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Malt and Music Festival 2014 **PREVIEW**



Co-op ready for future challenges

Lamlash store doubles in size and Brodick also in line for major refit sometime in next three years

The Co-operative says it is ready for the challenge faced by any supermarket giant coming to Arran.

At a public meeting in Brodick regional operations manager Joe Kerr confirmed that the Lamlash store was to double in size with an extended range of products.

Brodick is also in line for a major refit sometime in the next three years.

Mr Kerr was speaking at an open meeting held by Co-operative Food in Brodick Hall last week where customers heard about the company's future plans for their three stores on Arran and had the chance to voice their views on their performance.

He said: 'If [another supermarket] comes to the island they are going to question everything. It is competition and we can't block it, but we might see that some of the things we are doing are pretty good.'

One of the most contentious

REPORT
by **HUGH BOAG**
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issues was the plan to sell newspapers and magazines in the modernised Lamlash store, where work will start shortly.

Several Lamlash residents expressed concern that the sale of newspapers by the Co-op would damage the business of Jimmy Gordon's newsagent shop.

But the new Lamlash Co-op manager Barry Miggin said the Gordon Brothers' shop did not open to sell Sunday newspapers in the winter, which the Co-op would, with Mr Kerr adding that customers would be able to buy a paper from 7am till 10pm in the Co-op, until an audience member pointed out that the papers did not arrive in Lamlash until after 8am.

Mr Kerr said he had not seen newspaper sales stir up 'this much passion' and pledged to

take the views of all customers into account before making a final decision on newspaper sales.

The regional manager said that Lamlash was a 'community store' and that when expanded it would have a better range of fresh foods and better promotions.

Complaints

There were complaints that the frontage of the main store in Brodick was being badly maintained and the car park was badly potholed.

Mr Kerr said the company had recently changed its facilities contractor and these issues would be addressed.

There were also concerns raised about the smaller Brodick Co-op and Lamlash store being more expensive than the main store.

Mr Kerr said this was because of price branding but Arran Community Council vice-chairman Bill Calderwood asked why Arran could not be considered a single lo-



Grease is the word at Arran high

With dances as flashy as lightning and songs as slick as grease, the youngsters at Arran High School stole the show this week with their summer production of Grease. For the full report and pictures from the show see page 5. 20_b25one01

cation with prices the same in all stores. One customer also asked why the main store was 'the coldest supermarket in the world'.

Mr Kerr accepted that there were heating issues which he said could be addressed at the moment in a piecemeal way but these would be ad-

dressed fully during the proposed refit.

He also said that customer comment boxes would be available in all stores.

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Shellfish not safe to eat warns council

A warning has been issued that shellfish in the waters around Arran are presently unfit for human consumption.

Visitors and locals are being urged not to eat mussels, cockles, oysters, razorfish or other bivalve molluscs harvested on the foreshore. The warning covers Machrie Bay, Lamlash Bay and Pirmill.

Notices have been posted warning that shellfish should not be eaten as a result of a natural build-up of algal toxins.

Depending on the type of

toxin present, the symptoms of eating contaminated shellfish may include: nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, headaches, numbness, breathing difficulties, memory loss, disorientation and abdominal pain.

A spokeswoman for North Ayrshire Council said: 'Currently, Lamlash Bay, Pirmill and Machrie Bay are affected by algal toxins and individuals are strongly advised not to gather shellfish for human consumption from these affected areas.'

'The Food Standards Agency has a sampling programme that regularly monitors shell-

fish harvesting waters and closes areas where biotoxins are detected at levels which exceed the legal limit.

'A temporary closure notice is served by the council's environmental health team until samples show the levels have decreased to a safe level.'

'Individuals are advised that this is a normal, natural occurrence which is caused by the rise in sea temperature and increased sunlight at this time of the year.'

Shellfish toxins are produced by naturally occurring marine phytoplankton, and detected levels are higher in summer months.



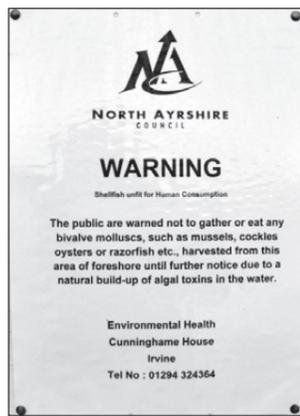
The group from The Cameroonian Association in Scotland enjoyed a perfect summer day in Brodick. 20_b25cam01

Cameroonians spice up Brodick beach

Under blue skies and bright sunshine on Saturday more than 100 members of the Cameroonian Association in Scotland (CAMASS) enjoyed a day of cultural exchange in Brodick. The group, made up of adults and children, had travelled from Glasgow to learn more about island life, marine conservation and enjoy the seaside. The Community of Ar-

ran Seabed Trust (COAST) was asked to be involved in the visit and met the group from the ferry.

Members of the group set up their drums and in traditional dress treated COAST and members of the Arran community to Cameroonian songs, dancing and traditional Cameroonian food.



A warning sign on the beach hut at Dougarie. 20_b25shell02

Gardener drunk in charge of a tractor

A Brodick gardener has been banned from driving for 18 months after being found guilty of being over the drink drive limit whilst at the wheel of a tractor on February 1.

Colin Totty, 55, of Sylvania, Claddach, admitted the offence at Kilmarnock Sheriff Court last week.

The court heard that police officers on patrol had answered a call of that an indi-

vidual was driving a tractor near to Brodick Castle whilst under the influence of alcohol.

Smell of alcohol

The officers made their way to Brodick Castle and spoke to Totty where they could detect a smell of alcohol on his breath before he failed a roadside breath test.

Totty was then taken to the local police office where a

blood test was carried out and the reading was more than double the legal limit with his blood alcohol reading coming in at 169mg per 100ml of blood when the legal limit is 80mg.

Totty was fined £400 and was banned for 18 months with a chance of a reduction of four months if he agrees to complete the Vernon Manfield re-education scheme.

Gulf War veteran found guilty of stalking Arran police officer

A Gulf War veteran has been convicted of stalking an Arran police officer as she walked down a Kilmarnock street.

Stewart Murray, 45, followed Constable Jennifer Sneddon and filmed her until she fled into a police station, where she collapsed in front of colleagues.

Mr Murray, a former paramedic and army officer, tracked PC Sneddon who was attending Kilmarnock Sheriff Court on another matter last July.

PC Sneddon said she was crying and 'terrified' of Murray, who videoed her as she walked along the street in Kilmarnock with her husband.

Mr Murray, of Knockandon, East Bannan, pleaded not

guilty this week at the same court to placing PC Sneddon in a state of fear and alarm but following a trial was convicted.

Giving evidence Murray insisted he was legally allowed to film in public places, adding: 'I've been doing this for a very long time now, for reasons we don't need to go into.'

Murray admitted previously being arrested by PC Sneddon and having a 'breakdown' in the back of her police car.

He said he approached her after being struck by a van on Arran but ended up being detained.

Murray added: 'Due to some very unfortunate remarks I was put in the back of the police car and treated like a criminal. Due to my previous military service that I don't want to go into, I felt a great sense of injustice and I had a breakdown.'

Sheriff Brian Murphy told him: 'The right to film in a public place is not unqualified.' He added that PC Sneddon clearly did not want to talk and her 'mounting distress' was obvious. 'Such behaviour would in my view cause a reasonable person to suffer from fear and alarm and consequently I find you guilty,' Sheriff Murphy said.

Sentence was deferred until next month for background reports.

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Everyday hero recognised with Queen's honour

A familiar face on the island has been formally recognised in HM The Queen's Birthday Honours List.

Nan McMurdo, who has a holiday home in Kildonan, has been awarded the prestigious title of 'Member of the Order of the British Empire'.

The recently-retired school-teacher from Cumnock is the former head of a special educational needs unit and long-serving community volunteer, and she received her award in recognition for services to vulnerable and disadvantaged people.

Nan's MBE award is a fitting recognition for the remarkable life she has led, a life of great selflessness in the face of terrible adversity.

Multiple Sclerosis

Diagnosed with the debilitating disease Multiple Sclerosis at only 25 years of age while expecting her first child, Nan's life suddenly fell apart.

Soon afterwards, Nan found herself confined to the wheelchair that has now been her constant companion for the past 35 years but she didn't allow that to stop her going back to work and learning to drive again.

Throughout the bad times and for the rest of her life onwards, there was always one very special 'healing place'

for Nan.

'The island of Arran,' Nan beamed. 'I've been coming to Arran ever since I was two years old, and it's my favourite place on earth.'

'I honestly don't know how I would have coped with things during the dark days, without the healing powers of this wonderful island.'

'Arran is very special to me,



Nan McMurdo has received an MBE.

and my husband and I now plan to move here permanently, as soon as possible.'

After a very distinguished teaching career over 30 years, Nan is now retired and thoroughly enjoying spending quality time with her three young grandchildren, as much of it as possible in Kildonan.

However, despite a few recent health scares, she is still heavily involved in her beloved voluntary work, both on the mainland and on the island whenever time permits.

So how does Nan McMurdo, MBE, feel about it all?

'A bit stunned, really,' she said.

'But very privileged to have been given the opportunity to help so many wonderful people over the years, and very touched by the kindness of all those who have supported me along the way.'

Arran baton bearers chosen

Two Arran people have been chosen to run as Commonwealth Games baton bearers next month.

Rona Fulton of the Arran Riding For Disabled Association and Rory Hunter a talented young yachtsman are just two of 125 commonwealth baton bearers for North Ayrshire.

On July 15 Rona and Rory, who are both from Lamlash, will join 20 others running through Ardrossan as the baton makes its way along the home stretch to the games in Glasgow.

The North Ayrshire leg of the Queen's Baton Tour takes place eight days before the start of the Commonwealth Games.

The baton has travelled 120,000 miles around 70 nations on its global tour.

Creelers promote Arran at Munich market

Tim and Fran James from Creelers of Arran have just returned to the island after showcasing the very best of Scotland's food and drink in Munich for 10 days.

Creelers formed part of the Edinburgh Gin Bar at the Viktualienmarkt in the heart of the city's old town serving oysters, smoked salmon and other seafood delicacies.

Invited

The couple who previously ran Creelers restaurant in Edinburgh were invited to attend as part of the wider celebrations for the 60th anniversary of the twinning of the two cities, Edinburgh and Munich.

Viktualienmarkt is a world famous permanent gourmet market and it provided Scottish food and drink companies with the perfect opportunity to expose their products to the millions of people from all over the world who visit Munich every year.

While there Tim and Fran met a number of people from Munich who have friends or family now living on Arran.

Tim told The Banner it had been a fantastic opportunity for the company.

He said: 'We really pushed Arran and Scotland as a

whole and our food went down a treat.

'Over the 10 days I shucked around 2,000 oysters and we are delighted to report that our produce is also being served at the British consulate in Munich this week as they loved it so much.'



Tim and Fran James outside The Edinburgh Gin Bar who they partnered with at the Viktualienmarkt in Munich.

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Get crafty at the heritage museum

The Arran Heritage Museum in Brodick is holding the first of its famous special event days of the season this Sunday.

At the annual craft day visitors can see all kinds of traditional skills and crafts in action.

Experts will demonstrate sheep shearing, wool dyeing, spinning and weaving, quilting, baking, butter making, greenwood furniture making, rag rug making, painting, and many other skills throughout the afternoon, from 1.30pm onwards.

The Isle of Arran Pipe Band will be performing; and other traditional music-making will also be evident throughout

the afternoon. Additionally a group of Gaelic singers will sing the songs used in days gone by to 'waulk' newly made cloth to make it thicker after washing, soaking, beating, and shrinking by rhythmically moving the cloth in time to the music.

Additional

Finally the museum store room will be open to allow visitors to see the many additional items held by the museum which, because of space restriction, cannot always be on display.

Museum volunteers will be on hand to discuss and explain the uses of some of the more obscure weird and wonderful objects on the shelves.

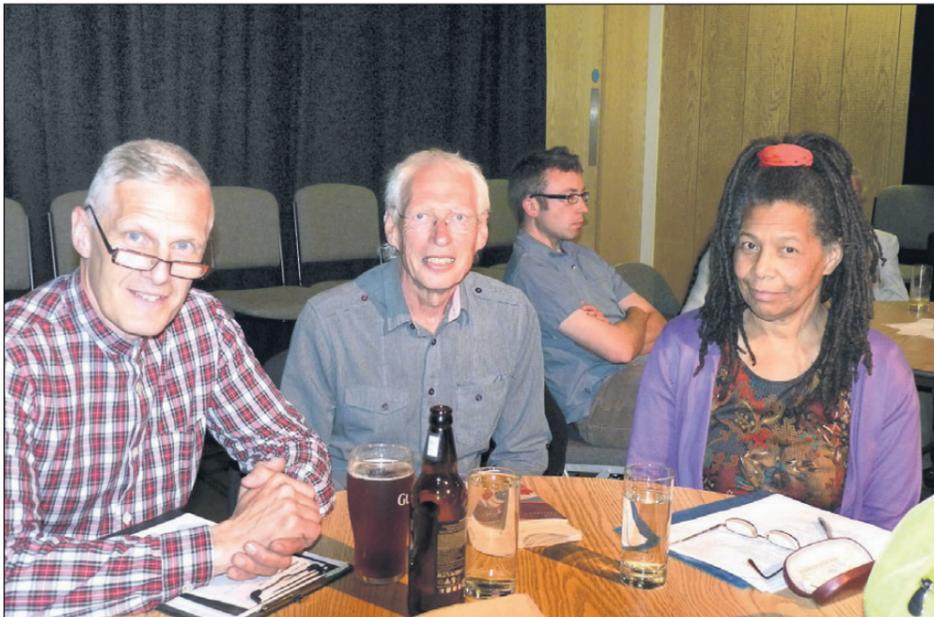
Gardens open for charity

Dougarie Gardens will be open to visitors from 2-5pm on Sunday 29 June. The gardens are in a terraced folly which was built to celebrate the wedding of the 6th Duke of Montrose to the only child of the Duke of Hamilton in 1906.

The garden is full of interesting and semi-hardy plants and there is also a small woodland area.

There will be plant and home baking stalls and cream teas will be served in the 19th century boathouse.

The opening of the garden will be in aid of Scotland's Garden which includes donations to the Maggie Cancer Carting Centres, The Queens Nursing Institute Scotland, the Gardens Fund for the National Trust of Scotland and locally to the Pirmill Village Association.



Arran poets Tim Pomeroy, David Underdown and Cicely Gill.

Arran poets read in Storey

Two weeks ago Arran poets David Underdown, Cicely Gill and Tim Pomeroy travelled to Lancaster to be guests of the Lancashire group April Poets.

Hosted by Jane Routh, herself a very respected Lancastrian poet, the Storey Auditorium in the centre of Lancaster, was engaged initially by an open mic session followed by short readings from the three hosting poets, Mike Barlow, Carole Coates and Ron Scowcroft.

Following a short break, the audience of between 30 and 40 listened to Tim Pomeroy playing and singing a set of three songs.

Then David Underdown read new poems and works from his collection 'Timelines'.

Cicely Gill included several hard-hitting themes in her selection and finally Tim read from his publication 'Their Proper Names'.

Jane Routh gave a vote of thanks and Tim was invited to sing one last song to round off the evening.

Generous

The hosts were generous in their welcome and hospitality and much discussion was had on the journey north.

For what has been described as 'the return match', the April Poets will be coming to Arran in September as part of the McLellan Festival and will be headlining in an evening of poetry and music hosted by Arran's poets.

Estate agent to close island office

Estate agent Bell Ingram is to shut its Arran office after just 10 months.

The company say it is not cost effective to keep the office at The Douglas Centre in Brodick open.

Now all its house sales on the island will be conducted from the firm's office in Ayr.

Perth-based Bell Ingram acquired the firm Homes on Arran from businesswoman Judy Draycott in September last year.

Judy, who has lived on Arran for more than 17 years, built the business from scratch more than four years ago.

When it took over the firm, which has offices across Scotland, Bell Ingram said the acquisition would allow it to drive forward the growing property market on the island while providing extra services a local agency might not be able to help with.

But the office was only ever manned part-time and more recently the firm has only used the display board outside.

Lauren Howie, who now handles the house sales on Arran, confirmed the office would close at the end of July. 'We have found it is not cost effective to staff it,' she said, but Arran properties will still be sold from the Ayr office.

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Grease's stars Danny and Sandy played by Ceile Swinton-Boyle and Robert Ingham. 20_b25grs01



The production of this much-loved musical went down a treat with audiences. 20_b25grs02



The Pink Ladies played by, from left to right, Eilidh Blair, Ceitidh Anderson, Olivia Barker and Gabrielle Allison. 20_b25grs03



The show-stealing T Birds - from left to right - Luke Cannon, Wallace Currie, Robert Ingham, Connor Reid and Ryan Wilson. 20_b25grs05

School pupils dazzle with entertaining production of Grease

'Grease' was the word on everyone's lips this week after the pupils at Arran High School dazzled the audiences over four nights with their production of the much-loved musical.

The rock 'n' roll celebration of growing up and falling in love set in the fabulous 1950s was brought to life on the stage of the community theatre in Lamlash.

Robert Ingham and Ceile Swinton-Boyle were fantastic as daring Danny and sweet Sandy with lovely singing voices that complemented each other perfectly.

And the youngsters - along with the rest of the crew - put on quite a show, with dances as flashy as lightning and songs as slick as grease.

Saucy

Eilidh Blair amazed the audience with her saucy portrayal of the raunchy Rizzo and her singing was one of the highlights of the show.

Her fellow Pink Ladies were just as audacious, Ceitidh Anderson's Frenchy was as loveable as the original on the big-screen; Olivia Barkers singing voice as the lovelorn Marty was truly remarkable, and Gabrielle

Allison's 'Jan' was right on the mark with a perfect American accent maintained throughout.

The T-Birds played by Ryan Wilson, Wallace Currie, Connor Reid and Luke Cannon stole the show with their incredible singing and dancing - on this occasion the boys definitely outshone the girls.

Exasperating

Others that definitely caught the audience's attention were Fiona Rennie playing the exasperating Patty, Josh Mc-

Donald as suave radio DJ Vince Fontaine and the incredible sound from Johnny Casino played by the very talented Oisean Gold.

Heather Johnston's production had everything you'd expect from Grease.

The set was unlike any ever seen on an Arran stage and it definitely added to the overall enjoyment of the show.

The final performance was due to take place on Friday, June 20, at the Community Theatre in Lamlash at 7pm.



The audacious Pink Ladies. 20_b25grs04

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Whiting Bay fun day cancelled

There will be no Saturday Fun Day in Sandbraes park this summer but Whiting Bay Fun Week will be going ahead as normal.

Whiting Bay and Districts Improvements have confirmed that their fun week will run from Sunday 20 July.

However, just one week after it was revealed that Shiskine Sports will not be going ahead this year, Ian Cook from the committee said that the fun day has been cancelled to allow a different format to be prepared for next year.

Got a story for the Arran Banner Newsdesk 01770 302142

Footprints stamp their mark in helping others

An Arran charity shop has been so successful it has already had to expand.

Footprints has now been open for eight months and the Trustees are delighted with the response from the general public as well as some of the local churches.

Footprints was started to help people on Arran, who, through no fault of their own, have fallen on hard times. The name has been taken from the well known poem 'Footprints in the Sand'. The last line reads: 'When you saw only one set of footprints, it was then I carried you'.

The organisation, which has already applied for charity status, has extended its premises at The Douglas Centre in Brodick to give them a shopfront as donations have been pouring in.

Footprints is run by trustees Judy Draycott and Michael Fisher and a small team of

volunteers which they are hoping to expand.

Judy said: 'Footprints is there for that time in anyone's life when they just need a little help to carry them through the tough time they find themselves in. For example: a single person setting up home for the first time, we can help with household items.

'During the extreme weather in March last year we were able to help with heating and food for those in greatest need. We do not give money directly but need money to help those who need help, hence the charity shop. We keep our gifting of such, private, so no one needs to be embarrassed. Most of our gifting is done via the recommendation of a third person.

'We sell items of quality clothing, new and second hand goods at great prices as well as items of furniture, household goods and bric-a-brac. We also have a list of items needed by folk who are on low income and can't afford new, such as clean beds and the occasional cooker,' she added.

'Footprints will collect all items if it is not possible for the donor to bring them in and we have a great team who gladly give their time to do this anywhere on the island. We appreciate donated items being laundered, cleaned and from a smoke free home, ready to go straight into the



Trustee Michael Fisher outside the Footprints shop in Brodick.

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shop or to a person/family in need.

'So, if you have any unwanted items we can pass on to someone or sell in the shop, we would gladly accept them. Footprints can now accept electrical items, which are tested prior to leaving the shop,' she added.

Anyone wishing to contact Footprints or interested in volunteering can contact 465022 or 700424.



Michael with some of the items for sale in the Footprints shop. 20_b25 foot02

Still unsure about Independence?

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High school youngsters sent out to work

Experiencing the world of work is an important right of passage for teenagers, and pupils from Arran High School were recently sent out to 'labour' with a number of local businesses.

The Ayrshire Chamber of Commerce works with the school and local employers to offer a wide range of opportunities to the pupils on and off the island and they also have the opportunity to arrange their own placement.

Some examples this year included classroom assistants in all of the island's primary schools, hospitality work in a

wide range of establishments, forestry work, assistants at the Outdoor Centre and the PGL Field Centre, working with the Rangers at the Brodick Castle, sports assistant, garage work, and care and customer service placements.

Specific

Jane Macbeth, work experience co-ordinator at Arran High School, said: 'Some universities require very specific work experience as part of their entry requirements.'

'Veterinary medicine would be a classic example of this, where pupils are expected to gain experience within a

whole range of animal environments including a slaughter house!'

She added: 'On behalf of the school and the pupils who took part this time, I would like to thank all the employers on the island who offered an opportunity for our pupils, whether it was taken up or not.'

'We fully appreciate the time and effort which is put into arranging suitable work for our pupils.'

'Without the support of local businesses this programme would be particularly difficult to manage.'



Lauryn Fleming at Kilmory Primary School.



Kirsty Stewart at Redhouse Pharmacy.



Liam Nelson went to work at CalMac at Brodick Pier.



Callan Taylor got to grips with the greens at Shiskine Golf Club.



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THE ARRAN BANNER

No more fun in the sun

Last week it was reported that Shiskine Valley Sports Day will not be going ahead this year.

The much-loved annual event was always one of the highlights of the summer calendar but in recent years it has diminished in size and it no longer attracts the hordes of people who once came specifically to Blackwaterfoot for the event.

And this week it has been announced that although Whiting Bay Fun Week, with its putting competitions and tractor pulls will be taking place as normal, there will be no fun day this year.

The reason given is that organisers feel that, like Shiskine Sports, it has come to the natural end of its life and a different format is desperately needed to keep the public interested.

In days gone by when visitors would spend two weeks holidaying in one village without a car, these summer fetes and galas were an important part of the holiday.

But today visitors tend to come for a week, with a car, and they can tour about the island visiting all the different fun days if they like.

But what soon becomes clear is that apart from the location there is not much to differentiate between Lochranza Gala and Corrie Capers, for example.

But it would be a sad loss to the island if it were to lose these events completely.

The organisers of the Lamlash Heather Queen did things correctly.

After Lamlash Gala lots its sparkle a number of years ago they decided to stop it for a few years.

After regrouping it was re-launched as the Heather Queen crowning - with all the pomp and circumstance that should accompany any coronation - and it has once again become one of the highlights of the summer.

It's difficult to keep these events fresh. Organising fun days every year takes its toll, especially as fewer people want to take on the burden of responsibility in these health and safety conscious times.

Some of the island's favourite events such as the Kilmory Bogey Race, Corrie Capers Bed Race and Lochranza Boat Race slowly died in the shadow of an increasingly litigious society.

But thankfully what has survived is the sense of a community coming together for one day of the summer and that is something that we cannot allow to disappear.

Let's hope that both Shiskine Sports and Whiting Bay Fun Day bounce back next year, bigger and better than ever.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.' (Psalm 46:1)

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Letters to the Editor

Happy visitor

Sir,
I am a 10-year-old boy from Morecambe who came to visit the Isle of Arran for four days with my grandparents.

I camped at Lochranza and here is a list of all the things I saw in four days, it was amazing!

- saw seals sitting on rocks.
- eagles flying above hills.
- caught two fish near Pirmill, called them Ant and Dec, put them back to swim away.
- saw oyster catchers and other sea birds, sea anemones and crabs, birds nesting with a baby chick visibly feeding near the campsite.
- we went pony trekking which was amazing, my pony was called Nemo!
- I'm sure I saw a shark!
- spotted deer, lots of them, every day a few were around the campsite and on the road.
- there was a Viking long boat at Whiting Bay, a submarine at Kildonan and a destroyer at Kildonan.

I also saw a swan sitting on her eggs at Lochranza Bay but the most exciting thing I saw was a snake. It was a black adder, very big in the ferns near Cock of Arran.

I saw all of these things in four days. I can't wait to come again next year.

Yours,
Luke Barmby
Morecambe
Lancashire

Corrie school thanks

Sir,
Corrie Primary School would like to thank the staff, pupils, parents and everyone who contributed, came along and supported their coffee afternoon.

Many thanks also to the local businesses for their continuing support in donating raffle prizes; it is very much appreciated. We raised £479. Many thanks again.
Yours,

Susan Kelly
Head teacher
Corrie Primary School

Not better together

Sir,
I have read with interest the

recent letters regarding the Scottish independence referendum.

The 'yes' signs seem to be a particular source of irritation to some 'no' people.

While I admire the energy and enthusiasm of Yes Scotland Arran's grassroots campaign I would respectfully suggest that they replace said signs with Scottish Saltires.

The Saltire is a flag loved equally by both sides (according to Unionist politicians) of the campaign and will help concentrate the minds of all voters on what this vote is all about - Scotland - and what is the best future for the people of Scotland.

Perhaps Better Together Arran could pay half and make this a joint venture. Mary Wilkinson's letter last week makes some curious points; surely she realises that if the previous Lab-Lib coalition Scottish government and

their Westminster masters had offered Scots a referendum they could then have worded the question exactly as Ms Wilkinson prefers.

It was David Cameron who 'approved' the wording at the Edinburgh Agreement.

Unionists could have insisted on a DevoMax option - but no - too afraid that this would provide the SNP with a light version of independence.

Typical of the collective Unionist political mindset; disregard the option that the vast majority of Scots actually prefer.

Regrettably, Ms Wilkinson makes the all too common Unionist cybernast smear.

She should read the on-line comments section of any of the mainstream media and tally the Better Together nasty comments.

With regard to her strange 'Better Together' reference about a Calmac vessel being serviced in Liverpool,

England, does she not know that this wonderful River Clyde that we live on was once home to the greatest concentration of ship building in the world?

Now CalMac has to send a ferry to Liverpool for repair and she sites this is a sign of being Better Together? Seriously? Sadly, our beautiful Clyde houses the largest concentration of nuclear warheads in Europe.

Vanguard submarines built in Barrow-in-Furness with Trident missiles produced in/ controlled by the USA all housed just 30 miles from Scotland's largest city centre. Can anyone even begin to imagine London, Paris or New York allowing this hellish arsenal to be housed so close to their city centres? Better Together? I think not.

Yours,
Alex Holmes
Brodick



The Arran Banner on holiday

Since 'The Banner on Holiday' feature started six years ago, we have been absolutely overwhelmed by the number of fantastic photographs of our readers that have come through the doors.

This week we have a fantastic picture of Banner readers Mary and Arno Loessner of Kings Cross, in Lewes, Delaware, USA before boarding the ferry crossing of the Dela-

ware Bay to Cape May, New Jersey.

Don't forget to pack your copy of the Banner if you are going on holiday.

It could be from Castle Douglas or Cape Breton, it really doesn't matter; we would love to see your photographs.

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Biomass benefits explored by graphic design students

Third year graphic design pupils at Arran High School have been exploring the benefits of small-scale biomass projects as part of their recent studies.

As part of the project they made site visits to both Forestry Commission Scotland and Arran Woodfuels to look at renewable energy.

They first visited Andy Walker of the Forestry Commission in the Cnoc Na Dial forest and then Duncan Mulholland showed them the Arran Wood Fuels woodchip processing site in operation before they headed to the Auchrannie's hugely successful woodchip boiler installation.

The pupils were then challenged to design an image that communicates the bene-

fits of small-scale biomass as a money saving alternative in the inevitable transition from finite fossil fuel dependence

to diverse renewable energies.

After only three short 50 minute periods to complete

the design, Andy and Duncan chose Emily Divine, Anna O'Donnelly and Tilly Ford's proposal as the winner.



The winning design was by, from left to right, Tilly Ford, Anna O'Donnelly and Emily Divine.



The third-year pupils met with Andy Walker of Forestry Commission Scotland in the Cnoc Na Dial forest.



Duncan Mulholland of Arran Woodfuels with the pupils at his woodchip processing site.

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'I knew I wanted a wood burning stove to keep the room cosy come the winter months but I really had no idea where to start.

'I talked over the options with Mark who was helpful in suggesting different options and Ready 2 Burn installed the fire and hearth and we are so pleased with the results, which look a lot more at home in the room. Bring on the winter!'

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Malt and Music Festival

THE TEAM at Isle of Arran Distillers is gearing up to host the island's fifth Malt and Music Festival next weekend.

Taking place on June 27, 28 and 29, Scotland in Miniature will come alive to the sound of bands from Arran and the mainland, all enjoyed with a dram of the distillery's finest single malt. The schedule of events

is broad and ranges from an exclusive White Stag Dinner on Friday 27 to the Texas Scramble – a tournament at the Lochranza Golf Course – on Sunday 29, though the main event takes places on Saturday 28 June.

Doors at the distillery site open at 11am and the £5 entry fee includes a spey dram glass, a drink token and the opportunity for a guided tour of the

distillery.

Throughout the day, the team will be hosting a range of expert masterclasses including sessions ideal for whisky novices such as the 'Whisky is Fun Masterclass'. More avid whisky fans can en-

joy workshops such as 'A Foray into Finishes' which looks at the influences different wood types have on the spirit.

For the evening festivities, the team will be hosting an evening to remember in The Grand Marquee in the distillery grounds including ceilidh dancing and music.

Euan Mitchell, managing director of the distillery, said: 'We really look forward to our Malt and Music Festival each summer as the event is a celebration of everything we love

about Arran and whisky.

'As well as being a great party, the festival gives people the opportunity to really get to know the team behind Arran Distillers, which is something that not many distilleries offer.

'For nearly two decades we've been producing unique malt whiskies for discerning drinkers around the world. We are delighted to again welcome people to enjoy the stunning location that is our home, some great music and the Arran Malt.'

The fun continues on the

Sunday with the Survivors' Lunch and Masterclass where Euan will host a traditional meal of haggis, neeps and tatties, accompanied by a selection of drams chosen by the man himself.

The unique and collectable Arran Malt and Music Festival Bottling 2014, which has become a key souvenir of the weekend for many, will be on sale on the Saturday only from the Visitor Centre priced at around £130.

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Action plan to help businesses benefit from investment boost



Alastair Dobson with one of his own ice creams.

An action plan for economic development is being drawn up to ensure Arran makes the most of the business opportunities which lie ahead.

The plan will focus on three major developments on the island – the introduction of faster broadband speeds, reduced ferry charges for cars and pedestrians from October and the construction of the new two-berth pier at Brodick.

It will ensure the priorities of private sector businesses and public sector partners are properly aligned to maximise opportunities.

Preliminary discussions about the vision for Arran took place at a business briefing at Auchrannie earlier this month.

The breakfast session was one of five being staged around North Ayrshire to review progress of a new public and private economic development partnership.

More than 100 companies have taken part in the early morning briefings to look

back on the performance of Team North Ayrshire since it launch six months ago.

Those attending the Arran meeting said they were delighted to have a role in shaping the future business success of the island.

Team North Ayrshire member and Arran businessman Alastair Dobson has agreed to invite local businesses to another meeting to discuss the development of an action plan which will bring local companies and public bodies together to help them maximise trading opportunities.

Alastair said: 'This is a great time for Arran. There's a lot happening and we all want to be part of it. We have to think together and work together to capitalise on the many positives that are coming our way.'

'What makes this more simple and straightforward is the Team North Ayrshire way of working. The single point of contact will help businesses to access the right people at the right time, offering prac-

tical advice and spelling out exactly how financial assistance plans work.'

The Arran outcome is another example of the renewed focus on job creation and business growth resulting from the Team North Ayrshire approach.

North Ayrshire councillor Marie Burns, cabinet member for economy and employment, said: 'A lot of good news has come our way since we launched the new business support service in North Ayrshire.'

'It's been a positive six months for business and I am confident that this will continue as Team North Ayrshire continues to work with companies demonstrating growth potential.'

'More and more of them now share the vision that North Ayrshire is the place to do business, particularly on Arran where a number of good news stories are due in the near future.'

Business support information is available on www.northayrshireforbusiness.com.



Getting down to work at the Arran business briefing at the Auchrannie.

THE ARRAN BANNER SUMMER FOOD & DRINK GUIDE

DINING OUT GUIDE

GREAT FOOD, GREAT LOCATIONS

This is your guide to where to eat on the Isle of Arran this summer. Over the next 10 weeks you will find an array of dining establishments from fine dining restaurants to cafes and village pubs to whet your appetite!

The Isle of Arran is renowned for its food and over the next 10 weeks we will be showcasing some of the best places on the island to eat out this summer.

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Good food and a lovely atmosphere blended to make it an outstanding time and lots of people expressed their warm appreciation.

On this occasion there was an opportunity to donate – and all were encouraged to do so – to 'Water Aid', an organisation which opens up wells to provide clean water in many areas of the world where this is still not available.

The excellent sum of £357

was raised and this will be sent to the charity, together with tax recovered under the Gift Aid scheme.

Arranged by Arran Baptist Church, The Lunchbox meets in the Ormidale Sports Pavilion every other Thursday, always with an enjoyable lunch and there has been an excellent variety of interesting speakers.

The next session starts on Thursday 11 September at 12.30 pm.

It is usually over a little before 2.30pm allowing lots of time for eating and chatting, as well as an interesting talk. Everyone welcome.



Winner Dylan Smith with his trophy (far right) and the other pupils who took part Louie Urquhart-Dixon, James Currie, Ian McAdam, James Reid and Alexander Macbeth.

Dylan takes the title at golf event

Six senior pupils from Lamlash primary school took part in their annual golf tournament on Monday 9 June.

They were accompanied

by members of Lamlash Golf Club and played nine holes.

Improved

The winner was Dylan

Smith. Alexander MacBeth was the most improved player and James Reid also received a prize for scoring a two.

The boys all had a fantastic morning and were grateful to Lamlash Golf Club for once again welcoming them onto the course.



The size of the defibrillator is not much bigger than a soft drink can.

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The Arran Mountain Rescue Team has received a huge boost to its ability to react to medical emergencies, with two new defibrillators.

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An evening of Arran voices

Storyteller Jacqueline Harris created an evening of stories, both live and recorded

Arran's rich cultural history was explored at an evening of storytelling last Sunday.

'Arran Voices' - a live performance - was held at the Altachorvie Island Retreat in Lamlash.

Storyteller Jacqueline Harris has spent the last six months talking to people about what Arran means to them, and sharing old and new tales; some fantastic, some true.

With help from a number of people, Jacqueline created an evening of stories, both live and recorded.

David Napier delighted the audience with offbeat tales about Ailsa Craig, while Sheila Gilmore shared stories of mermaids and a family donkey.

Talented young storytellers Rory Morrison and Shannon Galbraith did a wonderful job of bringing new life and energy to two old Arran folktales.

Audio recordings of islanders included Pat William's account of how the Arran landscape played a large part in her recovery after an accident, Colin Bannatyne's story of being frozen into the snow as a schoolboy and tales of phantom cars and grey ladies.

Joni Keen opened the evening with a soulful version of 'Shiver Me Timbers' and ended it with a beautiful rendition of 'Fragile'.

At the interval John Boyd served imaginative and delicious taster dishes.



David Napier has the crowd enthralled with his offbeat tales of Ailsa Craig.

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The Nuthatch

Bird notes
by Jim Cassels

JUNE

Look out for this colourful, active, striking bird in a garden or wood near you.

The nuthatch is a plump bird about the size of a great tit and resembles a small woodpecker.

It is blue-grey above and whitish below, with chestnut on its sides and under its tail. If you see a pair of birds together you might be able to make out the extra reddish brown markings down the flanks of the male bird, just under the wing.

Both sexes have a black stripe on their head, a long black pointed bill, and short legs. Nuthatches are busy and agile birds, typically seen working their way down a tree trunk searching for food.

They also visit garden feeders. Their boyish 'chit, chit, chit' call carries a long distance.

On Sunday 18 May, one visited a garden in High Corrie on three occasions, apparently carrying food away but to date there are no breeding records for this species on Arran.

The last Arran record was in July 2012 in Cladach and before that the previous record was in 2002.

Well established south of the border, this species has been spreading north.

It first bred in the borders of Scotland in 1989, rapidly moving into a large area of southern Scotland in the

1990s. The nearest well-established breeding area is in South Ayrshire including Ayr itself.

Like the Great Spotted Woodpecker, another woodland species, it may be time for the delightful Nuthatch to colonise Arran.

As well as looking out for this attractive bird, look out for the local atlas which complements the national atlas, the Arran Bird Atlas 2007-2012, published by the Arran Natural History Society and the Scottish Ornithologists' Club.

It should be available from

outlets throughout the island soon and is a must for anyone with an interest in the birds of Arran.

Enjoy your birding. Please send any bird notes with 'what, when, where' to me at Kilpatrick Kennels, Kilpatrick, Blackwaterfoot, KA27 8EY, or e mail me at james.cassels@virgin.net

I look forward to hearing from you. For more information on birding on Arran purchase the 'Arran Bird Report 2013' and visit this website www.arranbirding.co.uk



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TWENTY YEARS AGO

Saturday 18 June, 1994

High hopes

Arran could soon have an eighth golf course if plans to build a championship size course at Balmichael, Shiskine get the go ahead.

Proposals have been put forward to create a 7,000-yard golf club what would form part of a country house hotel and chalet development at the former farm.

Balmichael has previously been discussed as the site of an airstrip and this too is part of the plans.

Schoolhouse conundrum

Strathclyde Estates Department is to prepare a new report on all houses on the island owned by the education authority following concerns about the use of these properties.

Originally tied to the primary schools, the school houses were previously occupied by the headteachers.

Now most headteachers own their own home so the houses are either sitting empty or are leased to other teachers.

In the money!

On Monday morning Graham Watt of Whitby, Ontario found £100 near the cash dispenser outside the Bank of Scotland in Brodick.

Graham, who is visiting his grandparents with his father Bobby, handed the money into the bank and thought that would be the end of the matter.

He was delighted then to be contacted by the bank who said the money had been claimed and he was to receive a £10 reward.



A group of Arran farmers have joined the 'Farm Assured Scotch Livestock' group which in the wake of mad cow disease and Chernobyl is designed to give high quality reassurance to customers. b25twe01

Naked bowler

Some female bowlers were enjoying two ends at Lamlash last Saturday evening when to their amazement, a naked man jumped over the fence and streaked amongst the bowls.

A shout of 'it's a stag party' from over the hedge was the only clue as to his identity.

Lucky escape

When Robin Cook arrived at Shiskine Golf Club tearoom on Tuesday evening, he was pleased and surprised to see someone inside



Damien Frame puts on the style for the long jump at Arran High School's annual sports day. b25twe03

as he thought everyone had gone home for the day.

While unloading his truck, however, club starter David Tod approached him and asked if he needed a key to get in.

For rather than a member of staff inside the tearoom, an American lady had accidentally been locked in when everyone had gone home.

Fresh salmon

Around 60,000 local young salmon were introduced to Arran's rivers last week.

The Dougarie Hatchery was up and running last year and for the first time since then the Arran Fishery Board was able to restock from local salmon eggs.

Damaged police car

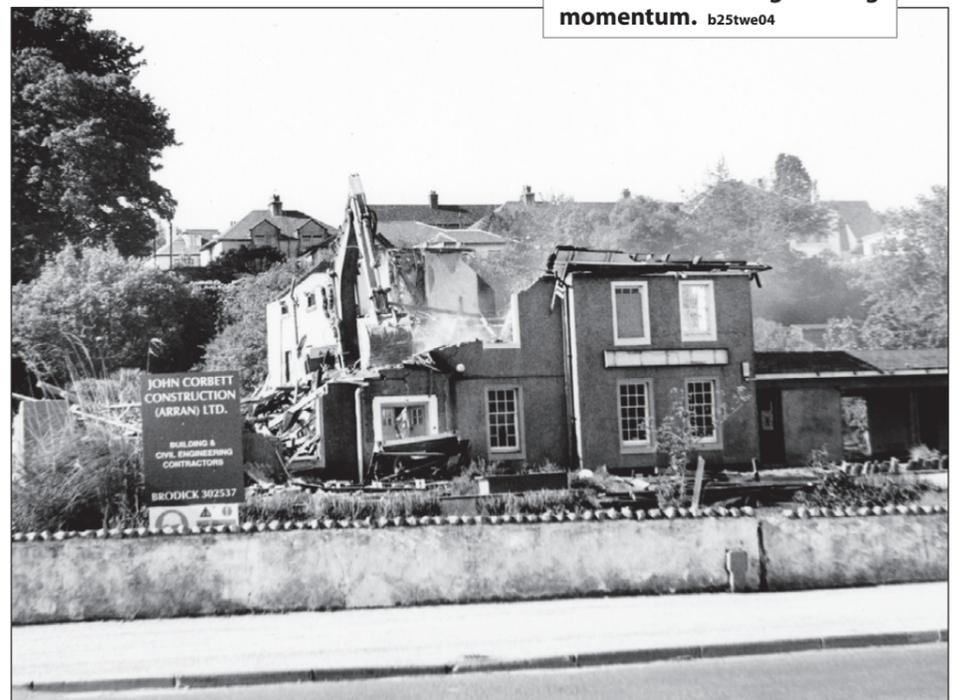
A police car was damaged in the early hours of last Friday while it was parked in Brathwic Place, Brodick.

It is believed that another vehicle collided with it and then drove off.



Broddick butcher Donald MacKay has been awarded a 'Shop with Confidence' mark by the Scottish Federation of Meat Traders after a number of unannounced visits. b25twe02

Below: The demolition of The Island Hotel is gathering momentum. b25twe04



What's on

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Everyday

Trout Fly Fishing
 Brodick Castle, Garden Open
 Arran Brewery
 Arran Brewery tour
 Arran Heritage Museum

Loch Garbad, boat & bank fishing
 9am-Dusk
 Open Mon, Wed, Fri & Sat 10 - 5pm
 Open Tue, Thu & Sun 12.30pm - 5pm
 2pm
 Rosaburn, Brodick, 10.30am - 4.30pm

Junior Hockey
 Streetly Dance pre-school
 Garden walk
 RunArran Beginners
 Arran food and craft market

Ormidale Pavilion, 6-7pm
 Auchrannie Dance Studio, 1.45-2.30pm
 Brodick Castle 2pm-3pm
 Drift Inn car park, Lamlash, 5.15pm
 Ormidale pavilion, Brodick, 11am - 3pm

Saturday 21st June

Army Cadets
 Over 21s Disco
 Family Games
 Fun in the pool
 RNLI Shop
 Brodick Bowling Club Rink game
 Whiting Bay Bowling Club
 Blackwaterfoot bowling club rink game
 Live Music
 ArCaS Garden Party
 Summer Ball

Auchrannie Road 11am - 1pm.
 Ormidale Hotel, 10pm
 Auchrannie Games Hall, 3pm-4pm
 Auchrannie Spa pool, 4-5pm
 Lamlash Pier, 2pm - 4pm
 Brodick Bowling Green, 2pm
 WBay Bowling Green, 2pm
 Blackwaterfoot bowling club, 1.45pm
 The Drift Inn, Lamlash, 9pm
 Strabane, Brodick, 11.30-4pm
 Kilmory Hall, 8pm

Wednesday 25th June

Rock & Pop Bingo
 Tae Kwondo
 Alcoholics Anonymous
 Arran Brass Rehearsal
 Yogalates
 Aquafizz
 Arran Heritage Museum Archives & Genealogy service
 RunArran mixed ability
 Running Coaching
 Yoga-Arran
 Drift Inn Quiz
 Beavers
 Back to the Bronze age
 Brodick Bowling Club Rink Game
 Mixed Hockey
 Coffee Morning
 Dog agility classes

Ormidale Hotel 9.30pm
 Arran high School Kids-6.30-7.30pm Adults-7.30-8.30pm
 Lamlash Church Hall, 8pm
 Brodick Church Hall, 7-9pm
 Auchrannie Studio, 9.30-10.30am
 Auchrannie Hotel Pool, 9.45-10.30am
 10.30-12.30 & 1.30-3.30
 Auchrannie car park, 5.30pm
 Auchrannie car Park, 5pm
 Kinneil, Lamlash, 7-8.30pm
 Lamlash, 9pm
 KA Campus, Lamlash High School, 6.15 - 7.15pm
 Brodick Castle, 2-4pm
 Brodick Bowling Green, 6.45pm
 Auchrannie Sports Hall 7.30-8.30pm
 Lamlash Church Hall 10.15 - 12noon
 Sandbraes park, Wbay, 1pm-3.30pm

Sunday 22nd June

Family Games
 Fun in the pool
 AA Meeting
 Mackerel Lottery
 RNLI Shop
 Open music session
 Crafts Day

Auchrannie Games Hall, 3pm-4pm
 Auchrannie Spa Pool, 4pm-5pm
 Brodick church Hall, 4pm - 6pm
 Kinloch Bar, 5pm
 Lamlash Pier, 2pm - 4pm
 Eden Lodge, Whiting Bay, 2pm-5pm
 Arran heritage museum, Brodick, 1.30pm

Thursday 26th June

Quiz
 Morning Fitness
 General Knowledge Quiz
 Lochranza Craft Club
 Weight Watchers
 Yoga
 Bridge Club
 Garden Club
 Open Music session
 Ladies Hockey
 Cubs
 Pilates
 Paintings tour
 Blackwaterfoot bowling club rink game
 ArCaS AGM
 1934 Club AGM

Eden Lodge, 9pm
 Auchrannie Gym, 9.30-10.30am
 Ormidale Hotel, 9pm
 Lochranza Hall, 2pm
 Ormidale Pavilion, 5.30pm
 Corrie Village Hall, 6pm - 7pm
 Brodick Golf Clubhouse, 7pm
 Brodick Ranger Centre, 7.30pm
 Drift Inn, Lamlash, 9pm
 Ormidale Pavilion, 7.30-8.30pm
 KA Campus, Lamlash High School, 6.15pm - 8pm
 Auchrannie gym, 6-7pm
 Brodick Castle, 2-3.30pm
 Blackwaterfoot bowling club, 6.45pm
 Glencloy suite, Auchrannie, 7.30pm
 Kilmory Hall, 7.30pm

Monday 23rd June

Quiz
 Over 50s Badminton
 Badminton
 Citizens Advice
 Morning Fitness
 Table Tennis
 Badminton
 Arran Junior Football Club
 Yoga
 Summer Bridge
 Lamlash Bowling Club Rink Game
 Brodick Bowling Club Rink Game
 Circuit Training
 Lunch Club

Eden Lodge, Whiting Bay, 9pm
 Lochranza Village Hall, 2-4pm
 Lochranza Hall, 6.30pm
 Ormidale Pavilion, 9.30-1.30pm
 Auchrannie Gym, 9.30-10.30am
 Corrie Hall, 6.30pm
 Auchrannie Sports Hall, 7-9pm
 Ormidale Park, 6-7.30pm
 Corrie Village Hall, 11am - 12 noon
 Arran High School, 6.30pm
 Lamlash Bowling Green, 7pm
 Brodick Bowling Green, 6.45pm
 Auchrannie Gym, 6-7pm
 Glen Estate, Brodick 12.30pm

Friday 27th June

Aqua Fizz
 Yogalates
 Arran Youth Foundations
 Lochranza Kids Badminton
 Lochranza Adults Badminton
 Castle Secrets Tour
 Family fun night
 Cocaine Anonymous (& all other drugs)
 Kilmory SWRI sale of work
 Brodick Market

Auchrannie Hotel Pool, 9.45-10.30am
 Auchrannie Studio, 9.30-10.30am
 Church Hall, Brodick 7pm-9pm
 Lochranza Hall, 6-8pm
 Lochranza Hall, 8pm
 Brodick Castle, 11.30 - 1pm
 Brodick Golf Club 4.45pm
 Lamlash fire station, 5-7pm
 Kilmory Hall, 2pm
 Auchrannie Road, Brodick, 10-5pm

Tuesday 24th June

Pop Quiz
 Alcoholics Anonymous
 Youth Club
 Rotary club
 Healthy Outdoors
 Blackwaterfoot bowling club rink game
 SFA Mini Kickers
 SFA Early Touch Football
 Jnr Badminton
 Metafit
 Scottish Country Dancing

Ormidale Hotel, 9pm
 Brodick Church Hall, 2pm
 Kildonan Hall, 7pm
 Glencloy Suite, Auchrannie, 7.15pm
 10am-1pm NTS Ranger Centre
 Blackwaterfoot bowling club, 1.45pm
 KA Campus, Lamlash High School, 5pm - 5.45pm
 KA Campus, Lamlash High School, 6pm - 7pm
 KA Campus, Lamlash High School, 7pm - 8pm
 KA Campus, Lamlash High School, 6pm
 Brodick Church Hall, 7.30pm

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**WATER ENVIRONMENT AND WATER SERVICES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003
WATER ENVIRONMENT (CONTROLLED ACTIVITIES) (SCOTLAND)
REGULATIONS 2011
APPLICATION FOR AUTHORISATION
BENLISTER HYDROPOWER SCHEME**

An application has been made to the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) by M.E.G. RENEWABLES LTD for authorisation to carry on controlled activities at, near or in connection with the Benlister hydropower scheme, namely:

Description of controlled activity	Waters affected	National grid reference
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Construction and operation of impounding works 0.9m in height.	Unnamed tributary of Benlister Burn	NR 98795 31433
Construction and operation of impounding works 1m in height.	Unnamed tributary of Benlister Burn	NR 98842 31564
Abstraction of 16 070.4m3 per day of water	Benlister Burn	NR 98556 31165
Abstraction of 1 036.8m3 per day of water	Unnamed tributary of Benlister Burn	NR 98795 31433
Abstraction of 3 974.4m3 per day of water	Unnamed tributary of Benlister Burn	NR 98842 31564
Return of abstracted water approx 2.86 km away from abstraction points	Benlister Burn	NS 00943 30712

SEPA considers that the above controlled activities may have an impact on the water environment. Other activities are included in the application that are considered not likely to have such an impact and are not listed here. Details of all the activities applied for can be seen in the application.

A copy of the application and any accompanying information may be inspected free of charge, at the SEPA Registry below, between 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. Monday to Friday (except local and national holidays). Alternatively, the application may be viewed on SEPA's website at: www.sepa.org.uk/water/water_regulation/advertised_applications.aspx

Any person affected or likely to be affected by, or having an interest in, the application may make representations to SEPA in writing within 28 days beginning with the date of this advertisement, at the following address, quoting reference number CAR/L/1122144:

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- assess the indirect effects of that impact on any other aspects of the environment likely to be significantly affected;
- consider any likely adverse social and economic effects of that impact and of any indirect environmental effects that have been identified;
- consider the likely environmental, social and economic benefits of the activity;
- assess the impact of the controlled activity or activities on the interests of other users of the water environment;
- assess what steps may be taken to ensure efficient and sustainable water use; and
- apply and have regard to relevant legislation.

SEPA will then either grant or refuse to grant the application.

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(SCOTLAND) ACT 1997**

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**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (PUBLIC VIEW
MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS
2013 REGULATION 20(1)**

14/00324/PP; Corrie Hall, Corrie, Brodick; Erection of extension to front of hall to form public toilet and formation of ramp.

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS
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REGULATIONS 1987**

Applications for Listed Building Consent.
14/00339/LBC; The Grange House, Whiting Bay, Brodick; Alterations to existing window openings to form door on north elevation, lowering of eill height of two windows on south elevation and internal alterations.

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(SCOTLAND) ACT 1997**

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Elma Murray
Chief Executive
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Thursday June 26th
Glencloy suite, Auchrannie
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Copies of the strategy and Environmental Report can be downloaded from the South Ayrshire Council website: south-ayrshire.gov.uk/consultations/. They may also be consulted free of charge at the following locations: **South Ayrshire:** Carnegie Library, Main Street, Ayr. **East Ayrshire:** Dick Institute, Elmbank Avenue, Kilmarnock; Rothesay House, 1 Greenholm Road, Cumnock. **North Ayrshire:** Cunningham House, Irvine; Council Offices, Lamlash, Isle of Arran; Ardrossan Library, Princes Street, Ardrossan.

Hard copies are available at a cost of £5 per copy, including postage and packing.

Your opinions on the Strategy and the Environmental Report are welcomed, and can be submitted by writing to Alison Blair, Tourism Strategy Consultation, Enterprise Service, Burns House, Burns Statue Square, Ayr KA7 1UT or by e-mail: Alison.Blair@south-ayrshire.gov.uk. Comments must be submitted by Friday, 18 July 2014. An analysis of consultation responses, and the ways in which they will be taken into account will be published on the Council website along with the finalised Strategy.

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Sunday 22nd June

Holy Communion 11.00am.
Mrs John Roberts.

Coffee after service, followed by meeting of Vestry.

Wednesday 25th June

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Rev Angus Adamson,

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Mrs Jean Hunter:

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Sunday 22nd June

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Corrie Church, 11.30am
Prayer Meeting, 11.50am Tea and

Coffee and Fellowship, 12noon Morning Worship.
A Service of Worship will also be held in Montrose House at 1.30pm.

Lochranza Church. 9.30am

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Sunday 22nd June

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DRAKE - Anne. Beloved wife of Tony, mother to Debbie, John and Adam. Mother-in-law to Michael, Julie and Stacey. Grandmother to Aaron, Dani, Abbie, Sarah, Charli, John lee, Emily and Eleanor. Great grandmother to Darci and Corey. Passed away peacefully in Arran War Memorial Hospital on 11th June. Many thanks to all the nurses and doctors who took care of her and her family during her last few weeks. No flowers please, donations to Arran Hospital Supports League. Will be sadly missed. Memorial service to be held at Brodick church 24th June at 11.30am.

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Shiskine Golf Club

Ladies: Thursday 12 June, 18 Hole Medal and flag competition, 12 played.

Silver: 1 Kema Genda 77-12=65, 2 Alice Anderson 87-17=70.

Bronze: 1 Fiona Scott 91-25=66, 2 Mary Tod 104-33=71 BIH. Kema wins the medal and gets the flag the furthest - well done!

Gents: Wednesday 11 June, 12 Hole Medal, 6 played. 1 and scratch Brian Sherwood 47-6=41, 2 Jack McNally 77-13=44. Magic two from Brian Sherwood at the 7th.

Sunday 15 June, stableford, 17 played. 1 Jimmy Morrison 28 pts, 2 Billy Paton 25 pts, 3 Willie Robertson 24 pts. Nearest the pins: Allan Napier at the 4th, Donald Logan at the 10th. Magic twos from Jimmy Morrison at the 3rd, David McKinnon at the 3rd, Allan Napier at the 4th and Brian Sherwood at the 4th. Congratulations Jimmy - great golf! the furthest - well done!

Fixtures: Saturday 21 June, Hope Cup, first round 4pm. Sunday 22 June, Gents 18 Hole Medal. Thursday 26 June, Ladies 18 Hole Medal. Saturday 28 June, Hope Cup, semi-final and final at 1pm and 6pm.

Lamlash Golf Club

Ladies: Wednesday 11 June, Medal 4, CSS 64. 1 Rachel Wren 60(22), 2 Ellie Jones 61(16). Scratch Ellie Jones 77. Twos from Ellie at the 16th and Rachel at the 17th.

Gents: Thursday 12 June, Summer Cup, CSS 64. 1 Todd Jameson 63-5=58, 2 Iain Murchie 64-4=60, 3 Graeme Andrew 73-9=64. Twos from Todd Jameson at the 2nd and 12th and Iain Murchie at the 2nd.

Sunday 15 June, Summer Stableford, CSS 36pts to Stableford. 1 Andy Smith 37pts BIH over, 2 Jack Moohan 37pts. Best Scratch Mark Wren 25pts to stableford. Two from Mark Wren at the 17th.

Fixtures: Sunday 22 June, Fleet Cup (36 holes) at 8.30am and 3pm. Thursday 26 June, Summer Cup and Medal Shield - make up own groups.

Lochranza Golf Course

Cabrach competition: Sunday 1 June, 1 Ross Trail 29, 2 Bryan Lewis, 3 Ben Innes.

Sunday 8 June, 1 Ben Innes 38, 2 Ian Buchanan 41, 3 Tony Baboolal 47.

Sunday 15 June, 1 Ross Trail 28, 2= Jon Baker/Ian Buchanan 34.

Tee-off in this competition is at 6pm every Sunday. Visiting golfers may play by paying the green fee.

Whiting Bay Golf Club

Gents: Wednesday 11 June, 32 played in the eighth round of the Summer Trophy.



The finalists from Lamlash and Brodick in the AGA Junior Kelso Cup.

Scoring was excellent - resulting in a few new handicaps! 1 David Brookens (13) 56, 2 Stan Rainey (13)58, 3 Ryan Armstrong (6)61, 4 Jamie McKechnie (6)62. Malcolm Pennycott won scratch with 67 acb, and all the magic twos were eclipsed by Wolfi Kroner's hole in one at the 17th!

Sunday 15 June, 19 played in the Gents Stableford Medal, CSS 36. 1 Donnie Park 41 points, 2 John Pennycott 38 points acb, 3 Jack Simmons 38 points. Donnie Park won scratch with 73 acb and there were magic twos from Ryan Armstrong, John Pennycott and Jim Clark.

Fixtures: Saturday 21 June, Hope Cup at Shiskine 4pm. Sunday 22 June, Medal. Wednesday 25 June, Ballantyne Cup.

Corrie Golf Club

Wednesday 11 June, medal sweep, CSS 62. 1 S Beardsley 32-31=67-7=56, 2 D Crawford 37-40=77-16=61, 3 R I McMillan 43-36=76-14=62. Best scratch S Beardsley 63. Magic twos from A Burke, R Logan, B Lewis, S Beardsley, D Logan and A Napier.

Saturday 14 June, club championship final. Ewan McKinnon beat John Adams.

Fixtures: Saturday 19 June, no medal at Corrie as it is the first round of the AGA Gents, Corrie v Brodick at 4pm.

Wednesday 25 June, medal sweep, pick own partners and play from 5.30pm.

No medal on Saturday 28 June, as it is the AGA final at Shiskine.

Arran Ladies Golf Union

Saturday 14 June, a beautiful day, perfect weather conditions for the competition for the outgoing president of the ALGU, Lynn Walker. Sixteen ladies took part in a three clubs and a putter stableford format. Lots of fun was had, prosecco, sparkling elderflower, strawberries and chocolates were all provided at the Eric Wood hut which either helped or hindered those who find the eighth challenging!

Lynn, who is not known for her arithmetical skills, also added a 'least number of putts' not quite realising the full implications of this in playing a stableford, for those who didn't hole out all 18 holes! But for those who did complete the challenge the least number of putts went to Susan Butchard with just 25 putts.

Overall, Lesley Wood took first place with 36 points, second place went to Susan

Butchard with 35 on the better inward half to Morag Gardener.

Thank you to everyone who came along. ALGU president Yvonne Brothers takes up the realm with immediate effect - good luck and best wishes to Yvonne and her committee for the next couple of years.

Machrie Bay Golf Club

Tuesday 10 June, Peter Sutton/Lady Mary. 1 Brian Sherwood 64, 2 David Price 69, 3 Ron Woods 73. Scratch Brian Sherwood 74.

Fixtures: Monday 23 June, Championship finals and President's Cup final tee off at 5.30pm, ladies Viv Parks v Alice Anderson, gents Sandy Murray v Willie Kelso.

Tuesday 24 June, Gleneagles medal Ladies and Gents £3 entry + £2 sweep, tee off 12.30/5.30pm.

1 Susan Butchard 35pts (13) - too young! 2 and winner of Wilkie Trophy, Ann Hart 33pts (23), 3 Heather Raeside 32pts(26). Nine hole Stableford, two played. 1 Linda Trickett 13pts(18).

Fixtures: Tuesday 24 June, Captain's Prize, 4.30pm shotgun start, 1st June medal.

Arran Golfers Association

Friday 13 June, final of the AGA Junior Kelso Cup played at Shiskine Golf Club between Brodick and Lamlash. Lamlash won the cup and our congratulations go to them. As Willie Kelso said at the prize giving: 'All the boys that played this year, parents and golf clubs can be very proud of them.'

With Lamlash defeating Shiskine and Brodick getting a bye the previous week the two locked horns in the hope of securing the cup.

Brodick got off to the better start with both pairs getting a slight lead early on, however some great play and putting by both Lamlash pairs saw them eventually level.

Lamlash then took the lead and edged out the match with the first pair level and the back pair 4up with only three holes remaining.

Saturday 14 June, Thomson Cup at Brodick Golf Club. This year's finals day saw two Lamlash men against two Brodick players. The first semi-final was Bryce Walker against young Scott Macfarlane, and in his first senior matchplay competition Scott took an early lead which he never lost.

Some rock solid golf along with great shots saw him take the tie 5 and 4.

In the other semi-final Todd Jameson of Lamlash took on Jimmy Armit of Brodick, and despite Jimmy's best efforts Todd won the match at the 16th by 4 and 2.

The final saw Todd get off to a flyer taking the first four holes, but despite this Scott showed great spirit and dug in to come back only 1 down after 11. Todd however stepped up a gear again and won three of the next four holes to edge the match at the 15th hole.

The game was played in great spirits and both players will be surely be competing against each other for years to come.

Fixtures: Saturday 21 June, Hope Cup at Shiskine Golf Club, from 4pm.

Draw: Lamlash v Whiting Bay, (winners play Shiskine). Corrie v Brodick, Lochranza v Machrie. Saturday 28 June, Hope Cup finals day at Shiskine Golf Club, at 1pm and 6pm.



Lamlash captain, Dylan Smith, left, collects the Junior Kelso Cup from Willie Kelso.

Brodick Golf Club

Wednesday 11 June, Summer Cup, 38 played, CSS 65. 1 L Keir (14)62, 2 G McCrae (5)63 acb, 3 E McKinnon (+1)63 acb. Scratch E McKinnon 62. There were nine twos, Ewan and Bruce got two each.

Sunday 15 June, Club Trophy, 28 played, CSS 64. 1 D Hendry (12)61, 2 D Robertson (16)63, 3 D McKinnie (9)65 acb. Scratch E McKinnon 64. There were seven twos.

Fixtures: Saturday 21 June, Hope Cup, first round at Shiskine at 4pm. Sunday 22 June, Brandon, class draws at 8.30am and 1pm. Ladies: Wilkie Trophy (aged 60 and over) Stableford, 17 played, CSS 68.

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Connor remembered at memorial quad race

More than 1000 people, including almost 200 quad racers, came together to remember Arran teenager Connor Smith last weekend, who was tragically killed in a racing accident last year.

The Connor Smith Memorial Meeting at the Dean Moor moto cross track in Cumbria brought together racers of all ages from across the UK and Europe.

Connor, 19, from Machrie, died while representing Great Britain in the annual Quad Cross of European Nations event at Cingoli in Italy last October. As a mark of respect Italy sent some of its leading riders to support the event, which also incorporated the third round of the British Quad Championship.

One of the day's highlights included the Italian racer, Andrea Cesari Jnr, winning the first of the three British

championship races mounted on one of Connor's race quads.

In an emotional speech to the crowd, that left many in tears, the young Italian said that it was destined that he would win on the machine and that he felt like he was being 'helped from above'.

The overall winner of the British championship race was Mark McLernon of Ireland who became the first recipient of the Connor Smith Memorial Trophy, which was presented to him by Connor's father, Bill, mother Jacqui and sister Taylor.

'You can see how well Connor was liked by the number of people here. It's been a hard, but a great weekend,' said Bill.

The event was run by the NETT Racing Club, which Connor rode with regularly during his career. In addition to the serious racing the club organised several other events, including fun races, charity auctions and raffles, plus displays of Connor's old race machines and – his other love – his modified cars.

A framed Connor Smith race shirt, emblazoned with his famous racing number of '660' was the most popular item at auction selling for £660.

Several thousand pounds was raised for the newly set up Connor Smith Memorial Fund. The proceeds will be used to support the local air ambulance that serves Dean Moor and the medical team at Cingoli.

Close links have been built with the Italian quad racing community and in a reciprocal move they are hosting a memorial meeting at Cingoli on 29 June with several riders from all over the UK are travelling to Italy to compete.



Dad Bill Smith (left) and sister Taylor present the Connor Smith Memorial Trophy to the winner, Mark McLernon, from Ireland.



Brodick's goalkeeper Gregor Adamson, in grey, helped his team to a 5-2 win over Northend on Monday night. In Whiting Bay Southend beat Shiskine 5-1 to go top of the football league. 20_b25ba01

Brodick bowlers enjoy sunny start to the season

A number of members of the island's four bowling clubs joined Brodick for their opening day on Saturday 26 April, and fortunately the sun shone, the green played well, and a very happy afternoon was enjoyed by them all.

A progressive triples was played on the day and the winning trio were Lavinia Hendry, John Robinson and Sid Allan.

Since then the weather has not been quite so good, but the island's bowlers live in hope of a good summer ahead (without midges).

The results from Brodick Bowling Club so far are as follows: Monday 28 April: Ann Whattam

and Charles Hendry (+9), Saturday 3 May: Tony Wooden and Andy McCrindle (+25), Monday 5 May: Iain Hendry, Lavinia Hendry and Jim Gourlay (+12), Saturday 10 May: Ann Hollingworth and Tony Wooden (+5), Monday 12 May: Robert Crawford and Ernie Stanger (+8), Saturday 14 May: Andy McCrindle and Ann Hollingworth (+2), Monday 19 May: Ann Hollingworth and Iain Hendry (+19),

Saturday 21 May: Charlie Weir and Tony Wooden (+6), Monday 24 May: Tony Wooden and Lavinia Hendry (+3), Saturday 26 May: Robert Crawford, Colin Haggerty and Ann Whattam (+16), Monday 28 May: Robert Crawford, John Lauder and Andy McCrindle (+9), Saturday 31 May: John McConnachie and Ann Whattam (+16).

Sun shines for Angus Cook memorial

Forty-two bowlers took part in the annual triples competition in memory of Angus Cook at Whiting Bay Bowling Club on Sunday afternoon.

After some close games the winners with a total of 32 shots were Irene and Tim Kelsall and Tony Curtis.

Summer Bridge results

The results of the tournament at Lamlash Golf Club on Monday 16 June were: N/S 1 Linda Trickett and Liz McKellar, 2 Margaret McGill and Jan Beattie, 3 Tricia Martin and David Campbell. E/W 1 Jennifer McArthur and Ellie Jones, 2 Brenda Livingstone and Morag Gardner, 3 Pat Adamson and Elizabeth McConnell.

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