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A handshake and a hug for stem cell hero David

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A dad from Devon travelled to Argyll last week for his first meeting with the man who saved his life.

Brett Grist from Teignmouth was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukaemia in May 2014 and, after relapsing following three cycles of chemotherapy, he was told a stem cell transplant would be his best chance of survival.

That anonymous stem cell donation came from Lochgilphead man David MacInnes.

David joined the Anthony Nolan stem cell register in his teens after a friend lost his cousin to leukaemia.

He explained: 'There's a big following for Anthony Nolan in our area because a few years ago the cousin of one of my best friends, a young woman called Johanna, needed a transplant. She died because there was no match, but I signed up because of her.'

Brett received his transplant in October 2015 and,

after a long recovery, is now healthy and well. The identity of recipient and donor must be kept confidential for two years, to protect them both, but the pair exchanged cards, giving Brett and David the chance to learn a bit about each other.

Then, on Sunday June 3, the long-awaited meeting took place in Campbeltown.

Brett continued: 'I had butterflies before we met.

'I was a little bit lost for words but I gave David a hug and shook hands and said thank you.

'We had a lovely evening together with our families and the kids played together, which was great.

'Without David, my kids would have grown up without a father.

'The first couple of minutes were a little bit overwhelming because there was so much anticipation,' said David.

'Our kids got along really well and I see us becoming friends rather than anyone feeling like they owe us something,' he continued.

David now works for the

David, left, and Brett had an emotional first meeting last week.



Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) and is involved in its partnership with Anthony Nolan, which has now recruited more than 10,000 potential donors.

Amy Bartlett, regional development manager for Scotland said: 'The SFRS and Anthony Nolan partnership has already resulted in 28 people donating stem cells

but Brett and David are the first pair who have been able to meet, so it's an exciting moment.

'I would encourage anyone who is aged 16-30 and in

good health to consider joining the register and visit anthonymolan.org/join. Joining the register is simple and it could save the life of someone like Brett.'

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PC in push for more Keep Safe volunteers

Scheme helps the disabled and vulnerable

A Lochgilphead police officer is urging Mid Argyll businesses to step forward and help support disabled and vulnerable people.

PC Michelle Rusden is promoting the work of the 'I Am Me' community charity, which works closely with Police Scotland to raise awareness of and tackle disability hate crime – one of the most under reported crimes in the UK.

I Am Me works with communities, schools, disability groups and organisations to raise awareness of disability hate crime and just how it can affect people.

A linked initiative Argyll and Bute Keep Safe Places, is aimed at helping disabled, vulnerable and older people feel confident and safe. Such safe places can be shops,



businesses, offices or tourist attractions.

Keep Safe places offer somewhere to go if individuals need help, perhaps because they are lost, they have lost their bus pass or wallet, a phone, or are a victim of crime.

Currently within Argyll and Bute there are 17 Keep Safe places – but PC Rusden wants more.

One such Keep Safe place is Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA) in Oban, where vulnerable people can go and get help from staff trained to help them.

There are criteria which must be met to become a Keep Safe place and Police Scotland carry out background checks before any decision is made.

Once successful background checks are complete, staff undergo training, after which the premises are issued with a Keep Safe business pack and Keep Safe stickers displayed.

Cards containing information to help the holder get help within Keep Safe places are available.

As the local authority liaison officer for Argyll and Bute, PC Rusden is working to increase the number of Keep

Safe places within Argyll and Bute, particularly in more rural areas and islands.

Police Scotland area commander Marlene Baillie said: "This is such a worthwhile initiative and I urge local businesses, shops and other service providers to get involved. The willingness to help people is already clearly evident in our communities across Argyll and Bute, and Keep Safe Places provides easily identified locations where vulnerable people can access that help should it be required."

Anyone interested in becoming part of this initiative should contact PC Michelle Rusden at Lochgilphead Police Station on 101 or email michelle.rusden@scotland.pnn.police.uk for further details.



PC Michelle Rusden wants businesses to come on board.

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Vandalism and drugs

A man, aged 41, was arrested and charged with behaving in an abusive manner, damaging property and possessing cannabis at 10am on Tuesday May 29 at Argyll and Bute Hospital, Lochgilphead.

A report was submitted to the procurator fiscal.

No seat belt

The 69-year-old male driver of a car stopped by police on Tuesday May 29 at 6pm, on Lorne Street, Lochgilphead, was issued with a £100 fixed penalty ticket for not wearing a seat belt.

Assault and drugs

A man, aged 26, has been reported to the procurator fiscal after police arrested and charged him for assault and possessing cannabis at 7pm on Tuesday May 29 in a flat on Lochnell Street, Lochgilphead.

No road tax

A vehicle stopped by police on Park Road, Ardrishaig, at 8pm on Wednesday May 30 had no road tax. The driver, a 46-year-old man, was charged and a report will be submitted to the DVLA.

Lochgilphead assault

A 20-year-old man was arrested and charged with assault at 1pm on Friday June 1 in Argyll Street, Lochgilphead. A report was submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Drugs charges

Police issued a recorded warning to a woman, aged 17, after a search revealed she was in

possession of cannabis on Union Street, Lochgilphead, at 10pm on Friday June 1.

Abusive behaviour

A 36-year-old man who behaved in an abusive manner at 11am on Sunday June 3, in MacKintosh Way, Lochgilphead, was arrested, charged and held for court. A report was submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Drunk in charge of vehicle

At midnight on Saturday June 2, on the A83 near Castleton, a van was stopped for a routine check.

The driver was a learner and the 49-year-old man supervising was arrested for being in charge of the vehicle while under the influence of alcohol. A report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Greenhouse damaged

Sometime between 8pm on Saturday May 12 and 11am on Sunday May 13, glass in a greenhouse in a garden on Manse Brae was damaged by someone throwing stones. Similar damage occurred sometime between 9pm on Tuesday May 15 and 10am on Wednesday May 16.

Toilets damaged

Toilets at Pier Square, Ardrishaig were vandalised sometime between 5pm on Saturday May 26 and 8am on Friday June 1. Doors, locks, lights and toilet bowls were damaged and shower units pulled from the wall.

■ Anyone with information in relation to the above, or to any incident, should contact their local police office on telephone number 101, or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

Ardrishaig Community Trust meeting

The annual general meeting of Ardrishaig Community Trust will be held in the North Hall, Ardrishaig, on Wednesday June 27 at 7.30pm.

The formal business will be followed by an update on current activities and time for questions.

A village meeting will take place in August when there will be more detail on various projects in the village and future plans.

Nominations to become a trust director can be made by requesting a nomination form by email to info@ardrishaigcommunitytrust.org or by contacting any of the current directors. Forms need to be returned by 5pm on Friday June 22.

Springwatch spotlight on Tarbert

Tarbert has featured on the popular BBC nature show Springwatch.

An underwater segment stirred up a buzz on social media with its inside look at the colourful world just beneath the waves.

Diver and cameraman Andy Jackson took to the bottom of Loch Fyne to view what he called 'an underwater garden' and the wonderful creatures within.

The segment was aired on Tuesday June 5 and is available on BBC iPlayer for a limited period.



The weird and wonderful creatures of Loch Fyne featured on the BBC.

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Relief as planked timber is recovered after theft

Colin Cameron

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What began as a rather depressing tale of an opportunist theft in Mid Argyll has turned into something more hopeful.

Minard Community Trust has been overseeing a month-long re-roofing project at the popular village hall.

But the trust posted on Facebook that 20 lengths of new sarking board, required for the renovation, had been stolen sometime overnight

on Thursday May 31. In the social media post the trust wrote: 'Please get in touch if you've seen any suspicious activity at the hall whilst the roofing work has been under way.'

On Monday June 4, Minard Community Trust chairman

Brian Barker called the Advertiser offices to say the missing boards had been recovered.

Mr Barker said: 'We've had some good news. The police tracked down the sarking boards based on bits and pieces of information folk

came forward with. It might not seem like much was stolen, but it would have had a big impact on a community trust project.'

He added: 'Thanks to everyone who helped us to get the material back, and to the police.'

Staff conduct probed as charity shop re-opens

Lochgilphead's British Red Cross shop has re-opened amid investigations into the conduct of a staff member.

The Lochnell Street charity shop closed for around three weeks in May, with the charity offering little by way of explanation at the time as to why the doors had been locked.

In response to questions by the Argyllshire Advertiser, a British Red Cross spokesman

this week gave more detail on the reason for the closure.

He said: 'We confirm an investigation is taking place into the conduct of a member of staff. As the process is ongoing, we are not able to comment further at this stage.'

'Our staff and volunteers are very important to us and our disciplinary processes ensure all employees are treated fairly, taking individual

circumstances into account. We offer our apologies to our loyal customers for the disruption during this time. Our shop in Lochgilphead is open and will return to normal opening hours as soon as possible.'

Donations piled up outside the shop while it was closed. 08_a19redcross02



Monthly book swap in Kilmartin Church

Dunadd Community Enterprise is to host a monthly book swap and tea afternoon.

From 2-4.30pm on the second Wednesday each month, locals are invited to read and discuss books in a peaceful and friendly environment in Kilmartin Church.

The first book swap afternoon will be Wednesday June 13. Everyone welcome.

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Minard to get Friday post office outreach

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Following the closure in April of Minard Post Office at the village shop, the location of a new branch has been determined as the village hall.

Final decisions will, however, be informed by a public consultation which opened on May 1 and will end on Tuesday June 12.

The postmaster from Tarbert Post Office has offered an outreach service to Minard and it is proposed the post office would operate from Minard Village Hall between 2pm and 4pm on Fridays, starting on June 8.

Feedback and ideas can be expressed at postofficeviews.co.uk.

A Post Office customer helpline can be contacted on 03452 660115.

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Pensioner fined after disorderly behaviour

Woman refused to leave a the Islay Frigate Hotel

An 82-year-old woman who behaved in a disorderly manner and failed to leave a Tarbert hotel has been fined at Campbeltown Sheriff Court.

Maureen Jackman, of no fixed abode, was found guilty after a trial of refusing or failing to leave the Islay Frigate Hotel in Tarbert's Harbour Street, where she had been staying, after being asked to do so by the owner, on May 11 this year.

The hotel's owner, who gave evidence as a witness, said that Jackman, who appeared in court from custody, aided by a walking frame, was known to hotel employees and that she did not want her to stay again because of her behaviour during a previous visit, but a new member of

staff accepted the booking.

The witness said Jackman was 'invisible' during her stay and staff could not get access to clean her room because she had locked it from the inside, leaving the owner with no option but to put notes under her door.

The witness said she had given Jackman a specific date to leave, after which the hotel was fully booked, but Jackman appeared at reception before that date with all her bags, refusing to speak to the owner.

When Jackman said: 'I'm leaving', the owner replied: 'I need to speak to you because you need to pay your bills.'

'I need to know where you're going, I need an address.'

She waited an hour before

phoning the police and said Jackman was being 'really abusive'.

When the police arrived, they found Jackman 'sitting on the stairway with all her bags packed'. Police witnesses said they stayed for an hour but could not find any resolution, so they arrested her and brought her to Lochgilphead police office.

When she was searched, she had in excess of £800.

Jackman's defence lawyer Ruben Murdanaigum told the court she had made three payments during her stay and that she had no intention of leaving without paying.

Giving evidence, Jackman said: 'It is my general way of dealing with things, I become reclusive. I retreat into myself

when problems mount up, that's my way of dealing with my situation.

'It was not my intention not to pay.'

Sheriff Patrick Hughes said to Jackman: 'It's the second time in a short period you have passed through the court on an identical matter.'

'You got an absolute discharge last time but you won't this time.'

Imposing a £250 fine, Sheriff Hughes said: 'Your behaviour in this matter has been disgraceful. You have preyed on the generosity of others.'

A charge of obtaining board and lodging to the value of £520 without paying and intending not to pay on the same date was found not proven.

Tig Gallery exhibition

Tighnabruaich's Tig Gallery opened a second exhibition on Wednesday June 6.

The exhibition is titled Of the Land and Sea and features etchings, constructions and drawings of Argyll nature by artist Heather Nevay.

The Of the Land and Sea exhibition will run until Wednesday June 27.



One of the works from the Tig Gallery exhibition.

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Time to back Argyll and Bute's rural growth deal

Argyll and Bute Council is asking the public to 'help bring millions of pounds of investment to the area' by answering a short consultation.

The council, along with public, private and voluntary sector partners, is putting together a bid designed to attract UK and Scottish Government investment through a rural growth deal.

As part of this, the local authority is asking people whether they are in favour of a rural growth deal and how they think investment would make most difference for the people and businesses who live and work across Argyll and Bute.

Councillor Aileen Morton, leader of Argyll and Bute Council, said: 'Argyll and Bute deserves a prosperous future. It deserves investment. A rural growth deal could bring that.'

'A deal wouldn't bring everything everyone wants. It would, however, be a turning point in building a thriving future for the area.'

'Along with our partners we are putting together a proposal for discussion with the UK and Scottish Governments.'

'Areas across Scotland are enjoying the benefits of city deals. Argyll and Bute is the second largest mainland local authority area in Scotland, with the highest number of inhabited islands.'

'We are working for a deal that will address our challenges for economic growth by developing our key opportunities for success.'

'Public backing and input will play an important part in making a deal happen. I would encourage anyone who cares about the future



Council leader Aileen Morton.

of Argyll and Bute to take a moment to answer this consultation.'

You can give your views online at the argyll-bute.gov.uk/rural-growth-deal webpage.

Printed copies of the consultation are available at council customer service points or by calling 01546 604390.

The consultation runs until Friday August 10.

Dramatic way to aid learning at academy

Tarbert Academy primary pupils took part in a drama workshop based on the topics the children are studying.

Rachael MacFarlane, a former pupil of Tarbert Academy, ran the one-day workshop, offering 45-minute sessions to five different year groups within the school.

The history-based workshops which Rachael stages usually take place in London where she lives, but after being given the opportunity to offer the workshops to the Tarbert school, she was pleased to help.

Rachael said: 'I loved bringing drama to the school in this way. I still remember the drama performances I did in Tarbert school.'

'I feel drama gives the pupils a different perspective on the topics they are doing,

bringing them to life.' Tarbert Academy Parent Council funded the workshops for the primary school.

'The children were a delight,' added Rachael, 'and put on some excellent performances, with everything from Scottish castles to The Gruffalo, from Australian wildlife to World War II and the Blitz.'

Many of the pupils said the workshop had helped them understand their topic better, while the teachers said it was something they continued to work on with their pupils in class.

The pupils had a great time, with very positive feedback.

One P2/3 pupil commented: 'It was super good and made you think,' while a P5/6 student remarked: 'It was a fun way to learn.'



Tarbert pupils get into the swing of the drama workshops, which helped their understanding of class topics.

Panto fundraiser in Lochgilphead

Pupil-run Mid Argyll drama group Acting Up Argyll is hosting a coffee morning in Lochgilphead Parish Church Hall on Saturday June 9.

The drama enthusiasts will serve cake, paint faces, host raffles and perform from 9am to noon to raise funds to stage their Jack and the Beanstalk pantomime.

Acting Up Argyll also has a fundraising webpage – gofundme.com/acting-up-argyll-drama-fundraising – where donations can be made towards the cost of the panto.

Summer concert in Lochgilphead

Mid Argyll Youth Chorus will hold a summer concert in Lochgilphead Parish Church Hall.

Starting at 7.45pm on Tuesday June 19, Mid Argyll's talented young singers will mesmerise with beautiful songs and arrangements.

Refreshments will be served after the concert and there will be a collection in aid of Mid Argyll Youth Chorus funds.



Lord of the Isles staff show off their award.

Craobh Haven does the double at Scottish Hospitality Awards 2018

Craobh Haven has won two awards at the 2018 Scottish Hospitality Awards.

Popular restaurant Lord of the Isles won Casual Restaurant Dining of the Year for central region, with restaurant manager Siobhan Macmillan taking home the award for Best Restaurant Manager ahead of city opposition.

Lord of the Isles staff were presented with their awards during a black tie event hosted by STV radio presenter Zara Janjua.

Irfan Younis, chief executive officer of sponsor Creative Oceanic, said: 'We are hon-

oured that our aim to reward some of the top contenders in the Scottish hospitality industry has been successfully met.

'We congratulate all the finalists and winners for their achievements.'

Wil Craig of the Lord of the Isles said: 'We are really trying to put Craobh Haven and Argyll hospitality on the map to encourage tourism to our area and let people know that only a short distance away from the big cities there are fabulous places to eat, drink and stay.'

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Editorial

Modest hero

The last thing David MacInnes sees himself as is a hero.

But we believe differently. His example is heroic, not simply because he donated stem cells, but also with his various fundraising efforts. It can only be hoped others follow his example and find out more about how to get involved in stem cell donation.

Its importance is summed up in a simple statement by stem cell recipient Brett Grist, who said: 'Without David, my kids would have grown up without a father.'

Fyne and friendly

Another Fyne Fest has come and gone, and what a cracking wee festival it is.

In common with other Argyll festivals, there is always a great atmosphere – warm and friendly despite the midges.

No ... even the midges are friendly, relishing getting up close and personal with every festival-goer!

Football success

And well done to the Red Star 2004 players as they retained the cup and won the league against teams from much bigger communities. No mean feat, and congratulations to the coaches and parents, too, for the sacrifices and effort they put in.



Team Pickering after completing their Zipline Zinger. From left: Eli Pickering, Karen Pickering, Marte MacBrayne and Christine Irvine.

Zipline Zinger's MS fundraising thanks

Sir,
We would like to say a great big thank you to everyone who supported and sponsored us for our 'Zipslide Zinger' for the MS Society

Scotland. Between us we raised £2,158. We are overwhelmed by the kindness and generosity that has been shown to us.

Team Pickering, Lochgilphead.

Stoking of division

Sir,
Scotland's public services are set to suffer to the tune of £1.7 billion over the next five years, official figures have confirmed.

The gaping hole was revealed as it was confirmed the SNP is on course to collect significantly less in tax revenues than it had anticipated. The Scottish Fiscal Commission forecast also showed there is an immediate £220 million gap to plug in this year's budget in comparison to projections set out in February.

And GDP figures have also been revised down. Scotland's economic growth is now not expected to exceed one per cent until 2024 at the earliest.

The plummeting performance of Scotland's economy could mean even more tax rises, increased borrowing and further cuts to public services to fill the gap. These devastating statistics are the latest indictment of the separatist's economic negligence. It's high time the SNP sorted this mess out instead of continuing their stoking of division and grievance with relentless calls for a second independence referendum.

Councillor Alastair Redman, Isle of Islay.

Invaluable volunteers

Sir,
As we celebrate Volunteers' Week, I'd like to recognise the invaluable contribution of volunteers.

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Stephanie Stone, London.

Unsung heroes

Sir,
This week, June 1 to June 7, has been Volunteers Week and there is no better time for our unsung heroes, who make a vast difference to so many charitable organisations, to be recognised for their efforts.

For many charities, volunteers play a vital role in their ongoing success. For others, such as Fife Society for the Blind volunteers befrienders make a huge difference to the life of someone with sight loss.

We have found having a volunteer befriender can enable people with sight loss to become active and connected members of their local community. They also reduce feelings of loneliness and isolation and help achieve increased independence.

Carl Hodson, chief executive of Fife Society for the Blind, Kirkcaldy.

YOUR PICTURES

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Ominous skies over Tarbert

This week's photograph comes from Jacqui Barker of Tarbert. It was taken on her Google pixel phone on Saturday June 2 around 6pm.

Jacqui said: 'It was taken from the back of our boat 'Ossia' where she's berthed on the Tarbert pontoons. It was just after the thunder and lightning, before the rain arrived.'



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Police and college charge ahead with car share

In the first scheme of its kind, Argyll College is to share an environmentally-friendly electric car with Police Scotland in Lochgilphead.

Argyll College UHI has added two new Nissan Leaf electric vehicles to its fleet of eight college cars as part of a long-term commitment to reduce the organisation's environmental impact.

The idea came about when both the college and Police Scotland identified a need for a vehicle in Mid Argyll. At that point, Argyll and Bute Community Partnership suggested a collaborative approach.

The lease cost of the vehicles is 100 per cent funded by Transport Scotland's Switched on Fleets funding, and estimates suggest an annual fuel saving in excess of £1,000 per car.

Cost savings are not the only benefit, though, as the vehicles have no tailpipe emissions of

CO₂, or detrimental air pollutants such as particulate matter and NO_x.

The British-built new Nissan Leaf has won Best Electric Car at the WhatCar? 2018 awards.

Inspector Julie McLeish of Lochgilphead police office said: 'We are delighted to be working in conjunction with Argyll College UHI to not only reduce the carbon footprint of our organisation but, in an innovative and collaborative way, to maximise the effectiveness of Transport Scotland's grant funding.'

One of the new environmentally friendly cars – with a range of over 150 miles – will be based at Lochgilphead and used by staff from both organisations.

Police Scotland will utilise the shared vehicle for a variety of non-emergency functions and college staff will use the vehicle to travel between the Argyll College UHI's 10 learning centres.



Inspector Julie McLeish and Sergeant Iain MacNicol of Police Scotland with Argyll College Lochgilphead centre manager Jackie Macpherson.

College finance director Ailsa Close said: 'The Energy Savings Trust provided advice and assistance which enabled us to access funding through Transport Scotland's Switched on Fleets initiative and we estimate that we'll save approximately £1,600 per year for each vehicle.'

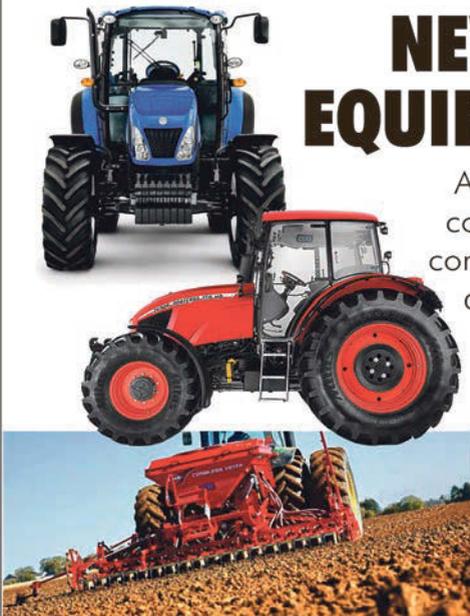
'This allows us to ensure our financial focus remains on the provision of student services and facilities.'

Elaine Clark, Argyll College UHI head of property, said: 'We have a long-standing ethos of promoting green technologies and we generate a significant proportion of our annual electricity needs ourselves with solar panels in our Oban, Lochgilphead and Dunoon centres.'

'With the growing network of charging points throughout Argyll, investing in electric vehicles makes sense for us.'

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From the left, AYC director Andrew Ashton will work alongside chandlery manager Guy Neville, workshop manager Bob Fleck and assistant workshop manager Fraser McIver.

All change at helm of Ardfern Yacht Centre

Loch Craignish-based boatyard and marina Ardfern Yacht Centre (AYC) will see staff changes this summer.

After 16 years with the business, general manager Mark Cameron will be leaving Ardfern at the end of June to be replaced by managing director Andrew

Ashton, who will continue to work closely alongside the existing workshop, boatyard, chandlery and office teams.

AYC director Joanna Ashton said: 'As a family-owned business now in its 39th year, we remain committed to Ardfern along with the customers and the skilled staff, without

whom the business would not operate in the way it does. We will continue to work closely with Mark in the future, in what we are all sure will be an amicable and customer-enhancing experience. We thank Mark for all his hard work and leadership over many years and wish him every success.'

Argyll and Bute Council achieves highest level of cyber security

Argyll and Bute Council has been awarded the UK's highest level of cyber security accreditation after independent assessors carried out thorough tests on computer systems.

The council has been given its Cyber Essentials Plus certificate, which confirms its commitment to protecting data against the most common internet-based threats to cyber security.

These include hacking, phishing and password guessing.

As well as protecting the council's data, the Cyber Essentials Plus accreditation demonstrated the council's commitment to keeping the data of residents, businesses and partner organisations secure from online attacks.

Created by the UK Government and cyber security experts, the Cyber Essentials scheme helps organisations to protect the confidentiality, integrity and availability of data stored on devices which connect to the internet.

Councillor Rory Colville, policy lead for corporate services, said: 'We take the security of your data, as well as our own, very seriously. Getting this Cyber Essentials Plus accreditation means we have gone the extra mile to ensure our systems are secure.'

'The systems have been tested by independent assessors and we can now proudly say our IT is suitably secure and meets the standards set by the Cyber Essentials scheme.'

Get ready to read in Tarbert

Tarbert Academy is hosting a two-day book fair.

On Wednesday June 6 and Thursday June 7, youngsters will be encouraged to read alone or with friends, with a vast array of magical worlds to dive into.

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Charity cyclists pedal to beat prostate cancer

Charity cyclists are set to pass through Mid Argyll as part of a gruelling 300-mile charity ride through Scotland.

Organised by building supplies company Keyline, the ride, between the firm's depots in Dumfries and



Gorgeous weather during the 2017 charity ride.

Inverness, will take place over three days and started yesterday (Thursday June 7).

After a 9am start in Dumfries, the riders headed to Ardrossan on a 96-mile route via Carsphairn, Maybole and Ayr.

Today (Friday June 8), it was a ferry trip from Ardrossan to Brodick on Arran, then across to Lochranza to catch the boat to Claonaig on the Kintyre peninsula.

From Claonaig later today, the plan is to set off on another 96-mile leg to Oban, via Tarbert and Lochgilphead, and the riders should be passing through Mid Argyll in the afternoon.

The final day tomorrow will involve a hilly 108-mile

ride to the finish line at the Keyline branch in Inverness.

A group of more than 30 cyclists hopes to complete the journey, with others who are joining for part of the challenge doing either a day or a section of one of the routes. Keyline staff, suppliers and customers are all involved to raise money for Prostate Cancer UK.

The target is to beat the sum raised last year in aid of the charity.

To support the riders and raise money for Prostate Cancer UK, visit the Just Giving page and give generously for a very worthy cause. Go to the Just Giving website and search 'Keyline Dumfries to Inverness'.



Ardrishaig ladies enjoy a cuppa and a pancake at the anniversary coffee morning.
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Ten years of tea and cake at Ardrishaig coffee morning

It was a special occasion in Ardrishaig North Hall on Wednesday May 30.

Give or take the odd occasion, a community coffee morning has been held in the village weekly for the past 10 years.

It was doubly special as organisers bade farewell to Shirley MacIver as she stepped

down after sterling service to the coffee mornings. A special cake was made and enjoyed to mark the occasion.

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Charity brings out the breast in bikers

A bright and colourful convoy wound its way along the roads of Argyll over the weekend beginning Friday June 1.

For the 10th year, more than 40 bikers, resplendent in pink, wound their way from Kilmarnock, hopped on a ferry to Dunoon and carried on through Cowal to

Inveraray. After a pit stop in the royal burgh, it was on to Fort William, then Inverness and back home again – all to raise money for Cancer Research UK and Target Ovarian Cancer.

Spokesperson for Breast Way Round Laura White said: 'This year was full

of fun, laughter, meeting new family members and, although the daily miles are hard going, the weather and the beauty of the Scottish scenery made it that little bit easier.'

As well as the sponsored trek, the bikers raised money in more traditional ways,

such as bucket shaking (the men wearing bras) and hosting a raffle and auction in Caol Community Centre. The most coveted item, a patchwork quilt made by rider Cathy Anderson, went for a whopping £700.

The annual trip was started in 2008 by Shirley-Ann McKnight as a last tour of Scotland for fellow biker and close friend Alyson Porter, who was suffering from cancer. Sadly, Alyson never made it to her trip and now each year the journey is retraced in celebration of her life and all those affected by cancer.

Since 2008, more than 600 riders have participated, each clad with a pink mohawk courtesy of Hairy-RS, and the team has raised £347,000 for Macmillan Cancer Support. Keep a look out in Inveraray for the pink blur next year.

Those interested in signing up can email Breast Way Round at breastwayround-scotland@outlook.com



Cheers! Pipe Major Stuart Liddell (third from left) and band members toast the new sponsor deal outside the Inveraray shop.

Inveraray champs' reel deal with whisky shop

Reigning world Grade 1 champions Inveraray and District Pipe Band have entered a sponsorship deal with Loch Fyne Whiskies.

Not only did Inveraray and District take the World Pipe Band Championship title and the overall drumming title at the same event, but in winning three other major championships, the British, Scottish and Europeans, they were crowned Champion of Champions for the second year running.

Look out for representatives from the band at some of the Inveraray-based whisky shop's events this year. Quite a crowd gathered at Loch Fyne Whiskies recently when Pipe Major Stuart Liddell and players from the band visited.

A particular highlight of the new sponsorship deal is a special limited edition bottling of The Living Cask Loch Fyne whisky to commemorate the band's 2017 world championship victory.



The team takes a break in sunny Tyndrum on their way from Inveraray to Fort William.

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Twenty years of hope at the Dochas Centre

Artist and psychiatric nurse wanted to help others through art

A special anniversary is being marked during 2018 – the 20th anniversary of the Dochas Carers' Centre in Lochgilhead.

The Dochas Centre was founded in 1998 by John Paterson after confirmation in London of his diagnoses of having both CIDP, the chronic form of Guillain Barre Syndrome (GBS) and Motor Neurone Disease (MND).

He was an artist and psychiatric nurse and wanted to help others living with either GBS or MND, choosing art to do that.

Cards of John's artwork were produced from 12 of the works he had completed before his diagnoses and sales from these supported research into both conditions and support for families living with GBS or MND.

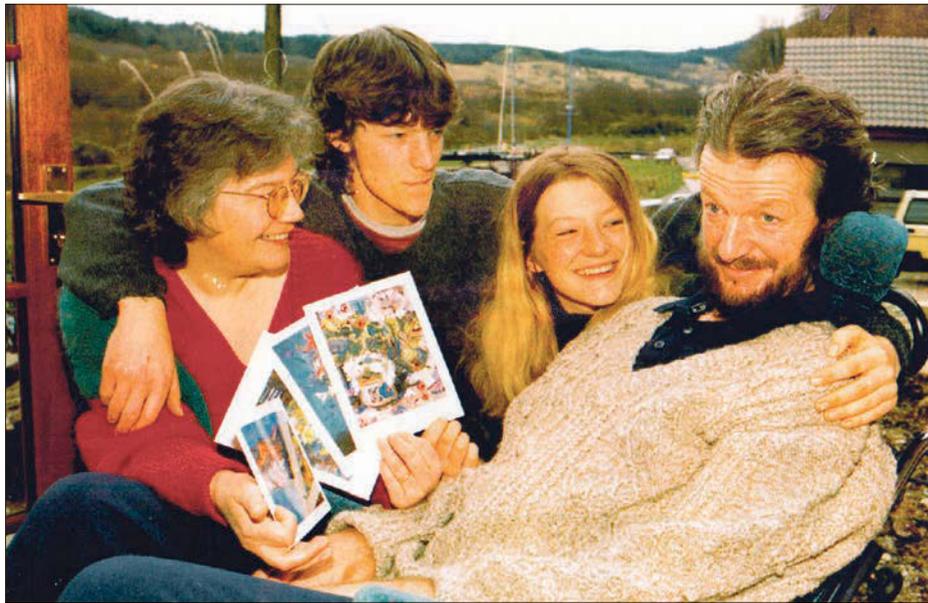
The community helped

by driving to the Paterson's home in Cairnbaan and taking away hundreds of cards, envelopes, cellophane bags and stickers and by the time the fund was launched, all 24,000 cards were ready.

The launch was organised under the guidance of Margaret Purdie who, with the dinner ladies from the area, prepared, organised and advertised the event to be held in Lochgilhead Parish Church Hall on February 28, 1998, the day before John's birthday.

John did not want the fund to be named after him and when his wife Catherine asked what the purpose of the fund would be, he said 'to bring hope'. The naming became simple after that – the motto of the town, 'Dochas', Gaelic for hope.

Since John's death in 1998,



Dochas Centre founder John Paterson with, from left, his wife Catherine, son Ewan and daughter Karen.

Catherine has carried on his work.

The Dochas Fund became a registered charity in February 2000.

Over the years, Catherine travelled across the UK highlighting the fund, its purpose and speaking directly to others. It was then she realised that all family carers shared

so much, regardless of what medical condition their loved one had.

Finally, there was exhibition of 85 of John's original works at Glasgow School of Art, from where John had graduated in 1984.

At the end of the show, the curator, Pete Bevan, advised Catherine to find somewhere

to store all of his original work for safekeeping. Within a few months of this conversation, a building in Campbell Street was bought in late 2004.

A 'Buy a Brick' appeal was launched in 2005 to demolish and rebuild for this purpose. The response across Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay was wonderful, with £81,000

raised in nine months. Building work started in 2006.

Her Royal Highness, Princess Anne, formally opened the centre in April 2007. By that time the centre was providing information, support and guidance to all carers.

The Dochas Centre currently employ 18 full or part-time staff and 38 volunteers.

Carers' Week

Next week, June 11 to June 17, is Carers Week and the Dochas Centre will be holding events throughout.

On June 14, nearly 100 carers will take part in the Dochas Centre's annual day out to Portavadie. They will come from Mid Argyll, Inveraray, Ardfern, Tarbert, Kintyre and the islands – all the places the centre provide services.

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Plenty variety on sale in Ardrishaig

A joint coffee morning and tabletop sale was held in the public hall in Ardrishaig on Sunday June 3.

The hall was filled with all sorts of weird and wonderful goods, including cat statues and a table of vinyl clocks. Everything from knitted baby clothes to odds and ends was available to shoppers.

Through in the kitchen, coffee was being served with an assortment of tempting cakes for sale. Nearby the Girl Guides were selling bags of edible goodies to subsidise a trip to Paris to follow last year's London trip, which helped raise confidence as well as broadening horizons and cultural awareness.

The Mid Argyll Pipe Band also had a table, where they were selling quirky items to raise cash to attend the UK Pipe Band Championships in Belfast on Saturday May 16.



David and Mary McCuaig. 08_a23ardrishaigcoffee02



Shannon Blackie of TikTokMusic. 08_a23ardrishaigcoffee03



Guides Jodie, Amber and Sophie are saving for a trip to Disneyland.

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Get OUT and see thought-provoking play

Lochgilphead High School will be presenting its much-anticipated production of David Holman's O.U.T. Spells OUT this month.

The play tells the true story of Britain's child migration scheme which resulted in children from Britain being separated from their homes and families and placed in exploitative situations around the world.

There will be shows at the school on Tuesday June 12 and Wednesday June 13, both starting at 7.30pm. Tickets, priced £4 (£3 concessions), are available from Lochgilphead High School office, The Square Peg and at the door.

Cadets set to clean up

The Cadet Centre at the Drill Hall, Lochgilphead, is playing host to a joint fundraising car wash and table top sale. On Saturday June 9 from 10am, vehicles of all types will look top notch for £4 per wash. To book your table, call 01546 602301.



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Business as usual

It is business as usual for shops and premises in Campbeltown Town centre as the Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) hits the height of its construction activity, with scaffolding around some of the main tenements in Main Street and Longrow South.

This new phase of CARS runs from 2015-2020 and builds on previous work making Campbeltown an even more attractive place to live, work, visit and invest.

Major high level repairs including roofing and lead-work are almost complete at McLean Place West (10-14 Main Street) and work is progressing well at 22-30 Main Street/2-8 Longrow South.

The third project sees the failing amenity deck at 1-21 Longrow South being replaced.

In addition to this repair projects at 3 Longrow South and 44 Main Street are in development with projected site starts in October 2018.



Campbeltown CARS partnership approach builds success

One of the main reasons for the success of Campbeltown CARS has been the partnership approach which involves the council, funders, property owners and the community working together for the benefit of the town.

During the current tenement projects, staff from

Housing Services have been working alongside the CARS Team to help owners form Owners' Associations, set up bank accounts, go through claim and payment processes and secure the funding required to meet the cost of the work. Behind the scenes, there is additional support from council ser-

vices, including Planning, Building Standards, Legal and Finance amongst others.

With up to 20 owners involved in some cases, this can be complex and time consuming for everyone involved.

The award of Private Sector Housing Grants has

helped to minimize owners' contributions to an affordable amount and has ensured that the priority projects can progress to the construction phase. Owners are expected to contribute a minimum of £5000 to the repairs of their unit.

Lorraine MacFarlane, owner of Fresh Connection

and Treasurer of the 10-20 Longrow South Owners' Association, said: 'It's a big financial commitment for a small business, but the funding from CARS and Housing Services means we are able to make repairs that we'd be unable to achieve on our own. It also brings together all the people from

the tenement with one goal which will have a lasting benefit for everyone who lives and works here for many years to come.'

Part of the grant funding agreement includes commitment to an ongoing maintenance programme following the completion of the work.

Skills from the past for the future

Campbeltown CARS 2015-20 is not just about repairing buildings – it's about making sure that their upkeep continues into the future.

That's why funding through Historic Environment Scotland (HES) is paying for a training and education programmes throughout the programme.

The main focus is on upskilling local contractors and building professionals. Specialist training providers will deliver traditional skills training courses in Campbeltown during 2018/19.

CARS, through HES, also delivers an Education Programme to encourage the community to participate in the management of their heritage. Events to date include

the Campbeltown: Success Built in Stone exhibition, which attracted over 2000 visitors. Other successful events included a seminar on Keeping Warm in Older Homes and workshops advising building owners on the repair and maintenance of their properties.

P7 pupils from Castlehill Primary School have been exploring what it was like to live in the Wee Toon 100 years ago. Working with the Walking Theatre Company, the imaginative pupils used their findings to stage a play last year and, more recently, portrayed characters from old photographs in a short film called Picture Us, which is available on the internet here <http://bit.ly/PictureUs>.

Five new traditional skills

courses have been planned based on popular demand, following a survey of local contractors to determine which training would be of most interest to them.

They are:

26 June 2018

Lime Awareness Day;

19 Sept 2018

Traditional Tenements;

14 Nov 2018

Traditional Roofing and High Level Works;

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Castlehill pupils film Picture Us.

Securing jobs and homes

Looking at all the scaffolding up around Campbeltown people would be forgiven for thinking CARS is very much a construction project, but there's a much more human element to it, as well as an economic benefit.

The current CARS project alone has helped safeguard over 49 part-time and full time jobs. Thirty three occupied flats, that could have become uninhabitable if repairs hadn't been carried out in time, have now been saved. Once the current projects are completed, 15 vacant flats will be available for private rental.

Saving buildings has helped secure the future of 17 businesses and helped one new business – Food for Thought – get off the ground in the former Locarno Café. Billy Brodrick, owner of Food for Thought, says: "We're really pleased to be able to continue the tradition of these premises as a bistro and the CARS regeneration has made that possible."

There should be new opportunities for other businesses once the projects are complete.

Ivor Watson, owner of long-established, family business McIvors fruit shop, echoed that sentiment saying: "For me, CARS has helped preserve the long-term viability of the property and the business."

Home owner, Richard Wooley, says: "Affecting repairs to multi-occupancy property is fraught with complexities and expense. A project like CARS brings together the funding, the expertise and gets the right people together. It's not always easy, but the end result benefits individuals and their homes and, in the long-term, the town's prosperity."



Ahead of its time in the 1950s, the Locarno Café (right) has transformed into Food for Thought, a restaurant for the 21st century.



Take a walk through local history

Dates are available for this summer's Campbeltown historic walking tours. Now in their eighth year and delivered by volunteers, the popular tours depart from the Aqualibrium at 2pm every Wednesday in July and August.

The free tours last approximately one hour and cover the main aspects of Campbeltown's historic past, its rich heritage, its people and its stories. There is no need to book your place in advance.

Details for the tours, and leaflets that will help you to walk the route yourself, can be found on the council website here: bit.ly/heritagetour



How it all began

Campbeltown Townscape Heritage Initiative (THI) and Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme Round 1 were multi award-winning programmes that kick started Campbeltown's regeneration from 2007 to 2016.

From initial council funding of £200,000, £3.5 million was levered in to restore some of the town's finest buildings and support home owners and businesses to repair their properties. Total spend was £8m taking into account private owners contributions and other funding.

The additional funding came from Historic Environment Scotland, Heritage Lottery Fund, Argyll and the Isles LEADER, Highlands and Islands Enterprise and various smaller funders.



The multi award-winning 50-52 Main Street after repair were completed.

Over the course of the project, 88 grants, totalling £1.8 million were awarded, which led to £7 million being spent on 40 town centre buildings.

More than 2,000 square metres of vacant floor space was brought back into use and 140 original timber windows were saved. Seventeen traditional shopfronts have been reinstated. Local contractors

benefited from the work, with more than 40 being involved.

Jewels in the crown of the first phase of regeneration included Campbeltown Town Hall, where funding and support from THI helped South Kintyre Development Trust lever in more funding to bring the hall back to its former glory and into community ownership. The pro-

ject won a Herald Property Award in 2016. The derelict Old Schoolhouse, in Big Kiln, became a community-run 16-bed bunkhouse. Urgent repairs to 50-52 Main Street stopped a gap site forming and the building won a number of awards, including the Outstanding Project award at the 2016 Scottish Empty Homes Conference.

Campbeltown CARS facts

- The Campbeltown: Success Built in Stone exhibition proved so popular that key elements have been included in the Whiskyopolis exhibition, in Campbeltown Heritage Centre, which runs from May to September.
- One highly complex project at 1-21 Longrow South/40-48 Main Street-10-12 Union Street involves 30 different units between businesses and flats.
- The repair project at 22-30 Main Street/Longrow South is costing over £600,000 with the private owners contributing over £100,000.



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Dr Alison MacFadyen from Oban and Dr Nick Tucker of Glasgow enjoy a beer with one-year-old cocker spaniel Tarka. 06_a23FyneFest_Sun08



Robin Miller and Andy Crossan perform popular retro roots, rock and blues as Miller Crossan. 06_a23FyneFest_Sun12

The buzz in the air was less due to the famous Highland Midge at the head of Loch Fyne and more about simple anticipation and excitement.

One of the most 'chilled' and family-friendly festivals around, Fyne Fest, was held over the weekend of June 1 to 3. More than 2,500 people descended on Cairndow to leave their day-to-day cares behind and relax with a beer and some delicious food while enjoying cracking live music.

Colourful trucks offered quality food, from Mexican snacks and curries to cakes and stovies. Children were well catered for, and plenty of entertainment allowed the adults to relax in the knowledge they were wearing themselves out before bed-time.

The sound of music mingled with the aroma of food, and some top-notch bands were on show.

Headlining on the Friday night were Colonel Mustard and The Dijon 5, with a show described as 'Primal Scream and Happy Mondays genetically fused with the

DNA of Frank Zappa, Bob Marley, James Brown and Neil Diamond'.

Saturday's headliners were Newcastle's own Holy Moly and The Crackers, full of rock and roll energy.

In between the headliners, music lovers could enjoy bands like the Coaltown Daisies, Dr Hip and The Blues Operation, The Tennessee Hotshots and Argyll favourites the Lush Puppies and the Camans.

So much for the food and music but what of the beer?

There was something for everyone at Fyne Fest, with a mix of cask and keg offerings from the elite of the UK and Europe's brewing scenes.

Two dedicated mini-bars, one serving over 25 ciders on draft, and the other serving soft drinks, wines and spirits, made sure every taste was catered for.

Iain Smith, Fyne Ales marketing manager, said: 'It was great seeing so many smiling faces around the festival site.'

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Keeping revellers safe were security staff members PJ, left, and John Meaney. 06_a23FyneFest_Sun16



Kirsten Black with Catriona and Gemma Black getting all colourful at Fyne Fest. 17_T23_fynefest09



Singer Sheila MacGregor of Oban band the Lush Puppies.



Entertaining the children was a lion who answered to the name 'Grrrrrr'. 06_a23FyneFest_Sun15



Enjoying the festival were (back) Fiona and Gary McLaughlan from Dunoon and (foreground) Shan Frost and Steve Austin, all the way from Banff. 06_a23FyneFest_Sun17



Christie Middleton from Campbeltown gives a wee lift to Greek-born Zack the dog, one of many canine there. 06_a23FyneFest_Sun13



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Stephen Jones mixes it flamboyantly in the cocktail bar.

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Virginia Sumsion of Loch Fyne Oyster Bar.



The main tent was a hive of beer, music and activity.

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Carrie Munro at the fundraising 'bottle key' stand for Strachur Primary School and the local piping association.

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Children's entertainers mum and daughter double act Gaia and Lorien Silvan put their heads together.

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Street story writer Luke Winter was a big hit with festival-goers of all ages.



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Jazz in the Village comes to Tayvallich

Tayvallich Village Hall will become a jazz club for the night on Friday June 15 when it hosts jazz duo Ian Millar and Dominic Spencer as part of a 'Jazz in the Village' series of concerts.

Ian on saxophone and Dominic on piano play melodic improvisations of jazz standard and original compositions. Their style of jazz concentrates on developing melodies within the framework of a tune, while maintaining the concept and groove behind it.

The result is an accessible melodic style that allows them to explore, improvise and develop ideas without losing the essence of each piece of music and to interact together creatively.

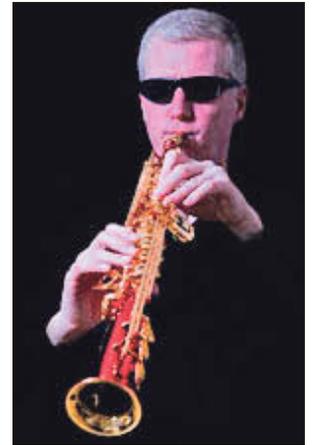
Ian and Dominic are based in Edinburgh and have had

enormous success over many years at the city's Fringe Festival and have regularly toured throughout the UK.

They have embarked on many rural tours under the 'Jazz in the Village' banner, playing in hundreds of halls, often bringing jazz for the first time to isolated communities, performing in intimate settings to appreciative audiences.

The beautiful Scottish scenery they have seen on their travels has inspired Ian to write many pieces of music. The duo is keen to encourage the next generation of jazz aficionados so admission is free for under 16s if accompanied by an adult.

Doors open at 7.30pm. Admission is £10 at the door or email info.tayvhall@gmail.com. Bring your own bottle.



Ian Miller.

Left: Ian and Dominic in the Reid Hall, Edinburgh.



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Mike and Clan return for Tarbert festival

A familiar face will return to Tarbert during the first weekend of July to add flavour to the village's popular seafood festival.

Chef Mike Leslie from The Coachman Hotel, Kilsyth, has been a supporter of Tarbert Seafood Festival for years and will be back next month with his popular cookery demonstrations.



Mike Lesley will be cooking with gas once again.



Prepare to be stunned again by the Clan stunt team. 06_a27TarbSeafood11

For the second successive year, the festival will also welcome The Clan, Scotland's

Riders will perform stunning stunts in what is billed as the 'Biggest, baddest show in the UK'.

Don't miss this and much more at Tarbert Seafood Festival on Saturday July 7 and Sunday July 8.

Put away the bin bags, Scapa Fest to return

An enigmatic festival is to return to the shores of Loch Fyne in 2019 after a successful inaugural event last month.

ScapaFest is as far removed from the run-of-the-mill festival scene as it is possible to get. In place of raucous, think relaxation; rather than head-banging, think head space.

As for the massive clean-up operation required after every big festival - forget it. A black bin liner will do nicely.

The Scapa Fest celebration of yoga and all things natural will return to Ardkinglas House, Cairndow, in May next year.

The festival was the brainchild of Glasgow-based Frenchwoman Clemence Cocquet, who decided Ardkinglas offered the ideal location for this yoga-based event, which also has a slice of adventure thrown in. Loch Fyne hosts kayaking and seashore foraging, while the nearby hills and woodlands provide opportunities to explore nature's wonders.



Festival founder and director Clemence Cocquet is planning the second Scapa Fest in 2019. 06_a19ScapaFest03



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RNLI coffers boosted by coffee and home baking

Maybe the sunshine kept folk from arriving early at Lochgilphead Parish Church Hall, but when they did decide to go along to the coffee morning there, they came in their droves.

The fundraising event, for the Mid Argyll branch of the Royal National Lifeboat

Institution (RNLI), saw the hall become packed with people enjoying delicious home-baking, tea and coffee.

The morning's work by volunteers on Saturday June 2 raised £525 for the RNLI through entrance money, a raffle and the sale of RNLI branded goods.



Mid Argyll RNLI fundraisers take a break from the coffee morning. 06_a23RNLIcoffeemorning01

Volunteers wanted



Secretary of the Mid Argyll RNLI branch Eunice Salmon has appealed for more volunteers to come forward.

Eunice said: 'We are keen to recruit more people from Mid Argyll to help the vital work of the RNLI. Living in an area like this, surrounded by sea, it is vitally important the work of the RNLI is supported.'

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From the Advertiser of yesteryear



Lochgilphead Brownies are formed in 1998. 08_a23oldargyll01

In this week's edition you will read stories about Girl Guides and Tarbert Seafood Festival.

If we look back over the years to past editions of the Argyllshire Advertiser, we

Left: The original 1988 caption read: 'The Mid Argyll Pipe band managed to keep a collective straight face despite the antics of majorettes.' 08_a23oldargyll02

find echoes of these same themes.

In our October 23, 1998, edition, we find the formation of the Second Lochgilphead Brownies featured on the front page. The original photo caption read: 'Pictured enjoying all the fun at the Lochgilphead Community Centre are the Second Lochgilphead Brownies, girls aged between seven and 10, who meet every Thursday at 6pm. They were formed a month ago

when leaders Sylvia Fisher and Lorna McCallum were asked by Guide leader Phyllis Angus, who thought the two had 'the same energy levels as the girls'.

Ten years earlier, our July 15, 1988, edition covered Tarbert Seafood Festival. On a sodden Saturday the village came alive with Tarbert Majorettes, Royal Navy divers 'screaming around the harbour in a Zodiac' and children grooming pets.

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Champions deliver final Brexit report

New policies and mindsets are required to address the challenges facing agriculture due to Brexit, the 'Agriculture Champions' have warned.

The four Agriculture Champions were appointed last year with a remit to advise on the development of a new strategy for the sector. In their final report, the champions call for a two-stage, long-term vision based on what the public wants and values in Scottish farming.

In stage one, policies would not be changed radically, but an emphasis placed on encouraging industry and businesses to become more entrepreneurial, with farm funding maintained at current levels.

In stage two, an element of basic income support would continue, but at a lower

rate, with the majority of funding allocated to schemes that boost productivity and enhance natural capital - tailored to regional or sectoral needs and capped per farm.

Rural Economy Secretary Fergus Ewing said: 'Scottish farming is about to enter the biggest period of upheaval in a generation due to Brexit, which will require government, industry and businesses to adapt and change so that our farming remains vibrant, resilient and profitable.'

'I endorse the findings that support based on activity and production should be retained to an extent, but there should be a major new focus on increasing productivity.'

'To support this, we need to better link research and development with on-farm practice, encouraging busi-

nesses to collaborate, become more entrepreneurial and do more to attract people to the sector.'

NFU Scotland president Andrew McCornick said: 'The report's recommendation to continue, but reduce, direct support over a managed transition while increasing emphasis on productivity gains and delivering environmental benefits mirrors the union's thinking of shifting from area-based support to action-based support. That would recognise and reward those who want to do more.'

'The report's emphasis on using a transition period of three to five years again resonates with how the union would like to see managed rather than chaotic or cliff-edge change. Transition must also be used to get the

structures and delivery of a new policy right first time.'

Jonny Hughes, chief executive of the Scottish Wildlife Trust, added: 'We welcome many of the recommendations of this report, in particular the emphasis of improving natural capital stocks, breaking down traditional silos, stewardship as a key part of future policy and an emphasis on improving soil health.'

'However, we are not persuaded by the case for long-term income support payments beyond the Brexit transition period, which remain unlinked to the provision of public benefits such as water quality and biodiversity.'

The Agriculture Champions are Henry Graham, Scottish chair of Lantra; Archie Gibson, chair of the Scottish Food and Drink Federation; John Kinnaird, farmer and former president of NFUS; and Marion MacCormick, buying director for Aldi.

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CHARx: £820 and £790 (3) - Auchlyne. LIMx: £820 - Invernahyle : £780 - 10 Eoligarry : £760 (2) - Poltalloch. SIMx: £750 (2) - Barguilean Farm.

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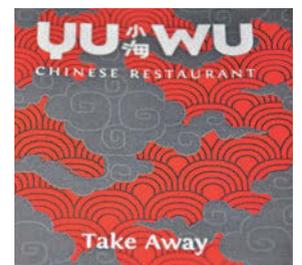
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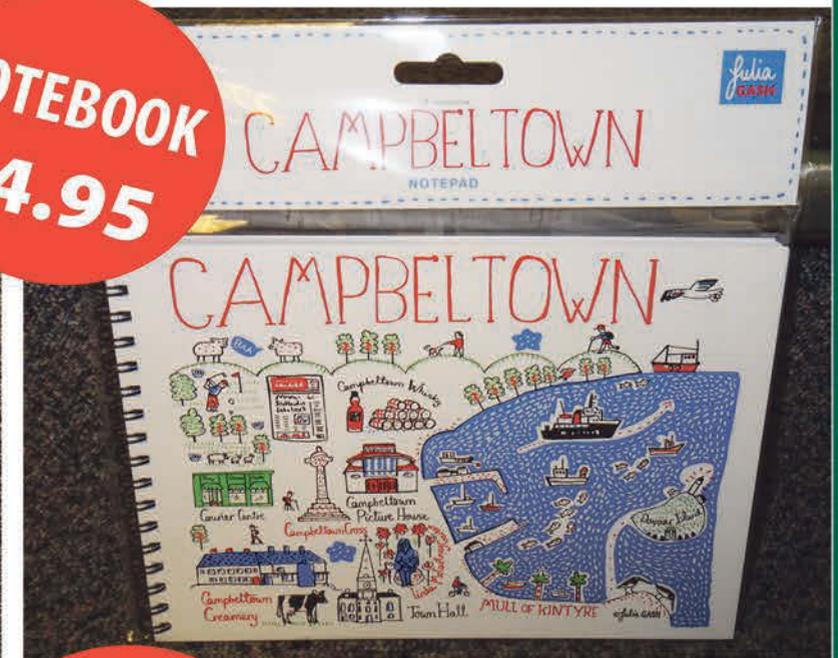
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Review of landlord registration application 'a fantastic opportunity' to raise awareness, says CIH Scotland

In its response to the Government, the Chartered Institute of Housing Scotland (CIHS) has called for all landlords applying to the landlord register and for enforcement when standards are not being met.

The landlord registration system was established in 2006 and registers are managed locally by councils.

All landlords must be registered and have to pass a 'fit and proper person' test to make sure they meet the required standards to let properties. The proposals include increasing registration fees in line with inflation, revision of discounts and some changes to the information that landlords have to provide when they apply to

the register.

The proposals include a requirement for applicants to confirm that they comply with a number of legal obligations.

These could include statements relating to the condition and energy efficiency of the property; gas, electrical and fire safety; and legal obligations relating to the tenancy and deposit.

CIHS wants to see all landlords proactively declare their compliance with the law which it

believes will encourage higher standards in the private rented sector.

In addition, the institute has supported calls for a reduced registration fee for landlords who have passed a training course or are members of a professional body to encourage voluntary skills improvement and has warned the Government against a disproportionate fee increase which would ultimately be met by tenants through higher rents.

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REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997
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18/01061/PP	Installation of 12 metre high pole with antennas and ancillary works	Tayvallich Village Hall Tayvallich Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8PJ
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THE A83 TRUNK ROAD (POLTALLOCH STREET, LOCHGILPHEAD) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION ON USE OF ROAD) ORDER 2018

THE SCOTTISH MINISTERS give notice that they have made the above Order under sections 2(1) and 2, 4(1) and 16A (of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, temporarily prohibiting traffic on that length of the A83 Tarbet - Lochgilphead - Campbeltown Trunk Road known as Poltalloch Street, Lochgilphead from its junction with Argyll Street, Lochgilphead to its junction with Lorne Street, Lochgilphead, a distance of 230 metres or thereby.

The Order, which is required to facilitate the Lochgilphead Armed Forces Day, 2018 and to enable members of the public to watch this event, will be in operation from 16th June 2018 until 17th June 2018 and will only have effect in relation to such part or parts of the length of road as is indicated by the appropriate traffic signs. The Order does not apply to vehicles while being or vehicles being used in an emergency for fire brigade, ambulance, police or coastguard purposes or a vehicle being used for facilitating the holding of the event.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES

The alternative routes for traffic during the prohibition will be signposted.

A copy of the Order and this Notice will be available on the Transport Scotland website at <https://www.transport.gov.scot/road-orders/?roadorderregion=1291>

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Argyll and Bute Council

DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL
(ARGYLL STREET, COLCHESTER SQUARE, UNION STREET AND LORNE STREET, LOCHGILPHEAD) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2018

On Monday the 4th June 2018, Argyll and Bute Council, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 62 of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984, made the above named Order which will make it unlawful for any person to drive or cause or permit to be driven any vehicle through the lengths of road specified in the Schedule below.

The restrictions, which are desirable because of considerations of public safety and convenience whilst filming is taking place on or near the road, will be in operation when indicated by signs for short periods of time between 0800 hours and 2000 hours on Wednesday the 13th June 2018.

Schedule - Prohibition of Traffic

1. That length of the C62 Lochgilphead Loop Road (Argyll Street and Colchester Square) which extends from its junction with the A83 trunk road in a northerly direction to its junction with Manse Brae.
2. That length of Union Street between its junction with Argyll Street and its junction with Brodie Crescent.
3. That length of Lorne Street between its junction with Argyll Street and its junction with the access road to Lorne Street Car Park.

Jim Smith, Head of Roads and Amenity Services,
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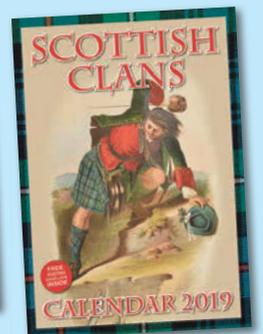
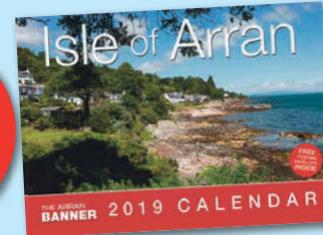
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Forum praises work to attract more people to Argyll and Bute

Progress being made to attract more people to live and work in Argyll and Bute has been described as 'very encouraging' in a report to councillors.

At its next meeting on Thursday June 7 the council's environment, development and infrastructure committee will be presented with a report from the Argyll and Bute Economic Forum.

The forum's chairman is Nicholas Ferguson CBE, former chairman of Sky plc and now chairman of Savills plc.

Set up in 2015 to tackle population decline in the area, the Argyll and Bute Economic Forum looks at the issue from a business perspective.

It identified jobs as being the key to encouraging more people in the working age group 20-44 years to stay in Argyll and Bute or move to the area.

Three key areas for job growth were outlined as: tourism; food and drink production, particularly aquaculture; and higher education.

In the report, Mr Ferguson said: 'We are pleased to report that the developments in all three of these have been very positive. Visitor numbers for Argyll and Bute have shown an increase of 22 per cent over the last two years, with growth of 38 per cent at our key tourist attractions. Numerous private sector tourist-related companies and initiatives have seen investment, new employment, growth, and profitability.

'Aquaculture employment and profits both increased by 10 per cent despite production issues. Other food and drink production has grown.

'Higher education has seen impressive growth. The principal higher education institutions in Argyll are UHI Argyll College, SAMS and Ballet West. Total student numbers have increased over the last two years by 28 per cent.

'So there is no question that Argyll is now on the move. This is clearly very encouraging,' the report continued.

Oban becoming a 'university town' and improved 4G mobile access and broadband coverage in Argyll are also identified as positive steps, with the roads network highlighted as another opportunity for making the area more accessible and friendly to tourism and business.

Marketing and promotion of the area in terms of tourism and industry is seen as a major step in continuing growth, as is an enhanced approach to meeting visitors' needs via a range of new and exciting adventure experiences that take advantage of Argyll's natural beauty.

Council leader Councillor Aileen Morton said: 'It is with everyone who cares about Argyll and Bute working together that we will build a secure future for the area. The forum has brought the public and private sectors together and I look forward to considering this report at committee.'

The full report can be viewed online at <https://bit.ly/2J3lAD>.



'More than a job' campaign launch

A new campaign has launched in Argyll and Bute to encourage people to consider a career in social care.

The More Than a Job campaign comes from learning disability charity ENABLE Scotland.

The charity says that more than 300 people with learning disabilities are known to Argyll and Bute Council and many of them are in need of dedicated staff to care for them.

The charity, which has offices in Helensburgh, Dunoon, Campbeltown, Lochgilphead and Oban, says it wants to encourage more people from communities to consider a rewarding career in social care and join existing teams in the area.

Theresa Shearer, CEO of ENABLE Scotland, said: 'Social care really is more than a job. Our dedicated and hard-working staff across Argyll and Bute would testify to that.'

'They work tirelessly to provide essential support to some of the most vulnerable members of our society and make a

difference day in and day out. Their work offering personalised social care truly transforms lives and has facilitated the move from institutional care to people living in their own homes. In turn, people with learning disabilities have become active members of their communities and live the lives they want to lead.

'Through our More Than a Job campaign we want to raise awareness of the rewards that come with a career in social care, not just from training, career progression opportunities and the Scottish Living Wage, but also from making a real difference every day to the lives of people with learning disabilities.'

ENABLE Scotland currently provides support to people with learning disabilities across 22 local authorities in Scotland and employs more than 1,800 people.

ENABLE Scotland staff offer support with tasks including assisting with shopping, personal care, mobility, food preparation, household chores, attending health appointments and planning and engaging in social activities.

Across Scotland there were 23,186 adults with learning disabilities known to local authorities. This equates to 5.2 people with learning disabilities per 1,000 adults (16-plus) in the general population.

The charity recently announced plans to extend its reach through a collaboration with charity Sense Scotland.

The move is expected to benefit the individuals and families they currently support, and for any savings made from the collaboration to be reinvested in improving the pay and skills of workers and providing more individualised care.

This year ENABLE Scotland was short-listed for a Charity Employer of the Year award at the sJobs Recruitment Awards 2018.

Ms Shearer added: 'We look forward to growing our fantastic team in Argyll and Bute, offering training, support and career opportunities to the brightest talent in the area.'

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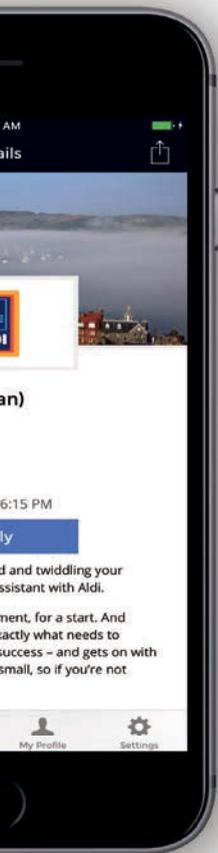


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THANK YOU

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Elizabeth, Lorna and Nicole would like to thank past staff and customers for their generosity and kindness in recent weeks. They have been greatly appreciated.

TARBERT

Colourful sailing fun ahead

A new sailing event will take place in Tarbert on Saturday June 9.

Around 100 boats are expected at the Sailing and Cruising Scotland flotilla – a club event with a difference. The Sailing and Cruising Scotland Club is a free-to-join RYA affiliated club with more than 7,000 members.

The group organises free events and this is the third year it will sail to Tarbert. Amid a full line-up of entertainment will be X Factor finalist Gregor Coleman and local band None the Wiser.

Club members are invited to dress their boats with a pirate theme, so it could be a colourful scene.

TIGHNABRUAICH

Cash for RNLI

A fundraising day at Otter Ferry raised £800 for the RNLI.

Games and donations from the event, held on Sunday May 27, raised £213. A further £287 was accrued from the shop and stalls. A donation of £300 from the Oystercatcher took the total to around £800.

The RNLI is the charity that saves lives at sea and 27 per cent of its £191 million annual running costs are funded by public donations.

A spokesman for Tighnabruaich RNLI lifeboat said: 'We thank everyone who attended and donated for your kindness and generosity.'

DUNOON

Water fun in Holy Loch

Hot on the heels of the Argyll Rally in Cowal, the Dunoon Business Improvement District (BID) – under the Dunoon Presents banner – is bringing another exciting event to that part of Argyll.

The European Water Ski Championships are to be held at the Holy Loch Marina, Sandbank, over six days between Sunday August 26 and Saturday September 1, tying in with Cowal Highland Gathering weekend.



The Big Yin, right, was a special guest of Venture West boat tours.

Don't forget your wellies

Mid Argyll has its fair share of VIP visitors, but not many are as big as the Big Yin. Sir Billy Connolly was a welcome guest with Crinan-based Venture West boat tours on a visit to the region on Monday June 4.

ISLE OF BUTE

Jolomo heads for Rothesay

The Jolomo Studio is 'Doon the Watter' for a new exhibition at the Castle Gallery in Rothesay.

The exhibition by Tayvallich-based John Lowrie Morrison, better known as Jolomo, is entitled 'Isle of Bute – Springlight' and captures the vistas and unique light of this special island.

It opened last weekend and runs until Saturday June 30.

ARROCHAR

Sweet thanks for rescue

Arrochar Mountain Rescue Team received a nice surprise last week through the post.

Courtesy of a grateful hillwalker, a parcel was delivered containing sweeties, chocolates and doggie treats as a 'thank you' following a recent rescue on Beinn Narnain, above the Rest and be Thankful in the Arrochar Alps.

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Thought for the Week
with Marilyn Shedden

It was the most perfect night.
The sky at Dunkeld was dark and clear as we sat by the loch waiting to see Jupiter rise close to the moon.
Soon they were both in alignment and reflected perfectly in the still water.
Our collies barked at the moon, apparently submerged deep in the loch.
The air was still and the scent of blossom lingered in the warm night air.
It was beautiful and the wonders of the night sky were as amazing as the beauties of the day.
Then I was aware of something drifting across the heavens.
It was too slow for a plane and too deliberate for a shooting star.
It was then we realised it was the International Space Station.
This amazing laboratory in the sky was right above us and seemed at home in the depth of the universe.
We watched it until it disappeared over the hills and we wondered what life was like for the three astronauts on board.
What did Earth look like from the crew's perspective?
Evidently our planet is very beautiful when viewed from space.
I wonder if they can see the scars on our planet?
Can they see the war-ravaged landscapes, the refugees adrift on oceans of hopelessness, the borders built with bricks and barbed wire?
I wonder if they can see the places untarnished by human beings, the places where the animals still live at peace, where some ethnic people just live life and don't worry about possessions or power or kudos, where beauty has the last word.
The space station noiselessly left us to savour the tangible peace of the moment. If only the world could feel that peace – and live it.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus said, 'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God' (Matthew 5:8).

DEATHS

ANGUS - Peacefully at home, Machrihanish House, surrounded by his family, on June 1, 2018, James Angus (Jim), in his 85th year, much loved husband of Jan, dearly loved dad of Corinne and Deborah and treasured grandad of Rory, Kieran, Lauren and Daniel. A cremation service will be held in Cardross Crematorium, on Monday, June 11, 2018 at 2.15pm. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Campbeltown Rotary Club Charity.

MACKENZIE - Peacefully, at the Mid Argyll Hospital, on May 29, 2018, Violet MacKenzie, née MacDonald, aged 67 years, of 42 MacDonald Terrace, Lochgilphead, beloved wife of Allan, much loved mother of Stephen and grandmother of Kristen, Arran, Jack and Joshua. Sister of Catriona and Kenneth. Funeral service was held in Lochgilphead Parish Church, on Wednesday, June 6, 2018, followed by interment at Achnabreac Cemetery. Sadly missed.

MCCONNACHIE - Peacefully, after a long illness, on June 1, 2018, at the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley, Isabella McConnachie (Isobel), in her 80th year, 9 Broomfield, Carradale, beloved wife of James, much loved mum of Andrew and Sheena, loving mother-in-law of Louise and a loving granny of Ryan, Jay, Leah and Evan. Funeral service will be held in Saddell and Carradale Parish Church, today Friday, June 8, 2018 at 1.00pm, thereafter to Brackley Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Fishermen's Mission and Calum's Cabin.

MCFARLANE - Peacefully, at Argyll Care Home, Helensburgh, on May 31, 2018, Charlotte McMillan (Lottie), in her 81st year, formerly of 21 Meadow Park, Campbeltown, beloved wife of the late Archie McFarlane, much loved mum of Archie and a loving granny of Jack, Murray, Josh and Evie.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

HADDOW - Margaret's family would like to thank everyone for all expressions of sympathy received after her passing. We would like to thank Reverend Steve Fulcher for conducting the funeral, T A Blair for their caring and professional services, the doctors and nurses of Campbeltown Hospital for the care they gave, and the Ardshiel Hotel for hosting the wake. We would also like to thank everyone for donations made at Margaret's funeral.

IN MEMORIAM

BINNIE - In loving memory of a dear, special sister, Mary, died June 11, 2014. Missed every day. - Ishbel.

CLARK - In loving memory of my dear husband, Colin, who passed away June 9, 2014. Sadly missed every day of every year. - Tottie.

MACCALLUM - Ronny. Twenty years since you passed away, Loved and remembered every day.

Quietly today, your memory we treasure, Loving you always, forgetting you never. - Love, Christine, Audrey, Carolyn and families.

MACPHAIL - In loving memory of my husband and best friend, David, taken suddenly on June 7, 2017. You smiled at me across the room The night you stole my heart And from that moment onwards We were never far apart And though you're no longer with me now You're never far away For in my heart you'll always be And there you'll always stay. - All my love forever, Christine xxx.

MACPHAIL - In loving memory of a dear dad and father-in-law, taken suddenly on June 7, 2017.

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There is not a day dear Dad
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- Love, Garry and Lynsey, Callum and Fraser xxxx.

MCMILLAN - In memory of our funny, kind and beautiful friend, Jane McMillan, who passed away on June 10, 2017. It's been the longest year without you.

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Holy Mass Sunday 12.30pm
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10th June 2018
Sunday Worship
Communion 10am
Kilmartin Church
Rev C Acklam
All welcome
SC0 02121

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE

Sunday 10th June 2018
Cumlodden
Lochfyneside and
Lochgair
Charity No. SC016097
Morning Service
Cumlodden Church 10.00am
Afternoon Gaelic Service
Lochgair Church 3pm
Glenarary and Inveraray
Charity No. SC016665
Morning service
Inveraray Church 11.30am
Minister:
Rev. Dr. Roderick Campbell
ALL WELCOME

CHURCH NOTICES

ST COLUMBA'S CONVENTICLE

Sunday 10th June
at 7.00pm

Footprints, Keil,
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Preacher:

Rev Roger Crooks
Tea & coffee in St Blaas's
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All Welcome
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CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday 10th June

11.00am Family Service

Visiting Speaker -

Andrew Swanson

Sunday school

Refreshments after the service

The Ark

Baby and Toddler Group

Every Thursday 10.00 - 11.30 am

(term time only)

We meet at the Kinloch Hall, Kinloch Road

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George Street, Campbeltown

Sunday 10th June

11.15am Worship Service

Rev Rodger Crooks

11.15am Sunday School

4.00pm Service in Tayinloan

Village Hall

Wednesday 13th June

12 noon

Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

2.00pm - 4.00pm

Water of Life Cafe

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Sunday 10th June

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Sunday 10th June 2018

The service will be conducted

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Scottish Charity Number
SCO11686

Sunday 10th June

11.15am

Morning Worship

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Rev W Crossan

Following the service there

will be a meeting of the

Congregation

Followed by a Board

Meeting

Tuesday 12th June

9.45am Tiny Tots

New Hall

Anchor Boys 6.00pm

Junior Section 7.00pm

Church Hall

Company Section 7.15pm

Friday 15th June

BB Display 7.00pm

Church Hall



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(Army Kidz)

6.30pm Evening Worship

Wednesday

12.15pm Lunch Club

1.30pm C.A.M.E.O.

7.00 pm Make & Munch

Craft Group

Thursday

7.30pm Bible Study

Majors Ben & Ruth Russell

All welcome

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Sunday 10th June

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11.00am

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Tommy McCrae enjoying the sun on the green.

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Ardrishaig bowling and tennis members wanted

Calling all tennis and bowling fans: Ardrishaig is looking for new members. The Ardrishaig Bowling and Tennis Club is issuing an open invitation, looking for new people to swing a racquet or roll a bowl.

Former club president and current bowling enthusiast Tommy McCrae said: 'We have a wee league between Tarbert, Ardrishaig, Lochgilphead and Oban and we're looking for 12 players to play in the league matches.'

On top of the league, the club also hosts a new competition most weekends. There are currently five different men's competitions and two for the ladies this season.

'It'd be a shame to lose it,' Tommy continued. 'It depends on membership. If membership keeps going down, I don't know what will happen.'

For the reasonable membership fee of £50, aspiring bowlers can enjoy a sociable sport where it is easy to meet new people and see more of the country.

Tommy said: 'We go all over the place. We've just come back from Clydebank.'

There are also tennis courts available for those getting Wimbledon fever.

Bowling is on Tuesday nights at 7pm and Wednesday afternoons at 2.30pm.

Anyone interested in finding out more can contact club secretary Fiona MacLachlan on 01546 602860.

Splendid pony fun in the sun at Skipness

The Bay Field at Claonaig certainly has the most scenic backdrop of any equestrian venue, and it was sparkling in the sunlight on Sunday June 3 for Argyll South Pony Club's annual fun day.

The young (and a few not so young) riders had the chance to show off their riding skills in the Pony Club Pony classes. These had a variety of riding and control of paces challenges, including an unusual off-piste element using the quarry area of the field.

Judge Debbie Hay Thorburn was very impressed with the independent riding of the youngest members who tackled all the tasks with confidence and determination. The show jumping catered for all ages and abilities and there were exciting jump-offs to entertain spectators. In fact, many of the passing ferry



The prize-winners.

passengers stopped to watch from the road.

The new timing equipment, purchased with aid of a grant from Tarbert and Skipness

Community Trust, was in full use by judge Mairi Henderson and made for more professional accuracy in timing aspects.

The final grand prix had only two competitors but it was a masterclass of style and competence from Jojo and Katie which made it a joy to watch.

As usual, the event ended with some fast and exciting games and, after the field was cleared, there was the prize-giving in the Pony Club's brand new blue tent.

The Junior Trophy for the day was won by Louise Ralston from Campbeltown and Iris McMillan from Tayvallich took the Senior

Trophy for a second year while the non-members trophy was won by Andrea McShannon.

Results:

Pony Club Pony: Class 1 - 1 Frazer Prentice, Firefly; 2 Louise Ralston, Nero; 3 Rory Shaw, Libby; 4 Jake Rowan, Alice

Class 2 - 1 Willow Ryan, Ryan; 2 Zoe Prentice, Cowal; 3 Isla McShannon, Coley.

Class 3 - 1 Iris McMillan, Conker; 2 Katie MacKay, Eva; 3 Josephine Boase, Valerie.

Class 4 - 1 Andrea McShannon, Nicole; 2 Julie McLeish, Eclipse; 3 Shelagh Oakes, Pery; 4 Catriona Ryan, Doney.

Show jumping: Stars of the

Future, Lead Rein - 1 Louise Ralston, Nero; 2 Frazer Prentice, Firefly; 3 Rory Shaw, Libby; 4 Jake Rowan, Alice.

Stars of the Future - 1 Iris McMillan, Conker; 2 Zoe Prentice, Cowal; 3 Isla McShannon, Coley; 4 Willow Ryan, Ryan.

Newcomers - 1 Iris McMillan, Conker; 2 Andrea McShannon, Nicole; 3 Michelle McAloon, Eclipse; 4 Catriona Ryan, Doney.

Discovery - 1 Josephine Boase, Valerie; 2 Andrea McShannon, Nicole; 3 Katie MacKay, Eva; 4 Michelle McAloon, Eclipse.

Grand prix - 1 Josephine Boase, Valerie; 2 Katie MacKay, Eva.



Zoe and Isla getting ready for a flying start at the games.

Inveraray held in Camanachd Cup tie at the Winterton

Tulloch Homes Camanachd Cup second round

Inveraray 0 Kilmallie 0

Inveraray and Kilmallie will have to do it all over again after their goalless draw at The Winterton.

Inveraray's Garry MacPherson was suspended while keeper Scott McLachlan was on holiday. Ally Munro and Colin Campbell were out injured and Allan McDonald was only fit enough to start on the bench. There were call-ups for four-time Scottish Cup finalists Graham MacPherson, Euan McMurdo and David MacPherson.

Kilmallie travelled south without Stephen Mcalister, Calum MacDougall and Liam Cameron.

It was a hot and muggy afternoon but that would change as a down-pour followed towards the end of

the game. Graham MacPherson was the busier keeper, making some fine stops as Kilmallie made a bright start.

However, Kilmallie had their goalie Shane Gillies to thank for still being in the draw for the next round. First, Gillies tipped a rocket of shot from the evergreen Euan McMurdo onto the post.

The Kilmallie defence struggled to deal with the rebound, conceding a penalty in the process, with Robbie MacFadyen penalised for being on the ground. Fraser Watt struck the spot-hit sweetly, with the ball rising towards the top corner of the net but Shane Gillies palmed the ball away.

There were a few feisty challenges but referee Ross Brown managed the play without producing any cards.

Both sides had periods of pressure but there was a lack of clear-cut chances.

The Inveraray defence was well

marshalled by full-back John Kennedy who kept a close eye on Kilmallie danger-man Michael Rodger.

The full-time whistle sounded as the torrential rain with accompanying thunder and lightning began, making its way from the abandoned game at Strachur across the water.

The replay at the Canal Parks has been scheduled for Saturday June 16 with a 2pm throw-up.

Aberdein Considine Sutherland Cup

Strachur A Fort William A

The tie between the Fort William reserves and Strachur at Strachurmore was abandoned late in the game.

Iain Wilson had put Strachur ahead in the opening minute and that's the way it stayed until midway through the second half when Lewis Morrison scored twice, either side

of a Mark Fraser goal to give Fort William a 3-1 lead.

However, the worsening weather conditions left referee Des McNulty with little option but to abandon the match with around 15 minutes remaining.

It is likely that there will be a replay in Fort William.

Marine Harvest South Division 1

Tayforth 4 Kilmory 0

Tayforth ran out 4-0 winners against an under-strength Kilmory side in a match which was part of the Meadows Festival in Edinburgh.

Finlay Stark gave Tayforth an eighth-minute lead and Brendan Duggan got a second on 35 minutes.

Finlay Stark's accurate shooting was making the difference and he went on to complete his hat-trick with strikes on 66 and 69 minutes.

Litster paints a portrait to win Harbour Gallery Open

There were perfect golfing conditions for the competitors last Sunday May 3 for the Harbour Gallery Open, kindly sponsored by Stuart Herd. The recent good spell of weather made the course quite tricky and the firm conditions made for some imaginative shots around the greens.

From the early ballot, James Smyth went to the top of the leaderboard with a net 63 before being overtaken by

his cousin Iain Johnstone Jnr who had a 61. In the scratch section, David 'Del Boy' Lamont took the lead with a one over par 67, followed by Iain Macalister on 68 and Angus MacFarlane on 70.

As often happens in these events, the leaderboard changed in both sections with the last two groups of the day altering the final standings. Calum MacLean edged into third place with a 63. Jimmy Litster matched

David Lamont's 67 but had a better inward half to take the top scratch prize. However, his brother Stuart took top honours on the day, winning the Harbour Gallery Open with a 72-12 for a net 60.

Longest drive at the second went to Duane Coetzer with Iain Macalister closest to the pin at the eighth.

Club president Chris Smyth thanked Stuart for his continued sponsorship and support for the club, Graham Prentice for his course presentation and to the ladies of the club for looking after everyone so well. A delighted Stuart Litster received his painting from Stuart Herd.

Final standings: net - S Litster 60, I Johnstone Jnr 61, C MacLean 62 and J Smyth (BIH) 62; scratch - J Litster 67 (BIH), D Lamont 67, I Macalister 68 and A MacFarlane 70.

This Saturday May 9 sees the playing of the 'Wee Joe' MacFarlane Memorial take place with players asked to report and be ready to play at 11am.



Stuart Litster receives his painting from Stuart Herd.



Jimmy Litster, Iain Johnstone, Angus Macfarlane, Iain Macalister, Stuart Litster, Stuart Herd, Chris Smyth and Calum Maclean.

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INSIDE THIS WEEK:
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 the sun at Skipness



Lochgilphead Red Star 2004s with the League Cup and League Championship trophy. Photograph: Lynsey Gibson

League and cup double

Glasgow Red Star	0
Lochgilphead Red Star	1
League Cup final	

Lochgilphead Red Star 2004s have secured their second DYFL League Cup.

In a very tight and competitive game with Glasgow Red Star on Sunday June 3, the Lochgilphead boys eventually triumphed by a goal to nil.

Lochgilphead kicked off the game and started brightly by keeping Glasgow Red Star pinned in their own half,

eventually creating a chance for Alexander McLean, but the ball was cleared for a corner.

As the first half wore on, Glasgow Red Star began to get more of the ball and started to put Lochgilphead under a bit of pressure but could not find a way through a defence well marshalled by Gregor Brown.

As the game headed to half-time, Lochgilphead created another chance with a fine run and cross on the right by Ruaridh Green but Glasgow Red Star cleared the resulting

corner. Lochgilphead started the second half brightly with Conner McMurchy flashing a shot across the goal which just drifted wide. A fine break down the left by full-back Zak Barclay heaped more pressure on the Glasgow team but still they held out.

A goal eventually came when, after a period of pressure by Lochgilphead, they won a throw-in deep in the Glasgow Red Star half, taken by Craig Aitken. After playing a neat one-two with Woody Hoad, Craig sent in a teasing

cross for Keiran Caskie to glance past the Glasgow Red Star keeper.

The final 15 minutes was a tense affair. Glasgow Red Star fought back, only to be thwarted first by Tom West and then again by Innes Paterson. When they did get through, they found goalkeeper Leon Murphy in excellent form with some good stops and great kicking throughout the afternoon.

Lochgilphead introduced Jamie Stewart and Ciaran Gibson, who helped freshen

things up and worked hard to close the game out.

Special mention to subs Lee Harris, just returning from injury, and the ever reliable Calum Paterson.

At the end of the game, the Lochgilphead boys were presented with the League Cup and the League Championship trophy for 2004 age group teams to make it a double celebration.

With three games still left to play, the boys are looking to make it through the season with only one league defeat.

Big wins for Mid Argyll ladies

Dunadd ladies shinty team continued their unbeaten record this season with back-to-back away wins over Cowal and Bute and Tayforth.

The game versus Cowal took place on Sunday May 13 and saw Eilidh Cameron score five on her debut, with Leone Airlie adding another to make it 6-2 in total.

The Meadows Festival was the venue for the game versus Tayforth on June 3. Dunadd dominated from the start, and again Eilidh Cameron's tenacity up front saw her rewarded with three goals in the first half, with Anna Airlie scoring one from distance. Dunadd kept on the pressure in the second half and Eilidh added to her goal tally by scoring two more with Grace Drummond netting another one.

Lotteries

Drawn on Monday May 28, The Kilmory Camanachd Club lottery draw numbers were 2, 13 and 15.

The £700 jackpot wasn't won so next week's prize will be £800.

Also drawn on Monday, Tarbert Football Club's lottery draw numbers were 11, 18 and 19.

There were no winners, so next week's prize will be £200.

Inveraray Shinty Club's lottery draw numbers were 1, 4 and 20.

There were no winners this week, so next week's prize will be £300.



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