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Salmon firm slammed over Loch Fyne sea lice levels



Margaret Mather BEM, centre, with her medal, surrounded by family, from left, Sandra Clark; Margaret's daughter Alison Davies; Alec Clark; Iona, dowager Duchess of Argyll; Theresa Sims; John Clark; Margaret's husband Ally Mather; and Lord Lieutenant Patrick Stewart.

Proud moment as Margaret gets her gong

INVERARAY woman Margaret Mather, a familiar sight for decades at Inveraray Games and at many more events, received her BEM in a formal ceremony at Inveraray Castle as family and friends proudly looked on. Full story on page four.

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A NUMBER of Loch Fyne fish farm sites have been named by a marine conservation charity as having exceptionally high levels of sea lice over the past two years.

Farms at Ardcastle Bay, Strondoir Bay, Gob a Bharra, Quarry Point, Furnace Quarry and Meall Mhor, run by the Norwegian-owned Scottish Salmon Company, showed some of the highest levels of the parasite in Scotland.

According to data obtained by Salmon and Trout Conservation Scotland following a freedom of information request, Furnace Quarry was allowed to continue operating by the Scottish Government despite having 20 times the recommended maximum lice num-

bers per farmed fish for seven weeks.

In June 2016, the Scottish Government

Adult wild salmon are adapted to coping with a low number of sea lice, as the parasites occur naturally in the sea. Salmon farming in enclosed sea lochs has, however, led to a change in the density of sea lice which the campaign group claims can harm farmed salmon.

A Scottish Salmon Company spokesperson said: 'Like other producers, we experienced naturally occurring biological challenges at some of our southern sites. Treatments took place and all of the affected sites are now fallow. We continue to work to find sustainable solutions to tackle these industry-wide challenges.'

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Inveraray CARS scheme completed

INVERARAY'S Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) has been completed with the scaffolding coming down from the final priority building at Arkland.

The major work at Arkland and Relief Land involved repairing chimney stacks, slating and lead work. The cracked cement render within the property was replaced with traditional lime harl which will help dry out the buildings.

Other projects have been completed at the Town House, Chamberlain's House and the Old Temperance Hotel. An Argyll and Bute

Council spokesperson said: 'These projects have been grant funded through CARS by Historic Environment Scotland and the council. The projects were made possible by the hard work of the owners' associations, Argyll Community Housing Association and their agent as well as the council's project staff. The work was carried out by Laing Traditional Masonry.'

'The scheme will continue until March 2018, with the focus of the final year being on supporting community engagement initiatives and traditional skills training events.'



Martin Haddlington, Cathy McInnes, Steven Laing of Laing Traditional Masonry and John Gleeson in July 2016 after signing the contract for the CARS project at Arkland and Relief Land.

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A82 repair work green light

WORK on the A82 – which will see 12 days of road closures – has been approved following a public consultation.

The road works between Tarbet and Criarlarich will include repairs to a 400m crash barrier that was damaged when a HGV crashed through it in May.

Traffic will be diverted towards the A83 (Tarbet to Campbeltown), A819 (Inveraray to Dalmally) and A85 (Criarlarich to Oban) while the repairs take place.

The proposals from BEAR Scotland will also see 12 maintenance schemes carried out on the route from November 6, with the road re-opened at weekends and after 6pm.

The project will also include 3.5km of drainage between Tarbet and Inveruglas, road sign replacement, the installation of 1,300m of reflective barriers to improve visibility at bends and 26km of road markings.

Eddie Ross, BEAR Scotland's North West representative said: 'Safety is our number one priority and unfortunately the only way

we can safely replace the crash barrier is during the day.

'To make full use of this closure, however, we'll be carrying out 11 other schemes in addition to the barrier replacement.

'We're very aware of the impact our work can have on local communities, so wanted to share as much information as possible about our proposals to gauge their feedback.'

'Our teams are prepared to do all they can to minimise disruption as much as possible during these works and will work to complete the improvements as quickly and safely as they can.'

'We encourage road users to plan ahead by checking the Traffic Scotland website for journey information and leaving extra time for their journey.'



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Two cars damaged

SOMETIME between 4pm on Tuesday October 17 and 10.45am on Thursday October 19, the bodywork of a red Renault Clio parked in Argyll Street, Lochgilphead, was scratched.

And a black Audi A3 was scratched and dented sometime between 9pm on Saturday October 28 and noon on Sunday October 29 in Lochness Street, Lochgilphead.

Police are investigating the incidents and are appealing for any witnesses or anyone with any information to contact them on 101 or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

Landfill site fuel stolen

RED DIESEL was stolen from a tank at Lincerton landfill site sometime between Tuesday October 24 and Thursday October 26. Police are appealing for any witnesses or anyone with any information to contact them on 101 or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

Police find drugs in house

A MAN, aged 40, was issued with a recordable police warning after police found cannabis in a house in Ross Crescent, Lochgilphead, on Sunday October 29 at 9.30am.



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phone call to another woman.

The alleged offences took place sometime between 2pm and 4.30pm on Saturday October 28.

A report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Assault witness appeal

POLICE are appealing for witnesses after a man was assaulted in Lochness Street, Lochgilphead, at 12.30am on Saturday October 28. The victim received a minor facial injury.

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Calls for Argyll tourism unity



Hallowe'en fun at Badden nursery

THERE was much fun, games and laughter for pre-school children at Badden Farm Nursery, who all dressed in fantastic costumes for their Hallowe'en party.

Jennifer Campbell, nursery manager, said: 'A special mention must go to James, who popped through from the baby room in the centre of the photo – the cutest

Count Dracula we have ever seen. A big thank you to all our parents for going to so much effort with all the lovely outfits – the children looked fantastic.'



Day of the Dead with your daily papers

ANYONE popping into RS McColls in Lochgilphead for their paper on Hallowe'en got more than they bargained for.

Staff members Andy Alder and Michaela King dressed for the theme Día de Muertos - or Day of the Dead, a Mexican celebration of ancestors, generally featuring plenty of face-paint.

Michaela and Andy did not disappoint, with their efforts all about raising cash for the charity Cardiac Research for the Young.

Left: Andy and Michaela get into the spirit of Hallowe'en for charity. 06_a44Hallowe'enMcColls01

Heart of Argyll chief issues rallying cry following centre closure announcement

THE CHAIRMAN of the Heart of Argyll Tourism Alliance has issued a rallying cry to local businesses following the announced closure of VisitScotland tourism centres across the region.

'I hope they will recognise a communal effort is necessary and I invite interested businesses, organisations and individuals to contact us to negotiate with VisitScotland and plan for the future.'

Information

Mr Sheldrick also said that the Heart of Argyll Tourism Alliance set up a manned information point following the closure of the Lochgilphead office.

To replace the tourist centres, businesses must come together, says Mr Sheldrick.

He writes: 'Local tourism businesses which are not members of VisitScotland or Heart of Argyll Tourism Alliance (HoATA), or the Kintyre and Gigha Marketing Group and similar organisations, should recognise that part of the blame for the pro-

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posed closures lies with them.

VisitScotland announced the closure of tourist information centres in Tarbert, Campbeltown, Dunoon and Inveraray following a reported 58 per cent drop in footfall over the past 12 years.

The plans have sparked outcry across the region with many accusing VisitScotland of a 'short-sighted' decision.

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FAMILY, friends and colleagues came together to share a special occasion as Margaret Mather received her BEM.

Amid the opulence of the Inveraray Castle drawing room, Lord Lieutenant of Argyll and Bute Patrick Stewart presented Margaret with the gold badge, awarded in the 2017 Queen's Birthday Honours List for services to the community in Inveraray.

She has worked at the Argyll Estates offices since 1984 and served as secretary of Inveraray Highland Games for 26 years until 2016.

Among a number of voluntary roles she has taken on since moving across Loch Fyne from Strachur in 1974, Margaret was a founder member of Inveraray and District Accordion and Fiddle Club, which thrives to this day.

'I am honoured to receive the BEM,' said Margaret after the ceremony on Friday October 27.

'You never think about anything like this happening. My real reward though has been seeing events like Inveraray Games become a big success.'

'Over the years I have worked with so many enthusiastic people on the various committees I have been involved



Proud husband Ally with Margaret and her BEM medal. 06_a44Margaretbem07

with and couldn't have done my bit without their support - and I have made lovely friends along the way.'

In the same honours list, announced in June, Reverend Dr Roderick MacLeod of Furnace received an MBE for

services to the Gaelic language and voluntary service in Argyll.

Another recipient of the BEM was Anne Masino, Inveraray, for voluntary service to young people through the UK Scout Association.

Two dukes and three factors over 33 years

HOT ON the heels of the formal BEM presentation to Margaret Mather in the drawing room, it was through to the Inveraray Castle gun room for another special occasion.

After 33 years' loyal service to the Campbell family, Margaret is retiring from Argyll Estates.

As she received warm words and a number of special presentations to mark the occasion, the Duke of Argyll, Torquhil Campbell, said: 'Margaret has been a pillar of the estate and an incredibly important part of this family for the past 33 years.'

'While I am gutted she's retiring, I am honoured to be part of the occasion this evening to mark her years of invaluable

work for the estate.

'Margaret deserves a great deal of credit and I thank her for her dedication. She will be missed.'

He added: 'And I should add that Margaret has seen off two dukes and three factors during her time here.'

Margaret reflected on her decades at the estate: 'When I started in 1984 it was all carbon paper and typewriters. With all the modern technology it's hard not to look back fondly on these days.'

'No way did I think I would end my career here, but over the years there have been plenty of laughs, and that has helped through stressful days.'

She ended with a joke: 'The helpline is now open.'



Margaret Mather with His Grace the Duke of Argyll and flowers presented by the Campbell family children on her retirement. 06_a44Margaretbem13

Jolomo in line for UK award

AN ARGYLL artist is to receive a lifetime achievement award at a ceremony in London which celebrates the success of Scots on a UK-wide platform.

Previous winners include Andy Murray, violinist Nicola Benedetti and businessman Sir Ian Wood.

Artist John Lowrie Morrison, known as Jolomo, has been announced as the winner of the Great London Scot Award for Lifetime Achievement, which will be presented at the Savoy Hotel later this month.

The Great London Scot Awards were established in 2013 to celebrate the success of Scots who have a close connection to London. This year the Award for Outstanding Achievement has been won by Lucinda Russell, the first Scottish female trainer to win the Grand National with 'One for Arthur' in April this year.

Sir David Reid, the former

chairman of Tesco, who nominated John for the Lifetime Achievement Award, said: 'For me, John Lowrie Morrison's unique style brings vividly to life many of the aspects we all love and admire about the west of Scotland. When you first see his paintings, you ask yourself if they are real. When you go and visit the places, you discover they are, and see how he has brought them to life.'

'This award is deserved recognition of his remarkable skills and success as a painter and the generosity of the funds he has raised for charitable causes over the years through his paintings.'

Tayvallich-based Dr John Lowrie Morrison OBE said: 'It is a great honour for me to receive the Great London Scot Award for Lifetime Achievement, particularly considering the list of illustrious former recipients of the awards.'



Artist John Lowrie Morrison.

Portavadie scoops top leisure award

PORTAVADIE Marina has been voted Scotland's best leisure resort hotel in the Scottish and Outdoor Leisure Awards (SOLA).

The awards, which took place on Sunday October 29, were held at Glasgow's Marriott Hotel.

Team Portavadie also retained the best mari-

na award for a second year running.

First held in 2016, the Scottish Outdoor and Leisure Awards celebrate the best of the outdoor and leisure industry.

Facing Creiff Hydro, Carnoustie Golf Hotel and Spa and Gleneagles for the main title, Portavadie fought off

some stiff competition. I'm happy the SOLA judging panel recognised both what a special place Portavadie is and the quality of what we have to offer.

'We have a fabulous team who pride themselves on providing exceptional customer service, and I'm delighted to see their efforts recognised.'



A delighted team Portavadie with their deserved prize at the SOLA awards.

Extra Islay round-trip sailings to be extended

FERRY operator CalMac will introduce enhancements to its Islay timetable in time for next summer.

Among a range of other service changes announced this week across its west coast routes, the three extra round-trip sailings between Kennacraig and Islay in July and August will be extended to cover the entire summer timetable, and moved to more suitable times.

Transport Scotland has agreed a total of 15 timetable changes to CalMac routes for summer 2018 after a consultation with communities across the west coast.

Islay McEachern, chair of Islay Community Council, said: 'We welcome the initiative proposed by CalMac. The Islay Ferry Committee is very

conscious of the need for further capacity expansion of the Islay service to cope with a projected increase in demand from distilleries as well as a continuing upward demand from visitors and the community.'

CalMac's director of service delivery Robbie Drummond said: 'These changes are a direct result of us promising to work more closely with the communities we serve, to shape services that best meet their needs.'

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Editorial

Spruced up

It's great to see the scaffolding coming down from buildings in Inveraray.

The CARS project was kickstarted by local people and the outcome – to the layman at least – is a much smarter outward appearance and, presumably, improved structure and roofing for these ancient properties.

Looking at them now, it can be hard to remember just how dog-eared and dilapidated many of the buildings had become. It hasn't been easy, and the March completion deadline has been looming for a while, but the CARS outcome seems to be successful.

We would be pleased to hear from owners and tenants about their own experiences, though.

Respect sea lochs

IT IS disappointing to hear that the parasite burden on farmed fish has been so high in Loch Fyne.

Parasites and disease are an integral part of intensive aquaculture, as with intensive agriculture. They come with the territory.

But controlling sea lice in a way that does not harm the environment must be paramount.

For the sake of our collective future, we must take care of our sea lochs, because there is far more to be lost than gained if we destroy our environment for profit.

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Tourism togetherness needed

Sir,

As chairman of the Heart of Argyll Tourism Alliance and as a director of Port Ban Holiday Park, one of the few paid-up members of VisitScotland, I am writing to express the concern of both organisations at the announced closure of a number of local tourist information offices.

Heart of Argyll Tourism Alliance (HoATA) stepped in to attempt to fill the gap left by the closure of the Lochgilphead tourist office a few years back by setting up a manned information point, now with the help of the Argyll Book Centre in Lochgilphead.

We are in no doubt manned information points are essential in Inveraray, Tarbert and Campbeltown.

The VIP programme set up by VisitScotland to recognise tourism businesses in the area as information providers is not an adequate substitute. There must be a suitable - if not better - replacement for these offices in place before they are allowed to close.

Community heritage centres such as the Atlantic Centre on Luing are great models, indeed, Tarbert had one not so long ago. VisitScotland must reserve some of the savings made by the closures to fund the replacements.

Local tourism businesses which are not members of VisitScotland or HoATA (or the Kintyre and Gigha Marketing Group and similar organisations) should recognise that part of the blame for the proposed closures lies with them.

I hope they will recognise that a communal effort is necessary and I invite interested businesses, organisations and individuals to contact us to negotiate with VisitScotland and plan for the future.

**Jonathan Sheldrick,
Kilberry.**



Pink was the theme at a packed fundraiser in the hospital.

Fantastic sum raised for charity at Mid Argyll Hospital

Sir,

Mid Argyll Hospital staff thank everyone for attending, donating baking and raffle prizes and giving generously at the recent Breast Cancer Pink Day/ Macmillan Cancer Support Pink Day.

This proved an extreme-

ly popular day again this year and the fantastic sum of £2,100 was raised. This will be split equally between the two charities. Thanks are extended to the Co-op for donations and to John Frier, who supports this day.

Staff at the Argyll and

Bute Council offices in Manse Brae added to the total by hosting their own coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support and raised £340. Thanks are extended to them from the Macmillan committee.

**Kathleen Young,
Lochgilphead.**

Amazed and saddened

Sir,

I was amazed and saddened to learn that the tourist information offices (iCentres) in Campbeltown, Tarbert and Inveraray as well as Dunoon face closure, leaving just an office in Oban, Mull, Islay and Rothesay.

Information may still be gleaned from established businesses which are volunteering (is this the right word?) to provide information, no matter how busy they may be, to visitors - not all of whom operate tablets, mobile phones or whatever. The ones who do use this technology are often amazed to find signals cannot be received in some glen, though quite easily in Princes Street, Edinburgh, or Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow.

I agree wholeheartedly with Ian MacIntyre, Tarbert, a former member of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay Tourist Board set up with 14 others by the

Highlands and Islands Development Board in the late 1960s. I was its chairman from 1970 to 1992, when these boards started being swallowed up by larger boards which, in turn, were swallowed up by what is now known as VisitScotland.

I was fortunate in having as our tourist officer Lachie MacKinnon, ex Fleet Air Arm and RAF, a squadron leader with the high decoration of DSO.

But even more importantly he was a native of Islay and very knowledgeable on rural matters and problems. Kintyre was always a bit of a problem - great farming and beautiful scenery, but overshadowed by resorts like Oban.

I have never understood why, for instance, at the Corran, Lochgilphead, there is no sign indicating the Kintyre Trail whilst, quite rightly, there is a sign for Kilmartin Museum.

VisitScotland closed the Lochgilphead office years ago.

That office was virtual-

ly at a crossroads between Oban, Kintyre and Inveraray. This closure cannot have been helpful to Kintyre, nor to Crarae Gardens and Auchindrain Museum.

The 'i' in iCentre stands for 'information' and it is a pity visitors may be deprived of some of the things they are looking for.

As for Dunoon, served so well by the late Ian Taylor and his splendid tourist officer Ian Clayton for so many years, one can see green shoots of new development there.

This is surely not the time to close the iCentre, though possibly a better site could be found for it.

Much discussion should take place with VisitScotland and the bodies in Argyll who run tourism these days.

Times have changed, but those who are advocating these changes will not be hit financially in the way some businesses are almost certain to be.

**Niall Iain MacLean,
Inveraray.**

Bonfires and hedgehogs

With bonfire night fast approaching, the British Hedgehog Preservation Society (BHPS) is urging people to build bonfires on the day they are to be lit to save hedgehogs and other wildlife from suffering.

If material is stored on open ground in advance of having a bonfire, it is crucial to dismantle it and move it to another spot just before lighting. Ensure it's moved to clear ground – never on top of a pile of leaves as there could be a hedgehog underneath.

If a large bonfire must be built in advance, protect it whilst building by putting some chicken wire, at least one-metre-high, all the way around the bottom.

In case you have missed anything, light the fire from one side only and keep people away from the unlit side so that any hedgehogs can hopefully escape.

As hedgehogs tend to hide in the centre and bottom two feet of the bonfire, check by gently lifting the bonfire section by section with a pole or broom. If hedgehogs are found, take as much of the nest as you can and place them in a high-sided cardboard or plastic box with plenty of newspaper/old towelling. Ensure there are air holes in the lid and that the lid is secured firmly to the box.

Wear garden gloves so as not to get human smells on them and to keep them calm as hedgehogs are easily stressed. Put the box in a safe quiet place well away from the festivities, offer specialist hedgehog food, meaty cat or dog food and water. Once the bonfire is totally damped down, release the hedgehog under a hedge, bush or behind a stack of logs. Going to an official organised fireworks display is a far safer option for both humans and animals.

**Fay Vass,
chief executive, BHPS.**

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CalMac confirms ferry maintenance

CALMAC'S winter maintenance programme has been finalised, resulting in vessel changes across the region.

The ferry operator runs 50 routes served by 32 vessels including inter-island services. Each vessel is required to go through a period of annual dry dock maintenance.

The company stated that it had several plans in place to keep all of its services running with minimal disruption.

CalMac's director of community and stakeholder engagement Brian Fulton said:

'This is always a challenging time of year for us. The communities we serve all have different service requirements; continuing to meet these over the winter months when weather also becomes a factor is a real test for our staff.'

'We know the attachment communities form with their own vessel and that having it taken away is an inconvenience. We appreciate people's patience and understanding during this short maintenance period.'

The schedule may change depending on priorities, but currently

the arrangements are:

Wemyss Bay/Rothesay - MV Bute replaced by MV Coruisk, Oct 25 to Nov 8;

Colintraive/Rhubodach - MV Loch Dunvegan replaced by MV Loch Alainn, Nov 6 to Nov 20;

Wemyss Bay/Rothesay - MV Argyle replaced by MV Coruisk, Nov 27 to Dec 11;

Oban/Lismore - MV Loch Striven replaced by MV Loch Riddon, Nov 27 to Dec 11;

Oban/Craignure - MV Isle of Mull replaced by MV Isle of Arran, Nov 27 to Dec 11;

Tarbert/Portavadie/



MV Catriona at Tarbert will be replaced by MV Loch Riddon in January. 06_a12tarbferry01

Lochranza - MV Catriona replaced by MV Loch Riddon, Jan 4 to Jan 18;

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Linnhe, Jan 4 to Jan 18;

Oban/Castlebay - MV Isle of Lewis replaced by MV Isle of

Arran, Jan 22 to Feb 5;

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- MV Finlaggan replaced by MV Isle of Arran and MV Hebridean Isles, Feb 8 to Feb 22;

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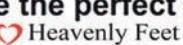
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Campbeltown's longest street has something for all with more than a dozen independent traders offering virtually anything. Many other small towns in the UK have seen their non-chain retailers vanish and the streets become deserts or full of charity shops but not Campbeltown.

Longrow has charity shops but Kintyre Recycling for instance feeds into a local charity and not a behemoth selling items for a national charity. However its independent stores will not survive and thrive without the support of Kintyre shoppers. For foodies a recent, much welcome addition is Food for Thought restaurant the town's only dedicated Scottish restaurant that is not part of a hotel. Other food choices include Amelia's Bistro and the Kilbrannan Bar, Lingerie, Tattoos and shoes are expertly catered for by Raspberry Pink, Studio 26 and The Kintyre Shoe Company respectively.

Possibly the biggest attraction for Kintyre tourists is Springbank and it is probably the longest operating business on the Longrow approaching its 200th anniversary in 2023. The Hardware Store is head and shoulders above most and there few items that Kenny Craig cannot obtain which is equally true at the Computer Services Shop. To furnish a home a good start and finish can be found at the Wallpaper Shop and why not buy a sofa, at Newgrove, to recline on when all that Longrow shopping is finished.

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brands. We also sell slippers and wellies all year round". Said Ann Marie who is the buyer for The Kintyre Shoe Co. "If there is something we don't have we can usually source it from our wide supply base".

Gus Laurenson added "We firmly believe that footwear needs to be tried on to ensure the correct fit and comfort for the wearer and this is one thing you cannot do online. You also get the personal service and can touch and see the product first hand before buying. Local businesses like all of the ones in Longrow contribute to the local economy and create jobs as well as providing much needed services and products to local people and visitors alike"

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ky themed clothing and accessories to personalised labels for whisky, gin and rum. If a visit to the distilleries is on your agenda, you can also add a tutored tasting to your day out. Tours run Monday to Saturday and tastings and a Campbeltown lunch platter can also be enjoyed.
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We have a 3 Sky and BT Sports system which allow us to show a variety of choice from all sporting events broadcast by Sky and BT on our 5 televisions situated throughout the premises. Bookings are now being taken for Christmas nights out, pre Christmas dinners and Christmas Day dinners.

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Amelia's Bistro

"The Best Cafe to have lunch in Campbeltown" (Trip Advisor review)

"We had a day outing to Campbeltown (The West Coast of Scotland peninsula) and stopped for lunch at Amelia's cafe. We were pleased to find the very good cafe with variety of breakfast and lunch menu. We ordered vegetarian menu for our lunch and also hot drinks (coffee latte and green tea). The foods and the drinks are very nice and we enjoyed them. Its very reasonable price too. Next time we will come again to your cafe when we visit Campbeltown again. Thank you very much by returning my husband's fleece which left

This is proper food. Can't wait to go back."

A delicious 2 or 3 course Sunday roast or lighter op-

tion behind in your cafe. May God bless your business and your family!"

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Food For Thought

Fantastic New Restaurant - (Trip advisor Review)

"What a great find. My family and I were staying on the Carskine estate for a week, self catering and thought we would treat ourselves on the last night of our holiday to dinner out in Campbeltown. After checking reviews on trip advisor we decided to go to 'Food for Thought' on Longrow, near the centre of town because we realised that the restaurant had only been open for a few months but had already picked up some rave reviews.

The menu is modern Scottish, making use of local produce. Service is attentive, well mannered and genuine and the restaurant feels modern and comfortable. The star of the show is most definitely the food. I had a starter of smoked salmon ravioli with capers and a white wine veloute, a main course of smoked pork belly with seared scallops and finished with a creme brulee. Every course was accomplished. The ravioli showed great technical ability and subtlety from the chef and the belly of pork was smoked to perfection. The scallops that accompanied the pork were also cooked beautifully..... what a combination!

Walk-ins are welcome but are dependent on stylist availability.

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SNIPS is an established Uni-sex Salon that has been serving the Campbeltown community for almost 2 decades under the expert management of its owner, Kimberley Mathieson.

The Salon delivers a very professional and extremely experienced service, keeping up to date with the latest methods and trends to appeal to all ages and tastes, whilst delivering this training to staff in order to remain fresh and modern. They offer their customers a wide range of services that include Cut and Blow Dry's, Trims, Perms, Balayage Foils, various methods of Hair Extension and Waxing. They also sell many Wella, Goldwell and L'Oréal professional beauty products to get the most from your hair and add to your experience. All of this is delivered in their newly refurbished and modern, yet chic, Salon that is well presented in the centre of Campbeltown at 34 Longrow. The prices are competitive for all of their services and always favour those of a certain age.

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A GROUP of children from Riverside Rascals Day Nursery came to Ardfenaig Nursing Home for some spooky celebrations on Monday October 30.

Dressed up in an ar-

range of costumes from Batman and Darth Vader to a fairy princess, the children learned about healthy eating and sang songs much to the delight of Ardfenaig residents.

Organised by the home's activities co-ordinator Angela Selfridge, the children tried their hand at apple bobbing, before tucking into some tasty fruit including

'boonanas' and 'frankenstein grapes'.

Angela, who organised the event to improve interaction between the generations, said: 'We wanted to create an event where there could be a link between the generations of the residents and the nursery children. The residents really enjoy the company of the children, and it's great to get the children on board with healthy eating.'

The nursery is hoping to return to Ardfenaig shortly before Christmas for some more entertainment for the residents.



John Whitefield joins in with the children singing songs at the nursing home. 08_a44ardfenaig05



Mara Taylor, 3; Callan Taylor, 3; Charlie McMillan, 3; Jodie Cook, 4; Harris Reed, 3; Kaiden Abel, 4; Lily Galloway, 3; Alexander Knox, 3; and Noah MacLennan, 3, with activities co-ordinator Angela Selfridge. 08_a44ardfenaig02



Kaiden Abel, 4, and Charlie McMillan, 3, show off their scary sides at Ardfenaig. 08_a44ardfenaig



Kaiden Abel receives a 'boonana' from nursing home resident John Whitefield. 08_a44ardfenaig04

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Inveraray Castle set for celebrities and classic cars

THE INAUGURAL Argyll Festival of Performance will see a host of classic cars, memorabilia and celebrities descend on Inveraray.

The festival will run on June 2-3 next year at Inveraray Castle, and will see a number of big names in attendance including Sir Chris Hoy, Ewan McGregor, Amy Macdonald and Sir Billy Connolly.

Delighted

Announcing the details of the festival, The Duke of Argyll said: 'We are delighted to be able to host the in-

augural Argyll Festival of Performance here at Inveraray Castle.

'With such an iconic location in the very heart of Argyll, the dramatic landscape and setting I hope will draw people from far and wide for a very special weekend.'

The theme for 2018 will be 'Scots in Formula 1' with organisers planning on having a number of historic vehicles on display within the castle grounds.

The festival will also showcase an auction of classic vehicles and memorabilia and more than 200 classic cars

will be on display.

Event director, Bill Telford said: 'Scotland has an enviable reputation in motorsport but, as yet, there has never been an event that celebrates this success.'

Theme

'The Argyll Festival of Performance has been created to do just that with a theme each year to really allow the stories to be told.'

'In year one, it will be Formula 1, and Scotland boasts some of the biggest names in

David Coulthard, and of course, local star, Susie Wolff, who was the first female to be involved in an F1 weekend in 22 years at the British Grand Prix in 2014.'

'It's not just drivers who have played their part, Scottish engineers, designers and manufacturers have also made a huge impact on the world of motorsport and we believe the time is right to celebrate all of those achievements.'

Tickets go on sale on Friday November 10; see argyllfestivalofperformance.com.

Community Yes House encourages debate

THE LAUNCH of a local Community Yes House has proved popular with many on both sides of the independence debate.

The Yes House is open every Saturday morning on Argyll Street in Lochgilphead and encourages respectful debate between 'yes', 'no' and 'undecided' voters on what is best for Scotland's future. Last week proved to be a hit, with the meeting finishing off with a performance from the Scottish Ballad Singers.

The Yes House will be open again this Saturday, November 4.



Ava and her family completing a sponsored climb of The Steeple in Lochgilphead for charities Scottish Autism and United Together Foundation.

Science matters - time for another flu jab?

By Dorothy H Crawford

IT IS November already and time for the over-65s to get their annual flu jab.

Every year flu kills 250,000-500,000 (mainly elderly) people worldwide. Now a new vaccine is entering trials. If successful this could, like vaccination against measles, mumps and rubella, give life-long protection.

The major problem facing flu vaccine researchers is that many different strains of flu virus exist. Several strains may circulate concurrently, any one of which can cause a winter epidemic. So flu viruses are continuously monitored worldwide and the three most threatening strains selected for the annual vaccine. Production must start in spring, so decisions on which strains to include are partly guess work. Even in a good year, vaccination only protects 30-40 per



Dorothy Crawford.

cent of those jabbed. In 2016-17 this figure was zero per cent.

Present flu vaccines block infection by generating antibodies against two virus surface proteins. But these proteins mutate frequently, producing new strains that can dodge the antibodies and infect successfully. Thus the immune response engineered against one virus strain may be ineffective against another. Researchers at the University of Oxford are developing a universal flu vaccine – a world first. This targets proteins inside the virus that are virtually identical in all epidemic flu strains. The team

has already proved it is safe and shown that it generates the hoped-for immunity. Now they must demonstrate protection from flu this winter in over-65-year-olds. Accordingly, they are inviting 10,000 over-65s in Berkshire and Oxfordshire to join a trial. All participants will get the regular 2017-18 winter vaccine, and half will also get the new universal vaccine, while the other half will receive a placebo. If successful this ground-breaking trial could herald a reliable flu vaccine for the over-65s.

In future this may benefit everyone and consign the time-consuming, vastly expensive annual flu vaccine production and administration to history.

Biography

MID ARGYLL resident Dorothy Crawford is Emeritus Professor of Medical Microbiology, University of Edinburgh. She was born in Glasgow and graduated in medicine

from London University, training as a specialist in immunology and microbiology. She held the chairs of Medical Microbiology at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (1990-97) and at the University of Edinburgh (1997-2010). She was Vice Principal for Public Understanding of Medicine at the latter from 2008-2012.

Dorothy's research interest was the Epstein-Barr virus, on which she has published more than 200 scientific papers. She has also published many short travel and science articles in newspapers, magazines and blogs. She contributed a regular science column to the Scotsman newspaper in 2008-09 and has written eight popular science books.

Dorothy is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh and was awarded an OBE for services to medicine and higher education.

Little Ava raises £950 for charity

PRIMARY one pupil Ava McNaught from Lochgilphead has raised £950 for two charities.

Ava, aged 5, is competing on Sunday November 5 in the final of Junior Miss Scotland, an event that raises awareness and funds for the United Togetherness Foundation which tackles racism, discrimination and bullying.

Ava has also chosen to raise money for Scottish Autism. Her four-year-old brother Liam has autism and the family hopes

to raise awareness and understanding of this condition.

Funds raised prior to the competition will be split between the two charities.

During the October holidays, Ava, Liam and other family members completed a sponsored hill climb of The Steeple, a 378-metre high hill behind Lochgilphead.

The family previously raised £400 for Lochgilphead Primary School which it put towards a fund to buy sensory equipment for autistic children.



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A model of perfection in Ardrishaig

AVID model collectors displayed hundreds of gleaming miniature masterpieces at a remarkable event last weekend.

The annual die-cast model show in Ardrishaig Public Hall saw model fans descend from as far away as Fife and Perthshire to join Argyll collectors.

Tiny trains, planes and automobiles abounded in this, the

biggest show of its kind in Argyll. Perfect replicas lined both the main and side halls in a stunning display which was open to the public on Saturday and Sunday October 28-29.

But with some specimens worth hundreds of pounds, touching was, unsurprisingly, out of bounds.

The most eye-catching were the cranes set out on the stage, with booms extended to six feet or more in an echo of the heavy equipment used on wind farm sites around the region.

No road user can fail to have noticed the large transporters used by firms such as McFadyens Transport in moving wind turbine components around the country. The specialised trailers used for moving towers and blades were there, a perfect scaled-down image of the real thing.

And for vintage bus,



Cranes of all miniaturised shapes and sizes were on display. 06_a44ModelShow03

car and tractor enthusiasts where were plenty of nostalgic models to wonder at and admire.

Funds from the colourful event will be donated to the MS Centre in Lochgilphead and Mid Argyll Hospital.



The full-sized versions of these vehicles are a familiar sight on our roads. 06_a44ModelShow02



Ardishaig man Garry Sym, a driver for McFadyens Transport, was at the show with his spotless collection of 40 model HGVs and trailers, including specialised wind turbine transporters. 06_a44ModelShow04



Bus nostalgia with this perfect replica of a 1951 West Coast Motors Leyland Royal Tiger on the Tarbert run. 06_a44ModelShow01

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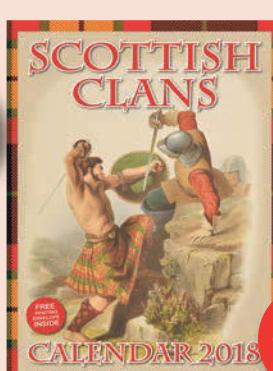
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Horrifying Hallowe'en event at Co-op raises charity cash



Rochelle McConnell, left, and Mhairi MacVicar, with eight-year-old Katie helping out. 06_a44Co-op-charity03



Scarily tasty - imaginative cakes created by Caroline Gauld. 06_a44Co-opcharity04

DEDICATED staff held a Hallowe'en bake sale and raffle in the draughty foyer of Lochgilphead's Co-op supermarket.

As well as a tempting array of deliciously horrible cakes, there was a fantastic hamper available as the top prize in the raffle.

Bravely manning the stall under the guidance of store manager Callum



One of the raffle prizes was this fantastic Hallowe'en cake, left, made by Denise Galloway. 06_a44Co-opcharity02

Bonfire bonanza to light up Lochgilphead and Tarbert

MID ARGYLL is gearing up for bonfire night, with celebrations in Tarbert on Friday November 3 and in Lochgilphead on Saturday November 4 offering family fun.

Organised by Mid Argyll Round Table, Lochgilphead's celebrations will kick-off at 6pm with a performance from Mid Argyll band None the Wiser. The outdoor performance will be the last public appearance for drummer David Bracken, as he hangs up his sticks to concentrate on managing The Old Manse in Kilmartin.

Vocalist Jo Smith said: 'This will be the third time we've been the warm-up act for the display and it's our opportunity to give something back to everyone who supports us.'

'We play for nothing so the Round Table can save its pennies for the fireworks.'

Following the band's performance, the bonfire is due to be lit at 7.15pm with 30 minutes of fireworks starting at 7.30pm.

Lanterns created at Artmap and Ignite Lochgilphead workshops will be on display and there will also be fairground rides.

The bonfire and fireworks display in Lochgilphead is entirely funded by local businesses and donations on the night.

Tarbert's bonfire celebrations will kick off at 6.30pm at the outdoor gym with a performance by newly-formed Loch Fyne Pipe Band.

The bonfire will be lit at 7pm, with a new location at The Beilding.

Refreshments are available at both the outdoor gym and at the fire station. Fundraising for next year's bonfire will take place on the night.



None the Wiser will be performing in Lochgilphead on bonfire night at 6pm. 06_a36MAMA_NoneWiser01



A lantern created at the Artmap and Ignite Lochgilphead workshops.

MS centre to host festive craft fair

IT IS the time of year for buying Christmas presents and an event in Lochgilphead later this month is sure to have that special gift.

A Christmas craft fair at the MS centre in Lochgilphead will

feature a range of local craftspeople selling beautiful wares.

The fair, on Saturday November 18, is being held at the MS centre on Campbell Street between 11am and 2pm. Everyone is welcome.

Lochgilphead remembers



The display in the window of the Mail Box in Lochgilphead. 06_a44RemembrancePoppies02

THE MAILBOX on Lochgilphead's Argyll Street has created a window display to commemorate Remembrance Day.

Geordie Rhodick, chairman of the Lochgilphead Armed Forces Day committee and his wife Betty created the window in commemoration of the sacrifice of armed forces in wars past and present.

Also in the window are poems 'Flanders Fields' by John McCrae and Paul Hunter's 'I am not a Badge of Honour'.

This year's Lochgilphead Remembrance ceremony has been jointly organised by Lochgilphead Community Council and the Armed Forces Day committee.

The parade will set off from Lochgilphead Parish Church at 10.45am on Sunday November 12 and will proceed to the town's war memorial for a short service of remembrance. Soup and sandwiches will be served after in the parish church hall.

Successful chapter for Tarbert Book Festival

By Emily Jamison

Tarbert bookworms had a chance to enjoy talks and signings from some of Scotland's most talented writers, including award-winning author Chris Brookmyre.

The weekend began

with the launch of the festival on Friday October 27, featuring a closed presentation from Theresa Breslin, who has more than 40 books published, and children's author Ken MacTaggart.

Finalists in the second

Tarbert Book Festival short story writing competition were also announced, including Simon Cowdroy who had travelled from Melbourne, Australia, for the ceremony.

Saturday's festivities kicked off with a talk from BBC Grand Tours presenter Paul Murton, who spoke about his adventures sailing to more than 80 islands in Scotland's Outer Hebrides.

A talk from geology author Alan McKirdy followed, with a presentation focused on the geology landscape of Argyll and the Islands. Alan's book 'Land of the Mountain and Flood' was nominated for the Saltire Research Book of the Year award for

his work in promoting the study of environmental geology in Scotland.

Charles Withers, a geographer for Royal Scotland, followed the theme of research with his illustrated talk on the history of mapping the Scottish islands.

Mapping

Reviewing the mapping of Scotland and its islands from as far back as the 15th century, Charles' talk included the history behind some of the smallest islands - Min-gulay and Ailsa Craig.

A highlight for many across the weekend, award-winning author Chris Brookmyre took to the stage at the Stonefield Castle Hotel to talk about the ideas



Tarbert Book Festival committee, left to right, Liz Scott, Susan Connor, Lillias MacAlister and Suse Coon. 08_a44tarbookfestival



Simon Cowdroy flew in from Australia to read his short story 'Click.'

behind the books that cemented him as one of Scotland's greatest crime writers.

With an extra hour in bed thanks to the time change, bookworms were ready for another day of book festival fun.

Sunday's event kicked off with author Charles McGarry speaking to fans about his book 'The Ghost of Helen Addison', the first book in his fiction detective series based on Leo Moral. Based locally, the novel's protagonist travels across Argyll following the ritualistic murders of

several young women. Sci-fi, horror and fantasy author Lisa Tuttle, originally from

Texas, gave her talk on her novel series 'The Curious Affairs of Jeperson and Lane'. Discussing the idea of her 1890s-based novel

sessions were sell-outs, or almost. We sold more tickets this year than ever before. 'The committee would like to thank our guests, our audience and our main sponsor Blue Energy. Again, Tarbert Arts and Leisure Centre was an ideal venue, with our festival exhibition on the ground floor, the main writer events on the middle floor and the top floor for Writers' Workshop.

'The Tarbert Book Festival is gaining a reputation as a literary event not to be missed.'

Festival organiser Susan Connor said: 'We were delighted with all our guest authors and their presentations which were all varied in style and content. 'All the Saturday ses-

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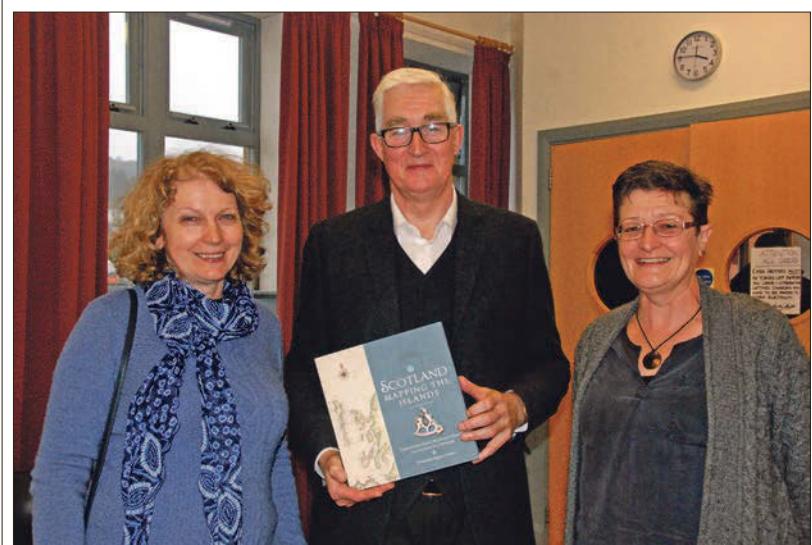
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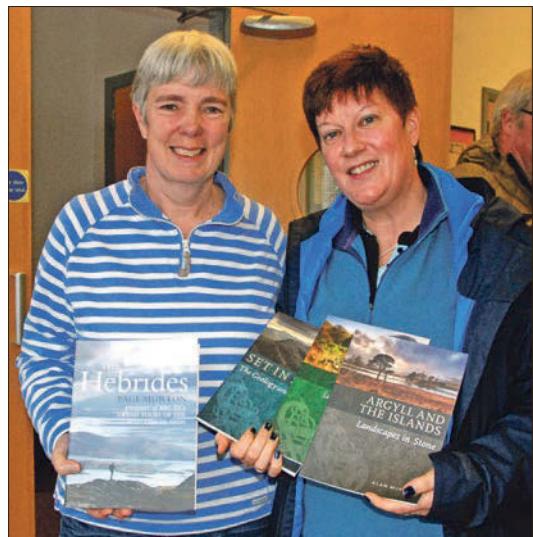
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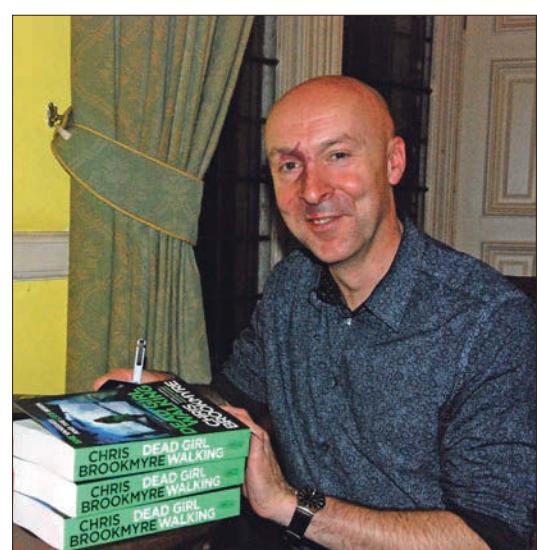
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Barbara Pauly from Falkirk and Kate Mundell from Arisaig with Charles Withers, one of the authors of 'Mapping Scotland's Islands'. 08_a44tarbookfestival02



Rhona Hastings and Jane Kindlen, who were visiting from Ayr, with their copies of Alan McKirdy's books. 08_a44tarbbookfestival07



Award-winning author Chris Brookmyre gave a talk on Saturday evening on his newest book 'Places in the Darkness' and his life as an author. 08_a44chrisbrookmyre

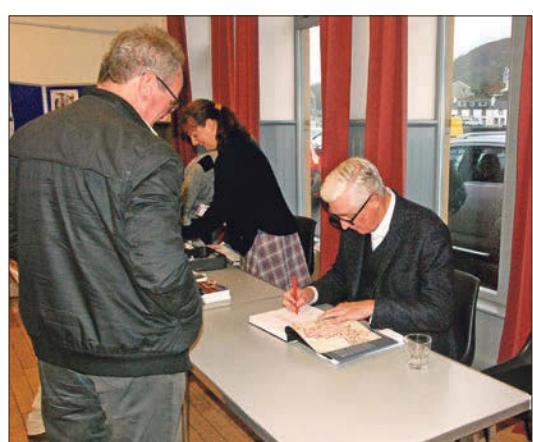


The BBC's Paul Murton, following his talk at the Tarbert Arts and Leisure Centre.

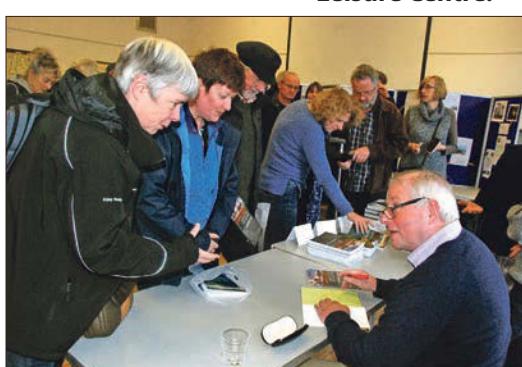
Above: From left: Moniack Mhor's Richmond Clements with short story short-listed writers: Simon Cowdroy from Melbourne, Australia, Sue Stubbs, Mary Easson, winner Sylvia Hehir, and Kate Donne. Missing is Canadian author Mike Hunter, from Nova Scotia.



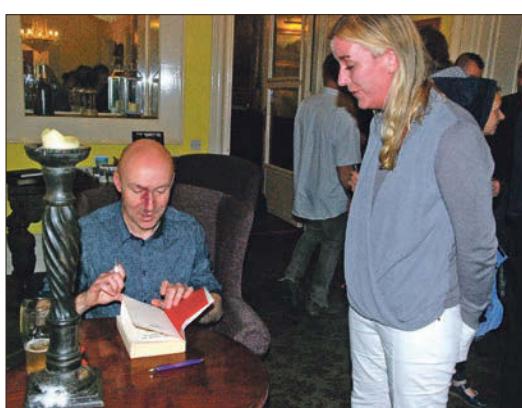
Left: Author Alan McKirdy signs a copy of his book 'Argyll and the Islands: Landscapes in Stone' which was nominated for the Saltire Research Book of the Year award. 08_a44tarbbookfestival06



Charles Withers signs a book for a fan following his talk on the history of mapping Scotland's islands. 08_a44tarbbookfestival03



Rhona Hastings and Jane Kindlen have a friendly chat with geology author Alan McKirdy. 08_a44tarbbookfestival08



Chris Brookmyre signs a book for fan Moya Ingram from Tarbert. 08_a44chrisbrookmyre02



Charles Withers describes the history of mapping the outer Hebrides of Scotland from the 15th century. 08_a44charleswithers



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Ghoulish goings-on at Mary's Meals

SOME weirdly familiar witches took over the Mary's Meals charity shop in Lochgilphead on Hallowe'en.

The ghastly characters bore a strange resemblance to shop manager Marina Campbell on the left, beside volunteers Mary Smeels in the orange hat and the cloaked figure of Lorraine Dale.

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Colin Ferguson gets to know a kestrel at Kintail.

Heads Up enjoys day out to wild bird centre

MENTAL health and addictions group Heads Up enjoyed a day out on Thursday October 19 to Kintail Birds of Prey on the banks of Loch Awe.

The group met alpacas as well as handling birds of prey including eagles, owls of all sizes and kestrels.

Heads Up is a peer-led mental health and addictions group based in Lochgilphead that offers a place for residents to socialise and take part in education opportunities.

The group works alongside NHS mental health and addiction teams to provide anyone who might be struggling with a place to go when they need support.



Organiser Sandra Johnston gets up close and personal with an owl.



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Strathlachlan trial to support cancer care

SHEPHERDS will gather on the shores of Loch Fyne this weekend to compete in a popular sheepdog trial while raising charity funds.

Strathlachlan charity sheepdog trial is raising funds for Marie Curie, which provides care and support to

people with terminal illnesses and their families. Organiser Catherine MacDiarmid said: 'This is a fun day for local handlers to run their nursery dogs and their open trial dogs, while also raising funds for charity.'

There will be a variety of

home baking along with homemade soup and stovies. There will also be a small auction and a chance to win a bottle of whisky at the hotly-contested 'toss the pound' competition. This trial will be held on Sunday November 5 between 8.30am and

5pm. Catherine added: 'It is open to the public, so come along and enjoy a great family day out.'

The trial is hosted by Strathlachlan Estate and will be held in the shadow of new Castle Lachlan, near Strachur.

Islay's annual autumn sale

CALEDONIAN Marts Ltd sold 192 head of cattle and 186 sheep at its annual autumn sale on Islay last month.

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bullocks sold £630 (+£6 on the year). Heifers: Lim, £660 Balliemartin; AA, £600 Daill; Char, £600 and £540 Ardtalla Estates; Lim, £560 Ballulive; Lim, £540 Ardtalla Estates; Lim, £520 Auchnacloch; overall average for 82 heifers sold £534 (+£27 on the year). Lambs: Tex X, £58 Balliemartin; Cross £36 Persabus; BF, £30 Ballulive. Ewes: Chev, £44 Balliemartin.

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THE A83 TRUNK ROAD (LOCHGILPHEAD) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION ON USE OF ROAD) ORDER 2017

THE SCOTTISH MINISTERS give notice that they have made the above Order under sections 2(1), and (2), 4(1) and 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, temporarily prohibiting traffic on that length of the A83 Tarbet - Lochgilphead - Campbeltown Trunk Road known as Poltalloch Street, Lochgilphead from its junction with Argyll Street, Lochgilphead to its junction with Lorne Street, Lochgilphead, a distance of 230 metres or thereby.

The Order, which is required to facilitate the Lochgilphead Bonfire and Fireworks Event 2017, and to enable members of the public to watch this event, is anticipated to be in force for a period of three hours on 4th November 2017 and will only have effect in relation to such part or parts of the length of road as is indicated by the appropriate traffic signs.

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THE A83 TRUNK ROAD (POLTALLOCH STREET AND LOCHNELL STREET, LOCHGILPHEAD) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION ON USE OF ROAD) ORDER 2017

THE SCOTTISH MINISTERS give notice that they have made the above Order under sections 2(1) and (2), 4(1) and 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, temporarily prohibiting traffic on that length of the A83 Tarbet - Lochgilphead - Campbeltown Trunk Road from its junction with Lorne Street, Lochgilphead generally eastwards in Poltalloch Street and Lochnell Street to its junction with Campbell Street, Lochgilphead, a distance of 410 metres or thereby.

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THE A83 TRUNK ROAD (KINLOCH ROAD, CAMPBELTOWN) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION ON USE OF ROAD) (NO. 2) ORDER 2017

THE SCOTTISH MINISTERS give notice that they have made the above Order under sections 2(1) and (2), 4(1) and 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, temporarily prohibiting traffic on that length of the A83 Tarbet - Lochgilphead - Campbeltown Trunk Road from the junction of Kinloch Road, Campbeltown and Burnbank Place in a south easterly direction along Kinloch Road, around Old Quay Street roundabout to its junction with Main Street, Campbeltown a distance of 380 metres or thereby.

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ALTERNATIVE ROUTES

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THE A83 TRUNK ROAD (INVERARAY) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION ON USE OF ROAD) ORDER 2017

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ALASTAIR, LESLEY AND FAMILY

would like to thank all the loyal customers of Tarbert Pharmacy for their support over the past 16 years and wish Sanjay and his team every success in the future.

THANK YOU
Colin and Edna Paterson would like to thank their friends for all the congratulations received on the occasion of their Diamond Wedding.



INVERARAY**Memorial service to be held at All Saints, Inveraray**

AN ANNUAL memorial service for all those who died in World War I will be held at All Saints, Inveraray, by the bell tower on Saturday November 11 at 12.30pm.

A half muffled quarter peal will be rung by the Scottish Association of Change prior to the service. The St Maura Singers will also be performing Wm Byrd's Mass in three parts to accompany the bells.

The Rev Canon Simon Mackenzie said: 'We invite both locals and visitors to this beautiful and poign-

ant service. 'Do this in memory of me' is the command we follow.

'Memory is important, but only if we learn from the past. Today's politicians are far too quick to turn to blame and Jingoism. That is the path to disaster. The past demands clear sight from us. To see, to understand, to weep, to pray, to forgive.'

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A CHILDREN in Need event will be held at the Argyll Inn, Lochgilphead, November 17. Go and enjoy the quiz from 8pm followed by good live music from the Rusty Mustangs from 9.30pm until late.

The annual Christmas Bazaar is

back at the Christ Church in Lochgilphead on November 3 and 4 by popular demand from both stall holders and visitors. For anyone interested in purchasing a few early Christmas gifts, stalls will be selling many different home made items.

TAYVALLICH**Yoga workshop and skate talk in Tayvallich**

A YOGA Nidra workshop will be coming to Tayvallich on November 17 at 7pm.

Yoga Nidra is an ancient yogic practice often translated as 'yogic sleep'.

The workshop will include restorative yoga poses, guided relaxation and self-massage.

The workshop costs £10 per person. For more information contact Keri on hellomindbodyscotland@gmail.com or 01546 810297.

Friends of the Sound of Jura will host an illustrated talk at Tayvallich Village Hall on the world's largest skate by Dr James Thorburn, of St Andrews University, at 7pm on November 25.

The free talk will include information on the flapper skate fish in the Loch Sunart to Sound of Jura protected area. For more information visit the Friends of the Sound of Jura Facebook page.

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Sheddell



MULL was absolutely magnificent in her autumnal colours.

The hills were a burnished gold and the colours on the trees merged russet and red with orange and yellow.

It was a feast for the eyes and a blessing for the soul.

Worship was a joy to share in such a place in such a time and in such glorious weather.

After the services we were invited for lunch and then to a friend's house.

The house sat in the most idyllic position above the ferry terminal at Craignure with panoramic views across the Sound of Mull.

Sheena knew every hill, every bay, every rock and every ferry.

We watched as the ferry sailed to Barra, then as the Clansman came from the outer Hebrides. Soon there was the Isle of Cumbray going to Lochaline and each was a picture postcard in front of our eyes.

I think there is something mystical about ferries and I just love the feeling of freedom and excitement on boarding.

Sheena could tell how the tide was, depending on how the ferry approached her berth. The ferries were almost like friends calling in on her each day and she knew their quirky ways.

Fishing boats bobbed in the wake of these bigger boats and a trail of white froth broke the blueness of the sea.

I thought of the vastness of the ocean and how we have made it a thoroughfare of island life.

I love this way of journeying and always feel a thrill when I see my ferry appearing on the horizon.

So as I boarded the Isle of Mull I felt a great sense of gratitude to all these crews who keep us safe on our sea-bound journeys.

TEXT FOR THE WEEK

The Bible says, 'Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse' (Romans 12:14).

BIRTHS



PYPER

Keith and Debbie (née Bisset) are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Alba Joan, on October 20, 2017. A wee sister for Struan, and fourth grandchild for David and Joan.



WIRE

Born in Wishaw, on October 12, 2017, Martha Grace Connie Jean. A sister for Hope and a second daughter for Jamie and Anna.

DIAMOND WEDDINGS

BOYD-MACSPORRAN - At Tarbert Parish Church, on November 2, 1957, by the late Rev Dugald McKinnon, John MacInnes Boyd, Oban, to Sheila MacSporran, Tarbert. Congratulations and lots of love from all the family.

DEATHS

CARVER - Peacefully, at the Mid Argyll Hospital, on October 20, 2017, Liam Patrick Carver, aged 87 years, of Caladh, 8 Kilmory Road, Lochgilphead, beloved husband of Elizabeth and loving father of Fraser and Shona. A good neighbour and dear friend to many. A private family graveside service will take place at Achnabreac Cemetery, today Friday, November 3, 2017. Will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

KELLY - Dee, loving wife of Tam, died peacefully, in The Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, on Sunday, October 29, 2017, mother to Dale and Amber, grandmother to Taylor and Iris, and grandson Connor. Funeral to be held at Maryhill Crematorium, on Wednesday, November 8, at 1.45pm.

MACINNES - Peacefully, at the Mid Argyll Hospital, on October 26, 2017, Margaret MacInnes (née Darroch), in her 84th year,

of 'Davala', Hillview Terrace, Ardriishaig, beloved wife of Neil MacInnes (formerly of MacVicar & MacInnes), dearly loved mother of David and Alan, much respected mother-in-law of Eva and Maggie, cherished and adored granny of David, Fraser, Joe, Calum and Coll and proud great granny of Fergus and Millie. Funeral service was held in Ardriishaig Parish Church, on Wednesday, November 1, 2017, followed by interment at Achnamara Cemetery. Forever in our thoughts.

MACKAY - Suddenly at home, on Tuesday, October 24, 2017, after an illness bravely fought Georgina Louttit (Gina), Edgehill Road, Glasgow, beloved daughter of the late Lucy and Donald Mackay, Tarbert, and a much loved cousin and friend. Funeral service at Clydebank Crematorium on Thursday, November 9, 2017 at 11.30am. All friends respectively invited. Family flowers only please, but donations if desired for Friends of the Beatson. Ashes to be interred at Tarbert at a later date.

ACKNOWLEDGE- MENTS

FINDLAY - June and John would like to thank everyone for the many kind expressions of sympathy following their recent sad loss of Ewan.

Special thanks to the doctors and staff in Acute Ward, also to Rev Philip Wallace for lovely service, and to Kenneth and Rhys Blair for their guidance, support and professional services. Thanks to the Argyll Hotel for the excellent service and to all who attended the church and graveside. The retrieval collection raised £327.15 for the Sunshine Room at Campbeltown Hospital and Macmillan Nurses, Campbeltown.

GEMMILL - Helen, Andrew, and Jennifer would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy received following the sad loss of Johnnie. Grateful thanks to Maryln, Christine and Serena for their unstinting care. Our thanks also to Roddy MacDonald and staff for caring, professional services and support, and also staff at the crematorium. Thanks to Ardardan Tearoom for catering, and finally, thank you to all who travelled to Cardross for the funeral service.

IN MEMORIAMS

MACKINNON - In loving memory of our dear Auntie Morag, who died October 30, 2002. Loved and missed so very much.

- Annamarie, Allan and John.

MACKINNON - In loving memory of Auntie Momo. Night-night, Auntie.

- Love, Jacqueline, John, Kyle, Joanna and Fraser.

MACQUARRIE - In loving memory of Christine, a dearly loved wife, mum and gran, who died on November 5, 2005. No longer in our lives to

the funeral, T A Blair for their caring and professional services, the doctors and nurses of both Campbeltown Hospital and the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Glasgow. A special thanks to Jim and Carol of the Feathers for hosting the wake.

HENDERSON - Dorothy (née Thorburn). The family wish to sincerely thank all family and friends for the cards, letters, flowers and many kind expressions of sympathy and support received in their recent sad bereavement. Special thanks to Reverend Gary J McIntyre for his pastoral support, uplifting words of comfort and moving tribute, to David McEwan for his reading of Scripture in Gaelic and wonderful musical arrangements, also to Raith Wallace for his beautiful praise in Gaelic. Thanks to Kenneth and Rhys Blair, Funeral Directors, for their kind and caring attention and to Ardshiel Hotel for their fine hospitality. Grateful thanks to all who paid their respects at Highland Parish Church and Kilkerran Cemetery, Campbeltown and also to those who donated so generously in support of Christian Aid. Springbank House, Low Askomil, Campbeltown.

MUNRO - Donald and Norman would like to thank everyone for the many kind expressions of sympathy, cards, letters and telephone calls received on their sad loss of Mary. Special thanks to all staff at Ardfenaig, for Mother's care over the last four years. Thanks to district nurses for care and attention. Thanks to Rev David Carruthers for a comforting and uplifting service. Our thanks also to Roddy MacDonald and staff for caring, professional services and support, and also staff at the crematorium. Thanks to Ardardan Tearoom for catering, and finally, thank you to all who travelled to Cardross for the funeral service.

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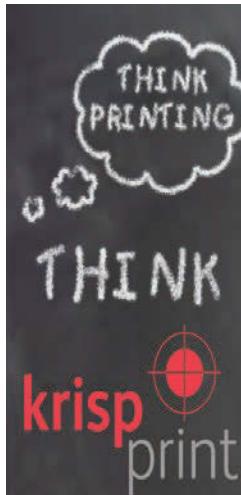
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Sunday 5th November
Service at 11 am
Speaker: Graham McLean
'Out-Raying'
Followed by a light lunch
ALL WELCOME

**SKIPNESS LINKED
WITH TARBERT
LOCHFYNESIDE AND
KILBERRY**

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Sunday 5th November
Skipness Service 10am
Josephine Blount
Tarbert Service 11.30am
Congregation Led
Guild meets
Monday 6th November
Church Hall 2.30pm
For all church enquiries and pastoral care
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Everyone very welcome
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CHURCH NOTICES

**NORTH KNAPDALE
PARISH CHURCH**

Charity Number SC001002
Sunday 5 November
Tayvallich Church 10 am
Shoebox Service
Mr James Malcolm
Saturday 4 November
Achnamara Hall 10.30am
Café Connect
Achnamara Hall 12.30pm
Alpha -
• Why & How Do I Pray?
Monday 6 November
Tayvallich Church 10.30am
Prayer Time
Thursday 9 November
Messy Church 4-6pm
All Age Event
Tayvallich Hall
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**Highland Parish
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SCO02493

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This do in Remembrance of Me
Communion service will be conducted by Rev Anne McIvor and will be held in the church at 11.15am
All welcome.

**LORNE AND
LOWLAND
PARISH CHURCH**

Scottish Charity Number SCO11686

Sunday 5 November
11.15am Sacrament of Holy Communion
Kirk Session meet 10.55am
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Rev P Wallace

Monday 6 November
Guild 7.30pm
New Hall

Tuesday 7 November

Tiny Tots New Hall 9.45am
Anchor Boys 6.00pm
Junior Section 7.15pm
Company Section 7.00pm
New Hall

Thursday 9 November
Choir

Friday 10 November
Lunch Club
12.00 noon New Hall

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Wednesday 8th November

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2.00pm Water of Life Café

Friday 10th November

7.00pm Faith Mission Meeting

Speaker: Mr Donnie MacLeod

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Sunday 5th November

11.00am Eucharist & Coffee

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1st Sunday of the month

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5th November 2017

Sunday Worship

Glassary 11.45am

Mr. J. Malcolm

All welcome

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Day a champion came to our school

Colin Cameron and Nadine Hamlin
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'YOU CAN achieve great things if you put your mind to it,' was the message from a judo champion to pupils at a Mid Argyll school.

Louise Renicks, a judo gold medal winner for Scotland in the 2014 Commonwealth Games, visited Kilmartin Primary School for a sporty fundraising event.

Louise travelled on Thursday October 26 from Glasgow to the school on behalf of Sports for Champions - and there were

smiles all round as pupils from Kilmartin and Achahoish primary schools were given a taste of some training exercises.

Louise first went through circuits of 'spotty dogs', leg drives, press-ups and star jumps. The morning continued with lifts and throws, to the delight of the youngsters.

Kilmartin Primary School's acting head teacher Namaste Bevan explained: 'This is a great opportunity for the children to meet a champion sports person, and one from out-with this area.'

'The sessions offer a

chance to learn about teamwork and co-operation while raising funds for the school. What I also think was good was that Louise is not from a ball sports background, which is a nice change and something different.'

'It has been a very successful and enjoyable day, and thanks to Louise for coming all this way to Kilmartin.'

Sports for Champions is a Chester-based organisation aimed at raising money for schools while funding UK athletes' training costs. Money is raised through the efforts of school pupils, and in return they get a visit from a top athlete along with posters, autographed photos and certificates.

From the total, the school takes 60 per cent, with the remainder going to Sports for Champions.

Kilmartin and Achahoish schools raised the fantastic sum of £1,000.

Recovering from an upper arm injury, Louise herself is currently in training and is targeting a return to competitive judo in the next few months.



The screams were of excitement as Louise demonstrated a lift – in complete safety, of course. 06_a44KilmartinPSSport04

Her Commonwealth gold medal was there for pupils to admire. 06_a44KilmartinPSSport05



Louise demonstrates a grip with a pupil.

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Pupils had a go at making some snazzy sports shoes as part of the special day.

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Pupils had a go at making their own special medals. 06_a44KilmartinPSSport06

First league defeat for Star

Millbeg 4
Lochgilphead Red Star 3

SAFL Premier Division Two

RED STAR travelled to a windswept Stepford on Saturday to take on Millbeg but tasted league defeat for the first time since March after a disappointing second half display.

The game was scrappy in the opening exchanges with the wind making it difficult for both sides to get any passing rhythm going.

It was Star who looked most likely, however, with the wind at their backs and they opened the scoring through Martin Bonar. The ball was played wide to Aaron Moore, whose cross was met by Kieran Moore. The youngster managed to head the

ball back across to Bonar, who nodded home from close range and Star were ahead after 18 minutes.

Millbeg were proving to be no pushovers, and battled back almost instantly when a well-worked move caught out the Star rearguard. Keeper Kalache could only punch the ball into the path of the Millbeg striker who found the corner with ease to level the scores at.

Star managed to get back on to the front foot before the break and should have had the game safe thanks to Innes Meikle's double. His first effort came from a neat flick on after a Kieran Moore free kick. Star then hit the hosts on the break soon after to put themselves 1-3 up after Meikle

found the bottom corner from the edge of the area.

Star knew they would face a difficult task in the second half but they could have made the game safe when Neil Russell, Kieran Moore and Innes Meikle all managed to test the keeper but they couldn't find that killer goal.

The Lochgilphead side were eventually made to pay as they dropped off the pace, allowing Millbeg back into the match.

The match was alive as a contest when a Millbeg striker finished into the bottom corner as Star struggled to clear their lines and it was 2-3 with half an hour left.

Star were starting to have some problems from set pieces as well

and it was no surprise when Millbeg equalised with 20 minutes remaining. Millbeg then grabbed what would prove to be the winner. Once again a wicked delivery from wide was met by a Millbeg head, leaving Kalache with no chance.

A disorientated Star did their best to force a draw late on with the best chance falling to Kevin Keen, however his effort sailed wide of the post and Millbeg held on.

Star will look to bounce back on Saturday November 4 but will have their work cut out as they travel to play Bannockburn in the Scottish Cup third round. Bannockburn have won the trophy three times over the years so Star know a big test is on the cards.



Lynsey and Andrew training in the gym of Portavadie's spa and leisure centre.

Elite Scots athletes come to Loch Fyne

AN ARGYLL spa resort became the temporary training base for two international athletes in October.

Scotland and Team GB athletes Lindsey Sharp and Andrew Butchart decided to come to Argyll to enjoy a peaceful break while taking advantage of quiet roads for training.

The couple visited Portavadie, where they were able to make use of the resort's training facilities while relaxing and having fun.

Scottish record holder Lynsey, aged 27, won 800m gold in the 2012 European Championships. The Dumfries-born athlete is the daughter of former Scottish sprint star Cameron Sharp, while mum Carol was herself an international-class 800m runner.

Long distance runner Andrew, from Dunblane, is the current Scottish record holder at 3,000m and 5,000 metres.

Club lotteries

DRAWN on Monday October 30, the Kilmore Camanachd Club lottery draw numbers were 4, 10 and 15. There were no winners and the jackpot for next week will be £400.

In the Inveraray Shinty Club lottery, the numbers were 1, 4 and 11. There were no winners this week so next week's jackpot will be £300.

Tarbert Football Club lottery numbers for this week were 5, 15 and 17. There were no winners so £400 will be up for grabs next week.

Football results

LAST Saturday's results: Premier Division – Oban Saints 4, Inverclyde 2; Premier Division One – Campbeltown Pupils 1, Rossvale 2; Premier Division Two – Tarbert v Port Glasgow OBU postponed; Millbeg 4, Lochgilphead Red Star 3; West of Scotland Cup, third round – East Kilbride Rolls Royce 2, Helensburgh 1.

SPOT THE BALL THIS WEEK'S JACKPOT £1150

All you have to do

We have removed the football from the photograph opposite. Now look carefully at the position of the players and use your skill and judgement to place a cross at the exact point where you think the centre of the ball was. You may have a maximum of 10 attempts on this coupon at a cost of £1. If you wish to have more attempts, you must enter on separate coupons. The game starts with a jackpot of £250 and will increase by £50 per week until it is won outright.

To win the jackpot, the centre of your cross must be in the exact centre of the ball.

Entry will be void if crosses overlap. Prizes will be shared between those submitting correct entries.

If no correct entry is received, two 'near miss' prizes of £25 will be awarded. When the jackpot is won, no other prizes will be awarded that week.

Easy to enter

Cut out your completed coupon and put your entry plus £1 per 10 attempts into a sealed envelope and post it to reach "Spot the Ball" Competition, The Campbeltown Courier, Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown, Argyll PA28 6AE by 4pm on Tuesday. No refunds will be given for entries received after the deadline. You may hand it into The Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown by the same time. Otherwise all entries must be posted.

Competition Rules

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INSIDE THIS WEEK:

Elite Scots athletes come to Loch Fyne

Rugby shines in the Lochgilphead rain

THE ROPEWORK is more used to the round ball game, but last weekend the Lochgilphead pitch was the venue for a festival of junior rugby.

Mini rugby clubs in Argyll reached the half way stage of their 2017/18 Dalriada festival of rugby season after Saturday's event, hosted by Mid Argyll RFC.

Ignoring persistent rain, a good crowd of supporters turned out to cheer on the boys and girls taking part in the fifth festival so far this season - after Oban Lorne, Etive Vikings, Isle of Mull and Kintyre had already hosted ahead of the October holidays.

Joining Mid Argyll on Saturday October 28 were teams from Oban Lorne and Kintyre as well as welcome visitors from further north, Lochaber RFC.

The scores from the festival were as follows: P4/5 category - Mid Argyll 3-1 Oban Lorne; Lochaber 5-0 Kintyre; Lochaber 5-0 Mid Argyll; Oban

Lorne 2-4 Lochaber; Mid Argyll 5-1 Kintyre; Kintyre 0-4 Oban.

P6/7 category - Kintyre 5-4 Lochaber; Oban Lorne 5-2 Mid Argyll; Mid Argyll 5-6 Kintyre; Oban Lorne 4-1 Lochaber; Kintyre 3-3 Oban Lorne; Mid Argyll 2-1 Lochaber.

Mid Argyll and Lochaber also played an en-



Arran Martin in action for Mid Argyll against Oban Lorne in the P4/5 section.

taining S1/2 fixture at 12-aside, with the hosts running out narrow 10-9 winners after resisting a strong fightback by the northern side.



Coach Duncan 'Brochan' Aitken has a word with the S1/2 Mid Argyll team at half-time in their match with Lochaber. 06_a44rugby15

Argyll and Bute rugby development officer Allan Wright said: 'Saturday was a great day to finish off the first half of our season. I was delighted with the turnout of the teams in attendance and the standard of rugby on show was excellent, despite the weather conditions.'

'So far this season I have been particularly impressed with the improvements shown by Mid Argyll RFC who have fulfilled every fixture.'

'It has also been great to see the development of the mini rugby section at Kintyre, who are now becoming a welcome part of our programme.'

'Many thanks must go all the players, coaches and parents who have made all these festivals possible so far this season.'

The Dalriada season will take a break over the winter months, before resuming at the end of February.

Lee Buckley of Mid Argyll Rugby Club said: 'A few clubs couldn't make it, but players from Mull and Etive Vikings travelled and joined in with the other teams, showing great commitment to the game.'

He continued: 'At the half way point in the season the Dalriada league tables stand with both Mid Argyll teams leading.'

'Well done to all our players and keep up the good work.'



Donald Self reaches for possession with Mid Argyll team-mate William Wilson on hand to support in a highly competitive match between S1/2 teams from Mid Argyll and Lochaber. 06_a44rugby11

Primary 4/5 league table as of 28-10-2017						Primary 6/7 league table as of 28-10-2017							
	Team	P	W	D	L	Pts		Team	P	W	D	L	Pts
1	Mid Argyll	11	6	1	4	24	1	Mid Argyll	12	7	2	2	27
2	Etive Vikings	7	6	1	0	19	2	Oban Lorne	11	5	1	5	22
3	Oban Lorne	10	4	0	7	18	3	Etive Vikings	8	3	3	3	17
4	Lochaber	3	3	0	0	9	4	Isle of Mull	6	1	1	4	17
5	Kintyre	4	0	0	4	4	5	Kintyre	4	2	1	1	9
6	Isle of Mull	3	0	0	0	3	6	Lochaber	3	0	0	3	3
7	Islay	0	0	0	0	0	7	Islay	0	0	0	0	0

Mid Argyll prizegiving - a look back

MID ARGYLL Rugby Club club held its end of season barbecue and prize giving back in July.

All the players had a



The award winners - left to right: Logan Allen, Vinnie Buckley, William Wilson, Jorja MacDonald, Kyle Danson, Jemma MacDonald and James Campbell.

fantastic season and it was extremely difficult to single anyone out, but in the end the awards went to:

P4/5 Player of

the season - Vinnie Buckley; P4/5 Most improved player (shared) - Jorja and Jemma MacDonald; P6/7 Player of the season - Kyle Danson; P6/7 Most improved player of the season - James Campbell.

The 'hardest work-

ing at training' award went to Anya Gritten, and the joint captains last year of William Wilson and Logan Allen received the Mull RFC fair play award which was presented to the club following the Dalriada tournament on Mull in May.



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