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Remembering D-Day: 'We must not forget'

Loch Fyne played a crucial role in the Normandy landings 75 years ago

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Loch Fyne's 21st century tranquillity belies its critical wartime training role – culminating in the pivotal D-Day invasion itself.

The part played by the loch was commemorated this week in a series of events in Inveraray to mark the 75th anniversary of the decisive assault on the Normandy coast which ultimately led to victory on the western front.

In a poignant ceremony led by former army chaplain Reverend Dr Roderick Campbell, a remembrance service was held at Inveraray war memorial on the 75th anniversary of D-Day and the launch of the Normandy campaign on June 6, 1944.

Shortly after Dunkirk, in the early days of 1940, a new command known as Combined Operations was



Jim Jepson believes the sacrifice of the thousands of troops who passed through Inveraray and took part in the D-Day landings must never be forgotten, and, right, troops making their way up the beach at Arдно, Cairndow.

formed at the behest of Winston Churchill. Its function was to form the army, navy and air force into one assault force.

Amid great secrecy, No 1 Combined Training Centre, Inveraray, was set up in the

autumn of 1940, with the ultimate aim of returning to Europe and taking the fight to the Nazis.

It took four years of preparation before the Allies were ready for this invasion – and much of the training for the



assault took place at the newly-formed training centre.

It is estimated that around 250,000 British, US, Canadian, French, Polish, Norwegian, Dutch and even Russian troops trained in the Inveraray area between 1940

and 1945. The early Royal Marine Commando units trained on Loch Fyne, perfecting amphibious assault techniques.

Training was realistic, regularly involving live fire, so casualties with serious

injuries were not uncommon, while the number of deaths for all kinds of reasons is never likely to be known.

Troops were trained for raids all over Europe and North Africa and techniques were being perfected all the time. They trained for the North African landings, the invasion of Sicily and ultimately D-Day.

Organised by Inveraray branch of the Royal British Legion Scotland, events this week included a fascinating display of memorabilia and pictures of No 1 Combined Training Centre and Loch Fyne from the time.

Jim Jepson, who founded the Combined Operations Association in the 1990s, gave a talk on Inveraray's wartime significance and said: 'We must not, we cannot afford to forget these people, or what they did for us.'

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New appeal to help end unfair delivery charges

A call has been made to Argyll and Bute residents to help the Scottish Government with its efforts to bring an end to unfair parcel delivery charges.

Across Scotland, but particularly in rural constituencies including Argyll and Bute, thousands of consumers are paying substantially more for parcel deliveries than urban areas. Presently only the UK Government can regulate parcel delivery but they believe this is unnecessary despite all the evidence. Campaigning lead by Richard Lochhead MSP and strongly supported by Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell is mounting pressure on the UK Government to change its stance on this matter.

This week, the Scottish Government's Minister for Business, Fair Work and Skills Jamie Hepburn wrote



MSP Michael Russell.

to all MSPs highlighting his 'Fairer Deliveries for All' action plan which he launched in November last year. This includes plans to create a Scottish Parcel Delivery Map which will highlight the specific issues caused by unfair delivery charges as well as showing which parts of the country are worst affected.

Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell is asking his constituents to get involved with this process by completing the new Scottish Government

survey at resolver.co.uk/parcels. Michael Russell said: 'Consumers in Argyll and Bute are consistently affected by this. I have received numerous representations from constituents who are fed up paying such extreme charges, especially when they know that most do not face this additional cost. This can even make everyday items unaffordable, leaving those living in rural Scotland at a major disadvantage.'

'Whilst the decision to bring an end to these charges presently lies with the UK Government, The Scottish Government is working hard to highlight the extent of the issue. I would encourage anyone who has experienced unfair charges or complete refusal to deliver to their address, which is also often the case, to complete the online survey.'



Last year's queen Tamara Johnson, prince Blair Houston and princess Esme Bain.

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Nominations open for gala royal party

Organisers of this year's Ardrishaig Gala Day are looking for nominations for this year's Gala Queen, Prince and Princess.

Run by Mid Argyll Pipe Band, Ardrishaig Gala Day, on Saturday July 20, promises to be an extravagant event, complete with a ceilidh in Ardrishaig Public Hall in the evening.

The nomination box for the Gala Queen, Prince and Princess will be in McColl's, Ardrishaig.

Those nominated must be a resident of Ardrishaig and available on Saturday July 20.

The queen must be between 15 and 21 years of age and the prince and princess between five and 12-years-old.

Once the nominations are in, each name will be put into a hat. Last year's gala queen, Tamara Johnston, will be live on Ardrishaig Gala Day's Facebook page on Thursday June 27 to se-

lect this year's royalty. Pipe major and organiser Craig Lang said: 'Preparations for the gala day are going well and we hope it will be bigger and better than before.'

The gala day will open with the traditional parade, led by Mid Argyll Pipe Band, from Pier Square into the north car park at 1.15pm, after which the gala day will be officially opened by the gala queen.

The hugely popular Stewart's amusements will be in attendance, along with beat the goalie, tug of war and many more activities. The afternoon beer tent will return along with the cocktail bar after a successful 2018 gala day alongside a variety of stalls.

Organisers are also delighted to welcome the Argyll Ceilidh Trail who will be playing a set in the afternoon. At night the fantastic Crackin Craic will play for the gala dance in the public hall.

POLICE FILES

Drug possession

An 18-year-old man was found in possession of cannabis after the car he was driving was stopped by police on the A83 at Minard on Friday May 31 at 7pm.

The man was charged and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Through red light

The driver of a car who went through red traffic lights at the A83 at Minard was issued with a £100 fixed penalty ticket and three penalty points.

The man, aged 64, was stopped by police around 7pm on Friday May 31.

Drug search

A 29-year-old man was found to be in possession of cannabis when a house at Barn Park, Inveraray, was searched by police at noon on Saturday June 1.

The man was charged and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Witness appeal

Police are appealing for witnesses after a red vehicle failed to stop after it collided with the wall at the Youth Centre on Union Street, Lochgilphead, sometime between 6pm on Tuesday May 28 and 9.30am on Wednesday May 29.

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.

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Sun, 2 Jun 2019				17:32	14:32	20:02
Mon, 3 Jun 2019				18:10	15:10	20:40
Tue, 4 Jun 2019				18:50	15:50	21:20
Wed, 5 Jun 2019	07:09	04:09	09:39	19:36	16:36	22:06
Thu, 6 Jun 2019	07:54	04:54	10:24	20:25	17:25	22:55
Fri, 7 Jun 2019	08:43	05:43	11:13	21:18	18:18	23:48
Sat, 8 Jun 2019	09:37	06:37	12:07	22:14	19:14	00:44
Sun, 9 Jun 2019	10:37	07:37	13:07			
Mon, 10 Jun 2019	11:43	08:43	14:13			
Tue, 11 Jun 2019				12:52	09:52	15:22
Wed, 12 Jun 2019				14:00	11:00	16:30
Thu, 13 Jun 2019				15:01	12:01	17:31
Fri, 14 Jun 2019				15:55	12:55	18:25
Sat, 15 Jun 2019				16:44	13:44	19:14
Sun, 16 Jun 2019				17:28	14:28	19:58
Mon, 17 Jun 2019				18:09	15:09	20:39
Tue, 18 Jun 2019				18:48	15:48	21:18
Wed, 19 Jun 2019	07:17	04:17	09:47	19:27	16:27	21:57
Thu, 20 Jun 2019	07:55	04:55	10:25	20:07	17:07	22:37
Fri, 21 Jun 2019	08:34	05:34	11:04	20:48	17:48	23:18
Sat, 22 Jun 2019	09:16	06:16	11:46	21:31	18:31	00:01
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Wed, 26 Jun 2019				12:55	09:55	15:25
Thu, 27 Jun 2019				13:55	10:55	16:25
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Sat, 29 Jun 2019				15:38	12:38	18:08
Sun, 30 Jun 2019				16:23	13:23	18:53

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Chinook commemorations

Two special commemoration services were held in Kintyre on Sunday to mark the 25th anniversary of the incident, which has become known as the RAF's worst peacetime disaster, writes Hannah O'Hanlon.

More than 100 people attended a service in Southend Parish Church at 11.45am and about 50 were at a second service at 3pm at a memorial cairn built near the crash site.

Relatives of the victims

joined locals and representatives from many organisations, including the Royal British Legion Scotland, Police Scotland, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, HM Coastguard, the RNLI, and Highlands and Islands Airports Ltd, at the services.

Reverend Steve Fulcher, of Southend Parish Church, who led both services, said: 'The services were very emotional for any who remember that day. The change in the weather during the day

reminded us all how quickly conditions on the Mull of Kintyre can be transformed, which was poignant. It was an emotional day but very healing.

'I would like to express my appreciation to everyone who contributed to the day, especially Reverend Roddy McNidder, Southend Community Council and the community of Southend, official guests and everyone who attended the commemoration.'

Matheson missing for update on A83 pits and trees

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It was another no-show for Cabinet Secretary for transport Michael Matheson at the latest meeting of the A83 task force.

Ten weeks after a March task force meeting was cancelled because Mr Matheson had parliamentary committee business to attend to, the latest task force gathering in Arrochar again featured no cabinet secretary.

In Mr Matheson's absence, proceedings on Wednesday June 5 were chaired by Hugh Gillies, director of roads at Transport Scotland.

On the subject of the A83

at the Rest and be Thankful, Transport Scotland gave its view that the catch pits have so far kept the road open for 48 days when it would previously have been closed.

Phases seven, eight and nine, capable of holding 1,300 tonnes of material, will be completed in late July 2019 at a cost £2.4 million. Once this work is complete, the road will be fully opened until October 2019.

The tender process for pit one will begin in August, for work to be undertaken through the winter to May 2020. This pit aims to catch 5,530 tonnes of material.

Catch pits five and six are being planned for 2021 and

2022, with work to start in winter 2020.

Tree planting above the Rest will start in spring 2020, a partnership with Forestry and Land Scotland, now that the land transfer process has concluded. It will take 15 to 20 years to establish.

On the agenda was the consultation process on the second National Transport Strategy for Scotland.

A Transport Scotland spokesperson said: "The second National Transport Strategy will set out our vision for a sustainable, inclusive and accessible transport system helping to deliver a healthier, fairer and more prosperous Scotland over the

next 20 years. Stakeholder engagement has been an important part of the process and we have held events and workshops across the country in rural, island and urban locations.

"We have reached around 3,000 stakeholders at more than 80 events, including five in Argyll and Bute.

"Discussions have also been held with organisations including ferry user groups, business groups, Young Scot and Age Scotland.

"There will be a wider opportunity to comment on the strategy when it goes out to public consultation later this summer before publication at the end of the year."



Mary's Meals won the coveted trophy for the past two years. 06_a24ArmedforWindows01

Excitement builds for Armed Forces Day

Armed Forces Day will be held on Saturday June 15 and to help raise awareness of the event organisers are once again asking Lochgilphead businesses to decorate their windows.

This year's theme is Operation Banner, which was the operation in Northern

Ireland from 1969 to 2007. There are still stand spaces available. Contact Betty Rhodick on 01546 602205 for more information.

Lochgilphead Armed Forces Day will start with a parade of veterans from 11.45am before inspection, followed by an afternoon of fun activities.



Michael Matheson – missing at A83 meeting. 06_a47TaskForce_Matheson02

Lord of the Isles stars at hospitality awards

Craobh Haven restaurant Lord of the Isles was among the big winners at Scotland's most prestigious hospitality awards on Sunday May 30.

The Pub Excellence award went to Craig and Mollie Macfarlane's Lord of the Isles at the Catering Scotland (CIS) Excellence Awards. The event was attended by 500 guests at a gala dinner in the Doubletree by Hilton hotel in central Glasgow on Thursday night.

Excellent food

Judges said the Craobh Haven establishment was 'superb and well run, with excellent food, great value for money and extremely helpful, friendly staff'.

A finalist for The Pub Excellence award was the Crinan Hotel.



Siobhan MacMillan of Lord of the Isles, Craobh Haven, receives the CIS Excellence award for Pub of the Year from Cheryl Grundy of category sponsor KraftHeinz, flanked by event comperes Des Clark and Jennifer Reoch.

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Teacher delivers thanks from Zambia on tour of Mid Argyll

A head teacher from Zambia has visited Mid Argyll with letters from her pupils and thanks for everyone in the area who has helped establish her school and continues to help it grow.

Sister Veronica Nyoni brought letters from her pupils at St Columba's Community Secondary School in Lusaka, Zambia, for children at Tarbert Academy as it was in Mid Argyll that the idea for her school was born and funds for its first classroom block were raised.

The head teacher's words of thanks were simple, but she was clearly moved by the Argyll community's ongoing support which provides funds for the growing school and enables around 50 children living in challenging situations to access secondary education. St Columba's grew from work supported by St Margaret's, Lochgilphead,

Parishioners hear school now has four classroom blocks

and the wider Mid Argyll community.

Writer Marian Pallister made the original Zambian connections at the end of the 1990s. As support in Lochgilphead grew, a charity was founded and ZamScotEd was born.

Missio Scotland match funded ZamScotEd's cash and in 2016, after forging a partnership with the Zambian order of Teresian Sisters, the first classroom block was opened.

Speaking at Mass in St Margaret's Church in Inveraray, and discussing the project with parishioners, Sister Veronica thanked the community for the support that has led to St Columba's having four classroom blocks.

It opened in January 2016 with 37 pupils. Now almost 400 children study at grades equivalent to S1-S5.

Sister Veronica and Father Cleophas Lungu, education adviser of the Archdiocese of Lusaka, and members of the ZamScotEd board also met with Brendan O'Hara MP. They agreed that by not meeting its overseas aid targets, the Westminster government was placing the responsibility for development work on the voluntary sector. Mr O'Hara said he would raise the issue in the UK Parliament.

And the letters? For the past year, English teacher Susan Connor has organised an exchange of letters between her pupils at Tarbert Academy and children at St Columba's.



Denise MacLean, Father Cleophas Lungu, MP Brendan O'Hara, Sister Veronica Nyoni, David Sinclair and ZamScotEd founder Marian Pallister.

Sister Veronica acted as a special postie and answered Tarbert pupils' questions about the lives of children in Lusaka.

She explained that many have only one meal a day and some have to walk almost seven miles each way to attend school every day. The Tarbert pupils were shocked that lessons start at 7am and

pupils do not leave school until 4pm.

Sister Veronica and Father Cleophas will take back to her pupils a snapshot not only of life in Argyll but also why ZamScotEd asked that the school in Zambia be called St Columba's. St Margaret's parishioners took the Zambian visitors to Iona and Dunadd to learn more about the

Argyll saint. A toilet block, textbooks and desks are still needed. But Sister Veronica and Father Cleophas brought news of huge progress thanks to the continued support of the people of Argyll.

ZamScotEd has a JustGiving page where anyone can donate. Visit justgiving.com/campaigns/charity/mli/zamscotedschoolfund



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Vince steps out again for Lochgilphead's MS Centre

A Bearsden man has completed another challenging trek to raise money for three charities close to his heart – The Beatson Cancer Charity, the Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and Lochgilphead's MS Centre.

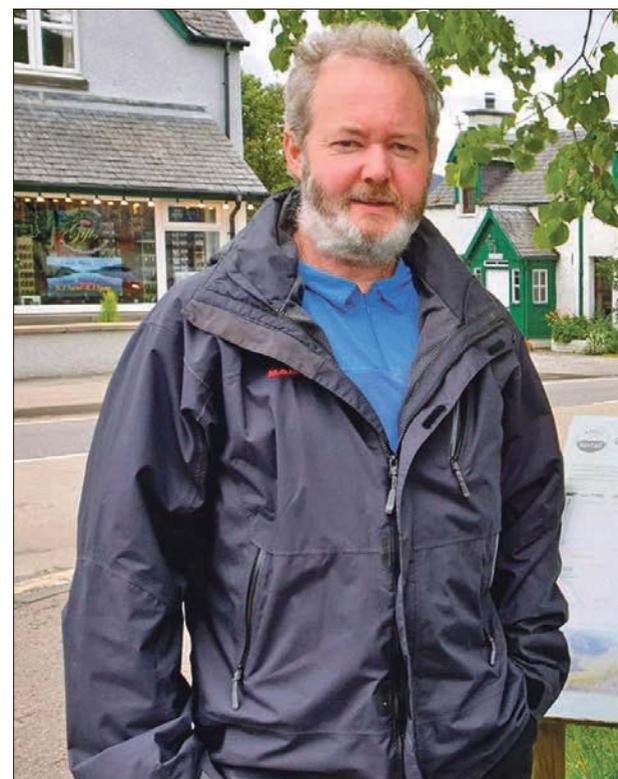
Vince Bertonesi's latest trek was the 43-mile Glen Affric Kintail Way, which included one night wild camping and a second night in a bothy.

Vince has raised £490 for the three charities so far with £155 going to the MS Centre.

MS Centre staff thanked Vince for the many miles he has walked across Scotland over the years in support of the Lochgilphead service.

Karen McCurry of the MS Centre said: 'The money raised by Vince will be used towards a fantastic, innovative and fun resource called Digesting Science, a set of activities that teaches families about Multiple Sclerosis.'

'We are also grateful to MC Lithgow, Christine Irvine, Islay GP Surgery and Tarbert Gun Club which have all recently donated funds to bring the Digesting Science



Vince Bertonesi is raising money for the MS Centre.

workshops to Argyll.' Details of the science events will be shared by the MS Centre soon.

If anyone would like to donate to Vince's fundraising, visit justgiving.com/fundraising/vincent-bertonesi

Successful canal launch of Autism on the Water



Left: The youngsters and Murray sail up the Crinan Canal.
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Above: Murray MacDonald.

A new initiative to help young people with autism has set sail.

Created by Murray MacDonald, Autism on the Water is designed to give young people on the spectrum the experience of sailing – something that is rarely available to them.

Youngsters sailed up the Crinan Canal from

Ardrishaig on Thursday May 30 on their way to the Oban Sailing Club Town Regatta.

Four children, aged between 10 and 14, joined Murray on the vessel to Oban to get a taste of what the sailing was all about.

Murray said: 'The youngsters had never been on a sailing boat before, never driven a boat, never thrown

and caught ropes until that trip. They had never met each other and one special moment for me was during the hop from Lochgilphead to Cairnbaan, two of the boys were in the cabin playing catch with a tennis ball, sharing sandwiches and having a game of cards. It was magical to see.'

'It was a superb day and we

have another one planned. I've got my eye on the 707 Nationals.'

Murray's efforts were commended by Councillor Anne Horn who said: 'Congratulations are due to the crew, staff of Scottish Canals and volunteers who made this happen.'

See Councillor Anne Horn's letter on page 6.

Green Energy Award win for Argyll apprentice

A young Lochgilphead man has been named a top apprentice at an awards ceremony in Glasgow.

Ethan Glencross, aged 18, who works for the town's Renewable Parts Limited (RPL) Refurbishment Centre, won the Apprentice Award at the Young Professional Green Energy Awards 2019, hosted by Scottish Renewables.

The awards event, at Glasgow's Grand Central

Hotel, celebrated nine winners from a shortlist of 39 finalists chosen from more than 100 entrants.

The Young Professionals Green Energy Awards recognises those who have achieved beyond all expectations, those who are pioneering new ideas and have the drive and ambition to change the renewable energy industry for the better.

Ethan was commended

for his enthusiasm and keen interest in all things mechanical, an attribute that means he is great at fault finding.

Showing the signs of a great engineer, Ethan frequently asks questions and his interest in how things work is apparent. Quickly becoming an integral team member, his input and fresh perspective have been invaluable in the progress of the RPL Refurbishment Centre.

Claire Mack, chief executive of Scottish Renewables, said: 'The standard of talent showcased by all of our shortlisted entrants is inspiring. The skills, professionalism and passion shown by tonight's winners demonstrate their commitment to their careers. I encourage them to maintain the same determination as they grow and develop to shape the future of the renewables industry.'



Ethan Glencross, right, received his award from David Coyne from the Centre of Work-Based Learning.

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Disappointing absence

It is disappointing that Michael Matheson was unable to attend his second A83 Task Force meeting in a row. True, parliamentary business can be pressing, but he has to be seen to treat the transport problems of Argyll with the same seriousness as those around Edinburgh, the central belt, Aberdeen and the A9.

In relative terms, our A83 is just as vital as the M8 or M9 to the central belt – arguably more so.

Mr Matheson said last year that Argyll and Bute would be at the front of the queue when it comes to transport investment. Things have gone a little quiet since then as consultation begins, so let us hope his officials keep his promise to the people of Argyll.

D-Day recognised

Jim Jepson and Inveraray Legion deserve great credit for organising this week's activities in commemoration of D-Day and the training carried out around Loch Fyne.

It is all too easy for these important parts of our history to be forgotten and their significance ignored, but the work of Jim – as a former curator at the Combined Operations museum and a recognised expert on the subject – has ensured that the memory keeps burning.

Intriguing well-being budget unveiled

Sir,
It was intriguing to note New Zealand's Labour coalition government recently unveil its 'world-first' well-being budget.

Billions of dollars will be invested in mental health services and to address child poverty, as well as record investment in measures to tackle family violence.

New Zealand is the first western country to design its entire budget based on well-being priorities and instruct its ministries to design policies to improve well-being.

GDP has too often come to be seen not just as an indicator of a country's wealth, but as the main measure of its success.

Yet following a decade of global economic turmoil, the limitations of that view have become increasingly clear.

In countries around the world, such as New Zealand, there is a growing realisation that growth is not the only measure of a successful economy.

In fact, in some respects it might not be the best measure of such. There is a growing realisation that we must give much greater priority to the well-being – and the quality of life – of people living in a country.

Last year the Scottish Government made 'well-being' explicitly a core part of the Scottish Government's purpose and the broader definition of success is also evident in Scotland's economic strategy.

The promotion of sustainable and inclusive growth is a vital way of raising living standards for everyone. That growth is only of any real value if it makes people's lives better – creating a fairer, healthier and happier nation in the process.

It is not and never should be seen as an end in itself.

Alex Orr, Edinburgh.

Autism on the Water enjoys first Scottish Series outing

Sir,
The Scottish Series is over for another year and, as always, it was good to see Tarbert busy with visitors enjoying the event.

A special feature of the series this year was the yacht Autism on the Water which allowed people with autism to take part in the racing over the weekend.

At the end of the racing, Autism on the Water gave four young people, also with autism, the amazing opportunity to help sail the yacht through the Crinan Canal.

Such an experience doesn't present itself often and thanks and congratulations are due to the crew, staff of Scottish Canals and volunteers who made this happen.

Autism on the Water hopes to be back in these parts in August when I am sure there will be further opportunities for young people to develop new skills.

Good wishes to Autism on the Water in all its endeavours.

Councillor Anne Horn.

Dog Smart Week offers advice and education

This week is Dogs Trust's annual Be Dog Smart week.

It is the third year the UK's largest dog welfare charity has run the initiative and, as one of the charity's 27 education and community officers, I'll be visiting schools to ensure they understand how to behave around dogs, particularly in the home.

My job involves providing schools in and around Glasgow with workshops to share dog safety advice in a fun, friendly and engaging way.

Since the last Be Dog Smart Week, I have held workshops in more than 118 primary schools, reaching around 16,598 pupils.

Whilst being around dogs can have many wonderful benefits for young people, any dog can bite or snap if they are worried or hurt. Be Dog Smart week allows us to reach even more children with our safety message.

Dogs bring so much joy into people's lives but, unfortunately, we cannot teach dogs to understand when and why a child might act in a certain way towards them, but we can teach children how to care for their dogs and behave responsibly around them.

At Dogs Trust, we believe educating children, parents, carers, teachers and dog owners about dog safety is the first step to preventing bite-related incidents.

We run workshops all year round, so if you are a parent, guardian or teacher please get

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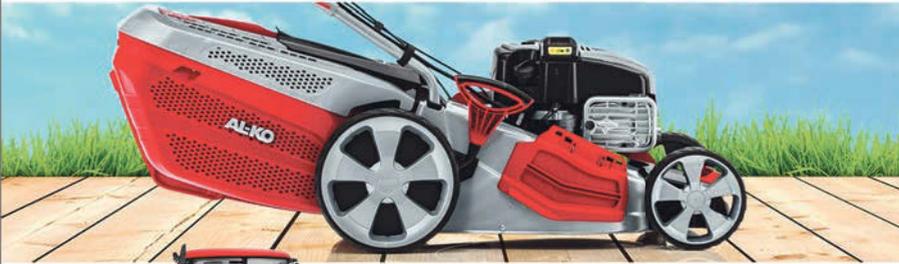





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Gemma Kelly, Dogs Trust Education and Community Officer.

Family extends thanks for A83 car crash help

Sir,
We would like to thank everyone who helped us after we were involved in an accident on the A83 between Tarbert and Ardrishaig on Sunday May 26.

My sister-in-law Amanda, my son John and I had been camping on Gigha for a couple of nights.

We did not intend to return home until the Monday, but the weather was so poor we decided to leave a day early.

So many kind people stopped to help us and offered us first aid and reassurance after the crash and even rescued our Jack Russell dog Piper, making a really traumatic experience slightly easier.

The paramedics, police and staff at Mid Argyll Hospital in Lochgilphead were fabulous. We are all very grateful to everyone who helped us.

Julie McMillan, Garelochhead.

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Lochgilphead photographer Eilidh Cameron sent in this photo of Islay waves crashing on to the shore at Saligo Bay. Eilidh used a 24-70mm lens during a lovely sunset. Send your photographs for publication to editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk

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Action from the Inveraray Skiff Day at Argyll Caravan Park, held in May. 06_a19SkiffDay04



Martyn Webster with design drawings for the club's new skiff. 06_a04InvCoastalRowing03

Inveraray Coastal Rowing Club prepares for launch

A new club many months in the planning is set to be unveiled.

With the prospects for Inveraray Pier looking brighter than they have in years, a new coastal rowing

club will reinforce the town's reconnection with the sea.

Inveraray resident Martyn Webster is inviting the community to a public meeting to launch Inveraray Coastal Rowing Club at Inveraray Church Hall on Friday June 14.

As featured in the Argyllshire Advertiser in recent months, the long term aim of the club will be to build and maintain a rowing skiff and use this to compete against other clubs at venues along Scotland's coast.

There are a number of such clubs around the coast, each club usually building its own skiff. The idea would be that people with the necessary skills – or a willingness to learn – would come forward to help build the skiff, while others might row the boat on the water.

Alastair Rodden, Argyll Caravan Park deputy manager and a keen supporter of Inveraray Coastal Rowing Club, has already hosted an open day at the Argyll Estates-owned park by Loch Fyne, with a number of skiffs gathered for people to view.

Martyn Webster is in negotiation with Argyll Estates for an area near the launching ramp to build a boathouse. Once these negotiations are complete the club will apply for planning permission and grants to build the premises.

Martyn said: 'I am hoping for a good turnout at the club's launch.

'A positive response from the community will encourage funding bodies to support the club.'

The launch event starts at 7pm and everyone is welcome to attend.

Volunteering and having a healthcare voice

A column by Mid Argyll Health and Care Forum

This is the end of volunteer week. Volunteering can change lives; you can make the world a better place. Volunteers provide services we depend on and give us pleasure.

They are not appreciated by everyone. The Argyll and Bute health and care forums have been told they have outstayed their welcome.

A bit of history might help.

These forums arose out of patient representative groups liaising with GPs. They later became supported by community engagement officers appointed by the Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP).

There was an undertaking to listen to the voice of the people and share with them the intentions and difficulties of those providing the services. That was a prescient approach, for this year the Scottish Government advocated empowerment by listening to what matters most to patients.

Health boards are required to communicate and consult, but are allowed to choose their own method. It is unfortunate there is no clear-cut way of monitoring this engagement.

Last year Argyll and Bute HSCP decided to change its way of doing things. Instead of building on established structures, as recommended in the guidelines, community cafes are envisaged.

None of the local forums are happy with this, because these are to be informal and unaccountable.

Each area in Argyll is at a

different stage of response. We are in the process of following the example of Helensburgh, which became independent and self-funded years ago. Rothesay health and care forum was neither consulted nor informed, but intends to carry on. Oban is still awaiting reply to a letter signed by several influential figures making the case for continuance.

None of this is ideal, because we no longer have the close links with our care providers.

The decisions on this policy change seem to have been predetermined in secrecy and in breach of partnership's own rules.

In the six months since community cafes were decided, none have taken place and no topics have been announced.

Is this meant to put you off volunteering? Quite the opposite.

You could find that it provided you with Ikigai, what the Japanese call reason for living. If what you do matters to you, you find ways to carry on when it gets tough.

Our groups represent a lot of people, and we find ourselves surprised and disappointed at the way we feel we have been treated.

In the next few months we will be hearing from people who have had experience of having to fight for the care they need, and featuring the services which can help.

Mid Argyll Health and Care Forum has an email circle for information and comment as well as meetings open to everyone. Special events feature in the pages of the Argyllshire Advertiser.

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Even tunnel vision has its drawbacks

Our regular artistic contributor Ann Thomas this week muses on a subject she has mulled over before – the Rest and be Thankful.

Transport Scotland is undertaking a review of the country's strategic transport strategy, with an undertaking that Argyll will be at the front of the queue this time around.

We'll see, but in the meantime a tunnel through the hills is considered by some to be the answer to solving the problem of keeping Argyll connected via the A83 by avoiding the landslide risk altogether.

But there may be some drawbacks to a super underground highway...



OFFERS & competitions

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ONE OF SIX FAMILY PASSES TO GALLOWAY COUNTRY FAIR 2019



Galloway Country Fair returns to the picturesque Drumlanrig Castle and Country Estate in the heart of Dumfries and Galloway on Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 August 2019.

An impressive array of acts will take to the main ring, with quad bike stunt man Paul Hannam secured as the headline act. Attendees on both days will see him in his element, performing breathtaking tricks and jumps as well as precision riding.

There are lots of fair favourites on the line-up – from the comical and educational sheep show and horse whisperer Grant Basin, to Buccleuch's very own David Lisett and Lee Hartis conducting the gun dog display. Other activities across the weekend include Elite Falconry displays, Borderlines fishing demos, Stars Dog Agility and Terrier Racing as well as a free kids' activity zone from Team Challenge and countless craft, food and drink trade stalls.

If you'd like a chance to win this amazing prize, answer the following question.
Who is headlining the main ring at Galloway Country Fair 2019?

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This fabulous prize for four people includes entry to the Scottish Seabird Centre, a Catamaran Cruise around the Bass Rock and Craighleith and two nights stay at Gillsland Park, in a luxury two bedroom holiday home with decking and fantastic views.

If you'd like a chance to win this amazing prize, answer the following question.
How many gannets can be seen on the Bass Rock each year?

Prize must be taken between 01 and 30 September 2019. Bookings must be made in advance and are subject to availability. Scottish Seabird Centre boat trips are subject to suitable weather conditions. See www.seabird.org for full boat trips terms and conditions.

To enter, send separate entries (in the same envelope) with your name, address, telephone number and email address to **Scottish Field Competitions, Fettes Park, 496**

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Centre gears up to mark Carers Week

Lochgilthead's Dochas Centre is going all out for Carers Week this year.

Carers Week, an annual campaign to raise awareness, highlight challenges and recognise the contributions of carers, runs from Monday June 10 to Friday June 14.

The Dochas Centre has an entire programme of events

to ease the lives of carers across Argyll. Catherine Paterson, co-founder of the Dochas Centre, said: 'We are focussing on identifying hidden, unpaid carers. In particular, working carers who often have the challenge of juggling and balancing their working and caring roles. We are contacting employers to

help us identify these carers who may be members of their workforce and might come along.'

The varied programme includes drop-in sessions for advice, talks and a relaxing trip to Portavadie.

The week kicks off on Monday with a Telecare demonstration at 1.30pm, followed by various carer's health and well-being sessions throughout Tuesday from 10am to 3pm.

Wednesday will feature an introduction to Tai-chi at 10.30am and the first of many drop-in sessions for carers including lunch.

The drop-in sessions will run every fourth Wednesday of the month.

Thursday is the carers' outing to Portavadie, where everyone will enjoy a bucks fizz and lunch.

The week will end on Friday at Mid Argyll Hospital with a table at the reception to promote the Dochas Centre and its services.



The Dochas Centre celebrated its 21st birthday this year.

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Science matters

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The largest beasts on earth

Around 170 million years ago, sauropod dinosaurs wandered across a salty lagoon on a landmass that later became the Isle of Skye. Their fossilised foot-prints were discovered by dinosaur-hunters Steve Brusatte and Tom Challands from Edinburgh University in 2015.

Sauropods are the large, long-necked, herbivores including the well-known Brontosaurus and Brachiosaurus and the animals that made the foot-prints probably weighed 20,000kg. Eventually they evolved into the largest creatures ever known - the titanosaurs, including the aptly-named Dreadnoughtus - 26 metres long and weighing more than 50,000kg - 10 times heavier than an African elephant.

Like most youngsters, dinosaurs fascinated me in primary school, but I never

thought to ask how they sustained their enormous bulk. As Brusatte describes in his brilliant book*, the answer is their unique body plan.

Adult titanosaurs needed to eat around 50kg of foliage daily, a feat accomplished by the addition, and enlarging, of vertebrae to extend their distinctive necks. So, by just standing still and swinging their heads, they could consume all plants within a 26-metre-diameter circle, while expending very little energy.

But how did they manage to move around when just lifting their heads and feet appears to defy gravity? Everything is explained by adaptations to their respiratory system, which combined an energy-generating machine and an air-con system, which also helped movement.

Titanosaur lungs were

connected to numerous air-sacs that filled body cavities, even burrowing extensively into bones. Air-sacs stored oxygen-rich air that passed through the lungs in one direction only, allowing for super-efficient oxygen extraction. What's more, the air-sacs' huge surface area dissipated heat, so averting heat-stress. And finally, by creating a honey-comb effect in bones, air-sacs lightened without weakening the skeleton, thereby allowing animals to move around with ease.

If only we could have met these giants. But at least their (much smaller) close relatives are around today. Birds are dinosaurs. And with the same efficient respiration and light-weight bones they can fly far and high, even over Mount Everest.

* Steve Brusatte, Author of *The Rise and Fall of the Dinosaurs* (Macmillan 2018).



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Parents enjoyed the calm... 51_a23summerfayre10



...while the youngsters enjoyed the lively fayre fun. 51_a23summerfayre13

School summer fayre a big hit

Lively event boosts
Lochgilphead primary
funds by £780

Lochgilphead Primary School hosted a lively summer fayre on the afternoon of Friday May 31.

Organised by the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and Parent Council, the event was organised to boost PTA

funds. Adults enjoyed tea, coffee and cakes in a makeshift cafe in the staff room, while classes were converted into a carnival for the youngsters.

Amongst the many activities were beat the goalie and a bouncy castle in the gym

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Dundonian Aaron Gowans claimed his mates dressed him this way as part of his stag weekend. He is due to marry Fiona in Glasgow on June 15 and we wish them all the best. 06_a23FyneFest14



Kazz Syme is happy in her work as she shucks oysters on the Loch Fyne Oysters stand. 06_a23FyneFest15

Mud, Maverick and music at Fyne Fest

by Laura Maxwell
editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk

Wild and wet weather on opening night did not stop beer and music lovers from attending this year's Fyne Fest.

The muddy Cairndow field seemed to add to the fun as children stomped in puddles and once-fluffy dogs shook mud in the faces of nearby beer drinkers.

It was only one rainy night and soon the sun was out to greet the acts as they took to the stages with wellies hitting the dance floor.

More than 20 acts entertained beer-lovers over the weekend. On Friday, the Dice Ceilidh Band warmed up the drenched crowd with feverish dancing to traditional music, before Massaoke got everyone singing at a karaoke session with a 30-piece band playing the classics.

Saturday's headliners

'Despite the challenges of the weather, this was quite probably the best FyneFest yet.'

Bombskare, 'the undisputed masters of Scottish reggae', delivered a bouncing, infectious dance sound for their latest trip to Fyne Fest. Preceding them was The Camans with a slew of classic covers to get everyone moving and across the field in the Brewers Lounge, Brian McCollm delivered acoustic indie rock classics to a chilled tent of beer-enthusiasts.

Sunday saw revellers recovering and the tunes become more relaxing. These ranged from the soulful country-tinged songs of Liam Somerville to the harp-infused blues from Avocet and Lochgilphead's Bar None Choir.

Fyne Ales managing director Jamie Delap said: 'Despite everything the weather threw at us, we had a great weekend. It was a battle for everyone to set up camp in the heavy rain on Friday, but they were rewarded with the best line up of beers we have put on and the atmosphere in the main marquee for the Friday evening was amazing with Banjo Lounge 4 and the Massaoke getting everyone in the tent up dancing. Saturday's weather was much kinder to us and, despite a bit of mud, the programme went well.'

'When you put on an outdoor festival in Argyll, you have to be prepared for every type of weather - quite possibly in the same day. Our team worked incredibly hard to put the contingency plans in place to keep everything running. All of our Fyne Festers are a hardy group who seemed to have had a great

time. We have been 'blown away' by how positive the feedback on social media has been. Despite the challenges of the weather, this was quite probably the best Fyne Fest yet.'

More than 200 beers from around 50 breweries, including FyneAles' bestseller Maverick, 20 acts and 17 food venues is just the tip of the iceberg.

A gallery of photographs capturing all the fun and merriment can be found on the Argyllshire Advertiser website www.argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk

Top right: Michael Sutherland serving up a Fyne Ales pint. 51_a23FyneFest03

Right: Fyne Fest veterans The Camans served up classics and got everyone on the dancefloor. 51_a23FyneFest36



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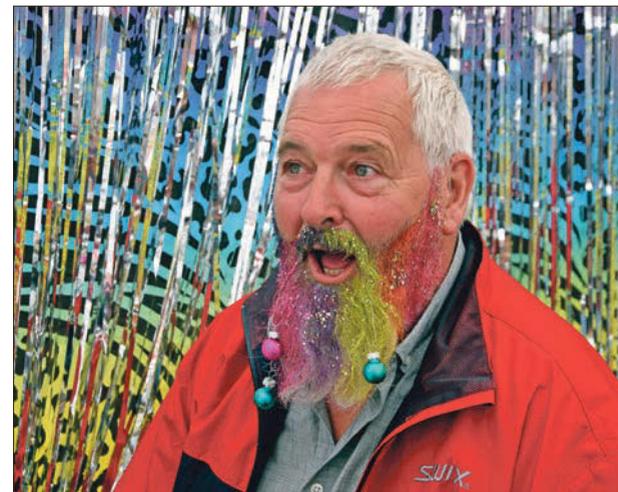


President of the Welsh branch of the John Inverdale Supporters Club, Bryan Dunn from Edinburgh, was on his stag do with friends who know his rugby-based prejudices well. 06_a23FyneFest20



Above: A group caught taking full advantage of their commemorative Fyne Fest pint glasses, after the sun finally came out. 51_a23FyneFest15

Left: Glasgow-based duo Mandulu and Hephzibah soothe dripping-wet Friday night festival goers in the Brewers' Lounge. 06_a23FyneFest10



John Matthews from Nottingham got a glam makeover for the festival. It will blow up his Instagram. 51_a23FyneFest10

Oban tradesmen make renovating a smooth experience

advertorial

Renovating or upgrading anything in the home can be a pain in the glass, especially if you don't know where to start.

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Elite has received a number of five-star reviews.

Emma Brown posted: 'Just got new windows and door in my new flat and the boys did an amazing job. Would recommend them to anyone.'

Eleanor Porter said: 'Just had Ruari and Alan complete the [installation] of our new double glazing. What fantastic workers they are, the workmanship was also of the highest standard I could not find fault with any of their work, I would not hesitate to recommend them.'

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Elite Contractors Scotland's showroom at Crannog Lane, Oban.

Elite. Absolutely delighted with them. All work finished to a very high standard.'

To get in touch with Elite, either visit their showroom at Unit 11 Crannog Lane, Oban, or give them a call.

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Quarter of a million troops on Loch Fyne

Men trained in the use of landing craft

by Colin Cameron
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After construction began in 1940, No 1 Combined Training Centre was composed of seven camps – Shira, Castle, Duke’s, Town and Avenue, while Kilbride and Chamois camps were beside the naval base known as HMS Quebec, at the site of Argyll Caravan Park just south of Inveraray.

The modern-day Loch Fyne Hotel was the headquarters, known at the time as Admiralty House and home to No 1 Combined Training Centre commandant, Vice Admiral Theodore Hallett.

As one of around 50 such centres based primarily on the west coast of Scotland and south of England, its prime purpose was to train army and navy service personnel in the use of landing craft for landing assault troops, supplies, ammunition and weaponry on to heavily defended enemy occupied beaches, with RAF support as required. Inveraray training centre had many famous visitors, including King George VI, Winston Churchill, King Haakon of Norway and Crown Prince Olaf. Other esteemed visitors involved Mountbatten and Polish leader General Sikorski.

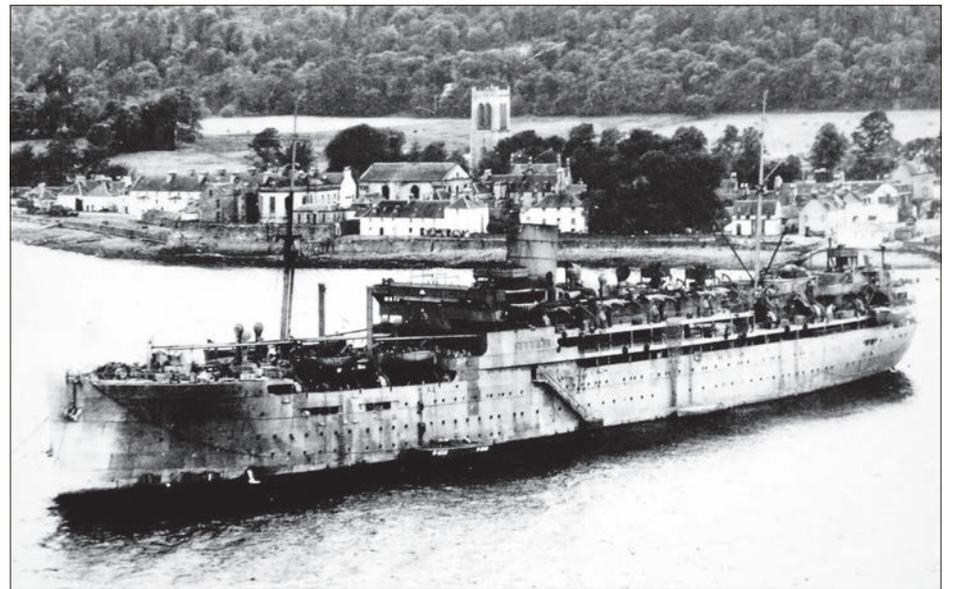
Among the 250,000 military personnel who passed through No 1 Combined Training Centre were famous names such as Sir Alec Guinness, James Robertson Justice, David Niven and James Doohan (who later became Scotty from Star Trek).

As D-Day preparations were being finalised, plans were being made at Inveraray for an invasion of Japan – before the sudden Japanese surrender following the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima.

After that, the No 1 Combined Training Centre was reduced to a care and maintenance basis.



Three cheers for Prime Minister Winston Churchill as he visits the training centre in 1941. 06_a23DDay05



Troopship HMT Ettrick, an 11,000-ton former P&O liner, moored off Inveraray. She was later sunk in the North African campaign. 06_a23DDay10



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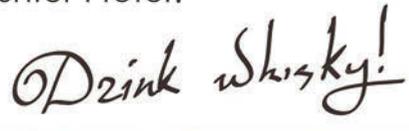


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WHAT'S ON IN MID ARGYLL

Concert with a difference in Ardrishaig

Audience members arriving in Ardrishaig Public Hall for a concert on Saturday June 1 could have been forgiven for wondering what they had let themselves in for.

An experimental concert, arranged by Mid Argyll Arts Association, was to combine music and dance in an attempt to show how the synthesis of music and dance is universal and timeless. It was to be a taster session of just a few genres – a tall order indeed.

What actually happened was that the brilliant young guitarist Andrew Robinson from Ford linked the varied styles of dance performances with his play-

ing. The dancers, all from Mid Argyll, demonstrated Scottish step dancing, Highland dancing (Jessica MacCrae); a Kathak solo from northern India (Sandy Richardson); a classical ballet solo from the ballet Coppelia (Sioned Phillips); a dramatic and gripping Flamenco piece (Marcela Richelme); an inspiring Argentinian tango (David Hewitt and Ros Duthie); a sinuous contemporary dance piece by professional dancer Lawrence Gorringer; a beautifully constructed contemporary duet by two girls newly-graduated from Dundee (Kirsten Way and Natasha) – and an amazing

performance by the guitarist as he accompanied the three contemporary dancers and all improvised together on the spot.

The evening finished with a gentle Indian hand dance, led by Sandy Richardson with Sioned Phillips and Eden MacDonald, which described the peace and tranquility of the scene around a large pool in the evening.

Earlier on Saturday, ahead of the concert, Kirsten Way and her friend Natasha 'donated' a dance workshop in the hall, and it was great to have such an opportunity in Ardrishaig.

Anne Beckett.

Skipness family in the TV frame

A family based in Skipness will feature in the last episode of the BBC series The Generation Frame.

The programme, on the new BBC Scotland channel, sees two families go on a personal journey to uncover their family story with an exciting modern twist.

As each family investigates their history, they delve into Scotland's rich public archive collections and meet genealogists and experts who offer enlightening context to the family stories that have passed through the generations.

The current residents of Skipness Estate, the James family, live a very different lifestyle from their grandfather who bought the estate



Melissa James of Skipness Estate.

in 1936. With the help of genealogist Chris Halladay, siblings Melissa and Philip James unearth links to the legendary ghost story writer M R James, the upper echelons of British political society, the Great Exhibition of 1851 and even the Battle of Waterloo.

But closer to home, a surprise discovery means they can finally get closure on a pressing family matter.

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Celebrating young talent in Mid Argyll

An exciting celebration of the creativity and talents of Mid Argyll young people will be on show at two fantastic events on Saturday June 15.

In the afternoon, Lochgilphead High School's final matinée performance of Romeo and Juliet will take place at 1.30pm at the Joint Campus. This will be the third performance of the show, an exciting new take on Shakespeare's original text.

The show features amazing choreography from Eve Maxwell, a multi-talented former pupil of Lochgilphead High School, and dance teacher Anne Beckett. A collection for Macmillan Cancer Support will be taken at this matinée.

Other performances take

place at 7pm on Thursday June 13 and Friday June 14. Tickets are on sale from the school and Riverside Garage. See posters for more information.

Mid Argyll Community Dancers, under Anne Beckett, will be performing Once Upon a Time at 7.30pm in Ardrishaig Hall. This is an original ballet with dancers of all ages.

The performance will be followed by a tea party in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. Tickets are £5 each and can be bought at the door or reserved by calling Anne on 01866 844271.

The organisers have collaborated to ensure these shows do not clash so get tickets before they sell out.



Students have been rehearsing for months.



Left: Eve Maxwell leads rehearsals.

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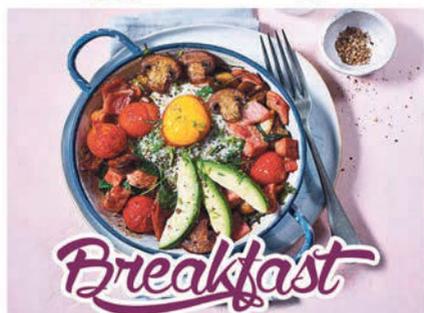
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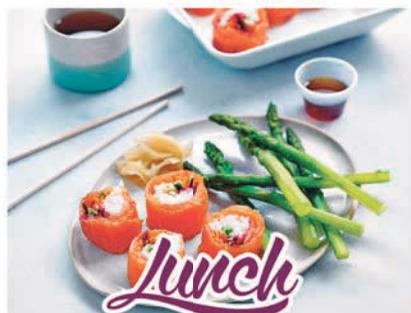
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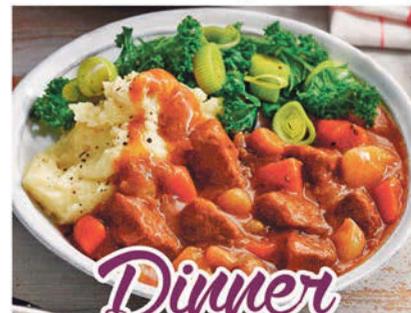
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Mums take on race challenge in memory of lost loved ones

by Colin Cameron
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Two young Lochgilphead mums are being joined by family members as they raise cash in memory of loved ones lost to cancer.

Cousins Shannon Stewart, 24, and Caitlin MacInnes, 20, will tackle the five kilometre Cancer Research UK Race for Life in Falkirk on June 23.

But they will not be alone as Caitlin's husband Declan, Shannon's husband Duncan and her sister Jane Cook, along with Jane's partner John Reid and their 11-year-old daughter Maria, are also taking part.

They were inspired to take up the challenge in memory of Shannon's granddad John Cook, who passed away in February this year from cancer.

Caitlin's granny, Isobel

Cameron, also died from cancer in 2008. Shannon said: 'My grandad was a very well-known and well-liked member of the Lochgilphead community.

'He wanted a lot of his things donated to cancer research to help in the fight against it, so I've decided to do the Falkirk 5k race for life to do my bit too, along with my husband, sister and brother-in-law and 11-year-old niece.'

Fundraiser

Before they head off to Falkirk, the girls are holding a fundraiser in Ardrishaig North Hall on Saturday June 15, featuring raffles for hampers, tombola, tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits and children's games.

It will be open from 11.30am until 2.30pm.

'People have been so generous,' Caitlin explained. 'We have had prizes being



Caitlin and Shannon are getting all set for two big days – one in Ardrishaig and the other in Falkirk.

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'The staff were so amazing to our families. We want to give something back for their kindness and care.'

donated businesses including the Square Peg, the Sweetie Shop, the Flower Shop and Icon Hairdressers in Lochgilphead.'

Their target of £1,400 for the race has just about been reached, so Shannon and Caitlin decided to donate any excess to the Dunadd suite in

Glenaray Ward at Mid Argyll Hospital. Shannon said: 'The Dunadd suite is where my grandad John and Caitlin's granny Isabel passed away.

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Aly and Phil win over Craignish



Aly Bain and Phil Cunningham. Photograph: Mairi Fleck.

An unforgettable night of stunning musicianship and pin-sharp humour

There was standing room only at Craignish Village Hall in Ardfern on Wednesday May 29 as two of the most revered ambassadors of Scottish traditional music, Aly Bain and Phil Cunningham, treated concert-goers to an unforgettable night of stunning musicianship and pin-sharp humour.

Shetland-born fiddler Aly and accordion maestro Phil individually have a rich heritage in traditional music, having been key members of The Boys of the Lough and Silly Wizard respectively and worked on countless collaborations with international artists.

As a duo they have delighted audiences in Scotland for more than 30 years and at Craignish their enduring magical partnership was as dynamic as ever. The concert flowed effortlessly between slow airs, jigs and Shetland reels, with highlights including The Pearl, A Bright Star in

Cepheus (written by Phil for his late brother Johnny) and the tune without which no Aly and Phil evening would be complete, Bobby Macleod's wonderful Jean's Reel.

With what was quite possibly the biggest audience for a music concert since the building's opening in 2005, Craignish Village Hall's summer arts programme got under way in style.

Events coming up in June include the hilarious Moira Monologues by Alan Bissett on Wednesday June 12 and more brilliant music with British and American duo James Hickman and Dan Cassidy on June 25.

In July, dancer and Outlander choreographer Rob Heaslip returns to work with local artists on Salt Formations, the unique dance and cross-artform project begun in 2018. Information on all events at Craignish Village Hall can be found at craignish.org.uk

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Straight to the summit with the Škoda Mountiaq: sixth škoda student concept car is a call to adventure

Pickup concept based on the KODIAQ combines great usability and impressive design

Innovative design, lighting effects and new Simply Clever features are the highlights of the sixth Student Car

The project has been showcasing the high quality of the training at the ŠKODA Vocational School in Mladá Boleslav since 2014



Mladá Boleslav, 3 June 2019 – 35 apprentices from the ŠKODA Vocational School have reached the pinnacle of their training year: following eight months of intense work, they presented a spectacular pickup based on the ŠKODA KODIAQ in the shape of the ŠKODA MOUNTIAQ. Sporting a specially designed Sunset Orange paint finish, this concept car impresses with numerous visual highlights such as a light bar on the roof and a distinctive front featuring a winch, bullbar and special lighting effects. For the sixth consecutive time, the project acts as a showcase for the apprentices' technical skills.

A total of 35 ŠKODA apprentices from seven different career paths, among them six women, were involved in the development and production of the ŠKODA MOUNTIAQ. The sixth consecutive Student Car is a one-off and the remarkable result of months of work. During the course of the project, the apprentices were supported by their instructors as well as ŠKODA experts from the Design, Production and Technical Development departments.

As Carsten Brandes, Head of the ŠKODA Academy, points out, "Like its predecessor models, the ŠKODA MOUNTIAQ highlights the exceptional technical com-

petence and craftsmanship of our students. Year after year, their work demonstrates the superior quality of the professional training at our vocational school."

The name ŠKODA MOUNTIAQ conveys a spirit of adventure and off-road flair, combining the appeal of a contemporary lifestyle vehicle with the extraordinary everyday usability of a pickup. The rear of the spectacular concept car bears the ŠKODA wordmark in individual letters – a design element introduced in Europe with the new ŠKODA models SCALA and KAMIQ.

More than 2,000 hours of intense work over eight

months

The apprentices started their work on the new Student Concept Car in autumn 2018. "Building the ŠKODA MOUNTIAQ with our own hands was a unique opportunity for all of us, as we were able to use our theoretical know-how in a practical context", said Petr Zemanec. "We also benefited from the new connections we were able to establish with students on other career paths. We will never forget the over 2,000 hours of work we spent making our unique

pickup."

After the design was finalised, the actual production phase kicked off in January. Body and paint shop work took place simultaneously so the students could finish the vehicle in time for the May deadline. They began by reinforcing the body. Next, they removed the roof of the ŠKODA KODIAQ and fashioned a rear panel for the cab as well as a new rear window and side windows. The area behind the cab of the ŠKODA MOUNTIAQ features a load bed with a hidden storage

compartment underneath. The students shortened and widened the doors, adjusting them to fit within the wider overall proportions of their vehicle. The appearance of the car was rounded off harmoniously by modified bumpers at the front and rear. Running boards on the door sills and the completely redesigned rear radiate rugged appeal and underline the MOUNTIAQ's visual presence. One of the project's greatest challenges for the students was the integration of a fully functional tailgate.

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Magnificent Seven - Isuzu D-Max wins Best Workhorse Pick-up Award for the 7th year in a row

Birmingham – 30th April 2019 – Continuing a successful 2019, the multi award-winning Isuzu D-Max picks up yet another award, this time at the Best Workhorse Pick-up 2019 award from Trade Van Driver, in fact this is the 7th year in a row that the Isuzu D-Max has won this award!

Trade Van Driver is the only magazine which caters for the owner-driver and small fleet operator and as such its awards are different from others as they are judged not only by the expert panel of journalists at the magazine but also by a panel of readers

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The Trade Van Driver Awards celebrate the most reliable, capable and truly effective working vehicles available on the market. Vehicles are compared across several core criteria, including payload, safety, technology, running costs, fuel efficiency, reliability and aftersales service so it is a great accolade that, yet again the Isuzu D-Max emerged victorious, beating strong competition from rivals in the highly contested pick-up sector.

The Isuzu D-Max was

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David Johns, Group Sales Manager at Trade Van Driver, handed over this coveted award to William Brown, Isuzu UK Managing Director, who commented: "The award for the Isuzu D-Max is a demonstration of the truck's capability, practicality and reliability which meets the needs of customers, working hard for drivers and offering

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The award-winning Isuzu D-Max has already had a successful 2019, being crowned 'Pick-Up of The Year' at the 2019 WhatVan? Awards and in the Pick-up & 4x4 Pro

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Young surveyors are on the rise, as more female surveyors are being recognised for their talent.

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olds qualifying as surveyors. To add to this, RICS also reported an increase in young professional women entering its 'Young Surveyor of the Year Awards', despite less than 14 per cent of UK surveyors being female.

Over the last six years, the number of young people, aged 18-30, qualifying as Chartered Surveyors

or Associate Surveyors has steadily increased each year. In 2013, 1,125 18-30-year-olds qualified and in 2018, just under 1,520 young people of the same age group entered the surveying profession. This increase in more young talent pursuing careers in surveying is much-needed in an industry that lacks a diverse workforce, and

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or under.

The number of female surveyors entering the YSOYA has grown since their launch, with 43 females entering last year – of which 29 were shortlisted – compared with 30 female entries in 2014 of which 14 made the shortlist. The overall UK Young Surveyor of the Year, 2018 title also went to a female

– Laura Collins, a quantity surveyor and associate at Rider Levett Bucknall. It's important to note that the names of nominees along with their firm, gender and region, are removed from the entry forms before YSOYA judges assess them, ensuring the panel are completely unbiased in their choice of winners.

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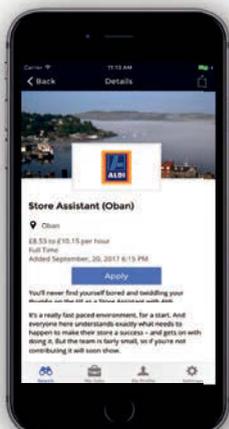
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Public Information Days

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The proposed Development is anticipated to consist of approximately 26 wind turbines with tip heights of up to 149.9m with blade lengths of up to 65m. The deployment of other renewable technologies within the site is also being proposed, including solar photovoltaic (solar PV) generation and battery storage.

Early consultation is key to developing our projects and throughout the development process we ensure local communities and stakeholders are given the opportunity to provide feedback and are kept informed of project progress.

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Tuesday 18 June 2019
3pm until 7pm
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The project team can be contacted directly by emailing:
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Notice is hereby given that High Constellation Windfarm Ltd, company registration number 11800500, 10 West Street, Alderley Edge, Cheshire, SK9 7EG has applied to the Scottish Ministers for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct and operate the High Constellation Wind Farm on the Kintyre Peninsula approximately 4 km southeast of Clachan (Central Grid Reference 180000, 650000). The installed capacity of the proposed generating station would be above 50 MW comprising up to ten turbines with a ground to blade tip height of up to 149.9 metres and associated infrastructure, including an energy storage facility. The proposed development is subject to Environmental Impact Assessment and the developer has produced an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report.

High Constellation Windfarm Ltd has also applied for a direction under Section 57(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 that planning permission for the development be deemed to be granted.

A copy of the application, with a plan showing the land to which it relates, together with a copy of the EIA report discussing the Company's proposals in more detail and presenting an analysis of the environmental implications, are available for public inspection in person, free of charge, during normal office hours at:

Location	Opening Hours	Address
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The EIA Report can also be viewed at the Scottish Government Library at Victoria Quay, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ; on the application website at (www.highconstellationwindfarm.com); or at www.energyconsents.scot.

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Kintyre Schools Novice B pipe band performed at 11.44am under Pipe Major Fiona Mitchell and played Sweet Maid of Glendaruel, Greenwood Side, 72nd Highlanders' Farewell to Aberdeen and Campbell's Farewell to Redcastle. The band gave a strong performance of which all members were pleased and they were rewarded with fourth place in a large class of 17 bands.

Beinn an Tuirc Kintyre 3A took to the field at 3.35pm under the leadership of Pipe Major Julie Blue. The band played John McDonald, Susan McLeod, and Alex C McGregor. The band also had a good performance which on occasions would have been strong enough to get into the prize list but players found themselves a couple of points short.



Skerryvore and Oban High School Pipe Band perform at Oban Live 2018.

Curtain up on Oban Live

Oban is gearing up to welcome thousands of visitors this week to Argyll's biggest outdoor live music event, Oban Live.

Taking place at Oban's famous shinty ground Mossfield Stadium on June 7 and 8, the award-winning two-day music concert enters its fourth year running in 2019.

Running off-peak in early June, the 5,000 capacity event brings significant social, cultural and eco-

nomical benefits to the town and, in 2018, injected a £1.4million boost to Oban's economy.

This year's impressive line-up includes Oban Live founders Skerryvore, Red Hot Chilli Pipers, We Banjo 3, Lucy Spraggan, Be Charlotte, Elephant Sessions and more. Exclusive features include The Caman Connection, a celebration of songs written about shinty, featuring a star-studded line-up of

Scottish traditional musicians who have an association with the sport.

Also reuniting at Oban Live is the Celtic Brotherhood, a collaboration between Skerryvore and Irish blue grass quartet We Banjo 3.

The two bands caused a comedy storm on social media during their joint American tour last year as they fought for votes in their widely popular Bagpipes versus Banjo campaign.

Island nursery plans in jeopardy after council changes direction

A project to deliver wraparound childcare to Mull is in serious jeopardy after a change of direction by Argyll and Bute Council.

More than £25,000 has already been spent by Mull and Iona Community Trust (MICT) developing a scheme to build and run a nursery with a forest school ethos

that would complement the council's own pre-school provision.

But the trust says the council has now changed direction and has decided, after showing strong encouragement for the project over several years, not to support it with a capital grant from the Scottish Government when

funding for early learning and childcare (ELC) is increased from 600 hours to 1,140 hours per year from next August.

The council recently met with parents at Salen Primary School to reveal its own plans to extend ELC there, which includes demolishing an existing pre-fives

unit built just three years ago and adding on three new classrooms.

MICT's general manager Moray Finch says those proposals now make the trust 'extremely concerned' that its nursery would no longer be economically viable and he is calling on people to lobby the island's councillors.

Thought for the Week with Marilyn Shedden

Sometimes on these wild mornings when the sleet batters the windows, the waves pound the shore and the wind screams across the Atlantic, I think of Columba.

As I retreat into the comfort of a warm house and an even warmer coffee, I wonder what it must have been like for Columba and his fellow monks as they made their way from the shores of Ireland to the wilds of Argyll.

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TEXT

FOR THE WEEK

Jesus said, 'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God' (Matthew 5:8).

DEATHS

MACCALLUM - Hugh. Peacefully, at Forth Valley Royal Hospital, on May 27, 2019, and in the comfort of his family, Hugh, aged 76 years, formerly of Campbeltown and renowned solo piper. Beloved husband of Emily and the late Valerie, much loved dad of John and Colin, proud grandpa of Amy, "Hugh" to Heather and Rachel, much loved uncle and friend to many. Funeral service was held on Thursday, June 6, 2019 at Falkirk Crematorium.

MCCUMMISKEY - Suddenly, at the Golden Jubilee Hospital, Clydebank, on May 29, 2019, Mary McCumiskey, aged 72 years, of 19 Mackintosh Way, Lochgilphead, and formerly of Columba Court, Ardrishaig, beloved and loving wife of the late Harry McCumiskey, adored mum of Lorna, John and Diane, a much respected mother-in-law of Graham, Kasse and Alan and a dearly loved and cherished gran of Shannon, Amanda, David, Harry and Jack. A good neighbour and dear friend to many. Funeral service was held at Cardross Crematorium on Wednesday, June 5, followed by a memorial service in Lochgilphead Parish Church. Sadly missed.

MCDUGALL - Peacefully, while in the tender care of the nursing staff of Crieff Hospital, on Sunday, June 2, 2019, Nancy, aged 88 years, of Sauchie Road, Crieff, beloved wife of the late Malcolm, much loved mum of Iain, Neil, Alasdair and the late William, loved and loving mother-in-law, cherished granny and great granny. Funeral service, to which all friends are respectfully invited, at Perth Crematorium, on Friday, June 14 at 12.30pm.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

LOCKE - Bobby of Minard, died in Gloucestershire, on April 1, 2019. A meeting to celebrate Bobby's life will be held in the Quaker Meeting House, 38 Elmbank Crescent, Glasgow, G2 4PS, at 2.15pm, on Sunday, June 23, 2019. Anyone who knew Bobby is welcome to attend. For further information, contact mjmittchell@phonecoop.coop

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

BLACK - The family of the late Dugie Black would like to thank everyone for the many kind expressions of sympathy received in their recent sad bereavement. Special thanks to all at Tarbert Surgery, district nurses, carers, integrated care team, Marie Curie nurses, Carr Gomm, community nursing team and Naomi, Tanya, Jane, James (Jockas) and Ann for all the kind care and attention received. Thanks also to Rev Robert MacLeod for his tribute and comforting service, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, Islay Frigate Hotel for excellent catering, and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. Donations for Marie Curie Cancer Care amounted to £400.

MACDONALD - The family of the late Caroline MacDonald would like to thank all relatives, friends, workmates and neighbours for their many kind expressions of sympathy, support, flowers, phone calls, visits received and cards on their recent sad loss. Special thanks go to the oncology staff at the Vale of Leven Hospital and to the doctors and nursing staff of Mid Argyll for their kind care and support to Caroline in her last days of life. Our thanks to Belinda Braithwaite and Ellen Gibson for a personal, comforting and uplifting service. Thanks to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for caring and professional services, to Morna for the beautiful floral tributes and to Cafe 35 and staff

for their lovely catering. Finally, we would like to thank all who attended Cardross Crematorium and Furnace Village Hall to pay their respects and celebrate Caroline's life. The retiral collection raised £1,200 for Mid Argyll Macmillan Nurses and Oncology Ward, Vale of Leven Hospital.

MACKAY - Margaret would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy, phone calls and cards received following the recent sad passing of Derek. Special thanks to local ambulance staff for their care and efforts. Thanks also to Rev Robert MacLeod for comforting and uplifting services, both at Luing and Lochgilphead; to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for caring and efficient services, and to the Tigh an Truish and Stag Hotels for fine purvey. Finally, thank you to all who attended at graveside and church services to pay their respects.

IN MEMORIAM

CLARK - In loving memory of my beloved husband, father and grampa, who died on June 9, 2014.

Your memory we treasure. Loving you always. - Tottie.

LANG - In loving memory of my husband, Campbell, died June 4, 2004. Always on my mind, Forever in my heart. - Helen.

MCMILLAN - In memory of our beloved daughter, Jane, died June 10, 2017.

- Jen and Charlie McMillan.

CHURCH NOTICES

HIGHLAND PARISH CHURCH



SC002493

Sunday 9th June 2019

The service will be conducted by Mr Kelvin Moller and will be held in the church at 11.15am All welcome

Thursday 20th June

Board meeting followed by a session meeting in Kirk Street Hall

LORNE & LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH

Scottish Charity Number SC 11686

Sunday 9th June

Morning Worship 11.15am

Creche, Triple C, Gen 1 Rev W Crossan

Board Meeting in the New Hall

following the service

Monday 10th June

Seafeguarding Training New Hall

Tuesday 11th June

Tiny Tots 9.45am

New Hall

Anchor Boys 6.00pm

Junior Section 7.15pm

Church Hall

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH



75 Longrow, Campbeltown

Friday 7th June

SKY Youth Group 7.30pm

Saturday 8th June

Centenary Celebration 7.00pm

All welcome

Sunday 9th June

Family Communion Service 11.00am

Pastor Steve Davies All welcome

Thursday 13th June

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Rev Tony Wood

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Saturday 6.00pm

(except 1st Saturday of the month)

Sundays, Holy Mass

10.00am

All welcome

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CAMPBELTOWN FREE CHURCH

George Street, Campbeltown



Sunday 9th June

11.15am Worship Service

Rev Rodger Crooks

11.15am Sunday School

4.00pm Service in

Tayinloan Village Hall

Monday 10th June

4.00pm Road to

Recovery

Wednesday 12th June

12 noon Bible Study &

Prayer

2.00pm - 4.00pm

Water of Life Café

All welcome

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Scottish Charity

Number: SC046745

CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH



Sunday 9th June

11.00am Family Service

Speaker -

Elizabeth Irwin

with Sunday school and

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service

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Sunday 9th June

PENTECOST

Holy Communion

10.45am

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10.30am Morning

Service

(Army Kidz)

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

KINTYRE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Meeting to be held

on Friday 14th June

at 7.30pm in

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Guest speaker: Mr

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(SC013787)

Sundays 11.00am

Eucharist & Coffee

St Columba's,

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1st Sunday of the month

9.00am Holy

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3rd Sunday of the month

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Lochgilphead

Holy Mass Sunday 10am

All Saints, Inveraray

Holy Mass Sunday

12.30pm

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Sunday 9th June 2019

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2.00pm

Mrs Margaret Sinclair

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Kirk Session

Meeting 7pm

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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE

Church of Scotland

Sunday 9th June 2019

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No two days the same for 2019 Scottish Series racers

Organisers delighted as final prize-giving one of best attended in recent years

Day one of the Clyde Cruising Club Scottish Series 2019 dawned on Friday May 24 with the sun shining and signs of a good breeze.

Larger yachts in a restricted fleet benefited from the breeze with the largest in the 2019 fleet, Taeping, leading the way for the majority of the race until lighter winds saw her pipped at the post for line honours.

Not long after the restricted sail fleet had started, Tarbert saw fleets under IRC (1, 3, 4 and the Makars Mash RC35), CYCA 5 and 6 starting their races. Design fleets comprising the Sigma 33s, Sonatas, Etechells and Hunter 707s joined the racing at Tarbert.

Amid a flurry of rib activity laying and moving marks, it was not long before the CYCA 8 passage race fleet approached the finish line.

The teams later caught up in the bar for the day one prize-giving as new event chairman Glenn Porter welcomed everyone to Tarbert. With a number of races omitted due to protests, it was a nice easy start for Glenn.

El Gran Senor led the way in Friday's IRC Class 1. The Makars mash RC35 and IRC 3 classes reported only one race each due to protests. In the Etechells One Design, it was Mayhem which led the board. In the Sigma 33 offshore One Design Class, day one saw Leaky Roof 2 take the biggest haul of wins.

The Hunter 707s and Sonatas saw a spread of results after some close racing. The CYCA class 8 fleet on the Largs passage race was won on corrected time by Celtic Spirit. Additional prizes were awarded

to Encore for the passage race line honours and Shona of Ashton for toughing it out at the rear of the passage race.

Saturday was a much more challenging day on the water with a light wind and dreich drizzle. The race committee nonetheless got two races in for a number of the fleets.

Protests concluded, Saturday's prize giving announced the remaining results from Friday. This showed 2018's winner and RC35 Makars Mash class yacht Storm looking strong with a first place.

Chimaera showed early signs of being a threat to the Scottish Series crown, taking a first in Friday racing. With no immediate showing of a dominant yacht in the IRC Class 3 fleet from Friday's races, it was IRC class four that showed a brewing battle between Lady Ex and F'n Gr8. In the CYCA Class 5 fleet, First by Farr surfaced with the highest number of race wins from Friday.

Prizes

Not to be outdone, CYCA Class 6 saw the final results dominated by Cool Bandit 2 before Saturday's results were announced. With the weather mixing up the league table for Saturday, there were a lot of yachts taking home prizes.

Saturday evening saw the return of Big Vern and The Shootahs to the Scottish Series for another year and a spectacular fireworks display in celebration of Valhalla of Ashton's 50th year on the water.

Sunday saw yet another big weather shift with forecasts up to 40 knots. Loch Fyne likes to mix it up a bit so the fleets ventured out into more se-



Close-quarters racing on Loch Fyne. Photographs: Marc Turner.

date conditions than those forecast. But as the weather built, race officers shortened the traditional round Inchmarnock passage race.

Sunday prizes featured an additional prize for the best performer in each fleet.

Glenn Porter started proceedings with a special award for 'assisting mark layers' to the competitor who got tangled up in one of the race marks. In IRC Class 1 it was El Gran Senor and Forty Licks shining through. The Makars Mash RC35 class saw Hijacker leading the prize haul.

In IRC Class3 it was Mata taking the 'extra' prize. IRC class four saw F'n Gr8 take a clean sweep of firsts in both races. With only one race in CYCA 5 and 6, it was Reflection and Salamander XXII taking home the wins. In the Etechells One, Design Hero took a win in both races with Squawk leading the way in the Sigma 33 One Design Class. In the Hunter 707 fleet Miss Moneypenny was the only yacht placed in both races taking home the best performer of the day for the 707s. With two firsts in the Sonata one design, Fiddlesticks made the most of the Sunday conditions. Finally, the CYCA restricted sail fleet saw Celtic Spirit take first place.

The 2019 event saw the marquee remain open for the Sunday evening as part of additional shoreside activities supported by Event Scotland.

An earlier start on Monday was greeted with sunshine and no wind.

This time the challenge was just too much for race officers who had to abandon racing for the day. Despite a number of the competitors making the most of the early finish and

heading home, the final prize-giving was one of the best attended in recent years.

Clyde Cruising Club Commodore John Readman paid special thanks to the valued participants, sponsors, supporters, volunteers and locals, without whom there would be no event.

Results:

Scottish Series Trophy and overall Series Winner: Chimaera
Joe Deane Cup and Knox Anchor: Salamander XXI
Rosebowl: Chimaera
Tunnocks' Cup: Reflection
Crinan Cup: Celtic Spirit
Crawford McInnes Trophy (Hempel Youth winners): Reflection
Lemarc Tankard: Celtic Spirit
Causeway Cup: F'n Gr8
Alfred Mylne Trophy: Hero
Clyde Bowl: Celtic Spirit

Valhalla of Ashton Salver volunteer Award: The Tech or Raynet Team

La Rochelle Trophy: Lyrebird
The McIver Salver (Mudhook YC): F'n Gr8

Class winners:
IRC1: Forty Licks
RC35: Chimaera
IRC3: Harmony
IRC4: F'n Gr8
CYCA5: First by Farr
CYCA6: Salamander XXII
CYCA8: Celtic Spirit
Sigma 33 OOD: Leaky Roof 2
Sonata OD: Fiddlesticks
Hunter 707 OD: Seaward
Etechells OD: Hero
Boat Of The Day winners
IRC: Something Else
CYCA: First Edition
One Design: Miss Moneypenny,
707 Class Association



There were a few laughs to be had among the serious business of racing.



The crew of Chimaera celebrate winning the overall Scottish Series title.

Tarbert Bowling Club open pairs



Tarbert Bowling Club's open pairs competition was played on Saturday June 1. The winners were Lochgilphead's Donald Crawford and John Crawford, runners-up were Tarbert's Duncan MacGregor and Derek Guy. Peter McLean presented the winners with their trophy.



Left to right: Stuart Litster, Duncan Litster, Malcolm McAlpine (runner up), Bruce MacNab (winner), Stuart Herd (sponsor), Ryan McGlynn, Duncan Johnstone, John MacNab, Iain Macalister and Jimmy Litster.

Harbour Gallery Open at Tarbert

Despite poor weather in the lead up to the Harbour Gallery Open on Sunday June 2, the condition of Tarbert Golf Club's course could not be faulted.

Former club champion David Lamont was making a welcome return to Glenralloch and was in sparkling form with a one-over-par 67 to take the clubhouse lead in the scratch section. His playing partner, Malcolm McAlpine, was also in good form finishing with a nett 63 to move to the top of the leaderboard. Country boy Duncan Johnstone moved into second place with a 64, followed by Duncan Litster on 65.

However, it was Bruce MacNab who emerged from the pack to take the coveted painting home with a one-over-par 67 less 5 for a nett 62.

The scratch section was as keenly contested with Jimmy Litster equaling David on 67 but losing out by virtue of the worst last three holes.

Ryan McGlynn was third on 68 and John MacNab fourth on 74.

Chris Smyth and Stuart Herd took charge of the presentation, thanking the Lochgilphead and Carradale members for their support and club ladies for their superb catering.

Winner of the Harbour Gallery Open: 1 Bruce MacNab 62; 2 Malcolm McAlpine 63; 3 Duncan Johnstone 64; 4 Duncan Litster 65.

Scratch prizes: 1 David Lamont 67 (better last three); 2 Jimmy Litster 67; 3 Ryan McGlynn 68; 4 John MacNab 74.

This Saturday, June 8, Tarbert Golf Club and the McCaffery family are hosting A Day for Gordon with all proceeds going to the Beatson cancer centre. There are 21 teams competing in a three-person scramble, with the main prizes sponsored by Argyll Wealth Consultants Limited.

Full details are on the club's Facebook page.

Sports club lottery numbers

Numbers drawn in the Kilmory Camanachd Club lottery draw on Monday May 27 were 1, 16 and 20. There were no winners, so next week's jackpot will be £600.

Also drawn on Monday, Tarbert Football Club's lottery draw num-

bers were 1, 12 and 13. There were no winners, so next week's prize will be £600.

Inveraray Shinty Club's lottery draw numbers were 6, 10 and 14. There were no winners, so next week's prize will be £1,300.

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The two entries who got nearest the ball and each receive £25 are:

- JD MacVean
- Kilmichael Glassary
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No two days the same for 2019
 Scottish Series racers

Harbour Gallery Open at Tarbert

Kyles dominate Inveraray in Camanachd Cup

Kyles Athletic	3
Inveraray	1
Camanachd Cup second round	

Kyles Athletic are through to the quarter finals after beating Inveraray 3-1 at Tighnabruaich.

The opening goal came on 29 minutes following a scramble around the penalty spot. Colin MacDonald had the chance to shoot but spotted an unmarked Robbie MacLeod in a better position on the far side of the 'D'. MacDonald found MacLeod with a neat pass across the area and he took a touch to control the ball before sending a half-hit effort into the top of the net.

Thomas Whyte added a second three minutes later when he danced by a couple of players to just outside the 'D' where his half-swing chipped the ball goalwards. His effort deceived Inveraray keeper Scott MacLachlan and ended up in the net.

Inveraray halved the deficit on 65 minutes. Lewis Montgomery's hit-in from the right went into the 'D'. Home goalie John Whyte knocked the ball out of the air but Fraser Watt took a touch and, on the angle, drove the ball into the other side of the goal



Inveraray's Connor Howe and Kyles Athletics's Scott MacDonald during the Camanachd Cup second round tie at Tighnabruaich on Saturday. Photograph: Stephen Lawson.

to make it 2-1. Kyles sealed the victory three minutes from time.

Innes MacDonald made a strong blocking challenge to win possession just outside the 'D'. MacDonald took a touch away from his marker

and his half-hit strike was saved with his feet by keeper MacLachlan. The ball deflected into the air and Paul MacArthur ran in, putting his hit-in skills to good use as he shyed the high ball into the net.

Mowi South Division 1 Inveraray 3 Taynuilt 4

After a lively first half, things looked good for the hosts on 36 minutes when Campbell Watt scored from an acute angle to make it 3-1.

Taynuilt clawed a goal back



Innes MacDonald of Kyles Athletic and Ruairidh Graham, Inveraray. Photograph: Stephen Lawson.



Ruairidh Graham, Inveraray, and Innes MacDonald, Kyles Athletic, in action on Saturday. Photograph: Stephen Lawson.

on the stroke of half-time when Zander Kilmurray netted to make it 3-2 at the break.

The second half was a cagey affair with Inveraray feeling the pressure of only having a one-goal advantage and David Campbell levelled for Taynuilt on 65 minutes to set up a tense finish.

Taynuilt showed their mettle though as they took the

lead through Scott Dempster with 10 minutes remaining. The victory takes them off the bottom of the table at Inveraray's expense.



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