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Stunning Bronze Age hoard discovered near Cairndow

THEY lay undisturbed for millennia on the banks of Loch Fyne, just under the soil surface - now three bronze axe heads are set to rewrite the history of Argyll.

The hoard was found by metal detector enthusiast Kevin MacLennan during a special weekend-long event for metal detectorists near Cairndow.

The bronze axe heads, each approximately four inches (10cm) long by three wide (7.5cm), were discovered in pouring rain last Saturday at an undisclosed location - but, remarkably, lay just nine inches (23cm) underneath the surface.

Among the amateur metal detectorists from Scotland and beyond, Edinburgh-based professional archaeologist Stuart Campbell from the Treasure Trove

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The newly-discovered Bronze Age axe heads before they left for Edinburgh.

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Unit was on site. His view is that the find is 'very significant', explaining: 'There hasn't been a recent find like this in Argyll.'

'In terms of research and the context it was found in, it is very significant. We do have similar objects in collections elsewhere, but few are as old as these appear to be. They are typical of the very ear-

liest metal tools within the British Isles, and date back to between 2,000 and 2,300 BC, the early Bronze Age.'

Plenty of interesting objects were found across Ardkinglas Estate over the weekend, including coins dating back to the 13th century and numerous shell casings and mortar tail fins dating back to the days when Loch Fyne

was a Second World War training ground.

Another significant find was a gold-plated carved insular mount from the 7th or 8th century. This, in fact, was the headline-grabber prior to the axe heads turning up.

Describing his feelings as he lifted the sod to uncover the hoard, 49-year-old Kevin MacLennan said: 'When I saw the unmistakable green colour of 4,000-year-old bronze, the feelings almost overwhelmed me. I can only describe it as a mixture of shock and absolute jubilation.'

Mr Campbell continued: 'Argyll was enormously important in the early Bronze Age, as one of the main routes from Ireland. This is a very significant find.'

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Fashion followers enjoy charity show

Around 200 ladies flocked to a charity fashion show in Lochgilphead earlier this week. More on this story on pages 10 and 11.

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Cash boost

A LOCHGILPHEAD youth group benefits from cash recovered from criminals.

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Older, fitter

A VIEW of growing old healthily from a well-known retired physiotherapist.

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Fix it here

TARBERT was a hive of repairing activity last weekend to raise cash for a local charity.

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Big sale

EXTRA pens had to be brought in to cope with numbers at last week's Dalmally sheep sale.

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MID ARGYLL residents rally round to help the people of war-torn Syria.

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Labourer fined £600 after fire destroys works van

A MAN who had a provisional licence and was only allowed to drive a works van on an Isle of Jura site, was fined £600 and given six points on his driving licence after he crashed it and the vehicle was destroyed by fire.

24, of 3 Dee Place, Aberdeen pleaded guilty to three charges, taking the van without the owner's permission, leaving it burning and unattended and not having learner plates displayed.

On Thursday of last week, procurator fiscal Eoin McGinty told

Campbeltown Sheriff court that Birbalas was employed by a scaffolding firm but only had permission to drive the van on site.

Mr McGinty added: 'At 9.30pm on Saturday June 18, Birbalas and another employee left in the van for the Jura Hotel.

'At midnight Birbalas and the other man drove back to their digs.'

Birbalas lost control on a bend and was

then unable to get the vehicle back on the road.

The pair left the vehicle unattended and later it was found burning fiercely by the

police and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

In court Birbalas said he had walked back to the site for a fire extinguisher but when he returned found the

fire service present so went away. His defence solicitor said that Birbalas was very sorry for his actions and has since found work in Aberdeen.

Police files

Damage to cars

BETWEEN Thursday September 22 and Saturday September 24, a number of residents of Highbank Park in Lochgilphead had their cars damaged. The vehicles were deliberately scratched on side panels and bonnets by someone using a sharp implement.

Police inquiries continue to trace the person responsible.

Care and attention

AS A result of police investigations, two male drivers have been reported for driving without due care and attention after a two-vehicle collision which happened in August just outside Kilmartin.

Speeding biker

A BIKER has been reported after he was found to be riding his motorcycle at 51mph in a 30mph speed limit on the A83 near Semples garage, Inveraray.

Police Inspector Julie McLeish said: 'Efforts will continue to address motorbike-related issues to ensure they are being driven in a safe and appropriate manner, as this has been highlighted as a significant concern for the community.'

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.



Police officers attended the scene.

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Police help woman from Loch Gilp

A POLICE operation was launched on Friday September 23 after concerns were raised for the well-being of a woman in Lochgilphead.

The woman became agitated in a shop in Lochgilphead before heading towards Loch Gilp. Though well out, the tide was starting to come in at the time.

Officers attended at around midday, crossing the exposed silt on foot to the woman's location.

Lochgilphead-based Inspector Julie McLeish later confirmed that a vulnerable 31-year-old woman had been assisted by officers to leave the estuary.

She added: 'Officers attended and worked with hospital staff to assist the woman to safety and she was thereafter removed to hospital for assessment.'

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Seized cash will boost forum

MID ARGYLL Youth Forum is one of 40 community groups to benefit from a scheme to distribute cash seized from criminals.

The Scottish Government's Cashback for Communities scheme will see almost £2 million given to community groups across Scotland to help young people in disadvantaged areas.

The award of more than £30,000 was welcomed by Argyll and Bute MSP, Michael Russell, who commented: 'Cashback for Communities is a unique programme that seizes money from criminals and reinvests it back into communities such as Mid Argyll.'

'This funding will support Mid Argyll Youth Forum to continue to get young people active and involved in many activities not otherwise available to them - a valuable investment in our young people.'



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Stewart to soar in new pantomime role - oh yes he is!



Stewart, fourth left, with fellow members of the Peter Pan cast.

ARGYLL boy Stewart McCheyne is to star in a new pantomime production of Peter Pan.

The panto, at Motherwell theatre, will run from November until early January.

Stewart, set to play the title role, said: 'There is lots of singing, dancing, sword fighting and I even get to fly!'

Stewart's dad is from Clachan and now lives in Campbeltown. Brought up in the village of Furnace,

Stewart attended Furnace Primary School and then Lochgilphead High School until 2006. He was a member of the Mid Argyll Youth Chorus and performed in local Mods, competitions and festivals.

After leaving school he moved to Glasgow to study musical theatre at Stow College, going on to Rose Bruford drama school in London to undertake the prestigious Actor Musician course

from 2009-2012. He has since appeared in a number of plays and musicals, touring up and down the UK and in London's West End and has been a voice-over and stage combat fighter in various productions.

A recent project has been filming a spoof documentary series about and starring the 90s children's TV presenter Dave Benson Phillips, in which Stewart plays his number one fan.

Fears raised over HIE merger plans

POLITICIANS have reacted to suggestions that economic development agencies Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE) and Scottish Enterprise could be merged.

Highlands and Islands Labour MSP David Stewart said: 'The last thing we need is the disappearance of HIE and all the expert knowledge that it contains. I will be seeking an urgent meet-

ing with the secretary for the economy, Keith Brown, to ask exactly what is going on and why MSPs who represent the area have not been briefed.'

A spokesperson for HIE said: 'The First Minister announced the Enterprise and Skills Review - including the roles of HIE, Scottish Enterprise, Skills Development Scotland and the Scottish Funding Council,

in the Scottish Parliament on May 25.

'Last week the government published evidence that had been submitted by the four agencies themselves and from a very wide range of other organisations. We will set out our response to the review in due course.'

Questions over the future independence of HIE were raised by Inverness-based Mackay Consultants

in the firm's September monthly economic report, in which economist Tony Mackay claimed that an unnamed government minister had revealed to him that the Scottish Government was

considering merging HIE and Scottish Enterprise.

Michael Russell, MSP for Argyll and Bute, said: 'There is a review of the enterprise sector being undertaken but as I un-

derstand it there is no recommendation as yet from that review of any sort.'

HIE employs 14 people in Lochgilphead, as well as hosting two employees from the Scottish Land Fund.

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On balance, a good weekend for Stuart

'WE DON'T know whether the axe heads were buried as an offering to the Gods, for safe keeping or whether they were deliberately abandoned,' explained Stuart Campbell, archaeologist with the Edinburgh-based Treasure Trove Unit.

'They will now be taken to Edinburgh for assessment but the presumption is they will be taken, perhaps in a year or so, to a museum in the area in which they were found.'

Excited as he was to be there when the axe heads turned up, he held a soft spot for another, more modest find over the weekend.

'It is a small, portable trader's weight set,' revealed Stuart. 'It would form part of a set of 17th century stacking weights for scales and from the maker's mark it came from Nuremberg in Germany. This is lovely and suggests trade in valuable goods in this area at the time. It is the first one I know of to be found on the west coast.'

Thrill of the hunt as history is uncovered

ANTICIPATION hung in the air last week as the first of around 70 metal-detecting enthusiasts arrived on Ardkinglas Estate, Cairndow.

The organiser of the weekend event was Grant Maxwell of DetectingScotland.com, who had paid visits earlier in the year to the location. A number of 'finds' turned up dur-

ing one of those trips in the early spring, including a 1797 penny; a late 17th/early 18th century silver buckle; a Dandy button worn on the coats of elegantly attired 18th century gentlemen; some musket and grape shot. But the most important find of all was an insular mount from the 7th/8th century, of which Grant ex-

plained: 'It would be mounted on a sword or bridle for good luck or to show ownership. It could be Viking related, and the Treasure Trove people in Edinburgh say it is hugely significant.'

Last Saturday dawned wet and windy, and pretty much stayed that way all day.

Grant said: 'As a result many people had

actually left by Saturday lunchtime with no dry clothes left, broken tents, broken spirits. But those who managed to survive until Saturday evening and into Sunday were rewarded.'

The big reward was the discovery of a hoard of three early Bronze Age axe heads, of which you can read more elsewhere in this edition.

It was an important find, and perhaps offers a clue into what draws people to wander across muddy fields in pouring rain as a hobby. They came from Scotland, England, Poland, Latvia - and one retired Mountie even travelled from Nova Scotia purely to attend the weekend.

For detectorists (as they are known), it's all about the thrill of the chase. 'What I like is going to places steeped in history and finding something nobody knew was there,' said Simon Kyrollos from Clydebank. 'And I suppose what we are doing is uncovering Scotland's history, one find at a time.'

Proud Derek strikes again



Kevin MacLennan all smiles after his latest big find.

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IT WAS Derek MacLennan, a real enthusiast from Ayrshire, who found the axe heads dating back as early as 2,300 BC.

But he has form. Derek was recently responsible for the discovery of a Viking hoard in Dumfriesshire as well as numerous other important finds.

A fellow detectorist on Sunday morning said, wryly: 'Derek's got a knack for find-

ing things.' Derek, a 49-year-old retired businessman, told the Advertiser: 'When I first swung the detector over the target in the ground it gave a signal similar to the dozens of WWII mortar tail fins that littered the area we were searching and I expected to be recovering another one.'

It was no tail fin - these were bronze axe heads.

He continued: 'I carefully picked them up, still covered in mud, and became the first person to hold them in over four millennia - tangible history lying in my hand.'



The beautiful 7th/8th century carved gold mount.

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One of Stuart's favourites - a fragment from a set of 17th century German weigh scales.

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Kevin holds one of the axe heads, minutes after being found.

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Simon Kyrollos gives local kids Ben Eager and Sophie Sumsion, both aged nine, their first lesson in metal detecting.

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Stunning hoard discovered

Continued from page 1 Organiser of the weekend event, Grant Maxwell of DetectingScotland.com, said: 'I never realised just how far back our visit would push the history of habitation.'

'We have had many Bronze Age axe heads before but these are some of the earliest.'

He added: 'I'd really like to thank David, Angela and Jean

for kind permission to hold our event at Ardkinglas Estate, and Gary at XP Detectors for sponsorship of the event.'

Jean Maskell, estate manager at Ardkinglas, said: 'Grant visited earlier in the year when he produced some interesting finds, so we were looking forward to the weekend - and we were delighted with the axe head finds.'

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'The new law is a means of ensuring people can use air weapons in a regulated way without compromising public safety'

AIR GUN owners are being reminded that applications for a firearms certificate must be in by October 31 if they want to keep their guns until it is granted.

New legislation will make it a criminal offence to have an air weapon without a licence or permit and could see perpetrators fined or face up to two years in prison.

Cabinet Secretary for Justice Michael Matheson said: 'I'd

like to remind anyone who owns an air weapon, regardless of whether or not they use it, to apply to Police Scotland for a licence straight away.

'The new law is a means of ensuring people can use air weapons in a regulated way without compromising public safety, so if you know anybody who owns or possesses an air weapon, please remind them to apply for a licence.'

Ahead of the application period opening in July, a national air gun surrender campaign in May and June saw more than 350 weapons handed into eight designated police offices in Argyll and Bute.

The Air Weapons and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2015 comes into force on December 31.

To find out more on how to apply for an air gun licence, visit www.airweapon.scot

Sweet chari-tea boost for Mary's Meals

FRIENDS Ella Wilson and Janet Jardine hosted a very traditional tea party in Kilmartin.

Tables in Living Stones were decked with grandma's lace and embroidered table cloths, willow pattern crockery and tiered cake stands loaded with cream scones and cakes.

Generation Hope, the new film from Mary's Meals, was projected on to a wall as the tea and cakes went down a treat.

The first to sit down at 3pm was cyclist Cliff Acklam, who enjoyed a welcome break from the saddle.

Held on September 15, the Chari-Tea raised £197.82 for the charity.

Ella and Janet would like to thank everyone who supported this event and made it such an enjoyable occasion.



Ella, Janet and Cliff enjoy a spot of tea in aid of a good cause.

'Mrs Brown' raises cash - and plenty of smiles

SHE ALWAYS keeps her adoring public guessing about what her next outfit will be, and Tarbert's fundraising superwoman carried on the theme last weekend.

The recent Tarbert Music Festival and the Fèis an Tairbeir provided some excellent fundraising territory for Margaret Henderson. She did the rounds at both festivals on Saturday dressed as a frog, before reprising an earlier role as Agnes Brown of Mrs Brown's Boys on the Sunday.

Over the weekend, Margaret raised an incredible £972.04 with her collecting tin to keep the music festival events going.



Margaret hops to it as she raises almost £1,000 for Tarbert's music festivals. 06_a39tarbmusic01



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Given this long tradition of cultivation, it is remarkable that three bronze axe heads have lain undiscovered at fairly shallow depths since a time more than 2,000 years before the time of Christ.

They are, apparently, not particularly valuable in money terms as there are a number of similar examples dotted around the country. But the real value is in what they represent in their upper Loch Fyne setting. This is new, and we are only just starting the process of discovering what life might have been like in early Bronze Age Cairndow, and how this linked with surrounding areas and beyond.

True efficiency?

It should come as no surprise that the Scottish Government may be considering a merger of HIE and Scottish Enterprise as one potential outcome of a current review.

Cash is tight across the public sector, and there are plenty of recent examples of centralisation of public services in Scotland - motivated by the need to save cash.

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THE WORLD Health Organisation has designated October 1 as 'International Day of Older Persons'.

Lots of activities have been planned, and in Argyll there are plenty of us entitled to celebrate. Age is not a privilege accorded to everyone. But when you get there you discover that somehow or other the planning for this stage of life has not happened.

Why is there such a laid-back approach to the problems of ageing?

The reality is that for older age to be enjoyable, reasonable mobility is important. For many people there is a moderate increase in physical activity because of free time in retirement around the age of 65-75. Intervention in the form of assessment/advice at this stage would make very good sense because by 75-85 most people have developed some physical disability or lifestyle illness. In very old age, which is classified as over 85, they become really dependent.

Much of my full time working life has been spent as a physiotherapist, where the maxim 'if you don't use it you lose it' was often heard. In fact this goes right back to biblical times with the parable of the talents. This is even more true as you age, where strength, balance and mobility are

particularly susceptible to lack of use. Perhaps the most vulnerable thing of all is confidence. It is horrible to discover that a body you took for granted for so long will no longer co-operate. If you also encounter a negative view of your prognosis it is hardly surprising that old age is so often allied to depression. Contrast this with the mission statement issued with the Day of Older Persons, which points to the fact that this is the very time in life where enjoyment could be paramount.

What can be done about it? Well, the good news is that positive action is particularly helpful if you are inactive or overweight, but it is essential that we all waken up to the importance of taking responsibility for our own health.

Would you believe that on average people in town clock up more miles than country dwellers? It's made easier for them with covered walking areas, accessible buses, and taxis, non-stop sports and leisure facilities and group activities at any time of day you want. Those of us who enjoy country life need to become aware of the barriers that are put in our way. Until you are having problems getting around you don't realise how very limiting are our services here. For example, some of our bus-



Barabel McKay.

es can lower their entrance right down to the kerb, but the next step presents a significant challenge to sore or weak knees. And I can't be the only person whose little short legs were not taken into account in the design.

We need to also waken up the planners who decide where to put the money. The amalgamation of health and social care is a step in the right direction because it gives the opportunity to look at overall provision, but it is surely important to fully involve all interested parties, and take account of research into cost saving outcomes.

I have to declare an interest in the following statistics, but if everyone over 65 at the risk of falling was

referred to physiotherapy, 160,000 falls could be prevented. This, it is calculated, would save the NHS £250million a year. Every £1 spent on physio is said to save £4. Major falls result in hospital admission and cost on average £5,000 each time. In Argyll we have a disproportionate number of older people so the spend might be even more startling. Do you remember the old proverb, that a stitch in time saves nine? Or better still 'for the want of a nail, the battle was lost'.

Until these changes can be put in place, here are some more facts. Muscle strength can be improved by weight training. Regular resisted exercise can stabilise osteoarthritic joints, reduce risk of falls, and lessen breathlessness and breathing difficulties. Not only that, it can protect and maximise residual function and, wait for it, in some cases add 20 years to your active life.

But this is about much more than money.

It is about honouring the contribution that the old have given, and can still give. Most of all it is about having the vision to see what must be changed and working together to achieve it.

Argyll is a wonderful place to live. Let's make it one of the best places in which to grow old.

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al Festival, MTV Europe Music Awards, XX Commonwealth Games Opening Ceremony, Festival Berlioz in France and Grand Teton Music Festival in the USA.

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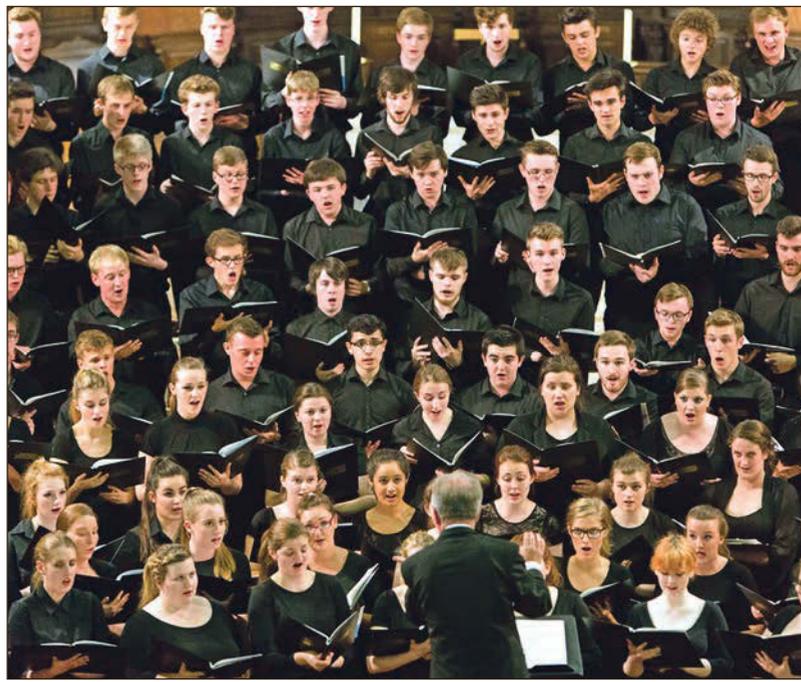
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The National Youth Choir of Scotland in full voice. Photo by Stuart Armitt

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The deadline for applications is October 14. To apply, visit www.nycos.co.uk.

MOK Fest one of the best

THE MULL of Kintyre Music Festival is included in a list of 'Fabulous Festivals' published by a travel website.

The festival has been chosen by HolidayLettings.co.uk, owned by TripAdvisor, as one of the '11 fabulous but lesser-known music festivals in the UK'.

The list has been compiled to celebrate the best of the smaller music festivals across the UK.

Saskia Welman of the website said: 'The Mull of Kintyre Music Festival makes it to our final list as it offers traditional Scottish and Irish music, with a programme that is suited to all tastes.'

Workshop a step closer after fix-it frenzy

LAWN mowers to brush shafts, and dolls to bicycles - they were all repaired last Sunday in Tarbert.

The Tarbert Shed charity ran a 'repair café' at the harbour marquee, with all kinds of handy people there to fix pretty much anything brought along on the day.

Tea and coffee was available with home baking and a raffle to entertain visitors.

Another attraction was a fishing boat dating back to the 1950s



All hands on deck as a doll is brought in for some emergency surgery.

and built in the village's Dickie's boatyard - and the next restoration project for the charity. Organisers hailed the event as 'an undoubted success' as it raised £348 to pay for public liability insurance to allow redevelopment of the Tarbert Shed premises into a workshop.



The bonny but as-yet-unnamed boat ready for restoration once the workshop is ready.

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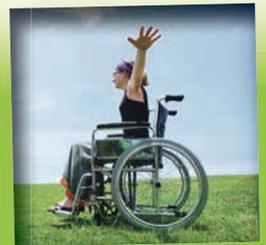
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Psychotherapy focuses on the distinctively personal and interpersonal dimension of our existence in the world, and explores the nature of our experience, how it affects us and how we, in turn, affect and interact with others. My understanding, based on the developing evidence, and my experience with clients, is that the early years of our life shape us in ways which are very powerful, often to an unrecognised extent, and that it is really helpful to understand how we wrestle in the present with these patterns of feeling, relating, and behaviour formed in the past.

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Model Uta has fun with a stylish beanie hat. 06_a40fashionshow7

Fashion show thrills Mid Argyll ladies

The models strutted their stuff to show off clothing items - sized from six to 22

A PACKED main hall at Lochgilphead Joint Campus had one defining characteristic - not a single male was in the audience.

Around 200 ladies travelled from near and far to enjoy an evening of high street chic in support of Marie Curie, which provides care and support for people living with terminal illness.

Eager shoppers

As excitement built at the event on Monday September 26, rail upon rail of clothing and rows of shoes, handbags and accesso-

ries waited for eager shoppers at the end of the night.

But first, to whet the appetite, models strutted their stuff to show off clothing items - sized from six to 22 - that could be purchased that evening at bargain prices.

Organised

The fashion show was organised by the Mid Argyll fundraising group for Marie Curie, with clothing coming from Manchester-based Colours fundraising fashion shows.

In all, models Geor-

gina - dubbed Gina G for the evening - and Uta displayed 26 outfits in some style.

Charity raffle

There was also a charity raffle with fabulous prizes, as well as a pop-up shop.

Jenny Brolly of the local Marie Curie fundraising group said: 'Thank you as always to the fund raising committee, the girls on the catwalk, the local supporters, who donated raffle prizes, and to the brilliant audience who made this event a huge success.'



Above: The hall was packed with fashion-hungry ladies.

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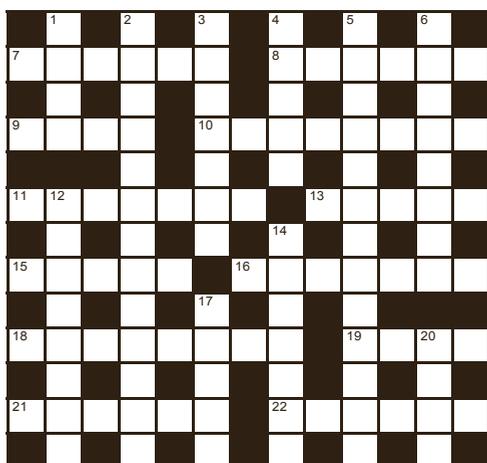


Gina G shows off some woollen wear from M&S at special prices. 06_a40fashionshow10

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- 17 Bright (5)
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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



Disability access fund grows as artist donates picture to Tarbert church



The raffle prize Jolomo print kindly donated by the artist.

MUCH-NEEDED disability access facilities for Tarbert Parish Church was the focus for a well-attended coffee morning in the village.

With funding proving to be elusive for this project, church members held the coffee morning last Saturday to raise money towards the scheme.

Lisa MacFarlane of Tarbert Church said: 'We think it is important to provide access for all who wish to use the church and hall as well as providing toilet facilities that are wheelchair

friendly, particularly since the work on the main building has given Tarbert a beautiful church.'

Saturday's weather was wet and windy, but that didn't stop the people of Tarbert.

A successful morning raised £660 as local folk were joined for a cuppa and cakes by tourists - and a group of ladies on a passing coach tour.

The coffee morning also saw the launch of a special church raffle.

First prize in this is a beautiful, framed, limited edition and signed print - entitled

'Evening gloaming Tarbert, Loch Fyne' - by Argyll artist 'Jolomo' or John Lowrie Morrison.

The copyright was kindly donated to the church by the artist to help raise money.

Raffle tickets can be purchased right up until the Christmas lights evening on December 2.

Archie Preston was delighted to win a bear in Saturday's raffle.



A musical treat coming to Furnace

FURNACE is to be treated to an evening of top-class musical entertainment.

An evening of love songs from opera and musicals will be performed in the village hall on Saturday October 1.

Barbara and Wilf Stout recently retired to Furnace after spending more than 26 years setting up and running international schools around the world. This weekend marks another significant birthday for Wilf and they decided to celebrate the event in song.

Barbara and Wilf are experienced amateur singers and have taken

on the music at Cumlodden Church where Barbara conducts the choir and Wilf plays the organ.

At this weekend's concert the couple will be joined by their two sons, David and Mick and their respective partners - all of whom are professional musicians. David is one of the UK's leading operatic baritones and performs with many of the leading opera houses in the UK and Europe. Susannah, his wife, is assistant conductor and repetiteur for Scottish Opera.

Mick is director of music at St Albans School in Hertford-

shire and Emily, his girlfriend is currently on tour in the UK in The Barber of Seville.

The concert will begin at 5pm and end at 6.45pm, with an interval during which wine,

soft drinks and refreshments will be served and raffle tickets will be available.

There will be a retiring collection in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support.

Whisky Festival of Scotland to brighten January

THE FIRST National Whisky Festival of Scotland will be the place to be in January.

The festival will be held as part of Celtic Connections on January 28, 2017.

Around 2,000 whisky enthusiasts will descend upon SWG3 in Glasgow's west end for seven hours of drams, masterclasses, talks, food and an astounding programme of live music curated by Celtic Connections and Synergy Concerts.

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A packed ring and ringside last Friday at Dalmally Auction Mart.

Extra pens needed at Dalmally as Succoth tops gimmer prices

DALMALLY Auction Mart was again bursting at the seams when United Auctions held its annual breeding sheep sale with almost 10,000 head catalogued.

With as many temporary pens erected outside the market as inside the building on Friday September 23, one long-standing Dalmally customer commented that such a sight at the centre had not been seen in 40 years.

Ewe lambs averaged £48.82 against £53.09 last year. Gimmers averaged £96.90 against £90.76 last year and ewes averaged £53.44 against £55.25 last year. The top prices of the day included Blackface gimmers to £340 from Succothmore, Strachur; blackface ewes to £550 from Pole Farm, Lochgoilhead and Blackface ewe lambs from Crammie, Angus, £90. Principal lots and prices

Ewe lambs:

Mule: £88 – Achalic: £82 – Ardachuple: £75 – Saulmore: £71 – Skerinish: £70 – Roromore:

Chev mule: £82 – Barguillan.

BF: £90 – Crammie: £82 – Littleport: £75 – Crammie: £74 – Burnbank: £70 – Lephinkill and Millpark: £68 – Lurignish: £64 – Bragleenmore: £62 – Millpark, Bragleenmore and Clachan: £60 – Bragleenmore, Bragleenbeg and Tay and Torridon Estates.

Gimmers:

Lleyn X: £102 – White Gates.

Roussin X: £115 – Fernoch, Lochgilphead.

Tex: £200 – Drimsynie Estate: £115 – Tombuie: £112 – Glenbeg: £100 – Brackley Parks and Drimsynie Estate.

ChevX: £85 – Lochdochart.

Mule: £140 – Glen-

shellach: £135 – Achalic: £132 – Glenshellach: £130 – Fernoch, Lochgilphead: £128 – Achalic: £112 – Blarghour: £102 – Achalic.

BF: £340 – Succothmore: £300 and £280 – Arnicle: £280 – Lephinchapel: £260 – Balliemeanoch: £200 – Lephinchapel: £160 – Balliemeanoch: £145 – Tay and Torridon Estate: £135 – Acharonich and Achnamara: £130 – Millpark: £125 – Balliemeanoch: £122 – Lephinchapel: £115 – Balliemeanoch and Tayvallich Estates: £114 – Duncroisk: £110 – Achnamara: £108 – Lephinchapel: £105 – Arnicle: £100 – Acharonich. Swale: £122 – Achalic.

Warranted ewes:

BF: £550 and £250 – Pole Farm: £135 – Tay and Torridon Estates: £100 – Kindrum Park Farm: £92 – Lurgan: £80 – Mill Park: £80 – Corrylorn: £78 – Roromore and Littleport: £77 – Glenturret Estates: £75 – Mill Park & Littleport: £74 – Tullochcan: £70 – Kindrum Park Farm, Clachan, Garrogie Estate and Glenbeg: £69 – Cuiluaire and Craig-An-More: £66 – Lurgan.

Swale: £72 – Maam: £62 – Eden Taggart.

Mule: £70 – Culbhuirg, Iona.

ChevX: £68 – Aberchelder.

LleynX: £65 – Hayfield Estate.

New time frame wages negotiations

SCOTTISH Land and Estates and the NFU Scotland have welcomed the decision by the Scottish Agricultural Wages Board (SAWB) to change the effective date of annual changes to the Scottish agricultural minimum wage rate.

The SAWB has taken the decision to delay

its annual wage negotiations until later in the year in order to align it with the new time frame for the national minimum wage and national living wage changes.

The SAWB normally meets in June each year to negotiate the minimum agricultural wage to take effect

from October 1.

This date used to coincide with an annual change to the national minimum wage.

With effect from October 1 the minimum wage for all workers aged up to and including 24 and in the first 26 weeks of employment will rise from £6.70 to £6.95 per hour.

EU funding boost for farm diversification

NEW European support has been announced that might just benefit farm diversification schemes - but the deadline falls in just two weeks' time.

People across Argyll are being encouraged to apply for a share of almost £5m of EU funding, aimed at supporting economic growth and development.

LEADER grants are awarded by a local action group to projects that fit with its development strategy. Key themes in Argyll and the islands are strengthening the local economy and enhanc-

ing the area for residents, visitors and investors.

The action group will also be looking for projects that support farm diversification.

The LEADER programme is administered by Argyll and Bute Council.

Councillor Aileen Morton, policy lead for sustainable economic growth, said: 'The LEADER programme has already contributed significantly to helping our communities address

some of the challenges facing them.

'Community-led initiatives that support and develop our local economy or create employment and those that build on our unique natural and cultural heritage in Argyll and the islands will be especially welcomed.'

A funding pot of £4.86m is available and applications must be submitted by Friday October 14.

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The village will get ready to rumble as SWA wrestlers come to town for a spectacular evening of grappling.

In a major coup for Tarbert, Mark Coffey will defend his Scottish Heavyweight title on the night. So the whole face of Scottish wrestling could change on the night.

Proceeds from the event will go to Clachan Village Hall Development Fund, and it will be a great night of family-friendly wrestling entertainment.

It all kicks off at Tarbert Village Hall on Friday October 7 at 6.30pm, with the first bell at 7pm.

Tickets - priced at £10 for an adult



Heavyweight champ, Mark Coffey. a40wrestling01no

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From left to right, Karen's cousin from Stirling Jane Dailly, Argyll and Bute MP Brendan O'Hara and Karen McCurry at Saturday's Syria fundraiser.

Mid Argyll raises funds for Syria

A HIGHLY successful Lochgilphead coffee morning raised vital cash for the people of Syria caught up in terror.

Well attended

Held at the MS Centre, the event was very

well attended and, aside from some spectacular home baking, there were tombola tables, a nail painting stall, grand raffle and plenty more to entertain and raise money. Organiser Karen

McCurry set up the event to raise money to help medics and volunteers buy equipment and supplies to help civilian victims in Syria.

So far, and with the help of a JustGiv-

ing web page, Karen has raised £1,170 and counting.

Support

Support her campaign by visiting www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Karen-McCurry6.

Man of War invades UK waters

IT LOOKS like a jellyfish, it is potentially lethal - and the Portuguese Man-of-War has

appeared in UK waters.

Strandings of the creature have been re-

ported to the Marine Conservation Society (MCS) on beaches in Cornwall and the Scilly Isles just weeks after similar discoveries on the Irish coast.

The Portuguese Man-of-War is closely related to jellyfish and consists of a floating colony of hydrozoans - lots of really tiny marine organisms living together and behaving collectively as one animal.

A Cornish pasty-shaped, transparent purple float is visible on the water's surface whilst the blue, tentacle-like 'fishing polyps' that hang below the float can be tens of metres in length. Stings can be exceptionally

painful and, in extreme cases, fatal.

The last significant UK strandings of the species occurred four years ago.

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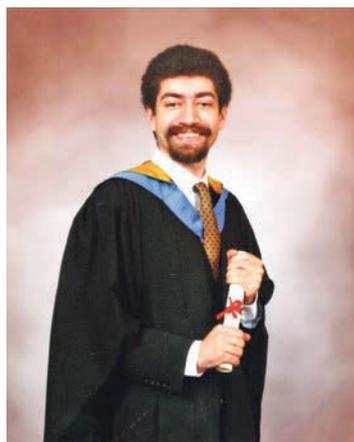
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ALEXANDER PALMER

Alexander Palmer recently graduated from Strathclyde University with the degree of Master of Pharmacy with distinction. Alexander attended Dalintober Primary School and Campbelltown Grammar School, and is the son of Susan Clark Palmer and Roy Palmer and the grandson of Jean and Ian Clark. He is currently undertaking his Pre-Registration year in Northern Ireland.

Widespread interest at Open Day

A new hall, modern sports pitch - and what to do about Inveraray Pier

THE INTEREST of Inveraray folk has been stirred by the prospect of a brand new community centre right in the middle of town.

That was the message that came through loud and clear after an open day held on Saturday September 24 in the Royal Burgh.

Plenty of people went along to the Nicoll Hall to see the design of a proposed new community centre, asking questions of what might be available within the building.

Redevelop

The group behind plans to redevelop the crumbling former school and community hall into a state-of-the-

art community centre is Inveraray Community Company.

Concern

Community company director Derrick Anstee said: 'Concern was raised about Inveraray being without a hall if the Nicoll hall was demolished and the whole build carried out in one stage. We reassured people that a centre would be more likely to be built in two stages, due to the overall cost.'

'The community company is assessing the responses received at the open day and we are contacting a number of groups that are active in Inveraray to gather support for the

centre - and to see what they want to be able to do in the centre. The architects are looking at a two-stage build and we hope to have an open day to show drawings for that in due course.'

If the scheme is to attract funding, it is vital to demonstrate the support of local people for it.

Mr Anstee continued: 'That interest will also be needed when we come to apply for funds for the all-weather pitch. The company is applying to Argyll and Bute Council for a lease to enable us to get quotes and establish a high grade pitch that will allow young players to be involved in club and national level playing sports, and where the community can pursue an active and healthy lifestyle.'

Thorny issue

He then moved on to the thorny issue of Inveraray Pier.

'A big issue for the community company is to get the pier open again,' explained Mr Anstee. 'We are asking the council to do everything possible to



Derrick Anstee, left, pictured at the former community centre alongside well-known Inveraray man Niall Iain MacLean, as Mr MacLean lends his support to the community company's plans. 06_a40invcommco12

encourage the owner to get the fence down so that we can once again enjoy walking along the pier or fishing from it.

'Having recently seen a cruise ship come up Loch Fyne, only to turn around and leave without being able to land its passengers, is both disappointing and damaging for the business people of Inveraray. The company will continue to work hard towards having the pier open again.'

Support

Thanking the people who came along to the open day, Mr Anstee concluded: 'We were able to sign up several more people as members of the company. Becoming a member is one way of giving us your support, and it also means you have a say and a vote at AGMs.'

Follow the progress of these plans on the Inveraray Community Company Facebook page.



Figure 30: Preferred Option - internal view of main hall © S&B

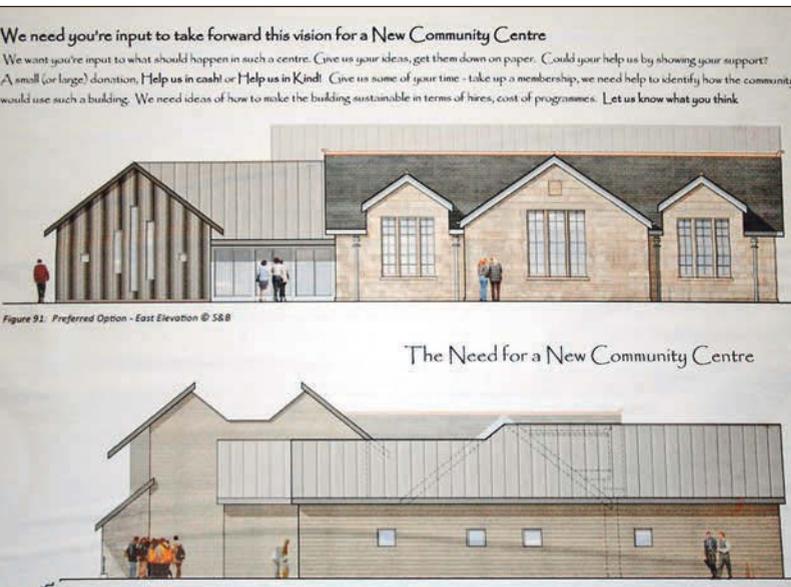


Figure 91: Preferred Option - East Elevation © S&B

Drawings of the proposed community centre design on display at Saturday's open day event. 06_a40invcommco6 and 06_a40invcommco7

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Argyll Enterprise Week update...

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Focus on social enterprise

A KEY theme of the forthcoming Argyll Enterprise Week will be social enterprise.

Social enterprises are innovative, independent businesses that exist specifically for social and/or environmental purposes.

There are 244 social enterprises operating across Argyll and Bute, with a combined income of almost £40.7 million. They support an estimated 1,795 jobs. These businesses help deliver a range of community benefits and support the sustainability of rural communities.

Argyll Enterprise Week, which takes place in Oban from Monday October 31 to Friday November 4, will provide an opportunity for social enterprises to share experiences, learn from specialists and access the wide range of support available. The Social Enterprise Focus recognises the significant contribution social enterprises make not only to the Argyll economy but to the sustainability of services and communities across the area.

Ailsa Clark, founder and development manager of InspirAlba, a Campbeltown-based social enterprise, said: 'We are delighted to be



a sponsor for the Dragons' Den and film night activity for Argyll Enterprise Week.

'The event provides an opportunity to recognise the broad spectrum of activity and the contribution of the social enterprise sector delivering social, environmental and economic benefits to communities across Argyll.

'It is shaping up to be a really exciting programme, a great opportunity to support local social enterprises and raise the profile of their work.'

Argyll Enterprise Week is an exciting new event hosted by Argyll and Bute Council's Business Gateway and Highlands and Islands Enter-

prise. There are more than 25 partners involved in delivering 30-plus events across the themes of digital, innovation, funding and social enterprise.

David Smart, head of special projects for Highlands and Islands Enterprise, commented: 'Social enterprise is critical to the Argyll economy and society of the Highlands and Islands as a whole.

'The social enterprise business model is an active choice for many of our region's most innovative entrepreneurs who will benefit from the fantastic line-up of events we have on offer at Argyll Enterprise Week.'



Journalist and broadcaster Lesley Riddoch will lead the debate on social enterprise.

Lesley Riddoch to host film night

IN WHAT is shaping up to be a lively, engaging and entertaining evening, journalist and broadcaster Lesley Riddoch will host and lead discussion at the Spotlight on Social Enterprise film night at the Phoenix Cinema on Wednesday November 2.

The evening will showcase a selection of short films highlighting some of the fantastic work of social enterprises in the area and the contribution they are making in local communities.

The evening is aptly held at Oban Phoenix Cinema, a social enterprise formed to secure and improve the cinema offering for locals and visitors.

Film submissions are welcome and will be selected by a panel from the organisers.

For further information and to submit entries, visit argyll-enterprise-week-social-enterprise.eventbrite.co.uk.

Building on success of vibrant sector

ON THE evening of Wednesday November 2 there will be a film night held at the Oban Phoenix Cinema, followed by a informal learning exchange at Oban Youth Hostel. Thursday November 3 will be a day of learning, networking and information exchange, with the highlight being a Dragons' Den-style competition. Speakers from the Scottish Government and Social Enterprise Scot-

land, and workshops led by the Social Enterprise Academy, Firstport and Business Gateway will all form part of the day's offering. SENSCOT will be hosting a networking session which gives people the opportunity to hear about the range of activities being delivered across Argyll and Bute. Kim Wallace, network co-ordinator at SENSCOT, said: 'It is great to see this opportunity for social enterprises in

Argyll and Bute to come together, network and learn from each other. 'Argyll and Bute is recognised nationally for its vibrant social enterprise sector and the event provides an opportunity to build on the successful work previously led by the social enterprise network in the area.' There will be hour-long workshops where attendees can choose to explore areas such as finance, enterprise and sustainability, managing

staff, leadership and governance. Social Enterprise Scotland will host a lunch session which will provide attendees with the opportunity to feed into the Social Enterprise Strategy for Scotland. The Dragons' Den-style competition will give social enterprises the opportunity to pitch to a panel of experts to secure a cash prize to launch a new start-up idea or to support their growth ambitions.



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AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

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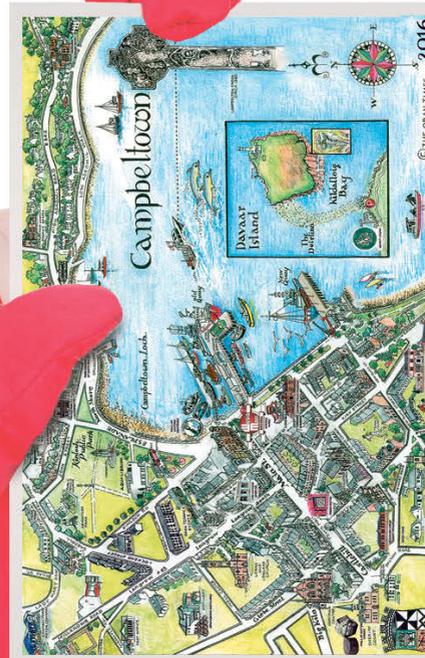
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Members of the public are welcome to attend and a public question time will take place for 30 minutes during the meeting. Questions can be asked on the day or can be submitted in advance to the Area Committee Manager, The Helensburgh and Lomond Civic Centre, 38 East Clyde Street, Helensburgh G84 7PG. Telephone: 01436 657605.

The Agenda for the meeting is available to view at the Servicepoint, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead and at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk

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of all abilities. While used values are strong, the E91 models, produced until 2013, are now surprisingly affordable. High mileage shouldn't be an issue particularly if the car has full BMW main dealer history.'

As to market trends, Amos said: 'The used market picked up throughout September with many dealers and traders reporting strong enquiry levels. For main agents, attention has switched back to used cars following the introduction of the new 66 plate.'

'With winter approaching, will we see a surge in 4x4 sales activity as we have



in recent years? We think yes, but maybe not to the same extent as three years ago when prolonged severe weather boosted sales and values.

'Last year, many dealers who gambled and stocked up in preparation for a 4x4 boom had their fingers burnt by a mild winter.'

On the motorbike, scooter and moped sector, My Car Check's Rob Hobson said: 'Our used bike of the month for September is the Ducati Streetfighter 1100, a stunning machine to look at which fits into the Super Naked category.'

'It has a slightly retuned 1098 superbike engine with more than enough grunt to make it a great road bike, or you can spend more and go for the S model, which has Ohlins suspension and Marchesini wheels. For some these upgrades are important for style as much as anything, but the base model is still a fantastic option. As always, check

the history to avoid a lot of the common used market pitfalls.'

As to market trends, Hobson said: 'It really has been an unusual year in the used two-wheel market. Some traders say they are busier than ever, but against that used bikes advertised through the classifieds seem harder to move.'

'Values have not been affected too much yet, although we expect demand to slow markedly in the weeks ahead. The good weather in September certainly had a positive effect, prompting a late flurry of activity.'

'It is going to be an interesting close to the year because, while demand for the best clean used bikes is likely to remain high, owners may also look to keep their existing bike rather than selling in the off-peak months. If that is indeed the trend, it will further reduce availability of used stock for the trade.'

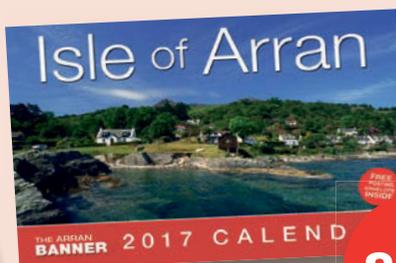
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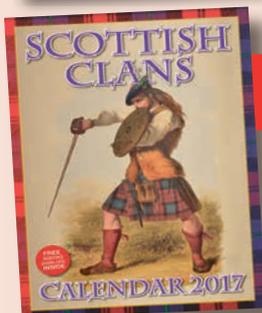
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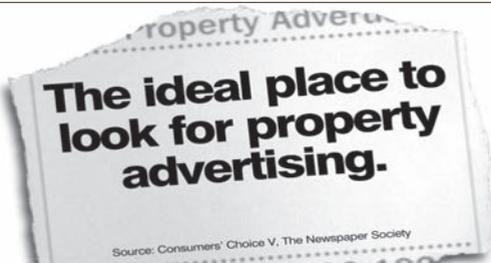


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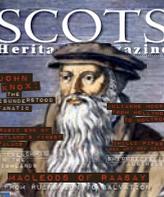
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Harvest celebration

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Inveraray Primary School pupils and senior citizens have been involved in gathering food, as have parishioners at Cumlodden and West Lochfyne-side.

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Daniel won the 'Most Promising Pianist' at the Sydney international piano competition this year.

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TARBERT



The Boudicca with Tarbert Marina and harbour in the foreground.

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Boudicca visits Loch Fyne

FRED Olsen cruise liner Boudicca arrived off Tarbert on the morning of Friday September 23.

She took a sail up Loch Fyne, creating quite a stir on her way to Inveraray, where she turned and headed back to Tarbert.

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The stylish ship is on a brand new cruise called 'Lochs of Scotland' which has proved a big hit.

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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).

MARRIAGE

KELLHOFER - The marriage of Dr Lauren McAllister to Stefan Kellhofer took place at Melrose, on September 2, 2016. Granddaughter of Jennie and the late Eddie Brown.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

BAKER - MCNEILL - At Lorne Street Church, Campbeltown, on September 28, 1966, by the late Rev J Hood, James to Flora, present address 15 Fernoch Park, Lochgilphead.

PATERSON - FLEMING - On September 30, 1966 at Castlehill Manse, by Rev Cormack, Willie to Jane. Present address, 4 Range Road, Campbeltown.

WILKINSON - GALBRAITH - At Caradale Church on October 1, 1966 by the Rev Brockdoyle, David to Rosemary. Present address - Ashdale, Woodlands Drive, Campbeltown.

DEATHS

CRESSWELL- GEORGE - Peacefully, at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow, on September 27, 2016, Joyce Cresswell-George, in her 85th year, 1 Lorne Campbell Court, Campbeltown, a cherished mother and mother-in-law of David and Jackie, James and Belinda, Andrew and Karen, Kathryn and Malcolm, Joye and James and an adored granny of Destinee, Judah, Zoe, Carrie, Jeremy, Coralie, Emma, Brett, Kelly, Jade, Katie and Stephanie and great grandmother of Cayden. She will be loved always and missed forever. Service in Southend Parish Church, on Monday, October 3, 2016 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Keil Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation.

LOWE - Peacefully, at the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley, on September 21, 2016, Robert Francis Lowe (Bob) BEM, dearly beloved husband of Catherine McMillan, loving father of Kevin, Barrie, Darren and Ryan, father-in-law of Debbie and Kylie and dear grandad of Emma, Aillie, Isabella and Logan.

MACDOUGALL - Peacefully, at the Queen Elizabeth University Hos-

pital, Glasgow, on September 26, 2016, Zandra Elizabeth Johnson, in her 72nd year, Scalpay, Glenbarr, dearly beloved wife of Duncan Macdougall, much loved mother of Malcolm and Elsa and proud granny of Cameron, Callum and Scott. Service in A'Chleit Church, on Saturday, October 1, 2016 at 11.00am, funeral thereafter to Killean Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of A'Chleit Church.

MACLEAN - Peacefully, at McKellar House, Erskine Care Home, on September 20, 2016, David Maclean (Davie), in his 84th year, 2 Hermione Terrace, Ardrishaig, dearly beloved son of the late David and Jessie Maclean, loving brother of Peter and the late Neil and a much loved uncle and friend.

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LEWIN - The family of the late Derrick Lewin wish to thank the Clachan community and everyone for the kind support, cards and phone calls. Also to the ladies of the village for the tea, to Julia Griffiths for the church flowers, to Catriona Hood for a lovely service, and to Stan Lupton Funeral Director, who all made a difficult time much easier. A final thank you to all who paid their last respects at the services.

MACDONALD - Jenny, Karen, Colin and their families would like to thank family, friends, neighbours and ex-work colleagues for their many kind expressions of sympathy, flowers, phone calls, cards, visits and food parcels received following their recent sad loss of Roddy. Our thanks to local ambulance and police staff for their attendance and support at this time. Special thanks to Belinda Braithwaite, of the Humanist Society Scotland, for a comforting, uplifting and personal tribute to Roddy; to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for their efficient and caring service; to Graham Brown and staff at Achnabreac Cemetery for their assistance; to Iain Campbell for piping at the graveside; to 'Flowers by Mor-na' for the beautiful floral tributes and to the Cairnbaan Hotel for purvey.

Finally our thanks to all who attended the service at Achnabreac Cemetery to pay their respects. It was a great comfort and support and was greatly appreciated by us all.

MAGUIRE - Kelly-Marie and family would like to thank family and friends for their cards and kindness on their recent loss. They would also like to thank the district nurses and Acute Ward staff for the kind attention to Margaret over the years and to T A Blair Ltd for the dignified and professional services. Finally, thank you to Captain Ben and Ruth Russell of the Salvation Army for a comforting service.

IN MEMORIAM

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 and grandson Graeme and great granddaughter Ava.



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Tuesdays
mainly music at 10.15am
Fridays
Jumpstart From 10am
Scottish Charity SC015187

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN
Sunday 2nd October 2016
11.00am
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Tuesday 4th October 2016
7.30pm
Prayer, Word and Sharing
All Welcome

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Sunday 2nd October 2016
Skipness Service
10am
Rev. Margaret Anderson
Tarbert Service
11.30am
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2pm
Stewart Birse
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Sunday 2nd October 2016
Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair
Charity No. SC016097
Minister:
Rev. Dr. Roderick D. M. Campbell
Harvest Festival in Lochgair Church at 10 am
Glenaray and Inveraray
Charity No. SC016665
Harvest Festival in Inveraray Church at 11.30 am
Worshippers are invited to donate items for the food bank
ALL WELCOME



Communion Service
2nd October 2016
11.00 am
Visiting Speaker: Martin Boyd
Scripture Union Scotland with Sunday School followed by refreshments
Pastor Chris Holden
mainly music
10.00 - 11.30 am
every Thursday (term time only)
Registration required
We meet at the Guide Hall, Kinloch Road
www.campbeltowncommunitychurch.co.uk



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"It is good to sing praises to our God"
Ardrishaig at 11:00am and Achahoish at 12:30pm
2nd October
Hope Amidst Suffering (1 Peter 5)

SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCHES

Sunday 2nd October
St Columba's, Poltalloch (SC031391)
9.00am Harvest Communion
Christ Church Bishopton Road, Lochgilphead (SC013787)
10am Harvest
Breakfast in Bishopton
11.30am Harvest Service
Father Simon Mackenzie
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ALL SAINTS, INVERARAY
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Saturday 5pm
Fr. David Connor
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CHURCH NOTICES

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH

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Sunday 2nd October 2016
What do we come to church for? is the topic under discussion this week at our Family Service with Communion at 11.00am This is being led by John Ives from Southend. We would be pleased to welcome you to this contemporary service.
Wednesday
12.30pm at the Free Church
Joining with Campbeltown Free Church for Prayer and Bible Study
For details, contact the church office on 01586 551200 or the Church Secretary on 01586 551237.
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Argyll Street, Campbeltown
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Sunday 2nd October
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Morning Prayer & Theological Reflection 10.45am
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George Street, Campbeltown
Saturday 1st October
9.00am Prayer Breakfast
Sunday 2nd October
11.15am Worship Service
Rev David Ford
Wednesday 5th October
12.30pm
Bible Study & Prayer
2.00pm Water of Life Café
All Welcome
www.campbeltownfreechurch.co.uk
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SCHOOL OF CHRIST COMMUNITY CENTRE, LOCHGILPHEAD

(Teaching for Followers of the Way)
Series 4:
"The Almighty Blood"
Lesson 7.
"What the Blood means to God"
Thursday 6th October
6.30pm - 8.30pm
(every Thursday evening)
Community Centre, Lochgilphead
All Believers Welcome

Highland Parish Church



SC002493
Sunday 2nd October 2016
The service will be conducted by Rev Anne McIvor and will be held in Kirk Street Hall at 11.15am

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH

Scottish Charity Number SC011686
Saturday 1st October
Animal Blessing Service
2.00pm Church Hall
Sunday 2nd October
All Age Harvest Thanksgiving Service
11.15am
Creche, Triple C, Gen 1 Retiring Collection
Rev P Wallace
Tuesday 4th October
Tiny Tots New Hall
9.45am

Boys' Brigade
Anchor Boys 6.00pm
Junior Section 7.15pm
Church Hall
Company Section
7.00pm New Hall

Thursday 6th October
Choir Practice

Friday 7th October
Lunch Club 12.00 noon
New Hall



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Army Kidz

6.30pm Evening Worship
Tuesday
Lunch Club 12.15pm
1.30pm C.A.M.E.O.

Wednesday
7.00pm Make 'n' Munch
Craft Group

Thursday
7.30pm Bible Study
Captains Ben & Ruth
Russell

All welcome

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH

Sunday 2nd October 2016
Morning Worship
Glassary 10.00am
There will be a retiring offering for Malawi
All welcome
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Kilmory push Tayforth all the way

Marine Harvest South Division 2 Kilmory 2 Tayforth 2

KILMORY only just failed to get the win they needed to deny Tayforth the league title after they drew 2-2 at MacRae Park - in the only fixture to beat the rain in Argyll.

Committee members and helpers worked

hard on Saturday morning to clear surface water from the pitch - and these efforts continued through the match itself.

The fixture was a re-match of the recent Bullough Cup Final, which Kilmory lost by the odd goal in seven. There was to be no repeat of the first half paralysis that affected the men in maroon in the

Bullough final. This time Tayforth had no four-goal cushion by half-time.

Hal Jones put Kilmory in front to the delight of the home support. Former Lochaber player Connor Sweeney, however, drew Tayforth level.

Ex-Kingussie player Hamish Anderson put Tayforth in front only for a David MacAllister goal to level the score.

Kilmory will rue a first half missed penalty and had late chances to win, but Tayforth closed out the game to get the point that gave them the title.

The victory gives Tayforth a league and Bullough Cup double and they will play Marine Harvest South Division 1 shinty next season.



Craig Taylor takes it well on the volley to set up another Kilmory attack. 06_a40kilmory04

Marine Harvest National Division Caberfeidh 1 Inveraray 3

THIRD-placed Inveraray ended their season on a high when they beat Caberfeidh 3-1 at Castle Leod.

Inveraray took the early initiative and

they went in front after seven minutes when Grant Griffin pounced following a good save from Cabers' keeper Ewan Pilcher and he put the rebound into the net.

Visiting captain Alan MacDonald made it 2-0 on the half hour mark. Wing centre David MacPherson sent in a shy which An-

drew McMurdo chested down before laying the ball off to MacDonald and he fired a rocket-shot into the top corner of the net.

Just five minutes after MacDonald's strike, Inveraray added a third. Good work from Grant Griffin on the wing started a move which involved all four forwards. The

move ended when David Robertson found himself unmarked at the back post and he steered a shot into the bottom corner.

Caberfeidh's Ruaraidh MacLeman pulled a goal back on 40 minutes. Craig Morrison launched a shot from midfield which Inveraray keeper Scott MacLachlan saved well but MacLeman was quickest to react and he forced the ball home to make it 3-1 at half time.

The remainder of the match was end to end with both sides using the rolling substitutes to good effect but there was no further scoring.

This was Inveraray's final match of the season and they will likely finish in third place unless Beaulie win their final two fixtures.



Drains struggled to cope with heavy early rainfall, leaving Kilmory officials having to clear water by hand. 06_a40kilmory03

Argyll Select match falls victim to the weather

LAST Saturday's football match between an Argyll Select and the Scottish Amateur League Select for the Joe Paterson Trophy due to be played at Tarbert was called off on the morning of the game after an early morning pitch inspection found Cil Andries to be waterlogged.

Sports club lottery draws

THE NUMBERS drawn on Monday in the Inveraray Shinty Club lottery were 6, 10 and 18. There were no winning tickets so the jackpot next week will be £700.

Also drawn on Monday, the Kilmory Camanachd Club lottery draw produced no winners this week. The numbers were 6, 7 and 18 and next week's prize will be £400.

Holey moley - Eric gets his first hole-in-one

IN THE last competition for this season at Lochgilphead Golf Club, experienced player and multiple winner of golf competitions Eric Capocci got his very first hole-in-one.

The cheers could be heard all over the course when he holed it from the tee at the seventh. This tee is sponsored by TW Scaffolding, so as well as winning a watch sponsored by Boss/How did I do, Eric will be presented with a very generous cheque for £100 from TW Scaffolding. Eric celebrated by buying all of Sunday's players a drink - cheers Eric and many congratulations.

The men were playing a medal and the winners were David Sinclair with a nett 59; the runner-up was Douglas Whyte with a nett 60 and in third

place was Ryan McGlynn with a nett 63.

The ladies played a charity cup which was won by Margaret MacKinnon with 29



A delighted Eric with his lucky golf ball.

points, while runner-up was Ele Hunter with 19 points.

The ladies' nine-hole competition results for the eclectic competitions, which ran over the summer, are now available. This was won by Donna McKellar with a total of 33 points; runner-up was Ele Hunter with 28 points, and in third place was Dorothy Clark with 27 points.

The ladies' winter league starts on October 16 - contact Donna McKellar on Facebook for further information. For information on the gents' winter league, contact David Sinclair, also on Facebook.

The presentation dance is on November 4, with a buffet and dancing to Ceilidh's Homet. Tickets are available from Tommy Angus by calling 01546 602763. EH

Wales worth it as Colin raises thousands for charity

ARDRISHAIG man Colin MacFarlane put himself through a true endurance test for two charities.

Choosing to make the 480-mile journey to Tenby in west Wales, Colin took part in the Ironman Wales event on Sunday September 18 to raise money for MacMillan Cancer Support and Bloodwise Scotland.

Ironman triathlons are tough endurance events involving a 2.4 mile swim, a cycle for 122 miles, before concluding with a full marathon of 26.2 miles.

Like Scotland, Wales is not short on hills, and the Ironman Wales course is seen as one of the more challenging events in the triathlon calendar - its tough bike route taking in 2,100m of climbing and hilly marathon testing the muscle fibres.

Along with 1,800 other participants, Colin took to the water from Tenby's stunning north beach just as the sun was rising over Carmarthen Bay to complete two laps of the 1.4-mile course in one hour and five mins.

The 112-mile bike ride took in stunning scenery as it weaved through the Pembrokeshire countryside and numerous lively villages filled with enthusiastic supporters.

Completing the bike ride in seven hours 13 minutes, all that remained was to complete the undulating marathon course in the picturesque town of Tenby.

Colin completed the marathon course in four hours 32 minutes, which, including transition times, gave a total time of 13 hours and 21 minutes to complete the Ironman course.



Colin completes the epic challenge in Tenby.

Colin said: 'The most rewarding thing is being able to help raise nearly £3,500 for the two charities close to my heart, Macmillan Cancer Support and Bloodwise Scotland.'

'If anyone would like to contribute please check out my Just-Giving page - Colin MacFarlane's Ironman Wales Challenge 2016.'

PBs tumble at Dolphin trials

THE FIRST time trials at Mid Argyll Dolphins swimming club have been completed, with some excellent results for young members.

In the juniors, Anya

Gritten and Tom West achieved three personal best times (PBs), with two for Jacob Potter, who took six seconds off his 40m butterfly best.

Rhona Love, Ellen Moir, Alasdair Toner and Hannah Young attended their first-ever time trials with the Dolphins.

Six new club records



Nine-year-old Innes Cameron receives the September swimmer of the month prize from Dave Danson, general manager of new club sponsor, Landcatch. 06_a40dolphins02



Members of Mid Argyll Dolphins gather to hear the time trial results. 06_a40dolphins01

were set in the senior ranks.

Innes Cameron set three records, Ben Maddox two and there was one for Lorne Barrie. Megan Danson matched Jilly Lefebvre's 40m freestyle record.

A clean sweep of first places was achieved by Ruby Bosomworth, Innes Cameron, Megan

Danson and Oliver Summer. There were PBs for Innes Cameron (five); Euan Gilmore, Eillie Gregory and Ruth Neville (all with four); and Megan Danson (three).

Eillie slashed 10 seconds from her 40m butterfly best; Ruth was 15 seconds quicker than before in her individual medley; a massive 22 sec-

onds was chopped off Innes' previous 40m butterfly best; and Euan Gilmore also cut 22 seconds from his previous fastest time in the individual medley, while slashing 10 seconds from his 40m freestyle best and 15 seconds from his PB in the butterfly.

The fastest swimmers in the club are:

14 years and over Lorne Barrie - 40m freestyle (25.12 seconds) and butterfly (30.81 seconds).

Ruby Bosomworth - 40m back crawl (30.58)

Felix Maddox - 40m breaststroke (33.12)

12-13 years

Megan Danson - 100m individual medley (1 minute 25.02 seconds)

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Rebecca stars in another Mid Argyll Triathlon success

ONCE again the MacQueen Bros Mid Argyll Triathlon delivered on its reputation as one of the most fiercely contested - and friendliest - events on the calendar.

A triathlon that promotes community participation, last Sunday's competition also attracted some of the best athletes from across Scotland.

That feelgood factor from the Olympics and Paralympics was clearly still around, with the superlative results of Team GB and Paralympics GB perhaps encouraging some stunning performances on the Mid Argyll course.

In total there were 134 entrants competing in this multi-sport challenge (500m swim, 20km bike and 6.5km run) hoping to be the next Brownlee or Vicky Holland. New personal bests were set and athletes exceeded expectations, spurred on by enthusiastic support from friends, families and club mates.

In the individual race there was clearly going to be some intense competition at the sharp end of the race,

but equally there was nip and tuck in the individual race categories with inspirational performances by Doug Wood in the super vintage 70-plus age group and Mid Argyll Triathlon Club's Sue Allen in the Vintage 60-plus categories both putting in super strong and determined performances to win their respective categories by some distance.

The stand-out performance on the day was by Mid Argyll Triathlon Club's Rebecca Helliwell, overall winner in the female race.

Coming out of the swim Rebecca was in 10th place, but she put in a superb cycle to haul herself into second place, coming off the bike second fastest - giving her a three-and-a-half minute lead for the run. This was unassailable, as a strong and consistent run meant she was able to hold her lead and won by 27 seconds, ahead of Amy MacGregor Penicuik (1:23:50) and Gillian Fowler from Glasgow (1:24:08) in third.

First male home was Neal Robert-

son of Glasgow Tri Club, whose consistency across all three disciplines gave him a comfortable win by two and a half minutes from Gregor Stewart, Glasgow (1:07:26) and in third place Michael Kinsella, Glasgow Tri Club (1:07:37).



Rebecca Helliwell comes home in a winning time.

Other highlights in the other age group categories included Lorne Barrie from Lochgilphead winning the junior male category in a great time of 1:28:08. Lorne's swim was just superb in a time of 8:24.

The female super veteran female category was won by Christine Caterson, but a strong finishing Melanie Peacock-Chmielewska of Mid Argyll Tri club came home in a personal best 1:27:11 - just 20 seconds behind.

The female vintage category saw Sue Allen dominate to win, but in second place was Pauline Perman 1:46:28 and Mid Argyll Tri Club's Marjorie Leighton secured

a personal best 1:48:10.

The local male and female categories were keenly contested, with Mid Argyll Tri and Cycle Club members battling for bragging rights.

The first local male triathlete home was Iain MacNicol in 1.21.50, with a fast finishing Colin MacVic-ar in second place (1:22:44) ahead of Kris Gordon (1:25:57)

The first local female triathlete was Rebecca Helliwell with Melanie Peacock-Chmielewska, Castleton (1:27:11) and Morag MacNicol, Cairnbaan (1:35:36) in third.

The team race is always the first heat away and this year there were 14 teams involved - and some priceless banter between the relay team members.

First out of the water was the Glasgow Uni Tri team 2, followed by the GU Tri Freshers and Glasgow Uni Girls in third. Ace and 'Any old Iron' were in fourth and fifth. With the top five separated by less than two minutes, the bike leg was going to be crucial.

Glasgow Uni Tri team 2, had a superb bike, giving them what looked like an unassailable four to five-minute, 45-second lead over the other three university tri teams and Some Old Iron. But with the fastest team run of the day Some Old Iron were able to come through the field - catching the leader with 300m to go to claim the win by just



Winners in the female classes, left to right: Sue Allen, winner in the vintage category; veteran winner Rebecca Helliwell; and first senior Amy MacGregor.

13 seconds. The junior team of Joe Payne, Ben Smith and Gregor McGeachy also produced some great performances, beating some of the adult teams and hopefully they will be back to defend their title next year.

A complete list of results is available from the Mid Argyll Triathlon Club website.

Results
Individual events:
Male Senior (1st male) - Neal Robertson, Glasgow Tri Club 1:04:59
Female Senior - Amy MacGregor, Penicuik 1:23:50
Female Veteran - Rebecca Helliwell (1st female), Mid Argyll Tri Club 1:23:33
Male Veteran - Robert McGonigal, Gourock 1:10:41
Male Super Vet - Martin Duthie, G72 Tri Club 1:08:43
Female Super Vet - Christina Catterson, Glasgow Tri Club 1:26:51
Female Vintage - Sue Allen, Mid Argyll Tri Club 1:37:49
Male Super Vintage (70+) - Douglas Wood, Stirling Tri Club 1:25:29
1st Mid Argyll Female Finisher - Rebecca Helliwell, Lochgilphead 1:23:33
1st Mid Argyll Male Finisher - Iain MacNicol, Cairnbaan 1:21:50
Team events:
1st Adult Team - Some Old Iron (Colin MacFarlane, John Rea, Stephen Whiston) 1:12:15
1st Junior Team - GBJ (Joe Payne, Ben Smith, Gregor McGeachy) 1:25:33



Alexander Marshall might have been 54th in the senior male category, but at least there was a kiss on the finishing line.



Senior male winners, left to right: third placed Gregor Stewart, winner Neal Robertson and runner-up Michael Kinsella.

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