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## All the fun of the games



# Crowds flock to tell stories of the famous Crinan Canal

by Colin Cameron  
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People came out in their droves to tell their tales of the Crinan Canal.

The buzz on entering the Steamer Terminal building at Ardrishaig Pier at Wednesday's open day spoke volumes about the depth of feeling for the canal and wider area.

Scottish Canals asked the public to come along to help bring the story of the canal to life as part of the £1.5 million Egg Shed heritage and community hub development at the former Gleaner site on the shore front.

And come along they did.

As well as plenty of stories, folk came through the door armed with photos, newspaper cuttings and all kinds

of memorabilia – and the intention is to bring these together to form a key part of the new attraction.

Chris O'Connell, heritage manager at Scottish Canals, said: 'We have had a lot of interest. There have been literally thousands of photographs brought in today, for example, and we couldn't display these all at the one time so we will build a bank of information and refresh the displays as time goes on.'

As well as telling the story of the local area, the Egg Shed will include space for community activities and could host everything from art installations to pop-up exhibitions and opportunities for training, social enterprises and community groups.

There are also plans to create new viewpoints and walk-

ways around the building and new access connections with Ardrishaig.

Mr O'Connell added: 'The idea is to get people to tell their own history and add that human element. It's exciting for us.'

This was echoed by Chris Breslin, head of regeneration and development at Scottish Canals. 'We want to bring colour and life to our plans for the Egg Shed,' he explained. 'People have really surprised us today with the variety of items and stories they have brought along, and it has been great.'

Stories, images and videos can be shared online at [www.scottishcanals.co.uk/eggshed](http://www.scottishcanals.co.uk/eggshed).

Look out for much more on exciting plans for Ardrishaig in next week's Argyllshire Advertiser.

## New owner is reported for deteriorating Inveraray Pier

The Argyllshire Advertiser understands that Inveraray Pier may have a new owner.

The iconic structure, which has a rich history including herring fishing, military use and visiting steamers, has lain neglected for many years and was closed to the public

for safety reasons. The pier has been up for sale for some time.

It emerged this week that a buyer had apparently been found with connections to the Argyll area. More details to come on this developing story.



## So many happy returns as Mary celebrates 105th birthday

Mary McLullich reached the remarkable milestone of 105 years earlier this week. The Argyllshire Advertiser was there as she celebrated with family and friends. Find out more on page 14. 06\_a19MaryMcLullich05

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# Community cash boost

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islands (MAKI) Area Committee has released details of the organisations which have gained grants from the Supporting Communities Fund.

Considered once a year, the fund, made available by Argyll and Bute Council, sees £24,500 shared between a recommended 15 organisations. Forty-two organisations applied for the 2019/2020 grant, six of which were for festivals.

Promoting Argyll's coasts and land-

scapes, Argyll and the Isles Coast and Countryside Trust (ACT) was granted £1,254, while Heart of Argyll Wildlife Organisation, created to appreciate Argyll's creatures, gained £954.

Inveraray Senior Citizens group got £1,000. Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust was given £1,750 to continue its work promoting Gigha. Jura Village Hall was given £1,012 for running costs.

Lochgilphead's MS Centre was given £2,484 for evening opening sessions offering therapies for long-term

conditions and People and Agencies Coming Together Mid Argyll was granted £2,090 to continue bringing new experiences to the people of Mid Argyll. South Kintyre Development Fund was granted £2,000 to create a community lunch group.

Islay High School Parent Council was granted £2,215 for an otherwise self-funded trip to India and Islay Link Club was given £305 for bee-friendly gardening to aid mental health.

Two events were granted money.

Kintyre Seasports was given £1,055 and the Loch Fyne Viking Festival in Tarbert was granted £2,250.

Three organisations received the maximum amount of £2,500: Shopper Aide, for hall fees for Elderberries group and lunch club for year, Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust to re-open the information centre as a heritage centre and Tayinloan Villagers Association to prepare for the installation of new play equipment in the playing fields.



A scene from last year's Loch Fyne Viking Festival. 06\_a28Vikings02

## POLICE FILES

### Careless driving

The driver of a white Renault Trafic van was fined and issued with fixed penalty tickets after police stopped him for careless driving and not wearing a seatbelt.

The man, aged 39, was given a £100 fine and three penalty points for careless driving and a £100 fine for no seat belt, when he was stopped on Wednesday May 2 at noon on the A816 near to Bridgend, Lochgilphead.

### Theft of bicycle

A Peugeot bicycle was stolen from Oakhill, Tarbert, around Saturday April 20. The bike is blue with red forks and has a black and white seat. Police are investigating.

### Man charged

A 46-year-old man was arrested for assaulting a woman and behaving in an abusive manner in Stag Park, Lochgilphead, on Thursday May 2 at 7pm. The man was charged, held for court and a report was submitted to the procurator fiscal.

### Careless driving

The 56-year-old driver of a silver Ford transit van was issued with a £100 fixed penalty and three penalty points after he was stopped by police for careless driving on the A83 near Inveraray about 11am on Saturday May 4.

### No seat belt

Police stopped a car on Bishopton Road, Lochgilphead, at 7am on Monday May 6 as the driver, a man aged 63, was driving while not wearing his seat belt. The man was issued with a £100 fixed penalty ticket.

**Anyone with information in relation to the above, or to any incident, should contact their local police station on telephone number 101 or, anonymously, through Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.**

## Overnight closures planned to resurface A83 in May and June

BEAR Scotland has released details of its next round of A83 resurfacing work.

The £600,000 project will involve work north of Clachan; Tayinloan to Killean; Erines; Ardrishaig to Brenfield; Middle Kames and Dunderave.

Overnight road closures will be required at five out of the six locations between 7pm and 7am to help keep road workers and motorists safe.

As there is no suitable diversion route for the first five locations, amnesties will be in place to allow motorists to be safely escorted through the work. These will be at 8pm, 9pm, 10pm, midnight, 2am, 4am and 6am.

The only project which has an alternative diversion route is at Dunderave where road users will be diverted via the A82, A85 and A819, adding an additional 25 miles and 35 minutes to the journey between Tarbet and Inveraray.

Dates of the work are: A83 North of Clachan – Tuesday May 14 to Wednesday May 15, 7pm-7am.

A83 Tayinloan to Killean – Thursday May 16 to Monday May 27, excluding Friday and Saturday nights, 7pm-7am.

A83 Erines – Tuesday May

28 to Monday June 3, excluding Friday and Saturday nights, 7pm-7am.

A83 Ardrishaig to Brenfield – Tuesday June 4 to Tuesday June 11, excluding Friday and Saturday nights, 7pm-7am.

A83 Middle Kames – Wednesday June 12, 7pm-7am.

A83 Dunderave – Thursday June 13 to Tuesday June 18, excluding Friday and Saturday nights, 7pm-7am. Road users to be diverted via the A82, A85 and A819.

Access for public buses and emergency vehicles will be maintained at all the sites.

Eddie Ross, BEAR Scotland's representative for the north west, said: 'The traffic management arrangements are essential to keep road workers and motorists safe during the improvements and we've taken steps to minimise disruption by planning the project to take place overnight and avoiding working Friday and Saturday nights.'

'We thank motorists for their patience in advance and would also encourage them to plan ahead before setting out by checking the Traffic Scotland website for up-to-date travel information.'

## Council's planning service retains high standard

Argyll and Bute Council's planning service continues to provide a high quality service to businesses and residents, according to a Scottish Government report.

The council submitted its 2017-2018 Planning Performance Framework (PPF) to Scottish Ministers and maintained the previous year's high standard by scoring 11 green ratings across 15 areas of the service measured.

Only one red rating was allocated relating to the Enforcement Charter which was out of date at the end of the reporting year. However, a new charter was published in June 2018.

The PPF is also about promoting the service

and customer feedback, which is why it includes case studies to highlight some of the good practice the planning service has delivered.

Some of the good practice includes: a customer-focused approach to support customers through the planning process; clear and reasonable requests for more information which flag up issues before applications are submitted and work to engage with elected members, stakeholders, developers and key agencies.

Innovative additions to the website include help to guide people through complex documents and an online submissions form.

### Davaar Island Safe Walking Times

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# Preparing to deal with dog attacks on livestock

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Police Scotland hosted a day of discussion and learning around the growing problem of dog attacks on livestock, particularly concerning sheep.

Aimed primarily at Lochgilphead and Campbeltown police officers, the evidence gathering and legislative workshop was supported by Argyll and Bute Council, National Farmers Union Scotland (NFUS) and Dalriada Vets in Lochgilphead.

The clear message is that dogs must not be allowed off the lead when near livestock at any time, but there is a particular problem in spring when ewes are lambing.

A number of recent incidents in Mid Argyll where loose dogs have chased or attacked sheep provided

the backdrop to the event, held on Tuesday May 7 at Lochgilphead Police Office and later at Carnasserie Farm, Kilmartin.

NFUS Argyll and the Isles regional chairman John Dickson attended, and he said afterwards: 'It was an interesting day for me. In my present farm on Bute I've probably had six or seven sheep attacks by dogs.'

'I wish I had known then what I know now. I would have been better informed about what to expect when contacting the authorities and how it will be dealt with.'

He added: 'With all the agencies working together, you are bound to get a more effective response, so it's good to see everyone here today.'

PC Ben Rusden said: 'It's good to get officers on to the farm for training and to interact with farmers.'

South Scotland MSP Emma



From left: PC Ben Rusden, PC David Hope, Graham Hatton of Argyll and Bute Council, John Dickson, PC Morgan McCaig, PC Michelle Rusden and at the front, host farmer Rosemary Neagle with her trusty sheepdog.

Harper is pushing for a new Scottish Bill to update legis-

lation covering dog attacks on livestock. A public consul-

tation on the proposals will close on Wednesday May 15.



Jenny Campbell, middle, was rewarded for 65 years' service with a medal by area retail manager Katie Stuart-Cox, left, and shop manager Meg Jamieson. 51\_a16RedCross04

## Lochgilphead to host Red Cross Week coffee morning

A coffee morning will be held on Saturday May 11 to celebrate this year's Red Cross Week.

Hosted by Lochgilphead Red Cross's longest serving volunteer Jenny Campbell, who recently celebrated 65

years' service with the organisation, and other dedicated fundraising volunteers, the coffee morning will take place in Lochgilphead Parish Church Hall from 10am to noon. Red Cross week takes place from May 6 to 12. The

week was created to raise money for the British Red Cross on the anniversary of founder Henry Dunant's birthday on May 8 1828.

Join the volunteers for a cuppa and home-baking to support the British Red Cross.



## Grant opportunity for Tarbert and Skipness projects

Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust is looking for projects to support.

The community charity is offering grants to constituted organisations and groups within the Tarbert and Skipness Community Council area.

Application forms can be found on the website [tsct.org.uk](http://tsct.org.uk) and should be returned to [info@tsct.org.uk](mailto:info@tsct.org.uk) or the company office at William Duncan and Co, Old Surgery, School Road, Tarbert, Argyll, PA29 6UL. Closing date for applications is Friday May 31.

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# Scapa Fest - Boundless and binless at Ardkinglas

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The one-of-a-kind weekend festival that is Scapa Fest took over the grounds of Ardkinglas House and finished on Sunday. Not that anyone would have noticed on Monday.

The event's founder, Frenchwoman Clem Cocquet, has a vision 'to create a community around yoga, movement, adventure and mindful living' and this year's Scapa

Fest set about achieving those goals – in a way that leaves no trace behind.

Around 500 people went along to experience that Clem calls 'the Scapa Life'.

Yet no-one would have found a bin at the event. And there was no litter. The organisers provided only reusable foodware. And it worked.

During the festival, which closed on the evening of Sunday May 5, experts led yoga and adventure workshops alongside talks and

performances inspired by the natural world, aimed at all ages and levels.

Reflecting on Scapa Fest 2019, Clem said: 'This year was fabulous, a truly elevating experience for everyone, including me.'

'We built a boat with Archipelago Folk School, an open canoe that I named Boundless, and that will represent Scapa Fest during adventures throughout the year.'

'We went up the mountain



**Yoga under the guidance of experts on the Ardkinglas House lawn. 06\_a19ScapaFest05**

overlooking the campsite with Neil Harvey and Dougie Strang from Wild Journeys. We brought the joys of Nia – which marries dance, yoga and martial arts – to the Scapa people.'

'We had instructors Matt Nelson from Oregon, Liz Abendroth from Seattle and Donna Williams from Geneva, who came especially to teach, alongside 50 instructors from all over Scotland. We taught children to stay wild and connected to nature with Wild Things.'

'And we had a wonderful ceilidh on the Saturday night.'

'Thanks go to Ardkinglas Estate for hosting this dream event, the team organising the logistics, Food from Argyll for providing food and all the Scapa people.'



**Above: Having a go on the Sitar for the first time – and getting a tune out of it – was guitar player Chris Headington from Manchester. 06\_a19ScapaFest16**



**Web designer Naomi Spirit-Hawthorne from Skelmorlie was there with eco bricks – plastic bottles rammed full of non-recyclable plastics – which have a multitude of uses, including this stylish stool, modelled by Naomi. 06\_a19ScapaFest21**



**Above: Ben Wilde of Tayvallich-based Archipelago Folk School works on building the Scapa Fest canoe Boundless. 06\_a19ScapaFest11**



**Right: Experiencing the joy of painting rocks are, on the left, Violet MacIntosh from Inverness along with Glasgow twins Finn and Owen Slater at the back and, in the foreground, Freya Slater and Olivia Mullen, also from Glasgow. 06\_a19ScapaFest14**

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# Waverley cancels summer sailings – but she's still coming to Ardrishaig

A summer trip doon the watter has gone up the Swanee for many people eager to enjoy the period charm of the world's last sea-going paddle steamer.

Just weeks after announcing the steamer's itinerary of summer sailings – starting in late May – the ship's operator has been forced to cancel trips to the end of July due to extended maintenance work on the 72-year-old vessel.

A statement on the Waverley Excursions website said: 'Waverley's Clyde sailings in May, June and July and her Western Isles will not operate owing to extended boiler works which will delay her entry into service this year.'

'We sincerely apologise for having to withdraw these sailings.'

The delay will also affect planned sailings around the Welsh and English coasts

during the summer. The Waverley is still, however, expected to return after many years to Ardrishaig Pier in August.

Bookings are being taken for a special trip from Tarbert to Ardrishaig on Friday August 2. She will set sail at 2.30pm and is expected to arrive at Ardrishaig at 3.15pm before returning to Tarbert for 5.20pm.

The paddle steamer is currently in dry dock in Greenock while refit work is completed on the ship's boiler. The Waverley was due to launch her season with a May Bank Holiday weekend cruise round Bute along with a rare trip from Glasgow and Largs around the Mull of Kintyre to Oban.

The statement by Waverley Excursions continued: 'Passengers who have already booked tickets will be con-



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tacted directly with regards to re-booking or refunding.'

For more information, visit the [www.waverleyexcursions.co.uk](http://www.waverleyexcursions.co.uk) website.

## Mid Argyll restaurants recognised in top 100 list



Loch Fyne Oyster Bar in Cairndow.

Loch Fyne Oyster Bar and Lord of the Isles bar and restaurant have both been recognised in the Scottish edition 2019 Restaurant Awards top 100 restaurants list.

In a public vote, Cairndow's Loch Fyne Oyster Bar and Croabh Haven's Lord of the Isles outdid hundreds of applicants across Scotland to land in the list of the 100 best places to eat in the country, showcasing valuable work and service offered to their customers.

those who visit Scotland with the best of impressions.

'We would like to congratulate all restaurants that got shortlisted in the list with the Top 100 Restaurants in Scotland for their amazing achievements.'

The awards also provided the opportunity to fund raise for a worthwhile cause and helped raise money for the official charity partner, The Well Foundation that provides clean drinking water to countries in need.

## Mini-Avengers to take over Mid Argyll Sports Centre

Superhero Day is back at Lochgilphead Joint Campus. Expect to see the school filled with Iron Men, Spider-Men, Black Panthers, Black Widows and Scarlet Witches.

Live Argyll Mid Argyll is teaming up with Clyde 1's Cash for Kids campaign to raise money for kids across Glasgow and the west of Scotland. The money will focus on alleviating poverty, supporting disability and improving quality of life, with everything raised in the area staying in the area.

If anyone would like to donate, visit [cashforkidsgive.co.uk](http://cashforkidsgive.co.uk) or visit the Live Argyll Mid Argyll Facebook page for the link.

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## What will your legacy be?

The remarkable milestone reached by Tayvallich's Mary McLullich is one rarely seen.

It naturally makes us wonder about her life.

One wonders what she sees when she thinks back over the years, aside from the faces of loved ones. What is her legacy?

And from there the question begs, what will you contribute to the world that will last?

Will it be a time capsule like the Mid Argyll Youth Forum's buried in Blarbuie Wood?

It is not to be opened for 50 years and carries on the legacy of those who fought and died for our freedom.

Will it be something as simple as doing your bit? Like stopping by the Red Cross on its fundraising week or even signing up to volunteer? You don't need to hit Jenny Campbell's 65-year mark to make a difference.

Or maybe your legacy is in your loved ones. Maybe your legacy is in knowing that what you taught them will stay with them forever, and will be with them when they try to change the world.

## Are Tories ashamed?

Sir,

Councillor Redman and his Conservative colleagues spent some time discussing 'the challenges facing Argyll' (Argyllshire Advertiser letters page, May 3).

Not surprisingly, the bulk of his letter was spent berating the SNP and the Scottish Government.

What is surprising is that he and his fellow Conservative councillors appear unaware of the Conservative Government's years of austerity, cutting the Scottish budget in real terms, year on year.

If they did not bother to discuss this, they should be ashamed of themselves and if they did, then Councillor Redman should tell us what was said – or are they ashamed of that as well?

David Hay, Minard

## Stop huge wind turbines

Sir,

Scotland is becoming a wind turbine-dominated landscape.

Add to that the necessary pylon lines, grid connections and substations and Scotland's world-renowned iconic landscapes will be littered with industrial hardware.

Who will protect our natural environment?

The Scottish Government? Scottish Natural Heritage?

They haven't so far, and with industrial wind turbines increasing in size to the unbelievable heights of 200 to 220 metres – and even larger

– the greater the distance they will be seen from.

The London Eye is 'only' 135 metres tall.

It is a disgrace that neither the Scottish Government nor Scottish Natural Heritage are now mapping or monitoring visual impact at a national level. No comprehensive wind farm maps have been available since 2013. Is this a deliberate attempt to keep the public blissfully unaware of what is happening across our country?

In 2012 Paul Wheelhouse MSP, before he was energy minister, wrote to me and said, 'I am concerned that the turbines are of an unacceptably large size' when responding to a query regarding 149.5 metre turbines.

Isn't he concerned now?

The Scottish Government has confirmed that there is no limit to turbine heights on land and says the removal of subsidies by the UK government is the reason turbines are becoming so much larger. It is to make them 'commercially viable'.

It fails to mention that turbines across the world are increasing in size as developers chase ever-increasing profits, subsidies or no subsidies.

The constraints bill to turn turbines off, as at May 1, is £571,889,321. This does not include the Forward Energy Trades (secret constraints). Campaigners have been unable to find out how much this is today but the figure was running parallel in 2011 with the publicly known constraints at around £12m each.

Most of this was paid to Scottish wind farms. In the first four months of 2019 the

bill was £61,499,623 – over £3.5m per week not to generate electricity. Currently UK-wide consumers pay for this, but people in Scotland would foot the bill if we became independent.

So why are we even building any more? Why are we continuing to sacrifice our natural environment, wildlife and communities' wellbeing for a weather dependent energy? It is expensive and needs continual backup which is not factored into its costs or its carbon footprint.

A million turbines will not produce power if there is no wind. Storage for an industrialised nation is an expensive pipe dream and the pollution overseas for many thousands of tonnes of materials for turbines and metals for batteries is the unacceptable face of this so-called 'green' energy and readily ignored by its promoters. Indigenous peoples' lands and health are being destroyed for our 'green' Utopia.

Let us save what is left of the stunning landscapes of Scotland that millions travel the world to come and see. Let us be proud and protect Scotland's remaining heritage. Stop further industrial wind development now.

Lindsey Ward, anti wind farm campaigner, Inverness

## Be a tough mudder

Sir,

Meningitis Research Foundation (MRF) would like to invite readers to take up a charity place in Tough Mudder in 2019.

MRF has charity places available for Tough

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## YOUR PICTURES



Leaving aside the 21st century cars in the background, this week's photograph could have been taken in the 1940s.

The photo was taken by a regular contributor to this feature, Cheryl Ratcliffe-Nye, on Saturday May 4 as stormy skies framed the VIC 32 puffer in Ardrishaig basin.

VIC 32, operated by Puffer Steamboat Holidays, was embarking on her first cruising week of the season, during which the 76-year-old vessel transited the Crinan Canal and cruised parts of Loch Fyne and the Clyde.

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# A fine day of rowing on Loch Fyne

by Colin Cameron  
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Hardy spectators munched burgers to keep warm as the sleek rowing boats sliced through the biting breeze on Loch Fyne.

The inaugural Inveraray Skiff Day at Argyll Caravan Park drew a healthy sprinkling of people, curious to see what it was all about.

The event, on Saturday May 4, was arranged by supporters of the fledgling Inveraray coastal rowing club and was aimed at showcasing just what such a club can offer.

## Manoeuvrable

Three skiffs from visiting clubs – Lady Danger from Glasgow Coastal Rowing Club; Thistle, courtesy of Largs-based Firth of Clyde Coastal Rowing Club; and Chippy McNish of Royal West Of Scotland Amateur

Boat Club from Greenock – demonstrated just how swift and manoeuvrable these four-person (plus cox) boats can be.

Onlookers enjoyed a series of friendly races between the three skiffs, starting from Dalchenna Point and, helped by a cold northeasterly pushing them down the loch, finishing opposite the caravan park slipway.

Inveraray's skiff project is the brainchild of retired surgeon Martyn Webster, who has a vision to build a skiff and help foster community spirit in Inveraray. With the help of Argyll Caravan Park assistant manager Al Rodden, Martyn is looking for recruits to help build an Inveraray skiff and crew the boat in friendly races.

A site close to the caravan park slipway is earmarked for a shed to build and store

the boat, courtesy of Argyll Estates.

The plan is to cover the building costs of the 23-foot-long skiff by selling shares at £75 each – and a good number of shares were taken up at the Inveraray Skiff Day.

Al said: 'The skiff day was really good. In fact, a few people from the caravan park ended up going out for a shot in the skiffs.'

## Thank

'We would like to thank the clubs that came and supported the event, Argyll Estates for the use of the slip, David and Cindy at Skippers Bistro for supplying the food and Shug and Chris for manning the barbecue.'

Anyone interested in finding out more about the Inveraray skiff project should call Al on 01499 302285 or call in at the Argyll Caravan Park.



Largs-based Thistle against the stunning Loch Fyne backdrop. 06\_a19SkiffDay05



All smiles from the crew aboard Lady Danger from Glasgow. 06\_a19SkiffDay08



Coming into shore is Royal West Of Scotland Amateur Boat Club skiff Chippy McNish – named after Port Glasgow man Harry McNish, a carpenter on Shackleton's Antarctic Expedition of 1914–1917. 06\_a19SkiffDay06



Al Rodden has a shot on the megaphone. 06\_a19SkiffDay02

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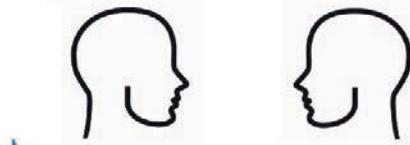
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Health Care Forum

# I like to move it, move it

A column by Mid Argyll Health and Care Forum

You don't go to hospital to lie in bed.

That was the message of the Get Up, Get Dressed and Get Moving campaign promoted by NHS Highland. Hospital staff explained how important it was to move as much as possible and explained the dangers of immobility.

In Mid Argyll wards, staff have developed these ideas to make family and friends part of the recovery process. There are information boards explaining the importance of sharing knowledge you hold that might help recovery and a gentle reminder staff are allies in the process.

We all know good advice can be hard to take even when we know it is for our benefit.

The forum applauds these initiatives, which also advise on home medication and management.

This is quite brave. Melanie Reid, a tetraplegic writer, tells of a doctor describing the difficulty of those 'who

are supposed to be in control and know everything – when they know they don't and are afraid to admit it.'

Staff in Mid Argyll recognise they are only part of the answer, pointing us towards the thing that works better than anything else – self care.

Perhaps the NHS has done such a good job that we expect it to have the answer to everything. But if we don't take care of ourselves all the medicines and treatments in the world are wasted. For some, this means minimising self-harm and changing bad habits for better ones; for others it means seeking out the skills they need for better movement, nutrition and emotional well-being.

With greater resilience in these areas, there will be an improvement in general health and a speedier recovery from illness or accidents.

To contact Mid Argyll Health and Care Forum, email the forum chairperson Barabel McKay at [barabelmck@gmail.com](mailto:barabelmck@gmail.com)

# Tarbert sisters ultra-determined to raise Alzheimer cash

Two Tarbert sisters will take on the gruelling Kintyre Way Ultra in aid of Alzheimer's and Dementia UK.

Lorraine Macdonald and Kathleen Mair have first-hand experience of these devastating conditions and the effect they can have on sufferers and their families.

Lorraine's father-in-law Donnie Macdonald, director of housing at Argyll and Bute Council for many years and a well-known gentleman, passed away suddenly from vascular dementia just over four years ago.

Lorraine takes up the story: 'Now our own dad, Walter Wallace Mair, has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's and vascular dementia and he is now, sadly, in the advanced stages.

'My sister, mum, myself and other members of family care for him at home and we have great help from medical staff at Tarbert Medical Centre and in Lochgilphead.

'We decided to pay back a little and hopefully help with breaking through to a cure.'

'This is a heart-breaking condition to watch someone you love suffer with.'

So the girls decided the Kintyre Way Ultra was for them, to raise funds.



Lorraine and Kathleen are set for their big day.

'We have been training for six months,' Lorraine continued.

'It has been a gruelling training schedule, what with all other life going on. Some days you just don't want to get up and run for 20 miles.'

But they are looking forward to taking on the beaches, trails and hills from Tayinloan to their home village harbour. 'Hopefully our dad will be taken down in his wheelchair by mum, my brother and my husband to

meet us at the finish line.' The 32-mile-long Kintyre Way Ultra takes place on Saturday May 11.

To support Lorraine and Kathleen's efforts visit their JustGiving page and add a donation.

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# Crowds, cakes and charity cash for Beatson

## Lochgilphead event raises £1,000

Mid Argyll people turned out in force to support a charity coffee morning.

Organised by well-known Lochgilphead woman Yvie Young, the event was in support of the Beatson Cancer Charity, a cause close to Yvie's heart as she has recently completed treatment at the Beatson cancer unit in Glasgow.

Lochgilphead Baptist Church Hall was the venue on a chilly but sunny Saturday May 4 which helped to bring out the crowds.

Armed with mountains of delicious cakes, scones and other delicacies, thanks to many talented home bakers around the area, Yvie and



Volunteer helper Kirsty Howson serving tea and coffee.

06\_a19YvieBeatsonCoffee02

her volunteer helpers raised £1,000 for the charity.

A delighted Yvie said: 'Thank you to my army of helpers and everyone who

donated baking, prizes and money.'

'We really appreciate the ongoing support from the community.'



A small army of volunteers helped Yvie, bottom right, at the Beatson coffee morning. 06\_a19YvieBeatsonCoffee04



Right: Frank Downie and Duncan MacLean had their work cut out keeping up with demand.

06\_a19YvieBeatsonCoffee03



Strathaven Choral Society put on a free afternoon concert in Inveraray.

06\_a19StrathavenChoir01

## Choir hits high notes on Argyll tour

A choir from South Lanarkshire delighted Argyll audiences on a special spring concert tour.

Strathaven Choral Society members set off on their travels on Saturday May 4, with their first stop Inveraray.

At Glenaray and Inveraray Parish Church they presented a free afternoon concert before heading to Lochgilphead for a joint concert in Lochgilphead Parish Church with Mid Argyll's Bar None Community Choir, which raised £425 for the Butterfly Trust.

Strathaven Choral Society performed a selection of songs celebrating folk music, chosen and conducted by musical director Christopher Barr.



Performing in Lochgilphead Parish Church with Bar None Community Choir.

A post on the choral society's Facebook page read: 'A wonderful concert in Inveraray Parish Church and then in Lochgilphead Parish Church.

'We loved singing with Bar None Community Choir and we're looking forward to welcoming them to Strathaven in

the near future. The hospitality was incredible, new friends were made and beautiful music was made.'

'A big thank you to everyone who supported us to make this tour happen. A huge thank you to Bar None Community Choir and their conductor Stephen Povey.'

## Consultation on draft Clyde Regional Marine Plan



18<sup>th</sup> March – 27<sup>th</sup> May 2019 –Take part now!

The Clyde Marine Planning Partnership is running a pre-consultation on the draft Clyde Regional Marine Plan. This is an important opportunity for coastal communities, individuals, businesses and other organisations to provide feedback and respond to the proposed plan.

The objectives and policies within the plan address a variety of issues across the Region, such as climate change, sea-level rise and marine litter. The Plan also focusses on sustainable development including sea fisheries; aquaculture; sport, recreation and tourism; shipping, ports, harbours and ferries.

The consultation will take place from 18<sup>th</sup> March until 27<sup>th</sup> May 2019 and there will be a range of public events where people can learn more about the draft Plan and regional marine planning in the Clyde. See the list of events below to find an event near you; we look forward to seeing you there!

- **Lochgilphead Community Education Centre 16<sup>th</sup> May.** Drop-in event with a presentation every hour, 17:00-21:00
- **Tarbert, Templar Arts and Leisure Centre 17<sup>th</sup> May.** Drop-in event with a presentation every hour, 17:00-21:00
- **Aqualibrium Leisure Centre 18<sup>th</sup> May.** Information stall between 11:00-16:00
- **Campbeltown Town Hall 18<sup>th</sup> May.** Presentation and Q&A, 19:00-20:00

To view the consultation documents and for a full list of events please visit: [www.clydemarineplan.scot](http://www.clydemarineplan.scot).

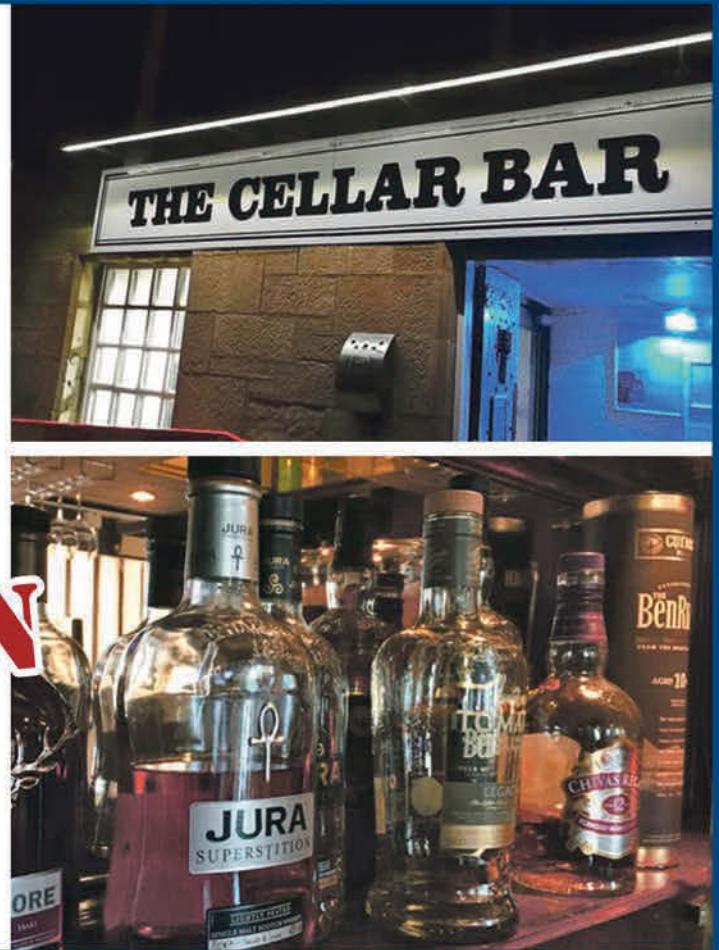
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# Club rides out for Marie Curie

Argyll South Pony Club's annual Daffodil Ride raised more than £500 for Marie Curie.

More than 30 riders of all ages enjoyed chosen routes from a three-mile stroll to a more challenging 10-mile fast hack along forest tracks around Skipness over the weekend of April 27/28.

The Sunday, bathed in glorious sunshine, was the more popular day and although there were no daffodils left on the routes with the early spring there were plenty blue-

## Annual event raises £500 for charity

bells and wild flowers along all the scenic paths.

The focal point for the event was the Seafood Cabin where home-baking and all sorts of treats were available for everyone who took part or was just passing.

This is a popular event as not only does it raise funds

for a worthy charity but it also helps the ponies, horses and riders start to get fit for the coming season.

The club thanks the James family of Skipness Estate, Stewart Marshall of Claonaig Estates and everyone who contributed baking and bottles for the stalls.



Arlene with Cola and Cerys with Dancer enjoying a stunning view.

## Science matters

DOROTHY H CRAWFORD



## Scottish scientist the father of climate change research

Have you ever heard of Scottish scientist James Croll?

I hadn't before reading his biography in the New Scientist\*. I was intrigued.

Croll (1821-1890), son of a poor Perthshire farmer, left school at 13. For years he struggled with, and failed at, various occupations including labourer, joiner, millwright, salesman, tea merchant and hotel landlord.

Perhaps his head was too full of scientific theories he read about in The Penny Magazine to make a go of anything else.

Croll's break came when

his neighbour, head of Anderson's University in Glasgow, offered him the university caretaker post.

There, job done for the day, Croll retired to the library where, turning his lack of scientific training to massive advantage, he indulged in free-ranging and highly original thinking.

Glacial cycles – when the ice sheets extend out from the poles – caught his imagination. By painstakingly calculating variations in earth's orbit around the sun, called eccentricities, for the previous three million

and future one million years, Croll related extreme eccentricities to the earth's ice-ages.

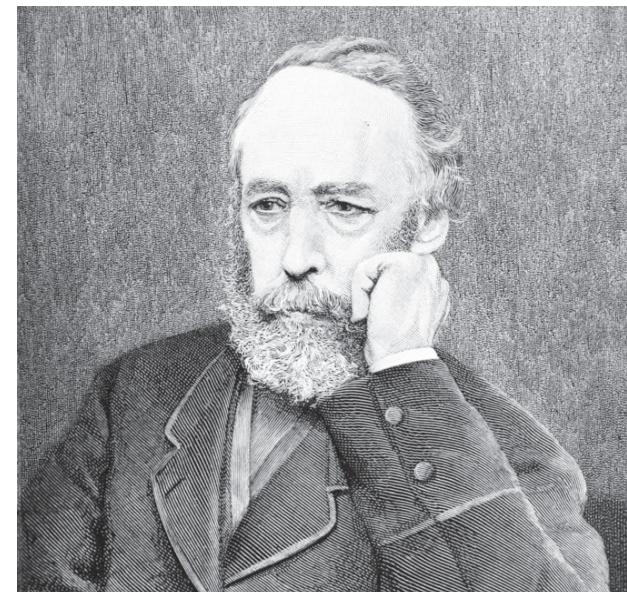
He worked out that during the last ice age – 2.6 million to 11,700 years ago – extreme eccentricities triggered initial cooling. But most important was their effect on the Gulf Stream, the warm Atlantic current flowing north from the Gulf of Mexico. A strengthening of trade winds deflected the Gulf Stream into the Southern Ocean, thereby extending northern glaciation. Then, as the ice-sheet

expanded, more sunlight was reflected in a self-perpetuating cooling cycle.

When Croll went public in 1864, his ideas immediately attracted great scientists like Lord Kelvin, Charles Lyell and Charles Darwin.

There followed an honorary degree from St Andrew's University, fellowship of the Royal Society and the post of secretary of the Scottish Geological Survey.

But as his fame spread, Croll became increasingly reclusive and he died a pauper, his work virtually forgotten. Nevertheless, in



Geologist James Croll.

the 1970s his theory linking earth's cooling cycles to solar events was confirmed and is relevant to predicting the effects of today's man-made

climate change. So Croll is the true father of climate change research.

\* New Scientist p34-35, August 25 2018.

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# Mary celebrates 105th birthday with family

by Colin Cameron  
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When Tayvallich woman Mary McLullich was born, the present Queen's grandfather, George V, was just four years into his 26-year reign.

Charlie Chaplin had only just embarked on his acting career with Keystone Studios in California and Archduke Ferdinand was still hale and hearty, unaware his assassination two months later would precipitate the start of World War One.

On Tuesday May 7, Mary celebrated her 105th birthday surrounded by family and friends.

Born near Strathaven, she moved as a toddler to Kilsyth, where her father worked as a shepherd with the MacGregor family at Allanfaulds.

At the age of 18 she took a summer job as a cook at Carsraig House and it was at that time she met Duncan McLullich who farmed with his family at Scottish. Later in the 1930s, she travelled to Bournemouth to cook in hospitals.

When the Second World War broke out, Mary worked as a hospital cook around

Stirling and Coatbridge – but all the time she and Duncan kept in touch.

She and Duncan were reunited after the war and were married on December 11 1946. They went on to have twins, Anne and Christine, in 1950 before Alan was born in 1956.

They moved to the house Mary still lives in, while Duncan continued to work the family farm with his parents and sister.

He retired in 1974 but remained active in the community.

Duncan passed away in 2012 – just three days short of his 99th birthday.

Mary celebrated her latest milestone birthday at her home, where she still lives with the help and support of carers and good neighbours.

Her mind is still sharp, though failing eyesight means Scrabble and crosswords are more difficult these days.

Looking back over her long life, Mary can remember the day the First World War came to an end in 1918. It was my brother's birthday and we were waiting for him to come home from school. It was him who said the war was over. At first we didn't believe him, but it was true.'

Mary is now the proud grandmother to Jane, Sarah, Beth and Duncan and great-grandmother to Thomas, Mary and Lucy.

Asked the favourite question of all interviewers – the secret to a long and healthy life – Mary replied: 'Moderation in all things.'

She quickly added: 'Apart from sweeties.'

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Mary on her 105th birthday with her youngest great grandchild Lucy, aged two. 06\_a19MaryMcLullich04

## Tie a white ribbon for Sri Lanka

Mid Argyll congregations have responded to a call from the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland to remember the victims of the recent terrible events in Sri Lanka.

Right Reverend Susan Brown said: 'Our congregation of St Andrew's in Colombo are very much in our hearts at this time. We remember too those in the hotels targeted.'

Glassary, Kilmartin and Ford Church was among those which responded, as was Glenaray and Inveraray Parish Church.

The moderator continued: 'This tiny action is offered simply as a physical symbol of those who have gone through so much and of the love we hold them in.'



Reverend Dr Roderick Campbell ties white ribbons on railings outside the Inveraray church.

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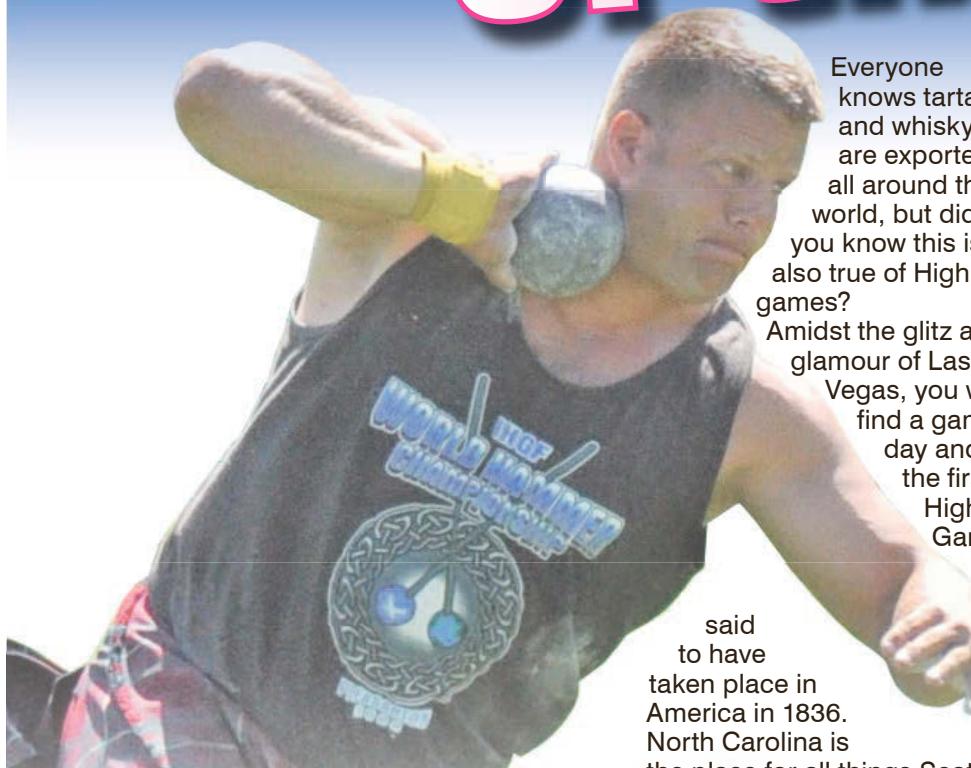
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# All the fun of the games



said to have taken place in America in 1836. North Carolina is the place for all things Scottish from July 11 to 14 this year for the annual gathering of Scottish

Everyone knows tartan and whisky are exported all around the world, but did you know this is also true of Highland games?

Midst the glitz and glamour of Las Vegas, you will find a games day and the first Highland Games is

clans at Grandfather Mountain Highland Games. Across Canada, Australia and New Zealand there are Highland games and every summer dancers and 'heavy' athletes from all over the world come to Scotland to compete in the Highland games 'circuit'. There really can be no greater compliment to the Highlands than the fact that all over the globe people turn out to enjoy our Highland culture, be it dancing, piping, tossing the caber, throwing the hammer and wearing the kilt. And just like us here in the West Highlands and islands, all over the world there are dancers and pipers rehearsing, athletes in training and heavy athletes working out in the gym, all getting ready for their big day. Likewise, here at home, the events are run mainly by volunteers who are already

putting in the hours arranging and organising to make sure each games day is a success this summer. The competitions began to find the strongest warriors for the battles, the swiftest runners to be messengers and the best dancers and pipers to entertain clan chiefs and their guests. There is also the chance for people to socialise. That can still be seen today in the West Highlands and Islands with so many of the games taking place during Glasgow Fair holiday in July. In days gone by, this was the only time people who left to find work in the city could get home to see their families. So turn out and support the games this summer and enjoy our unique Scottish tradition that stretches back through the centuries and which, as it goes forward, has travelled to all points of the compass.



## Taynuilt Highland Games Saturday July 20

The 150th Taynuilt Games will be celebrated this year - an event that has always had a reputation for being a friendly games, welcoming

foreign tourists from far and wide as well as people from throughout Scotland and the UK. Taynuilt Highland Games has run since 1859 and has only

been halted during times of war and crisis.

The games also have great events for everyone to join in, from climbing the greasy pole to throwing the

Nant Stone, a huge boulder taken from the bed of the nearby river.

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competitions, piping, and track events the games has its own 'Throwing the Tirinie Stone', an almost spherical stone found on Tirinie Farm, Kenmore, weighing 101lbs. Come and join this small community and enjoy its big day out.

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 Heavy Events, Highland Dancing,  
 Kiddies Races, Pet Show, Hill Race, Tug O'War, Flat Races, Mini  
 Highland Games, Stalls, Sideshows and much more.

### Glengarry Highland Games

There are two Glengarry Highland Games and the one here in Scotland is held at the village shinty club's playing field.

The other, at Maxville, Ontario, has grown

into one of the largest in the world, with 50 pipe bands taking part, as it is one of the competition venues for the American Pipe Band Championships.

Though the original is now in the shadow of

### Saturday July 6

the Canadian games, the spirit remains the same - a great day out for all the family with piping, dancing, track and field events, stalls food and plenty activities and races for children.



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cinema night, charity dinner at Whitehouse Restaurant, auction night for MS, Big Morvern Run, regatta, fishing competition, crab catching, shinty, survivors' dance-beach party and more.

Morvern Games and Gala Week was reinstated in 1987 after a period of abeyance.

A highlight in the Morvern calendar, it is an opportunity for organisations to hold events throughout the week with the support and assistance of the Games and Gala Week

committee. The week begins with Morvern Highland Games, held on the second Saturday in July.

The date is to coincide with the Glasgow Fair with the intention of attracting the diaspora home for the holidays and enjoy the events throughout the week.

There will be a mini bus meeting the ferry from Mull and picking up people around the village.

This should reduce traffic at the field and save people the long walk up the hill.

### Southend Highland Games

### Saturday July 20

There are bigger Highland games with larger crowds, but is there another Highland games where people have this much fun or visitors are made to feel so welcome?

The tiny village of Southend, on the tip of the Kintyre peninsula, holds its games in the afternoon and into the evening.

There are all the traditional field

events, piping and dancing and a range of senior and field events with cash and voucher prizes. Southend always places an emphasis on children's events.



**SOUTHEND HIGHLAND GAMES**

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## Bute Highland Games Saturday August 24

Bute Highland Games makes a welcome return to their traditional second last Saturday in August slot on the Highland Games circuit.

Chairman Douglas Lyle and the organising committee of Bute Highland Games are delighted to welcome as this year's chieftain Samantha Ella Embury, a member of the Bute family who is involved in the Bute Family Trust, set up by her grandfather, which supports good causes on the island.

She is also passionate about supporting young people who may be at risk and has

worked in this field in Brazil and the UK. She is married to Gavin and they have two children, Louie and Honor.

The High Street Stadium at Rothesay is a scenic backdrop for the Bute Games, also known as the 'family friendly games'.

There is something for everyone - pipes and drums; Highland dancing; athletics; heavy events; wrestling; junior shinty and the ever popular, scenic 10K road race.

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## Mull Highland Games Thursday July 18

As venues go, they don't come more spectacular than Erray Park, Tobermory. The games take place with the Sound of Mull and the hills of Ardnamurchan as the backdrop.

Events include heavyweights, light field events and Highland dancing and the park is also a great place to begin – and end – a hill

race with the pipe band playing and spectators cheering the runners home. This show has no trade stands.

Mull Games always has a great atmosphere and that extends to the trip there as back on the ferry. Make sure you get your tickets booked in advance as the boats are always packed on games day.

## Mull Highland Games

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2018 saw a record-breaking 768 dancers travel from as far away as Canada and Australia to compete for the most prestigious trophies in the highland dancing world.

Saturday August 31 also sees the Cowal Pipe Band Championships, the

oldest pipe band competition in the world, taking place.

Around 50 bands will perform during the day, all aiming to leave Dunoon with some of the Gathering's most historic trophies. Don't miss one of the Cowal Highland Gathering's 'must see' moments, marking the finale to the event, when the massed bands play in unison in their salute to the Chieftain.

Cowal Highland Gathering also hosts an international heavy athletics competition, which attracts some of the best strongmen and women from across Europe. Competitors from Scotland, Germany and Iceland will go head-to-head in individual and team competitions.

Also included in the

cost of admission is access to the popular Cowal Ceilidh Tent, which this year is headlined by Skerryvore, with Beinn Lee, Rhuvaal and Donald Black supporting them.

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**Newtonmore Highland Games****Saturday August 3**

The games are held in the heartland of the Clan Macpherson with the clan's annual rally and march to the

games. This year's chieftain is Angus Macpherson of Baillid. The march includes massed pipe bands

and leads the way to The Eilan, the home of the games.

There are open and local heavy events which attract a good field; open track, field and traditional heavy events.

Another feature of the games is the Creag Dhubh Hill race plus a full schedule of dancing. With trade stalls, food and beer tent, this is a wonderful, traditional games.

**Newtonmore Highland Games****Saturday 3rd August 2019. 10.30am-5pm**

Massed pipe bands march through the village to the games at 1pm  
Open Piping 11-3pm  
Highland Dancing Competition from 12.30pm  
Open Track & Field Athletics 1pm  
Open Traditional Heavy Events 1pm  
Clan Macpherson rally and march to the games  
Creag Dhubh Hill Race 3.15pm  
Trade Stalls - Food & Beer Tents

**Helensburgh and Lomond Highland Games Saturday June 1**

Helensburgh and Lomond Games are unique in that the event is linked to two clans, the Colquhoun and the MacAuley, whose chiefs alternate the duties of chieftain of the games.

Traditional competitions such as the dancing and athletics are on show along with the 'heavy' events like tossing the caber.

Spectators can join in by competing in a

variety of events for old and young at the games which are held at Helensburgh Rugby Club grounds.

The origin of today's games can be traced back to 1889.



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Novice & Professional Heavyweights & Highland Dancing - 12 Noon

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Chieftain, Sir Malcolm Colquhoun of Luss - 12:30 pm

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## Tayvallich welcomes top young folk band

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The band has been tipped as 'ones to watch' by Songlines magazine for their lively and engaging performances.

As a duo, Graham Rorie and Aidan Moodie picked up a prestigious Danny Kyle Award at Celtic Connections in Glasgow and reached the semi-finals of the BBC Radio 2 Young Folk Award.

Since expanding to a four-piece, Gnoss have continued to impress at performances and festivals across the UK and Europe, earning a nomination for Up and Coming Artist of the Year at the MG Alba Scots Trad Music Awards.

Gnoss are on an international tour to promote their debut album Drawn from Deep Water.

The band will be at Tayvallich Village Hall on Saturday May 11 at 8pm. Doors open 7.30pm. Tickets are £12 for adults and £6 for under 16s, bought at the door, or email info.tayvhall@gmail.com. The venue is unlicensed but adults can take their own bottle.

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# Loch Melfort Hotel wins big

Kilmelford's Loch Melfort Hotel enjoyed a successful night at The Scottish Hotel Awards, winning the coveted Independent Hotelier of The Year award as well as being highly commended as a pet-friendly hotel.

It is the second time the hotel has won the Independent Hotelier award, having also triumphed in 2013.

Owners Calum and Rachel Ross said: 'We are honoured and humbled to have won this prestigious award again. It is a true reflection of the attitude, commitment, dedication and hard work of every member of our team.'

'It also recognises our wonderful guests who have helped shape what we do here at Loch Melfort Hotel, and

their influence on how we have developed the business over the years. We are proud to be a part of the dynamic Scottish tourism sector and are grateful for all the support we have received from our industry colleagues and friends.'

Nestled amongst 17 acres of gardens and beach on the west coast of Scotland in Argyll,

Loch Melfort is a family-run, four-star country house. The hotel offers both a relaxed dog-friendly bistro and a fine dining restaurant, alongside sea-view bedrooms and excellent Scottish hospitality.

**Loch Melfort Hotel owners  
Rachel and Calum Ross.**



## Benmore Botanic Garden weather summary

Below are the statistics for April:  
Highest max air temp: 23.2°C on the 22nd  
Lowest max air temp: 6.7°C on the 1st  
Average max air temp: 13.4°C  
Lowest min air temp: 2.1°C on the 11th  
Highest min air temp: 9.5°C on the 23rd  
Average min air temp: 4.3°C  
Highest min at grass level: 7.9°C on the 25th  
Lowest min at grass level: 9.2°C on the 11th  
Average min at grass level: 0.3°C  
Air min below 0.0°C on 5 days

Grass level min below 0.0°C on 12 days  
Hail on 1 day  
Thunder on 0 days  
Gale on 0 days  
Greatest rainfall in one day: 12.4mm on the 26th  
Rain 0.2mm or more on 14 days  
Rain 1.0mm or more on 10 days  
Rain 5.0mm or more on 5 days  
Trace (between 0.0mm & 0.1mm) on three days  
Total with measurable rain: 15 days  
Average relative humidity 73.7 per cent  
Total rainfall for month: 61.6mm

(2.4 inches) Total rainfall for year: 735.3mm (28.9 inches)

The number of recorded air and ground frosts was around average for April, however, overall it was a fairly warm and dry month.

The average maximum daily temperature was 1.6°C above the long-term norm and the average minimum temperature was 0.7°C above the long-term norm.

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# WWI time capsule buried in Blarbuie Woodland

On Tuesday April 30 a time capsule was buried in Blarbuie Woodlands for future explorers to find.

Alan Cameron of Mid Argyll Youth Forum buried a time capsule in Blarbuie Woodlands as part of the forum's activities to mark the 100th anniversary of the ending of WWI.

Alan wrote to First Minister Nicola Sturgeon to tell her about his project and he

received a lovely letter back and a commemorative book to include in the time capsule.

He also collected items for inclusion from members of the S1 cohort in Lochgilphead Joint Campus.

Also included in the time capsule are audio recordings of both the Lochgilphead 65 and Ardrishaig Remembers books, beautifully recorded by members of Argyll Talking Newspapers, as well as music

by Argyll Brass and songs by community choir Bar None.

There are a number of scanned documents and letters on USB keys, which it is hoped can be opened in 50 years' time. Cleland Sneddon, chief executive of Argyll and Bute Council, sent a letter and a quaich to be included.

There are far too many items to list, therefore in 50 years' time, when the time capsule is opened, people will get a few surprises.

Alan has also included the primary one intake for 2018 pull out from the Argyllshire Advertiser.

The time capsule is buried within the memorial garden of 110 trees in Blarbuie Woodlands which honour the 65 soldiers from Lochgilphead and the 55 soldiers from Ardrishaig. The trees will be there as a constant reminder of the soldiers who died, and when the young people are older they



Alan Cameron burying the time capsule.

can take pride in telling their children and grand-children that they were responsible for planting all the trees in the garden, which will hopefully be a mature forest.

The opportunity for the

young people to be involved in all of the activities associated with WWI commemorations was made possible by funding received by Mid Argyll Youth Forum from the Heritage Lottery Fund.

It has been supportive throughout the four years of project delivery.

Ray Flanagan of Mid Argyll Youth Forum said: 'I believe that Alan and all the other young people involved in the projects found it fun, interesting and rewarding.'

'I hope this will be shown through their personal experiences.'

'Overall they engaged in enjoyable learning experiences where they could take advantage of the opportunities to work with a range of partners which were able to offer and support enriched learning experiences and opportunities for their wider involvement in society and their local communities as well as in developing useful skills for learning, life and work.'

'Hopefully someone will put the date of April 30 2069 in their diary to open up the time capsule, as I know I won't be here.'



All the items getting buried in Blarbuie Woodlands.

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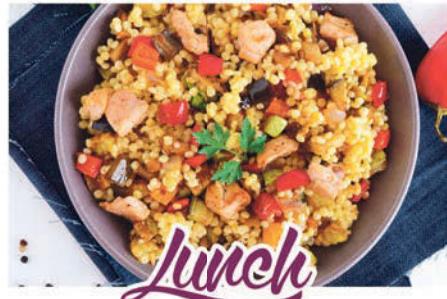
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# Chef McNeill joins dream team at Machrihanish

Gigha's very own Gordon McNeill is taking the reins as executive chef at the Kintyre Restaurant and Bar, at The Ugadale Hotel at The Village at Machrihanish Dunes.

He joins chef Greig Smyth at The Royal Hotel and chef Colin Bellamy at The Old Clubhouse Pub to complete The Village at Machrihanish Dunes' 'dream team' of culinary artists.

Chef McNeill was born on Gigha and began his working life at the Putechan restaurant on the Kintyre coast before serving a working apprenticeship at several of the west coast's top eateries.

A spell at the Gleneagles Hotel was followed by a stint at prestigious Tuddenham



Gordon McNeill, now executive chef at Kintyre Restaurant and Bar.

Mill, before he spread his wings abroad, working for two private families in Italy.

A return to Kintyre to visit family after an absence of 18 years resulted in a chance meeting with the new owner of the business that was to become The Boathouse Restaurant in Gigha, a meeting which started a working relationship that was to last six years and see McNeill earn a reputation for producing the finest dishes, specialising in the use of local seafood.

McNeill had the desire to take all the experience he had

gained during his time at the Boathouse – along with his natural inventiveness and boundless enthusiasm for his craft – and bring it to a bigger and more accessible stage.

So he was delighted when the opportunity presented itself to have his name associated with the prestigious Ugadale Hotel.

'People rightly come to stay at The Ugadale for the golf, and that will never change,' said McNeill. 'But it is my goal to have people also come here specifically to enjoy the food that we produce, rather



The Kintyre Restaurant and Bar at The Ugadale Hotel.

than just to eat here because it is the restaurant attached to the hotel.'

Expect to find dishes such as: queenies cooked with Springbank whisky and Arran Cheddar; Tandoori lobster tail with horseradish, apple, cucumber, and mint and sashimi tuna with pickled ginger, soya and wasabi.

Although his set menus will focus on seafood, shellfish and grill, his use of daily specials boards will ensure there is always an interesting selection of exciting offerings available daily.

Greg Sherwood, president of Southworth Golf, which oversees management of The Ugadale Hotel and Kintyre Restaurant and Bar, said: 'Everyone at the hotel is incredibly excited to have Gordon join our team. We have always strived to offer the very best food and beverage in the Kintyre region.'

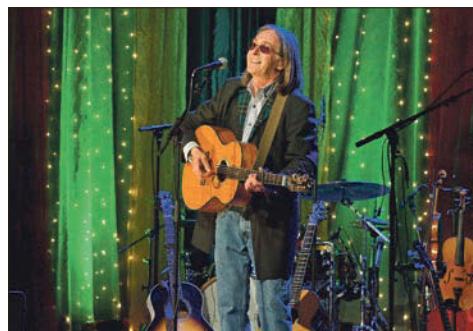
I know that hotel guests and local residents alike are going to marvel at what he and his team are doing. It will be a very special culinary experience, and one unlike any other in Kintyre.'

The Ugadale Hotel in Machrihanish was restored and reopened in 2012 and immediately earned luxury four-star status. Since then, it has earned awards, including best new hotel, best golf hotel, and best small hotel from the Scottish Hotel Awards and Golf Tourism Scotland, while The Ugadale Cottages have earned the TripAdvisor certificate of excellence.

# MOKFest set to rock the Wee Toon for 27th year



Manran make their festival debut this year.



Internationally-renowned singer/songwriter Dougie MacLean makes his third visit to Campbeltown. Photograph: Rob McDougall.



Ainsley Hamill will perform at the Gaelic Concert in Ceol Campbeltown.

The 27th annual Mull of Kintyre Music Festival (MOKFest) looks set to rock Campbeltown this summer, with some of the best bands and performers from across Scotland scheduled to appear.

The five-day event, which runs from August 21 to 25, has yet another great line-up including Manran, Dougie MacLean, Glenfinnan Ceilidh Band, Chris Stout and Catriona McKay, Ainsley Hamill and Slainte Davaar Allstars.

On Saturday August 21 the festival launches its exciting new event, The West Coast Rocks Concert, with new sponsors Glen Scotia Distillery, and a great west coast lineup of bands.

Folk-rock legends Manran, making their debut at the festival, will headline supported by Heron Valley who are now headlining events across Scotland and are making a much-requested return.

Local outfit Rhuvaal will open the concert that promises to give the audience the full-on west coast festival experience in the Victoria Hall.

Headlining the Traditional Concert in the Heritage Centre on the same night is Scotland's internationally-renowned singer/songwriter Dougie MacLean making his third visit to the town. Dougie, who was originally famed for writing the song Caledonia, will perform in the Campbeltown Heritage Centre for the first time.

The support band is Ceann Tir featuring a host of talented young musicians from South Kintyre who have come through the MOKFest music development project with

Campbeltown School.

Arthur Johnstone will MC the concert.

On Friday August 23 the Glenfinnan Ceilidh Band make their debut at the Festival Ceilidh Night. The west coast ceilidh band includes stalwarts from across the traditional music world who are as at home playing large concert venues around the world as intimate bothy ceilidhs and are guaranteed to get everyone dancing.

Also playing are young folk fusion band Eriska featuring artists from Argentina, Italy and USA. This will be the second time the band has played at the event having previously performed on the Festival Club in 2017.

The Dalriada Connections Band, featuring students and tutors from Campbeltown Grammar School alongside a core group of musicians, opens the concert sets. The evening starts with a rousing performance by the Kintyre Schools Pipe Band.

This year's Gaelic Concert in Ceol Campbeltown, Seafield, on Wednesday August 21 will headline with Gaelic singer Ainsley Hamill who also plays in the band Barluath.

Joining her will be Iain MacPherson and a host of local artists with Christine MacIntyre as Bean-an-Tigh.

The Dalriada Connections Concert in the Campbeltown Heritage Centre on Sunday August 25 will again be sponsored by Mitchell's Glengyle Distillery.

This popular Pan Celtic concert headlines with Chris Stout and Catriona McKay.

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Chris is from Fair Island, one of the Shetland Islands, and Catriona is from Dundee. They have played together for around 20 years including in internationally acclaimed band Fiddlers' Bid.

From Northern Ireland the festival welcomes three-piece band Ceóla who will be joined by Western Sound, Scooter Muse, Ross Conner Trio, Frank Rochford and the usual mixture of local and visiting musicians. Tickets include a free sponsors' miniature at this event.

The legendary Survivors Night later that night features Campbeltown super-group Slainte Davaar Allstars who continue to come up with a fantastic set of new tracks each year.

Rhuvaal will also perform along with we.R.soul, Gilchristians, Matt McAllister Band and Session A83. This year Alison M Leith takes over as MC.

Firm festival favourite, The Young Folk Night kick-starts events in the Heritage Centre on Thursday August 22, featuring some of Kintyre's finest young musical talent.

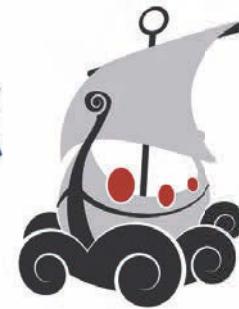
Information on the new Saturday afternoon open-air events plus other festival attractions will be in next week's Courier.

Tickets for all concerts will be available locally from A. P. Taylors, Main Street, Campbeltown, and online from Ticketweb at [www.ticketweb.co.uk](http://www.ticketweb.co.uk) or phone 08444 771 000 on May 16 from 10am.

For more updates go to [www.mokfest.com](http://www.mokfest.com) or email [mokfest@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mokfest@hotmail.co.uk).

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Gaelic Concert | Ceol, Seafield Hotel

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Thu 22

Tickets: £7  
Doors: 7:00PM

Young Folk Night | The Heritage Centre

This hugely popular event features some of Kintyre's finest young musical talent showcasing the future of our musicians.

Fri 23

Tickets: £18 / £9  
Doors: 7:30PM

Festival Ceilidh | The Victoria Hall

Ceilidh fun with the Glenfinnan Ceilidh Band, Eriska, The Dalriada Connections Band and Kintyre Schools Pipe Band.

Sat 24

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Up The Close | Springbank Distillery

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Sat 24

Tickets: £20  
Doors: 7:00PM

Dougie MacLean Concert | The Heritage Centre

This all-seated concert features Dougie MacLean in concert with Ceann Tir supporting. Arthur Johnstone will MC.

Sat 24

Tickets: £25  
Doors: 9:30PM

West Coast Rocks Concert | The Victoria Hall

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Dalriada Connections | The Heritage Centre

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Chris Stout & Catriona McKay headline and are joined by Ceóla (NI), Frank Rochford, Western Sound, Scooter Muse (USA), Ross Conner Trio and many local & visiting artists..

Sun 25

Tickets: £22  
Doors: 7:30PM

Survivors Night | The Victoria Hall

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# Farmers must be considered to deliver climate change solutions

Scotland's farmers and crofters must be recognised as part of the solution to delivering on the Committee on Climate Change (CCC) 'net-zero' target, according to NFU Scotland.

The report, published on May 2, states Scotland has greater potential to remove emissions from its economy than the UK overall and can credibly adopt a more ambitious target of reaching net-zero greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs) by 2045. The CCC's recommendation covers all sectors of the Scottish economy.

NFU Scotland president Andrew McCornick said: 'The CCC recommendation that Scotland can achieve net-zero emissions by 2045 is era-changing and a huge mo-

ment in the climate change debate for Scotland's farmers and crofters.

'It is now extremely likely the Scottish Government will adopt this recommendation and emission target and look to all sectors of society and industry, including food and farming, to play their part in delivering. That will require massive change within Scottish agriculture. Our farmers and crofters are green by nature. We are starting from a good place and will work with the government to help the industry become a world leader in low carbon farming.'

'Climate change is a critically important issue for Scottish farming and our farmers and crofters are on the front line in experiencing the impacts

of climate change. They are increasingly having to adapt to changing weather patterns and increased volatility to maintain their businesses and still put high quality food on the table.'

'They take their environmental responsibilities incredibly seriously and continue to adopt practical, workable solutions and improvements to the challenge of climate change.'

'In our Steps to Change document, looking at future support arrangements for Scottish farming post-Brexit, we give serious consideration as to how measures such as improving soil health, managing slurries and manures and targeting inputs to improve soil carbon storage as routes to reducing emissions

might be supported in the future.'

'Government must also invest in helping the industry and place greater emphasis on advice and support.'

'Reducing agricultural emissions in Scotland will be fundamentally challenging to businesses but need not be at the expense of producing food, cutting livestock numbers or exporting our emissions by relying on food imports. If net zero targets



Farming can have an effect on reversing global warming.

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are to be laid in legislation, there is now an opportunity for government and organisations to work together to set the agenda. To secure the facts, NFUS plans to work with Scottish research institutions to establish a fellowship to capture what is currently understood about agricultural emissions in Scotland and to communicate that information to key industry stakeholders.'

## Dalmally cattle and sheep sale

United Auctions held its annual spring sale of 302 grazing cattle, 36 breeding cattle and 114 sheep of all classes. Bullocks sold to average £785.84 (- £3.69) whilst heifers levelled out at £741.77 (+ £8.35). Bullocks sold to 265p per kilo for Limousin crosses from Dall and heifers peaked at 256p per kilo for Charolais crosses from Tiraghoil. Hereford cross bulling heifers from Clachan, Tiree sold to £1,100. Breeding cattle from Homeston sold to £1,400. All classes of sheep sold at satisfactory levels.

Principle lots and prices:  
 Top prices per head:  
 Bullocks: AAx: £940 - 10  
 Eoligarry, Barra: £890(2)  
 - Poltalloch.  
 BSx: £840(2) - Auchlyne.  
 BRBx: £910 - Craig.  
 CHARx: £960(3)  
 - Tiraghoil: £950(2) -  
 Fearnoch: £910 - Tiraghoil:  
 £890 - Barnakill: £890(6)  
 - Ardmaleish: £890(5)  
 - Tiraghoil.  
 LIMx: £950(2)  
 - Craignafeoch: £940 -  
 Ardmaleish: £920 - Craig:  
 £920 - Tom Ne Coille:  
 £910(2) - Croftintygan:  
 £900 - Craignafeoch:  
 £880(3) - Ardmaleish. SALx:  
 £760 - Barnakill.  
 SHx: £770(2) - Auchlyne.  
 SIMx: £960 -  
 Achnacreemore: £910(2)  
 - Tiraghoil: £880 - 10  
 Eoligarry, Barra.  
 Heifers: AAx: £730 - Craig  
 Farm. BSx: £830 - Auchlyne  
 CHARx: £930(2), £920(2) -  
 Fearnoch: £900 - Auchlyne:

Glenure Estate: 248p - Ellary Farms: 248p(3) - Ardmaleish: 247p(3) - Ellary Farms: 246p(3) - Ardmaleish: 243p - Poltalloch: 240p - Craig Farm: 238p - Dall Farm: 236p(2) - Glenure Estate: 235p - Tom Na Coille. SALx: 244p - Barnakill. SIMx: 262p - Glenure Estate: 260p - Tiraghoil: 252p - Glenure Estate: 249p(3) - Ellary Farms: 242p(2) and 239p(2) - Glenmachrie: 236p - Achnacreemore: 236p - Glenure Estate: 234p(4) - Ellary Estate: 234p - 10 Eoligarry, Barra.  
 Heifers:  
 AAx: 242p(5) - Scotstown. CHARx: 240p - Tullochmhor: 236p - Barnakill: 234p(2) - Dunans: 230p and 225p(4) - Barnakill. LIMx: 256p - Tiraghoil: 239p - 13 Eoligarry, Barra: 238p(3) - Glenure Estate: 235p - Dall: 234p(4) - Tiraghoil: 233p - Ardmaleish: 233p(3) - Poltalloch: 232p - 10 Eoligarry, Barra. SALx: 244p(2) and 224p(4) - Brackley. SIMx: 249p and 241p(2) - Dunach Estate: 237p - Tiraghoil: 230p(2) - Glenmachrie. Sheep Hogs TEXx: £58 - Silvercraigs. Cross: £57 - Garrogie Estates. BF: £64 - Silvercraigs: £50.50 - Tullochmhor. Ewes Chev: £46 - Silvercraigs BF: £40 - Silvercraigs.

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# It's show time

Your guide to the best agricultural shows in the area



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Go along to an agricultural show or two this summer and find out more

Can you think of any other industry which is such a vital part of community life that everyone turns out in force to support it? Visit a show and see for yourself.

An agricultural show is a great day out but to the farming community an agricultural show is way, way more than that.

Farming is almost a definition of anti-social hours. Do you get fed up if you have to work an evening or a weekend now and then? Farming folk would laugh in disbelief – livestock and the weather make sure that farming is never a nine-to-five job. It truly is a way of life.

A show gives people the chance to catch up with old friends and socialise. There will be plenty of cràic in the tea tent or at the bar and the show dance in the evening or at the Young Farmers' stall. One of the joys of an agricultural show is that people have time to stop and catch up with neighbours, friends and other people in the community whom they might not see from one year's show day to the next.

Many people outwith the farming community are often surprised at how many exhibitions and trade stands there are at agricultural shows, even the smaller ones. So expect to see stalls for organisations like the Forestry Commission, NFUS or SNH at shows, or dealerships in farm vehicles and implements – from a four-wheel-drive truck, or a plough, to rotary tedders to silage wagons. Farming is such an all-consuming job that it makes more sense for agricultural suppliers to go to the customers rather than the customers visit their showrooms.

There will also be stalls or agents for feed and fertiliser and agricultural suppliers. Likewise stalls selling country clothing and overalls which everyone can appreciate.

Look out too for a host of food stalls selling baking, sweeties, hot food and often farmers' market stalls selling produce. Each show has its loyal band of tradespeople.

The Royal Highland Show at Ingliston, Edinburgh, is considered the start of the agricultural show season and



## WEST ARDNAMURCHAN SHOW

*Kilchoan, Friday 19 July*

This is a well-established show with a reputation for providing a fantastic family day out. The agricultural show starts the day at 9.30am, with the main family events following at 11.30am.

The day includes children's races with a hill race for seniors and juniors, likewise heavy events and a pet show, produce show and stalls for everyone to enjoy. There is an all-day barbecue, and bar and live music on the field from 5pm onwards with A'Hooligan. All this is in the beautiful Kilchoan setting, making for a memorable day.



### West Ardnamurchan Show & Sports

**Friday 19th July 2019**

Enjoy a fantastic family fun day in beautiful surroundings at Kilchoan's well established Show and Sports. Agriculture Show runs from 09:30 to 11:30 and all the Main Events start at 11:30.

Attractions include: All Day BBQ & Bar; Senior & Junior Heavy Events; Junior Sports; Children's amusements start 11.30 am; Pet Parade & Races; Tug-o-War; Stalls; Baking & Horticulture Competitions; Senior & Junior Hill Race; Live music and refreshments on the field from 5pm onwards (A'Hooligan) More information online: Facebook@westardnamurchanshowandsports

## BUNESSAN SHOW

*Bunessan School Ground,*

*Friday August 2*

The first of the Isle of Mull's two agricultural shows, this might be one of the smaller ones but it has a big heart; it has a reputation for being one of the friendliest shows around.

The show committee describe the event as a 'traditional show' with a full schedule of livestock classes plus plenty more for people to enjoy at the showground alongside the village primary school, especially lots of children's competitions with home baking, preserves and gardening classes.

The day also ends in the traditional way, with a show dance in the village hall, this year with Beinn Lee, starting at 9pm.

## KINTYRE AGRICULTURAL SHOW

*Anderston Park,*

*Campbeltown, Friday August 2*

Kintyre is home of the famous Mull of Kintyre Cheddar, so expect to see some of the finest dairy cattle in the show ring, along with beef cattle, sheep and Clydesdales, plus plenty of livestock which had good wins at the Royal Highland Show.

Kintyre Show always has a good selection of stalls and action from the Kintyre Young Farmers. There will be a parade of old tractors a great dog show, and produce show. A day not to be missed.



## BUNESSAN SHOW

**Friday 2nd August 2019**

**Bunessan School Ground**

**Gates open 9.30am**

*Traditional Highland and Island Agricultural Show*  
*Entry: Adult £4.00, Conc £2.00, Car Parking £2.00*

*Licensed Dance to follow in Village Hall*

**Beinn Lee Band 9pm**

## Kintyre Agricultural Show

**Friday 2nd August 2019**

**Anderston Park,  
Campbeltown  
Gates Open 8am**

**Dairy & Beef Cattle, Sheep, Clydesdales,  
Horses & Ponies. Old Tractors & Dogs  
Produce Show**

**Entry: Adults £6.00, Children £3,  
Family Tickets £12.00  
Free Parking**



# local farmers

are about farming's role in the life and work of the West Highlands



Dalmally Show here in Argyll is one of the last. Dalmally is famous for its Highland cattle classes; Kintyre, with its award winning creamery, has a show where some of the best dairy cattle in Scotland can be seen. Across Argyll and Lochaber, the sheep classes, especially the blackface classes, are full of first-class livestock.

Shows usually start in the morning, with competitors arriving early to settle their livestock down and add some finishing touches to the grooming before judging begins. The more public events, dog or pet shows or gymkhana, begin around noon.

The finale of the show is a parade of champions from all the classes including the presentation of the honour of best in show – the overall winner of all the day's events.

Most agricultural shows have a produce or handicraft or 'industry' tent – a marquee full of excellent home-grown fruit and vegetables and flowers, home-made jams and preserves,

and crafts, all waiting to be judged. This is open to the public once the judging has been done. Look out for the children's competitions as well – every show has them, including prizes in the show ring for best young handlers.

Horse shows and dog shows are not only events for serious competitors, but also have fun events like fancy dress and dog with the waggiest tail.

Terrier racing and gun-dog scurries also have classes for people to enter family pets as well as working dogs.

The main show ring will often feature entertainment – whether it is a tug-of-war, a demonstration of chainsaw carving, a parade of vintage farm vehicles or the local pipe band. Each year the shows vie with each other to put on the best events; likewise the music at the show dances held afterwards will have some of the West Highlands and islands' leading musicians.

So turn out and support your local show and celebrate all the hard work our farming community does every year.

## LORN AGRICULTURAL SHOW

*Common Grazings, Tralee Bay,  
Saturday, 3 August*

The Common Grazings land is a phenomenal beach venue for a show which draws the crowds from the farming community and people from miles around. The morning is given over to stock judging. The event is also home to the Oban Poultry Show. There is a traditional home industries tent, dog show, terrier racing and plenty of equestrian events. If you want more horse power, look out for the vintage tractors. With Highland dancing competitions and pipe band, the show committee has to be congratulated on creating a day out with such a wide appeal for everyone and this year make sure you catch the show by The Drakes of Hazard.

## SALEN SHOW

*Glenaros Showfield,  
Thursday August 8*

Mull and Morvern Agricultural Society hosts the annual Salen Show at the Glenaros Showfield; one of two shows held on the island.

At the cattle and sheep classes, you can see entries from all over the island and from farms on the mainland. There is always a fine selection of Highland cattle on show. At the horse show, you will see everything from cheeky little Shetlands through to show jumpers and everything from Highland ponies to thoroughbreds. The dog show accepts entries on the day and competition is always fierce.

The handicraft and produce tent is always well supported and so are the horticultural classes.

The day ends with a barbecue rounding off a really great day out at a traditional and welcoming show.

## MID-ARGYLL SHOW

*Kilmory, Lochgilphead,  
Saturday August 10*

The Mid-Argyll Agricultural Show is a major event with hundreds of exhibitors entering competitions in baking, produce, crafts, flowers and vegetables, as well as the dog and livestock classes.

Fergus Lyon and Catriona MacLeod will be presidents for this the 122nd Mid-Argyll Agricultural Show supported by vice-president David Renwick.

Enjoy watching the judging of cattle, sheep, dogs, horses, ponies and poultry competitions and along with regular attractions are the display of vintage tractors and the pets section together with terrier racing competitions.

Watch out for Mid Argyll Pipe Band, mini rugby and a bike display.

After the success of the gun dog scurry, this competition will once again take place.

The system of using the school car park and free shuttle buses taking people from Lochgilphead Front Street up into the show ground, via the school car park will operate again as it proved popular last year.

## Lorn Agricultural Show Saturday 3rd August, 2019

**Common Grazing's Tralee,  
Benderloch**  
**Showfield opens 9.00am**  
**Amazing venue on the beach at Tralee,  
All the usual attractions + many more**



The Drakes of Hazzard  
Lorn Agricultural Show

Mull and Morvern Agricultural Society  
**SALEN SHOW**  
THURSDAY 8TH AUGUST 2019  
SHOWFIELD AT GLENAROS  
GATES OPEN 10AM  
ENTRY ADULT £5, CONC £3,  
FAMILY £14  
BBQ TO FOLLOW

## MID-ARGYLL SHOW 2019



Saturday 10th August at Kilmory, Lochgilphead  
Showfield Opens at 9am  
Main ring attractions • Childrens Activities  
Mid Argyll Pipe Band • mini rugby • bike display  
Variety of trade stands and food stalls  
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## SUNART & DISTRICT SHOW

*Strontian showfield,  
Saturday August 10*

The judging of the livestock classes at the Sunart and District Agricultural Society Show starts at 9.30am but the family fun lasts all day.

There are classes for sheep, cattle, poultry and a dog show and this year will see the return of the horse show. For the younger members of the family, Bubble the clown will be on hand to provide entertainment and there will be a licensed dance for all the family starting at 9pm.

Show day is a big event for the Sunart community and well supported by holiday makers. This is a great day out for everyone with a wonderful, welcoming family atmosphere.

## Sunart & District Agricultural Society Show & Family Fun Day Out

**Saturday 10th August 2019**  
Strontian Showfield  
Judging Commences 9.30am

Sheep, Cattle, Poultry and Dog Show  
Local Crafts, Highland Dancing,  
return of the Horse show and so much more  
**Including Bubbles the Clown!**

Adults: £5, Child: £2  
Family: £12, Concession: £3  
Family licensed dance from 9pm onwards



## APPIN SHOW

*Tynribbie Croft, Appin,  
Saturday August 17*

On the shore of Loch Linnhe with the iconic Castle Stalker in the background, Appin Show has a fantastic location.

This is the show's 62nd year and support continues to grow for the event. Farmers from the Isle of Lismore come over to enter livestock in the show alongside farms in and around Appin, in the classes for sheep, cattle including Highlanders, Clydesdale horses, and a dog show. There is a handicraft and floral art and garden produce section along with a poultry show; this year there will be honey classes as well. Given its location, the show is able to stage its own hill race alongside children's games and races and Highland dancing.

This is a show with the emphasis on a good time for all the family.

## 62nd Annual Appin Agricultural Show

**Saturday 17th August 2019**  
**Tynribbie Croft, Appin**

**Judging Starts 10am**

**Sheep, Cattle, Highland Cattle, Dog show, Clydesdale Horse Display, Childrens' Games / Races, Handcrafts, Floral Art, Flowers, Veg, and Honey, Highland Dancing, Vintage Engines, Hill race and poultry section.**

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**Entry: Adults £ 5.00, Children & Conc £3  
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## DALMALLY AGRICULTURAL SHOW

*The Mart Park,  
Saturday September 7*

Dalmally Show traditionally brings the show season to a close, and does so in style.

The hard-working show committee describes the show as 'a celebration of our rural community', and rightly so. Over the years, Dalmally has built up a formidable reputation with its Highland cattle classes, probably only second in the land to the Royal Highland Show. These are alongside the other classes for commercial beef cattle, blackface sheep, and poultry, and competitions for dogs, baking, preserves, horticulture, painting and much more.

With the village shinty ground alongside the show, Dalmally also stages a junior shinty tournament. Add to all this an excellent mix of stalls and exhibitors, pipe band, dog show, heavy horses and birds of prey demonstration, and you have a show with a formidable reputation which all makes for a great day out.

## Dalmally Agricultural Show

**Saturday 7th September 2019**  
**The Mart Park, Dalmally**  
**Gates open 9am**

Highland Cattle, Main Ring Attractions,  
Trade Stands. Something for all the Family!

Pipe band, dog show, birds of prey,  
heavy horse display.

[www.dalmally-show.co.uk](http://www.dalmally-show.co.uk)



# Fire service's controlled burning plan welcomed

Calls for the increased use of controlled burning to combat wildfires is backed by the experience of this year's muirburn season, Scottish Land and Estates (SLE) managers have said.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) said on Sunday May 5 that it was to trial the greater use of controlled burning next spring after gathering evidence on the practice internationally.

The muirburn season has now officially ended, with no reports of wildfires caused by muirburn on Scottish grouse moors, thanks to the skills and equipment used by gamekeepers.

The controlled burning practice advocated by SFRS is the same as the rotational strip burning employed by gamekeepers undertaking muirburn in the traditional manner on sporting estates.

Tim Baynes, Scottish Land and Estates' Moorland Director, said: 'There are many misconceptions about muirburn but the fact Scotland's fire service is looking to introduce controlled burning next spring shows how important it is to adopt these methods and our members will continue to work closely with SFRS.'

'The practice of muirburn has been established for generations and is conducted to the highest modern standards in accordance with the Muirburn Code, launched 18 months ago by the Scottish Government. Muirburn is based on sound science and we know from experience wildfires will usually stop when they reach a managed grouse moor.'

'This season we have seen several major wildfires in Scotland but we understand none of them were related to muirburn for grouse management. Muirburn on grouse moors rarely causes wildfires and actually helps to prevent them.'

SLE said a fire danger rating system, which is already in place in countries including the USA, Australia and Canada, should also be developed for the UK to define the likelihood of a fire starting and spreading and the impact this may have on nearby populations. SLE has written to the Scottish Government and

the James Hutton Institute offering support for separate projects to research this subject.

Iain Hepburn, head gamekeeper at Dunmaglass Estate, part of Loch Ness Rural Communities, also a part-time firefighter with the SFRS, has in the past worked

with firefighters to share best practice when it comes to tackling wild fires on moorland.

Iain said: 'Controlled seasonal burning and cutting are effective methods to reduce the risk of damage from wild fires by providing breaks in continuous moorland cover

and reducing the fuel load. A useful technique, known as 'back burning', enables the keeper to control a fire by lighting another in a strategically placed position which then burns towards the wildfire and in turn puts out both fires.'

'This requires a lot of skill and knowledge and the practices we use can be shared for the benefit of fire crews and communities in rural areas elsewhere.'

'We work continuously with Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to share knowledge and best practice and we look forward to this continuing for years to come.'

Around 50 gamekeepers went to help the SFRS tackle the wildfire in Moray last week, from as far afield as Grampian, Speyside, Tomatin and Loch Ness. The keepers brought specialist equipment

to help the fire service extinguish the blaze. A quick response from SFRS and gamekeepers with backburn-

ing knowledge also stopped a wildfire last week that could have spread on a huge scale on the banks of Loch Ness.



Dunmaglass Estate head keeper Iain Hepburn and Station Officer Alex McKinley of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service. Photograph: Trevor Martin.

## 'Controlled seasonal burning and cutting are effective methods to reduce the risk of damage from wild fires by providing breaks in continuous moorland cover and reducing the fuel load.'

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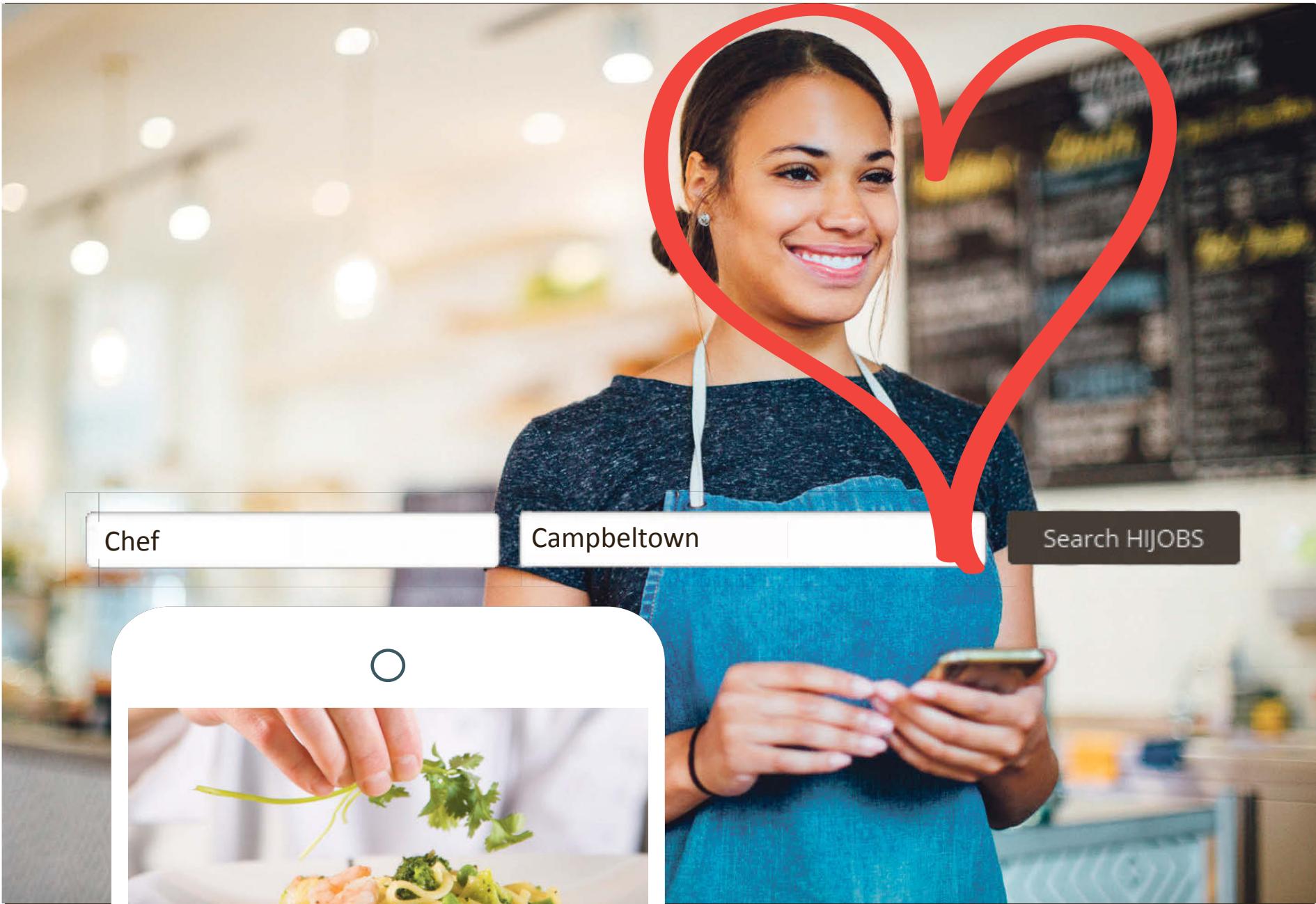
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# Seaside spruce up

## Arrochar

After an impromptu clean up following a dive in Loch Long, the Eastwood Divers from Glasgow had had enough of litter on the shore and decided to do something about it.

Returning on April 28 and joined by residents from Helensburgh and Arrochar, national park rangers and passing locals, who gave half an hour, a group of about 30 people covered the approximately 100 metres of beach at the head of Loch Long. In two hours they gathered 439.25kg of litter in 63 bags filling them with everything discarded on the beach such as sanitary products (including hundreds of cotton buds), sweet wrappers, engine oil containers, coffee cups, and even the occasional shoe and unmentionable.

There was also a lot of items found that are hazardous to marine life, like twine, six-pack rings and discarded fishing lines.

## Loch Craignish

Also on April 28, the locals at Kintraw were hard at work. A group of about 40 people gathered 50 bags of rubbish found around the head of Loch Craignish.

Elaine Purdy, who organised the beach clean, said: 'Thanks to everyone who came out to lend a hand. We are also very grateful for the donations we receive from people and businesses.'

The Craignish Boat Club also did its part by doing an island clean by boat on Sunday April 5.

The group of about 20 people gathered 20 ton bags of discarded rubbish around the islands.

The plan was to reach beaches which cannot be reached on foot normally such as those on islands down Loch Craignish.

Some extra teamwork was needed to reach the islands with boats transporting pickers and bags around the loch.

## Portavadie

A team of beach cleaners from Portavadie went around all the nearby remote beaches cleaning as they went on March 23. From Crispie to



Just some of the litter picked up around Arrochar's shore.

Portavadie, Asgog, Ostal Bay, Ardlamont and around the point and up to the Tank Slip at Kames, the team gathered 16 kg of rubbish in total.

They even went out the following week to pick up another 10 piles of litter by boat.

The rubbish was delivered to the Portavadie salmon farm yard until Argyll and Bute Council picked it up.

## Get involved

More beach cleans will take place over the next few weeks.

Group for Recycling in Argyll and Bute (GRAB) Trust and Lochgilphead Phoenix Project will be teaming up to clean Lochgilphead's front green.

Anyone looking to contribute as much time as willing should arrive at the War Memorial on the front green on Sunday May 12 at 2pm. Wear suitable clothing and shoes. Litter pickers, gloves and bags will be provided.

The Croabh community beach clean will take place on Sunday May 12. With an 11am start in Croabh village, the group will clean

the Croabh Causeway and Lunga Bay. Soup and sandwiches will be offered afterwards to the hungry workers, courtesy of the Lord of the Isles restaurant.

GRAB Trust said: 'Every year many millions of tonnes of litter end up in the oceans, making it the world's biggest landfill.'

'Marine litter is now present in every ocean and poses the fastest growing threat to our oceans and coastlines.'

'Across Argyll and Bute, beach and marine litter is affecting our coastline, coastal waters and marine life. It can also be a significant amenity issue in places and very time consuming and costly to remove from shorelines.'

'All litter is preventable, but cleaning up is an important part to this and through the GRAB Trust's beaches and marine litter programme we can help communities and schools acknowledge the problem and find ways to prevent it.'

'If you are interested in organising a beach clean or would like to find out more about the Beach and Marine Litter Education Project please contact the GRAB.'

## Thought for the Week with Marilyn Sheddell

I was at a conference in Ayr in a church centre where one wall was composed of a large window.

The scene burst with colour, of gorse and bluebells and rhododendrons of every hue.

Right outside there were several tall trees which housed the nests of 14 rooks.

I was fascinated by the activity and the busyness of the male birds going back and forward for food for the female while she sat on her eggs.

Two of the nests were actually touching each other and swayed together in the breeze.

At first I thought I was imagining it, so I watched even more closely.

It seemed that one male bird was looking after two families.

I saw him land on both nests and feed both incumbents several times.

I know dunnocks can look after two families at a time, but I had never heard of this with rooks.

However, after researching this a bit, I discovered that there are 'helper' rooks which can help feed the birds in return for a wee look at the chicks.

So I think what I was witnessing was a 'helper' easing the work for the male.

I thought this was a charming idea and quite human in some ways, being almost similar to the uncle who has no family of his own but delights in his nieces and nephews.

It was almost like a baby-sitting service on wings.

The rookery was alive with life and a delight to watch from my own little observatory.

Perhaps you are wondering why I wasn't concentrating on the conference - well, that's another story.

I do believe that nature is a great teacher and her song of praise is never silent.

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*'I love the Lord, for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy'*  
(Psalm 116:1)

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**KENNEDY - MITCHELL**  
Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of John, eldest son of John and Catherine Kennedy, Castleton, Lochgilphead, to Stephanie, elder daughter of Robert Mitchell and Kerry Dickson, Campbeltown.

**DEATHS**

**BRYSON** - On May 4, 2019, suddenly but peacefully, at Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley, Hazel Anne Bryson, née Douglas, beloved wife of the late Martin Bryson, much loved mother of Martin and a dear friend of many. Will be sadly missed by all the family. Funeral service at Glassary, Kilmartin and Ford Church, Kilmartin, on Monday, May 13, at 12.00 noon, interment thereafter at Achnabreac Cemetery, to which all friends are respectfully invited. Flowers welcome, donations if desired to Macmillan Cancer Support.

**FERGUSON** - Suddenly, but peacefully, at the Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead, on May 2, 2019, Mr James Ferguson, in his 84th year, of Fernoch Park, Lochgilphead, beloved husband of Catherine (Kay), née Cameron, much loved and loving father of Alison and Ewen, much respected father-in-law of Sally and a much loved papa to Ross, Anna and Jack. Dear brother of the late Charles Ferguson, and a dearly loved brother-in-law, uncle and cousin to all the family. A good neighbour, dear friend and former work colleague to many. Funeral service was held at Cardross Crematorium, on Thursday, May 9, 2019. Sadly missed.

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**MCKINLAY** - Archibald. Suddenly, on Tuesday, April 30, 2019, at Westerfield Care Home, Paisley, Archie, beloved son of the late Daniel and Margaret (née Stewart), loving brother of Daniel, William, Rita and John and a beloved husband, dad and papa. Funeral service at Woodside Crematorium, Paisley, on Tuesday, May 14 at 12.00 noon.

**REID** - Suddenly but peacefully, at home, 94 Ralston Road, Campbeltown, on May 4, 2019, Archibald Black Reid (Archie), in his 86th year, dearly beloved husband of Catherine Mitchell (Reene), much loved dad of David and Ronald and a loving grandpa.

**STEWART** - James Bowie Stewart, Birmingham, formerly Campbeltown, passed away on Sunday, April 28, 2019. Funeral to be held in Birmingham, on Friday, May 10, 2019. Interment at Kilkerran at a date to be arranged. Sadly missed by family and friends.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**MCARTHUR** - Hilary and Louise would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy and for flowers, cards, meals, telephone calls and visits following the death of their mum, Tessa (Scally), died May 5, 2007, and our dad, Archie (Caddy), died January 6, 1993.

Missed by all.

- Maureen, Robert, John and family.

**MARSHALL** - In loving memory of my darling daughter, Kellyann, died May 10, 1979, aged 6 days old. Forty years today you went away,

But in my heart you will always stay,

And once more when we meet again,

It will be forever then.

I will always love and miss you my baby daughter.

- Inserted by Mum, Southend xxx.

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of sympathy following the loss of Moira. Special thanks to the Kintyre Care Home for their compassion and kindness over the last few months, to Rev William Crossan for uplifting and personal service, to David McEwan for the beautiful music and to the Ardshiel Hotel for providing an excellent purvey.

Kenny, Rhys and staff at T A Blair provided exceptional, caring, professional services at a very difficult time. Finally, thanks to all who attended the church and graveside to say farewell to Grandma.

The retiring collection raised the amazing sum of £1,100 for the Meadows Under 5's Playgroup. Many thanks.

**IN MEMORIAMS**

**MACMILLAN** - In loving memory of my wife, Jenny (née Mitchell), who died on May 2, 2017. Thoughts and memories are still strong.

We will meet again.  
- Don and the girls.

**MCCALLUM** - In loving memory of our mum, Tessa (Scally), died May 5, 2007, and our dad, Archie (Caddy), died January 6, 1993.

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- Maureen, Robert, John and family.

**MARSHALL** - In loving memory of my darling daughter, Kellyann, died May 10, 1979, aged 6 days old. Forty years today you went away,

But in my heart you will always stay,

And once more when we meet again,

It will be forever then.

I will always love and miss you my baby daughter.

- Inserted by Mum, Southend xxx.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**HIGHLAND PARISH CHURCH**



SC002493

**Sunday 12th May 2019**

The service will be conducted by Rev Anne McIvor and will be held in the church at 11.15am All welcome

**LORNE & LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH**

Scottish Charity Number SC 11686

**Sunday 12th May**

Morning Worship 11.15am Creche, Triple C, Gen 1 Rev W Crossan

**Tuesday 14th May**

Tiny Tots 9.45am New Hall Anchor Boys 6.00pm Junior Section 7.15pm Church Hall

**SALVATION ARMY**



**Saturday 11th May**

6.00pm Anniversary Dinner

**Sunday Services**  
10.30am Morning Service (Army Kidz)

Anniversary Celebration led by Major Steve Dutfield

6.30pm Evening Worship Wednesday

12.15pm Lunch Club

1.30pm C.A.M.E.O.

7.00pm Make 'n' Munch Craft Group

Major Ruth Russell All welcome

**SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH**



75 Longrow, Campbeltown

**Friday 10th May**

SKY Youth Group 7.30pm

**Sunday 12th May**

Family Communion Service 11.00am Pastor Steve Davies

**Wednesday 15th May**

Bible study 7.30pm at the manse Enquiries 01586 551200 www.springbankchurch.co.uk SCO14646

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George Street, Campbeltown

**Tuesday 14th May**

Tiny Tots 9.45am New Hall Anchor Boys 6.00pm Junior Section 7.15pm Church Hall

**SALVATION ARMY**



**Saturday 11th May**

9.00am Prayer Breakfast

**Sunday 12th May**

11.15am Worship Service

Rev Rodger Crooks 11.15am Sunday School

4.00pm Service in Tayinloan Village Hall

**Wednesday 15th May**

12 noon Bible Study & Prayer

2.00pm – 4.00pm Water of Life Café

All welcome

www.campbeltownfree-church.co.uk

Scottish Charity

Number: SC046745

**CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH**



**Sunday 12th May**

11.00am Family Service Speaker - Andrew Chalkley

with Sunday school and

refreshments after the service

**Tuesday 14th May**

7.30pm Church AGM Red Cross Hall

**South Kintyre Youth**

Every Friday at 7.30pm

Visit our Facebook page

for details of venue

Our Sunday service is

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Lochgilphead

Holy Mass Sunday 10am

All Saints, Inveraray

Holy Mass Sunday

12.30pm

Fr. David Connor

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All Welcome

(SC002876)

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Kilmartin

**Sunday 12th May 2019**

- 11.30am

The Worship Group

All welcome

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**NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH**

Charity number SCO01002

**Sunday 12 May 4.30pm**

Inverlussa Church

Closing Service

Rev David Carruthers followed by refreshments

in Achnamara Hall

**Saturday 11 May 10.30am - 12.30pm**

Cafe Connect Achnamara Hall

All welcome

www.northknapdale.org

**SKIPNESS LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNNE AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND**

**Sunday 12th May**

Skipness service 10am

Dr J L Morrison OBE

Tarbert service 11.30am

Mrs Margaret Sinclair

Kilberry Service 2pm

Mrs Margaret Sinclair

Everyone welcome

Tarbert and Kilberry

Charity No: SC002622

Skipness Charity No: SC004280

For all church enquiries and pastoral care contact DCarruthers@churchofscotland.org.uk

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE**

Church of Scotland

**Sunday 12 May 2019 Cumlodden and Lochgair**

Charity No. SC016097

Cumlodden Church

- 10.00am

Service will be taken by

The Worship Team

Glenaray and Inveraray

Charity No. SC016665

**Inveraray Church**

- 11.30am

Service will be taken by

The Worship Team

All welcome

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Ewan Smith claimed second place in the 10K.

This runner was happy to be close to the finishing line.

Kathryn Munro took the female 10K title.

# Fun in the sun at Taynish Run

Sunshine and blue skies was the order of the day for the fourth Taynish Run.

Consisting of two races, a 10K and 6.8-mile tough cross country run, this event attracts entries from across the country. This year, 85 runners signed up for the scenic runs with all the money raised from the race and coffee morning, which was being held in the village hall, going to Macmillan Cancer Support.

Event organiser Colin MacFarlane and his team of marshals were joined by Oban Mountain Rescue, which provided first aid.

Stephen Whiston of Mid Argyll

Triathlon and Cycle Club won the 10K in 41 minutes 12 seconds; Ewan Smith of Tarbert, running for Campbeltown Running Club, was second in 41 minutes 19 seconds and Darren Renton of Campbeltown Running Club was third in 44 minutes and 46 seconds.

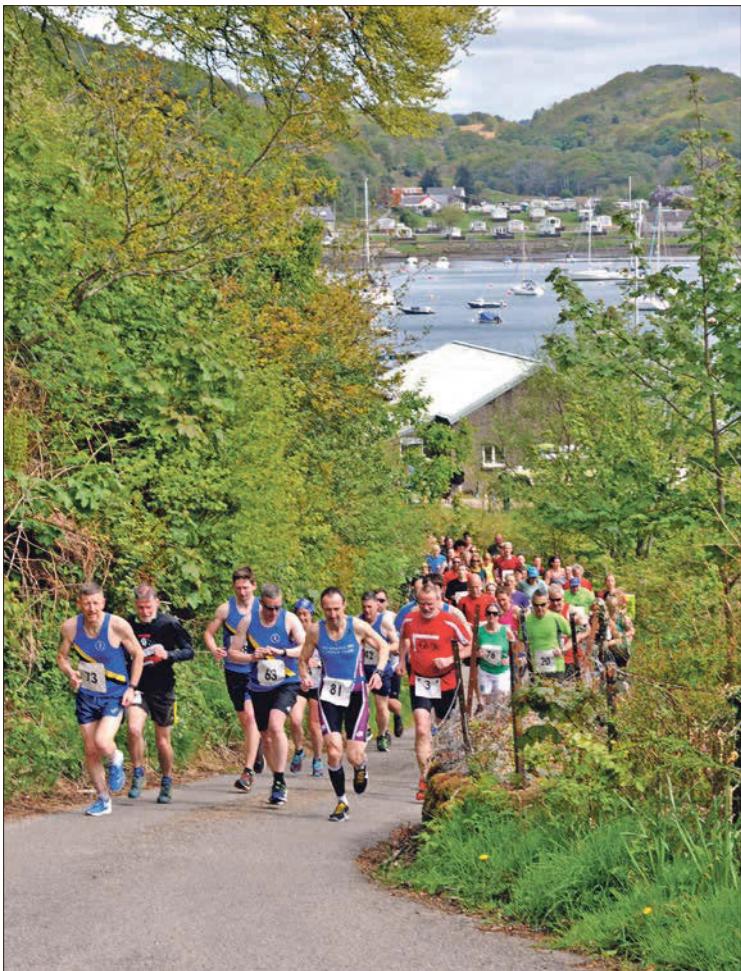
Kathryn Munro of Glasgow won the women's 10K in 49 minutes two seconds; Laura Thomson of Ardrishaig was second in 49 minutes 34 seconds and Lyn Fergus of Mid Argyll Jog Scotland took third in 53 minutes and 33 seconds.

In the cross country run, James Murdoch of Campbeltown Running

Club was first in 53 minutes one second; Colin Weir of Lochgilphead was second in 54 minutes 41 seconds and Andrew McCormick of Portobello Running Club finished third in 59 minutes seven seconds.

In the women's cross country run, Jan Dawson of Penicuik Harriers was first in 59 minutes 26 seconds; Emma Stewart of Dunoon Hill Runners was second in 60 minutes 14 seconds, with Sarah Griffin of Ardrishaig third in 65 minutes 42 seconds.

Full results will appear in a future edition of the Argyllshire Advertiser.



The tough uphill start to both races.



Uisdean, baby Seamus and Alison from Oban enjoyed tasty treats.

# Red Star 2007s compete in 2019 UK International Cup



The Red Star 2007s' team in Burton upon Trent.

Lochgilphead Red Star 2007s recently travelled south to St George's Park National Football Centre in Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, to participate in the 2019 UK International Cup.

More than 60 teams, of various age groups from all over Europe, competed to be crowned UK International Cup champions.

Lochgilphead Red Star competed in the under 12s section in a group alongside Cuminestown, Solihull

Football Academy and Grays Athletic Football Club.

The team was led out for the open-

ing ceremony in the Sir Alf Ramsey Arena by coach Iany Philips and team captain Cameron Lewis, with

coaches Blair Urquhart, Ben Tustin and team official Lynsey Gibson. The Red Star parents and supporters were by far the noisiest fans there.

Red Star had three tough games on Saturday April 20 including games against two England football academy teams. All the matches were fast paced from the outset and a good challenge for the Lochgilphead side, who managed a draw in one match.

On Sunday April 21, Lochgilphead played two games – one against St Nicholas Colts and another with Lochend. Red Star progressed to the semi-final of the plate trophy but narrowly missed out 4-2 on penalties after a 2-2 draw. The Red Star youngsters played a total of five games over the weekend. They lost two and drew three. Two of the draws went to penalties, which didn't go their way, but this didn't dampen the spirits of the eager players.

Lochgilphead Red Star 2007s thank Soccer Centre sponsors Ardrishaig Community Trust, the Co-operative Community Fund, Ventient Energy A'Chruach Windfarm Community Fund and Mid Argyll Youth Development Services for their ongoing support.

Thanks also to parents and the community for their support in running and attending Red Star coffee mornings, contributing at the team's bag packing in the Co-op and supporting their memorable bingo night made possible with the help of the Stag Hotel and bingo caller Jimmy Lister. Hats off also to West Coast Motors and driver Robert Mackay for ensuring the team arrived and returned safely.

The coaches thank all the players for their sporting conduct and behaviour and for their outstanding effort on the pitch.



The Lochgilphead mini-kickers of 2018.

## Mini kickers back by popular demand

Back by popular demand after the success of last year, the Lochgilphead Soccer Centre is once again opening up for four weeks for pre-school children.

Specifically aimed at children that will be entering primary 1 after the summer, this gives the opportunity for four-year-old children to have active fun on the pitch at Lochgilphead Joint Campus in a relaxed, safe and organised environment with SYFA qualified coaches.

The sessions will run from 6pm to

6.30pm on May 17 and 31 and June 7 and 14, but not on May 24 as this is a school holiday.

### Contribute

No pre-registration for pre-school children is required and parents/guardians are asked to contribute £1 payable on each evening which is to contribute towards the hire of facilities. Parents/guardians are welcome to participate with their little ones.

For further information contact [lochgilpheadsoccercentre@gmail.com](mailto:lochgilpheadsoccercentre@gmail.com)

## Lochgilphead and Tarbert bowling clubs' face off

Lochgilphead Bowling Club travelled down to Tarbert on Saturday May 5 to play against Tarbert Bowling Club.

The two teams went head to head in the West Argyll League, with Tarbert coming out top with six points to Lochgilphead's two.

Also Hannah Johnson, Kimberly McAdam and Claire Macindoe were the only winning triple.

The Lochgilphead Bowling club Facebook page said: 'That's two in a row, some of the gents have to up their game.'

## Inveraray Golf Club May medal win

Inveraray Golf Club announced the May medal was won by Scott Robertson on Sunday May 5. Scott finished with a solid 70 to take the competition by three strokes from John Smylie. David Robertson was one shot further back in third with a 74.

There are two pairs competitions

on next week at the club. On Friday May 10 from 5pm pairs can play in the Scottish Golf National nine-hole championship qualifier. The winning pair will go on to represent the club at the national final in June.

Sunday May 12 is the Inverdell Cup pairs competition with all the ballot times available.

## Sports clubs' lottery results

Drawn on Monday May 6, Kilmory Camanachd Club's lottery numbers were 1, 2, and 16. There was no winner so next week's jackpot will be £200.

Also drawn on Monday, Inveraray Shinty Club's lottery numbers were 1, 3 and 18. There were no winners, so next week's jackpot will be £300.

Tarbert Football Club's lottery numbers were 2, 5 and 6. There were no winners so next week's jackpot will be £200.



# SPOT THE SHINTY BALL



We have removed the shinty ball from the photograph below. Now look carefully at the position of the players and use your skill and judgement to place a cross at the exact point where you think the centre of the ball was. You may have a maximum of 20 attempts on this coupon at a cost of £1. If you wish to have more attempts, you must enter on separate coupons.

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**INSIDE THIS WEEK:**

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# Cup and league shinty action

## Artemis Macaulay Cup – first round

**Inveraray 0**

**Kyles Athletic 3**

Kyles Athletic were 3-0 derby winners against Inveraray in their 4pm throw-up at the Winterton.

A big crowd gathered for this game and Thomas Whyte's strike on 13 minutes was the only goal of the first half.

Inveraray had their share of pressure during the first 45 minutes but Roddy Macdonald was mopping up everything they had to offer in the Kyles defence.

Colin MacDonald made it 2-0 five minutes into the second half.

Kyles Athletic wing centre

Paul MacArthur was sent off by referee Ross Brown for a reckless swing but the hosts didn't take advantage of the extra man and George Thomson added a third goal on 74 minutes, finishing off a counter attack.

Kyles Athletic will now play Oban Camanachd at Mossfield in the last eight of the tournament.

## Sutherland Cup – second round

**Inveraray 0**

**Glenurquhart 2**

The Glenurquhart colts scored twice in the second half to beat the Inveraray colts 2-0 in their 1pm throw-up at the Winterton.

The pitch was in great condition for this tie and Inveraray

welcomed Euan McMurdo and Peter McIntyre back into the starting line-up.

Glenurquhart travelled with a strong squad and, with no first team game, the experienced John Barr took a place in their starting 12 as he works his way back from injury.

The first half was a fairly even affair with young Gregor Mather in the Inveraray goal making some fine saves.

Peter MacIntyre thought he had done enough to score when he lost John Barr, only to see his shot cleared off the line so it remained goal-less at the break.

Glenurquhart made the better start to the second half and their pressure paid off



**Garry MacPherson of Inveraray and Rupert Williamson of Kyles Athletic.** Photograph: Stephen Lawson.

on 55 minutes when David MacLennan drove a low shot through the keeper's legs.

Inveraray introduced Craig Taylor, who immediately made an impact when he found space in the Glenurquhart defence, but his shot went inches wide.

Glenurquhart finished the tie off with four minutes

remaining as Jed Stoddart bundled the ball over the line to send his side into the next round.

Full centre Allan Cameron continues to be a standout for Inveraray, whilst young forward Cameron Bremner was dangerous for Glenurquhart every time he got the ball.

The match was expertly handled by referee Lucy McNulty.

## Mowi South Division 2

**Kilmory 5**

**Aberdour 2**

Kilmory earned a hard fought 5-2 win over the Aberdour reserves in their 2pm throw-up at MacRae Park.

Alister MacArthur on five minutes and Hal Jones on nine minutes gave the hosts an early cushion.

Roddy MacColl's goal on the half-hour mark made it 2-1 at the break.

The Aberdour colts drew level 10 minutes after the re-start, with Roddy MacColl getting his second.

A second from Alistair MacArthur on 70 minutes, a second from Hal Jones on 74 minutes and an Alex Cunningham strike with 10 minutes remaining gave Kilmory a 5-2 victory.

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# Dodies Cup finds new owner from Tarbert Golf Club



Ladies of Lochgilphead Golf Club and Tarbert Golf Club.

Captain Chris Smyth welcomed members to Glenralloch on Saturday May 4 to contest Dodies Cup.

Decent weather brought out a good number of players for this event and it was great to see so many taking part.

The course was in superb condition with green keeper Prentice praying for some warmer weather to bring on growth on the greens.

Scoring was also much better with Jimmy Litster in top form with 16 pars and two bogeys for a gross 68. Iain Macalister took second gross with a 70, enjoying birdies at eight and nine, Bruce

MacNab took third gross on 72.

The main event was a closely fought affair with Peter McLean Junior playing steady golf to finish on 63 nett. Malcolm McAlpine took second place by virtue of the

worse inward half. Malcolm played well to finish with nett 62 but was pipped at the post by Iain Johnstone Junior, who also shot 62 but took the trophy home to the West Loch by virtue of the better inward half.

Iain, who hadn't swung a club for six months prior to his round, was in top form and is hoping to put a dent

in his handicap over the season. On Sunday May 5, the club's lady golfers welcomed Lochgilphead ladies for the Cathy McGlynn Cup. The cup headed back up the loch with the Lochgilphead ladies winning by 4.5 to 2.5.

Cathy's son Ryan presented the trophy. An enjoyable day was had by everyone.

The first round of the Presidents Cup takes place this Saturday, May 11.



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