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Kenny treks for a cure

Emily Jamison

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TARBERT man Kenny MacNab is walking the Kintyre Way to raise money for Parkinsons UK.

Kenny set off on the walk on Saturday October 7, leaving Tarbert at midday.

He will make his way towards Southend before travelling back up the peninsula. During his walk he hopes to cover almost 200 miles in nine days.

This is not the first time Kenny has walked mammoth distances in aid of charity. Last year he hiked through the Himalayan mountains and he has previously walked the Great Wall of China.

Kenny said that the chosen charity of Parkinsons UK was close to his heart for a number of reasons.

He said: 'Some of my good friends have been diagnosed with Parkinsons. It's a really worthy cause because I have met so many people over the years with Parkinsons, and it really is tragic that we don't have a cure for it yet.'

'This year Parkinsons UK are really pushing fundraising, with some high profile celebrities getting involved. It's a great charity to fundraise for.'

Kenny set off on his walk on Harbour Street in Tarbert, the beginning of the Kintyre Way.

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Kenny ready to head off on his Kintyre Way walk. 08_a41kennymacnab02



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Post Office hours cut angers Ardrishaig

ARDRISHAIG'S Yot Spot has reduced its Post Office and restaurant opening hours after being closed for a number of days, writes *Emily Jamison*.

Local residents were left in the dark as to why the Post Office and restaurant had been shut without notice.

One local contacted the *Argyllshire Advertiser* after she spoke to an elderly resident who had walked in the rain to the Post Office to collect their pension, only to find it closed.

Yot Spot's Facebook page stated a member of staff on leave meant they were short staffed and could not stay open.

Facebook users vented their frustration at the sudden closure, with one user stating it

was 'simply not good enough'. Another said: 'Only being open four hours a day some days of the week is an inconvenience.

'If you are not able to provide the service required, give it up.'

The Post Office will now be open from 9.30am to 3pm Monday to Friday.

Explained

Director of Yot Spot Michael Forbes explained the unexpected closure.

He said: 'We have been short staffed due to a combination of reasons.

'We have worked hard to rectify this and this is now resolved.

'Now the summer season is over, we have reduced our operating hours accordingly.'

A spokesperson from the Post Office said that the operator of the Ardrishaig branch was facing staffing issues and they were in discussion regarding opening hours.

The spokesperson said: 'We know how important Post Office services are to people in Ardrishaig and we apologise to customers for any inconvenience caused following the recent temporary closure of the branch.

'We are working with our operator regarding the problems experienced.

'We would like to reassure customers the Post Office is committed to maintaining a Post Office service in Ardrishaig and will work hard to ensure this.'

Corner House cash for fireworks



The Corner House pub in Tarbert donated £276.54 to Tarbert Fire Brigade for November's fireworks display. Corner House owner Duggie MacNeill with his grandson Quinn Barratt handed over the cheque to Laurie Taylor from the fire service outside the pub on Saturday October 7.

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Police files

Shoplifting

A MAN, aged 19, was detained at the Co-Op in Lochgilphead on Monday October 2 at 4.30pm for stealing goods from the store. The man was charged and issued with a recorded police warning.

Vandalism

ON FRONT Street, In-

veraray, on Monday October 9, a man, aged 25, smashed a window. Police attended and the man was charged and issued with a recorded police warning.

Assault

ON WEDNESDAY October 4 at 12.50pm a man was allegedly assaulted in Lochnell Street, Lochgilphead.

Thefts

BETWEEN Septem-

ber 20 and 29, a pair of oars were stolen from a dingy on the shore at Achnamara.

In a separate incident, between September 5 and October 6, an Avon Redstart inflatable rubber dingy was stolen from the same area.

Break-in

SOMETIME between 3pm on Thursday September 28 and 9am on Friday September 29,

there was an attempt to break in to Stonefield House, near Tarbert Golf Course.

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Ninety not out for long-serving councillor Donnie MacMillan

Family marks milestone birthday with Bridgend party

LOCHGILPHEAD'S one and only Councillor Donnie MacMillan has celebrated his 90th birthday – that's what all the balloons were for at the council headquarters at Kilmory.

The big day was on Tuesday, but the party celebrations for Donnie were hosted by his nephew and wife, Danny and Moira Lister, at their Bridgend home on Sunday.

Donnie has served as a councillor for a total of 31 years and is Scotland's longest-serving councillor.

He was born in Kilmichael Glassary, the son of Donald and Margaret, both Ileachs. Donnie went to the village primary school and on to the school in Lochgilphead, leaving there aged 14.

We are proud to say

that Donnie's first job was with *The Argyllshire Advertiser*, however he wasn't that thrilled with the idea of a life as a printer and left after a few months and 'jobbed about a bit'.

He then went on to become a 'lorry boy' with Argyll Transport before serving with the RAF, stationed in Japan.

Old job

On his return, he went back to his old job, spent a couple of years working in England with his brother, before returning home to a job with British Bakeries, on the bread run from Glasgow to Campbeltown. He then settled in the job that most folk will remember him for – running his shop in Ardrishaig.



Donnie at his party with daughter-in-law Christina and granddaughters Charlotte, Emily, Rebecca and daughter Linda.

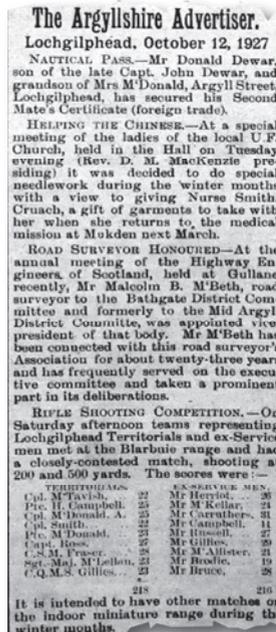
In between all this, he began his council career with what was then the district council.

Vice Provost

During his career as a councillor, Donnie has served on five police boards; chaired the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Isles Area Committee, been chairman of the valuation board

and also vice provost. Donnie said he would like to thank everyone who helped him celebrate his 90th birthday and make it such a memorable event.

He asked people not to send gifts but to donate to one of three charities: British Heart Foundation, Arthritis Research and Lauren Currie Foundation.



Some news from the Argyllshire Advertiser from the week Donnie was born.



The front page of *The Argyllshire Advertiser* from the week Donnie was born.

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Kenny's 200 mile charity walk for Parkinsons UK



Kenny pictured with wife Liz and sister Seona.
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Prior to setting off, a coffee morning organised in aid of Parkinson's and Myasthenia charity Myaware, raising over £1,000.

Following his walk Kenny hopes to unwind and celebrate with a pint or two at Tarbert's Corner House pub.

Jan Mattison, West Scotland regional fundraiser for Parkin-

son's UK, said: 'Parkinson's UK is delighted to have Kenny's support.'

Commitment

'His hard work will help us deliver our commitment to enabling everyone with Parkinson's, and their families, to be able to access high-quality local services wherever they live.'

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Kenny MacNab shares a laugh with sister Seona Martin before heading off on his walk down the Kintyre Way. 08_a41kennymacnab

find a cure for Parkinson's will benefit too.

Generosity

'It's only through the generosity of people like Kenny that we can provide vital services

and the charity really appreciates his efforts.'

So far Kenny has raised almost £600 for Parkinson's on his Just Giving page. To donate, go to justgiving.

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IF YOU fancy a complete change of lifestyle with jobs waiting for you in an idyllic Argyll coastal village Tayvallich is the place to be.

Peter Burrell, who

chairs the Tayvallich Community Company told *The Advertiser* this week that John Anderson and Rosie MacAlister who currently run the community-owned shop, post office and

café, are now moving on to another opportunity and the tenancy has become vacant; with the view to occupancy in January, in plenty of time to be ready for the new season.

There will be training for the post office role and John and Rosie are willing to help the new tenants settle in.

'It might be a change of lifestyle for a family or couple,' said Peter, 'and limited capital is required for purchase of stock.'

He added that this was successful and year-round venture at the heart of the community and the community company was interested to hear from people who would have plans to expand the business. The café is renowned for its outside seating area with stunning views.

See advertisement in this week's edition for further details or ring Peter on 0774 617585.

GRADUATION



KATHRYN MERRILEES

Graduated from University of Strathclyde with a degree of Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry and Pharmacology. Kathryn is the daughter of Kenny and Kathleen Merrilees, granddaughter of John and Catherine Gorrie, Lochgilphead and Jim and Muriel Merrilees, Bishopbriggs.

One of the busiest times Inveraray fire crew can remember

THE CREW at Inveraray Fire Station are in the middle of one of the busiest times they can remember, with the team of retained firefighters on more than 30 call-outs since September 1.

The Inveraray team are often called out as second vehicle to support their colleagues at Oban Fire Station. Often they are ordered to mobilise to attend automatic fire alarms and once on the way are given an order to stand

down and return to station.

This week has been just as busy for them. On October 5 they were called out to old folks accommodation at Dunbeg, and on the same day summoned to help after an alarm went off at MacCracken Court, Lochgilphead.

On Sunday morning they were called out to Loch Fyne Ales when a hose burst in the production department and the escaping steam

set off the fire alarm system.

By 5pm the Inveraray crew were heading back up Loch Fyne again, this time to Loch Fyne Oysters after the automatic fire alarm went off.

Alarm

When they arrived at the scene and checked, it was found that one of the guests at a wedding party had sneaked into the toilets for a cigarette and triggered the alarm system.

No sooner were the

team back at the fire station than they were off out again – this time to Furnace Quarry where a rock crushing machine was on fire. They had to stay late into the evening to deal with the fire and make sure everything was safe.

On Monday the alarm system in a hotel in Oban sent three false alarm messages, prompting Inveraray to be called out three times as back-up for their Oban colleagues.



Inveraray firefighters: Neil Armour, George Morrison, John Munro, Ally Morrison, David Owen and Allan MacDonald.



Allan MacDonald cleaning the fire appliance at Inveraray, after the crew attended Furnace Quarry where a rock crushing machine was on fire on Sunday.



Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Chief Officer Alasdair Hay met Lochgilphead firefighters last week.

Chief officer visits Lochgilphead

THE SCOTTISH Fire and Rescue Service Chief Officer Alasdair Hay visited the crew in Lochgilphead last week.

The CO was given a guided tour of the station by watch manager Duncan Litster who discussed the level of local community engagement carried out by his crew.

CO Hay was delivering his vision for the future for the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and how that will benefit local retained firefighters and the communities they

serve. He said: 'It was a real pleasure and a privilege to hear about all the work that they do to protect their local community. They are a credit to themselves, their families and to the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.'

'Our retained firefighters are the most incredible people. They provide a service for the community – an outstanding commitment.'

'I spoke with the crews about how modern risk is changing and how we need to transform to continue

“Our retained firefighters are the most incredible people

Alasdair Hay

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service chief officer

to protect our communities from events such as severe weather-

related flooding. We also see an increasingly elderly population that requires support to live safely at home.

'We are now also looking towards future solutions that are more responsive and more flexible to the needs of our rural communities while maintaining community and firefighter safety.'

'I once again thank the crew at Lochgilphead not only for their valuable contribution during my visit but also a most warm welcome and home-baking.'



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- The Big Lottery Fund supports the aspirations of people who want to make life better for their communities across the UK. We are responsible for giving out 40% of the money raised by the National Lottery and invest over £650 million a year in projects big and small in health, education, environment and charitable purposes.
- The Big Lottery Fund Scotland is focussed on helping people and communities most in need throughout Scotland through its five-year £250m funding scheme as well as small grants scheme National Lottery Awards for All Scotland.
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- Since the National Lottery began in 1994, £35 billion has been raised and more than 490,000 grants awarded



Editorial

Happy birthday Donnie

THE LEGENDARY councillor, Donnie MacMillan, celebrated his 90th birthday this week.

We couldn't resist having a look back in our files at *The Argyllshire Advertiser* and *Loch Fyneside Echo* for the week when he was born.

That same week you could have bought a gentleman's overcoat in 'modestly priced tweed' for £3.17.6d from the tailoring department of Kilmartin General Stores.

The only other well-known name in the newspaper that is still going strong today from 1927 is Craig Brothers of Campbelltown, whose West Coast Motor Service ran a bus every morning from Lochgilphead for Campbelltown, Sundays excepted.

Sorry you didn't like working as a printer with us back in the day, Donnie, or we would have all probably ended up working for you!

Post offices are still important

THE MOVE to winter opening hours at The Yot Spot in Ardrishaig has caused frustration for a number of post office customers, many of whom are elderly and frail. It just goes to show that in this age of emails and internet banking just how vital post office services still are to a small community.

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Thanks

Sir,
As of the sixth of this month, I have left my position as postmaster in Portnahaven and have transferred the retail side of my business over to new proprietor, Karen Campbell.

I would like to wish her all the best for her future business and I'm fully confident that it will be a huge success for her and deliver a great local service to the village of Portnahaven, Port Wemyss and the wider Islay community. I have already shopped at my former business and would encourage others to do the same.

I had been the postmaster for Portnahaven and Port Wemyss for more than 13 years. I was 17 when I first took over the Post Office and I'm 30 now, which means almost half of my life so far has been spent working for and serving my local area as postmaster.

My experience in the Post Office has been greatly enjoyable and there is no doubt in my mind I will miss the daily banter with my customers and I hope they feel the same way.

I have been taken aback by all of the positive comments from my many customers these last few weeks that I have been working and I'm immensely grateful to receive so many nicely written cards that wished me well in my new endeavour working as a councillor for the Kintyre and Islands ward.

There is little doubt in my mind that my career in politics would not have happened if not for the experience gained working in Portnahaven Post Office. Nor would I have been elected in this recent council election without the massed support from the Rinns where some of people who voted for me were not direct supporters of my party but backed me personally.

I would like to make a promise to all of my cus-



Outstanding contribution

Rev Dr Roderick MacLeod is awarded the Sàr Ghàidheal in recognition of a tremendous contribution and dedication to Gaelic language and culture. Professor Boyd Robertson, principal of Sabhal Mòr Ostaig UHI, said: 'Rev Dr Roderick MacLeod has made an outstanding contribution across a number of sectors: in the church and in the community, in research, scholarship, writing and publishing, and as an elected member of council.'

tomers and fellow local residents that, just because I will not see you every day like I used to, that does not mean that I, as your councillor, will be come an unseen neutered Kilmory house cat. I will always be available to help you whatever local issue is concerning you – with nothing being too small or big for me to do some shouting on your behalf.

I have to thank my family for all of their help and support over the many years that I have been postmaster.

I cannot write a letter thanking everyone without mentioning my former staff member and good friend Alice Black who has worked incredibly hard for myself and her local community. Without her terrific support my job would have been made impossibly harder.

I'm looking forward to working hard for my local council ward and I will not forget those who have helped my family, myself and my business over the many years.

Councillor Alastair Redman, Islay.

Gael of the Year

Sir,
In Cumlodden Church this morning it was intimated that the Rev Dr Roddy MacLeod had been named as Gael of the Year. I understand he received a certificate from Skye College earlier this week.

You may recall that earlier this year he was awarded an MBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List for services to the Gaelic language. He had edited the Church of Scotland's Life & Work Gaelic supplement for many years. Congratulations, Roddy.

Elsbeth Wells.

Fireworks advice

Sir,
Many of us enjoy fireworks but for our dogs it's often a terrifying experience. Dogs have approximately four times more sensitive hearing than us and have a more extensive range of hearing – they can hear much higher frequency sounds than we can – so just imagine how loud a fireworks bang is for a dog.

The smells and flashing light of fireworks are also unusual for dogs. Fire-

works tend to be sudden, unpredictable and bright and this cocktail of effects can often have a profoundly negative impact on dogs.

One tip we have for concerned dog owners is to create a doggy den, a haven where dogs feel safe and secure. The doggy den should be built away from the hub of the family home, somewhere quiet where the dog can rest peacefully.

This will very much be a safe space for the dog, but they should be able to move in and out of the den freely. Making it as cosy and snug as possible is a must but a dog should be able to see out of the den should he want to. Concerned owners should seek veterinary advice before fireworks night if their dogs are very scared or panic due to fireworks.

Sandra Lawton, Dogs Trust, Glasgow.

Mental health

Sir,
Recently the country rallied behind the brave ex-servicemen and women as they once again represented our country and battled for gold at the Invictus Games in Toronto. It has been great to see our veterans getting the attention they deserve and shining a light on some of the issues they have faced since leaving the military.

If there is one issue that stood out for me at this year's games, it was mental health. I was so impressed by the number of athletes suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) who stepped up and were willing to share their stories, which has not always been the case. People like Matt Neve, a 32-year-old ex-RAF driver from Wales, who talked about how sport helped his recovery and gave him a release from mental health issues he has endured for more than a decade.

The RAF Benevolent Fund stepped in and provided Matt with archery equipment, which gave him something to focus on other

than his PTSD and helped him switch off mentally. Matt won gold at this year's games.

While Invictus has opened the door for many veterans with mental health issues, sadly there are still plenty suffering in silence.

Tuesday October 10 marked World Mental Health Day and another opportunity to encourage people to speak out about their mental health issues and get the support they need. This year's theme was Mental Health in the Workplace. According to the Mental Health Foundation, one in five people in the workplace experience a mental health condition. The armed forces are no different.

At the RAF Benevolent Fund, the RAF's leading welfare charity, we have been helping the RAF Family with mental health issues for many years. We have also long worked with and financially supported Combat Stress, the leading veterans' mental health charity. More recently we have been working with Anxiety UK to address issues head on, providing a helpline, therapy sessions and self-help materials.

Our partnerships have been working: of those who have accessed Anxiety UK's therapy services to date, 60 per cent have shown identifiable recovery and 90 per cent have reliably improved their levels of anxiety, stress and anxiety-based depression.

While there is still a stigma associated with mental health, the situation has improved drastically from my days in the RAF, when mental health was rarely mentioned. However, with campaigns like World Mental Health Day and the Invictus Games, I am confident that we will soon reach a point where people will no longer feel that they have to suffer in silence.

Air Vice-Marshal David Murray, Controller, Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund.

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More than £1,000 raised at Tarbert coffee morning

A COFFEE morning at the Templar Hall, Tarbert, raised £1,045 for charities Parkinson's UK and Myaware.

Tarbert locals flocked to the hall for freshly-baked cakes and a cuppa, with raffle prizes and competitions including guess the weight of a chocolate cake.

The coffee morning was planned to raise funds for both charities before Kenny MacNab set off on his Kintyre Way walk.



Two young coffee morning supporters, Campbell Johnson and Ruaraidh Hawthorn, with their mums Jennifer Johnson and Kayleigh Winnard.

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Karlina and Nadine Hamlin have a cup of tea at the event which raised more than £1,000 for Myaware and Parkinson's UK. 08_a41coffeemorning03



Alice McPhail and Kathryn Cooper enjoy home-made cakes. 08_a41coffeemorning2



Coffee morning goes wave goodbye to Kenny MacNab as he heads off to trek the Kintyre Way.

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Old pound coin dismay for Tarbert shoppers

SHOPPERS in Tarbert have been receiving the old pound coins in change – even though they will be worthless in less than a week.

The Co-op in Tarbert is one of several shops across the country still giving out the old pound coins in change, much to shoppers' dismay.

Despite giving the coins out as change, shops will no

longer accept the coins as payment from Sunday October 15 as they will not be legal tender.

Ian MacIntyre, who owns the Ian Y MacIntyre confectionery, tobacco and jewellery shop in Tarbert, said he was given an old pound coin in change at the Co-op in Tarbert.

He contacted Co-op's cus-

tomers service helpline, with representatives stating shop assistants were still able to give out the pound coins in change until Sunday October 15.

Ludicrous

Mr MacIntyre said: 'I have only been giving the new pound coins in change to customers since May. It is absolutely ludicrous the Co-op is

doing this just days before the pound coins are no longer legal tender.'

It is estimated more than 500 million old style pound coins are still in circulation across the UK.

The *Argyllshire Advertiser* asked the Co-operative Society to respond but did not receive a comment before going to press.

Good time at Lochgair auction - that's a promise!

LOCHGAIR villagers know time is running out for the village hall, built by locals early in the 1970s. A working group is exploring various options as the village badly needs a replacement hall for its popular Lunch Bunch, tai chi classes, plant sale, community council and church meetings. At a meeting of villagers, bright ideas for raising funds led to the idea of a social

night combined with an auction of promises – offers of services and skills to go to the highest bidder.

The response has been amazing. Who would have thought a tiny village like Lochgair, where the average age is over 60, would have experts in sailing, canoeing, piano and guitar, plant propagation, dyeing and spinning, creation of sparkling Christmas

decorations and tai chi, to name just a few.

These hidden talents in this tiny community and the generosity of folk with their offers of help to others has surpassed expectations – offers such as a guided tour of items of interest in Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum, a shopping trip to Waitrose in Helensburgh, or Christmas cards written and hand-delivered.

One of the organis-

ers said: 'We want our neighbouring villages to join us for our auction on Saturday October 28. There is no obligation to bid. Just

come along and enjoy the fun. Wine and nibbles start at 6.30pm and then the bidding war will kick off at 7.30pm.'

New BBC series puts focus on Argyll and Bute Council

A NEW three-part series to be aired by the BBC will follow the work of Argyll and Bute Council staff as they serve their local communities.

The *Country Council* series will see council workers deal with vulnerable people in the community, complaints and road repairs.

Demand

The series, made by Firecracker Films, will outline how council

services across Scotland are in demand more than ever, despite budget cuts.

Elsbeth O'Hare, executive producer at Firecracker Films, said: 'This series brings the unique challenges and joys of working hundreds of miles from the nearest city to provide those services in difficult times.'

The *Country Council* starts on BBC One Scotland on Thursday October 19 at 9pm.



Kathryn Merrilees studied at the University of Strathclyde with financial help from the Allt Dearg Educational Trust.

Ardrishaig student thanks Allt Dearg

A STUDENT from Ardrishaig has thanked the Allt Dearg Educational Trust for providing her with a grant.

Kathryn Merrilees, who studied BSc Biochemistry and Pharmacology at the University of Strathclyde, has said the grant helped relieve her of financial pressure while away from home.

The student, who graduated in June, said: 'The money I was awarded has helped alleviate some of the financial burden associated with studying at university while living away from home.'

'The grant has helped me buy my textbooks

and other university essentials and a bus ticket to visit home every now and again.'

Kathryn is now studying a masters degree in Industrial Biotechnology at Strathclyde and is hoping to enter full-time employment next year following five years in higher education.

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She continued: 'I hope to seek a full-time job once graduating next year using the knowledge I will have acquired over the five years at university.'

'I am so thankful to the Allt Dearg trust for everything they have helped me with.'

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Argyll and Bute MP backs online safety campaign

BRENDAN O'Hara, MP for Argyll and Bute, is supporting online safety campaigner Internet Matters, which offers help to schools and parents.

Internet Matters, which aims to help parents keep children safe online, held a joint parliamentary drop-in session with Google to

showcase the tools they both have available for parents and schools, in helping to ensure children's online safety. Mr O'Hara said: 'As children increasingly live their lives in a digital world, internet safety is becoming more of a pressing issue for teachers and schools. All children should be able to

enjoy the wealth of information and entertainment available online in a way that is as safe and age appropriate as possible. Building children's digital resilience is a key life-skill that is needed for young people today.'

While Internet Matters' expert and comprehensive

advice for teachers, schools and parents is all online, Google is taking its online safety tips and products on the road with its successful Internet Legends initiative. Google has already developed online safety tools such as its Safe Search feature which filters potentially offensive content, and the

YouTube Kids app which allows families to watch child-friendly programmes with peace of mind.

Mr O'Hara plans to highlight the new schools resource hub with teachers in Argyll and Bute, something he hopes will help and support all online safety discussions with parents.

Work to start on path drainage repairs

GOOD news about the drainage problems on the path at McIntyre Terrace, Lochgilphead.

Residents near by and users were worried that the work had not started on improving drainage.

'This has been a long-standing problem and with another winter about to come upon us the issue needs to be resolved,' said Councillor Douglas Philand.

Iain McLeod, repairs manager for Mid Argyll, Kintyre, Lorn and Isles Argyll with Argyll Community Housing Association confirmed that work would be starting soon. He said: 'We will be issuing the work to the contractor and would hope that they would be in a position to start within the next couple of weeks.'



Happy porridge day with Mary's Meals

HAPPY world porridge day! The global event to celebrate the famous Scottish dish was on Tuesday and Mary's Meals, the Argyll-based charity joined in.

Staff, volunteers and friends at the charity's shop in Lochgilphead held a porridge day.

Mary's Meals partnered with Stoats, the

porridge company, to raise funds.

Mary's Meals helps set up school feeding programmes to encourage children to attend classes. More than 1.2 million children have a meal every school day thanks to them.

In Africa, children are served a vitamin-enriched maize porridge before lessons begin.

More beavers to be released in Mid Argyll

MORE beavers will be released into Knapdale Forest as part of the Scottish Beaver Trial.

The Scottish Wildlife Trust, Scottish Beavers and the Royal Zoological Society of Scotland have been granted a licence by Scottish Natural Heritage.

Up to 28 beavers will be released into the forest in the next three years in a bid to help the species thrive.

Susan Davies, director of conservation at the Scottish Wildlife Trust, said: 'Beavers are natural engineers with a unique ability to create new wetland habitats. They can benefit wildlife, including

otters, water voles and dragonflies, and long-term research in Tayside has shown how their presence has revitalised previously drained land by doubling the range of plant species. The ponds and pools created behind beaver dams can also help improve water quality and regulate flooding, and their return to Scotland has great potential to boost our growing wildlife tourism industry.'

The Eurasian breed beavers will be sourced from a number of locations and will be screened to ensure they are free of sickness and disease.

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the house.

Make sure your pipes and boilers are properly lagged too. Something as simple as pipe foam wraps can be picked up for just a few pounds – but always put them on when the pipes are cool to make sure you don't burn yourself.

Maintenance on heating equipment is important, so make sure all water-fed radiators are bled and working correctly. A working radiator should be warm evenly across the panel; if it isn't, there could be air trapped inside.

Once these are done, you can look at your home's overall heating requirements.

Is your boiler fired to the most efficient way possible?

Can you turn your thermostat down a degree or two?

Are you buying your electricity and gas from the cheapest source?

These things are relatively simple to check online

and with tools to help you estimate your costs and potential savings with alternative heating sources.

The right heating source can vary depending on how you use your home – if you spend all day in the house, consider the cheapest for prolonged use, while some occasional systems provide instant heat, but are not ideal to be left on all day.

Think too about future cost – wood-fuelled heating systems burn wood pellets, chips or logs and can also power central heating and hot water.

Heat pumps and solar panels can not only save you cash but government-funded feed-in tariffs can make some options earn money for you.

Try speaking to your energy supplier to see if you're on the best rate or tariff. Some may move you on to a cheaper option, if available.

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John Roberts, right, presents the champion cow-senior heifer prize to Diorbhail of West Edmondslley. 15_T41_Highland Cattle Show_03



Top price was Sguillin 4th of Mottistone owned by Michael Poland and shown by stockman Willie Maclean sold for 4,000gns. Picture: Kevin McGlynn

Mixed emotion cattle Society

Report by Sandy Neil
editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk

IT WAS a weekend of mixed emotions at the Highland Cattle Society's 120th annual autumn show and sale at Oban Livestock Centre.

Members were excited to have newly-appointed United Auctions selling the cattle on Monday and they celebrated the 120th event in true style with enthusiasm and good 'craik'. They also raised their glasses with fond memories to absent friends Angus MacColl and Jim McConachie.

Presentation

During the dinner and trophy presentation on Sunday evening a shepherd's crook made of



Carolyn Ross of Blairlogan Highlanders and the champion heifer calf, Katie Morag 13th of Blairlogan. 15_T41_Highland Cattle Show_01

Highland horn donated by Archie Cameron was auctioned by Raymond Kennedy and raised £1,300, donated to the Beatson Cancer Centre along with the proceeds of Lot 5 Una Bhuidhe 10th of Muingairigh, who sold to Graeme Keep of the Chedley fold for 2,000 guineas on Monday.

Judge Matt Auld of the Pollok fold found his overall champion in Kirsty 11th of Craigowmill from Ken and Eva Brown. Kirsty won the three-year-old heifer section winning the Bell Ingram Quaich before going on to lift the Invernairn Cup.

The herd person bringing out the overall champion winning the K W Walker Memorial Quaich was Ken Brown's stockman David Burt. This heifer was sold to the Balnabroich fold of Michael and Sally Nairn for 3,600 guineas.

The reserve overall champion was awarded to the best two-year-old heifer, Sguillin 4th of Mottistone from the home of Michael Poland. Michael and his stockman Willie MacLean lifted the newly-donated Dooris Family Rose Bowl and also took home the George Bruce Memorial Trophy. The newly-formed Witches Craig fold of Veda Dewar and Kenneth Wood topped the sale by purchasing this heifer for 4,000 guineas.

Purchased

The reserve best three-year-old heifer went to Highland Cattle Society vice-president Gordon McConachie from the firm of J & M McConachie & Son with Nessia 4th of Culfoich. The red heifer was purchased by Paul Harris for 2,800 guineas for his Harris fold. Standing in reserve in the two-year-old section was Hazel 17th of Knockendon from Ronald and Frances Fergie.

Gordon McConachie lifted his second title of the day



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The in-calf heifer which was owned by the late Angus MacColl from Mull. Angus died recently from cancer. The heifer Una Buidhe of Miungairigh sold for 2,000gns, with the proceeds going to the Beatson in Glasgow. Angus's wife Pamela is pictured holding the heifer. Photograph: Kevin McGlynn



Kate Cameron, 10, from Dunach, gives her calf Nighean Ruadh 2nd of Dunach a kiss as she won best in class and reserve heifer calf. Photo: Kevin McGlynn



Asha Nelson, a protege of the late Angus MacColl, was first in the senior young handlers, presented by Angus' mum Jeannie MacColl. 15_T41_Highland Cattle

ns at Highland Show and sale

in the yearling heifer class with Carlin 4th of Culfoich taking the Best Yearling Heifer title and winning the Braes of Greenock Challenge Bowl. The red yearling heads back to Aberdeenshire to the home of J & L Fraser & Son for 1,200 guineas. The reserve title went to R & S Strachan from the Isle of Mull with Neta Dhubh of Cailaich, a black heifer brought out by Shirley Strachan.

The Myrecairn Perpetual Trophy was won by Dexter Logan of Blairlogan Highlanders with the white heifer calf Katie Morag 13th of Blairlogan, ably brought out by Carolyn Ross. Lord Denham of the Dunach Fold stood reserve with Nighean Ruadh 2nd of Dunach, a red heifer brought out by John, Wilma, Ruari, Murn and Kate Cameron.

Best cow
The Thaggnam Cup for the best cow was awarded to Emma and Simon Haley of the Seam fold with Diorbhaile of West Edmondsley who was bred by L & L Braines and brought out by son Mark Braines. Donald MacNaughton stood reserve with Malda 4th of Knockendon, a yellow, six-year-old cow bred by Ronald and Frances Fergie.

The Oban Times Young Handlers' Trophy was hotly contested. Twelve young people were split into two classes, the senior class aged 14 to 18 and the junior class aged 13 and under. The winners of each section went head-to-head for the overall title. Winning the senior section was 16-year-old Asha Nelson of the Glengorm fold and standing top of the junior section was Logan Ross, who was assisting Blairlogan Highlanders. Matt Auld crowned Logan Ross as the overall young handler champion and the prizes were presented by Angus MacColl's mother Jeannie MacColl.



Erin Cameron and the reserve champion heifer calf Nighean Ruadh 2nd of Dunach Estate.

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Team Dunach have some fun with their Highland calves taking selfies: murn Cameron, Kate Cameron, Erin Cameron and Luke Mulligan.

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Angling for more young members

LOCHGILPHEAD and District Angling Club wants to see more youngsters coming into the sport.

Archie MacGilp at Fyne Tackle, Argyll Street, Lochgilphead, the place where all local anglers gather, says it saddens him and many other sporting anglers to see that the sport is not attracting youngsters any more.

'They would rather sit indoors and play video games,' he said.

'The fact is this sport is getting older and it

is probably our generation to blame for not bringing our sons and daughters fishing: remember women are great anglers and the salmon record is held by a woman to this day.'

The club as a whole is sad to see that its junior trophy has stayed on a shelf in Fyne Tackle for five years, gathering dust: there are not enough young anglers to compete.

'Mid Argyll has some of the finest fishing anywhere, from



They would rather sit indoors and play video games

Archie MacGilp
Fyne Tackle

the shore, sea lochs, the canal, rivers and lochs,' he said.

Archie, a former vice-president of the

club added: 'In the past we arranged courses for kids; members either obtained disclosure or already had it through their work. We just did not get enough people turning up.'

But there are a few young kids enjoying the sport and all the members of the club hope that more will join them.

Youngsters such as Alfie Campbell, 12, who says his favourite spots for fishing are the canal and by the Ardrishaig lighthouse.

'Me and three or four of my friends go fishing - it is great,' he said.

If you would like to introduce your son or daughter to angling call at Fyne Tackle in Lochgilphead. You will be made very welcome.

Right: Alfie Campbell with a young pike he caught and released. Angling teaches boys and girls about the countryside and conservation and how to pit your wits against the fish.



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Archie MacGilp of Fyne Tackle with a 6lb 11oz brown trout, caught locally. He and other Lochgilphead anglers want to see more youngsters coming into the sport.

Council and NHS partner up to plan children's services

A PLAN which aims to improve the lives of children and young people in Argyll and Bute has been released.

The Children and Young People's Services Plan for 2017-2020 was published in a partnership between Argyll and Bute Council and NHS Highland.

The blueprint details what the priorities are for Argyll's children's services, and how these services will be delivered.

Bold

Ann Marie Knowles, executive director for community services said: 'This is a bold vision for our children and young people.'

'Over the next three years, we will together take every step to not only deliver on our priorities and meet our challenges, but build on our achievements.'

'Our young people are our foundation and we are committed to growing, safeguarding and supporting them and looking after their wellbeing.'

Tarbert Music Festival organisers thank supporters

SUPPORTERS of Tarbert Music Festival have been thanked by organisers for their contribution to this year's event.

Festival organiser, Margaret MacNeill, said the music festival, which took place on September 15-17, could not have gone ahead without the volunteers who helped along the way.

The music festival is self funded, with

all money raised being put back into holding the event next year.

Margaret said: 'A huge thank you must go to the volunteers and to our supporters.'

'The festival would not be possible without them, especially Margaret Henderson who raised £845 dressing up in different costumes across the weekend. I also

want to thank Zena Hawthorn who raised £300 from the raffle ticket sales.'

As well as Margaret Henderson's huge contribution, the coffee morning also raised £470.

Organisers also want to thank A&M Transport who provided the stage lorry for free for Sunday's event on the quay.

Margaret also said that the festival

would not go ahead without all those who helped to set up and who worked on the bar.

All profits from the bar across the weekend go back into the music festival.

A great weekend was had by all, with the sun shining across the Quay for Sunday's event, which included acts such as Heron Valley, Treble Trouble and Hò-rò.



Tarbert Music Festival organisers Margaret MacNeill, left, Duncan MacGregor and Barbara Johnson. 08_a38organisers



Margaret Henderson raised £845 for the music festival.

Drama helps youngsters face issues

YOUNG people in all Argyll and Bute secondary schools have been benefiting from an innovative and stimulating drama performance which helps them deal with important issues in their lives.

The play, delivered by Raenbows Productions called *You are not alone* is being held around Argyll and Bute to promote 'Smoke Free' messages to students in S3.

The powerful perfor-

mance also uses comedy in addressing the issues of taking nude pictures or having them on your phone; alcohol, being gay and coming out, death and suicide, and self-harm.

Relevant

The topics addressed in the drama were identified as relevant by young people and staff working with young people in Argyll and Bute.

Following the perfor-

mance supported by staff from local services such as school nursing teams, stop smoking staff, youth work, sexual health and cool2talk – an online health information service for young people 12-26.

The staff will help the students to work through the issues raised in the performance and work out the best way to resolve the difficulties faced by the characters, a question-and-answer session is then of-

ferred to all the pupils to ask services anything they'd like to know.

Partnership

Laura Stephenson, senior health improvement specialist for smoking cessation and sexual health for Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership, said: 'We have worked in partnership with health staff, education, youth service and teachers to produce a relevant drama project and develop lesson plans which will sit

alongside and support the work of the performances so young people are in no doubt where to go for information, advice and support when they are faced with these challenging life experiences.'

The performances have been taking place during September and October in all Argyll and Bute Council secondary schools, with Tobermory and Tiree pupils attending ones at Oban High School.

A plan to bring the Ardrishaig panto back - oh yes it is!

THE ARDRISHAIG pantomime used to be a highlight of the village calendar and there are plans to bring an annual panto back, thanks to Acting Up Argyll drama group.

Acting up Argyll's aim is to encourage an interest in all aspects

of drama and provide an opportunity to take part in a public performance of an annual pantomime, like the one previously at Ardrishaig Public Hall for 19 years until 2012.

This was considered an integral part of Mid Argyll culture and ap-

preciated by all ages in the local community and surrounding areas.

Now the group wants to bring people together to put the show back on, allowing each member of the group to foster and create for themselves a niche where they can learn new skills from each other and become skilled at aspects of performing including acting, lighting, make up, and costume design.

Acting up Argyll aims to meet the needs of youngsters, aged between 11 and 17 years,

who live in a rural area and are otherwise unable to access the drama opportunities available in places such as Glasgow or Edinburgh due to parental financial limitations.

Acting up Argyll has been running weekly in any spare classroom that can be found in Lochgilhead High School during term time and each other's homes during the school holidays.

The group is not funded by the school as its main aim is to be unique and run the



Emma Grattan, Shannon Blackie and Cameron Anderson are all members of Acting Up Argyll.



A family quiz night was held at North Hall, Ardrishaig, to help raise funds for the group.

drama classes without adult supervision.

During this time, members have become skilled at all aspects of drama, learning from each other.

Now the club consists of youngsters who feel ready to reinstate the annual pantomime at Ardrishaig Public Hall. Last year the group staged Aladdin and are now going on to stage another panto, Cinderella, in December.

The club has badges with the club's logo on them to identify themselves as drama

club members at any fundraising event.

Amongst the talented members of the club are students taking advanced higher art and one member taking art at higher this year; two members who want to take up a career in drama and two who are interested in a career in musical theatre.

Other members are taking advanced higher music exams. One member is looking towards a career in sound production and one in a career in film and stage make up.

Four members of the

club participate in the local choir.

Adult participation will be on the administration side in the form of a secretary and a treasurer.

The pantomime has been well attended in the past and taking into account community opinion, there is no reason to suggest this will not continue.

Plans

Fundraising plans include letters to local business requesting donations; a quiz in Ardrishaig North Church Hall and a bag pack at Lochgilhead's Co-operative store.

OFFERS & competitions

To enter, send separate entries (in the same envelope) with your name, address, telephone number and email address to **Scottish Field Competitions, Fettes Park, 496 Ferry Road, Edinburgh EH5 2DL** or enter at www.scottishfield.co.uk. Closing date, unless otherwise stated, is 30 November 2017. **Winners drawn from all competitions also enter a prize draw to win a bottle of Berry Bros. & Rudd Islay Reserve whisky.**

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Loch Fyne Pipe Band performing at Lochgilphead Armed Forces Day.

Tarbert home to new pipe band

A NEW pipe band has been launched in Mid Argyll.

Loch Fyne Pipe Band, based in Tarbert, was launched following its performance at Lochgilphead Armed Forces Day.

Despite the band only being formed to perform at one event, those who were involved were keen to cement a community based band.

The band now has the support of other local pipe bands and will be holding practices

in Tarbert Church Hall on Sundays at 7.30pm.

The band hopes to appear at community events across the region in 2018.

Concentrate

A band spokesperson for the band said: 'These days so many bands concentrate on other avenues, such as competition. Local communities often miss out as a result.'

'We are intending to play simply for the sake of enjoyment, and to hopefully enter-

tain communities throughout Argyll.'

The band's next public performance will be at the fireworks display in Tarbert on Friday November 3.

For more information on fundraising events and performances, visit Loch Fyne Pipe Band on Facebook.

Organisers are also planning to introduce tuition. Those interested are encouraged to email LochFynePipeBand@yahoo.com.

Easy Club remembers Danny Kennedy

MID ARGYLL'S Danny Kennedy, who died in August, was remembered with an evening of music in Lochgilphead on Wednesday September 27.

Family and friends of the late musician came together at Lochgilphead Resource Centre to celebrate his life, and play songs associated with Danny.

The music ranged from folk to rock, including uplifting songs by Danny Carrol and Eric Dearie.

Following the music, there was a short speech and a raffle with cakes. The big finale saw the room packed as everyone sang along to their favourite songs.

The Easy Club thanks all the musicians, caterers, supporters and those who helped



A night of music and entertainment was enjoyed by everyone in memory of the late Danny Kennedy.



Left: The life of Danny Kennedy, who died in August, was celebrated with a night of music at Lochgilphead's Resource Centre.

to set up. The evening raised funds that will help towards the

Easy Club's long-term aim of making and recording original

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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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Authors join celebrations marking the role of independent bookshops

LOCHGILPEAD'S Argyll Book Centre joined in the celebrations for independent bookshops on Saturday with visits from two authors.

'Books are my bag' bunting decorated the shop as it joined in the annual event, held on the first Saturday in October to remind the public how important independent bookshops are for their communities.

The visiting authors were Jess Smith and Alan Windram.

Jess, from Perthshire, an author from the travellers' community in Scotland who has written books about her life and traditional tales, gave an oral presentation.

Musician and children's author Alan Windram, who is based here in Argyll, had all the children joining in with songs about his latest book, *One Button Benny*.

Alongside these events the staff at the shop ran a charity Macmillan coffee morning and raised £53.



Jess Smith with bookshop regular Libby Crawford.



Alan Windram introduced Argyll Book Centre youngsters to *One Button Benny*.

Ardrishaig to welcome back Joan Clevillé Dance

AFTER their acclaimed debut *Plan B for Utopia*, Joan Clevillé Dance returns to Ardrishaig Public Hall with *The North*.

This is the bleak yet whimsical story of John, a young man who finds himself lost in the harsh yet delicate wilderness of the north with only himself and two eccentric northerners for company.

Without any memory takes place on Friday November 3, at he comes from, John 7.30pm.

searches for his own identity in an increasingly unpredictable environment. Blending elements from dance, physical theatre and puppetry, *The North* features cinematic visual and sound design with original music by Luke Sutherland and an eclectic soundtrack from Wagner to Frank Sinatra.

The performance takes place on Friday November 3, at he comes from, John 7.30pm.



Dancers John Kendall and Eve Ganneau.

Songs of Argyll and Kintyre

CAIRNDOW is in for a treat next Friday October 20 with a musical celebration of the work of Dr Helen Fullerton.

Hydro Days, the Rebel Spark features songs of Argyll and Kintyre, personal memories, field record-

ings and an excerpt from the BBC film, *Hydro Days*.

The evening is presented by Geordie McIntyre and Alison McMorland with Kirsty Potts and will be held at the village hall at 7.30pm.

Accordion and fiddle club

THE ALISDAIR MacLeod Trio will be the guests at the Dalriada Accordion and Fiddle Club meeting on Tuesday October 17 at the Argyll Inn, Lochgilphead, at 7.30pm.

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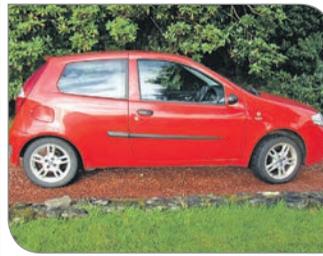


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DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Argyll and Bute Local Development Plan 2 – Main Issues Report (MIR) Strategic Environmental Assessment: Environmental Report (SEA) Notice under Section 17 (6) of the Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006 and under Section 16 (2) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005

Argyll and Bute Council has prepared a Local Development Plan 2: Main Issues Report together with associated documents comprising the Monitoring Statement and interim Strategic Environmental Assessment: Environmental Report (SEA).

The Main Issues Report (MIR) represents the first formal stage in producing a replacement Local Development Plan (LDP 2) for Argyll and Bute Council in its role as Planning Authority. The primary purpose of the MIR is to highlight and discuss new issues, put forward alternative policy directions, settlement and spatial strategies and stimulate debate on identified areas of major change. The consultation period on these documents runs for 8 weeks from 16th October to 11th December.

The documents can be viewed at <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/ldp> and are also available for viewing between 9am and 5pm weekdays in the Council Offices at 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilphead. Copies can also be viewed during normal opening hours at the public libraries at Tarbert, Rosneath, Cardross, Oban, Helensburgh, Dunoon, Rothesay, Campbeltown, Lochgilphead.

Representations can be made by using the online form, if you are unable to access this, other formats can be made available by contacting us using the contact details below. Please ensure you leave enough time to provide your response by 5pm on the 11th December.

If you require further information please telephone Sheila McKenzie on 01546 604158 or email ldp@argyll-bute.gov.uk

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ROADS (SCOTLAND) ACT 1984

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

The title of the order is "Argyll and Bute Council (Harvey's Lane and Cross Street, Campbeltown) (Redetermination of Means of Exercise of Public Right of Passage) Order 2017."

A copy of the proposed Order and accompanying plan (Drawing No.T401) that indicates the lengths of road over which the means of exercise of the public right of passage is to be re-determined, together with a statement of reasons for making the Order can be inspected by logging on to the Council's website at <https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/transport-and-streets/our-roads-regulations-and-limits> or viewed during normal office hours at:-

- 1 Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Burnet Building, St John Street, Campbeltown;
- 2 Argyll and Bute Council Offices, 3 Harvey's Lane, Campbeltown;
- 3 Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Kilmory, Lochgilphead.

Any person may, within 28 days from 13 October 2017, object to the making of the Order by notice in writing to the Head of Roads & Amenities Services, 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, Argyll PA31 8RD. Objections should state the name and address of the objector, the matters to which they relate and the grounds on which they are made.

SCHEDULE

ROADS OVER WHICH MEANS OF EXERCISE OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF PASSAGE IS TO BE REDETERMINED

1. That length of road in Campbeltown, known as Harvey's Lane (No.25), currently a carriageway, indicated with sawtooth hatching and marked A-B on Drawing Number T401, commencing from its junction with Burnside Street (No.8), south easterly to its junction with Union Street (No.58), a distance of 35 metres or thereby shall become a footpath the right of passage being exercisable on foot only.
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PLANNING

These applications listed below together with other related documents may be inspected between 09:00-12:30 -13:30-16:00 hrs Monday to Friday at 1A Manse Brae Lochgilphead PA31 8RD, at the alternative locations detailed below during their normal opening times or by logging on to the Council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (AS AMENDED), RELATED PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

Ref. No.	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
17/02565/LIB	Replacement of cast iron rainwater goods and vent pipes	Bellgrove High Askomil Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6EN	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
17/02476/PP	Erection of storage shed	Adult Training Centre 3 Mcewan Road Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8ZR	Mid Argyll Area Office
17/02458/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse	Plot 1 Mid Auchans Dunmore Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6XZ	Sub Post Office Harbour Street Tarbert
17/02460/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse	Plot 4 Mid Auchans Dunmore Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6XZ	Sub Post Office Harbour Street Tarbert
17/02523/PP	Retention of 80 metre high wind monitoring mast previously approved under application reference 15/00291/PP for a further one year period	Land South East Of Achnafad Largie Estate (Mast 1) Tayinloan Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Tayinloan
17/02496/PP	Erection of hut for recreational occupation	Land South West Of Shore Cottage Craobh Haven Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Ardfern
17/02419/LIB	Installation of 6 replacement windows from single glazed sash and case timber windows to double glazed windows of the same style and finish.	Kirkland Dell Road Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6JG	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

Written comments can be made to the above address or submitted online <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/find-and-comment-planning-applications> within 21 days of this advert. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence. Any letter of representation the Council receives is considered a public document and will be published on our website. Anonymous or marked confidential correspondence will not be considered. A weekly list of all applications can be viewed at all Area Offices, Council Libraries and on the Councils website.

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GM DUNCAN'S BEQUEST

Campbeltown residents are being invited to apply for a £25 voucher from the town's GM Duncan bequest. The voucher can be used at selected retailers in Campbeltown.

Major George Melville Duncan, who died in 1958, bequeathed money to the then Campbeltown Town Council for the 'benefit of the poor of the Burgh in the form of gifts, of fuel, clothing and foodstuffs during the winter months'.

Applicants should note that the application approval process comprises a number of filters to ensure that the use of the funds meet the terms of the bequest. The first of these filters is that only one application per household can be considered and that applications will generally not be considered where the income of the household is above £100 per person resident in the household per week.

Applications for awards from the bequest are invited each autumn, with the successful applicants being sent their awards at the start of December. Only residents of the Royal Burgh of Campbeltown are eligible to apply. The trustees evaluate each application and determine awards in relation to each approved form.

Application forms are available from the Customer Services Department, Campbeltown Service Point, Burnett Building, St John Street, Campbeltown, and should be returned no later than Wednesday 15th November 2017.

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Argyll and Bute Council

DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL (VARIOUS STREETS, CAMPBELTOWN) (TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT) ORDER 2017

Argyll and Bute Council proposes to make a traffic order introducing various new traffic management measures within Campbeltown town centre. A summary of the proposals are as follows:-

1. One way systems to be introduced on the following streets: - Burnside Street, Burnbank Street, Cross Street/Union Street (south), Union Street (north), and Longrow South.
2. No waiting/no loading restrictions at junctions to protect the crossing points and provide a free flow of traffic.
3. Additional on street parking - Limited to 1 hour/no return within 1 hour between 9am and 6pm Monday to Saturday on both sides of Longrow, Longrow South and Main Street where possible.
4. No waiting at any time on sections of Union Street and Burnside Street.

Full details together with plans and a statement of reasons for proposing to make the traffic regulation order can be inspected by logging on to the Council's website at <https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/transport-and-streets/our-roads-regulations-and-limits> or viewed during normal office hours at:-

- (i) Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Burnet Building, St John Street, Campbeltown;
- (ii) Argyll and Bute Council Offices, 3 Harvey's Lane, Campbeltown;
- (iii) Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Kilmory, Lochgilphead.

Any person wishing to object to the proposals should send details of the grounds for objection in writing providing their name and address, to the Head of Governance and Law, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8RT, by 10th November 2017. Letters of objection will be replied to after the closing date of the period for objections.

Jim Smith, Head of Roads & Amenities Services, 1A Manse Brae Lochgilphead, PA31 8RD

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For an informal chat ring Deputy Manager, Leanne Williams 01546 606676 or pop into MACPool. For Application Pack email leanne.williams@macpool.org.uk.
Closing date: noon on Monday 23 October 2017

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Full Time, Oban Based

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To download an application form or for more information please visit our website www.scottishautism.org
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For more information and to apply please contact:
 Susan Colin; 01631 563375 - 07827993020 - susancolin@carrgomm.org

Alternatively, contact recruitment: recruitment@carrgomm.org - 0131 659 4777

Closing Date: Noon, Thursday 19th October 2017

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Send your CV and covering letter to: Ailie Moss, Practice Manager, Kyles Medical Centre, Tighnabruaich, PA21 2BE.
 e-mail: ailie.moss@nhs.net

Informal enquiries are welcome.

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RECRUITMENT IN ASSOCIATION WITH HIJOBS

HIJOBS announce new app launch

HIJOBS, one of Scotland's fast emerging technology start-ups, has announced the launch of its new recruitment app. The app, which is available for both IOS and Android devices, marks the next stage in HIJOBS' remarkable rise to become one of the leading providers of recruitment solutions in Scotland.

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."

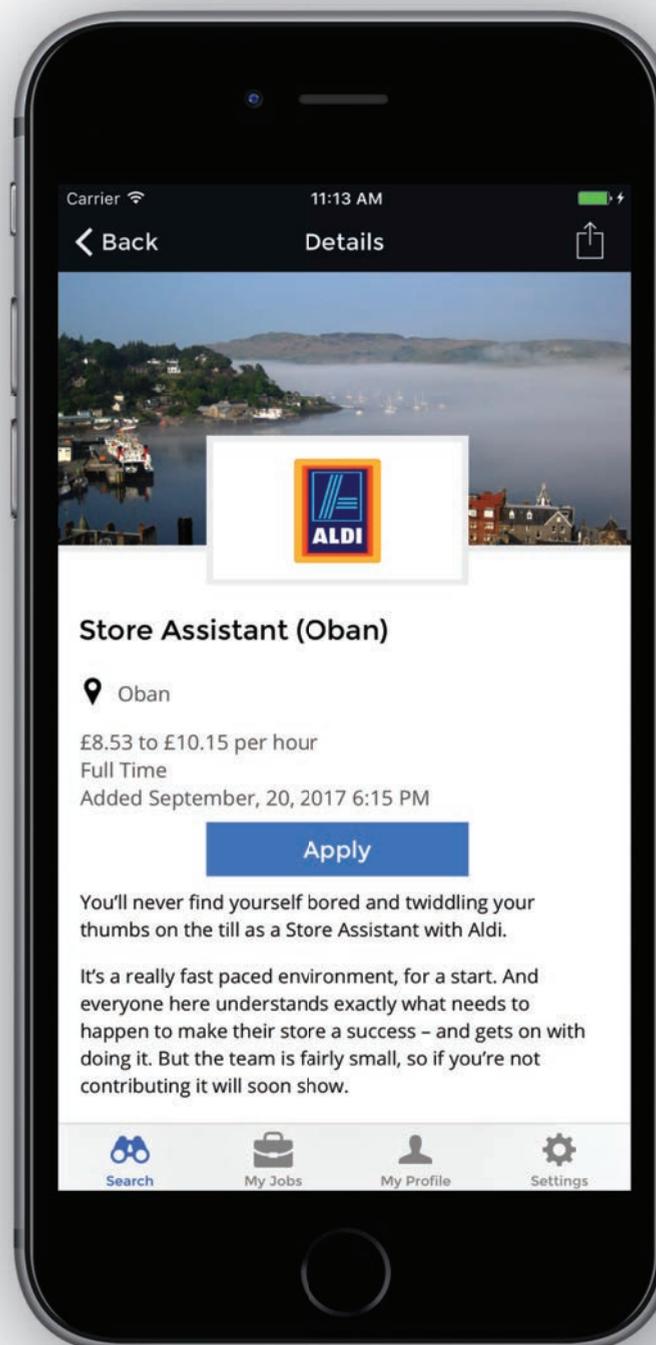
Laura adds: "We don't think anyone in the recruitment markets can come close to our technology. It is simple, intuitive and delivers results. The development of the app had to match the ease of use of our website and seamlessly integrate with social media. We are incredibly proud of what we have achieved."

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 its 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."

HIJOBS app is available to download for free in the app store or via Google Play. Visit the HIJOBS website at hijobs.net

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Christopher and Laura along with fellow director Keith McIntyre

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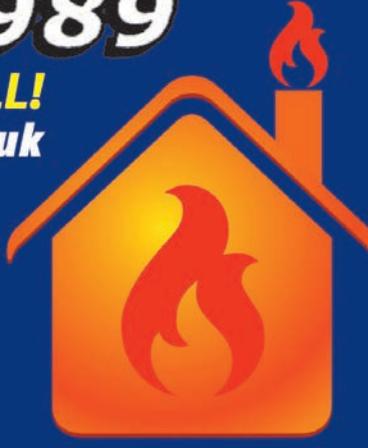
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Love from Myra, Alison & Jane

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would like to thank you all for the lovely gifts, cards, phone calls and visits on my 80th birthday. I was really very touched from all your kindness.

THANK YOU
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Norman Munro

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Wish to thank most sincerely all who have made our retirement stay in Tarbert such a happy and rewarding time. But, unfortunately, old age and infirmity now necessitate our being looked after full time. We wish you all the best of good fortune for the future and hope that if you are ever down in Bucks you will contact us. Our address will be:-
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DALMALLY

One billionth dish served by Mary's Meals

A CHARITY based in Dalmally that provides school meals to children living in poverty across the world, has served its one billionth dish.

Mary's Meals served rice and vegetables to 12-year-old Mohsin at an education centre in Noida, India.

The charity began by feeding 200 school children in Malawi but now serves meals to more than 1.2 million pupils in 14 countries every school day.

ARGYLL

Churches Help Malawi farmers

FIVE churches across Argyll have raised £10,000 to help farmers in Malawi.

Luing, Seil, Kiln-inver, Kilmelford, Craignish and Netherlorn Churches came together to raise the money for the Seed for Life project, which helps to improve harvests.

Malawian farmers

STRACHUR



Strachur and District Piping Association's solo piping competition winners. From L-R: Euan McCartan, Ross Conner, Donal Forbes Bremner, Angus McLean, Brodie Watson-Massay, Gregor MacDonald, Jamie Niall Campbell and Fraser Hamilton.

Solo piping competition held at Strachur

STRACHUR District Piping Association held a solo piping competition on Saturday October 7. Competitions included Strathspey and Reel, Piobaireachd and novice bagpipe march.

On October 24 at 7.45pm the association will hold it's AGM at Stachur Memorial Hall. Anyone who is interested in finding out more is encouraged to attend.

will be provided with better seeds and fertilisers in the hope that it will provide a more abundant harvests.

The churches decided to raise money for the project after two people from Malawi visited Scotland.

COWAL

Walking festival takes place this weekend

SCOTLAND'S largest walking festival will be taking place in Cowal this weekend. Cowalfest, a 10-day festival, also includes a programme of arts, cultural and social events, with something for everyone.

There will be 26 walks covering a wide range of ability, including a hike up Cowal's highest mountain Beinn Mhor.

For more information, contact info@cowalfest.org.uk

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



I AM USELESS at following instructions. I just don't have the patience to follow diagrams written in the tiniest print which is impossible to read.

I get frustrated when I can't do it and end up poking at things and making matters worse.

Whether it's my computer or my car I'm just not good at working out all the things I need to do for life to run smoothly.

That's when I need a patient friend who is prepared to sit beside me and help me step by step.

What a difference that makes.

Yet many learned people are self taught in many subjects and I admire this skill.

I remember clearly my teachers who opened up the worlds of science and literature, psychology and art and, how much I value this knowledge.

There is much I do learn from books too and this is also most satisfying.

But when it's working at something that's not in my skill set, I need a friend.

I smiled as I remembered the old hymn: 'What a friend we have in Jesus,' and wondered what Jesus would make of our technology today.

Would we have kept his stories in our 'cloud', been his friends on Facebook, tweeted him each morning, and Skyped him when he was out of town?

Well whatever it would be like, we can be certain that God's love is instantly downloadable and will never be lost in cyberspace.

We don't need the fastest broadband for communication either, for our prayers reach God in an instant wherever we are.

And we can still ask Jesus to sit with us and be our friend, for if we do, life will surely run more smoothly.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

'Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good: his love endures for ever' (Psalm 107:1).

BIRTHS

BLACKWELL - Ross and Jennifer are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter Esme Louise, born on September 2, 2017 at RAH Paisley, weighing 8lb 3ozs. A beautiful little sister for Jacob David.

FITZPATRICK - At Edinburgh Royal Infirmary on October 4, 2017, to Barry and Louisa (Wallace), a daughter, Evie Rose. Both well. First grandchild for John and Margaret.



MCCALLUM

Graham and Mary (née McQuilkan) are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Robyn Shona, on October 1, 2017.

DEATHS

CAMERON - Peacefully at home, High Machriemore Farm, Southend, on October 4, 2017, John Cameron, in his 61st year, dearly beloved husband of Jennifer Galbraith and much loved father of Fraser, Laura and Kate.

CLARK (McNulty) - Peacefully in North Argyll Care Home, Oban on October 5, 2017, Jean Clark in her 94th year formerly of Inveraray, Minard & Tayvallich. Beloved wife of the late Alex Clark & John James McNulty, much loved mother of Suzanne & John and a loving grandmother & great grandmother. Dear friend & good neighbour to many. Funeral service will be held at Glen Shira Cemetery on Friday October 13, 2017 at 11.30a.m. Followed by a memorial service in the George Hotel, Inveraray at approximately 12 noon. Please accept this invitation to join with the family at either service.

COFFEE - (Ardrishaig/Lochgilphhead). Peacefully and quietly, after a long illness in Wyvis Care Home, Dingwall, on Thursday, October 5, 2017, Audrey Hazel Crowther, formerly of Knapdale, Terrace, Ardrishaig and Manse Brae, Lochgilphhead, beloved wife of the late Ken, loving step-mother of Kathleen, much loved nanna of Jordan and Toby,

dear sister and loved by all the extended family and friends. A service was held in Inverness Crematorium, on Thursday, October 12. All enquiries to Alasdair Rhind, Funeral Directors, Mayfield House, Dingwall.

HENDERSON - Peacefully at home, Springbank House, Low Askomil, Campbeltown, on the October 10, 2017, Dorothy Henderson, nee Thorburn, in her 95th year, much loved wife of the late Rev Charles M Henderson, dearly beloved mother of Flora, Mary, Sorley, Caroline, Katherine and the late Donald, a loving grandmother and great grandmother. Service in the Highland Parish Church, Campbeltown on Wednesday October 18, 2017 at 1.00 p.m. Funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery to which all friends and family are warmly invited. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held for Christian Aid.

MCLEAN - Peacefully at home, Puball Cottage, High Askomil, and formerly of High Ranachan, Campbeltown, on October 5, 2017, Duncan McLean, in his 82nd year, dearly beloved husband of Alice and a dear brother, brother-in-law and uncle.

MUIR - Very peacefully at home on October 8, 2017, Flora Muir (nee McKillop) of Fernoch Park, Lochgilphhead and previously of Campbeltown in her 92nd year, dearly beloved wife of the late Hugh, loving mother of Kenneth and loving grandmother of Fiona. Funeral Service, following private cremation, will be held in Lochgilphhead Parish Church on Friday October 13, 2017 at 2.30pm. Family flowers only; donations to the late MS Treatment Centre, Lochgilphhead. All relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend.

MUNRO - Peacefully at Ardfenaig Care Home on Tuesday October 10, 2017, Mary Campbell Munro, in her 93rd year, formerly of Glenfyne Crescent, Ardrishaig. Beloved wife of the late Donald Munro, and much loved mother of Donald and Norman. Funeral service will be held at Cardross Crematorium on Tuesday October 18, 2017, at 11.15am. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired to Ardfenaig Care Home, Comfort Fund. All friends are respectfully invited to attend.

THOMSON - Suddenly at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Glasgow, on October 7, 2017, Hector Thomson, in his 79th year, Rhudal House, Machrihanish, dearly beloved husband of the

late Margaret, much loved father of Kate and Revie, father-in-law of Colin and Marie and a loving grampa of Erin, Eilidh, Marc, Jenna and Mitchell. Service in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, Campbeltown on Saturday October 14, 2017 at 11.00 a.m. Funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the British Heart Foundation.

WILLIAMSON - Peacefully, at Glasgow Royal Infirmary, on October 5, 2017, James Williamson (Jim), beloved husband of Isobel, dearest dad to Margaret, Graham and Christine, father-in-law to Mike, Sandra and Alan, and papa of all the grandchildren. Will be greatly missed. Funeral was held in Carradale, on October 12, 2017.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

GILLIES - Robert and Aileen would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for their expressions of sympathy on the recent passing of Mar. Special thanks to the staff of Glenaray Ward, Macmillan Day Unit, District Nurses and the staff of the medical centre for their outstanding care and compassion shown to Mar and to us both over the last six months. To Roddy MacDonald and staff for efficient and professional services, to Kilmartin Hotel for catering, Morna for a beautiful floral tribute. Finally, thank you to Rev. Cliff Acklam for a comforting service and to all who attended the service and the graveside. The collection gathered over £500 which will be split between Glenaray Ward and the Macmillan Day Unit.

MACINDEOR - Allan and Isabell would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions of sympathy, cards, letters and telephone calls following the sad loss of Colin. Sincere thanks to the dedicated nurses and doctors at Lorn and Islands Hospital Oban,

to Rev. David Carruthers for such a personal and fitting service; to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for all their help and guidance; to Corrina for beautiful floral tributes; to Cairnbaan Hotel for a lovely light lunch and to all who attended at church and graveside. The retiral collection in aid of R.N.L.I, Mid Argyll, raised £300. Thank you all.

IN MEMORIAM

DAWSON - In memory of Jack, Mamie and Gladys, dearly loved. - From son and husband Bill.

GRAHAM - In loving memory of my brother, Archie, died October 13, 2016, in Letchworth. Sadly missed. - From John, Margaret and family.

MCKERRAL - William G, who died October 6, 2010. A much loved husband, father and grandfather. Sadly missed. - Douglas and family. Miss you lots. - Hannah and Liam xx.

MUIR - Remembering Ian a loving husband and dad, forever loved never forgotten. - Ellen, John and Maurice XXX

O'MAY - Veronica. Remembered with love and treasured memories. Simply the best. - Your loving family xxxxxx.

RENNIE - October 17, 2013. Love and miss you always Dad/Grandpa - Iain, Andrew, Rosemary and Family.

SHARP - Treasured memories of Brian, a dear husband, dad and grandad, who slipped away, October 13, 2016. Memories, like threads of gold, Will never fade, will never grow old. So dearly loved. - Cheryl and family.

STEWART - In loving memory of Ina, beloved wife of Frank, much loved mother, mother in law and granny who departed this life on October 13, 2004. Forever in our thoughts. - Frank, Frances, Jim, Eilidh and Mairi



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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE
Sunday 15th 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 at 11.30am
Preacher: Mrs. Margaret Sinclair
ALL WELCOME

SKIPNESS LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE AND KILBERRY
CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
Sunday 15th October
Skipness Service 10am
Mr John Morrison
Tarbert Service 11.30am
Dedication Service for Guild
Rev Hilda Smith
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15th October 2017
Sunday Worship
Glassary 11.45am
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SCO 02121

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George Street, Campbeltown
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Youth Fellowship
6.30 pm - 8.00 pm
Every Sunday (term time only)
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Rev. C. Acklam
Saturday 14 October
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Café Connect
Achnamara Hall 12.30pm
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Thursday
7.30pm Bible Study
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Comfortable win for Star against Alexandria side

Red Star 7
FC Argyle 4

RED STAR took on FC Argyle at the Lochgilphead Joint Campus last Saturday and ran out comfortable winners after an exciting afternoon's football.

Star didn't get off to the best of starts and found themselves a goal down when a ball through the middle was latched onto by the Argyle striker who steadied himself, before putting the ball past Kalache into the bottom corner to give his side the lead after eight minutes.

The lead didn't last long though and Star were soon level. After forcing a succession of stops from the visiting keeper, the ball eventually fell to Martin Bonar who powered his

effort into the net, leaving the keeper with no chance.

Star took the lead on the half-hour mark after neat build-up play, with the ball crossed to Robert Docherty, who finished with his left foot for 2-1.

Despite continuing to dominate the possession, Star were pegged back again on the 40-minute mark after another long ball over the top saw the Argyle number nine clear again. This time he was able to connect and lob the ball over Kalache and into the net to square the match at 2-2.

Once again, the Red Star response was instant as Kieran Moore found the target after more impressive build up play. The hosts then took a 3-2 lead into the break.

Into the second half, Star set about putting the result beyond doubt and went 4-2 up as Kieran Moore cut the ball back to Neil Russell, who showed good composure to beat the Argyle keeper.

The visitors were growing frustrated and their central midfielder was ordered off for a second yellow card after he fouled Innes Meikle on the edge of the box.

The match looked over as a contest as Kieran Moore beat the offside trap and took the ball round the keeper before finishing into an empty net to put Star 5-2 up with half an hour remaining.

Star were guilty of forcing the ball too much at this point in the hunt for more goals and it resulted in some sloppy play



Red Star eased to a comfortable victory over FC Argyle last weekend, with Kieran Moore scoring four goals.

which allowed the Argyle outfit some hope.

A free kick was conceded on the edge of the box and the Argyle midfielder got his shot on target and beat the dive of Kalache for 5-3.

It was 5-4 with 10

minutes remaining when a slip from Kyle Selfridge allowed the Argyle forward in and he finished, setting up a potentially nervy finish for the Lochgilphead side.

Selfridge redeemed himself straight away, as he broke out from

the back and released Kieran Moore with a through ball which the young forward latched onto before chipping over the advancing keeper as he completed his hat-trick, putting Star 6-4 up.

Kieran Moore scored again in the dying min-

utes in similar fashion. This time it was Ben Forbes who was the supplier with an excellent through ball which Moore converted once again to round off the scoring at 7-4 and maintain Red Star's perfect record at the top of the table.

Bob sets new course record in first professional tournament

JAMIE Elson won the inaugural Jordan's Ayla Golf Championship in a tense play-off last Saturday, holing a four-foot birdie putt on the second extra hole to beat fellow Englishman Luke Joy in an exciting finish to the first professional golf event in the country.

However, Oban's Robert MacIntyre, playing in his first professional tournament, fired a sizzling nine-under par 64 to set a new course record, eclipsing a 67 shot by Sweden's Henric Sturehed in the second round to move into a four-way share for third on six-under after an action-packed day.

England's Joe Heraty, who carded a bogey-

free 68, Italy's Rocco Sanjust (67) and Sturehed (73) joined MacIntyre in the group, four clear of the English duo Zane Scotland and Lee Corfield and Sweden's Fredrik From.

MacIntyre, tied for 15th at the start, produced the round of the tournament to make his professional debut an event to remember.

'I was far off from the field after a disappointing 78 in the opening round and had nothing to lose.

'I played more aggressively and that approach paid off,' said the Glencruitten golfer, who eagled the final hole after hitting his nine-iron approach from 168 yards to within nine yards. I can

take a lot of confidence out of the last two bogey-free rounds, a lot of positives,' said the 21-year-old.

The MENA Tour now travels to Kuwait for the Sahara Kuwait Golf Championship to be held from October 16 to 18, the last event on this year's schedule before the field whittles down for the 72-hole Tour Championship hosted by Al Zorah Golf Club in Ajman from October 23 to 26. An initiative of the Shaikh Maktoum Golf Foundation, the MENA Tour was created in 2011 with the aim of developing golf in the region. It is affiliated to the R&A, the worldwide golf governing body based

in the home of golf, St Andrews, and the Arab Golf Federation, and enjoys the Official World Golf Ranking (OWGR) status.

A guaranteed spot on the PGA Tour's 2018 DEAN & DELUCA Invitational (for the MENA Tour champion), multiple European Tour starts, including the Omega Dubai Desert Classic, the Hassan II Trophy, Maybank Championship Malaysia, and the KLM Open, are some of the added incentives that await MENA Tour members, in addition to playing privileges on the Sunshine Tour, and exemptions into the final stage of the Sunshine Tour and Asian Tour Q-Schools.



Glencruitten Golf Club's Robert MacIntyre broke the course record in Jordan's Ayla Championship last weekend. Photo: Bounce Sports

Motor sport festival comes to Mull

THE ISLAND of Mull will still enjoy rally car action despite the unavoidable cancellation of the original Mull Rally.

The Beatson's Mull Motor Sports Fest from Friday October 13 to Sunday October 15 will host a time trial and a targa rally.

The Guardians of Mull Rally took over organisation of the event when the 2300 Club pulled out. Since then, the event has gone from strength to strength.

Following a fatal accident at the Jim Clark Rally in the Borders, an insurance issue meant the original rally could not go ahead.

The festival will include two social events on Friday and Saturday at 7.30pm at Tobermory car park. Tickets cost £10 and everyone is welcome.

For more information and competition times, go to www.mullrally.org.

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Team Wolfgang are crowned at Tarbert

TARBERT Village Hall was transformed into a wrestling arena on Saturday October 7 as a capacity crowd watched Glasgow Pro Wrestling Asylum (GPWA) stars battling it out.

Raising money for the Clachan Village Fund, the wrestling performances saw teams headed by WWE superstar Wolfgang and Scottish pro wrestler Jack Jester.



Jack Jester before his match against the Big Bad Wolf. 08_a41jackjester01

The crowd were delighted to witness wrestling moves that

are usually seen only on television.

As the final match approached with both teams drawn on points, Jack Jester and Wolfgang went head to head.

With the crowd siding with Wolfgang, also known as the Big Bad Wolf, the match eventually sprawled outside the ring and among the crowd.

The clash went back and forth with no hint of a winner.

As the match drew to and end, all 16 wrestlers approached the ring to help win the fight for their captain.

With the crowd running to follow the action around the ring, the referee soon stopped the brawl, ensuring it was back to Wolfgang and Jester to



Wolfgang jumps into the air before winning his match against Jack Jester. 08_a41wolfgang01



Team Wolfgang celebrate following their win at Tarbert. 08_a41teamwolfgang

battle to the very end. Following the mad brawl, Jester decided to grab a spare chair to put a stop to his match with Wolfgang. He was abruptly stopped by the referee, much to the disappointment of the crowd.

Despite Jack Jester

getting some help from his team-mates and putting up a lengthy fight, the Big Bad Wolf was crowned winner following a final power lift which saw the end of the match.

A crowd favourite, there were chants

across the hall as Wolfgang's team took the honours. Following the match, the Big Bad Wolf was enthusiastic about the event.

He said: 'It was a great event, we'd love to come back. It's a great venue and a terrific crowd.'

Sports club lotteries

DRAWN on Monday October 9, the Kilmory Camanachd Club lottery draw numbers were 4, 9 and 16. Ronnie Cameron was the lucky winner of the £600 jackpot. The jackpot for next week will be back to £100.

In the Inveraray Shinty Club lottery, the numbers were 4, 8 and 11. There were no winning tickets so next week's jackpot will be £700.

Winning numbers in the Tarbert Football Club lottery drawn on Monday October 9 were 1, 9 and 15. Three winners shared the £1,000 jackpot with Eilidh Campbell, Charlie Sutherland and Lorna Hawthorn announced as the lucky ones. The jackpot will now be back to £100 for next week.

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SPORT



INSIDE THIS WEEK:
Team Wolfgang are crowned at Tarbert

Inveraray second team win South Division Two

...and in other weekend shinty action, Kinlochshiel are Marine Harvest Premiership champions for the first time and Glengarry won Marine Harvest North Division 2.

Marine Harvest South Division 2

Inveraray 5 Glasgow MA 0

THE INVERARAY second team finally secured the Marine Harvest South Division 2 title when they

defeated the Glasgow Mid Argyll seconds 5-0. This was Inveraray's home match but after three failed attempts to get the fixture played, Inveraray agreed to reverse the fixture from The Winterton to Yoker.

Inveraray travelled with a blend of youth and experience and the

young visiting defence coped well with a spell of early GMA pressure, with 17-year-old Lewis Cameron and 18-year-old captain Alan Cameron playing their usual solid, consistent games.

However, it was the experienced Inveraray forward pairing of Garry MacPherson and David Robertson who scored on 21 and 37 minutes to give Aray a 2-0 interval lead.

Former Strachur team mates Ross Montgomery, 17, and Andrew Wilson, were having a good battle during the second half, but the GMA forwards couldn't find a way past the Inveraray defence and a stubborn Graham MacPherson in the Inveraray goal.

David Robertson completed his hat-trick with goals on 60 and 72 minutes and he could



Saturday's victorious Inveraray side.

Photograph: Stephen Lawson



There was a hat trick for David Robertson, left, of Inveraray seen here up against James Docherty of Glasgow Mid Argyll.

have helped himself to a fourth but missed the target from just two yards out when it looked easier to score.

Inveraray introduced 14-year-old Coll MacKay, Andrew Fraser, 16, and 17-year-old Hamish MacLennan who all made an impact on the game.

Inveraray centre David MacPherson completed the scoring when his low shot squeezed past the young GMA keeper to make it 5-0; the same scoreline as when the sides met in

Glasgow earlier in the season.

Inveraray have one match to go and they will be determined to go through the league season undefeated - Dunoon Camanachd are currently standing in their way.

That match is scheduled for The Winterton this coming Saturday when Inveraray will be presented with the Marine Harvest South Division 2 title which will be added to the Bullough Cup won earlier in the season.

Marine Harvest boosts shinty sponsorship

THE Camanachd Association, the governing body for shinty, announced that Marine Harvest (Scotland) Ltd, a long-standing supporter of shinty, has agreed to a new, six figure, three-year sponsorship of the game - the largest single sponsorship investment in the sport to date.

The new agreement extends the partnership between Marine Harvest and the Camanachd Association to

33 years and represents one of Scotland's longest running sport sponsorships.

The company will increase its investment and profile in shinty by continuing as title sponsor of the Premier League, 'Marine Harvest Premiership,' the National league and north and south area leagues. The agreement also sees Marine Harvest continue their support for women's and youth shin-

L to R, Jim Barr (President Camanachd Association), Keith Loades (President Elect CA), Steve Bracken (Business Support manager Marine Harvest), Derek Keir (CEO CA)



ty; the Scotland senior national shinty team,

the annual shinty-hurling international match

and the annual shinty awards night.

Other shinty news and views

Marine Harvest Premiership Kyles Athletic P Glasgow Mid Argyll P
The match between Kyles Athletic and Glasgow Mid Argyll was originally scheduled for Tighnabruaich but an unplayable field led to a Friday switch of venue to the Dunoon Stadium and a noon throw up.

However, the Dunoon pitch failed a Saturday morning inspection so the sides will try again at Tighnabruaich on Saturday.

Marine Harvest South Division 1 Kilmory P Lochside Rovers P

Lochside Rovers will have to wait for the chance to finally clinch the Marine Harvest South Division 1 title after their match against second placed Kilmory was postponed on Saturday morning as MacRae Park was waterlogged.

Lochside now need to take something from their home meeting with the Kyles Athletic second team this coming Saturday to secure the title.

Kyles Athletic P Tayforth P

There was disappointment for the Kyles Athletic second team and Tayforth as their noon throw up at Tighnabruaich was postponed because of an unplayable pitch.

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