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Lights out on lantern parade

Urgent appeal for volunteers to revive popular event next year

A NEW band of volunteers is being sought to revive the Lochgilphead Lantern Parade as 2014 will be the first year the event has not been held for two almost decades.

The parade, which sees hundreds of people march down Argyll Street with handmade lanterns on bonfire night, was cancelled after residents failed to volunteer to run it.

Only two people turned out to a public meeting earlier this year, which aimed to find a replacement for Lanterns@10 committee members who, for personal reasons, had stepped down.

Now the Heart of Argyll Tourism Alliance (HOATA) and Artmap Argyll are calling on locals to support them and revive the much-loved festival in 2015.

'The previous committee ran it for 10 to 12 years and felt it was time to hand it over to someone else. What we need to do now is identify that someone else,' said Carron Tobin of HOATA.

'It needs new members with the energy and desire to chase some funding.

'If the community came together and worked to make it happen it stands a good chance of coming back next year.'

Figures for the 2012 Lantern Parade show 3,000 people turned out to watch the spectacle and fireworks, while an additional 200 people took part in the parade and lantern making workshops.

Carron added: 'It's a big project and one that embraces the whole community.



The Lochgilphead Lantern Parade has delighted both young and old for a generation. 06_a45lan07

'The economic impact on the town is important but perhaps not as important as the community impact.

'Students or people who had left, that would

always be their weekend to come home and tourists and visitors, especially people with second homes in the area, would come.

'Given it's in Novem-

ber and out of season it is a welcome boost to businesses too.'

Sian MacQueen from Artmap Argyll, whose individual members have helped make lan-

terns for the parade for many years, said the organisation would be delighted to support the event but said funding would be crucial to its survival.

Meanwhile Mid Argyll Round Table has confirmed the annual fireworks display and bonfire on the Corran will still go ahead on November 8 this year.



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Broadband provision in Dunadd area

A MAN at the heart of a search for better broadband for rural and remote communities is to discuss the issue with people in Ford next week.

Campbell Cameron, of Community Broadband Scotland, is to attend a meeting of Dunadd Community Council af-

ter residents raised the lack of, and standard of, internet access in the area as one of their greatest concerns.

Negative impact

James Malcolm of the community council said: 'The lack of a workable broadband service has been seen to have a negative impact

on local businesses and households alike.

'The community council has managed to get Campbell to come and give us an update on the situation and to answer the questions raised at the earlier community consultations. Campbell is working with Highlands and Islands Enter-

prise to find solutions to the problem.'

The meeting, which will begin with a presentation on broadband provision, will be held at Ford Village Hall on September 23 at 7.30pm; it is hoped residents from Glassary and Kilmartin will also attend.

Charity fundraisers showcase Argyll

THREE Mid Argyll men who have been tirelessly raising cash for charity will tonight (Friday) raise awareness of their campaign while boosting the profile of Argyll as a first class tourist destination.

The Duntrune Trekkers - Duncan McGregor, Blair Johnston and John Kennedy - will be at the Lauren Currie Twilight Foundation Grand Ball to auction off an action-packed Argyll holiday.

They have put together a package which encapsulates the best of the Kintyre Peninsula. It includes a seven-night stay at Machrihanish Holiday Park, a meal at the Ardsheil Hotel, a tour of Springbank Distillery and a round of golf at the world famous links golf course at Machrihanish.

'What we believe we are also achieving with all our auction lots is really advertising the lo-

cal area, the businesses, activities and hospitality,' Blair said. 'We have further auction lots arranged for the Rainbow Valley Grand Ball on November 15.'

The Duntrune Trekkers will climb Mount Kilimanjaro next week to raise cash for MS Centre Argyll, Rainbow Valley and Lauren Currie Twilight Foundation.

The organisations support people in their fight against MS, Cancer and vasculitis.



Friends Natalie Armour (centre) Maria Mackenzie (left) and Kirsteen Houston will be getting on their bikes for Yorkhill Children's Hospital. They will be waved off by their children and families. 06_a37york03

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Hall cost people of Ardrish

ARDRISHAIG Community Trust has confirmed it paid £80,000 for the North Church Hall, as it says community groups are continuing to use the hall as normal.

The trust took ownership of the hall on September 1 after it used money generated from the community's share in Allt Dearg Community Wind Farm to buy it.

Directors of the trust were told their bid was successful at the end of June but

would not reveal how much the hall cost until the sale was complete.

They did not consult the community before purchasing the hall but are now asking residents how they would like to see the hall used, and potentially developed, in the future.

A spokesman for the trust said: 'There will be an open evening in the North Hall on Friday, October 3, to allow people to discuss both the North Hall and the Pub-

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Mid Argyll women get on their bikes for Yorkhill

Family and friends in hospital fundraiser

A WOMAN whose toddler was treated for a brain tumour at Yorkhill Children's Hospital will join her friends in 'giving something back' to those who helped to save her child's life.

Natalie Armour's son Harris Law was diagnosed with a benign brain tumour in July. Harris was admitted to the Glasgow hospital within days, where he had a shunt installed, which drains fluid from around the tumour into his stomach.

Just two months on, the 18-month-old is well and at home in Ardrishaig with his mum, dad, Johnny Law, and older sister Katie-Anne.

Now Natalie and a

group of women from Mid Argyll are to complete a sponsored cycle and host a charity disco to raise cash for the hospital.

Family friend Kirsteen Houston is one of around 20 women volunteering to get on her bike.

She said: 'A lot of women in the area and their families - too many to mention - have had dealings with Yorkhill over the years and so as a group of friends want to give something back.'

'We will be cycling 24 miles from Ardrishaig along the Crinan Canal and around the surrounding villages.'

The women will be supported on their cycle, on

October 4, by Mid Argyll Tri and Cycle Club, while Crinan Cycles will be donating hire bikes for the event. It will be followed in the evening by a disco with DJ James Murphy at the Argyll Inn in Lochgilphead.

Natalie said: 'The staff at Ward A7 in neurology are just fantastic. The care Harris got and the support we received as parents was excellent. That's why I am so pleased my friends and I are doing this fundraiser, to show our appreciation.'

'I also want to thank Dr Ward, Liz Feeney and staff at Mid Argyll Community Hospital who acted so quickly when Harris first took unwell.'



All this rubbish was found around Tarbert Castle, an ancient monument of international importance.

Mounds of rubbish strewn around Tarbert Castle

TEN YEARS of hard work to conserve and maintain Tarbert Castle is being undermined by litter louts, according to dedicated volunteers.

Members of the community who take part in 'work parties' every month to maintain the castle grounds say they are finding mounds of rubbish strewn around the ancient monument.

Despite bins being available within the castle grounds, volunteers found vodka bottles, beer cans, soft drink containers, sweet wrappers and cigarette packets during their most recent clean up.

Robert McPhail, secretary of Tarbert Castle

Trust, said: 'This summer we have recorded more than 15,000 visitors to the castle and several present during the recent rubbish removal were appalled that some people should behave so badly in such a beautiful place.'

'The village economy and jobs depend on visitors coming here and many will not return if they are upset by the mess left by others. No doubt the good weather is a contributing factor and our volunteers could be forgiven for thinking that it's just as well it's not good all the time or we would disappear in a mountain of rubbish.'

POLICE FILES:

Mountain bike

POLICE are seeking the owner of a blue gents mountain bike which they believe was stolen from a house in the Crinan area.

As yet no one has reported the bike stolen so police cannot identify the owner.

If anyone from the area is missing a mountain bike, they are asked to contact police at Lochgilphead on 101.

Drugs

AMPHETAMINE and herbal cannabis was allegedly found on three men who were stopped and searched in Furnace last week.

Police stopped the men, aged 23, 32 and 51, at 5.30am on September 12 at Furnace Quarry, Furnace and the drugs were discovered.

Roadworthy

DRIVERS are being reminded to ensure their cars are roadworthy after a 25-year-old man was found driving a car with tyres that did not meet tread depth requirements.

The car was stopped by police at 5.20pm on September 10 on Harbour Street, Tarbert, and the driver was also allegedly found to be driving without a seatbelt.

He has been reported to the procurator fiscal.

Fraudsters

MORE people in Mid Argyll have been targeted by fraudsters who claim to be bank staff and attempt to obtain people's bank details over the phone.

Lochgilphead police officers are reminding the public never to give out such information over the phone and to always check any such call is genuine by calling their bank themselves.

£80,000, trust reveals

lic Hall as they sensibly need to be considered together.

'There will be a community survey that will also consider both halls, and will take place after the Scottish referendum to avoid it getting lost amongst other correspondence.'

The community trust did not confirm whether or not a structural survey had been completed on the hall, but the spokesman added: 'The trust board is

actively looking at what work might be necessary to the hall. The extent of any such work will depend at least in part on the community's view of how it sees the hall being used and developed.'

'From these initial views we will then be able to put together a sensible budget for the hall's maintenance and running costs.'

The trust did not state how it would fund any necessary repairs.

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Organised by the Argyll and Bute World War 1 Commemorations Steering Group, which includes representatives from the Lord Lieutenancy of Argyll and Bute, Royal British Legion Scotland, local community groups and businesses, and Argyll and Bute Council

'Holiday bonus' for NHS staff

NHS STAFF could be in for a 'holiday bonus' after claims they were 'short-changed' over holiday pay.

Unions say the possible under payments date back to 2008 and NHS boards have agreed to review their policies.

It is understood payments should be on the basis of an average week's work, including bonus payments and average overtime, but in some cases staff were only paid on a minimum hourly rate.

A NHS Highland spokesman confirmed: 'We have been looking into this issue to ensure that staff holiday pay has been calculated correctly.'

Messy church

THE FAMILY friendly the 'messy church' will resume this month in Tayvallich.

Led by minister Cliff Acklam, Messy Church 'A New Start', is on September 25 at Tayvallich Village Hall from 3pm until 4pm.

Families are invited to a sit-down meal, which is followed by crafts for adults and children, with song and prayer.

Stonemason Connor among the best in Europe

'I think I have been lucky to get this far, but I'm willing to work hard'

A MAN from Lochgilphead, who has been named best stone mason apprentice in Scotland for three years running, is to compete for the European title.

Connor Crawford, a stonemason apprentice with Historic Scotland, will next month show off his talent at the EuroSkills 2014 trade fair, where he has an opportunity to win a place at

the worldwide competition.

Kicking off in France in October, EuroSkills sees tradesmen and women from across Europe compete to be named number one in their field.

Currently Connor is ranked amongst the top four stonemasons in the UK under the age of 22.

'You've got to be good to stand a chance in this competition,' the 21-year-old said.

'I think I have been lucky to get this far, but I'm willing to work hard.'

Connor was encouraged to enter the EuroSkills competition by his lecturers at Glasgow Metropolitan College and travels to London every two weeks for additional training.

He said: 'We have training sessions with stonemason experts and managers from around

the world. We are judged on our communication skills as well, so had a company come in to teach us life and communication skills.

'I've kept it going and will keep on competing. It's great meeting new people and developing new skills.'

This year will see Connor, a member of Red Star football team, complete his three-year apprenticeship with Historic Scotland.



Connor Crawford is completing a three-year apprenticeship with Historic Scotland.



Connor is a long-term member of Lochgilphead Red Star AFC.

Vodafone asks residents to 'apply' for better signal

A MOBILE phone company is offering 100 rural communities the chance to apply for 'good mobile reception'.

Vodafone said it will give the opportunity to places where there is currently poor mobile coverage.

Interest

A spokesman for the company said: 'There are six weeks left to apply. We have seen significant interest from communities, local councils

and parishes.

'It is an opportunity worth exploring, as mobile coverage has been seen to benefit tourism, local businesses doing their job more effectively and, on some occasions, even helping home sales in rural areas suffering because of being a black spot.'

'Having 3G signal can help boost the economy in all ways and provide the assurance of being in contact with health services and emergency/

first responders.'

Bob Chicken of Tarbert and Skipness Community Council, which has campaigned for better phone signal for years, said: 'I think the concept of getting people to jump through hoops that they want, rather than offering a good service to all, that's not good.'

'If they have the money why aren't they investing in the worst places for mobile phone signal first.'

'Places like White-

house, for example, where there is virtually no signal at times, why should they have to jump through hoops to get a better service and reception.'

Applications for the Rural Open Sure Signal programme close on October 14 with the first communities to be connected by the end of the year.

For more information on the programme and how to apply visit www.vodafone.co.uk/rural

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DR RONA YOUNG MBChB
recently graduated from the University of Dundee. Rona is the daughter of Bill and Rona Young, Lochgilphead and a former pupil of Lochgilphead Primary and Lochgilphead High School. Rona begins her career working as a junior doctor at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Edinburgh.



MAIRI MACVICAR
graduated with a 2:1 BA (Hons) in Psychology from Strathclyde University. Elder daughter of Donald MacVicar and Catherine Clark, grand-daughter of Margaret and the late Archie MacVicar, and May and Dugald McGlynn. She is now working for Strathclyde University.

Summit rescheduled as population predictions revealed by council

Number of people living in Argyll expected to drop by 13.5 per cent

ARGYLL and Bute Council's controversial population summit has been rescheduled for October, as councillors learn Argyll's populace is expected to drop by more than 11,000 in the next 23 years.

The local authority has confirmed the summit, previously cancelled in May this year, has been rescheduled for October 29, when Scottish finance minister John Swinney will deliver a keynote speech.

Now dubbed the Economic Summit, the

event will bring together representatives from local and national government, as well as the business, public and voluntary sectors to find ways of boosting the population and in turn the economy.

Retain

A spokesman for Argyll and Bute Council said: 'We need to retain as many of our talented young people as possible, as well as creating an economic environment which will attract expertise to Argyll and Bute.'

News of the summit has been welcomed by politicians who were outraged when the earlier summit was cancelled.

Michael Russell, MSP for Argyll and Bute, said: 'I'm glad a date has been assigned but it's almost a year later than was promised and the council's own community planning partnership last week saw future disastrous projections on population for Argyll and Bute.'

'One population report showed Argyll would

have the second largest loss of population of any area in Scotland going forward to 2037.'

He added: 'I'm very concerned about what is a palpable lack of urgency in the council; it needs to be addressed urgently by the council, delaying by a year shows no sign of that.'

Population projections predict the number of working age people in Argyll will drop by 22 per cent by 2037, while the number of people aged 75 and above will increase by 73 per cent.



Calum MacDonald, 11, from Lochgilphead Joint Campus, won the Solo Boy Learners singing competition for the 11-12 age group at the Mull Mod last Friday. 16_t38calummacdonald

Almost double limit

AN APPRENTICE car mechanic had the book thrown at him after police stopped his car for driving without headlights on in the dark.

Alexander McLennan, 20, of 23 Dewar Avenue, Lochgilphead, was almost twice the alcohol limit for driving when he was stopped by police on Lochnell Street, on August 4, 2014.

Appearing at Lochgil-

thead Annex of Dunoon Sheriff Court on Tuesday, McLennan pled guilty to driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a provisional licence without a qualified driver in the car and without L plates and driving without insurance.

Sheriff Herald banned McLennan from driving for one year and fined him £575.

Drink driver banned

AN ARDRISHAIG man who drove while almost three times over the drink driving limit was banned from driving for one year on Tuesday.

Robert Campbell, 30, of 10 MacMillan Court, pled guilty to drinking with 96 microgrammes of alcohol on his breath on September 13, 2014.

The legal limit is 35 micrograms.

Appearing at Lochgilphead Annex of Dunoon Sheriff Court on Tuesday, McLennan was also fined £750.

GRADUATION



IONA VALERIE HYND has graduated with a Bachelor of Nursing (Hons) from Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen. Iona is now pursuing a postgraduate diploma in Specialist Community Public Health Nursing (Health Visiting) in Norfolk. Iona is a granddaughter of the late Robert and Isobel McInnes, Stewarton and only daughter of Jan and Bob Hynd, Glasgow.

Toxic plant growing around Kilmory

ACTION will be taken to eradicate a toxic plant from the verge of the A83 after complaints it was growing around Kilmory, Transport Scotland has said.

Giant Hogweed has a green stem with purple blotches and white hairs on it. The flower heads are covered in white hairs which, if brushed against, can cause severe burning to the skin.

Argyll and Bute Council confirmed the inva-

sive plant was not on its land after a Squeak reader raised the alarm.

A spokeswoman for Transport Scotland said: 'We have asked our operating company, BEAR Scotland, to investigate if there is Giant Hogweed within the trunk road boundary near the Kilmory shore line. If there is any found it will be added to our weed control programme and will be treated accordingly.'

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Rural disconnect

IT IS unfortunate that Vodafone is asking rural communities to practically 'compete' for an adequate phone signal.

The telecommunications giant is asking communities to 'apply' for good mobile phone reception, stating it would give the opportunity to places where there is currently poor mobile coverage.

By recognising the signal is poor in remote and rural areas, Vodafone has publicly confirmed its service in Argyll is greatly inferior than in other areas, such as Glasgow and Edinburgh.

Perhaps, if the company recognises its shortcomings in providing a service to rural communities, it should offer a reduced rate to customers whose phone signal is often cut off for days and, on one instance, was lost for a solid month in Tarbert.

Instead of asking communities to apply to its Sure Signal programme, Vodafone should, in partnership with other operators and government, be looking to develop a comprehensive programme for rolling out improvements across all of rural Scotland.

Our fate decided

BY THE time readers of the Argyllshire Advertiser pick up their copies of the paper on Friday morning they will know how Argyll has voted in the independence referendum.

Our fate and that of future generations will be decided.

Let's hope that whatever the outcome, our political leaders on both sides of the border come together to create the best possible plan for the future governing of the country.

And to the referendum campaigners in Mid Argyll - be magnanimous in victory and gracious in defeat.

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Think again over council tax rise

Sir,
Councillor Donald Kelly wants to increase Council Tax to help lessen the impact of council cutbacks and generate an extra £250,000 for Argyll and Bute Council to spend in Oban.

Has councillor Donald Kelly forgotten the multi million pounds Argyll and Bute underspent this century?

If so Mr Kelly, try paying your own expenses on a working persons income and think again.

Howard MacAuley, Oban.

Big welcome awaits you at church

Sir,
Once upon a time almost everyone would attend church on a Sunday. How times have changed!

Today the church 'competes' with a myriad of other recreational pursuits.

Some people might have a rather negative view of the church, seeing it as irrelevant, boring and stuffy - certainly not worth the effort of getting out of bed on a Sunday morning.

It is 32 years since I had my first experience of attending church and I still look back on it with some amusement. As an 18-year-old I 'stole' one of my dad's ties, as I presumed wearing ties was mandatory for men going to church.

I also sneaked out the house to attend church, as I couldn't bear the thought of telling my parents.

We all have fears and misconceptions

about many things and church is no different. As part of a nationwide initiative called THE BIG WELCOME the Baptist Church in Lochgilhead is holding a cafe-style service on the September 21 at 11am. This is an opportunity for people who have never been to church before or who have long since stopped attending church. I hope you will come, as you might just be pleasantly surprised. P.S. Ties are rare and optional.

Derek Gibson, Baptist Manse Brae, Lochgilhead.

Parking in Oban does not welcome locals or visitors

Sir
I was recently on a short trip to Oban and made a visit to the Congregational Church.

I parked in the adjacent car park at Tweedale Street where a council worker was making a real effort to tidy up all the weeds and rubbish that had gathered in one corner.

I thanked him for his work - he was making a great effort to give a good welcome to Oban.

He told me he had started early in order to complete the job.

I then paid a visit to the church, on the way out I met a friend who had recently had an operation for breast cancer.

We chatted for a while. The whole time I was worried about getting back to my car to save myself from a £60 fine.

Through the pages of The

Oban Times, readers have been expressing their fears about parking in Oban.

For some council workers to be working to promote the town by tidying it up and for others to be doing nothing more than making people feel unwelcome - something will need to give.

I think we need to think about parking.

It will be a real shame if people simply shop at the big supermarkets rather than the smaller shops because of the dis-ease of parking in the town centre, and the relative ease of the supermarket car parks.

Unless someone starts to make it easy to be in the town centre - people will simply go out of town to the shops - or worse still do all their shopping on line.

Jean Maxwell, Oban.

NHS not meeting waiting time targets

Sir,
As a coalition of independent and third sector children and young people's service providers we are alarmed by the waiting time figures published by the Information Services Division of National Services Scotland, part of NHS Scotland (August 27).

From April to June 2014, the figures indicate that the majority of health boards are currently failing to meet a 26-week waiting time target for treatment from specialist child and adolescent mental health service, CAMHS.

The waiting time target was introduced in March 2013, and health boards are at

risk of missing the Scottish Government target of an 18-week waiting time, which will start in December 2014.

NHS Scotland provides mental health services for children and young people with a wide range of mental health conditions including; attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), anxiety, depression and early onset psychosis.

Our members deal with vulnerable children and young people, many of whom require these services.

We are concerned with the figures and number of vacant posts.

Particularly outwith the central belt, for invaluable services such as educational psychologists and child and adolescent psychiatrists.

According to the CAMHS, only five out of the 14 health boards have achieved this 26-week waiting time target 2013.

And only four out of the 14 health boards currently achieve an 18-week target which comes into force in December 2014.

We are at a crisis point, which is why we are renewing our call to the Scottish Government for greater support for failing health boards.

We want them to provide incentives to aid recruitment into specialisms like educational psychology and child and adolescent psychiatry, ensuring that the most vulnerable young people in our society get the support they deserve.

The Scottish Children's Services Coalition, Scotland.

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Sarah's colleague Mary McChesney answered all customer enquiries while Sarah completed her sponsored silence. 08_a38zipit01

Sarah silenced for charity

A CHATTERBOX who works at Mary's Meals in Lochgilphead was keeping it zipped last Friday as she completed a sponsored silence to raise cash for the charity.

Sarah Taylor, 36, volunteers at the shop five days a week, where she has become well known for her talkative ways.

She said: 'I talk so much that everyone said I should do a sponsored silence for a laugh and I thought it was a great idea. Most people have sponsored me because they thought I couldn't do it.'

'People tried to talk to me and

make me laugh, but it was for a good cause so I saw it through.'

Sarah wore fancy dress and a 'zip it' sticker over her mouth to remind customers friendly chat was off limits.

And the silence paid off as almost £500 has been raised for Mary's Meals, an Argyll-based charity that provides a daily meal in a place of education for more than £900,000 impoverished children across the world.

Sarah has already raised more than £100 for Zingwangwa Secondary School in Malawi.

Freasdail wind farm to be built next year

Argyll and Bute Council will not appeal Scottish Government's decision

CONSTRUCTION of a controversial wind farm south of Tarbert is to begin next year, as Argyll and Bute Council confirms it will not appeal the Scottish Government's decision to give the development the go-ahead.

The local authority had last year turned down the RES application to erect 11 100-metre high turbines on land near Whitehouse.

But RES took the decision to the Scottish Government which appointed an independent reporter, who, in April, rejected the council's view that Freasdail wind farm would 'overwhelm and dominate' a highly sensitive landscape.

It was the first wind farm planning judgement in Argyll to be overturned by the Scottish Government.

A spokeswoman for Argyll and Bute Council said:

'Decisions by the reporter would only be challenged if there were clear procedural or administrative issues. There is therefore no opportunity here to challenge the reporter's planning judgement.'

Significant cost

'In any case, such a course of action carries a significant cost to the public purse and the likely outcome must be carefully considered against this.'

Meanwhile RES has confirmed it will continue to engage with the local community through the established community liaison group.

A spokeswoman for the energy firm said: 'RES anticipates starting construction in late 2015, and is working on the detail of the construction programme, which will be shared with the community in due course.'

'No contracts have been awarded for Freasdail Wind Farm and RES is planning to hold an event later this year, at which local businesses and contractors will be able to meet RES to find out about opportunities available during construction.'

Inveraray Castle looking for 8th Battalion Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders memorabilia

INVERARAY Castle is seeking help in creating a memorial to the 8th Battalion Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders who fought in World War One.

Managers at the castle are searching for documents, photographs, letters, medals and memorabilia relating to the battalion between 1914 and 1918 to be included in a dedicated exhibition to be hosted at the castle.

In particular information and artefacts relating to the battalion at Mons, Le Cateau, Ypres, The Somme 1916/17 and Cambrai 1917/18 are being sought.

People willing to share their family stories and memorabilia can contact castle staff by calling 01499 302551 or emailing manager@inveraray-castle.com.

All items used in the exhibition will be returned to owners when the exhibition closes.

GRADUATIONS



AILSA CAIRNS graduated from Robert Gordon University with a Master of Pharmacy with Distinction. Ailsa is completing her final year of study as a Pre Registration Pharmacist at Aberdeen Royal Infirmary. Ailsa is the eldest grandchild of Bill and Pat Cairns, Kilmory Road, Lochgilphead and a granddaughter of Robin and Jean Gibb, late of Dunadd Farm and Conchra, Ardrishaig.



CLAIRE ANDERSON graduated from Aberdeen University with a BSc Hons in Geology/Petroleum Geology. Daughter of Nan and Richard Anderson of Lochgilphead and granddaughter of Don and Eileen Anderson, Inveraray and the late Jenny and Alex MacCallum of Lochgilphead. Claire is currently working as a Junior Geologist at Core Laboratories, Aberdeen.

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A new Island Life

ISLANDS off the west coast of Mid Argyll and Kintyre will feature in a BBC series to be broadcast in the coming weeks. Jura and Gigha will appear in the second series of Grand Tours of the Scottish Highlands, presented by Paul Murton.

The episode called A New Island Life sees Paul visit Achamore Gardens on Gigha which were created in the 1930s by the multi-millionaire businessman Colonel Sir James Horlick, who loved Gigha's mild climate so much that he bought the island and made it his home.

But where Gigha is small, lush and verdant, Paul's next destination, Jura, is rugged and bleak. Paul continues his exploration of the island by taking a boat trip to experience the infamous Corryvreckan whirlpool at the north of Jura, before visiting the remote and beautiful Glen Garrisdale Bay and getting a lesson in how to cut peat.

A New Island Life will be aired on Monday, October 6, while the grand tours series begins on Monday at 7.30pm.



Yuanfan Yang passed the grade eight piano test with distinction at eight years old.

Genius pianist to kick start new season of concerts

A MAESTRO pianist will launch the Mid Argyll Arts Association's new season of concerts next weekend.

Yuanfan Yang is a 17-year-old Edinburgh-born pianist who began learning to play the piano at the tender age of six. Two years later he had passed the grade eight piano test with distinction.

Despite his youth, Yuanfan has performed at many major venues throughout the coun-

try including the Glasgow Royal Concert Hall and the Cadogan Hall in London.

His talent recognised, he has been hailed as 'a giant of the keyboard' and has won many national competitions, most notably, the keyboard category of the BBC Young Musician of the Year in 2012.

Yuanfan will perform pieces by Schumann, Chopin, Beethoven and Rachmaninov when he takes to the stage at Ar-

drishaig Public Hall on Saturday, September 27.

He will also play one of his own compositions, Prayers of the North, which he wrote especially for his Scottish tour and which he hopes will be thoroughly enjoyed by his Scottish audiences.

This concert will begin at 7.30 pm, when the arts association hopes to see as many people as possible to welcome the talented young man to Mid Argyll.

Mod Dalriada gets underway next week

'Experience some of the best non-professional Gaelic music'

LOCHGILPHEAD will play host to Mid Argyll's annual feast of Gaelic music next weekend when Mod Dalriada gets underway at the joint campus.

Compete

Gaelic singers and musicians from across Scotland

will compete to be named the best in their field at the festival on Saturday, September 27.

Choral

The event will see prose, solo singing, duets, choral singing, piping, fiddle and accordion competitions for jun-

iors in the morning, which will be followed by competitive classes for adults, including the popular Gaelic choral category, in the afternoon.

Oldest

Participants will compete for more than 40 trophies, the oldest dating back to the first

mod held in Lochgilphead in 1923.

The last regional mod to be held ahead of the Royal National Mod next month, the event is an opportunity for musicians and singers to gain feedback on their performances ahead of the na-

tional mod. John Murray of the Mod Dalriada Committee said: 'Our mod allows people to experience some of the best non-professional Gaelic music around Argyll and beyond, and hopefully practise some of their Gaelic speaking skills.'

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Tarbert's young folk band to launch their first album

Na Seudan Ùr's new CD already receiving rave reviews

AN ALL-female band from Tarbert, which has been attracting attention across Scotland since it formed in 2010 with members as young as nine years, has released its first album.

Na Seudan has created Seunta (Enchanted), a 15-track album that features new music and old favourites which saw the band named the best under 19 folk group at the 2012 Royal National Mod.

Renamed Na Seudan Ùr - the New Jewels - to avoid clashing with another band of a similar name, the group includes Emma MacFarlane, Hannah Prill, Niamh Mackaveney, Emma Kok and Naomi Stanesby.

All five girls are accomplished multi-instrumentalists and singers who are earning a reputation for their har-

monies and sound that fuses jazz, folk and classical influences.

Now aged between 14 and 18, the band will launch Seunta next Saturday, September 27, at the Putechan Hotel, Bellochinty.

Performed

Including tracks such as *The Slave's Lament* and *My Heart is on the Highlands*, the album includes four Scots songs by Robert Burns, as well as *Chi mi na Mòrbheanna* and *Buain na rainich*, songs the girls performed at their first ever national Mod.

The album has already won the support of renowned Gaelic singer Mary Ann Kennedy, who adjudicated Na Seudan in its very first Mull Mod when cellist and bass player Emma Kok was just nine years old.

Writing on the album



Emma MacFarlane, Hannah Prill, Niamh Mackaveney, Emma Kok and Naomi Stanesby established Na Seudan in 2010.

cover, Mary Ann says: 'Young musicians with big imaginations and an obvious love of Gaelic song - hear a new Argyll generation blossom and say you were there at the start.'

The album launch marks a major milestone for the Na Seudan Ùr members, who are taught Gaelic by Dr Neil MacDonald and perform music arranged by music director Susan

Rhodes.

The event will see the band debut a new Gaelic composition by Susan, *Bean an Iasgair* (Fisherman's Wife).

Susan said: 'I've set a George Campbell Hay poem to music and arranged it for the girls.'

'It is about a fisherman's wife who can't sleep as she is worried about her husband fishing between Arran and Cowal in a storm. It's

a song full of anguish, torment and rage and is also a very contemporary sound. So as well as a CD launch the 27th will be the launch of a new Gaelic song too.'

The album launch will be hosted by Kenneth Thomson, conductor of Glasgow Gaelic Choir, and will begin at 7.30pm. A taster of some of the tracks on the CD see Na Seudan's Facebook page.



From left: Polish artists Ania Juszczaartist, Marta Bozyk and Kaja Solecka led the portrait workshop. 08_a38crinan01

Pupil's art work sold in auction

ARTWORK created by pupils of Lochgilphead High School was hung and displayed by a professional artist at an art studio for the first time.

The Annex in Crinan hosted an auction featuring the students' work on Saturday, marking the end of a partnership project between the annex's owner Ross Ryan and art students at the school.

Ross, who hosts artists on a residency basis at the annex, organised a portrait drawing workshop for the stu-

dents, aged 16 to 18. They were taught by Polish artists Marta Bozyk, Ania Juszczaartist and Kaja Solecka.

On Saturday the portraits of Ross and his nephew Archie Spencer were put up for sale.

And in the silent auction, higher art student Nina Joynson became the first of four pupils to sell work.

Ross launched the Annex Residency project last year in a bid to attract artists to the area and to support talented youths in Mid Argyll.

Craft sale raises £1,355

A CRAFT sale and coffee afternoon held by Ardrishaig Parish Church on Saturday raised £1,355.

For the annual fundraiser, church members baked a variety of cakes and jam, and donated items to the bric-a-brac stall in order to raise funds to go towards maintaining the church building.

Organiser Eric Marriot, of Ardrishaig, said: 'We had a host of var-

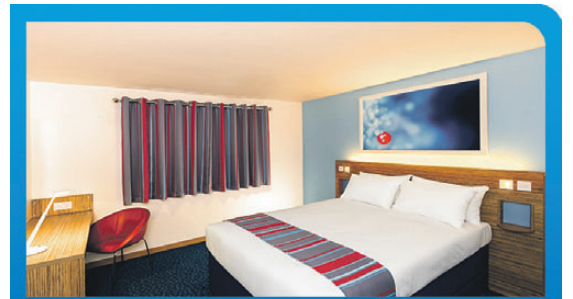
ious stalls, from home baking and knitting to tools and household items. We had a silent auction which went very well and people were bidding for camping equipment, alongside furniture for the house.'

Relax

The two-hour event took place in Ardrishaig Public Hall, while people took to the church hall to relax with teas, coffees and cakes.



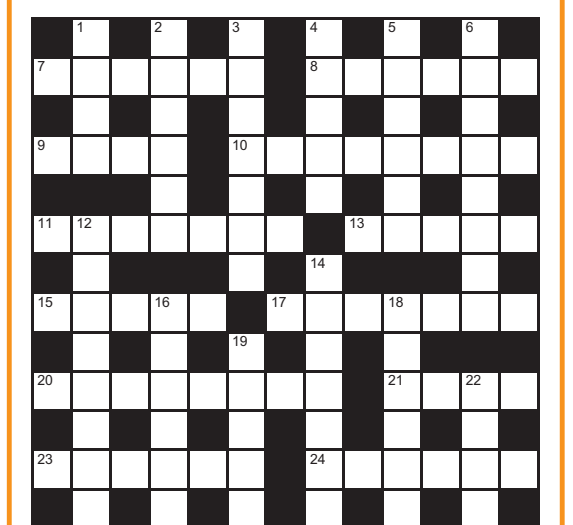
Catherine Hamilton (left) and Nancy Hamilton, enjoyed a cuppa and some cake at the church coffee afternoon. 08_a38ard01



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Ardchnonnel Wind Farm appeal lodged

AN APPEAL against a decision to site a wind farm on 'sensitive tourist land' has been lodged with the Scottish Government.

The application for Ardchnonnel wind farm was turned down by local councillors earlier this year, but Kilchrenan and Dalavich community councillors have been dismayed to hear it was now gong before ministers.

The development is for 15 turbines on land owned by Conservative shadow environment spokesman Jamie McGrigor MSP.

Developer RWE In-nology UK said: 'After re-considering all the relevant information, we remain convinced that Ardchnonnel is a viable proposal.'

Proposed

It is located in Argyll and Bute Council's proposed area of search for wind turbines and sits on a site which has no landscape or indeed any other statutory designations.

'In addition, the nearest settlement with visibility of the Ardchnonnel turbines would be approximately three kilometres from the site.

'The proposal has had no statutory objections and has the support of both Glenorchy and Innishail and Inveraray community councils.

'It also has strong support from the community and local businesses, as demonstrated by letters of local support which were sent to Argyll and Bute Council prior to the hearing.'

But protesters say it would devastate the landscape, ruin tourism and that no consideration was being given to the wider issues of the 'true' requirements of energy needs.



Gail Orr, manager of operations, and Mike Turner got stuck in painting on Tuesday. 08_a37shanksclean01

New £1.2m recycling landfill at Lingerton

People in Argyll and Bute are recycling more and more

CHIEFS from the company that disposes of waste in Argyll have flown into Lochgilphead to talk about a new £1.2million recycling landfill, as they report an increase in recycling in the area.

Bosses at Shanks Plc travelled to Lingerton Dump, just outside Kilmory, last week to see the mass cell, which can house tonnes of reusable waste.

The visit coincided with an open evening at the site when the

public was invited to learn more about how waste is processed locally and what they can do to help the environment.

Mike Turner, a Shanks Plc director, said: 'The new landfill cell that we are about to open cost £1.2m to build and will be made up of re-useable waste, but there is constant investment into these facilities.'

'We held the open night so as to give the public more insight into what we are do-

ing here. For them to know where their general household waste is going when it leaves with the bin men will help them to make decisions in what they throw out.'

Since Shanks took responsibility for waste management in 2007 recycling has increased by more than 10 per cent in Argyll and Bute.

Mike added: 'When we started out here recycling was below 40 per cent and now it is sitting above 50 per cent... and

the amount of waste going to landfill is continuing to decline. And the people here can help us with that.'

At the open night last Monday, staff took turns in presenting to people, encouraging them to recycle more and offering guided tours of the site.

The following day, directors of Shanks Plc travelled from its Milton Keynes headquarters to clean and decorate Lingerton as a team building exercise.

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New chairman for Argyll and the Isles Tourism Cooperative

THE GOVERNOR of Inveraray Jail will be heading up the tourism agency charged with promoting Argyll and the isles to the masses.

Gavin Dick was named the new chairman of Argyll and the Isles Tourism Cooperative (AITC) at its AGM last week.

A founding direc-

tor of AITC, which was launched in 2012, Gavin said he is committed to overseeing the promotion of Argyll and the isles as a world class destination.

Nurturing

He said: 'I look forward to continuing to work with my fellow AITC directors in

a bid to make the most of existing opportunities and identifying and nurturing new ones.

'It's a challenge we relish, and we're excited about where the next few years might take us.'

Calum Ross of the Loch Melfort Hotel will continue as AITC's vice chairman.

£1,000 grant

GREEN-thinking community groups are being urged to apply for a £1,000 grant that will help bring their eco-friendly initiatives to life.

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Touch of glamour at Dalmally

DALMALLY auction mart had a bit of added glamour at the weekend when Miss Scotland, Ellie Keating, appeared ringside with sellers and bidders at the annual show and sale of Blackface lambs.

Ellie attended the United Auctions (UA) sale as part of her aim to get to know Scotland's livestock sector better.

Miss Scotland has a role as ambassador for Scotch Lamb with Quality Meat Scotland.

Clearly enjoying herself, she successfully bid £70 (on behalf of an undisclosed buyer) for a cheviot cross lamb from seller Stuart Galbraith of Barachander Farm, near Loch Awe.

Ellie spoke with customers from Argyll, Crieff and Crianlarich, who were selling stock at the bumper event.

She was stopped for photographs and selfies with young Oban farmers Callum Leitch, Ross Ferguson and Blair Menzies in front of Blair's pen of lambs.

Ellie said: 'Having never been to a livestock auction market before, it was great to learn about this traditional system and Dalmally Mart's importance to livestock producers and the rural community in such a big area.'

'One thing which came over very strongly was the pride that the farmers and auctioneers take in the quality of the livestock and stockman-

ship skills in this part of Scotland.

'Many thanks to the United Auctions' team and the farmers I met for making me feel so welcome.'

Peter Wood, United Auctions' auctioneer for the west of Scotland, said: 'We were delighted to welcome Ellie to Dalmally.'

'She brought an extra buzz to the place. She made a very good sale, in which sellers were up on the year, even better.'

She presented the James Weir Memorial Trophy for the championship pen of Blackface lambs to three generations of the Buchanan family of Achnaba Farm, Oban, including Archie Buchanan, daughter Morag MacCorquodale, Donald her husband and their son Donnie.

The Buchanans also achieved the top draw of £62.50 for their championship pen bought

by judge Bill Cameron from Keith in Aberdeen.

The second prize pen went to M/s MacLarty, Littleport selling at £53.

Third place was awarded to M/s Ronald, Keilator, selling at £51. Both lots were purchased by the judge.

Taynuilt crofter Billy Neilson topped the sale at £73, while the overall sale average for all sheep sold rose by £1.20 on the year with 1,360 more sold.

Most top draws were selling £1 to £2 up on the year whilst second draws were making £3 to £5 more on the year.

The visit to one of Scotland's leading livestock auctioneers' facility was part of Ellie's induction to the market system.

It follows a number of engagements for Ellie in recent weeks, including joining farmers across Scotland at sampling events during the recent 'Love Scotch



Miss Scotland channels her inner Bo Peep at Dalmally.

Lamb Weekend', organised by QMS, NFU Scotland and the National Sheep Association.

Miss Scotland enjoyed a Scotch Lamb burger thanks to the mart café, at the end of her visit.



Dalmally sale ring with UA Auctioneer Peter Wood.

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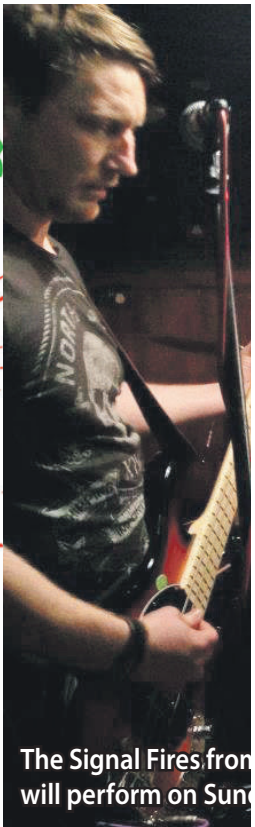
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Argyll band h Festival at weekend

MUSIC lovers across Argyll are in for a treat when Tarbert Music Festival kicks off next week.

Signal Fires, a popular band who have performed in Oban, Fort William and Glencoe, will be making their debut in Tarbert this weekend when they play at the music festival's renowned Sunday session on the Quayside.

A member of the band said: 'Festival gigs are quite a new thing for us to do, and the response we've had from crowds has been great. Having recently played at MAMA Fest and in Ardrishaig, it'll be great to play at Tarbert Music Festival.'

The band is amongst more than a dozen performers playing the festi-

val, which will see live music in nine venues throughout the village, from today (Friday) to Sunday.

Mixing traditional Irish and Scottish folk music, the festival provides an array of musical genres to suit all tastes including country and western, pop and rock.

Festival favourites The Democrats, The Keelies and The Lush Puppies will return to the village to cover rock anthems and get the crowds going.

And for those who love a ceilidh, they will not be disappointed as the up and coming band, Ceol-An-Aire, and Eriskay Lilt are set to play at the marquee at the amenities area of Tarbert Harbour.

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Tarbert's Tony Barker and his wife Jacqui attended last year's event.

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Kenny MacInnes, Mary MacLeod, left, Christine Murray, Janette MacIver and Angela Blair enjoyed the music last year



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Mary Stirling and Catherine MacDermid were at the festival to see Sker-ryvore play, after hearing great things about the band. 08\_a38bow03



Anne Churchill from Dunoon served up venison burgers with cheese and onion from the Churchill Venison stall. 08\_a38bow29



Akhi Akhter and Siam Noor, from Inveraray's Ban Duic Indian restaurant had coffee and cake at the BOW Fest on Sunday. 08\_a38bow34



Karen McCurry from Lochgilhead enjoyed a picnic in the sun with 11-year-old son Michael. 08\_a38bow13



These ladies from Oban loved the Scottish Beaver Trail



Lorraine and Donald Kamsley, soon to be moving to Lochgilhead from Aberdeen, enjoyed MacKay's stovies on Saturday. 08\_a38bow01

# BOW Fest as online ticket rocket 300%

ONLINE ticket sales for this year's Best of the West Festival (BOW Fest) increased 300 per cent from last year, as demand continues to grow for the Mid Argyll event.

BOW Fest organisers said many of the 2,500 tickets available each day were sold via the festival's website prior to it taking place. John Patrick, festival co-ordinator, said: 'We filled the capacity of 5,000 over the Saturday and Sunday, as we had last year, but I think people were more concerned this year that they might not get a ticket for the festival. 'We had people coming from all over, I even met a man who flew over from Texas just to come to BOW Fest, and has been for the last three years.'

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# sells out tickets sales per cent

BOW Fest provides a platform to showcase all that is good about the West Coast of Scotland, with a focus on food, drink, the arts and music. The weekend's festival attracted a younger crowd than in previous years and John added: 'We had more of a Gaelic presence this year which we will continue through to next year, with the likes of Gaelic singer Joy Dunlop

and Taynuilt Gaelic Choir.' Headlining acts at the weekend included the popular Skerryvore, Skipinnish and Capercaillie, as well as the recently formed Inveraray Young Musicians group and girls choir Coisir Og Dalriada. The BOW Festival committee is considering offering an early bird ticket facility for 2015 as a result of the recent high demand.



Donald Harrison and Carol Thomson, from the Taynuilt Gaelic Choir, tucked into venison burgers after a busy weekend performing. 08\_a38bow30



Eleanor Campbell, Duchess of Argyll and Amanda Millen, from Roy Bridge, got chatting outside the music tent. 08\_a38bow27



Four-year-old Eva Smith from Inveraray got to grips with colouring in the craft tent. 08\_a38bow22



Little Poppy Quanton, aged four, from Ardrishaig, sat perfectly still while a face-painter turned her into a pink and black cat. 08\_a38bow32



Tam Murphy, 21, was opening oysters for customers at the Loch Fyne Oyster stall. 08\_a38bow28



Brother and sister Alex (right) and Arlene McKechnie, from Strachur, brought their Glaswegian friend, Nick Hamilton, along to the festival to enjoy stovies and music. 08\_a38bow33



Four-year-old Mya Nairn, from Strachur, was at the festival with her mum and brother. 08\_a38bow11



Three junior performers from Inveraray Young Musicians, who had their debut performance at BOW Fest. 08\_a38bow20

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# Lochgilphead High School pupils 'inspired' by 'I am Me' show

## Workshop looks at effects of and coping with disabilities hate crime

PUPILS were 'inspired' by a stage show that was performed at their school as part of a campaign against disability hate crime.

More than 300 high school pupils from Lochgilphead watched the emotive, 40-minute play, 'I am Me', in silence as PACE Theatre Group told the story of a boy named Charlie who battles with autism, learning difficulties and bullying.

The play, which has

already showcased in schools throughout Renfrewshire, incorporates the daily struggles of a person with a disability and the peer pressure on those committing hate crime.

Nicola Ellis, is a senior pupil at the school. She said: 'It was inspiring and an accurate representation of what goes on.'

'It reminded me that people with disabilities should not be treated with disrespect.'

Mid Argyll Youth Development Services (MAYDs), run by Fiona Kalache in Lochgilphead, secured funding for the show to launch in Argyll and Bute after being approached by Trish Collins, police officer for safer communities in the area.

Trish also delivered a strong message to pupils after the play, where she reiterated a zero tolerance approach, and warned youngsters to be wary of offensive lan-

guage. She said: 'You must change the way that people think and change what is acceptable in our communities.'

'The police staff can't change it, only you can. Be aware of your language you are the future. If you know people who are using it and you don't tell them to stop it, then you are supporting it.'

More than 30 pupils volunteered to take part in a discussion workshop afterwards with the actors and Trish. They discussed how to cope when faced with disability hate crime and how to report it.



Three senior pupils joined another 30 volunteering students in a workshop with police officer Trish Collins and the actors. 08\_a36play01

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The President's Cup for most points for flowers, fruit and vegetables in amateur and open classes: John Jonson; The Meall Mhor Bowl for most points in open classes: John Jonson; The Duntrune Challenge Bowl for most points in amateur classes: John Jonson; The McTier Cup for most points in amateur sweet pea classes one and two: Iain MacLachlainn; The Stonefield Barometer for the best vase of 12 roses arranged for effect (grown by competitor): Kate and Eddie Morans; The Dunmore Cup for most points in amateur dahlia section: Janette Hunt and D MacDougall; The Blair Plate for most points in arts and crafts section: Jenny Carlile; The Malcolm Johnson Trophy for most points in home baking: Sheena MacFarlane; The Berry Cup for most points in home industries: Fiona Byrne; The Garden Club Cup for best exhibit in class 62: Isobel Gray; The Tamos Cup for most points in floral art class 126: Shaun Doy;

The Strongarbh Plaque for most points in rose section: Kate and Eddie Morans; The Sam Andrew Memorial Cup for annual com-

petition in floral art classes 125-133: Zandra Hunt; The Jimmy Ferguson Cup for most points in the vegetable classes (entries grown in Kintyre and Tarbert): John Johnson; Argyll and Bute District Council Bowl for best garden in council house estate: Archie Clark, Bruce Hill;

The Glencreggan Trophy for most points in junior competition up to and including 11 years: Benjamin Hunt; The Clark Trophy for most points in intermediate classes 225-230: Shaun Doy; The Tarbert Trophy for pot plants, classes 141-152: Janet West and Valerie Barker; The Ena Singleton Trophy for petite flower arrangement, class 131: Vera Van Well; The McGugan Cup for most points in junior baking, class 185: Eden MacDonald; The Alastair Graham Memorial Trophy for most points in open dahlia section: D MacDonald; The Doyle Plaque for most points in the amateur floral section: M McGugan; Alastair MacKay Memorial Tankard for best exhibit in class 10: M McGugan; Chairman's Prize, presented for best exhibit in class 132: Zandra Hunt; James and

Helen MacFarlane Quaich for class 42: Dorothea Robertson; The Blue Riband for entry judged to best in the show, class 115: J Young; Royal Horticultural Society Banksian Medal for the winner of the largest total amount of money or points in prizes in the whole of the horticultural classes in the show:

John Johnson; Port Askaig Quaich for border carnations, class 59: D Robertson; Port Askaig Tankard for 12 shallots, class 94: J Young; Port Askaig Shield for model garden, class 219: Eden MacDonald; Sound of Islay Shield for class 133: Zandra Hunt; Kin-

tyre Shield for best dahlia in show: D MacDougall; Duncan Graham Quaich for class 55: D MacDougall; Flora McColl Cup for class 241: Margaret Johnson, Lochgair Place; special rosette for best ornamental garden: Murdina MacDonald, Barran Roan; special rosette for best flower garden: Sheena MacFarlane; special rosette for best vegetable garden: John Johnson; The Harvey Bowl Special Rosette for best garden without a vegetable garden: Malcolm MacGougan, Croft Park; special rosette for hanging basket in situ and/or window box: Jim Grieve, Lochgair Place.



Shaun Doy is a regular competitor at Tarbert Flower Show. 06\_a37flow07



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**(B8025 CRINAN MOSS-KEILLS ROAD, U38 BARSLOISNACH ROAD AND U18 DRIMVORE-CRINAN FERRY ROAD) (WEIGHT RESTRICTION) (AMENDMENT) ORDER 201\_**

Argyll and Bute Council proposes to amend the existing weight restriction order that covers sections of the B8025 Crinan Moss-Keills Road, the U38 Barsloisnach Road and the U18 Drimvore-Crinan Ferry Road in Mid Argyll. The amendment will provide an exemption in order to permit the use of the road by refuse and road maintenance vehicles that exceed the 18 tonne maximum gross weight limit.

Full details of this proposal, which form the "The Argyll and Bute Council (B8025 Crinan Moss-Keills Road, U38 Barsloisnach Road And U18 Drimvore-Crinan Ferry Road) (Weight Restriction) (Amendment) Order 201\_" together with a Statement of Reasons for proposing to make this Traffic Regulation Order, are available for inspection during normal office hours Monday to Friday inclusive at the offices of:

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(ii) Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, PA31 8RT.

Any person wishing to object to the proposals should send details of the grounds for objection in writing to the Head of Governance and Law, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8RT by the 10th October 2014.  
**Jim Smith, Head of Roads & Amenity Services, 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, PA31 8RD**

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| 14/02101/PP  | Installation of photovoltaic panels on south facing roof, formation of pedestrian access and painting of roughcast and boundary walls                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Old Police Station, Castlehill, Campbeltown, PA28 6AS                 | Burnet Building, St John St Campbeltown |

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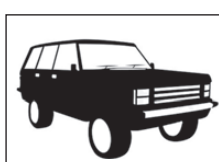


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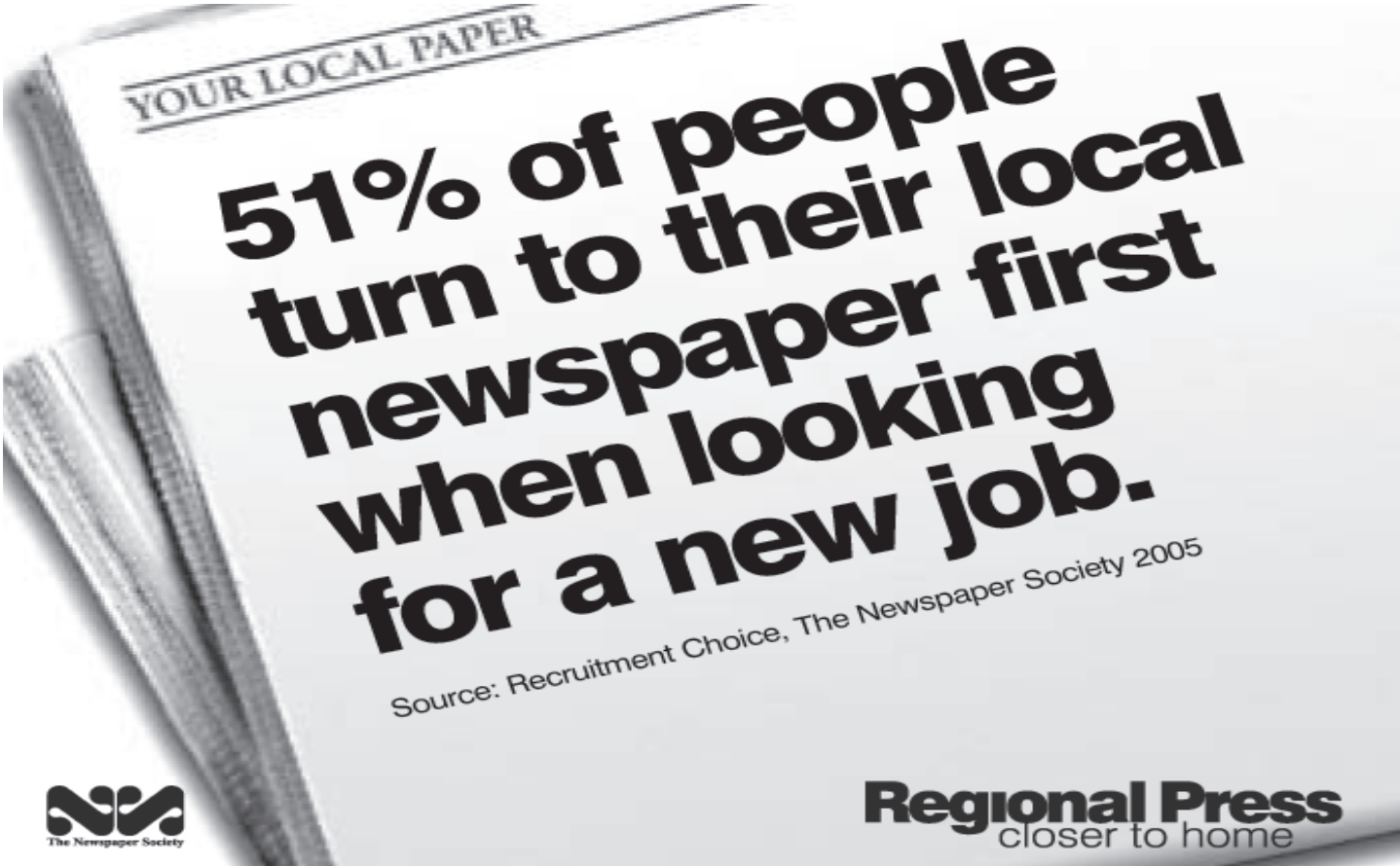
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**Thought for the Week**  
with Marilyn Shedden



TAYVALLICH looked even more beautiful than ever as we first caught sight of the white houses nestled round the bay.

It was another sensational morning and all of creation seemed to dance with the sheer joy of it.

The wee church looks out across the water and this morning it threw its perfect reflection up to heaven.

I watched as folks gathered for worship, chatting as they lingered in the morning sunshine.

I wondered if such mornings bursting with so much beauty gave God as much pleasure as it was giving us.

The welcome within the church was as warm as the sunshine and I felt immediately at home.

Maybe the concept of Jesus' image of a mansion with many rooms in heaven begins here on earth when we feel 'at home' in other churches.

For the welcome we receive at the church door should reflect the love God extends to us all.

I am always delighted when I am 'surprised' in church, but I rarely expect it when I am leading worship. However, I had a truly lovely experience in Tayvallich. The tune of one of the hymns I had chosen was unfamiliar to the congregation and they had substituted it with another.

It is one of my favourite hymns, 'Almighty Father of all things that be', and I had never heard it sung to anything other than the tune I knew.

However, soon the strains of 'Highland Cathedral' drifted from the organ and a marriage of one of my favourite hymns and one of my favourite tunes was made.

The people sang with heart and soul and I was deeply moved.

Maybe this morning, regardless of the result we waken to, we can all embrace the words of this lovely hymn, 'Almighty Father of all things that be, our life, our work, we consecrate to thee'.

**ARDRISHAIG**

**Work starts on war memorial clean up**

A CLEAN up of Ardrishaig War Memorial is underway thanks to funding from Ardrishaig Community Trust.

Janette Laughton, one-of-six spearheading the war memorial project, said: 'We secured £15,000 from the trust and that will help us afford all the work on the memorial.'

'We've had it cleaned, and it has gone from a musty dark grey to a creamy colour. It's looking really well.'

'The monument is still to be re-pointed, which will make it more secure and after that is done, new hand rails will be fitted on the steps up to the memorial.'

The paving surrounding the monument will also be replaced, before Janette rounds up the troops to roll up their sleeves and do some gardening. She added: 'We will rally round to plant flowers, to give it a nice finish when all the work is done.'



Edward Laughton, of TArdrishaig Community Trust is pleased with the work so far. 08\_a38ardwar01

MacDonald and then the women took part in a quiz and competitions for the best 'Holiday Snap with Caption' won by Ginny Crawford, and 'Modern Nursery Rhyme' was won by Kate MacDonald.

**INVERARAY**

**Kids on the run in Royal Burgh**

THE ROYAL Burgh could be nurturing the next Mo Farrah, as ten new beginners joined jogsotland's kids running club.

Kids on the Run was launched last year by Fiona Corner to get youngsters running after school.

This term will see children add up all the miles they run each week in a bid to run the equivalent number of miles it would take to get to Campbeltown.

The after-school running club is on every Wednesday from 3.30pm until 4.30pm.

A class for adult beginners is on every Tuesday and Thursday from 6pm until 7pm. Both groups meet at Inveraray Primary School.

**TARBERT**

**Raffle to boost clock tower**

A RAFFLE will be held during Tarbert Music Festival to raise funds to improve the clock tower.

Currently the clock is wound by hand, but plans are afoot to power the clock by electricity.

Lisa MacFarlane, from the church, said parts of the clock had already been fixed using money raised by the community.

She said: 'Getting the clock hooked up to electricity means that we don't have to send someone up the steep and narrow stairs up to the tower.'

'We really need people to help out and support us.'

Prizes included in the raffle are a print of Tarbert, donated by a Glaswegian artist Daniel Campbell, and a hamper

An estimated £2,500 is needed to complete the project.

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**LOCHGOILHEAD**

**Fundraising mum has backup plan**

A MUM, who will walk for 70-miles to raise money for an outdoor classroom for kids in Lochgoilhead Primary School, has had the route painted on her back.

Anna Wynne, of Drumsyniebeg Farm, Lochgoilhead, enlisted the help of a local artist to paint her back, which features Ben Nevis.

Anna, 36, will start walking from Fort William at 6am on Friday September 26 and will cross the Ben Nevis summit, the West Highland way, Arrochar Alps at Ardlui before finishing at the primary school.

She said: 'Walking home through the mountains seems like a fitting way to raise money and make people

aware of the project.' The outdoor classroom will cost around £9,000 and is designed to be a multifunctional space where children can play outdoors in poor weather and experience lessons within the local landscape.'

**KILMARTIN**

**New friends invited to join group**

A RELIGIOUS social hub for people in Kilmartin is inviting new friends to the group.

The group meets once a month and everyone takes turns to host the friendly meetings in their homes.

People who attend are from various churches in Mid Argyll, but live in Kilmartin.

Alan Hawkins, of Kilmartin, said: 'We meet on the last Monday of every month and have been doing so for five years now. Each

person brings a plate for a shared meal. After our meal, we discuss our Christian-based theme which is chosen by the hosts.'

Members of the Church of Scotland, Episcopalian, Free Church, Living Stones and Catholic Church regularly take part in the meetings.

The next gathering is on Monday September 29 from 7.15pm until 9.15pm in Hazel and Walter Ritchie's house. Contact Alan Hawkins on 01546 510385.

**TAYINLOAN**

**Tayinloan playpark**

THE ARGYLLSHIRE Advertiser has been asked to clarify a report about a plan to build a playpark in Tayinloan, which featured in last week's newspaper.

Tayinloan Villagers Association has received a grant of £2,000 from

West Kintyre Wind Farm Trust to drain Tayinloan playing field of water to allow plans to develop the site into a children's playpark to get underway.

The association is also trying to raise £600 for public liability insurance, £342 of which was raised through a coffee evening and a quiz night last month.

Work to drain the playing field started on Monday.

At the moment the nearest playpark for children in Tayinloan is in Campbeltown.

**KILMICHAEL**

**New president at WRI helm**

DURING the launch of the new season of Kilmichael Glassary's WRI, the women welcomed the reign of a new president.

Former president Catherine Smith handed the title over to Kate



**TEXT FOR THE WEEK**

'I cry aloud to the Lord; I lift up my voice to the Lord for mercy' (Psalm 142:1).

**GOLDEN WEDDINGS**

**MCNEILL - DUNLOP**  
On September 18, 1964 at Lochgilphead Parish Church, by Rev John Callen, Hamish and Jean.

**DEATHS**

**GOW** - On 13th September, 2014, peacefully at Mid Argyll Hospital Lochgilphead, Ian MacGregor Gow, in his 90th year, beloved husband and best friend of Noreen, for nearly 63 years, devoted father to Jean, Fiona and Neil, and example in so many adventures and life building experiences. Funeral service at Cumlodden Church, Furnace, on Tuesday 23rd September, at 12 noon, thereafter to Cardross Crematorium, at 2-15 pm, to which all relatives and friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers only please, donations if desired for Jubilee Sailing Trust.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**CAREY** - Annamarie and family would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy following the sad passing of our beloved Auntie Patsy. I would like to thank my dear Auntie Jean for her love, care, kindness and support, you were there for us both throughout. Special thanks to Dr Helliwell for kind attention, compassion and support shown to us both during Auntie Patsy's short illness. I would also like to thank Dr Ward for the compassion shown to us on Tuesday morning, also a big thanks to district nurse, Joanne Robinson, for her kindly visits, also to Susan in McNulty's chemist for all her help and kindness. Sincere thanks to Rev Hilda Smith for a most comforting service, to Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional, caring and efficient arrangements. I would also like to thank Stan and Kenny for the respect and kindness shown to us on Tuesday morning, I was very touched. Thanks also Morna for the beautiful flowers and to the Stag Hotel for an excellent purvey. Finally, thanks to everyone who attended the church and graveside to pay their last respects.

**MACMILLAN** - The family of the late Andrew MacMillan would like to thank all relatives and friends for their kind expressions of sympathy received on their sad loss. Special thanks to Rev David Thom, to Nettie Semple and A'Chleit Church, to Kenneth Blair for his professional services, and to the Argyll Hotel, Bellochantuy for catering.

**RENNIE** - Betty and family would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy, flowers, cards, phone calls and visits received following the recent sad passing of Frank. Also, our thanks and appreciation for the meals provided by the ladies of the Free Church. Special thanks to John Morrison for an uplifting and comforting service; to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for their efficient and caring services, and to the Cairnbaan Hotel for fine purvey. Finally, thank you to the many who attended at church and graveside to pay their respects. The retiral collection has raised £600 to date.

**IN MEMORIAM**

**MACKINNON** - Treasured memories of Peggy, who passed away on September 20, 1994. Much loved mum and granny. Always in our thoughts.  
- Annamarie, Allan and John.  
**MCSPORRAN** - Alastair, dearly beloved husband of Christine, brother, brother-in-law, uncle and great uncle, who died September 18, 2013. Always in our hearts.  
- Christine.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**Highland Parish Church**  
SCO02493  
**Friday 19th September**  
Ladies come along to a pampering evening with hints on makeup, hair styling and flower arranging to be held in Kirk Street hall at 7.30 pm.  
**Sunday 21st September**  
11.15am Matthew Ramsay Service in the church  
*Everyone very welcome*

**LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH**  
Scottish Charity Number SCO11686  
**Sunday 21st September**  
Morning Service 11.15am  
Creche, Triple C Next Generation Rev P Wallace  
**Tuesday 23rd September**  
Mothers and Toddlers 9.45am New Hall  
Boy's Brigade  
Anchor Boys 6.00 - 7.00pm  
Junior Section 7.15 - 8.00pm Church Hall  
**Thursday 25th September**  
Choir Practice 7.30pm  
**Friday 26th September**  
Lunch Club 12.00 noon New Hall

**LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN**  
**Sunday 21 September 2014**  
11.00am  
Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch  
Speaker: Graham McLean "Songs from the Vineyard"  
**Thursday 25 September 2014**  
7.30pm  
Praise, prayer & sharing  
All Welcome

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**Sunday Services**  
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6.30pm Evening Worship  
**Tuesday**  
12.15pm Lunch Club  
1.30pm Home League  
**Wednesday**  
7.00pm The Make & Munch Mob  
**Thursday**  
7.30pm Bible Study & Prayer  
Lt. Mark Scoulding

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75 Longrow, Campbeltown  
**Sunday 21st September**  
10.00am Family Service with Communion and crèche  
Pastor Ross Ferguson  
With Coffee from 11.15am  
**Wednesday 24th September**  
Jellytots - Toddler Group 10.00am  
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SCO14646

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Mr Cory Brock  
11.15am Sunday School  
**Wednesday 24th September**  
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Rev. C. Acklam  
Morning Worship  
**Thursday 25 September**  
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**Tuesday 23rd September**  
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Kilmartin Church Hall  
**Thursday 25th September**  
Messy Church  
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Newly installed Loop Hearing System in all this parish's churches  
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Lochgilphead's Stag Hotel renewed its sponsorship of Red Star Football Club's senior team recently when the hotel's Scott Robertson handed over a cheque. This season the team has welcomed Aaron Moore, Cammy Hendry and Ewan Dudding to the fold; the boys previously played with the club's successful under 17 side.

## Busy start to season for Tarbert Gun Club

A MIXTURE of sporting targets were set up to test shooters' abilities at Tarbert Gun Club's first shoot of the new season on Saturday.

Numbers at the event were boosted by a group of shooters from Kent who were holidaying in the Tighnabraich area, but they found the local lads hard to beat.

John Weir and Bob McColl who are in a rich vein of form - after taking the top prizes at Oban's charity shoot a few weeks ago - continued their winning ways in Tarbert.

The men were only separated from taking the top two places by Carradale's Craig Morris who pushed John into third place.

It was a busy weekend for the club, which also hosted the Provincial Grand Lodge of Argyll and the Isles' annual shoot on Sunday.

Masons from across Argyll took part, but it was the Lochgilphead lads who won, relegating their archrivals Tarbert to second place. Inveraray took third place and Oban fourth.

Tarbert Gun Club, Saturday results: High Gun: Bob McColl, 2. Craig Morris, 3. John Weir, 4. Andrew MacDonald, 5. Ronald Jenkins.

# Depleted Star crash out of cup

RED STAR travelled to Glasgow for the Scottish Cup replay on Saturday but with only 12 players available for selection the Lochgilphead side were up against it for the majority of the afternoon.

Things did not start well for Star, as new player Ben Pollock

went off with a serious knee injury, which sees him join the unfortunate Angus Morrison as a long term absentee from the side.

Partick took the lead when a cross was not cleared properly and this opened the floodgates as they added a further three goals before the

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| FC Partick           | 5 |
| Red Star             | 2 |
| Scottish Amateur Cup |   |

break to go in 4-0 up at half time.

To their credit Star came out and made a game of it in the second

half despite the match being over as a contest.

### Finish

It was the home side however, who went 5-0

up on the hour after an excellent finish by the forward.

Star did not give up and grabbed a couple of goals late on thanks to the tireless Peacock and a goal of the season contender from Meikle to make the score a more realistic 5-2 at full time. Tomorrow (Saturday)

Star face another stiff test as they play Dumbarton Wanderers away from home in the West Cup, where manager Weir will be hoping to have a few more bodies to choose from.

Red Star wish both Ben and Angus a speedy recovery.

## Lochgilphead ready for first Schools Scottish Cup game

LOCHGILPHEAD High School will participate in their first Schools Scottish Cup game on Monday when they welcome Vale of Leven Academy to the new 3G pitch in Lochgilphead for the first round game.

The senior boys team has only been training together for two weeks but is confident of putting in a good perfor-

mance, having played together in the past for Lochgilphead Red Star's youth teams.

The local boys are sure to be in for a tough game against one of the Scottish Football Association's football development schools, but will hope to make the most of their home advantage.

The game kicks off at 3.15pm on Monday.

# Tarbert bounce back with league win

TARBERT AFC bounced back from the previous week's defeat to overcome league leaders Shawlands B with a squad of only 12 players.

Playing away on a very uneven surface, the Dookers started the brighter, creating a number of openings early on but a lack of killer touch ensured the game remained goalless during the opening half hour.

Tarbert's back three of Johnstone, Blair and Talbot were dealing with the quick forwards of the home side well, but were soon undone

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| Shawlands B      | 1 |
| Tarbert AFC      | 2 |
| SAFL Division 1B |   |

## Dookers move to second place in league table

by a freak opening goal for Shawlands when an attempted cross found the top corner, giving Martin no chance.

The Dookers should have been level at half time when good play from Krawczyk allowed Johnson to bear down on goal and after beating the defender could only

blaze his effort over the bar. The second period continued as the first had ended with both sides creating a number of excellent chances.

Shawlands could have doubled their lead, but an outstanding save from Martin in the Tarbert goal kept his side in the match and it

proved vital as shortly after the Dookers had equalised through top scorer Prentice.

The game was now a scrappy affair and the Dookers rode their luck at times with Shawlands going close to retaking the lead.

But they were left to rue those missed chances when super sub Andrew Guy gave Tarbert the lead with his first touch of the ball.

Good work by MacDougall on the left allowed him to cross for the youngster to finish for his second goal of the season.

Shawlands, to their

credit, continued to pressure and went close on two occasions, firstly when an effort only missed the top corner by inches, and then in the final minute when a free kick was headed onto the post and wide with the keeper stranded.

This was a hard fought win for the Tarbert boys who were delighted to grind out the three points and move to second place in the league table.

This weekend Tarbert are off league duty when they travel to play Cambuslang United in the West of Scotland Amateur cup second round.



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Winner Nikki Thompson with a Lochalsh pollack.

# Team Tarbert victorious in golf memorial cup

DESPITE the golfing season drawing to a close there is still a lot of golf to be played at Glenralloch over the coming weeks.

Last weekend team Tarbert travelled to Islay Golf Club for the annual Dougie MacKinnon Memorial Cup and captain Iain MacArthur was delighted to have returned home with the silver.

The Tarbert boys enjoyed a five to three to three victory and enjoyed the hospitality from their island hosts,

even more. Saturday also saw the Presidents Cup final take place in glorious conditions between Peter McLean and Bruce MacNab at Tarbert Golf Club.

Peter was not playing at his best, allowing Bruce to be four up after nine holes and, with a birdie at the 10th keeping the momentum going, Bruce finished the game off at the 13th hole for a six and five victory.

The four ball doubles final sees K Blair and I Johnstone junior take

on R MacDonald and G McCaffery. The mixed doubles are also entering the later stages with Rae Bleasby and Bruce MacNab awaiting the winners of the K Blair/J Kerr and I Johnstone/F Hardie competition.

Tomorrow (Saturday), the ever-popular Lamont/MacKenzie, Fifth Major will take place at Glenralloch.

Members are asked to meet for 11am, with the first tee off at 11.30am.

The competition will run alongside Dodies Cup.

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## Nikki lands club winner at Kyle of Lochalsh

KYLE of Lochalsh was the venue for Loch Fyne Sea Angling Club's monthly league competition, with competitors fishing the waters around Lochalsh and the Inner Sound aboard the charter boat *Spirit of Adventure*.

While the warm

weather made for pleasurable fishing, the slow drift and calm sea had an adverse affect on the landings. But there were good catches of pollack, ling, gurnard, coalies and cuckoo wrasse. Winner on the day with 76 points was Nikki Thompson,

followed by Gary Sinclair on 33 points and Johnnie Munro, 26 points. All fish were safely returned. The heaviest fish award went to Johnnie, who caught a 7lb 2oz ling.

The next club outing is at Loch Etive on Saturday October 4.

## Lottery winners and numbers

NANCY Barker won £100 in Tarbert Football Club's lottery this week, with numbers 3, 5 and 6. The jackpot will be £100 next week.

There were no winners in this week's Inveraray Shinty Club lottery, with numbers 3, 4 and 10

drawn. The jackpot will be £900 next week.

The numbers in this week's Kilmory Camanachd lottery were 4, 9 and 10.

There were no winners and the jackpot will be £300 next week.

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## Lorenzo is world sailing champion

### Bellanoch Boy wins Laser title after breaking wrist in March

RISING sailing talent Lorenzo Chiavarini has been crowned the under 21 Laser World Champion after sailing to top spot in Douarnenez in Brittany.

The Bellanoch boy, who was competing in the men's world sailing championships as the *Advertiser* went to press on Wednesday, has already won the Europa Cup and European Championships this year.

The 20-year-old claimed his third major title of the year having recovered from a season-threatening wrist break back in March, and overcame 104 other young Laser talents to take the coveted world crown.

'I don't think it's sunk in yet,' he said of his world champion moniker, 'but everyone's saying well done and

especially having won the Europeans as well. It's unbelievable!'

Lorenzo claimed the world title by just three points over Norway's Hermann Tomasgaard across the 11-race series but, in spite of the closely-fought battle, the young man kept his cool.

He said: 'We were always so close on points, but I was very relaxed the whole way through. Compared to the Europeans I was so relaxed and confident and enjoying it a lot more.'

'I was confident that if something went wrong I could do something about it.'

Lorenzo, who studies at Plymouth University, paid tribute to the British Sailing Team sports science staff who helped him get back on track and racing again



Lorenzo Chiavarini on the water. Photo: Paul Wyeth, RYA.

following his injury. 'I thought I was in a bad position this year straight after breaking my wrist but the team spirit Alex Hopson, Wayne Kitchener and Dave Macutkiewicz have given me pulled

my hopes up and we all worked hard as a team to get me back up and back on to the water again.'

'Without them and my coach Peter Walker I wouldn't have been in this situation now and I'm very grateful to them.'

Currently sailing in the senior men's world championships, Lorenzo said he was looking forward to the challenge of a contest where the level of competition is much higher.

He said: 'I'm just going to Santander to enjoy myself – just like I did at the worlds and Europeans. I've got into this mindset where if I'm enjoying it then I sail even better.'

'Obviously I'll try and sail my best, limit the mistakes and do as well as I can. Hopefully my confidence from these two events can push me on to greater things.'



Lorenzo with his parents who run Bellanoch House. Photo: Paul Wyeth, RYA.

### Doors open on two new clubs for Mid Argyll youngsters

ON THE back of a fantastic summer of sport in Scotland, Mid Argyll Active Schools is introducing two new clubs for children to get involved in.

A new mini athletics club starts on Monday for P1-3 and Mini Movers dance club will start on Thursday.

The athletics club will focus on fundamental skills such as running, jumping and throwing while trying to develop agility, balance and co-ordination within young athletes.

It is hoped the club can be an effective pathway for children to progress into the successful Mid Argyll Athletics Club.

Mini Movers Dance will introduce

children in primary one to three to a range of modern dances.

Innes Paterson, active schools co-ordinator for Mid Argyll, said parents had been asking for more sports for young primary school children.

He said: 'Hopefully the kids in Mid Argyll were inspired by performances from the likes of Eilidh Child and Lynsey Sharp in the summer and will want to try their hand at a new sport this year.'

Tennis, football, shinty, rugby and multi-sports after school clubs remain on offer this term. Bookings are now being taken at Mid Argyll Sports Centre.

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