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## Stacey keeps her cool as man injured in accident

'He was lying on the ground,  
there was a lot of blood'

TEENAGER Stacey Rhodick's cool head and calm nerves in a crisis have saved a man's life. Keith Simpson, employed by contractors Fountains, was grass cutting at Brodie Crescent, Lochgilphead, when he was involved in an horrific accident which severed fingers and left another badly damaged on Thursday.

When she heard his screams, Stacey, aged 15, didn't panic but went out, assessed the situation, dialled 999 and went back with towels and a bag of ice from

her mum's freezer. Her very proud grandmother, Betty Rhodick, told *The*



Stacey Rhodick

*Advertiser:* 'We've been told that Stacey's quick thinking saved Keith's life because he was losing so much blood and

was in a terrible state of shock. She didn't panic she didn't go and get someone else, she just did it.'

Stacey, a pupil at Lochgilphead Joint Campus, wants to join the army when she leaves school and has proved that she can be cool under fire.

An ambulance crew took Keith to the hospital in Lochgilphead and were full of praise for Stacey.

From there he was flown by Scottish Air Ambulance helicopter to hospital in Glasgow.

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## Taking a bow at Inveraray

As well as these pretty wee dancers, more than 4,000 people - visitors, exhibitors and competitors alike made their way to Inveraray Castle grounds on Tuesday for the royal burgh's annual highland games.

The weather might not have been kind but the welcome was as warm as ever and this year the games also played host to the world caber championship. See inside for more photographs. 06\_t30inv17

## Man badly beaten up in Barluasgan

A MAN was so badly beaten on Sunday that he needed hospital treatment, police report.

The 29-year-old man was attacked and seriously assaulted in the Barluasgan area.

'Police investigations are on going,' said a spokesman for the police Lochgilphead and he confirmed that officers were following a definite line of inquiry.

## Community Council has no objection

LOCHGILPHEAD community council has said that it does not object in principle to plans to build more than 80 homes on the site of the old high school.

But its members do have a number of concerns that they want to see addressed about the development by Fyne Homes.

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## Change in drink law

POLICE in Lochgilphead have formally warned people and are advising everyone to remember that the laws governing drinking in the street have changed.

The change means that anyone who has an opened drinks container with them – whether they are drinking from it or not – is committing an offence.

## Cannabis

TWO men have been reported to the procurator fiscal after they were found in possession of cannabis on Lorne Street, Lochgilphead, on Saturday.

## Dog advice

POLICE at Lochgilphead say that following an incident on Manse Brae on Thursday last week the owner of a dog was spoken to, advised and warned to keep the dog on a lead.

## Sign taken

FRIDAY night saw someone reported to the procurator fiscal after a sign was stolen from outside a property near to Crarae.

## Moved on

CAMPERS who had pitched their tent on private property in the Furnace area were spoken to by police and moved on at the weekend.

# Lochgilphead to be turned into a tourist magnet

## 'I would like Lochgilphead to be the jewel, not the armpit of Loch Fyne'

A NEW public hall, heritage centre, regular Gala Day and a Hogmanay party are part of a plan to transform Lochgilphead into a tourist magnet and somewhere people feel proud to live.

'I would like Lochgilphead to be the jewel at the top of Kintyre... not the armpit of Loch Fyne. It should be the starting point for tourists,' said Jane MacDonald, the local businesswoman who convened a meeting at Lochgilphead Community Centre last Wednesday to gather views.

And a packed and enthusiastic room agreed with her – it is time to do something to improve the look and attractions on offer in Lochgilphead.

### Re-birth

It has been named the Phoenix Project – to bring about the re-birth of the town. A steering committee was appointed to take forward the many ideas discussed and to find out what the people of Lochgilphead want. They got straight down to work meeting

last week to move things forward.

Jane said: 'The whole aim for what we have called the Phoenix Project is the regeneration of Lochgilphead. To start with, there's the public hall - it will eventually be a business for the community, ploughing money back in to other projects.'

She hopes a hall would incorporate a heritage centre and backpackers hostel, as well as being a base for a regular programme of cultural and community events.

The group plans to resurrect an environmental improvement plan drawn up in 1992, but never put into effect. They will also work to bring back Gala Day in summer 2010 and a regular Hogmanay event to attract people at New Year.

'It needs the community's backing. We need to do this for ourselves,' Jane added. 'It can't go forward unless everybody is wanting the same thing. And that is to bring life back into Lochgilphead and make

us proud that we actually live here.'

She said she started to see the need for a major push to improve the town listening to customers in her barber's shop: 'It was just talking to people and finding out how fed up the local people in the town are, that there's nothing to do. We are seeing colossal amounts of housing being built, without the jobs and amenities for them.'

### Questionnaire

The Phoenix steering group will be sending a questionnaire to every home and plans to hold another public meeting at the end of September. They will also be contacting other groups in the town, to get their views and find opportunities to work together.

The steering group can be contacted via the barber's on Lochnell Street.

*Do you have a view on this? Let us know by logging on to Squeak Speak at [www.argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk](http://www.argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk) or write to the Editor, 44 Argyll Street, Lochgilphead.*

## Flowers for Church Appeal

LOCHGILPHEAD Parish Church has raised £60,000 in the first few months of its appeal for its restoration project.

It puts the congregation well on the way to its target of £360,000, to renovate the church hall, replace its roof and put it back at the heart of the community.

Donations have come from individuals, busi-

nesses, church coffee mornings, an art show and the sale of special JoLoMo mugs.

Reverend Hilda Smith said reaching this total already was 'great'.

### Exhibition

Next month, the church will hold a Floral Art Exhibition from August 12 to 15.

Rev Smith said: 'The Church is running

it with a lot of support from the Mid Argyll Flower Club so it should be a great event. The theme is unusual containers.'

'We have had a very generous donation of £250 from Rotary towards the cost of the flowers for which we are really grateful. All proceeds will go to the renovation fund.'



Members of Mid Argyll Youth Project, with community police officer Trish Collins, Susan Fountain, Louise Ulnwin and Dougie Peddie.

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## Praise for Mid Argyll Youth Project

MID Argyll Youth Project was highly praised by a group of funders who visited the Manse Brae youth centre last week.

The project received £10,000 from the CashBack for Communities fund, which gives out money seized from criminals to community projects.

Fiona Kalache, project co-ordinator, said: 'This is a first class project. We said 'It has basically kept this place

open for the last year.' Dougie Peddie from the CashBack Communities scheme visited the centre on Friday, along with Susan Fountain and Louise Ulnwin from the Scottish government's cashback for communities team and PC Trish Collins, one of Mid Argyll's community police officers. Dougie

were delighted to fund it.'

## Community Council's concern

LOCHGILPHEAD Community Council has a list of concerns it wants addressed by Argyll and Bute Council and Fyne Homes over plans to build 88 homes on the old high school and sports centre site in the town.

Eighty-eight houses of varying size, some social, some affordable will be built by Fyne Homes with a further eight plots in two groups of four being sold for self build.

Community councillors and nearby residents met on Monday night, poured over the plans and had a lengthy discussion.

Drainage of water from the site; the positioning of drains, the actual density of the houses themselves and the wisdom of having four storey flats on a raised part of the land are amongst the questions.

But one issue that caused a great deal concern was what happens

to the Millennium Garden planted when the school was still open.

There is talk of the fixtures and some of the shrubs being moved to the new school and sports centre campus but the community council came out very strongly in favour of keeping the garden as open space for the new homes.

Likewise the council is worried about the site of a drain near to trees that screen the land from existing property.

## Stacey keeps her cool

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Stacey is on holiday this week visiting her great-grandmother in Cowdenbeath with her mum Helen and her sisters Kelly, 14 and Sophie, two-and-a-half.

Stacey said she heard screaming and thought it was a friend outside but then heard the screams again and looked out the window. 'He was lying on the

ground, there was a lot of blood,' she said.

Stacey didn't hesitate and went to Keith's aid.

### Ambulance

'He had some of his fingers missing, I didn't really want to count. I went back in the house and got towels and ice and the house phone and called for an ambulance.'

As they tended to

Keith one of the ambulance crew told Stacey she had done an excellent job.

'One of them said how I had saved his life,' said Stacey, who is keen to join the Argylls and serve on the front line like her uncle, Sgt David Rhodick, who is just back home from a tour of Afghanistan.

Keith is now back home from hospital.

  
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# Summer drink drive campaign catches five

FIVE people in Argyll and Bute were reported to the procurator fiscal for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs during a two-week police campaign, which ended on Monday.

Responding to the figures from the Association of Chief Police Officers in Scotland (ACPOS) Summer Safety Campaign, Road Policing Argyll Inspector based at Lochgilphead, David Ferguson

said the figure was five too many and he warned that even though the campaign was over, officers remained ever vigilant.

He said: 'I am disappointed that a number of people will still risk

not only their own lives, but the lives of others as well.

'Police officers in Argyll and Bute will continue to maximise road checks at various locations over the coming months to detect of-

fenders, including the 'morning after' drink drivers. We want to eradicate the selfish attitude of those who will continue to drive while under the influence of drink or drugs because we are fully aware of

the catastrophic consequences.'

Members of the public who suspect a driver is under the influence of alcohol or drugs should contact their local police station or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

# Cut back threat to court

LOCHGILPHEAD'S one-day-a-month sheriff court could be in the firing line of cost-cutting plans being drawn up by the Scottish Government.

Alan Reid MP told *The Advertiser* that a closure was unacceptable.

'People must have the right to access justice without having to travel vast distances. Public transport is few and far between in Argyll and Bute and all of the existing court buildings are essential to give people access to justice.'

Earlier this summer two Lochgilphead youths appeared before the town's court for breaching their bail conditions. The cases were dropped when it was realised they had been appearing before Dunoon Sheriff Court on the day in question and could not get back to Lochgilphead in time by bus

before their bail curfews kicked in.

A think-tank paper prepared for the Scottish Court Service Strategic Board suggested that one way it could meet Government efficiency-saving targets would be to close 19 of the nation's courts, mostly those which sit with a single court room.

Lochgilphead sits monthly as an annex of the Dunoon Sheriff Court; Argyll's other courts sit at Oban and Campbeltown. They too could be in the firing line.

After the document was leaked to the national press the Scottish Court Service empha-

sised that there are no proposals to close sheriff courts in Scotland.

'Once the budget settlement for future years is known the Scottish Court Service Strategic Board will require to agree any future business model in conjunction with the judiciary and other justice colleagues,' a statement said. 'Along with other public bodies the Scottish Court Service is planning for a future in which public sector spending is likely to see significant reduction.'

The Scottish government has warned departments should 'assume around a five per cent reduction' next year.



## Tree-mendously good time

CHILDREN from Fyne Families Summer Club have been enjoying a weekly trip to Blarbuie Woodland. Val Johnstone from Fyne Families said she was inspired to run outdoor activities by her training in forest schools. She said: 'It helps them to learn about looking after the plants, the environment, without even realising they are learning.' Among the activities last week were wild weaving and hide and seek; these children using leaves and flowers they found to make artworks. 06\_a30wod01

## Join Dawn Patrollers raising cancer funds

IT'S TIME for energetic and charitable ladies to don their trainers and most colourful bras for Mid Argyll's Dawn Patrol. The sponsored walk will be on September 5,

starting at 9am. Entry is £15, to walk nine miles or 18 from Ardrishaig to Crinan and back. Application forms are available from Heather Shaw at the police office. Alternatively, email

heather.shaw@strathclyde.pnn.police.uk or call 07738 933126. Organisers hope to top the total of £10,000 raised by the last Dawn Patrol for cancer care at Mid Argyll Hospital.

## Elderly man rescued

FIREFIGHTERS had to help the ambulance service rescue an elderly man who fell down an embankment near by Crinan Cottages on Tuesday last week. The man, who is in his 70s injured his leg badly.

## Two ticketed

TWO motorists in Lochgilphead have been given fixed penalty tickets after they were seen by police to be driving and not wearing seat belts.

## Injured

ONE person was slightly injured say police after a collision involving two cars on Friday afternoon near Achnamara. A report is to be submitted to the procurator fiscal about the incident.

## Chance to learn a trade

THERE is a chance to find out about new apprentice opportunities in Argyll at an event in Ardrishaig next Wednesday, July 29.

ConstructionSkills is holding an open workshop to offer advice and support to those interested in getting into a career in the building sector.

The session will be held between 10am and 12.30pm at the Grey Gull Inn.

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## Roadworks behind schedule

A £2MILLION road improvement project on the A83 between Lochgair and Port Ann is due to be completed this weekend, almost two weeks behind schedule.

A spokesman for Scotland TranServ said: 'The ten day overrun is due to unexpected difficult conditions encountered on site.' He said this included the weather and extra ditch-digging.

## Small ferries review

A STUDY into the next generation of small ferries serving short routes has been launched by Caledonian Assets Maritime Ltd.

Among the routes being examined is Tarbert to Portavadie and Tayinloan to Gigha. However, the secretary of Tarbert and Skipness Community Council, Wilma Watts, said the community was not given enough time to forward their views. She said they received a survey on July 4 and only had until July 10 to respond.

## Tarbert Fair

THIS year's Tarbert Fair will be held next week, from July 29 until August 2. The 300-year-old fair will have rides and side shows suitable for all the family.

# Drunk truck driver gets a two-year ban

'I cannot say that I think he has convinced me that there was no likelihood of him driving'

A TIMBER truck driver found by police slumped over his steering wheel in Lochgilphead's Lorne Street car park on Easter Sunday has been banned from driving for two years.

Andrew Ronald, formerly of Campbeltown but now living at 26E Gillies Street, Troon, pleaded not guilty to being drunk in charge of a motor vehicle.

But two police officers told Dunoon Sheriff Court's Lochgilphead Annexe last week that they had found the 42-year-old in the driver's seat of an HGV, with the engine running and lights on at 1.30am on April 12. They feared

he was unwell, but on opening the cab door, smelt alcohol. A breath test later found he had 88 mg of alcohol in 100ml of breath (more than twice the legal limit).

However Ronald said he planned only to sleep in the lorry before he was due to start a new job in Lochgilphead on the Monday morning and had no intention of driving it.

After an evening of drinking with friends, he said returned to the vehicle and 'put on the side lights in case anything had been damaged or stolen off the lorry'.

Ronald added he could not get the cab's heater to work: 'I started the

engine solely for heat, that was all.' He said he was reading the *Campbeltown Courier* in the driver's seat when he dropped off and was then discovered by police.

Finding Ronald guilty, Sheriff MacMillan said: 'I cannot say that I think he has convinced me that there was no likelihood of his driving.'

'Mr Ronald, you have a previous conviction for drink driving. For a professional driver that is an appalling situation to be in, to be responsible for lorries travelling around these roads.'

As well as disqualifying Ronald, he fined him £400.



## Walking Waverley wins the prize

THE *WAVERLEY* is back in Tarbert. And this time the famous paddle steamer is travelling down the road!

Cerys and Evie Baird, Calum, Finlay and Holly Guy, Aonghas and Matthew Peden and Finn and Mirren Scott all

worked on the fabulous *Waverley* costume, complete with lifebelts, funnels, flags and an interesting bunch of passengers. It won first prize in the Tarbert Seafood Festival Parade earlier this month.

## New business and advice service

NEW and growing businesses in Argyll and Bute will now be able to take advantage of a new advice and support service.

A team of advisors who are experienced business mentors provide advice through Business Gateway which is based in Lochgilphead.

The service, which is part of Argyll and Bute Council's Development Services team, can be used by people across the area and officially became operational last week.

The first visitors to the new premises was Argyll and Bute MSP Jim Mather and Argyll and Bute Council Leader Dick Walsh who said that the six-strong Lochgilphead-based team will provide an invaluable local resource.

'We have to create the right atmosphere and environment for business to succeed, and the Business Gateway service is a key part of that,' he said. 'Business Gateway offers a one door approach to free and impartial advice for anyone who is considering starting up or growing a business in Argyll and Bute.'

The Business Gateway service will be officially launched across the Highlands and Islands area later in the year.

For more information on the new Business Gateway and the support it can offer, contact the Lochgilphead office at the Enterprise Centre in Kilmory Industrial Estate by phone on 01546 605459 or by email at [business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk).

## Tarbert ceilidh in village hall

LAST Friday saw a ceilidh hosted in the new Tarbert Village Hall.

The audience was treated to a wonderful evening of music, song stories and dance, which lasted until well after midnight.

### Magnificent

John Carmichael on accordion and Mod medalist Paul McCalm provided a magnificent mix

of music that kept the audience enthralled.

Tarbert's Barber Shop group also took part and gave performances that showed their undoubted talent.

John Carmichael's stories had the audience in stitches and, as the evening proved such a success another ceilidh is planned for later in the year.

## TranServ has failed to see the light

THE installation of new streetlights for Tarbert got under way last week, as contractors for Scotland TranServ, which is responsible for the A83 through the village, moved on site.

Balfour Beatty Utility Solutions will be working for four weeks to fit new lights and cabling, replacing existing lampposts and addressing a fault which sees lights go on during the day.

In a letter to residents, a Balfour Beatty representative said: 'Although every care will be taken to minimise disruption and noise, we apologise in advance for any inconvenience caused.' He warned that doorways and driveways may be obstructed for short periods and parking restrictions and temporary traffic management would be needed. One Tarbert shopkeeper has expressed his dismay at the timing of the work. Ian MacIntyre told the Argyllshire Advertiser: 'Any hold-up in traffic is going to be disruptive. It is the busiest four weeks of the year they have chosen.'

## Crash driver reported

THE driver of a car, which crashed on the A83 near Tarbert on Saturday morning, has been reported to the procurator fiscal.

The four passengers travelling in the car managed to get out but the driver was left trapped.

Police and ambulance crews attended and called for back up from Lochgilphead and Tarbert fire crews to help free the driver.

All occupants of the car were taken to Mid Argyll Hospital.

One appliance from Campbeltown Fire Station went to Tarbert on stand-by whilst its crews were attending the road traffic collision.

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# Inveraray Games - a big success



His Grace, The Duke of Argyll, welcomed members of the Clan Campbell from across the world to the games. 07\_t30inv04

INVERARAY Highland Games attracted its usual crowd from around the world on Tuesday but this year it was extra special.

This is the year of the Homecoming and the Clan Campbell gathered from all four corners of the globe to celebrate at Inveraray Castle, welcomed by their Graces the Duke and Duchess of Argyll.

The games has always attracted the top names in dancing and piping as well as heavy athletes and this year there was a new trophy for pipers with a silver kilt pin for the winner of the open piobaireachd in memory of Dr Leslie Craig.

The games also played host to the World Caber Tossing Championship won this year by Poland's Sebastian Wenta.

On the field the games' joint vice-convenor Stephen King celebrated his silver anniversary in the world of the 'heavies'; the Argyll Estates worker first entered Seil Games as a 15-year-old back in 1984.



Home for the games: the McLaughlin family now living in Edinburgh and back to visit family in Kilchrenan. David, Briony and baby Freya. t30inv24



Inveraray's renowned heavy athlete Stephen King. t30inv33



Two Inveraray and District pipe bands and the Oban High School Pipe Band merged to lead the march into the games field. 07\_t30inv02



Laura Underwood, Scott McLean and Laura McMillan of Inveraray Pipe Band. t30inv26



Competitor Toby Corner, Inveraray. t30inv12



Callum McMillan, Iain Livingstone, Grant McLaren, Mark Stark and Steven McNail of Inveraray Pipe Band. t30inv16



Four men and a dog: Craig Killin, PM Gordon Walker, Willie McCallum Snr, Finlay Wylie and Tourla the dog. t30inv27



Inveraray's Stephen King with the Duke of Argyll's sons, Rory, left, and Archie. 07\_t30inv09



Ally Mather replacing divots. t30inv13



John Taylor and Danny Watt get to grips in the wrestling. t30inv20



Gary Turner in action. 07\_t30inv10



Ann Craig and her family have presented a new trophy for the open piobaireachd in memory of Dr Leslie Craig won by Angus MacColl of Oban. t30inv30.

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## Older people's services

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## Lochgilphead images

DO you have a favourite view of Lochgilphead, or any eye-catching photographs of the town? Lochgilphead Community Council wants to know what image shows the town's best side for use on a new website.

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## Country market

DESPITE holidays and competing events, stalwarts from Lochgilphead's Farmers Market turned out on Saturday July 11 to provide seasonal local produce.

Spring lamb was among the local meat on offer, while fresh vegetables and homemade preserves were also on sale.

Pictured are Chris Fox from Barbreck and Ardfern Organics' Jan Sloan. Next market August 8. 06\_a29mar01

# Probation for bomb threats and sectarian abuse

A LOCHGILPHEAD man has admitted threatening to bomb a man's house and shouting sectarian abuse at him.

At Dunoon Sheriff Court, Lochgilphead Annexe last week, Steven Hamilton of 40 Ross Crescent pleaded guilty to shouting and swearing at a man wearing

an Irish football shirt in Lochnell Street on January 28.

He also admitted that later the same day, as he was receiving treatment for a head cut at Mid Argyll Community Hospital, he uttered violent threats, disturbing staff and other patients there.

Fiscal Clifford Most

told the court: 'Whilst within the hospital, he was threatening to fill this casualty tomorrow night and [said] I'm going to bomb their windows.'

Hamilton, who is aged 48, denied a further charge of fighting, which was accepted by the crown.

Hamilton's defence agent said: 'Drink played a large part in this.'

Sentencing the accused to 18 months on probation and 100 hours of community service, Sheriff MacMillan said: 'I must emphasize that you can't go around doing what you have done.'

## Fined for drugs possession

BEING found with cocaine in the bathrooms of a bar resulted in a £400 fine for a Lochgilphead man.

Last week at Dunoon Sheriff Court's Lochgilphead Annexe, Chester Van Well of 2 Meadows Place, pleaded not guilty to possession of the class 'A' drug.

### Plastic Bag

An Argyll Hotel doorman told the court he had entered the men's toilets on June 15 last year and found Van Well with a small plastic bag of white powder in his hand.

Taking to the stand, Van Well said when a man in the bathroom

tapped him on the shoulder, he had turned round and taken it, not knowing what it was.

Fiscal Clifford Most asked him: 'This man gave you this for nothing. From your knowledge of current affairs, do people generally hand out drugs for nothing?' Van Well answered: 'I have no idea.' He also said he did not know who the man was.

Finding Van Well guilty, Sheriff Gerard MacMillan said: 'In my view it stretches credibility to imagine that you did not know what the item was.'

'I do not believe your version of events.'



## MSP pays a visit

A Labour MSP for the Highlands and Islands came to Lochgilphead last Wednesday as part of her tour of the West Coast.

Rhoda Grant took time to look around the new Mid Argyll Community Hospital and enjoyed a get-together with Labour Party friends and supporters in the Argyll Hotel on Wednesday night.

During her visit Rhoda said the main aspect of concern amongst her constituents was the condition of roads in Argyll. Rhoda also visited Campbeltown and Oban before making her way back to her home in Inverness. Rhoda is pictured here with Jimmy Simpson, of the Mid Argyll branch of the Labour Party. 06\_a29lab01

## Pool reveals role of honour

FOLLOWING a mammoth fundraising effort, the Mid Argyll Swimming Pool has unveiled a roll of honour, listing all those who helped keep the community-owned facility afloat.

More than £23,000 was raised in just two months while many local firms gave support in kind to help get the pool's finances back in the black.

Stephen Whiston, chair of Mid Argyll Community Enterprise Limited which owns and runs the pool on behalf of the community, said it had been a tremendous effort. He added: 'The board and staff would like to publicly thank the community, local business, stakeholders, visitors and groups for their overwhelming

and unstinting support of the pool over the last few months through this time of financial crisis.'

The pool is also experimenting with longer weekend opening during August, in response to requests by customers.

The Roll of Honour includes:

Bob Walsh, Hydro Matek Leisure Services; Ape Solution; Hazel Manson, Simone MacAdam and Kirsty Young, Mid Argyll Triathlon and Cycle club; June Graham, Jog Scotland; Graham MacQueen, MacQueen Bros.; Helen E Brown, Furnace Amenity Association; W&J Knox Ltd; BioMar Ltd; Fusion Marine; Scanbio (Scotland) Ltd; Ann Beckett, Dancing School; Ailsa Raeburn, Raeburn Realty; ALLenergy; Square Peg; Scottish Sea Farms Ltd; Storkvik (Argyll & Norway); GMT (Norway); EWOS Ltd; Akava group (Inverness & Norway); Douglas Johnston Akva; SAMS; Ian A McCallum, Lochgilphead Community Council; Jane MacLeod;

West Coast Tool and Plant Hire; Archie MacGill, Fyne Tackle; Mr Ferguson Butchers; Jo Lo Mo; Stan at EDO Restaurant; William Duncan & Co; Mid Argyll Churches; Cockles; Lochgilphead Flower Shop; John Kennedy Mobile disco; Duncan Murray; Victoria Wine; Chainsaw Kate; Tractor Dave; Crinan Boatyard; Lighthouse Caledonia; McNaughton's Haulage; Argyll and Bute Council; Quarry View Nursery; Archie MacAllister; Ali and Sally MacLeod; Jen and Innes; Heaven; Ernie Upton; Lochgilphead round table; Robbie MacGregor Industrial Supplies and Lakeland Marine.

Several primary schools also raised funds: Craignish, Tayvallich, Glassary, Achahoish, Kilmartin, Tartert.

The following people were also thanked for giving their time and expertise: Matt Donald; John Rea; Hazel Manson; Simone MacAdam; Kirsty Young; Liz Taylor Feeny; pool staff; Naomi Dixon; Denise McDermott; Stevie from the Vic; Gary Wilson and Dave Anderson.

## Ford Fun Day Photos

THERE is plenty of time to get snappy for the Ford Fun Day photography competition.

Pictures on the themes of plants and animals; the landscape of Mid Argyll and village life can be entered up until 1pm on fun day, Saturday August 1.

Among the stalls and games will be the Ford fish race, model car racing, toss the sheep and a church flower display.

The action-packed day will finish with a ceilidh at 8pm.

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# A penny for your thoughts Irene

## 'We will miss Argyll, but not the midges'

A PARTNERSHIP that has lasted nearly 20 years sadly comes to an end next month when Irene Howat stops writing for us.

For 19 or so years the readers of *The Campbeltown Courier* and *The Argyllshire Advertiser* have welcomed Irene's words of wisdom in her 'Thought for the Week'.

And, OK we admit it – some time back someone had the bright idea of bringing the column to a close.

We bowed to the uproar that ensued and our Irene was soon back in the paper.

Irene is the wife of Angus Howat, Free Church Minister for Campbeltown, Tarbert and Islay.

The couple and their children came to Argyll in 1990 and until 1996 lived in Campbeltown, before moving to Tarbert, from where they will leave to

retire to Ayrshire where their roots are.

Irene is an established Christian writer with a loyal following and over 40 books to her name.

When the Howats use the word retire they don't mean it in its strictest sense – Angus will still be working for the church in an administrative capacity and Irene will continue to write books.

'We will miss Argyll,' said Irene, but not the midges!

'But we'll miss the people the most, the people of Argyll are splendid.'

A whole generation of Argyll youngsters in Kintyre have grown up with the advantage of having Irene as their Sunday school teacher.

The couple are due to leave in mid August and have the joy of their first grandchild on the way as they begin their retirement.



Irene Howatt. 06\_a30how01

## Ardrishaig Gala Day

A WHOLE weekend of events for Ardrishaig Gala Day kicks off today with the Waterways Trust Football Tournament at King George IV Park at 6pm this evening, Friday.

Tomorrow, Saturday, the highlights include the Gala Parade from the Clocktower at 12noon, boat races and trips, stalls, games and inflatable fun. The day finishes with a dance in the village hall at 8pm.

There is also the chance to re-live all the festivities with video highlights at the Argyll Arms Hotel on Sunday at 7.30pm.



## MV Glen Tarsan runs aground

IT'S a spot that has caught many a skipper by surprise before now and will continue to do so in the future and the spit off Barn Brae at Inveraray had the MV

Glen Tarsan run around on Monday afternoon.

The beautiful ship and her sister Glen Massan of The Majestic Line regularly visit Inveraray as part of their Inlets and

Islands cruises of South Argyll.

She floated free, unharmed around 7pm.

The ships can be seen regularly round Argyll waters from April to

Autumn and as a first this October will have a 'Taste of Argyll' cruise which visits leading food and drink producers.

Photograph courtesy of Stuart Kidd.

## Starring at Kilberry Inn



FROM hairy bikers to house experts, the Kilberry Inn is getting used to playing host to television celebrities.

While on location filming in Argyll, top property expert Phil Spencer enjoyed lunch at the award-winning Kilberry Inn, near Tarbert.

David Wilson, co-owner, said: 'It's been quite a year for us at Kilberry since winning the Scottish Restaurant of the Year Award in January.'

'We had *The Hairy Bikers* here a few months ago, which was great fun, and this week, we were delighted to welcome Phil Spencer from Channel 4's *Relocation*, *Relocation* programme.'

## Women's Fund for Scotland

THE Scottish Community Foundation, which administers the Women's Fund for Scotland, is urging women's groups and charities to apply for a share of the £135,000 it has available to projects that support disadvantaged women and girls living in Scotland.

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to registered charities and constituted community groups that provide support, services and activities aimed at women and girls.

Groups can contact the Scottish Community Foundation on 0141 225 6670

## Inveraray Raft Race

A CHARITY raft race will be taking place from the Front Green in Inveraray tomorrow, Saturday at 2pm.

Community police officers David Scott and Greig Jamison have organised the race and they hope it will become an annual event.

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## Thought for the week with Irene Howat

MY very first thought for the week appeared on November 2 1990, that's nearly 19 years ago now ... and a lot of thoughts!

Sadly my last thought for the week will appear on August 7, for Angus is retiring from the ministry and we are moving away from lovely Argyll and setting up home near Ayr. Over the weeks between now and then I want to do three things.

This week I want to say a very public thank you the Oban Times Group for accepting my articles over all these years. I have never taken it for granted that Thought for the Week and the Bible verse on the back page would continue to be published by *The Campbeltown Courier* and *The Argyllshire Advertiser*; and I am most grateful.

It has been a privilege, and an even greater honour to be approached in the street or the Co-op by people who have been moved by what's been written. That would not have happened but for the generosity of the newspaper owners.

And I also want to thank the *Courier* and *Advertiser* staff. They've been great! The Bible says, 'Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!' (See Philippians 4:4).



## Down Memory Lane

Mrs Sheila Graham of Inverneill was prompted to hand this old photograph in by Thomas Kearton Clarke's letter in last week's *Argyllshire Advertiser*. Mr Kearton Clarke's problems finding the Lady Seat in Kilmartin Glen reminded Mrs Graham of her own trips there as a youngster. Pictured here is a young Sheila with sisters and a cousin on a family picnic in 1929.

### 'A milling herd of bureaucrats'

Sir,  
Argyll and Bute Housing Association (ACHA) was formed with the promise that it would improve on the lamentable efforts of Argyll and Bute Council's housing department.

It did not take the new organisation long to pick on the weakest and most vulnerable people

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they were supposed to be serving.

Unbelievably, ACHA were allowed to do away with wardens in sheltered housing. They blamed the council and the council blamed them for deliberately leaving the elderly terrified in the darkness. With such a milling herd of bureaucrats it was impossible to pin the blame on any of them. Emboldened by this success, ACHA now intends creating further misery by charging at least an extra £400 per household per year for those who choose to be deliberately old and in need of accommodation in their own country.

The blame game has already started. The MP blames the MSPs and the council. They in turn blame ACHA.

Meanwhile our old folk exist more in fear of living than dying.

There are currently more than 29,000 politicians and their advisers on the UK payroll - 10

times more than 30 years ago. The 570,000 extra state jobs have been created in the last 10 years.

The drones have well and truly taken over the hive and are keeping all the honey for themselves.

**Duncan Graham, Eilean Mor, Oakfield Road, Ardrishaig.**

### Will the real Nick please stand up!

Sir,

In a recent edition of *The Advertiser*, with reference to the article about Crinan Classics, you made a slight error in the caption of the picture of the skipper of the *Vic 32* puffer naming him as Nick Ryan.

I really do not mind in the slightest. He is the owner of the Crinan Hotel and I am a puffer skipper. We wear similar Fair Isle jerseys and I have often been mistaken for him.

Thus I answer to 'Mr Ryan'. I am also called 'Vic' quite often and have been known to reply to overhead sea gulls when they cry 'Ni-iiiiick'.

I also own a boat called the *Duke of Normandy II* and was once in Skye buying a shackle from a chandlery shop.

The chandler asked whom he should make the receipt out to. I replied: 'The Duke of Normandy, please.'

He looked at me with new respect and said; 'Yes, Sir.' I didn't think it right at that time to correct him.

**Nick Walker and all his aliases, The Change House, Crinan Ferry, Lochgilphead.**

### Not in our own right

Sir,

The recent vote by the Icelandic Parliament, the Althingi, to set in motion an application to

## Those Were The Days

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### Lochgilphead housing project

A NEW housing development which will give Lochgilphead a four storey 10-flatted development was given the green light on Wednesday when an application for planning permission in principle and listed building consent was approved.

The applicants M and K MacLeod Limited and the proposed site is between the small filling station and Coronation Mansions.

The application for listed building consent is to demolish the existing very run-down sheds, previously used as a plumbers/builders store.

The site backs on to the shore, where there is a sea wall and it has housing on one side and the filling station on the other.

### Raft obstacle race planned

NOW THAT the 1984 Seafood Festival is over, Tarbert Tourism and Marketing is turning it's attention to further activities planned for this year.

As Tarbert Fire Brigade will not this year will be staging their Raft Race in August, Tarbert TAM has agreed to stage one on Saturday August 25.

It will take the form of a Raft Obstacle Race and the rafts will be competing not only in water speed, but an energetic crew member will be negotiating several cunning obstacles prepared for the day.

### Calling all extras

APPLICATIONS are now being sought from all those who would like to be extras on a feature film that is to be partly shot at Machrahanish.

The film, *White Nights*, is being made by Columbia Pictures and will star Baryshnikov as a ballet dancer.

Unfortunately there are to be less women in the plot than there might be and the quota of extras to be plucked from the ranks of dramatic talent on Campbeltown's streets will only contain 30 ladies and 80 men.

The women are to be male attachments for the most part - wives and daughters - although some will be business women.

join the European Union is to be applauded.

The bid must now be approved by the EU, after which Iceland's people will be asked to vote on it in a referendum, but should they want it Icelandic accession will be all but a formality.

The key stumbling block will be the EU's disastrous fisheries policy, but the potential for Icelandic membership will give greater urgency to the European Commission's proposed reforms of the Common Fisheries Policy.

Scotland and Iceland are neighbours, with much in common and share interesting constitutional arrangements. Scotland is part of the EU but not a mem-

ber state, and Iceland, which only gained its independence from Denmark in 1944, is an independent nation, but not part of the EU.

While it is great to see Iceland, a socially progressive nation of just over 300,000 people, potentially joining the EU and being a voice for reform, it clearly continues to be deeply disappointing Scotland is still not a full member of the EU in its own right.

With an independence referendum next year, we in Scotland will hopefully have the confidence to join Iceland as full members of the EU.

**Alex Orr, Flat 8, 35 Bryson Road, Edinburgh.**

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# Inveraray Games in focus



Matthew and Gary Turner had a good day at the games. t30inv11



Jim Brown MBE was the commentator. t30inv14



Donald Clark of The George Hotel, Inveraray. t30inv31



Heavyweight competitors from all over the world gathered for the World Caber Tossing Championship at Inveraray games. 07\_t30inv03



Keeping dry in the downpour Highland dancer Sophie and her mum Angela Durrant. t30inv18



Lorraine Brodie and Susan Gilchrist from Kintyre Schools Pipe band. t30inv25



Hornpipe for 16 and 17-years: Mark Smith, Robyn Wilson and Robyn Horsburgh. t30inv28



Rachael O'May, left, and Craig and Hazel Scally. t30inv29



Pipers lead the march from the church to the games field. 07\_t30inv01

## Your summer guide to dining out in Argyll

The Lochgair Hotel has a recipe that proves a winner with their customers every time: local chef Isobel Shackleton sources the finest produce Argyll has to offer which she and her kitchen team use to create an extensive and varied menu from which to dine. This provides an exciting opportunity to sample ingredients which you may have seen at the Argyll Country Market, along with fresh seafood sourced directly from Tarbert.

The meals are then served in warm, welcoming surroundings in either the dining room or bar of this family run hotel by friendly and attentive staff. Proprietor Bryan Greenock has created a wonderful ambience throughout the hotel which offers 10 en-suite bedrooms, large and small function rooms, games room and the popular bar and restaurant. The bar provides ale from the Loch Fyne brewery on tap along with a comprehensive wine list. The hotel's whisky bar boasts more than 150 whiskies from the rare to old favourites ensuring there is something for everyone.

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## Coffee for Maggies

A COFFEE morning in aid of Maggies will be held tomorrow (Saturday).

The event will aim to raise money for the charity which has a facility next to the Beatson Unit in Glasgow and is used by a lot of people across Kintyre and Mid Argyll.

Campbeltown's Jennifer Meenan has taken on a new role within Maggie's Centre in Glasgow as community fundraiser and will be attending the coffee morning to show her support.

The centre can be used by people who have problems, small or large associated with cancer.

## July Craft Fair

THIS weekend Campbeltown Heritage Centre will be full of visitors for the July Craft Fair. It will take place on Saturday and Sunday and will see an amazing selection of handmade crafts, and the tearoom will be open for teas and coffees and home baking.

# Fyne Art Exhibition in Lochgilphead

THE Fyne Art Club of Mid Argyll is holding its Tenth Anniversary Exhibition next week in the Community Centre, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, from Monday July 27 to Saturday August 1.

This entirely self-funded open exhibition displays between 200 and 300 original works of art in both two and three-dimensional media annually.

In addition to the club's membership, the show is open to all artists - a democratic mix of amateur and professional, local and from further afield - a diversity that always guarantees a dynamic and eclectic exhibition.

Artists wishing to submit works should do so

at the Community Centre between 10am and 4pm tomorrow (Saturday).

The exhibition showcases the academic studies of its flagship life drawing classes, which are run in the Community Centre from Autumn to Spring by professional artist and tutor Fraser MacIver, and also from the fortnightly painting days held in Minard throughout the year.

As always, admission for all visitors is free and, in a period of economic restraint, the Fyne Art Club offers the opportunity for visitors to view and purchase original and locally produced works of art to suit every budget and taste in the knowledge that they are directly supporting

the ongoing success of this well-established local event celebrating the completion of its first decade.

The Fyne Art Club is entirely self-funding and has again produced a greetings card - the featured painting being on display at the exhibition.

Funds raised through the sale of the cards are used to purchase equipment for the club just as the money raised during the week of the exhibition supports the club's activities.

This year's card depicts the painting entitled The Ironclad Icon, Vital Spark, passing Crinan Bridge - Crinan Canal Winter by Fraser MacIver.

The Fyne Art Club's Summer exhibition has proved to be a popular and inspirational event in previous years and 2009 is sure to be no exception - especially in this year of Highland. The Fyne Art Club enjoys supporting and encouraging the area's artists and also appreciates the support it receives from members of the public.

## Picture House visit

A LARGE crowd who came to Campbeltown on the Waverley on Sunday stopped in at the Picture House. Members hailed from all over the UK to view and tour the A listed building and on arrival were greeted and welcomed by a member of the board of directors.

They watched two silent films and then toured the cinema building and small museum at the rear of the Picture House before boarding the paddle steamer for their journey home.



A float from last year which took part in the parade; the float was musicals.

## Homecoming MOK floats

THIS year's Grand Parade for the Mull of Kintyre Music Festival promises to have a Scottish feel, using 'Homecoming' as a theme.

Taking place on Saturday August 22 local groups, organisations and individuals are being encouraged to participate.

An extended Doon The Green concert will follow on in the afternoon featuring a mix of local and visiting bands with children's entertainment provided by the Funky Chicken.

Expect the usual stalls and exhibition stands which can be booked in advance by contacting 01586 551037.

Food, beverages and music will be on offer in a relaxed atmosphere at the Festival Club in the Town Hall.

This venue has become more and more popular every year and has provided a great showcase for local and visiting musicians, if you want to book a slot at the Club please contact 01586 830335.

Music tuition workshops will also be held in the Kirk Street Hall on August 20.

For more information please visit the MOK Fest website at www.mok-fest.com or email mokfest@hotmail.co.uk.

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## Prime lambs to 174p per kilo at Stirling Mart

UNITED Auctions sold 3,045 prime sheep including 2,153 lambs and 892 ewes and rams at Stirling last Thursday when trade followed current market trends and was back on the week.

Texel lambs from Northfield and Suffolks from Benthead sold to £77 with Texels from Wester Middleton selling to 174p per kilo. Blackface lambs from Dalma-hoy sold to £51.50 and 140p per kilo.

Prime ewes sold to £95 for Texels from Dyke and to £88 for Suffolks from Carrat.

Blackface ewes from Auchnasvil sold to £52.50.



Some of the farmers who turned up to the event which toured farms around South Kintyre last Thursday and Friday. 04\_c30ho101



The winning Holstein at West Darlochan. 04\_c30ho103



Left to right: chairman J Wallace, J Smith, W Ralston, H McCorkindale, judge H Neilson.

## Kintyre Holstein Breeders Club

IN perfect weather conditions the local Holstein Cattle Breeders Club held its Annual Herds Competition last Thursday and Friday.

The company of 27 enjoyed an excellent dinner in the Ardshiel Hotel on Friday evening.

Judging over the two days was carried out by Hugh Neilson, East Brackenridge,

Strathaven who made the following placement out of the 12 teams competing:

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Small Herds: 1 Kenny Robison, Ardlamy, Gigha, 2 Gavin Semple, Kilkeddan, 3 William Ralston, West Darlochan; Large Herds 1 John Smith, Drumalea, 2 Tommy Ralston, Dhurrie, 3 Dugald Graham,

West Backs.

Best Herd Overall: Kenny Robison, Ardlamy; Individual: 1 Hugh McCorkindale, Eden, 2 Kenny Robison, Ardlamy, 3 Willie Armour, West Trodical. Production/Inspection: 1 William Ralston, West Darlochan, 2 Sandy Pirie, Machrihanish, 3 William Ralston, West Darlochan.

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## Gigha fish company through to final

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Gigha Halibut has been farming endangered species of Atlantic Halibut for the last four years.

The company now accounts for 80 percent of all halibut produced in Scotland and is powered by a community-owned wind farm.

Alistair Barge, owner of Gigha Halibut, would like to encourage more

visitors to the island to try his halibut and plans to extend into oyster and lobster farming should he be crowned food producer of the year.

Now in its second year, the Made in Britain Awards promote and celebrate British producers, farmers and growers making the heritage foods of tomorrow. The winner of the Made in Britain Awards will be announced at the Royal County of Berkshire Show, held at the Newbury Showground in September. The winners and finalists will appear in a special *Country Living* Magazine supplement published with the October 2009 issue.

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## Concessions on sheep ID legislation welcomed

SCOTTISH Crofting Foundation (SCF) chairman Neil MacLeod has given a guarded welcome to the small but significant concessions gained by the Scottish Government in Europe over the problematic proposed legislation for sheep identification.

At a meeting of the Standing Committee for Food Chain and Animal Health (SCoFAH) in Brussels, the following amendments were made to the regulations:

- \* electronic reading of ear tags can take place at critical control points such as markets and slaughter houses instead of at each single farm;
- \* a simplified procedure for electronically tagging purchased store animals that live beyond 12 months; and
- \* reduced information for the annual inventory.

Neil MacLeod said: 'This concession will go some way to making this bitter pill easier to swallow. There is still a long way to go to make these rules work properly, especially for the small producer.'

Alan Reid, MP for Ar-

gyll and Bute, also welcomed the concessions: 'I have been calling on agriculture ministers to put up a fight in Brussels to get the impractical European proposals for sheep ID changed, so I welcome these concessions. However, despite these improvements, the scheme will



Scottish Crofting Foundation chairman Neil MacLeod

still be very costly and bureaucratic to operate on Scottish hill farms, and I will keep supporting Scotland's sheep farmers in their efforts to persuade the Commission to change these proposed regulations to make them workable,' he said.

Argyll and Bute MSP Jim Mather said: 'Rules for electronic tagging and the individual identification of sheep are

due to come into force in early 2010 by order of the European Commission. These proposals have been bitterly opposed by the Scottish sheep industry as unworkable and expensive and likely in their present form to force a good number of Scottish hill sheep producers out of business. One successful amendment has been the acceptance that the electronic tags on animals can be scanned at central points like markets and abattoirs rather than on farms and crofts. This will reduce the need for small scale producers being required to purchase their own tag readers.'

Mr Mather added that the Scottish Government will continue to seek concessions that will recognise that the methodology used in upland sheep production in Scotland is very different from procedures followed in most of continental Europe and that it is important that legislation, no matter how worthy the reasons, takes account of that difference.

# More from the Kintyre Music Festival

The festival produced a host of winners from Kintyre's primary and secondary school musicians.



Lindsay Cairns, winner of the primary 5 and under vocal class.



Campbeltown Grammar School Concert Wind Band won the band competition.



The junior keyboard prize went to Caitlin Millar.



The folk music for primary schools prize went to The Drumbeats.



David Conley was the primary school pipe band drumming winner.



Beth Ronald won the primary 6 and 7 vocal class and the primary woodwind competition.



Emma Bannatyne shared the classroom recorder prize.



Aimilea Chute, won the primary competition for brass.



Robbie McDougall, won the woodwind secondary prize.



Sarah Muir won the Highland bagpipe competition, which was open to secondary school pupils only and also the Tommy and Betty Finn Trophy.



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**Tuesday 18th August 2009 7.30pm**

Community Centre, Lochgilphead (please note change of date)

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- Ref No: 09/00912/DET**  
Applicant: Mr Duncan MacGregor  
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Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert  
Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days
- Ref No: 09/01006/DET**  
Applicant: AJC Civils Ltd  
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Site Address: Plot East Of Kilkerran Farm, Kilkerran, Campbeltown, Argyll  
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office  
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- Ref No: 09/01003/OUT**  
Applicant: M and K McLeod Ltd  
Proposal: Erection of Hotel Complex  
Site Address: Land Between Badden and Badden Farm Nursery, Lochgilphead  
Location of Plans: Lochgilphead Area Office  
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- Ref No: 09/01000/DET**  
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- Ref No: 09/01012/DET**  
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**SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PLANS**

- Ref No: 09/01003/OUT**  
Applicant: M and K McLeod Ltd  
Proposal: Erection of Hotel Complex - Policies Contravened STRAT DC 2 of the 'Argyll and Bute Structure Plan' 2002 and LP Tour 1 of the 'Argyll and Bute Local Plan'  
Site Address: Land Between Badden and Badden Farm Nursery Lochgilphead  
Location of Plans: Lochgilphead Area Office  
A18 Local Plan Potential Depart Adv (21)

**Area Team Leader Development Control, Planning Services 67 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig, PA30 8DX**

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**OPERATIONAL SERVICES**

**(VARIOUS STREETS, MEADOWS HOUSING SCHEME, CAMPBELTOWN) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2009**

On Monday 20th July 2009, Argyll and Bute Council made the above named Order under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, which will make it unlawful for any person to wait, drive or cause or permit to be driven any vehicle, on any of the roads in a manner contravening the Schedules to this Order, and will be effective when and where indicated by signs on the dates and at the times indicated.

Exemptions to the road closure restriction will apply to vehicles engaged in the works, emergency services and for access to affected properties by arrangement.

**SCHEDULE 1**

**PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC**

Name of Road within Campbeltown	Extent of Restriction
1. Between 0001 hours 3rd August to 2359 hours 3rd September 2009 Meadows Avenue	Extending from its junction with Range Road in a westerly direction to its junction with Tomaig Road, a distance of 242 metres or thereby.
2. Between 0001 hours on 21st August to 2359 hours on 30th September 2009 Tomaig Road	Extending from its junction with Meadows Avenue to its junction with Ralston Road, a distance of 142 metres or thereby.
Crosshill Avenue	Extending from its junction with Tomaig Road in an easterly direction for a distance of 51 metres or thereby.
3. Between 0001 hours on 17th September to 2359 hours on 20th October 2009 Crosshill Avenue	Extending from its junction with Range Road in an easterly direction for a distance of 59 metres or thereby and in a westerly direction from its junction with Range Road for a distance of 136 metres or thereby.
Range Road	At its junction with Crosshill Avenue.
4. Between 0001 hours on 7th October to 2359 hours on 29th October 2009 Ralston Road	Extending from a point 180 metres or thereby west of Range Road in a westerly direction for a distance of 50 metres or thereby.

**SCHEDULE 2**

**NO WAITING AT ANY TIME**

Name of Road within Campbeltown	Extent of Restriction
Between 0001 hours on 3rd August to 2359 hours on 29th October 2009 Crosshill Avenue	Extending from its junction with Range Road in a westerly direction to its junction with Tomaig Road, a distance of 264 metres or thereby.
One side only when indicated by traffic cones.	

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**Andrew R Law, Director of Operational Services, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8RD**

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**TEXT FOR THE WEEK**

'I cry aloud to the Lord; I lift up my voice to the Lord for mercy' (Psalm 142:1)

**BIRTHS**

**BURNS - CAMPBELL** - Melanie and Bruce are delighted to announce the safe arrival of a beautiful baby daughter, Ayla Aimee Campbell, on July 15, 2009. A first grandchild for Gail and Fiona. Thanking all at Campbeltown Maternity and Anne MacMillan, Acute Ward.



Fiona and John are delighted to announce the safe arrival of their son Dawson Grant Kennedy, on June 30, 2009. First grandchild for Hamish and Ina Dawson, Oban, and Ronnie and Gillian Kennedy, Lochgilphead. Many thanks to all for the beautiful cards, gifts and warm wishes received, special thanks to my very caring midwives.



Mark and Lynn are delighted to announce the arrival of their beautiful daughter, Sadie Lynn Johnstone, born July 10, 2009. First grandchild to Bill and Christine, Susan and Duncan and Mark and Ann. Heartfelt thanks to all the fantastic midwives and good friends.

**ROBINSON - FYFE** - Lynsey and Ross are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter, Millie Jane, born July 15, 2009, at the Mid Argyll Hospital. Thanks to all midwives involved.

**ENGAGEMENTS**

**TAIT - BENNETT** - John is delighted to announce the engagement of his mummy and daddy, Carole and Anthony got engaged on the bonnie banks of Loch Lomond on July 6, 2009 and a lovely day was had by all.

**MARRIAGES**

**BIGGINS - ARMSTRONG** - At the Western House in Ayr on July 12, 2009 by the Rev D Ness, Lynne, the only daughter of John and Dorothy, Campbeltown, to Scott, the elder son of Jim and Jackie, Renfrew.

**CHISHOLM - RYAN** - Both families are delighted to announce the marriage of Catriona and Stephen on June 19, 2009 in Stirling.



**MORRANS - ELLIOTT**

On July 10, 2009 at Lenzie Old Parish Church, Jamie, son of Irene and Jim, Lenzie, grandson of Agnes Morrans (Campbeltown) to Catriona, daughter of Maureen and David, Lenzie. With love and best wishes from both families.

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**MUSTARDE - SCALLY** - At the Lorne and Lowland Church on July 27, 1984, Donald to Arlene by the late Reverend John R H Cormack, present address 1 Pinewood Court, Dumbarton.

**RUBY WEDDING**

**CAMPBELL - COLVILLE** - At the Castlehill Church on July 23, 1969 by the Rev J R H McCormack, Donald to Hilda, Nanthida, Smith Drive.

**DEATHS**

**CONLEY** - Suddenly at home, 12 Ralston Road, Campbeltown, on July 17, 2009, William McLellan Conley in his 81st year, dearly beloved husband of the late Maimie McSporrin and much loved brother, uncle and great-uncle.

**GILLIES** - Henrietta (Nettie), aged 92 years, of 13 Jubilee Terrace, Lochgilphead passed away peacefully following a short illness, at Glenaray Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital, on July 17, 2009. Beloved mother of Christine, Ann and Ian. A much loved granny and great granny and a dear sister to Cathie. Funeral service was held in Lochgilphead Parish Church on Tuesday, July 21, 2009, followed by interment at Achnabreac Cemetery. Sadly missed.

**MORTON** - Suddenly at Walsgrave Hospital, Coventry on July 12, 2009, Mary Bannatyne, beloved wife of Denis, much loved mother of John, Helen and Clifford and a loving grandmother. Strone, Lutterworth Road, Pailton, Rugby.

**SCRAGG** - Suddenly at the Campbeltown Hospital, on July 16, 2009, Janet Blair (Jenny), in her 86th year, 34 Barochan Place, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Edward Scragg, dearly loved mother of Catherine and Marilyn and loving nana of Alan, Fiona, Morven and Kathryn.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**CAMERON** - Gordon and the family would like to thank all our friends from Whitehouse, Tarbert, Clachan and Lochgilphead for expressions of sympathy received at their sad loss of Jenny (Jan). Special thanks to Ward B4 at the Beatson for all their help, to staff and GPs at Tarbert Medical Centre, to all the district nurses, (especially Mother Goose), to the ICT team, to the Crossroads team, to MacMillan nursing, to Marie Curie nurses, who provided evening care, these teams were outstanding, without all their efforts I would not have been able to care for Jenny at home. Many thanks to our Parish Minister, Martin Grashoff for a most comforting service, to Mr Bill Murdoch for his church service music, to Anne Paterson for the beautiful church flowers, to Stan Lupton for his professional services. A final thank you to everyone who attended the service at Clachan Parish Church.

**COOK** - The family of the late William Cook would like to thank all those who showed kindness in many ways, both before and after his death. Special thanks to the Rev Michael Lind and the Rev Catriona Hood for their care and guidance and also to David McEwan for the beautiful music. Grateful thanks also to the medical and nursing staff who cared for Willie with compassion in his final days and to those who attended the funeral and donated generously to the two charities. Finally, thank you to Alasdair Blair for his professionalism and to the Ardshiel Hotel for catering.

**LEWIS** - Jessie, Dorothy, Mildred, Robert and families would like to thank everyone for the kind messages of condolence received after their sad loss. Many thanks to Rev Philip Burroughs for his comforting words at the house and at the

grave. Thanks also to the Campbeltown Hospital Acute and Bengullion wards staff for their excellent care and attention to Ted, Alasdair Blair for very efficient funeral arrangements and Ardshiel Hotel for their catering.

**MACCALLUM** - The family of the late Mary MacCallum (May) would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for their many kind expressions of sympathy received following their recent sad loss. Special thanks to Rev Philip Burroughs for a most comforting service, Alasdair Blair for caring and efficient funeral arrangements and Ardshiel Hotel for excellent catering. Thanks to Dr Hall for his care over the years and Kintyre Care Home for their kindness and care of May during her stay with them. A final thank you to all who attended the church and graveside. The collection raised £213.25 for the residents of Kintyre Care Home.

**MACDOUGALL** - The family of Mary MacDougall (Molly) would like to express their sincere thanks to all family and friends for expressions of sympathy and who attended her funeral. Thanks to the Reverend Phillip Burroughs for his thoughtful and comforting address. The generous retiring collection amounted to £324, which will be forwarded to Auchinlee Care Home. The family would also like to express their gratitude to all those friends, neighbours, and medical and care staff who supported Molly in her later years. The sensitivity and efficiency of Blair Funeral Directors was greatly appreciated.

**McKERRAL** - Jennifer would like to thank all family and friends for their sympathy and support. To Dr Lazarus and the staff at Campbeltown Hospital for their understanding, the staff at Auchinlee for their care of John and the Rev Philip Burroughs and Mr Alasdair Blair for their dignified and caring arrangements.

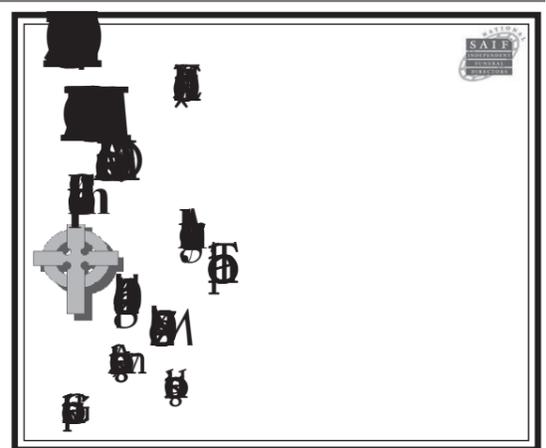
**ROBERTSON** - Joan, May, Fiona and family, would like to sincerely thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the extremely kind expressions of sympathy, floral tributes, phone calls and cards received following the recent sad passing of Harry. Special thanks to Dr Simpson and doctors and staff of Mid Argyll, Oban and Royal Alexandra Hospitals, for their kind care and attention to Harry, grateful thanks to Rev Roddy MacLeod for a comforting service, to Hughie MacLean for his personal tribute, to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for all arrangements handled with care and efficiency, and to the Argyll Arms for catering. Finally, our heartfelt thanks to the overwhelming amount of people who attended at church and graveside to pay their respects. The retiring collection has raised in excess of £760, which will be shared between RNLi and Ardshraig Church Funds.

**SHUTTLEWOOD** - Jen and the family of the late Frederick Shuttlewood wish to thank all friends and neighbours for the cards, calls and kind messages of sympathy received in their recent loss. Special thanks to Drs Mackie, Simpson and Ward for their devoted attention over the number of years, the Integrated Care Team and the staff of Glenaray Ward for making Fred's last days so precious and comfortable. To Stan Lupton for all his help and comfort

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**IN MEMORIAM**

**MACFARLANE** - In loving memory of my husband, Ian, who died July 23, 2002. A loving dad and devoted seanoir. Memories are like the stars that shine. They last until the end of time. We think about you every day. And in our hearts you will always stay. Cathy and all the family, Tarbert, Glasgow, Mull.  
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**ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES**  
"Come and worship the Lord"  
in Achahoish at 9:45am and Ardrishaig at 11:00am

**CUMLODDEN LOCHFYNESIDE AND LOCHGAIR (Church of Scotland)**  
Scottish Charity Number SC016097  
Sunday 26th July MONTHLY UNITED SERVICE  
LOCHGAIR CHURCH 10.30 am  
NOTE VENUE (Tea to follow)  
Rev. Roddy MacLeod  
Ceud mìle fàilte  
ALL WELCOME

**GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH**  
SUNDAY 26TH JULY 2009  
Glassary 11.30am  
Rev Alistair Dunlop  
All most welcome

**LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH**  
Sunday 26th July 2009  
Worship Service 11am  
Rev Douglas Bell  
Songs of praise 6.30pm  
All welcome  
Guild Coffee Morning 24th and 25th July 2009  
10am - 12noon  
All welcome  
Scottish Charity SC015187

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75 Longrow, Campbeltown  
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10.45 a.m. .... Coffee  
11.15.a.m ..... All Age Service  
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**Highland Parish Church**  
Sunday 26th July 2009  
11.15am Morning Service  
Rev Catriona Hood  
Creche at church (0-3yrs)  
Rev Michael J Lind  
Everyone very welcome

**LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH**  
All Welcome  
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson  
Sunday 26th July 2009  
11.00am Morning Service with communion  
Scottish Charity SC015187

**LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH**  
Scottish Charity Number SC 11686  
Sunday, 26th July  
Informal Family Worship - 10:00 a.m.  
(With our Praise Band)  
Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m. (Creche)  
Rev. Philip Burroughs

**THE SALVATION ARMY**  
Burnside Street, Campbeltown  
Sunday Services 10.30am and 6.30pm.  
Tuesday Over 60's Luncheon Club -12.30pm  
Ladies Home League - 1.30pm  
Thursday 11.30am Meat n' Eat Café  
New to you Stall  
Bible Study 7pm  
Major Dolores Thomson

**LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN**  
Sunday 26 July 2009 11.00am  
Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch  
Speaker: Graham McLean  
"A More Excellent Way"  
Thursday 30 July 2009 7.30pm  
Praise, prayer & sharing by Waqas Moazzam from Okara, Pakistan  
All Welcome  
"Come and see"

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND KILBERRY LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE PARISH CHURCH**  
Sunday 26th July 2009  
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Tarbert Church 11.30am  
Margaret Sinclair  
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Tayvallich Front Green  
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**COURIER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# Champ Jim takes over the lead

A LAST minute pollack took angling champion Jim Smith into the lead on the first local leg of the season for Loch Fyne Sea Angling Club.

Jim lifted the championships trophy last year and despite a set back on the first outing at Arbroath earlier this year, he was determined to continue his winning streak during 2009. Ardrishaig's Gordon Law, however, ensured his journey to the top was not easy and pushed him all the way with only one point separating the pair at the end of the day.

It was a day of mixed fortunes for the Loch Fyne anglers with squally showers and windy conditions making life on board the *Keltic Lady* unpleasant at times, however, after a slow start

and some serious searching for fresh mackerel bait fishing began in earnest.

While the cod were pretty scarce there was no shortage of dogfish and everyone took advantage of their presence to boost their scores. Despite several moves around Loch Fyne the cod continued to elude the eight anglers but the odd whiting and a handful of pollack in the closing stages made it a very close competition, which was eventually won by just one fish.

Runner-up Gordon Law may have missed out on top honours but he did land the heaviest fish, a respectable 2lb 14oz pollack, and a very appetising edible crab, which went home for Sunday dinner.



Gordon Law with his Sunday dinner.

## Inveraray hosts boys' championships



PICTURED are the prizewinners from the 2009 Argyll and Bute Boys' Championship held last Saturday at Inveraray. Millport's Craig Pirie dominated proceedings with an emphatic seven shot victory over last year's

winner Colin Robinson. Craig's score of 70 was good enough to win both the under 18s and under 16s title.

### Clean Sweep

In third place and to complete a Millport clean sweep was Scott Turnbull.

Special mention must be of David Robinson who had a hole-in-one at the first hole.

The area would like to thank Inveraray Golf Club for hosting the event. This coming weekend sees the premier

county event taking place at Cowal. When the county's best amateur golfers compete in the 36-hole area strokeplay. The draw will appear on the website early this week [www.argylland-butegolfunion.com](http://www.argylland-butegolfunion.com).

## Argyll Pony Club holds annual camp

ARGYLL (South) held its annual camp at Killinonoch Hill from



Alexis Stewart jumping Yates.

July 5 - 10. Eleven members took part in a Tetrathlon, organised by Mark and Caroline Carter with help from Lewis MacKinnon and Ben Carter, a show at the end of the week, and many lessons from experienced chief instructor Shirley Ann Varney and visiting instructors Laura Campbell and Liz Nairn.

Winner of the Dagleish Cup was Alexis Stewart, the Kilbride cup winner was Gemma Ray, Pollock Cup winner for Citizenship was Lewis MacKinnon who tirelessly helped all week, and last but not least the winner of the MacGillivray Cup was Sara MacDougall.

Several members, Tierney Carter, who also won the Tetrathlon

overall, Gemma Rae and Freya Aitchison) achieved their D standard and were awarded their certificates and green felt at the end of the day.

Everyone learnt an amazing amount and had a great time. The Pony Club would like to thank: Robin and Antonia Stewart who kindly let the Pony Club use their house, yard and fields!

Shirleyann Varney, Melissa James, Diane Ralston, Laura Campbell, Carol and Jackie Lamond, Lewis MacKinnon, Anne Paterson, Kathy MacLachlan, Liz Nairn, Mary Lou Aitchison, Lu Boase, Mike, Caroline and Ben Carter, Anne Pascoe, Robert and Anne Dixon and Sheila MacCallum.

## Summer sailings for Mid Argyll youngsters

TWELVE members of the Mid Argyll Sailing Club have been using the summer holidays to get in some serious training with a course last week.

Angus McMillan, club instructor said: 'it is great to see the sailors improve their skills and confidence on the water. Even with the lights winds this week, there has been plenty of serious sailing as well as fun races and games on the water.'

At Ardrishaig Gala Day tomorrow, Saturday, club members will be entertaining the crowds with races. There will also be a chance for complete novices to dip their toes in the water with sailing taster sessions.

Anyone bitten by the sailing bug can then sign up for the club's beginners course, which starts on August 17. Contact Lorna Macgregor on [secretary@midargyllsc.org.uk](mailto:secretary@midargyllsc.org.uk) or 01546 603322 for more information.



All aboard! Some young members of Mid Argyll Sailing Club who completed last week's intermediate dinghy course. 06\_a30sai101

## Red Star back on the ball

LOCHGILPHEAD Red Star have resumed training on Tuesday nights at Ardrishaig pitch with a 6.30pm start; all existing and new players welcome.

A number of changes have taken place within the club over the pre-season.

Allan Weir is now the man in charge and is excited about the new season and challenges ahead.

Dougie Moore has stepped down as manager but will stay within the club as chairman and match secretary.

The club would like to say a big thank you to Shirley Sinclair after her years of hard work as club treasurer. We would like to wish Shirley the best from everyone at the Club.

The clubs new main sponsor is the Argyll Hotel in Lochgilphead.

They would also like to say a big thank to all sponsors from last year and look forward to working closely with them again this season.

Red Star played their first friendly of the pre-season against Campbelltown Boys last night a match report will be in next weeks paper.

The club will have a stall in the Gala Day in Ardrishaig on Saturday (tomorrow).

## Wee Bobby misses out on finals

CARRADALE golfer Wee Bobby Willan has just returned from the Wee Wonders Regional Finals.

Despite having a few bad rounds and failing to qualify Wee Bobby enjoyed playing the course and was invited to take part in the Scottish Junior Golf Tour.

Errors on his last two holes saw him finish fourth, two shots back with the top two making it through to the final.

Wee Bobby received an invitation to the Scottish Junior Golf Tour by professional golfer Dean Robertson who runs the tour for talented golfers up to age 14.

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## Maggie's the winner

WE have been asked to point out that the overall trophy for the pony club's Skipness Fun day was won by Maggie Richmond, not Tabby James, as we stated last week.

## Lottery numbers

INVERARAY Shinty club numbers for the lottery this week were 14 - 16 - 18. There were no winners and the jackpot will be £200 next week.

KILMORY Camanachd Club lotto numbers on July 20 were 3, 4 and 8 and the lucky winner Isobel McMillan won a jackpot of £100.

TARBERT Football Club lottery numbers for July 21 were: 1, 4 and 14 no winners, so jackpot is £900 next week.

## Tarbert take on Saints

TARBERT continue their build up for the new season with a game against last year's Scottish Amateur Cup quarter finalists Oban Saints.

The match will be played at Glencruitten Park, Oban, on Thursday July 30, kicking off at 7.30pm

## Inveraray in Macaulay semis

INVERARAY made the Macaulay Cup semi final line-up after a 2-0 win over Bute last Friday night with Christopher Crawford and Grant Griffen scoring the goals.

The result means a repeat of the recent Glasgow Celtic Cup Final with 'Ary now facing Oban Camanachd at Taynuilt while Lochaber have a tough test when they meet Kingussie at the Blairbeg Park, Drumnadrochit.

# Pupils dump the Dookers

## Two early goals kill off any hopes the newly promoted Tarbert side had

### Pre-Season friendly Campbeltown Pupils 3 Tarbert 1

IN A friendly match against newly promoted Tarbert on Saturday at Kintyre Park, Campbeltown Pupils scored a 3-1 victory.

Two goals in the first five minutes effectively finished the game before it had a chance to get going.

A penalty was awarded for a handball in the second minute of the game, an opportunity for Paul

Grumoli to send the Tarbert goalkeeper the wrong way to open the scoring.

Brother Gary Grumoli netted the second in the fifth minute as Tarbert's dream of keeping things tight dissolved before they had even settled into the game.

### Much Worse

Things could have been much worse for the Loch Fyne side.

Sticking to their task, Tarbert eventually had some attacking joy when

they scored against the run of play.

A fine cross to the front post was headed into the bottom corner by the incoming forward, a reminder to the Pupils that the game was far from over.

The second period was almost one-way traffic, and it was unbelievable that the home side did not take the opportunity to add a few more goals.

A third goal in the 65th minute finished



Action from the Pupils v Tarbert match. 04\_c30pup01

the game as a contest, another Gary Grumoli strike doing the damage as the Pupils claimed victory.

A very good workout for both sides but the Pupils, sponsored by

McFadyen Contractors proved quicker to the ball in all departments, a game in which certain individuals excelled.

The Pupils sharpness to the 50-50 ball was the most noticeable point of

the afternoon, although they unfortunately picked up a number of injuries that could affect team selection for the forthcoming match against the national team tomorrow (Saturday).

## Tarbert hosts Topper Series

TARBERT Loch Fyne Yacht Club hosted round six of the 2009 Scottish Topper Traveller dinghy racing series on Saturday and Sunday.

Competitors, whose ages ranged from 10 to 15 years, travelled from as far away as Dumfries and Galloway and Glencoe to race in challenging conditions between East Loch Tarbert and Portavadie.

With Saturday's wind speeds gusting 28 knots, and with the wind on Sunday forecast to exceed that, visiting Principal Race Officer from Loch Tummel Sailing Club Graham Foster opted to run four of the weekend's six races on day one.

As a result, Saturday late afternoon saw a tired but exhilarated fleet return to shore to be greeted with a well-earned dinner, featuring locally caught seafood and the local butcher's premium grade beef burgers at the hosts' Pier Road clubhouse.

Owing to the sociable

nature of the Topper Traveller circuit in Scotland, the visitors were able to share a pleasant evening with their friends from the Tarbert club.



Under sail at Tarbert

Overnight leader in the more experienced Main Fleet was 14-year-old Angus Gray-Stephens, who sails with Tarbert Loch Fyne YC and also Mid-Argyll Sailing Club.

Tarbert's own Niall Morrison, with three wins, led the Development Fleet overnight.

Sunday morning turned out sunny, with the breeze less fierce than predicted. These con-

ditions made for a more inclusive day's racing, creating opportunities for the younger or less experienced sailors to improve their placing.

Eventually, the battle for overall top spot came down to the last race of the weekend, and, after three laps of close racing, Jamie Noyes of East Lothian Yacht Club pipped Angus Gray-Stephens to the post to win the Tarbert Topper Traveller Trophy.

Third place in the Main Fleet went to Alexander 'Chucky' Still of Royal Gourock Yacht Club.

The Bellanoch Trophy, for the best-placed Tarbert junior sailor went to Niall Morrison, who also took first place in the Development Fleet.

Thanks to the enthusiasm with which visiting parents, members of Mid-Argyll Sailing Club, and local businesses gave their time and effort to help the club members ensure that the event ran smoothly, the weekend was a great success.

## Mid Argyll Triathlon

PLACES are filling up fast for this year's Mid Argyll Triathlon, to be held on Sunday, September 27.

Sponsored by MacQueen Bros, this year's competition comprises 25 lengths of the Mid Argyll Swimming Pool, cycling 12 miles along the Crinan Canal. There are adult and junior competitions, as well as team events.

The Club has also launched a new event for this year - the quest for Mid Argyll's 'Aquabike' champion.

Combining swimming and cycling, teams and individuals will compete to be the fastest to swim 40 lengths in the pool and cycle 12 miles.

The competition got under way on Sunday, July 19. Entrants have four more chances to log their times on alternate Sundays through the summer. For more information on both events, see [www.mid-argyllcycleclub.co.uk](http://www.mid-argyllcycleclub.co.uk).

## Kilmartin lose out to Southend

KILMARTIN made the long journey to Southend on Sunday to fulfil the semi-final fixture for the Dalriada Cup competition in the Campbeltown and District AFL.

It was the home team who dominated first in a wind assisted half.

Currie with a low right foot drive into the goalkeeper's right hand corner after good play down the wing by Galbraith.

A second was added shortly after, McConnachie with a fine left foot volley from 25 yards.

Substitute Gilchrist made it three nil just before half-time bundling the ball home with his first touch from all of two feet following good work by McKerral.

During the break Southend's manager Sa-

noy Ronald was forced to make several changes and this saw the away team get more possession in midfield.

As a result of this Kilmartin pulled a goal back, a fine lob over goalkeeper Hardie by Jones from just inside the penalty area.

Despite this Southend soaked up the pressure and McConnachie added his second and the deciding fourth goal late on to send the South Kintyre team into this weekend's final

They will take on Carradale who beat Kinloch 7-1 to go through to the final, which will kick off at Kinloch Park at 2.30pm on Sunday. The officials for the game will be P Laing, A Mitchell and Stanley Irwin,

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