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Teenager catches huge fish at Crinan

40 minute struggle to land 171lb skate

AN EVENING fishing trip turned into a night one teenager will never forget after landing an enormous fish in Loch Crinan.

Fourteen-year-old Jordan Holloway struggled for 40 minutes unaided before eventually landing a 171Ib Skate on Loch Crinan on August 6.

The enormous fish is the second largest to be caught off the MPV Gemini, a Crinan-based boat, owned by Hamish Angus.

Jordan's dad, Mark explained: 'It was quite a feat considering the Skate weighed a third more than Jordan's entire bodyweight. He has dogged determination though and won the battle after a 40-minute struggle.'

The fish measured in at 6ft 8ins long and 5ft 6ins in width and it is estimated to be around 70 years old.

By Jenny Sutherland

Mark added: 'It had not been tagged which suggests it had not been previously caught. After a few photographs we returned this beauty to its rightful place in the sea, where she dived deep and swam happily away.'

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Fourteen-year-old Jordan Holloway landed the 171Ib Skate virtually unaided.

Beaver found

A BEAVER that had strayed from the Scottish Beaver Trial site has been found and returned to the Knapdale loch where it was released in May.

The adult male was captured near a fish farm at Port na Moine, Kilmartin last week.

However the creature is still on the move around the trial site. Staff re-tagged the animal and are monitoring its health and movements closely.

A juvenile and adult female remain unaccounted for since gunshots were heard in the area in June.

Simon Jones, beaver trial manager, said the male was likely to be searching for its missing mate.

Flooded roads

TWO cars were involved in a road crash on the A83 near Inverneil on Friday August 14. The cars struck flooding on the road. No one was injured in the incident but both cars were badly damaged.

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Inveraray drunk arrested

A MAN was arrested by police on Monday (August 17) for being drunk and incapable in Front Street, Inveraray at around 8.30pm.

The man was detained in custody before appearing in court on Tuesday.

Ardrishaig power saw theft

A POWER saw has been stolen from a house in Glengilp road, Ardrishaig.

The saw is believed to have been taken sometime between August 15 and 16.

Anyone with information is asked to contact police in Lochgilphead.

Kilmartin tot's life saved after choking on apple

Robert was rushed to Mid Argyll Hospital then transferred to the Royal Alexandra

By Jenny Sutherland

CHOKING on an apple has saved the life of a three-year-old boy from Kilmartin.

Robert Kennedy was rushed to the Mid Argyll Hospital and then transferred to the Royal Alexandria Hospital in Paisley before finally being referred to the Royal Hospital for Sick Children at Yorkhill, Glasgow after swallowing a piece of the fruit.

The tiny tot began coughing up blood after choking on the apple but tests revealed Robert had a rare tumour growing in his windpipe.

For more than a year Robert had both staff at the Mid Argyll Hospital and his parents, Maisie and Stevie, baffled by a persistent cough.

But now Robert is back home playing with his toys after undergoing surgery to remove the growth.

Relieved Maisie explained: 'It's been quite a year. Robert first became ill just after New Year. We thought it was croup but then he got a chest infection then pneumonia and was kept in for a couple of nights at the Mid Argyll Hospital.

'He'd get better then just get worse again. Then he choked on the apple, which was when everything came to light.'

Robert was diagnosed with an inflammatory myofibroplastic tumour which was removed using a laser to burn it from his throat.

Yorkhill surgeon Haythum Kubba, who carried out the operation, said: 'We were fortunate the tumour was quite small. Had we not spotted it at this early stage it might have grown undetected and could have killed Robert.

'Choking on the apple turned out to be a real stroke of good fortune for him.'

From now on Robert will need to be monitored in case the tumour returns, but Maisie said: 'We've been told that it's highly unlikely it will. We just have to keep an eye on him. However that should be it for now.'

'Stevie and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the doctors and staff at the Mid Argyll Hospital including the ambulance staff. We'd also like to thank everyone at Yorkhill,' said Maisie.

Little Robert Kennedy, seated next to his mum, Maisie, big brother, Daniel and dad, Stevie is back home after having surgery for a rare tumour.

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Breach of the peace

SHOUTING and swearing at his former girlfriend has resulted in one Lochgilphead man being ordered to carry out 100 hours of unpaid work in the community.

Steven Graeme Elder, of 8 Cnoc More, pled guilty to committing a breach of the peace when he appeared at Lochgilphead annex of Dunoon Sheriff Court last Wednesday. The court heard how the 32-year-old went to his former girlfriend's house in Stronachillin, Ardrishaig and began shouting, swearing and committing a breach of the peace on March 15 this year.

Elder's defence agent, Derek Buchanan, said the offence occurred around the time of the breakdown in the couple's relationship.

Sheriff Carol Kelly sentenced Elder to 100 hours of community service.

Huge fish caught

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Skipper of the Gemini, Hamish Angus, said Jordan's catch is the second largest to be caught on his boat, the last big one being hooked by Ardrishaig man Alistair Galbraith who caught a 181 pounder in 2006.

Jordan, who hails from Lochgilphead, but now lives in Dingwall, was left with some sore arms after the struggle with the brut.

Prominent local angler, Archie MacGilp, who owns Fyne Tackle in Lochgilphead praised Jordan's efforts.

He said: 'Even for a fully grown man it would've been a struggle so for a 14-year-old to land it virtually unaided is very notable.'

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Inveraray have the world at their feet

Pipe band are world champions three years running

Inveraray and District Pipe Band celebrate after being crowned World Champions in Grade Two.

INVERARAY and District Pipe Band have kept up their run of recent successes by becoming world champions in Glasgow.

The senior band won the Grade Two World Championship title, making it three world titles in a row.

In 2007 the band were Novice Juvenile champions and in 2008 they were Juvenile champions.

Pipe Major Stuart Liddell said: 'I am delighted and immensely proud of what the band has achieved in such a short time. The result at the Worlds was emotional to say the least. I think we might be one of the youngest bands to be moved up to Grade One next year and maybe the quickest too.'

The Novice Juvenile band finished fourth in their competition - an excellent result considering it is their first full year playing in competitions.

Pipe Major Robert Stewart was delighted with the result. He said: 'The band's achievement is down to the commitment and hard work of everyone involved – the pipers, drummers, tutors and supporters.'

Jim Mather, MSP for Argyll and Bute, said: 'The present Pipe Band season marks a quite stupendous success story for the Inveraray and District Pipe Band and this was underlined on Saturday. In four years of competition this band has improved consistently and with astonishing speed.

'Success comes after many hours of practice and tuition and much of the credit for that in Inveraray goes to Pipe Majors Stuart Liddell and Robert Stewart, with the Grade Two and Novices respectively and with Drum Corps Leader Steven McWhirter.'

Today (Friday) the Grade Two band leave for Gijon in Asturius, Northern Spain to the City of Xixon International Festival of Bagpipes where they will play in concerts and street parades alongside bands from Spain, France and Ireland among others.

The band has been invited out to the festival with their costs met by the organisers.

The Novice Juvenile band will also be going 'overseas'. The youngsters are heading to Bute Highland Games in Rothesay this weekend.

On Saturday August 29 both bands will be heading to Cowal Games.

Ministerial visit for Ardrishaig

ARDRISHAIG had an informal visit from Alex Neil, Minister for Housing and Communities, recently.

Mr Neil wanted to see the area for regeneration and was guided round the village by Ardrishaig Community Council chair and secretary, Edward and Jeanette Laughton.

Mark Smith, David Clarke and Katie Hughes from British Waterways Scotland and Kevin Williams and Stuart Green from Argyll and Bute Councils planning department also joined Mr Neil on his visit.

Youth grant

THE MID Argyll Youth Project (MAYP) has been awarded £4,284 by the Scottish Community Foundation grant awards.

The money will be used to fund two of five sessional youth workers who will provide social, educational and other learning opportunities to members of the group.

Dunderave trees down

ON SATURDAY morning (August 15) a tree fell onto the road on the A83 near Dunderave, Inveraray. One side of the road was blocked for a short time.

In the afternoon another tree fell onto the road just meters from where the first tree had fallen. One carriageway was blocked for a short time.

Toilets damaged

POLICE in Lochgilphead received a report on Saturday (August 15)+ of the public toilets in Pier Square, Ardrishaig being damaged.

It is believed the property was vandalised during the night of Friday into Saturday.

Car hits wall

THE driver of a car that smashed into a wall one mile south of Lochgilphead on Saturday walked away uninjured.

The incident happened at around 12.45pm on the A83.

CalMac ferry to the rescue

A BOAT which broke its mooring in West Loch Tarbert and began drifting out to sea was rescued by the quick-thinking crew of CalMac's Islay ferry.

The yacht *Breeze* broke free during stormy weather on Saturday night and was found on Sunday morning.

But as the boat's owners, Jane and Angus Stewart, began hunting for their 14ft yacht, the crew of the *Isle of Arran* were towing it safely back to Kennacraig.

The ferry was on route to Islay at 9am when the Coastguard issued an alert.

Skipper Roddy MacLeod and his crew then deployed the Fast Rescue Craft to bring the boat to safety.

Susan Robb, port assistant at Kennacraig, said: 'The crew of the *Isle of Arran* really went above the call of duty. They were heading to Islay at the time so it put the ferry back by around an hour. But we were happy to play a part in the rescue of the boat.

'I got a couple of phone calls on Sunday morning from bewildered folk asking why the ferry was going in and out but at least it all turned out fine.'

The yacht's owner, Jane, said: 'My husband had checked the boat late on Saturday night and although it was pretty stormy it seemed fine.'

Jane added: 'We would like to thank Skipper Roddy MacLeod, Vineet Muley, the second mate, as well as Ian MacGilvary, Duncan McSporran, Susan Robb and Colin Duncan for the parts they played in the rescue.'

High hedge disputes

THE SCOTTISH Government is to undertake a consultation process examining how neighbour disputes on high hedges can be resolved.

Jim Mather MSP for Argyll and Bute said: 'In most cases where a hedge is a problem this is resolved in an amicable way but there are occasions where neighbours can carry disputes about such apparently simple matters into very hostile territory.'

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Communities could make money from energy

COMMUNITY groups interested in running and profiting from their own renewable energy generation are invited to attend a free conference in Stirling University on August 26 and 27.

More information about the event, run by Highland-based Community Energy Scotland, is available by calling 01349 860122.

Roseanne Cunningham walks a section of the Kintyre Way with Owen Paisley, project manager and Stan Phillips and Karen Judd.

Minister visits Kintyre and Knapdale

TWO Argyll projects supported by Scottish National Heritage (SNH) were visited by Roseanna Cunningham MSP, Scottish minister for the environment, last week. Ms Cunningham walked a section of the Kintyre Way at Rhunahaorine Point to see how the project is developing.

Owen Paisley, Kintyre Way project manager, explained: 'We are embarking on a three-year development plan which will improve the way and promote its use. 'It's great that we have the chance to show off to the environment minister what we have already done on this beautiful route. Creating a footpath like this isn't easy.'

SNH have supported the 87-mile path with grants and advice over the past five years.

Ms Cunningham later visited a rhododendron control project in Knapdale. Internationally important for its woodland, the site is owned and managed by Neil and Ileene Duncan of Baravalla. Ms Cunningham saw areas of woodland invaded by rhododendron, and other areas successfully cleared of the shrub.

Before arriving in Kintyre the minister visited Islay and Jura where she met Islay farming representatives before going to the offices of the Islay Energy Trust and on to the Sound of Islay to discuss community involvement in renewable energy projects. After stopping at Jura's new community owned café, The Antlers, for lunch, she heard about the six new crofts being created on the island at Ardfin.

The Jura Development Trust then briefed her about the island's community development plan before she returned to Islay and visited the Community Garden at Bridgend.

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Go ahead for Argyll's mental health plan

A PLAN to replace the crumbling Argyll and Bute Hospital in Lochgilphead with a new facility and more community services has been given government approval.

Nicola Sturgeon, cabinet secretary for health and wellbeing, had to sign off the proposed changes to mental health services in Argyll and Bute.

Now she has given the go ahead work will start on more support for GPs and voluntary groups and health professionals at hospitals throughout the region.

Bill Brackenridge, chairman of Argyll and Bute Community Health Partnership said: 'This is good news for service users, carers and staff. We will now be starting work on the implementation and delivery of the preferred option and it is anticipated that this will be completed by September 2012.'

The new hospital, with around 40 beds, will serve all of Argyll and Bute.

Angus bids farewell to his flock

ANGUS Howat Free Church Minister for Campbeltown, Tarbert and Islay has bid farewell to his flock. Mr Howat, and his wife Irene have retired to live in Ayrshire, though Mr Howat will continue in his offices as Clerk of the Free Church Home Missions Board and Assistant Clerk to the General Assembly of the Free Church.

Angus Howat.

Mr Howat was a late entrant to the Ministry, he had previously had a career in the library service before being ordained; his father was also a Free Church Minister.

The congregations met at Tarbert to mark the occasion of Mr Howat's retirement.

He and his family moved to Campbeltown in 1990 and then to Tarbert in 1996. The Howat's were originally based in Ayrshire before he was called to the Ministry.

The budding filmmakers will take to local nature reserves in pursuit of the perfect nature documentary. 06_a32film01

Eyes to the lens for local teenagers

YOUNGSTERS from the Mid Argyll Youth Project in Lochgilphead are embarking on a filming project which will see them promote local nature reserves.

The project, in partnership with Scottish Natural Heritage and Careers Scotland, will see 20 young people get to grips with filming and editing to create four short films with different genres.

David Griffiths, a screen writer, producer and lecturer at Strathclyde University, is guiding the students through the filming process.

David explained: 'The aim is for the young people to learn the art of film and editing and for them to gain an interest in what's on their doorstep. A project like this is really great when you've got all the agencies, such as SNH, MAYP and Careers Scotland all engaging with one another.'

The youngsters will be focusing on Moine Mhor and Taynish nature reserves with the end result being a documentary promoting them.

Fiona Kalache, of the MAYP, said: 'We're very happy to be involved in the young people, film and nature project. During the course of the project we will be more focused on the process rather than the outcome which is for young people to develop awareness and appreciation of their local natural heritage and to provide young people of all abilities the chance to develop transferable skills in film making, team working, project planning and communication.'

She added: 'For these young people working with such a professional and experienced film director as David Griffith is a once in a lifetime opportunity. We are also thankful for the great support from SNH officers who have accompanied young people on site visits and provided them with guidance and information about their local area.'

Mechanic admonished

A LOCHGILPHEAD mechanic has been admonished by Lochgilphead annex of Dunoon Sheriff Court.

James Alexander Turner, of 12 Fernoch Drive, was found guilty in January of causing a breach of the peace outside his former girlfriend's home in Lochgilphead on August 8 last year.

But after displaying good behaviour for six months, Sheriff Carol Kelly admonished the 22-year-old.

Sheriff Kelly added: 'It seems to me that at the time of this offence you behaved out of character. I am satisfied that I will not see you before this court again.'

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Ardrishaig's Co-op gets a facelift

SHOPPERS in Ardrishaig's Co-op now have the luxury of a new-look store following a £140,000 refit.

The Chalmers Street shop was officially re-opened last Thursday by Councillor Douglas Philand.

Cutting the ribbon outside the store, Councillor Philand said: 'I congratulate the Co-op on the refurbishment and their commitment to the regeneration of Ardrishaig.

'Despite the fact that there is going to be a larger store in Lochgilphead, the Co-op here has shown their commitment to the people of Ardrishaig.'

The opening was also poignant for Councillor Philand who, 30 years ago, worked in the premises, which were owned by (Councillor) Donald MacMillan.

'It's a delight for me to be back here, in the back of the shop, were I worked for several years,' added Councillor Philand.

The refurbished store will now feature the consumer-owned Co-operative Group's new identity, 'The co-operative', as well as a complete transformation with modern décor, new fittings, flooring and eco-refrigeration, plus a more shopper friendly layout.

Store manager, Lynn Gorrie, said: 'We provide a much valued service and I am confident the new look store will better meet the daily food shopping needs of the local community; the transformed store will be a real asset. In addition, in the best traditions of The co-operative, it will make its contribution to community life.'

Pictured from left to right are – Ross Shaw, Anne Duff, Lynn Gorrie, Councillor Philand, Carol McGregor, Laura MacKay and Tina Burnett at the official re-opening of Ardrishaig's newly refurbished Co-operative store. 06_a34coop01

Gaelic group seeks new members

THE LOCH Fyne Branch of An Comunn Gaidhealach is looking for more local people who are interested in Gaelic to become members of the Branch.

Branch Secretary, John Y Murray, said: 'Although we have a loyal core membership of around 35, we are not getting any younger, and we are particulary keen for new members to give us a boost.

'We know that there are a lot of local people who are keen to promote Gaelic language, culture, and traditions in the Mid Argyll and Kintyre area.'

Over the years, the branch has been active in organising the highly successful Mod Dhail Riata, through a dedicated sub-committee, and a variety of well-attended ceilidhs and other events.

Distributed

Every year, the money raised is distributed to assist local choirs.

The branch has also been involved in consultations relating to Gaelic, most recently the Gaelic language plans for Scotland and Argyll and Bute.

Mr Murray added: 'At this time, there are many exciting developments in the Gaelic world, and it is important Mid Argyll is part of these.'

Anyone interested in promoting Gaelic in the area is welcome to the AGM of the branch in the Community Centre, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead on Tuesday August 25 at 7.30pm.

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Funds for Tarbert not Tarbet

A SCOTTISH government press release created confusion last week over where £1millon in re-generation funds destined for an Argyll and Bute village would be spent.

The village of Tarbet on the shores of Loch Lomond was disappointed to learn it would not be receiving money to regenerate a play park, despite being included in the government's initial list.

Instead the money was bound for Tarbert, Loch Fyne, some 60 miles away. The mistake was later corrected on the Scottish government's website.

Supporting Maggie's Centres

A CAMPBELTOWN woman has become the West of Scotland fundraiser for Maggie's Centre in Glasgow.

Jen Meenan and her mum Janette and their friends held a coffee morning in Campbeltown Town Hall and the town and Kintyre turned out in force to support the event by turning up to drink coffee or make generous donations to the raffle.

Jen, a former student of Campbeltown Grammar School said that she took a degree in marketing after leaving school.

'I had various marketing jobs and wanted to do something more worthwhile and am now helping Maggie's. My patch covers the whole of the west of Scotland. Maggie's is there for anyone with cancer and their friends and families.'

Campbeltown's Jen Meenan is fundraiser for the centre and is seen here with her mum Janette. 04_c31mag02

Supporting Maggie's Centres with coffee in Campbeltown.04_c31mag01

Scotland was home to the first Maggie's Centre in memory of Maggie Keswick Jencks and the movement has grown slowly and steadily since then.

They are now in Glasgow, Edinburgh, Dundee and Fife as well as elsewhere in the UK. The centres, often inspiring pieces of modern architecture are where people can turn for help with any of the problems, small or large, associated with cancer.

This can range from the practical, with help about benefits advice, to psychological support. People do not have to make an appointment, or be referred and everything is free of charge.

The trip of a lifetime for Alan

TARBERT man, Alan Campbell, is preparing to embark on a journey of a lifetime by sailing around the world in 10 months.

Back in May we caught up with Alan as he made preparations to leave his wife and Guest House to set off on the 2009/10 Clipper Round the World Yacht Race.

Alan's pride and joy, Knap Guest House, is being left in the very capable hands of former Stonefield Castle manager, Alistair Wilkie.

The 55-year-old is now getting ready to travel to the Humber, where his yacht, now named *Edinburgh Inspiring Capital*, will be waiting for him and the other 17 crew members to set sail for their first port in the west of France.

Alan said: 'I'm excited - it's anticipation, trepitation but fantastic all at the same time.'

Alan's wife, Phattra, has returned to her homeland in Thailand to take care of her elderly mother but hopes to join Alan for Christmas and New Year in Perth, Australia.

Charity

And not quite content with the boating challenge, Alan is attempting to raise £100,000 for the Philip Green Memorial Trust, a charity that helps disadvantaged children across the world.

The fundraiser is called 'Many A Mickle Maks A Muckle'. Alan explained: 'It's an old fashioned Scottish saying meaning that small things add up to big things, small pennies can make a forture.'

Alan plans to send updates to us on a monthly basis.

Alan meets First Minister Alex Salmond at the official naming ceremony of *Edinburgh Inspiring Capital*, the yacht he will sail around the world in.

Man fined while on bail

A TARBERT fisherman landed himself a £450 fine after admitting a breach of the peace while on bail.

Anthony McAllister, aged 18, of Room 8, Kerrera Lodge, Oban was on a day off on February 3 when he approached a man in Tesco's car park. McAllister alleged that the man had threatened his friend.

Procurator fiscal Craig Harris told Oban Sheriff Court: 'The accused followed the victim to the entrance of the supermarket and threatened to kill him if he approached his friend again.'

Defence agent David Watt said that McAllister had simply drunk too much on the day in question.

Sheriff Douglas Small fined the man £300 with a further £150 for committing the offence while on bail.

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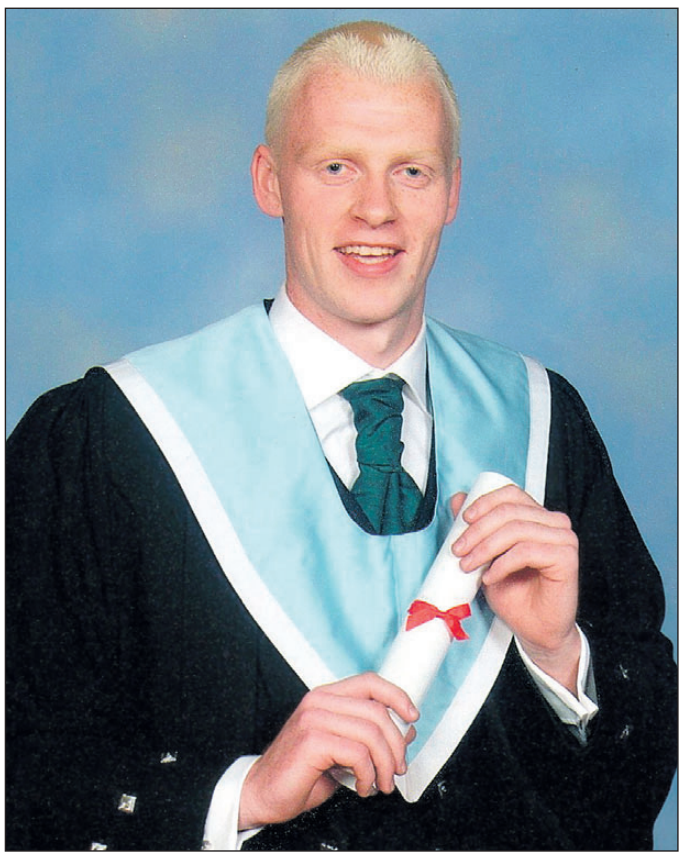
Graduations

Amanda Crawford

AMANDA Crawford graduated from the University of Edinburgh with a BEd Honours Degree in Primary Education. Amanda is the daughter of Sandy and Fiona Crawford, Lochgilphead and is due to take up her first teaching post in Carradale Primary School.



Mark Butler

MARK Butler, a former pupil of Kirn Primary and Dunoon Grammar School, graduated from Glasgow Caledonian University on July 8, 2009 with a BA in Sports Management with Honours. Mark is the second son of Walter and Barbara Butler (formerly of Lochgilphead).

Fiona McIsaac

FIONA McIsaac recently graduated from Glasgow Caledonian University with a BA Honours in Criminology (2.1), and was winner of the Willan Prize for Best Criminology Dissertation. Fiona is now working for Clackmannanshire Council as part of the anti-social behaviour team.

Wedding Album

Anna Craven

ANNA Craven, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs D Griffiths, Clachan and a former pupil of Tarbert Academy was awarded a professional diploma in Primary Education by the University of the West of Scotland.

Cowan - Rawson

EMMA Frances Cowan, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs John Cowan of Oatfield House, Campbeltown, married Thomas Ian Gilmour Rawson, son of Mr and Mrs Ian Rawson of Old Moulin, Pitlochry, at Southend Parish Church on April 4 of this year.

McAlpine - Little

JESSICA, elder daughter of Douglas and Marilyn McAlpine, Tarbert, and Stuart, son of Sheila MacIntosh and the late Hugh Little, Campbeltown, were married on March 28, 2009 at Tarbert Parish Church.

History, facts and politicians

Sir,
It must often strike your readers that history, fact and politicians can make uneasy bedfellows.

The recent comments by Alan Reid on the Vale of Leven Hospital and ACHA's hike in charges to its sheltered tenants, seem to fall into this category.

Firstly, at the Vale of Leven, the SNP administration of course bear responsibility for failing to deliver what local people want, which is a consultant led acute hospital, and it is right to draw attention to that fact. Whatever the SNP spin, there is little local gratitude for their 'intervention' in preserving an unsatisfactory status quo. But what Mr Reid fails to mention is that the downgrading of the hospital started under a Labour and Lib Dem Scottish Executive, with the real possibility that the Vale would close completely. Never once did the Lib Dems threaten to quit power to stop the downgrading, and I don't recall Mr Reid handing back his Lib Dem membership either.

History records that when the Conservatives left office in 1997, there was accident and emergency facility and the Vale was consultant led with on-site anaesthetics; 12 years on and that is not the case today.

Insofar as ACHA's increase in communal charges for sheltered housing is concerned, that is matter solely for ACHA's Board to decide upon. The issue of supporting people money is an interesting one, and it is again quite right to point the finger of blame at the current SNP government for failing to sufficiently resource this area. But once again Mr Reid fails to mention that the reductions in this funding stream were initiated by the previous Labour and Lib Dem executive. At the time of these cuts, I can't recall too many howls of protest Mr Reid and the Lib Dems.

It seems that whatever the issue, history and facts should not get in the way of another headline for some. Argyll needs influence from those that can, not headlines from those on the sidelines.

Gary Mulvaney,
Conservative Prospective Parliamentary Candidate for Argyll and Bute.

Down Memory Lane

THIS week's Down Memory Lane was taken from the *Argyllshire Advertiser's* archives. The photograph shows horse riders from Brenfield Stables in Ardrishaig with their rosettes after an enjoyable competition in 1994. Does anyone recognise any local faces? The *Advertiser* is always on the lookout for pictures from days gone by. To submit a photograph either pop into the *Advertiser* office in Argyll Street, Lochgilphead or email – editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk

Those Were The Days

The Argyllshire Advertiser
Friday 13 May, 1983

Cruise fit for Royalty

ONE of the largest ships to be seen from the banks of Loch Fyne for many a year glided impressively towards Inveraray and a banquet fit for royalty last week.

The Vistafjord, 629ft long, 82ft wide and weighing in at 24,492 tons, visited Inveraray as part of a Round Britain and Scandinavia cruise costing from £2,665.

Highlight of the nine hour stop off was a banquet in Inveraray Castle costing £60 a head and enjoyed by a party of 33 made up of Americans, Germans, Swedes and British.

Disappearing trousers

A THIEF, who obviously felt his need was greater than that of the owners, raided a washing line in Union Place, Lochgilphead and made off with three pairs of trousers. The garments, two pairs of men's and one of women's, are valued at £80 and, the police say, are easily identifiable.

Farewell to Anne after 43 years

IN THE October of 1946 an 18-year-old joined the staff of Lochgilphead Police Station as a junior typist. Now, 42 years on, Anne McLachlan is about to retire as the longest serving civilian in Strathclyde Police, having risen over the years to become secretary to Superintendent Iain Gillies.

To make the occasion, Deputy Chief Constable Peter Mitchell travelled from Glasgow to present Anne with the Strathclyde Police Certificate of Service (with distinction).

Anne, who has lived in Lochgilphead all her life, says she has enjoyed what has been an interesting career enormously, but is now hoping to relax and catch up with visiting her friends, some as far afield as Vancouver Island in Canada.

During her 42 years at Lochgilphead Police Station, Anne has seen many changes, the major of these being regionalisation in 1975 when 'headquarters' was moved to Glasgow.

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Spot the passing place

Sir,
There's no denying that the surface had worn off Cairnbaan swing bridge, but the just completed recoating of the steel plate deck will soon enough wear off again, and this begs the question whether a steel grid deck of the type used on swing bridges elsewhere might be more appropriate for modern traffic conditions, and cheaper to maintain.

Of more immediate interest to a considerable number of road users, including many tourists, is the experience of navigating the signed diversion route via single track roads.

It's usual to expect passing places to be well signed, to enable the free flow of traffic, but that's not the case around Crinan Moss. There are no marker posts, and it may well be that there never were.

The predictable result has been people stopping too soon, or overshooting infrequent passing places in the expectation of finding another, closer, one.

Some cursing at the behaviour of tourists is perhaps misdirected – what works on single track roads with very little traffic doesn't work in August with all the traffic for Knapdale and Crinan.

Was it really impossible for the roads authority to install the traditional marker posts, or was there a clear lack of foresight; blame the resultant traffic confusion on the tourists? Surely not – if we've got any sense.

The tourists could even have enough sense not to revisit this area.

Robert Wakeham,
Craigard Cottage,
Castleton,
By Lochgilphead.

The Drimvore road took drivers along the diversion route whilst Cairnbaan swing bridge was being repaired.

Bringing back Gaelic

Sir,
One of the most fundamental building blocks of putting Gaelic back on the map, playing an integral role in Scotland's future, is the need to have children speaking Gaelic before they reach the age of three. What is absolutely central for any kind of success in reaching this objective is the role of parents.

To this end Taic, wish to create a whole new batch of Scotland wide, daylong format parent and child groups. Such groups will offer comprehensive sessions in a happy and relaxed environment where both parent and child can acquire Gaelic. This will happen through stimulating play, social interaction and easily accessible tried and tested learning methods.

So if you are considering parenthood, awaiting a child or are already parents of a baby or toddler and feel this new type of group is just what you have been looking for, then just contact Finlay on 01542 836322 or email finlay@cnsa.org.uk as soon as possible.

As we are expecting these groups to become much sought after by parents, we will in turn, require the services of quite a number of fluent Gaelic speakers.

If any of this appeals to you and you have what it takes to be a part of this new initiative, then why not come forward and share your skills with others and help make Gaelic's undoubted future in Scotland, even more of a foregone conclusion.

I can promise any parent and child that does join one of these new parent and child groups a really good time while learning one of Scotland's most iconic languages, what more could you possibly want for your family?

Finlay M Macleoid,
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Inverness.

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Winners from Tayvallich Flower Show (front to back) Rowan Aitchison, Moira Murdoch, Aline Gardner, Lorna MacKellar, Libby MacDonald and David Green. 06_a34tayv01

Tayvallich Flower Show voted a big success

A TREMENDOUS display of exhibits made the Tayvallich Flower Show 2009 a very successful show.

The adults restored their pride by regaining the Shortbread Trophy from the youngsters, but the youngsters beat the adults yet again by winning the overall Photography Cup for the second year running.

Prizes were presented by Morag Rea and auctioneer Roly MacArthur rounded off the evening with an energetic and entertaining Grand Auction of donated exhibits.

The show raised nearly £500 with all profits going to village hall funds.

Results – Cups and trophies - Challenge Cup for Flowers and Plants - Mrs L. MacKellar,

Rose Bowl - Mrs L. MacKellar, MacDonald Challenge Cup for Vegetables - David Green

Challenge Cup for Baking and Preserves - Mrs E. MacDonald, Tayvallich Millennium Salver for Baking - Mrs A. Gardner, Weir Trophy for Preserves - Mrs E. MacDonald

Minnie Munro Memorial Challenge Trophy for Shortbread – Mrs M. Murdoch, Tayvallich Photography Cup - Rowan Aitchison, Tayvallich School Cup for Children's Art – Rowan Aitchison. Special prizes for best exhibit - Best Flowers - Mrs E. MacDonald for Four Roses

Best Plant – Mrs I. Russell for Begonia, Best Floral Arrangement - Mrs E. MacDonald for Arrangement in a Basket, Best Vegetables - D. Green for Leeks, Best Baking – Mrs L. MacKellar for Chocolate Sponge, Best Preserve – Mrs P. Cockburn for Blackcurrant Jam.

Flowers - Dahlias - 1: N. J. MacLean 2: T. Self 3: J. McMurray, Vase of Annuals - 1: M. McLauchlan 2: T. Osborn 3: E. MacDonald, Gladioli - 1: L. MacKellar 2: L. MacKellar 3: C. Richards, Pansies - 1: L. MacKellar 2: L. MacKellar 3: S. Nelson

Sweet Peas – 1: E. MacDonald 2: I. Russell 3: B. MacDonald, Carnations – no entries

Scotch Marigolds - 1: M. McLauchlan 2: E. MacDonald 3: S. Osborn, Roses - 1: E. MacDonald 2: L. MacKellar 3: L. MacKellar, Rambling Roses - 1: L. MacKellar 2: L. MacKellar 3: J. McArthur, Single Rose - 1: L. MacKellar 2: E. MacDonald 3: L. MacKellar. Plants - Flowering House Plant - 1: L. MacKellar 2: L. MacKellar 3: L. MacKellar, Foliage Plant - 1: N. J. MacLean 2: L. MacKellar 3: E. MacDonald, Geranium - no entries, Begonia - 1: I. Russell 2: I. Russell 3: S. Cockburn. Floral arrangements - Table Centre - 1: I. Russell 2: I. Russell 3: M. Dunlop-Nelson Arrangement in a Basket - 1: E. MacDonald 2: E. Tolmie 3: C. Richards Foliage Arrangement - 1: C. Richards 2: E. MacDonald 3: J. McArthur Vegetables and fruit - Carrots - 1: N. J. MacLean 2: M. McLauchlan 3: M. MacDougall

Parsnips – 1: N. J. MacLean 2: S. Osborn, Cherry Tomatoes - 1: I. Russell 2: D. Green 3: M. MacLauchlan, Tomatoes - 1: I. Russell 2: D. Green 3: S. Osborn Vegetable Marrow - 1: M. MacDougall, Turnips - 1: D. Green 2: S. Osborn 3: D. MacDonald, Beetroot - 1: M. MacDougall 2: D. Green 3: M. McLauchlan Onions - 1: N. J. MacLean 2: S. Osborn 3: M. MacDougall Leeks - 1: D. Green 2: M. Leng 3: M. MacDougall Shallots - 1: N. J. MacLean 2: S. Osborn 3: D. Green Peas - 1: N. J. MacLean 2: L. Unkles 3: D. Green Broad Beans - 1: D. Green 2: M. MacDougall 3: S. Osborn Potatoes - 1: S. Osborn 2: N. J. MacLean 3: S. Osborn Cucumber - 1: M. MacDougall 2: M. McLauchlan 3: L. Unkles Cabbage - 1: D. Green 2: D. MacDonald 3: N. J. MacLean Cauliflower – 1: M. MacDougall 2: D. MacDonald 3: N. J. MacLean Three Herbs – 1: C. Richards 2: E. MacDonald 3: B. MacDonald

Five Veg Collection - 1: M. MacDougall 2: M. McLauchlan 3: J. McMurray Any Other Veg - 1: D. Green 2: M. MacDougall 3: K. MacDonald Gooseberries - 1: D. Green Rhubarb - 1: S. Osborn 2: M. MacDougall 3: D. Green Any Other Fruit - 1: D. Green 2: S. Osborn 3: L. Unkles Baking - White Loaf - 1: A. Barr 2: L. Milne 3: K. MacDonald Wholemeal Loaf - 1: A. Barr Rock Cakes - 1: M. MacInnes 2: S. Lazenbury 3: L. Milne Oven Scones - 1: E. MacDonald 2: S. Lazenbury 3: C. MacInnes Pancakes - 1: M. MacInnes 2: E. MacDonald 3: L. Unkles Shortbread - 1: M. Murdoch 2: H. Baer 3: M. Dunlop-Nelson Chocolate Sponge - 1: L. MacKellar 2: S. Lazenbury 3: A. Gardner

Decorated Fairy Cakes - 1: N Leng/M. Leng 2: F. Aitchison/M. McLauchlan 3: M. MacInnes/S. Lazenbury

Iced Carrot Cake - 1: L. MacKellar 2: A. Gardner 3: J. McArthur/S. Lazenbury Gingerbread - 1: A. Gardner 2: K. MacDonald 3: S. Lazenbury Savoury Quiche - 1: N. Leng 2: M. Leng 3: A. Gardner

Dish of Pate - 1: A. Gardner 2: S. Nelson Fruit Flapjacks - 1: L. Milne 2: A. Gardner 3: S. Riddell

Jam Swiss Roll - 1: M. Murdoch 2: E. Barr 3: M. McLauchlan Date and Walnut Loaf - 1: E. MacDonald 2: S. Lazenbury 3: A. Gardner Preserves - Strawberry Jam - 1: P. Cockburn 2: C. Richards 3: E. MacDonald Raspberry Jam - 1: P. Cockburn 2: E. MacDonald 3: A. Green Blackcurrant Jam - 1: P. Cockburn 2: E. MacDonald 3: L. MacKellar Rhubarb and Ginger Jam – 1: E. MacDonald

Any Other Jam - 1: E. MacDonald 2: A. Gardner 3: S. Lazenbury Any Fruit Jelly - 1: K. MacDonald 2: L. MacKellar 3: K. MacDonald Marmalade - 1: S. Lazenbury 2: E. MacDonald 3: L. MacKellar Lemon Curd - 1: L. MacKellar 2: E. MacDonald 3: J. McArthur/L. MacKellar Jar of Chutney - 1: E. MacDonald 2: U. Riddell Six Eggs - 1: C. MacInnes 2: S. Milne 3: A. Milne

Children's Art - Local Landscape - Firsts – Drew Buckley, Kirsty Aitchison, Rowan Aitchison - Seconds – Alfie Smith, Jenna MacLennan, Joe Osborn, Jamie Buckley, Signe Riddell - Thirds – Thorkil Osborn, Samantha Sharp, Molly MacKay, Holly Smith, Anita Halliwell - Child's Birthday Card - Firsts – Drew Buckley, Fergus Robbie, Kirsty Aitchison, Rosie Burrell - Seconds – Alfie Smith, Thorkil Osborn, Molly MacKay, Lorna Unkles, Rowan Aitchison - Thirds - Jenna MacLennan, Becky Smith, Jamie Buckley, Joe Osborn, Freya Aitchison

Model from Pine Cones - Firsts – Kirsty Aitchison, Freya Aitchison, Erik Riddell - Seconds – Ella MacKay, Rowan Aitchison, Heather Unkles - Thirds -Molly MacKay, Lorna Unkles, Chloe McNeill, Megan Dunlop-Nelson - Miniature Garden - Firsts - Ella MacKay, Lorna Unkles, Mia Leng - Seconds - Molly MacKay, Molly Heaney, Lewis MacKinnon - Thirds - Kirsty Aitchison, Louise Russell, Rowan Aitchison, Katie McLundie, Freya Aitchison, Heather Unkles - Photography - Firsts – Rowan Aitchison, Tom Sutton Seconds – Lorna Unkles, Heather Unkles - Thirds – Freya Aitchison, Cara MacInnes

Photography (Adult Class) - 1: O. S. Barr 2: J. Munro 3: C. MacInnes.

Kayleigh looks blooming lovely

Kayleigh McNeil looked blooming lovely after having her face painted by Alana McDonald when Tayinloan Playing Field committee organised a car boot sale and fun day on Sunday to raise funds. The committee is planning a revamp of the field and also has to keep raising money for the regular maintenance costs reports Denise McKeown, who chairs the committee. 12_c34tay01

MOK Music Festival

THIS weekend sees the annual Mull of Kintyre Music Festival taking place and tickets for the Young Folk Night and Red Hot Chilli Pipers concert have now sold out.

There are still tickets available for the Festival Ceilidh, Dervish and Fribo at the Picture House and the Dalriada Connections concert at the Heritage Centre, which are all selling very well.

The public is being asking to avoid the Esplanade and town centre with their cars during the festival's Homecoming Grand Parade between 12noon and 1pm on Saturday.

A good turnout of floats is expected for the event which kicks off the Saturday entertainment. 'Doon the Green' and the afternoon Festival Club carry on the festivities. The nighttime entertainment then begins with the all seated Dervish and Fribo concert in the Campbeltown Picture House followed by the Red Hot Chilli Pipers in the Victoria Hall.

Tickets can be obtained for the Festival Ceilidh, the Dervish concert and the Dalriada Connections concert at AP Taylors, Main Street, Campbeltown or at the door of the event if available.

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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

The war against Voldemort is not going well; even Muggle governments are noticing. Ron scans the obituary pages of the Daily Prophet, looking for familiar names. Dumbledore is absent from Hogwarts for long stretches of time, and the Order of the Phoenix has already suffered losses.

And yet...

As in all wars, life goes on. Sixth-year students learn to Apparate - and lose a few eyebrows in the process. The Weasley twins expand their business. Teenagers flirt and fight and fall in love. Classes are never straightforward, though Harry receives some extraordinary help from the mysterious Half-Blood Prince

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD

Across

1 Extinguish (4)
3 Washing area (8)
9 What one does at a table (3-4) (3-4)
10 Engender (5)
11 Put together in a row (8,4) (8,4)
13 Productive (6)
15 Subs (1-5) (1-5)
17 Abolish (12)
20 Feudal lord (5)
21 Tied by family (7)
22 Songs of sailors (8)
23 Be hopping mad (4)

Down

1 Wool holders (8)
2 Calculation (5)
4 Chronicles (6)
5 Turmoil (6-6)
6 Dress material (7)
7 Folklore (4)
8 Launch (12)
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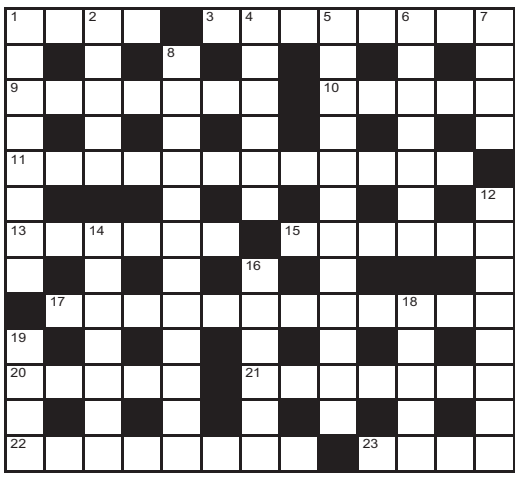

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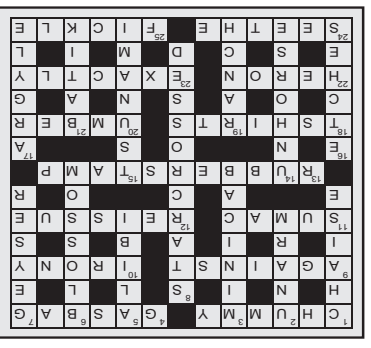

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Twisted Melons to release third album

A BAND from Campbeltown is making its mark across Scotland and will take to the stage in Perth next month.

The Twisted Melons, who hail from the town, were discovered by Stuart Epps on myspace and are getting ready to release their third album, 3.3, on Melomania Recordings next month.

Comprising Paul, Stephen and Mark Johnson, the band will be accompanying the release with a full Scottish tour.

The Twisted Melons' new album follows up on previous releases Local in 2002, Deadly And Amazing in 2004 and the politically charged Ghandi EP.

Due for release on September 7, the 14-track 3.3 already looks set to mark another milestone for the band's under-the-radar career.

Lochgilphead Drama Club

LOCHGILPHEAD Drama Club presents next Saturday evening a three-act play by Neil Simon.

'Plaza Suite' will be performed in Ardrishaig Public Hall at 7.30pm on August 29. Tickets are available from the Argyll Book Centre or on the door.

Shiver me timbers - it's the Ardfern pirates

ANYONE who happened to find themselves in Ardfern on Saturday afternoon was certainly left bemused as hundreds of pirates marched their way through the village.

The third annual Ardfern Pirate Parade saw people of all ages don their wigs, head scarves and ear rings as the procession set off from the village hall to the Galley of Lorne.

Command

En route the story of the 'Flying Eagle', a pirate ship once under the command of the infamous 'Black Bart' Roberts was told.

Narrated by Chris Fox the story followed the capture of the Flying Eagle by its second mate. The ship sailed into Loch Craignish and the pirates were captured and hanged.

Their trial in Edinburgh was covered in great detail by the press of the day, constituting some of Scotland's earliest crime journalism, and providing useful material for Stevenson's Kidnapped and other writing by Defoe and Scott.

Crowning

Upon arrival at the Galley of Lorne the crowning of the King of the Pirates and the Queen of the Glens took place. This year's King was Reece Kelly and the Queen was Gillian Shearer.

Following the Crowning there were games on the Galley lawn including a Treasure Hunt for the children and a Scavenge Hunt for the families as well as a photo competition for locals.

Pirate King, Reece Kelly and Pirate Queen, Gillian Shearer enjoy the proceedings. 06_a34ardf01

Dan Baird from Glasgow donned his best outfit for the parade. 06_a34ardf04

Helen Buchannan (left) and her sister-in-law Mandy Hampton with the winning 'Mangy Cur' Bella, the dog. 06_a34ardf03

Pirate Chris Fox, who has led the Parade since its inception in 2007. 06_a34ardf02

Community Noticeboard

Art & Craft Fayre
29th/30th August 2009 Kilmartin Church
(on A816 Lochgilphead to Oban road)
Saturday 29th August 10am - 8pm
Sunday 30th August 10am - 4pm
Refreshments in church hall £2
Home baking, sales table, bottle stall, raffle.
All proceeds to Glassary, Kilmartin and Ford Parish Church.

TARBERT'S 60TH ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW
Wednesday 26th August at 3pm
Tarbert Village Hall
Prizes presented at 7pm
Schedules and entry cards available from local shops and in the village hall or from J Hunt on 01880 820526.
Admission – Adults £1.50 Children 50p
Teas, raffles and plant stall.
This is Tarbert Horticultural Society's Diamond Jubilee.

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The Year of Homecoming
CONCERT
featuring
Mod Gold Medallists from Argyll
Corran Hall, Oban
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Waverley's makes her last trip of the summer from Tarbert

THE last sea-going paddle steamer will set sail next week from Tarbert for the last time this summer.

On Tuesday the Waverley will leave Pier Harbour at 2.45pm and take passengers on a cruise round Kilfinan Bay before returning to Tarbert at 4.20pm.

The journey will run from the Sound of Bute and sail right up to Kilfinan Bay where she will turn and head back amidst spectacular scenery.

Tarbert Country Fair

PLANTS, preserves and jewellery were among just some of the treats on offer for visitors to Tarbert's Country Fair on Saturday.

Organised by Tarbert Christmas Lights committee, Clachan Pantomime committee, Big Green Tarbert and Tarbert Healing Garden, the fair saw the village hall adorned with local producers selling their wares.

A total of 26 stalls were taken up with people travelling from Ardfern, Oban, Clachan and Lochgilphead.

The organisers wanted all local producers to come together and work together to promote local businesses.

It is hoped that another market will be held next year.

Big Green Tarbert used the event to promote the good work they are doing in the community.

Neil Donaldson said the fair allowed them to give out information on the proposed community wind turbines as well as advising people on community energy savings.

Ed Tyler (left) and Neil Donaldson of Big Green Tarbert used the County Fair as a base to spread the word on the proposed community wind turbines. 06_a34fair01

Oliver Gladstone (front) of Barbreck Farms and Hew Service of Highland Geese, both from Ardfern, said trade was steady during the country fair. 06_a34fair03

Joan Stewart of Sian Jewellery travelled from Campbeltown to be part of the Tarbert Country Fair. 06_a34fair02

Lochgilphead Parish Church blossoms with flower club

THE SWEET smell of flowers in full bloom met visitors to Lochgilphead Parish Church last week.

Delights such as floral displays contained in a golf bag or a re-make of Van Gogh's famous 'Sunflowers' greeted anyone perusing the display.

Held in the Parish Church and supported by Lochgilphead Flower Club and the Rotary Club of Mid Argyll, the floral art exhibition aimed to raise money for the Church Renewal Project.

The theme of the exhibition was 'unusual containers' which certainly lived up to its name with posies of brightly coloured flowers brimming from drawers, a doll's house in full bloom and a country kitchen made from all things floral.

Events such as the floral art exhibition will raise revenue for the parish church to undergo a £365,000 refurbishment.

For more information on the renewal project visit - www.lpchurch.co.uk

Pictured are Kay West (left) and Allison Pearson who contributed to the Lochgilphead Parish Church floral art display. The display belongs to Kay and is entitled 'Into the future'. 06_a34flow01

Your summer guide to dining out in Argyll

With the long summer nights drawing to a close the Argyll Arms Hotel in Ardrishaig is gearing up to provide a packed schedule of events to brighten the winter evenings.

The hotel is already planning a delicious new winter menu as well as a hot and tasty Christmas buffet with live entertainment.

Proprietor Jackie Stevenson said: ' By providing a buffet it allows more people into the room and will create more of a party atmosphere.'

In November a supper and comedy night is planned along with regular charity discos. With a strong community ethos, the Argyll Arms aims to provide both locals and visitors of all ages with a fun, friendly and warm atmosphere to pass away the winter months.

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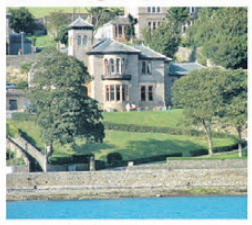

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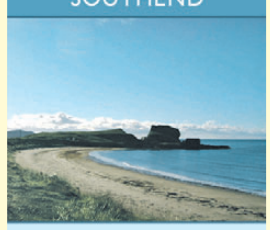

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Mid Argyll Show results 2009

Results

Clydesdale horse section:

Brood mare 1 Malcolm MacFadyen, 2 David MacPhail jnr; foal, colt or filly 1 D MacPhail jnr 2 M MacFadyen; filly, colt or gelding under 3 years 1 Neil MacPhail; yeldmare or gelding over three years 1 D MacPhail; champion Clydesdale D MacPhail, reserve D MacPhail jnr, 3 M MacFadyen.

Highland cattle:

Cow in calf or with calf at foot 1 and 2 G&M Porter, 3 RD Shuster; three-year-old heifer GM Porter, 2 RD Shuster, 3 McMillan & Lawrence; two-year-old heifer 1 Lithgow, Ormsay, 2 RD Shuster, 3 McMillan & Lawrence; one-year-old heifer 1 McMillan & Lawrence, 2 GM Porter, 3 RD Shuster; sucked calf 1 RD Shuster, 2 and 3 GM Porter; heifer one year and over 1 and 2 David Blair. Champion GM Porter, Carrabus Farm, Islay (Kayreen of Achterneed). Reserve Sir WJ Lithgow BT&Son, Ormsary Estate. Cnoc Fold Quaich GM Porter; best group of three GM Porter.

Any other pure breed of cattle suitable for breeding:

Bull any age 1 JS Adam, 2 R Lines, 3 D Semple; cow in calf or in milk 1 JS Adam; heifer in class 1 JS Adam; heifer yeld 1 JS Adam. Open champion JS Adam – cow, reserve JS Adam – bull. Cross suckled calves:

Bullock calf sired by Limousin 1 Ewan MacPherson; best bullock calf born after Feb 1 2009 1 R Lines 2 D Semple 3 R Currie; best heifer calf born after Feb 1 2009 1 and 2 D Semple, 3 R Currie; cross suckled calves E MacPherson, reserve D Semple; commercial beef cattle prime animals 1 R Smith; 2 heifer for beef, one year and over 1 E MacPherson. Champion R Smith; commercial beef cattle unaltered and naturally shown 1 Sir WJ Lithgow, 2 Ellary Farms, 3 I&R Malcolm; cow with own calf at foot 1 Sir WJ Lithgow, 2 I&R Malcolm; heifer in calf 1 and 3 Sir WJ Lithgow, 2 Ellary Farms; heifer yeld suitable for breeding 1 R Smith, 2 and 3 Sir WJ Lithgow; heifer calf suitable for breeding 1 and 2 Laggan, 3 Poltalloch; bullock calf 1 I&R Malcolm, 2 and 3 Ellary, heifer calf for beef 1 and 2 Ellary, 3 Malcolm; bullock calf native sire 1 Malcolm, 2 Ellary; heifer calf native sire 1 Ellary, 2 Poltalloch. Naturally shown champion Ormasary, reserve R Smith, Balliemore, 3 I Malcolm, Poltollach; best crossbred animal for breeding Lithgow, Ormsary; best animal in commercial beef open E MacPherson, Benderloch; best animal in commercial beef confined JS Adams, Ganavan; confined beef champion JS Adams, Garraran Farm, reserve Sir WJ Lithgow, Ormsary; open beef champion E MacPherson, reserve Sir WJ Lithgow; best homebred beef animal Sir WJ Lithgow; best team of three breeding animals JS Adams, Garraran Farm.

Blackface sheep:

Shearling ram 1 D Shaw, 2 RI Show, 3 J Cockburn; ram lamb 1 and 2 R&I MacLean, 3 D Shaw; ewe in milk, three years old and up 1 D Shaw, 2 and 3 J Cockburn; gimmer 1 J Cockburn, 2 D Shaw, 3 RI Shaw; ewe lamb 1 D Shaw, 2 J Cockburn, 3 RI Shaw; confined blackface champion, reserve and group champions D Shaw, Innisaig Farm; best blackface female bred by exhibitor D Shaw; ram two years old and over J&S MacPherson; shearling ram 1 D Jackson & Son, 2 J&S MacPherson, 3 D Shaw; ram lamb 1 D Jackson & Son, 2 Messrs McArthur, 3 R&I MacLean; ewe in milk three years old and up 1 D Shaw, 2 D Jackson & Son, 3 Messrs McArthur; ewe in milk two years old 1 D Jackson & Son, 2 and 3 Messrs McArthur; gimmer 1 Messrs McArthur, 2 Cockburn, 3 D Jackson & Son; ewe lamb 1 D Shaw, 2 J Cockburn, 3 D Jackson & Son; ewe with own lamb or lambs at foot 1 D Shaw, D Jackson, 3 Messrs McArthur; blackface open overall champion D Jackson & Son, Pole Farm, reserve D Shaw; blackface sheep opposite sex to champion D Jackson & Son; best blackface male champion D Jackson & Son; best blackface female champion D Jackson & Son; best blackface female champion D Jackson & Son; best blackface ewe lamb chamion D Shaw; best blackface group champion D Jackson & Son; best blackface sheep bred by exhibitor D Jackson & Son; ewe with own lamb/lambs at foot D Shaw. Suffolk sheep: Ram one year and over 1 and 2 Duncan Robb, Stronacholl; ram lamb 1 W Napier, Barcaldine, 2 D Robb, 3 W Napier; ewe 1 T Cameron, Gartveigh, 3 D Robb, 3 W Napier; gimmer 1 W Napier, 2 and 3 D Robb; ewe lamb 1 and 2 W Napier, 3 T Cameron. Champion confined D Robb, ewe, reserve D Robb, tup lamb. Texel sheep confined to mid Argyll: ram one year and over 1 DH McKendrick, 2 D Shaw, Portnaclach, 3 K&I MacGlynn, Tulloch Croft; ram lamb 1 and 2 K Dixon, Laggan Farm, 3 D Shaw; ewe 1 Davy Anderson, Barnakill, 2 and 3 K Dixon; gimmer 1 D shaw; ewe lamb 1 K Dixon, 2 D Anderson, 3 N Boase, Soroba. Perpetual Cup K Dixon, ewe lamb, reserve D Anderson, ewe. Texel sheep open 1 DH McKendrick, Tomaig, 2 D Shaw, 3 K&E MacGlynn; ram lamb 1 K Dixon, 2 and 3 DH McKendrick; ewe D Anderson, 2 and 3 K&E MacGlynn; gimmer 1 D Shaw; ewe lamb 1 K Dixon, 2 DH McKendrick, 3 K&E MacGlynn; champion DH McKendrick, reserve K Dixon. Bluefaced Leicester open: ram one year and over 1 J&M Turner, 2 A MacKellar, 3 P Grimoli; ram lamb 1, 2 and 3 J&M Turner; ewe 1 and 2 J&M Turner, 3 A MacKellar; gimmer 1 and 3 P Grimoli, 2 T Cameron; ewe lamb 1 and 3 A MacKellar, 3 T Cameron. Champion J&M Turner, reserve P Grimoli. Any other pure breeds open: ram one year and over 1 R Smith, 2 D McVicar, 3 H&D Stewart; ram lamb 1 D Macvicar, 2 H&D Stewart; ewe 1 and 2 R Smith, 3 K Dixon; gimmer 1 D Macvicar, 2 and 3 R Smith; ewe lamb 1 D MacVicar, 2 R Smith; champion R Smith, Balliemore, reserve D MacVicar, Lephinchapel. Cross bred sheep open: ewe in milk 1 T Cameron, 2 R Smith, 3 I&R Malcolm; gimmer 1 and 2 Sir W Lithgow, 3 I&R Malcolm; ewe lamb 1 and 3 J&M Turner, 2 Sir W Lithgow; three lambs off any blackface ewe 1 Sir W Lithgow, 2 3 I&R Malcolm, 3 R Smith; champion J&M Turner, Kildalliog, reserve T Cameron. Rare and minority breeds open: ram one year and over 1 and 3 H&D Stewart, 2 D&S Robb; ram lamb D&S Robb, 2 H&D Stewart, 3 S MacCallum; ewe 1 S MacCallum and Sons, 2 D&S Robb; gimmer D&S Robb, 2 and 3 MacCallum and Sons; ewe lamb 1 and 3 MacCallum and Sons, 2 D&S Robb; champion D MacCallum and Sons, Achadh Bheinn, reserve H&D Stewart, Araneigh. Prime lambs open: single prime lamb 1 D Shaw, 2 I&R Malcolm, 3 R Smith; three prime lambs of Texel sire 1 I&R Malcolm, 2 DH McKendrick, 3 D Shaw; three prime lambs off any other sire 1 R Smith. Champion D Shaw, reserve 1 I&R Malcolm, Nether Largie; best

Sheep other than blackface Confined to mid Argyll R Smith, Beltex tup; champion sheep confined D Shaw, ewe lamb, reserve R Smith, Beltex tup; all sheep overall champion J Jackson & Sons; sheep other than blackface open R Smith, Beltex tup.

Confined champion of show JS Adam.

Laura Campbell and Colourville Arizona (known as Arra) were overall reserve champion in the horse category at this year's Mid Argyll Show.

Supreme champion of show E MacPherson.

Best young handler aged 12 to 17 years, cattle E MacPherson.

Dog Section

Any variety Puppy (6-12 months) 1 Sturrock, Oban, 2 Foster, Glasgow; Gundog 1 Currie Duntrune Castle, 2 Gus and Hector Ardfern, 3 Lawrence Lochgilphead; Terrier 1 Oliphant, Port Ban, 2 Robb Lochgilphead, 3 Green Lochgair; Toy or utility 1 Reid Dalry, 2 Sturrock Oban; Hound or working 1 McDougall Glasgow, 2 Lang Lochgilphead; Pastoral 1 Dixon Kilbride, 2 Sutherland, Cairnbaan, 3 Jackson Castle Sween; Most attractive puppy (u12 months) 1 Lithgow Ormsary, 2 Sturrock, 3 Foster; Dog in best condition 1 Robb, 2 Sutherland, 3 Sandilands Ormsary; Dog and handler most alike 1 Gus and Hector, 2 Lithgow, 3 Robb Tarbert; Dog with waggiest tail 1 McGeachy Ormsary, 2 Gilmour Dunoon, 3 Oliphant, Kilberry; Best veteran dog (7 years and over) 1 Hamilton Arran, 2 Currie, 3 Drynan Ormsary; Best child handler (u13) 1 Lithgow, 2 Gilmour, 3 Dixon Kilbride; Flauden Cup (best pedigree dog) McDougall Glasgow; Conic Trophy (best gun dog) Currie Duntrune Castle; Kilmartin Hotel Cup (fun class) Hamilton.

Rosslyn Smith from Balliemore Farm, Kilmichael Glassary, walked away with a cache of trophies after winning Best Sheep other than a blackface with her three-shear Beltex. 06_a34mid01

The vintage tractor display was a rare treat for many spectators to the show. 06_a34mid02

Horse Section

Shetland Ponies 1 Fiona Limbert and Jake of Argyll, 2 Christine Wood and Poppy; Large mountain and moorland ponies in hand 1 Morwen Philips and Cariad, 2 Ashleigh Kilgour and Dafydd, 3 Mairi Hogg and Dougal. Small mountain and moorland ponies in hand 1 Tracy McCulloch and Fyne Boy, 2 Rebecca Foster and Loui, 3 Katie Pearson and JJ; Garth Memorial Cup Champion Tracy McCulloch, Reserve Rebecca Foster; Ridden show ponies (under 128cms) 1 Rebecca Scott and Stoak Grace, 3 Rebecca Foster, 3 Zoe Lawrence and Tiverton Candy; Lead rein ridden show pony under 128cm ridden by a child under 10 1 Kirsty Aitchison and Pebble, 2 Cara Drew Blyth and Fyne Boy, 3 Claudia Foster and Gems; Ridden show pony 128-138cm 1 Ashleigh Kilgour and Galway Rattie, 2 Janey Van Stone and ILPH Twiggy, 3 Kirsten Lawrence and Starcrest Riva; Ridden ponies 138-148cm 1 Alexis Stewart and Port Wine, 2 Ashleigh Kilgour and Dayfdd; Ridden pony champion Alexis Stewart, Reserve Rebecca Scott; Ridden show horse over 153cm 1 Christina Ferguson and Blossom Hill, 2 Jenna Samborek and Crusoe; 3 Fabienne Renfrew and Zulu Warrior; Ridden show horse 143-153cm 1 Tracy McCulloch and Galloway Lad, 2 Mrs S Tozer and Katie; Volvo Tankard Champion Christina Ferguson, Reserve Tracy McCulloch; Light-legged horse in hand brood mare in foal or with foal at foot Laura Campbell and Colourville Arizona; Mid Argyll Agricultural Society Ardfern Riding Trophy Laura Campbell; Working Hunter 143-153 cm 1 Alexis Stewart and Port Wine 2 Tracy McCulloch and Galloway Lad; Working Hunter over 153cm 1 Christina Ferguson and Blossom Hill, 2 Fabienne Renfrew and Zulu Warrior, 3 John Brailsford and Batty; Rosemary Dalgliesh Perpetual Silver Trophy Champion Christina Ferguson on Blossom Hill, Reserve Alexis Stewart on Port Wine; Mountain and moorland pones 138-148cm 1 Ashleigh Kilgour and Dafydd; Mountain and moorland ponies under 138cm 1 Kirsten Lawrence and Starcrest Riva, 2 Ashleigh Kilgour and Galway Rattie, 3 Bethan Lemmon and Dylan; O'Fish Shell up Champion Ashleigh Kilgour on Dafydd, Reserve Kirsten Lawrence on Starcrest Riva; Mounted fancy dress most topical 1 Kirsty, Rowan and Freya Aitchison; 2 Claudia Foster; funniest 1 Molly and Cara Drew Blyth, 2 Christina Wood; Most picturesque 2 Aitchison family; Show jumping lead rein jumping pony under 128cm ridden by a child under 10 1 Freya Aitchison and Glen, 2 Cara Drew Blyth and Fyne Boy, 3 Kirsty Aitchison and Pebble; Mid Argyll Agricultural Trophy Freya Aitchison; Show jumping pony not exceeding 128 cm 1 Zoe Lawrence and Tiverton Candy, 2 Olivia Foaster and Meesha, 3 Rebecca Foster and Loui; Armangnac Plaque Zoe Lawrence; Show jumping pony 128-138cm 1 Ashleigh Kingour and Galway Rattie, 2 Kirsten Lawrence and Starcrest Riva, 3 Beth Lemmon and Dylan; Condor Trophy Ashleigh Kilgour; Show jumping pony 138-148cm 1 Tracy McCulloch and Galloway Lad, 2 Alison Campbell and Honey; Wilma Whelton (Sally) Trophy Tracy McCulloch; Open pony 148cm 1 Tracy McCulloch, 2 Alison Campbell; Miles Hopperton Memorial Perpetual Trophy Tracy McCulloch; Horse or pony any age 1 John Brailsford and Battie, 2 Connie McDowall and Better Days, 3 Jane Renfrew and Cairo; Jimmy Byars Trophy John Brailsford; Games Class A lead rein class 1 Claudia Foaster and Gems, 2 Cara Drew Blyth and Mario, 3 Signe Riddell and Glen; Auchnasaul Cup Claudia Foster; Class B 12 years and under 1 Rebecca Foster and Loui, 2 Morwen Philips and Cariad, 3 Bethan Lemmon and Dylan; Fascadale Shield Rebecca Foster; Class C over 13 1 Janey Van Stone and ILPH Twiggy, 2 Ashleigh Kilgour and Galway Rattie; McQuiston Trophy Janey Van Stone; Overall champion and Bruce Lindsay Trophy Christina Ferguson on Blossom Hill, Reserve Laura Campbell on Colourville Arizona; Confined champion and Janet Ward Shield Christina Ferguson on Blossom Hill, Reserve Laura Campbell on Colourville Arizona.

What a difference a day makes!

ON FRIDAY competitors in the Kintyre Sheep Dog Trials annual trials at Clochkeil braved a howling gale and rain storm to compete.

And the following day over at Skipness, the dogs and handlers had sunshine.

Colin Chrystie, secretary of Kintyre admitted: 'I doubt if we could have chosen a worse day but that's life!'

Finishing on 74 points each Andrew P Ronald and John Casey had to endure a rerun to decide the winner of the confined cup.

John Casey and Ben ran first and completed a near faultless but it was not enough with Andrew P Ronald taking the cup by two points with a very fine run. Judge for the day was Angus McDiarmid.

Open results: 1, James Ogston with Tess, 95points; 2 Stewart Davidson with Jim, 89; 3 Neil McVicar with Spot, 83; 4 Jock Welsh with Nap, 81; 5 Craig Davidson with Tweed, 80; 6 Neil McEachran with Ann, 78p OB; 7 Peter Martin with Tess, 78; 6 John McLachlan with Taff, 76.

Kintyre confined results: 1 Andrew P Ronald with Meg, 74points; 2 John Casey with Ben, 74; 3 John Casey with Zac, 60; 4 Archie Clark with Jim, 40; 5 Jimmy Barr with Don, 29.

Judge Angus McDiarmid, left, with some of the trophy winners at the Kintyre annual trial: John Casey, Stewart Donaldson, Andrew P Ronald, James Ogsten, Neil McVicar, Craig Davidon and Peter Martin. 04_c34kin01

William Megson and Michael Middleton helped at the Kintyre Sheep Dog Trials annual trial at Clochkeil Farm on Friday and got a thoroughly good soaking and enjoyed themselves. 04_c34lads01

James Taylor of Skipness and Sean Middleton of Campbeltown helped at the Skipness trial on Saturday and the budding pair of entrepreneurs sold more than £140 of raffle tickets to raise funds for the trials. 12_c34lads02

Neil McVicar from Dunoon with Podge battles the elements at the annual Kintyre Sheepdog Trials. 08_a34sheep01.

Aoradh supreme at Islay

A CALF from RSPB Aoradh was the supreme champion at this year's Islay Show but it was also a special day for two of the show's best-known families.

The April-born cross Charolais calf, which was beef champion, is by Allanfauld Amazon and is to be sold at the winter sale. The first calf off the sire was sold last year for £2,100.

But it was a good day all round for the MacMillans of Ardbeg and G and M Porter, Carrabus, who took home a host of trophies.

Messrs MacMillan won the highly competitive Blackface championship for the fifth time in succession with a ewe lamb by a Midlock sire, in its first showing.

And one of the youngest competitors on the day, eight-year-old Eilidh MacKinnon, who was competing at the Islay Show for the first time, won the prime lamb class.

For a full report, more photographs and results see this week's edition of *The Oban Times*.

The overall Supreme Champion at Islay Show was from the RSPB farm at Aoradh. 7_t34isl05

Rural leaders required

SCOTTISH Enterprise is looking for the next generation of leaders for rural Scotland with the launch of the 2009/10 Scottish Enterprise Rural Leadership Programme.

So far the programme has helped over 125 key business personnel from across rural Scotland become more effective leaders and enhanced their business performance.

Scottish Enterprise has awarded Scottish Agricultural College the contract to organise and run the programme.

SAC project leader Iain Riddell said: 'The programme represents a fantastic opportunity for anyone working in the rural sector.'

In the past participants have been recruited from a wide range of rural sectors including agriculture, tourism, forestry, horticulture, banking and tourism. The aim is to continue to encourage applicants from across the rural sector. Experience suggests they will find it worthwhile.

EID information comes to Argyll

OBAN will host the road show for Argyll and Bute to inform farmers abut EID updates.

Sheep farmers attending these NFU Scotland/NSA Scotland road shows across the country can look at the controversial EU proposals on sheep movements and electronic identification (EID) and receive up-to-date news on the progress with Scotland's own EID pilot.

It will be held at Oban Market on Friday August 28 at 7pm.

From the end of this year, it will be obligatory for all Scottish sheep keepers to electronically tag sheep born after this date and keep a record of each animal's individual identity every time they move.

In response to the proposals, the Scottish EID pilot - involving farmers, markets and abattoirs – was set up by the Scottish Government in 2008 to find out whether we can achieve accurate, rapid and cost effective sheep traceability by using EID in the Scottish sheep flock.

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Skipness sheepdog trials

SKIPNESS had an impressive number of entries on Sunday for the annual trials held in the shadow of the historic Skipness Castle.

Adam Simpson from Comrie judged the event, which was blessed with far better weather than Kintyre's trial the day before.

Open

1 Stewart Davidson, Rob, 98 points; 2 Roddy McDairmid, Jim, 97, OBW; 3 Mary Caul, Dougie, 97; 4 John McLachlan, Greg, 95; 5 Stewart Davidson, Jim, 90 OBW; 6 John McDougall, Kip, 90; 7 Ian McConnell, Fly, 89; 8 Angus McDiarmid, Hemp, 87.

Specials: Outrun, lift and fetch: Stewart Davidson, Rob. Drive and P for Crossaig Cup: Roddy McDairmid, Jim. Best shed: John McKillop, Gus. Youngest handler: Andrew P Ronald.

Confined

1 Ian McConnell, fly, 89 points; 2 Alex McCuish, Moss, 81; 3 Peter Clark, Bet, 73; 4 Alex McCuish, Mist, 60.

Willie Mitchell Cup: Alex McCuish.

Specials: Outrun, lift and fetch for Gilbert MacCormack Cup: Alex McCuish, Moss. Best drive: Iain McConnell, Fly. Best pen: Peter Clark, Bett. Best shed for Dougie MacDougall Cup: Iain McConnell, Fly.

Judge Adam Simpson from Comrie; Stuart Davidson, winner in the open class; Alex McCuish, clerk; Richard Semple, Ian McConnell and Roddy McDairmid.

Andrew P Ronald, Campbeltown with Meg. 12_c34skp02

Alex MacCuish, Iain McConnell and Jimmy Barr keep an eye on proceedings.12_c34skp04

Wullie Stevenson made the journey over from Arran to Skipness trials on Saturday with Nell and Jan. 12_c34skp05

Johnny MacLachlan and Taff travelled all the way from Spean Bridge to compete in the Skipness annual trials on Saturday.
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Stewart Davidson and Rob won the open. 12_c34skp03

John Baker of Bute with Vicky. 12_c34skp01

Kenny Grieve of Skipness with Zac. 12_c34skp06

Graduations

Elaine Barber

ELAINE Barber (née Robins) graduated with MSc in Applied Psychology for Children and Young People from Edinburgh University.

Shona Angus

SHONA Angus, former Head Girl of Campbeltown Grammar School, recently graduated from the University of Stirling with a BSc (Hons) First Class degree in Sports Studies with Professional Education and Physical Education. She also won the University of Stirling PE Prize. She has a PE teaching post at Stirling High School. Her brother, Ross Angus, also from Campbeltown Grammar School, graduated from the University of the West of Scotland with a BSc (Hons) Upper Second Class degree in Computer Animation. Ross and Shona are the son and daughter of Rod and Niccy Angus of the Scottish Owl Centre, Campbeltown.

Iain MacNab

IAIN MacNab recently graduated from Strathclyde University with a First Class Honours Degree in English. Iain is the son of John and Jennifer MacNab, Ardrishaig, grandson of Mary MacNab, Tarbert, and is a former pupil of Ardrishaig Primary and Lochgilphead High School.

Lisa Hardie

LISA Hardie recently graduated from the University of Glasgow with a BSc (Hons) in Geography. Lisa is the daughter of David and Anne Hardie, Innisfail, Campbeltown and the granddaughter of George and Ellen McMillan, Campbeltown and Alexander and Catherine Hardie, Glasgow.

Kirsty Wallace

KIRSTY Wallace recently graduated from the University of Strathclyde with an MA (Hons) in History. Kirsty is the daughter of John and Margaret Wallace of Campbeltown.

Nicola Morrison

NICOLA Morrison recently graduated from Glasgow Caledonian University with a BSc (Hons) in Optometry. Nicola is the younger daughter of James and Mary Morrison, Woodside, Kilkerran Road, Campbeltown. She has commenced a placement with Boots Optician, Dundee for her pre-registration year.

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On 6th August 2009 Argyll and Bute Council by resolution adopted the above named local plan.

Certified copies of the plan and of the resolution together with certified copies of the reports of all local inquiries held and of the councils statements prepared following the consideration of such reports have been deposited at Reception, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilphead.

The deposited documents are available for inspection free of charge, at the Councils offices at Kilmory between 09.00 and 17.00 hours Monday to Friday.

The plan became operative on 6th August 2009, but if any person aggrieved by the plan desires to question its validity on the ground that it is not within the powers conferred by Part II of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997, or that any requirement of the said part II or of any regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the adoption of the plan, he may, within six weeks from 20th August 2009 make an application to the Court of Session under section 238 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997.

21 August 2009
Angus Gilmour
Head of Planning Services

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2008 REGULATION 20 (1) ADVERT STATEMENT

Applications for planning permission listed below together with the plans and other document submitted with them may be:

Examined at 67 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig PA30 8DX between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday to Friday and by logging on to the Council's Website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk and clicking on online planning applications.

Written comments for the following applications may be made to Planning Services, 67 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig PA30 8DX by 11th September 2009 for the following list of application for planning permission.

- **Ref No: 09/00819/PP**
Applicant: Mr and Mrs J Roberts
Proposal: Demolition of smithy and erection of dwelling house and formation of shared access
Site address: Land South West of Waterside, Tayvallich, Lochgilphead, Argyll and Bute PA31 8PJ.
- **Ref No: 09/01036/PP**
Applicant: Mr C Self
Proposal: Erection of dwellinghouse and installation of sewage treatment plant
Site address: Land North of The Bothy, Tayvallich, Lochgilphead, Argyll and Bute, PA31 8PN
- **Ref No: 09/01038/PP**
Applicant: L Pollock
Proposal: Extension to dwellinghouse
Site address: Ardailly, Isle of Gigha, Argyll and Bute, PA41 7AA
- **Ref No: 09/01051/PP**
Applicant: Louise Nolan
Proposal: Erection of dwellinghouse and installation of septic tank - Amended design to previous approval.
Site address: Land North West of North Beachmore, Muasdale, Argyll and Bute,

Argyll and Bute Council maintain a Register of planning applications which can be viewed between 9 a.m. and 5 pm at Planning Services, Dalriada House, Lochgilphead, Argyll PA31 8ST.

An extant list of planning applications which can be viewed on the Councils website www.argyll-bute.gov.uk.

A weekly list of applications which can be viewed at Planning Services, Dalriada House, Lochgilphead, Argyll PA31 8ST and Argyll and Bute Council Libraries.

Any letter of representation the council receives about a planning application is considered a public document.

Please therefore note that representations will be made available for public inspection and, under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act, will be copied on request. They will also be published on the council's web site.

The author of such a representation is solely responsible for its content and accuracy.

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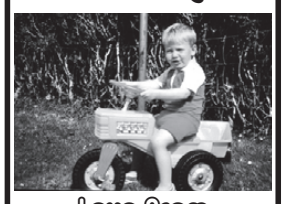

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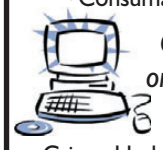

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.
Hebrews 13:2

BIRTHS

KENNEDY-WALTERS - Donald and Amy are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Lewis, on August 15, 2009, at the Princess Royal Hospital, Glasgow. First grandchild for Iain and Ruby and Andy and Joan. Thanks to all staff involved.

SINCLAIR - Donald and Alison are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Oliver, on Tuesday, August 11, 2009 at the Royal Princess Maternity Hospital, Glasgow. All doing well.

SCOTT - Richard and Emma (née Stewart) are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Mirren Kate, on August 1, 2009. Fourth grandchild of Walter and Mary and first grandchild of Ian and the late Mary. A niece for Mhairi and Katie. Special thanks to midwives at Stirling Royal Infirmary (Poppy Team, especially Hilary and Janice).

ENGAGEMENTS

CAMPBELL - LAUGHLAN - Both families are happy to announce the engagement of Heather, only daughter of Lorraine, Campbeltown, to Allan, youngest son of John and Minnette, Dunoon.

McKENZIE - BROWN - Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Lorna, daughter of Eleanor and the late Peter, Lochgilphead, to Charles, son of Ann Marie and Charles, Coatbridge.

MARRIAGES

KELLY - WALLACE - On July 31, 2009 in Rhodes, Greece, the wedding took place of Dawn, only daughter of Jean and Malcolm Kelly, formerly of Campbeltown, now Alexandria, to Bobby, only son of Anne and the late Bobby Wallace, Bonhill.

MACKAY - McCRAE - Both families are delighted to announce the marriage of Susan, youngest daughter of the late John Angus and Sandra Mackay, Stornoway to Calum McCrae, second son of Alistair and Linda, Grassfield Farm, Whitehouse at Luss Parish Church, Loch Lomond on Saturday, August 1, 2009. A wonderful day was had by all.

McFADYEN - GORMLEY - Both families are delighted to announce the marriage of Caroline, elder daughter of Linda and John, to Simon, son of Helen and Peter at Melville Castle on August 1, 2009.

DEATHS

CLARK - On August 12, 2009, suddenly at home, Edmond Sumner (Ted) of Northlea, Tarbert, Loch Fyne, in his 88th year, dearly beloved husband of Adeline and much loved father of John, Niall and Moira. Funeral service was held at Tarbert Parish Church, on August 19, cremation thereafter at Cardross Crematorium.

GIBB - Peacefully, at home in Yetholm, on August 11, 2009, aged 74 years, Laurence John Andrew (Larry), beloved husband of Joy, father of Debbie, Rod and Stuart and a devoted and loving grandpa to Nathan, Rebecca, Katie, Rory and Rudy. A private ceremony was held at Yetholm Cemetery on Wednesday, August 19, 2009.

MACINTYRE - After a long illness, borne with dignity, strength and courage, at home with her family, Rosa MacIntyre, aged 51 years, of 6 Finnish Houses, Ford, by Lochgilphead. Beloved wife of Iain and much loved mum of Emma and Ewen. Funeral service was held in Kilmartin Parish Church on Thursday August 20, followed by interment at Achnabreac Cemetery. Forever in our thoughts.

MORRISON - Peacefully after a short illness at Glenaray Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead on August 13, 2009, Murdo Morrison, aged 68 years, of 6 Dochas Place, Lochgilphead and formerly of Tayvallich and Glasgow. Son of the late Murdo and Bessie Morrison and loving brother of John and Maureen. Cherished uncle to Calum, Peter and Simon. Treasured fiancé of Annie. Dear cousin of Betty, Frank and all the family. Much loved friend of all at Lochgilphead Resource Centre. Funeral service was held at Tayvallich Church on Tuesday, August 18, followed by interment at Carsaig Cemetery. Sadly missed.

PURVIS - Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on August 17, 2009, Ian Whitelaw Purvis MC in his 87th year, Tornaveen, Clachan, by Tarbert, Argyll, a dearly loved and loving husband, father and grandfather. A private cremation will be held in Cardross Crematorium. A memorial service will be held in Clachan Church on Saturday, August 22, 2009 at 1.00pm to which all friends are respectfully invited. No flowers please. A retiral collection will be held in the church in aid of the Ghurkha Welfare Trust.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

FLEMING - A memorial service for the late Ronnie Fleming and his wife Margaret Currie, both from Campbeltown, then Brisbane, Australia, will be held at the Highland Parish Church, at 11.00am on Friday, August 28, 2009. Their son Hugh, who has travelled from Australia with their ashes, would dearly like to meet family and friends at the service, and then the scattering of the ashes will take place after the church service.

IN MEMORIAM

CAMPBELL - In loving memory of Malcolm, a dear husband, dad, granda and great-granda, who died August 18, 1994.
A new year comes, another goes,
But the gates of memory never close,
Just as you were you will always be,
Someone special in our memory.
Sadly missed.
- Mary and family, at home and away.

DOCHERTY - In memory of Flo, died August 20, 2008.
Always in our thoughts.
- Peter, Angus, Fiona, Don and Sharon.

HUNTER - Bill, August 22, 2002.
Our deeply loved, loving and devoted husband, dad and papa.
Our love is yours always.
- Nancy, Kevin, Karen, Jumbo, Christopher and Aimee xx.

MACGILLIVRAY - (née Girvan) – In loving memory of my wife, Jessie, who died August 21, 2007.
Another year has gone by,
But in my heart you are always there.
I miss you more than anyone knows.
Loved and remembered always.
- Ian xxx.

MACGILLIVRAY – Dearest Mum.
"If love could have saved you, you would have lived forever."
- Katie x.

McGREGOR - In loving memory of a very dear aunt, Chrissie, who died August 26, 2005. Ever remembered and greatly missed.
- Raymond and family.

MARTIN - In loving memory of our much loved father and grampa, John. Memories of you are fondly kept.
- Caroline, Neil John, Michelle, Catrina and Elizabeth.

MARTIN - In loving memory of John, a dear father and grandfather who died August 15, 2005.
To us you were someone special,
What more is there to say,
Except to wish with all our hearts,
That you were here today.
- John, Rhona, Craig and Lynsey.

ORR - In loving memory of Uncle Archie, who died on August 26, 2003.
Resting where no shadows fall.
- From all the family.

ROBERTSON - In loving memory of my dear mum, Margaret, died August 25, 1979.
They say in time, you do forget,
To some that may be true,
No morning dawns, no night returns,
Without a thought of you.
Your loving daughter,
- Nan and Archie, East Kilbride.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES

Church of Scotland
NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
Morning Worship
Sunday 23rd August 2009
Tayvallich Church... 10.00am.
Worship led David Logue
All Welcome
Interim Moderator: Rev. Hilda Smith 01546 602238
www.argyllcommunities.org/NKNAPDALECOFS

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN
Sunday 23 August 2009
11.00am
Worship Service for all ages
followed by light lunch
Speaker: Graham McLean
"Streams in the Desert"
Thursday 27 August 2009
7.30pm
Praise, prayer & sharing
All Welcome
"Come and see"

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND KILBERRY LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 23rd August 2009
Kilberry Church 10.00am
Tarbert Church 11.30am
Margaret Sinclair
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Everyone very welcome

LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
All Welcome
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson
Sunday 23rd August 2009
11.00am Morning Service
6.30pm Evening Service
The Hamilton Family
Link Missionaries
Scottish Charity SC015187

KINTYRE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
Meeting to be held on
Friday 28th August
at 7.30pm in
Lorne & Lowland (new) Church Hall Campbeltown.
Guest Speaker:
Dr Colin Peckham,
Itinerant Evangelist.
Solos and Testimony from
Mrs Mary Peckham.
Tea/Coffee served after meeting.
Everyone welcome.
Don't miss this special evening.

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH
Scottish Charity
Number SC 11686
Sunday, 23rd August
Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m.
(Creche, Triple C & Bible Class)
Rev. Catriona A. Hood
Tuesday, 25th August
Mothers' and Toddlers' Club resumes - 9:45 a.m.

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
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10.45 a.m. ..... Coffee
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St. Kiaran's Scottish Episcopal Church
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Sunday 23rd August 2009
11th Sunday after Trinity
8.30am Holy Communion
10.45am Family Communion Service with Gaelic
Details of services are on the church door
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LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 23rd August 2009
Worship Service
11.00 a.m.
Rev. Hilda Smith
All welcome
Scottish Charity SC015187

GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH
SUNDAY 23rd AUGUST 2009
Kilmartin 11.30am
Rev Alistair Dunlop
All most welcome

CUMLODDEN LOCHFYNESIDE AND LOCHGAIR (Church of Scotland)
Scottish Charity Number SC016097
Sunday 23rd August 2009
UNITED SERVICE
CUMLODDEN CHURCH
10.30 am
Presentation of Long-service Certificates
(Tea to follow)
Rev. Roddy MacLeod
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TONIGHT!
Guild Annual Sale of Work
Furnace Village Hall
Friday 21st August 7 pm

SONGS OF PRAISE AT AUCHINDRAIN
Sunday 30th August
at 6.30 pm
on the theme of
Homecoming

ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES
Sunday 23rd August
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Ardrishaig at 11:00am
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(for children of all ages)
restarts today
and meets in
Ardrishaig at 11 o'clock

Highland Parish Church

Sunday 23rd August 2009
11.15am
Morning Service
Creche at church (0-3yrs)
Enrolment for FunDay Club (3yrs – P5)
at Kirk St Hall
JAM (P6 +) starts next week
3.00pm
Campbeltown Churches Together
Open Air Service
by Jock's Boat,
Quarry Green
(Collection for Sunshine Room
Campbeltown Hospital)
Tuesday 26th August
7.30pm
Bible Society Action Group
Kirk St Hall
Rev Michael J Lind
Everyone very welcome

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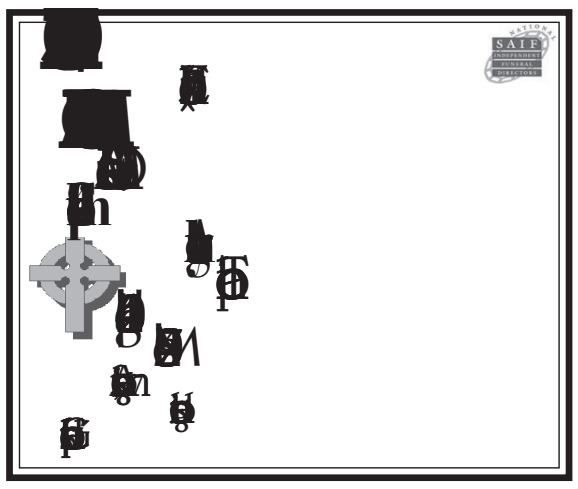

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West Highland sailing for Celtic Spirit

Brian Robertson, from Silvercraigs near Lochgilphead, finished sixth in Class Three in this year's West Highland Week with his yacht 'Celtic Spirit'. A whole host of Argyll boats battled it out during the annual yachting festival, held from July 31 until August 7.

Photograph courtesy of Ron Cowan www.yachtingimages.co.uk

John skydives for charity

A FORMER Lochgilphead High School head boy will leap out of a plane in a lone skydive to raise money for UNICEF and the town's MS Centre.

John Frame received the skydive as a present for his 21st birthday from his sister, Lynne and has decided to put the gift to good use.

Taking to the sky next month in Strathallan, Perthshire, John is hoping to raise as much money as possible for the two causes, with each receiving a 50/50 share.

'The reason I chose to do this for charity is because UNICEF is the most affective and regulated cause in the world and the MS centre does so much good work in Mid Argyll. So many people in this area are affected, indirectly and directly, with MS,' explained John.

John, who studies law at Edinburgh University, has distributed sponsor forms in the Argyll Arms Hotel in Ardrishaig and the MS centre in Lochgilphead.

People can also make a donation by contacting John by email - john_flyingscot@hotmail.co.uk or telephone him on 07970 726 955.

John Frame is hoping to raise as much money as possible for UNICEF and the MS Centre in Lochgilphead by leaping out of a plane in a lone skydive next month. 06_a34jon01

Mid Argyll triathletes do the 'Durty' in St Mary's Loch

IN THE last month several Mid Argyll triathletes have been competing across the British Isles in various Triathlon events with some great performances achieved.

On Saturday July 20 Sally Logue and Laura Blowers both from Tayvallich, and Eamonn Staunton from Lochgilphead, all competed in the Loch Lomond Highland Games open water triathlon held at Balloch Castle country park. Sally, competing in her second triathlon, had a solid performance to win the female race with Eamonn in his first triathlon getting an impressive second overall. Laura had the quickest 600 metre swim and after a hard off-road run came fourth in the female category.

On July 27 John Rae from Inverinan, who completed his first Ironman in Canada last year - a 3.2 mile swim, 112 mile bike and 26 mile run, was competing at the Strathclyde Olympic open water distance Triathlon in preparation for a ½ Ironman event in Germany on August 15.

July 27 also saw Stephen Whiston from Ardrishaig in action at the Thame Sprint triathlon near Northampton while on holiday. He successfully negotiated the course and was fifth in his age-group category.

On August 1 another three local triathletes ventured down to the Scottish Borders to take part in an open water event in St Marys Loch, The 'Durty' triathlon.

This event is one of the few truly off road events in Scotland and suited the three off road specialists who made the trip. Hannah Barnes from Lochgilphead, in only her second triathlon used her strong biking skills in the long distance event to come in a creditably third in her category. Also competing in the long distance event was Oban's Mike Bossard, whose exceptionally strong bike and run pulled him up to fourth overall in his first triathlon.

In the shorter sprint distance event, Matt Donald from Ormsary took ten minutes off his time from last year's event to win his category.

Mid Argyll Triathlon Club hosts its own very successful triathlon on September 27. Individual entries are now full but there are a few team spots still available.

For more information visit - http://www.mid-argyllcycleclub.co.uk/web

Knapdale Gun Club

KNAPDALE Gun Club is the venue for the club's annual Cancer Charity shoot and article match on August 29 at their ground near Seafield Farm in Achnamara.

The competition is over two 25 bird DTL matches, with the winners taking home the Archie MacVicar Memorial and Dochie MacDonald Memorial shields. Shooting starts at 1pm. Articles and donations gratefully accepted. Phone 01546 606600 for information.

Under 13s lose out to Oban Saints in friendly

THE NEWEST Lochgilphead Soccer Centre squad, the Under 13s, opened their season with a 4-2 defeat to Oban Saints Under 13s last Sunday.

The Lochgilphead team, sponsored by D A MacDonald (Contractors) Ltd, were under pressure from the kick off as Oban played the better football and Oban took the lead midway through the first half.

The lead was doubled minutes later as Lochgilphead struggled into the strong wind but they pulled a goal back before half time when a Keir Whitefield pass put Ewan Dudding through and he placed the ball out of the reach of the Oban keeper.

Lochgilphead started the second half strongly and had several chances to equalise before Ewan Dudding levelled with another cool finish. Oban took the lead again when a shot unluckily deflected over stand in keeper Ben Miller but the Mid Argyll boys pressed to equalise again and Aaron Moore and Kyle Selfridge both were unlucky to see shots hit the woodwork.

As Lochgilphead continued to push forward Oban scored a fourth goal to make the final score 4-2.

Amateur Cup draws

THE first and second round of the Fosters Scottish Amateur Cup and the Colville Park Country Club West of Scotland Cup were drawn on Monday.

Scottish Cup - first round: Busby v Lochgilphead Red Star, winners at home to Tarbolton in round two; DDT Ams v Campbeltown Boys, winners away to St Mungo's FP; Haldane United v Campbeltown Pupils, winners at home to Craigfoot; Tarbert v Thorn Athletic, winners away to Erskine Bridge.

Second round: Dunoon v Condorrat and Oban Saints v Drumpellier Thistle.

The first round games are scheduled to be played on Saturday October 3 with the second round being played on Saturday October 10.

West of Scotland Cup second round: Glenvale v Lochgilphead Red Star; Troon v Dunoon; Oban Saints v Darvel Vics or Hamilton FP; Campbeltown Boys v Glenacre and Campbeltown Pupils v Harmony Row.

These games are due to be played on Saturday October 24.

Athletic remain unbeaten

ARGYLL Athletic continued their unbeaten run in the league this season with an 8-1 thumping of Kinloch recently.

Kinloch took the lead in the first half, but ten minutes later near half time Gary Crawford pulled a goal back to make it 1-1 at half time.

With a substitution at half time 'Biscuits' was upfront and did not take long to make an impact with five goals within half an hour.

Kinloch seemed to lose interest after this although Argyll pressed on with another two goals from Rab and Dodger.

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Star away to Carlton

LOCHGILPHEAD Red Star's first game of the season was postponed as a result of bad weather last Saturday.

Allan Weir now takes his team to Carlton tomorrow (Saturday). This should prove a tough test for the TTB sponsored side.

Lottery numbers

INVERARAY Shinty Club lottery numbers for this week are 3, 7 and 12. A. Stewart of Inveraray won £500. Next week's jackpot will return to £100.

KILMORY Camanachd Shinty Club lottery numbers for this week are 7, 13 and 16. There were no winners and the jackpot will be £500 next week.

SAFL fixtures

FIXTURES for Campbeltown Boys, Campbeltown Pupils and Tarbert were cancelled last weekend due to bad weather.

Tomorrow (Saturday) sees the Pupils playing at home against Centre AFC with a 2pm kick-off at Kintyre Park, referee John Scott.

The Boys travel to play Rutherglen with a 2pm kick-off.

Tarbert AFC also plays away to Port Glasgow OBU, also with a 2pm kick-off.

In a pre-season friendly recently, Carradale travelled to Tarbert where they won 6-5.

Zipslide Challenge

WITH the MacLeod Construction Ltd team already signed up for the challenge, MacMillan Cancer Support is urging more local people to sign up to the Loch Lomond Zipslide Challenge.

Disabled sailing comes to Tarbert

Instructors will be on hand to make the experience as enjoyable as possible

RYA SAILABLILITY Scotland and the Royal Highland Yacht Club are working together to deliver a programme of taster sessions in sailing, for people with disabilities, across the west coast of Scotland.

Royal Highland Yacht Club Sail Training Trust accessed funding through the Diana, Princess of Wales Trust, to look at stimulating interest in sailing in the disabled community.

Encourage

RYA Sailability Scotland, a recognised Scottish Charity, will be working with Tarbert Loch Fyne Yacht Club in East Loch Tarbert, to encourage local disabled people aged between 10 and 25 years to come along tomorrow (Saturday), to take part in sailing sessions, of 90 minutes in length and starting at 10am, 11.30am and 2.15pm.

Participants do not need to have been sailing before, as instructors and helpers will be there to make the experience as enjoyable as possible.

For more information contact - 07554 971168 or email scotland.development@ryasailability.org

Action from Lochgilphead v Kinloch match. 12_c34ftb03

Tayvallich Regatta raises highest ever sum

A DAY of races and fun for Tayvallich Sailing Club have raised £1470 to fund sailing classes for youngsters.

As well as the serious competition for first in the dinghy, windsurfing and keelboat races, club members and visitors joined in a one oar race, blindfolded rowing and a raft race. There was also swimming for adults and children in the outer bay.

Subsidise

The regatta finished in festive style with a barbeque and prize-giving at the Tayvallich Inn. Funds raised will help subsidise the club's junior section, the Cygnets.

Results: Windsurfer 1 Adam Lazenbury; Dinghy 1 Mark Stocks; 2 Andrew Russell; 3 Donald Carmichael. Keelboat 1 Alan Simpson; 2 Brian Johnston; 3 Jilly Wilson.

Two out of three for CADFL

TWO games were played out of three at the weekend in the Campbeltown and District Amateur Football League.

Kinloch took a 4-1 win over Lochgilphead Wanderers and Southend lost 2-3 against Davaar.

Waterlogged Pitch

The Kintyre v Ardrishaig match was called off due to a water logged pitch.

Due to the Mull of Kintyre Music Festival this weekend league fixtures were due to be played last night, tonight (Friday) and Sunday.

Last night (Thursday) Kinloch were due to take on Davaar at Kinloch Park at 6.30pm, referee was A Mitchell.

Tonight (Friday) at Ropework Park, Lochgilphead take on Ardrishaig at 6.30pm, referee J Lister.

On Sunday Kintyre play Carradale at the Meadows Playing Fields at 6.30pm, referee R Judge.

Steve wins James Mundell Open

Steve Bleasby won the James Mundell Memorial Open in Tarbert. Steve is pictured with Mrs Catherine Mundell.

STEVE Bleasby, with a net score of 60, emerged as the winner of the inaugural James Mundell Memorial Open played over the Glenralloch links on Sunday August 9.

The competitors enjoyed favourable weather conditions throughout the day, although some tricky pin positions made scoring difficult.

Eddie White was second with a net score of 62. K Crockett, from Forest Park Golf Club in York won the scratch prize with a score of 67, piping 'country boy' Duncan Johnnstone 68.

This event proved to be very popular, with participants from many clubs throughout Argyll and beyond.

The club wish to thank the ladies who worked tirelessly all day providing nourishment and taxi services to all the golfers, to the members who provided raffle prizes, to the large number who waited for the presentation of prizes and to the Mundell Family for their support in what turned out to be a terrific day.

Prize winners: Nett Scores: 1 Steve Bleasby (Tarbert) 75 (15) 60, 2 Eddie White (Tarbert) 71 (9) 62, 3 Jackie Cupples (Tarbert) 70 (16) 63, 4 John MacNab (Tarbert) 71 (6) 65. Scratch Scores: 1 K Crockett (Forest Park, York) 67, 2 Duncan Johnstone (Tarbert) 68, 3 Alex McAulay (Lochgilphead) 70, 4 Lee Mathieson (Machrihanish) 70, Longest Drive 2nd/11th Eric Capocci (Lochgilphead), Nearest the Hole 8th/17th Duncan Johnstone (Tarbert), Nearest the Hole 9th/18th Gordon McCaffery (Tarbert).

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Neil wards off all opposition

LOCHGILPHEAD Angling Club's recent competitions saw Neil Ward stretch his lead for the championship with a fine bag of 21 trout weighing 11 pounds and one ounce in the evening doubles competition. His partner Malky McDonald Jnr caught two trout weighing one pound seven and a half ounces.

Robert McCallum and Willie Robertson were in second place with 10 trout weighing four pounds ten and three quarter ounces.

The Loch Awe competition for the MacLeod Homes Cup was held on a warm day with a light breeze. Dugald MacGilp was first with four brown trout weighing five pounds two ounces. Archie MacGilp Jnr was second with two brown trout weighing one pound seven and three quarter ounces.

At the fifth club loch competition Archie MacGilp Snr won the McArthur Sports Shield with five trout weighing two pounds eight ounces. Neil Ward was second with three trout weighing one pound nine ounces.

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