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Rainbow Valley gets down to business with 40 for 40 appeal

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that inspired the creation of Rainbow Valley five years ago.

Had she lived, Johanna would have turned 40 last Thursday, September 28.

To celebrate the occasion, Rainbow Valley has embarked on a year-long campaign to raise money to allow its work to reach as many people as possible affected by cancer.

The aim is simple: to reach just 40 firms or groups and ask them each to raise £1,000 for Rainbow Valley.

Johanna believed that diet, stress, exercise and complementary therapies all influenced her health, and it was this holistic approach



Angela, centre, and daughters Gemma and Kendall, beside a photo of their beloved Johanna.

Johanna's mum Angela is chairwoman of the charity. She said: 'I

am immensely proud that, 12 years after she passed away, people

are still motivated by her on a daily basis.

'She loved a party

and a celebration, so it seems fitting we should not only celebrate for a

full year, but also make a difference to everyone affected by cancer.'

She added: 'It would be great to get support from around Mid Argyll and beyond, because I was born and brought up in Lochgilphead and that is where Johanna was born too.'

'And there is no reason why we couldn't come to Argyll and run one of our courses if enough people were interested.'

At present Rainbow Valley offers courses near Gartocharn aimed at teaching cancer sufferers how to take back control after diagnosis, focusing on mind, body and soul.

Find out more about Rainbow Valley's 40 for 40 campaign at www.rainbowvalley.org.uk or call 07775 337 079.

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BETWEEN 3pm on Friday September 22 and 9am on Saturday September 23, a Honda TR400 quad bike was stolen from Ardpatrik House, near Kilberry.

Police are investigating the incident and are appealing for any witnesses or anyone with information to contact them on 101 or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Charged

A MAN aged 50 was allegedly found in a vehicle under the influence of alcohol at around 2am on Monday October 2 near Craobh Haven Marina.

The man was arrested for failing to provide a breath specimen at the roadside and at the police station.

The man was charged with the offences and held in custody for court. A report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Public asked for views on trunk road barrier repairs

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THE public are being asked when the A82 on Loch Lomondside should be shut to traffic for essential repairs.

A crash barrier south of Inveruglas was damaged in April after a lorry crashed through it. The HGV carried on down a steep bank and came to rest at the loch edge. This resulted in a section of barrier breaking free from the verge and exposing a drop into the loch below.

While no-one was injured in the incident, temporary traffic lights have been in place since May for the safety of road users until such time as the barrier can be replaced.

Risk assessments have determined that daytime road closures



Flashback to the lorry crash in April – when the driver had a narrow escape.

are required to complete the work safely due to the geography of the location – the narrow verge, steep overgrown embankment, drop into loch and the need to work

on the slope itself to install the foundation for the barrier.

Trunk road management company BEAR Scotland is inviting public feedback on proposals which could

see the work carried out from Monday November 6 to Tuesday November 21, between 8am and 7pm, on weekdays only. Emergency services, public buses and local

access would be maintained throughout the closure points, with all other traffic diverted via the A83, A819, A85 and A82 during working hours.

Making the most

of the road closure, BEAR Scotland is proposing to undertake an £885,000 package of road maintenance schemes at the same time, including up to 4km of resurfacing projects to improve the running surface and road grip; major drainage works between Tarbet and Inveruglas; the installation of new safety barrier reflectors; road sign replacement and repairs; landscaping cut-back works; 26km of road markings; and other minor road repairs.

Feedback on the proposals can be shared through a dedicated email address, A82SouthConsultation@bearscotland.co.uk, with plans about the scheme available on www.bearscot.com.

Do you have a piping hit in the pipeline?

A COMPETITION to find Scotland's next superstar composer has been launched.

The Piping Hit 2018 contest will see young musicians across Scotland asked to demonstrate they have the elusive X-factor – by

composing a hit tune suitable for the Great Highland Bagpipe. Piping Hit 2018 is run by music charity the Scottish Schools Pipes and Drums Trust.

Judge Kenny Forsyth said: 'The pipes are used in so many

different types of music now and we want to encourage all pupils to get involved. The judges will be looking out for tunes that have the power to connect with an audience.'

The winner will receive £250 and £1,000

for their school's music department. The winning tune will also be performed at the Scottish Schools Pipe Band Championships in March 2018.

Deadline for entries is January 19, 2018. Go to www.ssptd.org.uk.

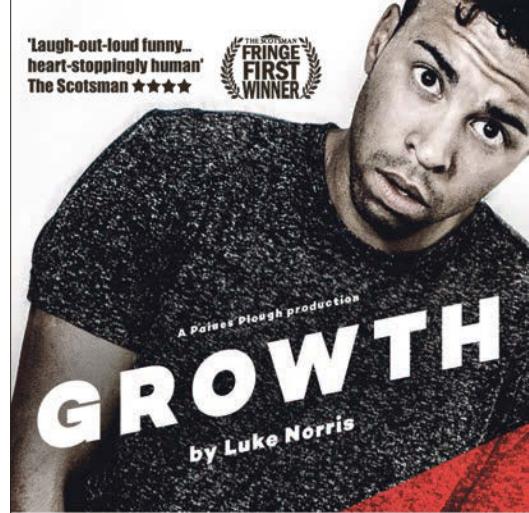
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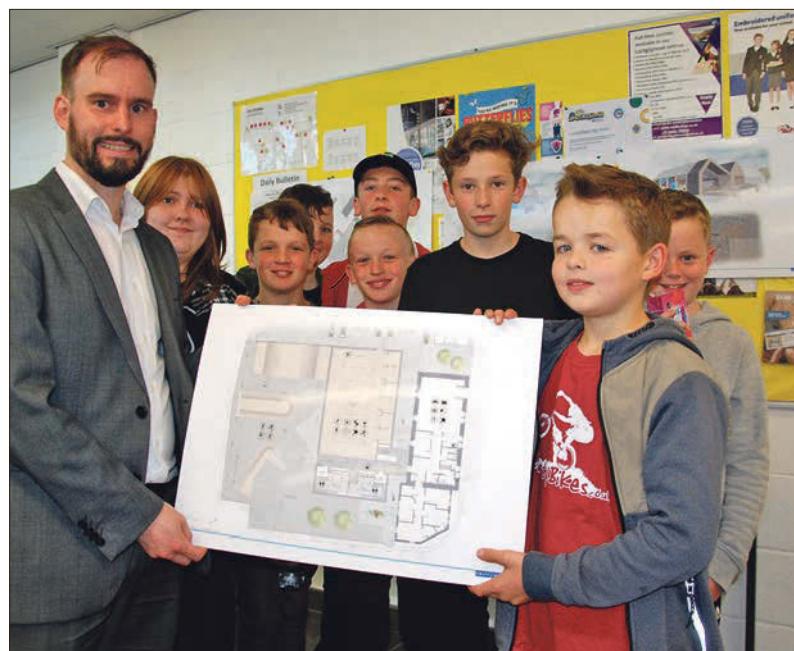
THE PROMISE of Haribo sweets might have had something to do with it, but a big crowd of teenagers gathered round plans for a new youth centre.

After years of hope, draft drawings for a proposed Mid Argyll Youth Development Services (MAYDS) activity centre were unveiled last week at Lochgilphead Joint Campus.

Earlier this year MAYDS received a grant of £155,118 from the Scottish Land Fund, allowing it to buy land in Lochgilphead to build a much-needed youth centre.

The cash boost meant MAYDS could arrange with Argyll and Bute Council to buy the building from which they currently operate, along with two adjacent pieces of land.

The demand for such a centre was clear – demonstrated by an online petition for a skate



Architect Gary Pinkerton canvasses the views of pupils at Lochgilphead Joint Campus. 06_a40MAYDSproject02

park which attracted more than 20,000 signatures.

MAYDS centre manager Fiona Kalache said: ‘We are just delighted to be able to start this journey. It has been talked about for so long.

‘It’s great to have the

input of the youngsters here at the school and we will be getting their ideas and adding them to plans for the centre when it is built.

‘It’s about providing something for young people that doesn’t currently exist in Mid Argyll,’ added Fiona.

We are looking at providing things like a skate park, roller disco, climbing wall and a play area for young people. We may even look at hiring equipment such as scooters.’

Also present at Friday’s school display was architect Gary

Pinkerton, a director with Grant Murray.

He is excited about the possibilities in Lochgilphead and told the *Advertiser*: ‘It is always great to work with local communities with a strong vision of how they want to improve facilities in their area and I hope we can help them to make the project a reality.

‘Through events like the one at the school, we hope we can involve the youngsters in the process as much as possible and input their ideas and aspirations in the proposals.’

He added: ‘We hope to meet with the council’s planning department in the coming weeks to discuss the proposals with a view to submitting the full application in the near future.

‘This will then give us a clearer indication of the direction the project will take.’

What's happening to our guillemots?

SCIENTISTS have been called in after an unusually high number of dead and dying common guillemots was recorded in Argyll.

Argyll Bird Club’s Jim Dickson, of Cairnbaan, explained: ‘In Argyll, we have been getting reports of dead and dying birds around the coast, with small concentrations at the head of Loch Long, Loch Fyne and Loch Gilp, and no doubt elsewhere as well.

Some birds are in poor condition and may be starving as a result of poor food availability. However, at this time of year deaths of young birds are to be expected though numbers are perhaps greater this year.’

He added: ‘There have been diseased birds affected by

a virus noted elsewhere in Britain this autumn, but as yet it is unknown if Argyll birds are affected by this.’

Nigel Scriven, Argyll Bird Club vice-chairman, added: ‘I’m hoping to get an update from Professor Bob Furness and Dr Berni Zonfrillo of Glasgow University, who have been watching the situation develop.’

Anyone spotting sick guillemots should contact Jim Dickson at Argyllbirder@outlook.com. Mr Dickson advises people to leave unwell or dead birds alone. They should report concerns about ailing birds to the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds or the Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Driver help urgently needed

THE MID Argyll Transport Volunteers charity is urgently looking for a co-ordinator.

The group needs someone to spend a few hours a week co-ordinating phone calls from elderly and disabled adults who

need a lift. The co-ordinator would put those requiring transport in contact with a volunteer who can take them to their appointments or to visit friends.

The charity has around 15 volunteer drivers in Achnamara,

Minard, Furnace, Inveraray, Kilmartin and Tarbert though more are always welcome.

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Stunning, spellbinding artist wows Ardrishaig

A review by Philip Bowden-Smith

IT IS early morning in a dark and empty Ardrishaig Hall. A grand piano stands disconsolate in the silence having been unplayed all summer.

Little did it know that at 7.30pm last Saturday evening it would receive probably the biggest workout of its entire life when the Mid Argyll Arts Association's (MAAA) first artist of the 2017/18 season, Alexander Ullman, came to Ardrishaig Hall.

He went on to deliver a dazzling piano recital devoted entirely to an eclectic mix of transcribed and original piano music by the legendary pianist and composer Franz Liszt.

To devote an en-



Alexander Ullman.

tire programme to less well-known compositions by this composer in rural Argyll was a bold decision as, for many, his music is too virtuosic, brash and shallow in content but, as Alexander explained, where with many other composers their music speaks

for itself, with Liszt's you have to dig deep into the composer's psyche to truly understand what he is trying to convey.

This quickly became apparent with Alexander's every physical expression demonstrating how completely immersed he was in

the smallest change in direction or mood. Yes, a lot of the writing was highly virtuosic – a marvel to witness on its own and delivered with incredible dexterity – but it was rarely the dominant feature, being subservient to and underpinning the emotional drive of the music.

Listening to the diverse and ravishing sound world that Alexander created brought one a lot closer to understanding the semi-god status that Liszt himself earned from his adoring audiences.

One could write at length on the attributes of each programme item, but what was particularly impressive was a) the way one could 'hear' the orchestration in the transcription of Beethoven's *First Symphony* – so cleverly executed; b) the intense devotional element of the *Benediction de Dieu dans la solitude* and its beautiful pianissimo passages; c) the menacing and mischievous portrayal of the

Mephisto Walzer No.2; and d) the zany *Csardas* to conclude.

Not content with this tour-de-force, the foot-stomping and hand-clapping audience secured, not one, but three encores – all by Liszt and beautifully executed. These included his *10th Hungarian Rhapsody* and the sixth *Paganini Etude*.

Comments from audience members really summed up the evening's entertainment: 'electrifying', 'stunning', 'spellbinding', 'superb'. It was indeed a roller-coaster of emotions and a young member stated he found it difficult to breathe because it stirred up so many.

This was a truly memorable concert as witnessed by the resounding applause from, and the smiling faces of, the lucky and appreciative audience.

The concert was presented by Mid Argyll Arts Association in association with Argyll and Bute Concert Tours.



Hard at work serving tea are, from left, Charlene Munro, Helen Hope and Amanda Duffy Brown. 06_a40TabletopSale01



Ann-Jane Maconochie samples some of Gill Currie's mango chutney. 06_a40TabletopSale05

Sale goes to town

A TWO-DAY table-top sale in Lochgilphead raised almost £300 for a cancer charity.

In previous years this event has been held in Helen Hope's garden at Bridgend but this time around her friends took it to town to give her a break on her birthday.

Held on Friday and Saturday, September 29 and 30, the sale in the Red Cross Hall hosted a variety of stalls selling everything from shoes to jam.

And if the stress of shopping became too much, tea, coffee and home-baking was on offer.

The event raised £270 for Macmillan Cancer Support.

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JAMES MILNE MORRISON

Recently graduated from Glasgow Caledonian University with a BSc in Computer Games Design, with honours. A former pupil of Campbeltown Grammar School, Jamie is the younger son of James and Mary Morrison, Woodside, Kilkerran Road.

Burial of the unknown Argyll soldier

A SOLITARY soldier belonging to the famous Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders regiment has been laid to rest in northern Belgium.



The bearer party prepares one of the coffins to be lowered into the ground as local people look on.

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He was among 19 unknown British First World War comrades-in-arms buried in the New Irish Farm Commonwealth War Graves Commission cemetery

in Ypres on September 28.

The ceremony also involved casualties from English, Irish and Welsh regiments and was conducted in the presence of General Sir James Everard, KCB, CBE, deputy supreme allied commander Europe.

The service was conducted by the Reverend Iori Price CF, chaplain to the First Battalion, the Royal Anglian Regiment.

The soldiers were found following ground work at an industrial development at Briekestraat, Ypres. The location, thought

to be the original Irish Farm site, is an original wartime cemetery created by the army under war conditions.

It was believed that all those buried there had been transferred to the New Irish Farm Cemetery, some 300 metres away – but this discovery has proved that they hadn't.

Investigations have established that of the 19 soldiers, four served with the Essex Regiment; one with the Monmouthshire Regiment; one with the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders; one with the Northumberland Regiment; and one



Piper Pierre Dervaux leads the procession into the cemetery.

with the Royal Irish Regiment.

As no regimental artefacts were found, the remaining 11 will be buried as 'Known Unto God'. During the burial service all the coffins were in the burial

plots with the exception of one, which was carried in as the focus of the ceremony by the Essex Regiment, now the Anglians.

Reverend Price said: 'We are always mindful of the costs of con-

flict and the need we have to pursue peace for all.'

'At such a moment as this, when we have gathered to bury those fallen in conflicts, we reflect on the great price paid by our service personnel then and the motivation that encouraged them.'

The Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders raised a total of 16 battalions during the First World War and was awarded 68 battle honours, six Victoria Crosses and lost 6,900 men during the course of the conflict.

As part of the 51st Highland Division, the 8th Argylls were one of the leading battalions on July 31, 1917, when the third battle of Ypres began – the Passchendaele offensive.



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Editorial

Rainbow Valley creates hope from tragedy

TO LOSE someone you love while they are still in their 20s is hard to bear.

Inspired by her daughter, Angela MacVicar has turned the tragedy of losing Johanna after her long battle against leukaemia into something positive: Rainbow Valley.

As Angela says herself, our doctors are excellent and can help us through diagnosis and medical treatment. But, as Johanna knew, there is much more to living with and overcoming cancer – or any other condition.

Rainbow Valley's long-term aim is to open its own therapy centre.

In the meantime, the cash raised by generous business owners and other groups will be used to help people dealing with a cancer diagnosis.

Vision getting closer for Mid Argyll youngsters

IT WAS good to be able to visualise what the new MAYDS centre might look like.

The project has not yet been run past Argyll and Bute Council planners, but they will be as keen as anyone else to help make this project a success.

The high school pupils certainly loved the plans last Friday.

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Political correctness

Sir,

I would like to join the numerous councillors that have quite rightly criticised a decision to ask our heroic Royal Marines to leave their unloaded weapons outside a school when they were delivering a classroom presentation.

Shockingly our marines, who were invited to talk to pupils at primary schools in Oban, were given a last-minute instruction not to bring the tools of their trade inside.

I have received a deluge of emails and phone calls from people across Argyll and Bute who share my outrage at this slap in the face of our armed forces.

It seems that all it takes to ruin an armed forces school visit is a complaint from one councillor and the woolly-minded bureaucracy of some in the council.

This is clearly political correctness gone mad.

I hope that all future attempts to undo what has become a tradition in Dunbeg, in memory of one of their brave sons who died in the Falklands, will be ignored.

It is high time we all stopped listening so much to a vocal minority who do not speak for the majority in Scotland.

As a country we are hugely proud of our military tradition and, despite the hysterical objections from an easily triggered minority, that pride in our country will not be erased.

**Cllr Alastair Redman,
Isle of Islay.**

Tarbert cemetery

Sir,

On Thursday September 28 I travelled back to my home village of Tarbert to attend a local funeral and pay my respects.

Prior to the service I visited the nearby graveyard to check on my family grave where my great grandfather, grandfather, grand-

mother and father were laid to rest.

It became obvious very quickly that the local cemetery has fallen into a state of disrepair. Long, thick grass covered all areas; the paths were untidy and required maintenance; and the borders leading to both gates were completely overgrown. Could this be the same cemetery I remembered from earlier years that was always tidy, well cared for and always left in a pristine condition?

On speaking to friends later that day, it became apparent that this neglect has been an ongoing problem.

Concerned families have made various enquiries expressing their feelings to Argyll and Bute Council. Their questions have been met with the response: 'It's the cutbacks' and 'there is only so much money to go around'.

For generations, numerous members of Tarbert families left the village to forge new lives abroad. How would children, grandchildren and great grandchildren react on visiting the local graveyard trying to trace their family history only to be met with a scene of total untidiness?

Probably very much like myself, I suspect – with sadness and anger.

To the person, or persons, to be found in the layers of local government who deal with such matters, I would say – please do your job and the decent thing. Take the decision to free up enough funds allowing Tarbert Cemetery to return to the standard that the whole village can be proud of.

**Scott MacKay,
Westhill, Aberdeen.**

Travelling circuses

Sir,

Leading animal protection charity OneKind has called on the Scottish Parliament to pass a strong circus bill that will end the use of wild animals in travelling circuses in Scotland.

The Wild Animals in Travelling Circuses (Scotland) Bill is currently making its way through the Scottish Parliament. The stage one debate on the Bill was expected to take place on Thursday October 5. MSPs were asked to approve the Bill in principle and then there will be opportunities to amend and strengthen it. Once the Bill is passed, it will make Scotland the first country in the UK to implement an outright ban on wild animals in circuses. The ban could be in place by Christmas.

It's not so long since a traditional travelling circus toured Scotland with an aged, arthritic elephant, and it was a sad sight to see. As recently as 2015, there were two circus lions and three tigers confined in cages on a farm near Fraserburgh where they had spent the winter. This Bill in the Scottish Parliament is the opportunity to stop wild animals being treated that way, in the name of entertainment.

A Scottish Government consultation in 2014 showed the majority of the 2,034 people who responded were in favour of banning wild animals in circuses in Scotland. 98 per cent thought the use of wild animals for performance in travelling circuses should be banned; and 96.4 per cent thought the use of wild animals in exhibition (without performing) in travelling circuses should be banned.

Only last week the Estonian parliament passed a Bill to ban the use of wild animals in circuses. Scotland has the chance to join dozens of states around the world in showing commitment to animal welfare by banning the use of wild animals in circuses.

We earnestly hope that MSPs support the Bill, allowing it to proceed for detailed consideration and amendments that will make it stronger.

**Libby Anderson,
OneKind policy adviser.**

Hang their heads

Sir,

I write with reference to last week's *Argyllshire Advertiser* front page story with the headline 'Poppy day support cut 'disrespectful".

Argyll and Bute Council officials should hang their heads in shame. But their bowed heads won't be as a mark of respect to all who gave their lives during conflict.

The council's statement in last week's article was misleading as, according to the Royal British Legion Scotland website there are only four branches, spread thinly across the region – Oban, Inveraray, Campbeltown and Easdale.

Argyll and Bute Council has gone from doing the minimum to doing nothing. And it was announced at short notice to all organisations concerned, and it should be noted they did get input from the same beforehand, and they had ample opportunity to let people know at a much earlier stage.

So much for them working with communities and consulting them.

Council officials are public employees, and as such the people of Argyll and Bute deserve better.

**Betty Rhodick,
Lochgilphead.**

Care confidence

Sir,

Social service workforce Register opens for 45,000 workers in care at home and housing support

The Scottish Social Services Council (SSSC) has opened the social service workforce register to 45,000 people working in care at home and housing support services across Scotland.

They will join the 100,000 people already on the register, including their managers and supervisors and people working in social work, adult care, children's day and residential services.

Registration of this workforce is similar to nurses, doctors and teachers and provides public confidence that people working in these services have the right skills and are safe to do the job.

Opening this part of the register is a landmark for social services. People working in care at home and housing support services work with thousands of people with very different and complex needs, generally in their own homes.

Registration with the SSSC is a step towards making sure we have the right people with the right skills and values for the job. Too often we hear about times when things have gone wrong, so it's important to highlight that most people working in these services do an excellent job and should be valued and recognised for the challenging and life-changing work they do.

People on our register must meet a number of criteria, including having a qualification, working to the SSSC's codes of practice and a commitment to continuing to learn and improve their skills and practice throughout their career.

All of these things work together to improve standards of practice and the quality of care, increasing public confidence in this essential workforce.

**Anna Fowlie,
SSSC chief executive.**



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A Fyne response to harvest festival appeal

THE PEOPLE along the lochside responded magnificently to a request for donations of food.

The churches of West Lochfyneside parishes at Inveraray and Lochgair held their harvest thanksgiving services on Sunday October 1.

Members of the communities were asked in the days leading up to the service to donate something to the goods for food banks as part of the thanksgiving services.

Inveraray Co-op also supported the church-



Just some of the produce collected for the harvest festival.



Enjoying a cuppa after the service beside the impressive display of food.

es with a donations trolley in the store.

The response was fantastic, and the pro-

duce will be split between food banks in Oban and Dumbarton. West Lochfyneside

churches would like to thank all who supported those in need of that little help.

KILMICHAEL Glas-

sary SWI met at the Kilmartin Church Hall, where president Catherine Smith welcomed nine members to the first meeting of the new session.

After business at the September 12 meeting, the ladies enjoyed perusing photographs of past 'Rural' events. There was great fun trying to identify current members from pictures going back to their younger days. Tea followed, served by Betty Rhodick, and a raffle was drawn for institute funds.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday October

10 in Kilmartin Church Hall where members and friends will hear people from M&M Nurseries talk about how they started their business.

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Funding is on a first-come, first-served basis and is subject to availability.

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Only Home Energy Scotland can arrange to have an application form sent out; third parties like installers or letting agents cannot apply on a householder's behalf.

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The Social Care (Self-directed Support) (Scotland) Act 2013 was passed by the Scottish Parliament so people who are eligible for social care support can get greater choice and control over how they receive these services. This means care services can be 'personalised' for individual needs and wishes.

The first step is to contact the social care department of your local council. The council helps you get the services you need and what you're entitled to get, so you - or the person you

care for - can live at home as independently as possible.

While many people are cared for in residential homes, care is most often provided in your own home to help you keep your independence.

It may involve regular visits from a home care worker and social care, health and housing services such as: general cleaning, heavy housework and gardening, shopping, personal care, meals on wheels or a frozen meal delivery service, and adapting your home or providing equipment and home improvements.

CARING FOR THE CARERS

IN the vast majority of cases, care is provided by other family members.

A carer is anyone who, unpaid, looks after a friend or family member who can't cope alone due to illness, disability, a mental health problem or an addiction.

There are also many hidden carers in Scotland who haven't been identified and are not being supported by services because some people won't, or don't, even recognise themselves as carers but it is estimated that there are more than 780,000 unpaid carers in Scotland - that is approximately one in seven of us who provide care and support for a family member or friend.

And the number of young carers is growing, not just young adults but even school children are increasingly finding themselves looking after a parent in need.

There are also services available for those who provide this care, and they should also get a carer's assessment to assess what help they might need. Both are provided free by the social care department at our local council.

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The 120th annual Highland Cattle Autumn Show will take place at Oban Livestock Centre, Upper Soroba, on Sunday October 8, followed by the sale on Monday October 9, with both events starting at 10am.

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New folds are founded every year both at home and abroad and, in recent years, Highland cattle societies have been started in Sweden, Denmark, Austria, Germany, Holland, Finland, France, Switzerland and Norway – and there are also Highlanders in Luxembourg, Belgium, the Czech Republic, Poland and the Faroe Islands.

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As part of our launch programme, on Saturday 7th October we will be offering free access to a number of facilities across Argyll and Bute. The timetable below highlights the local programme on offer:

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Free Access to Facility Including Pool (Except during lessons)	10am-5pm	Free access to soft play	11am-3pm
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Aqualibrium Class Programme		Mid Argyll Sport Centre Programme	
Fatburn Extreme	10am-10.30am	MASC Archery session	10am-10.30am
H.I.I.T	11am-11.30am	MASC Gym tours and free gym access	11am-11.30am
Powerbar	12pm-12.30pm	MASC Free fitness class	12pm-12.30pm
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Family Fun Session - 1/2 pool floor raised	1pm-2pm		
Zumba	1pm-2pm		
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Shepherding remembered among hills of Cairndow

NOT SO long ago it would seem unthinkable that shepherding ways in Glen Fyne could be forgotten.

Now the tradition is rapidly disappearing under layers of time.

The knowledge and expertise in shepherding on Ardkinglas Estate is disappearing as sheep husbandry has changed – and in time the people who have this unwritten information will not be around.

Detail

In a bid to stop it vanishing altogether, community enterprise Here We Are set about recording as much detail as possible.

Bracken, natural regeneration and scrub are rapidly burying traces of the surviving fanks and other physical traces of shepherding as it was until 25 years ago.

This project was partly funded by Historic Environment Scotland and led by Christina

Noble and Dot Chalmers of Here We Are in Cairndow.

Staff at Here We Are worked with archaeologists Tom Addyman, Jenni Morrison and Liz Jones of Addyman Archaeology, Edinburgh, who trained them and local volunteers to survey and record the remains of the 20 sheep fanks, or stone pens, on Ardkinglas Estate.

The result of all this surveying and research is a valuable record of recent farming practices – the results of which are on public display at the Here We Are centre entitled 'Shepherding on Ardkinglas Estate in the 20th Century'.

A large touch screen, funded by this project, displays the shepherding project along with some of the other projects Here We Are has undertaken.

'We have been proud to support the shepherding on



Shepherd Roddy McDiarmid explains the finer points of his art to George Findlater of Historic Environment Scotland.

Ardkinglas Estate project' explained Laura Hindmarch of Historic Environment Scotland

'We feel that this is a great community-led project that looks to capture local archaeology and histories, including oral history, in a modern, acces-

sible, engaging and interactive format.

'Little is recorded on this subject and the project allows information important to the local community, that would otherwise have been lost, to be preserved for the next generations as

well as future archaeologists.'

The project has been enthusiastically embraced by local people, many of whom were involved in shepherding on the estate in years gone by. Dot Chalmers said: 'This project would not have been successful without the participation of many of our community, in particular Roddy MacDiarmid and Alastair MacCallum, and thanks are also due to Ardkinglas Estate for access to the estate archives.'

Kenny's coffee send-off from Tarbert

KENNY MacNab will set off on his latest charity trek with a wee bit of a caffeine boost

to set him on his way. The prolific Tarbert fundraiser plans to walk the length of the Kintyre Way from Tarbert to Southend – before retracing his steps back up the peninsula.

The charity to benefit from Kenny's efforts will be Parkinson's UK.

A coffee morning to see him on his way in Tarbert will also support Parkinson's UK as well as raising money for a charity tackling the severe muscle weakening illness Myasthenia. The coffee morning, organised by Margaret MacNeill, will be held in the Templar's Hall between 10am and Kenny's starting time of noon.

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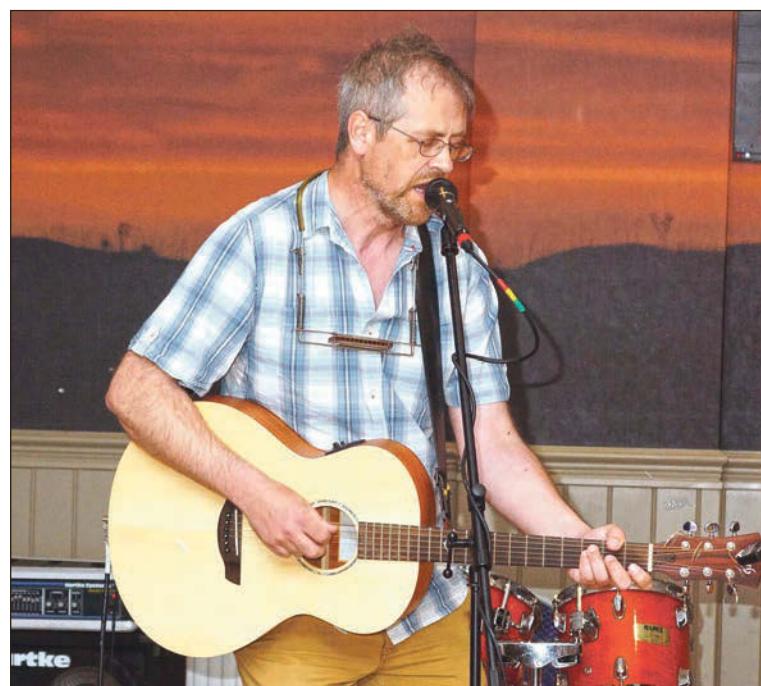
The small team at Dalriada Gaelic has been working to collect evidence for the dialect of Bute, Cowal and Mid-Argyll over the past seven years in order to revive it as a spoken tongue.

Now it is time to hear the local dialect used in the community again as it was for many centuries leading up to the Second World War as a weekend-long immersion course is held at Auchindrain Museum.

The course, discounted for Argyll and Bute residents, will be held on October 14 and 15, with lunch included in the price. Also included will be a fire-cooked dinner and ceilidh house atmosphere within the township on the Saturday night.

So bring your instruments and singing voices to Auchindrain and learn simple conversation, how to talk about flora and fauna, how to kindle a fire and more – all in the local dialect – at the very first Dalriada Gaelic immersion weekend.

Contact Adhamh for more information on gaelic@dalriada.scot or call 07954 620 165.



Mid Argyll's own Danny Carroll will perform.

Kick-start your organic rock 'n' roll MOJO

AN INNOVATIVE and welcome addition to the Argyll music scene is just a couple of weeks away.

MOJO is a showcase for live, original music and home-grown talent.

The first MOJO will be staged at Craignish Village Hall, Ardfern, and will feature some cracking Argyll acts in the shape of Citizen 9, Danny Carroll and plenty of Ardfern musical talent.

In the wake of a hugely enjoyable MAMA Fest in Ardrishaig, this smaller event offers something just as enjoyable, but with an organic vibe. In fact, some would argue it is home-made and free-range – but without the chickens.

Singer-songwriter Danny Carroll is all about energetic acoustic

rock. Danny and his band will perform a collection of songs full of harmony and strong vocals.

Citizen 9 will play later in the evening and they are simply an awesome, full-on rock band.

It will all happen on Saturday October 21. Doors open at 8pm for an 8.30 start, there will be a licensed bar and the evening is open to over-18s only.

A limited number of tickets is available, so don't delay. They are available, priced at a modest £7 (£10 at the door) from the Argyll Book Centre in Lochgilphead, Oban Music Shop and Ardfern Stores.

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Bag a book and meet not one but two authors

ONE OF the many pleasures of life in Lochgilphead is browsing the shelves of the bookshop.

A nationwide campaign to celebrate bookshops – Books are my Bag – will be marked at the Argyll Book Centre in Lorne Street with a visit from not one, but two authors.

They work in seemingly very different areas of writing but they each weave magical pictures through words.

Jess Smith comes from a travellers' heritage and is one of the most popular traditional storytellers of her generation.

Jess will be at the bookshop on Saturday October 7 from 11am until 1pm and will be available to sign books and chat.

A different afternoon is in prospect, as children's author Alan

Windram pays a visit. A born entertainer, Alan would love to meet fans of his popular books, including the Mac and Bob series, and his latest creation – One Button Benny.

Fans young and not-so-young can meet Alan between 2pm and 3pm on Saturday October 7, and there is the promise of music and fun along the way.



Alan Windram delights young fans at an earlier Lochgilphead visit back in March.

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Packed with family favourites like 'Ally Belly', 'Did You Ever See A Lassie?' and 'Jelly Belly', as well as brand new songs, HIGHLAND FLING is the perfect treat for kids of all ages – from nought to ninety.

For your chance to win a family ticket for 4 to the Funbox show at the Victoria Hall in Campbeltown on Friday, October 20th at 5pm, simply answer this easy question, complete the coupon and post it to The Oban Times, FUNBOX Competition, PO Box 1, Oban, Argyll, PA34 4HB. Entries must be submitted by Monday 16 October 2017.

QUESTION: What is the name of Funbox's show this year?

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Exciting Tarbert Book Festival ahead

A SCHOOL visit by a top children's writer will raise the curtain on a fantastic Tarbert Book Festival later this month.

The fifth edition of this popular festival opens on Friday October 27 with a visit from Theresa Breslin to Tarbert Academy. Local writer Ken MacTaggart will also give a presentation to the pupils about his new book, *The Haynes Astronaut Manual*.

On Saturday, writer and presenter Paul Murton will talk about his recent BBC Grand Tours series *The Islands*.

Continuing the island theme, geologist Alan McKirdy will talk about his book *Argyll and the Islands*, a fascinating insight into the rocks beneath us.

Islands included are Islay, Jura and Colonsay. The afternoon concludes with an appearance by the Geographer Royal of Scotland, Charlie Withers, whose book *Mapping the Islands* is a beautiful volume in which the history of Scottish map-making is explored. These sessions will take place in TALC, Tarbert.

Celebrated

Saturday evening sees the welcome return of celebrated novelist Chris Brookmyre, who will appear for the Springbank Sessions at the Stonefield Castle Hotel.

On Sunday, the guest appearances at the 'Crime and Nourishment' event include Charles McGarry, who will introduce his

new novel *The Ghost of Helen Addison*, the first in the Leo Moran series of detective fiction, and, Lisa Tuttle, who will talk about her latest novel *The Strange Affair of Jesperson and Lane*. The venue for this event is The Isthmus.

For the second year, a writers' workshop will be led by writing competition judge, Anne Hamilton. This year's winner is due to be announced as the festival begins.

Full details of the varied programme are available on the festival website at www.tarbertbookfestival.org.uk or call 07827636799 to book. Tickets are also available at the Loch Fyne Gallery and Ian Y MacIntyre's shop.



Judge Anne Hamilton will return to decide the winner of this year's writing competition.

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Good with wood at Blarbuie

BLARBUIE Woodland Enterprise Ltd will be running basic wood-working sessions from November including such skills as milling, joint-making and tool-sharpening.

Thanks to funding from Infinis A'Chruach Community Fund and Tesco Bags of Help, these sessions are offered free of charge.

For more information, go to the Blarbuie Facebook page or email hello@blarbuiewoodland.org.

Mega Minard Macmillan coffee morning

BAKERS of Minard are hard at work preparing for this year's Macmillan coffee morning.

Organisers are hoping for a good turnout for the charity event in Minard Village Hall, which will feature stalls and a 'mega raffle'.

Some stunning prizes have been donated for the raffle from many generous local businesses, including the Loch Fyne Hotel, Quarry View, Inveraray Inn, The Flower Shop, Lochgilphead, and more. It all takes place on Saturday October 14 between 10.30am and 2.30pm.



Picking up the pieces in Lochgilphead

WHILE some of us glanced out the window before deciding to light the fire and stay indoors, nine hardy volunteers set off on a litter pick.

On a wet and windy Sunday October 1, members of Lochgilphead Community

Smiling in the rain – some of the pickers beside just a sample of the bin bags filled.

Council and members of the public gathered at the resource centre before heading out.

The route was along the lower path from Tesco to the school gates, doing the rounds of the resource centre on the way. From the school, the hardy pickers went through the woods to the top path, where they covered an area from the traffic lights to the gates of Lochgilphead Joint Campus.

Community council convener Andy Buntin said: 'In all, 22 bags of assorted rubbish were collected – plastic bottles, cans, crisp packets, sandwich wrappers and sweetie papers being the most abundant. A bike frame was also found and left beside one of the bins on the lower path.'

'A big thank you to our brave band of volunteers and thanks also to the Grab Trust for advice and the loan of all the equipment.'

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BOOKSHOP DAY 2017
Saturday 7th October
Argyll Book Centre,
Lochgilphead
Come and meet 2 authors,
Storyteller & author
Jess Smith - 11am - 1pm
Children's author
Alan Windram entertains
from 2pm - 3pm.
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Campbeltown & District Badminton Club Resumes Monday 16th October 2017 for registration and first night of play
We also need helpers, so please come to offer support.

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Contact Kerry on 01586 552586 after 7pm for more details.
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Mairi Semple Fund COFFEE MORNING
Saturday 7th October
Red Cross Hall, Kirk Street, Campbeltown
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Usual stalls

Diabetic Support Group
Wednesday 11th October
Please note change of day
Mid Argyll Hospital
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Vote for your favourite!

Readers will have the important job of voting for their favourite pets in the supplement. We will then break it down to further rounds of top 50, 30, 20 and finally top 10. From the top 10, the pet with the most votes will be crowned our Pet Idol Champion early in 2018. **Good luck!**

The closing date for entries is midnight, Sunday, October 22, 2017.

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Mid Argyll Pipe Band hands out the prizes

THE GREY Gull in Ardrishaig was the venue for Mid Argyll Pipe Band's annual prize-giving ceremony.

Following an excellent dinner on September 30, the awards were presented as follows:

Most improved chanter player – Cameron MacPhail.

Most improved drummer – Connor MacTavish.

Best dressed and presented band member – Ruaraidh Logan.

Overall most im-

proved player – Ruaraidh Logan.

President's trophy – Marina McCuaig, secretary, for contribution to the band.

Brothers Andrew and Ali Cupples also received special mention for learning and playing the bass drum this season, both of whom had previously played the pipes with the band.

The pipe band committee would like to thank the Grey Gull and staff for an lovely meal. Thanks as well to Pipe Major Craig Lang, quartermaster Catherine and treasurer Fiona for organising the fantastic evening.

Mid Argyll Pipe Band's next fundraiser will be at Kilmartin Hotel where a pool and darts night for over-18s will be held on October 28.

The prize-winners with their trophies alongside band tutors and committee members.



Most improved drummer – Connor MacTavish, announced by drum sergeant Robert Smith and presented by Donald MacLachlan, drumming tutor and honorary band member.



Most improved chanter player – Cameron MacPhail, presented by Rod Buchanan, chanter tutor.



Best dressed and presented band member – Ruaraidh Logan, donated and presented by Catherine Lang, quartermaster.



Overall most improved player – Ruaraidh Logan – was presented with the newly donated Lewis Wilson Memorial Shield by brother Jamie Wilson.

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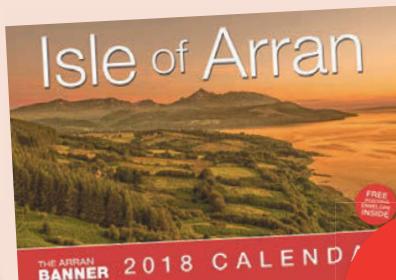
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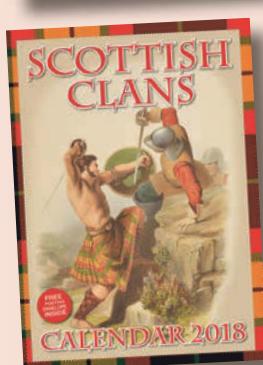
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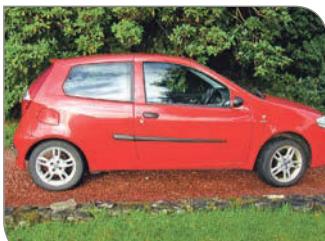
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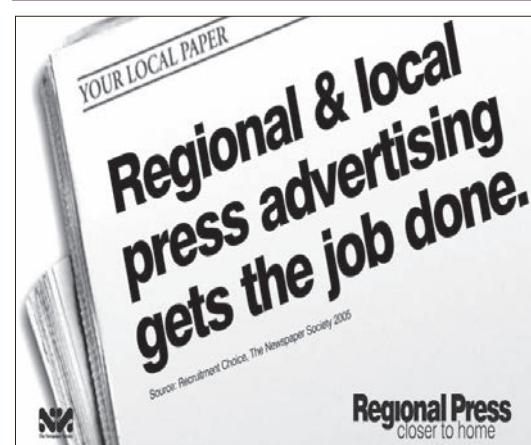
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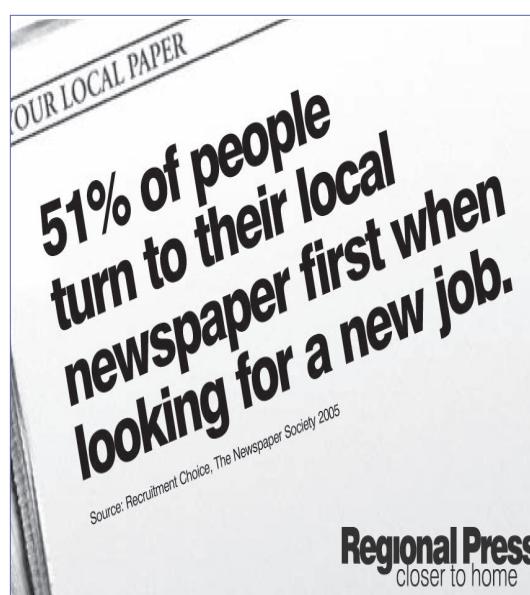
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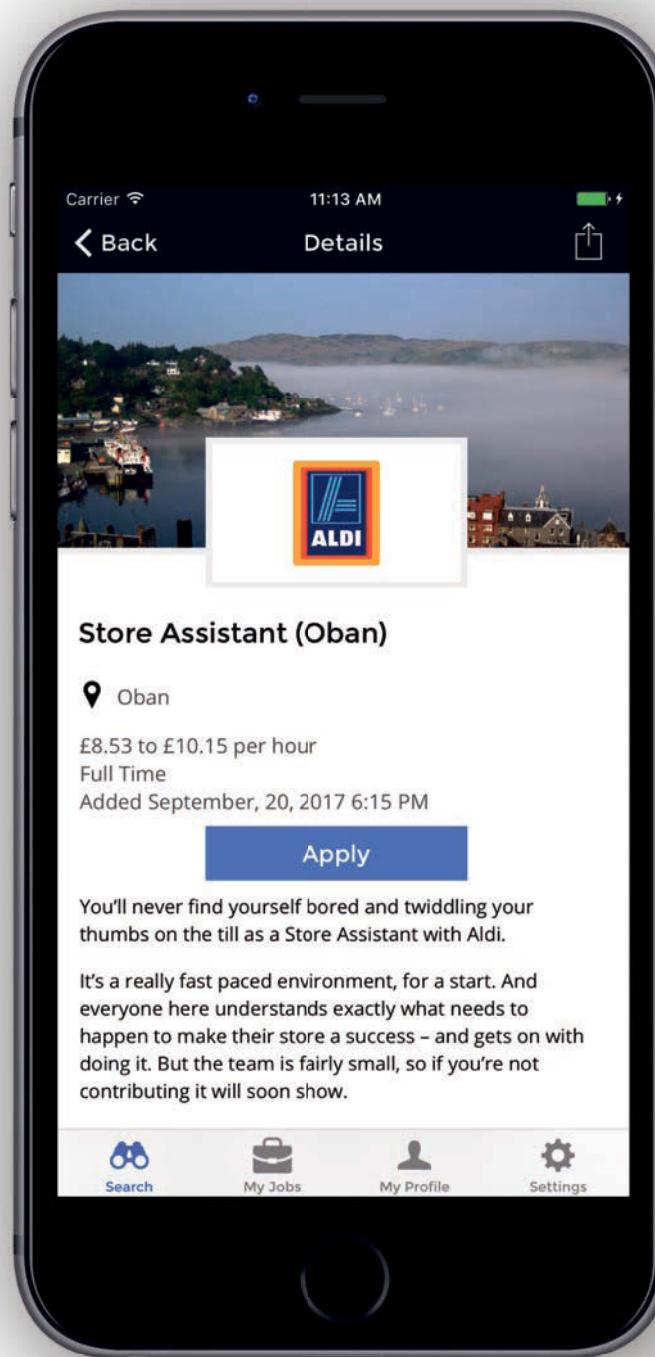
Founders Christopher Snelgrove and Laura Saunders are justifiably proud of their achievements so far. Says Christopher "our new app was just the logical next step in our quest to provide candidates and recruiters with the best technological solution to either finding a job or finding the perfect candidate" Laura adds "We don't think anyone in the recruitment markets can come close to our technology, it is simple, intuitive and delivers results, the development of the app had to match the ease of use of our website and seamlessly integrate with social media – we are incredibly proud of what we have achieved"

Founded in Lochaber in 2015 HIJOBS specialises in matching candidates and recruiters in Scotland's more rural locations. Christopher is passionate about helping people find jobs outside the central belt. He says "I live in Lochaber and wouldn't want to live anywhere else. We developed our technology to allow people to search for vacancies in the smallest towns and villages in Scotland. The gradual roll out of 4G in places like Oban and Fort William means that the time is now right to give people a really smart, easy to use app"

As well as investing in the app, the company has also undertaken a significant digital marketing campaign that sees HIJOBS appear high up on the first page of Google's rankings, outperforming most of the big national brands. Traffic to their site is growing exponentially and candidates registering on the site will soon pass 50,000. Laura says "2017, by whatever measure you choose, has been an exceptional year so far. The app launch is the cherry on the cake. We want people to have the choice of working in any part of Scotland they choose, not be forced to move to one of the big cities. Our app has just helped make that choice a whole lot easier"

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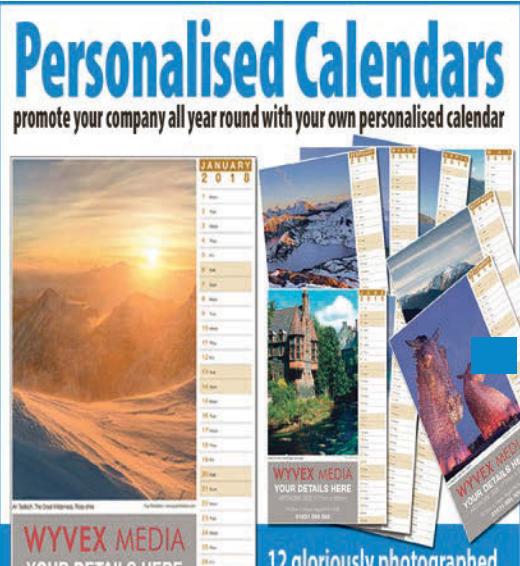


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ISLE OF BUTE**Revamp for pavilion**

ROTHESAY'S famous pavilion is to be restored to its former glory after a £14 million fundraising target was met.

A £4.1 million National Lottery grant, more than £1 million from the European Regional Development Fund and £750,000 from Historic Environment Scotland means work can start on restoring the Grade A-listed building.

The project will see the pavilion transformed to provide a year-round programme of exhibitions, a shop

and café/restaurant, while the main hall will accommodate a range of events including music, theatre, dance, sports, weddings and various community uses.

A second venue for smaller performances and a new top floor for meetings and functions will also be created.

The new centre is expected to employ more than 30 people and attract more than 70,000 visits per year.

The contract is expected to be awarded later this autumn, with a view to work starting before Christmas.

INVERARAY**Biggest and best festival**

LAST month's Best of the West (BoW) Festival at Inveraray Castle attracted more than 6,000 people, according to organisers.

Figures show 89 per cent of the visitors came from outwith Argyll and Bute and generated more than £2 million for the local economy, making it the biggest and best BoW to date. A survey of those attending revealed more than 98 per cent said they would recommend the festival to a friend.



Ava and Liam are getting ready to climb for charity.

Young Ava's charity push**LOCHGOILHEAD**

PRIMARY one pupil Ava McNaught is climbing a hill and taking part in her first pageant in aid of two special charities.

Ava, five, from Lochgoilhead, is competing next month in the final of Junior Miss Scotland which raises awareness and funds for the United Togetherness Foundation to tackle bullying, racism and

discrimination. Ava will also be raising money for Scottish Autism. Her four-year-old brother, Liam, has autism and the family hope to raise awareness and understanding of the condition.

During the October holidays, Ava and Liam will be joined by other family mem-

bers and some of Ava's classmates in a sponsored climb of The Steeple, a 378-metre hill behind Lochgoilhead.

Ava's family has set up a fundraising page – gofundme.com/junior-miss-scotland-final – which closes on October 24. The pageant takes place on Sunday November 5 in Glasgow.

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Thought for the Week
with Marilyn Sheddell

I MUMBLED and grumbled yet again about the weather.

Everyone was totally fed up with it.

More rain and gales and cancelled ferries, soggy dog walks and soggy dogs.

I was becoming pretty scunnered with it all and resented the sunshine further south.

Because of the gale warnings, I postponed a trip to Glasgow and longed for some reasonable weather.

I complained about this too.

However, little did I know the blessings my change of plan would bring.

First was a drop-in visit from a friend who also brought her little dog to cheer up our two.

Unexpected coffee and stories warmed a miserable morning and the dogs amused us with their own canine chatter.

Then a friend called to ask if she could stay with us as she couldn't get back to Islay as the ferry was off.

We hadn't seen her for ages and what a delightful time we had catching up on all the news.

Then we had a lovely visit to another friend and heard of fishing tales and island stories.

When I moaned about the weather, Duncan said: 'I just decide to make the most of the good days.'

What a good philosophy in life and how this alters the perspective.

I then realised that what I thought was going to be a disaster of a day turned into one with many blessings, thanks to friends.

'Make the most of the good days' is what I will surely try to do, for the make up of the day really depends on us.

So, as the gales batter me and the rain drowns me, I will remember the blessings brought with the sunshine of friends.

TEXT FOR THE WEEK

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

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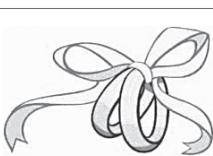
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BANKS - Peacefully, in Lichfield, on October 28, 2017, in his 93rd year, Robert Banks ARCST, former Director of Research, GEC Marconi, and pioneer of television service in Scotland. Robin was the son of the late Alexander and Mary Banks of Lochend, Campbeltown, and is sadly missed by his daughter Fiona and three grandchildren.

BAXTER - Suddenly at home, Ardell House, Machrihanish, on September 28, 2017, Jillian Anne Greig (Jill),

in her 72nd year, dearly beloved wife of David Baxter, much loved mum of Stuart and Gail, mother-in-law of Anne and Danny, beloved nana of Scott, Gregor, Isla and Katie and loving sister of Heather and the late Susan. Service will take place in Cardross Crematorium, today Friday, October 6, 2017 at 11.15am, to which all friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers only please.

GEMMILL - Peacefully at home, Ifferdale, Saddell, on October 3, 2017, John Asden Gemmill, in his 91st year, dearly beloved husband of Helen, father of Andrew, Jennifer and the late Moira, and a cherished grampa to his grandchildren and great grandchildren. Service at Saddell and Carradale Parish Church, on Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Brackley Cemetery, to which all friends and family are warmly invited.

HILLHOUSE - Peacefully, in Hamilton, Ontario, Patricia Ann Maguire, wife of Jim, mother and grandmother, eldest daughter of Thomas and Mary Maguire and beloved sister.

MACINDEOR - Suddenly, at Oban Hospital, on October 1, 2017, Mr Colin MacIndoe, of 12 Seaside Park, Ardrishaig, in his 94th year, beloved husband of the late Nancy, dearly loved dad of Allan, much respected father-in-law of Isabel and a dear brother of Lily and the late Jane and Iain. Cherished uncle and great uncle to all the family. A good neighbour and dear friend to many. Funeral service will be held in Ardrishaig Parish Church, today, Friday, October 6, 2017 at 11.00am, thereafter to Achnabreac Cemetery. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired, to RNLI (Mid Argyll).

MARTIN - Peacefully, at the Kintyre Care Home, Campbeltown, on September 29, 2017, Joseph Martin (Frank), in his 86th year. A graveside service will take place in Kilkerran Cemetery, today Friday, October 6, 2017 at 11.00am, to which all friends are respectfully invited.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

BLAIR - The family of the late Anne Blair would like to thank everyone most sincerely for the many kind expressions of sympathy received in their recent sad loss. Special thanks to Dr Carina Spink, district nurses, Marie Curie nursing staff, Sheena, Mhairi, Anne

and the other carers, also Niomi, Tanya and Ishbel MacLullich, for all the kind care and attention received. With thanks also to Derek Guy and Kenny McGlynn for all their efforts and kindness, and James Prentice for his support to Keira. Special thanks also to Rev David Carruthers for his comforting service, to David McEwan for his uplifting music, to T A Blair for funeral services and the Ardshiel Hotel for tea. Thanks to all who came from near and far to pay their respects. The retiring collection raised £1,276.30 in aid of the RNLI.

CAULFIELD - Kay, Lindsay, Eleanor and Ewan would like to thank all friends and family for all your cards, calls, flowers and support following the very sudden and sad loss of Margaret. Thanks also to the doctors and nurses who helped Margaret in the last months. A grateful thanks to the Rev W Crossan for support and comforting service. Thanks to Kenny and Rhys for their caring support, professionalism and help. Also the Ardshiel Hotel for excellent catering. A special thanks to her old friend and neighbour from Ardrishaig and Lochgilphead.

LANG - Colin and family would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy received on their sad loss of Margaret. Special thanks to Rev Philip Wallace for this comforting service, to David McEwan for his uplifting music, to T A Blair for funeral services and the Ardshiel Hotel for tea. Thanks to all who came from near and far to pay their respects. The retiring collection raised £1,276.30 in aid of the RNLI.

MCSPORRAN - Donnie, Dhonna, Ian, Stewart and Ewan would like to thank relatives and friends, and all who gave their support and cards, following the sad loss of Margaret. Thanks also to the doctors and nurses who helped Margaret in the last months. A grateful thanks to the Rev W Crossan for support and comforting service. Thanks to Kenny and Rhys for their caring support, professionalism and help. Also the Ardshiel Hotel for excellent catering. A special thanks to her old friend and neighbour from Ardrishaig and Lochgilphead.

IN MEMORIAMS

LIPPE - Precious memories of our daughter, sister and aunt, Feuna Margaret Kerr, died October 9, 1992, aged 26 years. Feuna, Sad are the hearts that love you, Silent are the tears that fall. Living our lives without you, Is the saddest part of all. - Mum, Dad, John, Iona, Paul and Feuna. Love you always, Mum. - Peter John xx.

MCMILLAN - October 10, 2005. In loving memory of Annette, dear wife, mum and granny. Loved and missed everyday!

MEIKLE - In loving memory of Drew, who died on October 9, 2016. Miss you so much, Lambsy, Tread softly, because you tread on my dreams. - Catherine Ann.

SKIPNESS LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNESIDE AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Sunday 8th October 2017

Skipness Harvest Service 10am

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Monday 9th October

Tarbert Church Hall 2.30pm

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Wednesday 11th October

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CHURCH NOTICES



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(The Church of Scotland)

Sunday 8th October

Harvest Thanksgiving Services in

Ardrishaig at 11:00am

(Supporting Water Aid and Christian Aid) and

Achadoish at 12:30pm

(Supporting RSABI)

Mid Week Pause Wednesdays

from Noon till 2:00pm in Ardrishaig Church.

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Campbeltown

Scottish Charity No SC023277

Sunday 8th October

Pentecost 18

Holy Communion 10.45am

Enquiries Tel: 01586 551141

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Sunday 8th October 2017

Cumlodden

Lochfyneside and Lochgair

Charity No. SC016097

Morning Service in Cumlodden Church

at 10 am

Glenaray and Inveraray

Charity No. SC016665

Morning Service in Inveraray Church

at 11.30am

Gaelic Service

Lochgair Church at 3pm

Minister: Rev. Dr. Roderick D. M. Campbell

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Sunday 8th October

11.15am Worship Service

Rev Rodger Crooks

Wednesday 11th October

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2.00pm Water of Life Café

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Thursday

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Holy Mass Sunday 12.30pm

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Olympic medallist thrills Mid Argyll swimmers



Pictured with Robbie Renwick are Molly Dykes, left, and Lorne Barrie, right, with their achievement certificates. In the middle is nine-year-old Olivia Veitch, swimmer of the month, with her Midton Acrylics trophy.

IT WAS an occasion the young swimmers will never forget as an Olympian came to town.

Mid Argyll Dolphins Swimming Club welcomed Robbie Renwick to Mid Argyll Community Pool on September 28, where the former Scottish and Great Britain international swimmer gave an inspiring talk to the young members before offering some tips in the water.

Robbie was just 16 when he travelled with the Scotland team to the 2006 Commonwealth Games in Melbourne. Four years later, he was Commonwealth champion in the 200m freestyle when

the event was held in Delhi.

He went on to win World Championship gold with the GB relay team in 2015 and silver, again in the relay, at the Rio Olympic Games.

The 29-year-old explained what it took him to reach the top in his sport. He said: 'I did 10 two-and-a-half-hour sessions every week, plus spending time in the gym.'

'But I enjoyed the hard work. Even then, though, I always made sure I had fun every day.'

He talked about the importance of eating correctly but not denying yourself the odd treat now and

again to avoid binging on sweets and other less-than-nutritious foodstuffs.

And, above all, he told the young Mid Argyll swimmers, it is essential to focus on technique, because that is what makes the difference between good and great swimmers.

The event was sponsored by Julia and Alan Young of Cooke Aquaculture (Scotland) and supported by Mid Argyll Dolphins sponsor, Landcatch.

Proudly wearing his Commonwealth, Olympic and World Championship medals.

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Mid Argyll Dolphins' members with event sponsor Alan Young of Cooke Aquaculture (Scotland) on the left and David Danson from club sponsor Landcatch on the right.



All smiles at the pool side for a great occasion.

Final Flings at Lochgilphead Golf Club

LAST weekend saw the ladies and gents playing their final competitions for the season in somewhat inclement weather at Lochgilphead Golf Club.

The gents played their second round of the Final Fling on Sunday and jubilant winner, with a great score of 115 strokes for the two rounds, was Jim Hunter who beat Alex MacAulay by 12 strokes.

The ladies also played their Final Fling, and the winner was Jane Hepburn, who won with 32 points to beat Fiona McLeod by a single point.

The trophies for these competitions, and

silverware for all of the other competitions, will be presented at the prize-giving dance on November 3. There will be a buffet and dancing to Ceilidh's Homet as well as the trophy presentations.

Tickets, priced £15, are available from committee members.

The winter leagues now take over, with the gents commencing at 9am on Sunday October 8 and the ladies at 12.30pm on Sunday October 15.

The club is looking forward to welcoming all the hardy West Coast winter golfers at these leagues and reports will follow.



Robbie Renwick inspires a future generation of Mid Argyll swimmers.

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North take honours in youth shinty matches

North Under 14s	11
South Under 14s	2

THE NORTH U14 select side were convincing 11-2 winners over south U14 in their noon throw-up at An Aird, Fort William, on Sunday October 1.

Lochaber's Max Campbell on 10 minutes and Beauly's Euan MacCormick on 23 minutes had the north 2-0 ahead midway through the first half.

The north went on to dominate, and they won the game with something to spare to retain the Fraser MacPhee Memorial Cup which was presented to north captain Michael Slimon by Rosemary MacPhee.

The north scorers were Max Campbell

and Euan MacCormick with doubles from Taylor Matheson, Declan Brannan, Michael Slimon and Ross MacKinnon.

Ross Campbell and Gregor MacDonald scored for the south.

North U14 from: George Taylor-Ramsey (Kingussie), Freddie Fulford (Lochaber), Cameron Leiper (Kingussie), Duncan MacMillan (Kinlochshiel), Jamie MacKay (Skye Camanachd), Euan MacCormick (Beauly), Cameron Bremner (Glenurquhart), Hamish Shaw (Fort William), Sam Stubbs (Lochcarron), Declan Brannan (Newtonmore), Tyler Whyte (Lochaber), Michael Slimon (Kingussie) (captain), Ross MacKinnon (Inverness), Max Campbell (Lochaber), Taylor Matheson (Skye Camanachd), Ciaran Kellett (Kinlochshiel).

Coaches – Iain Borthwick and Dallas Young.

South U14 from: Murray MacKay (Oban Camanachd), Innes Lambert



The combined south (in red) and north under-14 teams pictured ahead of the match. Photo: Stephen Lawson.

(Dunoon), Sam Bulloch (Dunoon), Ryan Barclay (Oban Camanachd), Calum Macmillan (Bute), Fraser MacLean (Ballachulish), Kyle Kerr (Dunoon), Marcus Plank (Bute), Lennon MacKechnie (Oban Camanachd), Daniel MacLean (Ballachulish), Gregor MacDonald (Oban Camanachd), Ross Campbell (Oban Camanachd), Steven Dunn (Bute), Finan Kennedy (Dunoon), Lewis Moran (Ballachulish), Nelly MacNaughton (Dunoon) (captain). Coach – Alan MacKechnie.

North Under 17s	3
South Under 17s	1

THE MEETINGS between the north and south at U17 level are usually keenly contested, and this 2.30pm throw up at An Aird on Sunday October 1 was no exception.

Kingussie's Dylan Borthwick gave the north a 15-minute lead with the only goal of

the first half. Skye Camanachd's Martin Pringle made it 2-0 on 58 minutes.

Fort William's Victor Smith scored again just 10 minutes from time but Oban Camanachd's Lewis Buchanan pulled a goal back three minutes from the end.

North U17 from: Stuart Disher (Fort William), Alexander Michie (Kingussie), Alasdair MacRae (Fort Wil-

liam), Ryan Boyle (Fort William), Connor Gilpin (Skye Camanachd), Tommy Stewart (Newtonmore), Calum MacDougal (Kilmallie) (captain), Lewis Clark (Fort William), Ruairidh Anderson (Kingussie), Lachie Shaw (Fort William), Dylan Borthwick (Kingussie), Finlay Robertson (Glenurquhart), Martin Pringle (Skye Camanachd), William Mackinnon (Skye Camanachd), Victor Smith (Fort William), Roddy Young (Kingussie). Coach – David Pringle. South U17 from: Cameron Sutherland (Oban Camanachd), Craig MacKay (Bute), Conor Kennedy (Col Glen), Daniel Sloss (Oban Camanachd), Craig Fisher (Bute). Coach – Brian MacNaughton.

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INSIDE THIS WEEK:

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Red Star battle through in Scottish Cup thriller

Lochgilphead Red Star 3
Lanarkshire Forrest 2
Scottish Amateur Cup second round

RED STAR returned to action after a two-week lay off last Saturday as they welcomed Lanarkshire Forrest to Lochgilphead joint campus for this Scottish Amateur Cup tie.

Star were forced into a number of personnel and positional changes, which looked to have an effect early on as they struggled to get their passing game going and with a few errors creeping in.

Forrest, who ply their trade in the Strathclyde Saturday Morning Amateur Football League, were looking to make use of the long throw-in, and it was through this tactic that they managed to get the opening goal. The centre back launched one to the back post

and, despite several attempts to clear the ball, Star couldn't avert the danger and the visitors' striker prodded it home from close range to put his side in front after 20 minutes.

At the other end, Star were looking for a way back into the game, and were able to pile on the pressure by forcing a succession of corners.

The equaliser came on the half-hour mark when the ball fell to Kieran Moore, who found the bottom corner from 20 yards with a neat finish.

Star fell behind again on the stroke of half-time in bizarre fashion.

A long ball over the top caught out the backline, allowing the Forrest striker to go in on Kalache. The big keeper did well to block the effort and the ball trundled towards goal – the Star defence

meanwhile managed to get back and appeared to have cleared the ball with yards to spare. Much to the bemusement of the players, the referee, however, adjudged the ball to have crossed the line and awarded Forrest the goal and Andy Weir a yellow card for his protests.

The Lochgilphead side went into the second half with a sense of injustice and knowing that they had to raise their game if they wanted to progress, so started the half on the front foot.

As the passing improved and the visitors started to tire, the chances were starting to mount up with Innes Meikle and Kieran Moore both bringing excellent saves out of the Forrest keeper.

There was a sense of relief when Innes Meikle pulled his team level on the hour mark as he turned 25 yards out and fired his shot past the keeper and into the top corner to equalise at 2-2.

Star were surging forward at will by now, but were finding Forrest's backline tough to breach until Kieran Moore struck with a moment of magic as he beat two defenders on the edge of the box before coolly slotting into the bottom corner to put Star ahead for the first time.

From there the game should really have been out of sight, but some wasteful Star finishing left the door open for Forrest and



Red Star forward Kieran Moore skips past defender Andrew Murray. 06_a40RedStar01

they had the chance to equalise from the spot with three minutes to go. Andy Weir was adjudged to have brought down the striker and the referee pointed to the spot.

The striker dusted himself down and went for the bottom corner but Luke Kalache was on hand to block the effort with an out-

standing save to secure the victory for Red Star and guarantee a place in the next round after a pulsating 90 minutes.

Star now face a difficult task in the third round with an away tie against three-times Scottish Amateur Cup winners Bannockburn. The tie is due to be played on Saturday November 4.



His cross was blocked by visiting defender Jamie McDougall this time, but Innes Meikle scored a screamer shortly afterwards to level the scores. 06_a40RedStar02



Red Star's Neilly Russell battles for the ball. 06_a40RedStar05

Sports club lottery draw results

THERE is more than £2,000 up for grabs this week between three of the region's sports club lottery draws.

Drawn on Monday October 2, the Kilmory Camanachd Club lottery draw numbers were 2, 4 and 18. There were no winners and the jackpot will be £600 next week.

In the Inveraray Shinty Club lottery, the numbers were 2, 3 and 4. There were no winning tickets so next week's jackpot will be £600.

Winning numbers in the Tarbert Football Club lottery draw on July 31 were 13, 19 and 20. As there were no winners, next week's jackpot will be £1,000.

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