were also trying to press for a winner but the defensive quartet of the Crawford broth-

ers, Forbes and Naisby showed excellent discipline and protection for keeper Kalache and in the end both sides had to settle for a point. 0-0.

Manager Weir was a disappointed the team did not take three points but praised the side for recovering well from last week's defeat.

Tomorrow (Saturday) Star are in Scottish Cup action as they take on FC Partick at home, where the Lochgilthead side will be looking to progress. The game kicks off at 2pm.

# Second convincing win for Tarbert

Whitehill FP	0
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SAFL Division 1B	

TARBERT AFC travelled to Milton on August 23 to play their first away league match in Division 1B.

The Dookers found themselves under some early pressure as Whitehill forced a number of corners. Tarbert defended these well and soon found their rhythm, playing some nice football through midfield.

With the game less than five minutes old, they were 1-0 up when youngster Guy - making his first start for the club - raced onto a through ball and finished calmly past the on-rushing keeper to open the scoring. Whitehill were limited to shots from distance that never troubled keeper Martin, while the Tarbert defence of Talbot, Johnstone and Blair held firm to keep their lead intact.

With the first half coming to a close, Tarbert gained a significant advantage when Prentice was felled in the box by the Whitehill centre half. This not only resulted in a penalty for the away side but also a red card for Whitehill. It was up to MacIver to take the spot kick and he fired high into the roof of the net to double Tarbert's advantage.

In the second half, Tarbert were now content

to play on the break and take advantage of the space Whitehill were leaving in behind their defence, and the Dookers wrapped up the points with two quick fire goals from the in-form Prentice.

First a close range header from a Ronald corner eventually found the net along with the striker himself and, after untangling himself, Prentice fired a fine finish from the right of the box after he was played through by MacDougall.

The Dookers had many more opportunities to add to their tally with Johnson and Ronald the main culprits, but it was Prentice who rounded off the scoring when he tapped in from a yard after being played in by Campbell to secure a second hat trick in two weeks.

Tarbert return to league duty tomorrow to take on Bridgewater AFC at home. The game kicks off at 2pm.

## Lottery numbers

CATRIONA Wilkieson was the lucky winner of £500 in this week's Tarbert Football Club lottery, with numbers 6, 7 and 18 drawn.

The jackpot will be £100 next week.

J Purdie won £800 in the Kilmory Camanachd Lottery; the numbers drawn were 5, 9 and 11. The jackpot will be £100 next week.

The numbers in this week's Inveraray Shinty Club lottery were 3, 10 and 15. There were no winners and the jackpot will be £700 next week.

## Hole-in-one Tarbert golfer rewarded with designer watch

A GOLFER from Tarbert, who scored a hole-in-one during a club competition, was rewarded with a limited edition designer watch for her achievement.

Fifty-six-year-old Seona Martin scored her ace on the

103-yard, par-three fourth hole at Tarbert Golf Club and was given membership to the exclusive BOSS Watches H1 Club and the specially-commissioned watch.

Website HowDidiDo is a social network for golfers

across Europe which runs the hole-in-one scheme in partnership with Hugo Boss BOSSWatches.

Tarbert Golf Club is a member of the website and anyone playing in official club tournaments is eligible

to receive the commemorative gift.

Stephen Brydon, commercial director for MGS Distribution, a UK distributor for BOSS Watches, said: 'To the majority of amateur golfers, recording a hole-in-one will be the most

memorable thing they achieve in golf - a once-in-a-lifetime experience probably - and we want to ensure they have much better memories than merely a dent in their bank balance after buying drinks in the clubhouse.'

# Cameron named head coach in US

## Delight for former soccer centre pupil

LOCHGILPHEAD'S Cameron MacDonald has been named head coach of Kitsap Pumas, the team he moved to

America to play for last year.

Cammy, who only moved into a coaching role in the past few

months, has been the first assistant to the outgoing coach Andrew Chapman.

The former Lochgilphead Soccer Centre pupil said: 'I'm delighted to be given this opportunity to manage such a strong club.'

'I'm excited and can't wait to get going on this terrific project, going forward both on and off the field.'

Robin Waite, owner of the Kitsap Pumas, said: 'We interviewed a number of candidates and Cammy was clearly the top choice. His background of winning titles at Livingston FC and Airdrie in Scotland makes him the ideal man to take the club forward with the first team, as well as overseeing the growing youth programme.'

Cammy, who last season had a strong influence on the Puma's team which finished in the Premier



Cammy previously played for Airdrie United.



Cammy MacDonald, the new head coach at Kitsap Pumas.

Development League championship final, has had a hand in developing some of the top prospects in Scottish soccer. A hamstring injury while playing at Airdrie United forced

Cammy off the pitch and into the classroom, allowing him time to complete an extensive coaching programme.

And in 2012, aged just 22, Cammy became the youngest ever Scottish

professional player to gain the Scottish FA UEFA basic licence diploma. This added to his personal trainer portfolio and football coaching certification from Coerver. Fellow

Scotsman Shaun Scobie will join Cammy on the Pumas' coaching team. He previously headed up the academy programme at Livingston FC and at the West Lothian branch of Coerver Coaching.



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The undefeated Inveraray second team, who will compete next season in South Division One, with friends and family.

## Eight under 16s and two over 40 is a winning combination for Inveraray

### Inveraray's second team look forward to season in South Division One

AN UNDEFEATED Inveraray shinty team is celebrating this week after learning they will be promoted next season to compete in South Division One.

The second team at Inveraray Shinty Club includes eight players aged 16 and under and two first team players over 40 - a combination that bodes well for the

future, chiefs at the club have said.

Ruaraidh Graham, who plays in the team, said the boys were already looking forward to next season and a more competitive league.

He said: 'I think the young boys need the step up. They never lost a game last year at all, they need to go up to progress and hopefully

having a year in South Division One they will be ready to play for the first team the following year.

'The feeling in the club is great,' he added. 'The young boys have been so successful. Two or three of them are in the under 14 team that did well on Sunday...and there are six or seven of the under 17 team who

are in the inter-district team; they have had a really, really successful season.'

Asked if this was the next golden generation for Inveraray Shinty Club, Ruaraidh added: 'They have potential. The golden generation all came through together. There were seven or eight that were all the same age, with

about two to three years between them; it's very similar to now. We hope we get an influx of five or six of them going into the first team and hopefully they can be just as successful.'

Ruaraidh thanked the managers of the second team, Ally Watt and Ian McCallum, attributing much of the team's success to them.



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