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Lamlash heat and power plant plans withdrawn

Northern Energy Developments Ltd have withdrawn their planning application for a wood-fired Combined Heat and Power Plant near the Dyemill, Lamlash.

Arran Community Council planning secretary Bill Calderwood told Tuesday night's Community Council meeting: 'Fergus Tickell's consultants have formally requested that the application is withdrawn. Any objectors will get a letter explaining that it has been withdrawn.'

This application has attracted 56 letters of objection from residents and visitors and one letter of 'full support' from Dr John Campbell.

North Ayrshire Council planning officer John Michel said: 'I hereby confirm that the application N/12/00282/PP has been withdrawn.'

Consultants for the applicant, Johnson Poole and Bloomer said: 'I confirm that our clients remain fully committed to the proposed project and we look forward to submitting the new application later in the year.'

Any new application is expected to include a detailed report covering the engagement process and outcomes as well as the additional information to address the legitimate concerns raised to date.

This course of action should ensure that all the information pertinent to the application is incorporated in a new single submission.

Kenneth Gibson MSP said: 'The strength of feeling on the island and the work of those who have campaigned against it has undoubtedly persuaded the applicant to take this difficult but sensible decision.'

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Sunflower competition entries reach dizzy heights

Nicol Hume announces the winners of Brodick Golf Club's sunflower growing competition from the dizzy heights. See page 11 for more photographs and report. 02_b35sun04

Warning signs needed to reduce bike crashes

A call was this week made for roads officials to erect speed warning signs for cyclists after another rider was badly injured at an Arran accident blackspot.

A member of a group on a charity trip from Land's End to John O'Groats was airlifted to hospital with suspected spinal damage following the horrific crash on the Lochranza side of the Boguille.

And a local with a medical background voiced the need for the bicycle brigade to be made aware of the dangers of this stretch of the island's perimeter road. She said: 'Cyclists - particularly those paying a first visit to Arran - can easily get caught



The Boguille was closed for almost an hour after the horrific crash on Sunday afternoon. Photograph by D Kelso.

out by the steepness of the descent.

'It seems that even the most experienced riders can suddenly find themselves going too fast to be able to keep control.'

The latest mishap happened on Sunday lunchtime as the group, from Reading in Berkshire, were heading from Brodick to catch the ferry from Lochranza to Claonaig for the next leg of their intended jaunt to Britain's most northerly point.

The road was closed for almost an hour as island paramedics attended to the casualty and fitted a special spinal collar. Police confirmed that he was then taken to the mainland on a Sea King helicopter, which had managed to land on rough ground nearby.

Another member of the cycling team was driven to hospital in Lamlash suffering from shock. The stretch of road close to the Witches' Bridge has seen a series of accidents involving cyclists over the past decade.

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Biomass project update from community council

Arran Community Council has formed a sub committee specifically to look into the biomass project proposed by Northern Energy Development Ltd. Community Council secretary Bill Calderwood outlines below the aims of that group:

'The Community Council's sub committee has had good support from interested individuals and we appreciate their contribution.

'We have agreed our purpose as stated in issue 1869 and have forwarded a further list of questions to NEDL and followed up with a discussion with their MD who is willing to meet with us again to discuss our concerns.

'This brings the number of points submitted to the applicant to more than 80 and although some responses have been received we have many

areas where clarification is still sought. We have also invited the forestry to attend and address questions related to the sustainability of supply and any potential impact changes to the species planted may have.

'All questions and responses received are on the CC website, as is the record of the sub committee's meeting.

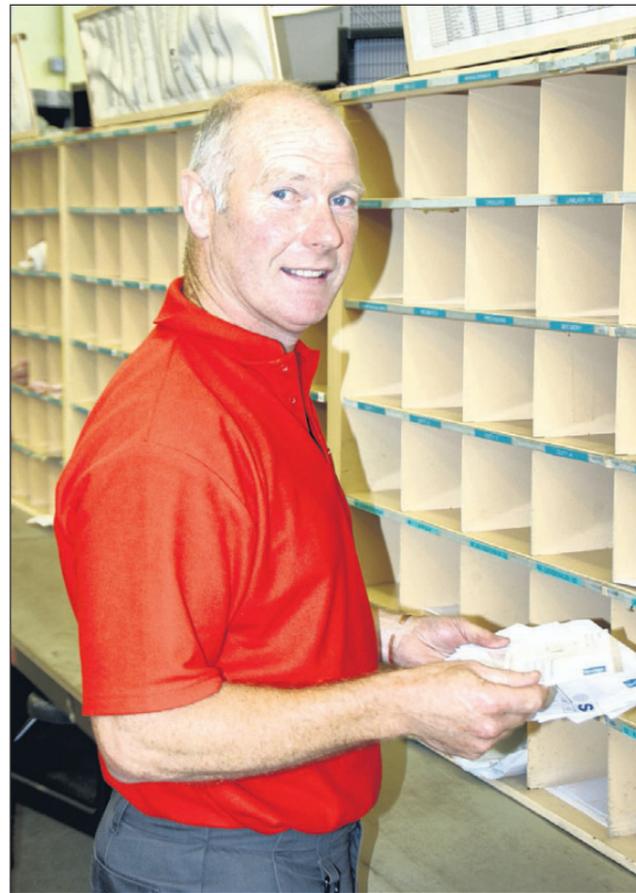
<http://www.arrancommunitycouncil.org.uk>. The brief of the sub committee includes examining alternative sources and solutions to Arran's power needs and we have started to discuss an option for a hydro system proposed by a resident with significant experience in this field.

'We are following up grant funding sources and this will require additional examination and analysis.

'We are disappointed that despite many letters of complaint from the campaign group we have so far received no specific questions or points from them.

'Every village representative on the Community Council has been reminded on a weekly basis that we wish to collect all views and concerns.

'The Community Council have approached this subject with an open and constructive attitude to ensuring that the views of all sections of the community are considered and would ask for the support of anyone who wishes to make a contribution to the future sustainable power supply for the island to get in touch either through their representative, the CC website or call 07826578774 with contact details.'



Donald MacQueen in Brodick sorting office, 30 years a postie. 02_b35post01

30 years on the post for Donald

Weel kent Arran postie Donald MacQueen has just completed 30 years service with the Royal Mail on the island.

But instead of a long service clock or watch, he was invited to select a gift of his own choice from a catalogue. Now he is looking forward to getting to grips with a super new digital camera.

During his years of service, Donald has worked on every post route around the island. The work of a postie has changed significantly over his time, but he still gets in to the sorting office at 7.45am, ready for the incoming mail from the first ferry. By 9.45am, Arran's posties are starting out on their rounds.

He said: 'There has been a huge increase in the number of houses on the island, but we still have to cover them in the same time. Everyone is entitled to a delivery to their door.'

'Some folk will put a post box at the end of the drive, but if not, then we have to take mail right to the door. It can take 15 to 20 minutes to deliver one letter to Auchareoch in the south end.'

'We go out in all weathers and it can be long hours before Christmas, but you just work until it is all delivered.'

'In days gone by we used to deliver telephone directories and empty the cash from telephone coin boxes.'

Donald pointed out an unheralded contribution that posties make to the community. 'We try to look out for folk, especially in rural areas,' he said. 'If someone's curtains haven't been opened we'll check up on them. I really enjoy when we are able to help someone out.' Donald adds that he has no plans for retiring just yet.

Accused wouldn't leave Mac's Bar

A Shiskine man denied causing a 'rammy' at an Arran hotel when his case was called at Kilmarnock Sheriff Court last Wednesday.

At the intermediate hearing Mr Clugston's solicitor entered a plea of not-guilty to three charges on his behalf in the absence of the accused.

The 20-year-old of Lade-

side Terrace, Shiskine faces a charge that on May 1 at The McLaren Hotel, Brodick he behaved in a disorderly manner and refused to leave the premises when asked by the owner. It is alleged that Mr Clugston assaulted a police constable and struck him on the face with a lit cigarette.

He also denied resisting,

obstructing, molesting and hindering three police constables in the execution of their duties by tensing his arms and legs and pulling against the officers, preventing them from arresting him and taking him to police custody.

The trial is set for September 14 and Mr Clugston has been ordained to appear.

Police files

Driving offences

A 31-year-old man from Beldington in Northumberland was stopped on Market Road after police suspected him of driving off the 8.30pm ferry under the influence of alcohol. He was reported for alleged drink driving, having no licence and no insurance.

Helmet

On Sunday a 39-year-old man who lives at Cordon was stopped after he was caught

driving a scooter without a helmet and with no insurance.

Seatbelt

A 25-year-old Whiting Bay man was issued with a £60 fine for not wearing a seatbelt while driving through Brodick on Tuesday morning.

Speeding

A 37-year-old woman from Lamlash was caught speeding on the A841 between Kings Cross and Whiting Bay on Friday.

Meanwhile a 43-year-old female from Cheddington in Buckinghamshire was caught speeding in the same place.

And on Tuesday a 36-year-old man from Kirkcaldy was issued with a speeding ticket after being caught driving too fast in Whiting Bay.

Police will be carrying out speed checks in the coming month following a number of complaints from Kings Cross residents.

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Search begins for volunteer fire fighters

Strathclyde Fire and Rescue are desperately seeking volunteer fire fighters for their Lamlash, Lochranza and Corriecravie stations.

By far the most urgent search centres on Lochranza Fire Station where they now have just half the required number of crewmembers.

The new volunteer leader at Lochranza is Jamie Logan and he told The Banner that the situation is very worrying.

'We now have just five

members, half the number that we really need,' he said. 'We need four of us to report for duty before we can respond so there have been call outs recently where we haven't been able to attend.'

Worrying

'It is worrying because there could be a serious incident just two doors away that we can't go to and it means we are relying more heavily on the crew in Brodick.'

Jamie joined the fire crew in Lochranza when he was

20 and believes it is a very worthwhile group to be involved with.

He said: 'I'm really proud to have been chosen as the new leader of the station. Yes being a volunteer firefighter means giving up your own time but by being a part of this team I know we're doing an important job for this small community.'

For more information about joining the Fire Service on Arran see the advert on page 16.



Jamie Logan, centre, with fellow fire crewmembers David Jeffrey and Fiona Laing outside the Lochranza Station. 01_b35jam01

Final meeting of Arran's Royal British Legion branch

Six weeks ago we reported that the Arran branch of the Royal British Legion was unfortunately being wound up due to a lack of members.

Now branch chairman Alan Milligan says that the final meeting of the group will be next week.

Alan said: 'The last social meeting of the present Arran branch will take place in the McLaren Hotel, Brodick on Thursday 6 September at 2pm.'

'Norma Davidson will be relating her experiences when visiting the Flanders Battlefield of World War One.'

'As this is the last meeting of the year, it is hoped for a good turnout.'

Bus driver cleared

A bus driver who knocked down and ran over a woman on Arran has been cleared of careless driving.

William Paterson, 47, struck Christine Pottle, 49, at Brodick ferry terminal, causing her severe injuries.

Mrs Pottle was struck by the bus and dragged under it, resulting in the later amputation of her leg.

She had been on her way to pick up her daughter at the time of the evening accident in February 2011.

The driver Mr Paterson told Kilmarnock Sheriff Court he did not see Mrs Pottle, although he felt a bump.

Paterson, of Mount Pleasant, Stevenston, was found not guilty of driving without due care and attention.

Waste collection calendars online

Arran's residents will be able to check out collection days for their bins with a new on-line calendar.

Residents can view the on-line calendar by entering their postcode in the 'In My Area' box on the North Ayrshire Council website homepage.

The easy-to-use calendars tell residents the dates that their grey household waste

and blue recycling bins are collected. Recent improvements to collection services in North Ayrshire have included increasing the amount of materials, including glass and a wider range of plastics, which can be recycled in household blue bins.

North Ayrshire Council spokesman for environment and infrastructure, Councillor

John Ferguson, said: 'The improvements to environmental services are aimed at increasing recycling and reducing the amount of waste that goes to landfill.'

New calendars will be available online at www.north-ayrshire.gov.uk from tomorrow (September 1). Printed collection calendars will remain available on request.

North Ayrshire Council planning applications approved

Planning applications currently pending consideration by North Ayrshire Council include proposed repairs and reinstatement works to the South West tower at Brodick Castle and change of use from a residential dwelling to guesthouse at Tighnamara, Brodick.

Also pending consideration are plans by Lamlash Golf Club for a detached house opposite Lamlash Church of Scotland manse and to the west of 35 Margnaheglish.

Plans for a single storey house in a field to the south of Kelvinhaugh Farm, Whiting Bay have been approved subject to conditions.

New Montrose House delayed

The work on building a replacement facility for Montrose House Residential Home for the Elderly has been delayed.

A start date for construction work on the 1.65 acre site up Glencloy has been put back from October to next March. It is expected to be a one-year project.



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Hotel staff put best foot forward for charity

Motivated by the recent Olympics, a team of 44 Auchrannie staff and Auchrannie buddies are embarking on their final days of training before taking part in this year's Great Scottish Run in Glasgow on Sunday 2 September.

Participants will run in either 10K or half marathon distances and they are doing it in support of Chloe's Chemoo Cows, Auchrannie's chosen charity for 2012.

The driving force behind Team Auchrannie is Group Director, Linda Johnston who has been spending the last few weeks and months gently encouraging employees and friends to sign up to take part.

The team will take to the streets of Glasgow to join around another 7,500 race participants this weekend.

Training sessions

For the last eight weeks staff have had regular training sessions under the watchful guidance of former PE teacher Linda, who has been ensuring they remain focused and motivated for the big day.

General manager Richard

Small said: 'I'm extremely pleased that so many staff and friends of Auchrannie have got on board to support this great cause.'

'The numbers wanting to take part are way beyond what we had originally anticipated - a result no doubt of Linda's powers of persuasion.'

Commitment

Linda added: 'Many of our participants are putting on a pair of running shoes for the first time in many years and showing great commitment to being part of the team. Hopefully the work everybody is putting in will lead to some great personal achievements for individuals and a substantial amount of money being raised for the charity.'

Chloe's Chemoo Cows mission is to raise awareness and funds to brighten the lives of children with cancer at the Schiehallion Ward, Yorkhill Children's Hospital.

They aim to provide every child receiving treatment with a cow-themed gift box containing soft toy, stickers and bookmarks as well as provide arts and crafts materials for



Members of Team Auchrannie meet up before the big day to show off their special running T-shirts. b35auch01

the ward.

The group expect to raise in excess of £3,500 from taking part in the run, all of which

will go directly to ensuring Chloe's Chemoo Cows can continue with the great work that they do.

Anyone wishing to support 'Team Auchrannie' can make a donation online at www.auchrannie.co.uk/donate.

Lunchbox is back

Following a summer break, Lunchbox is back again.

Meeting fortnightly, Lunchbox starts this Thursday at 12.30pm until around 2.30pm - in the Ormidale Sports Pavilion in Brodick.

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The new session of the Brodick Embroidery Group will start on Thursday 13 September at Brodick Library from 7.30pm to 9.30pm.

Ann Hollingworth said: 'We meet to share ideas, learn new techniques and enjoy stitching with a group who have a shared interest.'

'All are most welcome, be they beginners or more experienced.'

For further information, contact Ann on 840270.

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Strange green beetle identified

In last week's Banner Len Hartley asked if anyone knew the name of a strange shiny green bug seen around Brodick garden recently.

We have received a number of communications from readers giving information, and Howard Walker of Lam-lash says that it is a Green Dock Beetle, (*gastrophysa viridula*).

Howard said: 'It is a beautiful small beetle, similar in size to a ladybird.'

'It breeds between March and October with females laying up to 1,000 eggs. They feed mostly on docken leaves and green sorrel.'

'Two years ago there was a huge number of them in Lam-lash, and the strange thing about them was that they all seemed to be moving from west to east.'

Meanwhile, Christine Greig says: 'I think the green bug is a Rose Chafer (*ce-tonia aurata*), quite common within the UK. I have attached a photograph from the Natural History Museum for comparison.'



A Rose Chafer. b35bug01

Summer Bridge

The results of the tournament on Monday 27 August were: N/S 1 Tricia Martin and Alison Bilsland, 2 Jan Beattie and Janette McBride, 3 Sheila Logan and Linda Trickett.

E/W 1 Janie McClure and Ann McKelvie, 2 Helen Boyd and Jean Murchie, 3 Mel and Ellie Jones.

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Scouting awards

Three Shiskine Scouts have received their Chief Scout's Gold Award at a ceremony held to recognise their achievement.

Lewis Coyne, Tom Griffiths and Ross Kerr were presented with the highest award available in the Scouts section of the movement.

To gain gold, it was necessary to achieve at least eight out of nine challenge badges which include adventure, ex-

pedition, outdoor activities and fitness, as well as showing good all-round Scouting skills.

Scout leader Fiona Kerr said: 'The boys have worked extremely hard towards a number of challenge badges in order to achieve it.'

'Lewis and Ross are remaining in the Scouts and whilst Tom will be returning, he will join Luke Cannon as a young leader.'

Any young person aged between 10½ and 14 is welcome to join the Scouts and participate in the fun activities on offer.

For information on Shiskine Beavers, Cubs or Scouts please contact Fiona Kerr on 302138.



Ross Kerr, Tom Griffiths and Lewis Coyne all received the Chief Scout's Gold Award.



Plenty of space on MV Isle of Arran sailings

The cavernous car deck of MV Isle of Arran with seven vehicles on the 5.15pm sailing last Monday. 02_b35fer01

As reported in last week's Banner, the summer stint of MV Isle of Arran as second ferry to MV Caledonian Isles comes to an end this weekend.

Apart from Saturday and some Sunday sailings, the vessel has been operating as a freight-only service from Monday to Friday.

Banner staff travelled on this freight-only service twice last week, and each was sparsely occupied by commercial traffic. On the Monday 5.15pm sailing from Ardrossan she carried one truck, one van, one camper van,

four cars and 11 people. It was little better on Thursday when her complement was two trucks, one van, four cars and 13 people, once again outnumbered by CalMac crew.

Capacity

The vessel's capacity is 76 cars and 448 passengers.

At Tuesday night's Community Council meeting, Ferry Committee representative Willie Kelso confirmed that this second ferry service would be under review for future years.

Arran's bee group get a buzz from meeting

In late June we featured one Arran apiarist who was keen to start a Bee Group and we are pleased to report that they held their third meeting last Thursday.

Ten local people interested in bee-keeping attended the meeting at the Rangers Centre in Brodick. A lively discussion took place with some voicing concerns about the poor weather and the difficulty the bees were having getting out and gathering pollen. This in turn is having an effect on the numbers of bees being produced, as the Queen Bee may not be mating properly.

It was also thought that there was an infertile queen in another hive where it was suspected that it was mainly a drone brood that was being produced.

However a further inspection will be carried out prior to shutting down the hives for the winter.

This is a very new 'Bee Group' and any Arran apiarists present or past would be very welcome to offer any advice or assistance in helping a few beginners get up and running and they would also appreciate any guest speakers.



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The overgrown telephone box near Boa's corner.

Telephone box overgrown with vegetation

BT telephone boxes may be an under-used facility in this modern era of mobile phones, but here on Arran some of them appear to be reverting to nature.

This telephone box on the roadside between Dippen and Boa's corner has been all-but swamped in overgrown vegetation.

We are not sure if the phone still works, but Arno Loess-

ner of Whiting Bay sent us this photograph and said: 'At a time when many on Arran are concerned with maintaining the quality of our environment, we might take some satisfaction from the example of BT.'

'This phone box along the road between Whiting Bay and the turn off to Kildonan might be a good spot for Archie to check out.'

Verge cutting monitored

During the July Community Council meeting Willie Kelso expressed concern relating to the standard of work by new contractors engaged on cutting the roadside verges.

At last Tuesday night's Community Council meeting, Island Officer Gus MacLeod informed the members that it was still the same contractor and the verge cutting was being monitored, hopefully with some improvement.

The last of the male line of Davidsons

Robert Davidson, the last of the male line of Arran Davidson's died recently in England.

He was the uncle of Iain Davidson, late of Glen Rosa.

An island resident has outlined below some of the interesting history of that family.

Tradition has it that the first of the Davidsons came to Arran following the defeat of the Covenanters at the Battle of Bothwell Bridge in June 1679.

It seems likely that he saw Arran as a safe haven, as the Duchess of Hamilton (The Duchess Anne) sympathised

with the Presbyterian cause. The first of the line on Arran is likely to have been Thomas Davidson who died in 1746 aged 93.

In 1752 Archibald Davidson and 10 other Arran men were cited to appear at Inveraray for jury duty following the murder of Colin Ray Campbell in May of that year (featured in Robert Louis Stevenson's story Kidnapped).

The accused was James Stewart who was wrongly found guilty. Fortunately, none of the Arran men were called to serve.

Later in the century, William

Davidson, a wheelwright in Glen Rosa, where the extended family traditionally resided and farmed until recent times, became an acquaintance of Robert Burns while serving his apprenticeship in Irvine.

The last of the male line, Robert Davidson, died recently aged 92. The son of Jessie and Peter Davidson, and brother of the late Alistair, Robert was educated at Brodick and Keil Schools.

He served as a navigator in Bomber Command in the Second World War, was shot down in France and rescued by the French Resistance,

eventually making his way home via Spain.

Robert was an employee of The Royal Bank of Scotland all his working life, firstly in the Lochranza branch then in the Trafalgar Square branch in London.

While living in England for so many years, he always considered the cottage in Glen Rosa to be his second home. Robert Davidson was pictured in the Banner in March 1984 in a 1925 photo of Brodick School pupils provided by Norman Milton.

Robert is survived by his wife and two daughters.

Head teacher Margaret takes retirement

Margaret Parker retired this summer after 18 years as head teacher at Kilmory Primary School.

She took over the headship from Rhona Lawson in 1994 and is now taking early retirement herself.

On the last day of term before the summer break, pupils, staff, parents past and

present, friends and relations gathered to acknowledge her contribution to the school and the community.

Presentations of gifts were made to Margaret, including a photo album of her life at Kilmory, and chair of the school council Isobel Mulholland presented vouchers on behalf of the parents.

School staff had put together a DVD of the children voicing their thoughts of Mrs Parker and ideas of what her job entailed, while children had written poems for her.

The ceremony was followed by a buffet lunch and cutting of a retirement cake.

Irene Markham has now taken on the shared headship of Shiskine and Kilmory Schools.



Margaret Parker cuts the cake at her retirement party at Kilmory Primary School.

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Music students and the Arran singing community will come together at this year's closing event in a performance of Haydn's Creation conducted by Alex Crowe.

McLellan Arts Festival hosts quality events

The McLellan Arts Festival aspires to provide quality arts events for the whole island community to enjoy and this year's programme continues to offer an extraordinary range of events.

Tonight, Jackie Kay will enthral us in Brodick Hall whilst Saturday brings the promise of a stomping ceilidh in Corrie and Sannox Village Hall, with an array of wonderful talent including the Jazz Café Band, Angus Adamson on his small pipes, the inimitable Tim Pomeroy on guitar, Sheila Gilmore's highly entertaining recitations, John Sillars and his hilarious stories and a chance for local poets to have an open mike.

During the week there are two opportunities to see the all new Arran on Film compilation lovingly pieced together by Ed O'Donnolly.

Ed has collected archive material from a variety of that reveal aspects of island life at work and at play.

This was an extremely popular event last year so please book tickets early to avoid disappointment!

Arran On Film screenings take place on Tuesday 4 and Thursday 6 September at Corrie and Sannox Village Hall at 8pm. Tickets £5, students free.

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We are delighted that, for the third year running, students from the Royal Northern College of Music are spending the week at a Masterclass Music School on Arran.

The students will be performing for us at a Gala Concert in the Community Theatre, on Friday 7 September at 8pm offering a programme drawn from the worlds of opera, musical theatre and classical song.

These hugely talented young performers are surely the stars of tomorrow and anyone lucky enough to have been at their previous concerts will be rushing to buy a

ticket (£10, students free).

The music students and the Arran singing community come together on Sunday 9 September at this year's closing event, a performance of Haydn's Creation conducted by Alex Crowe.

Our friends from the Royal Northern College will take the solo parts with a chorus drawn from Arran choirs and guest musicians at 7.30pm in Lamlash Church Tickets £5.

For more information about these or other festival events, booking tickets etc please see adverts, posters, flyers or visit our website www.mclellanartsfestival.co.uk.



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Duncan can make the most of his view thanks to Caledonian

Duncan Craig is delighted with the work done recently by Caledonian on his home near Catacol.

The Ayr based firm installed a new conservatory at the house allowing Duncan and his wife to make the most of their stunning views over to Kintyre.

'The conservatory that was here before - which was built by another company - was destroyed earlier this year during a severe storm,' explained Duncan.

'It was apparent that it had been badly put up with fixings that were unsuitable for the wind and weather and so it would have collapsed sooner or later.'

Duncan explained that it can be difficult finding companies willing to come to Arran but Caledonian were only too happy to travel.

Duncan said: 'Caledonian who are based in Ayr,

were suggested by John Corbett who did the renovation and building of the house.

'I chose them because they were completely open and provided estimates and engineering approval of the design for the winds and weather we have.

'In addition their price was competitive and the lead time relatively short.'

Duncan added: 'Since it was built we have had the usual heavy rain and they came

back as soon as I informed them of one minor drip.

'Although it is still early days I am confident that this conservatory has been built to last.

'We are delighted with the work and would suggest that others considering building a conservatory (or double glazing as the company does this as well) consider Caledonian Windows as a potential supplier. They are as good as local!'



Caledonian installed a new conservatory at the house allowing Duncan and his wife to make the most of their stunning views over to Kintyre. 01_b35ca01

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New volunteer firmen needed - urgently

A desperate search has begun to find new volunteer firemen and women for Arran.

Apparently the situation is so bad in Lochranza that there have been times recently when the crew haven't been able to respond to callouts.

They have just five members at the moment following a number of resignations after people left the island or retired.

When they are called out the crew cannot take the fire appliance to an emergency unless there are four of them reporting for duty.

So as you can imagine, with only five members, there are frequently times at the moment when only two or three can be there. As a result they must wait for Brodick's crew to respond before they can be of any assistance.

Retained and volunteer crews provide all of Arran's fire service.

We have five stations on the island - Brodick, Lamlash, Corriecravie, Blackwaterfoot and Lochranza - all manned by volunteers.

Retained firefighters are paid an annual retainer fee, for which they provide agreed on-call hours each day or week over the year.

They are also paid for turning out in response to calls, for attending incidents and for attending training.

But most of Arran's firefighters are volunteers so they are not paid a retaining fee and do not contract hours of on-call cover, although they are available to respond to calls in many ways similar to retained firefighters.

I think we take many of our emergency service volunteers for granted.

And I can imagine there may be a lot of you out there thinking 'I'd quite like to be a fireman, but I can't really be bothered,' because it is a huge responsibility.

According to the advert on page 16 of this week's Banner you have to be able to respond to emergency call-outs at any time, day or night.

You also presumably need a job that allows you to run off suddenly without leaving others in the lurch.

Reasonable levels of fitness, as well as a home realistically close to the station are other prerequisites.

Ideally Lochranza needs five new members to take them up to 10, which is a full crew.

And the other stations are keen to encourage new recruits too as many of the existing members have been a part of the fire service on Arran for a great many years.

Being a part of one of Arran's fire crews is something to be very proud of.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

And Jesus began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy." (Matthew 5:1)

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Letters to the Editor



Large black cat in Cordon

Sir,
I was interested to read the article in last week's Banner, about the large black cat sighted near Brodick.

On Tuesday 14 August, I had a friend from Edinburgh staying with me. He too, sighted a big black cat of the same description, at least the size of a Labrador, jet black and with pointy ears and a tail.

He spotted it on the land in front of my house in Cordon, the stretch at the end of the road, where a path leads to the beach.

It was sitting on a tree stump near to the boundary by the forest. When my friend called me to see it, I went for my binoculars, but on arrival outside the cat slipped into the undergrowth and I was unable to see it myself.

So, I wonder if it was the same one on its travels or is there more than one?

Yours,
**Lucy Cartledge
Lamlash**

Brodick Co-op praise

Sir,
In response to the letter concerning Brodick Co-op, we would like to add our comments.

We agree that the store can sometimes be cold and that the aisles can become cluttered, though staff will oblige by reaching items and removing obstacles when asked to politely.

As for choice and quality, we have always found it to be very good. The only times we have found shelves empty for any length of time is when boat sailings are disrupted.

We have shopped at Arran's Co-op store for almost 20 years and have no complaints about staff. We have found them to be polite, welcoming and helpful. Certainly we find it easier and pleasanter to shop at Arran Co-op than at many of the vast, impersonal supermarkets on the mainland.

Yours,
**Roslyn and John Gibson
Kilmory**

Intimate and quirky Co-op

Sir,
Your correspondents the Brodick Park Rangers are incorrect in their statement in your last issue that bats are the only mammals that can fly.

My mother-in-law recently flew to Majorca (albeit with help from Ryanair) and she's given birth to five offspring, only some of which were bottle-fed. However, I digress. I was saddened to see the letter in last week's Banner suggesting that Brodick's wonderful little Co-op should be replaced with a modern, air-conditioned supermarket, or words to that effect.

One of the best things about the Co-op in Brodick - at least for the visitor - is its relatively small, intimate, and (dare I say) almost quirky nature.

Even down to the bi-lingual signage; how else would I have ever learned the Gaelic for 'cat food'? The mainland, where we are unfortunate enough to have to live, is infested with large, institutional, impersonal 'modern' supermarkets, and my message for your correspondent would be 'be careful what you wish for, you might get it!' Finally, in closing, may I ask through the medium of your columns if any of your readers has any idea who has stolen all the seals?

We have been on Arran over a week now, and have only seen two. What is going on?

Yours,
**Steve Rudd
Lockwood
Huddersfield**

Lucky to have only one Co-op

Sir,
I would like to point out that Arran is very fortunate in having only one Co-op.

We in Bute have the misfortune to have two, plus a very nice but smaller Spar shop. The only difference I can see between your correspondent's findings and my own are that the Co-op staff on Bute are friendly and helpful. Consumers Magazine Which

annually reviews the big supermarkets and in its January 2012 edition readers voted it as one of the worst supermarkets for the third year running. The Co-op portrays itself as green and environmentally friendly.

Why oh why do they send window cleaners from Clydebank to clean the shop windows on Bute? There is no shortage of quality window cleaners on Bute.

Maybe it's the same company who also call on Arran.

Yours,
**Douglas Clark
Rothsay
Isle of Bute**

Road to recovery

Sir,
While enjoying a short family cycle in Glen Rosa on the last day of my summer holidays last weekend, unfortunately I fell off my mountain bike hurting my neck.

We contacted the emergency services and we would now like to record our most grateful thanks to all who attended.

In particular I would like to thank Craig and Ian of Strathclyde Police for their prompt attendance and coordination of all other services (and for giving my wife a lift back to our cottage), Danny and the Air Ambulance team for their special care and attention and transportation to Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley, Doctor Hogg for his kind and careful medical advice at the scene, Alan McNicol of the Arran Mountain Rescue and the other community volunteers for their prompt attendance and assistance with everything.

Finally I also appreciated the reassuring words and offers of assistance from kind passers-by.

Due to all of these people and their helpful care, I am pleased to report I was able to return home only with a severe neck sprain and whiplash injuries and I am now well on the road to recovery. Many thanks again to you all.

Yours,
**Alan Foggo
Cordon, Lamlash and
Milngavie, Glasgow**

Kindness to tourists

Sir,
Myself and my family have just returned after a most enjoyable and lovely holiday on Arran.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank 'the ladies' at Whiting Bay Market, we went in for coffee and I left my purse behind.

When I went back later the ladies had the purse.

Thank you again.

Also my thanks must go to the policeman and several members of the public who came to my assistance after a fall outside the charity shop in Brodick.

The ladies in the shop were very kind, not forgetting the taxi driver who got me back to my cottage.

I am glad to say I suffered no serious injuries, just some bruising.

Thank you all once again.

Yours,
**Mrs Ray McDowall
Brewlands Crescent
Symington**

New threat of ferry privatisation

Sir,
Your readers need to be aware of the threat to the CalMac ferry service next year when it comes up for tender again under EU rules.

The crews who are RMT members are balloting for industrial action in the absence of guarantees that a future employer will honour their hard-won terms and conditions.

For us the ferry users, a new service provider that might replace publicly owned CalMac can only make profit by driving down wages and conditions for staff, or providing a reduced service.

We should all be concerned about these possibilities. The CalMac service is often taken for granted and criticised, but it is well run with excellent facilities, and largely employs local people.

To date our ruling SNP politicians have shown enormous complacency about all this and have allowed the unbun-

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ding of CalMac routes to make them more attractive to bidders. Last time there was no serious competition to CalMac, but this time it is almost certain. SERCO have recently outbid CalMac to take over the Northern Isles routes, and they are bound to have their eye on the lucrative Clyde ferries.

I do hope there will be a full debate on Arran about an issue that affects us all.

Yours,
Colin Turbett
Scottish Socialist Party
Shiskine

Mountain Festival success

Sir,
On behalf of the organising committee I thank all participants and everybody involved in this year's Arran Mountain Festival; a truly established event with many repeat visitors. With the increased local

support received this year, we can be very positive about its future.

The Arran Adventure Company again provided the Festival Hub, an excellent booking system and professionally covered logistics. Numerous local businesses and individuals supported the Festival by sponsoring walks, signing up as Festival Friends, helping with publicity, providing venues, and donating raffle prizes.

Special mentions go to HF Holidays who sponsored and supported the film and curry nights, to the Arran Mountain Rescue Team and their adroit BBQ skills, and to North Ayrshire Council for their supportive funding.

The biggest thank you though goes to our volunteer Leaders – without you the Festival would not be possible! All walks are led by qualified Mountain Leaders, supported by experienced assistants. The positive feed-

back from participants once again shows that it's these Leaders that make the Festival such an overwhelming success.

Lastly, but not least, thank you to everyone on the volunteer organising committee for your hard work. Next year, the Festival will be 17 - 20 May; I hope we can count on everyone's support to deliver an even better Arran Mountain Festival in 2013.

Visit us at www.arranmountainfestival.co.uk or www.facebook.com/ArranMountainFestival, or contact me via info@arranmountainfestival.co.uk.

Your,
Jo Totty
Chair, Arran Mountain Festival

Midge repellent

Sir,
A few weeks ago your editorial asked the question: What can be done about the midges on Arran and is there a prod-

uct that really works?

I have lived in Lochranza for nearly two years now and prior to that I holidayed on the west coast of Scotland for many years, and for the past 10 years I have done a lot of research and development regarding the midge.

I am a qualified aromatherapist and some essential oils are excellent insect repellents.

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Yours,
Jelica Shortland
Benvaren
Lochranza

'Grand Tours of Scotland' explore Arran

BBC Scotland's *Grand Tours of Scotland* returns for a third series this week to take viewers on six journeys reliving

the golden days of Scottish tourism.

The first episode sees presenter Paul Murton travel

around one of Scotland's best-loved holiday destinations, Arran.

Paul begins his tour at the

famous King's Cave, travels onto Lochranza, the northern gateway of the island, and calls in at Brodick Castle and then Kildonan, before ending his trip at Cleat's Shore.

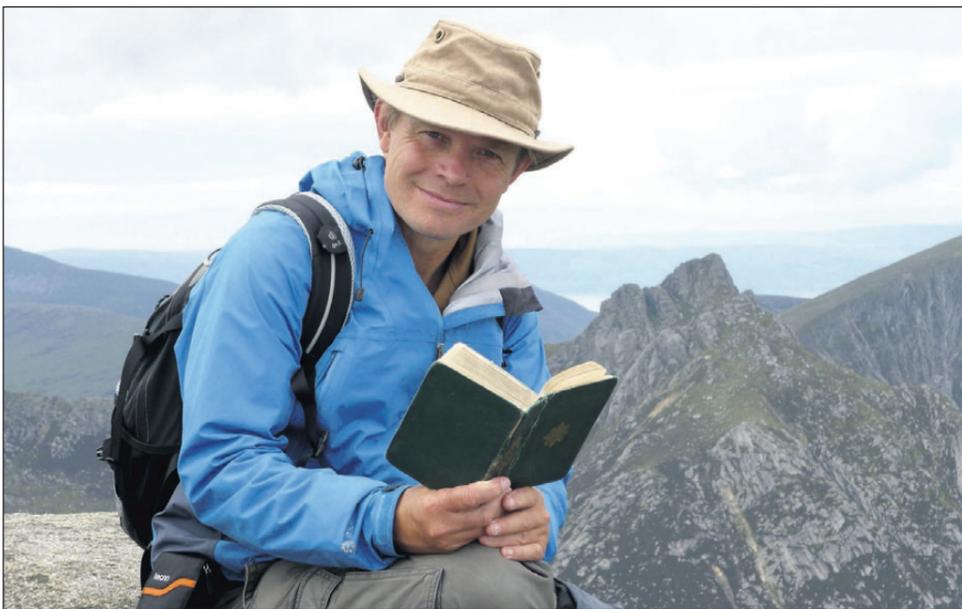
Paul said: 'It is a place that is a distillation of all that is best in Scotland.'

Diverse

'Arran has a very diverse holiday story so we begin with the early visitors who came to the island for the geology and move on to the wealthy 'Arran Set' of the 1920s and 30s.

'We also had a very interesting interview with Lady Jean Fforde who is a direct link to the golden days of Arran tourism.'

Grand Tours of Scotland is on BBC One Scotland at 8.30pm on Friday 7 September.



The BBC's Paul Murton scaled Arran's highest peak when he filmed *Grand Tours of Scotland*.

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The Green Honeyeater is one of the many colourful birds that will feature.

Natural History Society start new session

The first indoor meeting of the Arran Natural History Society of the new session will take place on Thursday 6 September starting at 8pm in the Rangers Centre in Brodick Country Park.

Indoor meetings usually take place on the first Thursday of the month.

At this meeting Jim Cassels the society's bird recorder will talk about 'The Birds of Trinidad and Tobago'.

The Green Honeyeater is one of the many colourful birds that will feature. All welcome.

The first outdoor meeting will take place on Sunday 9 September when there will be a 'Migrant Watch' at Auchenhew Bay.

Weather permitting Terry Southall the resident bird ringer will give a bird ringing demonstration.

Meet at the car park in front of Kildonan Hall at 8.30am. Again all welcome.

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Members of Arran Visual Arts group with some of their work at the Batik Workshop. b35art01

The Art of Batik for Arran Visual Arts

The most recent art workshop run by Arran Visual Arts (AVA) was a weekend of learning and experimenting with the ancient art of Batik thought to have originated in Java but certainly from the Far East.

Batik is about the art of design on cloth such as silk or fine cotton created by the use of the manual wax resist and dyeing technique.

The course which was hugely enjoyed by the students concluded with the final treatments of ironing and bleaching. Boiling would be done later at home.

The pieces of deigned textiles can be used for wall hangings, mounted as pictures or even used on cushion covers. Intricate draw-

ing is done with hot wax either by brush or with a pen like instrument with a well for the hot wax.

Ironing and boiling finally removes the wax and secures the colours.

The group were fortunate in having the expertise for the course of Frances Hider, a well-known and established artist in Batik and also an excellent tutor who brought with her not only the extensive tools of the trade but many examples of her own work.

Look out at future AVA art exhibitions for examples of this colourful, fascinating art form and, hopefully, a repeat of this course in future with Frances Hider.

Arran livestock sales at Stirling

United Auctions had forward 1,215 store cattle and cast cows, 12,864 prime and store lambs and cast ewes at their Stirling Agricultural Centre last Wednesday.

Arran livestock prices

Cattle: Charolais cross bullocks Cairnhouse £1,100, 212p, Craighdu £910, 213p.

Limousin cross Holstein Cairnhouse £1,020, 192p, Aberdeen Angus cross Cairnhouse £1,070, 197p, Sim-

mental cross Craighdu £830, 211p

Charolais cross heifers Craighdu £765, 188p, Simmental cross Craighdu £750, 187p, Limousin cross calves Kilpatrick £600, 195p.

Cast cows Craigview £815, 133p.

Prime lambs

Sheep: Prime Lambs, Lenamhor (Suffolk cross) £88, Drumaghinier (Suffolk cross) £77, Kilpatrick (Texel cross)

£84.50, Drumaghinier (Texel cross) £84, Moor (Texel cross) £74, Bridge (Texel cross) £70.

Store Lambs, Drumaghinier (Suffolk cross) £64.50, Lenamhor (Suffolk cross) £64, Kilpatrick (Texel cross) £70, Bridge (Texel cross) £64, Drumaghinier (Texel cross) £63, Craigview (Mule) £59, Craigview (Blackface) £50.

Ewes, Lenamhor (cross) £62.50.

Margie Currie tells of her years in office as a councillor

Gillian Bussell reports on former councillor Margie Currie's talk to the Arran Rotarians

The two terms of office as Councillor representing Arran on North Ayrshire Council came to an end for Margie Currie who retired before the last local elections.

She was invited by Rotarian Jim Lees to tell us about her years representing the island and her reflections on that busy time in her life.

Margie began by saying that in all her work over the years she had always put island issues first and politics second. Commenting on often-heard remarks that Arran should be with Argyll and the Islands Council and not with North Ayrshire she said with careful thought that overall we were best off with NAC.

But she is concerned about the Scottish Government wanting North, South and East Ayrshire to become one unit.

While in the council planning arena for nine years, her great interest had been making sure Montrose House, Cooriedoon and Craigielea residential homes for the elderly remain to fulfil their essential roles, as on the mainland the Council had closed such places.

A new Montrose House will soon be built opposite Auchrannie looking up Glenclay.

Now out of office, Margie says she can state that she is against wind farms on the landscape, which she knows is a controversial subject, but claims that there are alterna-



Former councillor Margie Currie. 02_b43mar01

tives. The biggest budget of any Council is for education, and she says Arran has fared very well with a new High School and the excellent Outdoor Centre in Lamlash.

Volunteers

Also under Education is Brodick Library, which is safe for the time being, but she sees a time when it may be staffed by volunteers.

Margie was also on the Arran Access committee and worked on the feasibility study for a pedestrian and cyclist track from Brodick to Corrie.

Other committees she has worked on have been the Ferry Users Group, roads and also affordable housing and Arran High School transport project.

She praised the island's Community Council for their work and successes.

The good times in her years in office she listed as the openings of Lochranza Pier, and the Distillery, the Tall Ships visit and Lady Jean's 90th birthday.

She was thanked for her excellent talk by Rotary President David Gray.

Brodick Bowling Club

Brodick Bowling Club results for July and August.

July 30 Robert Crawford and George Baxter (+22), August 4 Tony Wooden, John Lauder and George Baxter (+1), August 6, draw - Charlie Weir with John Lauder, and Tony Wooden with Kevin Dewar (+7 each), August 8 John Lauder and George Baxter (+20), August 11 John Lauder and Peter McCalla (+15), August 13 Peter McCalla and Peter Lee (+6), August 18 Tony Wooden, Peter Lee and Lavinia Hendry (+1), August 20 Robert Crawford, Lavinia Hendry and Ann Hollingworth (+11), August 22 Ann Hollingworth, John Lauder and Peter Lee (+8).

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Danger of having naked legs in the hills

Dr Michael Grant warns of an increasing danger in Arran's great outdoors

There is a dangerous bug called *Borrelia* that causes Lyme disease, an emerging tick borne disease previously unheard before 1984.

Arran head forester Andrew Walker remembers in the mid 80s, before this disease became significant, working all day in the hills in shorts and on arriving home finding in excess of 40 mites, many feasting on his blood!

This is a serious infecting organism that can be contracted in Arran's hills. It is now the commonest tick borne disease of the Northern hemisphere.

The frequency of cases has risen from 23 in 1988 to 1,000 cases in 2011.

Borrelia, microscopically, is a remarkable looking organism, a rotating stretched spring, and it lives in the salivary of some deer ticks.

In 80percent of cases the first sign is a diagnostic 'bulls eye' rash. This is a serious disease that if missed at the acute stage when it is easily treated can have significant longterm effects, ranging from epilepsy to dementia.

This is written with considerable insight, as in 2008 while in New York State I went through undergrowth in shorts, despite warning notices about deer ticks. There were insect bites, but no typical Bulls eye rash.

Overwhelming

Having arrived back on Arran I developed an overwhelming headache, neck stiffness, temperature and intolerance of light. Thankfully the Arran doctors were very on the ball.

I was transferred to Cross-house Hospital with suspected meningitis. Two weeks later I was discharged, very weak and barely able to stand or speak. The pain from the nerve inflammation had been unbelievable.

I was prepared for the weakness, but not the serious psychological issues resulting from inflammation of the brain. Having almost completely recovered from this severe and insidious disease, I cannot write strongly enough

about walking, unprepared, in the hills where this illness is now endemic.

The prompt for writing was seeing a group of hill walkers in shorts, coming down from a day's walking in the hills.

Simple steps can prevent the risk of Lyme disease. Using an insect repellent is a must, but simply wearing long sleeves, and full-length trousers tucked into socks or gaiters, with a shower taken for inspection for ticks or the Bulls eye rash.

Regurgitate

If a tick is present, don't pull it off; it will regurgitate its saliva into its bite! There are special tick-removing tweezers, but an ordinary pair properly applied should be adequate. Simple methods to guard against this very unpleasant and increasingly ubiquitous disease are easy.

So go to the hills but cover up sensibly and you will also protect against sunburn resulting from our intense summer UV light on these glorious days.

Bill is champion sunflower grower again

Bill McNicol retained his crown as Arran's champion sunflower grower last Friday night.

In the third annual sunflower competition at Brodick Golf Club, Bill once again defeated all-comers in a hard fought contest.

For three years Nicol Hume has organised this fun competition that also raises funds for the golf club. On 1 April he plants about 100 seeds in individual pots and after they germinate they are handed out to members and friends.

Now the serious stuff starts

as each entrant tries to outdo the others with secret potions and growth promoters.

Last Friday evening some 39 entries from an original starting line-up of 62 plants were assembled on the terrace at Brodick Golf Club as an excited crowd gathered for the measuring ceremony.

Each one was tagged with a number, but not the name of the entrant. Nicol, assisted by Terry Raeside, solemnly measured the height of each plant with the aid of a large pair of stepladders.

Winner by a nose was Bill McNicol at 119-and-a-quarter inches, just ahead of Kenny McMillan at 116-and-a-half inches high. Both men received a handsome souvenir pottery plaque provided by Simon

Thorborn. John Sillars, Chairman of Arran Horticultural Society, selected Ali Hume's bloom as Best in Show, with Arthur Morris as runner-up. Craig Hunter won the booby prize and Jimmy Armit got a special award for genetic engineering.



Champion sunflower grower Bill McNicol, left, receives his prize from organiser Nicol Hume. 02_b35sun01



Ali Hume, right, won Best in Show with his sunflower bloom. 02_b35sun02



Nicol Hume and Terry Raeside measure the sunflowers. 02_b35sun03

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Kilwinning Abbey and its Archaeology

Norma Davidson reports on the talk by Tom Rees to Arran Antiquarians

On Monday afternoon about 50 members of the Arran Antiquarians discovered there was a lot more to learn about Kilwinning than it being a familiar stop on the rail route from Glasgow to Ardrossan Harbour.

Tom Rees, the founder of Rathmell Archaeology, came to tell us of a two-year project at Kilwinning Abbey. Tom was a familiar face to us because he has spoken to us previously on his archaeological work on the site of the new Arran High School.

Tom is a Yorkshireman, educated at Edinburgh University and after moving to Kirkcaldy to work for Fife Council he eventually moved to Kilwinning in 2003 where he and his wife founded the business of Rathmell Archaeology.

Kilwinning Abbey, now in

a ruinous state, was founded in the reign of David I by Tironesian monks from Kelso. The Tironesian order was originally a French monastic order.



Tom Rees of Rathmell Archaeology, talking to the Arran Antiquarians.
b34tom02

The building was commissioned by the de Morvilles, an Anglo-Norman family, most likely on the site of a former much earlier Celtic church of the 6th to 7th century. Kilwinning's name is derived from

'KIL' meaning church or cell, and 'WINNING', a saint's name, possibly Finnan or Ninian.

Remnants of a free-standing cross have been discovered, the earliest standing cross in Ayrshire. The pieces found are ornate and show complicated Celtic knot designs. The Abbey and its earlier church are on the Pilgrims' Way from Glasgow to Whithorn.

After the Protestant Reformation in the 16th century the Abbey fell into ruin, not by violation but by disuse.

As no rebuilding was envisaged the wind and weather took their toll and the site became a source of building materials for the locals. The town expanded and the ruins and mediaeval cloisters were built over.

In the 1950s and 1960s many parts of the ruined Abbey were demolished to create car parks, roads and housing.



Kilwinning Abbey.

During the modern day plunder there was no archaeological research done and it was reported that no findings had been made.

The Abbey grounds were then turfed and paths gravelled. The Abbey is now in the care of Historic Scotland.

Enthusiastic

The project of excavating the ruined Abbey was a co-operation between the professionals at Rathmell and the Kilwinning Preservation Society, all enthusiastic amateurs. The two-year project concludes this September.

It was funded by Irvine Bay Regeneration, including

money from Heritage Lottery funding. It has had 20 people on site each day and by its end will have had 800 person days on the site.

Volunteers dug the trenches, washed the finds, recorded and bagged them, while the professionals supervised, taught, advised and interpreted their findings. There has been community outreach to schools and colleges locally, work experience for older students and junior tour guides in costume.

We were shown slides of the excavations and artefacts ranging from local pottery, German and Spanish ware,

mediaeval glass, a flint arrowhead dated around 3,500 BC, and slates which when washed (by nine-year-old Calum) revealed themselves to be sketching pads and gaming boards.

Excavations were done of the nave, east range and south range, and all revealed surprising knowledge – never what was expected.

It is Tom's hope that local volunteers have been motivated to go further, to understand the past history of their area, to be responsible for their heritage and to pass it on and encourage future generations. ND.



Caroline and her two daughters in Friday's Child shop.

Friday's Child scratch card winner from Matlock

Caroline Caldwell from Matlock in Derbyshire won a £200 spending spree on a scratch card at a Brodick shop recently.

On holiday here with her two daughters for the second time, Caroline won the prize at Friday's Child in the Home Farm Visitor Centre two weeks ago.

She has spent most, if not all, of the vouchers already!

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Starting school time again – at Corrie there are three new beginners, Sophie Taylor, Kirsty Logan and Michael Ryan with teacher Mrs Maureen Rowan. b35twe02



Ali Hume, Iain MacDonald and Bobby McRae proved to be the most versatile sportsmen in the Brodick Boating Club triathlon. b35twe01

Lochranza says 'no'

Very late in the day, a year after it was first announced, the people of Lochranza are waking up to the idea that there are plans to build a malt whisky distillery at the end of their village.

The residents of Lochranza called a public meeting this week to discuss the plans – and nobody spoke in its favour.

Over 40 people were there but nobody representing the distillery could be there at such short notice.

Hoax call

Arran's fire brigade units were called to a house on fire at Birchburn, Shiskine last Wednesday in what subsequently turned out to be a hoax call.

The 999 call was made from the telephone kiosk in Shiskine and police are awaiting the analysis of the tape recording all emergency calls.

Military return

It won't be as big as Purple Warrior but Arran has been chosen as the site for another military exercise.

Moor and hill mid-autumn seem to suit the army and the Royal Greenjackets will stage an exercise here in October.

Great heights

Someone with a penchant for going up to great heights is Phyllis Picken of Kilmory who, on Wednesday, will jump out of a plane to raise money for the Arran Council of Voluntary Service.

Shining in the rain

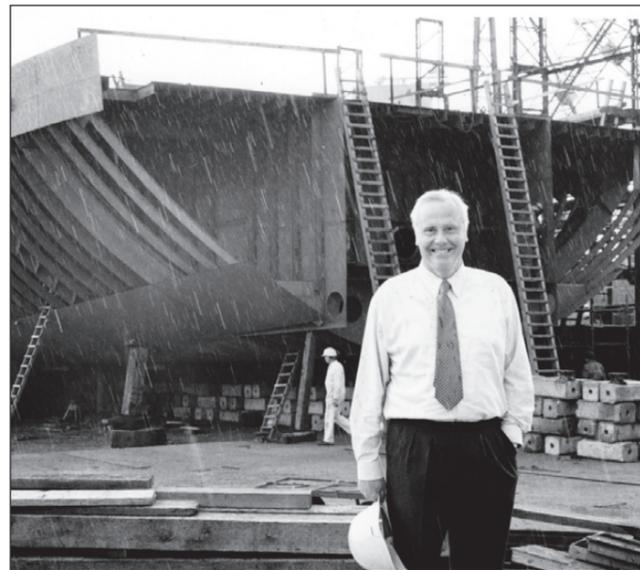
In atrocious weather at Lamash Recreation Park, Shiskine and Brodick served up a football feast in a match worthy of being the final of the Cup.

Brodick fought hard throughout the game but were unable to level the scores and Shiskine retained the Cup for another year with a 2-0 win.

Galloway speaks

The ACVS has invited George Galloway MP to speak at its AGM in November.

A Labour MP, and somewhat controversial character, Mr Galloway unseated Roy Jenkins from the Hillhead seat in 1987.



Joe Bell of Richards Shipbuilding Ltd in Lowestoft is the man in charge of the building of Arran's new ferry. b35twe04



Tim James of Creeleers opened his island based smoke house this week at his restaurant in Home Farm, Brodick. b35twe03

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Last week was a hard one. Archie was sitting at the gate leading onto the famous Sannox Oval, home of Arran's cricket team. The only correct answers came from Isobel and Iain, both of Brodick. This week he is doing his impression of a big cat in the long grass, but where are those tall poles behind him?

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Saturday 1st September

Over 21s Disco
Karate
Family Games
Arran Dancers (4yrs & up)
Teddy Bears Picnic
Kids Family Quiz
Open rinks
Rink Game
Rink Game
Rink Games
Junior Badminton Club
McLellan Arts Festival Ceilidh

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
Broddick Bowling Club, 2pm
Lamlash Bowling Club, 2pm
Whiting Bay Bowling Club 2pm
Auchrannie Sports Hall 1-3pm Ages 5-16
Corrie & Sannox village hall, 8pm

Sunday 2nd September

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
Fungi Foray
McLellan Arts Festival Church Service

Church Hall, Broddick, 4.30pm
Broddick 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
Broddick Castle, 1-3pm
Corrie Church, 7pm

Monday 3rd September

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
Rink Games

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
Broddick 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
Lamlash bowling Club, 6.30pm

Tuesday 4th September

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
Country Dancing
Arran on Film
Healthy Outdoors

Auchrannie Road, 7.30pm-9.30pm
Ormidale Hotel, 9pm
Broddick Church Hall, 2pm
Kildonan Hall, 7pm
Glencloy Suite, Auchrannie, 7.15pm
Auchrannie Dance Studio, 2pm
Auchrannie Dance Studio, 2pm
Broddick Hall, 6.30pm-8pm
Arran High School, 6.30-7.30pm
St Molios, Church Hall, 7pm
Blackwaterfoot Bowling Club, 2pm
Ormidale Park, 6-7pm
Broddick Castle, 2.00pm
Broddick Hall 7.30pm
Arran high school, 8pm
NTS Ranger Centre, 10am - 1pm

Wednesday 5th September

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
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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
Rink Games

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
Broddick 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
Broddick Bowling Club, 6.45pm
Lamlash Golf 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
Broddick Hall, 8pm
Lamlash Church Hall, 10.15 - 12noon
Lamlash bowling Club, 6.30pm

Thursday 6th September

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
Arran on Film
Lunchbox

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
Broddick Castle 2pm
Broddick Castle Rangers 7.30pm
Arran high school, 8pm
Ormidale Pavillion, 12.30 - 2.30pm

Friday 7th September

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, Broddick 7pm-9pm
Ormidale Pavilion, 5.30pm
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Sannox defeat Carradale to retain Carran Cup

Sound innings by Pomeroy helps Sannox overcome Carradale

Last Sunday saw an important match on the island's cricketing calendar with the annual Carran Cup match played between Arran (Sannox) and friends and local opposition Carradale.

Carradale won the toss and put Sannox in to bat on a wicket like a pudding.

Martin Kemp and Peter McMullen opened with Kemp looking comfortable until he was caught on the offside for 10. Tim Pomeroy came in at number three and dug in to the muddy popping crease.

Pomeroy and McMullen played sensibly taking mainly singles. The outfield being too wet to allow twos or threes, both men found the boundary

at regular intervals and were still together at drinks.

By the 23rd over both men upped the pace and McMullen went for a creditable 33. Scott Weir came in to partner Pomeroy and the pace of the attack switched up a gear.

With quick singles and the occasional Weir hefty swing Pomeroy reached his half-century with a lovely pull to the pavilion boundary.

Weir reached his 50 soon after, but his luck finally ran out when he was neatly caught off Cairns spin for 57. Skipper Brookes came out with only two overs to go and bagged 15 not out but the local hero soubriquet must go to Pomeroy for his 58 not out. Sannox



Sannox Cricket Club overcame worthy opponents Carradale to keep the Carran Cup on the island.

ended with a very strong 176 for 3

Carradale opened with McMillan and Cairns, but their middle order of Hooper, Walker and Keogh never quite looked like it would threaten the hosts' accurate bowling attack.

Hooper fell for 12, Walker for 23 and big-hitter Keogh for 25. The last four batsmen made only five runs making Carradale 74 all out.

At this level of cricket the importance of good captaincy and sound tactical thinking is often overlooked.

Sannox skipper Tony Brookes guided his team in one of the most inspired leaderships of his tenure with intelligent fielding and bowling changes at judicious moments to keep the opposition uncertain. Brookes' own bowling figures of 8 overs, 3

maidens, 2 for 11 speak for themselves.

Steve Garraway who at one point, as a fielder, was a ball-magnet, could justifiably feel cheated by his figures as his bowling was more sound than the figures state so a deserved victory went to the hosts.

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Moir and family would like to express our most sincere thanks to all those who have aided in our hour of need.

To the emergency services and all those who tended to Moir – both on the ground and in the air – your professionalism spared us the worst and we shall be eternally grateful.

To family, friends and neighbours who have proffered practical help and good wishes galore, we salute your selflessness.

Moir is made of tough stuff (its not all good looks and brains, you know!) and is recovering well. He will be back at school sporting his prefect badge and enforcing school rules before too long!

THANK YOU

Linzi and Suzi would like to thank everyone for coming to their party and for all the lovely gifts, what a fantastic night!

A special thanks must go to the guest 'Pole dancers'.... Don't give up your day jobs

Happy 50th Birthday On the 5th John!

Lots of love Mum, Ali and Alan



WEDDING



Married in St.Molios church Shiskine on 11th August, Ewan(2nd son of Murray & Joan Stewart of Blackwaterfoot) and Dawn(eldest daughter of Bill & Senga Halliday of Newton Mearns). The couple have made their home in Glasgow.

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Mrs Janis Gallagher. Coffee after service.

Wednesday, 5th September
Holy Communion, 12.15 pm.
ALL WELCOME

ARRAN CHURCHES TOGETHER

There will be Taizé worship on
Thursday 6th September
at 7.30 pm
in St Molios' Church, Shiskine.
ALL WELCOME

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Sunday 2nd September
Broddick Church, 10.30am,
Corrie Church, 12noon,
Lochranza Church 9.30am,
Pirnmill Church 10.45am,
Shiskine Church 12noon.
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Everyone most welcome. Tea and coffee will be served in the transept immediately after the service; please stay and enjoy more fellowship.

ARRAN BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday 2nd September
Ormidale Sports Pavilion, Broddick
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Prayer Meeting
Wednesday 5th September
at 7pm
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DEATH

CAMPBELL - KATHERINE
Suddenly, peacefully at Westholme on Saturday 25th August 2012. Katherine Elizabeth Craig, in her 99th year, beloved wife of the late Malcolm McLean Campbell, much loved by all her family. Will be sadly missed. Funeral private.

THANK YOU

DONALDSON - Heather would like to thank the crew on the ferry when Jackie took unwell on Monday. Also paramedics, nurses and Dr Campbell at the hospital.



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Lamlash Golf Club

Ladies: Wednesday 22 August, Medal 8, 9 played, CSS 65. 1 Sheena Murchie 78-13=65, 2 Ann MacVicar 83-15=68, 3 June Richardson 102-27=75. Scratch Sheena Murchie 78.
Gents: Thursday 23 August, Seniors' Medal CSS 64. 1 Ken Barclay 85-22=63, 2 Allan Martin 84-17=67. Two from Allan Martin. Summer Cup and Medal Shield, CSS 66. 1 Alan Smith 70-8=62, 2 Scott Campbell 85-19=66, 3 Todd Jameson 71-4=67. Best Scratch Alan Smith 70. Twos from Scott Campbell, Jim Young and Willie Currie.
Sunday 26 August, Summer Stableford CSS 63. 1 Andy Smith 40 points, 2 Todd Jameson 37 points, 3 Paul Jameson 37 points. Best Scratch to Stableford 33 points. Twos from Lee Girbow, Ian Bremner, Alan Smith and Todd Jameson. Overall results of Summer Stableford: 1 Paul Jameson 38+37=75 points, 2 Crawford Duncan 37+37=74 points.
Congratulations to Dougie Macfarlane on winning the AGA Champion of Champions.

Fixtures: Thursday 30 August, Summer Cup and Commando Cup. Sunday 2 August, Autumn Meeting at Broddick.

Whiting Bay Golf Club

Wednesday 22 August, 27 played in the latest round of the Summer Trophy, CSS 63. 1 John Simmons (11)60, 2 Dave Hackett (12)61, 3 Jamie McKechnie (8)62, 4 Gus MacLeod (10)64 bih. Nicol Auld won scratch with 66 and there were magic twos by Gus MacLeod and two by Jamie Stewart.

Sunday 26 August, 27 enjoyed the hospitality laid on by Captain Ronnie Mann on Captain's Day for the Stableford competition. CSS was 35 points. 1 John Simmons 36 points, 2 Captain Ronnie Mann himself with 35 points, 3 Eddie Hope also with 35 points, 4 Gus MacLeod with 34 points. Nicol Auld won scratch with 69 and there were Magic 2s by Rob Stewart and David Morrison. Many thanks go to Ronnie for looking after us all so well on the day.

Fixtures: Sunday 2 September, AGA Autumn Handicap at Broddick. Wednesday 5 September, Bannatyne Cup. Saturday 8 September, AGA Arran Grouse Finals at Whiting Bay, 1pm. Sunday 9 Sep-



Broddick's captain Nicol Hume presents Adam McNicol with the Professional's Cup on Friday night. Finlay Sillars was the runner-up.

tember, Cooper Angus Par 3 Competition.

Broddick Golf Club

Wednesday 22 August, Summer Cup, 41 played, CSS 67 (RO). 1 M Dobson (9)65, 2 J Armit (6)66, 3 F Sillars (12)67 BIH. Scratch J Armit 72. There were five twos.
Sunday 26 August, Royal Bank Shield (Four ball better ball) 14 pairs played.

Winners: Lindsay Keir and Bryce Walker 61. Runners Up Don Rudge and Alan Hart 62 BIH.

Fixtures: Saturday 1 September, Belhaven Mixed Texas Scramble. Book times in Pro Shop. Sunday 2 September, AGA Autumn Handicap at Broddick. Friday 7 September, Kintyre Cup at Carradale. Still time to enter. Sunday 9 September, Brandon Cup Final.

Arran Golfers Association

Saturday 25 August, 14 played in the AGA Ken Western Greensome at Whiting Bay. The course was in excellent condition, the weather stayed pleasant and the hospitality was enjoyed by all

in the clubhouse afterwards. The runaway winners of the Ken Western Trophy were Eddie Hope and John Simmons with 56.8, second were David Brookens and John Pennycott with 62, and third Alan Napier and Donald Logan with 63.2.

John Simmons and Eddie Hope also lifted the lovely scratch trophy with a very steady 68.

Shiskine Golf Club

Wednesday 22 August, 12 Hole Medal. 1 C Foran 52-12=40, 2 K Gibson 55-11=44, 3 B Sherwood 51-5=46. Best Scratch Tom Gowan 51 bih.
Thursday 23 August, Ladies 12 Hole Medal. Silver: 1 Sheila Gray 52-10=42, 2 Jenni Turnbull 51-7=44 and best scratch. Bronze: 1 Sylvia Money 65-18=47 BIH, 2 Steph Hill 61-14=47.

Sunday 26 August, 18 Hole Medal. 1 J Morrison 70-9=61, 2 J Culpan 79-16=63, 3 C Foran 88-21=67. Best Scratch J Morrison 70.

Fixtures: Sunday 9 September, Club Outing to Tarbert. Thursday 6 September, Ladies 18 Hole Medal.

Corrie Golf Club

Results: Wednesday 22 August, Wednesday medal, sweep, 14 played CSS 62. 1 S Beardsley 58-5=53, 2 A McDonald 70-10=60, 3 D K Henderson 70-6-64, bih.

Best scratch S Beardsley 58, well done Stevie. Magic twos M Elliott, S Beardsley, D K Henderson and A McDonald.

Fixtures: September 1, 2nd round Whisky Cup, September 2 AGA Autumn Handicap at Broddick. Late start available.

Machrie Bay Golf Club

Tuesday 21 August, Peter Sutton/Lady Mary. 1 Campbell Laing 67 BIH, 2 David Price 67, 3 Mike Hesp 71 BIH. Scratch Willie Kelso and David Price 78. Winner of Lady Mary was Denise Sherwood with a net 50 BIH with Steph Hill runner up 50. Winner of Peter Sutton was Ron Woods with a total of 404 with runner up Brian Sherwood with a total of 406.

Fixtures: Tuesday 4 September, sweep with tee off 12.30pm.

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Treble up for the Jingly Jangly men

Late equaliser from Shiskine takes the final to extra time

Brodick FC won the Isle of Arran Football Association Cup at Ormidale Park in a 10-goal thriller last Saturday.

This rounded off a unique treble for the Jingly Jangly Men as they were crowned league champions three

weeks ago, followed a week later by success in the annual Sannox Sixes cricket cup.

Saturday's final was a feisty affair as Brodick took on a young team from Shiskine who had picked up only four points in the league campaign.

But this was no one-sided game as Shiskine battled hard to reach half time with the match scoreless.

Four minutes into the second half Babbies McNeil opened the scoring for Brodick but within three minutes Michael Jenks equalised from a free kick.

Two minutes later, Tony



Brodick FC with the 2012 Arran Football Association Cup. 02_b35foot01

McDowall scored in spectacular style when he volleyed in a ball that had been headed clear from a Brodick corner.

Further Brodick goals came from Matthew Dobson and Babbies McNeil, leaving Shiskine 4-1 down with just 15 minutes to go. But the Kinloch boys rallied with an own goal by Gordon Robertson and a third on 85 minutes from John Murchie.

Referee Iain McDonald had his hands full with the fired-up players and a sometimes volatile crowd, but he kept a

firm grip on the game as in the dying moments Stevie Crawford stepped up to take a Shiskine free kick in added-on time.

Home fans could hardly believe it as the ball sailed over the outstretched hands of Brodick keeper Gregor Adamson and into the net as the referee blew for full time.

A deflated Brodick team seemed to get their second wind and extra time goals from Archie McNicol and Finlay Sillars sealed an eventful final at 6-4 to Brodick.



Babbies McNeil who scored two goals for Brodick. 02_b35foot04



Stevie Crawford's late equaliser for Shiskine. 02_b35foot03

Dougie wins 10th Champion of Champions final

Last Friday night, two of Arran's top golfers battled out a top quality Champion of Champions final at Corrie Golf Club.

Dougie Macfarlane of Lam-lash won a dramatically close encounter with David Tod of Shiskine to lift the trophy for the tenth time.

Dougie was playing his 16th final and David his first, but the match was one of the closest anyone could remember.

The game ebbed and flowed all night as Dougie won the third with a birdie only for David to respond magnificently with a run of 2, 3, 3, 4 to be three up after 8.

A birdie at 9 and a three at 10 saw Dougie get back to one down, then another bird-

ie at 12 took the match to all square. David bounced back to slot yet another two at 13 to get back to lyp.

Pars at the next two by both players then a birdie at 16 by Dougie saw the game all square yet again.

Another two by David at 17 gave him one hand on the trophy with one to play.

But a birdie by Dougie at the 18th squared the match followed by threes at the first and second extra holes as Dougie took the match and with it his 10th champion of champions.

On the night Dougie and David were round in par, and over the three matches Dougie was seven under par. Full report next week.



Dougie Macfarlane, left, with the Champion of Champions Cup, AGA chairman Donald Logan and runner-up David Tod, right. b35chmp01



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