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Half a million found for relocation fund

by **BEN RAMAGE**

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THE DECISION to offer grants to people moving into Argyll and Bute has been met with derision in Kintyre.

At a time when the council has slashed services across the region, including bin collections being cut from weekly uptake to every three weeks from Monday October 3, the local authority has identified half a million pounds in its budget to try and attract new people into the area.

The council says the fund, named the Rural Resettlement Fund (RRF), will be used to support businesses; young people and young families relocating to Argyll and Bute.

This will be in the form of grants, relocation packages and/or rent subsidies.

Kintyre councillors Donald Kelly and John Armour both believe the money should be earmarked for current residents already paying council tax here.

Donald Kelly said: 'The council should be concentrating on providing the basic services that every council tax-payer here deserves, rather than trying to steal headlines with this type of announcement.'

'I am not against trying to attract people to Argyll and Bute, but we must get our own house in order first. We should be redoubling our efforts with our grow-your-own initiative and supporting the youth and young families already living in the area.'

John Armour said: 'I'm pleased to see any

money being made available to encourage families to move here, but in the present climate with cuts to amenity services, increased costs for music tuition and other council cuts, I would have preferred to see the money utilised to off-set or prevent some of these increases and cuts.'

Argyll and Bute is one of four council areas in the last census that recorded a falling population in a number of areas, particularly amongst people of working age.

A spokesman for the council said: 'As part of our work to attract people and jobs to the area, the council's £500,000 RRF will support businesses; young people and young families relocating or returning to Argyll and Bute.'

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The only shot managed with the Courier selfie frame.
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Doon and out for MOK Fest's Saturday spectacular

HEAVY rain and winds on Saturday morning led to the cancellation of this year's traditional Grand Parade and

Doon the Green afternoon.

Braved

Members of Kintyre Agricultural Society braved the rain on Sat-

urday morning ready to erect the marquee on Kinloch Green, but the event was cancelled for just the second time in its history.

INSIDE TODAY

BBC man's fancy dress fundraiser

CAMPBELTOWN'S Jamie McIvor ran a 10k race in honour of two men who helped propel him onto television.

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Cinema lifts lid on works

THE PICTURE HOUSE restoration project is the subject of a special event to display ongoing work at the cinema.

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Police files

Victoria Hall incident

A PAIR of young women were allegedly verbally abused and assaulted by an older man and woman in Victoria Hall.

The incident occurred around 12.10am on Sunday August 21.

Police are investigating and appealing for any witnesses or anyone with any information to contact them on 101 or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Failure to provide sample

A WOMAN, 42, was allegedly found in a vehicle under the influence of alcohol last Sunday.

Police found the woman at 12.20am in Lochend Street, Campbeltown, and

arrested her for failing to provide a breath specimen at the roadside and at the police station.

A report has been submitted to the fiscal.

Abusive behaviour

A MAN was arrested following alleged abusive behaviour in the Victoria Hall at 12.55am last Sunday August 21. A report was filed on his actions.

The 20-year-old was later charged with abusive behaviour



This vehicle ended up on a bank on the sharp bend between Muasdale and Glenbarr.

and resisting arrest.

A report was submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Car vandalised while moving

A RED Vauxhall Astra car was allegedly kicked while being driven in Main Street.

The incident was reported to police and a short time later a 21-year-old man was arrested.

The man was later

charged and a report will be submitted to the fiscal.

Window vandalised

AT AROUND 2.20am on Sunday August 21, a window in a common close in Longrow, Campbeltown, was smashed.

A man, 20, was traced by police and charged with the alleged offence. He was injured during the in-

cident and treated in hospital.

A report has been submitted to the fiscal.

Assault in Dalriada Court

A 25-YEAR-OLD woman was detained following a report of a suspected assault on a man in Dalriada Court, Campbeltown.

The woman was held at around 6.10am on Saturday August 20, and was later charged

with assault and abusive behaviour.

A report was submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Car accident at Glenbarr

A FOUR-WHEEL-DRIVE vehicle ended up on a bank on the bend between Muasdale and Glenbarr at about 6pm on Friday August 19. The police took no action following the incident.

GRADUATION



KALEIDH RUTH MACLEOD

Kaleidh Ruth MacLeod recently graduated from the University of the West of Scotland School of Health, Nursing & Midwifery with a Master of Science in Psychosocial Interventions. Kaleidh is the daughter of David and Moyra Sutherland and wife of Jonathan. Kaleidh currently works as a Senior Staff Nurse at Argyll & Bute hospital, Lochgilphead.

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'The population here is falling. If this continues, it will mean less money to deliver public services in future, as funding depends on population, and fewer people to deliver the services we all depend on.'

'The council, with our partners, has to take action to reverse the decline.'

MP Brendan O'Hara added: 'I have always said that the absolute priority for Argyll and Bute is to stop depop-

ulation, but to do that you must have the necessary infrastructure in place.'

'Whilst welcoming this investment, I equally understand and recognise the frustration of those already here facing unnecessary service cuts.'

'But we're in a vicious circle; without a growing population, living, working and investing in the area, we can't grow our local economy and services. It's about finding that balance.'

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JEWSON

BBC broadcaster runs for mentors battling cancer

by **BEN RAMAGE**

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CAMPBELTOWN man Jamie McIvor says he is 'humbled and astounded' after raising more than £800 for a cancer charity in just a week.

The BBC News correspondent, a keen runner, was challenged to complete last weekend's Paisley 10k in fancy dress by a friend who survived cancer.

The prospect of seeing the straight-laced broadcaster 'utterly humiliated', in what Jamie called a 'truly horrific' fluorescent yellow outfit, helped him raise cash for the Beatson Cancer Charity.

He said: 'It's just been incredible. The support I've had from my friends, both in Glasgow and Kintyre, has been unbelievable. I can't thank everyone enough.'

The two people Jamie credits as the main influences on his broadcasting career are both currently fighting cancer.

He said: 'When I was a teenager I learned a lot by doing hospital radio while I was at university in Glasgow. Eric Simpson, who ran the service and mentored countless people who became pro-

fessional broadcasters, taught me just about everything I know about broadcasting techniques.

'Years later, my old boss at the BBC, Diarmid O'Hara [brother of Argyll and Bute MP Brendan] gave me my big break. I was one of his producers on Reporting Scotland when he started putting me on screen.

'I owe them both a lot. This is for them.'

Glasgow-based Jamie, 44, can often be seen doing long runs around the Campbeltown area, where he spends as many weekends and holidays as possible.

Despite the weight

and practical problems caused by the costume, Jamie still completed the run in just over 55 minutes – only five minutes slower than his normal 10k time. By Tuesday his total stood at more than £800.

An apologetic Jamie explained that his 'celebrity minder' and 'top stylist' had both vetoed the publication of the full pictures.

However, the negatives were mysteriously left at the Courier Centre in a black box and the full pictures will be published next week if Courier readers boost the total by £150. Jamie's fundraising page is open at uk.virginmoneygiving.com.



Jamie after his fancy dress 10k.

Shopper-Aide bag welcome bank boost

SHOPPER-AIDE Ltd has had its funding balance enhanced by Lloyds TSB.

The charity received £5,000 from the bank's Foundation for Scotland fund, which distributes money through its Henry Duncan Awards to grassroots charities.

The grant is towards the salary of a help worker.

Brendan O'Hara MP said: 'I'm delighted that grassroots charities are receiving these funds, enabling them to continue their great work in our constituency.'

'Many of the Henry Duncan grants, like its counterparts, go on staff and running costs, meaning they can be a lifeline for local groups in this tough financial climate.'



Wendy struts her stuff.

Fiddler lands new role with dance masterclass

WHEN MOK Fest fiddle player Wendy MacIsaac revealed a hidden talent for step dance, little did she know it would end in teaching some of Scotland's best Highland dancers in the Wee Toon.

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October summit demand on ferry failures

'The current situation on Islay cannot be allowed to continue' – Michael Russell MSP

by MARK DAVEY

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A FORTNIGHT of ferry disruption at the height of Islay's summer season has led MSP Michael Russell to call for a summit meeting.

The island's economy suffered for 16 days after *MV Hebridean Isles* was damaged when it struck the pier at Kennacraig near Tarbert.

Shipments leaving and deliveries to the island were disrupted as well as cancellations of tourist accommodation.

Mr Russell has suggested to the Islay Community Council Ferry Committee (ICCFC) that a meeting could be held with all the key players, including CalMac, Transport Scotland and the Scottish Government.

This would allow the facts about the disruption to be put on record, for the damage to the island economy and individual businesses to be quantified, and for agreement to be reached on a contin-

gency plan to ensure a repeat cannot happen.

The vessel struck the pier during the evening of Saturday July 23 and had to be taken to dry dock for repairs.

The service was operated by a single vessel, the *MV Finlaggan*, from then until Tuesday August 9. That boat was without an operating mezzanine deck and capacity was reduced by up to 50 per cent.

Speaking after a meeting of ICCFC, Mr Russell said: 'The current situation on Islay cannot be allowed



MV Finlaggan at Kennacraig. 25_c35mvfinlaggan01

to continue. Frequent problems with the ferry service have led to a collapse in confidence in the ability of CalMac to service the island efficiently and effectively.

'The lack of a contingency plan to deal with the situation was extraordinary but it is not enough for the Scottish Government and

Transport Scotland to point the finger of blame at the company.

'At every level there has been a systemic failure to ensure that there are sufficient resources and vessels to provide back-up in emergency situations.

Islay McEachern, chair of ICCFC, said: 'The recent problems with the ferries were

disastrous for the island and we therefore strongly support the idea of a ferry summit to be held in October.

'This must ensure that the facts of the recent disruption are put firmly on the record and the bodies responsible are held to account.'

A CalMac spokesperson said that the firm has not had an invite to a summit and added: 'The recent disruption to services was regrettable.

'Our team worked tirelessly to meet the communities needs, and we welcome any opportunity to work with colleagues to identify alternative approaches to be investigated should a similar situation arise in the future.'

Christian Fellowship meeting

A KINTYRE Christian Fellowship meeting will take place in a new venue at Lorne and Lowland Church, Campbeltown.

The meeting on Friday September 2 begins at 7.30pm.

The guest speaker on this occasion will be Rev Angus Morrison from Central Baptist Church, Dundee. Angus is no stranger to the area having ministered here with the faith mission, and the group looks forward to hearing from him again.

Everyone is welcome.

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Bright Sparks scheme aims to develop and enhance STEM skills

THE Scottish Government has identified the need to increase the number of young people taking up careers in science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM). The STEMNET programme aimed to increase take up by recruiting STEM ambassadors to work with schools.

The Bright Sparks programme aims to develop and enhance STEM skills in Argyll and Bute. Kirsty Jackson-Stark delivers the programme in her role as education and skill development officer

and is an approved STEM ambassador working with secondary school pupils across the region. ScottishPower Renewables in partnership with Argyll and Bute Council is funding Kirsty's post for three years from the community benefit fund distributed from ScottishPower Renewables' Beinn an Tuirc windfarm on the Kintyre Peninsula. This funding enables Kirsty to work with young people to:

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skills.

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gramme. The project will also recruit junior STEM ambassadors who will work with younger school pupils cascading their knowledge while further developing their own skills.

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Art fans do time in Campbeltown

MORE than 160 visitors flocked to see Campbeltown's old clink's latest inmates. The Victorian prison is more used to housing cops and criminals



Deviation by Rhona Taylor Photo Raymond Hosie.

than Scotland's creative community but was home to an exhibition of cutting-edge art from August 17-21.

The pop-up exhibition, *Confined Spaces*, which included film installations, paintings and sculptures, proved a hit with Campbeltown's own artistic community and visitors alike.

The exhibition's curator, Rhona Taylor, said: 'It was a mixture of Campbeltown folk and visitors to the music festival.

'The Scotsman's art critic named us her top choice of exhibition across the whole of Scotland in Saturday's magazine. It was the only show in the article outside the Edinburgh festivals.'

CCB raises curtain on Picture House progress

VISITORS in Campbeltown for MOKFest were treated to a sneak peek behind the blind at the Picture House's grand restoration.

Campbeltown Community Business (CCB) took advantage of the increased number of people in the Wee Toon last Saturday to reveal how

work in the rear courtyard showed where the brand new second screen is being constructed.

Boards were set up with photographs charting the project so far, from demolition work of the annexe and main building through to construction work in the auditorium.

A time-lapse video of

work in the rear courtyard showed where the brand new second screen is being constructed.

Chairwoman of CCB Jane Mayo said: 'Nobody can see the huge amount of work going on behind our walls, and it's terribly important to keep people up to date.

'We are absolutely thrilled with the attendance.'

Jane also revealed that the group has just employed an activities co-ordinator, who will be tasked with dealing with future projects to entice different parts of the community into the cinema once it re-opens next spring.



Project director David Mayo at the event.

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She added: 'We want this to be more than just a cinema - we want it to be a cultural hub where people come to enjoy and celebrate our heritage. We are aiming to keep the original style and emulate the atmospheric interior as much as is possible.'

work in the rear courtyard showed where the brand new second screen is being constructed.



Visitors keenly viewing the exhibit boards.

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So it was with great gusto that MOK Fest put on one its best showings to date.

TTF blew everyone away at the Vic, re-igniting the fire in loyal fans and most likely earning some new ones with their passionate performance.

The trad concert was a great success, with local and international talent coming together to produce another stunning show.

Survivors' Night was as enjoyable as always, as hardy troops with battered livers and ringing eardrums got together for the big finale.

The festival is now steaming towards its 25th anniversary. With a little bit more help from the weather, next year's could be the finest yet.

Council's timing could be better

DEPOPULATION is unquestionably one of the biggest problems currently facing our region. The council's Rural Resettlement Fund could be a welcome catalyst to boost the number of people, particularly young workers, coming into the area.

Local reaction may have been better, though, if the council had not announced the fund, especially through the national press, in such close proximity to announcing the date of the much maligned change to three-weekly bin collections.

It is only natural for people to wonder how the council can find this sum of money for prospective residents while cutting essential services like waste collection for those already living here.

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Recycling reassurance

Sir,
Kintyre Recycling would like to address some of the concerns that everyone has regarding the changes to the waste collections.

At the moment the Kintyre area does not have blue recycling bins because we do not have bin lift vehicles to empty them. This may change in the future but for now we use a bag system for the recycling which is collected every fortnight. We appreciate this is not ideal for everyone but unfortunately there is no perfect solution.

Clear bags are available to anyone who wishes to recycle. They can be collected from our factory in the Roading or by phoning the office on 01586 553858 or by emailing admin.krl@bt-connect.com.

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mate change and environmental issues.

We would like to stress that all recycling is quality sorted and sold on to markets.

We have diversified over the years to bring in other services such as our bike project, and our future aspiration is to develop new factory premises.

This will also mean more job opportunities and services for the people of Kintyre.

KRL hopes that, despite the challenges with the new bins system, people in Kintyre will support us in our aims and objectives and recycle with us.

Amanda Card,
Business Manager,
Kintyre Recycling.

Government must match EU funding

Sir,
The First minister's announcement of a £100 million package of investment to stimulate the Scottish economy in the wake of the EU vote is to be welcomed.

What, however, is deeply alarming is the failure of the UK government to say that it will match the more than £5 billion in EU funds delivered in the latest funding programme (2014 to 2020) in future. This was something I, among others, warned in the run up to the EU referendum in June.

The vast majority of funding is through the Common Agricultural Policy, with massive financial gains for farmers. They are due to re-

ceive €4.6 billion (£3.9 billion) to develop food, drink and wider rural business, especially in more remote areas. The European Structural Fund includes €941 million (£808 million) of investment for communities to reduce poverty and boost skills development and economic activity. Seafood and marine sectors are due to receive €107 million (£91 million).

Previous programmes delivered around £49 million to 1,000 projects, generating around £214 million of investment and supporting 8,000 jobs. Scottish organisations have secured £186 million in research and innovation funding since 2014.

It is a simple fact that if we accept Brexit and are forced to leave the EU against our will, funding for Scotland will be left in the hands of a Tory government in London.

Alex Orr,
Edinburgh.

Named persons scheme attack

Sir,
Alistair Redman has never, knowingly, allowed a bandwagon to pass unjumped upon. His latest 'SNP bad' attack is directed at the named persons legislation. He distorts the impact of the Supreme Court judgement which, in fact, described the legislation as 'benign' and ignores the support of children's charities, the Royal College of Nursing et al.

A member of the, oxymoronic, 'Caring Conservatives' describing the legislation as 'Orwellian' exceeds even his usual high standards of unintended irony. Had Orwell not got there first the Conservatives could have laid claim to be the inventors of 'doublespeak'.

Compare and contrast Theresa May's claims to be concerned for a more equal society with the cabinet she subsequently appointed to find a prime example.

Every time you publish one of his offerings I try not to rise to the bait and to remember that he is only trying to keep his name to the fore; having failed to get elected to Westminster or even nominated for Holyrood he now, surely, is aiming at Kilmory. Nearly every time I fail: the man is like a red rag to a bull.

Tony Williams,
Muasdale.

Olympic Success

Sir,
After team Great Britain has achieved its best Olympic result in over a century, we can all take pride in our country's almost unbelievable medal haul and sporting prowess. Out of the entire world, our country has come second ahead of China.

I would like to pass on my congratulations and thanks to all of team GB for showing that once again Great Britain is a world-beater when our United Kingdom works together as one.

Alastair Redman,
Islay.

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Former Campbeltown Courier editor celebrates 50th anniversary

by **BEN RAMAGE**
 editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk

A CAMPBELTOWN Gigha, began his career as a trainee at the *Courier* on August 22, 1966, with the landmark anniversary passing last Monday.

Freddy Gillies, 66, who now lives on

ago to the day that I started in the old premises at Burnbank Place.

'I was keen to follow my father into fishing, but my parents envisaged a more studious life for me so I joined the *Courier* as a trainee.'

Freddy worked his way up to editor at the paper before moving to Wolverhampton and working as head office reporter at the *Express and Star*.

His experiences inspired the book *From the Blue Sea to the Black Country*, which charts his time working in what he describes as the 'golden era' of print journalism in the late 1960s.

Freddy did eventually follow his childhood dream into fishing, spending 25 years as a deck hand and skipper on boats sailing from all over Scotland, before becoming a ferry skipper for Cal-Mac operating the Tay-inloan-Gigha ferry for 20 years.

He added: 'The news-

paper industry now is a world apart from what it was then. The relentless surge of the internet and consequent

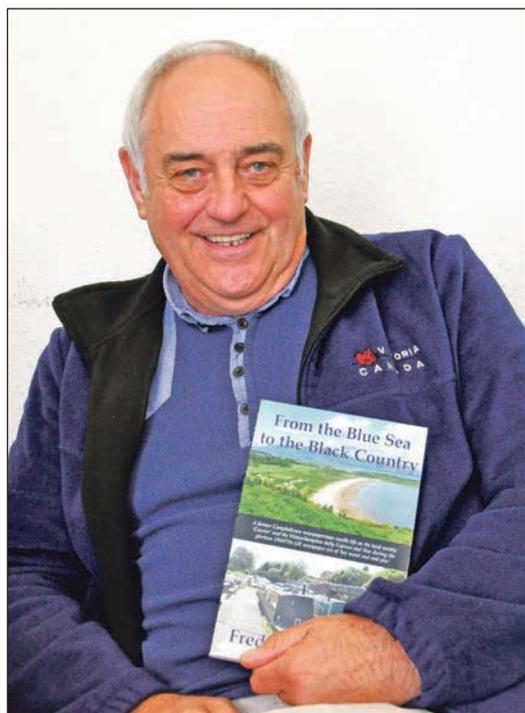
online production has decimated circulation figures.

'I remain loyal to the industry, though, and

still buy the *Courier* every week.'

Freddy's book, which features several *Courier* cuttings including

Freddy's encounter with Beatle Paul McCartney, is available at Keith's newsagent and the Old Bookshelf.



Freddy back in the *Courier* editorial office.

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Old Pals go back in time

A GROUP from the Old pals took a trip back to the Wee Toon of their youth at Campbeltown - Success built in stone.

The 15 strong band including at least two men in their 90's enjoyed an afternoon of reminiscing at the Kirk Street Hall exhibition. It fin-

ished its run on Saturday and has been seen by nearly 3,000 people in total across the two sites, Campbeltown and Glasgow Art Club.

The Old Pals were also given an impromptu musical performance from some of the MOK Fest stars appearing later last week.



The Old Pals and musicians at the exhibition. 25_c35oldpals01

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Ground source heat pumps

Ground source heat pumps (GSHPs) use pipes which are buried in the garden to extract heat from the ground. This heat can then be used to heat radiators, underfloor or warm air heating systems and hot water in your home.

A ground source heat pump circulates a mixture of water and anti-freeze around a loop of pipe, called a ground loop, which is buried in your garden. Heat from

the ground is absorbed into the fluid and then passes through a heat exchanger into the heat pump. The ground stays at a fairly constant temperature under the surface, so the heat pump can be used throughout the year.

The length of the ground loop depends on the size of your home and the amount of heat you need. Longer loops can draw more heat from the ground, but

need more space to be buried in. If space is limited, a vertical borehole can be drilled instead.

The benefits of ground source heat pumps

- Could lower your fuel bills, especially if you replace conventional electric heating
- Could provide you with income through the government's Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI)
- Could lower home

carbon emissions, depending on which fuel you are replacing

- No fuel deliveries needed
- Can heat your home as well as your water
- Minimal maintenance required

Unlike gas and oil boilers, heat pumps deliver heat at lower temperatures over much longer periods. During the winter they may need to be on constantly to heat your home ef-

ficiently. You will also notice that radiators won't feel as hot to the touch as they might do when you are using a gas or oil boiler.

Air source heat pumps are usually easier to install than ground source as they don't need any trenches or drilling, but they are often less efficient than ground source heat pumps. Water source heat pumps can be used to provide heating in homes near

to rivers, streams and lakes.

Find case studies and examples of homeowners who have installed a ground source heat pump using our Green Homes Network.

How do ground source heat pumps work?

Heat from the ground is absorbed at low temperatures into a fluid inside a loop of pipe (a ground loop) buried underground. The fluid

then passes through a compressor that raises it to a higher temperature, which can then heat water for the heating and hot water circuits of the house. The cooled ground-loop fluid passes back into the ground where it absorbs further energy from the ground in a continuous process as long as heating is required.

Normally the loop is laid flat or coiled in trenches about two me-

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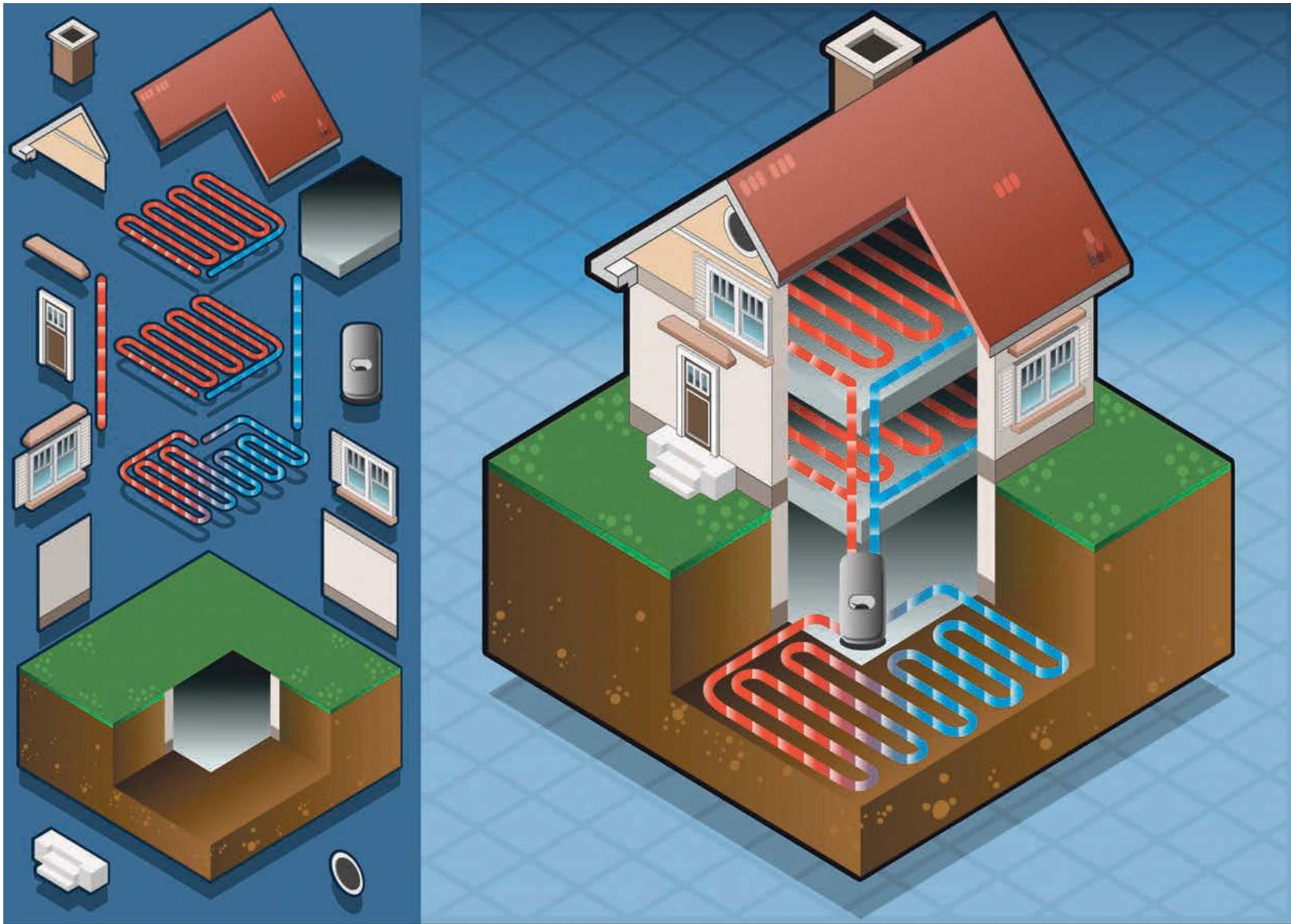
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tres deep, but if there is not enough space in your garden you can install a vertical loop down into the ground to a depth of up to 100 metres for a typical domestic home. Heat pumps have some impact on the environment as they need electricity to run, but the heat they extract from the ground, the air, or water is constantly being renewed naturally.

Is a ground source heat pump suitable for me?

To tell if an air source heat pump is right for you, there are a few key questions to consider:

- Is your garden suitable for a ground loop? It doesn't have to be particularly big, but the ground needs to be suitable for digging a trench or a borehole and accessible to digging machinery.

- Is your home well insulated? Since ground source heat pumps work best when producing heat at a lower temperature than traditional boilers, it's essential that your home is well insulated and draught-proofed for the heating system to be effective.

- What fuel will you be replacing? The system will pay for itself much more quickly if it's replacing an electricity or coal heating system. Heat pumps may not be the best option for homes using mains gas.

- What type of heating system will you use? Ground source heat pumps can perform better with under-floor heating systems or warm air heating than with radiator-based systems because of the lower water temperatures required.

- Is the system intended for a new development? Combining the installation with other building work can reduce the cost of installing the system.

To find out more, please visit <http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/renewable-energy/heat/ground-source-heat-pumps>



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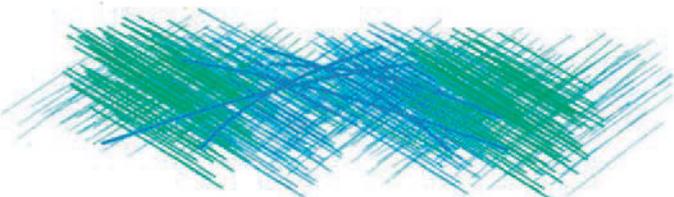


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The Scottish weather may be mixed, as this summer has again proved, but can you use it to generate energy for your home? Home Energy Scotland, funded by the Scottish Government and delivered by the Energy Saving Trust, can help you work out which renewables systems are right for you and your home.

We can help you find out about financial support and reputable installers. We can also put you in touch with homeowners who've already installed renewables so you can ask them about their experiences. So, how do you get started?

- Speak to a specialist in your area

Our specialist advisors are based throughout the Highlands and Islands and can visit your home, or call you, to discuss your property and recommend the best options for generating your own energy. They will create a written report just for you with all of the relevant information. And it's all absolutely free.

- Use our Renewables Selector tool

Find out what renewables technologies may be suitable for your home by spending five minutes using our handy online tool at renewableselector.energysavingtrust.org.uk

- Learn from your neighbours by visiting homes in your area

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They know first-hand about the benefits, actual costs and installation journey. Search the Green Homes Network on our website to find a home to visit in your area.

- Find out about the financial support on offer to help you install renewables systems

You could get an interest-free loan of up to £10,000 from the Scottish Government to help you install a domestic renewables system or connect to a district heating scheme powered from a renewable energy source.

As well as saving money on your fuel bills you can also receive payments for the renewable energy your system produces. The Feed-In Tariff (FIT) scheme pays you for the renewable electricity generated from technology like solar PV panels and wind turbines. The domestic Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI) pays you for the renewable heat generated from heat pumps, biomass (wood) boilers and solar water heating.

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Draught proofing	£500

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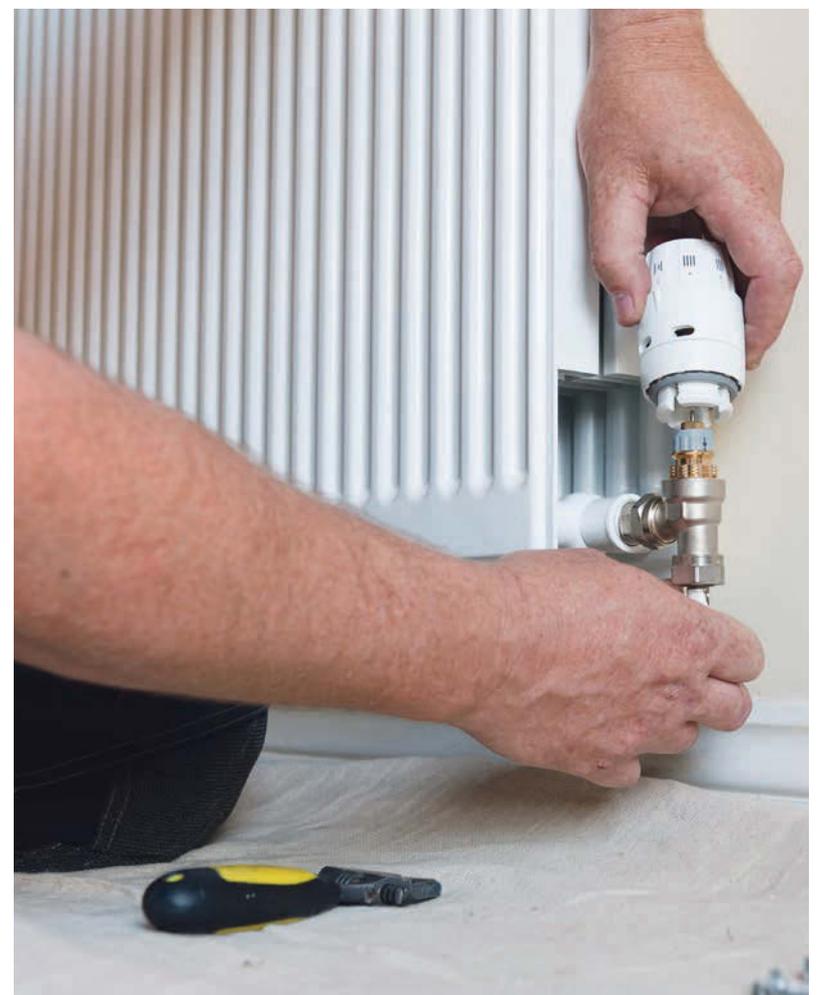
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Hydro technology uses running water to generate electricity, whether it's a small stream or a larger river.

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The benefits of hydro systems

- Cut your electricity bills

A hydro system can generate 24 hours a day, often generating all the electricity you need and more.

- Be paid to generate energy

If eligible, you'll get payments from the Feed-in Tariff for all the electricity you generate, as well as for any surplus electricity you sell back to the grid.

- Cheap heating and hot water

A hydro system may generate more electricity than you need for lighting your home and powering your electrical appliances – so you can use the excess to heat your home and your hot water too.

- A cheaper option for off-grid homes

Installing a hydro system can be expensive, but in many cases it's less than the cost of getting a connection to the National Grid if you don't already have one.

- Cut your carbon footprint

Hydroelectricity is green, renewable energy and doesn't release any harmful carbon dioxide or other pollutants.

If you live in Scotland, find case studies and examples of homeowners who have installed a micro hydro system using the <http://greenhomesnetwork.energysavingtrust.org.uk/>

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How energy-efficient glazing works

Double-glazed windows have two sheets of glass with a gap in between, usually about 16mm, to create an insulating barrier that keeps heat in. This is sometimes filled with gas. Triple-glazed windows have three sheets of glass, but aren't always better than double-glazed windows. To choose the most energy-efficient window look for the BFRC rating.

Energy-efficient windows come in a range of frame materials and styles. Performance criteria vary according to the following:

- How well they stop heat from passing through the window.
- How much sunlight travels through the glass.
- How little air can leak in or out around the window.

What to look for

- Glass
- The most energy-efficient type for double glazing is low emissivity (Low-E) glass. This often has an invisible coating of metal oxide, normally on one of the internal panes. This lets in light and heat but cuts the amount of heat that can get out.

- Gaps between the glass
- Very efficient windows might use gases such as argon, xenon or krypton in the gap between the sheets of glass.

- Pane spacers
- These are set around the inside edges to keep the two panes of glass apart. For maximum efficiency, look for pane spacers containing little or no metal – often known as 'warm edge' spacers.

Frame materials

For all frame materials there are windows available in all energy ratings.

- uPVC frames last a long time and may be recycled.
- Wooden frames can have a lower environmental impact, but require maintenance. They are often used in conservation areas where the original windows had timber frames.
- Aluminium or steel frames are slim and long-lasting, and may be recycled.
- Composite frames have an inner timber frame covered with aluminium or plastic. This reduces the need for maintenance and keeps the frame weatherproof.

Energy rating

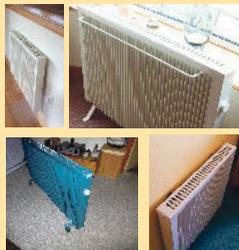
Some window manufacturers show the energy efficiency of their products using an energy-rating scale from A to G. The whole window (the frame and the glass) is assessed on its efficiency at retaining heat. The scheme is run by the British Fenestration Rating Council (BFRC). Visit BFRC for more information.

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The benefits of solar electricity

- Cut your electricity bills. Sunlight is free, so once you've paid for the initial installation, your electricity costs will be reduced.
- Get paid for the electricity you generate. The UK government's Feed-in Tariff scheme pays you for the electricity you generate, even if you use it.
- Sell electricity back to the grid. If your system is producing more electricity than you need, you can sell the surplus back to the grid through the Feed-in Tariff scheme.
- Cut your carbon footprint. Solar electricity is green renewable energy and doesn't release any harmful carbon dioxide or other pollutants. A typical home solar PV system could save over a tonne and a half of carbon dioxide per year – that's more than 30 tonnes over its lifetime.

How do solar panels (PV) cells work?

PV cells are made from layers of semi-conducting material, usually silicon. When light shines on the cell it creates an electric field across the layers. The stronger the sunshine, the more electricity is produced. Groups of cells are mounted together in panels or modules that can either be mounted on your roof or on the ground.

The power of a PV cell is measured in kilowatts peak (kWp). That's the rate at which it generates energy at peak performance in full direct sunlight during the summer. PV cells come in a variety of shapes and sizes. Most PV systems are made up of panels that fit on top of an existing roof, but you can also fit solar tiles.

Solar tiles and slates

Solar tiles are designed to be used in place of ordinary roof tiles. A system made up of solar tiles will typically cost about twice as much as an equivalent panel system. Solar tile systems are not normally as cost-effective as panel systems, and are usually only considered where panels are not considered appropriate for aesthetic or planning reasons.

For more information please go to <http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/renewable-energy/electricity/solar-panels>



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MOK Fest rallies through the rain

by **BEN RAMAGE**
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WHILE the rain dampened spirits on Saturday, Kintyre still showed what it's made of at the 24th MOK Festival.

Despite the grand parade and Doon the Green being called off,

the festival was still extremely well-attended and enjoyed, with several sold-out shows attracting revellers from all over the globe.

Sessions took place in a number of pubs, alongside the big bash-

es which took place in Victoria Hall over the weekend.

A spokesperson for the festival said: 'It was a great success with sell-out concerts and people from across Europe and the wider world attending.'

'We had a really eclectic mix of genres this year, from techno

to old-style Cape Breton fiddle music.

'Headliners TTF said they absolutely loved it and, from the wonderful reaction of the crowd, it was obvious they did as well.'

Traditional

'It was the same response right across the venues, with the traditional events praised

for the quality of musicians on show.

'Unfortunately, the weather did not favour our programme of outdoor events, with the parade having to be cancelled at the eleventh hour. We fully understand the frustration this has caused to the organisations and businesses who prepared

in advance for these events. Although we have no control over the elements, we can only offer our apologies for a fantastic effort that ended without due reward.

'Finally, can we offer thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make the festival a reality, so many that it is

impossible to mention individually.

'We now look forward to our 25th anniversary event. It will be an occasion we hope will be just as special as the community we are proud to serve.'

Photographs of Survivors' Night will follow in next week's edition.



TTF leading the rave.

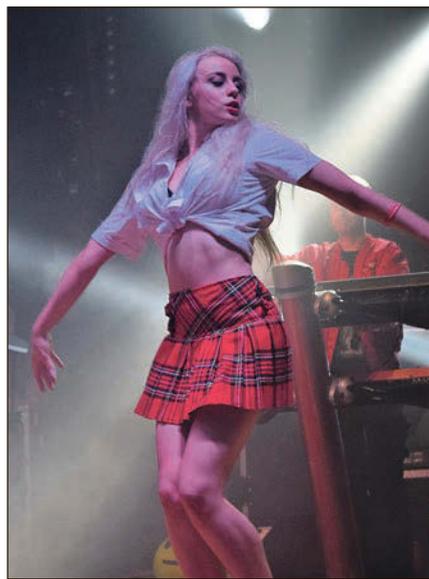
TTF turns Victoria Hall wild

THERE were a few raised eyebrows when MOK Fest announced their Saturday night headliners for this year's main event.

In the end it was only pulses that were raised as The Time Frequency (TTF) turned the Victoria Hall rave-crazy on a night that will surely go down in MOK Fest history.

The crowd, warmed up already by local act Gullion and old school favourite DJ Rankin, went wild when Scotland's original techno group took to the stage.

Playing some of their biggest hits, TTF absolutely blitzed the show, leaving hundreds of happy punters.



One of TTF's dancers on stage.



The bumper crowd on Saturday night.



Ravers enjoying the concert.

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Fiddlers add strings to their bows

by MARK DAVEY
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Piper Finlay MacDonald in action. 25_c35trad04

FIDDLE players from Arran and Nova Scotia competed to see who could move their bow fastest and with most precision at MOK Fest's trad night.

Arran's Gillian Frame certainly wasn't second fiddle when she jammed with Wendy MacIsaac from Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. Add in piping sensation Finlay MacDonald, guitarist Jenn Butterworth, piper Lorne MacDougall with vocals and clapping from Arthur Johnstone and Ross Kennedy and it made for a potent mix

as the traditional night in the Heritage Centre last Saturday reached its climax with two encores.

The select audience left feeling they had experienced something extra special.

Earlier, MC Arthur Johnstone warmed the audience up with some, often humorous, songs before introducing piper Finlay MacDonald.

He played two numbers and was joined by Ross Kennedy for a number about a Scottish soldier in the Spanish Peninsular war.

Before the break, Frame teamed up with Butterworth for seven

numbers, including a haunting opener about the grating sound of a cornflake.

Frame said: 'MOK Fest is my most favourite festival. I have been coming here since I was a young girl.'

Headliner MacIsaac unleashed her fiddle after the interval and said that she had only met Butterworth that day and was so impressed she wanted her to come back to Nova Scotia forever.

MacIsaac told the audience that her ancestors left Scotland for Canada from the Isle of Eigg nearly 200 years ago and added that this trip was her 43rd fes-



The players for Saturday night's show were: Finlay MacDonald, Gillian Frame, Wendy MacIsaac, Arthur Johnstone, Jenn Butterworth, Ross Kennedy and Lorne MacDougall. 25_c35trad01

tival visit to Scotland but the first ever to Kintyre.

Perhaps Butterworth and MacIsaac's best collaboration was

South Australia, although it was hard to single out one song from a superb set.

MacIsaac brought on MacDougall. She told

how she met the piper when they were both teaching in a Celtic music school in Seattle and had exchanged many emails since.

Celtic connections shine at Dalriada concert

THE DALRIADA Connections concert once again celebrated the ancient historical links between Scotland and Ireland.

Taking place on Sunday in the Heritage Centre, entrants were treated to a whisky miniature from spon-

sors Glengyle Distillery to wet the whistles before the show.

Piper Lorne MacDougall opened with MC for the event Ross Kennedy, wowing the crowd with his incredibly quick fingers which had Ross struggling to keep up on guitar.

Northern Irishman Ciaran Mulholland shone playing a variety of instruments, regaling the audience with Northern Irish tales and even managing a Gaelic sing-a-long.

Alistair Gillies sang some wonderful solo pieces which had the crowd joining in, particularly with *My Ain Folk*.

Frank Roster and Struan Thorpe played some excellent melodies on violin and guitar respectively, while Scooter Muse and Norman MacKinnon brought the show to a close in the second half.



Lorne MacDougall and Ross Kennedy opened the show. 04_c35dalriadaconcert01



Local man Frank Roster and Lochgilhead's Struan Thorpe. 04_c35dalriadaconcert03

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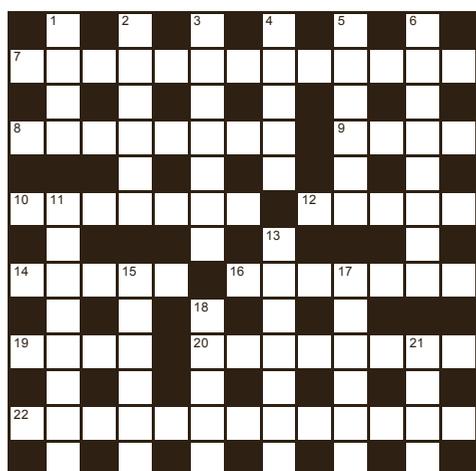
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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



Parisian flautist flies at Young Folk night

A FLAUTIST from Paris visiting her grandparents played a set at MOK Fest's Young Folk night.

Parents, friends, relations and music fans packed the Heritage Centre for the extravaganza last Thursday evening featuring music of all sounds and some sparkling dance.

The show was opened by a Campbeltown brass quintet conducted by Gordon Evans MBE.

With so much variety it would be a challenge to pick out one act as the best.

The night was about a celebration of what Kintyre has to offer in youth performance



Pipe band members on stage. 25_c35youngfolk08

from Little Hannah McCaig, nine, singing two beautiful Scottish songs, through Solana McMurphy's dance

to the haunting cover version by three-piece Anonymous Project to the rousing ceilidh music of Rhuvaal.



Rhuvaal. 25_c35youngfolk07



Three-piece Anonymous Project are Charles Turner, Innes Roy and Owen Pickering.

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Dancers from the James McCorkindale School of Dance. 25_c35youngfolk05



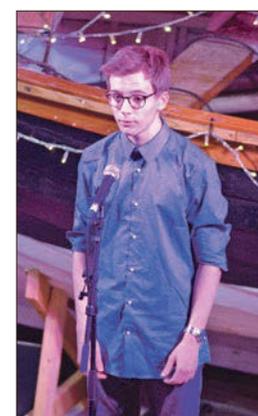
Kyle Paterson plays the euphonium.

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Dancer Solana McMurphy's sailor.

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What does it mean to be in a 66 plate motor and what's the history behind the numbering system?

The first two letters of a number plate represent the area in which your car was first registered and the last three letters are randomly selected and individual to the car to allow for easy identification. The middle two numbers indicate the age of the car, so the first registration of the

year corresponds with the year itself and the second registration in the Autumn shows the year plus 50.

The current format was put into play in September 2001 to reflect the new registrations becoming a twice-annual rather than annual event. It doesn't seem that long ago that the old system had a single pre-fixed letter that demonstrated the year it was initially registered. The first time this method was used was August 1, 1983 with the letter 'A' making its debut. The letter 'Y' concluded this system from March 1 to August 31, 2001. Those of a certain age will remember that prior to this, the same system was used but with the letters appearing as suffixes at the end of the registration number.

The first vehicle to be

registered in the UK was in 1903 with index marks of one or two letters being awarded to several licensing authorities, who then began to issue registration numbers. As you'd probably expect they started with the number one and the first proper registration number was reported to have been issued in Hastings, Kent on November 23, 1903. This gradually changed over the years and the complicated business of registration numbering was undertaken by the DVLA, then known as the DVLC, which was established in 1974. This allowed the registration and licensing of new cars to be centralised.

With those shiny new plates about to hit the streets, there will be a host of deals to further tempt you into that new dream car. Have a look through our featured dealerships and keep an eye out for offers on 16-plate stock that dealers will now want to get rid of to make way for the new models.

Do you yearn to learn?

Don't stall your ambition to get behind the wheel

DAVID MCPHEE

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I LOOK in the rear view mirror and all I can see is a queue of traffic extending right round the corner.

I've stalled, again, and I can feel my skin turning the same colour as the car – scarlet. It's as if my subconscious is acting on chameleon-like powers and I'd like nothing better than to hide from the chaos that's unfolding, at least in my head.

I wipe my sweaty palms on my grey work trousers and turn on the ignition. With a little too much pressure on the accelerator pedal I find the bite point and the car roars as if to tell me off. After a couple of near stalls I eventually get going in a scene that wouldn't look out of place in *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang*.

This was, and occasionally still is, a common theme throughout my learning-to-drive experience. It's easy to get frustrated and let these moments get the better of your confidence. I've had lessons where I've felt as if I'm ready to drive a double-decker bus, not just a Corsa. But I've also had

some where I've wanted the car to transform in to a micro scooter so I could relive my youth and never have to drive.

However, as cliched as it sounds, perseverance is key. For the first 10 lessons, I dreaded it. All I could think about the night before was how much I didn't want to do it. It felt more like a chore. But now I embrace it. It's a necessary evil that I almost enjoy.

The feeling of pride you get when you reverse round the corner, lift the handbrake and put the car in neutral and see your driving instructor open the car door and say: 'Look at that!' makes it worth it.

Now that I've had around 15 lessons and feel somewhat confident about what I'm

doing, I can start and stop under pressure without stalling – most of the time.

I like to look back and see how far I've progressed. I haven't sat my test yet, but I've come a long way from my very first lesson when I drove forwards and backwards in a straight line.

There's no denying that learning to drive is expensive and stressful, but I do think, particularly living in Argyll, it's a necessary evil. The freedom it can bring, especially if you rely on it for work, outweighs the negatives.

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Now available at Perth-based dealership Strathmore, Volvo's bestselling V40 and V40 Cross Country models receive a series of stylish updates, making the Swedish manufacturer's popular hatchback even more appealing.

Central to the latest exterior updates are the new LED 'Thor's Hammer' headlights, resulting in a confident new look shared with Volvo's new XC90, S90 and V90. In the UK, these all-LED lights mark the V40 and V40 Cross Country out as the first models in the segment to get LED headlights as standard across the range. Also new are grille meshes featuring the updated and more visually striking Volvo Iron Mark so customers are sure to be noticed on the road.

Strathmore's director, Norman Leishman, comments: 'The V40 is the bestselling Volvo model in the UK and is hugely popular with customers at our dealership, making it a vital car for our business. With the updated version now available, Volvo has



made this already very successful model even more attractive to customers, and its new appearance is already attracting a lot of attention out on the forecourt.'

The exterior update includes the addition of eight new wheels across the V40 and V40 Cross Country models, and five new colours to the V40 range, including the completely new Amazon Blue and Denim Blue, as well as three colours already used by other models in the Volvo Car UK portfolio: Bursting Blue, Mussel Blue and Luminous Sand.

In a cue taken from the award-winning Volvo Concept Estate, a new upholstery called City Weave will be added. Several new interior panel trims will also be offered:

Milled Aluminium, Black Grid Aluminium and Stealth Aluminium. New tread plates will be added for the R-Design and Inscription trim levels, and an updated key fob with the new Volvo logo will be available.

Continuing its innovative approach to powertrain engineering, Volvo has reduced CO2 emissions on its popular D2 manual engine to just 89 g/km in all trim level and wheel options.

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Managing Director, Gary Mulvaney said: 'This first Ichiban award for Helensburgh is the result of the hard work, determination and commitment to customer care by every member of our team. For a small company such as ours it is an honour to be recognised at a European level.'



Helensburgh Toyota has represented the Toyota brand since 1977 and employs 20 eight members of staff across their two sites in Helensburgh. It is currently ranked the top dealer in Scotland for customer care and is UK No2 in the 180-strong network.

Gary, accompanied by his wife Janet were presented with the award at a ceremony in Rome. Celebrations continued with the whole team being taken for a 'thank you' meal and refreshments at Masala Twist. Finally this week, the Helensburgh Motors team were delighted to

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All-new Renault Mégane receives best-in-class running cost figures

The All-New Renault Mégane has received best-in-class service, maintenance and repair (SMR) figures at launch according to data provided by independent valuation experts, cap hpi. The fourth generation of Renault's popular family car also sees the largest ever RV uplift awarded by CAP to a C-segment vehicle and substantial reductions in Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) costs.

Whether in diesel or petrol, the all-new Mégane has been judged by cap hpi to have the lowest servicing, tyres, brakes and other maintenance costs compared to its main rivals.

The Mégane Dynamique Nav dCi 110 – the predicted bestseller – has an SMR cost of £1,291 over 36 months /60,000 miles according to the cap hpi Derwent SMR cost analysis in May 2016. This is an eight per cent improvement over the previous generation Mégane and 3.4 per cent better than its nearest

competitor. In Dynamique Nav TCe 130 guise, the all-new Mégane has a best-in-class SMR cost of £1,354.

The new Renault Mégane also benefits from a dramatic improvement in terms of Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) compared to the third generation model it replaces, rising five places in its competitive category, from seventh to second in class. A significant reduction of £1,975 (10.5 per cent) over 36 months/60,000 miles has resulted in a TCO figure of £18,755 for the dCi 110 Dynamique Nav version. The Dynamique Nav TCe 130 also sees a substantial reduction in its TCO figure with a £2,404 reduction (11.6 per cent) to £20,656 over 36 months / 60,000 miles. TCO takes into account depreciation, fuel and SMR costs.

The new Mégane, in the most popular Dynamique Nav dCi 110 trim, sees a residual value uplift of eight percentage points over the outgoing generation – the largest RV uplift ever awarded by cap hpi to a



replacement model in the family car segment.

Mark Dickens, Head of Fleet Sales Operations & Vehicle Remarketing, Renault UK, commented: 'The all-new Mégane is clearly a compelling business proposition to both corporate and user chooser customers. Following on from all-new Kadjar, it's the next exciting chapter in our C-segment rejuvenation, backed up by our

professional Pro+ dealer network and the industry leading Renault Business Quality Commitment.' Jeff Knight, forecasting editor, cap hpi, commented: 'Renault with the all-new Mégane have not only created a convincing fleet offering in terms of total cost ownership, they have underpinned this with a striking design and equipment levels that will surely attract the future used buyer.'

The fourth generation Mégane is available in 25 different versions across six trim levels, including the all new Mégane GT, featuring 4Control all-wheel steering – unique in the C-segment. Bringing innovations from the executive car category into the family car class for the first time, the Mégane is also available with a unique-in-class 8.7-inch portrait touchscreen as well as multi-sense technology which allows drivers to

personalise their driving experience by modifying the accelerator pedal and engine response, engine sound, steering weight, interior lighting ambience, and, where fitted, the shift speed of the efficient dual clutch (EDC) transmission.

The new Renault Mégane is priced from £16,600 OTR and is on sale now. Details on the full Renault car and van range are available at www.renault.co.uk

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Survey reveals men value image more than women...when it comes to buying cars.



“Men are more concerned with image, the ‘what will my mates think?’ factor ... and all drivers get stressed out by one-way systems”

– Roger Powell, Head of My Car Check

A survey of more than 500 MyCarCheck.com customers (355 men and 190 women) in July 2016 has revealed some intriguing differences in male and female perspectives on motoring.

Q1. When buying a car, what is most important to you?

Female: Sale price, followed by fuel efficiency

Male: Sale price, followed by look and style

Q2. When buying a vehicle, which step are you least comfortable with?

Female: Physically inspecting the vehicle

Male: Negotiating the price

Q3. How would you rate your driving ability?

47.8% of female respondents described themselves as ‘good’ compared to 60.7% of male respondents. 47.8% of women said they were ‘competent’ compared to 36.1% of men.

Q4. Of all driving situations, which do you dislike most?

The top answer for both men and women was one-way systems (an almost identical 29.7% for women and 29.6% men), followed by roundabouts.

Head of My Car Check, Roger Powell, said: ‘For the vast majority, price is always the most important consideration; people set a budget and then see what they can get for the money. The secondary driver is where we see clear differences along gender lines. Women are most concerned with fuel efficiency, a significant ongoing cost of ownership, while men are more concerned with image, the ‘what will my mates think?’ factor.

‘On the scariest aspect of car buying, again, there was a clear difference according to gender. Women worried most about inspecting the vehicle, while men worried most about the price negotiation. The fact is the average buyer, male or female, won’t buy a car very often and won’t have great technical knowledge. In those circumstances, the sums involved can make the process stressful, and with good reason too: almost half of all used vehicles searched on MyCarCheck.com

have a warning against them.

‘The responses to the question on driving ability reveal some classic male bravado. Women are happy to be described as ‘competent’ – having the necessary ability – whereas men think ‘good’ sounds much better.

‘The final question, on driving situations, unites the sexes. All drivers get stressed out by one way systems and roundabouts!’

With information from

the police, DVLA, insurers and finance houses, My Car Check holds comprehensive data on every vehicle on UK roads – things that buyers

should be aware of before making an offer.

CDL Vehicle Information Services, which owns My Car Check, performs over a million look-ups a day for companies including Auto-Express, CompareTheMarket, Go-Compare, Money-supermarket, Swiftcover, Tesco and WhatCar?.



SEPTEMBER SPECIAL

Forester Special Edition introduced



To further celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Subaru Boxer engine, Subaru are pleased to announce the introduction of the Forester Special Edition.

On sale from the September 1, 100 units will be produced and will be priced at £29,995 for the petrol Lineartronic and £31,495 for the diesel Lineartronic. Based on the XC Premium model, the special edition model comes with £1,500 of additional equipment at no extra cost. Both models come with Subaru's comprehensive five-year, 100,000-mile warranty.

Unique equipment for the Forester Special Edition includes Hunter Green

Metallic Paint, front, side and rear under guards, wheel arch extensions and stainless steel cargo step panel as well as special edition brown leather seats with brown leather interior door grips, centre armrest and centre panel up-rights.

Other equipment on the Forester Special Edition includes Subaru Starlink; a 7.0-inch touchscreen infotainment, connectivity and navigation system, Hill Descent Control (HDC), X-Mode system, which intelligently manages the car's power and torque, brakes and drivetrain to maintain traction on even the most slippery surfaces.



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Driving Force **REVIEW**

The Oban Times editor Susan Windram puts the Subaru Levorg through its paces



Having driven neither a Subaru nor an automatic before, I came to the road with no real expectations of the Levorg, good or bad.

It is being touted as the successor to the manufacturer's flagship car, the Legacy, but whether or not it is a worthy successor, we were about to find out.

In terms of looks the Levorg is a fairly handsome beast, with its gaping air intake, that you associate with its sporty older brother the Impreza, and flared arches. However, there's no mistaking it as a large family estate car. In saying that, when you get behind the wheel it really doesn't feel that big, in fact it feels pretty nimble yet firmly planted due to its all-wheel drive (AWD) system, a system the manufacturer has honed and developed over 40 years of world rallying.

Agility and handling are two areas Subaru really focused on when developing the vehicle and those years of experience meant the Levorg was pretty tidy when driving on Argyll's tight and twisting roads

thanks, in part, to the SI-Drive system which provides Intelligent, Sport, and Sport Sharp throttle settings – a toy for those who like to tinker with the car set-up – and partly due to the AWD, which is permanently on and automatically kicks in if traction deteriorates. It particularly comes into its own in the wet, ice and snow.

Power comes from a 1.6 direct injection boxer petrol engine, with the lower centre of gravity and even weight distribution providing better handling. However, while the steering is weighty and accurate, if you're a little too ambitious entering a corner you will encounter understeer. In saying that, there's a good amount of grip in wet and

dry, the suspension is firm but shrugs off bumpy roads fairly well, and the traction allows for plenty of confidence behind the wheel.

While the Levorg is set up to be driven in automatic mode, you can also shift it into manual and flick through the gears with paddleshifters, or do as I did and keep it in automatic

but use the paddleshifters to drop gears if you are planning on overtaking.

Regardless of the mode, progress was pretty smooth and comfortable, if a little unexciting. Having driven a geared car for 30-odd years, I found the lack of engagement my only real issue with the car. The 'elastic-band' delay you get in an automatic when pushing for more speed was annoying. But that is just down to personal preference.

When it comes to the interior, the Levorg comes with full leather trim as standard and a generous level of kit. Its dashboard is clean and intuitive, with a neat driver's instrument binnacle. The car's centre console offers a good seven-inch touch screen infotainment system and sat nav, which is particularly easy to use. The car also comes with LED headlights, heated seats, four USB ports, dual-zone air-conditioning,

as well as blind spot monitoring and parking assistance.

The driving position and ride comfort were spot on, and there is good all-round visibility. Relatively thin door pillars, a low window line and dashboard all make the Levorg easy to see out of.

Myself and a colleague who also tested the vehicle are both tall and the set up allowed for plenty of leg room that didn't leave you stretching for the steering wheel. This space is ideal for long road trips, as is the cruise control feature and bluetooth connectivity.

The Levorg also offers plenty of headroom and leg room for passengers, while the boot is ample, with around 1,446 litres capacity and some nifty under floor storage. The rear seats fold down flat effortlessly at the simple push of a button – no faffing about with levers and seatbelts.

Other nice little features





are the keyless ignition, the hill holder function and the auto dimming rear view mirror. Build quality is excellent as are the quality finishes. But, and there is a but, where the vehicle is let down is its fuel economy. It only offers around 40mpg, which is disappointing compared to its rivals.

Having never driven an automatic before, I wasn't expecting to like it, but was pleasantly surprised with the Levorg. It's a well built, comfortable car, with plenty of space for all your family needs – whether that be holidays or just running the kids to school. It's also a pleasurable car to drive – both my colleague

and I were disappointed at having to revert back to our more humble vehicles! For what you get, including a decent amount of technology, the Levorg's price tag offers reasonable value for money. And its rugged and practical set up means it pretty well suited to the west of Scotland lifestyle.



Agility and handling are two areas Subaru really focused on when developing the vehicle and those years of experience meant the Levorg was pretty tidy when driving on Argyll's tight and twisting roads



Biker Down course could help you save lives

Oban Community Fire Station will host its first-ever Biker Down courses on August 14 and August 28.

If you were the first on the scene of an accident involving a biker, would you know what to do? Would you know who is most at risk, how to protect the area or whether you should remove the helmet of a downed rider?

Actions taken in the first few moments after an accident can be crucial in minimising injuries and can make a real difference to the lives of those involved. But there can be some uncertainty about what to do in these situations.

Biker Down is a free training course run by bikers for bikers designed to answer these uncertainties. The course uses the expertise of the Emergency Services to prepare motorcyclists should the worst happen on the roads. Biker Down is not about lecturing riders on the consequences of things going wrong – it's about equipping them to make a difference if they encounter an emergency.

The course is aimed at motorcyclists of all ages and experience. The free course offers people the chance

to learn practical skills by showing you:

- How to manage the scene of a bike crash, using the same principles the Fire Service uses. We will show you how to protect yourself and others, how to prioritise your actions, how to collect information for the emergency services and how to make use of the resources you have available to you, including other people.
- Ways of taking care of a casualty, including basic life support and the why, when and how of removing a crash helmet.
- What may work (or not work) when it comes to making yourself more visible to other road users. You will also learn about how people look for and recognise objects and how you can help to make sure that other road users see you.

Motorcyclists are roughly 38 times more likely to be killed in a road traffic collision than people in cars. Around 30 bikers are killed or injured in the UK every single day and when an accident does happen then the actions of

those first on scene can be the difference between life and death.

Biker Down goes beyond telling people about the consequences of things going wrong and actually offers them the chance to learn practical skills that could be crucial if they come across an emergency. Designed by bikers for bikers, the course focuses on three key areas: accident scene management, first aid for motorcyclists and the science of being seen.

As many bikers ride in pairs or in groups, it is often the case that the first person on scene following a collision involving a motorcycle will be a fellow biker. Training motorcyclists in how to deal with a casualty can save lives and Biker Down courses include ways of keeping the scene safe, first aid appropriate to common types of injury and the issues of safely removing a helmet.

Anyone interested in learning more about the Scottish Biker Down or would like to book one of the courses can email verina.litster@firescotland.gov.uk to book your place on the course or visit our Facebook page 'Biker Down Scotland'.

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SUBARU ANNOUNCES UPGRADES TO XV COMPACT CROSSOVER

2016 model year upgrade to Subaru XV

Exterior design and interior quality improved

New features include 7.0-inch infotainment and Siri® Eyes-Free voice control upgrades to both Boxer engines improve efficiency and lower running costs

Pricing unchanged – now on sale from £21,995 (OTR)



Subaru has today announced details of a series of upgrades to the XV compact crossover, designed to refresh the car's exterior styling, raise cabin quality and improve refinement. In spite of the range of upgrades across the full model line-up, pricing for the Subaru XV is unchanged for the 2016 model, which goes on sale across the UK next month from £21,995 (OTR).

Since its introduction in 2012, the XV has stood out in its sector with Subaru's legendary permanent Symmetrical All-Wheel Drive as standard. The XV boasts higher ground clearance than most rivals and is among the lightest vehicles in the compact crossover segment, aiding the car's genuine off-road ability. Its centre of gravity and low-mounted four-cylinder Boxer engines make it one of the most agile compact crossovers on the market.

Updates to the 2016 model follow hot on the heels of a range of upgrades made in 2015 which included a raft of suspension modifications and a quicker more direct steering rack, resulting in more engaging and assured handling and smoother ride.

Higher-quality cabin with new connected infotainment system

Among the most important changes to the upgraded XV is an upgraded interior, finished in higher quality materials and featuring Subaru's new factory-fit 7.0-inch touchscreen infotainment and navigation system. Changes include the adoption of new metallic and piano black trim as well as new contrast stitching throughout the cabin. The driver's TFT LCD instrument binnacle has also been redesigned, now emitting a soft, contemporary blue glow.

The overall result of these changes is a cossetting ambience with a higher-quality, more modern look and feel.

Subaru's all-new 7.0-inch touchscreen display allows smartphone-style control of the advanced navigation and infotainment features, with a swipe and pinch control function for map displays. Consistent with other updates to the cabin, the infotainment system echoes the new

blue glow of the driver's instrument binnacle. The infotainment system houses a standard-fit rear view camera, offering a super-wide 160-degree field of view behind the car when reversing.

Other functions of the car – such as changing navigation settings or adjusting the power or temperature of the climate control – can be controlled through the company's latest-generation voice control facility, allowing the driver to keep their eyes on the road ahead. The system also enables Apple iPhone users to activate Siri® Eyes-Free functionality, providing full voice control of their iOS mobile device when linked with the new infotainment system.

The smartphone functionality extends to a range of apps, which pair users' mobile devices with the vehicle via Subaru StarLink, making the XV one of the most connected cars on the road. StarLink enables occupants to display weather forecasts and traffic reports, access wireless audio, receive the latest news updates and check their calendar while on the move.

The 2016 XV is fitted with an extra USB port in the front of the cabin, allowing passengers to listen to music from one USB device while charging another at the same time, reflecting the evolving needs of today's motorists.

Lower running costs and improvements to fuel efficiency

The upgraded Subaru XV continues to offer UK buyers a choice of two horizontally-opposed, four-cylinder Boxer engines – a 2.0-litre petrol and 2.0-litre diesel – and two transmissions (six-speed manual and six-speed CVT automatic). For 2016, both engines in the XV line-up offer improved fuel economy over the existing model.

The 2.0-litre turbodiesel, equipped with a six-speed manual transmission, features a range of updates and longer gear ratios to improve fuel efficiency by 4 per cent. The modified engine – which still produces



147 PS and 350 Nm of torque – achieves 52.3 mpg on the combined cycle, while CO2 emissions fall from 146 to 141 g/km, placing the car in a lower BIK tax band (25 per cent for 2016/17). In spite of the longer gear ratios, driveability hasn't been compromised, with the car still able to accelerate from 0-to-62 mph in 9.3 seconds.

Subaru has also introduced a series of updates to the 150 PS 2.0-litre naturally-aspirated petrol engine which produces 196 Nm of torque. Fuel efficiency increases by 2 per cent to a combined average of 43.5 mpg when equipped with Subaru's smooth-shifting Lineartronic transmission (CVT) and emissions fall to 151 g/km. Longer gear ratios for models fitted with the six-speed manual transmission promote greater efficiency at motorway speeds.

Rugged appeal: modernised exterior styling and new paint finishes

As part of the updates for 2016, Subaru has revised elements of the XV's exterior styling to further enhance the car's rugged appeal. Subaru's signature identity can be found in the upgraded 'face' of the XV, which now features updated 'hawk-eye'

headlights and a redesigned front grille and bumper.

At the rear, the 2016 XV features a discreet new boot spoiler and LED combination lamps. A stylish new black and silver diamond cut aluminium alloy wheel design completes the revised exterior.

Two new colour options are available to UK buyers: Hyper Blue and Dark Blue Metallic.

Pricing unchanged – 2016 Subaru XV now on sale from £21,995

The upgraded 2016 Subaru XV retains its existing on-the-road price, with the range starting from £21,995 (on-the-road). Every Subaru XV is offered with Subaru's comprehensive five-year, 100,000 mile warranty.

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Whether in the wilds of the British countryside or on building sites in the city, the AT35 is the most robust and capable pick-up that Isuzu UK has ever created. The original 2.5-litre D-Max engine is retained, whilst a number of significant chassis changes have been carried out by Arctic

Trucks. Arctic Trucks bring experience of creating vehicles for all conditions, from severe off-road to the sub-zero, an area in which Isuzu has its own proven success as its D-Max is the best-selling pick-up in the undulating and snow-covered Scandinavian country.

In Iceland, Arctic Trucks has enhanced the D-Max for rescue and highland utility work. This experience has heavily influenced the creation of the AT35 now on sale in the UK.

The AT35 retains the impressive one-tonne payload and 3.5-tonne towing (braked) capacities that have helped make the Isuzu D-Max one of the most popular pick-ups for those seeking an exceptional workhorse with low running costs. It will be the first Arctic Trucks pick-up in the UK that can

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UK-wide survey Of 340,000 tyres reveals over 10 million vehicles could be driven with an illegal tyre in 2016...

- Tyres cause more accidents resulting in casualties than any other vehicle defect, including brakes
- More than 27 per cent of tyres already illegal at point of replacement
- Over 10 million tyres on the UK's roads could be driven with an illegal tyre in 2016
- North West has the highest percentage of illegal tyres
- Report highlights poor attitude towards tyre safety among UK motorists

Over 10 million UK motorists could drive a vehicle with an illegal and dangerous tyre during 2016 according to results of the most comprehensive survey of its kind, revealed more than 27 per cent of tyres were already illegal when they were replaced. That could equate to more than one-in-four of the 37 million cars and light commercial vehicles (LCVs) on the UK's roads being driven with a tyre that could

cost its driver a £2,500 fine and three penalty points, an MoT failure – or worse. The survey's findings confirm fears among road safety stakeholders of a poor attitude towards tyre safety among UK motorists, which is increasing the risk of drivers being involved in an incident. A vehicle's tyres are the only safety critical component in contact with the road and if unroadworthy the effectiveness of the vehicle's

braking and steering systems are significantly compromised. In particular, tread depth has a decisive impact on the amount of distance a vehicle takes to stop in the wet, and must be of at least the minimum legal limit (1.6mm). Previous studies* have proven that the braking distance of a vehicle with tread of 1.6mm is nearly 12m further than a vehicle with new tyres when braking in the wet from 50mph.

Stuart Jackson, chairman, TyreSafe, said: 'The Tread depth survey results are a concern. Figures from the Department for Transport** show that dangerous tyres are the largest single contributory factor in accidents resulting in casualties of any vehicle defect – including brakes. If the number of casualties from tyre-related incidents is to be reduced on our roads, the UK's motorists need to change their attitude to this primary safety feature and carry out regular checks to

ensure their vehicle's tyres are roadworthy. 'The concern comes not just from the number of illegal tyres at the point of replacement, but also the proportion which were below 2mm – those with just 0.4mm left (half the thickness of a bank card) before reaching the 1.6mm legal minimum. While a tyre is legal at this point, the amount of distance it can cover and remain within the law is difficult to predict and can only be verified by regular checks. TyreSafe's

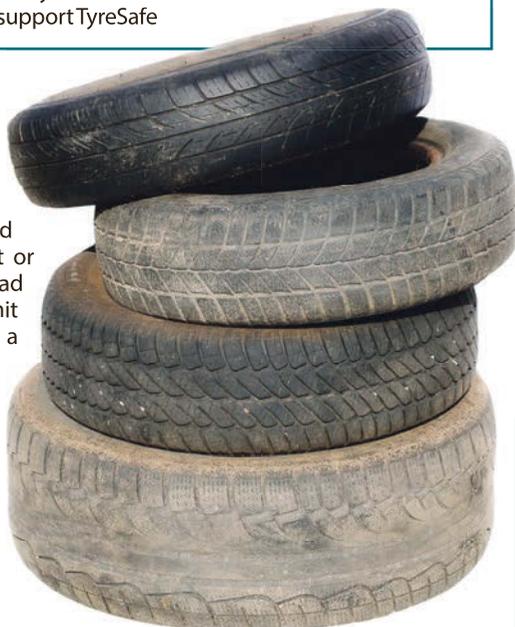
own research has revealed one-in-five drivers have never checked their tyres and the majority of the remaining vehicle owners do not do so on a regular basis. 'The obvious conclusion is that while one-in-four tyres are illegal at the point of replacement, a further 43 per cent are changed before reaching 1.6mm more by good luck than good judgement. TyreSafe urges drivers to check their tyres regularly before their luck runs out.'

Stuart Lovatt, Safety Action Plan Coordinator, said: 'Safety is our top priority and we are delighted to have worked in partnership

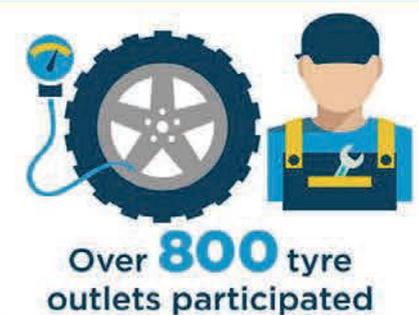
with TyreSafe to undertake this innovative and comprehensive survey on the state of UK tyres. We will continue to support TyreSafe

in raising awareness of the importance that tyres play in ensuring that journeys are safe and incident free.'

Motorists can help reduce the risks to themselves and other road users by carrying out tyre checks every month and before long journeys. The air pressure in each tyre should follow the vehicle manufacturer's recommended settings and can be found in the owner's manual, filler cap, door shut or on a plaque in the glove compartment. Tread depth should be over the minimum legal limit of 1.6mm, roughly the same as the rim of a 20p piece which can be used as a guide by inserting into the tyre's tread. If the rim is visible, the tyre may be illegal and the assistance of a tyre professional should be sought. While checking tread depth, also look out for any lumps, bumps, signs of ageing or scuffing on the tyre which may indicate internal damage. Again, speak to a tyre professional should the driver find anything they are unsure about.



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Good maintenance can save you money as well as avoiding breakdowns or potentially devastating crashes. Badly-inflated tyres can mean you use more petrol, while putting off minor repairs can make them far more costly in the long-run.

You should carry out regular 'walk-round' checks of your vehicle, once a week and before any long journeys, which need only take a few minutes. The main things you should look out for are:

- **tyre tread wear.** Look out for tread wear indicator bars on tyres – small bumps in the main grooves which indicate the minimum tread. Change your tyres well before your tread gets to the legal minimum (1.6mm in the UK). Brake recommends replacing at 3mm, as tyres can be dangerous in wet conditions with less than this. If you drive with tyres worn down to below the legal limit, you could face three penalty points and a £2,500 fine, or it could cause a deadly crash.

- **tyre pressure.** Buy a hand-held tyre pressure gauge and check the pressure weekly, when the tyres are cold. The correct pressure will be written in your vehicle's handbook.

- **general tyre condition.** Check for cracks, bulges or bubbles on the sides of your tyres. These are signs that the tyre is damaged and at risk of blowing out. If you see any of these, get the tyre checked by a professional, and replaced if necessary.

- **lights are working.** Check lights are clean and bulbs aren't blown (reflect against a wall, or ask a friend to help).

- **oil, water and fluids.** Check oil and water levels, and other fluids such as power steering, windscreen washer and brake fluid, are well above minimum levels.

- **wiper blades.** Check they are in full working order and replace if worn.

- **wheel fixings.** Check wheels and wheel fixings for defects, including loose nuts.

If you drive a commercial or specialist vehicle, there may be additional checks you should make. Check with your employer or consult your handbook.



Setting off and while on your journey, look out for:

- **problems with, or noises from, your brakes.** Brakes usually make a noise when worn, but if you notice any problem with them, get them checked immediately by a professional mechanic. It's a good idea to test brakes weekly and at the start of long journeys, following your walk-round checks, by applying them gently while driving very slowly on a flat, empty stretch;
- **warning lights on your dashboard;**

- **excess noise or smoke from the exhaust;**
- **smoke from under the bonnet;**
- **fluid leaking from under the vehicle;**
- **smell of hot electrics, fuel, or a burning smell;**
- **unusual sounds from the engine;**
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Semple lifts Jackson Cup at Kilwhipnach

KINTYRE Primestock Breeders' Association held its 38th annual stock judging at Kilwhipnach farm, courtesy of the Hamilton family.

Held last week, chairman Duncan Semple, in front of 90 competitors, saw a tremendous show of Limousin cross cattle with a very good temperament.

Mr Semple introduced the judge, Bob

Cunningham from Meriby, Islay, who chose the prize-winners, including William Semple, who won the Jackson Cup for most points overall.

Vice-chairman Hamish Morrison thanked the Hamilton family for turning out good stock and for their premises, and Argyll Bowling Club for providing the prize-giving venue.

Hamish also thanked the scorers for a wonderful and efficient job, the judge for giving up his time to come over from Islay, the committee members for raffle prizes and the secretary for all his work.

The full results were as follows. Gents: 1 William Semple 2 John McCallum 3 Andrew Ronald (Snr) and Colin McCallum. Ladies: 1 Joan Pirie 2 Ann Ralston 3 Ruby Currie. YFC: 1 Kevin McIntyre 2 Robert McDonald 3 Peter McKerral. Juveniles: 1 Fraser Turner 2 Fraser Lines 3 Harry Gemmil and Heather Millar. Special prize for valuation of four heifers: Hugh McCorrindale. Ballywilline Cup: Fraser Turner. YFC: Kevin McIntyre. Warnock Quaich: Joan Pirie. Jackson Cup for the most points overall: William Semple.



One of the animals. 25_c35stockjudging03



Above: Cup winners present on the night were: Kevin McIntyre, Joan Pirie and Fraser Turner. 25_c35stockjudging01



Right: Part of the crowd. 25_c35stockjudging02

Four-year-old Alyssa rides to show title

A YOUNG rider grabbed a piece of history as she won the horse and pony section at the 150th Kintyre Agricultural Show.

Taking to the field at Anderston Park on August 5, around 45 rider and horse combinations took centre stage.

Alyssa McEachern, just four at the time of the competition, now five, was crowned after winning two categories outright with her section A pony Springbourne Constellation.

Sarah Bateman was named reserve champion.

Full results: Class 88 Horse Turn-out: 1 Sarah Bateman 2 Kathryn McGeachy 3 Sue Clayton. Class 89 Ridden Horse: 1 Sarah Bateman 2 Beth McEachern 3 Ashleigh Kilgour. Class 90 Ridden Pony: 1 Laura Campbell 2 Lauren Johnson 3 Caitlin Ronald. Class 91 Small M&M Ridden: 1 Iris McMillan 2 Zoe Prentice 3 Niah Martin. Class 91 Small M&M In-hand: 1 Alyssa McEachern 2 Tegan McSporran 3 Blayre Rennie. Class 92a Large M&M Ridden: 1 Jadie Baillie 2 Ashleigh Kilgour 3 Bethan Lemmon. Class 92b Large M&M In-hand: 1 Kerry Hopes 2 Marije Terpstra 3 Caitlin Ronald. Class 93 - Happy Hacker: 1 Kathryn McGeachy 2 Julie Sloan 3 Sue Clayton. Class 94 - Ridden Coloured: 1 Laura Campbell 2 Bethan Lemmon 3 Sharon Baikie. Class 95 - Ridden Veteran: 1 Ashleigh Kilgour 2 Alyssa McEachern 3 Julie Sloan. Class 96 - Working Hunter Pony: J1 Bethan Lemmon and Jadie Baillie. 2

Claudia Foster. Class 97 - Working Hunter Horse: 1 Karen Dixon J2 Elaine Fraser and Ashleigh Kilgour J3 Julie Sloan and Kathryn McGeachy. Class 98 - Pony Turnout: 1 Alyssa McEachern 2 Isla McShannon 3 Rebecca Baillie. Class 99a - Lead Rein: 1 Georgia Foster 2 Zoe Prentice 3 Cara Cameron. Class 99b - First Ridden: 1 Niah Martin 2 Iris McMillan 3 Alyssa McEachern. Class 100 - Young Rider: 1 Jadie Baillie 2 Rebecca Baillie 3 Claudia Foster. Class 101 - In-hand Young Handler: 1 Lauren Johnson 2 Georgia Foster 3 Rebecca Baillie. Class 102 - Open In-Hand: 1 Andrea McShannon 2 Rebecca Baillie 3 Kerry Hope. Championships: Garth Cup: Alyssa McEachern. Susan Maloney Cup: Niah Martin. Currie Cup: Sarah Bateman. Emerald Utility Cup: Laura Campbell. Kintyre Cup: Jadie Baillie. Tangy Cup: Alyssa McEachern. Watt Cup: Overall Champion: Alyssa McEachern. Reserve Champion: Sarah Bateman.



Alyssa with her arms full of trophies and rosettes from the day.

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Sandra shines at Ardrishaig Flower Show

CARRADALE'S Sandra Galbraith potted her way to the top vase category in the Ardrishaig Flower Show.

Held last week, Ardrishaig Horticultural Society hosted its 65th annual show attracting a very healthy entry of fruit, vegetables and crafts.

Sandra also won a cup for her six roses display.

Alan Green opened

the show, which this year featured extra tables courtesy of Ardrishaig Community Trust, allowing exhibits to be spread around the hall.

Mr Green, a former Ardrishaig resident and keen horticulturalist, said: 'The standard and quality of exhibits is second to none, and the tender loving care given to the exhibits has never lowered in

all the years I've been here. The standard keeps going up.'

Show president Neil John MacLean said: 'We are looking for new committee members, so the more people, the better. We could use more help.'

Hugh MacLeod from Benderloch won best in show and second in the horticultural section, taking home two rosettes.

CLACHAN / TARBERT

Wrestling stars confirmed for tussle in Tarbert Village Hall

SCOTTISH wrestling sensation Grado is set to take to the ring in Tarbert in aid of Clachan Village Hall.

The Scottish Wrestling Alliance (SWA) are bringing the elite wrestling showcase, taking place in Tarbert Village Hall on Friday Octo-

ber 7, to Kintyre to help raise funds for the Clachan Village Hall Development Fund.

Grado, of TNA Impact Wrestling and Insane Fight Club fame, competes in the UK and America and is also known for his acting credentials in BBC comedy *Scot Squad* and drama *River City*.

He is well known for his comedic antics in the ring, including finishing moves such as 'Get tae yer bed' and 'The wee boot'.

He will be joined in the ring by Scottish heavyweight champion, Mark Coffey, Kenny Williams and Scotland's 'Iron Man', Joe Coffey. Kintyre's wrestling fans are sure to welcome the event after a year of disappointment, with two Megaslam events cancelled within a month.

Tickets are available from Clachan Filling Station and Kintyre Electrical, Tarbert.

For more information, visit the SWA Facebook page or visit @TarbertSWAshow on Twitter.

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Whisky Macs Fringe fires up MOKFest

By Claire Thomson
 ONE OF the Wee Toon's favourite watering holes hosted a number of sessions to provide the perfect accompaniment to MOK Fest.

Last weekend, Whisky Macs Fringe Festival offered Kintyre's music fans three nights



The Shift taking to the stage.

of live music, packed bars and spirited sing-a-longs.

Local band Violent Echo kickstarted the festivities on Friday night and played to a full bar for almost four hours.

Cancellation

The Scottish summer rebelled against revelers on Saturday as the cancellation of MOK Fest's Doon the Green and the parade forced a change of plans.

The front man of Campbeltown favourites, The Twisted Melons, was due to host an open mic night following the parade.

Following its cancellation, the band took to the stage to entertain



The Twisted Melons during the open mic session.

disappointed crowds, before multi-tasking front man Paul Johnson hosted the open mic later that afternoon.

Bar manager Lewis Nelson said: 'This was one of the highlights of the festival for me. The place was buzzing.

Everyone was singing along and dancing.'

Before playing Sunday's Survivors' night, Glasgow-based band The Shift opened the Saturday night stage at Whisky Macs.

Oban rockers The Signal Fires brought the evening to a rau-

cous close with covers of Biffy Clyro and Foo Fighters among original material.

Sunday was an altogether more subdued affair and saw newly formed acoustic duo Under Smoke perform an intimate acoustic set in the afternoon.



The Signal Fires headlined Saturday night.

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Independent living on Islay

Cathie Stevenson, aged 75, recently moved into Trust Housing's sheltered development at Port Ellen.

Cathie was born in Neriby Cottage, Bridgend and left school at 15 to work on Ballmartin Farm for 2 years, she left Islay and went to work in a hotel in Tarbert where she met her husband. They came back to Islay six months later and married the following year, she has lived on the Island ever since.

Before moving to Leodamus Place Cathie found she was getting lonely and depressed, her husband sadly passed away 17 years ago and although her family visit often, they have their own lives to live, so Cathie didn't have company on a daily basis. She also started to feel the house she lived in was too big to manage.

Cathie moved in with Trust Housing just over six months ago and although reluctant at first she now says: "I'm as happy as a sand boy as the saying goes, I am really glad I moved into Leodamus Place my flat is lovely and so easy to keep and I've always got someone visiting me between

staff, family and friends the day is not so long and I've even started knitting again, a thing I haven't done for two years I just couldn't be bothered before."

A full time onsite staff presence is part of the service Trust provides, which gives peace of mind to Cathie, she enjoys the company and knows she is safe and secure: "If I need help I just need to pull the emergency cord or use my pendant and help is there."

All Trust tenants' have the choice of as much or as little support as they need. For Cathie this is two visits a day, but she also knows if she needs help the staff are always there.

Moving to Leodamus Place has improved Cathie's quality of life significantly, she explains: "I'm not so stressed out sitting worrying about silly things. When you have people around you all the time, or just knowing they are there makes a difference. I regularly meet up with old friends that live here and am getting to know new people as we meet up in the lounge for tea and light lunches, it is really nice everyone here is just so friendly."



Poignant return to favourite place

A reminiscence of George Townsley BEM 1929-2016

By FIONA SHIELDS
THE Glasgow Fair had once again arrived.

My dad, George Townsley, the manager of a Glasgow light engineering firm, is out early morning packing the car with the suitcase and, of course, his golf clubs. He picked up my grandpa and we were off.

No toilet or lunch stops en route – my dad would be booked on the first tee at Machrihanish for 1pm so it was full speed all the way and heaven help us if we got caught behind a bus at Loch Lomond.

To this day, I don't know how we all managed to get in the car, a Wolseley Hornet, the size of an old Mini. But one thing was for sure: the golf clubs would never be left behind.

We would drop my grandpa at his Millknowe pal's and occasionally see him over the next two weeks, usually in Woolworths. We picked him up on the way back out of the town when we were going home.

Anticipation

Big Jim and Peter Kelly, Wullie Colville, Dan Stalker, to name but a few, would be waiting with anticipation for my dad coming down for the fortnight's holiday because they knew there would be plenty of golf, lots of whisky and many stories, new and old.

The golf would be challenging because they all wanted to beat him.

Sometimes they did but sometimes they didn't and for years

he regaled us with the stories of every game. Even 40 years on he could tell you every shot. Machrihanish was his favourite place in the world.

George played two games of golf every day and came to meet my mum and me in the town for lunch.

It never bothered my mum that he played so much golf because we always had a great time too. They spent great nights out at the clubhouse. I would sit in the foyer – and everybody going in and out would buy me crisps and a drink. I don't know how I wasn't 20st by the time I was 12.

If they had a night out in the town, I would be looked after by my 'auntie' Annie Kelly.

We would bake and knit. I even took my first steps in her living room at Machrihanish on my first ever holiday at 11 months old when we sailed down the watter on the boat.

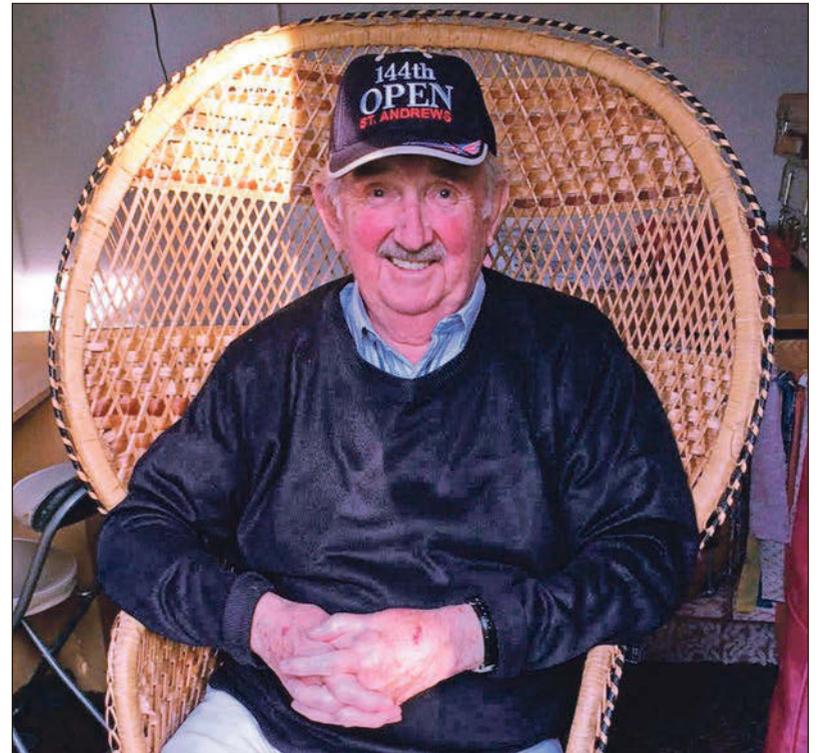
Dad was probably the only George Townsley ever to be a country member at Machrihanish.

Of course our name got us quite a few second glances.

My dad was George as was his father before him and my grandmother was Mary ... just like old Geordie and Mary who stayed at Trench Point.

When I married a Campbeltown man, Lenny Shields, 10 years ago people kept appearing at the reception to see my dad and my mum Nancy as it had been so long since they had been in Campbeltown.

Charlie McMillan, just back with the pipe band, came in and more stories were enjoyed and a good few glasses of whisky were drunk. Lenny was amazed at just how many people they knew.



George Townsley, whose British Empire Medal was for services to industry during the Falklands War.

But what a lot of people didn't know was that we had an even longer association with Campbeltown.

Pregnant

My grandfather was born to Mary Downie Smith from Campbeltown and the story goes she got pregnant when she worked in service in Govan.

I have a letter written by her dated December 1891, a month after he was born, giving up the boy child known as George Downie Smith, my grandfather, to Jo-

seph and Mary Townsley, a gamekeeper, and his wife from Kilberry.

He wasn't happy there and ran away several times, eventually enlisting in the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.

He married my grandmother, Mary Carmichael Sinclair, who was born in Cross Street, Campbeltown, daughter of Peter Sinclair, carpenter, and Janet McKinven in the Longrow Church, where Lenny and I also got married.

They had five children – four sons and one daughter. Sadly, my mum passed away the year after Lenny and I got married.

My dad moved to be nearer to us in a lovely little house in St Andrews, which he loved. Unfortunately, he no longer played golf but he still loved watching every game on the TV and telling his grandchildren all about his times in Machrihanish.

We all had a lovely week with him at Wreck Cottage behind the first tee four years ago, the last time he would ever be there. Sadly, he passed away this year.

He always said he had a great life and I know that a lot of that was because of the wonderful times and friends he made in the place he loved so much.

There is no other place in the world they would rather be than at Machrihanish.

We are bringing their ashes to scatter at Machrihanish so they can be together again and so we as a family can continue to have holidays there, make more happy memories and know they will always be with us.



George and Nancy Townsley, whose ashes will be scattered at Machrihanish.

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'first and foremost Hijobs is a technology company that just happens to be working in the recruitment market. Just because we are local doesn't mean that we have cut any corners on the functionality of our site. In fact, I would say that our development is at the absolute cutting edge of our market.'

So what makes Hijobs so special?

- It is a local service with national capability
- It works on all devices and crucially you can apply for a job straight from your pocket using your phone
- Once you have uploaded your documents they are there for you to use at the click of a button
- You can set specific job alerts to guarantee you get to know about new jobs first
- Integration with social media means that this multichannel approach achieves a higher reach for local recruiters.
- Hundreds of local recruiters have signed up to Hijobs
- Thousands of local candidates



have signed up

- It helps local people stay in the local area

Laura takes up the story: 'I am passionate about giving local people the same, if not better, access to jobs as people living in the bigger cities and towns. Just because you want to live somewhere slightly remote doesn't mean you deserve a second-class service. No-one else caters for smaller communities the way Hijobs does and no-one else has the unique technology that Hijobs is built upon.'

So if you are job hunting and want

to live or continue to live in Argyll and Bute or the Highlands and Islands, signing up to Hijobs could be the best move you will ever make. The sign-up process is simple, just go to hijobs.net/account/register – you will soon have a steady flow of suitable jobs delivered straight to your device. As Laura concludes: 'We want Hijobs to empower people to live and work in their local communities and crucially we want to make using that power as simple as possible, straight from their pocket using their phones or tablets.'



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Surveyors predict rise in Scottish house prices

The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) said demand for property continued to outpace supply last month. This was despite a rise in the number of homes coming on to the market. The growth of interest in the Scottish property market bucked the trend across the rest of the UK. Demand for homes in the UK fell back for the first time in over a year, which RICS attributed in part to uncertainty over next month's European Union referendum. The latest RICS UK residential market survey found sales remained steady across Scotland last month, with growth in activity expected to continue. A net balance of 36 per cent more respondents predicted an increase in Scottish property sales over the next quarter. More surveyors also said they expected prices to rise over the next three months. RICS in Scotland director Sarah Speirs said: 'We are seeing a welcome increase in properties coming on to the market and we hope this

will continue in coming months. However, as demand also continues to grow, this supply will not meet market needs and we call on the newly-elected Scottish government to make the increase of housing supply across all tenures a priority.'

Article: The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS)



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Ref. No.	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
16/02141/PPP	Renewal of planning permission in principle reference 13/01936/PPP (Site for the erection of dwellinghouse, installation of septic tank and formation of new access)	Plot 1 274M South West of Grassfield Farm Whitehouse Argyll and Bute	Sub Post Office Harbour Street Tarbert
16/01118/LIB	Reinstate 3 awnings with embossed signage, provide illumination to menu display and fascia sign and installation of replacement windows	Sapphire Seafood Restaurant Arkland Inveraray Argyll and Bute PA32 8UD	Sub Post Office Inveraray
16/02143/PPP	Renewal of planning permission in principle reference 13/01938/PPP (Site for the erection of boathouse (incorporating basic residential accommodation within) installation of septic tank and formation of new access)	Plot 3 South West of Grassfield Farm Whitehouse Argyll and Bute	Sub Post Office Harbour Street Tarbert
16/02220/PP	Renewal of planning permission reference 13/01377/PP - Demolition of the Old Dairy building and erection of 2 no. dwellinghouses	The Old Dairy Kintyre Street Tarbert Argyll and Bute	Sub Post Office Harbour Street Tarbert
16/01958/PP	Erection of dwellinghouse (retrospective)	Inverliever Lodge Ford Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8RH	Mid Argyll Area Office
16/02142/PPP	Renewal of planning permission in principle reference 13/01937/PPP (Site for the erection of dwellinghouse, installation of septic tank and formation of new access)	Plot 2 South West of Grassfield Farm Whitehouse Argyll and Bute	Sub Post Office Harbour Street Tarbert
16/02199/LIB	Installation of access ramp	The Royal Bank of Scotland Plc Church Square Inveraray Argyll and Bute PA32 8TY	Sub Post Office Inveraray

Written comments can be made to the above address or submitted online <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/find-and-comment-planning-applications> within 21 days of this advert. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence. Any letter of representation the Council receives is considered a public document and will be published on our website. Anonymous or marked confidential correspondence will not be considered. A weekly list of all applications can be viewed at all Area Offices, Council Libraries and on the Councils website.

First Registration of a Croft
Lachlan McQueen Wotherspoon has registered his croft Ardailly Mill, Isle of Gigha, Parish of Gigha, on the Crofting Register held by the Registers of Scotland. Any person who wishes to challenge the registration may apply to the Scottish Land Court by 1 May 2017.

Details of the registration can be found at www.crofts.ros.gov.uk/register/home. The croft registration number is A0442.

Amended Registration Of A Croft
Maryanne Logie has amended the registered parties of the Croft Tigh Na Croit on the Crofting Register held by the Registers of Scotland. Any person who wishes to challenge the registration may apply to the Scottish Land Court by 3 May 2017. Details of the registration can be found at www.crofts.ros.gov.uk/register/home. The Croft registration number is C2428.

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 Meeting to be held on
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 (Please note change of original date) at 7.30pm in Lorne & Lowland Church Hall, Campbeltown
 Guest speaker: Rev Angus Morrison from Central Baptist Church, Dundee
 Tea/coffee served after the meeting
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Sunday Worship
 Sunday 28th August 2016
 Kilmartin 10.00am
 All welcome
 SCO 02121



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Sunday 28th August
 11.00 am WORSHIP SERVICE
 Rev. Hilda Smith
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Saturday 27th August COFFEE MORNING
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Every Wednesday
 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Drop-In Cafe
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Sunday 28th August 2016
 Skipness Service 10.00am
 Marilyn Shedden
 Tarbert Service 11.30am
 Rev. Margaret Anderson
 Kilberry Service 2pm
 Congregational Led Service
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Sunday 28th August
 "It is good to sing praises to our God"
 Services in Achahoish at 9:45am
 Ardrishaig at 11:00am

SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCHES

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 Bishopton Road,
 Lochgilphead (SC013787)
Sunday 28th August
 11.00 am
 Service of Healing
St. Columba, Poltalloch
 (SC031391)
1st Sunday of the month
 9.00am Holy Communion
3rd Sunday of the month
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Sunday 28 August
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 Scottish Charity Number
 SCO11686

Sunday 28th August
 Morning Service 11.15am
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 Rev W Crossan
Tuesday 30th August
 Tiny Tots New Hall 9.45am
Thursday 1st September
 Choir Practice

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE

Sunday 28th August 2016
 Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair
 Charity No. SC016097
 Minister:
 Rev. Dr. Roderick D. M. Campbell
 Morning Service
 in Cumlodden Church at 10 am

Glendaray and Inveraray
 Charity No. SC016665
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 in Inveraray Church at 11.30 am
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 Saturday 5pm Fr. David Connor
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LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN
Sunday 28th August 2016
11.00am
 Speaker - Graham McLean
 'Grieve not the Holy Spirit'
 Light lunch afterwards
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Tuesday 30th August 2016
 7.30pm
 Prayer, Word and Sharing
All Welcome



Lochgilphead baptist church
 Pastor Derek Gibson
 All Welcome
Sunday 28th August 2016
 Morning Service 11am
Friday
 Jumpstart
 From 10am
 From newborn to preschool
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Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



LIKE a miser trying to hide his jewels, the mist clung to the coastline of Barra, concealing the beauty of this glorious island. As we approached Castlebay, the mist enveloped us and flirted with the boat itself.

It was wet and dreich and I was so disappointed. Instead of pipers to welcome us, there was an army of boot-legged midges.

As members of presbytery, we were over to celebrate the induction of the new minister of Barra and South Uist. The island was buzzing with excitement and anticipation as they had waited eight long years for this day.

The church looked beautiful. Banners heralded this event and cakes were baked.

The morning began wet and misty again, but soon the mist relinquished its grasp to reveal one of the most delightful islands I have ever seen. White bays, washed by turquoise seas, nestled round every bend.

The sun joined in the celebrations and I have certainly never seen anywhere more beautiful. It was a wonderful day.

The service brought minister and congregations together, along with the support of their Catholic friends and neighbours from the islands.

Symbols of shared ministry were accepted and vows were made. It was a wonderful day.

The sun shone as we left the church and took time to chat and rejoice with the islanders on their new journey.

A social was followed by a ceilidh which was a great ending to a great day. When we came out of the hall, there was one more delight.

A full moon lit up the sea at Castlebay and stars began to speckle the night sky.

It was as if God was giving a final blessing on this special time of worship and friendship.

I thought of the lovely words from Genesis: 'And the Spirit of God moved across the waters.'

From our files:

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO AUGUST 30 1991

Explosion rocks village

FORTY-NINE windows were shattered and a six-year-old girl narrowly escaped injury in an early morning explosion that rocked the Islay village of Port Ellen.

Little Michelle Pattison was dressing in her bedroom when she was showered with splintered glass at 8.30am last Sunday morning.

'It's amazing she wasn't hurt,' said her mother, Isabel Pattison.

'She was standing with her back to the window when it happened. I had just taken the baby in from the back of the house.

'All seven of my back windows were blown in. It sounded just like a plane crash.'

Police were alerted to the incident at 16 Cnoc-na-Fair, Port Ellen. It is thought a spark from a freezer, stored in an outbuilding, ignited a leak from a propane gas cylinder.

Police sources revealed that the tenant of the house, fisherman James

Brown, had a number of freezers and a propane gas cylinder stored in a metal freight container – which was in use as a garden shed – at the rear of his house.

FIFTY YEARS AGO AUGUST 25 1966

Pupils in 'tied' player row

KINTYRE Amateur Football League Committee will tonight sit in judgement over one of the biggest rows to hit local league football for several seasons.

The row blew up after the second game in a two-leg semi-final tie between Campbeltown Pupils A.F.C and R.A.F. Machrihanish, to decide who would go through to meet Lochend in the final of the McMaster Campbell Cup. Now the final - which was to have been played on August 13 - has been postponed until the committee's decision becomes known after tonight's meeting.

The Pupils had already won the first leg of the home-and-away tie by two goals to one, at their home ground Kinloch Park on August 8.

The second game, played at the air

force team's pitch at Machrihanish ended in a three-all draw, good enough to put the Pupils through to the final by one goal.

And that was when the row blew up. RAF immediately lodged a protest that one of the Pupils' players in the second game was ineligible to play for them as he was already cup-tied to another team, Caledonia, who had been knocked out of the competition in the preliminary rounds.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO AUGUST 26 1916

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Fairground fun and frolics over

THRILL-SEEKERS will be disappointed to lose the fairground as it packs up its bags after MOK Fest. Youngsters and adults alike have found fun on the rides at Kinloch Green, including the hair-raising La Bamba which has produced screams audible all the way down to Campbeltown Loch.

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BIRTHS

DANIELS - Jack Daniels and Tracey Andrews are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Jack James Taylor Daniels, born Tuesday, August 16, 2016 at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow. Both families are absolutely delighted.



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MARRIAGES



KEYTE - RENFREW

Both families are delighted to announce the marriage of John to Jane, on July 28, 2016, in Bellagio, Lake Como, Italy. A truly wonderful day.



LIVINGSTONE - INNES

At St Marnocks Parish Church, Kilmarnock, on Friday, August 5, 2016, by Reverend James McNaughtan, Laura Jane, only daughter of William and Margaret, Campbeltown, to George Alexander, only son of Wilson and Eileen, Kilmarnock. A wonderful day.

DEATHS

GRUNEWALD - On August 7, 2016, after a short illness, Kathleen (Kathy) Grunewald, aged 62 years, formerly of 61 MacDonald Terrace, Lochgilhead, beloved and much loved mother of Barry and Brian, adored granny of Jack and Molly, dearly loved sister of Anne and Margaret, and a loving aunt, sister-in-law and cousin to all the family. A good friend and former work colleague to many. A memorial service was held in Lochgilhead Parish Church, on Tuesday, August 23, 2016. Sadly missed.

M A C C A L L U M - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on August 16, 2016, Jean MacCallum, in her 87th year, Argyll House, Argyll Street, Campbeltown, formerly of Courthill, Kilkerran Road, Campbeltown. A respected friend to all who knew her. Funeral private.

MCKERRAL - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on August 20, 2016, Martha Johnston McKerral, in her 75th year, 157 Ralston Road, Campbeltown, dearly beloved daughter of the late James and Mary McKerral, much loved sister of Agnes, James and Morag and a loving sister-in-law and aunt. Service in the Salvation Army Citadel, on Friday, August 26, 2016 at 11.00am, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Salvation Army, Campbeltown.

MUNRO - Suddenly at home, 5 Wallace Cottages, Southend, on August 21, 2016, Ian MacLeod Munro, in his 82nd year, formerly of Lochinver, dearly beloved husband of Helen (Ella) and a much loved stepfather of Helen, Mary, Anne, Margaret and Robert. Service in Southend Parish Church, on Thursday, August 25, 2016 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Keil Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the church.

SINCLAIR - Joyce. At Crosshouse Hospital,

Kilmarnock on August 17, 2016, Joyce Sinclair, aged 82 years, formerly of Dalbuie Cottage, Inveraray, a dear mother of Jonathan.

SMITH - On August 18, 2016, peacefully at Lorn and Islands Hospital, Oban, Florence Morven Morrison Smith, Nee Campbell, in her 90th year, beloved wife of the late Douglas Smith, much loved mother of Hilary and Colin and a dearly loved sister, aunt and Grandma. Funeral service (today) Friday 26th August, at 12 noon, interment thereafter at Carrick Cemetery, to which all friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers only please, donations if desired to Tarbert Free Church.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

M A C C A L L U M - Dilys, Carol, Malcolm and Rachael would like to convey their sincere thanks to all the thoughtful people who visited, sent flowers and cards, as well as the many phone calls, following Murray's passing. Special thanks to the Acute Ward at Campbeltown Hospital for their care and compassion in Murray's final days, to Rev Philip Wallace for the beautiful service and to David McEwan for the stunning music. Thanks also to all who attended Murray's service and for the donations totalling £605.15 for Alzheimer Scotland. The family would also like to thank the late Alasdair, Kenneth and Rhys Blair for all their help and professional arrangements.

MACINNES - The family of the late Catherine MacInnes would like to thank all relatives, friends, neighbours and work colleagues for the many kind expressions of sympathy, flowers, phone calls, cards and visits received following their recent sad loss. Special thanks to Dr Harris for her support, and to local ambulance staff and police officers for their kindness shown to all. Our sincere thanks to Catherine's support workers from Affinity Trust for their exceptional care and support given to Catherine, and for their continued support to our family. Grateful thanks to Rev Derek Gibson for a most appropriate and comforting service; to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for

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IN MEMORIAM

GARDNER - Edwin Paul, died August 23, 2015.

Always loved, always remembered. Treasured and cherished memories. - Christine, Jamie, Angie and family.

MACINTYRE - In loving memory of my dear parents, Angus and Mary. Beautiful memories silently kept. - Catherine, David and family.

MCKERRAL - Neil, a loving and much loved son, brother and uncle, who died August 28, 2008.

Missed every day. - Mum, Iain, Marie and Phil. Miss you lots, Uncle Neil xx. - Hannah and Liam.

MITCHELL - In loving memory of our dear father, grandfather, great grandfather (Johnnie),

died August 29, 1995. Always in our thoughts. - From all the family x.

ORR - In loving memory of Uncle Archie, who died August 26, 2003. - Remembered with love from all the family.

SHIELDS - In loving memory of our mother and grandmother, Rita. I could search the whole world over Until the end of time And never find a mother As wonderful as mine And if there is another life And we are born once more I pray that God will give to me The mother I had before. - Carole-Anne, John, Scott, Yvonne, Leigh-Anne and Mhairi.

SHIELDS - In memory of Rita. Gone, not forgotten. - Meg.

SHIELDS - In memory of a dear friend Rita. Never more than a thought away Quietly remembered every day Miss you. - Andrea.

WAGGETT - Raymond, died August 23, 2012, a much loved brother, uncle and great uncle.

So dearly loved, so sadly missed. Always in our hearts. - Mike, Dot, Teddy, Brian, Amanda, Yasmine, Claire, Gemma and Darren.



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Scott plays smashing tennis to win Wright Ogilvy Cup

A PRIMARY player aced the opposition to win the Wright Ogilvie Cup 6-1 at Campbeltown Tennis Club.

The young tennis stars competed in glorious sunshine for nearly three hours until Scott Graham beat

Euan Dott in the final to lift the cup.

A spokesperson said: 'It is the pair's last year in primary and the

next day both started at Campbeltown Grammar School so next year there are certain to be different finalists.'



Players who took part, excluding Mark, were, from back left, Jane, Euan, Scott, Iona, Calum, Ross, Jamie and Jake. 25_c35tennis02



Jane in action. 25_c35tennis06



Scott in action.

25_c35tennis03



Iona. 25_c35tennis05



Jake. 25_c35tennis04



Winner Scott Graham, left, and runner-up Euan Dott. Both players won their groups to play a keenly contested final with Scott winning 6-1.

July round-up from Machrihanish Golf club

Wylie wins five-club challenge

THE EVERGREEN Finlay Wylie got his selection bang on to take the Dan McKinlay five-club challenge.

Taking place on Wednesday July 20, the event, a non-qualifier in handicap terms, forced golfers to think hard before selecting five clubs to take to the course.

After not managing much when playing with the regulation 14 clubs for the majority of the season, Wylie shot to form scoring a remarkable 75.

Brian Cook was runner-up six shots back.

Former striker scores Ugadale Trophy

THE UGADALE Trophy and July medal was notched by a former Wee Toon footballer.

Played on Saturday July 23, taking the trophy and category one of the medal was Kevan Gilchrist with a terrific score of 77-

8-69 in a very consistent round of 11 pars and seven bogeys.

The former Campbeltown Pupils AFC striker proved it is possible to excel in more than one sport.

Runner-up was Neil McCallum, who also picked up the category two prize in the medal, scoring a fine 80-10-70.

Cameron McGeachy, of Springbank fame, won category three, being the only man to brave the competition with a handicap of 19 or more.

Michael Morrison and Andy Armour were the runners-up in categories one and two of the medal respectively.

MacArthur wins Centenary Trophy with great round

LADIES took to the nine-hole Pans course to play off for the Centenary Trophy.

On July 23, Maggie MacArthur took the honours with a magnificent round of 91-20-71.

Linda Wallace pipped her playing part-

ner, Jennifer Gilchrist, into second place on the better inward half as both finished tied on net scores of 73.

Stirling University youngster gives locals a lesson

A STIRLING student on his summer break gave a masterclass at Machrihanish to win the John McLean competition.

The two-round scratch competition, played on July 30 and 31, saw teenager Andrew Wallace grab the overnight lead after the first round with a sensational score of one under par 69, his round including three birdies.

He went into round two with a one-shot lead from 16-time club champion Stuart Campbell, who had a round of 70, which included a birdie at the hardest hole on the course, the 14th.

Steven Gilmour, 2016 club champion, shot 76 for third place, tied with Matthew MacAulay.

Best net score of the first round, with the

exception of Andrew Wallace's 65, was Adrian Palmer's outstanding 83-17-66.

Sunday welcomed the conclusive second round and conditions were tough with a blustery wind and some showers.

Leaders Wallace and Campbell came out on top again and scored identical five over par 75s, meaning it was young Wallace who took the title over the two rounds, with a terrific effort of 69+75 = 144.

Campbell finished runner up 70+75 = 145, third place went to Matthew MacAulay 76+79 = 155.

Gallacher takes Rose Bowl title with narrow victory

ANN Gallacher won the Silver Rose Bowl by the narrowest of margins with a wonderful score of 80-9-71, which included three birdies.

Played on Saturday July 30, Linda Wallace was the runner-up 89-17-72, beating Catherine Dobbie 84-12-72 into third place via better inward half.

Cooper honoured by Heidbangers

THE DUNAVERTY Heidbangers paid tribute to departing club steward Jim Cooper at their 'Gone But Not Forgotten' competition. Cooper, who has looked after the Heidbangers for seven years, is leaving the role and was presented with a bottle of 10-year-old Hazelbank whisky as a token of appreciation.

The event is held in memory of 13 members who have died over the years, and 18

members of the group enjoyed a rare day of sunshine to compete for the Robert Allan jnr sponsored trophy.

Despite the very fine weather, the scores were not particularly high as the players struggled in the calm conditions.

Danny Halliday led the way with 36 stableford points but was overtaken by Robin Finlay who came in with 38.

Last year's winner, Robert Allan jnr,

retained the trophy with an excellent 40 points.

Robert's mother, Jean, donated a box of Callaway balls for a second shot nearest the pin on the 18th green that was won by Alastair Brown.

The club wish Jim well in his new job.

Full results: 1 Robert Allan jnr 40 points
2 Robin Finlay 38
3 Danny Halliday 36
4 Stewart McGougan 35
5 Jim Cooper 34
6 Bill Brannigan 34.



Bill presenting Jim with the bottle of whisky before teeing off.

Sibling success for Glenbarr athletes

THE Brownlee brothers may have stormed to success in Rio, but Team GB's future is secure in the hands of Kintyre's own Campbell brothers.

Impressive

Cameron and Gregor Campbell of Glenbarr put in an impressive performance at the Scottish Age Group

Championships at Grangemouth Stadium. The sporting siblings proved that they can go the distance in their respective 1,500 metre races.

Gregor Campbell won silver in the under-13s race, storming over the finish line in four minutes and 45.6 seconds.

Older brother Cameron reached the final of the under-15s race and finished eighth in a time of four minutes and 40 seconds.

Gold

Argyll's athletes soared in the jumping events. Jilly Lefebvre of Kilmichael Glassary, a member of Mid Argyll Athletics

Club, struck gold in the under-13s high jump, clearing a personal best of 1.46 metres.

Personal best

Jodie Robertson, also of Mid Argyll, jumped a personal best of 9.55 metres in the under-15s triple jump and narrowly missed out on a bronze medal by 7cm.

Brothers keep it in the family

THE ARCHIE MacNab Memorial Cup went down to the wire as the late golfer's sons competed at Glenralloch.

The final round was played last Saturday in favourable conditions, with Kenny MacFarlane unable to defend his first round lead due to work commitments.

A tightly-bunched

group were left to battle for the cup, with brothers John and Bruce MacNab going head to head.

Bruce began the day five points behind and made inroads in the first nine, reducing the deficit to two. Both played steadily on the back nine, with Bruce finally catching John back up on the 16th.

John had other ideas and rolled in a majestic 14-foot birdie on the 18th to clinch victory by just one point.

The final score was: 1 John MacNab 79; 2 Bruce MacNab 78; 3 Malcolm McAlpine 75.

Tomorrow sees the Tarbert Golf Club Am-Am. For a tee off time phone 01880 820565.

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**Ladies' training
kicks off**

CAMPBELTOWN Pupils Ladies FC have regrouped for training after a half-time break.

Training sessions will kick off at the Meadows on Wednesdays at 6.30pm.

The sessions are led by qualified coaches and are currently open to ladies from S3 and above. Taster sessions for girls in S1 and S2 will be held on August 31 and September 7 with a view to merging the groups in the future.

Campbeltown and District Juvenile Football Association's coaching sessions for girls between P4 and S1 begin today, Friday August 26, at the Meadows from 6pm.

Lotto results

THERE were no winners of the Dunaverty Golf Club three number lottery.

Drawn on August 21, the winning numbers were 5, 9 and 10.

The next draw for a jackpot of £700 will take place on September 4. Tickets are available from the clubhouse, committee members, Muneroy tearoom and the Burnside bar.

Machrihanish Golf Club lottery, drawn on August 22, also went unclaimed. The winning numbers were 1, 5 and 8 and a jackpot of £700 will be played for on August 29.

Carradale rue missed chances

Carradale	2
United Glasgow	3
West of Scotland League	

CARRADALE were left cursing their profligacy after losing their opening home league game of the season.

After racing into a two-goal lead, Dale threw away their advantage before half-time and then received a knock-out blow in the second half, leaving them still waiting for their first league points of the season.

The Andrew Smith-sponsored side took to the 3G pitch last Saturday on the back of an opening day defeat to Cardross, and almost made amends immediately after Gregor Croll was played through on goal in the opening minute.

The visiting keeper narrowed the angle well, though, and Croll's shot flew past the post.

Dale were on top in the opening stages, and almost took the lead again after clever play between David Johnstone and Cam-

my Maguire released Ryan Blackstock. The keeper made a good save with his foot from 12 yards to keep the scores level.

The home side finally opened the scoring after 22 minutes, when Johnstone's clever through ball beat Glasgow's high line and Croll collected and fired the team ahead.

Dale doubled their lead when Rhys Blair's free-kick was headed on by Croll and finished off by Blackstock from close range.

The home side were totally dominant, and nearly made it three when Cammy Maguire's free-kick smashed off the post. Joey Boyd ran in on the rebound but the ball came back too quickly and he couldn't convert.

Dale were sucker-punched before half-time when Glasgow scored with their first shot on target.

From their own corner, United's first-time

clearance released their left winger on the break and, with Dale's keeper Neil McMillan racing out to clear the danger, he fired into an unguarded goal from outside the box.

The goal rattled the home team, and within minutes Blair brought down the visitors' number eight for a stonewall penalty. Glasgow's captain emphatically converted into the roof of the net to level the tie on the stroke of half-time.



Maguire shields the ball 25_c35carradale06

After dominating the first half, Carradale were stunned to go in level and emerged a different team in the second.

The visitors took the lead in the 56th minute, as another poor offside trap attempt allowed

their number nine to round the keeper and slot home.

Dale rallied and had two strong penalty claims denied. The first saw Maguire levelled on the edge of the box, which could have been given inside but was deemed to be inches outside.

With 10 minutes to go Maguire was taken out again, this time clearly inside the box, but the referee waved away the protests.

With time slipping away, Dale had one last clear chance to level. With just seven minutes to play, Daniel Docherty found space on the right and fired a looping half volley past the despairing keeper.

The emphatic shot cannoned off the bar and out, and Dale had to accept their second league defeat of the season.

Man of the match was awarded to Cammy Maguire, on his first league game, having been injured in the pre-season, and the match ball was sponsored by Gerry Nugent.



Two Dale players attacking a header. 25_c35carradale07

Scottish AFL results and fixtures

LAST Saturday's results: Premier Division – Campbeltown Pupils v St Joseph's FP, postponed; Motherwell Thistle 3, Oban Saints 3; Premier 2A – Millerston 0, Lochgilphead Red Star 9; Premier 2B – Tarbert 1, Port Glasgow 4.

This Saturday's fixtures: Premier Division – East Kilbride v Campbeltown Pupils; Oban Saints v Inverclyde; Premier 2A – Lochgilphead Red Star v Houston; Premier 2B – East End United v Tarbert.



Croll puts Carradale ahead. 25_c35carradale04

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