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Choir ready for Mod challenge

MID ARGYLL choir Coisir Og Dhail Riata scored highly at the Mull Provincial Mod in Tobermory last Friday. Although the only choir in their age group at their three competitions they still impressed the judges with scores over 90. They are now well-prepared for the Mod Dhail Riata at Lochgilphead High School on September 22.

This popular event is the last where competitors have an opportunity to perform for an audience and receive adjudication before the competitions at the National Mod this year in Fort William.

In the morning, children will perform in solo singing, verse speaking, piping and choirs. Adult competitions will take place in the afternoon, with a concert on Saturday evening in the High School Hall to feature competition winners.

After the concert the local Mod committee have decided to revive the tradition of an informal ceilidh for adults in The Stag Hotel from around 9.30pm. Chairman of the committee, Jim Murray, said that the committee feels the concert is important for the prize-winners, and they hope that the other performers, including adjudicators, will welcome the opportunity to perform in a relaxed atmosphere.

Coisir Og Dhail Riata with their conductor Fiona Munro in Mull.

Christine Johnston, secretary of the Mod committee, is looking forward to another busy day. She said: 'We are really grateful, as always, for the help we get from the community in making the day a success.

'We are sorry that this will be the last Mod in the High School as it has been a popular venue for the competitors and the audience.'

Events start at 9am and refreshments will be available all day in the High School.

Another life claimed on A83

A THIRD motorbike accident in three weeks has taken the life of a visitor to Argyll on the A83.

A 40-year-old man has died and a 46-year-old man has been injured following a road crash near Inveraray.

At 4.20pm on Monday, the two men were driving their Ducatti and Honda motorbikes eastbound on the A83 when they lost control of their bikes. They were negotiating the corner at Strone Point and collided with two cars travelling in the opposite direction.

One of the motorcyclists, Robert Day from Wakefield, West Yorkshire, died at the scene as a result of his injuries while his companion was airlifted to the Southern General Hospital in Glasgow where he is detained at the time of writing.

No-one else was injured in the crash.

This is the third such death on the A83 in three weeks. The first, a 42-year-old woman, also from Yorkshire, died on Monday, August 27, near Loch Fyne Oyster Bar when she collided with a Renault Clio coming in the opposite direction.

The following day, 34-year-old Sukhwinder Guraray from Alexandria, lost control of his bike near Lochgair and struck a tree. He also died at the scene.

Chief Inspector Jim Igoe, Argyll and Bute's road policing area commander said: 'It's really disappointing. It's a dreadful loss of life.

'We run the local road policing unit's motorcycle action plan from March to October but the truth is, motorcycling is dangerous no matter how you dress it up.'

Tarbert health hazard

FRUSTRATED residents in Tarbert are demanding that a smelly sewage problem in the village is sorted out before it becomes a health hazard.

Locals have to step over sewage spewing out of drains in more than one location in the village, and are angry that nothing has been done to rectify the situation.

The worst area affected is outside the Anchor Hotel in Harbour Street. Sewage is covering the pavement and flowing into the street, and the owner feels he now has no option but to take responsibility for it himself. Hugh Fraser said this week: 'It looks like I'm going to have to pay a private contractor more than £1000 to open up the pavement outside the hotel to fix this problem.'

Mr Fraser, who has a notice outside the hotel apologising to customers about the drain and the smell, added: 'Scottish Water has been out to see it twice, but claim the problem is mine and not theirs. The Council has the same attitude.

'The whole thing has caused us a major inconvenience.'

Ian MacIntyre of Tarbert Community Council, who also owns a business in Harbour Street, also contacted Scottish Water, SEPA and Argyll and Bute Council in a bid to sort the problem drain. He said: 'Everyone I have spoken to says it is an internal problem at the hotel, but it's a disgrace it's been allowed to go on as long as this.

'It isn't the best advert for Tarbert as the smell can be atrocious at times and locals and visitors have commented on it.'

An Argyll and Bute Council spokeswoman confirmed that the environmental health service has investigated complaints in the area of the Anchor Hotel. She added: 'In this period, Scottish Water has undertaken work to unblock the drains and have confirmed that the problems arise from a private connection to the sewer and not their own system.

'The owner of this private connection has arranged for a contractor to undertake works to resolve the problem. Interim measures are in place to clean and disinfect the area on the pavement to prevent odours, particularly in periods of dry weather.'

One local man who had to walk on the road to avoid the sewage said: 'this is not only a drawback for a village which faces a struggling tourist economy, it also constitutes a serious health hazard for local inhabitants.'

No complaints

Upbeat festival feeling in Inveraray

THERE may have been anger about the mess left at Inveraray Castle after the Connect festival, but none of it has come from Inveraray.

A correspondent from Ardentinny (see Letters) has complained about the grounds looking 'like a plane crash' with 'tents, sleeping bags, chairs' left behind. There were also complaints during the festival from St Catherine's, across the loch, about the noise.

However, back in Inveraray, the feeling was much more upbeat.

At a meeting of Inveraray Community Council on Tuesday, September 11, the residents countered some of the negative comments. 'They told us beforehand it would take a week or two for them to clear the site. They did it one week later so that's fine.

'All the tents that were removed were recycled with the best ones kept for emergencies such as flooding or a tsunami. Also, I think every child in Inveraray has at least one tent now!'

The Community Council also confirmed that there had been no traffic problems, no policing problems and that some local businesses had done very well.

'Everybody that I have spoken to seems to be relieved', said one resident. 'The tea rooms and shops like the Co-op and Londis did very well, taking a season's takings over one weekend. There were lots of relieved and happy faces all around.'

Housing crisis in Mid Argyll

MORE than 1,200 people are on the waiting list for rented homes in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay as Argyll and Bute faces up to a housing crisis with not enough affordable properties.

Members of the Mid Argyll and the Islands Area Committee were told at their meeting last week that 66 families applied for a housing association two-bedroomed semi-detached house at Machrihanish.

Alastair MacGregor, chief executive of Argyll Community Housing Association confirmed: 'We have an affordable housing crisis. The average age for a first time buyer in Scotland is now 37. That, to me, highlights a challenge in housing to supply affordability.

'People find it difficult to stay in communities; people have to move to where they can afford housing.'

As well as the example of the property at Machrihanish, recent applications have seen 22 families chase a three-bedroomed semi-detached in Muasdale; 82 families after a two-bedroomed semi-detached at Crinan and 27 after a three-bedroomed semi-detached in Kilmartin.

'We ignore these messages at our peril,' Mr MacGregor said.

Out of a waiting list of 3,500 Argyll wide there are 1,274 householders on the waiting list for ACHA properties in the Mid Argyll and Kintyre and the Islands area but not all of these people are homeless. Many are families who need larger accommodation.

'A situation, for example, where a family is in a two-bedroomed property with a son and daughter and they have reached the age where it is no longer appropriate for them to share a room,' said Mr MacGregor. He added that in some cases couples had to sleep apart and share bedrooms with children or younger children had to share their parents' bedrooms.

Councillor Rory Colville asked if incentives could not be given to older people, often widowed, now living on their own in family houses to help them move into smaller, more manageable properties.

'People have tenancy rights and they are emotionally attached to their homes; we have to consider that.' said Mr MacGregor, but he added that ACHA was exploring ways to make such moves easier.

First meeting of the season for Ford SWRI

FORD SWRI held our first meeting of the season on September 4 2007. Hostess for the evening was Helen Blair. After welcoming thirty-seven members and friends, our president Sheena McNair introduced Murdo MacDonald, retired archivist and guest speaker for the evening, who gave an interesting and informative talk on the 'Bygone Days of Ford and District'. The competition for the oldest coin was won by Val Willis, second Sue Phillis, and third Mari McPhie.

The competition for the homemade raspberry jam was won by Peggy McIntire, second Moira McIntosh, and third Sheena McNair.

A vote of thanks was given by Sheena McNair bringing the evening to a close.

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'Even the mighty midge has been good to us this year'

Angus Farquhar, creative director of NVA, has strong roots in Mid Argyll.

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HALF Life has been capturing the imagination of thousands of visitors to Mid Argyll in the last few weeks with its ambitious blend of theatre, art and archaeology.

As the event draws to a close this weekend, The Argyllshire Advertiser took a chance to catch up with Angus Farquhar, creative director of NVA, about the project.

Although he doesn't have any family in the area now, Angus has strong roots in Mid Argyll with his grandparents living in Slockavullin. 'My grandfather was a brigadier in the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders and my mum grew up in Ardrishaig so I spent a lot of holidays here as a child. I have really enjoyed coming back. This has easily been the friendliest and most open area I've worked in. We have had a lot of support and have been very well treated here. Everyone has been really enthusiastic.'

'Even the mighty midge has been quite good to us this year.'

The acrobatic theatrical performances at Achnabreac use light and sound to create an eerie and tense experience in the dark woods. What organisers hadn't planned for was the added bonus of bats.

'The bats are the star of the show', laughs Angus. Whenever we've worked in rural settings, I have realised how quickly wild animals begin to react light and sound. It doesn't bother the actors at all.' It certainly adds to the spookiness inherent in a piece about a dialogue with the dead.

'If you come with an open mind, it's an interesting event. Love it or hate it, it's certainly got people talking. We thought it would bring the ideas to life by looking at it through a contemporary story about loss. We haven't worked with words for a long time so it's been interesting but it's a story worth telling.'

The timing of the piece is important as there has been a lot of work on rock art in the last 20 years. 'Even though there's no straightforward answers there are some hellishly interesting ideas. Although there are different camps on the subject, we know that they didn't do it for fun and they're not random.'

'These people are like you and me with the technology of the time and were much more sensitive to what was going on in the natural world. It seems to me that it was a powerful point in human history. The other thing that excited me was learning about how they treated their dead. They had 100-year conversations with the dead which is pretty incredible. It must have given people a very powerful sense of who they are and we can certainly learn a lot from it.'

With people booking from as far afield as Singapore and North America, does he think this will encourage more visitors to the area?

'It's mind-boggling that it's not more well-known. I think three out of four people booking have never heard of the area and this is where the first kings were crowned.

'Hopefully events like this and the museum will create a buzz about the place. The hidden gem aspect is a fantastic selling point and people love having an adventure.'

A collaboration with Lochgilphead High School students will take place tonight, Friday, September 14, at 8pm. The Half Life project comes to an end on Sunday.

Flying danger

GOLDEN Eagles could block proposals for a 14-turbine wind farm near Inveraray.

There have already been 102 objections to the application which would see the wind farm being built on land at Stacain west of Lochan Shira to the south of Inveraray, owned by Argyll Estates.

Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH) and the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) have objected to the proposal because Glen Fyne and Lochan Shira are one of the most important areas for breeding Golden Eagles in Scotland and they say there is a high risk of birds colliding with the blades of the turbines.

SNH says the wind farm could kill an eagle every 1.2 years with a worst case scenario of 23 birds killed during its operation.

Planning officers recommended that it be refused because of the adverse impact on the landscape of North Loch Awe and Inverary and the effect on ornithology.

In his report to councillors Angus Gilmour, head of planning, writes: 'The application is clearly visible to travellers on long sections of the A85 and the west and north sides of the loch and communities such as Loch Awe, Stronmilchan and tourist spots such as Kilchurn Castle and MacIntyre Monument.'

Graham Henderson of Avich and Kilchrenan community council, who objected to the plans, said: 'The community council has taken a stand on wind farms around Loch Awe, we think there are far too many of them.

'We already have an operational one at Taynuilt, the other fairly big one that has been approved by the council and is currently with the Scottish Government is Carraig Ghael.'

Nine letters of support have been received from people in Inveraray who say they would welcome clean energy and the community money they expect would come to the town.

Jim McCulloch, manager of Argyll Caravan Park, Inveraray, said: 'Lots of people comment on the eyesore of such installations but I have been in the tourism industry now for in excess of 45 years and I totally and utterly disagree that they are such an eyesore as what is made out.

'I have personally seen many numbers of cars parked in lay-bys down in the Cumbria area, where people sit and watch them and even film them. They find them very attractive and interesting.'

The proposal is for 14 65m high turbines, two masts, a switchgear building, improvements to existing forest tracks, 6.4km of new access to link existing tracks to the site, installation of underground cable and construction of temporary site offices. The site would be accessed from the A83.

Pilot ferry scheme halves Jura journey

Donald and Nicol MacKinnon and Councillor Donnie MacMillan with the new Jura ferry. a37fer01

A NEW ferry service is bringing the people of Jura closer to the mainland as a pilot scheme took off last week.

The service leaves Craighouse on Jura at 8.45am and 3.15pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, arriving in Tayvallich one hour later where it is met by a service bus to Lochgilphead. The return journey leaves Tayvallich at 10am and 4.30pm.

On a Thursday the ferry leaves Craighouse at 7am and returns at 6.15pm to allow passengers to catch the service bus to Glasgow or Oban.

The passenger ferry is a 14-seater twin engine rib with 600 horsepower at its disposal. It is being run by Donald MacKinnon and his son Nicol from Islay.

Donald said: 'It will save a lot of time for the people of Jura, and hopefully people on Islay too. It's just a pilot until September 28 but we'll see what happens after that.'

Councillor for Mid Argyll Donnie MacMillan was happy about the new service. He said: 'It will halve the time it takes for people to come from Jura and allow them to meet appointments in Glasgow, Lochgilphead and Oban. They can now be in Glasgow before midday on a Thursday. In the past they wouldn't have even left Kennacraig by then. I wish them every success.'

Battle of Dunadd theme for November lantern parade

THIS year's theme for Lochgilphead Lantern Parade has been chosen and preparations are underway for the workshops due to start on Monday, October 22 at the Resource Centre, Lochgilphead.

The theme for 2007 is The Battle of Dunadd. The Lanterns Group are working closely with Kilmartin Museum to develop ideas for lanterns and costumes based on Mid Argyll's Celtic heritage.

The year the parade, which will take place on Sunday, November 3, will include a mock battle on Colchester Square with the victors having the right to claim the ancient seat of Dunadd.

The group are looking for volunteers to take part in the battle who are able to come to two evenings of rehearsals before the parade, and are willing to wear costumes from the era.

Anyone interested should contact Catriona Gorrie on 01546 606238 for more details.

Raising funds for the workshops and parade is ongoing with money already committed from Strathclyde Fire Service, Argyll and Bute Council, Lloyds TSB and John Morrison.

A recent coffee morning in Lochgilphead raised £300 for which thanks is given to all those who supported it.

However, they are still considerably short of the target needed to pay for the artists, materials for the lanters and the bands to play at the parade. Anyone who may be able to help should contact Ailsa Raeburn on 01546 850335.

Grass cutting a challenge, say ACHA

THE GRASS cutting service for residential areas in Kintyre was not a shambles this year; it was a challenge.

When chief executive of Argyll Community Housing Association, Alastair MacGregor spoke to the Mid Argyll and the Islands Area Committee on Wednesday, Councillor Robin Currie said: 'The ground maintenance has been a shambles.'

The ACHA man disagreed: 'It's not been a shambles, it's been a challenge.'

With the switch of housing from Argyll and Bute Council to ACHA, the job of cutting the grassed areas around housing went as well.

Throughout the summer there were reports of overgrown areas by peoples' homes; many were cut late or not at all.

'Maps transferred to ACHA weren't accurate,' said Mr MacGregor.

In many places no one was sure of who owned what pieces of land but had always been cut by the council nonetheless.

Both sides are now sitting down with accurate maps and making clear who owns what and who has responsibility.

'We hope to have a clear and unambiguous framework,' said Mr MacGregor.

Police files

Drinking

POLICE are appealing to people to give any information regarding youths loitering at Ardrishaig Primary School, drinking alcohol and committing acts of vandalism.

Vandalism

POLICE are looking for witnesses following vandalism in Chalmers Court, Inveraray. Large globe lights were smashed between September 8 and 9.

Loitering

POLICE have been dealing with several calls regarding young people loitering in Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig. Extra patrols have been mounted and police are monitoring the situation.

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Planning problem for guesthouse owner

THE OWNER of a guesthouse in Inveraray has been told that he must change the entrance to the property or go out of business.

At a council meeting last week, Howard Spicer was refused retrospective planning permission to change the use of Rudha Na Craige, Inveraray, from a dwelling into a six-bedroomed guesthouse with owner's accommodation.

The whole issue stands or falls on the access from the property onto the A83; the visibility looking toward Furnace is good but not when looking back towards Inveraray.

Transport Scotland has said the application should be 'refused on the grounds of the use of a sub-standard access which is incapable for improvement, the intensified use of which would be detrimental to trunk road safety'.

But Mr Spicer has pointed out that the access in question was originally shared with two neighbouring properties that now use The Avenue at the rear, so in theory the same amount of vehicles are probably using the access now as did in the past.

Transport Scotland said this was 'irrelevant'.

Committee members heard that Mr Spicer would be able to comply with the visibility rules if he moved the entrance further along the property but this would involve a large amount of ground works and expense.

Chairman of the committee, Councillor Donald McMillan said: 'The applicant does have the right to appeal or can move the access.'

Councillors were also considering an enforcement notice on the property.

Top artist at Dochas

'UTTERLY unique.' That's how the work of a Taynuilt artist has been described this week.

And the art in thread by Gerrie of Achbeag is now on show at The Dochas Gallery in Lochgilphead for the rest of this month.

'The Singing Ringing Tree' exhibition had its opening night last Friday, and the response to Gerrie's work has been one of delight by everyone who has attended.

The pieces worked and designed for the exhibition were completed at Achbeag on the Balindone road, about a mile from Taynuilt.

Gerrie started work on the exhibits in September 2003 and the last piece, entitled 'Beachcombing' was finished on June 1 2007.

Gerrie's day began with a two-hour period from 6.30am to 8.30am, and continued from 10am to 12 noon, and 1pm to 3pm completed the working day.

The artist said: 'The evening was spent in unpicking or if successful, laying out the colours for the next day. Up to 20 needles could be threaded on average. Seven stitches were completed in one minute and in a two-hour period 840 would be made. That means that in a day, approximately 5000 stitches would be completed. I worked six days a week.

'On Friday's I visited the Robin's Nest Café in Taynuilt, caught the train to Oban and returned to Achbeag on the city bus from Oban to Glasgow. For over four years, this work pattern did not vary.'

Artist Gerrie with Dochas gallery volunteers Jeanette Rourke and Iain McConaghy. a37art01

Although none of Gerrie's work is for sale, he will be in The Dochas Gallery some Tuesday mornings for anyone who is interested in commissioning a piece from him.

The Gallery is open Monday to Saturday 10am until 4pm.

One woman who attended the exhibition opening commented: 'It's great that this artist is showing his work here. He appears to be very disciplined. His work is brilliant and should be seen by as many people as possible.'

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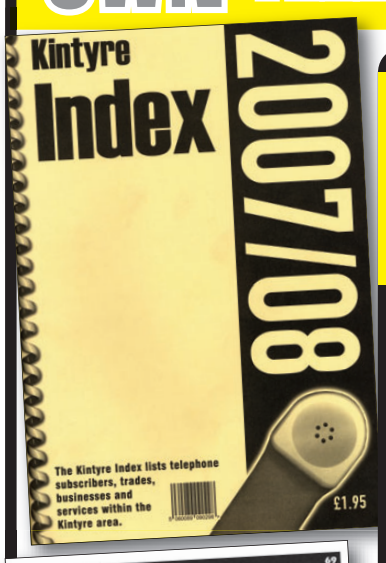

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'The Rolls Royce' of hair removal now available in Mid Argyll

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After extensive research, Dr Sally Darnborough of Lochgilphead found there is a real need among women for permanent hair removal to be available, particularly for troublesome facial hair.

Acting on her information, Dr Darnborough recently set up her own laser therapy business, and Achnabreck Lasers use the latest 'laserscope' technology and equipment to carry out hair removal techniques.

Dr Sally Darnborough with her hi-tec laser therapy hair remover machine. a37las02

Dr Darnborough said this week: 'Although laser treatment is more expensive than other methods of hair removal, it is permanent and could be described as the Rolls Royce of hair removal.

'I offer a confidential service and strictly adhere to all the health and safety regulations. I am the only laser therapist in the area, and I treat arms, legs, bikini lines as well as facial hair and underarms.

'A test patch is vital and because it's very important to keep out of the sun while the treatment is ongoing, winter is normally the best time of year to start the therapy.

'Typically, six to eight treatments are required at intervals of about four to six weeks, so you have to be quite patient for the end result.'

Dr Darnborough added: 'I think that most women would agree that they find never having to shave again, a very nice thought indeed.'

Caravans face enforcement action

A STATIC caravan must be moved from land at Corranbeg Steading, Ardfern, councillors have ruled.

At last week's meeting of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area committee councillors followed the advice of planning officials and turned down a retrospective application for permission to have the caravan on a site where there is existing planning permission to turn a dilapidated steading into a house.

Angela Clements, who owns the property and lives in London, told the planners that caravan would be for builders to use when working.

'The siting of caravans on land in anticipation of future development is becoming increasingly prevalent, so it is necessary to ensure the landscape does not become degraded as a consequence,' said planning officer Stuart Green in his report to the committee.

There is another static caravan on the site for Ms Clements use and this does not have planning permission either; both caravans are facing enforcement action.

Park Smart for the kids' sake

ARGYLL and Bute Council is urging parents and carers not to park irresponsibly at school gates when dropping off or collecting children.

Every year, children's lives are put at risk by motorists parking on yellow zig-zag lines, pavements or other areas near school entrances.

As a result, Argyll and Bute Council is one of 12 local authorities covered by the West of Scotland Road Safety Forum taking part in the 'Park Smart' campaign, which aims to raise awareness of this danger and encourage drivers to find a safe place to park every time they pick up or drop off.

The council's spokesperson for transport and infrastructure, Councillor Duncan MacIntyre, said: 'We have been running this campaign across the West of Scotland for three years, particularly when school starts again after the holidays.

'Surveys have shown that the majority of parents think 'Park Smart' is a good idea, but unfortunately a small number still choose to ignore the campaign's advice.

'This year we are working even harder to make people think about where they park when they are outside schools, every time they park. This isn't about convenience and saving time; it is about keeping our children safe when they are crossing roads outside schools.'

The 'Park Smart' initiative is the brainchild of the West of Scotland Road Safety Forum.

The campaign helps road safety units to target areas, in consultation with head teachers, where there is a particular problem with parking or stopping too near school gates at the start or end of school.

This year's campaign, which head teachers can choose to run at any time throughout the year, includes waterproof banners to display outside school premises to remind drivers of the dangers of poor parking.

Chief Inspector Andy Orr of Strathclyde Police said: 'It is disappointing that many parents and other drivers, while appreciating the 'Park Smart' concept, continue to park indiscriminately outside schools.

'Parked vehicles can mask chhildren and indeed adults trying to cross the road and the potentially tragic outcomes should be clear to all. The responsibility for parking in a safe place to pick up or drop off children rests solely with the driver.

'We would also encourage the use of alternatives, like car sharing or just leaving the car at home and walking to school where practical.

'Strathclyde Police fully supports the 'Park Smart' campaign and the excellent work being undertaken to try and reduce casualties.'

Top marks for Inveraray Londis

THE LONDIS convenience store in Inveraray has been recognised for excellent service and exacting standards by being shortlisted for a top award.

The Dalmally Rd store has been shortlisted as a regional finalist at the Robert Wiseman Dairies 'Neighbourhood Shop of the Year' awards and will fight it out to be crowned the best neighbourhood store in the country.

Shoppers across the country were asked to put their local store on the map by nominating them for the competition which recognises excellence in the convenience store sector.

The nominated stores will now be assessed by a team of 'mystery shoppers' to be evaluated in a number of areas to decide which stores progress to the national final.

Local sales manager for Robert Wiseman Dairies, John Scott said: 'Local stores offer an integral service to many people, and making the shortlist is testament to the hard work and dedication of all the staff at Londis.'

Inveraray Londis gets top marks for customer service. A37lon1NO

David Owen, owner of the store, added: 'We are delighted to have been shortlisted for this prestigious award and would like to thank our customers for showing their appreciation and taking the time to nominate the store.'

The top stores from the mystery shopping will go through to the national finals, to be visited by an independent judging panel before the awards ceremony at the Fairmont Hotel in St. Andrews, Fife where the overall winner of the 'Neighbourhood Shop of the Year', and gold winners for each region, will be unveiled.

The winning store will also receive a weekend luxury break. One customer who nominated the winning store will be drawn at random to receive a weekend break for two.

Marathon effort from Mid Argyll Jog Scotland

Pictured are (left to right) - Rhona Barnett, Liz Campbell, Jane McKenzie, Liz Feeney, Stella Cockburn, Elena Adair, June Graham, Brenda Mitchell, Stephen Whiston, Hazel Whiston, Hazel Manson, Caroline Waterhouse and Rosemary Neagle.

A35run1NO

JOG Scotland Mid Argyll were well represented on the Isle of Coll at the weekend.

Fourteen of the group travelled over to enter the 5k, 10k and half marathon runs. Stephen Whiston won the 10k and Elena Adair was third lady in the half marathon.

Many of the group ran 'PBs' and some were entering the half marathon event for the very first time.

Jog Scotland Mid Argyll started in January 2006 and has around 60 runners turning up every week. The Lochgilphead group meets on Wednesday and Thursday nights at 7.30pm from the Mid Argyll Swimming Pool and the Tarbert group meet on Thursday nights at 6.30pm from the Bowling Club. Runners of all abilities are very welcome.

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Ardfern Battle of the Bands

CRAIGNISH village hall was packed to capacity on Saturday night as fourteen bands from far and wide fought it out for top spot at Ardfern Battle of the Bands.

With the top prize being a day recording in a music studio, competition was fierce and standards were high, leaving the judges with a tough time deciding who deserved to win .

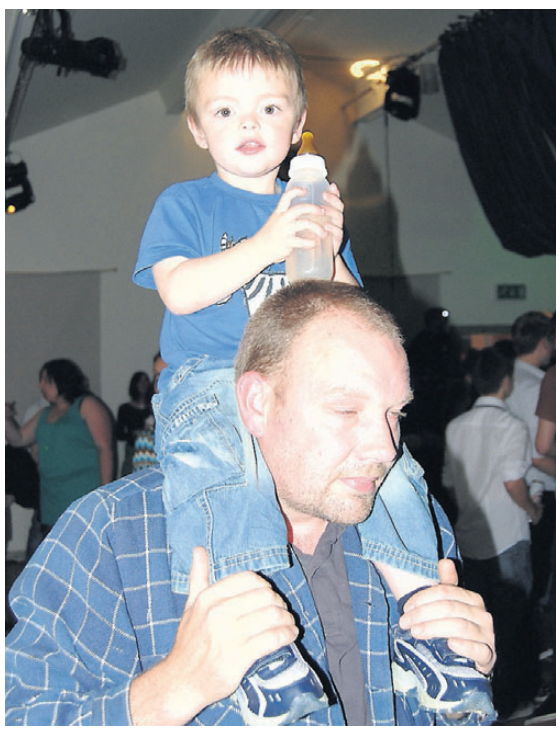
Under 18s winner was Glasgow group The Anyways, with Another Misadventure snatching victory in the over 18s category. Winners and runners-up will be playing at the Tarbert Music Festival this Saturday, September 15.

More than 300 people of all ages had a great time, listening to talented performers who sound like they could be destined for bigger things.

Lunga girl Jillian seemed to have the biggest fan base as cheers filled the hall when she took to the stage. a37bat04

Oban outfit 'The Spinoffs' pose backstage. a37bat10

Cool as a cucumber. 'Henry Sugar' received great remarks from the judges. a37bat01



One youngster had a good view of the stage at Ardfern Battle of the Bands on Saturday night.

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Judges Chris Pigott, Neil Anderson, Fiona Blaikie and Neil Gillies all have long backgrounds in music, and gave good constructive criticism. a37bat03

The Dolls of Venus travelled from Glasgow to take part in the Battle of the Bands. a37bat09

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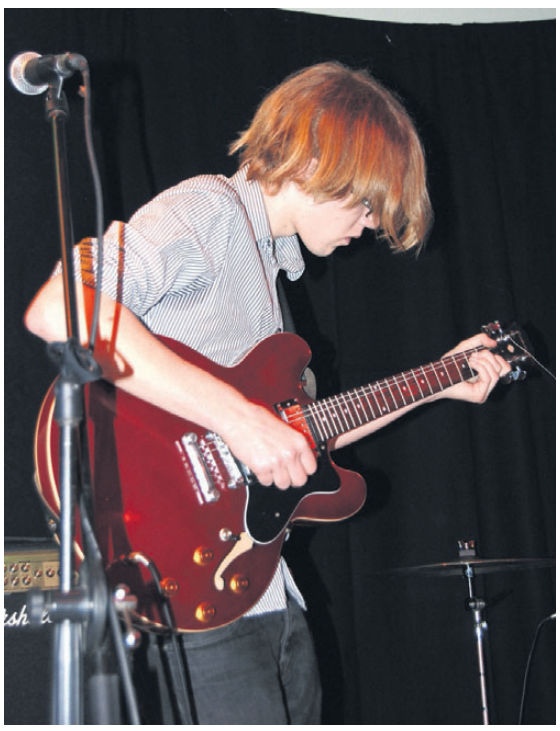
All girl band 'Henry Sugar' went down a storm with the audience. a37bat02



The Dolls of Venus put on a great show. a37bat07

Tarbert Flower Show results (part two)

Open Dahlia Section

One Bloom, Giant Decorative, over 10" (254mm): D McDougall; Two Blooms, Large Decorative, 8" – 10" (203mm – 254mm): Brenda Galbraith; Three Blooms, Medium Decorative, 6" – 8" (152mm – 203mm): 1, D McDougall, 2, Jim Hutton, 3, Brian Wilkinson; Three Blooms, Medium cactus, 6" – 8" (152mm – 203mm): D McDougall; Three Blooms, Small Decorative, 4" – 6" (102mm – 152mm): 1, D McDougall, 2, B McColl; Three Blooms, Small Cactus, 4" – 6" (102mm – 152mm): D McDougall; Three Blooms, Collarette: D McDougall; Three Blooms, Small Ball, 4" – 6" (102mm – 152mm): Archie McFarlane; Three Blooms, Minature Ball, not over 4" (102mm): 1, D McDougall, 2, Archie McFarlane; Five Blooms, pom-pom, not over 2" (52mm): D McDougall; Three Blooms, Minature Decorative, not over 4" (102mm): D McDougall.

Vegetable Section

Six Pods Peas: 1, Hector MacKenzie, 2, Jim Young, 3, John Logan; Six Pods Broad Beans: 1, John MacNicol, 2, May Lewis, 3, John Logan; Six Pods Runner Beans: 1, May Lewis, 2, Ann Thomas, 3, John Logan; Twelve Shallots: 1, Hector MacKenzie, 2, Jim Hatton, 3, N J MacLean; Three Onions from Seed: 1, N J MacLean, 2, Jim Hutton, 3, Jim Young; Six Round Potatoes: 1, Hector MacKenzie, 2, Jim Young, 3, John McNicol; Three Onions from Sets: 1, Jim Hutton, 2, Hector McKenzie, 3, John McNicol; Six Kidney Potatoes: 1, Jin Hutton, 2, Hector McKenzie, 3, N J McLean; Three carrots, Stump Rooted: 1, Hector MacKenzie, 2, Jim Hutton, 3, John Logan; Three Carrots, long: 1, Jim Young, 2, Jim Hutton, 3, A MacFarlane; Three Beetroot, Globe: 1, Jim Young, 2, Malcolm McGougan, 3, John Logan; Three Leeks, pot: 1, Jim Young, 2, Malcolm McGougan, 3, A McFarlane; Two Cucumbers: 1, John Logan, 2, Brenda Galbraith, 3, R McColl; Three Leeks, Exhibition: 1, N J McLean, 2, Jim Young, 3, A McFarlane; Two Lettuce, Cabbage: John Logan; Two Cauliflowers: John Logan; One Cabbage: 1, A MacFarlane, 2, John Crawley, 3, John Logan; One Head Kale: A McFarlane; Six Stalks Rhubarb: 1, John Logan, 2, John McNicol, 3, Ian McIntyre; One Head Parsley, placed in pot: Jim Young; One Vegetable Marrow, for weight: 1, Hector Stewart, 2, John McNicol; One Vegetable Marrow, for quality: 1, John Logan, 2, Karen Healy, 3, Sandy McKellar; Any Other Vegetable: 1, John Logan, 2, Jim Young, 3, W T Cooper; Collection of Vegetables in Box 18" x 24" approx. Not more than 5 Varieties: 1, Jim Young, 2, Archie McFarlane, 3, Hector Stewart; Six Red Tomatoes: 1, Sean Stewart, 2, Hector Stewart, 3, Malcolm McGougan; One Truss of Tomatoes: 1, R macColl, 2, Francis Fleming, 3, Malcolm McGougan; Any Variety of Fruit, One Plate: 1, Hector Stewart, 2, John Logan, 3, Malcolm McGougan; Heaviest Turnip or Swede: John Logan; Heaviest Potato: 1, Malcolm McGougan, 2, John Logan, 3, D McKellar.

Sizing up the vegetables at the show. a36flo06

Floral Art Classes

Three Blooms with Foliage Arranged for Effect: 1, Elma McGougan, 2, Sheena McFarlane, 3, Janette Hunt; Gent's Buttonhole and Ladies Corsage: 1, Mary Logan, 2, Jennifer McDonald, 3, Mike Rimmer; Floral Centrepiece for Small Dinner Table: 1, Hilary Sinclair, 2, Ann Duncan, 3, Jenny Peden; Floral Art Arrangement in Unusual Container: 1, Rosemary MacKellar, 2, Beatrice Clark, 3, Ann Duncan; Art Arrangement of Foliage only (not more than 27" wide): 1, Janette Hunt, 2, Mike Rimmer, 3, Valerie Barker; One Minature Arrangement (not more than 4"): 1, J Peden, 2, Valerie Barker, 3, Janette Hunt; Theme – "Going Green": 1, Mike Rimmer, 2, Rosemary McKellar, 3, Sheena McFarlane; One Hand Tied Bouquet: 1, Rosemary MacKellar, 2, Janette Hunt, 3, Mike Rimmer; Novice Class Arrangement of Flowers for Frontal Effect, max width 12": 1, Mike Rimmer, 2, Mary Logan.

Pot Plants

One Geranium: 1, Annette LacLullich, 2, Norman Munro; One Fuchsia: Norman Munro; One Plant Grown for Foliage: 1, Norman Munro, 2, J McIntyre, 3, Betty Rentone; One Fern: Betty Rentone; One Tuberous Rooted Begonia: 1, Norman Munro, 2, Beatrice Clark, 3, Annette MacLullich; One Spiny Cactus: 1, Norman Munro, 2, Craig Smith; One Pot Plant in Flower, other than above: 1, Alasdair Reid, 2, Douglas Barker, 3, Millicent Reid; One Filled Patio/Garden Tub or Container (Flower and Foliage): 1, Malcolm McGougan, 2, E McGougan; One Container Plant: Valerie Barker; One Container Crown Lillies: 1, Emma Peden, 2, Norman Munro, 3, Brian Wilkinson.

Home Industries

4oz Vanilla Flavoured Tablet: 1, Annette MacLullich, 2, Mary Logan, 3, Elma McGougan; Jar Coarse Marmalade: 1, Annette MacLullich, 2, Ann Thomas, 3, Mary Logan; Jar Bramble and Apple Jelly: 1, M Graham, 2, Elma McGougan/Annette McLullich; Jar Any Other Jelly: 1, Elma McGougan, 2, Annette MacLullich, 3, Betty Johnson; Jar Raspberry Jam: 1, Catherine McNab, 2, M Graham, 3, Hilary Sinclair; Jar Strawberry Jam: 1, Betty Johnson, 2, Jannette Hunt, 3, Catherine McNab; Jar Blackcurrant Jam: 1, Jannette Hunt, 2, Annette MacLullich, 3, Catherine McNab; Jar Rhubarb and Ginger Jam: 1, Catherine McNab, 2, Annette MacLullich, 3, Mary Logan; Jar Any Other Jam: 1, Maggie Ackroyd, 2, Catherine McNab, 3, Annette McLullich; Jar Chutney: 1, Catherine McNab, 2, Mary Logan, 3, Dee Kelly; Jar Pickled Beetroot (Sliced) – Not more than 2lb: 1, Annette McLullich, 2, Mary Logan, 3, J Sinclair; Bottle Home Made Wine: Billy Cooper; Jar Honey: 1, Robert Medhail, 2, Mary Logan.

Home Baking

Three Oven Scones: 1, Annette McLullich, 2, E McGougan, 3, Jane Johnston/Hilary Sinclair; Three Pancakes: 1, Jenny Sinclair, 2, Betty Johnson, 3, Annette McLullich; Any Tray Bake: 1, Hillary Sinclair, 2, E McGougan, 3, Alison Johnston; One Decorated Chocolate Cake: 1, Alison Johnston, 2, Jannette Hunt, 3, Mike Rimmer; A Victoria Sandwich: 1, Rosemary Hutchinson, 2, Betty Johnson, 3, Elizabeth Rhodiul; One Plate Apple Tart (Shortcrust Pastry): 1, Alison Johnson, 2, Jannette Hunt, 3, Malcolm McGougan/Betty Johnson; Three Muffins: 1, Fiona Jean Arnott, 2, Alison Johnson, 3, Janette Hunt; Four Shortbread Fingers: 1, Betty Johnson, 2, Rosemary Hutchison, 3, Alison Johnson; One Wholemeal Loaf: 1, Janette Hunt, 2, Jenny Sinclair, 3, Malcolm McGougan; One Date and Walnut Loaf: Malcolm McGougan, 2, Janette Hunt, 3, Rosemary Hutchison/Ruth Reynolds; Cloutie Dumpling: 1, Janette Hunt, 2, Jenny Sinclair, 3, Alison Johnson; One Sultana Cake: 1, Alison Johnson, 2, Jenny Sinclair, 3, Janette Hunt.

Closed entry from Tarbert School

Three Muffins: 1, Emma McFarlane, 2, Fiona Jean Arnott, 3, Maddie Sloan/Kirsteen McKechnie.

Arts and Crafts

One Knitted Hat or Beret: 1, J MacPherson, 2, Frances Fleming, 3, Elizabeth Rhodick; One baby's Knitted Garment: 1, J MacPherson, 2, Mary Logan, 3, Elizabeth Rhodick; One Lady's or Gent's Knitted Cardigan or Jumper – Double Knitting: 1, Mary Logan, 2, Elizabeth Rhodick; One Soft Toy: Mary Logan; Any Other Item of Handcraft: 1, Elma MacDonald, 2, Amanda Hutton, 3, Robert McPhail; One Snapshot 6" x 4" or less: 1, Richard Freeman, 2, Mike Rimmer, 3, Lynne Freeman; One Tapestry or Cross Stitch: 1, Elma MacDonald, 2, Jane MacIntyre, 3, Jaul Judson; One painting in Oil or Cryla: 1, Amanda Hutton, 2, Janette Hunt, 3, Betty Rentone; One Painting in Watercolour: 1, Fiona Byrne, 2, Robert Smith, 3, John Crawley; One Black and White Photograph 5" x 7" or more or Panoramic: 1, D MacKellar, 2, Frances Fleming, 3, R MacKellar; One Colour Photograph 5" x 7" or more Panoramic: 1, R Gray, 2, Jim Ryan, 3, Karen Heafey; One Computer generated Image: E Rentoul.

Pre-School Prize

Best vase of Cut Flowers of Busy Lizzies: 1, Gordon McLean, 2, Cortney Henderson; Best Pot Busy Lizzies Plant with Flowers Grown in Pots: 1, Nadene Hamlin, 2, Kirsten McKechnie, 3, Mirren Scott.

Junior – Up to 11 yrs

One Animal made from Vegetable or Fruit: 1, Jason McArthur, 2, Ewen MacDonald, 3, Craig Smith; One Picture in Any Medium: 1, Cl Baird, 2, Elie Campbell, 3, Finlay Guy; Best Vase of Cut Flowers of Busy Lizzies: 1, Calum Guy, 2, Holly Guy, 3, Finlay Guy; Best Pot Busy Lizzies Plant with Flowers Grown in Pots: 1, Linsay Scott, 2, Fin Scott, 3, Donald MacLean; Model Garden: 1, Niamh Heggarty, 2, Allan Smith, 3, Emma Dixon; One Vase Garden Flowers Arranged for Effect: 1, Ewen McDonald, 2, Agneas Peden, 3, Jodie Henderson.

12 – 16 Years

One Picture in Any Medium: 1, Josh Barker, 2, Samantha Stewart, 3, Fiona Arnott; One Item of Handcraft: 1, Anna Preston, 2, Rachael MacFarlane, 3, Fiona Arnott; One Computer drawn Image of an Animal or Plant: 1, Anna Preston, 2, Rachael MacFarlane, 3, Fiona Arnott; One Photograph 6" x 4" or less: 1, Anna Preston, 2, Calum Guy, 3, Rachael MacFarlane; One Vase garden Flowers Arranged for Effect: Rachael McFarlane.

Hazel Galbraith with her raffle prize.a36flo05

HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE

Argyll and Bute Council

Argyll and Bute Council are continuing the collection service for hazardous household wastes.

Hazardous household wastes form a relatively small percentage of the household waste stream but can pose a considerable threat to the environment if not handled correctly. Such wastes include medicines, pesticides, insecticides, paints and other household chemicals. You may have this type of waste stored in your garage, garden shed or cupboards.

This service is being continued as part of Argyll and Bute Council's ongoing commitment to a cleaner environment, and as part of the implementation of the waste strategy for Argyll and Bute.

This service is being provided free of charge to householders throughout Argyll and Bute.

If you have any such wastes as described above and wish to have them uplifted, please obtain an application form from your local area office as listed below.

AREA	Tel Number
Bute	01700 505339
Cowal	01369 708600
Helensburgh & Lomond	01436 658877
Islay & Jura	01496 301301
Kintyre	01586 552366
Mid Argyll	01546 604666
Mull & Iona	01688 302051
Oban, Lorn & the Isles	01631 562125

If you have waste and are unsure if it is hazardous household waste, please call Walter MacArthur or Harris Fraser on the HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD WASTE ENQUIRY LINE: **01546 604648** or **01546 60 4605**.
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Thought for the week

I WONDER if you know Footprints. It goes like this: One night a man had a dream. He dreamt he was walking along a beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand, one belonging to him and the other to the Lord. When the last scene of his life flashed before him he looked back at the footprints in the sand. That was when he noticed that at times along the path there was only one set of footprints. And he also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life.

That really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it. "Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you would be with me always. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times of my life there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why, when I needed you most, you would leave me." The Lord replied, "My son, I love you and would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, that is when I carried you."

Down Memory Lane

This picture of Mid Argyll Pipe Band is from the 1930s and was passed on by Mags Russell.

The band are celebrating their 80th anniversary with a special concert entitled Blackwood and Hickory in Ardrishaig Hall on Saturday, September 15.

The performance will be an innovative departure from the traditional programme and will see eight students taking part in their first public performance.

Nine of the pipers and drummers taking part are under 18.

Tickets are available from Argyll Book Centre, Lochgilphead.

Round the wrong way

Sir,

Following on from the recent controversy over what is demonstrably a failure to pick up a design failure on the new roundabout at the foot of the access to the Kilmory Industrial Estate, by either Transerv, the Scottish Government's commissioning agency for trunk roads, or Argyll and Bute Council as the construction agency, a new and not inconsequential problem has arisen.

It would appear that in practice, buses and heavy goods vehicles in transit through the new aforementioned roundabout whence proceeding towards Inveraray/ Glasgow will have to divert from their own traffic lane to occupy the opposite lane, thus for a short distance will be found directly facing the oncoming traffic. It is highly probable that the westernmost lane carries the faster traffic; hence the possibility of a head on crash is surely only a matter of time. Given that at least one of the vehicles potentially involved is, or will be an HGV, plus of course those trucks transporting wind farm towers, fatalities are highly probable in cars proceeding towards Lochgilphead.

Can we, in any aspect judge the new roundabout as fit for purpose? It has to be reconstructed, once more at our expense, to ensure that drainage of water is off, rather than onto the carriage surface: it also carries the almost certainty of a fatal accident, greater than at present, yet there is no constraint upon the availability of land for the newly identified road traffic 'improvement'. Alternatively was it due to cash availability?

This is not a blame game, but improvements must surely be demonstrable, and certainly not lead to an incremental risk of fatal accidents in Argyll. Given the already far-too-high fatalities suffered by motorcyclists, the present arrangements can only ensure an increase in this statistic- at a cost to your son, your daughter, yourself?

Jolyon Small,
Ardrishaig

A lot of rubbish

Sir,

The organisers of the Connect festival should all look in the mirror after the event and say look, this is one week after and the surrounding grounds round the castle look like a plane crash, tents, sleeping bags, chairs, food parcels, alcohol, you name it, littered all over, just left for everyone to see. Tourists in this picturesque village must have been wondering 'Why did the duke let this happen?' yet it was all about 'save the planet' and recycling.

This sort of behaviour should not be tolerated and SEPA or the local council should impose a heavy fine for flytipping and organisers given a timescale not 'one week later and still counting', so don't be bitter and take home your litter. And I even missed the shinty due to this badly organised event.

Stephen Johnstone,
Ardentinny

High cost of crash

Sir,

For the second time in a week the A83 main trunk in the area of Cairndow has been closed for almost 24 hours to traffic as a consequence of a serious accident. This road is one of the main conduits between industrial west central Scotland and the west highlands. The social and personal costs of these closures are enormous. The costs to the economy of west central Scotland are incalculable and amount to £millions.

Today yet again the pre- pantomine Beverley Hills Cops scenario of flashing blue lights and screaming sirens warned us that our world was about to be closed down for yet another day. Earlier in the week, the body of a woman had been left lying at the roadside in the area of Loch Fyne oysters for seven hours until police enquiries were completed.

I have already spoken to government ministers on the consequences of these road closures and intend to press the matter again. Senior police officers must be required to give full and comprehensive reports on the reasons for these decisions to the government and if necessary be called to account for them.

I am led to understand that the reasons for the delays are that specialist teams from Glasgow must be awaited. Given the quite awesome costs to the economy and people's personal lives it surely must be reasonable to ask why such teams here in the 21st century are not brought in by helicopter. Certainly it should not take the many hours that it does now to get them *in situ*.

It would also be a huge saving to economy and society if police patrols on the A83 were increased and made much more high profile, preferably before rather than after accidents. This is particularly true during holiday periods, when motorists unfamiliar with these roads and the ever ubiquitous bikers are turning our roads into race tracks. It is local people who pay the quite awesome penalties.

There are two speed warning signs on the neighbouring A815 road in the area of Cairdnow. They rarely work. They are based on solar power and excessive sunshine tends not to be a feature of our climate in this part of the world. One is already almost covered in overgrowing tree branches. The other day a 'boy racer' passed me at very high speed. The sign remained firmly out.

This situation is now approaching crisis level. The government and the police must address it as a matter of urgency and allocate whatever increased resources are necessary to resolve the problem. People will begin to move out of the area and who can blame them. That of course is the last thing we need.

Alan Clayton
Strachur

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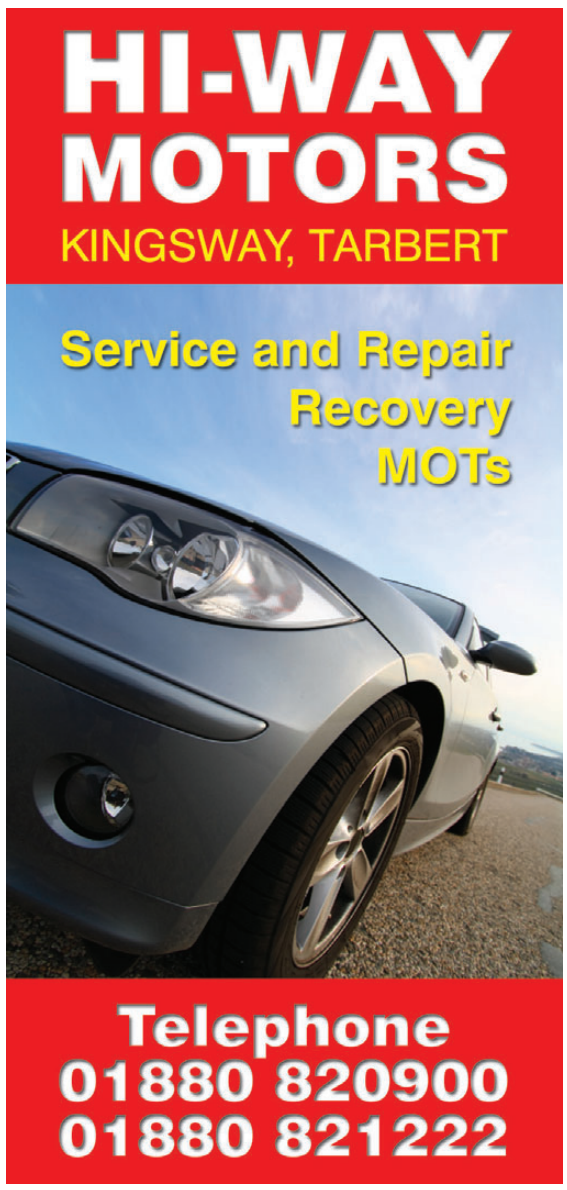

Stirling success for Dippen

The autumn-born champion calf at Caledonian Marts (Stirling) premier calf show and sale was this 10-month-old Charolais cross heifer from Duncan Semple, Dippen Farm, Carradale, Kintyre. By Carradale Topside and out of a cross Limousin cow, the heifer had previously the beef supreme champion at Kintyre Show in August. Mr Semple also had the reserve overall champion with a Limousin cross bullock which had been placed champion Limousin calf. t37kin01

WEST COAST livestock farmers were to the fore at the Caledonian Marts premier calf show and sale on Friday night with both Limousin champion and reserve coming out of the west. The Limousin leader and reserve supreme champion was a February-born Limousin cross bullock out of a pure Charolais cow from Duncan Semple, Dippen Farm, Carradale, by Campbeltown.

The 330kg bullock, which had previously had its only show outing when it won its class at Kintyre Show stood second overall to a 10-month-old Charolais cross heifer from Willie and Alan Brewster, Wester Borland, Thornhill.

The Dippen-bred Limousin later came under the hammer at £1,800 selling to Jennifer Hyslop, Girvan.

Autumn-born

Duncan Semple also showed the leading autumn- born calf, a Charolais cross heifer by Carradale Topside and out of a Limousin cross cow. The heifer had previously taken the top beef title at Kintyre Show and was later sold to £700.

At £2,050, the Dippinbred third placed autumn bullock, a 440kg Charolais, was sold to Robin Roberts, Anglesey.

A previously unshown 10-month old heifer with Dippen connections attracted strong bidding in the sale ring when Duncan Henderson, Auchenrivich, Kilsyth sold a Charolais cross by Carradale Neptune and out of a Limousin cross cow to Ewan MacPherson, Mill, Benderloch for £4,500.

The reserve Limousin champion came from Lochaber with Donald Campbell, Camaghael, Fort William showing a February-born bullock, Great Glen, by Cowtham Justice and out of an Aberdeen Angus cow.

The bullock sold at £1,800 to Drew Hyslop, Kippen.

Sale averages for the 29 haltered bullocks was £883.79 and £1,294.29 for the 21 haltered heifers.

Ardbeg Limousin bullocks to 259p per kilo in Islay

UNITED Auctions held their annual calf show and sale at Islay Auction Mart, also a sale of store and breeding cattle and all classes of lambs and sheep when 507 head of cattle and 976 lambs and sheep were sold.

Despite an excellent ringside of buyers from all over Scotland, England and the Welsh Border, trade fell for the suckled calves by £57 for the bullocks and £29 for the heifers. Limousin bullocks from Ardbeg sold to 259p per kilo and to £705.

This trend is entirely attributed to the current high level's of values for grain, which consequently will result in higher feeding costs this winter.

At the show previous to the sale, Mr Walters, Shropshire judged the various classes and the following were his awards.

Bullock calf: 1st & 2nd - Ardbeg; 3rd - Starchmill.

Heifer calf: 1st - Aoradh; 2nd Ardbeg; 3rd - Starchmill. Champion calf: Ardbeg - Bullock Reserve champion calf: Aoradh.

A smaller entry of lambs sold in advance of sellers expectations and levelled out at £3.02 down on the corresponding sale last year.

Blackface lambs to 96p per kilo at Dalmally's second sale

UNITED Auctions held their second sale of 5236 lambs and sheep at Dalmally Auction Mart.

Cross bred lambs continued to sell at firm rates and at values above sellers expectations with most noted lots selling around £2 to £3 down on the year.

The Blackface lamb entry surpassed all expectations when most lots sold to within £2.50 of last year's high values.

In the Blackface lambs section, Claddich Farms led the day's trade per kilo at 96pence whilst Balnakeil and Tirfuir, Lismore led the cross lamb section at 109pence.

ISLAY - United Auctions

Bullocks

Aberdeen AngusX: £488, £478 (4), £468 Dunlossit Estate

Belgian BlueX: £680 Ardbeg £672 Claggan £568 Eorrabus £538 Claggan £508 Starchmill & Ardbeg (3) £488 Ardbeg (2) & Blackrock (3) £462 Claggan £452 Blackrock £442 (2) Ardbeg £418 (2) Claggan.

CharolaisX: £830 Dunlossit Estate £612 Neriby £578 Dunlossit Estate £568 Gartacharra £558 Dunlossit Estate £522 Ballimartin £512 Claggan £478 Gartacharra (2) & Dunlossit Estate £468 Carrabus & Dunlossit Estate (2) £452 Starchmill £448 (3) Claggan £442 (5) Dunlossit Estate £438 Ballimartin £412 (2) Claggan £400 Carrabus.

GallowayX: £408 Dunlossit Estate

LimousinX: £750 Ardbeg £635 & £630 Blackrock £600 Ardbeg £592 Kilchiaran £582 Starchmill £572 Kilchiaran £568 Kintra & Lossit (5) £562 Claggan, Lossit & Neriby (4) £558 Balulive, Ardbeg (3), Kilchiaran (2) & Dunlossit Estate (3) £555 Gartacharra £552 Starchmill (2) & Neriby (4) £548 Aoradh, Kintra (2) & Dunlossit Estate (6) £542 Eorrabus & Neriby (4) £538 & £532 Achnaclach £528 (2) Blackrock £518 Ardbeg (2) & Neriby (5) £512 Eorabus (3) & Dunlossit Estate (7) £508 (8) Ballimartin £502 Starchmill (2), Aoradh (3) & Blackrock (8) £500 Starchmill £498 Ardbeg (6), Kilchiaran (3), Claggan & Neriby (2) £492 (2) Kintra £488 Ardbeg (3) & Dunlossit Estate (2) £482 Starchmill (2), Tallant (2) & Claggan £478 Kilchiaran (2), Tallant (2), Kintra (2) & Neriby £468 Octofad (6), Tallant (2), Balulive (2), Eorrabus (2), Dunlossit Estate & Neriby (4) £462 Ardbeg (5), Eorrabus (4), Claggan, Blackrock & Dunlossit Estate £458 Aoradh (3) & Blackrock (2) £452 Starchmill (4) & Eorrabus (4) £448 Kilchiaran (3), Achnaclach & Claggan (3) £438 Kintra (2) & Ballimartin (4) £432 (2) Kilchiaran £428 Octofad & Eorrabus (2) £422 Ballimartin (7) & Achnaclach (3) £418 (2) Claggan £412 (3) Octofad £408 Tallant (4) & Neriby £402 (2) Ardbeg £400 Carrabus & Claggan (2).

Heifers

Aberdeen AngusX: £428 (4), £418 (2) & £368 Dunlossit Estate

Belgian BlueX: £562 Starchmill £462 Claggan £422 Starchmill

CharolaisX: £552 Dunlossit Estate £528 (3) Gartacharra £472 (2) Claggan £468 Dunlossit Estate £452 (6) Gartacharra £448 Ballimartin

LimousinX: £592 Lossit £552 (3) Kilchiaran £542 Blackrock £492 Aoradh £482 Kintra & Neriby (3) £468 Ardbeg (5), Blackrock (2), Lossit, Dunlossit Estate & Neriby (3) £462 (3) Claggan £458 (4) Kintra £452 (6) Lossit £450 (11) Dunlossit Estate £448 Kilchiaran (5) & Dunlossit Estate (10) £442 Eorrabus (2) & Gartacharra (2) £438 (7) Dunlossit Estate £428 Starchmill £418 Aoradh & Blackrock £402 (3) Starchmill.

SalerX: £588 Blackrock

Prices per kilo

Bullocks

Aberdeen AngusX: 104p (5) Dunlossit Estate

Belgian BlueX: 144p & 131p Ardbeg 129p Claggan 127p (3) Blackrock 123p Claggan.

CharolaisX: 132p Dunlossit Estate 129p Carrabus 124p (5) Dunlossit Estate 123p Carrabus & Dunlossit Estate 121p (2) Claggan.

LimousinX: 259p Ardbeg 170p Ardnave 141p Kilchiaran & Lossit 140p Ardbeg 139p Starchmill 137p Claggan 134p Blackrock & Neriby (4) 133p (3) Ardbeg 132p Blackrock & Starchmill 129p Carrabus 128p Ardbeg (2), Kintra (2) & Claggan 127p Lossit (5), Starchmill (2), Kintra (2), Carrabus & Tallant (2) 126p Tallant (2), Ardbeg (5), Aoradh (3) & Eorrabus (4) 125p Starchmill (2) & Blackrock 124p Tallant (2), Kilchiaran (2), Ardbeg (6) & Claggan 123p Neriby (4), Starchmill (4) & Claggan (2) 122p Octofad (3), Carrabus (2) & Dunlossit Estate 121p (8) Blackrock 120p Kintra (2), Kilchiaran (4) & Claggan (3).

Heifers

Belgian BlueX: 134p Starchmill 118p Claggan

CharolaisX: 118p (2) Claggan

LimousinX: 141p Lossit 137p Aoradh 136p Blackrock 127p (3) Kilchiaran 126p Starchmill 124p (3) Neriby 123p Ardbeg (5) & Lossit 122p (6) Lossit 119p Aoradh 118p Claggan, Neriby (3), Kilchiaran (5) & Blackrock (7).

SalerX: 143p Blackrock

Lambs

SuffolkX: £38.80 Duich £38.50 Pairc A Chlassan £38.50 Neriby £38.00 Kilchiaran £37.00 Starchmill £36.50 Sunderland £36.20 Neriby £36.00 Pairc A Chlassan.

TexelX: £41.00 Dunlossit Estate £40.50 Carrabus £40.00 Dunlossit Estate £38.50 Tallant £38.20 Smaladh £36.50 Dunlossit Estate £36.00 Windyedge

MuleX: £33.80 Neriby

Prices per kilo

SuffolkX: 99p Ballachlaven 95p - Pairc A Chlassan 93p - Ardbeg, Neriby, Windyedge.

TexelX: 100p - Windyedge 99p - Conisby 95p - Dunlossit Estate

Mule: 80p - Neriby.

DALMALLY United Auctions

SuffolkX: £38.00 Balnakeil (McDonald)

TexelX: £37.00 Stronacroibh (Lismore); £36.50 Balnakeil; £35.50 1 Bonawe Croft; £35.20 Craigloiste Croft; 34.50 Tirfuir (Lismore).

Cheviot: £33.50 Bonawe Home Farm.

Blue d'MaineX: £36.50 1 Bonawe Croft

Mule: £30.20 Achuran (Lismore) and Garraron and Melfort Farms

Blackface:£29. Kilchoan (Keate); £27.80 Stroneskar £27.50 Ormsary; £26.80 Castles; £26.50 Lurignish and Cambusurich; £25.80 Bragleenbeg; £25.20 Drissaig; £25.00 Achnacarron; £24.50 Kilchoan (Keate).

Prices per kilo

SuffolkX: 109p Balnakeil; 100p Brenchoille

TexelX: 109p Tirfuir; 104p 1 Bonawe Croft, Craigloiste Croft and Balnakeil; 103p Achnacloich and Brenchoille.

Cheviot: 102p Cladich; 101p Bonawe Home Farm

Bleu d'MaineX:101p 1 Bonawe Croft

Mule: 94p Achuran; 89p Garraron and Melfort Farms

Blackface:96p Cladich; 92p Ormsary 91p Cambusurich; 90p Drissaig; 89p Glenstrae and Bragleenbeg; 88p Lurignish and Garraron and Melfort Farms; 87p Stroneskar; 86p Castles Achnacarron, High Carse and Brenchoille; 85p Kilchoan, Ormsary , 84p Kilchoan House; 83p Musdale and Garraron and Melfort Farms; 82p Shellfield; 81p Ederline .

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Make-up Heaven

ARDRISHAIG'S Heaven Beauty Salon was the venue for a fun make-up presentation last Wednesday evening.

Brodie MacVicar launched the Victoria Jackson make-up range, which is now exclusively on sale at Heaven.

Make-up artist Brodie recently won a trip to Boston in America to meet Victoria Jackson's staff, before heading onto Victoria's ranch in Los Angeles for two days.

Twenty-year-old Amanda Crawford of Lochgilphead was delighted when Brodie gave her a free makeover, and the audience also went home happy after getting plenty of tips on how to apply their slap properly.

Also joining Brodie in Ardrishaig for the night was her mother Angela, who is Donor Recruitment Manager for the Anthony Nolan Trust.

Amanda Crawford was given a makeover by make-up artist Brodie MacVicar at Heaven Salon last Wednesday night. a37mak01

Oban Star opens Dalriada Season

Ross Macpherson gives us a tune. A37dal1NO

THE DALRIADA Accordion and Fiddle club gets underway next Tuesday with a visit from popular Oban bandleader, Ross MacPherson, to open the season. Ross, who hails from Skye, always serves up a highly popular mix of West Coast magic, marches, jigs, reels, strathspeys, with the highlight possibly being his Gaelic waltzes which few can better.

The line-up of the trio is to be confirmed, and hopefully Ross' regular drummer, Angus McColl, will be with him, for, as all Dalriada fans are aware, this will mean we shall be treated to one or two pipe tunes in the course of the evening.

Chairman John Hunt will start the music off promptly at 7.45pm with local artists, including the loyal Campbeltown supporters, and all musicians willing to offer a tune will be most welcome, as will all spectators. The programme for the year (September - April) will be available on the night, so do come along and ensure a good start to the 26th Dalriada Club season and enjoy an evening of great Scottish music in the company of Ross MacPherson.

Due to lack of space, reviews of Gigha music festival and Kintyre Pipe Band will be in next week's newspaper. Apologies for the delay.

Talk, listen and save lives

THIS WEEK is Suicide Prevention Week in Scotland and the message is Talk, Listen, and Save Lives. Often all that is needed to prevent someone losing their life is to offer them the space and time to talk about what has led them to feel this way. Contrary to popular belief, talking about suicide doesn't encourage suicide – it saves lives.

With this in mind Choose Life and the Dochas Fund are asking people to celebrate life. An art exhibition has been launched with entries accepted until September 28. If your work is no bigger than A4 and not 3D, your entry can be a photo, drawing, painting, embroidery etc. Entry forms are available from the Dochas Gallery, Campbell Street, Lochgilphead.

Entries will be judged by local wildlife photographer Philip Price and another local artisit prior to exhibition at the Dochas Gallery from November 2. Prizes will be awarded for best photo, best other medium and the public will be asked to vote for a third winner that is judged to meet the theme 'celebrate life'.

Auchindrain exhibition

THE MACDOUGALL Collection is the legacy of one remarkable woman. Miss Hope MacDougall of MacDougall devoted much of her long life to the study of the working and domestic lives of the communities of the Highlands and Islands. During her life she followed an active schedule of collecting trips travelling all around Scotland. Over 30 years of collecting amassed 4000 objects that reflect the traditional way of life in the Highlands and Islands.

For the first time a touring exhibition featuring part of the MacDougall Collection will be on display in Argyll.

The exhibition which is on display at Auchindrain Museum until October 31 features a superb Shetland lace dress and vivid red Baltic bowls and tells the story of the places and the people encountered by Miss MacDougall on her collecting trips. Entry is FREE for Museum tickets holders or £1 for entry just to the exhibition.

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Adult competitions 2pm
Vocal, Prose, Folk Groups, Choral, Piping and Fiddle competitions.

Teas, coffees and snacks will be on sale
Admission by programme £3
Prize winners concert High School Assembly Hall 7.30pm
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Presentation of prizes Mrs Kay Ballantine
Grand raffle draw
Informal Ceilidh to follow in Stag Hotel upstairs

Tarbert Music Festival

Iain Thomson 'The Singing Shepard' from Mull, will be playing at the West Loch Hotel on Friday the 14th and Saturday the 15th of September. Food served as usual in the Bar and conservatory (near the music) and Front Restaurant area (away from the music).

To book a table please phone 01880 820283.

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Busy year at the fACTory

IT'S BEEN an impressive year for Ardfern-based fACTory in 2007, whose theatre workshops have become a prominent feature in the local arts scene.

The company received a start-up grant in 2006 and have been constantly developing ever since.

Last Autumn, their students stood motionless for an incredible one hour during the Lantern Parade in a tableau of frozen statues.

Five months later, the senior group was collecting a cup for best youth drama and another for best set for their performance of Bombshell, a play penned by one of the group's directors. This was performed again at Craignish Village Hall alongside other plays involving the two younger groups.

Just after Easter rehearsals started for A Midsummer Night's Dream, which had been chosen for the Arts Festival to give students a taste of the Bard. They rose to the occasion in spectacular fashion as faeries and elves of the forest. The production was pronounced a roaring success by all who came to see it (even Shakespeare sceptics!).

In the meantime, fACTory had been approached by the BBC on the hunt for 'lively and articulate' 6-7 year olds. All three children who were available for audition landed a role in Cbeebies' Nina and the Neurons.

'We are exhausted but very proud of our achievements', said Vivienne Dobbie, who runs the company with her daughter, Lippy. 'Drama is so good for young and old alike. You get to examine all sorts of issues and it helps you grow in confidence and as a person because emphasis is put on teamwork and not on individual stardom.'

fACTory is starting another children's workshop in Tayvallich this Autumn but is also available for one-off workshops, school and amateur productions.

A colourful performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream by fACT

Mid Argyll Pipe Band presents

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Dalintober Choir will entertain
All donations from 9am

Kintyre Schools Massed Pipe Bands
STREET PERFORMANCE
in Main Street, Campbeltown
Saturday 15th September
at 7.30pm
After the Springbank Invitational
All Welcome
(Weather Permitting)

Kintyre & District National Youth Brass Band of Scotland
Saturday 22nd September
Sponsored Walk
Westport Beach - 10 am
Concert Sound of Kintyre
11.15 am
Pancake Teas and Concert
Machrihanish Village Hall
2 pm onwards.

CAMPBELTOWN FLOWER CLUB presents
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In the Argyll Hotel
Campbeltown
Tuesday 18th September
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Saturday 15th September
at 2pm
President v Vice President

Coffee Morning
In Parish Church Hall
For St Margaret's
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September 2007
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Plant and Bulb sale
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Sunday 23rd September
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Friday 28th September at 7.30 p m. Not Tuesday this month
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Choose life & The Dochas Centre Invite Photographers and other visual artists to submit images that reflect
'Celebrate Life'
Entry forms available from the Dochas Gallery
Campbell Street, Lochgilphead
Work to be handed in by 28th September
Prizes for best photo, best visual art and winner of a public vote
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September Ball
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Introduction to Organic Gardening with Horticulturist Patsy Dyer
Saturday 15th September , 1 - 4pm, £10 per person

Introduction to Organic Vegetarian Cooking with the Fyne Organic Company
Saturday 20th October 10am - 4pm, £15 per person

Booking is essential for these workshops.
To book please call 01499 500235 or
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Now in its second generation, with more than 1.1 million examples sold in the UK and a range which includes hatchback, saloon, estate and Coupé-Cabriolet derivatives, the Focus success story enters another chapter.

Following its unveiling at the Frankfurt Motor Show, Ford has announced that a new version of its family favourite will begin rolling off production lines from the end of 2007. Three-door, four-door, five-door and estate body styles will be first in UK showrooms, Coupé-Cabriolet and ST sporting flagship variants arriving in spring 2008.

Benefiting from Ford's 'kinetic design' approach to styling, the 2008 Focus takes its inspiration from the critically acclaimed new Mondeo. The result is a classier and more distinctive appearance from a vehicle that's now as exciting to look at as it is to drive.

Working from the front towards the rear, trapezoidal grilles, swept back headlamps, bold wheel arches, newly shaped rear glass, a contoured tailgate and new tail lamps are the key changes. Higher trim grades benefit from chrome detailing and a stylish, body-coloured upper rear spoiler.

Inside, the upmarket aura continues. New soft-touch plastics now cover the instrument panel as well as the upper front door trim and this is complemented by plush new seat fabrics plus a variety of attractive fascia finishing's. The instrumentation has been re-designed too and, along with all other interior controls, is illuminated in red. Controls for the upgraded audio equipment and two-zone air conditioning have also been ergonomically improved.

Furthermore, the Titanium now includes a newly designed centre console (optional with Zetec and part of the Sport Pack), which adopts the flowing 'kinetic design' look. In addition to a movable armrest and a four-litre-capacity storage compartment, there are storage areas for back-seat passengers or the facility to add optional items such as a 230 volt socket or the USB audio connection box. Another feature available as an option from the beginning of 2008 is the Ford Power Button, which will be positioned near the gear shifter.

The aesthetic appeal of Ford's latest Focus is matched by a range of mechanical introductions, including an all-new automated gearbox. The Ford PowerShift transmission will be available from early 2008 in the new Ford Focus as well as the Ford C-MAX, in combination with the 136PS and new 110PS versions of the 2.0-litre Duratorq TDCi engine.

Jointly developed by Ford and transmission specialists GETRAG, the gearbox consists of two layshaft transmissions working in parallel, each with its own wet clutch unit. Thanks to the layout of the intermediate shafts – one carrying the 'uneven' gears 1, 3 and 5, while the other one 'even' gears 2, 4 and 6 – the next gear change can be prepared by pre-selection whilst in motion and at full power.

As a result, in this configuration, the average fuel consumption improves by around 10 per cent, and CO2 emissions will be lower, compared to a conventional six-speed torque converter automatic transmission. Final homologated fuel economy and CO2 emissions data, as well as performance data for the Ford Focus with this new transmission technology, will be published closer to the car's market launch.

Another new development is the Focus "ECOnetic" which features an array of aerodynamic efficiencies and is powered by a 109 PS 1.6-litre Duratorq TDCi with standard Diesel Particulate Filter (DPF). Average consumption for the Focus ECOnetic is a frugal 65mpg. This corresponds to an average CO2 emission of only 115g/km, which is a class leading result for a conventional vehicle in this segment.

As a direct result of the Ford ECOnetic initiative, all Focus 1.6-litre TDCi variants will achieve 119g/km CO2 and this is regardless of power rating, body style or wheel dimensions. Flexifuel version of the 1.8-litre Duratec petrol four-cylinder engine can be fuelled with bio-ethanol E85-fuel as an alternative to conventional unleaded petrol – or in any mix of both. The Ford Focus range also includes CNG (compressed natural gas) and LPG (liquefied petroleum gas) derivatives both based on the 2.0-litre Duratec petrol engine.

The 2008 Ford Focus range will initially be offered across Studio, Style, Zetec and Titanium trim grades. More detailed information about the UK range and prices will be release close to the car's on-sale date.

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VAUXHALL CORSA 1.0

52 plate, 41,500 miles, MOT and taxed till October 31, 2007

£2950 o.n.o.

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Tel: 01631 566248

TOYOTA PREVIA GLS 2.4 AUTO

£5950

7 seater, 2001 Y, silver, 106k, one owner, full Toyota service history, excellent family car

Tel: 01852 300493 or 07867 861926

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120HP, deisel, 2003, 53 plate, 46,000 miles, 11 months MOT, 11 months tax, 4 new tyres

Telephone: 07884 015034

£5000 o.n.o.

LANDROVER DISCOVERY TDI XS

1996, MOTd and taxed, half leather seats, alloys, towbar, good condition

£2400 o.n.o.

Tel: 01631 565848 or 07926 157056

FIAT PUNTO 1.2

8 months tax and MOT, under 20,000 miles

Telephone: 07748 834808

£2750 o.n.o.

3

VAUXHALL ASTRA SPORTHATCH 1.8SRi

Black 56 plate Exterior pack, 18" alloys. Lady owner. Immaculate condition.

Telephone: 07786 964308

£10,750 o.n.o.

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£10250 + vat o.n.o.

2005/05, Equippe, SWB, 3.2tdi, alloys, aircon, electric windows/mirrors, ABS, ASC, taxed 03.08, man warranty 03.08, FSH, VGC, 43k miles.

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AUDI A2

£6850 o.n.o.

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2002 (02) AUDI A2 1.6 PETROL FSI SPORT. Dark Green. Manual, Excellent condition inside & out. 17" low profile alloy wheels NO marks. Rear spoiler, 6 Disc CD, Air Con, Electric Windows, Electric mirrors, Alarm. Extended warranty valid until July 08. Tax & MOT valid until June 08. FSH. Last serviced May 2007. Very economical. 35,000 miles.

Tel: 07810 713 768 or 01631 565163 (after 7pm)

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Taxed and MOT'd CD Player, Good condition

£4500 o.n.o.

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Tel: 01586 830122 (Home) or 07788734140 (Mobile)

VAUXHALL VECTRA 1.8 SRi 130

Y reg 2001, Motd May 2008, taxed, dark red, good condition

Telephone: 01631 565603 07766 418522

£2400

MITSUBISHI SHOGUN COMMERCIAL

£7800+VAT o.n.o.

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2003, 52 3 door manual, 3.2diesel, alloys, cd/radio, FSH, MOTed Jan 08, taxed Aug 08, one owner, 94000miles, e/c windows & mirrors

Tel: 01631 710208 / 07836342622

NISSAN NAVARA

£11,000 ono (No VAT)

2005 (05), 2.4D, CD, AC, CC, EW, SNUGTOP BACK BOX & LOADLINER, TAXED TO MAY 08, ONLY 18,300 MILES

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VW GOLF S 1.6

£3000

V Reg (1999) Tax Dec 07 Mot July 08

Tel: 01631 564556

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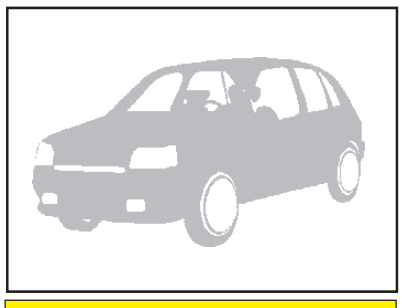
VOLKSWAGON GOLF CL TDI



£3500 o.n.o.

1999, 52,622 miles, maroon, one year MOT, 6 mths tax, very good condition

Tel: 07979 432186 07768 216087

99 BLACK LANDROVER FREELANDER 1.8I

92,000 miles, Tax Nov 2007, MOT June 2008

£2000

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Phone Ross on 07824 772 860 to arrange a viewing

WANTED

LANDROVER 90 OR 110, NEW OR OLD MODELS, ALSO DISCOVERY, RANGE ROVER AND ALL JAPANESE MODELS, TOYOTA ETC, HIGH MILES, DAMAGED, ANYTHING CONSIDERED.

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Contact James 07866 590583

50,000 POTENTIAL BUYERS

LAND ROVER DISCOVERY 2.5TDi.

1993. Tax & MOT Feb 2008. 151,000 miles.

£1750

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Tel: 01631 710264

1989 (L) VAUXHALL CORSA MERIT 1200CC

Needs some work for Mot

Telephone: 01631 564598

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£250 o.n.o.

VW GOLF 1.4

6 months tax, one years MOT, Full service history Only 53,000 miles, vgc

Telephone John: 07872 944701 (Oban)

£3900 o.n.o.

FORD PUMA

Y Reg 2001. 1.7 engine, 49K. Taxed and Mot'd. Lovely clean condition with F.S.H. Lack of use forces sale

£3000 o.n.o.

2

Tel: 07881 610729 (OBAN)

VAUXHALL ASTRA SXI 16V

2002 Silver, MOT til December '07 Alloy Wheels, Good condition.

Telephone: 07810 651059

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£3300

To advertise your car in Drive Times

Telephone 01586 554646 (campbeltown) or 01546 602345 (Lochgilphead)

FORD RANGER 4X4 KING CAB

£4,250 + vat.

2002 2.5td Full service history, one owner. Mot April 08 Canopy. Towbar, Air con. Very clean.
Contact Robertson Van sales, 14 crannog Lane, Oban PA34 4HB
Tel: 01631 563812 or 07990 548046

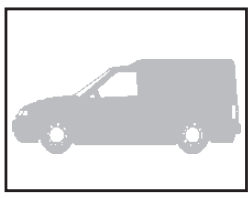
PEUGEOT PARTNER 1.9 D FRIDGE VAN

117k miles,
6 months tax,
6 months mot,
Good condition

Telephone:
07738 112348

£1950 o.n.o.

PEUGEOT 106 VAN



R Reg, Red, Taxed
31/10/07 MOT
15/10/07

£500

Tel: 01586 554646

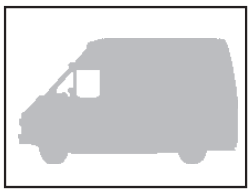
VW LT35 LWB FRIDGE VAN

£10,200 + VAT ono

2003, vgc, 220,000 miles, serviced every 10,000 miles

Tel: 07818 217000

LDV 400 CONVOY DIESEL PANEL VAN



48,000 miles, MOT'd and taxed, 4 new tyres

£850 o.n.o.

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RENAULT KANGOO DIESEL VAN

02 plate, 78,000 miles, taxed and MOT'd, lined and roof rack

Telephone:
07900 447306

£2600 + VAT ono

VW CAMPER T4 2.4 DIESEL LWB

1993 MOT 06/08 Tax 12/07
new engine and clutch, double bed, cooker, sink etc.
ready to go

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£4275 o.n.o.

Tel: 01631 710155

ROMAHOME DUO OUTLOOK SX MOTORHOME

Citroen Berlingo, 1.9HDi, 2003, 22k, MOT & taxed. 2 berth, 2 burner hob & grill, 3 way fridge, space heater, mains electrics.. Chemical toilet, sink. Extras. Excellent condition, FSH. Under 5m long. Reliable & economical

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200cc trail bike, 05 reg, 130 miles from new

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£1000 o.n.o.

Tel: 01397 708627 or 07940 957044

YACHT TRAILER AVON SPORTBOAT

YACHT TRAILER, heavy duty by SBS Wolverhampton, 25` - 32` fin keel, 4 unused tyres, £550.

AVON SPORTBOAT S3 - 40, LOA 11`, up to 25 hp outboard, no patches. £450 Both lying Loch Lomond area.

Tel: 01301702517 or 07769797637. aithne@btinternet.com

Caprice MK3 "Majik"

Pocket cruiser

Robert Tucker designed, 3 berth, fin keeled yacht, 19ft LOA.

New main, new upholstery covers. Recently epoxied & painted. Good road trailer, 4hp Yamaha outboard & Avon dinghy.

£1,500 o.n.o

***Ideal first boat* - easy to handle & very seaworthy.**
Much loved, widely sailed on the west coast.
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Similar to Shane Acton's famous "Shrimpy" which he sailed around the world. The Caprice was in the top10 in Yachting Monthly's 100 best boats of all times.

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£2700 2

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12ft Lowe Aluminium planning Hull with 5Hp Yamaha outboard only 3 month old plus new 12lt fuel tank and v.g.c road trailer

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WITH 60 HP MARINER (2001) OUTBOARD 120 HRS USE
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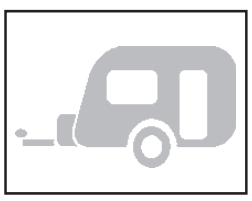

1991, 19ft, 5 Berth, Hot Air Central Heating, New Water pump and Heater, Excellent condition. (Berthed at Carradale)

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Contact Ian on 0780 392 8879

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12 A request to insert an advertisement assumes acceptance of

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Meet your local MP

Alan Reid MP will be in your area for his Summer Tour on the following dates:-

Thursday 20th September 2007

Inveraray - 9.00am - 10.00am
Furnace - 10.15am - 10.30am
Minard - 11.00am - 11.15am
Lochgair - 11.45am - 12 Noon
Bridgend - 1.45pm - 2.00pm
Cairnbaan - 2.15pm - 2.30pm
Crinan - 2.45pm - 3.00pm
Tayvallich - 3.45pm - 4.00pm

Friday 21 September 2007

Port Ellen - 9.00am - 9.45am
Portnahaven - 1.45pm - 2.00pm
Port Charlotte - 2.45pm - 3.00pm
Bruichladdich - 3.30pm - 3.45pm
Bridgend - 4.15pm - 4.30pm
Ballygrant - 5.00pm - 5.15pm
Bowmore - 6.30pm - 7.30pm

Saturday 22 September 2007

Port Askaig - 9.00am - 9.15am
Craighouse - 10am - 10.30am

For an appointment please call 01369 704840

Mid Argyll Community Enterprises Ltd

MID ARGYLL SWIMMING POOL

AGM
will be held
on Thursday 11th October 2007
in the Community Centre,
Lochgilphead at 7.30pm
All welcome to attend

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Argyll Bute COUNCIL

PLANNING

PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

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

SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PLANS

Ref No: 07/01433/COU
Applicant: Janet Lumb And Angela Whiles
Proposal: Change of use of land for siting of 10 caravans
Site Address: Land East Of Kilchrist Castle Campbeltown Argyll
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
Section 34 and Article 9 Advert 14 Days

Ref No: 07/01645/DET
Applicant: M.C MacDonald And Co
Proposal: Formation of access and installation of sewage treatment plant ot serve two dwelling houses
Site Address: Land North Of Tighchromain Cottage Beachmeanach Tayinloan Argyll And Bute PA29 6XF
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tayinloan
Section 34 Advert - 14 Days

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

Any letter of representation the council receives about a planning application is considered a public document.

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OPERATIONAL SERVICES

ROADS (SCOTLAND) ACT 1984

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Argyll and Bute Council propose to make an order under Section 152(2) of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 redetermining the means of exercise of the public right of passage over the length of footpath described in the Schedule hereto.

The title of the order is "THE ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL (KILMORY ROAD FOOTPATH, LOCHGILPHEAD) (REDETERMINATION OF MEANS OF EXERCISE OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF PASSAGE) ORDER 200_".

A copy of the proposed Order, notice and accompanying plan (Drawing No.OS186) indicating the length of footpath over which the means of exercise of the public right of passage is to be redetermined, together with a statement of reasons for making the Order have been deposited at the Offices of:

1 Roads & Amenity Services, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead;

2 Argyll & Bute Council Offices, Kilmory, Lochgilphead.

The documents are available for inspection free of charge during normal working hours.

ANY PERSON may, within 28 days from 14th September 2007, object to the making of the Order by notice in writing to the Head of Roads & Amenity Services, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, Argyll PA31 8RD. Objections should state the name and address of the objector, the matters to which they relate and the grounds on which they are made.

SCHEDULE - ROAD OVER WHICH MEANS OF EXERCISE OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF PASSAGE IS TO BE REDETERMINED

That length of pedestrian footpath in Lochgilphead, on the east side and at the southernmost point of Kilmory Road, indicated with sawtooth hatching and marked A-B on Drawing Number OS186, commencing from a point 84 metres or thereby south of the extended south kerbline of Kilmory Road at its junction with Whitegates road in a southerly direction for a distance of 34 metres or thereby, shall become a cycle track the right of passage being exercisable on pedal cycle and foot only.

13th September 2007

Andrew R Law, Director of Operational Services

Argyll Drama Festival

AGM
Monday 8th October 2007
7.30pm
Lochgilphead Community Centre
For further information contact Ian James 01852 500268

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GOODS VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENCE

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COAST PROTECTION ACT 1949

SEWER PIPELINE AT LOCHGILPHEAD

Notice is hereby given that Scottish Water Solutions has applied to the Scottish Ministers of the Scottish Government, under section 34 of the Coast Protection Act 1949, as amended by the section 36 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1988, to carry out the above works at:

Description	Latitude	Longitude
	56 01.39N	05 25.46W
	56 01.37N	005 25.45W

Plans showing the position of the works may be inspected at Lochgilphead Branch Library, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, PA31 8QZ

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The Scottish Executive, Ports and Harbours Branch, Area 2G North, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh EH6 6QQ within 28 days of the date of this notice quoting reference: 2SPC\1\4\56

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Thursday 20th September 2007

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Furnace - 10.15am - 10.30am
Minard - 11.00am - 11.15am
Lochgair - 11.45am - 12 Noon
Bridgend - 1.45pm - 2.00pm
Cairnbaan - 2.15pm - 2.30pm
Crinan - 2.45pm - 3.00pm
Tayvallich - 3.45pm - 4.00pm

Friday 21 September 2007

Port Ellen - 9.00am - 9.45am
Portnahaven - 1.45pm - 2.00pm
Port Charlotte - 2.45pm - 3.00pm
Bruichladdich - 3.30pm - 3.45pm
Bridgend - 4.15pm - 4.30pm
Ballygrant - 5.00pm - 5.15pm
Bowmore - 6.30pm - 7.30pm

Saturday 22 September 2007

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Craighouse - 10am - 10.30am

For an appointment please call 01369 704840

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AGM
will be held
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PLANNING

PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

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

SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PLANS

Ref No: 07/01433/COU
Applicant: Janet Lumb And Angela Whiles
Proposal: Change of use of land for siting of 10 caravans
Site Address: Land East Of Kilchrist Castle Campbeltown Argyll
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
Section 34 and Article 9 Advert 14 Days

Ref No: 07/01645/DET
Applicant: M.C MacDonald And Co
Proposal: Formation of access and installation of sewage treatment plant ot serve two dwelling houses
Site Address: Land North Of Tighchromain Cottage Beachmeanach Tayinloan Argyll And Bute PA29 6XF
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tayinloan
Section 34 Advert - 14 Days

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

Any letter of representation the council receives about a planning application is considered a public document.

Please therefore note that representations will be made available for public inspection and, under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act, will be copied on request. They will also be published on the council's web site.

The author of such a representation is solely responsible for its content and accuracy.

Anonymous representations will be "shredded" and those marked confidential will be returned to the sender. Neither will be taken into account when the application is being considered.

Details of representations we receive on planning applications can be viewed on the council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/publicaccess

OPERATIONAL SERVICES

ROADS (SCOTLAND) ACT 1984

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Argyll and Bute Council propose to make an order under Section 152(2) of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 redetermining the means of exercise of the public right of passage over the length of footpath described in the Schedule hereto.

The title of the order is "THE ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL (KILMORY ROAD FOOTPATH, LOCHGILPHEAD) (REDETERMINATION OF MEANS OF EXERCISE OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF PASSAGE) ORDER 200_".

A copy of the proposed Order, notice and accompanying plan (Drawing No.OS186) indicating the length of footpath over which the means of exercise of the public right of passage is to be redetermined, together with a statement of reasons for making the Order have been deposited at the Offices of:

1 Roads & Amenity Services, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead;

2 Argyll & Bute Council Offices, Kilmory, Lochgilphead.

The documents are available for inspection free of charge during normal working hours.

ANY PERSON may, within 28 days from 14th September 2007, object to the making of the Order by notice in writing to the Head of Roads & Amenity Services, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, Argyll PA31 8RD. Objections should state the name and address of the objector, the matters to which they relate and the grounds on which they are made.

SCHEDULE - ROAD OVER WHICH MEANS OF EXERCISE OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF PASSAGE IS TO BE REDETERMINED

That length of pedestrian footpath in Lochgilphead, on the east side and at the southernmost point of Kilmory Road, indicated with sawtooth hatching and marked A-B on Drawing Number OS186, commencing from a point 84 metres or thereby south of the extended south kerbline of Kilmory Road at its junction with Whitegates road in a southerly direction for a distance of 34 metres or thereby, shall become a cycle track the right of passage being exercisable on pedal cycle and foot only.

13th September 2007

Andrew R Law, Director of Operational Services

Argyll Drama Festival

AGM
Monday 8th October 2007
7.30pm
Lochgilphead Community Centre
For further information contact Ian James 01852 500268

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GOODS VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENCE

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

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COAST PROTECTION ACT 1949

SEWER PIPELINE AT LOCHGILPHEAD

Notice is hereby given that Scottish Water Solutions has applied to the Scottish Ministers of the Scottish Government, under section 34 of the Coast Protection Act 1949, as amended by the section 36 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1988, to carry out the above works at:

Description	Latitude	Longitude
	56 01.39N	005 25.46W
	56 01.37N	005 25.45W

Plans showing the position of the works may be inspected at Lochgilphead Branch Library, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, PA31 8QZ

Objections relating to safety of navigation, in respect of the application should be made to:
The Scottish Executive, Ports and Harbours Branch, Area 2G North, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh EH6 6QQ within 28 days of the date of this notice quoting reference: 2SPC\1\4\56

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The successful candidate requires to hold a minimum of 3 Standard grades or equivalent and/or a secretarial or administrative qualification, along with relevant work experience and aptitude. Post-holders will have regular contact with customers, staff and members of the Association's Area Committee "on the frontline" therefore a decree of organisational, administrative and communication skills are necessary.

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

Closing Date for Applications: 12 noon on Friday 21st September 2007

Interviews will be held in Islay on Thursday 11th October 2007

This post is subject to a Disclosure Scotland check.

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Support Scientist (CCAP)

Job Ref D16/07.JD (Salary £14,289 - £15,040)
A vacancy has arisen in the Culture Collection of Algae and Protozoa (CCAP) department. CCAP requires a Support Scientist to be responsible for media production, glassware washing and providing technical support as necessary. The postholder, with other members of the team, will also be expected to provide support to CCAP service activities to the user community; underpin research activities and assist with the development and exploitation of the CCAP. Candidates should have excellent communication and team working skills and good organisational abilities. Full training will be given.

General enquiries for above CCAP post should be directed to ccap@sams.ac.uk

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Job Ref D17/07.DB (Salary £15,487-£17,756)
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Further information and Application Forms are available on line at www.sams.ac.uk

Alternatively, please write, stating clearly the post for which you wish to apply, to: The Personnel Officer, Scottish Association for Marine Science, Dunstaffnage Marine Laboratory, Oban, Argyll, PA37 1QA, or e-mail: recruitment@sams.ac.uk

The closing date for receipt of all applications for both positions is:
Friday 28th September 2007

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Argyll & Bute CHP

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Informal enquiries to Maggie Fawkes – Tel: 01389 817013.

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

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You must be customer focused, have a clear understanding of the customer interface and have a proactive approach to customer care.

A shift pattern basis will apply this will normally consist of one week on, one week off.

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Application forms are available from Historic Scotland, Iona Abbey, Isle of Iona, Argyll PA76 6SQ or telephone 01681 700512 quoting reference HSC/07/100.

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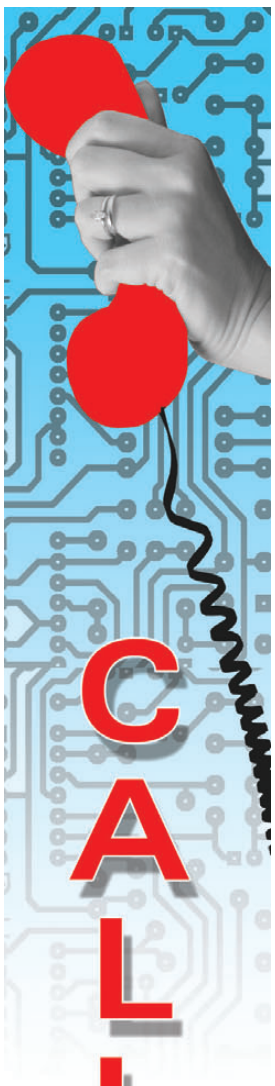

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus said, 'God is spirit, and his worshippers must worship in spirit and in truth' (John 4:24).

BIRTHS

RAINEY

Danny and Helen (MacInnes) are delighted to announce the birth of their son Neil John at the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley on September 2, 2007.

BRODIE – MEHIGAN – Danielle and Craig are delighted to announce the safe arrival of a beautiful girl, Keira, on September 9, 2007, at the Queen Mother's Hospital. Both well.

MARRIAGE

McCALLUM – McQUILKAN - Graham and Mary are delighted to announce their marriage at the Hunting Lodge Hotel on Monday September 10, 2007. A wonderful day.

RUBY WEDDING

CAMPBELL – MCMILLAN - At the Highland Parish Church, on September 15, 1967, by Rev. Charles Henderson, Dougie to Jean. Present address 16 Tormhor, Carradale.

DEATHS

MACALISTER - Peacefully at his home, Cruachan, Lady Ileene Road, Tarbert, on September 9, 2007, Donald MacDougall MacAlister in his 87th year, beloved husband of Agnes and loving father of Kathleen, Donald, Iain and the late Annette, a dear papa and great grand papa to all the family. Funeral service will be held in Tarbert Parish Church on Friday September 14th at 1pm, thereafter to Carrick cemetery, Tarbert, family flowers only, donations to Tarbert Parish church fund. All relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend.

MARTIN – Suddenly in Turkey on September 4, 2007, James Samuel Martin (Jim) in his 61st year, 34 Castleacres, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Lorna Galbraith, much loved father of Alan, Derek and Julie, father-in-law of Katie and loving brother of Eileen. Service in the Lorne and Lowland Church, Campbeltown on Monday September 17, 2007 at 2.00pm. Funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only. A retiral collection will be held in the Church in aid of the Campbeltown Hospital.

MAYER - Dr A Crawford Mayer died peacefully in his sleep in the Mid-Argyll Hospital in Lochgilphead on September 7, 2007, aged 95. He outstandingly supported his community in Tarbert where he established his practice as a doctor in 1947, after service in the war. He was a warm and caring family man to his wife, children and grandchildren and to his great-grandchildren Catherine and Leocadia. In accordance with his wishes, he will be cremated on September 14, 2007. A memorial service will be held on Saturday September 15, 2007 at 11 am, in Tarbert Parish Church. All are respectfully invited and will be cordially welcome. A retiral collection will be held for Tarbert Nursing Aid.

ROBERTSON - Peacefully at the Ossians Care Home, Connel, on September 5, 2007, Christina Gilchrist Robertson in her 101st year, formerly of Drynoch and Ardloch, Ardrishaig, Argyll, beloved wife of the late Donald and loving mother of Dugald and Bruce, a much respected grandmother and great-grandmother to all the family. Funeral service was held in Ardrishaig Parish Church on Wednesday, September 12, followed by interment at Achnabreac Cemetery. Forever in our thoughts.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

MacGILLIVRAY - The family of the late Jessie MacGillivray would like to thank all family and friends for their letters, cards, phone calls, messages of sympathy and floral tributes, following their sad loss. Thanks to the staff of both the Acute Ward, Campbeltown Hospital and the staff of the Southern General Hospital for the care and attention given to Jessie. Thanks to Major Dolores Thomson for a comforting service and to all who attended on the day to pay their respects. Thanks to the Ardshiel Hotel for their excellent afternoon teas. Special thanks to Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for their caring, helpful and professional funeral arrangements and to all those who paid their respects at the graveside.

RALSTON - The family of the late Margaret Ralston would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for letters, cards, phone calls and kind expressions of sympathy following their sad loss. Thanks to the staff of Lorn and Islands Hospital, Oban and Acute Ward, Campbeltown for the care and attention given to Margaret. Grateful thanks to Rev Philip Burroughs for a fitting and comforting service, Alasdair Blair for efficient funeral arrangements, the Argyll Hotel for the excellent tea and to all those who paid their respects at the church and graveside.

ROBB - The family of the late Nessie Robb would like to thank all relations, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy. Special thanks to all staff of Bengullion Ward, the Rev Philip Burroughs, Alasdair Blair, the Argyll Arms Hotel and all who paid respects at the Church and graveside.

IN MEMORIAMS

ANDERSON - In loving memory of my dear wife, Christine, who died September 13, 2005.
- David.

ANDERSON – Precious memories of a dear mum and granny.
Thinking of you always.
- Lesley, Kevin and boys.

ANDERSON – In loving memory of a dear mum, Teenie.
Thinking of you always
- Alan
Loved and remembered every day.
- Karen, Paul, James and Stephanie.

GODDARD – Treasured memories of a dear niece Agnes, died September 6, 1999.
The gates of heaven never close
How we miss you no one knows
Out of sight, but not of mind
These are the memories you left behind
- Auntie Phemie and family.

MCMURCHY - In loving memory of Archie, died September 14, 1994.
Those we love don't go away
But walk beside us every day
Unseen, unheard, but always near
Still loved, still missed, still very dear.
- Your loving wife Janet.

O'HARA - In loving memory of our dad Henry.
In our hearts you will always stay
Loved and remembered every day.
- Donna and Derek.

O'HARA - In loving memory of a dear dad, Henry, who died September 17, 2006. No longer in our lives to share
But in our hearts you're always there.
- Fiona and Steve.

O'HARA - Dear fishing, Granda.
We miss you more than words can say
In our thoughts every day.
- Loving grandchildren.

ROBERTSON - In loving memory of Christina (née Gillies), who died September 11, 2006. Greatly missed by all her family. Forever in our thoughts, always in our hearts. Gus Am Bris An Là.

WINTER - In loving memory of a dear mother, died September 10, 2005.
Sadly missed
Forever in our hearts and thoughts always.
God Bless.
- Iain and Madge, family in Kent xxx.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES

St. Kiaran's Scottish Episcopal Church
Argyll Street, Campbeltown
(A Province of the Anglican Communion)
Sunday 16th September 2007
Trinity 15
10.45am Baptism and Family Communion followed by lunch
Details of services are on the Church door
Enquiries to Revd A J Williamson
Telephone **01586 551478**

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH
Friday 14th September
Lunch Club - 12:15 p.m.
Sunday 16th September
Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m.
(Creche, Sunday School & Bible Class)
Rev. Philip Burroughs/ Rev. Dr. Kirsty-Ann Burroughs
Tuesday 18th September
Mothers and Toddlers - 9:45 a.m.
Thursday 20th September
'ALPHA' course - 7:15 p.m. at the Salvation Army Hall

Highland Parish Church

Sunday 16th September 2007
11.15am Morning Worship
Guest Preacher: Mr Andy Martin - Scottish Director of Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF)
Creche in Church (0-3yrs)
FunDay Club (3yrs – P5) in Kirk St Hall
JAM (P6+) in church
7.30pm United Youth Evening (with MAF) – Springbank Ch Hall
Thursday 20th September
7.00pm Alpha Course – Salvation Army Hall
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LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN
Sunday 16 September 2007
11.00am
Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch
Speaker: Graham McLean
Thursday 20 September
7.30pm
Praise, worship & sharing
All Welcome
"Come and see"

LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 16 September 2007
Service at 11am.
Rev. Hilda Smith
All welcome.

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
Morning Worship
Sunday 16th September 2007
Inverlussa Church 10am
Preacher Rev Richard West
Evening Worship
Prayer for Healing Service
Bellanoch Church 6.30pm
Led by Rev Richard West
Joint Parish Prayer Meeting
Thursday 20th September
Kilmartin Church 7.30pm
All welcome
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TARBERT LINKED WITH KILBERRY PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 16th September 2007
Tarbert Music Festival Service
Tarbert Church 11.30am
Sunday School 11.20am
Afternoon Service 3pm
Tarbert Art and Leisure Centre
Margaret Sinclair
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Soup and sandwiches, teas and coffee
Saturday and Sunday 15th and 16th September
11am - 4pm
in Tarbert Art and Leisure Centre in aid of church funds
Board and session meeting
Thursday 20th September
7.30pm
Church hall
For all church inquiries and pastoral care
Telephone 01499 500633
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LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
All Welcome
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson
Sunday 16th September 2007
11.00am Morning Service with communion
Evening Service 6.30pm
Monday 10.30am
Discipleship Course
Monday evening @7.20pm "Beta Course"
Wednesday@7
"Prayer Meeting"
Jumpstart Group
10.00 – 11.30am
Come along and join us
Next "The Edge" Kids Club
Friday 21st September
6.30pm – 8.00pm
5yrs to 11 yrs
All Welcome

GLASSARY, KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 16th September 2007
Ford 11.30am
Rev Richard West
All most welcome

THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND CUMLODDEN LOCHFYNESIDE AND LOCHGAIR
Sunday 16th September 2007
Foundations
(1 Corinthians 3:10,11)
CUMLODDEN (Furnace)
10.30 am - Sacrament of Baptism
LOCHFYNESIDE (Minard)
12 noon
LOCHGAIR 3 pm
Rev. Roderick MacLeod
All welcome

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Ladies Home League – 1.45pm
Thursday – 11.30 a.m.
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New-to-you Stall
Bible Study 7.00p.m.
Major Dolores Thomson

CHRIST CHURCH LOCHGILPHEAD
9am Eucharist
11am Eucharist with hymns
St Columba's Poltalloch
3.30pm Evening Prayer

ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTHKNAPDALE PARISHES
Come and worship the Lord in
Achahoish at 9:45am
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Ardrishaig at 11:00am

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Bad start kills game for Tarbert

FOLLOWING last week's heavy defeat at home to St Pat.'s, Tarbert were hoping to pick up three points in Glasgow on Saturday but a poor first half show put them up against it.

Following a bright start which should have seen the Frigate Hotel-sponsored side take the lea, Tarbert lost two goals before half time due to poor marking.

A spirited second half by Tarbert restored some pride but despite creating several chances they couldn't reduce the deficit.

King's Park made it 3-0 with a quickly taken free kick before Duncan MacDougall headed a last-minute consolation for Tarbert. Final score 3-1.

Player/manager Dougie Guy was disappointed with the result but encouraged by his team's second half show.

Tomorrow, Saturday September 15, Tarbert are at home to Cambria B on league duty. Kick-off at Cil Andreis is at 2.30pm.

Kenny and Nikki Thompson with the array of trophies they picked up in Shetland. A37ang1NO

Viking victory

AN ARDRISHAIG couple achieved a life long ambition when they out-fished the Vikings to take the top awards at a prestigious three-day championship event held in Shetland.

Kenny & Nikki Thompson landed an impressive nine trophies between them at the 'Viking Sea Angling Festival' fished out of Shetland's ancient capital, Scalloway.

Kenny won the overall championship, Nikki took the ladies' title and the Argyll couple also won the pairs' trophy along with numerous other daily awards.

The Ardrishaig duo caught pollack to 10.8lbs, tusk to 7lb, really big cod and ling, sometimes two at a time, with a combined weight of over 500lbs of qualifying fish over the three days.

Nikki said: 'What a time we had. I've never been out in weather like it in my life. I'm bruised and battered but what the hell – we won!'

The event attracted 43 top anglers from all over the country who were faced with three days of mountainous seas and severe winds fishing in the north Atlantic up to 25 miles west of Shetland, and while fishing in such horrendous conditions was extremely testing, perseverance paid off and ensured the title came home to Argyll.

Johnson crowned champion at golf

Winning swingers in Lochgilphead Golf Club at their gents club championship recently. A37gol2NO

LOCHGILPHEAD golf club held their gents club championship at the end of August with three competitions rolled into one. The Downhill trophy is played for during the first round by members who are 50 and over and the young gun of this pack, John Downie, picked it up with a great nett 61. The nett trophy like the gross is over four rounds.

Leader going into the final round was Ross Sinclair helped by a fantastic nett 55, gross 61 in the second round. He was being chased by D Sinclair, A Davis and a host of others.

The leader of the gross section after three rounds was Donald Johnson the form player for this year. He was ahead of R Sinclair, S Gilmour and M MacAulay.

Sundays final rounds were close fought affairs. Ross held on to his lead to win the net section by six shots over D Sinclair who was three ahead of A Davis.

The well deserved club champion for 2007 was Donald Johnson. His consistent play held of any of the challengers and he ran out the winner by seven over R Sinclair who was three ahead of M MacAulay.

Thanks to all the greens staff who provided a tough test not helped by the weather.

Scores: Downhill Trophy - J Downie nett 61

Nett Trophy: 1 R Sinclair – 248, 2 D Sinclair – 254, 3 A Davis - 257

Club Championship: 1 D Johnson – 265, 2 R Sinclair – 272, 3 M MacAulay - 275

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Competitors in the mixed foursomes at Lochgilphead Golf Club. A37gol1NO

Guys and gals golf

IT MAY have been a dreich day in Lochgilphead on Sunday 9 September but there were sunny smiles all round on the golf course for the 2007 Lochgilphead Mixed Foursomes Open Golf Tournament. Unfortunately this year, only ten couples competed for the prizes on offer but, after a 1pm bell start, they all enjoyed an interesting, though at times frustrating, afternoon playing alternate shots over 18 holes.

Fiona Pont not only won the ladies long drive competition umbrella but also took away a sleeve of nice new golf balls for being nearest the pin with her drive at the 9th hole. In the gents section, Jim Hunter took some ribbing for winning the longest drive at the first hole – (did it bounce off the road, Jim or did the ball lie as it fell, in its own plug hole?) while Bill Ross needed the help of all three of his playing partners for his nearest the hole measure of 20ft 11in (well, he didn't have his glasses and when he was an apprentice 50 years ago, they did not use metres and centimetres in Scotland!)

The long established golf combo of Ross Sinclair and Kathleen Young was once again impossible to beat and they won the Scratch shield with a gross score of 81, while in second place, husband and wife team Alex and Jenny MacAulay finished with an 85, ruing their escapades in the burn the second time round at the Rifle Range. John Downie, accompanied by country member Irene Paton, finished third in the Scratch section but left before the photo shoot and the news that he had also won a bottle of Asti in the raffle!

The Stableford results were even closer. In third place with 30 points were Isobel MacMillan and David Ross, while David's parents, Norma and Bill, carded 31 points for second place. Winners of the Stableford Open Trophy 2007 were the mother and son team of Elsie and David Sinclair with 33 points. Congratulations to David and Elsie. Grateful thanks to Captain Iain MacLeod and match secretary Fiona Pont for their superb organisation before and after the event, to Jimmy Litster for running the bar and taking the photographs and to the greenkeepers as usual for their dedication to the green, green grass of home golf.

Work needing done after home defeats

MID ARGYLL welcomed league new boys Arran RFC to the Mushroom Field and in spite of a sprited comeback in the last quarter ended up on the wrong side of a 5 to 2 try count.

The game was fairly even for the first 20 minutes although with the visitors having the better scoring opportunities. Arran should have gone ahead after a two man overlap was wasted when the winger dropped the ball with the line gaping.

Mid Argyll's chances weren't helped when their stand off caught his studs in the turf and had to retire injured and his absence reduced tactical kicking options considerably as a result.

Arran weren't to be denied for long though and a series of weak tackles allowed three quick scores on the trot from their pacy backs.

The second half was pretty much a repeat of the first as Arran raced into a thirty three point lead. Captain Kelly made several tactical substitutions bringing on Semple who made an immediate impact and a controlled drive by the home pack near the Arran line resulted in second row Hill being driven over for the home side's opener.

Jamie Reid wins a lineout for Mid Argyll against Arran RFC. A37rug1NO

Re-invigorated, Mid Argyll tightened up their defence and with Arran repeatedly infringing , a penalty kick to touch and resultant line out ended with a repeat of the first try as flanker Reid crashed over. Aitken's conversion attempt slid wide as the referee blew for full time.

Although losing the game, it was a much more youthful Mid Argyll team that took to the pitch than of late and the youngsters acquitted themselves well in difficult circumstances as they tried to adjust to the sometimes harsh realities of league rugby.

A bit more time on the practice pitch with Captain Kelly and nurturing by the experienced players around them will pay rewards for the youngsters in what is very much a transitional season.

In the second league game of the season, a disappointing performance saw Mid Argyll slump to a 55-5 defeat away to Cowal RFC leaving much work to be done to turn the season round after two heavy defeats.

Star keep up unbeaten run

LAST Saturday Star travelled away to face newly promoted side Port Glasgow Amateurs. Red Star were keen to maintain their 100 per cent record and with this in mind the Café 35-sponsored side took a big squad, welcoming back captain Iain Houston for his first game of the season but were without Craig Houston who was serving his last game of a suspension.

The game couldn't have started better for Star as they took the lead in the first five minutes. As Asen released Morrison down the left wing he cut inside to the bye line and pulled the ball back to Naisby, who, from eight yards out, smashed a left footed shot into the far corner. They doubled their lead five minutes later when Morrison laid the ball back to Naisby who played a deep curling cross which Broderick volleyed to smash in his first of the season.

Star were holding on towards half time and suffered a setback when MacDougall was hurt in a challenge and had to be replaced by Boness. At the interval Moore had some strong words and the hairdryer treatment was used on more than one occasion.

Into the second half and the Stag Hotel-sponsored team couldn't get any rhythm going but still created chances through the front two of Asen and Russell who were combining well.

It was starting to get edgy for Lochgilphead and they conceded a goal on 65 mins. A free kick was clipped over the defence to the Port number 10 who smashed the ball past Baxter.

This spurred the home team on and ten minutes later Star let in an equaliser with a looping header over Baxter.

This didn't get Star downhearted, though, and on 82 minutes a free kick was swung in by D Campbell to the feet of Asen who rolled it past the keeper into the net.

The away side weren't finished and on 88 minutes Asen was brought down in the box. The official pointed to the spot and sent the defender off for a professional foul. The resulting penalty was coolly tucked away by D Campbell.

Star have a free week but are back in action on September 22 against local rivals Tarbert at the Ropework Park with a 2:30pm kick off.

Autocross action

SEPTEMBER 2 saw the Autocross Club racing again in fine weather. It was good to see the numbers competing up on last month's from 8 to 14 cars.

During the 42 races a couple of accidents occurred. One of which required the assistance of St John's Ambulance who removed a driver from the damaged car on a spinal board.

Fortunately, after x-rays at Mid Argyll Hospital Craig Campbell was released with a stiff neck and sore back.

At the end of the day's racing, a tie on 12 points meant a race off for first and second place. This resulted in another first place win for Papa McGlynn and second place on the podium to another familiar face, Grant Laird. Third place went to an up-and-coming young driver, Alan Ross (Goldie).

The last event of 2007 is September 29 at 12 noon.

Big thanks from the boys in the club to St John's – Neil and Davie. Also to Forestry Commission, Whitegates.

Lotteries

Tarbert AFC's numbers are 11, 13 and 15. No winners with next week's jackpot £700.

Kilmory Camanachd's numbers are 8, 10 and 14. No winners with next week's jackpot also £700.

Inveraray's numbers are 5, 14 and 15. No winners with a £400 pot for next week.

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