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Exciting new plans for Brodick hotel

Douglas set for transformation

Work on rebuilding the Douglas Hotel in Brodick is finally about to start.

Revised plans have just been lodged with North Ayrshire Council by St Petersburg-based property developer Sean Henry who bought the property in April 2007.

Mr Henry told the Banner that his original plans for 11 luxury suites have been considerably amended.

He said: 'We are now in a very different economic environment. We have upped the room numbers to 21 en suite doubles and intend to conserve more of the existing building. The Doctor's house, built in 1782, will be renovated and it will give me some staff accommodation.'

The landmark red sandstone building ceased trading almost three years ago and has since lain empty.

Mr Henry said: 'The new plans will include a whisky bar, a brasserie and limited sports facilities for guests. The work should take 12 to 15 months.'

Plans for the development show two double bedrooms on the ground floor with disabled access.

Also on the ground floor are a whisky bar where Lorenzo's bar was, a snug where the manager's office used to be, a dining room in the location of the old ballroom, and a lift.

Luxury suite

At the rear of the ground floor will be a small gym, steam room, sauna and hot tub relaxation area. On the first floor there will be 11 double rooms with room number three being a luxury suite with panoramic sea views, where the original upstairs lounge used to be.

A further eight bedrooms are shown on the second floor.

Access to the hotel will be via the main driveway opposite Brodick pier and the entrance walls will be removed to improve visibility for drivers.

A new footbridge will be built over the Strathwillan Burn to replace the one washed away seven years ago and give access

to the woodland walks on the north of the site.

In front of the hotel there will be 24 car parking spaces on what is currently the front lawn with the rest of the grassy area being terraced and landscaped with three underground LPG storage tanks below the terrace. A decking area in front of the building will mean that there will no longer be vehicle access across the front.

The project design statement says: 'Key to the viability for re-development is the recent acquisition of the barber's shop and flat above by the hotel's owner. The hotel kitchen will be located in the barber shop and is designed to be open to the restaurant courtyard creating a bit of theatre for the guests.'

Mr Henry was brought up on Arran and attended Arran High School. His younger sisters Elaine and Janice went to Corrie Primary and Arran High and are both involved in the management of the ambitious Douglas Hotel project.



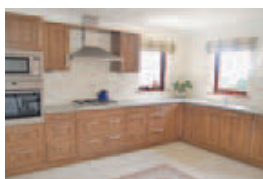
Champion tips for Ernest

Ernest Weir of Machrie gets some friendly advice from two experienced heavy events judges, Alan Pettigrew, left, and Andy Currie, as he prepares to toss the caber at the 122nd Brodick Highland Games last Saturday afternoon.



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Police files

Woman attacked by dog

A 48-year-old Carlisle man was charged under the Dangerous Dogs Act last Thursday.

His dog allegedly attacked a woman and her dog on Goatfell. Police took the woman to Arran War Memorial Hospital where she was treated for a puncture wound to her right hip and later discharged. Her dog was treated by veterinary surgeon for a facial wound.

Breach of the peace charge

A 22-year-old Australian man was charged with breach of the peace after an incident outside the Eden Lodge last Thursday evening.

He was issued with an ASBO ticket and released from custody.

Common assault

A 50-year-old Brodick woman was charged with common assault on another Brodick woman last Friday.

Drug possession

On Sunday morning a 16-year-old Ardrossan youth was charged with possession of a Class A drug. A report has been sent to the Procurator Fiscal.

No tax disc

On Monday August 3 a 48-year-old Brodick man was charged with not displaying a valid tax disc on his vehicle in Whiting Bay.

Car movements appeal

Police are appealing for information about the movements of an orange-coloured Fiat Punto car registration SA 02 ZXC in Brodick or Lamlash between 4pm on Tuesday August 4 and 9pm on Monday August 10.

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The group of young girls from Whiting Bay organised their very own sponsored fun run for charity. 01_b32run01

Fun run raises cash for Arran hospital

A group of spirited young girls from Whiting Bay organised their very own sponsored charity run last Saturday to raise money for a local charity.

The 12 girls all from Whiting Bay Primary School decided that they wanted to run 50 laps around the Sandbraes Field and they managed to raise an

incredible £607 for the Isle of Arran Hospital Supporters League.

Carly Miller and Jessica Miller, Lizanne Dixon, Nastassja Alberti, Esther Jardine, Danielle Mutch, Joanna Miggins, Emily Armitage, Lucy Walsh, Shuyi Wu

Alison Provan and Toni Jar-

dine all ran at least three laps each.

Emily Armitage said that the girls had wanted to do something worthwhile for the community. 'It was really something that we just started taking about in school one day,' she said. 'It kind of grew from there and we got our mums in

to help organise it.

'We chose the Hospital Supporters League because it benefits everyone on Arran.'

Rachel Armitage, Emily's mum, said: 'I'd just like to say a big thank you to all the parents and friends who supported the girls and helped us to raise this great sum for charity.'

Brodick seafront pathwork to begin

Work is set to begin next month on a seafront footpath stretching from Brodick Pier to the slipway.

At the AGM of the Brodick Improvements Committee last week it was confirmed that the project has been given the go ahead after the final funding was authorised.

With increasing worries about the safety of pedestrians on Brodick's Shore Road, the path will divert ferry passengers and walkers away from the street altogether.

Harry Davidson, secretary of the Brodick Improvements Committee said: 'The final grant application to LEADER in September 2008 was successful and £144,000 was added to our £11,000 and the rest was raised via NAC through various road/cycle path funds, taking us to the total of £440,000.

'Work is due to begin next month on the retaining wall, handrail and drainage and should be completed in October.'

Planning permission was granted for the path in 2004 but it has taken more than four years for the group to raise the necessary funding.

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End in sight for Whiting Bay sewerage saga

After seven years, the long running saga of Whiting Bay's unfinished sewerage works is about to enter its final stage.

The £1million Scottish Water project to build a wastewater treatment works in the field on the landward side of the road immediately south of the track leading to Ardmhor will help protect the local marine environment and improve bathing

waters. The new works and the installation of a long sea outfall will stop untreated and unscreened wastewater being discharged into the sea.

Screening

Some properties have septic tanks while others do not and the wastewater from these properties receives no screening or treatment.

The project is due to start on

August 17 and be completed in spring 2010.

Mark Templeton, Scottish Water's acting regional manager, said: 'This is an important project and a significant investment in the Whiting Bay area and Scottish Water is confident that it will lead to a cleaner, fresher environment in this part of Arran.'

'It is a great example of how

Scottish Water is being progressive and forward-thinking in improving services and the environment in communities across Scotland.'

The Whiting Bay project will be carried out by GMJV for Scottish Water Solutions.

Important

'We will work as quickly and efficiently as possible to ensure that this important project is

completed on time with minimal disruption to local residents and road users,' said Stephen Fraser, the project manager.

Residents have been reassured that there will be no interruption to services during the project.

The upgrading of the island's sewerage works began in 2001. Whiting Bay will be the last village to have the new system put in place.

Coop invests £170,000 in store

The new look Co-operative store at Invercloy in Brodick was unveiled yesterday morning (Thursday) after a £170,000 refit.

The shop in the centre of the village has been transformed with a modern décor, new fittings and a more shopper friendly layout.

The Co-operative will offer a comprehensive choice with an emphasis on fresh foods.

There will be a wider selection of chilled beers and wines and the popular lottery and paypoint services will be retained.

Store manager, Penny McMillan, said: 'We provide a much valued service and I am confident the new look store will better meet the daily food shopping needs of the local community; the transformed store will be a real asset.'

'In addition, in the best tradition of the Co-operative, it will make its contribution to community life.'

Kayakers set record

Two men completed a charity kayak around Arran in record time last week - taking just 18 hours and three minutes.

Stuart McGilvray and Roddy McAllister - brother of Victoria the owner of Eden Lodge Hotel, Whiting Bay - are now waiting to hear from the Guinness Book of World Records whether they can officially claim the fastest kayak journey around the island.

The two men work for Peter Vardy Vauxhall in Motherwell and so far they have raised more than £2,000 for The Vardy Foundation, which is aiming to donate a total of £40,000 this year to underprivileged children in Cambodia.

Roddy said: 'I've been coming to Arran since I was a kid and always wanted to go around the island by boat. When our company announced this year's charity, I immediately thought of doing a kayak adventure.'

'It was extremely tough and scary in some places but the views were amazing - a trip we'll never forget.'

His colleague Stuart said: 'When Roddy first suggested the adventure I said yes straight away. Then I thought about it and asked 'Where's Arran and what's a kayak?''

This became the slogan for the tour, which began at 8.30pm on July 26 at Cleats Shore, Kilmory.

Winds

High winds prevented any kayaking on Sunday and Tuesday afternoon, leaving the adventurers only Monday, Tuesday morning and Wednesday to circumnavigate the island and return to Cleats.

Calum McNicol, who owns Arran Adventure, supplied the kayaks and the kit as well as valuable advice.

'That is a very quick time considering the weather the boys paddled through,' he said. 'I will be interested to see if anyone can beat their time.'



Stuart McGilvray and Roddy McAllister celebrate the end of their world record kayak around Arran last week. b32kay01



Allan Bunyan b33bun01

Death of Allan Bunyan

Allan Bunyan died in a tragic accident at the National Watersports Centre on Cumbrae on Friday July 31.

He was rigging up a kite when a freak gust of wind knocked him off balance and he died instantly after hitting concrete.

Forty-seven-year-old Allan was the son of James and Freda Bunyan and has many relatives on Arran.

His sailing career began at an early age, his father owning

a sailing craft, and most weekends he used to sail it to Arran to visit family.

Allan was a top watersports instructor and sailed extensively in the Mediterranean and the west coast of Scotland.

He was also a coach for the British Association of Ski Instructors, Snowsport Scotland and Scottish Cycling. Allan is survived by his wife Nancy and two children, Ryan, 13, and Allannah, 11.

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Extra early ferry sailings next year

Ferry operator Caledonian MacBrayne has agreed to introduce an extra early Sunday sailing from Lochranza to Claonaig next summer.

For July and August 2010 there will be nine return crossings of the Kilbrannan Sound on a Sunday with the first boat sailing at 8.15am, in line with the other six days of the week.

Good news

Kenneth Gibson MSP said: 'This is good news for Arran and a positive response from CalMac to lobbying by the Isle of Arran Ferry Committee.'

'Enhancing Arran's ferry service from Lochranza will encourage more people to visit Arran and spend time and money at the distillery and on accommodation en route to Argyll. The Ferry Committee continues to work with CalMac and the Scottish Government, striving to improve and enhance Arran's ferry services wherever possible.'

'CalMac will investigate the possibility of a similar proposal for the Brodick to Ardrossan route on a Sunday morning.'



Arran's Marie Curie nurses hosted a special tea party to raise money for the charity. b33tea01

Tea raises money for cancer charity

The Marie Curie nurses on Arran recently held a 'Blooming great Tea Party' as part of a nationwide event to raise money for the charity.

The Tea Party was held on August 4 at the Wine Port at Claddach, whose owners very kindly allowed the use of their premises for free.

Local Marie Curie Nurses and

friends helped with baking, tombola prizes and serving up refreshments.

The event was attended by many local people and visitors to the island keen to join them for a cuppa and raise money for the charity. A total of £688.49 was raised on the day.

Carol Ribbeck Community and Marie Curie Nurse said:

'A huge thank you to all who helped us raise such a large sum for this very worthwhile cause.'

Marie Curie Cancer Care provides high quality nursing, totally free, to give people with terminal cancer and other illnesses the choice of dying at home, supported by their families.

Huge sum raised by rural ladies

Members of the Whiting Bay Scottish Women's Rural Institute raised more than £1,000 for the Yorkhill Children's Hospital in Glasgow on Monday.

The institute hold a fete every summer to raise funds for the charity by hosting the event in Whiting Bay Village Hall.

There was the usual mass of delicious homebaking on sale as well as plants, jewellery, books and postcards.

For the youngsters there was also face painting and games on the stage.

Mary Robinson, chairman of the institute, said: 'It was a really great day. We raised more than £1,000 for Yorkhill, which was fantastic.'

'I'd like to thank all the friends of the Whiting Bay WRI - and the husbands - who helped us to make the fete such a success.'

Mary added that this is the 17th year that the fete has been



Mary Robinson, chairman of the Whiting Bay SWRI, at their annual fete on Monday.

organised and so far they have raised more than £20,000 for Yorkhill hospital.

Legion flies the flag

The Arran Branch of the Royal British Legion had stands at the Arran Show and Brodick Highland Games last week.

Press officer Alan Milligan said: 'We managed to collect a wonderful combined total of

£593 and thanks go to all who contributed on both occasions and to all the Arran Army cadets who helped us.'

The hamper prize raised £89 and was claimed by ticket number 44.'

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Tom and Dougie paddle to victory

Tom McNeish and Dougie Bryce triumphed yet again in the Whiting Bay raft race last Sunday afternoon.

The popular event was resurrected this year by the village hall committee and the sun shone as the intrepid sailors assembled on the beach below the putting green. Seven teams turned up with a wide variety of home-made rafts and began to jostle for position. A late entry from Northend Thistle football

club arrived just in time, Ian Cook announced the start of the race, and they were off.

The Northend boys were first to capsize but soon retained their equilibrium. Vicky McAllister's Bar Eden all-girl team with a crew of six sat very low in the water and seemed to be top heavy but managed to make steady headway. Brothers Douglas and Nathaniel I'Anson had built an ingenious twin pedal-powered craft but it

didn't prove very seaworthy.

Meanwhile, Tom McNeish and Dougie Bryce were steadily rowing their own sleek craft into clear water. While the slightly more youthful crews were busy bombarding each other with water and flour bombs, Tom and Dougie and their catamaran Pipe Dream were quietly heading out towards the marker buoys for the turn home.

The Boys Brigade lifeboat and a safety boat were on hand to buzz the rafts and disrupt their passage in a display that gave much fun to the waiting crowd ashore.

Tom and Dougie were chased home by the four-man crew of Eric, Robbie, Robin and Jamie, but successfully retained the crown that they won five years ago in similar style.

Northend Thistle came a plucky third, but the County Carpets team were taken in tow by the lifeboat as they threatened to head for Lamlash Bay. The girls of the Bar Eden were last home but received a generous applause from the crowd.



The rafts take to the water. b33raf02



Dougie Bryce and Tom McNeish, winners of the 2009 Whiting Bay raft race. b33raf01

Profitable show dance for Kilmory Hall

Arran's farmers danced the night away at another successful show dance in Kilmory Hall last Wednesday night.

The hall made a massive profit of £1526.30 at the end of a long, energetic evening of traditional Scottish dancing with the Jura Ceilidh Band.

Hall manager Kirstin Napier, said: 'I think a great night was had by everyone who danced to the band until the early hours of the morning.'

'Thanks to all who helped on the night - Yvonne and Lorraine on the door - Eddie, Lindsay and Mikey for the great job tending to the bar and the stewards, Davy and Richard.

'Phyllis Picken once again provided the revellers with cheese on toast at midnight after raising £131.40 with the whisky bottle competition before driving everyone home.

'A huge thank you to everyone who helped tidy up in the early hours of the morning.'

Dyemill track opens to public

The forest track from the Dyemill to Kilmory will be open for public vehicle access on Saturday August 15 and Sunday August 16 from 11am until 4pm.

The track will be one way only starting at the Dyemill.

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Arran Army Cadet enjoys annual camp

A young Army Cadet from Arran joined 330 fellow soldiers for an action-filled fortnight's camp at Beckingham in Lincolnshire recently.

Thirteen-year-old Jonathon Kane from Lamlash took part in the annual camp of the West Lowland Battalion Army Cadet Force which involved

young people from Ayrshire, Inverclyde, Renfrewshire and Dumfries and Galloway in a fun-filled mix of military, adventurous, challenging activities and sport.

Commandant of the battalion, Colonel Kevin Connor, said: 'This was a fantastic two weeks for the kids. Many people think

the Army Cadet Force is just part of the Army and would be surprised at what we do and how much fun we have doing it.

'We are actually a youth organisation only sponsored by the army. Whilst kids can get a bad name in the press these days it was pleasing to see the

commitment and effort put in by all to make this camp so successful.'

Jonathon particularly enjoyed the host of adventurous and challenging pursuits like canoeing, kayak orienteering, archery and paintball.

Major Al Bunyan, the local area commander said: 'We had nearly 80 cadets from the North Ayrshire and Arran area, all putting in a great effort and thoroughly enjoying camp. I am very proud of them, many leaving camp with certificates, prizes and awards.'

Scenarios

As well as target shooting with a variety of weapons, there was busy field-craft package where the cadets learn to apply their core basic skills in activities such as map reading, navigation, first aid and patrolling in day and night time scenarios depending on their skill levels.

Just to live in the field for up to 48 hours, keep warm, clean and cook for your own food can be very challenging for a young person.

Each evening films were shown at the Camp Cinema along with an X Factor competition, discos and karaoke.

Trips were organised out of camp in the evening to local towns and the last day was spent at Alton Towers.



Ian Johnston and Jean Bowden entertain at Carlo.

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Songs from the shows at Carlo

Last week Corrie shore rang with the rousing sounds of pirates, Japanese, and even peers of the realm with some fairies at a unique gathering in the Gough household at Carlo.

The idea for this get-together was hatched by Heather Gough at John Forgie's 80th birthday party in Edinburgh. With John being back on Arran for two weeks she and Stuart organised this night.

Many folks there were actually founder members of the Arran Gilbert and Sullivan Society before the name was changed to Music and Drama Club. Most of them appeared in all the G & S shows and two or three are still in the present club.

A delicious buffet prepared by Heather heralded a delightful evening of reminiscing and sing-songs to the Gough's wonderful karaoke. Ian Johnston, the original accompanist, was finally persuaded to take to the piano for some live music. A selection of show photos and programmes rounded off a superb evening.



Jonathon Kane from Lamlash tries his hand on the clay range at the annual Army Cadet camp in Lincolnshire. b32cad01

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Gardeners in full bloom at show

An astonishing display of gardening talent was demonstrated at the Isle of Arran Horticultural Society's annual summer show in Lamlash on Tuesday.

Specialists from the mainland began judging in the morning and the show was opened to the public at 2.30pm.

Prizes were given for fruit, vegetables and flowers and there were also classes for baking, produce, handcrafts, children's entries and photographs.

President of the society Neil McLean said it had been a difficult growing season this year: 'As a keen gardener myself I can tell you it has not been an easy year weatherwise. It has been the season of slugs. So well done to all of the exhibitors for putting on such a great show.'

During the prizegiving a special presentation was made judge Sam Houston who has been coming to the show for 35 years.

He said: 'It is always a pleasure to come to Arran. I've been a judge at this show for many years now and it is a great show



Sophia Choudhary of Oxford, whose gran lives in Sannox, won the John Cumming Cup for 'Most Meritorious Exhibit' in the children's section. 01_b33hor01



Archie paid a visit to *The Arran Banner's* stall at the Brodick Highland Games on Saturday. b33ban01

Competition winners

At the Brodick Highland Games on Saturday *The Arran Banner* ran a special Where's Archie competition to win two superb magazine subscriptions to our sister publications.

The winner of the SCOTS magazine subscription was L Thurling who correctly guessed that Archie was at Glenashdale Falls in Whiting Bay.

Donald Murchie from Shiskine won the Scottish Field subscription when he guessed that Archie was at Brodick Castle.

Well done to both our winners!

Talk by renowned climber

Widely renowned climber Doug Scott will be giving an illustrated talk of his adventures on the world's highest mountains in the Community Theatre at Arran High School on Thursday August 20.

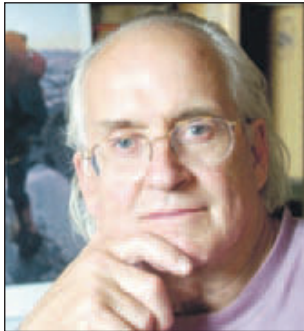
He has made numerous significant first ascents in the Himalayas and is acknowledged as one of the greatest mountaineers of all time. On September 24, 1975 he and Dougal Haston were the first Britons to climb Everest. On their descent they survived without oxygen or

sleeping bags. In 1978 Doug Scott was high up on K2, the world's second highest mountain, roped to his great friend Nick Escourt when they were overcome by an avalanche. The rope broke and Nick was swept to his death.

Charities

Money raised at Doug Scott's talk will be split between two charities; Community Action Nepal and ROKPA. Arran Mountain Rescue Team will also have a fund raising stall.

Tickets are available from the Book and Card Centre.



Doug Scott. b30dou01

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Hotel rebirth welcome

The Douglas Hotel in Brodick is about to be reborn.

This is another refreshingly positive development in the tourism sector on Arran. The island relies so much on tourism, and the depressing sight of this red sandstone edifice slipping into dereliction has sent out a negative message to holidaymakers and residents over the past couple of years.

Even before it closed its doors in November 2006 it had begun to look tired. Now property developer Sean Henry, who lives and works in St Petersburg but has a strong Arran background, is set to restore the building to a state beyond even its finest hours.

This goes against the general trend of recent years that has seen hotel after hotel closing down. At least four Arran hotels have been demolished, starting with the Whitehouse Hotel in 1981 and going through The Rock in 1993, the Kiscadale in 2001 and the Breadalbane in 2008.

Whiting Bay Hotel became a residential home for the elderly, Andy's Place, Nags, the Heathfield and the Anchor all changed use and the Cameronia in Whiting Bay has recently closed.

Countering this downward trend have been the extensive refurbishments at the Glenisle Hotel and Lamlash Bay Hotel this year. In Whiting Bay the Shurig Bar has been reborn after almost 20 years being empty and significant improvements have been made at Kildonan Hotel and Catacol Bay.

Leading this forward march is Auchrannie Hotel with ambitious long-term plans for an extra 436 bed spaces in Glenclay.

Mr Henry's plans for the Douglas Hotel will be a huge improvement to a holidaymaker's first sight of the island. It should mean that by next summer, tourists disembarking from the ferry in Brodick will be greeted by a magnificent red sandstone building and tastefully designed landscaped grounds. What a positive note this will strike for the future of the island.

In this week's Banner we feature the achievements of two young men kayaking around the island in a record time for charity.

We regularly carry reports of sponsored swims, walks, bike rides and more. It is routine to be met with bag packs and charity buckets in the Co-op or collectors on board MV Caledonian Isles.

It seems that Arran attracts more than its fair share of charity events. This may be due to the deeper-than-average pockets of retired residents, the good-naturedness of island people in general or the very specific parameters of an island with a 58-mile circumnavigation separated by a village every few miles.

Whatever the reason, Arran hosts many charity events, and the most surprising aspect is that people who come from the mainland to carry out their sponsored activities always seem to think that they are the first to alight upon the idea.

No doubt we will continue to see collecting tins and smiling faces, but it is all in a good cause.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.' (Ephesians 4:32)

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Letters to the Editor



McGowan's calvie candy

Sir,
The tale of Karen's calf in last week's Banner brought instant joy to me of life on a farm in Aberdeenshire in the mid 1930s.

I am one of four children brought upon our parents' farm in quite a cut-off position at the Back o' Bennachie.

Each Thursday evening we were on the lookout for Willie Gordon's grocery van as it meandered round the various farms before arriving around 7pm to 9pm – the time depended on the volume of gossip!

The excitement was that after the selling of eggs and butter each child was bought a McGowan's 'coo candy', costing one penny. The chocolate candy was two pence, but only one between two kids so it was usually plain 'coo candy'.

For McGowan's calf offspring I would suggest the name of 'McGowan's calvie candy' and good luck to the pair.

Yours,
Sandy Mutch
Burnside Road
Brodick

Mick Broderick remembered

Sir,
I was away from Arran and Scotland when Mick Broderick died.

I had most recently met him some time ago with his friend and accomplice, guitarist and singer Jimmy Watret, in the Lismhor Bar on Dumbarton Road.

I opened up the Herald on July 30 to discover his obituary, written by Eddie McGuire, with whom Mick collaborated in what might be said to be one of Scotland's foremost and finest traditional music bands of the Scottish Folk Revival of the 1960's, The Whistlebinkies.

In a way, Mick still belonged to an era from which the 'binkies had moved on, but as Eddie acknowledges, their roots were very much in the Clydeside of the Sixties, originally involving folks such as John, George, Sandy and Zoe McGovern, Sean McGhee and Billy Connolly, who will readily acknowledge George's influence on his banjo playing in those early years

around the shipyards.

Others, such as John and June McLean, who like the McGoverns moved to Arran around the time of Mick and Irene, the American Country influenced Mairs family, the Moons, local Arran musicians and singers such as the Morrison and McNicol family group the Kilmory Girls contributed to a traditional music revival on Arran which many years down the line allowed me the privilege of working with, booking, and playing alongside many of them, when in 1987/8 I was involved with others in helping to resurrect the Arran Festival of Folk, having visited the Tarbert Music Festival on Kintyre to see Capercaillie, and thinking 'if they can do it there, we can do it here'.

When Mick made his invaluable contribution to the Arran Festival of Folk becoming a reality in 1989 it was as a member of the folk festival roadshow which travelled around the island reminding us of our Scottish folk song heritage and raising funds to bring the best of talent from the mainland to complement what we knew we already had on the island.

Mick's in the main consisted of accompaniment to tunes on his bodhran, which was with him everywhere he went (sometimes doubling as a bed for his canine companion – or was that later?), Scottish songs and shanties, and narrative tales holding audiences spellbound about 'Deeck Barrton-Special Agent' and other Boy's Own type tales – with associated sound effects – which were inevitably met with huge audience acclaim.

The Kiscadale Hotel, Whiting Bay, as a venue springs to mind.

Mick, you are not uniquely responsible for my family's involvement in, and for what it's worth contribution to, Scottish music and culture, but you definitely did help!

Myself, Maggie, Damien, Gillian and Seonaid hope you have found yourself in a good place.

Yours,
Iain Frame
Brodick

Clyde puffers

Sir,
Although I don't actually live

on Arran my family have had a long history on the island.

However, to the point, forget the Glenfyne!

The one which has much more of an interesting history is the Glenclay.

She was a wooden hull puffer built on the Cloy and launched into the Cloy.

My grandfather did this and his name was Gavin Hamilton.

If you like to know more please let me know as I have some pictures and a recording of my great uncle George made in 1939 by the BBC describing the antics of this build.

Yours,
Allan G Hamilton

In defence of wild campers

Sir,
I was saddened to read your account of campers – whom you called wild campers – so I am prompted to write in defence of wild campers.

The campers you describe are not campers, they are despoilers of our environment and are of the same genre as those who throw take away wrappers on the road side, empty car ash trays on car parks, fly tip and generally treat the country side and its residents with contempt.

I have just read a report in a national newspaper of national park wardens on the east bank of Loch Lomond having to have a police escort when attempting to preserve the park because they were being threatened with violence when they asked campers to observe the rules, at least it has not come to that on Arran.

The wild camper, wish I could do more of it, on the other hand goes about the wild places quietly and with respect for all and leaves only flattened grass on departure, they also carry out all they took in and that includes an increasing number who carry out their human waste rather than dig and bury, particularly from the more popular wild sites.

I only hope that these despoilers see sense soon before draconian restrictions on camping wild or otherwise out with licensed sites are brought in to preserve the amenity of our countryside for the majority

who look after it.

Yours,
R C McKay
15 Croft Road
Forres

Simple ghost story

Sir,
For many years I have spent holidays in Arran – the Jewel of the Clyde.

Some years ago I heard a story about a Phantom or Ghost Piper. Is there any substance to this story or is it in the realms of legend?

Yours,
Jim McDonald
Carluke
Clydesdale

Ann retires

Sir,
On my retiral as active schools co-ordinator for Arran I would like to thank all those who helped and supported me during the past seven years.

Namely the head teachers and staff of the primary schools, colleagues, parents and volunteers, without whom the whole programme would not have been the success it was. I would hope that the drive and enthusiasm shown to me over the years will continue with my successor. This has been, and will continue to be, a whole community effort.

Finally, my thanks go to *The Arran Banner* for its interest and support in the programme.

Yours,
Ann Hart
Gartconner
Brodick

Book stall success

Sir,
May I through your letters page express my thanks for the success of the bookstall in aid of the Parkinson's Disease Society that I had at the Arran Agricultural Show this year.

I would like to thank the Arran Farmer's Society, everyone who donated books, and everyone who bought books, all my friends who supported me and helped both before and on the day itself. Together we raised £175 for the Parkinsons Disease Society. Wow!

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Brodick toddlers enjoy a day on the farm

Brodick Toddlers recently spent a day with the animals at the farm park, Clan Horse.

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Twenty-nine per cent of the stock are rescue animals, the majority of which have come from the mainland.

The park plans to increase its public field area by 100 per cent next year and hope to introduce pony rides for small children later in the year.

It is also the home of the Arran Cattery, a boarding facility for cats.

The children were delighted to be able to pet and feed the animals.

Brodick Toddlers parent Zabdi Keen said: 'Under three's go free so it was a good option for a toddlers group.'

Thank You

'A big thank you must go to Karen and the Augier Family at Clan horse. The toddlers will return!'

After Clan Horse the group visited Easmor waterfall and the library in the forest, a log cabin with a grass roof.

Brodick Toddlers meets most Tuesdays and Thursday mornings 10am to 11.45am at Brodick Church Hall.



Toddlers Elliott and Theo pet the Clan Horse goat. b33kid01 Picture by Laura Nicolson.

Car treasure hunt

A car treasure hunt will take place around Lochranza this Sunday to raise money for the village hall and there is a great prize up for grabs. The winners will be treated to a weekend for four at a top spa on the mainland.

Kate Hartley, hall chairman, said: 'This is a really excellent prize that we have been lucky enough to receive from an anonymous donor. I hope that it will entice lots of people to take part in this great event and have fun.' The hunt takes about an hour and will raise funds for the Lochranza and Catacol Village Hall fund. Entry is £10 per car and there will be a licensed bar and barbecue on return at the hall.

Relive Victorian days at Brodick Castle

Visitors to Brodick Castle will be transported back in time as they meet a Duke, a Duchess and their entourage as part of a special Victorian day this Sunday.

With the clocks set back 150 years; the castle will seem quite different to its 2009 incarnation.

The Duchess lies grumpily in her bed attended to by her Butler, the cook tends to the kitchen while Nanny keeps a watchful eye on the children's toys.

Diversions

As the occupants of the castle go about their daily routines, they will be surrounded by a

wide variety of diversions.

The Drawing Room will play host to a selection of music and song, while local ladies will demonstrate various local crafts.

Walks back in time will take place within the castle. Arran Brass will be on hand to provide music in the gardens.

Children will be well catered for throughout the day, as they have the opportunity to make Victorian greetings cards, participate in wacky races and search for the fairies hiding around the castle.

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An abundance of local produce such as Arran cheese, dairy produce, mustard, jam, oatcakes, chocolate, beef, lamb, poultry and fish provide the restaurateurs of Arran with the special ingredients that inspires them to create magical trademark dishes with passion and flair and, we, as the diner can be sure to enjoy mouth watering dishes served with friendly and welcoming service.

Good service is key to encouraging visitors and locals to dine out and here again Arran must tip the scales as we have such professional, yet friendly and welcoming staff employed throughout the island in the many restaurants available.

One thing is for certain. If you don't feel up to cooking of an evening then you only have one tough decision to make. Which one will I choose? Enjoy!

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Ernest Weir of Machrie putting the 16lb ball. 01_b33gam06



Kurt Rowlands, originally from New Zealand but now residing in Brodick, demonstrated his strength at throwing the 56lb weight over the bar. 01_b33gam09



Jamie McKinnon of Sannox leads Scott Clark, Kurt Rowlands, Ernest Weir, Mark Williams and Ian Small to victory in the tug o' war. 01_b33gam13



Young Heather Snowdon from Shiskine was the only Arran girl in the Highland Dancing competition. 01_b33gam03



Scott Clark is presented with a clutch of trophies by Donald McKelvie after he was the best Arran resident to take part in the heavy events. 01_b33gam14

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Brodick Highland Games is a winner with the crowds

It was the 122nd Brodick Highland Games on Saturday and once again it was a magnificent day for the whole family.

Despite heavy rain on Saturday morning an estimated 3,200 people descended upon the village for the event.

Two ferries served the Ardrossan Brodick run once again and the MV Saturn was full to capacity. The crowds poured onto the island from the 9.45am sailing and followed the four pipe bands along Brodick seafront to Brodick Hall.

The annual highland dancing competition started at 11.30am in the village hall and despite their being only one entrant from Arran, it was believed the number of entrants had doubled.

One of the highlights of the day was the jump into the field by the Red Devils parachute team. The Arran, Maybole, Cumbernauld and Kirkintilloch Pipe bands provided the traditional music.

Throughout the afternoon the races took place along the edge of the field and many of Arran's young athletes went home with a clutch of prizes.

The heavy events had the usual draw of competitors from the island including Scott Clark, Jamie McKinnon, Ernest Weir and Ian Ford and a number of experienced heavy event competitors from the Scottish Games circuit.

Visitor Gary Hagan won both the throwing the 28lb weight and putting the ball competitions and Mark Hunter triumphed in the throwing the 56lb weight and caber tossing competitions.

Ageing Brodick 'Heavy' Scott Clark could only win the hammer event, a second and two thirds although this allowed him to win the Tom Dolan, William Cook and Sons and Rodden Middleton Rosebowl for the best Arran performances.

The day ended with the famous tug-o-war competition won by the Ormidale team yet again.

Kenny Morrison, treasurer, said: 'The games committee wish to thank Arran Sports Association, NAC parks department, all of the pipe bands, Arran Highland Dancers, the Red Devils and all the others too numerous to mention who contributed to another successful event.'

See next week's Banner for full results.



Arran's talented young athletes; Nicole Bunyan, Nicky and Jennifer Emsley and Archie McNicol. 01_b33gam01



The Red Devils' parachute jump into the 122nd Brodick Highland Games was a highlight of the day. 01_b33gam05



Archie McNicol of Brodick is presented with the Lady Jean Fforde Cup by games chairman Donald McKelvie. 01_b33gam11



Lyle Bunyan of Brodick is presented with the Stewart Dickie Trophy by Donald McKelvie. 01_b33gam12

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Mon 17 Aug
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Tues 18th Aug
The Forgetful Princess: A tour for Tots 3-6 yrs 1.30pm
Castle Secrets. A tour for 7-11yrs 2.00pm
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Wed 19th Aug
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Brodick Gardens & Country Park

Tues 11th Aug
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2pm
Adults £2.00 - meet at Reception Centre

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Arran Farmers Society 173rd Annual Show

Wednesday August 5, 2009, results

Sarah Thomson of Lamlash took the overhead championship of the 2009 Show with her horse Hardie of Cairnhouse, closely followed by reserve overhead champion George Tod of Shiskine and his Texel two-shear tup.

Overhead champion: Sarah Thomson. Reserve overhead champion: George Tod.

Dairy cattle: champion and reserve champion, Mrs C Murchie & Sons.

Beef cattle: champion A Currie, reserve champion R Lammie.

Horse section: overall champion S Thomson, reserve T Warwick.

In-hand champion: T Warwick, reserve D Murchie.

Working hunter champion: Janis Murchie, reserve J Tod.

Clydesdale champion: M Ashley.

Blackface sheep: champion and reserve, G Tod.

Texel sheep: champion G Tod, reserve D Henderson.

Blueface and Border Leicester: champion G Tod, reserve R Lammie.

Suffolk sheep: champion and reserve, R Lammie.

Other breeds sheep: champion R McMaster, reserve C N Currie.

Three prime lambs: champion R McMaster, reserve C N Currie.

Shorn fleece: champion R McMaster.

Dog show: champion Thomas and Jake, reserve Catherine Munro and Marmite.

Sticks: champion S Lambie.

Murray's famous dog scurry: winner Iona Flewitt and Freagh, runner-up Alison Copling and Dougal.

Murray's digger challenge: senior, Andrew Driver, junior Barney Crockett.

Contrary to the report in last week's Banner, Robert Lammie took the Suffolk championship, not George Stewart. George

was only holding the Suffolk while Robert looked after his reserve beef champion.

Would the winner of the dog show please get in touch with Show secretary Christine McBride on 820291 to give full details of their name for engraving on the cup.

A copy of the Guinness Book of Records 2002 was handed in to the secretary's office for Christopher Bull to collect. Could he also please contact Christine.

Arran Farmers Society is grateful for the continued support of sponsors and the general public for another great family day out.



One of the spectacular South of Scotland Equestrian Vaulting team performing for the crowds at the show. 02_b33shw01



Kenny and Jim Bone of Glenkiln with the array of cups to be won at the Arran Show last week. 02_b33shw02

Walk with Hazel and Karen

Hazel Mackenzie and Karen Stirland are organising a short four-mile sponsored walk in Brodick on Saturday September 12.

Half the money raised will go to Leukaemia Research and half to either Yorkhill Schiehallion Ward or the Clic Sargent House. Karen said: 'The walk starts at 11.30am from the Ormidale Pavilion, along the shore, up around the castle drive, back along to the museum shortcut and back to the pavilion. It is suitable for all, including dogs, children and buggies.'

Entries with fee of £5 should be made by September 5 to Hazel on 700348 or Karen on 600654. Hazel said: 'It is not a race, but the entries will need to be in the week before to allow us to judge numbers for the barbecue at the end.'

Anyone wishing to donate but unable to attend can pay in to account number 00187887 at the Royal Bank of Scotland.

Visual arts exhibition triumph at Lochranza

Arran Visual Arts celebrated another fantastic summer exhibition last week that saw more than 600 people passing through the doors.

Forty-five local artists displayed their work in Lochranza Village Hall throughout the week.

There were 611 visitors to the exhibition including some from the Netherlands, Devon, Guernsey, Australia, Suffolk, America, Kirkwall, Southsea and York.

All visitors were asked to vote for their favourite piece in the exhibition and 'Time to dream' by Norma Russell came out on top.

The other artists voted in the top ten were: 2 Flower Fantasy, Marjorie McDougall, 3 Sunrise, Sheila Hawkins, 4 Far Shore, Ronnie McNeice, 5 Hedgerow Harvest, Roslyn Gibson, 6 Waterfall, Angela Elliott-Walker, 7 Holy Isle from Whiting Bay, Kathleen Sowden, 8 Mountains of Arran, Nancy McLeod, 9 Stormy Weather, Sally Brookes, 10 Arran Sunset, Alison Barr.

Jan McGregor, chairman of Arran Visual Arts, said: 'There were 32 works of art sold over the week to a value of £2,751, which is a great encouragement to AVA artists. Of the top ten favourites, eight were sold.' The group's 'Pebble Mosaic' workshop this weekend is now fully subscribed, but the autumn programme will be ready soon.

Lost bunny rabbit

Have you lost a bunny rabbit?

A large honey-brown rabbit is frequenting a Blackwaterfoot garden and the householder thinks that it must be lost. Mrs Cameron of Harbourview said: 'It has been coming here for some weeks now and is quite tame. Some poor child must be missing it.'

If you think it is your rabbit, please contact Mrs Cameron on 860379.

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Lost

A silver brooch was lost between the Pierhead Tavern in Lamlash and the Murray Estate last Friday.

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Arran's Heritage Museum celebrates 30th anniversary

On the July 13, 1979 a dream was realized for a group of dedicated historians as Arran's Heritage Museum officially opened its doors.

Last month the museum at Rosaburn, Brodick celebrated its 30th anniversary and the committee members were able to look around in pride at what has been achieved in that time.

In 1929 the 'Ardrossan and Saltcoats Herald' carried a report of a meeting of Arran residents keen to set up a museum on the island.

But it wasn't until the 1960s that the late Miss Elizabeth MacMillan MBE proposed that a small museum should be set up on the island and the idea bore fruit.

Grace Small, the local genealogist who has been on the museum committee since its inception, said: 'Bess's dream of a small folk museum depicting a typical Arran cottage was discussed by group of enthusiasts and in 1973, while she was chairman of the Isle of Arran Tourist Association, a public meeting was called resulting in the Arran Museum Committee.'

For this committee the big-

gest task was finding a suitable site and raising the necessary funds.

The thatched post office at Shannoche was their first choice, but it was not for sale, another hope was the former Meal Mill at Shedog but it was not until 1976 that the smiddy at Rosaburn became a distinct possibility.

Arran Estates owned the smiddy and they made it clear that other buildings on the site would later be for sale.

Extend

So the committee purchased the smiddy in 1976 and in later years were able to extend the museum by buying the derelict semi-detached cottage and the old coach house and stables too.

The first 'Open Day' was held on August 12, 1976 with the late Mr Donald Ferguson demonstrating his skills as a farrier.

Over the space of two hours, 450 people attended and £110 was collected.

By March the following year the museum was 'in business'; two openings had been knocked through to connect the coach house and harness room to the stables and where

necessary the buildings had been completely reroofed.

Thirty years later the museum has continued to expand with the addition of a new reception and gift shop two years ago.

This has given the committee an extra building to house the new 'Geology Room', which is already proving to be a hit with visitors.

The room has both adult and child 'timelines' explaining visually the many geologic periods and the examples of which can be found on Arran.

Museum secretary and manager Tom McLeod said: 'We are so pleased with the new shop because it has given us more space for the museum. The geology room has proved to be a real asset because it traces the islands geological past back millions of years.'

Tom strongly believes that the museum has to be interesting but also fun and exciting to help engage the younger generations in the hope that they will garner a lifelong interest in Arran's heritage.

Some islanders may not be aware that as well as charting the island's history; the museum now has a comprehensive archive of island life going back many years.

Committee member and archivist, John Lauder, said: 'In recent years the advent of modern technology has seen the addition of a computer



The Arran Heritage Museum at Rosaburn, Brodick celebrates its 30th anniversary this month. 01_b30mus01

network to provide a searchable database of the massive holdings of artefacts, documents and the miscellany of donated items which form the museum's collection.'

All of the museum's funding comes from membership fees and shop and entrance payments, with occasional grants for specific projects.

The museum is run by a dedicated group of volunteers whose passion for Arran's history has turned it into the four-star visitor attraction that it is today.

'It really is an absorbing place to visit,' said John Lauder. 'You can either just drop in or take a serious look at so much of the island's history.'

'With research facilities in the archives and genealogy sections, the museum provides a very hands on approach to learning about life in days gone by.'



Museum genealogist Grace Small shows Colin Clarke some of Arran's parish records as he searches for information on his ancestors. b41mus01



Museum committee members Archie Nicol and Tom McLeod at one of the annual open days. b30sce01



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Mountain rescue team celebrate

After the official opening of the new Arran Mountain Rescue base last Saturday afternoon, team members celebrated the occasion late into the night.

The team were joined by a large number of close friends, former members and supporters to have a good time and declare the new base officially open for business.

Local photographer Len Hartley was one of those invited guests and he has sent *The Banner* some great photographs from the night.

The Arran Mountain Rescue team moved into their new operations base at Cladach at the end of February.

Since the 1960s the team were based in a hut

behind the old police station in Brodick that had no toilet and it was too small to hold training sessions in or to store all of their equipment.

Past team leader, Alistair Hume said: 'The new Cladach base with its location next to the start of the main tourist path to Goatfell is a fantastic asset with all the facilities we need to provide a more professional service, everyone who has worked very hard over the last few years and today is the culmination of that.'

'It's great to see all the former members and supporters here and hopefully this memorable occasion will be the start of a new beginning for the Arran Mountain Rescue Team.'

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Team members Ewan McKinnon, Martin Ross, Jamie McKinnon and Peter McKinnon with Alistair Dobson. b33soc1



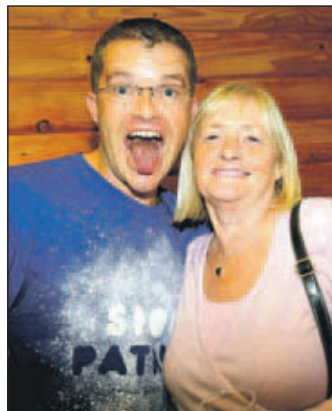
Angus and Lynn Raeburn. b33soc6



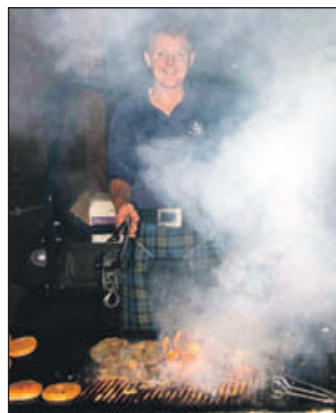
Arran Mountain Rescue Team members past and present outside the new team base at Cladach last Saturday. b33soc11



Robyn Keen with her dad Tim, secretary of the Arran Mountain Rescue Team. b33soc2



Neil Duncan and Alice Lennox. b33soc5



Team leader Alan McNicol. b33soc10



Alistair Bilsland with Robbie and Russell Duncan. b33soc3



Kenny Ross, Mark Bunyan and Fiona Hume. b33soc4



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Fitness Assessments, Gym Induction, Personal Training Auchrannie Spa & Gym
Arran Heritage Museum, Rosaburn, Brodick 10.30am - 4.30pm

SATURDAY 15th AUGUST

Blackwaterfoot Junior Football Coaching, 10.30am - noon
Karate Auchrannie Games Hall, 11.30am - 12.30pm
Family Games Kids & Adults Auchrannie Games Hall, 3pm - 4pm
Fun in the Spa Pool Auchrannie Pool, 4pm - 5pm
Over 21s Disco The Ormidale Hotel, 10pm
Brodick Bowling Club, Rink Game 2pm
Lamlash Bowling Club, Rink Game 2pm
RNLI Shop Open Lamlash Pier, 2pm - 4pm
Whiting Bay Bowling Club, Rink Game 2.30pm & 7pm
Viking Festival Corrie, starts 2pm
Bingo Night Whiting Bay Golf Club, 7pm

SUNDAY 16th AUGUST

Alcoholics Anonymous St Margarets Church, Whiting Bay, 4.30pm
Family Games Kids & Adults Auchrannie Games Hall, 3pm - 4pm
Fun in the Spa Pool Auchrannie Pool, 4pm - 5pm
Arran Fiddle Club- Childrens Classes Library Annexe, 1.45pm
Folk Session Ormidale Hotel, 9pm
RNLI Shop Open Lamlash Pier, 2pm - 4pm
Car Treasure Hunt Starts 2pm, Lochranza and Catacol Village Hall

MONDAY 17th AUGUST

Senior Fitness Auchrannie 10am & 11am (Gym)
Over 50's Badminton Lochranza Village Hall 2pm - 4pm
Badminton Lochranza Hall, 6.30pm
Cardiac Rehab Auchrannie Gym 12.30pm - 2pm
Circuit Training Auchrannie Spa, 6pm - 7.15pm (Gym)
Citizens Advice Open 10am - 2pm
AB Attack KA Leisure, fitness suite 6.30pm - 6.50pm
Aerobics Class KA Leisure, dance studio, 6pm - 7pm
Weight Wise Hospital Bungalow, 5pm - 5.30pm
Netball High School Sports Hall - Seniors 8pm - 9pm
Folk Session Kildonan Hotel, 9pm
Summer Bridge High School, 6.45pm
Brodick Bowling Club, Rink Game 6.45pm
Lamlash Bowling Club Rink Game 7pm
Whiting Bay Bowling Club, Rink Game 7pm
Summer Coffee Morning Whiting Bay & Kildonan Church Hall, 10.30am - 12pm
Quiz Night Eden Lodge Hotel Whiting Bay, 9.30pm

TUESDAY 18th AUGUST

Lochranza Swimming Club Kinloch 11am - 12pm
Arran Civic Trust Ormidale Pavilion 7.30pm
Legs Bums & Tums Auchrannie Spa 6pm - 7pm (Studio)
Army Cadets Auchrannie Road, 7.30pm - 9.30pm
Pop Quiz Ormidale Hotel, 10pm
Alcoholics Anonymous Brodick Church Hall - 2pm
Citizens Advice Open 10am - 2pm 4 - 6pm (Appointment Only)
Pulmonary Rehab Auchrannie Gym 12pm - 1pm (Gym)
Open Music Session Catacol Bay Hotel, 8.30pm
Indoor Bowling Auchrannie Hall, 7pm

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Ormidale Pavillion, 6-7pm
 Church Hall, 10am - 12pm
 KA Leisure, dance studio 6pm - 7pm
 Kildonan Hall - 6pm
 Auchrannie, 10am - 11am
 Glencloy Suite, Auchrannie 7.15pm
 Bar Eden, Whiting Bay, 9pm
 Village Hall, 8pm
 Auchrannie Spa, 7pm - 8pm
 Southbank Farm track, 6pm - 7.30pm

WEDNESDAY 19th AUGUST

Hockey Auchrannie Hall, 7pm - 8pm (Games Hall)
Core Strength Auchrannie 5.30 - 6pm
Jnr Rugby Training P4 - S4 Ormidale Park, 6pm - 7.15pm
Aquafizz Auchrannie Hotel, 9.45am - 10.30am (Hotel Pool)
Circuit Training Auchrannie, 6pm - 7.15pm (Gym)
Arran Heritage Museum Archives & Genealogy 10.30 - 12.30pm & 1.30 - 3.30pm
Kickboxing KA Leisure, dance studio, 7pm - 8.30pm
Alcoholics Anonymous Lamlash Church Hall - 7.30pm - 9pm
Arran Rugby Club Seniors Training Ormidale Park, 7.30pm
Arran Brass Rehearsal Whiting Bay Hall 7.15pm
Selt Making Class Shipfield, Lamlash, 10am - 4pm
Brodick Bowling Club, Rink Game 6.45pm
Lamlash Bowling Club, Rink Game 7pm
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Family Ceilidh Brodick Hall, 8pm - 11pm
Coffee Morning Lamlash Church Hall, 10.30am - 12pm

THURSDAY 20th AUGUST

Senior Fitness Auchrannie 10am - 11am
General Knowledge Quiz The Ormidale Hotel, 10pm
Citizens Advice Open 10am - 2pm
Lochranza Craft Club Hall, 2pm
Coffee Morning St Molios Church 10.30am - 12pm
Cardiac Rehab Auchrannie Gym 2pm - 3pm
Table Tennis Kildonan Hall, 3pm - 5pm
Legs, Bums & Tums Class KA Leisure, gameshall, 6.30pm - 7.15pm
Indoor Bowling Auchrannie Hall 7pm
Cricket Practice Sannox Oval, 6pm
Craft Market Whiting Bay Village Hall, 11am - 3pm
Family Ceilidh "Kippen Ceilidh Band" Lochranza Hall, 7pm
Smoking Cessation Group Ormidale Pavilion, 11am - 12pm
Doug Scott Mountaineering Talk High School Theatre, Lamlash, 7.30pm
Arran Junior Singers practice Whiting Bay Hall, 6.45pm

FRIDAY 21st AUGUST

Arran Pipe Band Practice Brodick Hall, 7.30pm
Aquafizz Auchrannie Pool, 9.45am - 10.30am
Citizens Advice Open 10am - 2pm
Quiz Whiting Bay Golf Club, 9pm
Adult Tennis Shiskine Golf & Tennis Club, 4.00pm - 6.30pm
Over 21's Disco The Ormidale Hotel, 10pm
Foundations at the Cabin Brodick, 7pm - 9pm
Family Ceilidh Shiskine Village Hall, 7.30pm - 11pm

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Ian Snodgrass
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BIRTH



HENDERSON

David & Alison are pleased to announce the safe arrival of Lisa Anne on 1st August 2009, a wee sisiter for Emma. We would like to thank staff at Ayrshire Maternity unit and Donna and Elaine at AWMH.

ENGAGEMENT



DILLON & ROBERTSON

Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Geraldine & Gordon

CHURCH NOTICES

ARRAN FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Sunday 16 August

(Church is on the road between Machrie & Blackwaterfoot) Shiskine 11am
Sunday School meets in the Church Hall
Broddick 7pm (Church is behind Post Office)
Rev David Karoon
All welcome

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Vigil Mass: 7.30pm

Sunday Masses 9.30 and 11 am
We are receiving a visit this weekend from our new bishop, the Right reverend Joseph Toal and we will be having tea after the 11am mass.

WHITING BAY AND KILDONAN CHURCH

Sunday 16 August

Worship will be conducted by Rev Elizabeth Watson at 10.30am. The Sunday School begins again and we look forward to welcoming our young people back. Tea and coffee will be served in the Hall immediately after the service - please stay and enjoy more fellowship and also there will be a sale of Traidcraft goods. All most welcome.

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Sunday 16 August

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Holy Communion, 12.15 pm.

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Sunday 16 August

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Kilmory 10am

Lamlash 11.30am

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Sunday 16 August

11am

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Broddick Church, 10.30am,

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Corrie Church, 12pm

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Lochranza, 9.30am

Pirrmill, 10.45am,

Shiskine Church, 12pm

A service of Worship will also be held in Montrose House at 1.30pm

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Arran Golfers Association

Champion of Champions 2009. First round to be played at Shiskine Golf Club on Friday August 21 from 5.30pm. Draw: Broddick v Lamlash, Whiting Bay v Corrie,

Lochranza v Machrie, Shiskine v Champion. Semi Final on Monday August 24 and final on Friday August 28. There will be a new draw on completion of each round.

Ken Western Greensome at Machrie Bay Golf Club on Saturday August 29, ballot at 9am and 1pm, make up own pairings. Autumn meeting on Thursday September 3 in Broddick Clubhouse at 8pm.

Lamlash Golf Club

Ladies: A warm and sunny afternoon was enjoyed on Wednesday August 5 while playing Medal and Fleet 5, CSS 67. 1 Jo Hastings 92-23=69, 2 Sheena Murchie 85-12=73 and scratch was won by Sheena Murchie. Well done to both.

Gents: Thursday August 6, Seniors medal from box tees, 11 played. There were two magic twos from R Magee and P MacKay. 1 W I Paul 80-22=58, 2 R Magee 72-10=62, 3 H McArthur 82-18=64. Summer Cup, 32 played, scratch Iain Murchie with a 64. 1 D Heenan 74-14=60, 2 Iain Murchie 64-3=61 BIH, 3 E Evans 66-5=61, 4 A Winship 76-14=62. There were six magic twos from D Heenan, Iain Murchie, G Andrew, C Richardson, E Evans and D Wales.

Fixtures: Every Thursday Senior & Summer Cup, arrange times with starter.

Sunday August 16, Scratch Cup at 9.30am and 1pm.

Machrie Bay Golf Club

Tuesday August 4, 1 David Price 64, 2 David Wilkinson 70, 3 Hugh McClelland 71. Scratch David Price 76. Fixtures: Tuesday August 18, final day of Lady Mary/Peter Sutton 12.30pm/5.30 tee-off.

Corrie Golf Club

Wednesday August 5, Medal. 1 D Logan 69-9=60, 2 J McGovern 70-8=62, Congratulations Stephen on his hole in one at the 17th. Saturday August 8, James Bunyan Cup. 1 A Napier 63-6=57, 2 S Beardsley 64-6=58, 3 J Innes 68-8=60 BIH.

Fixtures: Saturday August 15, Stabelford, draws at 9am and 1pm. Saturday August 22, Summer Cup, draws at 9am and 1pm.

Broddick Golf Club

Ladies: August Medal, Tuesday August 4, CSS 70 (RO). Silver: 1 Fiona Crawford 12(67), 2 Jean Glen 17(69), 3 Jan Beattie 14(70). Bronze: 1 Kate Sizer 30(65), 2 Aileen Latona 21(70), 3 Trish Martin 26(75). Scratch Brenda Livingstone 81. Marie Thomson had the only two.

Gents: Wednesday August 5, Summer Cup, 46 played, CSS 64. 1 G Robertson (8)61,

2 W McNicol (17)62, 3 S McCalla (6)63, Scratch E McKinnon 66.

There were 10 twos, nobody got more than one. Sunday August 9, Centenary Quaich, 15 played, CSS 64. Scores (stableford): A Robertson 41 points, G Hendry 38, J Armit 37 BIH, I MacDonald 37. Sadly Gus Robertson wasn't eligible to win the Quaich, as he didn't get his name down before the draw was made on Saturday. Just to pile on the agony, he forgot to pay his sweep money, so couldn't pick up the winnings from the sweep, even though he had the best score of the day. (Rather too many senior moments for comfort Gus!)

Centenary Quaich Winner - Gordon Hendry, Runner Up - Jimmy Armit.

Fixtures: Saturday August 15, Belhaven Open Texas Scramble. Sunday August 16, Brandon, tee off times from 8.30am and 1pm, draw Saturday at 12pm (get you name down Gus!) Saturday August 22, Bridge Trophy, mixed foursomes, open to members of all the Arran Golf Clubs. Catering and a quiz night will follow both the Texas Scramble and the Bridge Trophy. Further details about both events from the clubhouse on 302349 or from Peter McCalla 302513.

Shiskine Golf Club

Thursday August 6, Hole Medal and Flag competition. 1 Norma



Gwen McNicol is this year's Broddick Golf Club ladies champion, beating Fiona Crawford 4 and 3. b33gwe01

McPherson 92-32=60, 2 Sally Brookes 90-24=66, 3 Jenni Turnbull 85-18=67, best Scratch Jenni Turnbull 85. Saturday August 8, Victory Shield. First class: 1 E Caldwell 45-3=42 BIH, 2 A Gray 46-4=42, 3 D Duthie 49-5=44 BIH. Second class: 1 H Biggar 50-9=41

2 I Rae 53-10=43 BIH, 3 K Tumilty 54-11=43. Best Scratch E Caldwell 45. Magic twos from A Gray, I Rae, D Duthie, C Corry and J Simpson. Winner of the Victory Shield Russell Weir 38 (July). Saturday August 8, Kay Maxwell Trophy. 1 Sue Biggar 53-6+3=44, 2 Pat Adamson 57-9+3=45, 3 Liz Kerr 60-9+3=48. Winner of Kay Maxwell Trophy Sue Biggar 44 (Aug). Sunday August 5, 12-hole Medal. 1 J Simpson 52-9=43, 2 D Markham 50-5=45, 3 M Sherwood 53-4=49. Best Scratch D Markham 50. Magic Twos from M Sherwood.

Sunday August 2, Red Cross Texas Scramble. In glorious weather 36 teams of four golfers enjoyed supporting a day of fun golf at Shiskine Golf Club with the theme of 'Carry on Doctor' in aid of Arran Red Cross Transport and Escort Service.

A total of £969 was raised which will support this valuable service on Arran.

Arran Red Cross Transport and Escort Service would like to thank the committee of Shiskine Golf and Tennis Club for their generosity in allowing the courtesy of the course.

Results: Winning Team A Lato-

na, M Dobson, G McNicol and G Hendry 38 points.

Winning Fancy Dress Team The Davidsons. Gentlemen Longest Drive Hole 9 Sandy Biggar. Ladies Longest Drive Hole 2 Val Crawford. Juniors Longest Drive Hole 6 A Black. Gentlemen Nearest The Pin Hole 3 A Crawford. Ladies Nearest The Pin Hole 7 Marilyn Muirhead. Juniors Nearest The Pin Hole 4 A Black.

Fixtures: Saturday August 15, Captain's Prize and Veteran's Trophy. Thursday August 20, Visitors v Locals (Evening Draw only). Sunday August 23, Allan Maxwell Trophy.

Whiting Bay Golf Club

The ladies' McNicola was played on Sunday 9 August. Many of the club's regulars couldn't play this week but we had a great turnout by our visitor members and would like to thank them for their support. The two top places with a net 63 went to Jackie Nisbet and Liz Paterson. Jackie just pipped Liz for the overall win on the better inward half.

Gents: Wednesday August 5, 43 played in the Betty Black Trophy in pleasant but blustery conditions. 1 Kerr Drummond (4)61 BIH, 2 Ronnie Mann (13)61, 3 Eddie Hope (13)62 and 4 Alan Dillon (20)64. Kerr Drummond also won scratch with 65 and there were magic twos by Kerr Drummond, David Morrison, Andy Martin, Douglas Graham and Markus Kroner.

Sunday August 9, 15 played in the Medal. SSS 63, CSS 62. 1 Ronnie Mann (12)60, 2 Charlie Hunter (19)61, 3 John Rankin (5)62. John Rankin won scratch with 67 and there were magic twos from John Rankin and Michelle Augier. Special mention must also go to Bill Lockie of North Gailes who was not entered in the sweep but shot a course record equalising score of 58 from the Medal tees. Nicol Auld was the first to score 58 back in 1990 before Malcolm Pennycott also shot 58 in 2006. Now Bill is the third - so who will be first to score 57?

Fixtures: Sunday August 16, Aitken Rosebowl, (Foursomes.) One draw for partners at 11am. Wednesday August 19, Summer Trophy. Sunday August 23, Captain's Prize. One draw at 11am.

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Last week Archie was getting his skates on at the new skate park in Lamlash Recreation Field. First correct answer came from Fiona MacDonald. This week he is back on the beach and chasing sticks in the sea. But which beach is it? b33arc01





The Mid Argyll players had a long wait as Sannox put in a worthy batting display. b33erk02

Sannox wins tale of two innings

A demon display with bat and ball saw Tony Brookes, the Levenorrhach Express, named Man of the Match in Sannox's dramatic 28-run victory over Mid Argyll last Sunday.

Sannox Cricket Club travelled to Dunadd for their fourth outing against local friends and rivals Mid Argyll and won the toss, electing to bat in a drying wind. With something of the Ashes Test in the air, it was decided to play two 20-over innings.

Tony Brookes and Jonathan (Topgun) May opened, and Brookes put on 17 with three boundaries and urgently run singles. After three overs Sannox were 17 without loss, but May was caught behind off Hemmings and Michael Jenks was bowled first ball. Tim Pomeroy came in at number four but Brookes fell quickly lbw to Shackleton.

Jake Leese looked uneasy and was out lbw playing cross-batted to Shackleton. While Pomeroy looked tidy for a couple of overs and put on 10 runs, he in turn fell to a plumb back-foot lbw attempting to sweep a Fox delivery. At 40 for 7 the Arran men looked to be producing an effort worthy of recent England test per-

formances. However the tail wagged for Sannox with newcomer Ashley Webster batting number nine, who threw his bat at the bowling of Beckett and put on 18 before Beckett dislodged his bails. The final Sannox total was a grossly untidy 66 all out.

Mid Argyll opened with Lyburn and Beckett who made four before Jenks bowled him in his opening over. Barrett at number three made nought but Schafer came in and pushed the score relentlessly on. Quickly they had exceeded the Sannox total with Lyburn regularly finding the boundary. Schafer was finally bowled by Pomeroy for 18.

Fox and Wood fell for one and two respectively, Lyburn carried his bat for 65, and Mid Argyll were 105 for four.

Sandwiches were quickly consumed and the visitors went back in to bat. Brookes opened with Gordon Graham and from the off it was apparent that he had issues. Like a man driven by some inner demons Brookes went about the Mid Argyll attack with an energy that left even his own team-mates blinking. 'A red mist just descended,' he joked afterwards. He drove, hooked and occasionally agriculturally howked his way to 53 before Barrett bowled him with a ball that cruelly died on impact and ran into the foot of the stumps. Pomeroy helped him for a useful 11 and May enjoyed the synergy for 22 before being stumped, sprawled out, chasing and missing a short delivery from Schafer. Jenks put on 9 and Arran visitor Matthew Bf-

toni another 5 bringing Sannox to a final and definitely grand total of 196.

Mid Argyll reversed their batting order and Hemmings fell quickly to Brookes for two. Brookes, known in the club as the Levenorrhach Express and still powered by some unseen inner fuel, performed like a man possessed. He bowled Angus Shackleton and was no less urgent in the field making inspired stops saving runs and buoying up his team-mates. Sannox's borrowed player Graham bowled Wood and had Fox caught. Barrett made a stand for the hosts and carried his bat for 13, Lyburn had to walk for five, lbw to Pomeroy after an appeal that could be heard



Sannox defeated Mid Argyll in the shadow of Dunadd Fort last Sunday. b33erk01

all the way back to Cloanaig. With Mid Argyll needing some 10 an over it looked all up for them. Beckett's leg stump was removed by Pomeroy for three runs and the hosts finished on 168 all out; an enjoyable game of incident and two innings.

Next home game at Sannox is against Carradale on August 16. All visitors welcome. Practise is on Thursdays from 6pm at Sannox Oval. All welcome. For more information phone 600287 or visit the website. www.sannoxcricketclub.com



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Some of the youngsters from Arran who took part in the special SFA coaching sessions last week with their coaches. b33ba101

Tips for Arran's young football stars

Some of the island's youngsters enjoyed four days of football coaching at the Ormidale Park last week as three Scottish Football Association coaches visited the island.

The SFA/North Ayrshire Leisure ongoing Community Football Development Programme allows young players of all ages and ability to take part in specialised coaching sessions.

The children worked on skill development, speed and agility and took part in small-sided games.

They were also given information on diet and nutrition and the importance of living an active life.

A spokesman for the youngsters said:

'The boys had a great time learning new football skills and playing big games of football on the all weather pitch.'

Energy

'Their energy and enthusiasm was amazing and there were certainly a few mini stars worth watching. Arran football will certainly improve when these youngsters get a little older.'

Archie McNicol from Brodick was one of the coaches for the week. He will be bringing his newly acquired skills and training tips to help the youngsters in their training at KA Campus on Tuesday nights from 5pm.

Chris makes it two in a row at Lamlash Open

For the second year running Chris Wall of Hunley Hall Golf Club in Middlesbrough was the winner of one of Arran's most distinguished golf competitions, the Lamlash Open.

The 25th anniversary Open attracted 155 entries this year including some from Tasmania, Norway, France and a fair number from south of the border.

Jim Henderson, club secretary, said: 'The days leading up to the Open were encouraging with a good if not fair forecast, practice day on the Friday was excellent. 'However an unexpected change on Saturday morning gave the early starters a bit of a soaking to clear up for the afternoon. On Sunday the majority of the day was fair.'

The green staff had presented a wonderful course that received many congratulations

from the competitors.

The golf course was altered slightly to avoid disruption and slow play.

Some expected the changes to benefit the high handicapper, however the course stood up to the alterations and there was no additional benefit to the high handicapper as illustrated in the scoring.

'The alterations received a mix of comments on the whole the majority of people approved,' said Jim. 'They were done as an experiment to speed up play - the average time being 3.5 hours instead of 4.5 hours. The club would welcome comments from the competitors for next years open competition.'

Results: Lamlash Open 36 holes. Booby Chris Stewart 90+82=172, 5 A Glen 61+66=127, 4 Kevin Smith 63+64=127 BIH, 3 Allan Docherty 64+63=127 BIH,

Second Norrie McIntyre

61+64=125, 1 Chris Wall 61+64=125 BIH.

Sweep winners for Saturday: There were 24 magic twos. Scratch D MacFarlane 64 BIH, I Murchie 64 and P Gossman 65. Class 3 A Ferrier 84-19=65, A Docherty 82-18=64, A Glen 78-17=61 I Reid 81-20=61. Class 2 K Smith 76-13=63, N McIntyre 70-9=61, C Wall 71-10=61, D Stevenson 73-12=61. Class 1 D MacFarlane 64-0=64, I Bremner 72-8=64, P Gossman 65-2=63, I Murchie 64-2=62.

Sweep winners for Sunday: There were 21 magic twos. Scratch S McArthur 64, J Murchie 66, P Clark 66. Class 3 R Waero 82-17=65, A Docherty 81-18=63, A Ferrier 82-19=63, L McMillan 85-23=62. Class 2 C Wall 74-10=64, K Smith 77-13=64, R Magee 72-10=62, A Pattison 70-9=61. Class 1 I Gillan 67-3=64, J Murchie 66-2=64, P Clark 66-6=60, S McArthur 64-4=60.

Main prizes 18 holes Saturday



Chris Wall, left, is presented with the 25th anniversary Lamlash Open trophy by club captain Alan Winship. b33lam02

sponsored by the PHT: 3 Chris Wall 71-10=61, 2 Ian Reid 81-20=61, 1 D Stevenson 73-12=61. 18 holes Sunday for the Blenheim Cup: 3 A Pattison 70-9=61, 2 P Clark 66-6=60, 1 S McArthur 64-4=60. Seniors Shield handicap for those aged 60+ over 36 holes: Ian Reid 61+68=129. Seniors scratch for those aged 60+ over 36 holes: I Bremner 72+74=146. MacDonal Cup 36 holes for the best local: 3 Mark Wren 65+65=130, 2 Iain Murchie 62+67=129, 1 N McIntyre 61+64=125. Lochranza Distillery Quaich Scratch 36 holes: 3 P Gossman 65+70=135, 2 Iain Murchie 64+69=133, 1

Jamie Murchie 67+66=133 BIH. The eight island residents qualifying for the Mclean Salver were as follows (draw and dates in the clubhouse): N McIntyre 125, I Murchie 129, M Wren 130, I Bremner 130, S Campbell 133, A Winship 134, T Jameson 135 and A Smith 135.

Brodick meets Northend in cup

The Arran football committee has made the draw for the Arran knockout cup.

On Tuesday 25 August Brodick will play host to Northend.

Kick off as usual will be at 6.30pm.

The winners of this match will host Shiskine on Saturday August 29.

On the same night Lamlash will host Southend both kick off at 6.30pm. The final will be played on Saturday 5 September at Brodick with a 3pm kick off.

The remaining league fixtures are: Saturday 15 August Southend v Shiskine at 6.30pm. Saturday 22 August Lamlash v Brodick at 6.30pm and Northend v Southend at 6.30pm.

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