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Your complete guide to the festival fortnight



Kilmichael villagers' chance to bid for share of £85,000

Sport on the Green



EWAN Litster, Brody Kalache and Andrew Stewart were amongst the dozens of youngsters who descended on Lochgilphead on Friday for Sport on the Green.

The trio enjoyed taking part in a rugby coaching session which saw them take on a tackle bag,

catch a giant rugby ball and run around cones. Rugby was one of a several sports available for young people to try, with football and tennis also proving popular.

Launched by Mid Argyll Youth Development Services (formerly Mid Argyll Youth Project) last year, Sport on the Green offers

youngsters the chance to try new sports and find a hobby they enjoy. Members of Red Star football team and sports development officers from Argyll and Bute Council took part in the event.

For more pictures from the event log on to our website www.argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk.

Memorial trust seeks ideas on how to improve community

KILMICHAEL people seeking a cash bonanza to bolster facilities in the village need look no further than local charity The Lachlan Miller Memorial Trust.

The charity, based in the Kilmichael, has £85,000 available to help fund community projects.

Established with funds from the sale of the former Kilmichael Village Hall, the trust wants to invest in projects that bring benefits for the whole community.

The trust has sent flyers to homes in the village with an application form, which it hopes will inspire locals into thinking how the money could be best used.

Stewart Turner from the memorial trust committee said: 'We have been going now for three

years and in the last year we have given out quite a bit of money but we still have £85,000 left. We don't see any good in keeping it when we could give it away in grants that benefit the Kilmichael community. Anyone can apply for any amount of money for things like sport or education - projects with community benefit,' Mr Turner added.

Explaining applications will only be considered from people residing in Kilmichael, Mr Turner said: 'They can complete an application in 10 minutes. It can be a page or half a page long, telling us why it is a good idea and how it will benefit the community.'

'We won't turn down anybody that has a good idea.'

The Lachlan Miller Memorial Trust has already supported the Kilmichael play park initiative, provided funds to transform the garden area beside Glassary Primary School, funded the Save Glassary Primary School campaign and granted funds for the recent Glassary Gathering.

People who would like an application form for the Lachlan Miller Memorial Trust can contact Stewart Turner on 01546 603528.

Lachlan Miller gifted Kilmichael Village Hall to the community in the 1950s before he immigrated to South Africa. The hall, which fell into a poor state of repair, was sold and the funds were used to form a trust in his name after locals failed to trace him.

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Quarry warning

YOUNG people in Furnace are being warned to stay away from the village quarry.

Stating 'quarries are not playgrounds' managers at the quarry, owned by Breedon Aggregates, are warning children about the dangers of trespassing on the site.

Scott McDonald, health and safety manager at Breedon Aggregates said: 'We've had issues with young kids being in the quarry and I've witnessed them playing on top of stockpiles. People need to understand that they're going into a working environment where workers are trained to deal with the dangers.'

Staff from Furnace

Quarry have visited the village primary school as part of the nationwide Stay Safe, Stay Out of Quarries campaign. The youngsters were told they could easily fall down sheer faces or get buried in quicksand should they enter the quarry.

Adults are also being warned to 'stay out', with a survey of quarry managers across Scotland revealing there has been an increase in the number of incidents involving adults.

With thieves often targeting quarries for valuable cables, quarry managers say they leave behind broken fences, making it easier for children to get onto the sites.

Family unite to pay tribute to young murdered wren

THE FAMILY of a young Irish woman killed in Inveraray 70 years ago this week unveiled a memorial for her in the Royal Burgh on the anniversary of her death.

The Canning Family, from County Donegal, unveiled a plaque in the woodlands of Inveraray on Saturday in tribute to their aunt Gertrude Canning, whose murder still remains a mystery.



World War II Wren Gertrude Canning was murdered in Inveraray in July, 1942.

Gertrude, who served with the Women's Royal Naval Services in Inveraray, was 20 years old when she was found dead in the woodlands behind Loch Fyne. She had been shot four times.

The memorial to Gertrude comes after her nephews - Tommy, Joe and Liam Canning - spent years trying to learn more about her and the circumstances surrounding her murder.

The men have been working with Argyll historians and the Inveraray and District Branch of the Royal British Legion gathering information. 'It wasn't something that was talked about when we were growing up,' Tommy said.

There are many theories as to who killed Gertrude, with many believing she was killed by a fellow soldier.

'Whoever did it would be in their mid 90s now if they are even still alive,' Tommy said. 'It is disappointing the police evidence still isn't there with all the DNA progress there has been. I believe it was a cover-up - that's my personal opinion.'

Although Gertrude had not been in the area for long before her murder, Tommy said it was important to have a memorial in the place where she died.

Speaking to the Advertiser after a short ceremony at the memorial, Tommy said: 'This has been 10 years in the making and it has been so much more than we expected. We thought

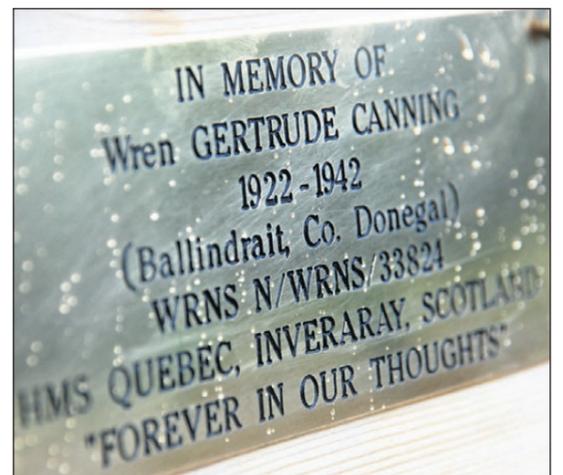


The nieces and nephews of Gertrude Canning at her memorial in the woodland behind The Avenue in the Royal Burgh.

there would be a few cameras and us at the memorial where we would say a few prayers but there was the coloured party and the British Legion. They made the day for us. Without them we couldn't have done it, for distance reasons. They did the groundwork, Jim Martin especially and the British Legion. We are eternally thankful to them.'

The British Legion unveiled a special bench which sits at the foot of the burgh's war memorial. A plaque on the bench reads: 'In memory of Wren Gertrude Canning, 1922 -1942 (Ballindrait, Co. Donegal), Forever in Our Thoughts.'

Explain the memorial marks 70 years of unanswered questions Tommy said: 'It is something we will always question; that is the way the ground lies but undoubtedly this brings it to a close.'



The plaque on a bench at the foot of the War Memorial in Inveraray. 06_a27wren07

Armed forces champion appointed

AN ARMED forces champion was appointed by Argyll and Bute Council last Thursday.

Councillor Maurice Corry will take up the role, which will see him represent veterans and serving members of the armed forces, ensuring their needs are met through council policies and procedures.

Mr Corry said he was 'honoured' to be elected to the position and promised to carry on the good work of his predecessor, councillor Alistair Reay.



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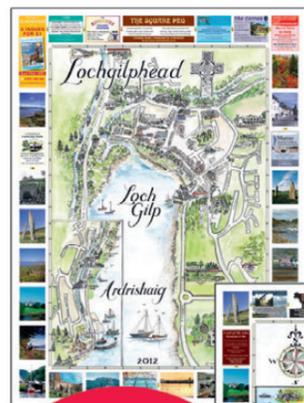
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Police files

A MAN was charged with being in possession of cannabis last Wednesday.

The 22-year-old, from Lochgilphead, was arrested on Campbell Street at around 1.30am.

TWO THEFTS have occurred in Minard in the last two weeks.

Gardening tools were taken from a garage sometime between June 22 and July 1, while an engine was taken from a boat parked in a garden in the village, sometime between June 29 and July 1.

Anyone with information should contact Lochgilphead Police on 01546 702201.

A 62 YEAR old man from Glasgow was arrested on Tuesday after failing a roadside breath test at Colchester Square, Lochgilphead.

A 31-YEAR-OLD from Lochgilphead has been charged with stealing a bottle of alcohol from the town's Co-operative store on June 26 at 5.45pm.

A LOCHGILPHEAD man, 21, was charged with assault on Colchester Square on June 25, following an attack on a man at 7.45pm.

Blooming great

A 'BLOOMING Great Tea Party' helped Tarbert Medical Practice raise more than £360 for Marie Curie Cancer Care on Tuesday.

Staff thanked guests for helping them reach the total.

Dedicated Mid Argyll Macmillan fundraisers honoured



Left to right: Kathleen Young, Margaret McDougall, Ryan Taylor, Cathy Robertson and Carol Small. 06_a26mcmillan01

FOUR women from Mid Argyll have been recognised for their contribution to one of the country's leading cancer charities.

Kathleen Young, Margaret McDougall, Cathy Robertson and Carol Small have all been awarded certificates by Macmillan Cancer Support for their work on the Mid Argyll Macmillan Fundraising Group.

The women, who have all served between five and 15 years on the committee, were awarded bronze, silver and gold certificates to reflect their time of service with the group.

The awards were handed out by Macmillan's

new fundraising manager for Argyll, Ryan Taylor,

He said: 'Macmillan want to say a huge thank you for all your efforts. Macmillan wouldn't be as strong in the local community and wouldn't have achieved so much.'

The Mid Argyll Committee recently raised £1,138 with a raffle and collection at the Co-op store in Lochgilphead, which saw Dr Henderson win £100 and Jenny Campbell the £50 prize.

The women will also be running the tea tent at the Mid Argyll Show on August 11 and are welcoming donations of homebaking.

Commission's pledge to transfer diversion cash

THE FUNDING made available to upgrade the forestry track at Glen Croe could be used to develop another diversion route - Forestry Commission Scotland has confirmed.

The Strategic Timber Transport Scheme (STTS), managed by the Forestry Commission, pledged £800,000 to upgrade the forestry road at Glen Croe earlier this year.

The commission hoped the money would progress plans for a 'shorter' diversion route when landslides close

the A83 at the Rest and Be Thankful.

But as the Scottish Government announced there are 'a number of concerns' about the forestry track, STTS says it will still provide financial backing for another diversion - that could now involve upgrading the Old Military Road.

Andy Leitch, manager of the Strategic Timber Transport Scheme said: 'We are working with our colleagues in the Scottish Government to address this issue and will in due course

discuss how STTS funding might support any potential upgrade of the Old Military Road should this become a viable option.

'Ultimately, we hope to be able to help in providing a safe, cost effective and practical alternative route that will mean the people, communities and businesses of Argyll will no longer be so badly affected when landslides close the A83 at the Rest and Be Thankful.

Kirsty Robb, from the Argyll Timber Transport Group (ATTG), which represents hauliers and businesses in the forestry industry, said hauliers are confident the forestry track is still suitable for upgrading.

Option

Explaining drivers of heavy goods vehicles were concerned about the steepness of the Old Military Road in and out of the valley Kirsty said: 'The group's view is to wait and see the outcome of the report and the government's decision. The Old Military Road may be the best option but it is hard to see how it could be at the minute.'

The Scottish Government confirmed last week that it would continue to investigate the possibility of

upgrading both the Old Military Road and the forestry track before making a final decision.

New college principal

ARGYLL College UHI has a new principal.

Fraser Durie will take up the position when current principal Michael Breslin steps down in September. Mr Durie, who is currently a director at Adam Smith College in Fife, said he was

looking forward to the challenge, adding:

'It is an exciting prospect to lead the college onwards in its development, both as a strong and vibrant institution and a partner within the University of the Highlands and Islands.'

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Two businesses to close

JULY sees the closure of two Mid Argyll businesses as the recession continues to make trading difficult.

Artlines, a gift and homeware shop in Lochgilphead, and the Lorne Bar in Ardrishaig will both close their doors next weekend.

Owners of the Ardrishaig bar, Colin and Gillian Meikle, have put the business up for sale to concentrate on their young family but say the economic climate also played a part in their decision. 'We are often quiet during the day; people are not going out nearly as much as they used to and we do not do food; it is purely wet sales,' Colin said.

'But someone who doesn't have as many commitments could turn things around', he added.

The bar, along with the flat upstairs, will formally go on the market in the coming days, with the bar closing on Saturday night.

Artlines will close on Friday July 20.



Nursery holds graduation day

Riverside Rascals Nursery held a graduation day last Thursday to celebrate the achievements of the children over the year. The nursery pupils celebrated their big move into primary school with parents and teachers, who were thanked by nursery manager Jean McPhee for all their support.

Council to scrap executive committee

DECISIONS affecting the daily lives of people living in Argyll and Bute will be made by all 36 councillors in the region following a vote to abolish the executive committee.

The new council, formed after the May election, will also establish a performance review and scrutiny committee to examine the council's performance.

The move comes after several councillors campaigned for more

transparency in the decision making process. Council leader Roddy McCuish said: 'The new arrangements agreed by the council will mark an improved approach to democracy in decision-making for the people of Argyll and Bute.'

'This confirms our commitment to work in the most inclusive way possible and it underpins one of the council's key values which is to be open, honest, fair and inclusive.'

Fond farewell to popular teacher

A TEACHER who has taught in Mid Argyll Schools for more than 20 years has retired.

Fiona MacDonald completed her last day as headteacher at Minard Primary last week after an 'emotional' send off.

Staff, pupils and parents of Minard held a garden party for Mrs MacDonald last Thursday where dozens of former pupils gathered to pay tribute to their primary school teacher.

Fiona, who is also the musical director of the Mid Argyll Youth Chorus, was treated to a musical performance by former pupils of the school and members of the youth chorus who sang *Children of the Future*; a song written and performed by children at Minard Primary School to mark the millennium.



Fiona MacDonald retired as headteacher of Minard Primary last week.

ones; it was fabulous.' Reflecting on her time at Minard Primary, Fiona said: 'There was never one day when I haven't felt lucky. I put my heart and soul in to it; it was hard work but I enjoyed every minute of it. You get far more back than you put in.'

Becs Barker from the Minard Primary School Parent Council said parents and children alike were sad to her go.

'She has contributed so much to the school. She has always gone the extra mile to look after everybody,' Becs said.

Fiona started teaching in Mid Argyll in 1991, when she taught at Craignish Primary School four days a week. The remaining one day per week was spent travelling around primary schools in Mid Argyll teaching art, music and French.

Past and present pupils at the school also joined forces to sing *Holly Jolly Christmas*.

Fiona said: 'Every single child at Minard learnt that song for the Christmas show so when someone suggested they sing it there was these huge boys singing alongside the little

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Band secures fourth place in British championships

Crew and Ceann Loch Diner, the band played an interesting and musical medley selection opening with *The End of the Ringing* (March).

This was followed by Dr Flora MacAulay of Carradale (Jig), Kirsteen (Slow Air/March), Loic Dennis (Strathspey), and finishing with the lively Reel, Mrs MacLeod of Raasay.

Fantastic

'It's absolutely fantastic,' said Raymond Gosling, one of the band's side drummers. That was our best performance of the year so far. The pipers and the drummers all did their bit. Now we're hoping to get even higher up the leader board at the European Championships at Belfast at the end of July.'

Raymond, celebrat-



Kintyre Schools Pipe Band took fourth place at the British Championships.

ing his 13th birthday, was given the honour of collecting the Earlston shield for fourth place from the championship chieftain, John Alexander of Scottish Power Renewables at the closing ceremony trophy attended by a total of 126 pipe bands.

'I was more than pleased with our showing today,' said

pipe major Ian McKerral. 'The sound was just about right and the playing was spot on. These youngsters are only just out of novice and we're now in the mix at juvenile.'

'And today we were helped along just a bit by some welcome sponsorship from Naz Islam and the Bangladesh Tandoori.'

Watch out for Kintyre

Schools Pipe Band appearing locally in the next few weeks. Pipers and drummers will be performing periodically at the tourist information office throughout the summer.

The massed bands of Kintyre schools will appear at Southend Highland Games on the evening of Saturday July 21.



Kintyre Schools in the circle at Annan.

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Young Zambians visit Mid Argyll

FAMILIES in Mid Argyll will once again be welcoming Zambian people into their homes this month as the Mthunzi Cultural Exchange gets underway.

Twelve young people from the Mthunzi Culture Group will descend on Mid Argyll on July 29, when they will share their traditional music with Argyll residents.

A dynamic mix of drummers, dancers and actors from Zambia, the culture group will visit the area by invitation of Mid Argyll charity, the Mthunzi and Lilanda Initiative (MALI).

The young Zambians, together with their Scottish counterparts, will

learn about global citizenship throughout the three-week exchange, finding out about each other's food security, experience of physical exercise and health issues.

They'll also have a lot of fun.

The Zambians will also be contributing to social events in Mid Argyll during their visit, taking part in the MS Centre Gala Day, the Tayvallich ceilidh and they will perform a concert with the Mid Argyll Pipe Band and Gaelic singers.

MALI funds the education of vulnerable youngsters looked after by two projects in Zambia.



The Mthunzi Culture Group delighted Mid Argyll audiences with their performances of traditional Zambian music and dance when they visited the area in 2010. 06_a32da101

Martha's meals blog goes on world tour

PEOPLE following Lochgilhead blogger Martha Payne's NeverSeconds website can still get updates on school meals as the blog goes on a world tour.

Martha, aged nine, who finished school for the summer holidays last Friday, has handed over the reins of her blog to other schools and pupils throughout the world.

The first guest blogger, Blodyn from Ysgol Kingsland in North Wales, appeared on NeverSeconds on Monday. The youngster, also aged nine, followed the NeverSeconds method of reviewing her school lunch - spaghetti Bolognese, rating it for taste, healthiness and the number of mouthfuls needed to eat it.

The world tour sees the

blog travel from Wales to England, to Texas, Tokyo and Brazil.

Launching the tour on NeverSecondsFriday, Martha's father David Payne said: 'Many of the emails and comments we have received express how much you have all enjoyed reading about children and their dinners from around the world. So for the coming months of the holidays NeverSeconds is embarking on a world tour to hear more from children and their daily dose of school dinners.'

Martha will also blog once week to update people on her work with Mary's Meals and progress of the Friends of NeverSeconds Kitchen in Malawi.

Donations to the Argyll based charity

Mary's Meals via the NeverSeconds JustGiving page have exceeded £110,000.

This week saw MSP for the Highlands and Islands Mike MacKenzie table a motion in the Scottish Parliament congratulating Martha and the NeverSeconds blog for raising thousands of pounds for the charity.

'Martha is an example to us all and it is only right that the Scottish Parliament should recognise her achievement. The amount of money raised is truly remarkable,' Mr MacKenzie said.

Mary's Meals provides a daily school meal for almost 600,000 children in some of the world's most deprived countries, encouraging them to go to school.

Argyll and Bute clean-up volunteers praised

MORE than 2,500 volunteers from across Argyll and Bute got involved at this year's National Spring Clean.

A report by environmental charity Keep Scotland Beautiful revealed the huge numbers who

helped clean up litter from their communities between April 1 and May 31.

John Semple, Argyll and Bute's councillor for the environment welcome the report, adding: 'Everyone who lives here knows that

Argyll and Bute is beautiful and so do our thousands of visitors.

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Those Were The Days

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A TAYINLOAN youngster is off to help the impoverished children in Malawi, an African country ravaged by AIDS, famine and poverty.

Daniel Sheldrick, a pupil at Tarbert Academy, will spend six weeks in the town of Liwonde helping to build a primary school and teach basic skills to the children.

Daniel got involved in the scheme, run by Tearfund, a Christian organisation which works with poor children throughout the world, after hearing about it from schoolmates and friends at his church.

Before he left, Daniel said he hopes the experience will help him become more self-confident, as well as doing something to help other people. To raise funds for the trip, Daniel took part in a beach clean along the west Kintyre coast.

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MINARD Primary School teacher Lesley Goodwin is to meet Prime Minister Tony Blair and wife Cherie later this year at a special gathering.

Lesley will be one of 200 teachers from all over the UK to receive recognition of teaching excellence at 10 Downing Street on September 16.

The guests have been selected by Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools. Lesley said: 'I am delighted and honoured to accept the invitation and am looking forward to it immensely.' Lesley hails from Campbeltown, where parents Alex Galbraith and Rose still live.



Down Memory Lane

This week's Down Memory Lane picture was submitted by Margaret Beattie (MacLean). The picture shows members of the Lochgilphead Free Church Sunday School on an outing to Carsaig Bay in 1959. To submit a photograph to Down Memory Lane, email the newsdesk your picture, along with a short description, to editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk or pop into our office on 44 Argyll Street, Lochgilphead.

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



KILORAN Bay on Colonsay couldn't have looked more beautiful.

There wasn't a cloud in the sky and the beach was deserted.

We paddled in the clear waters and watched as a very lovely yacht sailed into the bay. Her crew dropped anchor, got into their dinghy and rowed ashore.

They chatted easily with us, and we discovered that they were doing a bit of island hopping. They had just been on Gigha and after lunch on Colonsay, they were heading to Iona.

What a wonderful way to spend a few days in the sunshine. The Scottish islands must be some of the most beautiful in the world and we are so fortunate here to have such ready access to them.

There is something magical about boarding a ferry and hearing the familiar 'bing-bong' as the skipper welcomes us aboard.

It's interesting to think that in days gone by most of the trade on the Argyll coast was done by sea. Today we are fortunate to enjoy the pleasure of island-hopping as a means of relaxation.

Islands have a kind of mystical appeal.

They are written about in stories and in poetry, and are made famous in song.

Many tourist slogans advertise an island as a place to 'get away from it all', and this is certainly very true.

Yet there is a connectedness about islands as we set sail by ferry or private boat.

John Donne said 'No man is an island' and that 'each man's death diminishes me'.

In our own journey in life, we have a human connectedness and a responsibility to and for each other.

We have a connectedness woven by the God who created us and who journeys with us.

He is the one who calms our storms, holds our anchor steady and brings us safely ashore in his love.

Windfarm 'legacy' not a gift

Sir,

I would like to make a couple of points regarding the 'Windfarm windfall legacy' front page of the 29 June issue.

First - this windfall will be paid for by every one of us who uses electricity, in the form of higher bills, not by the windfarm developers.

This so-called legacy money is actually our own cash, not a gift from a generous benefactor.

Second - not all legacies are positive. The companies involved in the windfarm industry have shown in the past just how transient they are, flitting without hesitation when it suits them.

So when these machines wear out it will be us, once again, who will have to pay for demolishing them and removing the resulting piles of industrial junk from our

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hills, not the firms which built them.

So enjoy your 'windfall legacy' illusion while you can, before the bills arrive!

Stuart White,
Minard,
Argyll.

Lochgilphead Armed Forces Day thanks

Sir,

May I take this opportunity to thank all who attended, helped or donated towards Lochgilphead Armed Forces Day on June 23, 2012.

Despite the inclement weather the marches were well supported by the public and it is hoped that all enjoyed the day. Next year we are holding the Lochgilphead

Letters to the Editor

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Armed Forces Day on Saturday, June 22.

Once again many, many thanks to all who helped make this such a success.

Betty Rhodick,
Secretary,
Lochgilphead Armed Forces Association.

Lack of action on the A83

Copy of letter sent to minister for roads Keith Brown MSP earlier this week.

Sir,

I write to you to express my concern at the lack of positive action being taken to resolve the issues associated with the A83 at the Rest and be Thankful

Whilst I appreciate that the final solution to this problem will take

longer, the constituents of Argyll and Bute fully expected the alternative by-pass route to be in place for the forthcoming winter.

The government appear to be dragging its heels on this issue which is totally unacceptable to all who currently use the route.

I feel confident that if a similar situation occurred on the M8 we would have seen a much swifter response.

I implore you on behalf of the constituents of Argyll and Bute to take immediate action to resolve this unacceptable situation.

Kind Regards
Cllr Donald Kelly
Lead Councillor for Roads, Argyll and Bute Council

Burnley FC appeal

Sir,

I wonder if you or your readers could help us at Burnley Football Club.

We are trying to establish the details of the final years and the death of one of Burnley FC's true legends, John Henry (Jack) Hill, born in Hetton le Hole, Co Durham in 1897.

At the end of his football career he retired to Scotland, we believe to Helensburgh, where he died (we think) on 14 April 1972 at 14 East Clyde Street, Helensburgh.

He was survived by his wife Winifred Margaret and there was at least 1 son, perhaps living locally. During his career, most of it at Burnley and Newcastle, he was a very prominent footballing personality and captained England a number of times in the 1920's.

Because of his prominence it's possible there was an obituary in your newspaper. If so could you possibly send us a copy. Some of your readers may well have come across him during his time in Helensburgh and we would appreciate any memories that they may have and would care to share. Hope you can help.

Ray Simpson,
Burnley Football Club Historian and Archivist.

Get set for 'whitewash' inquiry

Sir

Just how many individuals, banking or otherwise, have benefited from the banking misdemeanors over the past years?

Those rogue traders of the City of London, who may be responsible for this crisis, are now being brought to account thanks to Westminster parliamentarians.

It would also be interesting for the public to know, just how many of our 'well heeled' members of the houses of Commons and Lords have also indirectly benefited from this covert handling of the 'rate riggers'. I may be cynical, but one should stand by for another 'whitewash' inquiry.

Bob Harper, Anstruther, Fife.

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Fish farming a great career

A FISH farm manager from Lochgilphead, who is celebrating his 20th year in his job, is recommending a career in the industry to others.

Iain Jackson, 41, manager for The Scottish Salmon Company's sites at Loch Fyne, said the growing fish farming industry could provide a prosperous career for many young Argyll people.

'Salmon farming has been a good career for me and it can be a good career for others,' Iain said. 'The company is expanding and we all work hard knowing that



Lochgilphead man Iain Jackson flies the flag for the fish farming industry.

salmon farming is an important, developing industry.'

Coming from a long line of Tarbert fishermen - his father and five uncles were all trawlermen, Iain left school at 18 and, seeing the future was in salmon farming, went to college in Inverness to study aquaculture.

Privileged to be working in the open air and with a small tight-knit group of people, Iain said: 'The day-to-day challenge of working in the environment is what I enjoy.'

'Having a good team to work with you is vital; I have a man in his 50s and a boy of 19 and we all enjoy the crack.'

Recognising Iain's contribution to fish farming in the area, Stewart McLelland, CEO of The Scottish Salmon Company, said: 'Iain is a tremendous champion for salmon farming and we are delighted to recognise his achievements over the past 20 years.'

'His son is only five, but perhaps Iain can start encouraging a new generation to follow in his footsteps.'



MSP for Argyll and Bute Alan Reid helped Port Ban Holiday Park launch its electric bicycle hire business.

Holiday park powers on with electric bike hire

A HOLIDAY company in Mid Argyll is offering up a new type of transport in its efforts to reduce its carbon footprint.

Port Ban Holiday Park is now offering electric bicycles for hire and sale at the park on the Kilberry Road in a bid to urge people to ditch the car.

John Sheldrick, a director of the holiday park, hopes the bikes will offer people another

way of exploring the Argyll countryside.

Explaining electric bicycles, which give people assistance when cycling and take the pain out of cycling up hill, Mr Sheldrick said: 'A lot of people are put off cycling by the hills so the electric bikes are good for people who do not normally go cycling.'

'They are fun as well; they will give people a lot of enjoyment.'

The holiday park hopes the bicycles will be popular with families and cyclists of varying abilities, as the electric motor can help groups travel at the same speed, ensuring no one is left behind.

Mr Sheldrick has joined forces with other businesses throughout Argyll to ensure that cyclists can recharge their bikes when they venture to nearby towns and vil-

lages.

'Recharging is very simple,' Mr Sheldrick said. 'There is a recharge cable that you take with you and you can plug that into a normal plug.'

'We have stick on signs for local cafes and restaurants that will provide recharging facilities. We will have recharging points in Ardrishaig, Tarbert and Lochgilphead.'

Launched at the holiday park on Saturday, the electric bicycles are part of a wider programme of 'green' practices being adopted at the company.

'A lot of people are going for gold this summer; we are going for green,' Mr Sheldrick said. 'It's all part of a push for the holiday park to be more green and lower our carbon footprint.'

'It is in combination

with our plastic and tin recycling; urging people to separate their plastic and tin items so they don't go to landfill.'

One of only a handful of places on the West Coast of Scotland to supply electric bikes for sale and hire, Mr Sheldrick has already sold one bicycle this week.

'They have taken off in a big way in Holland,' Mr Sheldrick said. 'There has been a lot of interest here already.'

Loch Melfort Hotel wins Gold Star

THE LOCH Melfort Hotel in Arduaine has been awarded a Gold Star from VisitScotland for ongoing commitment to quality and customer service.

Loch Melfort, a three-star hotel, is owned by Calum and Rachel Ross. Mrs Ross said: 'Being a family run hotel gives us that extra sparkle that other hotels just cannot compete with. This, along with a high proportion of local staff that care and really want to make your stay with us special, is why VisitScotland has awarded us Gold status. We are proud of all our staff for the time and attention they give to guests and this is fantastic recognition for us and them.'

The hotel is part of VisitScotland's quality assurance scheme. When looking for a Gold Star winner VisitScotland take into account current Quality Assurance scores, scoring history and customer feedback. A further 19 accommodations in Argyll have been awarded a Gold Star, including Crinan Hotel, The Airds Hotel and Isle of Eriska Hotel.

Youth business booming

MORE young people in Argyll and Bute are setting up their own businesses that ever before, according Youth Business Scotland.

In the last year Youth Business Scotland, formerly known as Prince's Scottish Youth Business Trust, has supported 15

young people into self-employment - the highest start up rate in the region since 1994.

Sharita Padaruth of the trust said: 'This is a fantastic achievement and we are delighted that so many young people are investing back into their local community. Youth

Business Scotland could not have done this without assistance from Argyll and Bute Council. Their support with volunteers, sponsorship and events has been instrumental in the regions success and we are extremely grateful to them.'

New trips delight visitors to Luing

THE START of the 2012 tourism season has seen another successful business spring up in Argyll.

Isle of Luing Boat Trips, launched in April this year by enterprising couple Kirsty and Alastair MacLachlan, is delighting visitors and locals with boat trips off the coast of Luing.

The couple recognised a gap in the market for a special 'off island' experience and have been inundated with requests for trips since starting

their business. 'My father in law used to take people on boat trips from Luing many years ago' Kirsty said. 'Sadly, when he died the trips stopped but people kept asking us about them.'

Advisor

Before starting the business Kirsty contacted Business Gateway 'I contacted Nicky Archibald, the business advisor for this area,' Kirsty said.

'It was very helpful to get impartial advice and support from the out-

set on a one to one basis. It meant I could get pointers about the things I needed to consider and could ask questions and discuss ideas.'

Workshop

Kirsty also attended a two-day business start-up workshop, one of several organised by Business Gateway, which gave her the opportunity to interact with other business owners.

Having planned thoroughly, Kirsty and Alastair bought Venture, a 10-metre wood-

en charter boat, which cruises at seven knots ensuring people have time to take in the views and wildlife.

The new business has also provided employment on the island with the MacLachlans hiring other skippers to run the trips as and when required.

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Walking Youth Theatre

A YOUTH theatre company offering theatrical experience to young people living in rural Argyll is being launched by the Walking Theatre Company.

One of Argyll's most innovative theatre movements, the Walking Theatre Company is to launch Walking Youth Theatre (WYT) to en-

courage people aged between eight and 18 to get involved in the arts.

Funded by the Big Lottery's Young Start programme, WYT will see young thespians creating their own theatrical events, working with in their own community and cultural heritage, guided by Argyll's own Walking Theatre

Company and industry professionals. The programme includes production, performance and business workshops and public performances with the new youth theatre taking the lead.

Sadie Dixon-Spain, artistic director of The Walking Theatre Company, said:

Encouraging

'We're just so excited about this opportunity. Young people in rural areas often really struggle to get involved in the arts, and bringing theatre to rural communities and encouraging the next generation of young creative professionals has always at the heart of The Walking Theatre ethos.

'Now, with WYT younger generations not only get to see theatre, but create it as well within a practical professional environment.'

Explaining theatre groups are a fantastic way of building confidence in children and teenagers, the youth theatre will offer opportunities to young people who are not solely interested in acting.

'WYT is about more than performance. It's about building confidence, creating community ties, and sharing all kinds of useful skills - whether it's acting, advertising, or making a funding pitch,' Sadie said. 'So even if the thought of performing turns your blood to ice, you can still get fully involved.'

Eager to get the youth theatre rolled out across Argyll as soon as possible, the organisation is currently recruiting a project development officer to work with the youth theatre for the next 12 months.



Sadie and the cast of the Walking Theatre Company have a long history of bringing Argyll's past to life at places such as Auchindrain Township.

All Washed Up exhibition

PUPILS at Achahoish Primary School put the flash into trash during their *All Washed Up* art exhibition last week.

The school was transformed into a makeshift art gallery as young artists created a range of colourful crafts, made from bits of old rubbish gathered from Ormsary beach.

The *All Washed Up* exhibition is the brainchild of Ardfern artist Hannah Tofts, who has been touring small coastal schools across the country, encouraging youngsters to get creative with the waste that washes up on shore.

Explaining the exhibition was about each pupil showcasing their own unique talents, Hannah said: 'The children are used to doing things step-by-step but this exhibition is about individual expression which is what I wanted.'



Artistic Achahoish Primary pupils such as Nithin Rajan gave bits of old beach junk a new lease of life. 06_a27art01



Mirror mirror: Nadia Jackson and Ruby Bosomworth reflect on the success of the *All Washed Up* exhibition. 06_a27art07

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Musical adventure for Mid Argyll teenagers

EXCITEMENT is building for three Mid Argyll teenagers who are about to embark on a musical adventure.

Mairi Voinot, David Provan and Alex MacKechnie have this week been preparing for the Argyll Ceilidh Trail tour.

The trio who say they 'can't wait' to tour the West Coast of Scotland are at Plockton's Na-

tional Centre of Excellence in Traditional Music learning Scots dance routines and music.

David and Mairi, former pupils of Lochgilphead High School, are old veterans of the trail, having taken part for two and three years respectively.

Speaking to the *Advertiser* before going to Plockton, the duo said the audiences in

the towns and villages across Argyll keep them coming back.

Mairi said: 'We get a real buzz playing with new musicians each year. It is all new people this year and its great having all the different influences, especially people from the islands as they have their own type of music.'

Keen to return to the islands, where the ce-

lidh trail group is always well received, David said: 'The islanders all know the dances; they are really up for it as well and if you play a dance tune they don't hold back - they are so enthusiastic. Traditional music and Gaelic culture is more prevalent over there.'

David who plays the bagpipes and tin whistle, fiddle player Mairi and Alex, who plays the fiddle and accordion, kick off their tour in Alex's home, Strachur, on July 27.

The two-week tour will see the young musicians visit Appin, Balloch, Crianlarich, Arran, Gigha, Easdale, Cairndow, Luig, Oban and Tiree, as well as Kilmartin and Inveraray.



Mid Argyll youngsters do their bit for international aid.

£1,700 raised for charity

CREATIVE children at St Margaret's Church in Lochgilphead helped raise £1,700 for an international charity - by crafting worms.

The youngsters raised £40 selling toy silkworms to add to an overall fundraising drive by the St Margaret's congregation.

The money will be sent to the Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund

(SCIAF), which is raising awareness of the plight of people of disability in India.

Magnificent sum

Fr David Connor, parish priest at St Margaret's, said: 'The whole parish raised a magnificent sum for SCIAF this year - but we are really proud of the children's contribution. They did a great job.'



Rhino-thon in Achnabreck Forest

ARDRISHAIG Brownies charged down to Achnabreck Forest last Wednesday to take part in the Rhino-thon.

The girls donned special rhino hats as they ran half-mile circuits around the forest trail, raising £200 for wildlife charity Team Rhino in the process.

The charity will be using the funds to help save the endangered black rhinoceros at the Amakhala Game Reserve in South Africa.

Brownie leader Kirsten Lawrence, who is also a vet, came up with the idea for the Rhino-thon after spending two weeks on the reserve as part of her veterinary training. 06_a27rhino01

Innovative sculpture park opens

ONE OF Scotland's most innovative sculpture parks has opened to the public with beautiful pieces of art set against the Argyll landscape.

Caol Ruadh Sculpture Park in Colintraive, is set in the 20 acres of garden belonging to the grand Victorian house Caol Ruadh.

Surrounded by wood-

land and water, the landscape of the park, together with the Argyll weather, provides a dramatic backdrop in which to display sculptures and large installations.

Opening at the end of June, the park is home to works by a series of Scottish artists and Argyll talent with Guy Edgar, Andy McClin-

tock and Bill Williamson all exhibiting work there.

Descend

Speaking after the opening of the park which saw more than 150 people descend on the Kyles of Bute, founder of the park, Karen Scotland, said:

'The elements have provided a spectacular

backdrop for the sculpture and we are delighted so many people braved the conditions to celebrate this very exciting addition to the Scottish art scene.'

Caol Ruadh Sculpture Park was established by Karen, who owns and lives at Caol Ruadh, in partnership with Anne Edmonds.

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The Huntsman is not a love interest (fear not, the prince is still in the story) but acts more as a mentor, teaching the teen girl to fight and survive.

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National Carers' Week

STAFF at the Dochas Carers Centre recently joined carers from across Argyll in a trip to Portavadie.

The trip was the highlight of a busy week during National Carers' Week which raises awareness about the work carers do.

Centre manager Maggie McLaren said: 'The staff at Portavadie excelled themselves once again, looking after everyone and making them feel special.'

Mackerel stocks

SANCTIONS against nations engaging in the 'slaughter' of mackerel stocks were welcomed by an Argyll and Bute MSP last Wednesday.

Jamie McGrigor was responding to an agreement between the European Parliament and the Danish presidency to penalise countries and territories involved in unsustainable fishing practices. Mr McGrigor criticised Faroese and Icelandic fishermen for 'hoovering up mackerel stocks'.

Scanner used to create model of Tarbert Castle

A complete laser survey was carried out

GROUNDBREAKING laser technology, used to map historical monument Mount Rushmore, has been used to create a three-dimensional model of Tarbert Castle.

The technology was used by archaeological group Northlight Heritage to carry out a complete laser survey of the building last week; one of many surveys needed before a community archaeological dig can begin at the site.

A crucial development in charting the changes that have occurred in ancient monuments over hundreds of years, the laser survey can help detect erosion in ruins like the 700-year-old Tarbert Castle.

A survey that would have taken weeks in the past, the Time of Light laser scanner took just

two days to create a comprehensive 3D image of Tarbert's most prominent landmark.

Describing the advantages of laser scans over more conventional surveying methods, Charlotte Francoz of Northlight Heritage said: 'Using traditional methods such as GPS would take too much time, up to two weeks, whereas using the scanner took two days.'

Accuracy

'The laser scanner was originally used on oil shore platforms for their millimetre accuracy,' she added.

Robert McPhail of Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust (TSCT), which organised the scan, said the survey was an essential part of the data gathering needed for archaeological

digs.

'To satisfy Historic Scotland you have to do these surveys as the castle is a protected monument and you can't touch the ground without their permission,' Robert said.

TSCT has received funding from Argyll and Bute Council and Historic Scotland to carry out the necessary surveys but they still need

another £7,000 to complete the full list, which includes an underground radar sweep of the castle grounds.

Tarbert Castle has undergone significant development as part of ongoing efforts to open up the ruin to the public.

A total of £750,000 was spent on stabilising the crumbling structure, and a flock of sheep are being used to trim the



An advanced laser scanning technique was used to map Tarbert Castle last week. 06_a27castle01

Continued support for the armed forces

PUBLIC authorities throughout Argyll and Bute have pledged their continued support to the armed forces.

Argyll and Bute Council, NHS Highland and Argyll Voluntary Action signed the Armed Forces Community Covenant on last Thursday.

The covenant aims to bring together civilian, public and private sectors and military organisations to build an understanding of the needs of the armed forces and how best to serve them. The initiative is an agreement that helps to encourage the integration of armed services personnel into civilian life.

Commodore Mike Wareham RN, naval base commander Clyde, said: 'Argyll and Bute is in a unique position as the home to Her Majesty's Naval Base Clyde, the largest military establishment in Scotland, and one with a growing population of servicemen and women and their families.'

Grateful

Council leader Roddy McCuish said: 'We are eternally grateful for the outstanding contribution that our armed forces make to the safety and security of the country and we are proud to sign the covenant today to formally mark our appreciation.'

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McCuish and Bevis dominate Kilberry sheepdog trial

Handlers from throughout Scotland come to Ormsary

ARGYLL farmers and dog handlers fought off national competition this week as they topped the leader board in the Kilberry Sheep Dog Trials.

Taking to the fields in Ormsary, beside Crear, Skipness's Alex McCuish won the Ormsary Trophy for best sheepdog on the field, whilst Ormsary's own Andrew Bevis won the confined championship.

Andy Bevis won three trophies for his work with his dog Suzie, gaining the most points in the pen and shed category, drive and out-work in the confined class.

Andy Nevis and Alex McCuish fought off stiff competition from handlers throughout Scotland with handlers from Shotts, Aberfeldy and Comrie attending the event.

John Semple, Mid Argyll representative for the National Farmers Union Scotland (NFUS) said the event keeps Ormsary on the map.

'We got such a good turn out and it shows people that farming is thriving in Argyll,' he said.

'It is one of the better trials in Scotland and people from far and wide take part.'

Explaining sheepdog trials, and the dogs themselves, are still very important to hill sheep farmers, Mr Semple added: 'We still have to work with the dogs on the hills. What you see here today is perhaps a bit more refined than what we do on the hills - but we couldn't do it without them.'

Mr Semple also said he hoped social events such as sheepdog trials would encourage more young people into farming.

'It is important to try and see how we can get younger people to get interested in trials and then they might take an interest in the hill sheep farming.'

Mr Semple added, 'It is hard to get people under 50 years of age to come gather sheep off the hills in Argyll.'

Kilberry Sheep Dog Trials results:

Confined:
1 Andy Bevis with Susie on 59 points.

Open:

- 1 Alex McCuish with Moss on 95 points,
- 2 Mossa Magnusson with Jim on 94 points,
- 3 Jessie Main with Roy on 92 points,
- 4 Mike McNally with Finn on 91 points,

- 5 Stuart Davidson with George on 91,
- 6 John MacDougall with Spot on 90 points,
- 7 Duncan Robertson with Mot on 89 points,
- 8 Angie McDiarmid with Rex with 87 points,
- 9 Stuart Davidson with Rob with 87 points and Mossa Magnusson with Dave on 86 points.

Trophy winners

The **Carsaig Trophy** for confined championship: A Bevis with Susie;
The **Carse Cup** for best drive in confined class: A Bevis with Susie;

Auchan Cup for highest points for pen and shed in confined class: A Bevis with Susie;

Ellary Trophy for best out-work in confined class: A Bevis and Susie;

Kilberry Ploughing Cup for best dog trained by competitor: M Magnusson with Jim;

Tiretigan Tankard for best drive on the field: M Magnusson with Jim;

Menzies Memorial Cup for best pen and shed on the field: A McDiarmid with Rex;

MacDougall Memorial Cup for best outwork on the field: M McTeir with Jock.

Ormsary Trophy for best sheepdog on the field: A McCuish with Moss



John Semple, Mid Argyll representative for the National Farmers Union Scotland (NFUS) said the Kilberry trial keeps Ormsary on the map

Texel club lamb show at Stirling sale

CALEDONIAN Marts (Stirling) Ltd had forward 754 prime lambs and 308 cast ewes and tups at Stirling on Tuesday of this week.

Included in the sale was the annual prime Texel lambs Open Line Competition which was held in conjunction with the Scottish Texel Breeders Club. The show was judged by Alastair Beaton, of Grays Butchers, Upper Craigs, Stirling who awarded the champion pen of five to JG & K Graham, Easterton Farm, Argaty for 42kg Texel cross Beltex's which sold to the judge for £111.50 or 165p per kilo.

The reserve championship went to T Mitchell, East Gormyre and went on to sell for £93.50 or 228p per kilo.

Texel show lambs averaged 193p per kilo.

Prime lambs averaged 180.5 per kilo selling to a top of £98 for Beltex's from R A Campbell, Meikle Seggie and 221p per kilo for Texel's from

J Moore, Hillcroft.

Export ewes averaged £57.02 (-£2.82) selling to £73.50 from Mr R Templeton, The Bank.

Heavy ewes averaged £84.12 (-£3.97) selling to £138.50 for a pen of Texels from Mr G Whyte, Pett.

Prime lamb rates back on the week

UNITED Auctions sold 1779 prime sheep including 1067 lambs averaging 190.2p (-14.9p/wk), 135 hogs and 577 ewes and rams at Stirling last Thursday.

Berrichon du Cher lambs from Kirkton sold to £101.50, with Drumtee selling Texels to £97.

Suffolks from West Forrat sold to £96.80, with Texels from Aytton selling to £96 and to

216p per kilo. Texel ewes from George Place sold to £132.50, with Cheviots from Drimsynnie to £115.50 and Suffolks from Brucefield to £99.50.

Whitehouse sold Cheviot cross Mules to £84.50, with Blackford selling Blackfaces to £73.80.

Texel rams from Grange of Lindores sold to £133.50

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All the prize winners from Tarbert Academy's 2012 awards ceremony.



L-R: Senior Prefect Josh Barker, school vice-captain Maggie Richmond, school captain Katie MacDonald, senior prefect Tabitha James were recognised for their contribution to school life at Tarbert Academy.

Prizegiving ceremonies held at Tarbert and Lochgilphead schools

DOZENS of pupils from across Mid Argyll were recognised for their academic and sporting achievements at annual prize-giving ceremonies in Tarbert and Lochgilphead.

Parents, friends and community representatives joined students and staff to mark the end of the 2012 academic school year at Lochgilphead High School and Tarbert Academy.

The prize-giving ceremony in Lochgilphead saw Iain Gillies named junior dux, whilst Ruairidh Donald and Mairi Bruce were both awarded the senior dux accolade for their achievements in the classroom.

The S4 Climate Change Group, which recently won national competition, were named winners of the McMillan Quich.

Sporting Success

In Lochgilphead the clan awards recognised young people for their sporting efforts, with Duntrune Clan awarded the Round Table Shield for athletics and the F Killeen Salver for Volleyball. Dunadd Clan was named winners in the Fun Run competition and lifted the Hunter Cup for football. The School Shield for Badminton and the Rotary Shield for achievements in Rugby were awarded to the Kilmory Clan.

Another two pupils at Lochgilphead, Andrew Weir and Adam Johnston, were also awarded the Blair Memorial Trophy for their contribution to sport, whilst Alistair MacVicar was named the winner of the Golf Championship.

Arts

Leading man of Loch-

gilphead High School's Grease production, Joe Redman, was recognised for this theatrical performance and was awarded the Frances Plummer Cup for Drama, whilst Karen Dixon was awarded the Mar-yse Payen Cup for spoken French.

Tarbert Academy

The 2011/12 school year saw a number of Tarbert students excel, with Peter Tyler, Emma MacFarlane and Sam Sloan recognised in a national art competition, whilst Rose Richmond, from S4, took first place in the national Focus Environment photography competition.

Tarbert Academy Folk Group also continued their success, winning a host of Mods and music competitions, with band member Emma MacFarlane also winning a vo-

cal gold medal at the Royal National Mod.

Enterprising pupils from Tarbert also topped the school investors club in Scotland in the Shares4Schools competition. Pupils Josh Barker, Stacey Casci, Cara Kemp Smith, Tabitha James and Luke Scott were flown to London as guests of Shares4Schools.

Sport

The school also enjoyed a year of sporting success, particularly the girls' football team, which won the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay league and the softball team which won at the Argyll Youth Games.

Dux

Following a year of great academic achievement Emma Clark was named junior dux and senior prefect Tabitha James was senior dux.



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Ruairidh Donald and head girl Mairi Bruce were awarded the senior dux title.



Jennifer Blair was awarded the Rotary Award for Special Achievement at Lochgilphead High.



Emma Clark was named junior dux of Tarbert Academy 2012.



Iain Gillies is junior dux at Lochgilphead High School.



Senior dux of Tarbert Academy Tabitha James.

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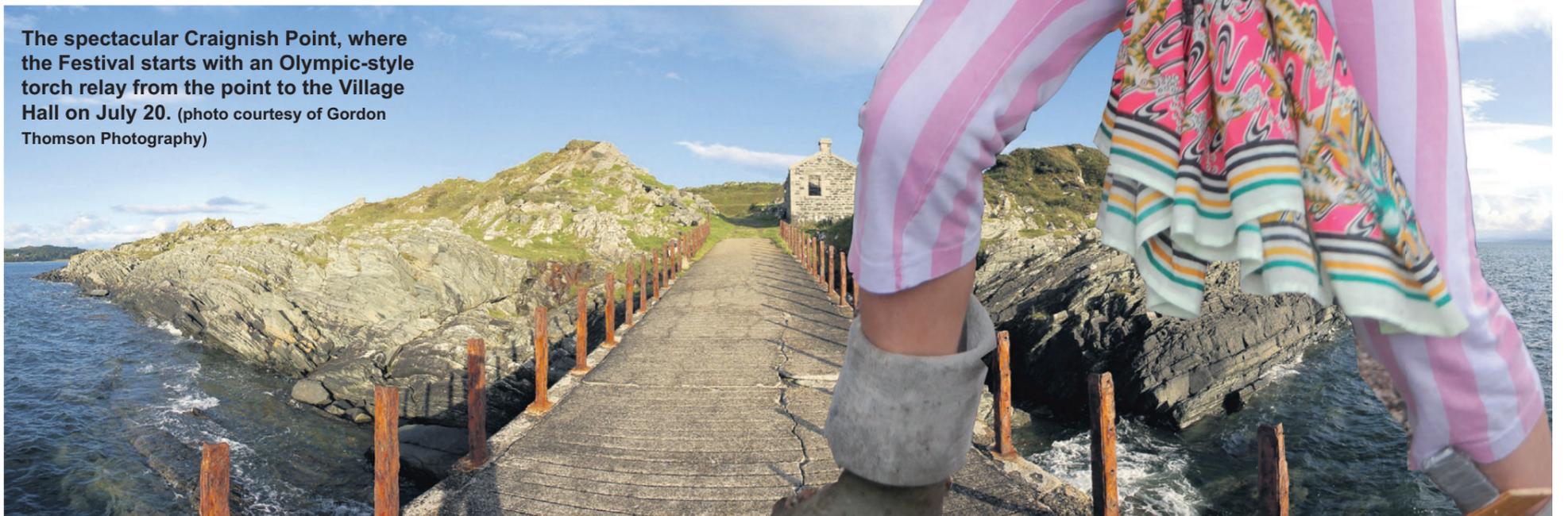
CRAIGNISH FESTIVAL

Your Guide to the Craignish Festival

WELCOME to your pull-out and keep guide to the 2012 Craignish Festival. The 16-day festival will provide entertainment for everyone, no matter what their interests, showcasing and celebrating the best of mid-Argyll's music, drama, sport, art and crafts.



The spectacular Craignish Point, where the Festival starts with an Olympic-style torch relay from the point to the Village Hall on July 20. (photo courtesy of Gordon Thomson Photography)



Starting with a Relay Ending with a Reel



The festival has not escaped the Olympic fever currently sweeping the nation and will host the Craignish Torch Relay to mark the start of the festival on July 20. The oldest residents on the peninsula will start and finish the relay, which begins at 4pm at Craignish Point and finishes at Craignish Village Hall.

It is hoped locals and visitors alike will turn out to cheer on and run alongside the Craignish torchbearers. And on the final day of the two week Festival, 51st will be staged in the middle of Ardfern; festival organisers are aiming for 250 dancers from near and far to set a new unofficial world record!

Galleries Galore

An area rich with artistic talent, the festival will see seven venues host art exhibitions open every day filled with pictures, sculptures and craftwork for sale from dozens of talented local artists.

Pippa Shanks, David Graham, Bill Baillie, Kitty Robertson and Robert Coia will join renowned Ardfern artists across the range of art venues including the Village Hall, Craignish Church, Barbreck Farm Field, the Crafty Kitchen, the Galley of Lorne and Moine Ruadh Gallery by Craobh.



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Day	Time	Artist
Friday 20th July	9:30pm to 10:00am	Finn
Saturday 21st July	9:30pm to 10:00am	The Ballachulish Hellhounds
Sunday 22nd July	9:30pm to 10:00am	Flint and the J Mac Ceilidh Sound
Tuesday 24th July	9:30pm to 10:00am	Alan Frew
Wednesday 25th July	9:30pm to 10:00am	Chris Suchrie
Thursday 26th July	9:30pm to 10:00am	Stewart Grant and Stand Fast
Friday 27th July	9:30pm to 10:00am	Bruce and the Beard
Saturday 28th July	9:30pm to 10:00am	Wanderlust
Sunday 29th July	2:00pm to 4:30pm	The Chartroom Ceilidh Band (Beer Garden)
Sunday 29th July	9:30pm to 10:00am	Just The Ticket
Monday 30th July	9:30pm to 10:00am	Elvis McCartney
Tuesday 31st July	9:30pm to 10:00am	Open Mic Night (All musicians welcome to join in) special guests Claire & Ashley Anderson
Wednesday 1st August	9:30pm to 10:00am	Brass Monkeys
Thursday 2nd August	9:30pm to 10:00am	Danny Carroll
Friday 3rd August	9:30pm to 10:00am	The Camans
Saturday 4th August	9:30pm to 10:00am	Galley Gig Fest Headliners - Blind + Deaf
Sunday 5th August	9:30pm to 10:00am	The Lush Puppies

For more information about each of the gigs go to - www.galleyoflorne.co.uk/whats-on-ardfern.html

Fun Markets every Sunday

Every Sunday will be a fun day for all the family, with a Farmer's and Crafts Market packed with delicious local produce and the best of mid-Argyll crafts.

There will be a car boot sale and an all-day barbecue at the Kintraw Fun Day as well as a vintage tea tent in a yurt, the perfect backdrop for traditional highland games of skill.

At Craobh Haven visitors can try their hand at sailing, raft racing or building boats out of rubbish, hit a golf ball out to sea or take the traditional seaside haggis hurling challenge.

Non-Stop Live Music

Music will be at the heart of the festival with live performances scheduled for every night of the 16-day celebration.

Black Umfolosi will undoubtedly be a highlight of the musical performances, with the renowned Zimbabwean group putting on a spectacle of music and dance to celebrate 30 years on tour – their third visit to Ardfern!

On a more local note, talented entertainer Sophie Ramsay will be performing a set of Scottish Songs in Craignish Church, whilst the Galley of Lorne Inn will be staging live acts every single night with a range of musical genres.

And everyone can take part – with sea shanties planned from the Lunge, Ardfern and Craignish Singers and maybe even the odd ceilidh at events like the Water Fun Day at Craobh Haven Watersports or Poetry at the Shed.

Fun for the Wee Ones

Providing lots of events to keep children entertained throughout the summer holidays, the festival includes a host of family friendly activities. Youngsters can don their walking boots and tour the hugely popular Craignish Scarecrow trail – this year's theme 'Greek Gods and Queens'.

Children of all ages can walk along with the popular Walking Theatre Company and hear the amazing tale of The Wizard of Oz; or listen to 'Tales from North, South, East & West' in the church with Patsy Dyer (age 8 and up).

For families who prefer fun on the high seas, Craobh Haven Watersports will be hosting two events – Water Fun Day and Sail for Gold, featuring games, raft and dinghy races and boat building.

The Festival opens with Fun and Games for all ages at Kintraw farm at the head of loch Craignish, and the famous Pirate Parade on the final day of the festival is a wonderful spectacle as girls and boys young and old dress up as pirates for the day and march through the main street of Ardfern.

Scarecrow Spot the Difference



Can you spot the difference between the two scarecrows? There are 10 of them in all. Bring your entry to the prize giving at the Galley of Lorne Ardfern on the afternoon of Sunday 5th August and you could win a prize too! (but remember the judge's decision is final). And don't forget to go on the scarecrow trail and see all the 'Greek Gods & Queens' – and lots of other - scarecrows.



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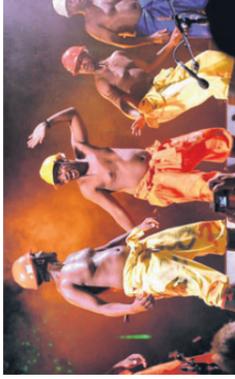
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21st July to 5th August: Your What's On Listing

A fortnight celebrating art, land, sea and the Craignish spirit!

Scarecrow Trail	'Greek Gods and Queens' is the theme this year and everyone is taking part. Dozens of scarecrows of all shapes and sizes all over the place – a great walk or cycle ride!
Art Exhibitions	Craignish Village Hall, Ardfern - July 21st - August 5th. 10am - 5pm throughout the festival. Assorted work by local artists Craignish Parish Church, Ardfern, daytime throughout the festival except Sunday mornings. Assorted work by local artists The Crafty Kitchen, Ardfern – open 7 days 10 am – 6pm; later on Fridays and Saturdays. Paintings by Pippa Shanks The Galley of Lorne, Ardfern - July 21st - August 5th. 10am - 10pm. Paintings by David Graham Moine Ruadh Gallery, Barrichbeyan Barn, Craobh – noon to 13.00 July 23rd -August 3rd. Paintings and sculptures by Kitty Robertson and Robert Coia West Coast Living in Barbreck Farm Field – 9am – 5pm every day (10-4 Sundays); vintage furniture, textiles and accessories, with art and photography by Karen Beauchamp and Bill Baillie
Live Music	Live music every night at the Galley of Lorne, Ardfern; global Zimbabwean act Black Umfolosi at the Village Hall, and beautiful Scottish Songs in the Church.
Farmers & Crafts Markets	Every Sunday throughout the festival, packed with the freshest local produce and a wide selection of beautiful art and craftwork

DAY BY DAY

Friday, 20 July	16.00 – 19.00 Craignish Torch Relay: from Craignish Point to the Village Hall, started and finished by the oldest residents and marking the beginning of the festival. Come and run alongside; fun and a little exercise for all! 19:00 - 21:00 Exhibition preview, Craignish Village Hall: Enjoy a glass of wine while wandering round the main festival exhibition
Saturday, 21 July	10:00 – 20.00 'Sail for Gold' at Craobh Haven Watersports: fun games and races throughout the day – Morning training (10 am – 1pm) Afternoon racing (2pm – 5pm) and evening barbecue and prize-giving. £5 per session £15 for full day. Spectators welcome. More info/register - craobhhavenwatersports@googlemail.com
Sunday, 22 July MARKET DAY	10:30 onwards. Kintraw Fun Day, Kintraw Farm, at the head of Loch Craignish: Sports, Sideshows, Barbecue, Car Boot Sale, Sunday Farmers & Crafts Market. Fun and games for the whole family in a stunningly beautiful setting.
Monday, 23 July	19:30: Craignish Village Hall: Black Umfolosi: Renowned Zimbabwean singers and dancers 'Black Umfolosi' celebrate 30 years of touring. Not to be missed! Tickets £30 for a whole family, £10 adults, £7 concessions (to book call 01852 500689)
Tuesday, 24 July	19:00 - 21:00: Craignish Church: 'Tales from North, South, East & West' Storytelling by Patsy Dyer. Suitable for ages 8 - adult. £7 adult/£2.50 child (to book call 01852 500689)
Thursday, 26 July	20:00: Poetry at the Shed; Poetry and probably some songs in Rory's Shed, up the Corranbeg track from Ardfern. Bring your own poetry, songs and bottle. Free.
Friday, 27 July	19:30 Craignish Church: Sophie Ramsay Sings: 'This is a true taste of Scotland: beautiful person, beautiful songs, beautiful show. 'As heard on Radio 4's Desert Island Discs! Tickets £7 (to book call 01852 500689)
Sunday, 29 July MARKET DAY	10:00 to late: Water Fun Day at Craobh Haven Water Sports: Sunday Farmers & Crafts Market, fun, games, water sports including boat building, dinghy and raft racing, delicious all-day barbecue, open acoustic set (bring your guitar!) and singing round the bonfire in the evening. Register to raft at craobhhavenwatersports@googlemail.com
Wednesday, 1 August	16:00: The Wizard of Oz starting at The Galley of Lorne with The Walking Theatre Company – a wonderful dramatic walk around Ardfern. Tickets £7 adult/£5 child (to book call 01852 500689)
Saturday, 4 August	15:00: Pirate Parade: Annual Pirate Parade through Ardfern for all ages, followed by the festival prize giving and sea shanties from the choir.
Sunday, 5 August MARKET DAY	10.00 to 13.00: Sunday Farmers & Crafts Market, Galley of Lorne, Ardfern 12:00 Giant Reel of the 51st: Let's break the record this year by dancing the length and breadth of Ardfern - our target is 250 dancers! Meet at the Galley at 11.30 am to dance.



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TARBERT

Volunteers boost group funds through open day

YOUNG volunteers from across Tarbert and Mid Argyll helped raise almost £300 for Tarbert Youth Group during a recent open day.

It was a fun day for children who enjoyed playing football, face-painting, balloons and temporary tattoos.

There were also a range of stalls for adults to browse, which sold plants, bottles and home baking.

The youth group will host another stall, selling a range of goods, at the Seafood Festival, which kicks off in Tar-

bert tomorrow, Saturday.

Events galore at annual raft race

A HOST of events will be held in and around Tarbert on July 21 as the annual raft race gets underway.

Kicking off at 2pm, the race will see a host of dookers sink whilst other row to glory in Loch Fyne in their makeshift rafts.

The Mid Argyll Pipe Band will be putting on a pre-race show at 1.30pm and there will be a coffee morning between 10am and 12pm at the Templars Arts and Leisure Centre.

The Islay Frigate Hotel will be holding a prizegiving ceremony announcing the winners of the raft race, a disco, and, in keeping with the humorous theme of the day, a cracker-eating contest.

The proceeds from the day's events will be given to local charities and the Tarbert Firefighters' Fund.



Anna Bellshaw, 8, from Torinturk enjoyed herself at Tarbert Youth Group's open day.

ARDRISHAIG

Myles visits Rotary Club with Olympic torch

THE MID ARGYLL Rotary Club welcomed Olympic torch carrier Myles Clark to the Argyll Arms Hotel recently.

The Lochgilphead High School pupil brought along the torch he carried through the streets of Tarbert as part of the run-up to the London Olympic Games this month.

The club also heard from club member John Holt, who regaled the audience with stories about previous Olympic Games he attended as secretary of the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF).

KILMARTIN

Learn about archaeology

YOUNGSTERS who want to learn more about archaeology can go to a simulated dig at Kilmartin House Museum on July 19.

Visitors will be able to dig for artefacts in a specially made sandpit and will learn how to categorise and record items.

'Sim digs' take place at 11.30am, 13.15pm and 14.30pm.

Hotel hosts craft fair

KILMARTIN Hotel will be hosting a craft fair next Saturday.

The fair will include a range of local crafts including toys, pictures, jewellery, woodcarvings and cosmetics.

A raffle will be held on the day, with all proceeds going towards the Kilmartin Pensioners Fund.

The fair runs from 11am to 4.30pm.

STRACHUR

Official opening of new sports centre

STRACHURMORE Sports Centre will have its official opening ceremony next Saturday.

The sports park, which recently hosted the Celtic Societies Cup Final,

will open its gates to the community for a fun sports day at 1pm.

The event will see shinty and football tournaments taking place on the pitch alongside track events and races for school children.

Entertainment will be provided by Cowal Pipe Band.

TORINTURK

Author celebrates release of new book

LOCAL author Lisa Tuttle celebrated the release of her new book, *The Silver Bough* yesterday (Thursday).

Award-winning fantasy author Lisa is famous for books such as *Panther in Argyll*, whose title was inspired by a headline featured in the *Argyllshire Advertiser*.

Lisa is touring Argyll promoting her book and, having already visited Campbeltown Library, there are plans to visit Lochgilphead Library in the near future.

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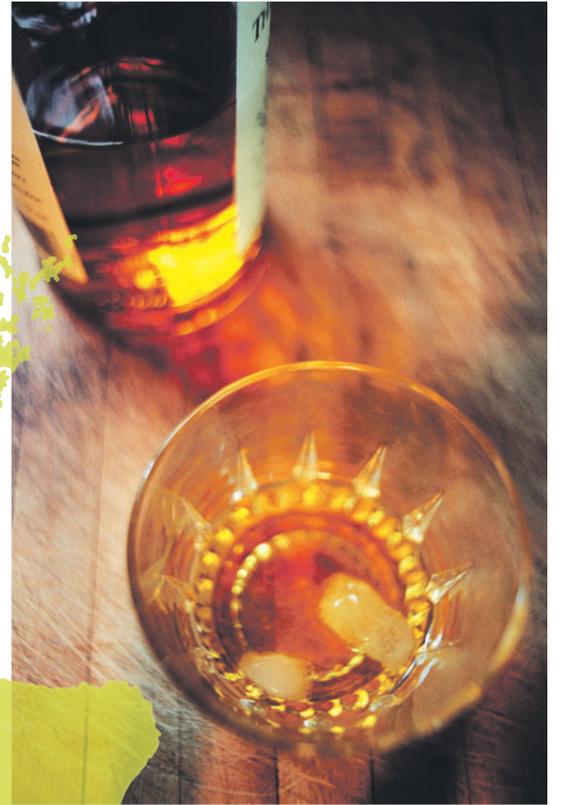


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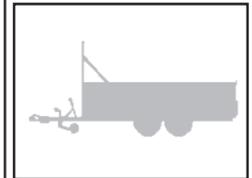
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Argyll and Bute Council has prepared a Potential Additional Sites Consultation as a follow on from the Main Issues Report of the Local Development Plan. The potential additional sites have been identified following analysis of responses to the Main Issues Report. There is also an Addendum to the Environmental Report which accompanied the Main Issues Report, this contains the Environmental Checklists for the additional sites and forms part of the interim Strategic Environmental Assessment: Environmental Report (SEA) for the proposed plan.

Copies of the documents are available for viewing at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/ldp. They are also available for viewing during normal opening hours at the following Council Offices:- Council Headquarters, Kilmory, Lochgilphead; Manse Brae, Lochgilphead; Municipal Buildings, Oban; Milton House, Dunoon; Blairvadach, Helensburgh; Bowmore, Islay; Tobermory, Mull, and at all public libraries.

Comments are sought only on the sites shown on the consultation document and the accompanying Addendum to the Environmental Report. Copies of response forms for the Additional Sites Consultation are provided at the above locations or can be obtained by contacting Sheila McKenzie on 01546 604158. An on line form is available as well as downloadable formats. Responses must be made by 5pm on the 20th August 2012 to Sheila McKenzie, Development and Infrastructure, 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, Argyll PA31 8RD or by emailing ldp@argyll-bute.gov.uk.

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12/00123/PP	Extension to dwellinghouse.	Gartnacopaig Farm Campbeltown Argyll and Bute PA28 6RL	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
12/00916/PP	Demolition of existing sheds and erection of new storage shed.	Gallochoille Isle of Gigha Argyll and Bute PA41 7AD	Sub Post Office Gigha
12/01168/PP	Erection of first floor extension, erection of two canopies and extension to existing timber decking.	3 Braeface Tayvallich Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8PN	Ardrishaig Area Office
12/01240/PP	Erection of timber garden shed/workshop	Achanduin Ardfern Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8QN	Sub Post Office Ardfern
12/01344/PP	Variation of condition 1 of planning permission reference 10/01057/PP - extension of time period	Land North East of E McGinty Ltd Achnabreck Cairnbaan Argyll and Bute	Ardrishaig Area Office
12/01372/PP	Installation of 2 dormer windows	Stewartfield Cottage Clachan Tarbert Argyll and Bute PA29 6XW	Sub Post Office Tarbert

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (AS AMENDED), RELATED PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

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12/01333/PP	Change of use of hairdressers (Class 1) to offices (Class 2)	18 Argyll Street Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8NE	Ardrishaig Area Office
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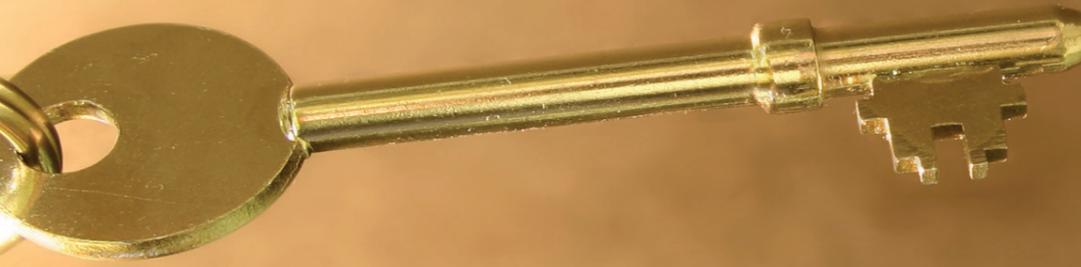
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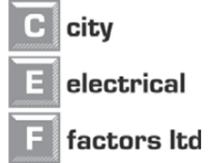
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Bobby Duncan would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for cards and phone calls received since coming home from the Golden Jubilee Hospital. It has all been very much appreciated. Many thanks.

Happy 21st Kenny

Best wishes
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It is with great regret that we will be closing for good on Saturday 21st July 2012. The pressures of raising a family and running a business make it impossible to continue. We would like to thank everyone for their custom and support over the last 3 years. **Colin and Gillian.**

Thank-you
Some weeks ago I thought I was losing my beloved aunt, who is 93 and has been in Kintyre Care Home for four years. However, due to the care, patience and attention from the nurses and carers in the home, she has rallied round again and hopefully I will have her for a while longer. So my sincere thanks go to all the staff in the nursing home for their complete dedication. **R. Cleugh.**

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Kenny and Angela Mitchell would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers and gifts received on their Ruby Wedding.

Rea wins ladies championship at Tarbert

A SUDDEN death finish marked the end of an exciting Ladies' Championship at Tarbert Golf Club on Sunday.

The championship was won by Rea Bleasby in a play-off after tying with Heather Brownlie on 170 strokes over 36 holes.

Heather led the pack after Saturday's play with a round of 86, but Rea made a stirring comeback after a Sunday round of 82 to go with her tally of 88 on Saturday.

Despite losing out at the death, Heather still managed to secure the Handicap Cup with she and Rea finishing an impressive 17 strokes ahead of third-placed Sheena Ferguson.

Seona Martin secured third in the handicap section.

Jimmy takes home the scratch title

A GOOD turnout at Inveraray Golf Club saw Jimmy Kerr and Donald Cameron secure victories at the senior championship on Sunday.

Jimmy took home the scratch title after completing the course on 88 strokes, while Donald, who finished second on 91, won the handicap section - his second title in a week after winning the main club championship.

John MacDonald completed the top three with a gross 92.

Sunday sees club members compete for the July medal, while entries are still being taken for the Inveraray Gents Open, held next Saturday. Tee times can be booked on 07527 929843.

Primary schools in the swim

THE VERY first primary interschool swimming competition in Mid Argyll was won by a team from Lochgilphead Primary School recently.

'Lochgilphead A' took the winner's trophy against teams from Minard, Kilmartin, Craignish, Achahoish and Tayvallich primary schools.



Neil MacDougall took part in a highly competitive Bank of Scotland Triples on Saturday. 06_a27bowls02



The winning team of the Bank of Scotland Triples Sandy Crawford, Alan Guy and George Annan with Roddy MacDonald (right) whose company Donald MacDonald sponsored the event.

Bank of Scotland Triples competition held at Lochgilphead

LOCHGILPHEAD Bowling Club welcomed 13 teams from across Scotland as it hosted the Bank of Scotland Triples on Saturday.

The winners were Lochgilphead and Ardrishaig-based team Sandy Crawford, Alan Guy and George Annan, who overcame George Young of Lochgilphead Bowling Club and Conor and Peter MacArthur from Maybole in the final.

The game was won after George Young conceded with five of the seven ends completed.

The tournament was very competitive, with both finalists edging through after closely fought semi-finals.

Sandy, Alan and George had defeated the all-Ardrishaig team of Joan Robertson, Fiona McLachlan and Tommy McRae, while Conor, Peter and George had beaten Craig and Jamie Lang and Donald McLachlan, all of Ardrishaig.

The tournament was held a week after Lochgilphead Bowling Club hosted the West Argyll Finals.

The winners, who will compete at the Argyll and Bute Finals in Campbeltown tomorrow (Saturday), were:

Gents singles: J Martin (Tarbert); Ladies singles: A MacDougall (Oban); Gents pairs: A Collings and G Annan (Ardrishaig); Ladies pairs: L Cameron and A MacGuiness (Ardrishaig); Gents triples: A Forbes, D MacLean & N MacDougall (Oban); Ladies triples: D Forbes, M MacAlpine and H MacLean (Oban).

Gents fours: B MacKay, S Campbell, B Smart and C Nicolson (Tarbert); Ladies fours: J Robertson, C Crawford, M Annan and F MacLachlan (Ardrishaig); Gents s/fours: D McNicol, B Cupples, K Nicolson and D Henderson (Tarbert); Ladies s/fours: S Grieve, P MacPherson, J Hopkin and J Church (Oban); Mixed pairs: N Etherson and A MacDougall (Oban).

Dalriada Dolphins hold prizegiving

MEMBERS of the Dalriada Dolphins swimming club recently celebrated their achievements throughout the swimming season.

At the prize giving ceremony at the club's base, Mid Argyll Community Pool, Lorne Barrie was named winner in the junior boy championship, whilst Ruby Bosomworth was named junior girls' champion. The swimmers were given the awards after gaining the most points in the 2012 Mid Argyll swimming gala.



Lorne Barrie, Dalriada Dolphins junior boys' champion. 06_a26dolphins01

The awards ceremony ended a successful year for the Dalriada Dolphins, which saw a number of swimmers from the Learn to Swim programme join the squad.



Ruby Bosomworth 2012 girls' champion. 06_a27troph01

Red Star get ready for the new season

LOCHGILPHEAD Red Star have 'everything to play for' as they prepare to start the new season in August, the team's manager has said.

Speaking after the Scottish Amateur Football Association reorganised the Division One league, manager Alan Weir said he wanted to see the Lochgilphead side improve their performances in league matches.

Alan said: 'Realistically I would be looking for promotion this year as there's absolutely no reason why we can't go up.'

But Alan warned the team would have to perform much better if they were to secure promo-

tion to Premier Two, after watching his side endure a poor start to last season's campaign.

Red Star will kick off the new season in Division 1B against teams including Rosehill Star and Inverkip Thistle, with Whitehill FP the only familiar name from the old Division One.

Derbies

With Tarbert playing in Division 1A, there will be no league derbies this season, although the rivals have been drawn together in the group stage of the Centenary Trophy alongside Premier League side Oban Saints who finished runners-up in the top division for the second year in a row



Kilmory's Craig Taylor celebrates after opening the scoring with a spectacular effort from 30 yards. Steven Gilmour grabbed Kilmory's second on the 45th minute. 07_t27kilmoryshinty1

Kilmory crash out of Balliemore Cup

KILMORY have no excuses after crashing out of the Balliemore Cup last Saturday, according to chairman Angus Gilmour.

The team went down 7-2 in their semi-final against Beauly in Taynuilt and Angus admitted the Highland side deserved their victory.

He said: 'Beauly had greater strength in depth and their stickwork was quicker than ours, although we got off to a really good start and it was actually quite a close first half.'

'At 3-2 down, the next goal was going to be a big factor, but it was Beauly who scored and

after that the heads went down.'

Tomorrow's (Saturday) South Division One clash sees Kilmory travel to face Oban Celtic, who have enjoyed a good run of form recently.

Leapfrog

Celtic have scored 15 goals in their last three league matches, and Saturday's 7-0 win over Aberdeen saw them leapfrog the Lochgilphead side into fourth place on the league table.

Kilmory will be hoping for a repeat of their last meeting with Oban Celtic in April, which ended in a 6-2 win for the men in maroon.

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Pupils travel to Old Trafford

LUCKY pupils from Lochgilhead Primary School have won tickets to an Olympic football match at one of the game's most famous stadiums.

Connor Campbell, Cameron McCallum and Fern Geddes will travel to Old Trafford in Manchester on July 31 after entering a prize draw in the school.

The tickets were awarded to Lochgilhead Joint Campus as part of the Olympics' *Get Set Go!* programme.

Football training

FOOTBALL training for children registered with the Soccer Centre takes place this Sunday at Lochgilhead Joint Campus.

The hour-long session, for pupils in primaries two to seven, starts at 11am on the grass pitch.

Training will be taken by Peter Laing and Bruce West while details of further dates can be found on the Soccer Centre website at lochgilheadsoccercentre.com.

Lottery numbers

THERE were two winners in this week's Inveraray Shinty Club lottery as Marion Meikle and A. Rodden won £650 each. Numbers 8, 11 and 13 were drawn and the jackpot will be £100 next week.

There were no winners in the Tarbert Football Club lottery this week, with numbers 8, 14 and 19 drawn. The jackpot will be £300 next week.

The Kilmory Camanachd Club lottery this week drew numbers 3, 10 and 17. There were no winners and the jackpot will be £200 next week.

The jackpot in the Tarbert Golf Club lottery draw will be £850 next week after another week passes with no winner. The numbers drawn this week were 1, 8 and 18.

Inveraray thrash Taynuilt in Celtic Cup final

Royal Burgh side net 14 goals without reply

INVERARAY won their 10th Celtic Society Cup since 2001 after a crushing 14-0 win over Taynuilt last Saturday at the new Strachurmore pitch. Inveraray were strong favourites going into the tie but few would have

expected them to win by such a large margin.

The AJG Parcels Celtic Society Cup 2012 was a demonstration of Inveraray's attacking flair and precision, but also the gulf between the Orion Group Premiership and Marine Harvest South Division One.

For Inveraray, it was a landmark cup win and brothers Graeme and Garry MacPherson extended their joint record for the most number of winners' medals in the competition to 13.

Taynuilt were quicker out of the blocks and kept 'Aray goalkeeper Graeme MacPherson honest on a couple of occasions in the opening exchanges.

But on six minutes Russell McKinlay scored the first of his four goals and he and team-mate Garry MacPherson lifted



The Aray Boys retain what they call 'Our Cup'. Photos: Stephen Lawson



Inveraray captain Scott Robertson holds aloft the Celtic Cup



Taynuilt's Willie Neilson and Inveraray's Garry MacPherson battle for the ball during last Saturday's AJG Parcels Celtic Cup final.

ed their strips to show t-shirts emblazoned with the face of Inveraray supporter Ailsa Crool, a two-year-old waiting for a bone marrow transplant, whose campaign the firemen are supporting. Little did Inveraray know then that Russell and Garry would fire in a further six goals between them.

Euan McMurdo and Ruaridh Graham both scored three goals in the second half; the latter now claims to have scored the fastest hat-trick in Celtic Cup fi-

nal history, having achieved the feat in the space of six minutes after half time that effectively ended Taynuilt's challenge. Taynuilt had held the favourites to 4-0 in the first half, during which time Inveraray's other scorer, Chris Crawford, got his goal.

Inveraray manager John Smylie said: 'When the final whistle went, it was a different feeling than if we won by a single goal in the dying minutes because we won the game at the start of the second half.

'There was more elation later on, when the trophy was getting passed around the pub.

'Ruaridh Graham did say afterwards in the clubhouse that he remembered being beaten 13-1 by Kingussie in the Sutherland Cup when we had a young team, so Taynuilt might have to take some big defeats to learn and progress.'

Taynuilt's only previous winner Celtic Cup winner, Willie Gillies, started at full back, to help his inexperienced teammates and his blood-

ied face, which saw him unwillingly leave the pitch towards the end of the match, symbolised Taynuilt's never-say-die attitude throughout the afternoon.

Manager Davy Thomson said after the game: 'We had a terrible start to the second half, which spoiled the game for us.

'There is a huge gulf between the teams but my players will learn from this. We did well to get to the final, which was a round further than last year, so maybe next year we'll win it!'

Cup final hailed a 'big success'

STRACHUR enjoyed a high-scoring Celtic Societies Cup Final as the trophy returned to the village for the first time since 1974.

The final, which saw Inveraray thrash Taynuilt 14-0 at the new Strachurmore Sports Centre, was hailed a 'big success' by Strachurmore chairman, William Montgomery.

Praising the supporters who turned out for both teams, William said: 'It wasn't a perfect game weatherwise, but the support on the occasion overcame any dullness in the atmosphere.

'There was in excess of 400 people there which was very good considering there was a full shinty fixture list.'

Splendid day

Douglas Currie, chairman of the Strachur and District Community Development Trust, who oversaw the decade-

long development of the new sports ground, said: 'It was a splendid day and everyone was quite delighted.

'The pitch was in great order and I heard someone comment that you would never have known a game had been played on it.'

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