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A New dawn for Arran Haulage as Donald

bows out

Armitage brings fresh ideas to take company forward

REPORT

by HUGH BOAG

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One of the best known firms on Arran has a new owner.

Arran Haulage Services Ltd has been sold by directors Donald Bannatyne and Carolyn Warwick to Struan and Rachel Armitage of Armitage Groundworks for an undisclosed sum. No other parties are involved.

Both Arran Haulage and Armitage Groundworks will continue to operate as separate companies. Donald is severing all ties with the company he and Carolyn have built up over the past 28 years.

They are on holiday in Greece but before he left Donald told the *Banner*: 'The time was right for me to sell up. I have taken Arran Haulage as far as I can. I could not think of a better couple than Struan and Rachel to take the company

forward and to a new level.'

New owner Struan said: 'It is very much business as usual. We are taking over a firm which is very professionally run and we want to continue that. It is a privilege to take it over, keep it going and take it forward to the next level. We plan to freshen it up and have some different ideas. The two businesses complement each other and we are looking forward to the new challenge.'

The sale also gives a guarantee of employment to the 15 drivers and other employees at Arran Haulage, many of whom have worked for the company for many years.

Armitage, which has 21 employees, will be moving its offices to the Home Farm site but will retain the yard at Market Road.

The story of Arran Haulage began in 1988 when Donald and business part-



Handing over are, left to right, Struan and Rachel Armitage who take over the company from Carolyn Warwick and Donald Bannatyne. 01_A37haulage01

ner Derek Warwick took over the former Home Farm, initially using the old farm building to house their new business.

The company was started in May of that year by a merger of Bannatyne Motors, founded by Donald's father, the late D S Bannatyne, and Arran Transport Trading Co with Donald as Derek as executive directors. Sadly, Derek died just two years later of cancer at the age of 50.

In 1994, Donald bought the shares of the Arran Transport and Arran Haulage, as it is trading today, was born.

Donald is rightly proud of the fact that in all but two years, the first being its start-up year, the company has been in profit and he hands over a business in a healthy shape.

Two-thirds of the company's work is purely haulage and the rest is retail sales. The company has built up its express parcel, animal

feeds and building materials work over the years, adding coal and Calor gas supplies along the way. It has also had an ever growing contract with the Isle of Arran Distillery.

Donald said: 'It has been a pleasure to watch that business grow. We have a very good relationship with the distillery, we have been there since day one and it is great that they are building a second one.'

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Walkers in ridge rescue

Three walkers had to be rescued from a ridge after they got lost in the northern mountains as night fell on Monday.

The Arran Mountain Rescue Team (AMRT) was called out at around 9pm to assist with a search for three walkers who had become lost in the hills.

Thankfully, a grid reference was quickly established and the team split into two groups, one including search dog Ruby, setting off from Glen Sannox and heading up to the ridge between Cir Mhor and Caisteal Abhail, and the other group heading up Glen Rosa in the team's ArgoCat to the same location.

The Glen Sannox group spotted a light from one of the climbers' mobile phones and was able to verify their location on the ridge.

After a short while the three walkers were found huddled together along the ridge and, although tired, frightened and cold, were uninjured.

After some heating up and food, the three climbers were able to be guided down from their location to back to Glen Rosa.

The Arran Mountain Rescue Team would like to remind anyone venturing up the hills, especially at this time of year when the days are now getting shorter, that a head torch, as well as a map or compass and the knowledge of how to use them are advised.



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Boost for democracy as locality partnership meets to set priorities

The first formal meeting of the Arran Locality Partnership took place in Brodick Hall on Tuesday night.

The formation of locality partnerships, described as 'a new era of grassroots democracy' by North Ayrshire Council follows after an extensive consultation which took place last year.

The new group comprises local community representatives, councillors, officials and those with specific

expertise who are working together to develop locality plans.

The plans will ensure a stronger and more localised way of setting local priorities and responding to community challenges.

The partnership is chaired by Arran councillor John Bruce and at the start of the meeting community representative Bill Calderwood was elected vice-chairman.

During the meeting they



The first meeting of the Arran Locality Partnership held this week. 01_A37locality01

began the process of determining local priorities which it was agreed would include housing and community, public transport and traffic and parking.

A council spokesman said: 'Locality partnerships empower our communities to take responsibility for local action and allow the true

spirit of local democracy to unfold and flourish across North Ayrshire.

Decisions

'These consultations give everyone a chance to have an input and be involved in the decisions that affect their lives from day to day.'

Local people can find out more about the partner-

ship's working and local events in North Ayrshire on the newly-launched website www.northayrshire.com. The site also features the searchable consultation portal, which lets communities see at a glance who is consulting on what in their local area and how they can contribute.

New dawn for Arran haulage

Continued from page 1 ed: 'That is something we would be keen to build on.'

Donald, who is 57, said he and Carolyn were planning a 'gap year'. He said: 'When we left school or university there was no question of taking a year out, so I think we deserve it now.'

'The timing is good. I believe Struan and Rachel can bring a lot to Arran Haulage which I don't have the energy for any more. I think they can do a lot for this company and that it will have a bright future.'

Customers

Donald added: 'The value of this company are the customers and the people who work for us. We wouldn't be here if it wasn't for them and I would like to thank them for their loyalty and support.'

Originally from Ayr, Struan came to Arran when he was 16. The couple, who have two children - Armitage apprentice Joel, 17, and Emily, who is 14 - started Armitage Groundworks in Renfrewshire in 1994, before moving the business to Arran two years later, growing it into the family business it is today.

New cruise ship visits Brodick

A new US cruise ship has visited Arran for the first time.

The MV Clio brought its 89 passengers to the island on Thursday as part of a Coastal Charms of England, Wales, Ireland and Scotland tour. On their visit to Arran today the passengers will enjoy a traditional Arran lunch at homes across the island. The ship berthed in Brodick Bay with the passengers brought ashore by tender.

Operated by Grand Circle Cruise Lines the recently acquired ship has been specifically designed for American travellers who are paying from £7,195 (£5,114) for the 15 day trip.

The cruise ship will return to Arran with another set of passengers next week and again later this month.

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Big increase in car accidents with Corrie road a blackspot

A steep rise in police incidents on Arran can be largely put down to motoring mishaps, according to local officers.

Laying out the statistics at a recent meeting of Arran Community Council, Sergeant Allen Dodds revealed that no fewer than 161 incidents had been reported in the previous five weeks. Removing duplicate reports, the number stood at 150 unique incidents as opposed to 85 in 2015 – a 76 per cent increase on the year.

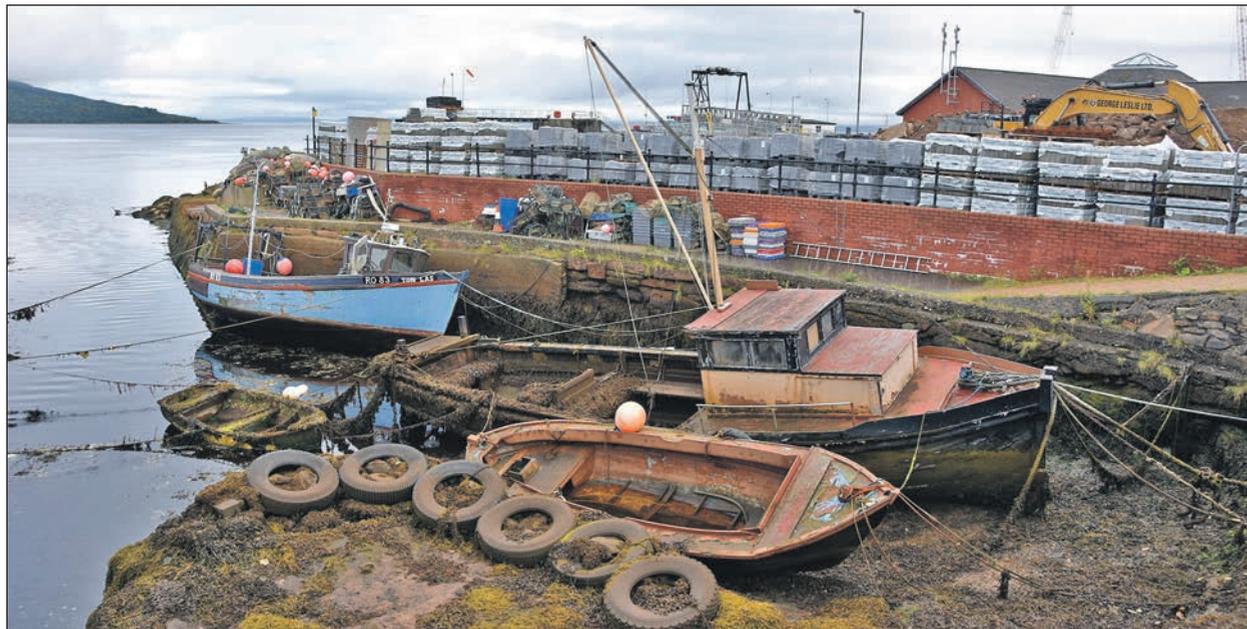
The majority of the incidents contributing to this big increase, said Sergeant Dodds, were road traffic accidents.

One stretch of the island's road network with a particularly high rate of motoring mishaps is between Corrie and Brodick, with vehicles regularly going off the carriageway.

In response to community councillors' questions about the speed of traffic in this area, he said: 'The cars that have come off haven't been doing any great speed – they just seem to have gone on to the verge and lost control.'

'I am speaking to traffic management officers to see what we can do to raise awareness about safe driving before next year.'

Action is to be taken on eyesore boats



The larger vessel and two smaller boats in the foreground, which are to be removed. 01_A37boats01

Action is to be taken to clear three eyesore boats from Brodick harbour.

Harbour owner Caledonian Maritime Assets Ltd (CMAL) plans to remove the abandoned boats from mouth of the Strathwhillan Burn.

They say all three boats have fallen into a state of disrepair and appear in danger of breaking up. As such they are now considered wrecks and pose a risk to vessels navigating within the inner harbour area.

The owners of the boats have seven days to contact CMAL harbour master, David McHardie, and if they fail to do so the boats will be removed and disposed of under the statutory legislation.



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Isabelle Peters, playing the Countess in Mozart's *The Marriage of Figaro*. 01_B37opera02



David Cane performs Valentin's aria *Avant de quitter ces lieux* in Gounod's *Faust*. 01_B37opera04



Rhian Taylor sings the French solo in Ambroise Thomas' *Mignon*. 01_B37opera05

Young musicians deliver an island opera gala night to remember

Words and photographs by COLIN SMEETON

Billed as 'a night to remember', the opera gala event held last Friday at the community theatre lived up to its promise with more than two hours of operatic talent entertaining the packed auditorium.

Students from the Royal Northern College of Music, who had attended the Peter Alexander Wilson summer school, had spent the previous 10 days practising and perfecting their performance and singing skills before their gala night which is a highlight of the summer school.

Performing a wide variety of operas – from the most performed, Verdi's *La Traviata*, to Puccini's *La Boheme* – the ensemble produced not only the classics but also contemporary

songs, including *The Arran Song* which received rapturous applause.

While the first half was comprised of classics, the second half took on a lighter side with a good selection from *Die Fledermaus*, *Hansel and Gretel* and *The Mikado's Three little maids from school*.

Accompanying the singers were three accomplished pianists – Daniel Browell, who is the head of piano accompaniment at Birmingham Conservatoire of Music; Roddy Barand, the senior fellow in accompaniment at the Birmingham Conservatoire, and Michael Davies, who is the senior fellow at the Royal Northern College of Music.

The three pianists flawlessly provided all of the music for the event, as

well as three duets which included the rousing and popular *Scotch Rhapsody*.

Unfortunately one of the performers, Connor Baiano, fell ill the day before the concert, which meant that he was unable to attend so a few performances were omitted. However,

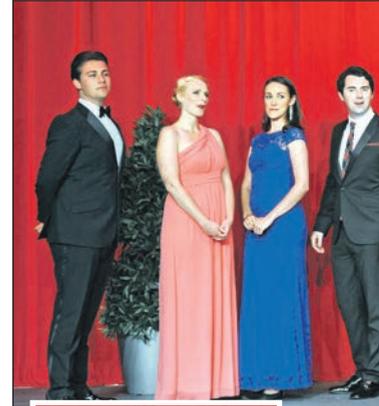
the hard work put into the concert by Peter Alexander Wilson, assistant coaches Patricia Hay and Philip Thomas, ensured that the evening was indeed one that will remain in the memories of those who attended for some time to come.



Liam McNally and Brian McNamee comfort Sarah Gilford playing Susanna in their trio performance of *The Marriage of Figaro*. 01_B37opera03



The second act of Johann Strauss



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The ensemble led by tenor soloist Ryan Davies received a loud applause for their performance of The Arran Song. 01_B37opera08



Joseph Spratt performs the opening scene of Verdi's Rigoletto. 01_B37opera01



The humorous Three little maids from school by Gilbert and Sullivan was well received by the audience. 01_B37opera10



Daniella Sicari and Joseph Spratt break into a dance while performing Verdi's La Traviata. 01_B37opera12

reaching the high notes, Matthew sang an act from Bellini's fast puritani. 01_B37opera06



A quartet in full swing perform the third act of Puccini's La Boheme. 01_B37opera07



Brian McNamee introduced the audience to the story before performing Verdi's La Traviata. 01_B37opera09

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They welcome new embroiders of all abilities, including beginners, and will make any interested visitors feel most welcomed. If you would like any further information, contact Ann Hollingworth on 840270.

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Youth fundraiser to be held at Strabane House

Arran Youth Foundation's annual fundraiser at Strabane House will this year be held on Saturday September 17, with Lady Jean kindly opening her beautiful gardens once again to raise funds for the group.

With the gardens open from 11am-4pm, visitors will have the chance to enjoy home baking, teas, coffees, a grand raffle and an afternoon performance from Arran Fiddle Club.

Donations can be made upon entry, and the charity is hopeful of another successful event in order to raise funds for the work it does with the island's young people.

Graeme Johnston, AYF's youth work project manager, said: 'As the charity grows, we are doing more and more positive work with Arran's youngsters.'

'As well as giving them opportunities to learn cooking, guitar and film-making with relevant qualifications, we provide fun activi-

ties like lacrosse and other sports, a lunchtime drop-in where they can chill out with their friends, and trips to the mainland for things like Alton Towers, paintball and loads more.

'Our Friday nights attract upwards of 40 kids a week, and we also run youth forum where they can have a say on issues affecting them.'

'It's increasingly the case that AYF is the first port of call for many young people who are struggling with problems, so we are often here to lend an ear, give advice or help them with any issues they're facing.'

'We would really appreciate a good turnout on September 17. We are very grateful to Lady Jean, as the money raised at open days at Strabane always helps the group hugely.'

The raffle will include several top prizes, including two Segway sessions and a £50 voucher kindly donated by the Auchrannie.



Tom takes top gladioli prize

Tom Sillars is pictured with his winning entry and trophy at the Ormidale Hotel gladioli growing competition which was judged on Monday night. His winning gladioli was grown at Cloybank in Brodick.

Exhibition on slate at library

The latest exhibition at Brodick Library is of Anna Keen's work. Anna is an artist whose work is in the style of the old masters. She was born on the Isle of Wight and moved

to Arran with her family at the age of seven. After school she went to Paris to study art for six years and then she lived in Rome for a further six years painting and exhibiting. She has strong family ties to Arran and comes home for three months every year. Her work is mainly in oils and water-colour and for this exhibition mostly on slate. Next month the library will feature Lenny Hartley's strong family ties to Arran photography.

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Please put the right stuff in the right bin

As the second highest performing local authority area in Scotland when it comes to recycling, it's no secret that North Ayrshire Council and its residents know the score when it comes to reducing waste.

However, in a bid to continue its great efforts, the council is looking to work with its communities to stamp out bad habits when it comes to recycling.

These 'bad habits' cost the council more than £2.5 million each year in sending waste to landfill.

Officially starting on Monday 19 September, collection crews will be placing a tag on household recycling bins on Arran that they have been unable to collect due to a contamination – for example using the blue bin to

dispose of black bin liners/ plastic bags, nappies, food and garden waste.

Additionally, all recyclables should be placed in the blue bin as loose items.

The tag explains why it has not been collected and what you should do next. In most cases, tagged bins will only be collected on the household's next collection date, as long as the contaminated item is removed.

Inspiration for the 'Right Stuff, Right Bin' campaign comes from similar schemes which have been successfully implemented by local authorities across the UK. It is hoped that by raising awareness of the 'rules of recycling' through the campaign it will enable even more local residents to recycle correctly.

The 'rules of recycling' are simple:

* Blue bin should only contain loose recyclable glass containers, plastics (bottles, food trays or yoghurt pots), metal cans, tins, cardboard and paper – these should not be placed within plastic bags.

* Grey bin should be used for all other household waste.

Initiative

To help with the launch of the initiative, and to tie in with this year's national Recycling Week campaign, the Council's Waste Awareness Team will be hosting an event in Eco Savvy Arran on Thursday September 15, from 11am-3pm.

Residents with any questions about recycling are advised to head along and



The Arran collection crews with the new tags.

have a chat with the team. Councillor Jim Montgomerie, cabinet member for place, said: 'Although we are currently one of the leading local authority areas in Scotland when it comes to recycling, we are not one to rest on our laurels. This

determination to be sector-leading, teamed with the ever increasing need to reduce costs, has led us to introduce the Right Stuff Right Bin campaign.

'This allows us to work together with members of our local communities to

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THE ARRAN BANNER

In praise of the Lionel Messi of the vegetable category

Here at the *Banner* we don't like to blow our own trumpet all the time, but it is always nice when others seem to appreciate what we do. So we are indebted to well-known Scottish journalist Kevin McKenna, whose latest diary piece on the GlasgowLive website of *Daily Record* and *Sunday Mail* publisher Media Scotland contained the following.

'The Diary was sent on a nice journalistic assignment last week which took us to one of our favourite old childhood holiday destinations, the island of Arran. We were only there for a day but made a point of purchasing the local weekly newspaper, *The Arran Banner*, which has been serving the island for 42 years. At the supermarket checkout, as we made our purchase, we couldn't help noticing that almost everyone in the shop had their own purchased copy.

'*The Arran Banner*, you see, possesses one of the highest readerships by percentage in the UK and received the ultimate accolade from the *Guinness Book of Records* in acknowledgment.

'Last week's edition featured a lovely four-page special on the Arran Horticultural Society's summer show which, if the pictures are anything to go by, indicate that Arran has the finest natural larder in Scotland.

'And hats off to John O'Sullivan, whose name, it seemed, was etched into the very fabric of the voluminous list of prize-winners. There was a great picture of him holding a carrot which would have comfortably served as a chib in some of Glasgow's edgier communities. The caption underneath John and his carrot was a study in laconic simplicity and told us that he was 'an obvious winner in the long carrot class'.

'In total, we think John won about five individual prizes and could be described as the Lionel Messi of the vegetable category.

'*The Arran Banner's* man at the Arran Show stated that John had 'once again produced a huge variety of exhibits from his garden, many of which are grown to show standard in one-metre-long PVC tubes'.

'The Diary salutes Mr O'Sullivan's horticultural genius and his success which can turn on a split-second timing and razor-sharp awareness of the soil and climate.

'But I'm not sure what my old gran would have made of 'one-metre-long' PVC tube.'

Cheers, Kevin!

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'And Jesus began to teach them, saying: 'Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.'
(Matthew 5:1)

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Letters to the Editor



Parking problems

Sir,
I agree wholeheartedly with Ian Ferguson (September 3) when he lists the parking problems within reasonable distance of the new terminal.

Even now parking can require a walk from about the Co-op location or further. As to eliminating foot passengers, all of the obvious frustrations were put to CalMac in the beginning of the process and were mostly ignored.

Using bus stops at Brodick Hall or other locations on a winter morning could be a bitter experience as none of these has any protection from the weather.

Perhaps CalMac could divert some funds from the incredible monster terminal to cover a few bus shelters.

Also as it has, with its 'ride roughshod' attitude, made it necessary to find a new helipad, could there be room for this on the foreshore area opposite the waste collection building?

Perhaps this is another problem it should be solving with funds from the £30 million.

Yours,
**Alistair Glen,
Brodick.**

Nuclear threat

Sir,
Patricia Gibson's revealing letter in the *Banner* of September 3 raises yet another ghastly nuclear accident possibility resulting from the possession of nuclear weapons.

In addition to nuclear transport by air, already there are regular road convoys transporting nuclear material from Burghfield in South England to Faslane. There is not only the risk of a road accident but these convoys are potential terrorist targets.

Inevitably, the need to transport nuclear materials by land or by air over the UK will increase as a result of the Commons vote on July 18 in favour of the renewal of the Trident weapons system. This is at an undeclared but colossal expense.

It is worthy of note that following this debate 58 of the 59 of Scotland's MPs voted against Trident renewal. Their voice had no impact – Faslane is a long way from Westminster but is on Arran's doorstep.

I suspect that, if a referendum were held in Scotland, a vote for the removal of Trident from our shores would be carried. This, however, would be of little

significance unless it was the catalyst for the total annihilation of nuclear weapons throughout the world – anything less is anathema and willingness to use could result in worldwide annihilation, and both are contrary to any vision of global peace.

There is an accident waiting to happen.

Yours,
**John G Webster,
Kingcross.**

Distillery thanks

Sir,
This is just a short note to say a massive thank you to the Isle of Arran Distillery owners and staff for their wonderful help and support during the summer ex-

hibition of the paintings by our orphans and poor children here in Nepal. The exhibition raised £2,030 for the work of the sustainable art project called Kalaa Jyoti run by the Gurkhas.

The money raised has bought enough art materials for the next year and enough money to run the project's halfway house called Arran House for the next four months. So from all of our orphans and staff thank you to everyone who bought a painting or T-shirt or tea towel, every penny will be spent properly.

Yours,
**Gordon Davidson,
Arran House,
Budhanilkantha,
Nepal.**

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... on holiday

The Arran Banner regularly receives pictures of its readers enjoying their holidays in far flung and exotic locations as well as those closer to home.

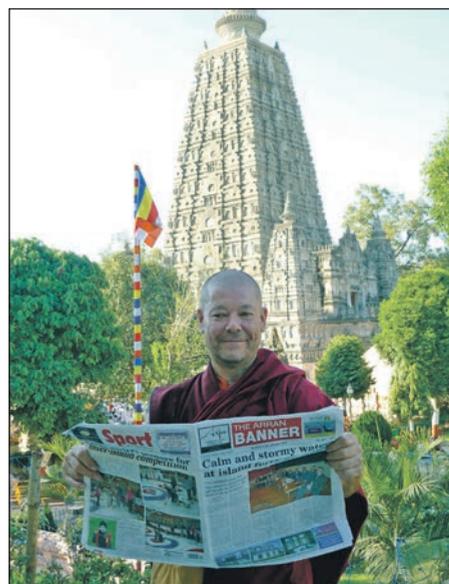
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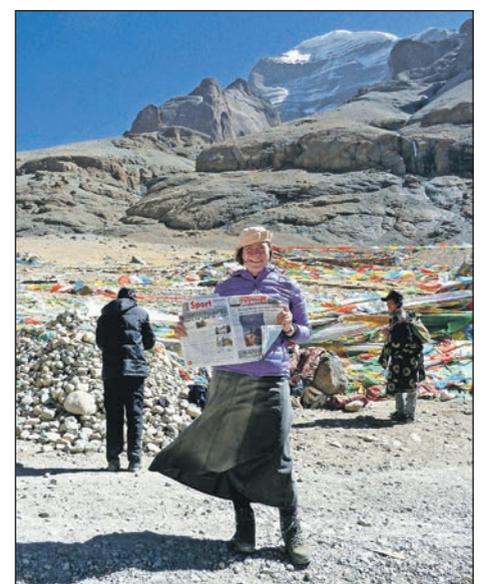
In this week's edition we have Rinchen Tsering, a Holy Island monk, who visited

Mahabodhi Temple in Bodhgaya, India, a holy place of Buddha's enlightenment. Another sacred destination, this time in western Tibet, was visited by Banner reader Tuija Siltanen, who walked round Mount Kailash.

If you have a photo you would like to share, please email it to editor@arranbanner.co.uk or get in touch through Facebook and Twitter.



Rinchen Tsering catches up on the Arran news in India.



Tuija Siltanen is pictured reading her Banner in Tibet.

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Bethany is crowned Dux at Arran High

Words and picture by COLIN SMEETON

Pupils, teachers and proud parents, grandparents and other relatives filled the community theatre at the Arran High School for the awards ceremony held last Wednesday evening.

The awards celebrate the sporting, academic and social achievements of the pupils and recognises the hard work that has taken place throughout the year by both the pupils and the school administration.

Highest award

During the ceremony, the school's highest award for achievement, the Dux,

was presented to Bethany Walsh, as reported in last week's *Banner*, who also took a host of other honours for academic excellence, and provided the music for the evening with a violin solo. Joining her in giving a musical performance earlier in the evening were Finlay Elliott on piano and Lois Ashley on trumpet.

The ceremony was conducted by the school captains Emily Divine and Ben Downing, while the awards were presented by North Ayrshire Council's education head of service Steven Quinn and head teacher Barry Smith, who wound

up proceedings with his remarks.

Focusing on the achievement of pupils as well as the work done by the teachers, Mr Smith complimented the many organisations and bodies that have afforded pupils a wide variety of academic subjects and sporting disciplines.

Praised

Mentioning partnerships with Active Schools and the Arran Youth Foundation, among others, he praised the many local organisations and businesses who have contributed to the school's far-reaching abilities and achievements. Reflecting on a very successful year and having made good progress in the three-year improvement plan, he said he was pleased that the SQA results confirmed that they were on track to provide pupils with a safe, happy and aspirational environment.

Finally, the inter-house awards were announced to the delight of pupils and this year went to Shurig house.

Parents and pupils were then invited to join the teachers in light refreshments after the ceremony.



School captains Ben Downing and Emily Divine enjoy a lighter moment after conducting the award ceremony.



Bethany Walsh receives the Dux award from North Ayrshire Council's Steven Quinn and head teacher Barry Smith. 01_B37ahs01

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Success is celebrated at annual awards



New school captains Ben Downing and Emily Divine. 01_B37ahs02



Abbie Jackson was awarded the Nicola McConnell Trophy for her contribution to the music department. 01_B37ahs07



Rachel Janse van Rensburg and Alison Provan both earned the Margaret Wright Trophy for achievement in S4 SQA. 01_B37ahs21



The rock and pop musician prize went to school captain Emily Divine. 01_B37ahs06



Adam Brown was awarded the Ceilidh Anderson Friendship Quach. 01_B37ahs03



Pupils from S1 through to S6 who received the Endeavour award.



Fi Rennie and Gabrielle Allison took young singer of the year and young musician of the year respectively. 01_B37ahs05



Head teacher Barry Smith congratulating a student winning the Dux award. 01_B37ahs04



Abbie Jackson took the Lamlash Millennium Cup for citizenship. 01_B37ahs19



Mak Russell with his Arran Dairies Hospitality Trophy. 01_B37ahs11



Alison Provan won the Buchanan prize for outstanding achievement in essay writing in S4. 01_B37ahs12

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celebrated at awards ceremony



award. 01_B37ahs20



Alyssa Colwell was awarded the Brian Miller Trophy for S5/S6 social subjects. 01_B37ahs18



Mak Russell took the Charles Russell trophy for his contribution to the technical department. 01_B37ahs09



Fraser MacKenzie and Katie Morrison took the JD McKinnon award for further education or apprenticeship. 01_B37ahs17



Lori Young took the Admiral Group Trophy for business education in S5/S6. 01_B37ahs10



Bethany Walsh was named the young traditional musician of the year. 01_B37ahs04



congratulates Bethany Walsh on
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Eilidh Hamill and William Downing with the Andrew Johnson award for S2 mathematics. 01_B37ahs14



The Heather Gough award for speech and drama went to Katie Morrison. 01_B37ahs08



Anna O'Donnolly took the A R Humphreys award for English in S5. 01_B37ahs13



Dux Bethany Walsh also took the Andrew Johnson award for S5 mathematics 01_B37ahs15

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Selma at Corrie film club

This month's Corrie film club selection is the Oscar-winning film *Selma*, the inspirational and powerful story of Dr Martin Luther King Jr's epic civil rights struggle.

The unforgettable true story chronicles the tumultuous three-month period in 1965, when Dr King led a dangerous campaign to secure equal voting rights in the face of violent opposition.

The epic march from Selma to Montgomery culminated in President Johnson signing the Voting Rights Act of 1965, one of the most significant victories for the civil rights movement.

The film screens tomorrow night (Sunday) in Corrie and Sannox village hall at 8pm. Everyone is welcome to attend and entry is by donation.

Arran charity challenge raised more than £16,000

A group of property agents from Edinburgh's Cushman and Wakefield has raised more than £28,200 in memory of a much-loved colleague who tragically died at the age of just 27.

The company's Scottish staff, along with clients, took part in the Rob Worboys Arran Challenge on Thursday August 25, cycling 57 miles round the island and then climbing Goatfell. Normally a two day adventure, teams took from six and a half hours to nine hours to complete the challenge. The winning team from Mclay Murray and Spens LLP took home a special Rob Worboys Chal-



Members of Rob's family who took part in the Rob Worboys challenge. Rob's mum, Gina, is pictured third from the right.

enge Quach. That event alone raised more than £16,000.

All the money raised from the event will go to Rob's family's nominated charity, Cardiac Risk in the Young (CRY) and will be used to screen young people and raise awareness of cardiac conditions such as Sudden Adult Death Syndrome,

(SADS). Every week 12 young people die unexpectedly from a heart condition they didn't know they had.

Rob, who passed away in January, was a keen sportsman and played American football for East Kilbride Pirates, taking part in trials for the GB team.

Oliver Barron, who worked alongside Rob in Cushman's Edinburgh office and helped organise the event, said: 'To say that Rob was outgoing is a massive understatement and in his memory only a suitably ridiculous challenge would do. Rob was very active and played American football to a high level and he would have loved to have taken part in the Arran Challenge.'

New phone line launched for power cuts

A new national power cut phone number – 105 – has been launched to help people to contact their electricity company in the event of power outages.

The launch comes as figures reveal that 72 per cent of people don't know who to contact if they have a power cut, with a further 43 per cent indicating that they would incorrectly call the electricity supplier they pay their bill to when, in fact, they should contact their local electricity network operator.

Electricity network operators are the companies that manage and maintain the power lines and substations that bring electricity into homes and businesses. Arran's power network is operated by Scottish and Southern Energy which has joined forces with other regional networks to provide the single national number for power cut queries.

Callers dialling 105, which is free to use, will be put through to the local electricity network operator, helping avoid potential confusion or people contacting the wrong organisation.

The number, which is available to electricity customers in England, Scotland and Wales, will enable people to report or get information about power cuts as well as report damage to electricity power lines and substations that could put themselves, or someone else, in danger. 105 is funded and delivered by the electricity network operators, and is a first for the UK's energy industry.

Store sheep sale

On Monday September 5, United Auctions in Stirling had forward 10,444 store lambs and feeding sheep.

The leading prices were: Lambs: Lenamhor TexX £73, Kilpatrick TexX £70, Auchenhew TexX £66, Auchenhew SuffX £70, Sheddock SuffX, £63, Bloomfield SuffX £59.50, Ceither Gaoithe Cross, £58, Balgowan Mule £58, Bellevue Mule £54, Bloomfield Chev £58, Balgowan BF £41. Ewes: Craigraineach £74.

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BRODICK HALL 7.30pm £10
Children and young people at school free

Ropes and rats – the Shiant Islands recovery project

The first indoor meeting of the Arran Natural History Society for 2016/17 took place on Thursday September 1 at the Rangers Centre in Brodick Castle Country Park.

Jack Ibbotson gave an illustrated presentation entitled 'Ropes and Rats' based on his time spent working on the Shiant Islands Recovery Project. This project aims to remove non-native rats from the islands for the benefit of breeding seabirds.

Jack spent six months living and working on the remote Shiant Islands, which

are 5km off the coast of Lewis between Skye and the Western Isles, last winter. He worked as a field technician/team leader on the project and was specifically involved in the rope access requirements of the project. In this talk, Jack looked back on his time living and working on the islands and the challenges of the project, using many photos and videos taken during his work on the islands. Jack also touched on some of the early signs of success for the project and his work on future island recovery projects.

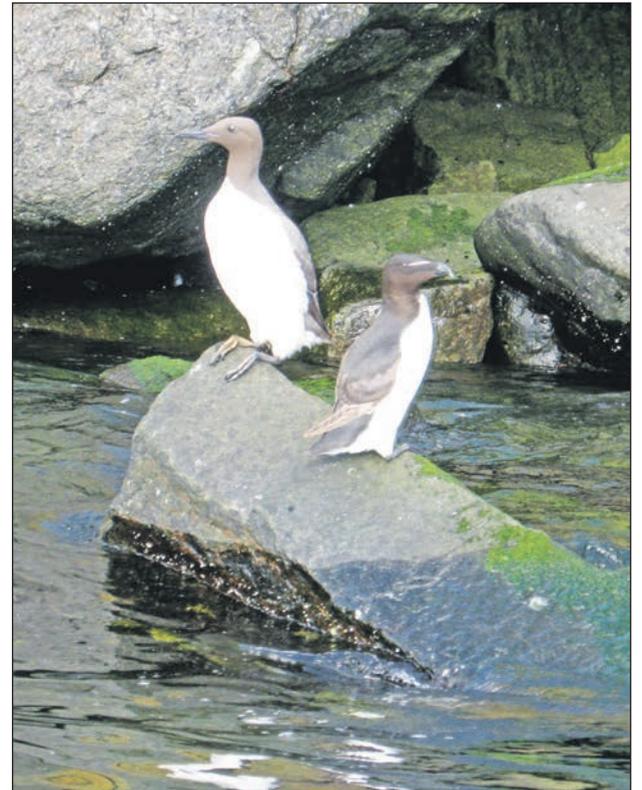
Jack is no stranger to islands and seabirds and has previously worked on the Farne Islands, at St Abb's Head and on the Isles of Scilly. He has also spent this summer working as the Goatfell seasonal ranger for the National Trust for Scotland. His next assignment will exchange Scottish rain and wind for the heat of the Caribbean!

Project team

It was a fascinating talk, not least because of the great care taken by the project team to carry out an effective removal process, but with minimal other im-

act on the island environment. The society has a full and exciting programme of talks for the coming session, which are open to everyone, so do keep an eye out for notices of upcoming events.

The next meeting is John Savory talking about the colonisation by woodland birds at Carrifran Wildwood. John has an article on this in the latest edition of *Scottish Birds*. This meeting will be on Thursday October 6 at 8pm at the Rangers Centre. Do come along to what promises to be an excellent evening.



The project was to help breeding seabirds on the Shiant Islands.

Photos: Alan Bellamy



The project camp on the remote islands.



Puffins and other seabirds on a rugged rockface.

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Tuesday 13th Eco Social Crafting Evening
@ Whiting Bay Lesser Hall from 6.30pm

Wednesday 14th Eco Savvy - Swap Shop
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Repair - Redesign - Remake – Workshop
@ Whiting Bay Lesser Hall 10.30am – 1.30pm

Thursday 15th Exhibition & workshops

@Whiting Bay Hall 10.30am - 3.00pm
The Big Green Footprint. Join Eco savvy on an environmental journey through the ages
What happens to the blue bin contents? N.A.C. Fun Workshops

A Question of Compost
Growing using unwanted containers
Build a Recycling Statement!
Bag making from Waste Packaging @11.30am

More
Primary Schools competition entries display
Show of Work from Arran Up-Cyclers
Challenges - Crafting – Refreshments

Friday 16th COAST Beach Clean
@ outside Sandbraes church. 9.30am. - in association with the Marine Conservation Society Big Beach Clean

Saturday 17th Exhibition & workshops @ Brodick Hall 11.00am - 3.00pm

The Big Green Footprint Exhibition. - **Show of Work from Arran Up-Cyclers**

Arran Primary Schools Competition, display and prize giving. 2.00pm

Hands on Challenges – Crafting

Fun Workshops

A Question of Compost - find solutions to some common problems.

Up-cycling with fabric - bespoke creations from unwanted fabric.

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TWENTY YEARS AGO

Saturday 14 September, 1996

Burning issue

At a meeting called by the community council, residents made their feelings clear to the assistant firemaster, David Kennedy, that they were not in favour of the site at Cordon for the proposed new fire station. The purpose of the meeting was to gauge opinion on the new site at Cordon road end and, in a vote, 11 were for it and 23 were against. Arranton field was recommended by some but Mr Kennedy said that after a seven-year search, Cordon was the preferred site and that others had been ruled unsuitable for various reasons.

Mr Kennedy said it was the intention of the fire brigade to submit a planning application for the Cordon road end almost immediately with the intention of work starting next June. Any further decision on the location would be up to the planners he told the audience. Lamlash will receive their new fire station but whether it will be at Cordon road end or behind the present site will depend on the strength of objections when planning is applied for.

Below: The Corrie Golf Club members who were pictured at their autumn outing last Saturday when they went to Carradale. B37twe05



New restaurant

Charles Fforde has applied for planning permission and listed building consent to alter Neary's House at Cladach to form a public house and restaurant. The proposals will include craft workshops and shops. North Ayrshire Council has received objections from the Arran Civic Trust and from a member of the public.

In another application, Morton Muirhead of Lamlash has applied to change the use of the gravel storage area in Market Road, Brodick, to coal storage. Two of the eight conditions NAC will put on this are that Mr Muirhead will have to satisfy himself of the safety 'with the possible migration of methane gas', and that all vehicles will be spray-washed before leaving the premises.

Trading conference

Participants of LETS (Local Exchange Trading System) are to hold a Scottish conference at Lochranza next weekend. Established throughout Scotland and on Arran, the system is a sort of non-money economy where a group of people exchange goods and services with debts and credits being tallied up and where no actual money is exchanged.



Arran rugby players Bert Ramage, Alastair Dobson and Chris Stanger chat with former international player John Beattie, second right, who covered their rugby match for the BBC. B37twe01



Remembering dancing practice from 1946, former pupils from the early years of Lamlash Junior Secondary dance the night away at the Kinloch Hotel last Saturday. B37twe03



More than 132 Rotarians gathered at the Auchrannie Hotel last Friday afternoon at the inaugural dinner of the Rotary Club of the Isle of Arran. B37twe04



Newmilns fire station near Kilmarnock which is built to the same design as the proposed new station at Cordon road end, Lamlash. B37twe02

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Rosaburn, Brodict, 10.30am - 4.30pm
Arran Aromatics, Brodict, 10am - 4pm

Saturday 10th September

Army Cadets
Over-21s disco
Family games
Fun in the pool
Arran Vets surgery
Arran Vets reception
Live music
Arran Physiotherapy and Acupuncture Clinic
Lamlash Bowling Club rink game
Whiting Bay Bowling Club rink game
Blackwaterfoot Bowls
Brodict Bowling Club rink game
Flow Yoga
Superstitions or custom and belief
Live music - Scott plays piano
Live music - The Rising
Live music - Michael Clarke AKA Acoustic Butterfly

Auchrannie Road 11am - 1pm
Ormidale Hotel, 10pm
Auchrannie Games Hall, 3pm-4pm
Auchrannie Spa pool, 4-5pm
9.30am - 11am
9.30am - 12 noon
Fiddlers, Brodict from 7.30pm
arranphysiotherapy.co.uk 9-12noon
Lamlash Bowling club, 2pm
Whiting Bay Bowling Club, 2pm
Bowling Club, 1.45pm
Brodict Bowling Club, 2pm
Ormidale Pavilion, Brodict, 9am
Brodict Church Hall, 7.30pm
The PHT, Lamlash, 4pm - 6pm
The PHT, Lamlash, 9pm
The Douglas Hotel, 9pm

Sunday 11th September

Family games
Fun in the pool
Open acoustic session at Fiddlers'
AA meeting
Isle of Arran SNP AGM
Taiji & Oigong
Live music - Scot plays piano

Auchrannie Games Hall, 3pm-4pm
Auchrannie Spa Pool, 4pm-5pm
Fiddlers, Brodict 2.30pm - 5pm
Brodict church Hall, 5pm - 6.30pm
Ormidale Pavilion, Brodict, 2.30pm
Whiting Bay Hall, 7pm
The PHT, Lamlash, 2pm

Monday 12th September

Over-50s badminton
Badminton
Morning fitness
Badminton
Arran Vets surgery
Arran Vets reception
Arran Junior Football Club
Circuit training
WBay Bowling Club rink game
Brodict Bowling Club rink game
Citizens advice
Lamlash Aerobix
RunArran
Tae Kwon-do
Summer bridge
Live music

Lochranza Village Hall, 2-4pm
Lochranza Hall, 6.30pm
Auchrannie Gym, 9.30-10.30am
Auchrannie Sports Hall, 7-9pm
9am - 10.30am & 4pm - 6pm
9am - 2pm & 4pm - 6pm
Ormidale Park, 6-7.30pm
Auchrannie Gym, 6-7pm
Whiting Bay Bowling Club, 6.30pm
Brodict bowling club, 6.45pm
Ormidale Pavilion, 9.30am - 1.30pm
Arran High School Dance Studio, 6.30pm
Drift Inn, Lamlash 5.30pm
Brodict Church Hall Adults & over 10s, 7.00pm - 8.30pm
Arran High School, 6.30pm
Fiddlers, Brodict 7.30pm - 10pm

Tuesday 13th September

Pop quiz
Alcoholics Anonymous
Youth club
Arran Vets surgery
Arran Vets reception
Rotary club
Healthy Outdoors
Blackwaterfoot Bowls
RunArran run coaching
RUNFIT
Open Cricket session
Lamlash Drama Club
Flow Yoga
Live music
Garden walk
Metafit
Social evening - Crafting Eco Savvy Style

Ormidale Hotel, 9pm
Brodict Church Hall, 2pm
Kildonan Hall, 7pm
9am - 10.30am & 4pm - 6pm
9am - 2pm & 4pm - 6pm
Glencloy Suite, Auchrannie, 6.30pm
NTS Ranger Centre, 10am - 1pm
Bowling Club, 1.45pm
Lamlash, 5.30pm
Ormidale Park, 6.45am
Brodict Astro Turf 7pm-9pm
Arran High School, 6.30pm - 9pm
Corrie & Sannox Hall, 6pm
Fiddlers, Brodict 7.30pm - 10pm
Brodict Castle, 2pm - 3pm
Arran High School, 6pm
Wbay hall, 6.30pm

Wednesday 14th September

Rock and pop bingo
Tae Kwon-do
Alcoholics Anonymous

Ormidale Hotel 9.30pm
Arran high School Kids-6.30-7.30pm Adults-7.30-8.30pm
Lamlash Church Hall, 7.30pm

Arran Brass rehearsal
Arran Vets surgery
Arran Vets reception
Yoga
Hydrofit
Arran Heritage Museum Archives and Genealogy service
RunArran
Yoga-Arran
Whiting Bay Bowling Club rink game
Live music
Unplugged music night
Drift Inn quiz
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Brodict Bowling Club rink game
Flow Yoga
Clothes & Accessories swap shop
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Isle of Arran Drama AGM

Brodict Church Hall, 7-9pm
9am - 10.30am & 4pm - 6pm
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Lamlash, 9pm
Auchrannie Sports Hall, 7.30-9pm
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Arran high School, Lamlash, 7.30pm

Thursday 15th September

Morning fitness
General knowledge quiz
Arran Vets surgery
Arran Vets reception
Live music
Ladies hockey
RUNFIT
Burger and quiz night
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Auchrannie Gym, 9.30-10.30am
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9am - 10.30am & 4pm - 6pm
9am - 2pm & 4pm - 6pm
Fiddlers, Brodict 7.30pm - 10pm
Ormidale Pavilion, 7.30-8.30pm
Lamlash Front Green, 6.45am
Felicity's @ Eden Lodge, from 7.30pm
Auchrannie, 7pm
Shiskine Golf & Tennis Club, 5.30pm
Balmichael Centre, 7pm
Lamlash Fire Station, 2pm - 4.30pm
Ormidale Pavilion, Brodict, 6pm
Ormidale Pavilion, Brodict, 10.30am - 11.30am
Shiskine Hall, 6pm - 7.30pm
Brodict Castle, 2pm - 3.30pm
Lamlash Green, 6.45am
Wbay hall, 10.30am - 3pm

Friday 16th September

Yoga
Hydrofit
Arran Youth Foundations
Lochranza kids badminton
Lochranza adults badminton
Quiz
Arran Vets surgery
Arran Vets reception
AA meeting
Live music
Tae Kwon-do
Factory tours
Castle secrets
Frydays @ Lochranza Field Centre
COAST The big beach clean

Auchrannie Spa Leisure, 9.30am - 10.30am
Auchrannie Hotel Leisure, 9.45am - 10.45am
Church Hall, Brodict 7pm-9pm
Lochranza Hall, 6-8pm
Lochranza Hall, 8pm
Whiting Bay Golf Club, 8pm
9am - 10.30am & 4pm - 6pm
9am - 2pm & 4pm - 6pm
Whiting Bay Hall, 7pm
Fiddlers, Brodict, 7.30pm
Arran high School, Lamlash Adults, 7pm - 8.30pm
Arran Aromatics, 11am - 3pm
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*and at The Council Offices, Lamlash

Written representations may be made to the Executive Director (Economy & Communities) at the above address or emailed to eplanning@north-ayrshire.gov.uk by 30.09.16. Any representations received will be open to public view.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013 REGULATION 20(1)

16/00798/PP; Tennis Pavilion, Lamlash, Brodick, Isle Of Arran; Change of use of former tennis building to offices and erection of glass extension to front.

NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL EDUCATION AND YOUTH EMPLOYMENT MEETINGS TO DISCUSS PROPOSALS ON FUTURE ASN EDUCATION PROVISION

A series of meetings will be held to discuss proposals on the future of ASN education in North Ayrshire. These meetings will be held for parents/carers and those interested in the proposals at the following venues:

Venue	Date	Time
Annick Primary School	22 September 2016	7pm
James McFarlane School	28 September 2016	2pm
James Reid School	28 September 2016	7pm
Staneastle School	29 September 2016	2pm
Haysholm School	29 September 2016	7pm

The meetings will provide an opportunity to discuss the proposal and hear the views of the wider community.

In line with the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010 (as amended), North Ayrshire Council proposes that:

A new Additional Support Needs School (ASN) be built at a site adjacent to Auchenharvie Academy, Saltcoats Road, Stevenston. The new school will provide high quality education and care for children and young people aged 2-18 years. This proposal will result in the closure and amalgamation of the following schools:

- Haysholm School, Irvine;
- James McFarlane School, Ardrossan;
- James Reid School, Saltcoats;
- Staneastle School, Irvine.

Staneastle Early Years class is also proposed for closure. This will result in new, purpose built early years provision at Annick Primary School, which is located immediately behind Staneastle School.

A report outlining the background and benefits of these proposals will be issued to all parents/carers and interested parties. Copies of this document are available from Education and Youth Employment, 5th Floor, Cunninghame House, Irvine KA12 8EE. The document can also be viewed in all public libraries in North Ayrshire and on the North Ayrshire Council website, www.north-ayrshire.gov.uk

All interested parties are invited to make written submissions on the proposal to the Executive Director (Education and Youth Employment), Cunninghame House, Irvine KA12 8EE or by email to: educ_consultation@north-ayrshire.gov.uk no later than 12noon on 4 November 2016.

John Butcher
Executive Director, Education & Youth Employment

Elma Murray
Chief Executive
Cunninghame House
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Kenneth Gibson MSP



Kenneth Gibson MSP will hold advice surgeries on the following date:

Monday 12th September	Monday 10th October
Pirnmill Village Hall 11.30 - 12.30	Kilmory Village Hall 11.30 - 12.30
Shiskine Village Hall 13.15 - 14.15	Whiting Bay Village Hall 13.30 - 14.30
Brodick Health Centre 15.00 - 16.00	Lamlash Fire Station 15.00 - 16.00

To contact Kenneth outside these times, please do so at: 01294 833 687

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Notice is hereby given by CMAL as the Statutory Harbour Authority (SHA) for the area surrounding Brodick Ferry Terminal for the owners of the boats to contact CMAL Harbour Master, David McHardie within 7 days of the publication of this notice. If the owners fail to contact CMAL the boats will be removed and disposed of under the statutory legislation.

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Sunday 11th September

Holy Communion, 11am.

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Wednesday 14th September

Holy Communion, 12.15 pm.

ALL WELCOME

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Parishes of North Arran Brodick, Corrie, Lochranza, Pirnmill and Shiskine Independent but working together

Minister:

Rev Angus Adamson

Parish Assistant:

Mrs Jean Hunter:

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Sunday 11th September

Lochranza Church, 9.30am

Morning Worship.

Pirnmill Church 10.45am

Morning Worship.

Shiskine Church, 12noon

Morning Worship.

Brodick Church, 10.30am

Morning Worship.

Corrie Church, 11.30am

Prayer Meeting,

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There will also be a Service of Worship in Montrose House at 1.30pm.

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Sunday 11th September

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HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday 11th September

Vigil Mass 7.30pm

Morning Mass 11am



Lamlash Golf Club

Thursday September 1, Summer Cup and Commando Cup, CSS 67, par 64. 1 Scott Campbell 78-15=63, 2 Iain Murchie 71-5=66, 3 I Bremmer 77-8=69. Best scratch Iain Murchie 71. Magic twos, Scott Campbell, Iain Murchie and A Wales.

Ladies Section: Wednesday August 31, Medal 7, 11 played, CSS 65. 1 Kate McAdam 85-19=66, 2 June Richardson 93-25=68. Scratch, Kate McAdam 85.

Fixtures: Saturday September 10, AGA Arran Grouse Final at Shiskine. Sunday September 11, Ladies and Gents Captain's Prize day, Stableford at 12.30pm, make up own fours. Thursday September 15, Summer Cup, make up own games, see starter for times.

Machrie Bay Golf Club

Tuesday August 16, Peter Sutton 12 played CSS 65. 1 B Sherwood 76-12=64, 2 C Laing 83-17=66, 3 P Betley 84-12=72. Winner of the Peter Sutton Cup for 2016 is B Sherwood with a score of 382 and runner up is C Laing with 387.

Lady Mary, one played, CSS 68 R/O. 1 F Scott 106-26=80. Winner of the Lady Mary Cup for 2016 is F Scott with an eclectic score of 56 and runner up was E Kelso with 58.

Tuesday August 23, August sweep, four played, CSS 65 R/O. 1 A MacDonald 83-11=72, 2 P Betley 85-12=73, 3 C Laing 92-17=75. Tuesday August 30, August sweep, 10 played, CSS65 R/O. 1 H Bannatyne 72-6=66, 2 P Bet-

ley 81-12=69, 3 C Laing 89-17=72BIH.

Fixture: Tuesday September 13, September sweep 12.30pm.

Shiskine Golf Club

Ladies Section: Tuesday September 1, September 18 Hole Medal, 9 played, CSS 69, par 67. 1 and scratch, Alice Anderson 83-15c=68, 2 Kema Genda 87-12c=75.

Whiting Bay Golf Club

Wednesday August 31, Summer Trophy rnd 15, 21 played. Despite fast tricky greens CSS stayed at 63 and Jamie Stewart stormed home with a net 58 to take first place. 1 Jamie Stewart 6, 58 and lowest gross, 2 Sandy Pringle 13, 62, 3 Alan Kay 19, 64 ACB, 4 Frazer Barr 10, 64 ACB. Jamie Macpherson and Davie Morrison each bagged Magic twos at the 4th while Wolfi Kroner and Rob Stewart did likewise at 17th.

Friday September 2, The WBGC Mixed Foursomes Salver. A better than usual turnout of six pairs competed out for this year's Mixed Foursomes Salver played, unusually, on a Friday and on a shortened course of 15 holes. It turned out to be great fun, so let's hope that this competition is on the way back.

It's not often the girls and the boys play in mixed teams and the chat in the clubhouse afterwards indicated that everyone enjoyed the golf and the company. 1 Lesley Wood and John Pennycott 12, 54, 2 Tricia Tait and Alan Kay 18, 56, 3 Jean and Ian Davidson 26, 61.

Fixtures: Saturday September 10, Arran Grouse Finals at Shiskine at 1pm. Sunday September 11, Cooper Angus Par 3 Competition, Draw for partners at 10am. Wednesday September 14, Summer Trophy final round.



John Pennycott and Lesley Wood with the Whiting Bay Mixed Foursomes Salver they won last Friday.

Brodick Golf Club

Wednesday August 31, Summer Cup, CSS 64, 40 played. 1 Gordon Hendry 67-5=62, 2 Jimmy Armit 74-11=63, 3 Terry Raeside 73-10=63. Scratch Ewan McKinnon 65.

Friday September 2, Kintyre Cup at Carradale GC. Winner, Gordon Hendry.

Fixtures: Sunday September 11, Brandon. Wednesday September 14, Flag Competition followed by annual presentation of prizes.

Arran Golfers Association

Sunday September 4, Autumn Handicap/Drumadoon Cup. This year's competition took place at Lamlash with weather that was kind and with just a few showers. Thanks to Jim, Scott and Ryan for the magnificent condition of the course, to Jim Henderson for scoring, Alan behind the bar, Sarah for the catering and the Currie family for continued sponsorship of their competition.

First Class: 1 Todd Jameson

68-5=63 BIH, 2 David Morrison 72-9=63, 3 Andy Pattison 75-10=65. Second Class: 1 Dave Brookens 78-13=65, 2 John O'Sullivan 87-19=68 BIH, 3 Danny Currie 84-16=68. Best scratch Ewan McKinnon 65 BIH over Dougie Macfarlane. J C Reid award for over 55's A Pattison BIH over Dave Brookens. There were 10 magic twos with Ian Murchie having two. CSS 65. Overall winner of this years trophy was Todd.

Fixtures: Saturday September 10, Arran Grouse at Shiskine Golf Club. Draw: Shiskine B v Machrie A at 1pm, Whiting Bay B v Brodick A at 1.10pm, Corrie B v Brodick B at 1.20pm, Lochranza A v Corrie A at 1.30pm, Lamlash A v Lochranza B at 1.40pm, Whiting Bay A v Machrie B at 1.50pm, Shiskine A v Lamlash B at 2pm. Saturday September 17, Seniors Handicap at Machrie Bay Golf Club from 1pm, yellow teas and qualifying age 55.

GOLDEN WEDDING

Golden Wedding
Jim & Brenda Stewart

We would like to thank all those who helped us celebrate our Golden Wedding Anniversary in Lamlash Golf Club on 27th August. From friends and relatives enthusiastic comments all enjoyed the Arran Jazz Band, Tams Disco and Sarah's great food. The very attractive and tasty cake with our wedding photo on top made by Adeles cakes was admired at by all and not forgetting the great bar service from Jamie and Allan. Thanks, Jim & Brenda

Bridge club celebrates its 70th birthday with new sessions

The Arran Bridge Club will be 70 years old this year. In 2013 Brodick and Lamlash joined forces to form an Arran Bridge Club who meet twice a week, on Mondays at Lamlash Golf Club and at Brodick Golf Club on Thursdays. Both sessions welcome visitors and will always try and find partners for single players if given notice. In addition to the two weekly sessions, they will also be holding a less formal bridge session at the Brodick Golf Club on Tuesday afternoons from 3pm until 5pm, starting on Tuesday October 4. There will be a short lesson each week followed by a chance to play and discuss hands.

Engrossing game

If you have ever wondered what to do on a wet day on Arran or if you have played in the past, these bridge sessions can help you brush up on your bidding skills and can, according to players, be a wonderful and totally engrossing game. If you are interested in playing please contact Tricia Martin on 600900 or email: martin.trish@btinternet.com.

The results of the match point competition held by the bridge club at Lamlash on Monday September 5 were as follows: 1 Tricia Martin and David Campbell, 2 Brenda Livingstone and Morag Gardner, 3 Pat Adamson and Eendy McNiven, 4 Ellie Jones and Elizabeth McKellar.

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DEATH

EAGLES - JOHN

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

SHAW - JEAN

The family would like to thank most sincerely all friends and relations for their attendance at Jeans funeral and for expressions of sympathy and support received. Special thanks to Rev E Watson for her thoughtful service. To the staff at Cooriedoon Nursing Home for their unfailing kindness to Jean during her stay there. To the Lagg Hotel for catering and Hendry Funeral Services for professionalism.

Charity cycle round Arran is resounding sportive success

The inaugural Arran Sportive cycling event saw more than 230 riders take part in the round Arran cycle last Saturday. Organised by the youth development charity Ocean Youth Trust, the fundraiser was a timed but non-competitive event which saw cyclists making their way around Arran in an anti-clockwise direction starting and ending at the Ormidale Pavilion. Cyclists could either take part in the full island loop of 56 miles or the shorter route of 35 miles, taking in the northern part of the island and ending in Brodick.

Originally safety concerns had been raised by Arran Community Council, but assurances were given by the organisers, who arranged a staggered start as well as providing first aid-equipped motorcycle marshals and a first aid vehicle as well as a host of marshals along the route.

Consultation

These steps, along with consultation with North Ayrshire Council, the emergency services and Caledonian MacBrayne, ensured that the event went off smoothly and without major incident.

The trust delivers an annual programme of youth training work where individuals aged between 12 and 25 years take part in sail training voyages on one of its three sailing ships, which empowers them to reach their true potential by building self-confidence, learning about responsibility and developing social and life skills.

All funds raised from the event go directly to the life-changing 'adventure under sail' youth development work that is aimed at children from disadvantaged backgrounds.



A group of cyclists make their way down the road followed by a support motorcycle. 01_B37cycle01



The first group of participants set off from the Ormidale Pavilion. 01_B37cycle02



Cyclists prepare for a 9am start at the start and finish line. 01_B37cycle03

Barr outstanding as Arran secure first home league win

Isle of Arran 31 Uddingston 24

Arran rugby club got their home season off to a flyer with a fine win over Uddingston at Ormidale Park last Saturday.

It may have been a dreich, midge-infested Saturday afternoon in September but the Arran boys put in a fine collective performance which was topped by an outstanding game at fly-half by Frazer Barr, who converted all four tries and scored a penalty.

Arran came into their second game of the BT West Division 3 league campaign after a 27-27 draw away to Wigtownshire the previous weekend. But dogged determination, coupled with an error-strewn Uddingston performance, saw them take full points on Saturday. The ninth minute saw Ud-

dingston score the first try which was converted to give the visitors a lead of 7-0.

The next 10 minutes showed that both sides knew how to ruck but not always how to secure them. The visitors' defence held up well to really strong Arran pressure and only a clearing kick got them out to the 10-metre line.

In the 25th minute the home team got on the score sheet from what some might describe as a soft penalty for a high tackle but, as was to be the case from both teams' kickers, fly-half Barr slotted home well to make it 7-3.

The next few minutes could best be described as a middle of the park arm-wrestle, with both teams having short spells of possession with no real in-

gress into the opposition's half until Uddingston were awarded a penalty and their kicker calmly struck the ball between the posts to make the score 10-3.

From the restart the visitors made good ground into the Arran half and it looked like the scoreboard was going to move in their favour again before too much longer, with the forwards ever willing to carry the ball into the contact area to set up good field position for the backs. But, as was a feature of the game, the final pass let them down when it moved down the backs line.

In the 38th minute, Arran cleared their lines following sustained Uddingston pressure and recovered the ball. Between some good interplay and brushing through three or four weak tackles,

they moved the ball around 60 yards into the corner to make the score 10-8. As with his earlier penalty, Barr made no mistake from a really tight angle on the right touchline and the score was tied at 10-10 with the conversion taken, when the half-time whistle sounded.

The second half started as a scrappy affair with neither team putting together any good phases of play, epitomised by Arran's second try. Uddingston gave away a silly penalty inside their own half which Arran took quickly and their captain ran in almost unchallenged, leaving probably the easiest kick Barr had on the day to give the home team a 17-10 lead.

The Arran lead lasted until the 51st minute when a loose ball was gratefully

smothered by the visitors for the try which was converted with ease and the score was back even 17-17.

The next Arran try was all down to Uddingston when a penalty was given against them for a player being off-side at a ruck. One of the players disagreed with the referee's decision, giving him no option but to move them back a further 10 metres for dissent, which meant a quick Arran penalty from 15 metres out, coupled with missed tackles again, and the score was 22-17. Once more Barr calmly put the ball between the posts and it was 24-17.

On the 65th minute another Arran try epitomised the visitors' day. From an Uddingston scrum inside the Arran 22, the ball was turned over and Arran broke up field. A missed clearance

kick and a couple of poor attempts to tackle the Arran number 12 and the score now read 29-17. As before, the Arran number 10 made no mistake even though the conversion was out wide, taking the score to 31-17.

With five minutes remaining, Uddingston were throwing everything at the home team with the forwards hitting up and the backs moving the ball from side to side. Since tries were needed the visitors ran the ball through the forwards, and a series of rucks formed around the Arran try line, a quick ball and a nice dive in the corner brought the score to 31-22 which was coolly converted from the tight angle making the final score 31-24.

Today Arran take on Birkmyre RFC at Ormidale Park with a 2pm kick-off.

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Delight as Bill's rare medal goes home to Celtic Park

An Arran man has spoken of his joy after a rare Celtic medal he put up for auction was bought by the club.

Now the piece of Celtic history, that has a connection going back to the club's earliest days, has returned and is on show at Celtic Park.

It is the medal won by James McLaughlin, who was the goalkeeper in the Celtic team which won the North-Eastern Cup on May 11, 1889 – the first ever trophy won by the club. This stunning piece of Celtic memorabilia was put up for auction in Glasgow last month by Bill McLaughlin of Whiting Bay, grandson of James McLaughlin, and was bought by the club for £10,000.

Pleased

Bill, who was recently made honorary life vice-president of Arran Rugby Club,

said: 'I am very pleased that the medal has gone back to Celtic where it belongs.'

Bill, who is 83 and affectionately known in rugby circles as Papa Bill, added: 'I was keen to sell it to another fan, but when I heard the club was interested, I was delighted.'

There was other interest at the auction for the medal, but Celtic secured it in the end.

Now, Celtic fans will be able to see this medal which connects them to the early Celts when they take a tour of the stadium where it is on display.

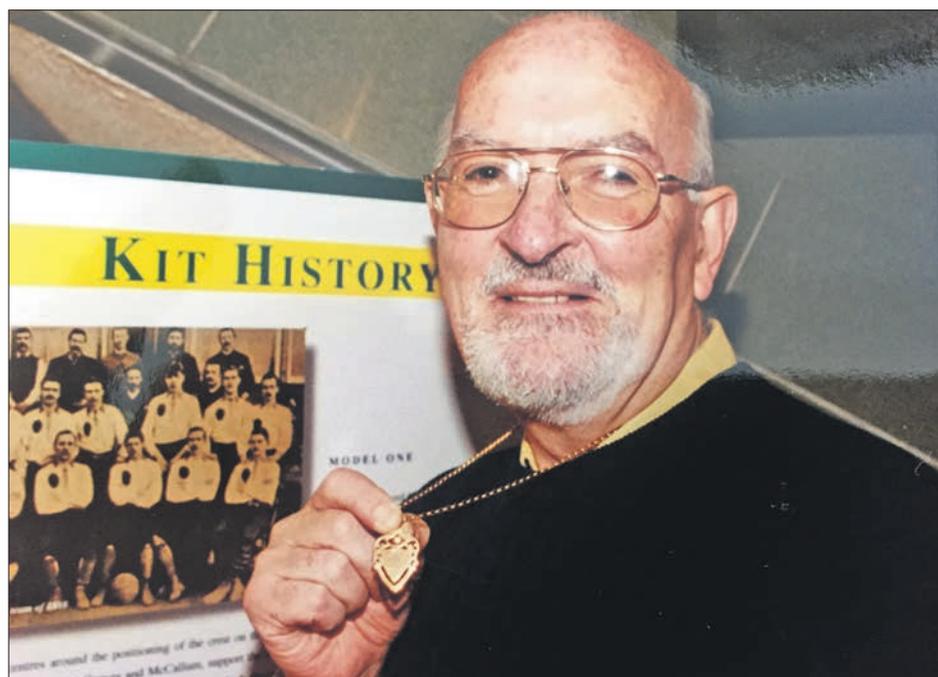
The fledgling Celtic Football Club had actually reached the Scottish Cup final in their first season 1888/89, having only come into existence on November 6, 1887, and played their first game on May 28, 1888. And although they

lost that final to Third Lanark, played in February 1889, just three months later they were in another final, this time against Cowliars, with the game played at Barrowfield.

Remarkable

The Celts had reached the North-Eastern Cup final by beating Clydesdale 5-1 and Northern 4-1, and in the final they comprehensively beat the holders Cowliars 6-1 in front of a remarkable crowd of around 8,000. The goals were scored by Willie Maley, Hugh Gallagher, Willie Groves, Peter Dowds and a double from Johnny Coleman

James McLaughlin was a utility player in the fullest sense of the word, having begun his career with Cowliars and Hibernian as a forward before moving to Celtic and slotting into the right-back position. By the



Bill McLaughlin with the Celtic medal he has now sold.

time the North-Eastern Cup came along, he had become Celtic's goalkeeper, helping the team to that historic vic-

tory over Cowliars.

It was a position he held the following season before he joined Battlefield in

1890. After he hung up his playing boots, he became a much sought-after referee in Scotland and England.



Dame of the game Mia Walker.

Friendly defeat as Arran Ladies start new campaign

Arran Ladies 2 Uddingston 3

Arran Ladies Hockey Club played a friendly match against Uddingston, on their home ground at the Ormidale astroturf, on Sunday August 28, as a pre-season warm up. Arran played with a team of 12 players and welcomed Jenny Stark, Jemima Currie and Hazel Kerr to the squad, all playing for the first time.

Arran started strongly and were awarded a short corner within 10 minutes which resulted in Anne Watts scoring a superb first goal from

a shot at the top of the 'D'. Uddingston followed this with two goals and then Susie Murchie scored Arran's equalising goal just before half-time making the score 2-2.

In the second half Arran continued the fight, with ample opportunities on goal but didn't quite manage to get the ball over the line. Uddingston managed to break through Arran's defence with minutes to go and scored the winning goal of the match.

Cat Galbraith and Jenny Stark proved an immense

defensive force sharing positions of kicking back and centre back. Mia Walker, who was right back for the duration of the contest, played a strong and confident match which won her the title of dame of the game as voted for by her team-mates.

Arran Ladies first West District women's hockey league division 4 game of the season will be played today (Saturday) at the Ormidale astroturf with a 12noon pass back when their opponents will be Ardrossan Ladies 2s. All support is welcomed.

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