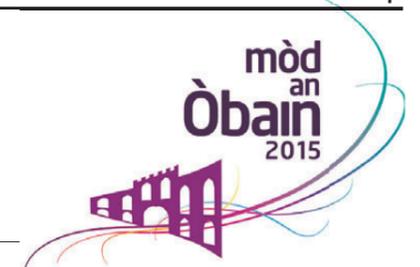


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# Protests grow over service cuts

THERE was more than a hint of rebellion in the air at yesterday (Thursday's) special meeting of Argyll and Bute Council.

Members of the public gathered at Kilmory to voice their opposition to large-scale cuts to services proposed by

the local authority. Hundreds of jobs are set to go as Argyll and Bute Council aims to slash £18 million from its budget over the next two years, with more savings to come in the years that follow.

And some of those likely to be affected by

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the proposed cuts were there yesterday, vocally opposing plans to axe 72 jobs among people currently providing assistance to young people with additional support needs. The

intended £1.3 million saving in council spending is not worth it, claim parents.

Yesterday's meeting of the full council was asked to agree to the 'Service Choices' plans already drawn up by the policy and resources committee that include the removal of funding for mobile libraries, school crossing patrols and most public toilets.

Roads and amenity services would be drastically slashed, while bin collection would move to a three-weekly cycle. School librarians would go, while one in five school classroom and clerical assistant jobs would be lost. The policy and resources committee also proposed a £100,000 saving by refusing to store or erect Christmas lights around the region.

As well as rubber-stamping the lengthy list of savings under the 'Service Choices' plans, councillors were also asked to agree to a public consultation between now and a January meeting of the

policy and resources committee.

Heavily outnumbered in the chamber by the administration, the council's SNP group staged its own protest this week, walking out of the sub-group delegated the unenviable task of coming up with budget savings.

In a statement, the group said: 'The SNP group formally resigned from the Service Choices project board given their prevailing opposition to those service cuts currently proposed by the administration, which adversely impact on the vulnerable, the young and the elderly.'

### Consequences

Sandy Taylor, leader of the group, said: 'The savings options this administration is taking forward carve away major parts of vital services with no idea of the consequences.'

'The majority of their cuts target the most vulnerable in our communities, the elderly, our children in education and those with a disability.'

In a parallel move, SNP politicians, Michael Russell MSP, Mike MacKenzie MSP and

Brendan O'Hara MP issued a joint statement opposing the Service Choices plans.

In a document entitled 'Stopping the Argyll and Bute Cuts', the three elected representatives set out the principles of alternative proposals, while criticising the approach to identifying savings and attacking the current administration and its leader, Councillor Dick Walsh.

Some of their ideas include the contracting-out of services, including property management and accounting; a decentralisation drive, with Kilmory to be closed within two years; reduced councillor remuneration; a devolving of work to charities; the setting up of school 'clusters'; and the early sale of property and assets.

In a draft copy of the public consultation paper, Councillor Walsh said: 'We would like to do all that our communities want their council to do for them, but drastically reduced funding means that this just is not possible.'

'We need to make choices about the work

we do. We need to identify what is most important now, and for our future prosperity.'

'We need to decide how we can make best use of the resources we have.'

'The council has worked hard to find ways in which to transform how we do things and to preserve as many services and jobs as possible.'

'We will continue to be a major employer and we will continue to support all aspects of our communities' lives.'

'However, reduced funding will mean change for us all.'

The council leader added: 'We would ask you therefore to take time please to answer this consultation.'

**See page 3 - 'Argyll parents unite against cuts'.**



AITC vice chairman, Calum Ross, chairman, Gavin Dick, MACC business park manager, Malcolm McMillan, and AITC director, Niall Macalister Hall, with Drumlemble Primary School pupils.

## Tourism blasts off in Argyll

IN AN explosive event earlier this week at the former Machrihanish airbase, Argyll's local tourism co-operative launched its blueprint for the next five years, dubbed the 'tourism rocket'.

Read more on page 3 about this ambitious bid by local businesses to reach the stars.



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# Police warning as skimming device is removed from ATM

POLICE have asked members of the public to be vigilant when using automated teller machines (ATMs) after skimming devices have been used several times on one in Inveraray.

The latest incident took place about 7.50pm on October 13 when a device was found on the ATM at The Royal Bank of Scotland in Church Square, Inveraray.

Police were called and seized a device designed to keep the card and record the pin number. Police enquiries are ongoing.

The device used had two parts to it, the first was over the card insertion point.

It allows the card to enter the machine as normal but then will not return it and shuts down the machine. The other part is a camera above the keypad which records the pin as it is entered.

The thieves then return



The devices can be hard to spot. This is a camera above the ATM.



This ATM looks normal but has a skimming device attached to it.

to collect the card and the camera and use the card to make expensive chip and pin purchases.

The incidents take place either early morning or evening so the victim cannot immediately inform the bank.

Sergeant Iain MacNicol said: 'I would urge the public to take extra care when using ATMs as these types of incidents are becoming more common.



Carefully check the card insertion point before using it and if it looks like it may have been tampered with then do not use it

Sergeant Iain MacNicol

'Carefully check the card insertion point before using it and, if it looks like it may have been tampered with, then do not use it.

'Always shield your hand when entering your PIN number and if your card is retained by the ATM, call your bank immediately to have it cancelled.

'If you suspect that an ATM has been tampered with, call Police on 101.'

## Police files

### Suspicious incident

MID ARGYLL police are investigating a suspicious incident on the Keills road in Tayvallich at about 5.45pm on Thursday, October 15.

Police would particularly like to speak to a man who was driving a red Volvo estate car on the Keills road.

### Theft of sheep

BETWEEN October 6 and October 20, 63 sheep (Blackface and Cross Cheviot breeds) were stolen from a field at Claonaig Farm, Skipness.

### Shoplifting

ABOUT 3.30pm on Thursday, October 15, a shoplifting incident occurred in a shop on Argyll Street, Lochgilphead.

A 12-year-old was issued with a formal warning.

### Careless driving

ABOUT 5.35pm on Thursday, October 15 on the A83 near Stonefield, Tarbert, police officers saw a car being driven in a careless manner.

The car was stopped and a 68-year-old man was charged with careless driving and a fixed penalty was issued.

About 11.45pm on Friday October 16 on the A83 near the Loch Fyne Oyster Bar, Cairndow, police officers saw a car being driven in a careless manner. The car was stopped and a 34-year-old woman was charged with careless driving and a fixed penalty notice was issued.

### Theft

BETWEEN September 28 and October 13, household items were stolen from an unsecured house in Argyll Court, Inveraray.

### Vandalism

BETWEEN 12pm and 2pm on Sunday, October 18, in Pier Road, Tarbert, at the junction with Meall Darroch, a black BMW motor car was scratched.

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## Skills bank to help refugees

ARGYLL and Bute planning partnership is looking to set up a skills bank to determine how best to use the skills of people who have offered to help refugees.

It has also been announced the first refugee families will be in Argyll by Christmas and are most likely to be homed in Campbeltown and Bute. Housing and support are available there.

Provost Len Scoullar

said: 'Along with our community planning partners, we are taking steps to welcome and help our Syrian families build safe, secure lives in Argyll and Bute.

'We want local people and community organisations to be able to register the support and skills they can offer in our newly set-up skills bank which collects information and contact details. The skills bank will provide a central

contact point for anyone wishing to help, and will match the help on offer to the men, women or children who need it. We speak often about everyone having a part to play in contributing to life in Argyll and Bute.

'I am sure by working together, we can make our Syrian families feel welcome and fortunate to call Argyll and Bute, rather than anywhere else in Scotland, their new home.'

## ACHA agrees funding with Bank of Scotland

ARGYLL Community Housing Association (ACHA) has agreed funding with the Bank of Scotland that will allow it to continue work to improve its housing stock.

It has agreed a £60m loan facility, which mean ACHA can continue upgrading houses to ensure they meet the Scottish housing quality standard.

The agreement also provides up to £13 million for new builds from 2018 until 2022.

ACHA chief executive, Alasdair McGregor, said: 'The funding provided by Bank of Scotland will be instrumental in supporting our continued investment into providing affordable housing in Argyll. In addition to supporting our current investment programme in houses, it will also help to support the development of up to 200 new houses in the area, representing a significant contribution to meeting future housing needs, economic devel-

opment and the single outcome agreement.'

Claire Simpson, relationship manager in the social housing team at Bank of Scotland, said: 'Argyll is a unique location in the UK with very distinct housing needs. ACHA's investment programme, which encompasses properties spread across eleven islands, will help ensure members of the community can continue to access high-quality social housing.'

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# Argyll parents of children with special needs unite against cuts

PARENTS in Argyll have united against the planned council education cuts, particularly in the additional support needs budget.

Parents say that, for children with special needs, the support they currently receive is vital and, in some cases, allows them to continue in school.

Parent and spokesperson for Argyll and Bute Parents against Council Cuts, Jan Roberts, has a daughter, Nadia, who attends Oban High School and has special needs.

Jan said: 'We feel that, to even consider this as a proposal, shows the council views our daughter as very low value. The impact of these proposals, should they be actioned, would dramatically affect her life, not just while she is in education, but would have lasting implications throughout her life. It is hard not to feel discriminated against as



These parents are against the planned cuts to the additional support needs budget

we are a relatively small group within Argyll and Bute, relative to the general population. However, if these cuts were

to go ahead, the damage would be done to all children in Argyll and Bute and this, on any level, is completely

unacceptable. As a parent, you have to be your child's advocate if they are too young or unable to voice their own fears

or concerns and we will continue this as long as it takes to ensure our child and all children in Argyll and Bute are giv-

en optimum chance at reaching their full potential. This proposal strikes fear into our hearts,' Jan added.

## Search for Mid Argyll's best young employee

THE Rotary Club of Mid Argyll has launched its search for Mid Argyll's best young employee.

The award is open to people between 16 and 25 who work in Mid Argyll and have been in their jobs for at least six months. For its 2015 award, the club is looking for nominations from local businesses of young employees who have positive attitudes to work and learning, have achieved good relations with their work colleagues and are making an outstanding contribution to their company or organisation.

The closing date is November 6.



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# Tourism rockets towards 2020

IT WAS blast-off for Argyll and the Isles Tourism Co-operative (AITC) this week at the launch of its 'tourism rocket' - a blueprint which the group hopes will lead the region into an exciting new tourism era.

The rocket is the culmination of months of work by the region's tourism body and is the local response to the national Tourism Scotland 2020 strategy.

There was only one place to launch the rocket - MACC Business Park in Kintyre, currently being considered as the site to host the country's first spaceport. AITC and MACC directors were joined by representatives of the region's tourism leaders of the future, as pupils from Drumlembie Primary School helped with the countdown.

Speaking at Wednesday's launch, AITC chairman, Gavin Dick,

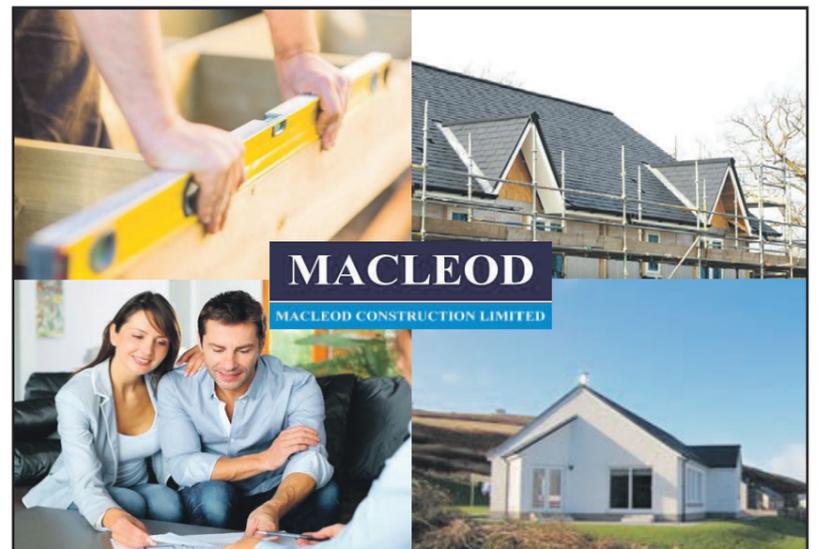
said: 'This is an exciting time in tourism, and I am delighted to be here, in a location which has seen many launches over the years, and will hopefully play a role in some 'out of this world' launches in the future.

'Our rocket is an ambitious document, but we believe in setting high standards for tourism in Argyll and the Isles. We will be focusing on transport, connectivity, food and drink, skills and marketing. That is why I am so pleased to welcome pupils of Drumlembie Primary School. These young people represent the tourism leaders and the skilled and passionate tourism workforce of the future.'

Marc Crothall, chief executive officer of the Scottish Tourism Alliance, later addressed a meeting of Argyll tourism organisations, led by AITC. Commenting on the morning's event,

he said: 'I am delighted to be part of the launch of the AITC rocket and it's great to see yet another destination align its own tourism strategy framework to the national strategy.'

'Tourism is everyone's business, and the AITC must continue doing what it has done so well to date in making tourism become everyone's business in Argyll and the Isles.'



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# Rebecca's Mid Argyll Triathlon success in memory of her sister

LOCAL woman, Rebecca Hepburn, completed the Mid Argyll Triathlon in memory of her 18-year-old sister, Georgia, who died of blood cancer just days before.

Georgia had been diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma aged just 16 and was in and out of hospital for much of the rest of her life.

Rebecca had agreed to take part in the Mid Argyll triathlon as one of five people undertaking tri5 which aims to train people for their first tri-

athlon over 16 weeks. But as her sister's condition worsened, Rebecca was unsure whether to carry on with the training. However, Georgia insisted she keep going and made her promise to complete the triathlon.

Rebecca said: 'She would have been raging if I hadn't done it.'

The decision was made to raise money for the Beatson Cancer Centre in Glasgow where Georgia had undergone most of her treatment and had received fantastic

care: 'There's a Teenage Cancer Trust unit there which has computers, Sky TV and a pool table so they're a bit spoiled.' Rebecca explained.

So far, Rebecca has raised over £7,100 and has been amazed at everyone's generosity.

She said: 'I can't believe how quickly it got going and how many people have got behind it. Everyone's been so generous.'

Rebecca's just giving page is still open for donations.

The family want to highlight the symptoms of Hodgkin's Lymphoma to try and prevent other people going through the same heart-break.

'Georgia was initially mis-diagnosed. It can be really difficult to diagnose because it looks like flu, things like sweating and tiredness.'

'She was doing her exams at the time so we thought it might just be the stress of that,' said Rebecca.

Lymphoma is the fastest growing cancer in the world and treatment may involve a stem cell transplant. This is relatively quick and painless for the donor but can save the life of someone with this cancer and other illnesses.

Rebecca said: 'You go in and get hooked up



Rebecca after finishing her triathlon

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to a machine for about three hours. You don't even have to spend a night in hospital.'

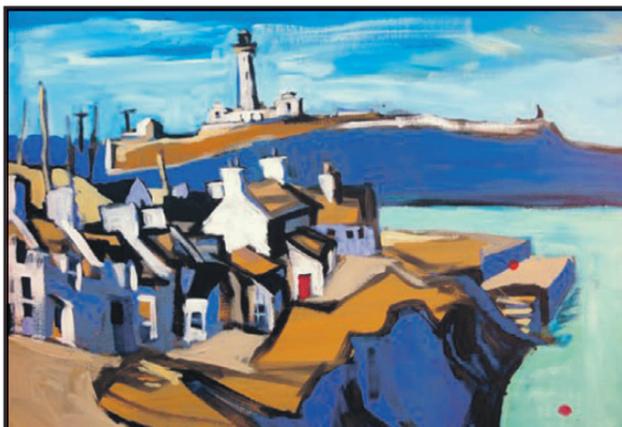
Stem cell donation is similar to giving blood and Georgia's family would encourage anyone between 16 and 30 to join the stem cell register. Rebecca was a match for Georgia, but sadly they weren't able to get Georgia well enough for the stem cell transplant to go ahead.

Although Rebecca found the triathlon tough, the number of

people cheering her on gave her a great boost: 'The running was the hardest bit but having so many people supporting me was great. I don't think I'd been running for about three weeks. The training didn't go to plan,' she explained.

'There's a few local races coming up and, of course, I want to do the triathlon again next year. I also heard the Campbeltown triathlon's good and it's nice to support local events.'

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## Artist's new paintings on show

AN ART exhibition by Lochgilphead artist, Alexander Harry Morrison, will begin at the Archway tomorrow, October 24.

The exhibition, entitled Coastlines, will run until November 13 and features new paintings by the artist. Harry said: 'It's the first time these paintings have been exhibited in Scotland and it's great to be showing them in my home town.'

The paintings have been inspired by sailing subjects and the Argyll coast. They have previously been exhibited in Germany, where Harry now lives.



Harry Morrison sketches outside the Archway. a43artist02

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# Light show in the night skies

IF YOU have been seeing strange lights streaking across dark night skies over the past few days, it might not have been down to that last wee dram before bed - and it probably wasn't a vapour trail left by rugby ref, Craig Joubert, as he left Twickenham at high speed.

The annual Orionid meteor shower has been lighting up our skies for the past week, and should continue until the end of the month. The light show hit a peak, according to experts, earlier this week on Wednesday. But what is this meteor shower all about?

The Orionids are a remnant of the famous Halley's Comet, and Orionid meteors are known to be very fast

travelling at around 41 miles per second.

Though they tend to be faint, with clear, dark skies you have a good chance between midnight and dawn of spotting one with a persistent, long trail.

The Orionid meteor shower is named as such because it appears to radiate from the constellation Orion, which is one of the most

visible and recognisable in the sky throughout the world. The number of meteors you'll see in any meteor shower always varies greatly depending on when and where you watch.

Meteor showers are not entirely predictable. At most, you might see about 20 meteors per hour, or one meteor every few minutes, during the Orionid peak.



Stargazers were able to view the annual Orionid meteor shower.

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## Protests and petty politics

PUBLIC opposition to council spending cuts appears to be gathering pace as Facebook groups proliferate.

Ahead of yesterday's meeting of the full Argyll and Bute Council, plans were afoot, however, to take these protests beyond the virtual realm of social media and confront council representatives face-to-face at their place of work.

It's difficult to believe that the full consequences of many of the planned cuts, as they currently stand, have been properly thought through. As it is fond of reminding us, Argyll and Bute Council has an overall aim, under the Single Outcome Agreement, of fostering sustainable economic growth and increasing the population. Argyll and Bute's economic success is built on a growing population. The severe cost-cutting measures that are likely to go out to public consultation will undoubtedly hamper - if not kill off completely - any hope of achieving the aims of the Single Outcome Agreement.

However the local authority got into this position, money now needs to be saved. We all need to be working together rather than against one another to achieve the end we surely all want - a prosperous, successful Argyll and Bute that is a healthy and pleasant place to live and work.

There is a sense that political name-calling has already started to play an unhelpful role in achieving this end.

Let's work together.

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### Forsyth's memories of Ardris Haig

Sir,  
On seeing the article about the visit of American man, Skip Ness to Skipness, I was immediately reminded of the story, in a similar vein, told to me by an Ardrishaig man, the late Forsyth Hamilton.

In Forsyth's young days, an American, a Mr Haig, came to Ardrishaig on holiday year on year. He fell completely in love with the village, so much so that when a son was born to him in America, our Mr Haig had no hesitation in conferring the first name Ardris on new born Haig Junior.

**Duncan Iain MacDougal,  
Tarbert**

### Argyll and Bute a special case

Sir,  
SNP councillor James Robb (last week's Advertiser) shouldn't be embarrassed about Argyll and Bute Council asking the SNP government not to cut our funding.

It's obvious why Argyll and Bute should be treated as a special case. We have a widespread rural area and 25 inhabited islands. This geography clearly adds to the cost of delivering services. The SNP should be backing the council's bid for more money, not criticising them for trying.

**Allan Reid,  
Dunoon.**

### Coisir Og Dhail Rhiata

Sir,  
I would like to say congratulations to Coisir Og Dhail Rhiata for their performances at the

Royal National Mòd, Oban. They have come home with a first, two seconds and joint first for music.

We are all very proud of them and the prizes are a big bonus.

Well done to all the girls who also had solo and duet competitions.

On behalf of the choir, I would like to thank everyone who has supported us over the last year, financially or otherwise. A huge big thank you also to Fiona and Christine for all the time, support and encouragement they give to the girls, it really is much appreciated.

**Lorraine MacIntyre,  
choir secretary**

### Importance of baby loss awareness week

Sir,  
Last week was Baby Loss Awareness Week, culminating in parents who've experienced pregnancy or baby loss lighting candles in memory of their baby.

These quiet acts of reflection and remembrance are so important.

Equal to these moments of introspection is the need to talk about pregnancy and baby loss more openly. It remains one of the last remaining taboo subjects, but this past year has seen more conversations being started on the topic than ever before; the recent stillbirth storyline in Eastenders and Mark Zuckerberg's announcement that he and his wife had experienced recurrent miscarriage being just two examples of this in action.

The baby charity, Tommy's, funds research to prevent miscarriage, stillbirth and premature birth and is work-

ing towards opening Europe's largest miscarriage research centre in 2016.

I've been a supporter for many years, having myself experienced the pain of miscarriage during my first pregnancy. That's why I'm passionate about doing what I can to help and why I'm honoured to be hosting the Tommy's Awards for the third year running next March.

The event is so important, not only because it brings pregnancy and baby loss out in the open, but it celebrates special individuals who've helped parents through the hardest of times.

Despite hearing some heartbreaking stories, the event is uplifting and hopeful as it's the kindness and empathy of friends, families and health professionals.

If anyone would like to publicly acknowledge someone who has gone to great lengths to help them during a tough road to parenthood, why not put in a nomination? You can find out more at <http://www.tommys.org/awards>

**Katy Hill,  
Tommy's Ambassador.**

### Poor attempt at passing the buck

Sir,  
Mr Reid chose last week in his letter to place the blame on the Scottish government for the council cuts. I find this very strange indeed considering it was his Liberal Democrat coalition with the Tories that brought about the austerity measures that are the true cause. This is a poor attempt at passing the buck.

Mr Reid fails to mention that in February of this year, he vot-

ed to set the main central government grant to local government for 2015-16 at a level 25 per cent lower than it was set for 2014-15. This is just one of many examples of the horrific Tory austerity measures backed by Mr Reid (remember he voted in the bedroom tax as part of welfare reforms).

At the heart of the problem in Argyll and Bute is the mismanagement of this council administration. Perhaps if they had engaged with COSLA, then the current situation would not have been so drastic.

Michael Russell MSP is perfectly entitled to stand up for the electorate when they face such shocking cuts to their services, he would be neglecting his duty if he didn't. Perhaps if Mr Reid had put his electorate first and foremost instead of propping up a Tory agenda of austerity, we would not be facing these problems now.

If Mr Reid is indeed against these cuts, then perhaps he should join the many campaign groups that have been set up to oppose them, I have saved a space on a petition ready for him to sign. I won't hold my breath.

**Hugh Moodie, Rothesay.**



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# Paul shortlisted for Achiever of the Year award

AN INVERARAY man is in the running for a national award after overcoming a chronic illness to become a marathon runner.

Paul Honey has been shortlisted for Achiever of the Year by jogscotland, after being nominated by his fellow local runners.

Jogscotland is a network of jogging clubs, designed to encourage people of all ages and running abilities to stay active. It is operated as part of Scottish Ath-

letics Ltd, the national governing body for athletics in Scotland.

Over the past year, Paul has been at almost every race in Argyll and Bute, and regularly travels to events across England, always wearing his Inveraray jogscotland shirt and spreading the word.

### Progressed

He progressed from not being able to run for a minute, to completing marathons.

Described as a 'stalwart' of the group, Paul

has overcome personal challenges and a chronic health condition to become one of its most inspirational members.

It was this which inspired his fellow local runners to vote for him as their own Inspirational Runner.

Head of jogscotland, Billy Mitchell, said: 'We're delighted to have shortlisted Paul for our Achiever of the Year Award. He's clearly very dedicated, not only to his own development as a runner, but also to supporting other members of the group. He's a great ambassador, sporting his jogscotland shirt at events all over the UK, and we're delighted to celebrate his achievements with this nomination.'

In the Achiever of the Year category, Paul will be up against Mike Gage from Muir of Ord and Clare Murray from Penicuik.

The winner of all the categories will be announced at the Scottish Athletics annual awards dinner in Glasgow on October 31.

For more information, visit: [www.jogscotland.org.uk](http://www.jogscotland.org.uk)



The work at McIntyre Terrace 08\_a42building02

## Work starts at McIntyre Terrace

WORK has begun to improve some Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA) houses at McIntyre Terrace, Lochgilphead.

### Not been welcomed

This move, however, has not been welcomed by everyone. Residents, Stuart and Annie Galloway, said: 'They put up portac-

abins that are blocking the light. There wasn't a fence round it for a time, but there is now.'

A spokesperson for ACHA said: 'ACHA has appointed a building contractor to upgrade its homes in this area and has allowed the contractor to set up their compound on land belonging to the association.'

'The contractor can proceed on the basis that the area is made safe, kept tidy and only used in normal working hours.'

### Safe manner

'The works will require to proceed over the next few months and the contractor will be responsible for ensuring that the works are undertaken in a safe manner.'



Paul Honey, Inveraray's inspirational jogger



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Heather Isla MacLeod

From Mintlaw, is the granddaughter of Agnes and Charlie McNaughton of the town, and the niece of Sandy. She has graduated from the University of Glasgow with a Bachelor of Technological Education with First Class Honours and was also awarded The School of Education Prize as the Most Distinguished Graduate in Education of Academic Year 2014 - 2015 and Technological Student of the Year. She has taken her first teaching post at Inverkeithing High School.

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## Enjoy traditional stories and music from Jordan

TRADITIONAL stories and music from Jordan feature at Lochgilphead Library on Wednesday, October 28.

As part of this year's Scottish International Storytelling Festival, 'Stories without Borders', the library will welcome guests, Rabeea Al Nasser and Tareq Al Nasser. It promises to be a captivating and enthralling evening of traditional stories and music from Jordan.

Rabeea Al Nasser is a teacher and librarian who is also a storyteller. She tells original and traditional stories from Jordan and around the world. She is the founder of the 'House of Tales and Music' in Jordan. This is an organisation that supports children affected by conflict and poverty. She has

told stories in schools, libraries, refugee camps and orphanages.

Tareq Al Nasser is Rabeea's son who has been a pioneer in the Arabic music revival.

He has enjoyed a successful career scoring soundtracks for Arabic television and has been involved in re-arranging and revising Jordanian, Arab and international music while preserving its musical, vocal and historical features.

Book your tickets now for this wonderful storytelling and musical event and be transported to remote Jordanian villages where legends and true stories abound.

The performance will start at 7.30pm. Telephone 01546 602072 and make sure you don't miss out on this unique evening.



The Alasdair MacLeod trio kicked off this season of the club. 08\_a43club02



Local musicians got a chance to perform. 08\_a43club01

## Dalriada accordion and fiddle club tunes up for new season

DALRIADA Accordion and Fiddle club tuned up for the start of its new season on October 20 at the Argyll Inn, Lochgilphead.

Local musicians got the night started with sets of reels and jigs before the arrival of main band, the Alasdair MacLeod trio.

The band played sets of waltzes and more upbeat reels and jigs as the room filled up with music fans.

There was also some between-tune chat from Alasdair, which raised a laugh from the crowd.

During the break there was tea, coffee and sandwiches for anyone looking for a refreshment.

Tension mounted as the raffle was drawn with prizes ranging from a bottle of wine to free tickets for next month's club.

It was also a bit of a sad night as club stalwart, John Pope, attended his last club night before leaving for pastures new.

He was presented with a clock and told tales of learning the accordion from Fraser McGlynn. John also played a few tunes and promised to be back for some more fiddle club nights.

Local musicians got the second half started before the Alasdair MacLeod trio took to the stage once again to round the night off.

The accordion and fiddle club is always looking for new players and are particularly keen to hear from younger musicians.

The next club night is on Tuesday, November 17, when the Ross MacPherson trio will be playing.

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Marian Pallister signs a copy of her book. 08\_a43signing01

## Book signing at Argyll Book Centre

LOCAL author, Marian Pallister, signed copies of her book Cruachan - The Hollow Mountain at the Cruachan visitors Centre and Argyll Book Centre

on Saturday, October 17. Many of the people buying the book had relatives who had worked at Cruachan and were interested in what had hap-

pened. The book tells the story of the construction of the Cruachan power station which lies deep in Ben Cruachan. It also examines what effect the pow-

er station and the workers had on the local area. There are copies available at Argyll Book Centre priced £9.99.

## Tarbert rallies round for fireworks

THERE was disappointment in Tarbert when it was announced the annual fireworks display was not going to happen as funding had run out.

The fireworks are usually run by Tarbert youth Group, but their three years of funding were up.

Not to be put off, the youth group and the Anchor hotel began discussions to fundraise the £1,000 needed for the event to go ahead.

There is currently a bucket in the hotel for donations and there is a raffle. The prizes were donated by the Anchor Hotel and are a £50 voucher, a meal for two and cocktails for two. Tickets are £5.

Stacey from the hotel said: 'It's great how quickly it's been done. I think we're already close to the target.'



Heather Belshaw of Tarbert Youth group was amazed by the response from the community: 'In a matter of 12 hours it was all go. I'm so pleased.'

'We didn't realise how much people enjoyed it, but now we know we're creating a fireworks saving account to make sure they continue to go ahead.'

She has also promised there will be some surprises on the night.

### Donations

Other organisations from the town including the harbour authority

and Tarbert soup group have also stepped in with donations.

The fireworks display will take place at the yacht club on November 6 at 7pm.

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**Film premiere in Lochgilhead**

THE SCREEN Machine mobile cinema will give the film, *Mediterranea*, its Scottish premiere in Lochgilhead on October 30.

The film follows a young man, Ayiva, travelling from Burkina Faso to Italy to try and provide for his sister and his daughter.

Ayiva settles in well to his new life, but as tensions rise in the community, things become increasingly dangerous.

The Lux prize was set up by the European Parliament in 1997 and highlights films that get to the heart of current public debate in Europe.

*Mediterranea* is certified 15 and is shown in its original language with subtitles. The event is free but ticketed.

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Helen was surprised to win.



Frances was delighted with her prize. 08\_a43francis01

**Wine for our lucky winners**

WINNERS of the McGuigan wine competition run in the Argyllshire Advertiser recently were delighted with their prizes.

Frances Beaton from Furnace and Helen Hope of Kilmichael were the

lucky winners. Frances said: 'My daughter-in-law is coming next week and bubbly is her favourite so we'll enjoy it then.'

Helen was equally pleased saying: 'What a lovely surprise.'

**Painting on display in national gallery**

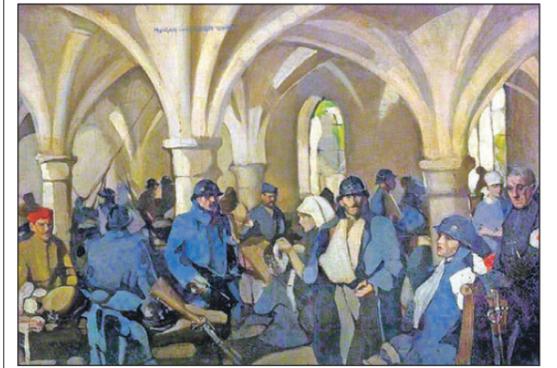
A PAINTING owned by Argyll and Bute Council is to go on display at the Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art as part of an exhibition that will celebrate the work of Scottish female artists.

*Hôpital Auxiliaire d'Armée 301* by Norah Neilson Gray was given to the council by the artist's sister in 1984 and is currently displayed in Helensburgh Library.

From November 7, the oil painting will be on loan to the Edinburgh gallery until July 1, 2016 as part of its Modern Scottish Women exhibition. The painting will fea-

ture alongside more than 90 pieces of work by female artists and sculptors spanning from 1885 until 1965.

The council's Policy Lead for Community and Culture, Councillor Robin Currie said, 'I am extremely happy that one of our paintings is to be displayed at such a revelatory exhibition. It will showcase some of the finest female artists this country has had throughout the years. Norah Neilson Gray was born in Helensburgh and I am delighted that a painting by an artist from Argyll and Bute is contributing to this.'



The painting will be on display in Edinburgh until next July.

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## Tup lamb records tumble in bumper Dalmally sale

IT WAS a record-breaking day at Dalmally Auction Mart last Saturday as United Auctions held its annual black-face tup sale.

Ian and Patsy Hunter, Dalchirla Farm, Crieff, set a new breed and centre record for a tup lamb, the hammer coming down at £160,000.

The record-breaking lamb was purchased in a three-way split to H A Blackwood of Auldhouseburn, J Murray, Crossflat and W Dunlop, Elmscleugh.

The second top priced lamb from Dalchirla sold for £35,000 in a four way deal between Allanfauld, Dyke, Midlock and Tom Bagan.

A third lamb sold for £20,000 to a combination of Glen, Gatehouse, Balrazzie and Little Larg.

Another sold for £14,000 to Dunruchan, while a fifth lamb went for £4000 to Troloss. The Jackson family from Pole, Lochgoilhead purchased another tup lamb from Dalchirla for £2,200.

A tup lamb from Messrs Wight, Midlock sold for £10,000 to Loughash and Dalwyne. Other Midlock lambs went for £8,000 sold to Woodburn and Aberchuell and £7,000 to Rhodders.

Loch Awe-side farmers J and J MacPherson sold

a shearling for £1,100 to Musdale, and another for £1,300 to Kirkpatrick, Barr.

Dalchirla also boasted the top priced shearling at £62,000 - purchased in a three way split to Troloss, Harestone and Whelphill.

A Lurg shearling was meanwhile knocked down at £24,000 to Allanfauld, Baliemeanoch and Harestone.

Altogether, 507 shearlings and 164 tup lambs were sold, averaging £860 and £2,274 respectively.

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John Sleigh, Livestock Policy Manager, NFU Scotland

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## Livestock roadshow at Oban's Corran Halls

Lucy Sumsion, NFU Scotland regional manager covering Argyll and the Islands, including Arran, gives an overview of current issues in the region.

AUTUMN is always one of my favourite times of year and this year has been particularly good, with such a wonderful spell of weather.

Hopefully after the poor spring and summer, livestock will finally have had chance to put on a bit of condition ready for the winter ahead.

With sheep and cattle being the backbone of farming and crofting across Scotland, the union is always striving to support our livestock farmers.

This autumn we are holding a series of livestock roadshows across the country, with the first of these exciting events being held on October 30 at 7.30pm at the Corran Halls, Oban.

The meeting is designed to bring local farmers and crofters up to speed on the lat-

est Scottish livestock research projects, how to avoid penalties at inspection and a guide to burying deadstock within the derogated areas.

One of a number of invited speakers for these events, Dr Joanne Conington from SRUC, said: 'Here at SRUC we have a wide range of research projects looking to improve animal performance and farm efficiency, through the use of "precision farming" technologies that capture some aspects of animal performance.

#### Indicators

'For example, some animal behaviours are indicators of onset of disease, physiological state and animal well-being. We can now capture this remotely, so are able to pick up on an issue earlier.

'Precision livestock farming also involves measuring meat quality and quantity using computer tomography and linked to abattoir data. We are also looking at new disease forecasting models for liver fluke,

which are now used for disease risk maps, predicting likelihood of disease into the future based on climate change forecasts.

'Finally, we are trying to address the issue of black loss, or lamb mortality, in extensive grazing systems through research into genetics of lamb survival which will deliver EBVs for this trait.

'Together with aspects of ewe longevity, such new breeding goals help to exploit differences in individual animal performance to improve efficiency, production, reduce wastage in the food chain to supply more resilient livestock.'

With the new CAP regulations and the introduction of the Basic Payment Scheme, along with the Voluntary Coupled Payments for hoggs and calves, farmers and crofters need be aware of what this all means in relation to implementation and inspections.

One of the key speakers who will be attending the event is Bill

Dundas, Oban-based Principal Agricultural Officer with the Rural Payments and Inspections Division.

#### Ideal opportunity

Bill said: 'This is an ideal opportunity for our local office to give farmers advice on how best to avoid penalties at inspections.

'We will be touching on common errors found on farm and highlighting some simple

changes which can increase the compliance rate.'

As well as giving everyone the opportunity to hear from these excellent speakers, the meeting will also be a good chance for the union to highlight the work we have undertaken on behalf of our members over the summer and for you to meet our Livestock Policy Manager, John Sleigh.

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### 3 A low-carbon option

The carbon dioxide emitted when wood is burned is the same amount that was absorbed over the months and years that the plant was growing. The process is sustainable as long as new plants continue to grow in

place of those used for fuel. There are some carbon emissions caused by the cultivation, manufacture and transportation of the fuel, but as long as the fuel is sourced locally, these are much lower than the emissions from fossil fuels.

For more information call Home Energy Scotland on 0808 808 2282 to find out how you can save energy and more money, and book a free home visit to assess your property.

\*Based on a typical four-bed detached solid-walled home switching from electric storage heating to a biomass pellet boiler. Using an off-peak (Economy 7) electricity price of 7.22p/kWh and a wood pellet price of 4.77p/kWh (bulk price). Prices correct as of October 2015 and valid for 2015.

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This new campaign to raise awareness of the hotline comes as the Scottish Government has extended the range of support available with schemes such as Warmer Homes Scotland and interest free loans for energy efficiency improvements.

Everyone can get help from the hotline. As well as receiving money-saving energy advice and an assessment of their property by phone, households may be eligible to receive help to replace their old, inefficient boiler with a new model, which could also cut hundreds of pounds off their annual fuel bills. Many are also in line for free loft and cavity wall insulation, and some will even receive a full central heating system at no cost.

Interest free, unsecured loans of up to ten thousand pound are also available to householders for installing a variety of measures such as solid wall insulation, double glazing or a new boiler. There are also a wide number of schemes available across Scotland that are based upon where people live. Just one call to Home Energy Scotland is all it takes for people to find out if they are eligible. To find out exactly what you are eligible for - whatever your circumstances - call the Scottish Government's Home Energy Scotland hotline now on 0808 808 2282 or go to [www.homeenergyscotland.org](http://www.homeenergyscotland.org)

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# The Royal Nat.



Kirsten Laurie, Port Ellen, won the Margaret Campbell trophy for a prescribed song in the ladies qualifying heat for the Silver Pendant final.

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Alasdair Currie from Ballygrant, Islay, won the Bank of Scotland Cup in the qualifying heat for the Silver Pendant with a song about emigration as his own choice. KM\_t42modwednesday7001



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## Alasdair and Kirsty on song for silver pendants

TWO islanders picked up this year's adult silver pendants for solo singing in the Gaelic learners' competitions.

Alasdair Currie, 19, from Ballygrant on Islay, won the men's silver pendant for Gaelic learners.

Alasdair is no stranger to Mòd trophies but not for singing.

In 2012 at the Royal National Mod in Dunoon he took home the Col Murdoch MacTaggart, Bowmore, Memorial Trophy for the 16-18 years piping, Strathspey and Reel.

Stornoway's Kirsty Watt, 21, picked up the women's Silver pendant. Kirsty was a finalist in

the Young Trad at the 2012 Celtic Connections.

She has been steeped in traditional music all her life, listening to her grandmother sing Gaelic songs from an early age.

In 2010 Kirsty was Young Musician of the Year in Stornoway.

The silver pendant qualifying competitions took place on Wednesday morning with the finals on Wednesday afternoon to make way for the Gold Medal final, usually held on the Thursday, on Wednesday evening to allow it to broadcast live on BBC Alba and Radio nan Gàidheal.



Kirsty Watt and Alasdair Currie, winners of this year's adult silver pendants for solo singing. 26\_t42modwednesday8050



Argyll-based choral singing group, Còisir Ceann an Tuirc and conductor Joy Dunlop, won The Mull and Iona Shield, the Cor Meibion Bro Glyndwr Trophy for achieving the highest marks in music and The Hector Russell Dirk after sweeping the boards in the choral singing for men 15\_t43ModFriday6005

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Oban Gaelic Choir share the love before winning the Lovat and Tullibardine Shield. t42ModSaturday\_8084



Còisir Ghàidhlig Ìle (Islay Gaelic Choir) - whose ladies' section is pictured above - was third in the Sheriff MacMaster competition for rural choirs.



Fergus Muir, Bowmore, won the Katie Stewart Memorial trophy for solo singing in the men's qualifying heats for the Silver Pendant, for singing a prescribed song learners. KM\_t42modwednesday7004



Thirteen years of waiting over, Oban Gaelic Choir conductor Sileas Sinclair holds aloft the Lovat and Tullibardine shield. t42ModSaturday\_8194



Glasgow Islay Gaelic Choir, conducted by Kirsteen Grant, were pipped to the top place by two points in the Lovat and Tullibardine Shield but took home a share in the Rev William Macdonald Memorial Quach for the highest marks in Gaelic for competitions A301, A304, A307, A308 with Dingwall Gaelic Choir. t42ModSaturday\_8054

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# Football centre rings the changes to celebrate its 20th anniversary

RADICAL changes are afoot at Lochgilphead Soccer Centre, as the popular group marks its 20th anniversary.

New developments will improve accessibility to the beautiful game for both players and volunteer helpers. Since the inception of the Lochgilphead Soccer Centre in 1995 to create an environment for young people to take part in active sport and develop their football skills at a time when little existed, after consultation with parents, the LSC are moving their Saturday morning sessions to Friday evenings with effect from the 23 October (today).

Chairman of the LSC Bruce West explained:

'In 1995, when Willie Luke and others established the Lochgilphead Soccer Centre (LSC), it was to provide an outlet for football development.

'Since then, however, youth football has changed dramatically and there is now so much available for our players with regards to tournaments, leagues and festivals which take place at the weekend, that we found it was becoming increasingly difficult for our coaches to accommodate both.

'It is testament to the success of the LSC that we have so many teams across the ages which are travelling all over the west of Scotland regularly to compete

against the very best and the coaches are ambitious for their teams to test themselves regularly. The individual teams train on a Wednesday and it is clear to me from the coaches and the parents, that there is still a real appetite for the general LSC sessions which have always been popular and a great introduction to what is a really fun sport.'

As well as moving to the Friday evening, the training periods have been increased to provide kids more game time. P1s will start at 6.30pm and P2s to S2s will now train from 7.15pm to 8.15pm, and will be separated into appropriate sections according to age.



Lochgilphead Soccer Centre Red Star P4s at the Islay football festival last month.

As usual it will be at the Mid Argyll Sports Centre, with the younger ones training indoors during adverse weather. The LSC is also giving consideration to establishing a 'mini kickers' for children in their final year of preschool in the new year. Bruce further explained: 'It is not just about foot-

ball and fun but also about learning to play as a team, maintaining a positive attitude, communication and having a healthy approach to looking after your body for sports.' The LSC is always looking for new children, coaches and non-coaching volunteers. Bruce add-

ed: 'While not everyone wants to coach, in my experience our most valuable volunteers are not always the coaches but individuals working behind the scenes to keep everything running smoothly. So if anyone is interested in becoming our funding officer, helping out with registrations, collecting pay-

ments, becoming a player protection officer or other essential roles that requires no understanding of football or youth sports, don't hesitate to call me for a chat.'

If you wish to discuss this further, Bruce can be contacted on 01546 606614 or online at [bruce.west.lochgilphead@btinternet.com](mailto:bruce.west.lochgilphead@btinternet.com).

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## Police Scotland seeks recruits from Argyll

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Taking place at Jackton, East Kilbride, it will run from Tuesday, December 1 until Thursday December 3.

Candidates will sit the national standard entry test on the morning of the first day and, if successful, will undertake the national fitness assessment in the afternoon. For those passing the first day, a competency-based interview will be held on day

two. The final day involves group exercises and a further competency-based interview.

Candidates who pass the three-day selection event will be provided with an appointment for a medical examination while full vetting checks are carried out and references requested.

Successful candidates could potentially start with Police Scotland as early as January or February. New recruits will complete 11 weeks initial training at the Scottish Police College, Tulliallan, in Fife.

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**TARBERT (LOCH FYNE) HARBOUR AUTHORITY ANNUAL MEETING**

The Annual Public Meeting of Tarbert Harbour Authority will be held in the Templars' Art & Leisure Centre on **Thursday 19th November 2015 at 7.00pm**

All interested parties are invited to attend. Any stakeholder who wishes an item to be included in the agenda should deliver this in writing to the Harbour Office not later than fourteen days prior to the public meeting.

Copies of the Annual Accounts are available from The Harbour Office, Garvel Road, Tarbert, PA29 6TR.

*D Cunningham, Chairman*

**Agenda:**

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|--|------------------------|
| 1. Present   | 4. Annual Accounts     |
| 2. Apologies   | 5. Chairman's Report   |
| 3. Minutes of previous meeting held 27th November 2014 | 6. Harbour Development |
|  | 7. Any other business  |

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These applications listed below together with other related documents may be inspected between 09:00-17:00hrs 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](http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk). Written comments for the following list of applications should be made to the above address within 21 days of this advert. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence.

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT**

Ref No	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
15/02645/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse	Plot 1 Mid Auchans Dunmore Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6XZ	Sub Post Office Harbour Street
15/02586/PP	Retention of hardstanding area	Land North West Of Brackley Farm Carradale Campbeltown Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Carradale

**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
15/02645/PPP	Installation of replacement door and formation of two doors in existing window openings	1 Ferry Land Inveraray Argyll And Bute PA32 8UX	Sub Post Office Inveraray
15/02646/LIB	Internal and external alterations (including installation of replacement door and formation of two doors in existing window openings)	1 Ferry Land Inveraray Argyll And Bute PA32 8UX	Sub Post Office Inveraray

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The Council maintain a Register of planning applications which can be viewed during normal office hours at Planning and Regulatory Services, Central Validation Team, 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilphead PA31 8RD.

A weekly list of applications can be viewed at the above address and at all Council Libraries.

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**COUNCILLOR'S SURGERIES**

**Councillor Sandy Taylor (E.W.3 Mid Argyll)**  
 Councillor Taylor will be holding a drop in surgery in Ardrishaig Village Hall on Monday 26th October 2015 from 4.30pm - 6.00pm.

Councillor Taylor can also be contacted by e mail - [Sandy.Taylor@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:Sandy.Taylor@argyll-bute.gov.uk) and by Tel: 01546 604184. He will also be happy to arrange meetings to suit constituents.

**Councillor Donald Kelly (E.W.1 South Kintyre)**  
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Please advise Alec Howie by email - [alec.howie@scottishcanals.co.uk](mailto:alec.howie@scottishcanals.co.uk) or phone 01546 603210 if you would like to attend. It would be helpful if you also included a brief summary of any questions you may wish to ask.

Registration will be at 10am with light refreshments served prior to a 10.30am start. We anticipate the meeting will close no later than 12.30pm.

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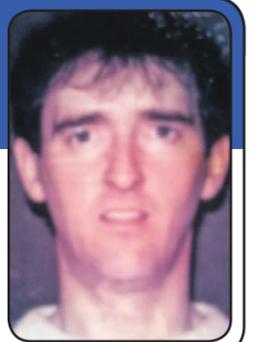
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**Thought for the Week**

with Marilyn Shedden



WE wouldn't have seen them if a woman had not been pointing skywards with great excitement.

We had been so thrilled to see a sea eagle in Torridon, but here we were on Arran watching, not one, but three golden eagles.

It was an amazing sight and this was obviously a family. The parent birds were teaching the young one how to harness the air currents.

They swooped and glided with wonderful symmetry and made the wonder of flight look so easy.

It was the most glorious autumn day with hills aglow with burnished gold and skies of the most wonderful blue.

The only sound was the falling of leaves and our collies just couldn't work out where that sound came from that so imperceptibly broke the silence.

There are some days that just defy description and this was one of them.

There had been a promise of something wonderful the night before.

The skies were studded with a myriad of stars, and the lights from the Ayrshire coast glittered in the darkness across the sea.

In the morning we watched the sunrise as we sipped an early cup of tea in the garden.

A red squirrel shared our contentment and it was utter perfection.

We had our breakfast and set off on a walk across a deserted beach and over dew-kissed fields.

I watched contentedly as Jazz and Carys played games in the bushes and barked for the sheer joy of being alive on such a day.

Holy Isle was the backdrop of this scene and I thought how appropriate that was.

I thought of the prayers that would be woven in that quiet Buddhist community and how they would reach out to a world that so sorely needs them.

I thought of the woman who pointed to the sky again, and gave silent thanks that she pointed to something beyond the sky.

**TARBERT**

**Tarbert thinks pink**

TARBERT will think pink for breast cancer awareness this weekend. There will be a quiz in the Corner House pub beginning at 8.30pm.

There will also be a coffee morning in the Templars Hall from 10am to midday on Saturday. Both events will raise money for Breast Cancer Now.

This is the new name for Breast Cancer Campaign and Breakthrough Breast Cancer.

**GIGHA**

**Auction raises £912**

ON Saturday, October 17 in the village hall, Gigha locals and visitors viewed over 100 auction lots while enjoying coffee/tea and cakes.

Most stayed on for a lively auction which raised £912. Of this, £300 was donated to Lochgilthead's Heads Up Group - a mental health club established in 2014 and run by members to promote the welfare of those who experience mental health issues.

The remainder was donated to hall funds.

**FURNACE**

**Lady's night at Furnace**

THERE will be a chance for women of Furnace past and present to meet in Furnace Village hall on Saturday October 24 from 7.30.

There will be a licensed bar and music until late and is over 18s only.

The event is being held for breast cancer awareness and allows the ladies of Furnace to have a good time while supporting a good cause.

There will be a raffle held and about 100 Furnace women are expected at the event.

**LOCHGILPHEAD**

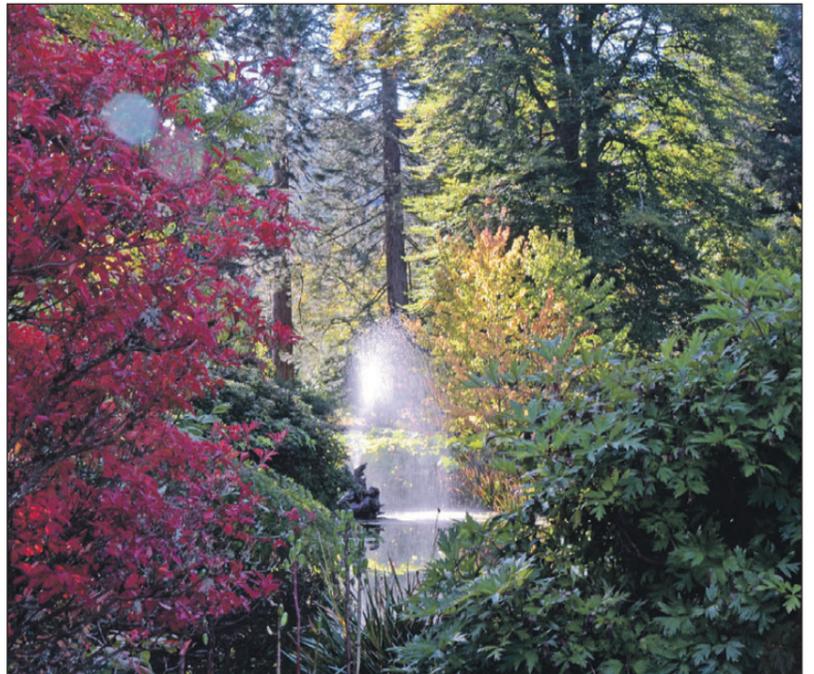
**Book signing**

THERE will be a book signing by author, Paul Kerr, at Argyll Book Centre on Saturday, October 24 between 12 and 2pm.

Paul will be signing his book, Mega Stubborn, which details his life with Multiple Sclerosis (MS).

The book centre has also teamed up with the MS Centre to invite customers to try on specially designed eye goggles that gives wearers an impression of what it is like to have the condition.

**DUNOON**



Benmore Botanic Gardens hosted a talk

**Useful plant talk at Benmore Garden**

BENMORE Botanic Garden hosted a talk by the education department of Edinburgh Botanic Gardens on October 14.

Greg Kenicer began his talk by describing the history of Scottish plants from mosses and lichens starting to grow after the retreat of the glaciers 6,000 years ago. He then explained how people went on to use plants for food and making baskets.

He went on to describe some of the edible plants around us, with a warning of the possible dangers of wrong identification. Plants can also give a

variety of vibrant dyes – and did you know you can weave with nettle fibres? Where trees such as hazel and willow are not available, people made baskets from plants such as ragwort.

**Importance**

Finally he described some of the variety of words in English, Scots and Gaelic that name Scottish plants: the number of words used indicate the importance of plants to Scottish people over all the centuries.

After the talk there was a chance to speak to Greg over tea and home baking.

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**TEXT FOR THE WEEK**

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**ENGAGEMENTS**



**LIVINGSTONE - DODD**

Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of William Sharp, only son of William and Margaret Livingstone, Emerivale, Lochview Avenue, Campbeltown, to Laura Elizabeth, younger daughter of John and Margaret Dodd, Cavendish Street, Birkenhead, Wirral.

**DEATHS**

**CARMICHAEL** - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on October 14, 2015, John Carmichael, in his 86th year, 9 Moy, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Margaret M Muir and a dearly loved brother and uncle.

**HENDRY** - On October 16, 2015, peacefully, at North Argyll House Care Home, Oban, Anna Hendry, in her 82nd year, beloved wife of the late Duncan Hendry, much loved mother of Allan, Janice and Gregor, dearly loved gran of Joanne, Craig, Andrew, Iain, Colline, Jamie, Elise and Louis and great gran of Daniel, Gracie and Arianna. Funeral service was held at Inveraray Parish Church, on October 22, interment thereafter at Glen Shira Cemetery.

**MACFARLANE** - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on October 16, 2015, Jessie MacFarlane, in her 80th year, 6 Mansecroft, Clachan, dearly beloved sister of Isabella, Duncan and the late Nan and a much loved aunt and great aunt. Service will take place in Clachan Church, on Saturday, October 24, 2015 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Ach-Na-Sithe Cemetery, Clachan. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of Cancer Research and the Macmillan Nurses, Kintyre Locality.

**MACNEILL** - Peacefully, at Auchinlee Care Home, Campbeltown, on October 18, 2015, Irene MacNeill, aged 87 years, of Muile, Lochgair, beloved wife of the late Dan MacNeill, much loved mother of Hugh, Donald, Sheena, Iain, Tina and the late George, a much loved granny of Nikki, Kim, Cara, Duncan, Siobhan and Charlotte, and great granny of Aireann. A dear sister, aunt and cousin to all the family. A good neighbour and dear friend to many. Funeral service will be held in Lochgair Parish Church, today, Friday, October 23, 2015 at 12.00 noon, thereafter to Kilevin Cemetery, Minard. All friends are respectfully invited to attend.

**MILLER** - Suddenly, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on October 15, 2015, John McPherson Miller (Ian), in his 88th year, Newlands, High Airs, Carradale, dearly beloved husband of Nanette, much loved father of Janet and a loving grandfather of Jasmine.

**PARTINGTON** - On October 10, 2015, suddenly at his home, Craig View, Skipness Road, Kennacraig, Tarbert, Herbert, in his 72nd year, beloved husband of Evelyn and a dearly loved father

and grandfather. Funeral service at Tarbert Parish Church, today, Friday, October 23 at 12.00 noon, interment thereafter at Carrick Cemetery, to which all friends are respectfully invited.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**DOYLE** - Catherine and family would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours, most sincerely, for the overwhelming support, for the many kind expressions of sympathy, home baking, cards and floral tributes received in their recent sad loss. Special thanks to doctors and all staff at Muasdale Surgery, community nurses, Macmillan nurses and Marie Curie nurse for their outstanding care and attention; to Rev William Crossan for his uplifting service, to Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services and guidance, to Isabel Grieve for excellent catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. The collection for Mairi Semple and Marie Curie raised £775. The family have been deeply touched by the tremendous support received from everyone.

**IN MEMORIAMs**

**COLE** - In loving memory of Cally (née Mitchell), a much loved wife, mum, sister and aunt, died October 20, 2011.

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Sunday 25th October 2015

11.00am

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Tuesday 27th October

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Primary 6 & 7: 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Thursday 29th October

Meeting of the Church Board

in Kirk Street Hall at 7.30pm

**LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH**

Scottish Charity Number

SCO11686

Sunday 25th October

# Star lose out to Dunoon in tight West of Scotland Cup encounter

The club were glad to see the return of legend Neil Russell

Lochgilhead Red Star	1
Dunoon (aet)	2
West of Scotland Cup - 2nd Round	

THE Stag Hotel sponsored Red Star played host to Dunoon in the second round of the West of Scotland Cup on Saturday and, after 90 minutes of end-to-end football, it was the visitors who made it through by the odd goal in three.

Star were again forced to make a number of changes due to injuries and suspensions, but were glad to see the return of club legend, Neil Russell, who took his place on the bench on his return to the side as well as bringing in young Rhuaridh Brown for his first taste of action for the first team.

The match started at a quick tempo with both sides trading efforts at goal in the opening 15 minutes with Dunoon having an effort hit the side net before Andy Weir went close to opening the scoring for Star. Docherty was unlucky

to see his effort go wide of the post as well, as both defences seemed to be on top for the majority of the first half and the sides went in at 0-0.

Into the second half and both teams began to open up a bit more and this left the forwards with a bit more space to work in.

Dunoon took the lead just shy of the hour mark when their centre forward turned twenty yards from goal and blasted his shot past Kalache in great style to put his side 1-0 in front.

The Star response was immediate, however, as a ball over the top from Meikle was met by Maclean who got behind the Dunoon defence to calmly slot the ball past the keeper and make the scores level at 1-1.

With twenty minutes to go, the visitors were back in front when a cross from the right-hand side met the other

forward whose header again gave Kalache no chance and put Dunoon 2-1 ahead.

Star made some changes with Brown, Russell and Munro replacing C Weir, A Weir and Docherty as they looked for a way back into the match.

Crawford went close as the keeper tipped his effort past the post before Meikle went for power and put an effort over from close range.

Dunoon could have wrapped the game up from the spot as McGuinness brought down the striker in the box, with the unfortunate Star player being shown a red card, Star's fourth of the season already.

The Dunoon number eight dragged the effort wide although his side held on for a hard-fought victory.

Star exit the cup after yet another defeat, although they'll be hoping with similar performances, results will come before too long.

Red Star have no game tomorrow.



Meg Blackburn and Freya Urquart on their way to winning the pairs category. a43daltote03no

## Hunter trials are held at Daltote Equestrian Centre

DALTOTE Equestrian Centre held its Hunter Trials on October 4. They were

lucky enough to have good weather and some fantastic riding. The centre would like

to thank all who helped them get ready for the event and all the riders and ponies for making it such a nice day.

Cross Country results: Open 1- Debbie Hay-Thorburn on Urban Legend 2 - Bethan Lemmon on Bryn 3- Roanna Clark on Local Hero

Intermediate 1- Claudia Foster on Rattie 2 - Iona Baillie on Tilly 3 - Ailsa Cunningham on George

Novice 1 - Bethan Lemmon on Gambler 2 - Freya Urquhart on Dylan 3 - Meg Blackburn on Sol

Pre Novice 1 - Niah Martin on Meesha 2 - Georgia Foster on DJ 3 - Robyn MacFie on Tony

Pre pre Novice 1 - Ar-

ran Martin on Loui 2 - Isla MacDonald on Holly

Pairs 1 - Freya Urquhart on Dylan and Meg Blackburn on Sol 2 - Claudia Foster on Rattie and Iona Raeburn on Whispa

Show Jumping results: Open 1 - Bethan Lemmon on Bryn 2 - Signe Riddell on Like a Puzzle

Intermediate 1 - Bethan Lemmon on Bryn 2 - Signe Riddell on Like a Puzzle

Novice 1 - Bethan Lemmon on Bryne 2 - Iona Raeburn on Whispa 3 - Wiktorja Wietronek on Woody

Pre Novice 1 - Ar-ran Martin on Loui 2 - Georgia Foster on DJ 3 - Isla MacDonald on Holly



Bethan rides Bryn to second place in the open cross country category a43Daltote01no

## Second half performance sees Tarbert through

TARBERT were looking to bounce back on Saturday after the previous week's disappointment as they hosted Bargeddie in the 2nd round of the West of Scotland Cup.

The home side, though, started the game poorly, allowing Bargeddie easy possession and too much time to play their football. The first chance of note fell

to the away side, with their dangerous striker firing a shot which hit the woodwork and away to safety. Tarbert didn't learn their lesson from that and some nice passing allowed the same player another chance, this time to devastating effect. The remainder of the first half was fairly even with few other chances of note.

An inspiring half-time

Tarbert	3
Bargeddie	1
West of Scotland Cup - 2nd Round	

team talk sparked Tarbert into life, with more zip to their second half passing and pressing their opponents much higher up the park.

James Prentice had a great chance to level matters early in the second half, but the keep-

er made a good double save. Tarbert, however, didn't need to wait too long to make it 1-1 after another spell of good play ended with Jamie Stuart firing home. With 20 minutes left, Tarbert were doing all the pressing, as the sting seemed

to have been taken out of the away side. They were rewarded when James P notched yet another goal.

The best chances for Bargeddie came from two free kicks around 25 yards from goal, both of which brought excellent saves from Martin in goal. It was set up nicely for Tarbert as the game grew more stretched and some

nice counter-attacking play soon brought another goal, when young Blair MacKay notched his first senior goal, and with it a ticket into the third round of the cup.

Overall, it was a good display from the home side, particularly in the second half.

This week it is back to league business as Tarbert host Hillington at Cil Andreis.

### Lottery results

**Kilmory Camanachd Club** winning lottery numbers were 2,5 and 15. No one won the jackpot so it is up to £700 next week.

**Inveraray Shinty club** Lottery numbers were 4,11 and 17. There were no winners so next week's jackpot is £200.





## Dunadd battle but come out second in the final game of league season

**Dunadd 2 Ardnamurchan 5**  
SUNDAY October 18 saw Dunadd Ladies Shinty club facing Ardnamurchan in their final league game of the season, which was played at their home ground in Ardrishaig.

Despite some fantastic play from the Dunadd girls, it was not to be their day.

Ardnamurchan were on great form following their recent back-to-back wins, and were first to make it onto

the scoring sheet. They followed this with another two goals just before half-time to make the score 0-3.

Dunadd started strong from the restart and responded with a quick second-half goal from Leone Airlie, bringing the score line to 1-3.

The Ardnamurchan girls fought hard again, and had several shots at goal but were denied by the Dunadd defence

### LADIES SHINTY

and goalkeeping line. Play turned back with Dunadd pushing forward with some great play from the midfield up to the forward line.

Despite some great attempts on goal, the Ardnamurchan keeper made some great saves to deny Dunadd clawing back the score line.

Ardnamurchan scored twice on the bounce to make it 5-1. Dunadd replied with another

goal, this time from Emily Brown, but with only minutes remaining Dunadd were unable to increase their scoreline. Final score: Dunadd 2-5 Ardnamurchan.

Dunadd would like to thank Lachie Wood for refereeing and to the Stag Hotel for providing hospitality for the season. Dunadd have now finished league action until the spring, however, training will continue over the winter and new members are always welcome.

The ladies of Dunadd Shinty club.

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Shinty legends, left to right, Donnie Grant, Kingussie; John MacKenzie, Newtonmore; Stuart MacDonald, Lovat; and Jock Turner, Kyles Athletic.

## Shinty display at Hampden

AN EXHIBITION on Shinty's past, present and future has been officially opened at Scotland's national football ground, Hampden.

Among the guests of honour was Dr Munro who is a relative of the captain of the Camanachd cup winning Furnace shinty team of 1923.

The exhibition was officially opened by former shinty player Angus

Brendan MacNeil, now MP for Eilean Siar.

Hugh Dan MacLennan was in charge of the group that set up the display. He said: 'The opportunity to hold the exhibition in Hampden arose directly out of our partnership with Alzheimer Scotland and the hugely successful Shinty Memories Project.'

'The first period of the exhibition up until

Christmas will focus on our past. Then we will move towards the present and the future and the start of the next playing season.'

'Some of the exhibition will last for six months and some parts of it will be changed and rotated to allow us to show as much as we can of shinty rich heritage.'

The exhibition will be on display at Hampden for six months.

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# Scots shinty stars aim for home victory



**Sharpshooter Kevin  
Bartlett can't wait for  
the clash with Ireland**

**'Basically, we need to focus on playing the type of shinty we do every Saturday for our clubs, keep the ball on the ground and move it fast'**

## Scotland hoping to repeat last year's win

SCOTLAND talisman, Kevin Bartlett, would love to cap a memorable season by helping Ronald Ross' Scots to victory against Ireland's hurlers this Saturday in the Marine Harvest international.

Scotland's senior shinty stars face Jeffrey Lynskey's men at Bught Park in Inverness in the first of two matches - home and away - that will decide the winner.

Hoping to repeat last year's win in the Highland capital is Lovat winger, Kevin Bartlett, who has been consistently Scotland's highest point scorer in the cross-codes clash in recent times.

Bartlett admits he relishes these end-of-season tussles

with the green and whites and feels the nation turned a corner with the nine-point victory in Inverness last year.

And, after winning the Scottish Hydro Camanachd Cup with Lovat, a follow-up victory for the Scots would crown a remarkable campaign for the forward.

'If we could win, it would be a good way to round things off, certainly,' he said.

'The manager has told us to focus on this leg first as, this year, the Irish tie is a month or so later.

'I feel the squad is definitely good enough to get the win at home. We have players like Rory Kennedy in the squad, who has not played since the

U21s due to a serious hand injury.

'He is a brilliant player so that is a boost for us. I also think we showed last year what we could do. That was an important win after so long without a victory so we should definitely be looking to capitalise at home.

### Focus

'Basically, we need to focus on playing the type of shinty we do every Saturday for our clubs, keep the ball on the ground and move it fast.'

Scotland boss, Ronald Ross MBE, was delighted the way the Scottish fans got behind the side last year at Bught Park and is hopeful of a similar 'roar' this weekend.

'The important thing last year was that we got the buzz back about the place and the supporters really got into it. That was very important for us,' said the sport's greatest ever goal scorer.

'We've had a great reaction from the players this year; a lot of them have made sacrifices, in terms of time and travel, to be part of this and we are hopeful we can do something again.'

The senior Scots face Ireland at 2pm, with Garry Reid's U21s facing their Irish counterparts at 11.30am.

Before that, Scotland's ladies will face the Irish in the shinty/camogie challenge match at 10.30am.

## Scottish AFL results and fixtures

LAST Saturday's results: West of Scotland Cup second round - Campbeltown Pupils 7, Helensburgh 1; East Kilbride RR 1, Oban Saints 5; Lochgilphead Red Star 1, Dunoon 2; Tarbert 3, Bargeddie 1.

This Saturday's fixtures: Premier Division - Campbeltown Pupils v Inverclyde; Shawlands FP v Oban Saints; Premier Division One - Dunoon v Kings Park Rangers; Lochgilphead Red Star no game; Premier Division Two - Tarbert v Hillington; Division One - Dunoon Athletic v Whitehill FP.

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