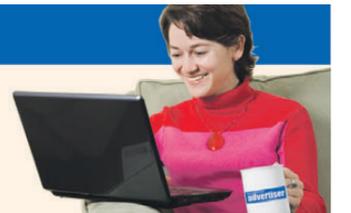




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## 'Great mistake' unites the north and the south

### Time running out to voice opinion on boundary change proposals

TIME is running out to have your say on controversial plans to change the way in which the local authority is organised.

If given the go-ahead, proposals by the Scottish Boundaries Commission would see the local government boundaries of Argyll and Bute re-drawn, with fewer councillors and unfamiliar new-look wards for many councillors to represent.

Argyll and Bute Council objected to the plans, arguing that it would damage existing community links. Community councils up and down the region have also voiced strong opposition to the changes.

Under the proposals - largely aimed at evening out voter numbers in each ward - the number

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of councillors in Argyll and Bute would drop from 36 to 33.

The Mid Argyll ward, with three councillors, would expand to take in places as far north as Bridge of Orchy. At the same time, Ardrishaig, Tayvallich and Achnamara would be transferred to Kintyre for council purposes - see map on page 2.

Similar changes are planned for other parts of Argyll and Bute, with Cowal ward to disappear, partly replaced by one covering the Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park boundary.

Faced with separation from Mid Argyll, North Knapdale Community Council has written to

the commission, saying: 'We were unanimous in our sentiment that these proposals are a great mistake.'

'The current Mid Argyll structure is coherent and contiguous, and any changes equate to an exercise in number crunching, rather than a sensible and representative ward system.'

'We feel that we know who our councillors are here, and this is surely a good thing for democracy.'

Areas of north Argyll and Lorn affected by the proposals are also opposed to them.

Glenorchy and Innishail Community Council is preparing a formal response to the commis-

**Continued on page 2**



## Spectacular sunset in Tarbert

**ARGYLL and much of the rest of Scotland has been treated to some unseasonably good weather and spectacular sunsets this week. This was never more true than on Monday of this week, when incredible red skies were seen at sunset. This stunning photo was taken in Tarbert, looking south west over the village, by resident Sarah Brown.**

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# 'Great mistake' unites north and south

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sion, again opposing the changes.

Community council secretary, John Kerr, said: 'We've built up very good relationships with elected members within Oban, Lorn and the

Isles area over many years. At the stroke of a pen, these are to be severed. Along with this goes a good deal of support from council officers in community development.'

He voiced concern over other problems that the changes

may bring about. 'We're losing the bottom part of our community at Loch Awe, but on the other side of the loch, will children now be going to Kilmartin for schooling? And the police often make decisions based on these bound-

aries, so what will happen, for example, to the station in Dalmally?'

He added: 'Scottish government policy is to support rural communities, but this proposal undermines this aim in many ways.'

The consultation period for the proposed boundary changes closes on Thursday, October 22, and members of the public are welcome to comment. Visit [www.consultation.lgbc-scotland.gov.uk](http://www.consultation.lgbc-scotland.gov.uk) to make your views known.

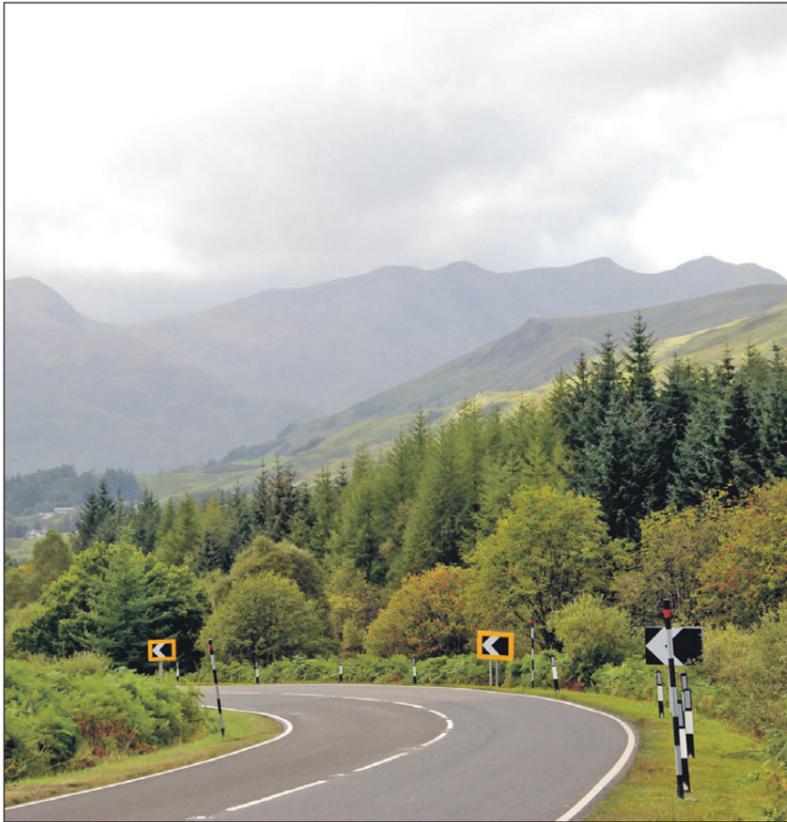
## Police files Disturbance

Police responded to a call on Main Street, Inveraray, at about 8.45pm on September 23. A 50-year-old woman was arrested for shouting and swearing and resisting arrest. She was detained until her appearance at court.

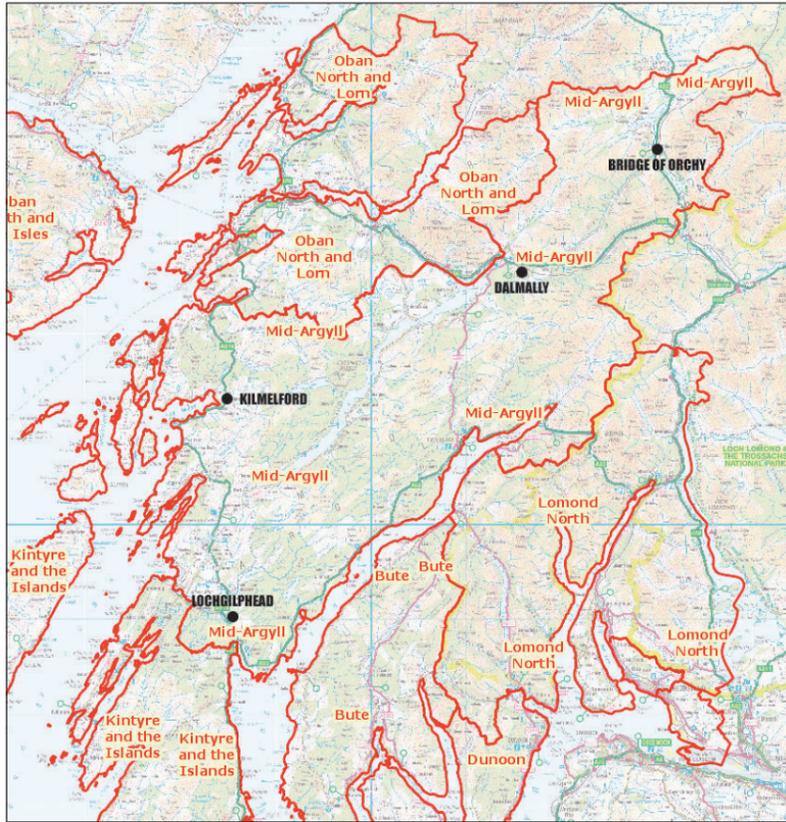
## Offensive weapon

At 11pm on September 26, police officers stopped a car on Bishopton Road, Lochgilphead. A 37-year-old man was found to be in possession of a knife and has been reported to the procurator fiscal.

If any member of the public has information in relation to the above, or to any incident, they can contact their local police office on telephone number 101, or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.



Beautiful Glenorchy - but is it part of Mid Argyll? 06\_a40glenorchy01



A map showing the proposed new boundaries for Mid Argyll ward.

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## Council delight at practice award

THERE were smiles all round the Kilmory chamber at last Thursday's meeting of Argyll and Bute Council, as customer service staff at the local author-

ity were awarded accreditation for excellent practice.

The recognition comes following an assessment of the local authority over a number of months

by trainers G4S. Charles Reppke, head of governance and law, accepted the award saying: 'This has been hard work and is a tribute to every member of staff.'

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**GRADUATION**

**Miriam Bell**  
Recently graduated with a B.A. Honours degree in History and Sociology from Glasgow Caledonian University. Miriam is the youngest daughter of Christine and the late Gordon Bell, Carradale, and the granddaughter of the late Gemima and Dick Bell, Moinearuadh, Carradale.



Left to right: Martyn Webster, Cathy McInnes and Shearer Woodrow with new recruits Derrick Astee, Jillian McCreedy, Jack and Lachlan, and Simon Widdicombe to the right.

## Funding opens door to hall renovation

A GRANT has been awarded to the newly-formed Inveraray Community Company to explore options for redeveloping the local Community Hall.

The funding, understood to be for around £15,000, comes from the Inveraray CARS initiative and will allow specialist architects to carry out an options appraisal for the neglected community centre.

### First stage

A spokesperson for Argyll and Bute Council said: 'This represents an important first stage in this project and will help the community group in its efforts to se-

cure funding for renovation works.'

Inveraray Community Company has its sights set on working with interested parties to improve and enhance the local area, with two initial sites in mind - the community hall and Inveraray Pier.

The group is keen to recruit new members to add weight to future grant applications. If you are interested, speak to chairman, Adrian Davis, secretary, Martyn Webster, or board member, Cathy McInnes.

Look out, too, for the Inveraray Community Company Facebook page and a new website.



The community company hopes in future to make progress with Inveraray Pier.

## Council presents wedding gift

A CARD and present celebrating the marriage of council leader, Dick Walsh, and his long-term partner, Tina, were presented at the start of the full council meeting last Thursday.

Mr Walsh, who has been the leader of Argyll and Bute council on a number of occasions over the last two decades, said thank you for his gift and said he genuinely speechless at the council's kindness.

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# Hotel facelift heralds start of Inveraray regeneration work

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A SMART new exterior to Inveraray's George Hotel gives a hint that things are moving in Inveraray.

The much-heralded Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) for the Royal Burgh, announced in February 2012, has taken a while to get there, but small grants applications are now being dealt with.

Work on the first of five larger scale projects around the town centre is expected to begin

in the new year. CARS is a jointly-funded grant programme offering assistance for regenerating historic towns and villages in conservation areas.

The Inveraray scheme is funded by Historic Scotland and Argyll and Bute Council which has been made available over a four-year period to assist with a programme of repair and restoration to the historic fabric of Inveraray conservation area.

An Argyll and Bute



A refreshed George Hotel exterior - early signs of progress with the Inveraray CARS project.

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Council spokesperson said: 'Argyll and Bute Council's ambitious £2million-plus regeneration project in In-

veraray is going well, with focus now moving from initial discussions with the local community to assessing grant applications and improvement work being carried out on the ground.

### Improve

'The project is will ultimately improve Inveraray's key historic buildings.

'As part of this, five buildings - Arkland, Relief Land, the Town House, Chamberlain's House and the Temper-

ance Hotel - have been assessed to see what repair work is needed.

'A grant has been approved for first priority building, the Town House, with work due to begin in the New Year.

'In addition, three small repair grants have been awarded, with improvement works to the first of these sites, the George Hotel, completed. Work is expected to start on the other two sites around November 2015.'

The spokesperson added: 'The council is currently receiving applications for eight further small grants.

'In facilitating this project, the council processes grant applications, however, it is up to the applicants to develop and submit applications.

'Grant applications for the remaining priority buildings are expected to be submitted towards the end of October.'

## More help for refugees?

MORE than 200 Syrian refugee families could be offered a home in Argyll and Bute, a meeting of councillors heard last week.

At a full meeting of Argyll and Bute Council, executive director, Cleland Sneddon, said: 'We have an over-supply of housing in some locations.'

Councillors agreed that there were around 230 empty social housing properties in certain

parts of Argyll and Bute Council leader Dick Walsh added: 'The discussions over the initial numbers of families we will take were after a number of different conversations that we had with a number of play-

'We have set up a refugee resettlement group - to progress our work and progress the desire to accommodate great numbers in the future. 'We haven't closed the

door. This is a complex process that needs to be done in a new way.'

To date, 20 Syrian families have been offered a place to stay in Argyll.

## A82 Tarbet to Inverarnan upgrade

Preferred route option

## Public Exhibitions



Public exhibitions are being held by Transport Scotland at various locations to give the public the opportunity to see the preferred route option for the A82 from Tarbet to Inverarnan following route option assessment work.

We are inviting views and feedback on the identified preferred route option to help inform its further development.

Transport Scotland officials and design consultants will be on hand to discuss the assessment process and the preferred option, and to answer any questions.

Details of upcoming exhibitions are as follows:

**Friday 2nd October,**

**2pm - 7pm**

Kilmore & Oban Parish Church Centre,  
Glencruitten Road, Oban,  
Argyll, PA34 4DN

**Tuesday 6th October,**

**12 noon - 7pm**

Duncansburgh MacIntosh Church Hall,  
The Parade, Fort William,  
Inverness-shire, PH33 6BA

For further information on the project, and to view the exhibition material online (available from 30 September), please visit: [www.transportscotland.gov.uk/project/a82-tarbet-inverarnan-upgrade](http://www.transportscotland.gov.uk/project/a82-tarbet-inverarnan-upgrade)



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## New season at Lochgilphead SWI

LOCHGILPHEAD SWI held the institute's first meeting of the new session on Tuesday, September 15.

A number of new members were made most welcome. Members were asked to bring self-portraits of themselves and it proved to be a challenging task to guess who was who.

At first it was thought Jenny Campbell of Bad-den Farm was easy to spot with her added 'extras' of dog and sheep, but when she said they were actually donkeys, it shows how difficult the test was!

President, Jean Smith, outlined the forthcoming programme and it was noted that a full and entertaining session lies ahead. The next meeting will be held in the Community Centre on Tuesday, October 20, and will be a demonstration on felting.

A warm welcome, as always, is guaranteed to any new member.

## A floral tour of the world

THE ladies of Mid Argyll Flower Club recently hosted a well attended floral demonstration evening.

Elizabeth Forster from the Borders took the audience on a trip around the world, stopping off in Hong Kong to view the neon lights and a dazzling display of purple and red flowers.

In Las Vegas, they saw show girls with their pink feathers topping off an oversized champagne glass arrangement.

Elizabeth also spoke about her experience of being part of a team at Chelsea Flower Show and concluded the evening with an arrangement based on the underwater theme which had been used in Chelsea.

Everyone agreed that this had been one of the best demonstration evenings yet, and many left with reminders of their tour, in the shape of their raffle prizes of arrangements.



Elizabeth and her Hong Kong arrangement

## Scottish film premier in Lochgilphead

LOCHGILPHEAD will be the first place in Scotland to have a screening of critically acclaimed film, *Mediterranea*.

The film will be shown free in the Screen Machine on Friday, October 30, at 5.30pm. People wishing to attend are asked to reserve their place.

The topical film tells the story of Ayiva who travels from Burkina Faso to Italy to support

his sister and daughter. Tensions in the area rise and things become dangerous.

### Lux award

The film is one of several movies up for the European Parliament's Lux award, presented to films that cut to the heart of European debate and show a new perspective.

The film is certificate 15 and is in its original language with English subtitles.

## Local groups asked to apply for funding

LOCAL community groups and causes are being urged to apply for the Co-op's local fund before October 7.

The fund has a total of £750,000 available to groups across Scotland and is made up of money from the 5p charge for a carrier bag and sales of other bags.

It is expected up to 1,000 good causes will

benefit from grants of between £200 and £2,500.

### Share

John McNeill, divisional managing director for Co-operative Food in Scotland, said: 'We are now calling for local causes across Scotland to apply for a share of the Co-op local fund to make a difference in their community.'

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# School food day a hit with pupils

SCHOOLS across Argyll and Bute took part in School Food Day on September 23.

Great Scottish food including scotch broth, potato and leek soup, haggis, neeps, tatties, stovies, bread and butter pudding

and cloutie dumpling were on the menu. For some children, it was the first time they had tasted the food on offer. Some schools, including Furnace Primary, had grown their own food which was served up as part of the meal.

Argyll and Bute council leader Dick Walsh said: 'The benefit of nutritious food, and educating pupils to make healthy choices at lunch time, is well established in helping them to make the most of their school day.'



Furnace Primary School pupils show off the potatoes they grew.



Lex with one of his paintings. a40Lex01

# Artist back from France with dog art exhibition

A CAIRNBAAN artist who spent the summer painting dogs in France, is displaying his work in Lochgilphead.

Lex McFadyen's exhibition, entitled Give a Dog a Bone, will be on show at the Archway, Lochgilphead, until

October 21. Lex spent his summer in the village of Noyers-sur-Serein, Burgundy, which is gaining a reputation among the artistic community.

Village residents and the press in France were intrigued by the

Scottish artist. Lex said: 'Thankfully my French is not bad so (press interviews) went okay. 'I've drawn some dogs before, but this is the first time I've focused on putting together an exhibition solely of dogs.'

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## Ridiculous proposals

THEY have been described by councillors as 'crazy', 'ridiculous' and 'daft'. This week a community council branded the proposed council boundary changes as 'a great mistake', were they to be approved.

Not a single person to whom the Argyllshire Advertiser has spoken has expressed support for the revised ward boundaries, which are plainly ill thought through and crassly insensitive. They are a blunt instrument, created as part of a numbers game. No account has been taken of community links, geographic distinctions, history, culture or common sense.

Playing with voter numbers in council wards is simple in an urban local authority or in one with a single land mass. Argyll, though, is entirely different. We should be treated, for this purpose, as an island authority.

If you oppose (or, for that matter, support) the plans, respond to the Boundary Commission consultation by October 22. The details are on page 2 of this edition.

## Glorious weather

AFTER a monsoon-like early and mid summer, the past couple of weeks in September have given us some glorious autumn weather.

Social media has been abuzz with stunningly beautiful photographs of sunsets and sunrises, but one example that stood out is featured on the front page of this week's edition. Well done, Sarah. And if you have taken some cracking shots, whether of landscapes, events or whatever, send them to us here at the Advertiser.

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## Response to Alastair Redman

Sir,  
I have never read such a mixture of half truths, scare tactics and plain rubbish as written by Mr Redman. A typical Tory tactic.

Jeremy Corbyn has brought a refreshing new or forgotten attitude to politics and the economy. He talks an awful lot of sense even if the right wing do not like what they hear.

Several academic economist have said his policies are perfectly reasonable, they just do not favour the favoured few.

On defence, even Michael Portillo says that Trident is a useless waste of money and it never stopped the Argentinians invading the Falklands, so what's the point of it? It may be a huge employer round the Clyde but surely it is not beyond the wit of man to think other ways of employing people.

He talks of debt; has he not heard of quantitative easing? If that isn't a monumental debt accruing which only benefits the banks and financial system and Mr Redman tries to accuse Corbyn of dodgy economics. What hypocrisy! And the current madness of committing to Chinese billions to build our infrastructure at monumental guaranteed inflated prices.

Who, I ask, is living in cloud cuckoo land?

He talks of raising taxes, well if that means closing tax avoidance loopholes for corporate and wealthy individuals, then I am all for it.

There are trillions of hot pounds and dollars sitting in offshore accounts most of which are under British domain that could be utilised to a better purpose.

The right wing media and the Tory party consistently tell untruths and distort what Corbyn says. I personally have never voted Labour in my life, but I am listening to what they actually say with interest.

**Mike Murray  
Crinan**

## Steps for pets challenge

Sir,  
I am writing to ask your readers to lace up their boots, pull on their wellies or slip on their dancing shoes and join in with Blue Cross pet charity's Steps for Pets challenge this October.

Joining in with Steps for Pets couldn't be easier - all you have to do is sign up and commit to raise money for every step you take, to help reach a grand total of 10 million steps.

You can take your steps any way you like - while out with your dog, running, dancing, climbing or maybe even on a nature walk.

My fantastic dogs Itchy and Scratchy, mean the world to me - I wouldn't be without them and I think they have a lovely, happy life. Sadly many pets aren't so lucky.

Blue Cross cares for thousands of sick, injured and homeless pets in its rehoming centres and hospitals every year. By joining in with Steps for Pets events, you can help them raise the vital funds they need to continue helping pets.

Please visit [www.bluecross.org.uk/stepsforpets](http://www.bluecross.org.uk/stepsforpets) or call 0300 790 9903 to sign up today.

**Chris Packham  
Blue Cross**

## Breast cancer care

Sir,  
I know only too well that when you have breast cancer, everything changes. Even the things written on your calendar; birthdays, holidays and yoga classes might have mastectomy, MRI scan or lymph node removal scribbled next to them.

Time becomes measured in appointments. The next scan. The next results. The next challenge.

My sister Lynn was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2002.

She noticed a large lump in her breast while filming in Australia. I know her first thought was: 'How could that have got there without my noticing it?'

Her treatment was tough; chemotherapy, radiotherapy and surgery. I stayed with her. I saw the day her hair fell out. I saw her mastectomy scars.

Sadly the breast cancer came back and spread. We lost Lynn five years ago.

Every year 55,000 people are diagnosed with this brutal disease in the UK. All of these people need care, support and information - which is why Breast Cancer Care's work is so vital.

I want your readers to pass this on to anyone affected by breast cancer: from day one Breast Cancer Care will be there for you.

They understand the emotions, challenges and decisions you face every day. Call their nurses free on 0808 800 6000 or visit [breastcancercare.org.uk](http://breastcancercare.org.uk)

**Vanessa Redgrave,  
Breast Cancer Care**

## Driving through Argyll jungle

Sir,  
How many drivers out there have noticed how much the trees are growing over our roads?

As far as I can see, the only thing keeping back the rich Argyll jungle is the traffic that clips it. Lorries, coaches and buses are keeping our roads clear.

Things are so bad in certain areas, including the A83 trunk road through Mid Argyll and the A815 near Cairndow, that we'll soon be driving inside a tunnel because trees are over-growing the carriageway as well as coming in from the sides.

Sight lines are being obstructed, and when roads are shaded with no sunshine reaching them, icing might be a problem in winter, not to mention leaves on the road in autumn. All these have obvious safety implications.

Less serious, but still significant is the fact that all this jungle blocks the views of our stunning scenery from the roads for visitors, potentially harming tourism revenue.

When are the trunk road management company and Argyll and Bute Council going to take serious action to cut back this scrub, and keep it from re-growing?

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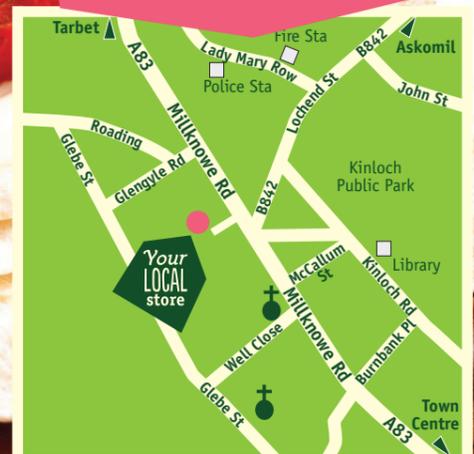
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# Neil Munro monument fit for future



The replacement granite block, top right. Underneath, a Gaelic inscription reads; 'Sar Litreachas' which means 'Excellent Literature' 06\_a40munromon02

LAST Saturday, a service of re-dedication was held beside Neil Munro's monument at the head of Glen Aray.

It was only when eagle-eyed Ken MacTaggart spotted that one of the carved stones was missing from the top of the 80-year-old memorial that a full refurbishment was kick-started. Luig resident Christine MacKay then co-ordinated a project to carry out the necessary repairs.

Following talks with the monument's owners, an Comunn Gaidhealach, a new stone was carved and installed, while the entire stone structure was re-pointed and refurbished.

In the company of a small group of representatives from an Comunn Gaidhealach; the Neil Munro Society; the Scottish Government, which funded the scheme; and others, a short service was conducted by Rev Roddy MacLeod.

Neil Munro's granddaughter, Finella Wilson, provided poignancy as she read a passage of her grandfather's work.



The Neil Munro monument, erected in 1935, five years after the author's death. 06\_a40munromon03

Neil Munro (1863 - 1930) was an Inveraray-born journalist, newspaper editor, author and literary critic.

He wrote a series of timeless classics, creating the famous Para Handy character along the way. Ronnie Renton, chairman of the Neil Munro Society, said: 'This refurbishment should mean that the monument is safe, and a fitting tribute to Neil Munro for many years to come.'

## Pupils enjoy careers fair in Lochgilphead

SENIOR pupils at Lochgilphead Joint Campus were given advice on Wednesday September 30, on what to do when they leave school.

City of Glasgow College, University of the Highlands and Islands and Robert Gordon university were among the many colleges and uni-

versity on hand to offer advice on their courses.

For those not wanting to go on to higher education there were representatives from the likes of the Forestry Commission, army, navy and RAF as well as Police Scotland who are currently having a recruitment drive.



Carys MacPherson gets advice from a member of staff from the University of Aberdeen.

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## Top tips for chocolate week



Chocolate leaves.

THE STAKES were high for this week's chocolate theme, with the remaining contestants close to earning a place in the final.

Many members of the Scottish Women's Institute (SWI) are talented bakers, and they have plenty of advice about working with chocolate.

Catherine Smith, chairman of the Argyll Federation and a member of Kilmichael Glassary SWI, offered up her views about making this week's signature dish, chocolate tart.

'Rich shortcrust pastry, which is the best choice, is familiar to the bakers,' said Catherine. 'Substitute cocoa for some of the flour to achieve chocolate pastry for the tart. Depending on the filling, the pastry-lined flan would be best baked blind. Traditionally, this has a rich filling of cream, eggs, sugar, butter and good quality chocolate (at least 70 per cent cocoa content), but there are many variations on this theme. Orange and pear are two fruits which

go well with chocolate. Caramel and fudge also complement chocolate.'

This week's technical challenge was the chocolate soufflé.

Catherine explained: 'Preparation of the soufflé dish or ovenproof dish is important. Wrap a double band of baking parchment rising 5cms above the top of the case/dish. Grease and sugar the dish and paper. Have the oven heated, and shelves checked for height of the soufflé. After preparing the chocolate mixture, the egg whites should be very stiffly beaten - the air that is incorporated at this stage gives the required rise - therefore fold in gently. 'The soufflé, when baked, should rise above the dish. Gently remove parchment and dust with icing sugar to serve.'

With chocolate centre-pieces as the showstopper, the bakers could really show off their creative side. Catherine said: 'To make chocolate leaves, choose real leaves from flowers, herbs or plants which are small, firm and

have well defined veins. Wash and dry. Paint the underside with melted chocolate and leave to set. Peel away the real leaves. For dipped fruit, have everything at room temperature so that the chocolate does not set before smoothly coating strawberries, cherries, grapes and the like.

'When making chocolate run outs, choose any simple biscuit/cookie cutter shape. Trace round the shape on paper, place parchment on top, pipe chocolate around the edges thinly, and then fill in the run out. When set, any details can then be piped on. With chocolate cut outs, pour melted chocolate onto baking parchment as evenly as possible, spreading to the required thickness.

'Leave to set until chocolate can be touched without sticking. Place another sheet of paper on top, turn over and remove backing paper. Shapes can then be cut out, such as squares, triangles or diamonds and cut with a sharp knife and ruler.'

For more details of how to find your nearest SWI institute, or advice on how to set up a new one, visit [www.theswi.org.uk](http://www.theswi.org.uk) or go to the Scottish Women's Institute's Facebook page.

You can watch the Great British Bake-Off every Wednesday evening at 8pm on BBC1. Past episodes are also available on BBC iPlayer.

## From the croft to a knight of the realm

A PLAY about a crofter's son who became a knight of the realm is to tour Argyll in November.

'Hector', by David Gooderson, opens at Eden Court, Inverness, on October 21 and will be touring Scotland and into November.

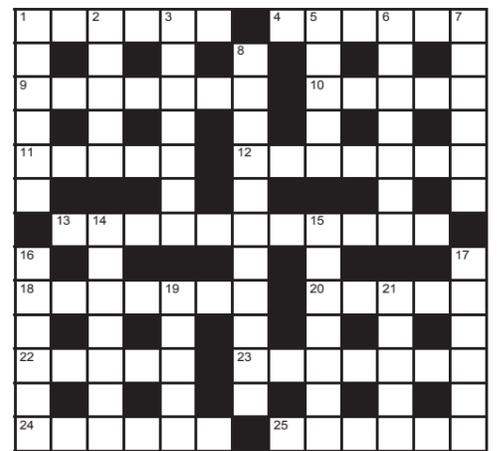
The show will be visiting Tobermory, Arisaig,

Benderloch and Innelan before it moves on to London.

The play tells the story of a crofter's son, Hector MacDonald, who became a knight of the realm and Queen Victoria's favourite general.

Kate Nelson directs and Steven Duffy plays Scottish legend and fallen hero, Sir Hector MacDonald.

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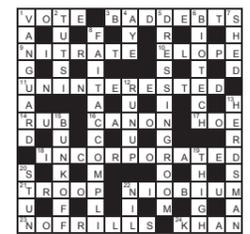
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- 13 Production of maps (11)
- 18 Letters from adorners (3,4)
- 20 To take draws on an illegal cigarette (5)
- 22 Squeezing (out) (5)
- 23 New enterprise (7)
- 24 Earliest form of word (6)
- 25 Save money on (6)

Down

- 1 Predatory bird (6)
- 2 Bad lighting? (5)
- 3 People who could be at the end of a barrel (3,4)
- 5 Alpha's other end (5)
- 6 Hallucinogenic substance made from this resin (7)
- 7 Pillar (6)
- 8 Hand protector in the ring (6,5)
- 14 Paid for an extended time (7)
- 15 Producing a photochemical effect of radiation (7)
- 16 Worn out (6)
- 17 Not alert (6)
- 19 Trouble (5)
- 21 New Zealand coniferous tree (5)

## Last week's solution



Dallahan will play Tayvallich village hall on October 10.

## Dallahan in Tayvallich hall

FOLK band, Dallahan, will perform in Tayvallich village hall on Saturday, October 10.

The five-piece met at sessions in Edinburgh and formed in late 2013. They have performed at various events including Celtic Connections, the Milwaukee Irish Festival, USA,

and the Copenhagen Irish Festival. The band consists of Paddy Callaghan, a past winner of the BBC Young Traditional Musician of the Year Award, on accordion, former 'All Britain Banjo Champion' Ciaran Ryan, Jani Lang, fiddle, a first prize winner at the Hungarian tra-

ditional music competition and Jack Badcock, a recent finalist in the BBC Young Traditional Musician of the Year Award.

Tickets are available from the Square Peg, Lochgilphead, Tayvallich village shop and on the door. Doors open at 7.30pm on October 10.

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# What is your silage quality this year?

Asks Niall Campbell - SAC Consulting Oban

This year, silage making has been a challenge owing to the poor and variable weather conditions. In many areas, this has delayed cutting and silage has been 'snatched' in brief periods of suitable weather.

Even in a good year, silage is a very variable feed product. We often talk about the 'average silage' in rations for cattle and sheep, but there is really no such thing. Variations in cutting date relative to crop maturity, fertiliser application, wilting, the conditions at ensiling and a host of other factors affect the composition and nutritive value of the end product.

Karen Stewart, one of

SAC Consulting specialist nutritionists has found that many beef and sheep silages sampled by SRUC labs so far appear to be lower in protein than expected.

A possible explanation could be less nitrogen taken up by the plants due to the late spring and cooler weather in April and May.

It is important that you analyse your silage, as this will affect rationing. Sufficient protein needs to be supplied to the rumen to provide nitrogen to the rumen bugs and enable efficient fermentation.

If protein supply is insufficient, fermentation slows down and intakes drop leading to poorer

performance. The composition of the silage will have a major effect on the quantity and type of supplement required to achieve the desired animal performance. This can be seen in the following examples of the recommended ration for a dry outwintered 600 kg spring calving suckler cow.

The poor and good silages are not at the extremes of the range in composition typically seen through the year, yet the poor silage requires higher supplementation to ensure that the animal gets the nutrition it needs to remain at optimum condition throughout the winter.

These diets assume a



A farmer stacks up silage

Below is a table of the minimum crude protein levels in the overall diet for different classes of stock that are recommended to maintain rumen function:

Type of Animal	Minimum Crude Protein in Overall Ration (% in dry matter)
Dry Suckler Cow	9%
Lactating Suckler Cow	11%
Newly Weaned Suckler Calf	14%
Store Calf	11%

cow in good condition. Leaner cows, or heifers may need higher levels of supplementation and access to a good suckler cow mineral is also recommended. Other feeds especially distillery by-products, such as draff, are a particularly cost effective source of nutrition, if you can get hold of them in your area.

So, what does this mean in practice on

Silage Type	Silage Type		
	Poor	Medium	Good
Silage Composition			
Dry Matter (%)	20	22	24
Energy ME MJ/kg/DM	9.6	10.6	11.2
Crude Protein %	10	13	14
Intake Factor	75	95	100
Recommended Ration kg/day			
Silage (to appetite)	33	35	33
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## New record gimmer price set at Dalmally

A FINE pen of blackface gimmers all the way from Ayrshire set a new Dalmally record for United Auctions last Friday, as sellers and buyers descended on the Lorn village for the annual breeding sheep sale.

A catalogue entry of 8,480 head included quality bred sheep on offer in all sections, with standing room only around the ringside and parking overspill pressed into action.

The day's top trading came from the pen of blackface gimmers from Messrs Blackwood, Auldhouseburn, Muirkirk, which sold for a new centre record of £2,300 each for gimmers.

Sale averages are as follows with last year's comparison in brack-



**Peter Wood keeps the bidding going from the auctioneer's rostrum.** 06\_a40dalmally04

ets: cross-bred ewe lambs, £55.34 (£57.14); blackface ewe lambs, £52.38 (£44.20); cross bred gimmers, £77.16 (£89.48); blackface gimmers, £93.13 (£102.27); cross bred ewes, £54.38 (£66.41); blackface ewes, £55.37 (£60.36). Principal lots and prices

### Ewe lambs

Mule: £95.00 - Ard-may, Tree : £80.00

- Garraron and Melfort Farms and Saulmore Farm : £78.00 - Garvachy.

Blackface: £70 - Ballachlaven, Islay, Tullochcan, Roromore, Castles Estate and Burnbank : £68 - Tullochcan&Roromore : £66 - Texa, Islay, Tullochcan and Lephinkill Farm : £64 - Braefoot, Glenfeochan and Upper Cragabus, Islay : £62 - Burnbank : £60 - Bragleenmore, Ballachlaven, Lurignish and Clachan Farms : £58 - Crunachy : £57 - Gobagrennan : £56 - Roromore, Corrylorn, Bragleenmore and Kiloran Farmers, Colonsay : £54 - Caddleton Farms, Clachan Farms and Ronachan Farms : £52 - Tullochcan and Lurignish : £51 - Corry-

lorn : £50 - Castles Estate.

### Gimmers

Mule: £105 and £102 - Glenshellach : £95 - Monydrain Cottage.

Cheviot: £90 and £85 - Balure Farm.

Lleyn cross: £72 - Whitegates.

Blackface: £2,300 - Auldhouseburn : £550 - Pole Farm : £320 and £200 - Lephinchapel : £195 - Balliemeanoch : £160 - Pole Farm : £130 - Lephinchapel and Balliemeanoch : £128 - Balliemeanoch : £110 - Texa, Islay and Achnamara : £105 - Lephinchapel : £102 - Balliemeanoch : £100 - Littleport : £94 - Ardveich : £92 - Achnamara : £91 - Duncroisk : £90 - Orchilmor Farm.

### Warranted ewes



**Raymond Kennedy works in the ring to keep these ewes moving for buyers' benefit.** 06\_a40dalmally05

Texel cross: £66 - Alaval.

Cheviot: £60 - Maam Farm.

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and Duncroisk : £62 - Clachan Farms, Meggermie Estate, Duncroisk, Cuilaine, Bragleenmore, Castles Estate and Garrogie Estate : £60 - Ballachlaven, Islay, Pitcastle Estate, Duncroisk, Musdale Farm, Invernahyle and Achalic.

## Pride and passion the key to future prosperity, says Jim

DESPITE the current significant challenges facing livestock farmers, the future looks bright - provided the pride and passion of those who work in the industry continues to be harnessed with innovation and positivity, according to Jim McLaren, chairman of Quality Meat Scotland (QMS).

Speaking at the launch of Quality Meat Scotland's annual review 2014/15, Mr McLaren said there were very encouraging signs that livestock farmers were focusing on the long-term.



'During the past year, more than 3,000 farmers - keen to look at ways of further reducing their costs and improving their returns - have attended meetings supported by our industry development

team,' said Mr McLaren, pictured, left.

He added: 'Marketing is very important in terms of its potential to stimulate consumer demand, but our work to help farmers look at ways of improving returns is also crucial to meet both our statutory remit and overall strategy to shape a sustainable and prospering Scottish red meat industry.'

More than 70 per cent of the QMS levy is spent on consumer-facing activities including marketing and promo-

tion behind the brands. Jim McLaren continued: 'We have seen a welcome surge in membership of our quality assurance scheme following a recruitment campaign we launched in response to industry feedback. During the past year, we have seen an increase in membership of our cattle and sheep scheme by around 350 new members.'

'Scotland was a global pioneer in quality assurance and it is very en-

couraging to see those working in our industry, along with chefs and butchers, really appreciating the value it delivers in terms of consumer confidence.'

Uel Morton, QMS chief executive, emphasised value for money: 'The QMS team also works very hard to secure additional financial resources for the Scottish red meat industry. During the past year, QMS secured £1.25 million in grants used to

deliver qualifying activities.

'It's worth noting that when you add the additional income we secure from grants, for every £1 of levy collected, £1.10 is spent delivering activities on behalf of the Scot-

tish red meat industry. Of this £1.10 total, 75 pence is spent on consumer-facing activity and 28 pence on industry-facing activity.'

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# Coffee mornings in Mid Argyll raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support

## World's biggest coffee morning



Anne MacDonald, Noreen Naylor and Jane McArthur man the cake stall at the Rotary club coffee morning 08\_a40coffee01

MANY coffee mornings were held locally as part of Macmillan's World's Biggest Coffee Morning.

On Thursday, Lochgilphead primary children invited parents and friends in to the school for their coffee morning. The children baked the cakes themselves and as well as cakes there was a raffle and they raised a

total of £383. The S6 pupils held a coffee morning on Friday. As well as tea and cake it was also a non-uniform day. There was also face painting and Wii just dance competitions with £1,205 being raised in total.

Head of S5 and S6, Mr Smith, said the event was very well supported.

Both departments

would like to thank everyone for coming and for donating baking. Also on Friday, the Rotary Club of Mid Argyll held its annual coffee morning for Macmillan in Lochgilphead Parish Church.

Among the activities was a guess the Whisky bottle with one lucky winner walking away with the bottle of Glenfiddich.

The total raised was £500.

Finally on Sunday, Helen Hope opened her house at Kilmichael for a coffee afternoon in memory of her husband, Jim. She had a great turnout on the day and perfect weather for enjoying tea and cakes in the garden.

Helen was 'chuffed to bits' to raise £545 for Macmillan.



Helen Hope, centre with her dog Rambo, and her guests enjoyed tea and cakes in the garden.

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Katie Donald, eldest daughter of Matt and Lesley, graduated with a BSc in Adult Nursing from the University of West of Scotland and is now working as a staff nurse at the Lorn and Islands District General Hospital, Oban. Katie is a former pupil of Achahoish Primary and Lochgilphead High School.



Tess Donald graduated from the University of Stirling with a BSc (Hons) in Sports Studies, Physical Education and Professional Education and is now working at Kilmarnock Academy, Ayrshire. The second daughter of Matt and Lesley, Tess is a former pupil of Achahoish Primary and Lochgilphead High School.



Erin Harvie with mum, Jaqueline, and grandparents, Liam and Marjorie Harvie, Sophie Balkeen's mother, Samantha, chair of the MACpool board, Sue Hillman, MACpool manager, Graham Love, and lifeguards, Leanne Williams and Megan Yuill. 08\_a40pool01



The children at the library with their awards 08\_a40library01

# Children rewarded by swimming pool and library for their summer activities

CHILDREN have been rewarded for their summer activities by both Lochgilphead Library and the Mid Argyll Community Pool, MACpool.

On Friday September 25,

children who had taken out and read six or more books from the library during their summer holidays were rewarded.

**Awarded**

Sophie Balkeen, Mirrin

Bowden, Neve Bowden, Abby Charnock, Holly Helbert, Charlotte MacNeill, Louise Pendreigh, Tom Pendreigh and Myrtle and Violet Turnbull were awarded medals and swim-

ming vouchers from Graham Love, the manager at MACpool.

At the MACpool on September 28, it was the turn of Erin Harvie, 9, and 8-year-old Sophie Balkeen to be

given medals and certificates for completing the summer swim challenge.

**Challenge**

Children from as far away as Denmark took part in the challenge which involved

swimming regularly at a pool throughout the summer. Erin and Sophie are both doing learn to swim classes at the pool, with Erin at level three and Sophie at level four.

## Sean's Tarbert tour on TV

A DOCUMENTARY charting STV weatherman Sean Batty's coast to coast cycle will be screened by STV on October 15 at 8.30pm.

During the four-day-cycle, which raised funds for the STV appeal, Sean stopped off in Tarbert and enjoyed the local hospitality by taking part in a pub quiz at the Corner House.

Sean was presented

with a cheque for £1,500 raised from the pub quiz.

At the time Sean said: 'This cheque has been, I think, one of the biggest starts we've had on our STV children's appeal tour to date.'

'This has given us a real head start in fundraising.'

Tarbert Harbour Authority also gave Sean a cheque for £200 and Tarbert Academy raised £430.



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# Doors Open Day gives public insight into fascinating and historic buildings

LAST weekend saw a number of buildings around Argyll throw open their doors, allowing the public free access to some fascinating and historic sights.

The annual Doors Open Day is held across Scotland as part of European Heritage Days. Within Argyll and Bute the event has been co-ordinated by South Kintyre Development Trust (SKDT). The initiative allows a glimpse into many places that the public would rarely

have the opportunity to experience.

The list of participating venues over Saturday and Sunday had a distinct Kintyre flavour, with places as diverse as Machrihanish Airbase and Torrisdale Castle getting involved.

Further north, visitors could enjoy tours of Tarbert Castle, Inveraray Bell Tower and Inveraray Parish Church. Along the road at the Argyll Estates offices, the estate's rich archives, the Argyll Pa-

pers, were open to the public, with some intriguing glimpses into the region's rich history, intertwined with that of the Campbell Dukes of Argyll.

SKDT manager Zena Coffield said: 'Doors Open Day has been a great success, with hundreds of visitors and locals visiting venues across Argyll and Bute. Thanks to everyone who took part, especially owners and volunteers who gave up their time for free.'



At Inveraray Bell Tower, committee bell ringing representative Terry Williams (far right) explains the intricacies of the building and the bells  
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Taking a breather at the top of Inveraray Bell Tower, Terry Williams' tour group poses for a photograph  
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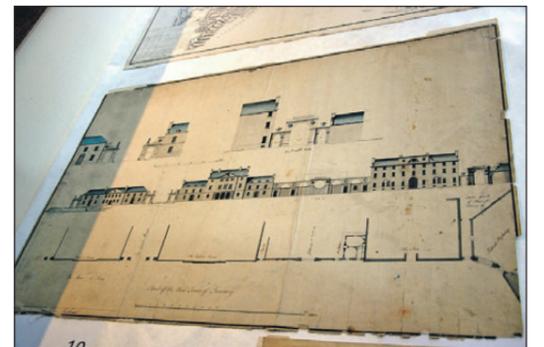
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An example of the priceless documentation among the Argyll Papers - an 18th Century technical drawing showing a design for Inveraray's famous arches.  
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Below: A beautiful sunny day greeted visitors to Tarbert Castle last Sunday, led by Sheila Campbell of Tarbert Castle Trust.  
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Above: The colourful entrance that greeted visitors to beautiful Glenaray and Inveraray Parish Church.  
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Young farmers met in North Connel village hall

### Young farmers meet in North Connel

THE Argyll branch of the Scottish Association of Young Farmers' Clubs (SAYFC) met on September 19.

About 40 or 50 members and potential new members took part in the gathering which was held at North Connel village hall. With strong support from Stirling, Strathendrick and Strathkelvin, the Campbeltown, North Argyll, Tiree

and Ardnamurchan clubs enjoyed an informative talk covering opportunities including competitions, training, travel and networking.

The night was rounded off by a number of games and a disco.

It is hoped to have more local district events in the future. To find out more about SAYFC locally, contact Jenny Baillie at [jenny@sayfc.org](mailto:jenny@sayfc.org)

# Local photographers wanted for competition

PHOTOGRAPHERS from around Argyll are being asked to enter the Scottish landscape photographer of the year competition.

The award is open to professional, amateur and young photographers and is timed to coincide with the beautiful autumnal colours.

#### Prize fund

The competition is the brainchild of Fife-based landscape

photographer, Stuart Low. Now in its second year and building on the success of the inaugural competition, this year's contest boasts an increased prize fund of £14,000 and has attracted new sponsors such as Academy Class, Caledonian MacBrayne, Calumet Photographic, Fotospeed, Scottish Natural Heritage and Formatt-Hitech.

Stuart said: 'I'm absolutely delighted that the competi-

tion - which is all about promoting photography and tourism - is continuing again after the inaugural competition proved a great success.

#### Best-seller

'The book we produced is a best-seller and the exhibition of winning images was so popular there were extended runs at various galleries across Scotland.'

The closing date for entries is November 14.



## Sky was clear for the super red moon

THESE photos, taken by Steven Carter from Kilmartin, show the different stages of the supermoon eclipse seen in the early hours of Monday September 28.

The photos show the moon appearing to disappear as it moves into the earth's shadow. It then appears red because of the way red light is scattered.

The next eclipse of a supermoon will not occur until 2033.

## Tarbert primary on the road to Rio

CHILDREN at Tarbert Primary are completing a challenge to run the distance from Tarbert to Rio de Janeiro before the Olympics there next year.

The primary six and seven pupils run three days a week and count what they run in their PE lessons to cover the 9,450km distance. The junior Jog Scotland club will also be adding their

runs to the total. Pupils at Clachan Primary School have also been inspired and have taken up the challenge.

Tarbert pupils heard that two former pupils, Fergus Mackavenie and Kieran Reppke, have recently travelled to Rio on survey ships where they work as engineers. They have emailed Fergus and Kieran and look forward to their reply.



Tarbert primary pupils enjoy a morning run



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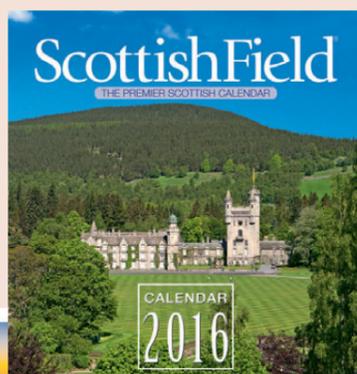
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**Thought for the Week**

with Marilyn Shedden



It was about 11.30 at night as I strolled along the boardwalk at Portavadie Marina under a star-studded sky.

My head was filled with all the new things we had heard about at the Presbytery conference and, after the buzz of the day, I was enjoying time to reflect on it all.

There wasn't a sound apart from the gentle lapping of the water against the boats.

Then I was aware of a light reflected in the darkness of the sea. A late yacht was sliding silently and gently to her mooring.

Quiet voices echoed across the water as they reached the safety of the marina. I walked back towards the bar area and watched people absorbed in their conversations.

I thought of the topics we had shared that day, the laughter we enjoyed and the conversations that had ensued amongst folk from all over Argyll.

One of the talks I appreciated greatly was about the 'spiritual landscape of Argyll' from Ian Bradley. Ian Bradley is a theologian, historian and acclaimed author.

He says of Argyll, 'I find Argyll to have a more markedly and distinctively spiritual landscape than anywhere else I have been'.

He goes on to say, 'It is a landscape of presences and prophecies, of premonitions and intimations of mortality and immortality.'

Much of Argyll is sacred space.

'Faith tourism' is the third most popular reason for visitors coming here. The first two are 'Heritage tourism' and 'Golf tourism'.

Evidently more people go into empty churches throughout the week in Scotland than attend worship on a Sunday.

What calls people to seek the spiritual, I wonder? Will some of these tourists become pilgrims? Will they go on looking for these 'intimations of immortality'? Will they find their own spiritual bearings in the landscape of their souls? Will they find a light to guide them to their mooring?

**INVERARAY**

**D-Day beaches talk at Inveraray Historical Society**

INVERARAY and District Historical Society will begin its 2015/16 season on Tuesday, October 6.

The first talk will be from Jim Jepson on Inveraray's role in the D-Day beaches.

The talk will be in the Nicol Hall at 7pm and new members and guests are welcome.

**FURNACE**

**Zumba taster session**

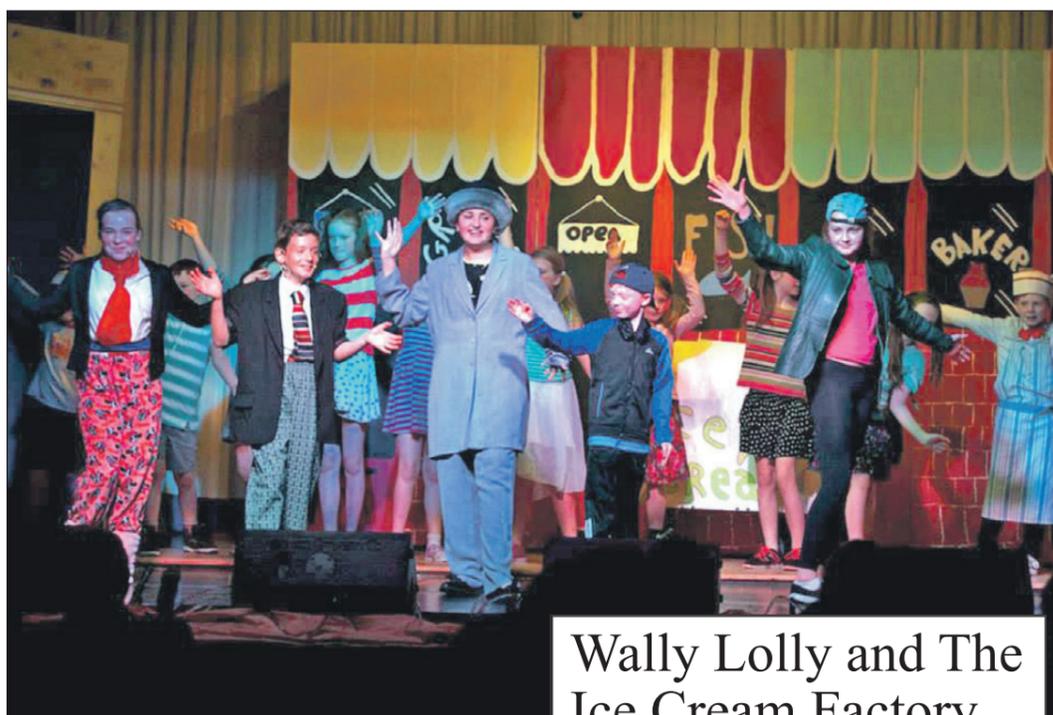
THERE will be a free Zumba taster session in Furnace on Wednesday, October 7, for people who want to get fit and have fun.

The session lasts 45 minutes and will take place in Furnace Village Hall at 7pm.

This is the second of two taster sessions, following the opener on September 30.



**STRACHUR**



The colourful show in full swing. Photo by Derek Prescott

**Wally Lolly and The Ice Cream Factory**

THE village youth drama group staged a highly entertaining production of Wally Lolly and The Ice Cream Factory at Strachur Memorial Hall last Saturday and Sunday.

Loosely based on Roald Dahl's Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, the plot revolves around a prize hidden in a batch of ice cream - but only well-behaved children can win it.

The fate of the children in the plot who failed to behave provided some fantastic entertainment for the packed hall over a sitting on Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon and the young performers of Strachur Youth Drama played their parts to hilarious perfection. They should all be very proud of themselves.

A highly enjoyable performance, made possible only through the dedication of tutors, producers, directors and enthusiasts, Sheena and Kirsty Dowse who, along with a band of willing helpers, allowed the youngsters to shine on the stage.

**LOCHGILPHEAD**

**Lochgilphead holds bookshop party**

A CAMPAIGN to promote books and local book shops will see a celebration event take place in Lochgilphead on Saturday October 10.

Books are my Bag is a country-wide initiative, and a Big Bookshop Party will be held at the Argyll Book Centre on Lorne Street between 12pm and 2pm.

Tea, coffee and home baking are not the only attractions. Author,

Lindsay Campbell, will be there to sign copies of her new book, 'Ane Compact of Villany', the true story of a gang of early Jacobite rogues who ran a protection racket across Argyll, bringing fear to their own people and defying the authorities from the 1680s to the 1700s.

Lindsay Campbell will be at the Argyll Book Centre from 12pm until 2pm.

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**TEXT FOR THE WEEK**

'The Lord ... will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no-one can fathom' (Isaiah 40:28).

**BIRTHS**



**APPLETON**

Andrew and Roslyn (nee McGuinness) are delighted to announce the birth of Katie Isobel, born September 17, 2015.

First grandchild for Mary & the late Ron McGuinness, third grandchild for Derek and Isobel Appleton. Both families are over the moon.

**ENGAGEMENTS**



**GRAHAM - SLOWEY**

Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Brian and Colette on September 26, 2015.

**MARRIAGES**



**MCMILLAN - HARRISON**

At Glenskirrie Castle, on Saturday, July 4, 2015, Stuart, youngest son of Archie and Mhairi, to Jemma, youngest daughter of Margaret and the late John. A perfect day from start to finish.

**GOLDEN WEDDINGS**



**ROWATT - CLARK**

At Stonelaw Church, Rutherglen, on September 24, 1965, by the late Rev Thomas Morton, Ian to Janette. Present address: 5 Glengilp, Ardrishaig.

**DEATHS**

**BLAIR** - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on September 23, 2015, Donald Blair, in his 96th year, 8 Albyn Avenue, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of the late Frances Blair, much loved father of Donald, Caroline, Grant, Frances and the late Ian, and a dearly loved grandfather and great grandfather. RIP.

**PATERSON** - Peacefully after a long illness, at Morar Lodge Nursing Home, Helensburgh, on September 29, 2015, Margaret, beloved wife of the late Allan, dear mother of Alastair, Scott and Stuart and grandma of Matthew. Funeral service at Cardross Crematorium, on Thursday, October 8 at 12.15pm, to which all friends are respectfully invited. No flowers please, but if desired donations to Alzheimer Scotland would be appreciated.

**ACKNOWLEDGE-MENTS**

**AITKEN** - Aline, Alasdair and family would like to thank friends for the cards and many kind expressions of sympathy following the sad loss of Phil. Thanks to Rev Roddy Macleod for a comforting memorial service; to Stan Lupton for professional funeral arrangements; to the district nurses, to Inveraray medical practice and to the staff of Glenaray Ward for their care. Thanks also to all friends for their invaluable support during

the last three months, and thanks to all who attended the memorial service. The retiral collection raised £200, which was split between Macmillan and Marie Curie nurses.

**HOLDER** - Jenny, Diane, June and families would like to thank friends and neighbours for their support following the sudden death of Malcolm. Thanks also to all who attended the services at A'Chleit Church and Cardross Crematorium, and for the retiral collection.

**IN MEMORIAMS**

**MACDONALD** - Ten years have gone since I lost by beloved Hector, on October 3, 2005, but his memory is always with us. Husband and friend, dad and grandpa.

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- Mary and family.  
**MCCORMICK** - John, October 6, 1975.

Never a day goes by.  
- Leslie, Ishbel and Betty, Tayinloan.

**SOUDEN** - In loving memory of a dear mother, Betty, who died October 1975. This day is remembered and quietly kept, no words are needed, we will never forget. Inserted by her daughters Isobel and Elizabeth, grandson Graeme and great granddaughter Ava.

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Men's Bowls 7.30pm  
New Hall  
Sunday 4th October  
Service 11.15am  
Creche, Triple C, Next Generation  
Dr John Morrison  
Tuesday 6th October  
Tiny Tots New Hall 9.45am  
EGM 10.30am  
Boy's Brigade  
Anchor Boys 6.00pm  
Junior Section 7.15pm  
Church Hall  
Thursday 8th October  
Choir 7.30pm  
Friday 9th October  
Lunch Club 12.00noon New Hall

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Scottish Charity No SC023277  
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Tuesday  
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Friday Jumpstart From 10am  
Scottish Charity SC015187

**SKIPNESS LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNNE AND KILBERRY**

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND**  
Sunday 4th October 2015  
Skipness Service 10am  
Marilyn Sheddin  
Tarbert Service 11.30am  
Rev. Walter Ritchie  
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Contact Rev. Hilda Smith, Interim Moderator  
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Everyone very welcome  
Tarbert & Kilberry SC002622  
Skipness SC004280

*Highland Parish Church*  
  
SCO02493  
Sunday 4th October  
Celebration of Communion  
The service will be conducted by Rev David Carruthers  
and will be held in Kirk Street Hall at 11.15am  
Sunday School will meet again on Sunday 25th October.

**SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

75 Longrow, Campbeltown  
Sunday 4th October  
11.00am Family Communion Service  
Mr Gordon Cosgrove  
Thursday 8th October  
12.15pm Prayer and Bible Study  
2.00pm Cup of Peace - Coffee Afternoon  
Please note change of day and time  
Friday 9th October  
7.30pm Kintyre Christian Fellowship  
Speaker: Mr Iain McCallum  
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"An infusion of the Life of the Son of God"  
Thursday 8th October 2015  
10.00am  
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Prayer, Word and Sharing  
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Sunday 4th October 2015  
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(SC0002876)

**KINTYRE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**

Kintyre Christian Fellowship meeting to be held on  
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Guest speaker: Pastor Ian McCallum from Carsbridge Evangelical Church, Glasgow  
Tea/coffee will be served after the meeting  
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Sunday  
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Army Kidz  
6.30pm Evening Worship  
Tuesday  
Lunch Club - 12.15pm  
Home League - 1.30pm  
Wednesday  
Make and Munch Mob - 7.00pm  
Thursday  
7.30pm Bible Study  
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Sunday 4th October  
Morning Worship  
Ford (Harvest Festival) 11.45 am  
Rev. C. Acklam  
All welcome  
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**PARISH CHURCH**  
Charity Number SC001002  
Sunday 4th October  
Tayvallich Church 10 am  
Morning Worship  
Rev. C. Acklam  
Monday 5th October  
Prayer meeting 10 am  
Tayvallich Church  
All welcome  
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Sunday 4th October 2015  
Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair  
Charity No. SC016097  
Morning Service (Harvest Thanksgiving) in Lochgair Church at 10 am  
Retiring Offering for UNICEF

**Glenaray and Inveraray**

Morning Service (Harvest Thanksgiving) in Inveraray Church at 11.30 am Retiring Offering for Christian Aid  
Short service in Chalmers Court, Inveraray, at 2.30 pm  
Cumlodden & Lochfyneside Guild Cumlodden Church Hall Wednesday 7th October 2.30 pm

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# Dookers fire five past Port Glasgow

**Tarbert** 5  
**Pot Glasgow OBU** 1  
**SAFL Premier Division Two**

A PRENTICE hat-trick and goals from Ronald and Johnson gave Tarbert their 12th consecutive win at home.

Old foes Port Glasgow returned to Cil Andreis last Saturday looking to pick up their third win of the season, but that honour went to Dookers.

The Tarbert Hotel sponsored side were without Meechan and MacDougall for the encounter, with a number of players returning after missing out the previous week.

The home side were expecting a tough, bruising encounter and this proved to be the case, with Smyth in the home defence coping well with the physical threat in the OBU attack.

Tarbert were controlling possession and deservedly took the lead when Prentice rifled home a free kick from 25 yards in off the crossbar. He made it two shortly after with a superb break down the right wing.

Kyle Selfridge burst clear of his marker and delivered a quality cross into the path of Tarbert's top goal scorer, who finished first time low past the keeper.

Referee Scott blew for half-time with the home side in complete control of the match.

Dookers were looking to add to their goal tally in the second half, however, they were dealt a blow shortly after the restart when Port's striker met a cross with an unstoppable header past Martin in goal.

This spurred on the Argyll outfit, and should have restored their two goal advantage, however Johnson and MacIver missed great chances whilst through on goal.

They did eventually get their third of the day, and it was that man Prentice who completed his hat-trick. Craig Johnstone galloped down the left wing and fed Ronald, who played a sensational cross across the box onto the right boot

of Prentice who finished high into the net.

Johnstone wasn't finished there and soon won a penalty after being clipped on the edge of the area. Up stepped Ronald to send the keeper the wrong way and secure the points for the home side.

Tarbert continued to attack and look for more goals, and the fifth arrived with ten minutes left on the clock. Johnson received the ball on the edge of the area before beating his man and firing into the net off the keeper.

This was an impressive performance by the home side who have now won their last 12 league matches on home soil.

This weekend, Tarbert travel to the south side of Glasgow to play Shawlands AFC.

Tarbert squad: John Martin, Craig Johnstone, Allan Blair, James Smyth, Fraser Talbot, David Ronald, Iain Johnson, Malcolm MacIver, Andrew Guy, Kyle Selfridge, James Prentice, Jamie Stuart, Stephen Campbell, Finn Scott, Jason MacArthur, Blair MacKay.



Duncan MacLean and Andrew Kerr from Premier Laundry services shake hands on their sponsorship deal. a40rally01no

## Preparations under way for Mull Rally

DUNCAN MacLean will be one of eight local men taking part in the Isle of Mull Rally on October 9 to 11.

He and his co-driver, Chris Pedley, from Richmond, North Yorkshire, are sponsored by Premier Laundry services, A and D Watt, Kilmory Coachworks, T and W Scaffolding,

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### Locals

Other locals taking part are Donald Bowness, Ardrish-aig, with co-driver, Iain Parker, from Lochgilphead, Innes Mochrie and co-driver, Paul Hunter, both from Lochgilphead,

Alistair MacArthur, Lochgilphead with Chris Robertson of Tarbert and Jamie Millar, Lochgilphead, with co-driver, Calum MacPherson, from Oban.

The rally begins with a night-time stage on Friday evening. On Saturday there will be both an afternoon and night-time stage.

## Sports club lottery draws

KILMORY Camanachd club lottery numbers were 9, 13 and 14. Next week's jackpot will be £300 as there were no winners this week.

Inveraray Shinty club's winning numbers were 1, 15 and 20. There were no winners so next week's jackpot is £1,100.

Tarbert football club lottery numbers were 2, 10 and 20. There were no winners and next week's jackpot will be £400.



## Deadline day for shinty changes

THE Annual General Meeting of shinty's ruling body will take place on Friday November 27, and clubs are reminded that any proposals for discussion must be with the association by 5pm today, Friday, October 2.

The meeting of the Camanachd Association will be held in Fort William at 7.30pm at a venue that has still to be confirmed.

Proposed amendments to the memorandum,

the articles of association or the rules of play or any further proposals for consideration must be intimated to the Camanachd Association in writing at least eight weeks before the event, and therefore must be received in a form that can be put forward to the meeting and on which a vote can be taken by 5pm today, Friday.

At least six weeks prior to the AGM, proposals will be distributed and voting members

will have the opportunity to submit any relevant counter proposals or amendments.

These should be submitted to the Camanachd Association in writing by Friday, October 30.

The association has also invited nominations for the position of board director. There are at least two director vacancies available.

All members are welcome to attend the AGM.

## News from Tarbert Golf Club

MEMBERS of both Tarbert and Inveraray Golf Club turned out at Glenalloch for the Archie Miller Cup with 31 taking part.

The cup had been previously played for with a team match between the two sides, however this year saw the cup contested for by both men and women with the winner being the lowest net score. Although the course was a bit wet underfoot, the greens were in superb condition with the pin positions at the 2nd, 6th and 8th holes in very difficult positions.

When all the counting was done, a clear winner emerged, with Georgetta Dickson, a club stalwart of many years, taking the honours with a net 58. Second place went to Duncan Robertson on net 63, and third was Sheena Ferguson with net 65. In the gross

section it was country boy Duncan Johnstone who took first place with 71, followed by Chris Smyth on 72 and third, Archie Black, also on 72.

In his closing speech, club captain Iain MacArthur thanked Atty Miller for his generosity in putting up the prizes and to his wife, Margaret, and the ladies of the club for providing such a lovely spread of food.

This Saturday, the rescheduled James Johnstone cup and monthly medal take place with the Joe MacFarlane memorial shield taking place the following week.

On Thursday the mixed doubles final took place with Iain Johnstone and Heather Brownlie taking on Bruce MacNab and Rae Bleasby. An exciting match took place with Iain and Heather

being two up with two holes to play, but Bruce and Rae took the game into extra holes by winning both the 17th and 18th. The 19th and 20th holes were halved and, with fading light, both couples agreed to replay on Thursday.

On Sunday, the Glenalloch trophy green-some final took place, when father and son combination of Iain Johnstone junior and senior took on Malcolm McAlpine and Iain MacArthur. In glorious sunshine, Malcolm and Iain raced into a three-hole lead and were two up at the turn. However, the Johnstone's won the first two holes on the back nine to draw level. With two holes to play, Malcolm and Iain had regained a two-hole advantage and a half at the 17th gave the two and one victory.



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# Tayforth beat Kyles to lift Bullough Cup

## Bullough Cup Final Tayforth 4

**Kyles Athletic 2**  
THERE was no consolation for Kyles following the senior team's defeat to Lovat in the Camanachd Cup Final a week earlier.

The Bullough Cup, a south of Scotland competition contested by second teams and lower league clubs, was won by Perth-based Tayforth at the expense of Kyles' second string, holders of the trophy.

Currently playing their shinty in south division

two, Tayforth beat their division one opponents at Yoker. The east coast club raced into a 4-0 lead in the Glasgow sunshine, thanks to goals from Calum Barton, Ewan Menzies, Finlay Stark and Andy Scot.

In front of a sizeable crowd, Kyles fought back, and two late goals by Rupert Williamson had Tayforth nerves jangling but proved just to be consolation for the Cowal men.

Tayforth held out to secure the club's first silverware for many years.

## Marine Harvest Premiership

**Inveraray** - With just three games of their season remaining, Inveraray remain favourites for the drop.

The league's basement side fell further behind second-bottom Oban Camanachd on Saturday after the Oban side defeated Camanachd Cup holders Lovat at Mossfield.

Inveraray fell to a 4-0 defeat at Spean Bridge against Lochaber, leaving themselves four points behind Oban Ca-



Kyles' Sandy MacKenzie (left) finds his way blocked by a Tayforth defender during the 2015 Bullough Cup Final

manachd, who have played three games fewer.

A home tie versus Kinrossie on Saturday is up next for the Royal Burgh side, and both pride and points will be at stake at the Winterton.

## Marine Harvest South Division One

**Kilmory** - Bottom side Kilmory fought out a 2-2 draw against fellow-strugglers Glenorchy at MacRae Park last Saturday.

The point leaves Kilmory on three points with two games remaining, while Glenorchy have clawed themselves level with Strachur on five points.

It's the same tie this weekend, reversed, for Kilmory and Glenorchy

as the Mid Argyll outfit travels to Dalmally for a league match.

**Strachur** - Yet again struggling for numbers after one of their players missed his train from Glasgow, Strachur travelled to Tainuilt for a league match.

The teams left the pitch at half-time level at 1-1, but the home side pulled away in the second half, scoring two further goals to grab maximum points and leapfrog Kyles into sixth spot in the division.

For Strachur, the defeat leaves eighth, or third bottom of the league, on five points, and precariously close to the bottom two clubs of Glenorchy and Kilmory.

**Kyles Athletic** - While Kyles' second-string had their eyes elsewhere in Glasgow, Tainuilt sneaked in and took their sixth position in the league.

Kyles have 13 points from 14 games. Mid-table respectability seems now the only real goal left this season, but face

a hard task this weekend in Oban as they play league leaders Lochside Rovers.

**Inveraray** - The trip to Aberdour is never an easy one, and this proved true for Inveraray's second team on Saturday.

Two goals down at half-time at the Silver Sands, things didn't improve much after referee Robert Baxter started the second period.

The match finished 3-0, meaning that Inveraray's title challenge took a dent as they slipped to third place behind Lochside and Bute.

Inveraray's final game of the season this Saturday is a tough one, as they host Oban Celtic at the Winterton.

## Planning for the future of athletics in Mid Argyll

MID Argyll Athletic Club is holding its Annual General Meeting next Thursday, October 8, at 7.30pm in the community centre, Lochgilphead.

The local athletic club was formed in August 1984 and presently has a large junior membership of boys and girls.

**Future growth**  
There is potential for future growth, provided more parents of the junior members contribute in some way, while

the provision of an all-weather jumps facility at Lochgilphead joint campus in 2016 will be of enormous benefit for the further development of the club.

The present committee was hopeful that the facility would be in place in early September, but the contractor responsible for laying the top polymeric surface is eight weeks behind due to the poor weather during the summer months. It is now planned to

complete the jumps facility in the early part of the summer of 2016.

### Promoted

For the last 21 years the athletic club has promoted sports hall athletics in several locations in Argyll over the winter months and hopefully this project will continue over the winter of 2015/2016, with a series of local competitions leading to an Argyll final in Oban in late February or early March.

Anyone with an inter-

est in athletics is welcome to attend the AGM and the present committee is appealing for local runners, joggers, coaches and especially parents of junior members to come along to the meeting.

### Pleased

The committee would like to develop links with the local Jog Scotland groups and would be pleased to see representatives from these organisations at the meeting.

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## Mid Argyll triathlon run in the sun

MID Argyll looked at its glorious best on Sunday as over 100 triathletes took part in the MacQueen Bros Mid Argyll Triathlon in Lochgilphead. Whether participants were looking for

personal best performances or simply competing in their first triathlon, everyone relished the challenge and were cheered on by tremendous support from friends, families and ri-

vals. The MacQueen Bros Mid Argyll Triathlon aspires to be a sporting event which promotes local community participation balanced with the right degree of sporting competition to attract some of the best triathletes from across Scotland. Affiliated to Tri-Scotland, the national body for triathlon in Scotland, the event is now a regular fixture on the national events calendar.

In total there were 138 entrants taking up this multi-sport challenge (500m swim, 20km bike and 6.5km run). 11.00am saw the first heat away, with the swimmers of the 14 team entrants.

In the individual race, there was clearly going to be some intense competition at the pointy end of the race, but equally there was going to be nip and tuck in the individual race categories with an inspirational performance by Sandy Hunter in the super vintage 70+ age group. His 10:00 swim, 44:11 cycle and 39:11 run was greeted with a tremendous roar by competitors and supporters alike.

Always a great triathlon for first timers, this year was no different with a number of local people taking part in this relaxed and friendly triathlon. The Mid Argyll Tri and Cycle Club's (MATCC) 5Tri initiative was supported by Scottish Sea Farms 'Heart of the Community', which looked to take five individuals from the couch to the triathlon finish line saw the five successful ladies realise

their goal, each of them completing the course in very respectable times, and all appreciating the plaudits and support that came their way from a great crowd.



These competitors had trained for their first triathlon as part of the Tri5 initiative.



The Mid Argyll All Stars won the male team event.

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The experienced triathletes put on a similarly great show with some fantastic times. Madeline Robinson put in a great race to secure the overall female title; bolstered by a strong swim of 8:34, a decent cycle and a fast 28:15 run.

Madeline's total time of 1:15:08 including transition, was nearly four minutes in front of second place female, Hilary Seadon, who had a very respectable time of 1:19:00.

Fastest male, Neal Robertson, was just too quick to catch for the rest of the athletes, putting in a quick 8:28 swim followed by the

fastest cycle of the day at 29:46 and the second fastest run at 24:46, giving a total time, including transition of 1:04:15. Not even the fastest team, the 'Mid Argyll All Stars' comprising Stuart 'Thorpedoe' Campbell, Julian 'shut up legs' Gascoigne and the 'Ormsary whipper' Stuart Crutchfield, could beat Neal's time, with the dream team coming in a respectable 1:04:39.

The much coveted prizes of first local female and male were won by Sarah Griffin from Ardrishaig, her second in a row, and David Carrey from Tarbert.

The continued support of MacQueen Bros was greatly appreciated by everyone with all the triathletes getting a top of the range sports performance t-shirt to

commemorate their efforts. Colin MacFarlane, chair of the tri club committee, presented all the winners with their trophies and medals and congratulated all the competitors for achieving excellent performances and the race organisers for a truly memorable and fantastic event.

Winners of the individual event were:

Male Senior (1st male) - Neal Robertson - Glasgow Tri Club : 1:04:15

Female Senior - (1st female) - Madeline Robinson - 1:15:08

Male Junior - Lorne Barrie - 1:33:31

Female Junior - Jennifer Lyne - 1:22:23

Female Veteran - Maria Dye - 1:21:58

Male Veteran - Angus Peden - Ayrodynamics Tri 1:08:58

Male Super Veteran - Martin Duthie - Calderglen Harriers 1:07:12

Female Super Veteran - Christine Catterson - Glasgow Tri Club - 1:24:50

Male Vintage - John Freer - Calderglen Harriers - 1:18:17

Female Vintage - Julie Hector - Stirling Triathlon Club - 1:22:59

Male Super Vintage (70+) - Sandy Hunter - Stirling Triathlon Club 1:35:15

1st Mid Argyll Female Finisher - Sarah Griffin - MATCC - Ardrishaig 1:21:01

1st Mid Argyll Male Finisher - David Carrey - MATCC - Tarbert 1:13:21

Team winners:  
1st Adult and first male Team Mid Argyll All Stars Swim: Stuart Campbell.

Bike: Julian Gascoigne Run: Stuart Crutchfield Time: 01:04:39

1st female team The Battling Blondes

Swim: Emma Lazarus Bike: Katie Ferguson Run: Fiona Graham Time: 01:13:37

1st mix team: Ardlarach Road Crew

Swim: Val Smith Bike: Iain Catterwell Run: Eoghan Condie



Chris Gordon is greeted by a young supporter.



Competition hots up on the cycling track.

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