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New ferry is the only way to boost the working population

'A regular ferry service that can sustain commuting throughout the year is a must'

REPORT
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A ferry service 'fit for the 21st century' is the only way to boost the working population on Arran, according to the island's local councillor.

Statistics released this week have revealed that Arran is one of the few islands in Scotland to record a significant reduction in population.

An increase over the past decade was recorded on Orkney, Shetland and the Western Isles but the picture is mixed, with major islands further south, including Arran, as well as Bute and Islay, all recording major falls.

Councillor John Bruce told The Banner that the social and

economic well being of the island can only be boosted by a radical new ferry service.

'At present, the ferry service, and in particular its normal timetable, is inadequate to stimulate and promote growth in the island's economy or expand its population,' he said.

'Some changes to timetabling have occurred over several years but essentially it operates as a service for visitors.

'Thanks to the weather and the additional sailings, this summer has surely seen a boost in tourist numbers. All well and good but it has to be more than that.'

He believes that the ferry service should operate like 'a bridge', linking Arran to

larger hubs or mainland infrastructure to boost the island economy, increase population, and raise the standard of living.

'We should be learning lessons from our Scandinavian North Sea 'neighbours', he said. 'A regular ferry service that creates and sustains commuting throughout the year is a must.'

'I do believe we are moving in the right direction with the new Brodick Pier Development and new ferries in the pipeline.'

The 2011 census recorded that Arran experienced a fall in numbers from 5,045 to 4,629 and Bute had a significant fall from 7,228 to 6,498, while Islay was down from 3,457 to 3,228.



Award-winning 'green fingers'

Green-fingers clearly run in the family for little Jemma Totty of Brodick.

Last Wednesday she picked up an amazing array of prizes at the Horticultural Society Show for her many winning entries.

Six-year-old Jemma is the daughter of Colin Totty the head gardener at Brodick Castle and his love of gardening is clearly genetic. The youngster picked up the MF Murchie

Trophy for the best miniature garden in the children's section.

She also was awarded first prize for her posy in an egg cup, collection of vegetables and four oven scones as well as second places for her bowl of floating flowers and a bouquet of leaves and grasses.

See pages 12 and 13 for the full report from the Arran Horticultural Show. 20_b34one01

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Arran to feature in top chefs' culinary journey

Arran is to feature in STV's brand new cooking series, *Paul and Nick's Big Food Trip*, next month.

Top celebrity chefs Paul Rankin and Nick Nairn visited the island last year as part of a culinary journey around the coast of Scotland and Northern Ireland.

The eight part series of 30 minute programmes will begin on Monday 2 September and Arran will feature in the third episode.

Across the series, the star chefs visited local fishermen and farmers, tasted traditional dishes and met a host of interesting locals who are passionate about their produce and locality.

Nick Nairn said: 'It's been such a treat making this series with my best mate Paul. 'What could be better than hanging out with your pal, cooking up some of the best produce to be found round the coasts of Scotland and Northern Ireland, and meeting some great people along the way? Not much, I reckon. A total privilege and a pleasure.'

In episode three Paul and Nick find some inspiring local produce on Arran.

With deer aplenty on the island, venison makes it onto the menu and a fishing adventure sorts out the starter.

And the chefs' challenge was to prepare a three course meal for some hungry mountain rescue men.

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Silver award for distillery's Robert Burns malt

The Isle of Arran Distillery has won a silver award for its Robert Burns Single Malt at this year's International Wine and Spirits Competition.

Euan Mitchell, managing director of Arran Distillers, said: 'We've worked long and hard to perfect our Robert Burns Malt and it's fantastic that the spirit has been recognised on an international stage.'

'This year, we celebrated our 18th anniversary and the business is going from strength to strength as we're developing a portfolio of products to match any distillery.'

'Last year, our Robert Burns Malt saw strong international sales, especially in Russia, and we anticipate that demand will continue to rise in the next few years.'

Earthquake hits Arran

Whether you actually felt it or not there was an earthquake on Arran last week.

At 11.52am on Monday 12 August a quake measuring 1.3 on the Richter scale was recorded just south of the island.

According to Glen Sloss of Arranweather.com that is big enough to be felt by some people if they are in the right place.

He said: 'Earthquakes on Arran are not unusual, in 1999 a magnitude 4 earthquake was recorded in a similar location just south of Arran.'

New post

Andy Telford has been appointed the new administration officer of the Community of Arran Seabed Trust (COAST). He replaces Stephanie Dickens who has moved to the mainland.

Manager Andrew Binnie said: 'We would like to thank Stephanie for the great work she has done for COAST and welcome Andy to his new post.'

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Stolen bike sought

Police are seeking information about a custom-made bike that was stolen in Lamlash.

The £800 black custom-made stunt bike has green handlebars and fluorescent green seat and was stolen on Thursday 8 August.

The bike had been left outside the door at Park Avenue Cottage.

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New lease of life for youth hostel

A planning application has been made to convert a former youth hostel in Whitening Bay to housing

The former Easidale Youth Hostel has lay empty for more than four years since it was closed as accommodation for the Arran Outdoor Centre when the new purpose-built building was opened at Clachlands.

Built as a private house it was bought and run by the Scottish Youth Hostel since after the Second World War, but that closed seven or eight years ago.

Now Bay Developments has submitted a planning application to North Ayrshire Council to convert the existing building into three flats and a semi-detached house with parking in the grounds which extend to the Glenashdale Falls path.

Development Planning Services (Roads) have no objections to the proposals the existing access will be used for the three flats and house.

The application form states that eight parking spaces are available for these proposed dwellings, however at present only six parking spaces are indicated on the plan. Roads say they require eight parking spaces for the proposals.

The application will be considered under delegated powers.



The Douglas family presented Colin's former nurses and carers at The Friends of the Beatson with a cheque for more than £3,000.

Colin's auction for cancer research

Two cancer charities have shared a whopping £7,000 donation thanks to the Douglas family in Brodick.

The family of Colin Douglas, who sadly died in January after a long battle with leukaemia, organised a sports auction last month to raise money for the Friends of the Beatson and The Paul O'Gorman Leukaemia Research Units.

Colin's family said: 'We would like to say a very big thank you to everyone for making Colin's Charity Sport's Auction such a wonderful successful evening.'

'Everyone's support, all the donations given generously from home and abroad with people's invaluable time given freely to help both organ-

ise and achieve an amazing night that was truly breathtaking and emotional to be a part of.'

They added: 'The evening raised a staggeringly unexpected sum which once added

to the amount from a previously held Co-op backpack in June gave us the total sum of £7,590.'

The donations enabled the family to present the Friends of the Beatson and The Paul

O'Gorman Leukaemia Research Units with £3,795 each which will be used for patient support, care and ongoing research and development of the best treatments and cures for cancer.

Lamlash dentist's extension work nears completion

Work to extend the Lamlash Dental Surgery at Arran War Memorial Hospital is almost finished.

The 'Bungalow' which is in the grounds of the hospital in Lamlash is being refurbished and extended.

Work began before the summer and the building has been closed to the public since then with all patients being transferred to the Brodick surgery for the duration of the construction.

Dr Alison Graham, medical director for NHS Ayrshire and Arran, said: 'Work is now nearing completion on the new dental facility in Lamlash, with the final testing of all supplies and equipment scheduled over the next few weeks.'

'The facility will re-open at the beginning of September and will offer improved treatment and decontamination facilities for the local population.'

She added: 'Once the surgery is open, we are planning to hold an open day for members of the public. Details will be publicised nearer the time.'

'We apologise for any inconvenience these refurbishments may have caused.'

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This money will be used to further the work of the Soci- ety on Arran and throughout Scotland.

Grateful thanks are due to the collectors and to CalMac for allowing the collection.

Lost ring

A visitor has made a plea after she lost her engagement ring in Brodick.

The lady from the West End of Glasgow believes she lost the ring between 6 and 7pm on Saturday 10 August either in the Auchranie Leisure Centre or the main Co-opera- tive store in the village.

It is described as a gold barrel shaped ring with three diamonds. Anyone who can help should telephone 07919 383719.

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Arran Graphics has just completed a showroom makeover at Lamborghini in Edinburgh.

Graham's Italian job

Justifying ownership of a supercar isn't always easy. But friendly associations with the supercar fraternity throughout Scotland can sometimes lead to business opportunities.

Graham Chappell, direc- tor at Arran Graphics in Brodick, has just completed a showroom makeover at Lamborghini in Edinburgh, where eight large panels have been designed, printed and installed in one of the most prestigious and jaw-dropping showrooms in Scotland.

Displayed above cars such as the £300,000 Lamborghini Aventador Roadster, these art-effect panels feature some of the current range of Lamborghinis, a couple of images that hark back to the company's original supercar – the Miura – and some race images of the Super Trofeo Lamborghini Gallardo.

Assignment
'They've gone down very well', said Graham. 'So much so, that we've been asked to carry out a similar assignment

in the Bentley dealership next door.'

'But what about Ferrari?' we asked, knowing that Gra- ham has one tucked away in Glasgow.

'I know, I'd obviously love to do that one too, but Ferrari have a more corporate-con- trolled aspect to their show- rooms and artwork for their UK dealerships seems to come direct from Maranello in Italy.

'Having Lamborghini as a customer of Arran Graphics

is just another massive string to our bow. It'll open doors for us in all manner of ways. We've already supplied them with branded polo shirts, wristbands for events and so on. Personally, of course, it's a client who I'm particularly keen in providing services for.

Their general manager, Andy Canning, has always been very good at inviting me to events and my son and I are always privileged to get access to such vehicles.'

Dasher survivor recognised at last

A former sailor who survived the sinking of the HMS Dasher during World War Two has finally received a special medal 68 years after the war ended.

Veteran Frederic Nunn, 90, from Carlisle, earned the Arctic Star for his part in the Arctic Convoys.

Mr Nunn began his service in 1940 at the age of 18, and eventually left the navy in 1946.

But the most dramatic moment of the war for Mr Nunn was when he was on the HMS Dasher, which exploded off the coast of Arran in March 1943.

Mr Nunn said: 'I was lucky, very lucky.'

'It went down in a few min- utes but there was nothing about it on the news.'

'I got off it and left and swam with a couple of fel- lows. We were taken to Lam- lash on the Isle of Arran and kept there for a couple of days, then got onto a prison ship in Greenock.'

Canice remembered

A Memorial Service to cel- ebrate and remember Canice Donnelly who died last year will be held on Saturday 24 August at 11am in Brodick Church.

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A view of Glen Rickard from Brodick. 20_b34rickard01

Tree planting will change the face of Glen Rickard

'People will start noticing the difference in the landscape'

The entire landscape between Brodick and Lamlash is to change dramatically over the next 15 and more years.

Gone will be the corridor of trees which line much of the main road south of Brodick through Glen Rickard to be replaced by a mix of traditional broadleaves first grown on Arran in 1750.

Native species

The long term planting plan will also see more native species of trees planted on the island including Sitka and Norway Spruce, Lodgepole and Scots Pine, Larch, Birch, Oak and Ash to name just some of them.

The plan is to open up the road and improve the outlook across Clauchland Hill returning the views not seen since the early 1960s.

'Glen Rickard is an important view from the boat,' said Arran's Head Forester Andy Walker. 'The glen also gives many their first impression of the island and we are attempting to open up all these views again.'

As well as from the main road the plan will open up views from the many paths which criss-cross the hills, including Clauchland Hill, with the planting of Scots Pine and Norway Spruce.

But it will take a long time. The

process began 10 years ago and a programme of felling, which has already started, has been programmed right through to 2048.

'People will start noticing the difference in the landscape now and by 2030 the most of the changes will be seen, but the work will continue until 2048.'

Total amount

And while there will be a far greater amount of broadleaves particularly around the main road they will only be around half of the total amount of trees planted.

While to the west the strict boundary which exists between forest and

moorland is to be softened by a woodland fringe.

'This is a zone where we will plant a variety of trees making the transition from conifers to moorland in a more gradual way.'

Different

Community council chairman John Inglis said: 'Arran forest will be completely different when the Glen Rickard planting is complete and it will be a much more attractive place than it is now.'

There have been calls for the plan to include a link from the Brodick ferry terminal for walkers to get to Lamlash.

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The new Primary One intake at Brodick Primary are: Archie Adams, Frazer Ferguson, Emily Hodgart, Kirsty Hume, Lily Keir, Andrew McKelvie, Innes McNicol and Marcus Ulivi with teachers Jackie Colwell and Morag Donaldson. 02_b34bro01

Fantastic first day for Arran's new starts

Six of Arran's primary schools welcomed their new primary one pupils on Monday as the long, hot summer holidays came to an end.

Corrie is the only school this year not to have any new starts.

The biggest class for 2013 is at Whiting Bay where they welcome 12 new pupils.

Brodick and Lamlash have eight and nine pupils respectively and Kilmory a healthy intake of five.

After having no primary ones last year Shiskine have seven this year and Pirmill are delighted to have two primary ones.

Buoyancy

A number of the schools have also welcomed new pupils in to older age-groups, bringing a much needed buoyancy to falling school rolls.

The Banner visited all of the new primary ones this week and they all seem to be settling in well.



Starting at Kilmory Primary School are Bonnie Young, Daisy Campbell, Eilidh McNeish, Isla Monteith and Severin Riddell. 20_b34kil01



With their teacher Mrs Dobson at Shiskine is Emma Henderson, Olivia McNeice, Ben McCarthy, Rhea Webster, Andrew Currie, Sophie Turner and David Anderson. 20_b34shi01

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Lewis Jeffrey and Hannah Lord with their teacher Mrs Kelly at Pirnmill Primary School. 20_b34pir01

Bicentenary walks to celebrate Macmillan family ties

The bicentenary of Daniel Macmillan is to be celebrated on Arran next month.

Born on the island he was the founder of Macmillan Publishers and grandfather of Prime Minister Harold Macmillan.

Now a series of events is to be held on the weekend of 13-15 September.

It was on 13 September 1813 that Daniel was born in a humble croft at Achog.

Moving to London he and his younger brother Alexander went on to establish Macmillan Publishers, which became one of the most famous publishing houses in the world, but both acknowledged the lasting influence of Arran on the Macmillan family.

Harold Macmillan was particularly proud of the family's humble origins on Arran

and kept a photograph on his desk at 10 Downing Street of the croft at the Cock of Arran which had belonged to Daniel and Alexander's grandfather.

The bicentenary of the birth of Daniel presents an opportunity to tell the intriguing story of the events which led to a dramatic change for the Macmillan family after he founded the publishing house in 1843 which published such great authors as Charles Kingsley, Lewis Carroll, Alfred Tennyson, Thomas Hardy and Rudyard Kipling.

Guided walks

The weekend will consist of a series of guided walks to sites associated with the Macmillan family on Arran with experienced walk leader David Pott.

Three walks have been arranged. The first is in Glen

Sannox and will visit Sannox graveyard where Janet, Daniel Macmillan's aunt is buried.

The second will visit the Cock of Arran ruins where the Macmillan family farmed and the third will visit Sannox Congregational Church and the ruins at North Sannox which was once the largest village on Arran.

There will also be a special Crofters' Night at Lochranza Village Hall on Saturday 14 in the style of the ceilidhs which took place in the crofts 200 years ago when everyone brought food to share and there were stories, songs and poems.

Local storyteller Wilma Stark will comper the unique evening to remember the lives of crofters on Arran in the 19th century.



At Whiting Bay the new Primary Ones are Harvey Dale, Sophie Gibbs, Luke Goatley, Cameron Mack, Roslin McLean, Rosie McNamara, Caylyn Millar, Ewan Morrison, Logan Park, Nina Szwalec, Rosie Wilkinson and James Worthington. 20_b34whi01

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THE ARRAN BANNER

Population woes

It will not be a huge surprise to many of us that the population of Arran has decreased in the past 10 years.

But it is however slightly worrying because we know Scotland's population as a whole has been rising over the years (at the end of June last year, it stood at 5,313,600 - the highest it has ever been).

There has been much in the news this week welcoming an increase in population figures for Scotland's other islands.

Most of the increase is concentrated on the four biggest islands, but the population has declined on many of the smaller ones, something that the newspapers have failed to investigate fully.

Perhaps this is proof that there are still a number of factors that make it difficult for families to make a life on the Scottish islands - factors that could exert considerable downward pressure on populations in the future.

For Arran there has long been a number of factors that have made the island a haven for those seeking a retirement home but rather less convivial for working families.

The first is house prices, which continue to pose a problem for young people in particular.

For at least two generations, many young people have been forced to move away from Arran either to find work or because they cannot afford a house.

Ironically, this was partly caused by a rise in population for many years as wealthy incomers with money to spend on houses moved to the island.

The second factor is the cost of living.

Ferry travel remains expensive and as we know fuel prices are a constant problem for those of us living here.

Much of the recent population growth on the other islands is concentrated among the over-75s while the most recent census shows a nine per-cent drop in the 30-44 group in rural areas.

To redress this, Scotland needs to attract more young people of working age in years to come.

Councillor John Bruce is right, a ferry service for the 21st century may be the only solution to this on Arran as presently it is almost impossible to commute to the mainland on a daily basis.

Population decreases are not always a bad thing but if it means those of retirement age far outweigh younger people, the future of Arran could be a bleak one.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'Love does no harm to its neighbour. Therefore love is the fulfilment of the law.' (Romans 13:10)

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Letters to the Editor



Reshape thinking not landscape

Sir,
We are a northern Irish family of four just back from a amazing first trip to Arran.

Such was our experience that since we returned we have been telling our friends that the too should book next year's holiday to this wonderful island.

I'd be most grateful if I might be allowed to input the debate surrounding the proposed Pirmill-Catacol road reshaping as the perspective of a visiting outsider.

During our stay we made memorable trips in our 2.1m wide x 4.6m long camper van along the north west coast between Machrie and Lochranza via Pirmill.

Every time there was ample room for us to pass other vans and motor homes and driving along such a road is like slowly unwrapping a present and getting a tantalising glimpse of the gift below.

In fact by the time we drew in alongside the 12 Apostles in Catacol I had run out of superlatives to describe this little stretch of Arran's fabulous coast.

On returning to our base at Lochranza campsite I was horrified to learn from our wonderful hosts that the little road between Catacol and Pirmill was being earmarked for widening and flattening apparently in order to meet EU regulations for the wheel-base width of the island's public transport.

As an environmental community educator for a local authority I spend most of my professional and social life extolling the natural virtues of Ireland's northern coast.

To me landscape is a way of describing how land shapes the lives of its inhabitants and how often, to our shame, we have shaped the land to suit our personal desires and national bank accounts.

I support the rights of settled inhabitants over fickle tourists but I fail to see how the irreversible destruction of this special road's uniqueness along with some of the island's oldest rock formations

will enhance anyone's lives when there appears to be a favourable alternative i.e. gradually replace a fleet of aging buses and invest in more suitable transport instead.

Please do not reshape your landscape. Instead reshape your thinking.

I applaud the decision to appoint an independent transport consultant to obtain a better insight into islanders' opinions on Arran public transport.

I look forward to hearing the results and returning to Arran to experience once again the amazing unique journey between Pirmill and Catacol.

Yours,
Jim, Janice, John and James Allen Coleraine Northern Ireland

Lost dog thanks

Sir,
May I, through the medium of your columns, pass on my thanks to the kind people who rallied round and helped when our dog was 'spooked' by an encounter with two others, and ran off from my wife while walking in the woods up behind Lamlash on Monday 5 August.

Somehow the dog found her way back on her own to our camper van which was parked at Claulands Point, while my wife was still a mile away looking for her.

As a wheelchair user I was unable just to hop out of the camper and catch hold of the animal but thanks to the help of a young lass who was out jogging and a chap who was unloading his fishing gear from the boot of a blue car, she was enticed out from underneath the camper and secured with a lead until my wife returned.

I'd also like to thank the lady who initially stopped to help and who went to inform the farmer on my behalf and ask them to look out for a missing dog and the holidaying couple in another camper van near us who came over to see if there was anything they can do to help.

Sadly I didn't get the names of any of these kind people involved to thank them in

person hence this letter.

I hope they'll be able to recognise themselves from my description and know how grateful I am to them for their timely assistance.

Yours,
Steve Rudd Lockwood Huddersfield

Total contradiction

Sir,
I was quite interested to read the comment praising the tourist figures in the article 'Boost for North Ayrshire and Arran tourism' in the Arran Banner, Saturday 13 July 2013 (page 6).

Staying on Arran for more than a month every year for more than 30 years, I totally agree the island is a hotspot for holidaymakers and it is in fact considered on the island itself that tourism is the prime source of revenue.

However, in the last few years, I have seen things happening and others being forecast that appear in total contradiction to what is said in the article.

* The landslide barrier that has been erected on the right-hand side of the road from Whiting Bay toward Kildonan is to my taste awful: it's a massive structure made of concrete that disfigures the site and the long flat surface is an encouragement for graffiti.

* The first part of the coast road from Blackwaterfoot toward Kildonan has also been disfigured with complete destruction of the verges to install a big new road and the erection of a railing that spoils one of Arran's unique sea views.

* Not much hard work has been done to improve the badly maintained roads on Arran and there are still uncomfortable to drive even in a car with good suspension.

* The blasting of the ancient rocks supporting the switch-back road south of Catacol will once again spoil a natural part of Arran's beauty.

We like Arran and we don't want to be put off coming again in the future with children and grand children because the island has 'deterio-

rated' little by little until the point is reached when it is no longer attractive to tourists.

But sadly, it seems that the happy vision presented in the article is contradicted by reality.

Yours,
Claude Thirriot-Hinshel Wood Osny, France

Craft thank you

Sir,
Machrie Ladies Craft Group is very grateful to those who supported the recent Coffee 'n' Cards morning in St Mollis Church Hall.

The amazing sum of £380 was raised that day.

Also as a result of a sale of cards at Shiskine Valley Sports Day we have been able to reach our target of £500.

This has been given to the Arran Mountain Rescue Team to help with the work they do throughout the year and to say thank you for their sterling efforts during the snow in march.

Yours,
Sylvia Money Machrie Ladies Craft Group

Waverley plea

Sir,
I have been trying to recover my ticket costs for the Waverley Excursion round Ailsa Craig on 30 June, which was advertised but was not provided.

The Waverley website promises refunds for cancelled excursions, but now tell me that the Ailsa Craig excursion was 'altered, or amended, or revised', but not cancelled.

The recollection of myself and the three members of my family present was that the broadcast announcement on Brodick Pier said: 'the Ailsa Craig cruise is cancelled'.

I would like to hear from anyone who heard this announcement, and what they recall hearing. I am determined that Waverley Excursions should not get away with keeping customers fares for cruises that did not take place.

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Leg loss can't stop Daniel living his dreams

A rugby player who lost his legs after being hit by a police van is moving into the world of modelling.

Daniel Gallagher from Peterhead was seriously injured in the accident in Brodick in April last year after visiting the island for the annual Rugby Sevens.

He spent two weeks in a coma in Glasgow following the collision and doctors were forced to amputate both legs as they battled to save his life.

Now though tenacious Dan-

iel is moving forward in an effort to achieve a life-long dream.

Daniel said: 'One of my friends said 'you should do modelling' so one night I just Googled 'disabled modelling agencies' and I saw one for Talent Management and thought it looked decent and there were reviews on it and people giving feedback.

'I applied and it gave me an email back asking for two photos. I had to wait a couple of days to get accepted.

'They will set up auditions

and your portfolio and give you feedback from the clients. They asked if I was willing to travel and I'd love to travel.

'I'm really into my sports – my wheelchair tennis, wheelchair basketball and wheelchair racing – so they asked if I would do sports shoots and I accepted from there.'

The former winger played for Peterhead RFC prior to the incident and in the 18 months since he has taken up several wheelchair sports.

Daniel said he feels physically fitter and stronger now than before his accident.

He laughed: 'I know I'm lighter but that's only because I have no legs.'

'The physio will continue. I'm still getting physio three hours a week. I don't think I have any more operations but I still have to go for scans to make sure everything is in working order.'



Marlene and Robbie Brown in their 'glass bottle garden'. 20_b34opn01

Garden of delights at 'The Broons'

A green-fingered couple opened up their stunning Brodick garden last weekend to raise money for charity.

Despite a rather blustery start to the weekend, once again Robbie and Marlene Brown opened their amazing gardens at 10 Brathwic Terrace and visitors were over-awed by what they saw.

Hidden at the back of Brodick, from the front the garden does not look much different to the others on the street.

Magical garden

But once visitors passed through the gate to the back of the house there was a magical garden of delights to see.

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.

There was also tea and cakes on the patio.

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

The couple moved to Brathwic Terrace 36 years ago but it is since 1991 that the major work has been done in the garden.

'We just love spending time out here,' said Robbie. 'It's really Marlene's garden, she just tells me what to do.'

'She has an incredible vision for the garden and it has been great fun creating it.'

'I think the best thing is seeing people's faces as we take them around. The garden is here for everyone to enjoy, it wouldn't be fair for us to keep it to ourselves.'

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Martin is 'Top Boy'

Martin Blackler, who recently moved to Brodick, has won the Channel Four 'Your Cut' competition which involved creating an advert for the second series of the hit show, 'Top Boy' from clips provided. His advert, entitled 'Restless', made it to the finals and was placed on Youtube by channel 4 on July 26. He was then contacted this week and told that he had won the competition and his advert will be aired on Channel 4 soon.

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Hotel couple up for top award

The owners of the Kinloch Hotel have been nominated for a top award for their kindness and dedication during the worst snows in living memory on the island.

Robbie and Barbara Crawford have been nominated for a Great Scot Award by the villagers in Blackwaterfoot.

The Crawfords turned their hotel into a makeshift emergency centre during the crisis as it was one of the few places on the island to have its own generator.

They distributed food and supplies to stranded villagers,

converted bedrooms into examination rooms for GPs and provided accommodation to mountain rescue teams.

As well as providing free tea and coffee to locals in need, giving them access to showers and a warm place to watch TV.

Mr Crawford, 48, said: 'It is really gratifying that someone has taken the time to nominate us but, at the time, we just did what had to be done.'

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New lettings initiative for St Molios Park homes



A new lettings initiative is to be used for the first time to allocate new affordable homes on Arran. Ahead of allocating the first phase of the £8.9 million St Molios Park development in Lamlash, Irvine Housing Association commissioned research to identify how the housing needs on the island differ from those on the mainland, in order to ensure that the houses would be allocated to those most in need.

This research has resulted in the development of a Rural Lettings Initiative for Arran which will allow IHA to assess applications in a fair, transparent and consistent way.

A total of 56 homes are being built, 40 for social rent and 16 for shared equity in the biggest affordable development on the island in a number of years. The first phase will see eight houses released for rent and eight for sale.

Director of Operations, Nicola Thom, recently met with community representatives on Arran and gave assurances that properties will be allocated in a way that recognises the particular needs of the island. And following consultation with North Ayrshire Council, Arran Community Council and the Arran Community Voluntary Service, the lettings initiative approved last week.

The new lettings initiative meets all regulatory and legislative requirements and award priority to applicants with a housing need. The properties on Arran will be allocated through the North Ayrshire Housing Register (NAHR) using the new lettings initiative. Therefore people interested in the homes must apply to NAHR. All applicants interested in the first eight properties which will be ready next month should contact IHA directly on 0845 112 6600 to request an ap-

plication form which should be completed and returned to us before 30 August.

An information leaflet about the 'Rural Lettings Initiative' and a summary of the North Ayrshire Common Allocation Policy can be found at www.irvineha.co.uk under 'Rent a Home'.

The eight shared equity homes have been built under the New Supply Shared Equity (NSSE) scheme from the Scottish Government, designed to help people on moderate incomes to buy a home of their own. Under the scheme the shared equity buyer will own their property outright, but only needs to fund between 60% and 80% of the price. The Scottish Government hold the remainder through a shared equity agreement, with no rent to pay on the remaining share.

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of the property if they wish and can afford to do so.

As NSSE is aimed at moderate income households, buyers need to be assessed by Irvine to see whether or not they qualify. Interested buyers first need to submit an applica-

tion to our Home Ownership team. Buyers need to show that they cannot buy a house suitable for their needs without help from the scheme. The amount that buyers contribute must be the maximum mortgage they can reasonably obtain.

For information on buying a shared equity property please contact IHA's Home Ownership Team on 0151 282 8506. Details are on our website at www.irvineha.co.uk under 'Buy a Home'. We need all forms from those interested in a phase 1 property to be submitted to us before 30 August.



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Wallace Currie is pictured with his mum Laura's trophies. 20_b34hor04



The trophy winners proudly display their prizes. 20_b34hor01



Margaret Murchie won The Dippen Lodge Challenge Cup for the best exhibit of hydrangeas. 20_b34hor09



Malcolm Wheeler's beautiful fuchsia in a pot won first place. 20_b34hor08



Laura Currie's award-winning sweetpeas. 20_b34hor11

Arran Horticultural Society

Sunny weather boosts entry numbers

Gardeners and growers proudly displayed their produce at the Arran Horticultural Society Summer Show on Wednesday after two months of perfect weather.

Laura Currie from Bridge Farm, Shiskine swept the boards with an impressive four trophies and numerous first places for her horticultural entries.

Laura was awarded The Millennium Cup for most first prizes after a number of her flowers, pot plants, cauliflowers, marrows, peas, cabbages, beans, sweet corn and even grapes all won first prize.

Other prizewinners included May Crawford who was awarded The Hiles Muir Trophy for the best exhibit of six roses and The Rhoda Henderson Memorial Cup for her wicker basket of cut flowers.

Lesley van Bogerjen won both The Archie

Craig Memorial Trophy for the best cut flowers in section 1 and The JF Turton Trophy for best entry in the photographic section.

Before his wife Grace presented the silverware, when announcing the trophy winners the society's chairman John Sillars remarked on the 'incredibly high quality, of entrants at this year's show.

He said: 'From home baking, to handcrafts and produce the standard of entrants this year has been first class.

'In the past few years the weather has let us down a bit but if anything this year the problem may have been that it was just too hot.

'Nevertheless there is a wonderful display of produce today and it is wonderful to see.'

Full list of trophy winners: The Bank of Scotland Cup for the best vase of sweet peas in the show; Laura Currie, The Hiles Muir Trophy for



Huge courgettes on display. 20_b34hor07



Tomatoes grown from all across t



Eva and Lily Glover holidaying in Lamlash picked up a number of prizes in the children's section. 20_b34hor02



The lovely summer weather meant the entries this year were rather spectacular. 20_b34hor03



Eric Gregory picked up The MacAndrew Cup for best exhibit in the vegetable section. 20_b34hor10

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the best exhibit of six roses: May Crawford, Silver vase presented by Mrs Blain for the best exhibit of six roses: Mhairi Turnbull, The Dippen Lodge Challenge Cup presented by Hon Frances de Moleyns for the best exhibit of hydrangeas: Margaret Murchie.

The John Sillars Cup for the best exhibit of Dahlias: John Lammie, The Millennium Cup for the most first prizes in the horticultural sections: Laura Currie, The Archie Craig Memorial Trophy for the best exhibit in section 1: Lesley van Bogerjen, The Lady Jean Fforde Cup presented for best exhibit in section: Carol Vella-Boyle.

The Roy Ure Tray for the best pot fuchsia: Malcolm Wheeler, The Allen McKay Memorial Quaich for best exhibit in decorative section: Irene Couper, The Rhoda Henderson Memorial Cup for best exhibit in class 74: May Crawford, The MacAndrew Cup for best exhibit in veg-

etable section: Eric Gregory. The Orr Watt Cup for the most points in vegetable section: Laura Currie, Anne Middleton Trophy for best exhibit of potatoes: Sally Brookes, Charles Revell Trophy for best collection of vegetables: John O'Sullivan, NVS Medal for best dish in vegetable section: Eric Gregory.

Mrs FC Henderson Trophy for most points in baking section: John Barraclough, Chris Hall Rosebowl for best exhibit in handcrafts section: Elizabeth Ross, Illia Price Engraving Trophy for exhibitor with most points having exhibits in any two sections from 6,7 and 8: Laura Currie.

The Jim Cassels Trophy for Most Meritorius exhibit in the children's section: Ross Kerr, The MF Murchie Cup for best miniature garden: Jemma Totty, The JF Turton Trophy for best entry in the photographic section: Lesley van Bogerjen.



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John O'Sullivan's onions took the top prize in the section. 20_b34hor06



Showing off her summer style - Alice Anderson. 20_b34fas05



The ever-so-stylish Deborah Robertson. 20_b34fas03



Jenni Turnbull is all set for the next Picken wedding with her bridesmaid dress and snow-gear. 20_b34fas02

Shiskine strike a pose for charity fashion show

The young and beautiful - and not so young but still pretty good-looking - were strutting their stuff on the Shiskine catwalk on Monday night to raise funds for ArCaS.

This is the third year that Eilidh Kerr, a fashion student, has organised the show at Shiskine Golf Club to raise funds for the local cancer charity.

Tickets sales on the night raised an incredible £1,400 and the donations were still coming in as patrons snapped up items modelled on the catwalk.

Throughout the evening the crowd were treated to a huge selection of outfits that varied from daywear, disco dresses and wedding attire to those

all-important snow suits for the next big storm.

Front row ticket holders were treated to a glass of champagne and nibbles on arrival and there was tea and cakes for everyone in the interval.

Eilidh said: 'This show would not be possible without the help of Sue Girbow and all of her staff at ArCaS who have been putting clothes away for me since April.'

'I think we can all agree that they have found some fantastic clothes for us this year.'

She added: 'Thanks also to Sheila Gilmore for her fantastic commentary throughout the night, to all the helpers and most of all to my models, most of whom are members

of my family or friends of the family and have no choice but to model for me.'



Michael Jenks didn't need clothes to impress the audience. 20_b34fas04



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Liz Kerr strutting her stuff. 20_b34fas07



All set for a game of golf, Eilidh Kerr and Michael Jenks. 20_b34fas06



Eilidh Kerr, organiser of the event, modelling her 'new season' ski wear. 20_b34fas01

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Welcome

Gardeners enjoy flower show trip

Everyone had a great day out and many came home with plants for their garden

The Isle of Arran Horticultural Society enjoyed their annual trip to the Ayr Flower Show at the beginning of the month.

The show was held at Rozelle Estate Park and despite the changeable weather forecast, the day actually turned out to be lovely and sunny, albeit a bit breezy.

There were excellent exhibits to be seen in the marquees of begonias, vegetables, bonsai, cut flower displays and with many different plants for sale.

In the floral art marquee there were stunning flower arrangement displays

made by different groups of people based on various themes.

The photograph with this article was Cunningham's winning flower arrangement, which was promoting Arran produce and featuring Arran's very own ferry MV Caledonian Isles.

There was also a big section allocated to bee keeping, which was very interesting for those who like honey, especially for children as it explained the whole process from the bee visiting the flower to the end product of honey in the jar.

Home baking and crafts were also well

presented with many entrants.

In the demonstration marquee floral art and cookery was demonstrated by experts and celebrity chefs from Scotland's original Cook School, then followed by gardeners question time.

With over 150 exhibitors spread across the Show and displaying their wares and services in the Home and Garden Outdoor and Indoor areas, there was something for everyone.

Everyone in our party had a great day out and many came away with plants for their garden.



Cunningham's winning entry at Ayr Flower Show featuring Arran's ferry.

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Big treat for jazz guitar fans

Jimmy Moon, well known on Arran as a guitar maker and player, left the island years ago when a planning application to set up a workshop here was turned down.

Since then he has become one of Scotland's most renowned guitar makers and his

retro swing group, The Rose Room, is a favourite for its laid back 1930s style gypsy jazz music.

On Saturday 24 August Jimmy will return to Arran to play in Whiting Bay Hall with his Rose Room quartet, featuring the glamorous

Seonaid Aitken as singer and violinist, while Tom Watson and Tam Gallacher play guitars and also sing with Jimmy himself on double base.

Anyone with a taste for the cool swing of Stephan Grappelli and Django Reinhardt is in for a very good time.



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Chip in and help recycle old cooking oil

Every year in the UK we waste the equivalent of 40 Olympic sized swimming pools worth of cooking oil and to combat this locally, North Ayrshire Council has introduced new cooking oil recycling facilities at Brodick Recycling Centre on Arran.

Cooking oils should always be disposed of appropriately to avoid clogging drains and introducing this new scheme to recycle used cooking oil will help to reduce the amount of waste that goes to landfill. As an added benefit – the new recycling facility produces an alternative energy source thereby reducing the need for fossil fuels and also cutting greenhouse gas emissions.

Householders are asked to pre-book an appointment to recycle their used cooking oil by calling 01770 600338. They are then asked to pour it into bottles and bring them to Recycling Centre in Market Road, Brodick to dispose of the oil.

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 7.30pm Buffet Supper £6

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Musicians and poets provide double treat at the festival

This weekend sees McLellan's magical play *The Carlin Moth* being performed by an outstanding cast of local actors.

This Arran fairy tale is directed by John Sillars, who has a real affinity with McLellan's work, and performed by a talented cast of Donald McEachern, Ailsa McNicol, Katharine O'Donnelly and Ceile Swinton-Boyle.

This rarely performed gem of McLellan's is one of his best works and not to be missed.

But there is also much more to look forward to in the coming weeks of the McLellan Festival.

One of the highlights will be a chance to hear the fabulous Euan Stevenson Trio on Thursday evening (August 29).

Expect to be thrilled by the talent and versatility of this group of special musicians who will draw upon a vast repertoire from classical to jazz to folk including a dazzling improvisation on Liszt's Liebestraum.

Recently, Radio Scotland described the trio as 'lush, modern and brilliantly accessible' whilst The Herald described Euan as a pianist with an 'elegant, coolly considered improviser's touch'.

This is a concert for everyone and remember that, as with all McLellan Arts Festival events young people still at school go free.

As always the festival includes a headline poetry event and this year the organisers have managed to give us two major poets for the price of one!

Husband and wife team Peter and Ann Sansom are well known poets and performers, but this will be their first visit to Arran.

They are founders of the The Poetry Business, a Sheffield based organisation that operates the Smith Doorstop publishing house and specialises in promoting and organising workshops and other poetry events.

As well as being established poets in their own right they have made it their business to

bring their talents to parts of the world you would not normally associate with poetry. Peter is both 'writer-in-residence' at Marks and Spencer and 'company poet' at the Pru!

Those of you who were at last year's sell-out reading by Jackie Kay in Brodick Hall will need no reminding that poetry in performance does not have to be stuffy or difficult. Peter and Ann look set to confirm this.

Their poems are nearly all about people and their hidden stories. They are witty, sometimes tinged with sadness, but above all accessible.

As part of the evening they will be announcing the winners of the 2013 McLellan Poetry Prize, Arran's very own poetry competition which this year has attracted

a record number of entries from all over the world.

So hold the date in your diary - Friday 30 August at 8 pm in Brodick Hall. Tickets, £6, can be bought on-line as well as from the Book and Card and, subject to availability, on the door. Seating will be cafe style, BYOB.

And remember that there is a special inclusive ticket this year (which will save you £15 if you are a festival groupie!) which will also give you entry to the famous festival family ceilidh on Saturday 31 August - a chance to dance, be entertained and fed - with Tim Pomeroy, John Sillars, Vivace, Arran Jazz Cafe Band amongst others. Get tickets beforehand or pay at the door - but come sharp to book a seat at a table (BYOB).



The event culminated with a parade featuring the sick whale.

COAST supporters enjoy 'Tale of the Whale'

The 'Tale of the Whale' craft workshops organised by the Community of Arran Seabed Trust (COAST) were attended by over 60 children last week.

During the three days, the children made a jumping-jack octopus as part of the event led by locals artist Cicely Gill and Rosie and Imogen Guy.

The event culminated on



The children each made a jumping-jack octopus.

Saturday 10 August with a parade and narrative featuring the sick whale which only got better when the children removed the rubbish the whale had eaten - which included a green house!

Andrew Binnie, manager at COAST said: 'This year the parade was in celebration of five years of the Lamlash Bay No Take Zone which is show-

ing healthy signs of recovery. 'This bodes very well for the proposed Arran Marine Protected Area (MPA).

'We would like to urge visitors and residents to attend the Scottish Natural Heritage public drop-in consultation on the MPA on Wednesday 28 August in the Ormidale Pavilion between 1pm and 8pm'.

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Thursday 29th August : Euan Stevenson Trio & Joni Keen in Concert : The community Theatre, Arran High School, Lamlash : 8pm : £10

Friday 30th August 'Arran and Beyond' : Readings from renowned poets Peter & Anne Sansom, the announcement and presentation of Prizes for the McLellan Poetry Prize 2013 : Brodick Hall : 8pm : £6

Saturday 31st August : Poetry workshops with Peter & Anne Sansom: Corrie & Sannox Village Hall : 11am : £10 (booking tel 810640 or 700464)

Saturday 31st August : Ceilidh Corrie & Sannox Village Hall : 7.30pm : Buffet Supper : £6

Sunday 1st September : Church Service, Corrie Church: with Peter Wilson and Students from The Royal Northern College . of Music 12.00 noon

Tuesday 3rd September Corrie film Club showing 'Angels Share' by Ken Loach : Corrie & Sannox Village Hall : 8pm : Donations..

Thursday 5th September 'Arran on Film' : Footage from archive films of Arran from the 1920's-1970's : Corrie hall : 2pm & 7.30 pm : £5

Friday 6th September Gala Concert with students from the Royal Northern College of Music. : Community Theatre, Arran High School, Lamlash : 7.30pm : £10

Sunday 8th September The Oratorio *Eljia'h* by Master class students and McLellan Festival Chorus : Community Theatre, Arran High School, Lamlash : 7.30pm : £5

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Safety demand

A Whiting Bay mum wants to see the playpark in the field at Sandbraes made safer.

The call comes from Diane Ings of the Burlington Hotel after her three-year-old daughter Alice was injured in a fall.

She had climbed on to the top of the slide stood up, wobbled and somehow fell over head first onto the concrete slab below.

Alice's skull was cracked but after an anxious two-day wait at Crosshouse she was later allowed home.

First relief, but then some anger for Diane and husband Wilf now feel that knowing

too busy to meet the Forum until after October.

Meanwhile, Tourism Manager Charles Currie is expecting to receive letters from both estates saying that the new signs around the Arran hills are merely 'advisory' and not mandatory.

Castle lights

Brodick Castle always a splendid sight across the bay is now splendid day and night. Electrician Ian Small has been working at the castle and offered to install floodlighting which he has done.

Now switched on the castle has been like a silver ghost at night, lit up within the trees and reflected on the clam waters of the bay.

Ferry in service

MV Caledonian Isles made her first scheduled sailing to Brodick at 3.15pm on Wednesday 25 August. This was five days after her planned first sailing and after the MV Isle of Arran appeared to have settled happily back into the run.

The first car off the ferry in Brodick was a Maestro carrying the Temply family from Fife on a hopscotch ticket. The mezzanine decks have not been in use but will be needed on Saturday, such is the volume of traffic. On that first sailing on Wednesday, however, the vehicles all came off without a hitch.

Falcon found dead

A peregrine falcon was found dead at Pirmill on Wednesday.

We are not aware at present of the cause of death but can say it is a protected bird and there are only six breeding pairs on the island. Several protected birds of prey have been found dead in recent months.

Praise for bikers

Up to 500 motorcyclists are gathering on Arran today for a weekend bikers' rally at Glen Rosa.

Organised by the Saltire Motorcycle Club of Glasgow they are all enthusiasts and are mainly interested in seeing other enthusiasts' bikes and showing off their own.

A spokesman for the Glen Rosa campsite where they are camping said: 'I would have them every weekend. They are the best most well behaved campers of the lot.'

Signs are advisory

Efforts to resolve the dispute over walking restrictions on the hills continue, but are not progressing at speed.

The Arran Access Forum has written to Messrs Gibbs and Fforde asking for an early meeting, but Mr Gibbs has written back to them saying that both he and Mr Fforde are



Mrs Kelly with her new charges at Corrie. b34twe02



Mrs Smith at Whiting Bay with the new primary 1 intake. b34twe01



Mairi Sillars at Pirmill with the six new starts. b34twe03



The first car rolls of the new MV Caledonian Isles at Brodick. b34twe04

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Saturday 24th August

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 Over 21s Disco
 Karate
 Family Games
 Arran Dancers (4yrs & up)
 Brodick Bowling Club Rink Game
 Whiting Bay Rink Games
 Lamlash Bowling Rink Games
 Lawn Bowls
 RNLI shop
 Carlin Moth
 Live Music with Matt Johnstone
 Rose Room

Auchrannie Road 11am – 1 pm.
 Ormidale Hotel, 10pm
 Auchrannie Games Hall, 11.30am-12.30pm
 Auchrannie Games Hall, 3pm-4pm
 Arran High School, 10am
 Brodick, 2pm
 Whiting Bay Bowling Club 7pm
 Lamlash Bowling Club 2pm
 Blackwaterfoot Bowling Club, 1.45pm
 Lamlash Pier, 2pm-4pm
 Lamlash Community Theatre, 8pm
 Drift Inn, Lamlash, 9.30pm - late
 Whiting Bay Hall, 7.30pm

Sunday 25th August

Alcoholics anonymous speaker meeting
 New AI-Anon Meeting
 Family Games
 Fun in the pool
 Open Mic Session
 Cocaine Anonymous (& all other drugs)
 RNLI shop
 PHT Quiz
 Rug Sale

Brodick Village Hall, 1-3pm
 Call 601206 for details
 Auchrannie Games Hall, 3pm-4pm
 Auchrannie Spa Pool, 4pm-5pm
 Eden Lodge, Whiting Bay, 2pm
 Ormidale sports pavilion, 2pm – 3.30pm
 Lamlash Pier, 2pm-4pm
 PHT, Lamlash, 8.30pm
 Behind the cheese shop, Brodick, 1-5pm

Monday 26th August

Quiz
 Over 50s Badminton
 Badminton
 Citizens Advice
 Senior Fitness
 Breathe Walk Class
 Table Tennis
 Badminton
 Arran Junior Football Club
 Summer Bridge Tournament
 Brodick Bowling Club Rink Game
 Whiting Bay Bowling Rink Games
 Lamlash Bowling Rink Games
 Yoga
 Arran Antiquarians
 Paintings Tour
 Lunch club
 Volleyball

Eden Lodge, Whiting Bay, 8.30pm
 Lochranza Village Hall, 2-4pm
 Lochranza Hall, 6.30pm
 Ormidale Pavilion, 9.30-1.30pm
 Auchrannie Gym, 9.30-10.30am
 Kinneil, Lamlash, 5.15pm
 Corrie Hall, 6.30pm
 Auchrannie Sports Hall, 7-9pm
 Ormidale Park, 6-7.30pm
 Arran High School, 6.30pm for 6.45pm
 Brodick, 6.45pm
 Whiting Bay Bowling Club 7pm
 Lamlash Bowling Club 6.30pm
 Corrie Village Hall, 11am - 12noon
 Brodick Hall, 2pm
 Brodick Castle, 2pm - 3.30pm
 Brodick Sheltered Housing, 12.30pm
 Auchrannie Sport Hall, 7pm - 8pm

Tuesday 27th August

Pop Quiz
 Alcoholics Anonymous
 Youth Club
 Rotary club
 Streetly Dance pre school
 Streetly Dancing Classes P1-S7
 Youth Club
 Weight Watchers
 Junior Hockey Club
 Healthy Outdoors
 Lawn Bowls
 Quiz
 Food and craft market
 Garden Walk
 Tots Tours
 Castle Secrets
 Cricket Practice
 Metafit
 Scottish Country Dancing

Ormidale Hotel, 9pm
 Brodick Church Hall, 2pm
 Kildonan Hall, 7pm
 Glencloy Suite, Auchrannie, 7.15pm
 Auchrannie Dance Studio, 1.45-2.30pm
 Auchrannie Gym Hall, 3.45pm – 6pm
 Brodick Hall, 6.30 – 8pm
 St Molios Church Hall, 7pm
 Auchrannie Sports Hall, 6-7pm
 10am-1pm NTS Ranger Centre
 Blackwaterfoot Bowling Club, 1.45pm
 The Drift Inn, Lamlash, 9pm
 Ormidale Pavilion, 11am - 4pm
 Brodick Castle, 2pm - 3.30pm
 Brodick Castle, 1.30pm - 2.15pm
 Brodick Castle, 2pm - 3.30pm
 Ormidale Astroturf, Brodick 7pm
 Arran High School, Lamlash, 6pm - 6.30pm & 6.30pm - 7pm
 Brodick church Hall, 7.30-9.30pm

Wednesday 28th August

Hockey
 Tae Kwondo
 Alcoholics Anonymous
 Arran Brass Rehearsal
 Senior Badminton
 Yogalates
 Aquafizz
 Music Mayhem Class Parents & Little Ones
 Arran Heritage Museum Archives & Genealogy service
 Northend Football Training
 Brodick Bowling Club Rink Game
 Shiskine Tennis Club
 Whiting Bay Bowling Rink Games
 Lamlash Bowling Rink Games
 Vile Victorians
 Mountain Walk & Wild Swim
 JogScotland beginners group
 Mixed ability running group
 Marine Scotland
 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, 8pm
 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
 10.30-12.30 & 1.30-3.30
 Lochranza, 7pm
 Brodick, 6.45pm
 Juniors 4.30-5.15 P1-P3, 5.15-6 P4-P7
 Whiting Bay Bowling Club 7pm
 Lamlash Bowling Club 2.30pm
 Brodick Castle, 2pm - 3.30pm
 Brodick Castle, 10am - 5pm
 Auchrannie Spa car park, 5.15pm
 Auchrannie Spa car park, 6pm
 Ormidale Pavilion, 1-8pm
 Brodick Library, 11am

Thursday 29th August

Village Market & Tearoom
 Senior Fitness
 General Knowledge Quiz
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 Euan Stevenson Trio Concert
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W/Bay Village Hall, 11-2pm
 Auchrannie Gym, 9.30-10.30am
 Ormidale Hotel, 9pm
 Lochranza Hall, 2pm
 Eden Lodge, Whiting Bay 8.30-11.00pm
 Ormidale Pavilion, 5.30pm
 Blackwaterfoot Bowling Club, 6.45pm
 Adults 6pm onwards
 Corrie Village Hall, 6pm - 7pm
 Brodick Castle, 10.30am -12noon & 2pm-3.30pm
 Lochranza & Catacol Village Hall, 7.30pm
 Lamlash Community Theatre, 8pm
 Auchrannie Sports Hall, 6-6.30pm

Friday 30th August

Aqua Fizz
 Yogalates
 Arran Youth Foundations
 Lochranza Kids Badminton
 Lochranza Adults Badminton
 Disco
 Brodick Farmers Market
 Active Buggies
 Castle Secrets Tour
 Arran & Beyond
 Coffee Morning

Auchrannie Hotel Pool, 9.45-10.30am
 Auchrannie Studio, 9.30-10.30am
 Church Hall, Brodick 7pm-9pm
 Lochranza Hall, 6-8pm
 Lochranza Hall, 8pm
 Ormidale Hotel, 10pm
 Auchrannie Road, 8am - 6pm
 Ormidale Park, 10am
 Brodick Castle, 11.30am - 1pm
 Brodick Hall, 8pm
 Corrie & Sannox Village Hall, 10.15am



Public Notices

Katy Clark MP SURGERY NOTICE

Katy Clark MP will hold a surgery on Wednesday 28th August 2013

Brodick Library at 11am

No appointment required

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Web: www.katyclark.org.uk



TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS)(SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

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

Format: Application No; Address; Proposed Development
13/00489/PP; Site To East Of, Morven, Whiting Bay, Brodick; Amendment of planning permission 11/00634/PP to change house type

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Arran Drop-in Event:

Wednesday 28 August – Ormidale Pavillion

Time: 1-8pm drop in session

Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH) drop in session focussed on MPAs.

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www.snh.gov.uk/mpa-consultation

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Saturday 7th September 2013

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Sunday 25th August
Holy Communion, 11.00 am.
Mrs Janis Gallagher. Coffee after service.
ALL WELCOME

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
Parishes of North Arran Brodick, Corrie, Lochranza, Pirmill 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.
Sunday 25th August
Brodick Church, 10.30am, Morning Worship
Corrie Church, 12noon, Morning Worship
A Service of Worship will also be held in Montrose House at 1.30pm
Lochranza Church, 9.30am, Morning Worship
Pirmill Church, 10.45am, Morning Worship
Shiskine Church, 12noon, Morning Worship including the Sacrament of Baptism

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Sunday 25th August
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ARRAN BAPTIST CHURCH
Minister: Rev Vince Jennings
Sunday 25th August
11 a.m. Morning Worship in The Ormidale Sports Pavilion, Brodick
Tea & coffee after the service.
Wednesday at 7.30 p.m.
Home Fellowship Group for Bible Study and Prayer.
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Sunday 25th August
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Brodick 7pm (Church behind post office)
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ARRAN FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
(continuing)
Sunday 25th August
at 11am
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

SMITH - The family of the late Willie Smith would like to thank medical & care staff on Arran, Crosshouse and Arrol Park for care and support to Willie until his passing. Thanks also to friends and family for their kindness and to Clair and David Hendry and Rev Watson for help and guidance with Willie's funeral.



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Friendly defeat for Arran RFC

Arran 17 Hillfoots 82
Arran RFC took on their first opponents of the new season on Saturday - in a friendly. Jamie Murchie, who grew up in Lamlash, brought his team Hillfoots from Tillicoultry in Clackmannanshire over to the island to play his home team.
Sadly as the final score of 17-82 suggests, Hillfoots dominated the game. The forward pack however, didn't get things all their own way and were given a good workout by their opposite numbers.
The back division in comparison didn't give Arran any time to make much of an impact. 'Foots were quick to close down any space and they were solid in the tackle.
The first half was pretty one sided, with the home-side barely being allowed to play. 'Foots opened with two tries before Arran pulled one back.
Two further tries were added



Hillfoots travelled to Arran from Tillicoultry for the friendly match. 20_b34rug01



For fly-half Lachlan Jones the game was a good start to the season. 20_b34rug04

before the homeside claimed their second.
'Foots finished off the half with another three scores before half time. At halftime the score was 39-10 and although Hillfoots added another seven tries after the break, the second half was a much tougher test with the home forwards digging in and turning the visitors over on several occasions.
Once the ball was in open play however, Arran had no answer to Hillfoots off loading game.
This Saturday Arran travel to Mull for the first league game of the 2013/14 season. On Saturday 7 September

Mull will make the return journey for the first home game.



Robbie Bayne makes a break for it down the wing. 20_b34rug02


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CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations

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Whiting Bay Golf Club

Gents: Sunday 11 August, 27 played in the rearranged competition for Nestor's Jug, a trophy presented by the Rankin family and with extra significance this year with the passing away of former Club Captain and supporter of the golf club, Nestor Rankin, earlier this year.

It was played as a stableford with the CSS dropping to 37 points. 1 Danny Head 41 points, 2 David Morrison 39 points, 3 Pete Smith 38 points acb, 4th Peter Rawlin 38 points. Thanks go to the Rankin family for the generous prizes.

Wednesday 14 August. 36 played in the 11th round of the Summer Trophy in tricky conditions. The rain and mist made it hard to see the ball never mind the fairway ahead at times! CSS 64. 1 Peter Smith (17)58 acb, 2 Jamie McKechnie (7)58, 3 Dave Hackett (13)61, 4 Ronnie Mann (11)64 acb. Malcolm Pennington won scratch with 65 after countback over Jamie McKechnie and there were Magic 2s by Nicol Auld, Andy Martin, John Christie and Jamie Stewart.

Sunday 18 August. 14 played for the Aitken Rosebowl, a foursomes competition. 1 Danny Head and David Brookens - 66, 2 Andy Martin and Ronnie Mann - 67.5. Danny and David also won scratch with 75 after a countback over David Morrison and Jamie MacPherson.

Ladies: Sunday 18 August Whiting Bay Ladies. Six ladies played on a changeable sometimes sunny day. All played well, although Gege and Marjorie, having a really good gossip, and unaware that it was a stableford,

n/r'd after each experienced a deeply traumatic 20 minutes at the 8th. 1 Lesley Wood 28 pts, 2 Jean Davidson 22 pts. Well done ladies.

Fixtures: Saturday 24 August, Kilbride Challenge at Whiting Bay, Greensomes. Sunday Kilbride Challenge at Lamlash, Fourball. Team of 12 to be selected - both days starting at 10.30. Wednesday 28, Summer Trophy. Sunday 1 September, AGA Autumn Handicap at Shiskine. See noticeboard for list of names.

Brodick Golf Club

Wednesday 14 August Summer Cup, 41 played CSS 64. 1 R Duncan (10)62, 2 R Butchard (21)63, 3 G McCrae (5)64 acb. Scratch G McCrae 69. There were 13 twos. Iain Macdonald got two.

Sunday 18 August Captain's Prize. Stableford, 28 played, CSS 64. 1 John McKean (10)39pts, 2 Alastair Dobson (9)38pts, 3 Ewan McKinnon (+1)37pts acb. D Rudge (17)37pts acb. There were six twos.

Fixtures: Sunday 25 August, Royal Bank Shield, Four Ball Better Ball. Pick own partner. Draw Saturday 24 August at 12 noon. Saturday 31 August, Belhaven Mixed Texas Scramble. Book team times with James at Pro Shop. Sunday 1 September, AGA Autumn Handicap Shiskine.

Lamlash Golf Club

Ladies: Twelve ladies played in the August SLGA Medal with the lucky two being the ones who played in the Alternative Medal on Saturday 10 August when the weather was perfect. Wednesday was a shock to the system for those playing. They teed off at 1pm in cool, dull but dry weather, but by 1.10pm, we had that steady, light soaking Arran rain! As a result we had six NRs and a lot of bedraggled ladies. The winner, a Saturday player, was Jean Barclay with a net 63 also taking the scratch



Willie and Alice Anderson, and Clare and Ian Buchanan at Shiskine. b34golf04

with a gross 80. In second place was Anne McVicar, in the wet conditions, with a 67. There were no twos. Medal 7: 1 Jean Barclay 80-17=63, 2 Anne McVicar 83-16=67, 3 Kate McAdam. 90-20=70. Scratch Jean Barclay 80.

Gents: Thursday 15 August Summer Cup, CSS 65. 1 Scott Campbell 70-15=64, 2 Stuart Campbell 71-6=65, 3 Colin Richardson 80-13=67. Best Scratch Dougie Macfarlane 69. Twos from Steven Heaney and Scott Campbell. Seniors' Medal, CSS 61. 1 Ian Heron 77-15=62, 2 James Cameron 75-12=63, 3 Allan Martin 79-14=65. Twos Ian Heron and Jimmy Gordon. Saturday 18 August, Scratch Cup, CSS 64. 1 Raymond Burke 73-12=61, 2 Graeme Andrew 73-10=63, 3 Jim McKenzie 74-10=64. Best Scratch Raymond Burke 73 BIH. Winner of Scratch Cup Graeme Andrew 143. Two from Stuart Cree.

Fixtures: Saturday 24 August, Kilbride Challenge (Team Game) at Whiting Bay, 10.30am start time. Sunday 25 August, Kilbride Challenge (Team Game) at Lamlash 10.30am start time. Thursday 29 August, Summer Cup and Medal Shield Final Round - make up own groups. **Please Note:** Final of Hastings Cup will now be held on Sunday 22 September, 9.30am and 12.30pm starts.

Lochranza Golf Club

Cabrach Competition. Scores held over from Sunday 11 August: Bryan Lewis 35, Jon Baker 39. Sunday 18 August. Ross Trail 34, Tony Baboolal 34, Bryan Lewis 35, Alastair Innes 38, Ian Buchanan 41, Jon Baker 46, Jack Ewing nr. With one round to go the top four placings are: Ross Trail 214, Bryan Lewis 226, Tony Baboolal 229, Ben Innes 230.

Corrie Golf Club

Wednesday 14 August, 8 played, CSS 61. 1 R Burke 10-12=58, 2 S Beardsly 68-7=61. Saturday 17 August, Whiskey Cup round 1, 12 played, CSS 61. 1 J McConnachie 66-6=60, 2 Peter McKinnon 86-25=61 BIH, 3 J Adams 68-7=61. Best scratch J McConnachie 61. Magic twos from J McConnachie, D Logan and D K Handerson.

Fixtures: Saturday 24 August, H Taylor's 90th birthday game, 11am shotgun start. Course will be closed. from 11am till approx 4pm. Entry fee £5 all of which will go to 'Spud's' charity of his choice. Monday 26 August, Arran WRI Ladies 12 hole competition at Corrie Golf Club. Course will be closed at 4pm for this competition.

Machrie Bay Golf Club

Tuesday 13 August Peter Sutton/Lady Mary. 1 Hugh McClelland 65, 2 Sandy Murray 66, 3 David Price 67. Scratch Sandy Murray 71. **Fixtures:** Tuesday 27 August sees the start of the August sweep. **Back to winter times tee off 12.30pm.**

Arran Ladies Golf Union

The final of the Island Championship will be played between Susan Butchard and Fiona Crawford on Friday 6 September at Brodick Golf Club. Tee-off at 2 pm. Spectators and supporters most welcome.

Arran Golfers Association

The Autumn meeting will take place at Brodick Golf Clubhouse on Thursday 29

August from 8pm. Autumn Handicap at Shiskine Golf Club Sunday 1 September, sheets on noticeboards.



Colin Rutterford won the Victory Shield at Shiskine.

Shiskine Golf Club

Sunday 18 August, Allan Maxwell Trophy, 23 teams played raising a tremendous £1,425 for Marie Curie cancer care. 1 Jim Clark, Jen Owen, Paula Adam and Rob Adam with 62 points, 2 Kelso and W Paton on 61 points BIH, 3 Dales with 61 points. A huge thanks to everyone that took part and for donating raffle prizes - see you all again next year!

Thursday 15 August, Ladies 12 Hole Medal, 18 played, CSS 44. Silver 1 Pat Adamson 54-10=44, 2 Alice Anderson 55-9=46. Scratch Brenda Livingstone 52. Bronze, 1 Angie Dale 59-13=46, 2 Barbara Wilson 61-13=48.

Fixtures: Sunday 25 August, 18 Hole Medal (Gents). Thursday 29 August, three Club Comp (Ladies).



Marlene Waudby, who won the Kay Maxwell Trophy at Shiskine.



The Allan Maxwell Trophy winning team at Shiskine Golf Club. b34golf03

Arran Junior Football Club

The Arran Junior Football Club will restart at the Ormidale Park on Monday 26 August between 6pm and 7.30pm.

Sessions are £1.50 and anyone interested in coaching should contact Brian on 302464.

Bowling results

Brodick Bowling Club Results: Monday 29 July - John Lauder and Colin Haggarty (+24); Wednesday 31 July - Robert Crawford, Sandra McArthur and Colin Adams (+1); Saturday 3 August - Peter Lee and Lavinia Hendry (+17).

Monday 5 August - Charlie Weir, Vera Ransome and Colin Haggarty (+10); Wednesday 7 August - Charlie Weir and Ann Whattam (+23); Saturday 10 August - John McConnachie, Charles Hendry and John Lauder (+12).

Monday 12 August - Ann Hollingworth and Colin Haggarty (+9); Wednesday 14 August - Colin Adams, John McConnachie and Ann Hollingworth (+2); Saturday 17 August - John McConnachie and Ann Whattam (+12); Monday 19 August - Peter Lee and Lavinia Hendry (+17).

Summer bridge

The results of the summer bridge tournament on Monday 19 August were as follows:

N/S 1 Tricia Martin & David Campbell, 2 Dougie & Margaret Bruce, 3 Jim & Jessmay Peacock

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Treble trophy success for gallant Southend



Southend celebrate after winning the treble.
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Southend finished the football season on a high last Saturday when they defeated Brodick to take all three trophies for 2013.

The final of the Arran FA Cup was played at Lamlash and Brodick were aiming to retain their trophy after they had beat Shiskine in last year's final.

The game kicked off without Brodick's golden boot winner Archie McNicol and Southend were missing Elliot Smith with his broken hand which he sustained in the last Brodick game.

The first half was very cagey with chances few

and far between for both sides. Despite Southend dominating possession Gregor Adamson wasn't really troubled in the Brodick goal and Babbies 'Chopper' MacNeil received his trademark yellow card for a dangerous tackle.

In the second half Brodick came out the blocks firing and played some great football through Iain 'Keeno' Keen and Euan 'Smithy' Smith down the left side.

Then against the run of play, an uncharacteristic mistake from Kyle Barbour allowed Lewis Kennedy to bury his shot

into the bottom corner to take the lead for Southend. Brodick's heads went down and Southend capitalised soon after through a mazy run from Donnie Park down the left side resulting in Lewis doubling his tally and Southend's lead.

Referee Stevie Crawford then gave Gordon 'Nog' Hendry a yellow for pushing Donnie after the youngster had wound him up.

Thankfully the two kissed and made up over a pint in the Ormidale later on that night! Heading into the last 15 minutes Brodick upped the pressure bringing on young speed merchant Lyle Bunyan and pushing Kyle forward.

Finally with two minutes to go Brodick's six foot seven captain headed a corner past Stephen Judge in the Southend goal to make for a nail-biting finish.

Deep into injury time Southend were awarded a free kick which was swung in by Nick Emsley to the back post where Danny 'The Heider' Head put the ball beyond Gregor to crown Southend champions and treble winners.

Stevie gave the man of the match to Lewis for the second Brodick game in a row for his two great finishes and his work rate throughout the game.

Thanks to Stevie for refereeing and the young boys for running the line.



Danny 'The Heider' Head's last-gasp goal secured Southend's champion status. 20_b34ba102

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