



The girls in training ahead of the big run.

Tarbert Guides go to town for charity

THE FIRST Tarbert Guides have raised more than £1,500 for Cancer Research by running the Race for Life in Scotland's capital.

Claire Shorthose, Guide leader, said: 'The girls took the lead in planning the trip and training for the race.'

The girls smashed their target for Cancer Research through a range of fundraising activities, including a quiz night and seeking sponsorship.

Funding from Cashback for Communities small grants scheme helped the unit to cover the cost of the Edinburgh adventure.

INSIDE YOUR ADVERTISER THIS WEEK

Band on a run

INVERARAY and District Pipe Band last weekend added the Scottish championship title to the British crown – and must be among the favourites for the world title.

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Safety first

CAMPAIGNERS are claiming victory as Furnace gets an extended 40mph limit on the A83 trunk road, all in aid of safety.

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Ready to rumble

PLENTY of aggro – some of it real – as Lochgilphead front green hosts a mock Pictish battle.

But before that, there's wrestling at the joint campus tonight.

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Memorial facelift

AN INVERARAY memorial to Second World War heroes gets a makeover by a hardy band of volunteers.

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The high jump

A MINARD woman is getting ready to help her friend by jumping out of a plane from 10,000 feet.

Full story, page 26.

Canal body under fire over Crinan car park

By COLIN CAMERON
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A ROW has broken out in the otherwise tranquil surroundings of Crinan after a parking meter suddenly appeared in a canal-side car park.

The hi-tech digital meter was installed last month beside the Crinan canal basin by Scottish Canals, the body responsible for Scotland's canals network.

But local people say they had no inkling that charging was about to be introduced

in the main space for vehicles in the village. There is concern that drivers will look to avoid the charges by parking elsewhere in the village, leading to congestion in the narrow roads of Crinan – or will be put off altogether from spending time there.

One resident and businessman who is less than impressed with the situation is Crinan boatyard director John Dunlop. 'It's just another example

of Scottish Canals not paying any attention and not listening to local people,' he said.

'This could be the thin end of the wedge. What they are forgetting is that people who park there are other folk's customers, so businesses in Crinan will be affected if visitors are put off from parking.'

Mr Dunlop added: 'For this to be sprung on people without any notification is just ridiculous. A public body should behave much better.'

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councillors expressed 'disappointment' at the fact that neither they nor local residents were aware that the meter was to be installed.

'I just can't understand the reasoning behind it,' said Mid Argyll councillor Donnie MacMillan. 'Who is going to pay to sit for an hour at the car park? It will put folk off.'

Councillor Dougie Philand added: 'I am really disappointed that decisions which affect our local community are being implemented without any

consultation whatsoever. Given that Scottish Canals is a public body funded by tax payers, I do believe that it is essential to discuss any changes with members of the public, community councils and elected members.'

A spokesman for Scottish Canals said: 'Scottish Canals, following consultation with Argyll and Bute Council, is introducing paid-for parking at Crinan basin.'

'As a key tourism destination, we feel many visitors will expect to pay a small fee

for parking at Crinan basin. All profits generated by the meter will be reinvested in the upkeep of the car park and the canal itself, allowing us to improve the visitor experience on Britain's most beautiful shortcut.'

It is understood that a parking permit scheme is to be considered by Scottish Canals for anyone who requires one.

Councillor Philand concluded: 'I will be contacting Scottish Canals regarding this issue and bring up the lack of involvement and consultation.'

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CARPETS ELECTRICAL

Two titles out of four as Inveraray head for 'worlds'

ARGYLL'S top pipe band warmed up nicely for next week's world championships, adding the Scottish crown to the British title won in Paisley in May.

More than 25,000 spectators flocked to Levensgrove Park, Dumbarton, to see Inveraray and District Pipe Band win the title.

Under the leadership of Pipe Major Stuart Liddell, Inveraray and District secured their second title of the 2016

season. They also won first prize for drumming. In other competitions, Oban High and Dunoon Grammar school pipe bands were placed sixth and seventh respectively in Novice A Grade won by Dollar Academy. Novice B was won by Kintyre Schools. Mid Argyll Pipe Band came fourth in their tough qualifying Grade 4B group, before placing a highly respectable eighth of 12 finalists.

In Grade 3A, Kintyre Schools did well to pip Vale of Atholl for fifth place. Oban and Isle of Islay Pipe Bands finished 11th and 13th respectively in Grade 2.

The focus now turns to next weekend's World Pipe Band Championships in Glasgow. Inveraray have a genuine chance of lifting the world title and also lead the champion of champions league table heading for Glasgow Green.



Pipe Major Stuart Liddell, right, receives the Grade One Scottish Championship trophy.

INVERARAY and District Pipe Band are to perform at Glasgow's popular Piping Live! festival, just prior to the 'worlds'.

Eight pipe bands from across the globe will send four of their pipers to compete head-to-head in the international quartet competition. No fewer than 10 judges decide who will take home the title in this must-see event leading up to the World Pipe Band Championships the following weekend. Quartet champions in 2015, Inveraray will take to the stage on Tuesday August 9 at 7.30pm in the Royal Concert Hall.

Police files

Electricity theft

AN ELECTRICITY meter bypass device was found at a flat in Lochgilphead on Thursday July 28.

Electricity staff attended and made the situation safe. Police are investigating and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Fire damage

POLICE are appealing for witnesses after rubbish was set alight inside the old primary school in Lochgilphead on Thursday July 28.

Some damage was caused. Officers are appealing for any witnesses or anyone with information to contact them on 101 or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

No seat belt

A 32-YEAR-OLD man was stopped by police at 3.30pm on Saturday July 30 in Lochgilphead while allegedly

driving a lorry in Poltalloch Street without wearing a seat belt.

A report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Failing to stop

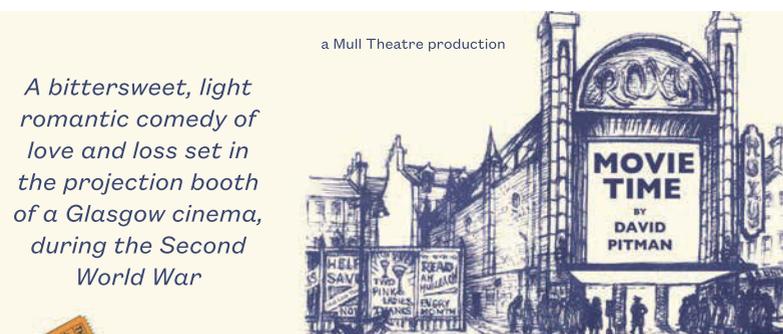
INFORMATION is being sought after a motorist left the scene of an accident without reporting it.

At around 5pm on Saturday July 30 on the A83 near Inveraray, a blue Ford Mondeo was involved in a collision with a grey Land Rover. The driver failed to stop. Police are appealing for any witnesses or anyone with any information to contact them on 101.

Drunk driver

A MAN, aged 25, was arrested on Monday August 1 for allegedly driving while under the influence of alcohol.

His car was stopped by police in Ross Crescent, Lochgilphead, at about 7.45am. A report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.



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The lorry lies on its side on the bend just south of Kilmartin.



The crushed vehicle after logs landed on it.

Narrow escape after log lorry overturns

A CAR driver escaped with a broken shoulder after a close encounter with an overturning timber lorry earlier this week at Kilmartin village.

The A816 Oban to Lochgilphead road was closed for six hours after the accident.

Police received reports shortly after 8am on Tuesday August 2 that an articulated timber lorry and two cars had been involved in a crash on the A816, just south of Kilmartin.

Emergency services attended and found that the log lorry, which had been travelling north, had overturned on a left hand bend entering the village. The load of logs on the vehicle had struck a car which had been travelling south. The southbound car had then collided with another car that was following the lorry.

A police spokesman said: 'The male driver of the southbound car suffered a broken shoulder and was taken to hospital in Lochgilphead. The man who was driving the lorry was also taken to hos-

pital but not found to be injured, and the driver of the second car was not injured.'

The spokesman continued: 'The A816 was closed until the vehicles were recovered and the road was reopened about 2pm. The driver of the lorry, an 18-year-old man, was charged with careless driving and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.'

Tarbert youth 'not all bad' after castle vandalism

RUBBISH was left strewn across land at Tarbert Castle in the wake of last week's Tarbert Fair, to the anger and disappointment of volunteers.

A group of young people who gathered in the area on Saturday night is believed to have been responsible for this and other damage – but Tarbert's youth should not be tainted by incidents like this, according to some.

Writing on page six of this week's *Advertiser*, Tarbert Castle Trust secretary Robert McPhail says: 'On the Monday morning after Tarbert Fair, volunteers at Tarbert Castle had to collect and remove four large bin bags of bottles, cans and six pack boxes.'

A Police Scotland

spokesman confirmed that reports were received at 7.45pm on Saturday July 30 of a 'large group of youths' congregating in the area. Officers attended, a quantity of alcohol was seized and the group was moved on.

Dave McBride, of Tarbert and Skipness Community Council, hopes this was an isolated incident, adding: 'In Tarbert we are very fortunate, as despite having a string of festivals throughout the year we suffer relatively little in the way of antisocial behaviour.'

'Reports of underage drinking contributing to the events are of concern and we will no doubt receive an update from our community police officer on investigations into this in due course.'

He continued: 'The vast majority [of youngsters] are a credit to the village, having been educated by their parents along with the school to be socially responsible.'

Councillor Anne Horn also expressed disappointment. 'Many people give hours volunteering at the castle,' she said, 'and it is unacceptable that people use it as a drinking den and then leave their rubbish and damage for the volunteers



The bags of cans and bottles collected on Monday morning.

to clean up and repair. Perhaps the people who use the area for drinking would instead help the work parties who have transformed the castle area into a real tourist attraction.'



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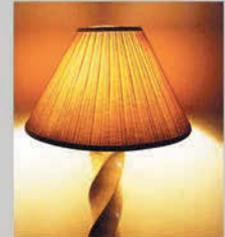


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Want to create Tarbert's own fruit orchard?

FRUIT could be growing on the slopes around Tarbert Castle.

Close to the community woodland and sculpture walk, work

has begun on a new orchard behind the castle.

Tarbert Castle Trust secretary Robert McPhail said: 'We

have received funding assistance from Infinis Energy, Awards for All and Argyll and Bute NHS Wellbeing Fund to develop this innovative project to grow our own fruit. The land, though well located in a sheltered spot, requires considerable preparation to improve fertility, drainage and protection from deer and rabbit damage.

The site extends to around 1,500 square metres - about the size of six standard allotments - sloping gently to the west and is well sheltered from prevailing winds.

Robert continued: 'We plan to improve shelter from the north

with additional woodland planting.

'Ground works are under way to create a series of drainage ditches and planting ridges which will be drier and increase soil depth.

This is the application of the traditional vegetable growing technique used by Scottish crofters for centuries to improve their limited land's growing capacity.

Locally-collected seaweed and biochar - prepared from charcoal burning - is being dug into the planting runs to improve soil texture and add nutrients.

'John Hancox known as 'Apple John' from

Scottish Fruit Trees has visited and provided initial advice on the site development,' explained Robert, 'and he will in due course supply Scottish rootstock for our trees and soft fruit bushes.

'The work is being done by volunteers, where possible, and everyone is welcome to come along and join us as we have plenty to do before we start planting this autumn.

'Work parties are generally held from 10am on the first Saturday of each month. Just turn up when you can or email sonamarg@btinternet.com or ring 01880 820 643 if you have any queries.'



Tarbert Castle.

Search is on for heritage volunteers

TIME is running out for heritage volunteers throughout Argyll to enter the second annual Scottish Heritage Angel Awards.

With just a week left until entries close on Friday August 12, volunteers or 'angels' who contribute to Scotland's historic environment are being urged to step forward and enter or nominate a deserving individual or group.

The Scottish Heritage Angel Awards categories are: investigating and recording; caring and protecting; sharing and celebrating; Young heritage angel award; and lifetime contribution to the historic environment

The winners will be announced at a ceremony in Edinburgh's Assembly Rooms on



Cairndow-based Here We Are, a scheme co-founded by Christina Noble, pictured, was short-listed in the 2015 awards.

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October 18. Last year's shortlist included Cairndow-based local heritage project, Here We Are.

For full details on how to enter, or to nominate someone, visit the www.scottish-heritageangelawards.org.uk website.

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CalMac charters freight ferry to ease Islay congestion

A FREIGHT ferry is being chartered by ferry operator CalMac to ease problems on its Islay service.

The *MV Red Princess*, a cargo ship, has been ferrying traffic from Kennacraig to Islay and back since last weekend to tackle congestion.

The island has been served by a single vessel, the *MV Finlaggan*, after the *MV Hebridean Isles* was taken off the route after what the company describes as 'a contact' with Kennacraig pier last week.

The *Red Princess* cannot carry passengers but can transport 20 cars or a number of commercial vehicles, and will operate while the *Hebridean*

Isles is being repaired.

CalMac's operations director Drew Collier said: 'We are working extremely hard to get people where they want to go and appreciate passengers' understanding. Our customer contact team will be in touch with everyone booked on the service over the next week to let them know what their options are and how we propose to get them to their destination and when. We apologise for any inconvenience.'

Extra capacity is also being provided on Saturday through private charter to support the Colonsay route which is also usually served by the *MV Hebridean Isles*.

Safety triumph as Furnace gets (temporary) lower speed limit

A NEW, reduced speed limit will be in place as early as next week on one of Argyll's busiest roads.

The people of Furnace have been campaigning for years to have the speed limit cut to 40mph on the A83 between Furnace and Crarae. After conducting its own studies, Transport Scotland concluded that a 50mph limit should be imposed.

Local residents, fed up with traffic speeding by at 60mph-plus, close to roadside family homes and driveways, fought their corner and a new, temporary 40mph limit will be in force by Monday August 8.

This will mean an ex-



Norma Jack and her son Jack Wilson, living beside the stretch of road affected by the new speed limit, bravely demonstrated the problem for the Argyllshire Advertiser in November last year. 06_ a47Furnaceroad04

tension of the existing 40mph stretch from Furnace out to Allt na Ceardaich, just north of Crarae quarry.

Transport Scotland plans to introduce the new speed limit for a trial one year period, but campaigners are

delighted with this sign of progress.

Furnace Community Council chairman Mike Masters told the

Advertiser: 'We do see this as a triumph. We have been campaigning for this limit for several years and have had a hard job convincing Transport Scotland of the need. But we are not complacent. Transport Scotland has only agreed to a 12-month trial and have yet to set out their criteria for judging the success or failure of the trial.'

Mr Masters added: 'Our community's criteria are clear - we want to see a permanent reduction in the number of accidents on this section of road and a much greater feeling of safety for users of the footpath that runs alongside it to give access to village amenities.'



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Good, and not so good

YOUNG people from Tarbert feature prominently in these pages just about every week.

In common with youngsters in Lochgilphead, Ardfern, Inveraray and everywhere in between, they are a great bunch, getting involved in community clubs and projects and achieving great things. But when bad behaviour happens, we have to report that, too. It must have been heartbreaking for volunteers at Tarbert Castle to go up there on Monday to find other people's rubbish all over the place along with the results of pointless vandalism. After the amount of time and effort they put into this local cause, they must have felt in some way betrayed. Other nearby residents must also have been affected on Saturday to report the situation to the police.

In all this, though, we must retain perspective and acknowledge that our youngsters are no worse than many and better than most around the country. There is no excuse for antisocial behaviour, but they have time to learn, to grow up. And the Mid Argyll community is a pretty good place to learn.

On balance, you will find the youth of Tarbert does pretty well overall in this week's edition. Mostly excellent, some not so good. And that, perhaps, simply reflects the way things are.

Communication

IF SCOTTISH Canals takes anything from the fuss it has created in Crinan, it should be that it's good to talk.

As many people point out, a publicly-funded body has a duty to consult before it spends our cash. The canals, after all, are meant to improve communication.

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Tarbert festival thanks

Sir,
Now that the gazebos have all been dried out and repaired from the downpours at Tarbert Seafood Festival 2016, we would like to say a huge thank you to each and every one of you who braved the elements and helped us make another successful weekend.

To all our loyal helpers, sponsors, stall holders, fish suppliers and chefs, we applaud you - too many to name and do not want to leave anyone out.

Thanks also to all our entertainment and announcers on both days. Last, but certainly not least, to Queen Laura and her princesses Brooke and Iona, who smiled constantly through the wind and rain.

Thank you everyone.
Duncan and Margaret MacNeill, Tarbert

Ardrishaig Gala Day appreciation

Sir,
Mid Argyll Pipe Band would like to thank a number of companies, groups and individuals for their kind support and donations to help run this year's event.

EDF, DA MacDonald contractors, M&K McLeod, P McKerral & Co, G McNaughton & Son, Coille Haulage, J Law, Ardrishaig Co-op all generously supported the event. Goldie and Jessica, too, made their

usual great contribution. Thanks to the ladies in Ardrishaig North Hall who had a busy afternoon serving teas, coffee and home baking. The local police and coastguard were in attendance to show the public their specialist equipment - but unfortunately had to take off to a live emergency, adding to the drama of the day. Their presence is appreciated, along with that of the Red Cross for first aid cover, which fortunately was not required.

Last but not least, thanks to the mums and dads of the pipe band for all their hard work at the event.

It was a great day which raised valuable funds for the pipe band.

**Jamie Lang,
Pipe Major**

Impact of council cuts

Sir,
It was interesting to read, in the July 22 edition of the *Argyllshire Advertiser*, of Mr Redman's praise for his party and the Tory leadership at Westminster.

Perhaps Mr Redman might spend time advising Tory councillors in Argyll and Bute Council - with their LibDem, Labour and independent associates - that the impact of their decision to reduce grass cutting in cemeteries has caused distress for people visiting their loved ones, while removing school librarians has caused anxiety and concern for young people in our lo-

cal communities. I appreciate savings had to be made but to make cuts impacting unfairly on the vulnerable in our communities is unacceptable.

**Councillor Anne Horn,
Kintyre and the Islands**

Ferry service inadequate

Sir,
Islay residents and visitors have been enduring an appalling level of service from CalMac.

We have had delays, cancellations and a severe lack of ferries and it always seems to be Islay that goes without.

It is by no means the fault of the hard working front line staff of CalMac, but certainly their management needs to get its act together and sort these problems out.

This is the time of year when we on Islay need our ferries the most, yet CalMac - with its monopoly and large taxpayer-funded subsidy - seems to be more than willing to let this single ferry service continue.

On Islay, more than anywhere else, our ferries are not just an important means of transport for locals and visitors but an essential piece of infrastructure for our massive industrial output from our distilleries, farms, fisheries and estates.

I know of a number of tourists who have not visited Islay this year because of our ferry troubles.

Islay's economy is being damaged by the management of CalMac's not-fit-for-purpose ferry service.

**Alastair Redman,
Portnahaven,
Isle of Islay**

Underage drinking and vandalism

Sir,
On the Monday morning after Tarbert Fair, volunteers at Tarbert Castle had to collect and remove four large bin bags of bottles, cans and six pack boxes, not to mention the huge number of cigarette ends, several disposable lighters, umpteen bottle tops and assorted filthy tissues.

Apart from the mess left behind, litter is dangerous for our Hebridean sheep which maintain our grass areas.

In addition, bottles have been thrown in the wildlife pond in the community woodland and one of our sculptures uprooted vandalised and dumped.

There can be little doubt that underage drinking, the supply of alcohol to underage drinkers, wanton vandalism and litter offences will all have taken place on Saturday night.

We get a very large number of visitors to the castle at this time of year, many from other countries, and one Spanish family looked on in disbelief as the litter was loaded into bin bags on Monday morning.

**Robert McPhail,
Tarbert Castle Trust**

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Sylvie Howland gets her point across for the RNLI at the recent Tarbert Traditional Boat Festival. 06_a30tarbboats20

Get some respect before you get wet

A MAJOR new campaign by the RNLI has one simple aim - to make its role redundant.

Well, perhaps that is a little ambitious, but the nation's maritime rescue charity is moving towards prevention rather than picking up the pieces after things go wrong.

Around 190 people die in British and Irish waters each year. The RNLI wants to see that number halved by 2024. Respect the Water is the RNLI's drowning prevention

campaign. It highlights the risks, helps people avoid those dangers and offers advice to keep everyone safe.

Introducing the campaign on the RNLI website, the charity says: 'We want you to enjoy the water, but also to recognise its dangers and never underestimate its power.'

'Half of those who die at the coast never even intended to get wet.

'It's easier than you think to slip, fall or get into trouble in the water, so get informed

and get involved. Watch the film [available on the rnli.org website], join us on social media and share Respect the Water with your mates.'

Promoting the message at the recent Tarbert Traditional Boat Festival was RNLI community safety volunteer Sylvie Howland, manning a stand with husband Peter.

The aim is simple - the more people are aware of the risks, the better they can protect themselves around the water.

Remembering lost treasures

THE LOSS of a baby, pre or post-natal, can have a devastating effect on parents and families.

One Scottish charity aims to offer support, through local groups, to anyone who has gone through the death of a baby at any stage of pregnancy or close to the time of birth.

As part of its work, Simpson's Memory Box Appeal (SiMBA)

organises a series of butterfly release events around the country, a touching way for parents to remember and honour their babies.

At Kilmory Castle on Sunday August 21, the charity hopes to hold its largest ever butterfly release.

Refreshments

Anyone affected by the loss of a baby is invited to go along. Guests will arrive from 12pm for a 12.30pm release, with refreshments available at the Stag Hotel, Lochgilphead from 1.30pm.

There will be a short service before the butterflies are released followed by time for re-

flection. There will be family entertainment and face painting, provided by Funky Chick-en.

A charity spokesperson said: 'Our butterfly supplier Tim is an award-winning educator in his field who breeds butterflies in a disease free environment who can cope with the conditions throughout the UK.'

'These butterflies go on to replenish the dwindling numbers of butterflies in the wild.'

For more information about the event, contact Susan Simpson at simbahighland@gmail.com or call 07771 358382.



Two cheat death as plane crashes near Oban

AN INVESTIGATION has begun after a light aircraft crashed into a field near Benderloch.

Police received reports at 10.45am on Tuesday August 2 that a plane had crashed.

A Breezer B600 light aircraft had taken off from Mull, planning to stop at Oban Airport

to refuel before heading to Barra, when it got into difficulty and came down on the

Lochnell estate, a couple of miles north of the airport.

A man was taken by air ambulance to hospital in Glasgow with serious leg injuries and a woman taken to

a Paisley hospital with chest injuries. Their injuries are not believed to be life-threatening.

Police Scotland and the Air Accident Investigation Branch are investigating.

CAIRN HOUSING ASSOCIATION



Retirement Housing for Rent Lorne Campbell Court, Campbeltown

Cairn Housing Association has studio and one person flats for rent within its retirement housing development at Lorne Campbell Court, Millknowe Road, Campbeltown.

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The current rent for these properties is £358.28 per month for a one person flat (this includes all service and heating charges).
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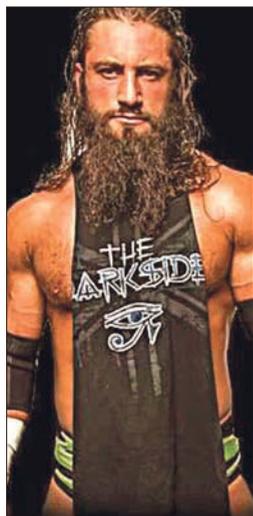
If you would like more information or an application pack, please contact:
Cairn Housing Association 0800 990 3405

Mayhem coming to Mid Argyll

AMERICAN wrestling rumbles into Lochgilphead tonight (Friday).

EPW American wrestling is to host its debut show in the town - and it promises to be a spectacular night of entertainment.

Direct from Florida, USA, TNA superstar Bram - former King of



TNA superstar Bram is heading to Lochgilphead.

the Mountain professional world champion - will be up against seven foot giant Goliatath.

Tokyo Joe, Masked Destroyer, Nash Swift, Mercurio, SJ Wolfe, Texas Terminator and many more will fight.

Also on the card is high flying sensation Valkabious, competing against British Warrior Joe Rage. And that's just for starters because for the main event there will be a 20-foot steel cage mayhem match.

Don't miss this great night of action, suitable for all the family.

Tickets are available from Mid Argyll Sports Centre at the joint campus, priced between £10 and £15 and with a family ticket available for £36. The show will take place on Friday August 5 at the Mid Argyll Sports Centre. Doors open 7pm.

Thrills and spills on the Front Green

THE ANCIENT kingdom of Dalriada will be recalled this weekend in a thrilling festival.

Lochgilphead Celtic and Pictish Festival will feature battles, weapons and a Celtic roundhouse and settlement.

The Swords of Dalriada re-enactment group will build a settlement on the front green and provide fighting and weapons displays along with living history tents including textiles and food. Tara Coggins from Ardfern and her team will be constructing a Celtic roundhouse and running workshops in Celtic knotwork, Pictish carving, mini archaeological digs and object handling, weaving and spinning.

ArtMap Argyll mem-



The Swords of Dalriada will be spoiling for a fight.

bers will also be there with displays and workshops in spinning, textile work, weaving, basket making, stone carving, ogham writing and more.

Blarbuie Woodlands

will be there offering information on foraging, while Argyll Green Woodworkers display their skills.

There will also be face-painting and Celtic-style temporary tat-

toeing. The event, organised by Lochgilphead Community Council, is on the town's front green tomorrow, Saturday August 6, from 10am until 5pm.

Artists display their works

MID ARGYLL Art Society will host its annual art exhibition from Monday August 15 until Saturday August 20.

Members of Mid Argyll Camera Club are invited to submit up to five framed prints, along with unframed copies of the images. Organisers ask that members notify them by August 11 of the number of prints they hope to submit so that space can be allocated to the camera club.

The exhibition is always well worth a visit and will be held in the Drill Hall, Lochgilphead.

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Campbeltown Picture House at the Victoria Hall Sat 13 & Sun 14 August



The Secret Life of Pets (U) Sat 13, 2pm / 91 mins
Fast and funny family adventure from the humans behind *Despicable Me*.

Independence Day: Resurgence (12A)
Sat 13, 4.30pm / 110 mins

20 years after the first invasion, the aliens are ready for another go at wiping out the human race. Epic next chapter reuniting old and new characters.

Absolutely Fabulous: The Movie (15)
Sat 13, 8pm / 91 mins

One of the all time great comedies hits the big screen, with Eddie and Patsy still misbehaving in an absolutely uproarious fabulous adventure!

Ice Age: Collision Course (U) Sun 14, 12.30pm / 94 mins
A meteor is hurtling towards Earth and it's up to Manny, Sid and Diego to save the day in the funniest, most spectacular, Ice Age movie yet.

Ghostbusters (12A) Sun 14, 3pm / 116 mins
Laugh stuffed reboot of the supernatural classic with apparitions, proton packs, star cameos and a scary demon - fantastic Ghostbusting exploits!

The Nice Guys (12A) Sun 14, 6pm / 116 mins
Brilliant and highly acclaimed comedy thriller with Ryan Gosling and Russell Crowe investigating the disappearance of a young girl in 70s Los Angeles.

Advance booking: www.campbeltownpicturehouse.co.uk
Tickets also at Victoria Hall 30 mins before screenings

Adults £6.50 Concessions: £5.00 Family of 4: £20.00

Presented by Campbeltown Community Business & Film Mobile Scotland in collaboration with The Royal Hotel



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Friday August 12th 10-6
Saturday August 13th 10-6
Sunday August 14th 11-5
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MID ARGYLL ART SOCIETY 49th ANNUAL EXHIBITION

(In conjunction with Mid-Argyll Camera Club)
Monday 15th August - Saturday 20th August 2016
LOCHGILPHEAD DRILL HALL
Times of opening:
Monday - Friday 10am - 8pm
Saturday 10am - 2pm
Handing in: Saturday 13th August, 10am - 4pm at Lochgilphead Drill Hall.

Entry Fee - £3.00 per painting, up to 5 works.
All paintings must be ready to hang and have name, address, title and price (if for sale) on the back. Only original paintings and drawings may be exhibited (not computer generated).

If submissions exceed hanging space, the hanging committee will undertake the final decision.

Enquiries to:

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Crinan open day set to be ‘chust sublime . . .’

A SPECIAL open day is sure to float your boat at Crinan this weekend.

With music, a bar-becue and the chance to get your hands on a one-off bottle of

Bruichladdich whisky, there will be something for everyone in this beautiful corner of Mid Argyll.

Starting at 11am tomorrow (Saturday August 6) in Crinan boatyard, the open day will offer the chance for people interested in things maritime to look over the yard and see a puffer mid-restoration – the main focus of the whole event.

Crinan boatyard is restoring the 1943 ex-Ministry of War transport steam vessel VIC27.

Tale to tell

She has quite a tale to tell, and during service in the Second World War protected Antwerp by flying a barrage balloon on the Scheldt estuary, among other exploits.

She was renamed *Auld Reekie* by the next owner in 1969, philanthropist Sir James Miller, who was Lord Provost of Edinburgh and Lord Mayor of London. He used



Auld Reekie is undergoing restoration work at Crinan boatyard. 06_a32vic2713



Two of the directors of Crinan boatyard, brothers John and Lindsay Dunlop, with the VIC27, *Auld Reekie*. 06_a32vic2708

her in a role as a fore-runner to modern maritime outward-bound schemes, operating out of Oban in the 1970s.

Since then VIC27 has featured in a three-part documentary BBC *Alba Air an Smuid*, which covered her arrival at the boatyard, the restoration of her boiler and repairs to many of her plates at the aft end.

The engine room is

now almost complete, so now the boatyard is looking to boost funds for the project through this weekend's open day.

Whisky tasting

At tomorrow's open day, Bruichladdich Distillery will host a whisky tasting in the puffer's hold, with participation by prior arrangement via the website [www.vic27](http://www.vic27.co.uk). The Islay-based distiller has

also carried out a special cask bottling of Bruichladdich whisky, kindly donated by one of VIC27's benefactors, to mark the occasion.

There will be a raffle for one of these 'chust sublime' bottles of whisky – worth £200 each – and this is not to be missed. Plenty of other bottles from the cask are also available. Musical entertain-

ment during the day will be provided by the McAllister Brothers.

Fun

If you would like to have some fun while helping restore a fascinating part of Scotland's maritime heritage, entry will be £5 for adults, with children going free.

All proceeds of the day go towards the ongoing restoration of the puffer.

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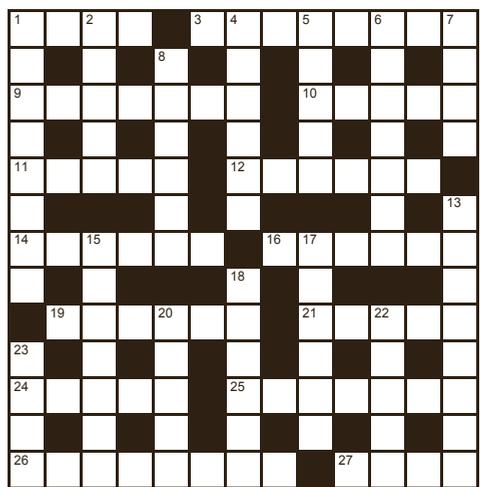
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Jellyfish sightings wanted by scientists

MOON, compass, blue or lion's mane – it's a blooming good time for jellyfish around the coast of Argyll.

The Marine Conservation Society (MCS) says the number of jellyfish 'blooms' – when jellies mass – in UK coastal waters is on the increase as our seas start to warm up.

Every summer hun-

dreds of reports of jellyfish sightings are made to the MCS National Jellyfish Survey, now in its 14th year. The survey is providing valuable information about where and when jellyfish occur in UK seas amid global reports of a rise in their numbers.

Up until July, it had been a relatively quiet

year for jellyfish reports, unlike the past two years when record numbers of barrel jellyfish were reported around UK seas through the spring and summer.

Dr Peter Richardson, MCS head of biodiversity and fisheries, said: 'Some scientists argue that jellyfish numbers increase and then decrease normally every 20 years or so.'

'However, others believe these increases are linked to factors such as pollution, over-fishing and possibly climate change.'

'The MCS jellyfish survey helps provide some of the information we need to understand more about these ancient creatures.'

The charity has received reports of barrel jellyfish, and sightings of blue and

moon jellies are starting to pick up as the waters around the UK begin to warm, with mass strandings of these species in south-west England and Wales.

Lion's mane jellyfish, which have a powerful sting, have also been reported from beaches in Scotland and around the Irish Sea. MCS says that anyone who comes across a jellyfish at sea or on the beach should look but don't touch, and report their sightings at www.mcsuk.org.

'One thing we do know is that leather-back turtles travel to UK waters to feed on jellyfish and are usually recorded along the west coast of the UK between May and October,' added Dr Richardson.



The lion's mane jellyfish packs a punch and is common along the West Coast.



Daisy dances at Inveraray Games

YOU have seen the all the results, photos and news from the recent Inveraray Highland Games in your *Argyllshire Advertiser*.

There is one (final) photograph from Inveraray Games that we couldn't resist publishing, so here it is.

Daisy the Cow was there as part of the children's fun area, but decided to have a wander round the Winterton.

Daisy, on loan from Clachan Calamities pantomime group, was led by Lori Silvan from Funky Chicken kids' entertainment.

Success for Lomond School pupils

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A number of Lomond School pupils – along with parents and staff – attended the Palace of Holyroodhouse on July 7 to receive their Duke of Edinburgh Gold Awards.

The prestigious awards are presented to young people who complete all sections of the Gold Duke of Edinburgh programme, which includes an expedition and five-day residential trip. The award is recognised and highly regarded by universities and employers.



Prince Edward, the Earl of Wessex, presents the award to the school's principal, Johanna Urquhart, centre, with teacher Mrs Nicola Harwood.



The school was also recognised for its participation in the awards over the years.

Johanna Urquhart, principal, said: 'Lomond School's location means that there is a particular emphasis on outdoor pursuits. The Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme is, without doubt, a significant feature and we have enjoyed great success carrying out expeditions both locally and abroad.'



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Prosecco sparkles at Cowal blackface show



The winning ewe and reigning Mid Argyll Show champion, Prosecco, from Messrs MacPherson, Balliemanoach. 06_sheepshow11

LAST year's Mid Argyll and Lorn show champion came up trumps again at the Cowal Blackface Sheep Breeders' Association Show.

Around 20 blackface sheep breeders from across Argyll and further afield gathered to show off their best animals last Saturday at Clachan, Cairndow.

Judge for the day was Derek Brown, who looks after 1,500 blackies on 3,600 acre Moorfoot Farm near

Peebles. In front of a healthy number of spectators, boosted by a display of vintage tractors and cars – more on page 13 – Mr Brown selected the proven champion belonging to J&J MacPherson, Balliemanoach, Loch Awe. Named 'Prosecco', this three-crop ewe is off a £6,000 Connachan sire and out of a Lurg-bred ewe. Loch Fyne-side farmer Donald McVicar, Lephinchapel, won the confined champi-

onships, and the re-serve overall, with his sookit gimmer. The best opposite sex to the champion in both confined and open categories was a shearing tup from Pole Farm, Lochgoilhead.

The organisers thank Ardkinglas Estate and the Jacksons, Pole, for the of the show field.

Results – overall champion: Prosecco, ewe from the MacPherson family at Balliemanoach farm. Sired by a £6,000 Connachan out of a Lurg-

bred ewe. Overall reserve champion: D McVicar, Lephinchapel, with a young ewe bought in lamb from Crossflatt, sired by Shotgun. Overall male champion: The Jackson family, Pole, Lochgoilhead, with a shearing sired by £18,000 Pole out of a ewe by £10,000 Dyke.

Confined – Old tup: Messrs Mitchell, Killellan, Dunoon. Shearling: Messrs Jackson, Pole. Tup lamb: Andrew Campbell, Drimsynie, Lochgoilhead.

Young farmers tup lamb: Angus Campbell, Succothmore, Strachur. Ewe: Campbell, Drimsynie. Young ewe: McVicar, Lephinchapel. Gimmer: McVicar, Lephinchapel. Gimmer: McVicar, Lephinchapel. Ewe lamb: Jackson, Pole. Group: McVicar, Lephinchapel.

son, Pole. Young farmers ewe lamb: James Mitchell, Killellan.

Group: McVicar, Lephinchapel. Confined champion: Young ewe from Donald McVicar, Lephinchapel. Confined reserve champion: Ewe from Campbell, Drimsynie. Sired by Bolt out of a ewe by Dyke Travis.

Confined male champion: Shearling from Jackson, Pole. Open – Old tup: Donald Shaw, Innisaig, Ardfarn. Shearling: Jackson, Pole. Tup lamb: Shaw, Innisaig. Ewe: MacPherson, Balliemanoach. Young ewe: McVicar, Lephinchapel. Gimmer: McVicar, Lephinchapel. Ewe lamb: Jackson, Pole. Group: McVicar, Lephinchapel.

Dalmally fair day show and sale of cattle

IN FRONT of a packed ringside of buyers, United Auctions' annual fair day show and sale of cattle was held at Dalmally Auction Mart.

An increased catalogued entry of 411 top quality cattle were on offer at the sale, held on Friday July 29.

Show judging ahead of the sale was in the hands of Mr S Connon, Skilmally, Auchnagatt, and his awards were as follows:

Charolais bullocks: 1 Messrs McIntyre, Glenahervie; 2 Messrs Ronald, East Laggan; 3 Messrs Ronald, East Laggan.

Limousin bullocks: 1 Messrs Semple, Dippen; 2 Messrs Semple, Dippen; 3 Mr R Currie, Low Dunashery.

Any other breed of bull-ock: 1 Messrs MacCallum, Strathnafanaig.

Charolais heifer: 1 Messrs MacIntyre; 2 Messrs Semple; 3 Messrs Ronald.

Limousin heifer: 1 Messrs Semple; 2 Mr R Lines, Killochaw; 3 Mr H Morrison, 9 Killeonan.

Any other breed of heifer: 1 Messrs Ralston, Rhoin; 2 Mr R Lines; 3 Messrs MacCallum.

Best pen of four bullocks and best pen of four heifers: Messrs Semple.

Overall champion: Messrs Semple with a Limousin heifer - 454k £1,200 to Messrs Hamilton, Bee Edge Farm.

Reserve overall: Messrs Semple with a Limousin heifer - 454k £1,150 to Mr S Connon. Overall, the bullocks averaged £953.99 or 231.76p/kg whilst the heifers levelled out

at £920.71 or 228.12p/kg.

Principal lots and prices
Top prices per head

Bullocks
AAx: £1,220 Balegreggan : £900 (2) Ardachy.

BRBx: £1,060 and £1,050 Strathnafanaig : £1,030 (4) Rhoin : £1,030 Strathnafanaig : £980 Low Dunashery : £970 (2) Killochaw.

CHARx: £1,210(2) Balegreggan : £1,190 Glenehervie and Dippen (4) : £1,180 (3) Balegreggan : £1,160 Glenehervie and Balegreggan (2) : £1,140 Strath : £1,130 (2) Glenehervie : £1,110 East Laggan and Glenehervie (4) : £1,100 (2) Balegreggan : £1,060 East Laggan (3) and Ballochgair : £1,050 East Laggan : £1,040 East Laggan (4) and Dippen (4) : £1,000 Strath (3) and Dippen (4) : £980 Saddle Home Farm (2) and £950 East Laggan : £950 Strath.

HF: £715 (2) Strath.
LIMx: £1,200 Dippen : £1,180 and £1,150(2) Uigle : £1,150 Killochaw : £1,140 Achnaba : £1,130 Dippen : £1,110 Uigle and Dippen : £1,080 and £1,070 Killochaw : £1,070 Cleongart : £1,060 Killochaw : £1,050 Low Dunashery : £1,040 Killeonan : £1,020 Low Dunashery and Uigle (4) : £1,000 Strathnafanaig (2) and 9 Killeonan : £990 Strathnafanaig, Low Dunashery (2) and Achnaba (2) : £970 (3) Killochaw : £960 (2) Dippen : £950 (3) Uigle.

SIMx: £1,140 Strath : £1,100 (2) and £1,070 (4) Balegreggan : £1,040 Ballochgair : £1,020 (2) Balegreggan : £950 (2) Strath.

Heifers
AAx: £1,180 and £1,080 Balegreggan.

BRBx: £1,200 (2) Rhoin : £1,110 Strathnafanaig : £1,000 Dippen : £970 Killochaw.

CHARx: £1,210(3) Balegreggan : £1,180 Dippen :

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LIMx: £1,260 Killochaw : £1,150 Dippen : £1,140 Uigle (3) and Saddle Home Farm (3) : £1,110 Cleongart : £1,100 and £1,090 Killochaw : £1,090 Cleongart : £1,080 Strathnafanaig and East Laggan : £1,070 Achnaba : £1,050(2) Killochaw : £1,050 Uigle : £1,020 Killochaw and 9 Killeonan : £1,010 East Laggan : £980 Killochaw (3) and Achnaba (2).

SIMx: £910 Balegreggan.
Top prices per kilo

Bullocks
AAx: 231p (2) and 230p (3) Ardachy.

BRBx: 262p (2) Killochaw : 251p, 249p and 246p Strathnafanaig : 231p Low Dunashery.

CHARx: 264p (3) Couston Farm : 258p (6) Ardmaleish : 258p (4) and 256p (4) Couston Farm : 256p East Laggan and Saddle Home Farm (2) : 255p (4) Dippen : 252p Glenehervie : 250p (4) Dippen : 250p East Laggan : 245p Saddle Home Farm : 244p (2), 243p (4) and 242p East Laggan : 242p Glenehervie : 241p Ballochgair : 239p East Laggan (2) and Ballochgair : 235p (4) Glenehervie : 234p (4) Dippen : 230p and 225p Strath : 224p(2) Glenehervie.

LIMx: 262p (3) Killochaw : 260p Lochuisge : 259p Ardachy : 258p Dippen : 254p Marchfield : 254p and 253p Killochaw : 253p (2) Strathnafanaig : 252p Dippen : 251p (2) Ardachy : 251p (2) Dippen : 250p Couston Farm : 249p Uigle and Achnaba : 248p Killochaw and Low Dunashery : 247p Ardachy (4), High Balantyre, Achnaba (2) and Low Dunashery (3) : 246p (2) Low Dunashery : 246p Marchfield :

245p Uigle and Low Dunashery : 242p and 241p (2) Killochaw : 240p (2) East Laggan : 238p Low Dunashery : 237p (2) Couston Farm : 237p East Laggan : 236p Tombuie & Achnaba.

SIMx: 233p (2) Ballochgair : 230p (2) Strath : 230p (2) Killervan.

Heifers
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CHARx: 267p (9) Couston Farm : 253p Low Tirfergus : 240p (4) Dippen : 235p (2) East Laggan : 233p (2) and 232p (3) Dippen : 231p (2) Saddle Home Farm.

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Jesseca dances to success at Taynuilt



LOCHGILPHEAD dancer Jesseca McNab enjoyed success on the Highland dancing platform at Taynuilt Highland Games.

Jesseca came first in the Highland Fling and sword dance and second in both the pas de basque and the pas de basque with high cuts.

Six-year-old Jesseca is pictured proudly holding her medals at the games, which were held on Saturday July 23.

Jesseca McNab.

WEST COAST MEMORIES

Long-gone scenes of Dunoon

IN THIS edition we continue a remarkable series of vintage photographs taken around Scotland's west coast.

Passed to the *Argyllshire Advertiser* by one of our readers, they were taken by photographer George Gray of Stonehouse in Lanarkshire between 1880 and 1910.

The photographs are understood never to have been seen in public before and we are grateful to be granted access to this precious collection from a bygone era.

Look out for more photographs from George Gray's collection in future editions of the *Argyllshire Advertiser*.



Dunoon.

THE ADVERTISER last week published a photograph by George Gray featuring the tomb of kings on the isle of Iona, an island which the Reverend George McLeod described as 'a thin place' with little between the earthly and spiritual.

George Gray this week takes on a more prosaic trip 'doon the watter' to the Cowal town of Dunoon.

In common with other Clyde-coast settlements, Dunoon grew from remote Highland village to bustling seaside resort as steam travel enabled the masses from sooty Glasgow to sail the relatively short distance to another world. To them it must have felt like heaven.

George's photograph above might have been taken from Dunoon Pier, though it may be too close, so perhaps a boat close to shore was more likely his position.

Front and centre is Dunoon's iconic Argyll Hotel, built in 1837 and still thriving on Argyll Street to this day. Above the doorway, the name Charles Wilson can just be seen. A well-known architect by that name designed the Great Western Hotel in Oban and one wonders if he was behind the Argyll Hotel's distinctive appearance. The date certainly fits, as he would

have been around 27 when work started.

That aside, the hotel is pictured on the shore, but as the years passed and more land was reclaimed from the Clyde, it moved further away and now lies around 100 yards from the sea.

In the foreground, rowing boats are pulled up on to the shore. These may have belonged to one of the town's many boat hiring operations at the time.

Alongside a dainty-looking jetty for embarking and disembarking the boats, children play in the water.

One girl can just be seen leaning nonchalantly against one of the boats while her pals sit beside her on a jetty higher up the shore.

The long-vanished bandstand has a modern descendant in the Argyll Gardens, which now overlie the shoreline seen in the picture.

Though more than 100 years old, the scene is still recognisable as Dunoon.

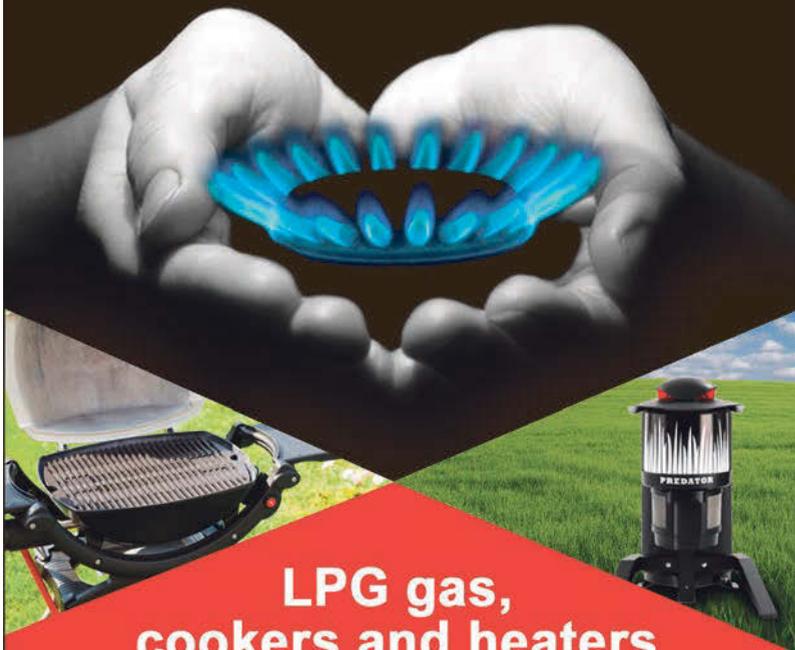
This familiarity is helped by the prominent spire of St John's Church piercing the skyline.

The photograph captures a relaxed atmosphere, without the motor car but with plenty of people around.



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Machinery adds new dimension to sheep show

ALONGSIDE the finest examples of the blackface sheep breed, a dash of colour was added by a fine display of vintage and more modern tractors.

In a fresh addition to the Cowal Blackface

Breeders' Association show last Saturday, four beautifully-maintained tractors were brought along by members of Bute Vintage Club to the show field at Clachan, Cairndow.

Chairman of the club



Everything from Fordson Majors to Massey Ferguson 35s to Ford 3000s – pampered tractors from Cowal Vintage Transport Club.

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Alex Archibald behind the wheel of his beautiful 90-year-old Jowett.

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Joe Johnstone said: 'We were pleased to go along and support the blackface breeders' show. It took us about three hours to get here, but it was just about dry and we all enjoyed the journey.'

Also in the line-up

were eight tractors from Cowal Vintage Transport Club, with a few cars and Land Rovers thrown in for good measure.

Enthusiasts of farm machinery could admire the 45 horsepower 1956 Nuff-

ield belonging to Bute member Robert Rich, while comparing and contrasting with a working Valtra belonging to local community business, Our Pow-

er turning solid logs into chips.

A gem among all the diesel hardware was the 1926 Jowett Seven Long 2 convertible motor car belonging to Dunoon man Alex Archibald. The 90-year-old two-seat-

er vehicle, which cost £167 new, was purchased in 1982 by Mr Archibald and, after around three years of rebuilding, he had her back out on the open road – where she belongs – in all her duck egg blue splendour.



Bute Vintage Club members proudly aboard their Massey Fergusons and Nuffields. From nearest camera: Joe Johnstone, Archie Stewart, Kenny Barbi and Robert Rich.

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Ayrshire artists become Gigha girls tomorrow

WATER colours, acrylics and oil paintings reflecting Gigha's white beaches, turquoise waters and wild plant life are part of a two-month exhibition opening at the island's gallery tomorrow (Saturday).

Sandra Ratcliffe, Gillian Park and Bridget Hunter spent a week last summer painting on the tiny island 20 minutes from Tayinloan, and their work is returning with them for the exhibition opening.

Sandra has had two previous successful solo exhibitions on the island.

Sandra, born in Rothesay, said: 'I love Gigha and have painted there for several years. I raved about it so much to the others that we decided to go and paint as a group last summer.'

'We were lucky with the weather and the is-

land is so inspirational.'

Sandra has also held solo exhibitions in Spain and - two years ago - in Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates to raise funds for Syrian refugees in memory of her brother James Ratcliffe. He died after being held hostage as part of Saddam Hussein's infamous human shield in 1990.

More recently she exhibited at the Open Studios Ayrshire weekend for the last two years, at Rozelle House and regularly has works in The Maclaurin Gallery in Ayr.

Gillian graduated as a graphic designer from Glasgow School of Art in 1993 and, after working in the industry for 11 years, started her own design business.

Gillian said: 'The need to paint became

too much and in summer 2000 I picked up a paintbrush for the first time in almost 20 years and haven't stopped since.'

Gillian is now a full time artist working at her studio at Irvine Harbour and has also been artist in residence at Dumfries House. Bridget, who works from her studio at home in historic Alloway, said: 'Paint is the language I use to record the environment around me.'

'I loved our painting week on Gigha and am very excited about our exhibition.'

'In some of my more abstract canvases, often the work goes its own way and the paint itself becomes just as important as the subject.'

Bridget is a member of the Glasgow Society of Women Artists and



Sandra Ratcliffe, Gillian Park and Bridget Hunter, holding works inspired by Gigha.

the Paisley Institute and a prolific painter of semi-abstract landscapes and still life works.

All three artists are

members of Ayr Sketch Club, the oldest art club in Ayr.

The Gigha Girls exhibition opens tomorrow (Saturday) at 2pm

in The Gigha Gallery with refreshments and nibbles and runs until October 4.

Henri Macauley who runs the gallery said: 'I

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Blarbuie garden question time

BLARBUIE Woodland will have its own resident horticulturalist on hand this weekend to answer questions.

Daniel Griffiths will be at Blarbuie community garden in Lochgilphead on Saturday August 6 between 3pm and 4pm. If you have any questions about plots, growing techniques, what's best to plant and any other gardening conundrums, go along and have a chat. Anyone interested in renting a plot, speak to Daniel.

New fund boost for disabled council candidates

A NEW initiative has been launched aimed at levelling the playing field for disabled candidates in the 2017 Scottish local authority elections.

The £200,000 Access to Elected Office Fund, supported by the Scottish Government, will be delivered by Inclusion Scotland. The pilot project will help meet extra costs incurred by disabled candidates for transport, interpreters, communication support and any other access requirements a disabled person may have.

The fund will be available to all disabled candidates who will incur extra costs, regardless of political affiliation, geographi-

cal location or the nature of their impairment.

Sally Witcher, chief executive officer of Inclusion Scotland, said: 'Inclusion Scotland has long worked to help ensure policymakers take into account disabled people's views when making decisions that directly affect our daily lives. The new fund allows us to go further to help ensure that disabled people actually become those policymakers.'

'Any party that takes disability equality seriously needs to take action because disabled people understand through their lived experience what needs to be done to achieve that goal.'

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Memorial to wartime heroes gets welcome facelift

VOLUNTEERS have been working hard improving one of the area's war memorials.

The site now occupied by Argyll Caravan park was used as the base for a military training camp during the Second World War. HMS Quebec Combined Operations Training Centre was used to train troops from allied countries in amphibious assault and played a significant role in prepara-

tions for the 1943 invasion of Sicily and, crucially, the D-Day landings in Normandy in June 1944.

A permanent memorial to the personnel who passed through HMS Quebec between 1940 and 1946 was unveiled by the Duke of Argyll eight years ago at the caravan park.

Now in need of a little sprucing up, and to improve access for people of all abilities, Inveraray branch of the

Royal British Legion Scotland stepped up to carry out work to the memorial.

Old slabs, low boundary fencing and gravel were removed and replaced by a wide paved walkway leading to and around the imposing stone memorial, lined by attractive planters.

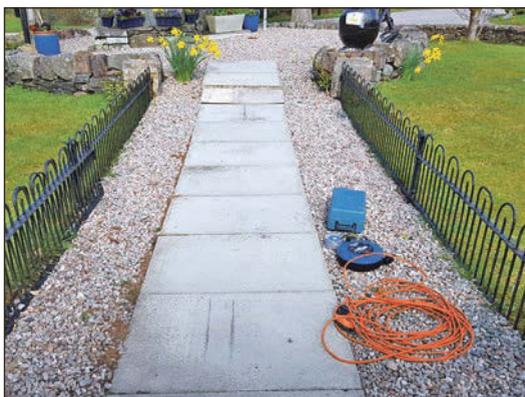
Legion members carried out the work while maintaining and improving the main Inveraray war memorial.



Above: The new and improved HMS Quebec war memorial.



Left: Volunteers get to work laying the new slabs.



The walkway before work started.



Old paving slabs lifted and fence removed.



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EIGHT people have lost their lives on Argyll's roads since April - and bikers make up a big proportion of this number.

To improve road safety and awareness, Oban fire station is to host its first Biker Down courses later this month.

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

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

Biker Down is a free training course run by bikers for bikers designed to address these uncertainties. The

course uses the expertise of the emergency services to prepare motorcyclists should the worst happen on the roads.

The free courses on Sunday August 14 and Sunday August 28 are aimed at motorcyclists of all ages and experience.

Scottish Fire and Rescue area manager for Argyll and Bute Jim Hymas said: 'Firefighters are frequently called to the scene of collisions and when a report comes through of one involving a biker there's always great concern.'

'Motorcyclists are particularly vulnerable and a crash that would

be likely to cause only minor damage to a car could easily claim their life.

'Argyll and Bute has many country roads enjoyed by bikers, so road safety is a key issue for our team.'

The Biker Down courses will coincide with an Argyll and Bute rural road safety campaign, starting on August 13 for four weeks.

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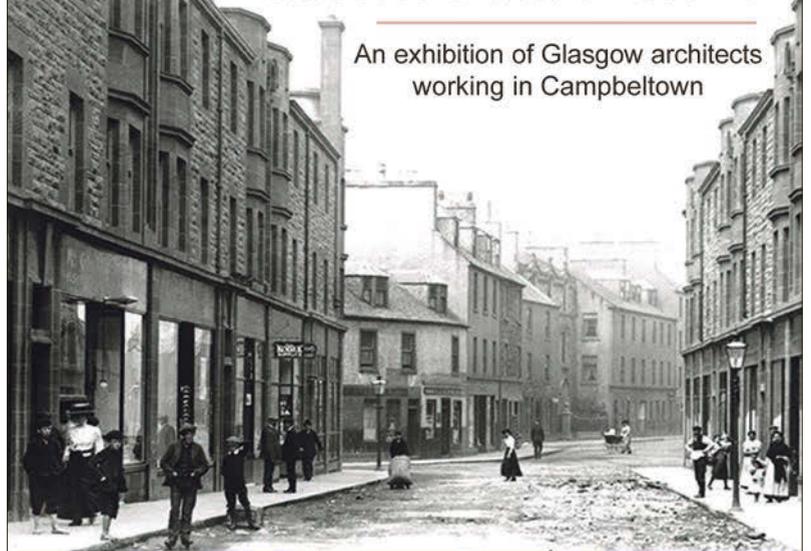


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Brexit vote 'puts new housing targets at risk' - new CIH Scotland survey

Housing professionals in Scotland fear the UK's recent Brexit vote could put the Scottish Government's affordable housing targets out of reach – according to a new survey by the Chartered Institute of Housing Scotland. Nearly 70 per cent who took part in the survey were concerned about the prospects of meeting the Scottish Government's target to build 10,000 affordable homes a year following the UK vote to leave the European Union on the June 23. Meanwhile, more than half were concerned that the Brexit decision would have a negative impact on their organisation's own development plans. CIH Scotland is the representative body

for housing professionals in Scotland and has a membership of around 2,300 across the country. The results of the new membership survey were revealed at a CIH Scotland event in Edinburgh today (Tuesday, July 26) where a panel of experts gathered to discuss the likely implications of Brexit for Scotland's housing sector. As part of the survey, CIH Scotland members also expressed concerns about the potential future impact of the Brexit vote on community cohesion and, in particular, the ability of minority groups to access housing in the future. There is still a large degree of uncertainty about the process for leaving the EU and

Scotland's role and future position as part of those negotiations. Meanwhile, official figures show the completion of new homes by Scotland's social housing sector has declined from a peak of 5,989 units completed in 2009-10 to 3,458 units in 2015-16. CIH Scotland director, Annie Mauger said: 'We cannot predict what the future holds but this survey demonstrates just how much uncertainty there is in Scotland's housing sector. In these times of economic and political uncertainty, we must ensure that we continue to work together to provide the new homes Scotland needs to support its growing population. Just as worrying as the lack of confidence



in home-building is the concern members have about the potential impact of the recent referendum vote on our communities. The housing sector has always had a strong role in promoting community cohesion and this must remain a key focus going forward.'



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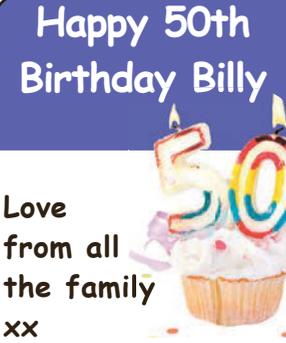
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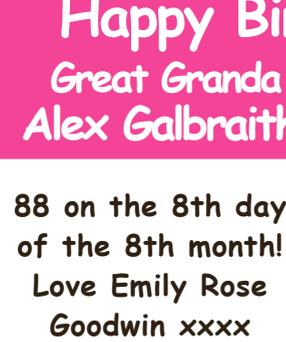
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Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



WELL, I say it every time: 'This is definitely the best yet!'

However, this year I am convinced that the Mairi Semple Flower Festival is the most spectacular so far.

The theme was 'That's Entertainment' and those who prepared such a feast for our eyes certainly excelled themselves.

On entering the church at Cleit, all I could say was: 'Wow!' Each display evoked happy or humorous responses.

The Two Ronnies' famous 'four candles' surely amused us all.

Up to date items like 'Strictly Come Dancing' delighted us, while the 'Garden Open' was a feast for the eyes. The tree rose above the pulpit, while stones and shrubs provided a beautiful garden scene that just invited us to sit a while and enjoy the peace.

'Seven Brides for Seven Brothers' had folk humming the tunes of this wonderful musical and the Abba slot gave rise to more songs.

A lovely compilation of photographs and anecdotes from the founder Margaret Semple touched many of us as we remembered fondly the unique woman who started the fund in memory of her step-daughter Mairi, who died so tragically at such an early age.

However, the arrangement that caught my eye was 'Sheep Dog Trials'.

In this beautiful arrangement, there in the sheep pen was not the sheep, but the sheep dog.

The humour did not escape me, but I looked deeper and thought how sometimes it is good to look at things from the other point of view.

Maybe we can stop for a moment and think of all those who will be helped by the love and care offered by the folk of the Mairi Semple Fund.

Thank you all for caring.



Beautiful colours of Argyll

THE STUNNING photograph, left, was chosen as the winner of the Jolomo Colours of Scotland photography competition, launched last year by the top Scottish artist John Lowrie Morrison, or Jolomo, who lives in Tayvallich. Entitled 'The Audrey, Loch Creran', the photo was taken by Hugh Nicol, an estates manager from Appin, during an evening bike ride.

STRACHUR

Annual flower show

ENTRIES are invited for the annual Strachur and District Flower Show.

The show will be held in Strachur Memorial Hall on Saturday August 20.

There are categories for flowers, plants, vegetables, floral art, baking and preserves – open to all ages with more than 30 trophies

up for grabs. Children's entries are especially welcome.

Entries should be in the hall before 11am, and doors open to the public at 2.30pm.

Teas and biscuits are included in the £1 entry fee.

CARRADALE

Family fun at harbour day

A DAY of fun and frolics with a pirate theme can be enjoyed at Car-

radale Harbour Day on Saturday August 13. Dress like a pirate and you could win the best-dressed pirate prize.

There will also be a fun dog show, bar, barbecue, mussel stall, craft stalls, home baking, face painting a treasure hunt and more.

ISLAY

Show time at Bridgend

THE Islay, Jura and Colonsay Show will be held at Bridgend,

Islay, on Thursday August 11, with sheep, pigs, cows and horses on show.

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BIRTHS



MCLAREN

Graeme and Paula (née Harrow) are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Campbell Alan, on July 27, 2016. Both families are delighted.

MARRIAGES



HILL - ANDERSON

At Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, on Saturday, July 16, 2016, by Mr Iain Morrison, Megan Laura Eileen, only daughter of John and Elizabeth, to Craig, younger son of Jimmy and Shona. A wonderful day!

DEATHS

BAXTER - Suddenly at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow, on July 31, 2016, Glyn David Baxter, in his 67th year, Inglewood, Loch Park, Carradale, dearly beloved husband of Trish, much loved dad of Daniel and the late David, father-in-law of Hayley and Tara, loving Grandad Glyn to Oskar, Niamh and Isaac, much loved grampa to Harland and Morgan-Faith and loving son of Joyce and the late Eric Baxter. Service will take place in Saddell and Carradale Parish Church, on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 at 1.00pm, to which all friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of Macmillan Nurses, Kintyre Locality.

BLAIR - On July 30, 2016, peacefully at Campbeltown Hospital, David Robert Blair, aged 43 years, a dearly loved son, father, brother, uncle and nephew. Dearly loved and sadly missed by all the family. Funeral service was held at Tarbert Parish Church, on August 4, interment thereafter at Carrick Cemetery.

MCINTOSH - John Campbell, formerly of Carradale and Paisley, died peacefully, at The Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley, on Monday, July 25, 2016, aged 84, surrounded by his children. Funeral at Paisley Crematorium

Tuesday 2nd August 4pm Donations in John's name to your favourite charity.

PEARSON - Andrew Stevenson (Andy), in his 85th year, passed suddenly at Kincaid House, on July 29, 2016. Dear husband of Anne (née MacEachran), loving father to Andrew Jnr, Calum and Angus, much loved grampa of Kate, Lucy and Archie, father-in-law to Moira, Dawn and Victoria and a proud uncle and great uncle to his nieces and nephews. Funeral at 11.00am, on Saturday, August 6 at Greenock Crematorium. Donations please, if desired, to Dementia UK.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

CAMPBELL - Andrew, Sally, Darren, Rachel and family, together with Isabella, wish to convey their sincere thanks to family and friends for the many expressions of sympathy and kindness received following Mary's recent passing. Special thanks to Dr Romans, all medical staff at Lorn and Islands Hospital, Oban and the local district nurses for their professional care and understanding. Our eternal gratitude to all staff at Ardfenaig for their exemplary and compassionate care, friendship and kindness to Mary during her time in their care and especially over these past few difficult weeks when their dedication went far beyond the call of duty

in order to support and provide for her every need; and for personal kindness to the family which was very much appreciated. Thank you to all who attended the service and the graveside and for donations to Ardfenaig Care Fund; to the Stag Hotel for excellent purvey and to Catherine Paterson for playing the organ. The family express their sincere thanks to Fiona and Roddy of Donald MacDonald Undertakers for their excellent help and efficient arrangements.

IN MEMORIAM

BROWN - Mary Brown (Thomson) and husband, Thomas G Brown. Lives well lived and job well done.

JOHNSTONE - In loving memory of my husband, Donnie, who died August 8, 2003. We think about you every day We talk about you too We have precious memories But we wish we still had you. - From your loving wife Morag and family xxx



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Sunday 7th August 2016 11.00am
Worship Service for all ages followed by a light lunch
Speaker - Graham McLean 'Peace like a River'
Tuesday 9 August 2016 7.30pm
Prayer, Word and Sharing
All Welcome

lochgilphead baptist church

Pastor Derek Gibson
All Welcome
Sunday 7th August 2016
Morning Service 11am
Speaker: Andy Bell
Scottish Charity SC015187

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES

Sunday 7th August
"It is good to sing praises to our God"
Services in Achahoish at 9:45am Ardrishaig at 11:00am

SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCHES

Christ Church
Bishopton Road, Lochgilphead (SC031378)
Sundays
11.00 am
Eucharist & Coffee
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3rd Sunday of the month
6.00pm Evensong
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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
Sunday 7th August 2016
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Rev. Walter Ritchie
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Tuesday 9th August
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Scottish Charity No SC023277
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Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
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Wednesday 10th August
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23rd August 7.30pm
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Highland Parish Church



SC002493
Sunday 7th August 2016
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(Please note that the service will be held in the Church)
All are welcome to come along

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH

Scottish Charity Number SC011686
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10.00am Informal Service in the Church Hall
Service in church 11.15am
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Rev P Wallace
Tuesday 9th August
Tiny Tots New Hall 9.45am



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Mid Argyll woman fights arthritis by throwing herself out of a plane

By COLIN CAMERON
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ARTHRITIS comes in many forms, and can strike anyone, any time – something that one young Mid Argyll woman knows only too well.

But the impact of the condition can be eased when good pals are around to help. And one good pal is about to jump out of a plane to fight arthritis.

At the age of 29, mum-of-two Pamela Booth was suddenly experiencing swelling and pain in her knuckles and hands. Before long her whole body was affected. Medics estimated that 86 per cent of Pamela's body was showing characteristic inflammation associated with psoriatic arthritis, and the pain was severe. Her immune system was severely weakened,

and at one point she came close to death.

Pamela, from Kilmichael, battled hard and with the help and support of partner Stevie Bell, her young children and close friends, she pulled through.

Now, four years after the first symptoms appeared, Pamela has undergone treatment and assessment at Glasgow's Gartnavel Hospital and has recovered to the extent that – with the help of medication – just nine per cent of her body is affected.

'That percentage is considered normal, and I'm feeling a lot better than I was a few years back,' said Pamela.

'I had psoriasis when I was young, but I was healthy at the time it first started in my hands. It quickly got to the stage where I



Intrepid Ailsa, left, with Pamela. Ailsa is jumping from 10,000 feet for her pal – and she wants your support. 06_a32arthritis01

couldn't even do simple everyday tasks that everyone takes for granted.'

One of the close

friends Pamela relied upon during the worst of her debilitating illness was Minard woman Ailsa Hatton.

'I couldn't have managed without Ailsa's help, taking the kids for me and all sorts of other things,' Pamela

explained. 'At the start of this, my daughter Lauren was eight and my son Cammy just two. Stevie works away a lot driving and my own family is on Bute, so I had to rely on Ailsa and a few other close friends to survive.'

Ailsa, 27, herself had previous experience of the impact arthritis can have on lives.

She explained: 'I have a cousin who was diagnosed with juvenile idiopathic arthritis when he was just seven years old, and this later progressed to ankylosing spondylitis, which affects the spine.'

'My papa, too, was affected by crippling arthritis in his later years, and I remember that only too well.'

It is for all those reasons that Ailsa is jumping out of a plane from 10,000 feet.

'Having witnessed

the impact of arthritis on my cousin, papa and on Pamela, I wanted to do a skydive to raise money for the Arthritis Care charity,' said Ailsa.

She added: 'Pamela and I must be pals – I'm throwing herself out of a plane for her.'

Her tandem charity skydive is all set for Saturday September 10, taking off from Strathallan airfield in Perthshire.

With a minimum fundraising target of £450, Ailsa has set up an online fundraising account – www.doitforcharity.com/ailsah – and the Square Peg in Lochgilphead also has a collection tub in aid of Ailsa's cause.

'Nobody should have to live with the pain of this crippling condition,' Ailsa added, 'and I would love people to help me to raise money to fight arthritis.'



Bute Fabrics - a business success story in the region. Photograph by Richard Chrystie, HIE.

Oban enterprise week set to boldly go

A NEW event to support Argyll and Bute's business community and encourage enterprise has been announced.

Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE) has teamed up with Argyll and Bute Council's Business Gateway to host the first Argyll Enterprise Week, in Oban, from October 31 to November 4.

Businesses, social enterprises and potential entrepreneurs across Argyll and the Islands will be invited to take advantage of free workshops, seminars, networking events and discussions designed to provide support and inspiration in achieving their business goals.

Central to the week will be a business support trade fair, bringing

together a wide range of public and private organisations that can provide support.

Argyll Enterprise Week will cover a wide range of themes supporting economic growth, including finance, internationalisation, digital and innovation, as well as focusing on the potential for growth in the tourism, food and drink, creative industries and social enterprise sectors within Argyll and the Islands.

Councillor Aileen Morton, policy lead for sustainable development, said: 'Our geography alone gives us a number of key niche business sectors, from tourism to renewables. Regeneration is creating new opportunities across the area. Talent and ambition is in ev-

idence in our people and in our communities.'

'Argyll Enterprise Week is about building on this promise. I would encourage everyone with a business to get involved.'

The Argyll and Bute Economic Forum reported in February this year that the region has real strengths, particularly in areas such as food and drink, tourism, creative industries and life sciences.

David Smart, head of special projects at HIE, said addressing population decline and realising the region's potential needs a joined-up approach. He added: 'It is vital that Argyll and the Islands is home to significant numbers of confident, growing enterprises that provide secure, well-paid

jobs. We need to recognise and celebrate the enterprise we have here, encourage more of it and make it contagious. That's what Argyll Enterprise Week is all about.'

'We want the event to celebrate existing enterprise across Argyll and the Islands, stimulate fresh ideas and create new connections and collaborations. We are confident that people interested

in enterprise will be inspired by the range and content of the activities and look forward to sharing more details soon about what's planned for Argyll Enterprise Week.'

The event programme will be published later this month. For more information visit www.hie.co.uk/argyllenterpriseweek or call the local Business Gateway team on 01546 604 555.

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Tarbert runs for it next weekend

A FAMILY fun afternoon is planned next Friday (August 12) as a prelude to the following day's Tarbert 10k/5k weekend.

The Dookers' Dash, for children aged up to 11, will start at 3pm. The family mile will also be held on Friday afternoon. Visit the Tarbert 10km Facebook page for more details. No entries will be taken on the day. As well as races, there will be a bouncy castle, face painting and games. Registration for Saturday's races will also be held on the Friday afternoon. The following morning, Saturday August 13, the 5k and 10k events will be held. Organisers have introduced the Dooker's Doubler for those taking part in both events. Visit the Tarbert 10km Facebook page for more details.



Action from last year's Argyll and Bute Cup. 25_c33cup26

Saints to defend title

FOLLOWING last year's successful revival of the Argyll and Bute Cup, Lochgilphead Red Star is hosting the event again.

The tournament, which takes place tomorrow starting at 10am, will feature eight teams split into two sections.

Hosts Red Star have been drawn in section one along with Rothesay Brandane, Carradale AFC and Kilchoyman AFC from Islay. The first match in this section, opening the competition, will fea-

ture Red Star and Carradale.

Section two features last year's winners Oban Saints. Saints line up against Tarbert AFC, Dunoon Ams and Glasgow Islay who make their first appearance in the tournament. Saints will take on Tarbert in the opening game in this group, before Dunoon face Glasgow Islay.

The matches will last 20 minutes each way and will take place at Ropework Park and Lochgilphead Joint Campus.

Bullough Cup semi final

Glasgow Mid Argyll 1 Tayforth 7

KILMORY discovered who they will face in the Bullough Cup Final later this month.

Tayforth reached the final after defeating the Glasgow Mid Argyll seconds 7-1 at Yoker.

A Brendan Dugan hat-trick, two from Calum Barton and goals from Conor Sweeney and Hamish Anderson all counted for Tayforth with Angus MacInnes countering for GMA.

The 2016 Bullough Cup Final will be played on Saturday August 27.

Marine Harvest National Division

Inveraray 2

Glasgow Mid Argyll 3 GLASGOW Mid Argyll twice came from a goal down to beat Inveraray 3-2 last Saturday at the Winterton.

'Aray were without the suspended Allan MacDonald, who collected a three-game ban for his red card against Kyles Athletic a week earlier. Andrew McMurdo was also banned and Doug-

SHINTY ROUND-UP

las Dando started on the bench alongside Euan McMurdo. David MacPherson started his first match for eight weeks.

There was an early let-off for the home side when GMA's Euan Forsyth had the ball in the net but the effort was ruled off-side by referee David Mitchell.

Inveraray opened the scoring on 13 minutes through Lewis MacNicol. GMA drew level five minutes before half time.

Ally Munro blocked a Craig Anderson swing but broke his caman in the process. Anderson got away and Munro chased after him, tripping him up, and earning a yellow card. GMA took a quick free hit and Brian Slattery burst forward from midfield. His shot was heading wide until the unfortunate Munro deflected the ball past a helpless Scott MacLachlan in the home goal.

Inveraray went back in front on 63 minutes when David Robertson

and Garry MacPherson linked up well. MacPherson made a run from the midfield area and fired the ball into the net to make it 2-1.

GMA restored parity for a second time with a goal out of nothing on 75 minutes.

Brian Slattery, encouraged by his earlier effort, floated a 40-yard shot goalwards which deceived keeper MacLachlan and dipped just under the bar to make it 2-2. Inveraray had by now introduced Euan McMurdo.

It looked as if the teams were heading for a share of the points until a minute from time when referee David Mitchell spotted a kick in the Inveraray goalmouth. Craig Anderson kept his cool to score and give his side both points.

Marine Harvest South Division One Inveraray 2 Aberdour 4

ABERDOUR halted the Inveraray second team's three-match

winning run with a 4-2 victory at the Winterton.

Aberdour started well but it was Inveraray who opened the scoring when a ball out of defence fell for an unmarked Andy Stewart who made it 1-0 after five minutes.

Angus Thorburn finished off a good passing move from the edge of the box to make it 1-1 on 25 minutes. The visitors went in front on 31 minutes when Angus Thorburn ran at the Inveraray defence before releasing the ball to Roddy MacColl just outside the 'D' and 'big Dunder' made no mistake.

Andy Stewart punished a miss-hit out of defence to make it 2-2 with 40 minutes gone.

Two goals in a hard-fought second half gave Aberdour the win.

Angus Thorburn got his second on 65 minutes whilst Roddy MacColl did likewise.

Second place Aberdour now only trail league leaders Oban Celtic on goal difference with both sides having just four league games remaining.

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Young shinty Scots leave Ireland with full marks

THE BEST young Scottish shinty talent completed a successful Marine Harvest shinty/hurling tour of Ireland, beating Kilkenny under-17s and Dublin under-17s.

The squad was based at Dublin City University and opened the tour at the 25,000 capacity Nowlan Park, home of Kilkenny GAA, on Monday July 25.

Lovat's Danny Kelly was given the honour of captaining the Scots and the players looked resplendent in the new Scotland strip, supplied by Gilmour Sports.



Part of the successful Scottish under-17 team were south representatives, left to right, Inveraray duo Fraser Watt and Lewis Montgomery, Cameron Sutherland from Ballachulish, and Ross Macmillan and Daniel MacVicar from Oban Camanachd.

Cup back in Ardrishaig for first time in a generation

A TEAM of bowlers from Ardrishaig Bowling Club has brought home a trophy not won by the club for 33 years.

The senior Ardrishaig fours competed in the Argyll and Bute Championships on July 23 and held in Dunoon and the Isle of Bute.

The team of M Heafey, J Hatton, J Dollan and T McCrae won their semi-final in Dunoon during the morning, before crossing the Kyles to make their way to Rothesay for the final.

In the final, the Ardrishaig fours defeated home favourites Bute, securing a trophy last won by Ardrishaig in 1983.

Star step up pre-season preparations in Neilston

RED STAR Football Club travelled to Neilston on Saturday to take part in their annual pre-season tournament, involving fellow SAFL sides Neilston AFC, Kings Park Rangers and Port Glasgow OBU.

After a few late call-offs, Star travelled with 14 players for the round robin event which meant manager Moore would be able to give the trav-

elling party plenty of game time. The matches were 25 minutes each way, making for some fast-paced action and this was the case as Star took on hosts Neilston in the first match. A classic game of two halves, Neilston probably edged the first half, with Star having the better of the play in the second 25 minutes. Naisby went closest to scoring for Star, but his effort was blocked by

the legs of the Neilston keeper who ensured the match finished 0-0.

There was no rest for the Lochgilphead side as they were straight back on against Kings Park Rangers.

This was the toughest game of the day for Star, who found themselves 0-2 down at half-time thanks to a free header from a corner and a further goal just on the half-time whistle which gave them a mountain to climb.

Star did get themselves back into the match in the second half, thanks to Naisby scoring after McGuinness had knocked the ball down from a corner. The equaliser didn't come, though,

and Kings scored again from a free kick late on to seal a 1-3 win.

The final match against Port Glasgow OBU turned into a rather open affair as tired legs took their toll. Star opened the scoring from the penalty spot after Docherty was fouled in the box. The Star winger stepped up and fired home past the keeper to make it 1-0 and this was how it remained at the break. Docherty was again on target at the beginning of the second half when he cut in from the left and had just enough power on the shot to make it 2-0. Star couldn't hold on to their lead however and a couple of late goals from OBU se-

cured them a share of the spoils.

Kings Park Rangers' wins against Red Star and Neilston, along with their draw with Port Glasgow OBU, ensured they won the tournament with seven points, and there was little to choose between the other three sides.

All the other games ended in a draw, with Red Star finishing in third position.

Sports club lottery draws

THE NUMBERS in this week's Tarbert Football Club lottery were 2, 5 and 17. As there were no winners, next week's jackpot will be £400.

Inveraray Shinty Club's lottery numbers this week were 8, 11 and 17. There were no winning tickets, so £600 will be up for grabs in next week's draw.

There was good news for one lucky winner in the Kilmory Camanachd Club lottery draw.

The winning numbers were 2, 5 and 9, giving M Johnston the £800 jackpot prize. Next week's jackpot is back to £100.

Swim, ride and run in Kintyre

THE MULL of Kintyre Sprint Triathlon is to be held this Sunday.

The event comprises a 750-metre pool swim, followed by an undulating 21km out and back road bike route to Ballochgair, giving stunning views over the Firth of Clyde, with a 5km flat out and back road run beside the shores of Campbeltown Loch to finish.

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