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Eric's crowing rooster spared from the chop

Complaints about noisy cock-a-doodle-do

A noisy cockerel in Whiting Bay has been the source of complaints to the council in recent weeks.

While most of the hundreds of complaints received each year by NAC's environmental health department usually concern uncollected rubbish or pest control, this complaint is about a loquacious rooster's cock-a-doodle-do.

The bird, which belongs to Eric Gregory of Ingleside, apparently crows too loudly in the morning and a neighbour has protested to the council about the noise.

Mr Gregory said: 'Someone has complained about my rooster crowing in the morning and a man from Environmental Health knocked on my door earlier this month.'

'I have had hens in Arran for more than 40 years and so have many other people and nobody has heard of this.'

'Most people are happy to hear the sound of a rooster crowing. Am I paranoid to think that someone doesn't like me?'

Mr Gregory told The Banner that he has spoken to all of his nearest neighbours, all of whom are perfectly happy and don't have a problem with the rooster.

In a letter to the council he said: 'You have spoilt my sleep. I am 70 this year and

REPORT
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live quietly, on my own with my pets.

'Now I am retired I want to enjoy it without something as stupid as this.'

'This is a small community and my friends agree with me and are determined to find out who has done this.'

'I want an explanation from NAC's environmental health department.'

Now the local authority has decided not to take action and the bird can carry on crowing as the sun comes up.

A spokesperson for North Ayrshire Council said: 'We are required by law to investigate complaints about alleged noise nuisance.'

'I can confirm that an Environmental Health Officer visited an address in Whiting Bay earlier the month following a complaint about noisy animals. There was no evidence of any noise nuisance during this visit and Mr Gregory was simply advised that the investigation was being carried out. No further action has been taken.'

Eric said: 'I'm relieved at the outcome, as the only option would have been to wring the rooster's neck. Now he can crow to his heart's content.'



Big day for Arran's new school starts

For Arran's children the summer came to an abrupt end last Thursday when they found themselves having to go back to school. Six of the island's primary schools welcomed new primary one pupils but the intake this year was much lower than in previous sessions with Shiskine Primary School welcoming not a single primary one pupil this term. Pictured starting at Whiting Bay Primary School are Zak Stone, Zack Allan, Daniel Lammin and Annie West. See page 4 for all the pictures from the other schools. 01_b34bay01

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Property manager Ken Thorburn and signature project specialist Jonathan Bryant in front of Brodick Castle. 02_b34brod01

Brodick Estate project to be led by Jonathan

In March the National Trust for Scotland confirmed that Brodick Estate including Brodick Castle, Country Park and Goatfell was to be the site of the charity's first 'Signature Project'.

And leading this exciting new venture is heritage specialist Jonathan Bryant, former chief executive of Dundee Heritage Trust.

Last week he told the Banner of his plans for the two-year project.

He said: 'I am delighted

to have been selected by the Trust to lead its first signature project at Brodick.

'This is the beginning of a journey.

'I will be looking at every aspect of the property and seeking more consultation from the island community.

Potential

'Lessons in financial sustainability learned at Brodick will be applied across other Trust properties.

The aim is to identify all the potential that we have at

Brodick and work out how to make it the very best it can be.

Brodick Estate encompasses everything that the Trust cares for on a national scale from fine art collections to mountains, all on one island.

Opportunities

'Together with local stakeholders and Ken Thorburn and his staff and volunteers at Brodick, we are going to consider all possible opportunities by which we can encourage more people to visit the property and

come away having had an inspirational experience.'

Property manager Ken Thorburn added: 'This is a very exciting time for the Brodick Estate and we look forward to working closely with Jonathan.

'We are delighted to be trailblazing on behalf of the Trust and Scottish heritage as a signature project.'

The Brodick project will be followed by a second signature project at Inverewe Gardens in Wester Ross.

Police files

Drink driving

On Monday 13 August a 70-year-old Lamlash man was arrested for alleged drink driving at 9.40am in Shore Road, Lamlash. A 60-year-old Brodick man was arrested at 10.30am in Market Road, Brodick on Monday 20 August and reported for alleged drink driving.

Road traffic crashes

A 49-year-old Edinburgh man was reported for road traffic offences on 21 August following a crash in the Machrie area on Monday 23 July.

On Monday 20 August a 17-year-old Southend man was reported to the Procurator Fiscal following a crash in Shore Road, Lamlash on 10 August.

Disorderly manner

A 37-year-old Motherwell woman was arrested and charged with conducting herself in a disorderly manner on Shore Road, Brodick on Saturday 18 August. She appeared at Kilmarnock Sheriff Court on Monday.

Speeding campaign

Between 16 and 21 August three Lamlash motorists and two Brodick motorists were issued with speeding tickets.

There will be an enforcement campaign over the next two weeks.

Machrie road to close for essential repairs

An Arran road is to be closed for essential repair works required after a recent road traffic accident.

The U87 Machrie Moor Road is to be closed between the B880 String Road and C147 at Machrie from Friday 29 to Sunday 31 August.

This is to allow North Ayrshire Council to carry out urgent carriageway and verge repair works.

A diversion route will be in place via the B880 String Road, the U93 Torbeg Road and the C147 towards Machrie.

The road will be closed between 9am and 3.30pm.

Access will be maintained for residents within the affected area during the closure. However, residents and motorists may experience short delays. The road will be closed between 9am and 3.30pm.

A spokesman for North Ayrshire Council said: 'The closure of the road is required to ensure the safety of road workers and motorists.'

'Every effort is being made to minimise any disruption to residents and motorists during these essential repair work.'

'We would, however, like to apologise for any inconvenience caused.'

Court bans dangerous teenage driver from road

An Arran teenager who left a couple injured after losing control of his car has been banned from the road. Neil Faulkner, 19, was driv-

ing at excessive speed when he crested a hill then veered into the opposite carriageway, colliding with another car and injuring himself and occu-

pants Brian and Anne Taylor. Faulkner, of Torbeg, Shiskine, admitted dangerous driving on the B880 in Arran in August last year.

At Kilmarnock Sheriff Court, Faulkner was fined £800, disqualified for 14 months and ordered to sit the extended driving test.

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Arran Community Council calls for nominations of persons to stand for election to the Community Council.

In terms of the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils in North Ayrshire, candidates for election must be aged over 18 and live within the boundary of the Community Council.

Nomination papers can be obtained from the Chief Executive's Office, Third Floor, Cunninghame House, Irvine during weekdays from 9am-4.45pm.

Nomination papers can be obtained by contacting Martyn McKeown, Committee Services Manager on 01294 324130 or email mmckeown@north-ayrshire.gov.uk.

Completed nomination papers must contain the name, occupation and address of the person nominated and the names and addresses of two proposers, each of whom is a local government elector for the area. Each nomination paper must be signed by the person nominated and the two proposers.

Completed nomination papers MUST be delivered to, and received by, the Chief Executive at the above address by 12 noon on Tuesday 18 September 2012.

The Community Council comprises 12 Elected Councillors drawn from the extended villages of Brodick (2), Corrie including Sannox (1), Kilmory including Kildonan (1), Lamlash (2), Lochranza (1), Pirnmill (1), Shiskine including Blackwaterfoot (2) and Whiting Bay (2). Only local electors from the extended villages in question are allowed to stand as nominees and vote at the election.

In the event of the number of nominations exceeding the number of vacancies to be filled, elections will be held in the villages concerned. The date and time will be advertised locally within the villages requiring an election.

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Squirrel says nuts to RBS

'We were devastated that someone on Arran had stolen our beautiful hand carved wooden squirrel'

Last year Michael and Nan Meteyard had a large wooden squirrel carved by local sculptor Marvin Elliott and placed in their Brodick front garden.

It has been admired by many passers-by, but last Saturday night some miscreants forcibly removed it from its stand and placed it on top of the Royal Bank of Scotland sign in the middle of the village.

Awoken

Mike said: 'On Sunday morning we were awoken at

8am by a kind neighbour to tell us that our squirrel had been stolen and that it was at the Royal Bank of Scotland.

Hand carved

'We were devastated that someone on Arran had stolen our beautiful hand carved wooden squirrel that was admired by so many of the community.'

'It had been secured to the log but someone with considerable force had managed to lever it off, damaging and

loosing part of its foot in the process.

'We went along to the bank but to get it down we needed a ladder so we phoned a friend who came along and helped with the retrieval.'

'The conversation with the police on reporting the theft and retrieval of a two-foot high wooden squirrel was hilarious.'

'He will be back, but this time with a full security and alarm system.'



Mike Meteyard ponders how to get his wooden squirrel down from the RBS sign.

No government plans to privatise CalMac

The Scottish Government has no plans to privatise or unbundled ferry operator Caledonian MacBrayne Ltd.

That was the message this week from Arran's MSP Kenneth Gibson.

Last Friday, Labour MSP Margaret McDougall claimed: 'The SNP seem hell-bent on destroying these ferry services, packaging them off and selling them out.'

'There are genuine fears of locals that these services will be privatised out.'

But Transport Minister Keith Brown declared:

'Claims that we are planning to sell off these routes are simply untrue.'

'The Scottish Government is absolutely committed to supporting our island and remote communities.'

'Ferry routes are going out to tender from 2013 to 2019. However, that is an EU directive, not a matter which is under the control of either the Scottish or UK Governments.'

Crackdown on off-road antisocial behaviour

A council-led group tackling antisocial behaviour is targeting the dangerous and illegal use of off-road vehicles.

The Multi Agency Problem Solving Group (MAPSG) and Strathclyde Police are working with local landowners in a bid to tackle the issue of off-road motorcycles and quads being used illegally on Arran's forestry tracks.

The MAPSG - led by North Ayrshire Council and

Strathclyde Police - was established in response to residents' concerns to tackle antisocial behaviour and crime across North Ayrshire.

Two weeks ago The Banner reported that three horses were spooked in the Dyemill Forest when the young driver of a dirt bike refused to stop and let them pass.

During the past month seven quad bikes have been seized by police using powers aimed at tackling the illegal and an-

tisocial use of vehicles.

North Ayrshire Council's director of community safety, Chief Inspector Roddy Newbigging, said: 'This initiative and the seizure of these vehicles is a clear message to those who behave in an antisocial way by riding off-road bikes illegally.'

'Action will be taken against anyone who breaks the law or who puts their lives or risks the lives of others by using vehicles illegal-

ly or irresponsibly.'

Off-road motorcycles and quads can be used on private land with the permission of the landowner. However, there must not be any associated antisocial behaviour.

The best way to enjoy the use of off road motorcycles

and quads is to join an off road club where you can ride safely and have fun.

To report the illegal use of vehicles, or any other crime call your local community policing team on 01294 404400, or visit www.strathclyde.police.uk

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First day for primary ones



Starting at Corrie Primary School are Cody Rayner and Zak Thorburn-Eddy, pictured with teacher Mrs Boyle. 01_b34cor01

New starts from across the island enjoyed their first day of school last week as the summer holidays came to an end.

The intake this year was much lower than in previous sessions with Shiskine Primary School welcoming not a single primary one pupil this term.

Lamlash and Whiting Bay also had smaller classes this year with just seven and four pupils respectively.

Corrie and Pirmill both welcomed two new pupils whilst Kilmory has three.

Brodick is the only school keeping the numbers up with 11 youngsters moving up from nursery to primary school.



Maggie Anderson, Lily Brobson, Kieran Geraghty, Harry Gilmore, John Lee Hodgart, Phelan Mayhew, Annie McKelvie, Harris McNicol, Jack Popplewell, Jemma Totty and Elliot Ulivi. Jan Matusiak was absent. 01_b34bro01



Twins Toby and Mason Amsing and Reuben Bowers started school last week at Kilmory. 01_b34kil01



With their new teacher Mrs Diana Dunn at Lamlash primary School are: Imogen Allison, Ross Currie, Andrew Rojan, Charlie Ross, Jamie Sillars, Catherine Smith and Ruby Wright. 01_b34lam01



Starting at Pirmill Primary School were James Hart and Skye McPhee. Teacher Mrs Jacqui Calwell is also new to the school this year. 01_b34pir01

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New Indian restaurant spicing up Lamlash



Locals were invited to the official opening on Wednesday afternoon. 01_b34gar01

The queue stretched out the door on Saturday night as the new Indian Garden opened its doors in Lamlash.

Formerly situated in Brodick, the new premises across from Arran High School house an Indian takeaway, which is open seven days a week offering award winning cuisine. On Wednesday afternoon owners Abu Ahammad and Lokman Hossan hosted a small celebration to mark the opening to which a number of Arran businessmen and women were invited.

There were numerous dishes for guests to sample including six delicious curries.

The Kholee Molee – marinated chicken spiced with coconut and almonds in a herby creamy sauce – was voted the favourite. Many others commented on the rich fragrant taste of the chef's special treat – a combination of chicken tikka, lamb tikka and tandoori king prawns with mango, pineapple butter, honey and tomatoes. Also on offer were Jinga Tikka Masala, Butter Chicken, the scrumptious King Prawn Tava and the utterly divine Ghost Kata Masala. The guests agreed that the tasty naan breads, onion bhajis and rice were by far some of the best they had ever tasted. The Indian Garden is open from 5pm to 11pm daily.



Owners Abu Ahammad and Lokman Hossan with their staff. 01_b34gar03

Perfect retreat for rock star Neil

Arran rocks! Actually, it doesn't - and that is why former heavy metal hero Neil Murray loves the place so much. Neil, who was bass player with several top bands, including Whitesnake and Black Sabbath, admitted he was smitten with the island during his short break in Sannox this week. And the renowned musician - accustomed to ear-splitting rock and living in the hustle and bustle of

west London - reckoned he had discovered paradise. Edinburgh-born Murray, who was staying at the award-winning Darven Cottage B&B, said: 'I had never been to Arran, however it was just perfect for me.'

'I had been looking for a couple of days away from it all in quiet and tranquil surroundings - a location where the scenery did the talking.'

'And within a few minutes of arriving on the island I knew I had made the right choice of destination.'

'The combination of the rugged mountains of the north end and the more gentle green rolling land of the south was wonderful - always with plenty to look at along the coast.' Neil, who has also played alongside megastars such as Eric Clapton, Paul Rodgers and Brian May during his distinguished career, is currently appearing in 'We Will Rock You' - the hugely successful London stage show detailing the life and times of Freddie Mercury and Queen. He added: 'I will certainly be recommending Arran to friends and family.'



Neil Murray was bass player with several top bands, including Whitesnake and Black Sabbath.

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Brodick Nursery graduation

Nine youngsters at Brodick Nursery started school on Thursday following their graduation from nursery in June. Pictured are John Lee Hodgart, Annie McKelvie, Jack Poppelwell, Elliot Ulivi, Jan Matusaik, Harry Gilmore, Gemma Totty and Harris McNicol after their graduation ceremony. Kieran Geraghty wasn't there on the day.

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Heartstart celebrates milestone

Heartstart Ayrshire and Arran is celebrating its very own Diamond Jubilee after reaching the milestone of training 60,000 in emergency life support since 1996.

Heartstart is funded by NHS Ayrshire and Arran and is an initiative of the British Heart Foundation. Its purpose is to teach members of the public what to do in a life-threatening emergency.

Dr John Gemmill, consultant cardiologist and director of Heartstart Ayrshire and Arran, said: 'This is an amazing achievement for a charity.

Simple skills

These simple skills can help save lives if someone's heart suddenly stops, they stop breathing or are choking or bleeding. Well done Heartstart, here's to the next 60,000!

Jackie Kay appearing at McLellan Arts Festival

After the successful Arran Open Studios event last weekend, the McLellan Arts Festival continues next week with lots to offer for everyone.

First off are the McLellan plays *Sweet Largie Bay* and the hilarious *Jeddart Justice*. Come and be hugely entertained by a talented cast and find out if young Harden will hang or marry 'the lass wi the muckle mou'.

Performances are at 8pm on Tuesday and Wednesday at the Community Theatre in Lamlash.

Then on Friday 31 August, in a real coup for the island, we will see the first ever visit to Arran by acclaimed writer and poet Jackie Kay.

This year's Arran and Beyond event will be Jackie Kay in performance, an informal evening of readings (including poems from her latest Costa-shortlisted collection

Fiere), music and, above all, Jackie's warm and always entertaining craic.

Those who know Jackie's memoir *Red Dust Road* will be familiar with her knack of always finding the best in things, not least her own childhood as a mixed race girl brought up by adoptive parents in 1960s Glasgow.

The story of her successful search for her blood families in Scotland and Nigeria is by turns uplifting and heart rending, often hilarious, and always riveting. As a live performer Jackie is a real entertainer: lively, funny, versatile – and very Scottish.

Music for the evening will be provided by Arran's own Ain't Misbehavin' and the evening will close with Jackie's announcing the winners of this year's McLellan Poetry Awards.

This is sure to be an evening to remember.

Still on the McLellan Festival don't miss the famous McLellan Celebration Ceilidh on Saturday 1 September in Corrie Hall at 8.00pm. With small pipes from Angus Adamson.

Tickets for all events are available online, from the Book and Card Centre in Brodick or at the door.



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Garden of delights



Brodick resident Passla Gautier is delighted to see around the garden at Brathwic Terrace. 02_b34gar02

Once again this year, Robbie and Marilyn Brown have opened their amazing gardens at 10 Brathwic Terrace in Brodick to the public last weekend.

Over Saturday and Sunday they received more than 150 visitors who were able to wander around and see the imaginative features and marvel at the horticultural and structural ingenuity of the couple. Tea and cakes on the patio were also most welcome.

This year they were once again raising funds for Corrie Church and on Monday Robbie reported that they had made over £300.



Robbie and Marilyn Brown with some of their garden visitors last Sunday. 02_b34gar01

Dawn's 'Streetly Dancing' returns to Arran

What a busy year Arran's young dancers have had at Streetly!

The pupil's and their teacher Dawn Ulivi have had an awesome time performing in our annual show, the jubilee celebrations and the Lamlash Gala Day.

When Dawn moved to the island with her two tiny boys and the third a twinkle in her eye she didn't think she'd ever start dance classes here as she was and still is running two schools on the mainland.

But she is delighted now to have such a flourishing school here on Arran.

All her time at The Royal Academy of Dance in London where she trained and gained her Licentiate Award -

which is the highest teaching accolade of the RAD - was well and truly worth it.

Dawn said: 'It has been an absolute pleasure to give the community the love and joy of dance and she is overwhelmed by all the girls and boys who come to her classes.'

She has decided to change the format of her classes slightly this year starting back on Tuesday 28 August she will be teaching: Teenies from 1.45 - 2.30pm for pre-school children, Minis from 4 - 4.45pm for Primary 1-3 pupils, Juniors from 4.45 - 5.30pm for Primary 4 -7 pupils and seniors from 5.30 - 6.15pm for secondary pupils.

Then Musical Mayhem will start back from Wednesday 5 September between 12.45pm and 1.30pm in the afternoons.

She is also so excited to be helping Fiona Rodriguez and the Arran Dancers with the Scottish Ballet's 'Find Your Feet' project.

To find out more information on classes call or text Dawn on 07525809727 or email her dawnedgarulivi@yahoo.co.uk



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Second summer ferry service coming to an end

Arran's second summer ferry this year has been our very own first purpose built vessel MV Isle of Arran.

And it remains to be seen just how successful this service will have been.

For six summers the Gourock to Dunoon staker MV Saturn had fulfilled this role, but now the slightly younger and larger former Arran ferry has been second string to the MV Caledonian Isles for eight weeks on the Ardrossan to Brodick run.

Her duties are about to come to an end next Monday 3 September, when she will revert to being CalMac's spare vessel, filling in anywhere on the network.

It is expected that there will be a post mortem on the relative worth of the £350,000 investment allocated by the Scottish Government for this service.

MV Isle of Arran was described as 'designed to remove commercial traffic from MV Caledonian Isles' and 'a major tourism boost for Arran'.

But the timetable was so complicated that even pier staff had difficulty in sorting out sailings to begin with.

On Saturdays the vessel did three return crossings fully crewed and able to take up to 76 cars and 448 passengers.

From Monday to Friday she did two return freight-only crossings, with no public timetable published.

For these sailings she was said to be running with a skeleton crew, presumably as a cost-saving measure and with limited carrying capacity. On these freight-only sailings she could only take 12 people, ideally 12 drivers of commercial vehicles. But that isn't how it often worked out.

If less than 12 trucks turned up, then pier staff had to work out who to put on board to get up to 12 people, whether it be car drivers, cyclists or foot passengers.

Last Monday, the 5.15pm sailing from Ardrossan carried one truck, one van, one camper van and four cars, including mine, on a cavernous car deck that is able to take up to 76 cars.

And instead of a full complement of up to 448 passengers, there were just 11 of us, outnumbered by the CalMac crew. There were other cars queueing for the 6pm Caley Isles sailing that would have boarded if they could.

The folk in the other three cars on board were quite bemused as to why they had this great ship all to themselves. So it remains to be seen what happens when the government adds up the numbers.

Let's hope they don't just say 'it didn't pay for itself - so you won't get a second summer ferry in future'.

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



Buses leaving before ferry 1

Sir,
Travelling to Arran from Glasgow last weekend to visit friends, my wife and I made up time and were not too bothered that the 3.15pm ferry was running about 25 minutes late.

Knowing that the island has poor mobile phone reception we contacted our friends on their landline to say we would be late arriving.

What did surprise us was that as we approached Brodick an announcement was made over the PA system that the local Stagecoach bus group had decided not to wait for the ferry and connections may not be available.

We were unaffected by this but for the visiting tourists this obviously brought confusion which I am sure could have been handled in a more considerate way.

Knowing the importance to the local economy we were astounded at the way this was being handled.

Maybe this is normal practise and all worked out for those relying on the bus service, but to start your Arran experience off with a bout of confusion didn't look like the high that people were anticipating as they prepared to disembark. At least the fact that they were informed could be expressed as the positive aspect.

Yours,
Kenny McWilliam
14 Brora Drive
Glasgow

Bus leaving before ferry 2

Sir,
Last weekend I had a three-night break in Brodick with three friends, one of whom grew up on Arran.

I planned to take the ferry from Kintyre to Lochranza. In preparation I downloaded the appropriate time and made several phone calls to Traveline Scotland, CalMac and Stagecoach to check that the local bus would meet the ferry.

I was assured that this would be the case, but got off the ferry to see the bus disappear-

ing into the distance. Were it not for the kindness of a local lady who ran me to Brodick, I would have been stranded for three hours waiting for the next bus.

On Monday when I was returning I mentioned the incident to the staff at Brodick pier. The supervisor apologised and said it was 'a perpetual problem'.

On the return journey I talked to the driver who was completely uncaring and indifferent. To compound matters, he drove at excessive speeds and without care; for example, overtaking four touring cyclists on a blind bend. I did not feel safe as a passenger.

I live in Campbeltown and have experienced years living on Mull, so know the challenges involved in rural life.

The locals and tourists often rely on our substantially subsidised public transport but this was a truly negative experience.

Both locals and visitors need to be treated with care and respect. What is the point of spending vast sums of public money attracting visitors for them to be treated like this?

Repeat business is surely the mantra. But not when one experiences this uncaring side.

Maybe next time, if there is one, I will feel compelled to bring my car.

Please don't feel that you have to reply to this, but take notice and integrate our public transport network with the care we deserve.

Travel times were Claonaig to Lochranza ferry 3.05pm Friday 10 August - intended bus trip to Brodick 3.35pm. Monday 13 August 10.55am bus from Brodick to Lochranza.

Yours,
Anne M Devlin
Address supplied

Strange green bug

Sir,
I thought your readers might be interested in this critter. It appears to be a sort of ladybird thing - about one centimetre long - and they have appeared in Brathwic area of Brodick in the last week.

Does anybody know what

they are as I have never seen them before but after talking to people it sounds like they might be quite common? Unless they are in your area, I'm sure many people won't have noticed them.

Yours,
Lenny Hartley
Brodick



What is this unidentifiable bug?

Pic by Lenny Hartley /JinglyJangly images.

Biomass Challenge: Time to learn...

Sir,
The Arran Energy Action Group recognises the role of renewable energy in achieving Scottish Government targets, and the group is investigating and researching the most efficient and appropriate use of green and renewable energy sources that will deliver maximum benefit to the communities of Arran.

We already have many excellent examples of energy creation on the island, including solar panels, ground and air source heat pumps and Biomass plants for heating enterprises such as the Auchrannie hotel complex and the Kinloch Hotel.

Hydro-power is also in the planning stage on the island.

We believe the NEDL proposal for a large industrial scale Biomass Combined Heat and Power (CHP) plant is the wrong choice for Arran.

Nearly 80percent of the energy from this plant will produce heat but all of that heat will be wasted.

There is no use for the heat and there is no benefit to Arran. We believe it is neither green nor cost-effective but does pose significant risks to the island's economy and to the health of the island community.

We have a website - www.arranenergy.org - a presentation for interested groups

and a leaflet highlighting the main concerns.

The NEDL proposal is for a 40-year CHP plant lifecycle, and you want to be able to answer the question from the future generations: 'so what did you do to prevent it?'

We owe it to our children, grandchildren and future generations to make the correct decision with regards to this proposal.

Yours,
Douglas Templeton
Chairman, Arran Energy Action Group

Community Council and Biomass

Sir,
I note several letters expressing dissatisfaction with my conduct of the Community Council meeting on July 31.

The purpose of the item on biomass was to allow the CC to hear Mr Tickell speak and ask any relevant questions.

It was not intended that it should provide a platform for a lobby group against the biomass application.

Distasteful material on a social media site and a misleading poster on behalf of the 'NO' campaign demonstrate a fixed view whereas the Community Council are obliged to examine all aspects of the application as objectively as possible on behalf of the whole of Arran.

Towards that end, through the good offices of the secretary, the CC website has been kept up to date on all matters relating to the biomass application including questions and answers and possible alternatives.

These can be accessed under 'Recent developments' and are part of an attempt to ascertain the actual facts by meeting concerns with reliable information.

In the meantime Community Council elections are due next month offering an opportunity to express dissatisfaction and fill gaps in the island's representation.

Yours,
John Inglis
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Youngsters take on short film challenge

The cinematic event of the year has finally arrived on the island of Arran.

Forget Batman; the young people who attend Arran Youth Foundations have created a series of short films and would like to invite you to a screening on Friday 31 August at 7pm in St Bride's Church Hall, Brodick. Earlier in the year, the group's Youth Work Project Manager, Graeme Johnston, set the kids a challenge to make a three-minute film on the theme of 'Arran' - and when Auchrannic general manager Richard Small heard about it, the resort kindly offered a prize of £50 to the team who they judge to have made the best entry.

The winner will be chosen on the night by a panel of 'well kent' faces. Graeme said: 'I'm happy that we are finally able to show everyone these films, as there has been so much interest in them. We started making them at the beginning of the year and finished them

a couple of months ago, so I know a lot of their family and friends are really keen to see the final product.

'I am genuinely surprised how well they have turned out. The guys have put an awful lot of effort in and it shows. There are five films in all - a horror movie, a zombie documentary, two really funny shorts and a nice scenic one.

'Anyone who wishes to see the films should feel free to come along.

'We would also like to thank the Auchrannic for their offer of a prize and for all their help in making the films.' Entry to the screening will cost £2, in a bid to raise funds for the group.

Teas, coffees and biscuits will be provided by the young people, and there will also be a few other projects on show; some hilarious outtakes, another film the group worked on together and a selection of the best pictures from a recent photography session.



AMRT members with more than five years service received the Queen's Jubilee Medal. Photo by Lenny Hartley/JinglyJangly Images.

Jubilee medal winners

Mountain Rescue team members honoured by Queen

Seventeen members of the Arran Mountain Rescue team have received special medals to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

The medals were presented at a ceremony in Brodick in recognition of the team's commitment to voluntary services.

The Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Arran, Alistair Grassie, presented the awards to members with more than five years' service at The Douglas

Hotel. He then thanked the team for their hard work and dedication over the years.

On the same evening Alistair Bilsland officially retired from the team after 39 years service.

Alistair was presented with a tankard and thanked for his dedication and help to the team over these years.

The team would like to thank Len Hartley and Alistair Grassie for their time on Saturday evening.



Alistair Bilsland retired after 39 years from AMRT. He is pictured with Ali Hume and Alan McNicol. Photo by Lenny Hartley/JinglyJangly Images.



Through Arran's Keyhole

by Jenny Lyon

HAZELBURN, WHITING BAY

Sitting in the bright conservatory at Hazelburn, which undeniably has one of the best views on the island's property market, I found it hard to believe the former house's nickname.

'We were told that the original cottage which sat on this site was known locally as 'The Gorbals' because of its tin roof and run down appearance,' explains the owner Howard Driver. 'But it certainly couldn't be described as that today.'

Howard and his wife Helen bought the house 19 years ago and have spent many happy years there but the time has come to move on.

Readers might also recognise Hazelburn as the home of Banner dog Archie.

'I watched it being built and thought straight away that it would be a fantastic spot to live,' said Howard.

'Its secluded situation, set back from the road and just half a mile from Whiting Bay with the most fantastic views have made it a wonderful place to live.'

This bungalow is much larger than it looks, with

three bedrooms, a large lounge and conservatory, as well as a family bathroom, shower room and utility room.

The interior combines character and modern comforts in a layout that includes a recently constructed conservatory with dramatic views down to Holy Isle and across the Firth of Clyde to Ayrshire.

'The conservatory is a bonus,' said Howard. 'It really brings the garden right into the home.'

Outside, the mature grounds at Hazelburn extend to almost half an acre.

When the couple bought Hazelburn the area around it was simply an open field but over the years they have created a well-maintained colourful garden and semi-natural woodland as well as parking around the house for at least five cars.

Hazelburn is being marketed by Arran Estate Agents at offers over £285,000.



New regular feature from Arran Estate Agents



Family ceilidh for Save the Children

The annual family ceilidh to raise money for the charity Save the Children was held in Shiskine Hall on Friday 17 August.

The evening raised £700 and the committee wish to thank all that made this possible.

The very talented Clark family, along with Julian Davidson and Findlay Murchie, provided the music and entertainment thus ensuring a very lively and enjoyable evening.

There was a large turnout including many children who joined in the proceedings

with great enthusiasm.

Liz Clark was the caller for the dances and managed to persuade even those less familiar on to the floor.

Dancing was interspersed with other items of entertainment.

Amusing poems

Fiona Clark performed three sets of Highland dances with great energy accompanied by Iain on the pipes while Findlay Murchie delivered two lengthy amusing poems.

The visitors provided two unexpected items – a delightful rendering of ‘You Lift Me

Up’ by a little girls and a couple sang a very amusing ditty complete with actions.

Midway through the evening a wonderful buffet supper was provided by the committee and friends soon revived the company and off they went again.

A large raffle was drawn which added to the funds.

Special thanks must go to the Clark family, Julian Davidson and Findlay Murchie who gave their services free of charge as their very generous donation to ‘Save the Children’.



Kite makers on the front green in Lamlash. b33kit02

COAST and OCEAN2012 host fish kite workshops

During European Fish Week the Community of Arran Seabed Trust (COAST), with the assistance of Rosie Guy and Cicely Gill, ran six kite workshops helping over 80 participants design, build and decorate their fish and jellyfish kites.

A grand parade of fish kites from the High School to Lamlash Front Green celebrated European Fish Week and OCEAN2012. This is a group of over 160 small community and inshore fisheries organisations from all around Europe, lobbying for reform



Alison and Roger Garratt with their fishy kite. b33kit01

of the Common Fisheries Policy. Everyone had fun, the sun shone and with a gentle breeze the kites flew high. COAST had a stall for information and a tank of sea creatures and seaweed.

Charity thanks for car boot sale success

The Shiskine and Machrie Senior Citizens would like to thank everyone who helped to make ‘T in the Field’ such a success.

The car boot sale in the field at Lochside helped to raise an impressive £1,200 for the charity.

The Machrie Craft Group members would also like to thank all the kind folk who attended the Car Boot Sale and supported the fundraising efforts for the charity ‘Art in Mind’.



The car boot sale in the field at Lochside helped to raise an impressive £1,200 for Shiskine and Machrie Senior Citizens.

They are thrilled to be able to report that this event enabled them to reach the half-way mark of their intended target of £500.

Hopefully by October, after a further coffee morning and sale of cards event, the Craft Group should be able to forward this promised sum to help purchase equipment for Art in Mind.

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Charity fashion show raises ArCas funds



Husband and wife modelling together – Liz and Gator Kerr. 01_b34fas03



Young Michael Jenks strutting his stuff down the runway. 01_b34fas05

Student breathes life into old clothes

A creative young fashion student from Shiskine breathed new life into second hand clothes when she organised a charity fashion show last Monday night.

Twenty-year-old Eilidh Kerr is a student at Robert Gordon University in Aberdeen.

She used clothes from the ArCaS shop in Brodick to dress her models as they strutted their stuff on the catwalk at Shiskine Golf Club.

The show is a unique opportunity for Eilidh to gain experience in fashion show management as well as raising £1,400 for the cancer charity.

Mary Kirkwood, chairman

of ArCaS said: 'Can I please use The Banner to thank all those who worked so hard to make the Fashion Show such a success.

'The magnificent amount of £1401.20 was raised for ArCaS and we owe all our thanks to Eilidh Kerr, whose brainchild it was.

'This is our second year of the show and we hope it continues forever. Our thanks also go to Felicity, Shiskine Golf and all the fantastic models.'

She added: 'The staff at ArCaS are to be commended for all the work they put in as all the clothes came from our shop at the pier. Thank all who took part including the



Sheila Gilmore models the latest golfing gear for ladies. 01_b34fas01



Becky Coulthard and Gordon Stewart are ready for summer. 01_b34fas02

audience.'

The evening began on an Olympic theme as the models showcased an exciting range of sportswear before the daywear section took to the stage.

There was a break for tea and coffees and delicious homebaking before the much admired evening wear came on followed by some choice pieces found at the bottom of the ArCaS pile.



Fiona Crawford modelling some lovely evening clothes. 01_b34fas04

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Bird Notes for July

By Jim Cassels

A wet June was followed by an equally wet July with twice as much rain as July 2011.

This was less than ideal for birds whose main priority at this time of year is raising young.

Our insect-eating summer

visitors like Willow Warbler and Whitethroat seem to have been particularly badly affected by the prolonged wet spell and by the end of the month many had already left and started their journey south.

On the other hand, some of our breeding birds in the remoter areas, with fewer people venturing into these areas, have been less disturbed and have had a better breeding season than usual.

Reports that have been given to me suggest that while Barn Owl and Hen Harrier have had a poorer breeding year, Short-eared Owl have done better than recent years.

Reports of breeding included: five occupied Fulmar nests on Dun Fionn with one young on the 1st, five adult with seven young Eider on Cleats Shore on the 7th, at least 20 Black Guillemot by the King's Cave on the 9th, a pair of Shelduck with seven well grown young at Claulands on the 16th, up to 20 young Chaffinch at Balmichael on 20th, four breeding pair of Common Sandpiper on South Feorline shore on the 21st and on the 28th one of seven young Grey Herons was photographed by Brian Couper in the appropriately named Fisherman's Walk in Brodick.

Inclement weather on the 22nd drove a number of sea birds close to the shore.

On that date a Cory's Shearwater was reported flying south off Largymore.

This is the first report of this species in Arran waters since September 2009.

Around 300 Manx Shearwaters and 50 Gannets were reported in an hour in Whiting Bay.

July marks the end of the breeding season for some birds and these are some of the highlights of birds which are already dispersing, flocking or migrating south after breeding: a Merlin on the Ross Road on the 6th, a Little Grebe on Port-na-Lochan



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on the 19th and on the 21st 63 Red-breasted Merganser in Machrie Bay and two Dunlin and a Knot all in partial breeding plumage at Drumadon Point.

Other observations received included: a Shoveler close in shore by Catacol on the 6th was only the second Arran record this year, nine Red-throated Divers in Machrie Bay on the 21st and a Goosander in Glen Rosa on the 31st.

Finally in the June Bird Notes I wrote 'Cuckoos, whose decreasing numbers are a cause for concern nationally, seem to be thriving on Arran. Throughout May and June there have been many widespread reports.

People need no prompting to report the first Cuckoo. How about reporting when you hear or see the last Cuckoo this year?' My thanks go to those of you who have responded.

The latest date that I have had so far is of a young Cuckoo (the young have a distinctive white spot on the nape of the neck) on Machrie Moor on the 24th.

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

For more information on birding on Arran purchase the 'Arran Bird Report 2011.'



Young entrepreneurs set up shop in Lochranza

Two young entrepreneurs, Amy Allen and Hannah Milne, set up shop near the ferry terminal in Lochranza recently selling home made bookmarks.

Among their first clients was Margie Currie - a woman who needs no introduction after she spent nine years as our local councillor promoting island business enterprise. b34amy01NO

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Catriona Mutch and Claire Wilson with their miniature gardens at the Horticultural Show on Wednesday. b33twe01



Arran's youngsters enjoyed a party on Tuesday to celebrate the opening of Arran's new library. b33twe03

Police car vandalised

A police car was broken into in the small hours of last Saturday morning while two constables were making a call to a 'ranchette' in Brodick.

The thieves entered via a partly open window and stole the radio microphone.

Bank sale

Appearing for sale in this week's Banner is the former Royal Bank of Scotland premises in Whiting Bay.

The bank had a fire last October and then, after a long spell of uncertainty, it was announced that it would not re-open.

Slick sea

People were beating a path to our door on Monday to tell us about a reddy brown coloured 'slick' in the sea.

Spotted between Lochranza and Kings Cross, no one we asked seemed to know anything about it. Although the Clyde Coastguard did say that a rare form of algae had been checked around the Clyde and proved to be harmless.

Ferry repairs

MV Loch Tarbert, three weeks in service on the Lochranza/Claonaig route, has been withdrawn for four days for ramp repairs.

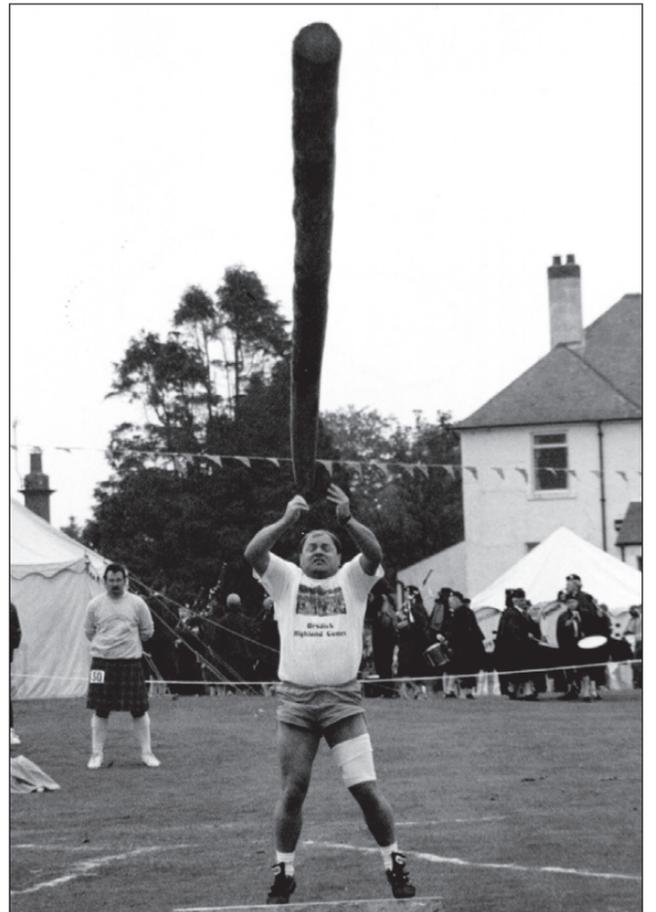
Library excitement

Arran's new library, now a week in business, is rapidly becoming an established part of the community.

Borrowers have remarked on the incredible choice of books on the shelves.



The winners of the Bed Race at Corrie Capers on Thursday night. b33twe02



Ian Small shows how much effort it takes to toss a caber at the Brodick Highland games. b33twe04

Fair enough

Arran Transport's main hope of maintaining the local bus contracts has turned to dust.

Hopes had been pinned on a report of the Office of Fair Trading.

But early this week a letter from the OFT was received and it stated that 'after careful consideration of all the information to hand, we would not be warranted in taking formal action under the competition legislation'.

Who cares?

The people of Arran demonstrated considerable apathy to the Ayrshire and Arran Health board's plans for the next few years when only 40 turned out to hear the local health strategy outlined on Wednesday night.

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Saturday 25th August

Over 21s Disco
 Karate
 Family Games
 Arran Dancers (4yrs & up)
 Teddy Bears Picnic
 Kids Family Quiz
 Open rinks
 Rink Game
 Rink Game
 Rink Game
 Rink Games
 Junior Badminton Club
 Girls are back Dance
 Bingo

Ormidale Hotel, 10pm
 Auchrannie Games Hall, 11.30am-12.30pm
 Auchrannie Games Hall, 3pm-4pm
 Arran High School, 10am
 Playbarn, Auchrannie, 2pm-3pm
 Playbarn, Auchrannie, 5pm-6pm
 Blackwaterfoot Bowling Club, 2pm
 Brodick Bowling Club, 2pm
 Lamlash Bowling Club, 2pm
 Whiting Bay Bowling Club 2pm
 Auchrannie Sports Hall 1-3pm Ages 5-16
 Corrie Hall, 8pm
 Whiting Bay Golf Club 7pm

Sunday 26th August

Alcoholics Anonymous
 New Al-Anon Meeting
 Family Games
 Fun in the pool
 Teddy Bears Picnic
 Live Music
 Open Mic Session
 Sunday folk Session
 Corrie film club
 Hog Roast

Church Hall, Brodick, 4.30pm
 Brodick Church Hall, 4.30 - 6 p.m.
 Auchrannie Games Hall, 3pm-4pm
 Auchrannie Spa Pool, 4pm-5pm
 Playbarn, Auchrannie, 2pm-3pm
 Ormidale, 8.30pm
 Eden Lodge, Whiting Bay, 2pm-5pm
 Ormidale, 9pm
 Corrie village hall, 8pm
 Sandwich Station,

Monday 27th August

Over 50s Badminton
 Badminton
 Weight Wise
 Ladies Netball
 Citizens Advice
 Breathe Walk class
 Table Tennis
 Come Dance with me - LeRoc modern Jive
 Arran junior Football
 Quiz
 Badminton
 Summer Bridge
 Rink Games
 Rink Game
 Rink Games
 Outside Boot Camp
 Boot Camp
 Coffee morning
 Farmers Market
 Volleyball Club
 Arran junior football Club

Lochranza Village Hall, 2pm-4pm
 Lochranza Hall, 6.30pm
 Hospital Bungalow, 5pm -5.30pm
 High School sports hall - seniors, 7.30-9pm
 Ormidale Pavilion, 9.30-1.30pm
 Kinneil, Lamlash, 5.15pm
 Corrie Hall, 6.30pm
 Whiting Bay Hall, 7.30pm
 Ormidale Park, 6pm-7pm
 Eden Lodge, Whiting Bay, 8.30pm
 Auchrannie Sports Hall, 7-9pm
 Arran High School, 6.30 for 6.45pm
 Brodick Bowling Club, 6.45pm
 Lamlash Bowling Club 7pm
 Whiting Bay Bowling Club 7pm
 Whiting Bay Park 6am
 Outside Kinloch Hotel, 6.30pm - 7.30pm
 Whiting Bay church, 10.30-12noon
 Kilmory Hall, 10.30am-2pm
 Auchrannie Games Hall, 7-8pm
 Ormidale Park, 6pm -7.30pm

Tuesday 28th August

Army Cadets
 Pop Quiz
 Alcoholics Anonymous
 Youth Club
 Rotary Club
 Melody Movement, Ballet Class 2 ½ yrs up
 Dudes & Divas Funky Dance Class 2 ½ yrs up
 Youth Club
 Zumba Fitness Class
 Weight Watchers
 Rink Games
 Junior Hockey Club 8yrs up
 Guided Garden Walk
 Whiting Bay Drama Club Summer Play - last performance
 Jeddart Justice & Sweet Largie Bay
 Country Dancing
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Auchrannie Road, 7.30pm-9.30pm
 Ormidale Hotel, 9pm
 Brodick Church Hall, 2pm
 Kildonan Hall, 7pm
 Glencloy Suite, Auchrannie, 7.15pm
 Auchrannie Dance Studio, 2pm
 Auchrannie Dance Studio, 2pm
 Brodick Hall, 6.30pm-8pm
 Arran High School, 6.30-7.30pm
 St Molios, Church Hall, 7pm
 Blackwaterfoot Bowling Club, 2pm
 Ormidale Park, 6-7pm
 Brodick Castle, 2.00pm
 WB Hall Doors Open 7.30 pm.
 Community Theatre, Lamlash 8pm
 Brodick Hall 7.30pm
 Brodick Hall, 2-2.30pm

Wednesday 29th August

Hockey
 Tae Kwondo
 Alcoholics Anonymous
 Arran Brass Rehearsal
 Senior Badminton
 Yogalates
 Aquafizz
 Music Mayhem Class Parents & little ones
 Kids Games
 AYF Film Making Club
 Arran Heritage Museum Archives & Genealogy Services
 Arran Absolute Beginners Runners
 Arran Advance Beginners Runners
 Junior Tennis
 Rink Games
 Bridge Drive
 Rink Game
 Rink Games
 Northend Football Training
 Outside Boot Camp
 Boot Camp
 Dog Agility Class
 Summer Family Ceilidh
 Coffee Morning
 Arran's unique Geology Talk
 Jeddart Justice & Sweet Largie Bay
 Katy Clark Surgery

Auchrannie Games Hall, 6.30-7.30pm
 Arran high school - kids, 6.30-7.30pm, Adults, 7.30-8.30pm
 Lamlash Church Hall, 7.30-9.30pm
 Whiting Bay Hall, 7.15pm
 Arran High School, 8-9pm
 Auchrannie Studio, 9.30-10.30am
 Auchrannie Hotel Pool, 9.45-10.30am
 Auchrannie Dance Studio 10.45am
 Playbarn, Auchrannie, 5-6pm
 Brodick church Hall, 4.30-6.30pm
 10.30-12.30 & 1.30-3.30
 5.30pm, Auchrannie Spa Car Park.
 6pm Auchrannie Spa Car Park
 Shiskine Tennis Club, 4.30-6pm
 Brodick Bowling Club, 6.45pm
 Lamlash Golf Club, 7pm
 Lamlash Bowling Club 7pm
 Whiting Bay Bowling Club 7pm
 Lochranza, 7pm
 Whiting Bay Park 6am
 Outside Kinloch Hotel, 6.30pm - 7.30pm
 W/Bay Park, Beginners/Kids 1-2pm. Been before 2.30-3.30pm
 Brodick Hall, 8pm
 Lamlash Church Hall, 10.15 - 12noon
 Arran Heritage museum, Rosaburn 11am and 2pm
 Community Theatre, Lamlash 8pm
 Brodick Library, Brodick 11am

Thursday 30th August

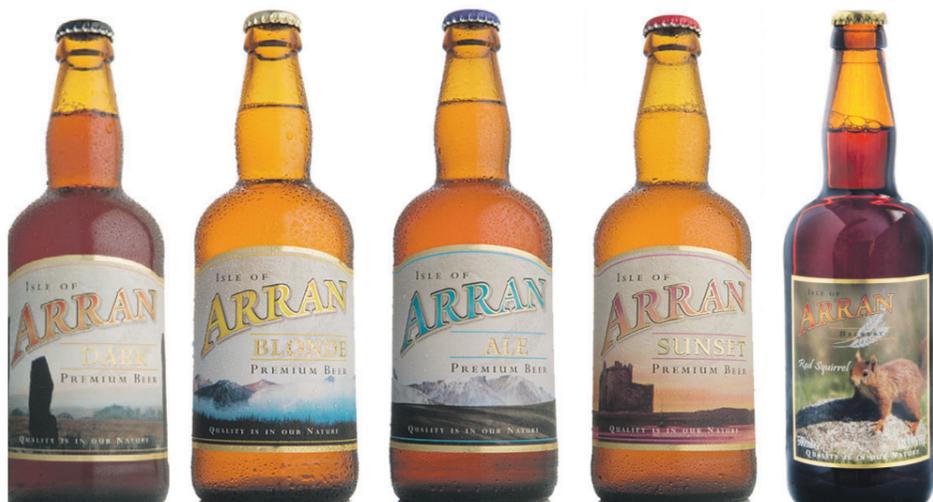
General Knowledge Quiz
 Lochranza Craft Club
 Youth Club
 General knowledge Quiz
 Zumba Fitness Club
 Live Country/Folk music
 Cricket Practice
 Senior Tennis
 Village Market
 Family Ceilidh
 Garden Walk
 Arran Garden Club

Ormidale Hotel, 9pm
 Hall, 2pm
 Youth Cabin, Lamlash, 7-9pm
 Kinloch Bar, 9pm
 Arran high School, 6.30-7.30pm
 Eden Lodge, Whiting Bay 8.30-10.30pm
 Sannox Oval, 6pm
 Shiskine Tennis Club, 6pm
 Whiting Bay Hall, 11-2pm
 Lochranza Hall 8pm
 Brodick Castle 2pm
 Brodick Castle Rangers 7.30pm

Friday 31st August

Aqua Fizz
 Yogalates
 Arran Youth Foundations
 Weight Watchers
 Lochranza Kids Badminton
 Lochranza Adults Badminton
 Disco
 Outside Boot Camp
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Auchrannie Hotel Pool, 9.45-10.30am
 Auchrannie Studio, 10am-11am
 Church Hall, Brodick 7pm-9pm
 Ormidale Pavilion, 5.30pm
 Lochranza Hall, 6-8pm
 Lochranza Hall, 8pm
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(in full communion with the Church of England)
St Margaret's, Whiting Bay.
Sunday 26th August
Holy Communion, 11.00 am.
Mrs Janis Gallagher.
Coffee after service.
Wednesday 29th August
Holy Communion, 12.15 pm.
ALL WELCOME

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Parishes of North Arran:
Broddick, Corrie, Lochranza,
Pirnmill and Shiskine
Independent but working
together.

Minister: Rev. Angus Adamson
Parish Assistant:
Mrs Jean Hunter
Worship will be conducted in
the above churches at the
following times, to which all
are invited - Families, Young
People and Children Welcome
Sunday 26th August
Broddick Church, 10.30am,
Corrie Church, 12noon,
Lochranza Church, 9.30am,
Pirnmill, 10.45am,
Shiskine, 12 noon.
A Service of Worship will also
be held in Montrose House at
1.30pm.

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Kilmory linked with Lamlash
"A faith to proclaim ~ a
fellowship to share"
Sunday 26th August
Rev. Gillean Maclean
Kilmory 10am
Lamlash 11.30am
In both churches:
All welcome, including
families; children's area
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Sunday Morning Masses
9.30 and 11am

WHITING BAY AND KILDONAN CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

(Scottish Charity SC014005)
Sunday 26th August

Worship will be conducted by
Mrs Liz Clarke, at 10.30am. Tea
and coffee will be served in the
transept immediately after the
service - please stay and enjoy
more fellowship.
All most welcome.

ARRAN BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday 26th August

Ormidale Sports Pavilion,
Broddick
11am Morning worship
Tea/Coffee after the service
Home Fellowship Group meets
on Wednesday at 7.30pm,
For details telephone 860 232
Everyone very welcome.

ARRAN FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Services as follows
Shiskine 11am (Church on road
between Blackwaterfoot and
Machrie)
Broddick 7pm (Church behind
Post Office)
Both services will be taken by
the Rev Ronnie Christie
All Welcome

ARRAN FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

(continuing)

Sunday 26th August
Morning Service 11am
Trust Housing Lounge,
Glen Estate, Broddick
Evening Service 6.30pm
5 Glen Road, Broddick
Prayer Meeting
Wednesday 29th August
at 7pm
5 Glen Road.
All welcome

RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS, QUAKERS

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Sunday 26th August
at 11 in Broddick Library,
Broddick.
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BIRTH



EXETER

Dave and Catriona (nee Bell,
Lochranza) are delighted to
announce the birth of their
son Harry James born on the
21st August. Mother and
baby are doing well.

DEATH

CASSELS - JAMES

Peacefully but suddenly on the
14th August 2012 at Crosshouse
Hospital Kilmarnock. Much
loved husband of the late Marjory,
dear dad to Fiona, Sandra and
Steven. James will be sadly
missed by the grandchild, Great
Grandchildren, his sister Sheena
and all the family. Funeral
service on Tuesday 28th August
at Clydebank Crematorium
North Dalnottar arriving 2pm
to which all family and friends
are respectfully invited. Family
flowers only please.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

HALL Jenny

The family of the late Jenny
Hall would like to express their
grateful thanks to all relatives
and friends for their cards,
flowers and support received
on their recent sad loss.
A big thank you to the medical
staff, district nurses and
especially carers who made it
possible for Mum to spend her
last months at home.
A very special thanks to the
Reverend Gillean MacLean
for a most uplifting service.
Thanks also to David Hendry
for all the funeral arrangements
and the Glenisle Hotel for the
excellent buffet. A sum of
£200 was donated and will be
forwarded to the red cross.



Broddick Golf Club

Ladies: On Tuesday 14 August 88 ladies
played in Broddick Ladies Open in ideal
golfing weather. Although the course
was wet in a few places after Monday's
downpour, thanks to Keith and his team
the greens were firm and fast. However
scoring proved to be tricky and only
three players returned scores of par or
better so it was no surprise that the CSS
went up to 69. Congratulations to Lynsie
Bulloch of Irvine GC on winning the
competition. Club captain Nicol Hume
presented the prizes and thanked all those
who had contributed to what was a very
happy, successful day.

The prizewinners were: Winner Lynsie
Bulloch, Irvine (20)39. Silver 1 Margaret
Roxburgh, Broddick (14)36, 2 S Parker,
Irvine (17)35, 3 J White, Irvine (18)34.
Bronze 1 Kay Kitson, East Renfrew
(22)36, 2 C Thomas, Irvine (21)35, 3 A
Logan, Prestwick St Nicolas (32)33.

Hendry Trophy - presented to the low-
est scoring Broddick resident - Margaret
Roxburgh. McKechnie Trophy - pre-
sented to the lowest scoring island re-
sident over 60 years of age - Margaret
Roxburgh. Best front nine Gwen Mc-
Nicol. Best back nine Jenny Turnbull.
Gwen McNicol had the only two of the
competition.

Hole Winners: 1 M Waudby (Buchanan
Castle) 2 Jerry Arthur (Machrie) 3 No
winner, 4 Isabel Smith (North Berwick)

5 Janette White (Irvine) 6 Chris Thomas
(Irvine) 7 Fiona Crawford (Shiskine) 8 B
J Livingstone (Lamlash) 9 Karen Gibb
(Kelburn) 10 Linda Johnston 11 Alice
Anderson (Shiskine) 12 No winner, 13
Sheila Gray (Shiskine) 14 M. Richardson
(Carradale) 15 Steph Hill (Machrie) 16
Margaret Roxburgh (Broddick) 17 Irene
Watson (East Renfrewshire) 18 Yvonne
Brothers (Lamlash).

Tuesday 21 August, Helen's Vases
(Greensomes), 20 played, 1 Yvonne
Brothers and Isobel MacDonald
81(17.4) 63.6. Runners-up Pat Reid
and Liz Lawrie 87(19.4) 67.6. Bih from
Fiona Crawford and Susan Butchard.
Fixtures - Tues 28th Aug, Stableford

Gents: Wednesday 15 August, Summer
Cup 24 played CSS 66. 1 D Roxburgh
(6)62, 2 G Sillars (24)65, 3 C O'Neill
(18)66. Scratch D Roxburgh 68. There
were six twos. Derek Roxburgh got
four.

Sunday 19 Aug Captain's Prize 28
played CSS 64. 1 A Hume (10) 56 BIH,
2 S McKelvie (16)56, 3 M Dobson (9)63
BIH. Scratch A Hume 66. There were
seven twos. A Hume and R McCrae got
2 each.

Fixtures: Sunday 26 August, Royal
Bank Shield (4 ball better ball). Draw
Saturday 25 August, 12noon. Saturday
1 September, Belhaven Mixed Texas
Scramble, book times in Pro Shop. Sun-
day 2 September, AGA Autumn Handi-
cap.

Lamlash Golf Club

Ladies: Wednesday 15 August, Stroke
5 and Thistle Brooch, 9 played, CSS
67. 1 Jackie Winship 99-29 = 70, 2 Ann
MacVicar 87-15=72, 3 Patricia Martin
99-25 = 74, scratch Ann MacVicar 87,
magic twos Yvonne Brothers.

Gents: Thursday 9 August, Sum-
mer Cup, CSS 64. 1 Alan Smith 71-



Broddick Golf Club's Captain Nicol Hume and Ladies Open prizewinners.

9=62, 2 Douglas Macfarlane 65-2=63,
3 Jim Young 77-13=63. Best scratch D
Macfarlane 65. Twos from D Macfar-
lane, Todd Jameson and Iain Murchie.
Seniors Medal, CSS 64. 1 Jim Gibson
76-17=59, 2 Bill Bannister 81-15=66,
3 Ken Barclay 88-21=67. Twos Jim
Gibson, Alan Merry and Ron Jeffreys.
Sunday 12 August, Scratch Cup, CSS 64.
1 Lee Girbow 61-4=57, 2 Iain Murchie
67-4=63, 3 Alan Winship 74-10=64. Best
Scratch Lee Girbow 61. Twos from Lee
Girbow, and Raymond Burke. Overall
Winner of Scratch Cup Lee Girbow
71+61=132. Runner Up Euan Evans
69+68=137.

Thursday 16 August, Summer Cup,
CSS 66. 1 Norrie MacIntyre 69-8=61,
2 Graeme Andrew 74-10=64, 3 Dougie
Macfarlane 67-2=65, 4 David Ross 87-
21=66. Best Scratch Dougie Macfarlane
67. Twos David Ross and Todd Jameson.
Seniors' Medal, CSS 61. 1 Ham-
ish McArthur 75-17=58, 2 Al-
lan Martin 80-17=63. Twos Ham-
ish McArthur and James Stewart.
Sunday 19 August, Jim Young Memo-
rial CSS 66. 1 Paul Jameson 74-12=62,
2 Ian Bremner 71-6=65, 3 Todd Jameson
70-4=66. Best Scratch Todd Jameson.
Twos Paul Jameson, Ian Bremner and
Raymond Burke.

Fixtures: Sunday 26 August, Summer
Stableford Final Round at 9.30am and
1pm starts. Please note the 1pm start.

Whiting Bay Golf Club

Ladies: Sunday 19 August, Glenashdale.
A few ladies turned out on Sunday 19 Au-
gust to play the Glenashdale stableford
competition in lovely conditions. 1 Mar-
garet Auld (19) 33points, 2 Lesley Wood
(21) 31points. Bounce game next Sunday
26 August at revised time of 12noon.

Gents: Wednesday 15 August, 16
played in the latest round of the Sum-
mer Trophy in tricky conditions, with the
CSS rising one shot to 64 and over half
the cards showing No Returns! 1 Sandy
Kerr (21)64, 2 Alan Kay (19)66, 3 Andy
Martin (11)69. There was one magic two
by Keith Kelsall and scratch was won by
Andy Martin with 80.

Sunday 19 August, 12 played in
the Aitken Rosebowl Foursomes, with
the top two pairs qualifying for the Ar-
ran Grouse Foursomes Final to be played
at Whiting Bay on Saturday 8 September.
The winners were Neil McKechnie and
Tom Young with a score of 63, sec-
ond were Sandy Pringle and Sid Allen
with 70, and third Graeme Crichton and
Eddie Hope with 70.5 bih.

Fixtures: Sat day 25 August, AGA Ken
Western Greensome. Draws at 9am and
1pm. Open to any pairs from Arran clubs,
all welcome. Sunday 26 August, Cap-
tain's Prize. One draw at 11am. Wednes-
day 29 August, Summer Trophy.

Shiskine Golf Club

Visitors and Locals Greensome, 24
played. 1 Clare Buchanan and Sylvia
Money net 45, 2 Alice Anderson and
Clare McCorkindale net 45.5.

Our new Lady Convenor, Fiona Craw-
ford, presented the prizes, thanked every-
one who baked, donated raffles.

The raffle raised a magnificent
£100 which will go towards our Pink Day
(breast cancer) fundraiser in September.

Arran Golfers Association

Fixtures: Friday 24 August, Champion of
Champions Final at Corrie Golf Club at
5.30pm.

Saturday 25 August, Ken Western
Greensome at Whiting Bay Golf Club at
9am and 1pm.

Thursday 30 August, Autumn Meeting
at 8pm.

Sunday 2 September, Autumn Handicap
at Broddick Golf Club, sheets on club no-
tice boards.

Machrie Bay Golf Club

Tuesday 14 August, Peter Sutton/Lady
Mary. 1 John Pennycott 69, 2 Alastair Mac-
Donald 70, 3 David Price 71. Scratch Bri-
an Sherwood, Alastair MacDonald 80.
Twos Mike Hesp.

Fixtures: Monday 27 August, Final of
the Lawson-Cameron 5.30pm tee-off.
Tuesday 28 August, 12.30pm tee off.
Note there is now only one tee off time
at 12.30pm.

Corrie Golf Club

Results: Saturday 18 August, 1st round
Whisky Cup. 1 C Pattenden 69-10=59, 2
A Smith 68-8=60, 3 D Hayes 66-5=61.
26 played CSS 63.

Fixtures: Wednesday 22 August
Wednesday Medal. No competition Sat-
urday 25 August.

Lochranza Golf Club

Latest scores from Cabrach Competition,
Sunday 12 August: 1 Alastair Innes 25, 2
Tony Baboolal 33 (better final 3 holes), 3
Ross Traill 33.

Sunday 19 August, 1 Tony Baboolal 30,
2 Ben Innes 34, 3 Ian Buchanan 35.

With no game next week the final round
is on Sunday 2 September. Four players
are capable of winning, so there will be
real excitement.

All the players would welcome the
presence of supporters, perhaps to act
as caddy, or just to lend encouragement
on the big day. It would also help sig-
nificantly if those who have taken part in
earlier rounds could turn out to swell the
playing numbers.

As usual the tee-off is at 1pm and the
first games should be on the final hole
somewhere around 2.30pm. The Cabrach
Trophy will be presented to the winner
by Jelica Shortland immediately after.

THANKS

Heartfelt Thanks

Colin, Ken and Marjorie would like to express
our deepest thanks to all those involved in
the care of our Mam - Winnie Burgess.

Special thanks go to the Cooriedoon Care
Home who looked after Mam with such care
and affection for six years, to the doctors and
staff at the Lamlash Health Centre and at
Arran Memorial Hospital, to Claire and David
Hendry for their help and support with the
funeral and to Gillian McLean for the lovely
service and eulogy she gave.

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MacPherson, Frank formerly of Bayview, Lamlash
died peacefully in his sleep at Doncaster on 15th
August 2012 aged 82 years. Beloved brother of
Morag and father of Susan, Heather, Stuart, Rory
and Glen. Now reunited with Jean, his loving wife.
Rest in Peace.

The funeral is taking place in Doncaster on the 29th
August to allow Frank's sons to fly over from Canada
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August to scatter his and Jean's ashes.

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Susan is ALGU island champ

Lots of spectators gathered at Whiting Bay Golf Club for the final of the ALGU Island Championship between Viv Parks and Susan Butchard on Saturday afternoon.

And they were not disappointed, as the match was neck and neck for most of the first half with Susan and Viv alternating a one up lead between them.

With Susan four up going in to the 14th, the nerves were beginning to show because if she won the 14th the match was over.

With two great drives Susan just missed the green with her

second shot and Viv just hit a bit of a long shot resulting in her ball landing on the other side of the green on the fairway.

Viv's third shot got her on the green along with Susan's who was nearer the hole.

Settled

A certain four was all Susan needed to take the match – but she missed, and they settled on a half to come down the 15th with Susan at dormie 4.

Two superb drives again down the 15th saw them just one shot from the green, Susan hit a lovely shot on to the green whilst Viv had an

equally good shot followed by an unlucky bounce forward resulting in her going over the green to chip back.

She missed the chip and conceded the hole, ensuring Susan victorious in a 5 and 3 win.

They both played tremendous golf and many of the spectators were simply awed by some courageous shots from them both.

A fighting spirit to the end – the final score just doesn't do justice to the way Viv played.

At the end of the day there can only be one winner and



Secretary Lynn Walker presents Susan Butchard, right, with the ALGU Island Championship trophy while runner-up Viv Parks looks on.

Saturday was Susan's day. Many thanks to everyone who came along to support

the match – a truly great afternoon.

the Cir Mhor on Saturday 1 September at Shiskine at 1pm.

Arran Junior Hockey Club cash in

Arran Junior Hockey Club is the happy recipient of a £450 grant from Cash 4 Clubs. Juliette Walsh, committee member, said: 'Our Cash 4 Clubs grant of £450 will mean that the children can continue to play hockey safely.'

'We will be purchasing kit such as shin guards, that can

be used by all members of the club and also by the new members we're looking to attract.

Continues

'Our grant will ensure hockey continues to be played on Arran.'

The news came through on the day the Olympics started.

The administrator for the scheme wrote in an email: 'We received over 1,300 applications and our judging panel consisting of Tim Lawler, CEO at SportsAid, Andy Heffer, Director of Sports and Services at Special Olympics GB and Amy Drake, Public Affairs at Betfair, met yesterday afternoon.'

day afternoon.

'They awarded 20 grants to clubs up and down the country and your club is one of them.' Arran Junior Hockey Club intends to take part in the annual area hockey festival which is taking place in the Ormidale Park on Saturday 1 September (10.30am - 3.30pm) and Sunday 2 September (10.30am - 4pm). All newcomers aged 8 to 14 are welcome to this free fun event.

They will need to bring a packed lunch each day, trainers and wear a mouthguard (stocked at Arran Active Outdoor Shop). Other kit is provided.

Summer Bridge

The results of the Summer Bridge tournament on 20 August were:

N/S 1 Tricia Martin and Alison Bilsland, 2 Jan Beattie and Janette McBride, 3 Helen Boyd and Liz Paul.

E/W 1 John and Mary Dick, 2 Evelyn Sillars and Margaret McGill, 3 Mel and Ellie Jones.

Murray gains hard-earned motocross prize

Murray Boal landed on the podium at Shiplaw last week-

end with a third place medal for Arran Motocross Club.

Racing at Shiplaw motocross track in the Scottish Borders, Murray from Brodick overcame all the odds to secure a third place overall in the veterans class after three races.

Steady riding

With a starting gate of 24 riders, it was his steady riding on his Kawasaki KX 250 that was the key to his success as other riders struggled to deal with the high-speed jumps, table tops and corners.

As can be seen from the picture Murray is clearly delighted with his first podium and is looking forward to adding to his medal collection at the next round.



Cup final beckons for Shiskine and the Jingly Jangly men

The Arran Football Association Cup final beckons for Brodick and Shiskine after they made it through to the final after winning their semi-final matches.

Shiskine defeated a very young Northend team 9-0 at Sandbraes on Saturday afternoon.

Meanwhile the Jingly Jangly men beat Southend 4-3 in Brodick to go through after losing 1-0 at halftime.

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