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Mountainous beach clean has Jura heading for Nepal



Jura MacMillan is cleaning up as she heads to volunteer in Nepal. 06_a27JuraNepal01

‘We have such a long summer holiday I thought I might as well do something useful with it’

by Colin Cameron
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A young Knapdale woman is raising money for a trip volunteering abroad.

But rather than do a sponsored run, bake cakes or have her head shaved – not that there is anything wrong with any of these fundraising activities – Jura MacMillan from Keills decided to help her environment by carrying out a sponsored beach clean.

Starting on June 10, Jura began on the western coast of the Keills peninsula, collecting marine plastics and other debris, with the intention of completing her mammoth task at Crinan, some 20km from her starting point.

The 19-year-old Glasgow University student is raising money to fund a seven-week trip to Nepal with Raleigh

International, a sustainable development charity, where she will work with the Gurkha community by providing water and sanitation infrastructure in villages which were damaged by earthquakes in 2015.

Jura said: ‘I’m at the end of my first year of a geography degree at university, so I thought this would tie in well with that. We have such a long summer holiday I thought I might as well do something useful with it.’

‘I’ll be working on a water and sanitation project in Nepal to help improve access to drinking water, hand-washing and toilet facilities as well as raising awareness of these issues, locally.’

‘This might involve helping to construct toilets one day then be building hand-

washing stations the next. It might be hard work at times, but the effort will make a real difference.’

Jura is due to head for Nepal on July 23 and is looking for support as she carries on with her beach clean.

She has had some help in her task from friends and family, but would welcome the addition of more volunteers.

‘People can come along and help with the beach clean,’ said Jura, ‘and any donations would also be much appreciated.’

A donation box can be found at Tayvallich Café and General Store, and a gofundme page is available for donations at www.gofundme.com/sound-of-jura-beach-clean or just search for Sound of Jura Beach Clean.

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POLICE FILES

A man was reported as stealing a number of items from the Bargain Zone, Argyll Street, Lochgilphead, about 4pm on June 22. Police subsequently traced the 44-year-old man and he was charged with the theft and issued with a recorded police warning.

A stone paving slab was stolen from the Lady Glassary Woodland, near Kilmartin, between June 21 and 1pm on June 24. Police are investigating and are appealing for any witnesses.

Between June 9 and June 23, the door lock of a caravan at Argyll Caravan Park, Inveraray, was damaged by having glue poured into it. Police are investigating the incident and are appealing for any witnesses.

A car was stopped by police for a routine check on the A83 at Ardrishaig about 3pm on June 25. Checks revealed that there was no insurance in force for the vehicle and the driver, a 40-year-old man, was charged with the offence and the vehicle seized. A report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Police received a report of

a man causing a disturbance about midnight on June 28. Police attended the house on Eastfield, Tarbert and a man, aged 27, was arrested and charged with abusive behaviour. A report will be submitted to the fiscal.

A car was stopped by police at Blarbuie Road, Lochgilphead at about 1.30am on June 30 for a routine check and the driver was arrested for drink driving. The man, aged 33, subsequently failed to provide a breath specimen at the police station. He was charged and a report will be submitted to the fiscal.

About 8pm on June 29, a motorist was stopped on the A816, near Bridgend, Lochgilphead, for allegedly exceeding the speed limit. The driver, a 25-year-old man, was charged and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

If any member of the public has information in relation to the above, or to any incident, they can contact their local police station on telephone number 101, or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

English teacher Ronnie Cameron retires from Lochgilphead High School

Ronald Cameron was honoured at a retirement party after 40 years of service as an English teacher at Lochgilphead High School, writes Laura Maxwell.

Staff and pupils past and present appeared at Lochgilphead Joint Campus to celebrate and wish him a happy retirement.

Ewan Smith, deputy head and former pupil at Lochgilphead High School, said: 'Ronnie Cameron has been a member of staff since the school was upgraded to full S6 status, teaching three generations of the same families.

'It's going to be hard getting used to the school without him but we would like to thank him for his massive contribution over the years and wish him a long and happy retirement.'

Mr Cameron retired after 40 years of service.

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Thu, 4 Jul 2019	06:57	03:57	09:27	19:23	16:23	21:53
Fri, 5 Jul 2019	07:43	04:43	10:13	20:13	17:13	22:43
Sat, 6 Jul 2019	08:32	05:32	11:02	21:05	18:05	23:35
Sun, 7 Jul 2019	09:24	06:24	11:54	21:58	18:58	00:28
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Tue, 30 Jul 2019				16:45	13:45	19:15
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Helping spread the Project Servator message at the Royal Highland Show were Jeff and Enid Moore from the Isle of Mull with their Hebridean sheep.

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Police officers out recruiting eyes and ears at the Highland Show

Police officers were out in force at the recent Royal Highland Show promoting a UK-wide police-public safety initiative entitled Project Servator, writes Colin Cameron.

Sergeant Alan Gilbert, Project Servator co-ordinator, said: 'The 2019 Royal Highland Show was the biggest ever, with more than 195,000 visitors over the four-day period.

'The Royal Highland and Agricultural Society of Scotland takes visitor safety very seriously and while the event has always been a safe place to visit, the organisers

are not complacent. This year the servator team attended the show, working in partnership with organisers to provide extra reassurance to showgoers.'

He explained: 'Project Servator was initially developed to provide protection to the numerous iconic sites within the city of London.

'The tactic is now in use by 18 police forces in the UK, including Police Scotland, to detect and deter hostile reconnaissance while providing reassurance to the public. Project Servator officers are specially trained to detect suspicious behaviour

which indicates that someone is planning or preparing to commit a crime, and will then take the appropriate action.

'Public engagement is important, so at the Royal Highland Show officers deployed at numerous locations speaking with members of the public, explaining what they do and passing an important message that the police rely on the public to act as their eyes and ears, to remain vigilant and report anything suspicious to the police either in person or via the telephone on 101.'

Mid Argyll and Inveraray are crowned champions

Bluestone award – correction

In an article published in the June 28 edition of the Argyllshire Advertiser, under the headline 'Bluestone gift shop wins in the Retas 2019 Awards', it was stated that Bluestone on Argyll Street, Lochgilphead, had won an award for customer excellence.

We would like to clarify that while Bluestone has reached the finals of the Retas greeting card retailer awards 2019 – nominated in the category for 'Best Independent Greeting Card Retailer in Scotland' – the winners will not be announced until July 10.

Bluestone did, however, win an award for customer excellence in the 2019 All About Barrhead Awards.

We are happy to correct these points and apologise for any confusion.

GETINTOUCH

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Well ahead of the 15 other bands in the Grade 4A competition, Mid Argyll Pipe Band have been crowned champions of Europe.

The Bught Park in Inverness was a new setting for the European Pipe Band Championships on Saturday June 29.

In the Grade 4A arena, Mid Argyll were a clear six points ahead of the second placed band Methil and District, while in fifth place was Rothesay and District.

And there was plenty other success for Argyll bands.

Former world champions Inveraray and District returned to winning ways, scooping the Grade 1 European title ahead of Boghall and Bathgate and, in third place, Northern Irish outfit Field Marshal Montgomery. Oban High



European champions 2019 – band members celebrate Mid Argyll's success, left; and below, Mid Argyll Pipe Band in the Grade 4A competition arena.



School was also celebrating as the pipe band won the Grade 3B European crown, while Grade 2 Oban Pipe Band came eighth of 13 bands. As news broke of the band's success, a post on the Mid Argyll Pipe Band Facebook page read: 'We are delighted with yesterday's

result and blown away by all your support, kind comments and congratulations.'

The post went on: 'We'll be at Tarbert Seafood Festival, a fantastic day out, on July 6. It would be great to see you there.'



The funding is a welcome boost to the front green scheme.

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Town centre fund lifts Lochgilphead green plans

A project to improve Lochgilphead front green is to receive an extra £200,000 thanks to a Scottish Government fund.

The front green scheme is one of eight projects across the Argyll and Bute Council area to benefit from a share of £1,242,000 through the Scottish Government Town Centre Fund.

Other projects to benefit are: Bowmore public realm enhancements (£85,000), Campbeltown small-scale shopfront improvements (£50,000), Rosneath Howie Park enhancements (£90,000), Hermitage Park (£35,000), Helensburgh Pier pedestrian access enhancements (£85,000),

Revitalisation of outdoor event space at Dunoon public realm/bandstand (£200,000) and Rothesay pontoons (£150,000).

Councillor Aileen Morton, policy lead for economic development, said: 'Argyll and Bute is known for its warm and welcoming communities. This is a chance to make key improvements to our town centres to help build the message that our communities are places for people to spend more time in. More appealing town centres will help attract new investment and encourage footfall from residents and visitors to enjoy the sights and sounds we have to offer.

'Growing our population is crucial to Argyll and Bute's future success. To do that we need to create town centres that support our businesses and encourage the entrepreneurial spirit within the area – making our towns places where people want to live, work, invest and visit.'

The Town Centre Fund is a capital fund aimed at fostering economic growth and helping town centres to become more diverse and sustainable.

Existing £1.5 million plans to improve Lochgilphead front green are being funded through the Tarbert and Lochgilphead Regeneration Fund.

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DELIVERY THROUGHOUT ARGYLL

Screen Machine returns to Lochgilphead at weekend

by Laura Maxwell
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The Screen Machine will be rolling back into Mid Argyll this weekend with a range of movies.

The conclusion to the first phase of the Marvel Cinematic Universe, *Avengers: Endgame* is a surprisingly satisfying end of an era that brings all of the favourite characters together for one last fight for mankind.

Musical biopic *Rocketman* promises to tell the story of how shy piano prodigy Reginald Dwight became Elton John, with 90 per cent of the budget going on sequins and feathers.

Brian Cox takes a stubborn rural Scotsman to San Francisco in *Rory's Way*. Rory McNeil needs medical treatment there and moves



in with his estranged son, finding his life transformed through a newfound bond with his baby grandson.

The Secret Life of Pets 2 is a sequel showing just what pets get up to when their owners are at work and school.

Wild Rose follows Rose-Lynn Harlan, fresh out of jail and with two young kids. She

has a dream of getting out of Glasgow and to Nashville to be a country singer. Bursting with raw talent, charisma and cheek.

Halla is an Icelandic eco-warrior on a mission in *Woman at War*, until she is told to give up her one-woman-war against the local aluminium industry or lose

the chance to adopt a child.

The Screen Machine will be in Lochgilphead Resource Centre car park from Friday July 5 to Sunday July 8 and Campbeltown Road car park in Tarbert from Monday July 8 to Tuesday July 9.

Tickets are available online and eight are available at the door.

The Screen Machine returns to Lochgilphead this weekend with some fantastic family films.

Listings

Lochgilphead Friday July 5: **The Secret Life of Pets 2** (U) – 5.30pm, **Avengers: Endgame** (12A) – 8pm.

Lochgilphead Saturday July 6: **The Secret Life of Pets 2** (U) – 2pm, **Rory's Way** (12A) – 5.30pm, **Rocketman** (15) – 8.30pm.

Lochgilphead Sunday July 7: **Rocketman** (15) – 5.30pm, **Wild Rose** (15) – 8.30pm.

Tarbert Monday July 8: **Rory's Way** (12A) – 5.30pm, **Rocketman** (15) – 8.30pm.

Tarbert Tuesday July 9: **The Secret Life of Pets 2** (U) – 2pm, **Woman at War** (12A) – 5.30pm, **Wild Rose** (15) – 8.30pm.

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Kilmartin Museum trustees welcome new patron, Neal

The trustees of Kilmartin Museum have appointed the writer and journalist Neal Ascherson as honorary patron of the museum.

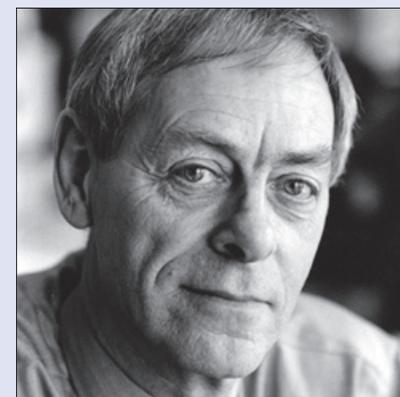
Mr Ascherson's role will be to represent the museum nationally, helping to extend its contacts and raise awareness outside Argyll.

Commenting on his appointment, Mr Ascherson said: 'I am extremely proud and honoured to accept the role of patron of Kilmartin Museum, and hope that I can continue to promote the museum during its exciting redevelopment phase.'

'I have been a long-standing supporter of the museum since its inception more than 20 years ago and have watched it develop over the years into a centre for collecting and curating all of Argyll's archaeology.'

Born in Edinburgh, Neal Ascherson has a lifelong connection with Argyll and its heritage.

A trustee of Kilmartin Museum for many years, he is also the longest-serving Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, to



Writer Neal Ascherson has been a long-standing supporter of the museum since its inception more than 20 years ago.

which he was introduced in his teens by the late Marion Campbell of Kilberry. He taught at University College London's Institute of Archaeology from 1998-2008, and was founder and editor of the journal, *Public Archaeology*. Several of his books, including *Stone Voices: the Search for Scotland and Black Sea*, discuss the prehistoric past of Argyll.

Dr Sharon Webb MBE, director/curator of Kilmartin Museum, said of Mr Ascherson's appointment, said: 'We are delighted that Neal is continuing his

longstanding commitment to Kilmartin Museum, especially as we go through this exciting period of change.

'Neal has been a wonder support for many years and we are overjoyed that he has agreed to become our patron.'

This is an exciting time for Kilmartin Museum as it embarks on a multi-million pound redevelopment project which has attracted funding from a number of agencies, trusts, foundations and individual donors, including £3.2 million from the National Lottery Heritage Fund.



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Minister's retirement trepidation soothed by choral treat

by Colin Cameron
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A musical blast from the past provided a special treat for Reverend Dr Roderick Campbell as he prepares for his retirement at the end of July.

The minister of Glenaray and Inveraray Parish Church for the past four years, Reverend Dr Campbell welcomed a choir from one of his previous charges to mark the occasion and offer stunning musical entertainment to a sizeable audience.

Reverend Dr Campbell was minister of St Andrew's and St George's in Edinburgh from 2003, and the church choir, led by director Brigitte Harris, travelled to the Royal Burgh to fill the parish church on Saturday June 29 with melody and passion.

Performing a programme entitled Songs of Love and Longing the 16-strong choir sang everything from 16th century religious pieces to barbershop songs, spirituals and Scots folk songs.

Speaking afterwards, Reverend Dr Campbell said: 'Wasn't that performance fantastic. So powerful and with some real intricacy.'

At the age of 75, he admits to looking ahead to retirement with a little apprehension.

'I left home in Arbroath in 1961 when I was 17, and I have never been without work for a day in my life,' he said.

Interesting

'Work imposes a certain discipline, and not to have that is going to be interesting.'

He has strong connections with the British Army, and explained: 'I started with the army and moved to the Parachute Regiment TA. I moved on to the chaplain's department and was with them for 30 years, so I've had this parallel career with the army.'

He added: 'I've loved being involved with the army - it keeps your feet on the ground. You are speaking with men with no connection to the church, but they ask those little probing questions.'

Reverend Dr Campbell and



Reverend Dr Campbell with choir director Brigitte Harris and the choir. 06_InvChoir_Minister06

his wife Sue have appreciated their time in Inveraray, and such is their bond with the area that they plan to stay in Argyll.

'We've loved it, and I am sorry that it's coming to an end,' he said.

'Sometimes, though,' he joked, 'you are better to leave on a high than on a low.'



Reverend Dr Roderick Campbell with his wife, Sue. 06_InvChoir_Minister09

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Strong bands

Mid Argyll Pipe Band followed up success at the Helensburgh competition with a victory in the European Championships.

The band's success is the result of years of hard work and good tuition.

Grade 1 European winner Inveraray and District Pipe Band has more of an international feel to it these days, much like a premier league football team, but its soul is in Inveraray and as long as Stuart Liddell is involved, the connection remains strong.

Congratulations to both bands.

Business roots

Ally Ferguson has done quite well, but his feet remain firmly on the ground.

He is not about to allow his company's Ardrishaig roots to be forgotten, which can only be a healthy thing as it expands into a multi-million-pound operation.

Retirement wishes

We wish Ronnie Cameron a long and happy retirement after 40 years of hard labour at the chalk face.

He is a well-respected figure in Mid Argyll and has helped generations of pupils through their school years.

And, while we're at it, best wishes to Reverend Roderick and Sue Campbell ahead of the minister's retirement at the end of the month.

Big Heart Garage Sale is boost for charities

Sir,
May I thank everyone who took part in the Big Heart Garage Sale at Christ Church two weeks ago?

It was really good to see items such as mobility aids finding new homes where they are needed. Plenty of things strange and amusing found new admirers; and the charities raised useful money for their work through their soups and teas.

With lots of hard work the church made a worthwhile profit too, and everyone enjoyed themselves. Thank you for your support.

Father Simon, Christ Church, Lochgilphead.

Planning Bill fails to deliver necessary change

Sir,
The Planning Bill has become an SNP-Tory stitch-up which fails to deliver transformative change.

The SNP and Scottish Conservatives joined forces to block Labour's plans to secure the power for a community right of appeal as well as remove key changes made by MSPs at an earlier stage.

Scottish Labour has been pushing for amendments that would rebalance power in the planning system and give communities a right of appeal with developers to level the

playing field and make the system fairer.

Such a move would have given people more say over decisions made in regions, but SNP and Tory MSPs voted against the proposals to reform the planning appeal system, choosing instead to side with big developers.

Scottish Labour pushed for amendments to give communities a right of appeal on proposed developments, secure more protections for live music venues, require the Scottish Government to legislate for land value sharing to allow for more public sector-led development and increasing land values to be invested in communities and put public health at the heart of the planning system.

The SNP has teamed up with the Tories to push through their timid approach to planning reform, blocking the chance to give local people more say in decisions about our local area. It's a shameful missed opportunity.

SNP Ministers have failed to read the public mood on planning and have chosen to side with big developers over local people.

David Stewart MSP, Highland and Islands.

Benefit is child poverty game changer

Sir,
I welcome the SNP's announcement of a new social benefit designed to lift children across Scotland out of poverty.

By the end of 2022, eligible families in Argyll and Bute will now receive an extra £10 a week for every child under 16. Low income families

with children under the age of six will be fast tracked and start to receive the benefit in early 2021.

This announcement means that eligible families with two children under 16 will receive an additional £1,000 a year to spend on day-to-day essentials from clothing to school equipment.

The announcement has been celebrated by anti-poverty campaigners who have branded the new benefit a 'gamechanger'.

This is a radical and very welcome announcement – and it's exactly what we need if we are to reduce child poverty levels here in Argyll and Bute in the face of ongoing welfare cuts from the UK Tory government.

I know the new Scottish Child Payment will be a welcome boost to many young families in Argyll and Bute when it's fully rolled out over the coming years.

But the sad reality is, this SNP Government is fighting poverty with one hand tied behind its back – without Westminster-imposed austerity this benefit could go further and reach more families.

This move is the mark of a serious Government – willing to take bold action to address the needs of Scotland's people.

Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell.

EU trade

Sir,
A recent piece of news which largely passed under the radar, so is the UK's Brexit obsession, was the fact that the EU and South

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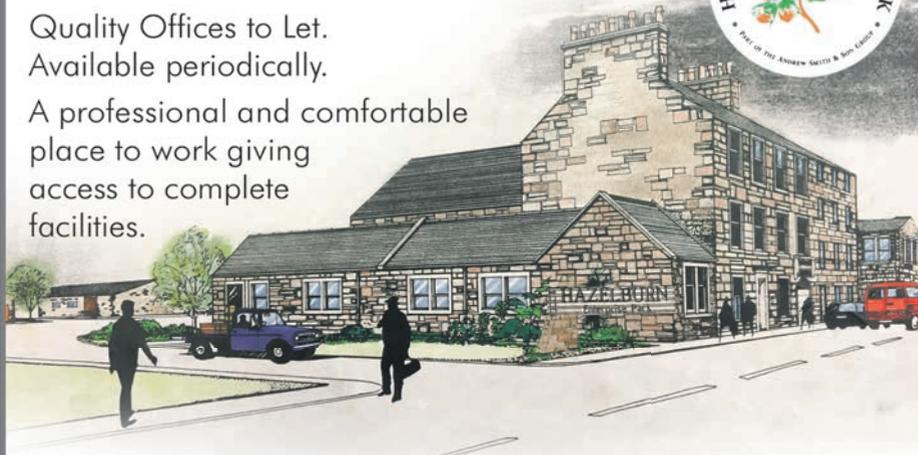
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American economic bloc Mercosur have clinched a huge trade deal after 20 years of negotiations.

It is the EU's biggest deal to date and aims to cut or remove trade tariffs, making imported products cheaper for consumers while also boosting exports for companies on both sides.

The agreement is set to create a market for goods and services covering nearly 800 million consumers, making it the largest in the world in terms of population. It should be noted that the EU is already Mercosur's biggest trade and investment partner.

A matter of days later, adding to the irony, the EU and Vietnam signed a long-awaited free trade deal that will slash duties on almost all goods.

Both these deals neatly highlight that the EU is one of the world's great global trading powers, and follow recently concluded trade deals with Japan, South Korea and Canada.

As an EU member state the UK automatically benefits from 40 trade agreements the EU has in place with more than 70 countries. These are trade agreements that on leaving the EU the UK will have to renegotiate, in a world that is becoming increasingly protectionist.

So, while Brexiteers talk of a 'global Britain' that will trade freely with the rest of the world, they will soon find out, to the detriment of us all, that not only will this take a considerable amount of time, but any terms agreed will not come close to being a match when compared with the benefits we currently enjoy as members of the EU.

Alex Orr, Edinburgh.

YOUR PICTURES



Dunoon's Eileen Lea submitted this photograph of a peachy rhododendron with a few pearly dew drops on it, taken in Bodnant Gardens in northern Wales. It was taken using her Nikon DSLR 3200.

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Made in Ardrishaig – Ferg

by Colin Cameron
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Today the Lochaber-based company employs 200 people, has a turnover of £18 million and has interests in road, rail and sea transport – with plans for further expansion.

But Ferguson Transport and Shipping began with a husband and wife team 60 years ago in Ardrishaig.

'I can remember exactly when the company was started,' explained Anne Ferguson, 'because it was the day Archie and I got married – June 27, 1959.'

As the company celebrates its 60th anniversary, Anne and her son, group managing director Alasdair – better known as Ally – reflected on their Argyll roots.

The Argyllshire Advertiser took the opportunity to chat to them in Ferguson's impressive head office at Corpach, Fort William, in a

boardroom lined with photographs charting the firm's history from Ardrishaig onwards.

The Ferguson family's link with haulage, though, goes well beyond 60 years.

Archie's family was in the hotel trade, but on returning from National Service in 1956 he went to work with his uncle, Andrew Grinlaw, who had set up his own Ardrishaig haulage business in the 1920s while operating his famous horse-drawn coach tours.

Archie's first depot was the recently-demolished tin shed at Ardrishaig swing bridge, and his lorries would be parked at the pier.

'We had about five or six lorries by the 1970s,' said Alasdair. 'My memories as a kid are of leaving Ardrishaig in the timber lorries early in the morning and heading for the pulp and paper mill. I remember heating pies up on the engine block, and by

the time you reached Glen Coe they were nice and warm.'

He explained: 'After the big storm in 1968, a lot of wind blown timber from Argyll was taken to the new pulp and paper mill at Corpach. After it was cleared by about 1974, the timber work moved north.'

Archie and Anne made the bold decision to up sticks and move north to where the work was, doing that in October 1974.

With five children aged between four and 15 – and the cat and budgie – they set off, as Anne recalled: 'I remember we were going through Glen Coe and there was a bright moon. It was about midnight, and Archie and I just looked at one another and burst out laughing. It was like a moonlight flit.'

Spean Bridge filling station was their destination. While Archie worked seven days a week, Anne was raising the



Anne and her son Alasdair Ferguson beside one of the company's lorries in its familiar livery. 06_a24FergusonTransport02

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five children in two small caravans while running the filling station and keeping the books.

Archie sadly died in 1997 as the result of a forestry accident, but his hard work and ingenuity had set the family business on solid foundations.

'If you look back to the family with five kids who moved from Ardrishaig in 1974, it's been quite a phenomenal journey,' said Alasdair.

The company has effectively doubled in size over the past decade.

Now based out of Corpach, specialist road haulage – with around 70 lorries – remains at the heart of the business, but Ferguson Transport and Shipping now incorporates rail and sea transport, with a recent venture regenerating Kishorn dock to supply the oil and gas, as well as aquaculture and offshore renewable, industries.

'We have a simple management structure including myself, my sisters Lesley and Carol and brother Jack as directors, with 13 senior managers across the depart-



The couple who began it all in 1959 – Anne and Archie Ferguson.

ments reporting to the board,' explained Alasdair.

'We've got excellent staff, a great management team and

we are very proud to celebrate our 60th anniversary this year. It is important we don't forget where we came from.'

Ferguson's celebrates 60 years



Above: Andrew Grinlaw, owner of the famous 'Ardrishaig Belle' coach and an Ardrishaig haulage contractor; and below: A young Archie Ferguson with a lorry belonging to his uncle, Andrew Grinlaw.



Right, one of Ferguson Transport and Shipping's vessels largest semi-submersible offshore drilling rig, the Ocean GreatWhite, in Kishorn Harbour.



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Tarbert Academy pupils rewarded for hard work

Tarbert Academy pupils were given awards for all their hard work through the school year at its annual prize giving event.

Held on Thursday June 27, Andrew Powell introduced the event before head teacher Neil McKnight gave out the trophies and certificates.

Awards: School Prize for Administration - Jean MacPhee; School Prize for Art and Design - Shanon MacDonald; J B Dickie Prize for Chemistry - Niamh Reppke; Daphne Paterson Prize for English (Primary) - Andi MacFarlane; Daphne Paterson Prize for English - Jack Heggarty; Rotary Club Prize for National 5 English - Morvern Paisley; James Q Smith Prize for English

(Sec. 1) - Ruby Beagan; Miss Margery Irving Prize for French - Shanon MacDonald; Rowena Ranger Prize for Geography - Niamh Reppke; School Prize for Modern Studies - Jack Heggarty; Colin C Blair Prize for History - Arabella Williams; J B Dickie Prize for Mathematics - Niamh Reppke; MacKay Prize for National 5 Mathematics - Jamie Blair; Rotary Prize for S2 Mathematics - Milo Ingram; J B Dickie Prize for Physics - Robert Nicoll; J B Dickie Prize for Physical Education - Amber Blake; School Prize for Health and Food Technology - Courtney Henderson; School Prize for Practical Woodworking - Matthew Peden; School Prize for Graphic Communication - Nadine Hamlin; School Prize for French - Arabella Williams; Rotary Club Prize for Primary Maths - Sarah Kirk; Certificate of Merit for Primary



Neil McKnight thanks Christine Inglis for helping to give out the prizes.



Neil McKnight, Christine Inglis and Arabella Williams.

Maths - Keiran Blair; Certificate of Merit for Primary English - Olek Paturaj; Tarbert Gaelic Choir War Memorial Award - Arabella

Williams; School Prize for Biology - Jean MacPhee; Head Teacher's Prize for Service to the School - Charlie Prentice; School Prize for Business Management - Shanon MacDonald.

The James McTaggart Memorial Award went to Amber Blake, the Marr Wilkie Award went to Alana Duncan and the Mary Seddall Bruce-Lockhart Award for service to others to Morvern Paisley.

The House Shield went to Laggan.

Primary Dux was named as Sarah Kirk, and the Senior Dux Arabella Williams.

The Determined to Succeed Award went to James Prentice; Bunty Seeds Prize for Progress and Effort went to Eilidh Norris; Wm E C Seeds Prize for Progress and Effort to Kyle Hamlin; Certificate of Merit for Creative Writing went to Daniel Blake; the Certificate of Merit for Good Citizenship went to Ryan Taylor and Lewis McCallum; and the Certificate of Merit for 100 per cent Attendance went to Gary Crawford, Mollie-Ann Penfold, Cara McTaggart and Kieran McKinven.

Certificates for Progress and Effort



Neil McKnight, Christine Inglis and Archie Williams, receiving the house shield.

went to Ruby Beagan and Emily Irving in S1; Joseph McAllister, Charlie Prentice and Jessica Wilkieson in S2; Anna Bellshaw, Danielle Blair, Eve Jackson, Jessica McCallum and Tansy Scott in S3; Jamie Blair, Amber Blake, Eden MacDonald, Jean MacPhee, Morvern Paisley, Matthew Peden and Jayne Wilson in S4 and James Prentice in S5.

Leadership Training certificates went to Shauna Brown, Martin Brown and Megan Green.

James Prentice, Keira Guy, Archie Williams and Amber Blake all received Duke of Edinburgh award certificates.

Finn Beagan was named school captain with Archie Williams as vice-captain.



Neil McKnight, and principle guest Christine Inglis offer a certificate to Sarah Kirk.



Neil McKnight, Christine Inglis, Niamh Reppke.



James Prentice receiving his Determined to Succeed Award from Christine Inglis.



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Your dog – your responsibility

With the school holidays now here, visitors and residents alike are being reminded to control dogs around livestock.

A partnership between NFU Scotland, Police Scotland and Argyll and Bute Council has been promoting the 'Control Your Dog on Farmland' campaign.

Speaking at a launch event unveiling new campaign banners, held at Iain Malcolm's Nether Largie farm in Kilmartin, NFUS Argyll and Islands regional manager

Lucy Sumsion said: 'Livestock worrying remains a blight on Scottish farmers and crofters and some of the worst incidents in recent times have been in this region.'

'As a partnership, we remain on the front foot on this issue. We have developed new signs and guidance for farmers, crofters and landowners and provided advice on what to do in the event of an attack.'

'We have assisted in the provision of training for Police Scotland personnel on what they need to do when

investigating an attack and issued open letters to dog owners highlighting their responsibilities.

'As a union, we are very supportive of Emma Harper MSP's Protection of Livestock (Scotland) Bill going through the Scottish Parliament and the changes that we believe are needed – more investigative powers for the police in order to secure evidence, increased sentencing and the ability to remove dogs from an owner when required.'

'In addition, NFUS would support more widespread use of Dog Control Notices (DCNs) and the need for a national data base for people who have had a DCN issued on them.'

Police Scotland area commander Chief Inspector Marlene Bailey added: 'This continues to be an excellent example of meaningful partnership working in Argyll and Bute to address an issue that is important to the farming community and to dog owners across our area.'



Partnership representatives discuss the dog control issue over refreshments. 06_a26NFUSdogattacks04



The partners gathered at Nether Largie Farm to launch the new campaign banner.

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'The police, NFU Scotland and Argyll and Bute Council are committed to raising awareness of the impact of livestock attacks which includes financial detriment to farmers, suffering to animals, which can often include the dog involved, and upset to all parties as a consequence. We are also keen to educate people regarding the legislation and penalties that can be enforced and providing practical advice on how to prevent such horrific incidents occurring in the first place.'



The new banner proves popular at the launch event.

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The adults enjoy a routine from some of the dancers. 06_a27SportNotGreen13



Mid Argyll Community Pool staff took along an inflatable pool for floating fun. 06_a27SportNotGreen09

Sporty fun in

Children and adults turned out in big numbers to enjoy Sports Not on the Green in brilliant evening sunshine.

Lochgilphead Joint Campus was the venue for the annual fun event on Friday June 28, organised by Mid Argyll Youth Development Services (MAYDS).

A gentle breeze took the edge off temperatures in the mid-20-degrees Centigrade

as young people took part in taster sessions including a mobile skate park, rugby, golf, MAYDS dance company, MacPool, Lochgilphead Red Star Football Club and much more.

And there was more than sport to enjoy, with temporary tattoos and face painting, tuck shop and hot dogs also available.

MAYDS manager Fiona

Kalache said: 'We were delighted with the way it all went. There was a great turnout and a lovely atmosphere. We have had a lot of messages from parents saying how great it was as a community event.'

Fiona added: 'Thanks to all the clubs and organisations who supported the event, Fyne Homes for the giveaways as well as all the MAYDS volunteers who helped.'



The older group of dancers performs an intricate routine. 06_a27SportNotGreen14

WHAT'S YOUR FAVOURITE RECIPE?

Fish, Slimming World chips and peas



Serves 4

Syns per serving: 2

Ingredients

- 3 slices old bread
- 800g potatoes, peeled and cut into thick chips
- Low calorie cooking spray
- Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 4 x 170g skinless and boneless cod fillets
- 2 eggs
- 2 tbsp beer
- Fresh parsley, finely chopped, to garnish
- Canned mushy peas
- Lemon wedges, to serve

Method

1. Preheat your oven to 220°C/Fan 200°C/Gas 7. Line two baking trays with baking paper. Whizz the bread in a food processor until crumbed, then transfer to a plate.
2. Boil the chips in lightly salted boiling water for 4-5 minutes, then drain well, return to the pan and cover. Lightly shake to roughen up the chips' edges, then arrange on one of the baking trays in a single layer. Spray with low calorie cooking spray, season and bake for 15-20 minutes, or until golden.
3. Meanwhile, season the cod. In a shallow bowl, beat together the eggs and beer. Dip the fish in the egg mixture, then coat with the breadcrumbs. Transfer to the second baking sheet. Repeat with the remaining fillets and bake for 15-20 minutes, or until cooked through and lightly browned.
4. Sprinkle the parsley over the fish and serve with the chips, plenty of mushy peas, plus lemon wedges for squeezing over.



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Organisers were delighted with the turnout. 06_a27SportNotGreen10



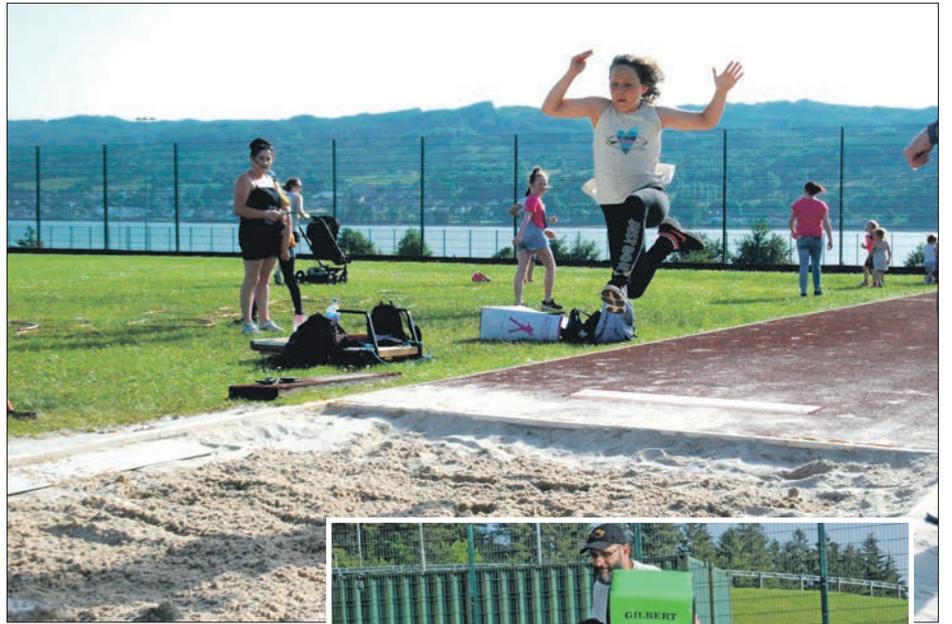
The long jump sand pit was great for simply playing in. 06_a27SportNotGreen07



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The mobile skate park was a big hit. 06_a27SportNotGreen01



Jorja MacDonald takes to the air in the long jump. 06_a27SportNotGreen05



Lee Buckley in the rugby firing line. 06_a27SportNotGreen03



The stalls did a roaring trade. 06_a27SportNotGreen06



Ready for the high jump. 06_a27SportNotGreen06



Jodie Allan shows great footwork through the hoops. 06_a27SportNotGreen04



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The children have great fun at Crinan beach.

End of term freedom for Badden Farm children

It was outdoors for all at the end of term celebrations at Badden Farm Nursery.

The older children enjoyed a picnic lunch and a trip to Crinan beach where they enjoyed digging for long lost treasure, paddling in the sea and collecting an amazing selection of shells and seaweed to take home.

The nursery has been taking the children for their beach outing for many years now, and the children enjoy the freedom to run and explore during outdoor activities.

If there is water and sand in the mix, there is even more fun to be had.

The younger children visited Blarbuie Woodland which has so much to offer. The children enjoyed following all the lovely woodland paths, picnicking in the woods,

and finding the 'Stickman family' who had run off to play in the woods.

Passers-by may have been a little confused by 22 children calling for Stickman, from the lovely Julia Donaldson book, to come back.

Jennifer Campbell, manager at Badden Farm Nursery said: 'Watching all the children learning and thriving with the opportunities the nursery offers in terms of outdoor play absolutely confirms that our move towards being an indoor/outdoor nursery is the very best decision we have made in terms of offering the children a wonderful balance in their early years education. To our lovely children moving on to their primary education in August, have a great time at school, we will miss you all.'

Linking obesity and climate change for a healthier future

Worldwide, obesity rates have been rising for 40-50 years, and are now a major contributor to poor health globally, costing an estimated \$2 trillion annually in healthcare and productivity loss.

Despite several internationally agreed World Health Organisation (WHO) recommendations, no country has succeeded in reversing its obesity epidemic.

The recently published Lancet Commission Report on World Obesity* links together the causes of obesity with those of climate change, and describes the lack of progress on both fronts as 'policy inertia'.

The report rejects holding individuals responsible for their obesity. Instead it specifically points the finger at the lobbying power of large multinational, food-producing corporations focussed entirely on profits, and at government subsidies for unsustainable agricultural practices, as major drivers of both obesity and climate

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change. The link between food production and climate change is well known – agriculture generates around 30 per cent of greenhouse gases, at least half of which comes from raising cattle for meat and dairy products.

This causes obesity by promoting an unhealthy diet including excessive meat, dairy, sugar and ultra-processed foods.

Clearly immediate, effective action is needed, and the commission recommends a global summit with participating experts from commerce, economics, public health, human rights and many others to debate these urgent issues.

They concede that coming up with a sustainable economic model is a daunting prospect and is unlikely to happen immediately.

They draw parallels, however, with the aims and objectives of The 2005 WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control set up in response to 'globalisation of the tobacco epidemic'. This prioritised protection of public health, and successfully tackled complex issues like foreign investment, tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship, and illicit trade.

In a similar vein, the Obesity Commission emphasises everyone's right to wellbeing in the form of health, adequate food, culture and a healthy environment, and stresses that 'the future health of our people, environment, and the planet will depend on the implementation of the actions that concurrently address [these global problems]'.

* Swinburn BA et al. Lancet February 11 2019.

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Certain benefits of fitness are more pronounced in team sports and group activities. Being able to watch other people who are at the same level, taking inspiration and confidence from peers instead of solely an instructor, are helpful boosts to confidence and problem-solving. A participant may find that something that is too difficult one week is straightforward the next, and can take pleasure from knowing they have the capacity to dig deep within themselves and do something that once

seemed impossible. This feeling is one that has the potential to reach into other areas of life, resulting in a happy, well-rounded person who can recognise their own strengths and feel confident in a variety of different situations.

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LEISURE & ENTERTAINMENT

WHAT'S ON IN MID ARGYLL

Tarbert Seafood Festival is the place to be this weekend

by Laura Maxwell
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The much-loved Tarbert Seafood Festival makes a welcome return this weekend, July 6 and 7.

The finishing touches are being made to floats and costumes and, of course, delicious produce is being prepared for the highly-anticipated annual festival.

Seafood will obviously be the main attraction, with cullen skink, paella and other seafood served all day.

But seafood is not the sole reason Tarbert is the place to be.

There is a jam-packed programme of street entertainment and workshops to keep everyone happy over the weekend.

A highlight will be the crowning of the Seafood Festival Queen, Nell Jackson MacFarlane, at 1.15pm on Saturday, and the musical-themed festival parade featuring homemade floats and crazy costumes at 2.30pm.

There will also be Highland dancing at 2.50pm, a circus show at 3.10pm, a magician at 3.40pm and the Mid Argyll Pipe Band at 4.10pm. And keep an eye out for Mary Poppins, who will be visiting the event, as well

as crowd favourites The Absurdist Pipe Band, who will be entertaining the festival-goers.

The fun continues on Sunday with Beer on the Pier and various musical acts throughout the day.

There will also be a pop-up restaurant on the harbour overlooking Tarbert's iconic view. Book now because tables are going fast.

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Fyne Stirrers hold open day at Barnluasgan

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The Fyne Stirrers are celebrating six months of their spoon carving club with an open day on July 13.

The event takes place at the Heart of Argyll Wildlife Centre, at Barrandaimh near Barnluasgan.

But it's not just spoon carving that will be on show. Go along to find out about a range of activities, with handiwork on view including, leatherwork, pole lathing, chip carving and Kuksa making. Visitors can also try their hand at the activities themselves.

Taking up a hobby can help improve people's mental health, as club founder Ian Glendinning explained: 'People are now finding a need to detach themselves, even if it's only for a few hours from the dreaded mobile phone/

social media lifestyle.

'Some experts have seen the benefits of doing a craft like spoon carving as a means to tackle some mental health issues.

'When spoon carving you're using very sharp tools so you have to be focused and "get into the zone".'

No Fyne Stirrers gathering is complete without tea, coffee and cake. Check out their Facebook page for details.

The open day will last from noon to 4pm on Saturday July 13.

The Fyne Stirrers working at their workshop in Heart of Argyll Wildlife centre in May.



Kilmartin Church hosts first coffee afternoon

With the sun finally out, why not take a drive to picturesque Kilmartin for coffee on Saturday afternoon?

Join the folk of Kilmartin Church, Barrmhor, for afternoon tea between 2pm and 4pm.

Enjoy home-baking and a catch up with friends at this, their first fundraiser in the new church building.

If anyone is travelling by bus, the number 421 from Lochnell Street, Lochgilphead, at 1.30pm will get them there just in time to smell the coffee.

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Tayvallich author tackles teenage empowerment



Author Gill Stewart.

Tayvallich author Gill Stewart is releasing a young adult novel around empowering teenagers this month.

Set in Dumfries and Galloway, Lily's Just Fine is a novel dealing with many issues such as mental health, LGBT+ prejudice and chronic illness. Lily Hildebrand can deal with anything life throws at her... almost. Lily's Just Fine is the first in the Galloway Girls series by Gill Stewart and published by Sweet Cherry Publishing.

Gill Stewart was born in England but has lived in South Africa, France and Zimbabwe. Now a full-time writer, she lives in Tayvallich overlooking the beautiful west coast which inspires the settings in her other stories.

Even before its publishing date, the young adult novel has been nominated for a People's Book Prize 'Where you judge new and undiscovered literary works'. Lily's Just Fine can be voted for at peoplesbookprize.com/summer-2019/lilys-just-fine/

It is released on July 11 and can be found in the Argyll Book Centre in Lochgilphead.



Lily's Just Fine.



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Auchindrain's 'New House' gets a grant for an upgrade

Auchindrain was awarded a grant from Historic Environment Scotland (HES) in May to undertake repairs to the exterior of the New House, returning it to how it looked in the 1950s and ensuring its continued preservation.

To some people it may not look like much more than just a modern house but Auchindrain's New House is significant as it represents the final chapter in the story of the Township.

In 1954 the Duke of Argyll commissioned WH Colt and Sons to supply five timber houses for his estate.

Auchindrain's last tenant, Eddie MacCallum, his wife and son were living in what is now known as Eddie's House at the top of the site, which was thought to be too damp, cramped and unsanitary as it had no toilets so they moved



Auchindrain's Colt House in the 1950s.

to the 'New House' in 1954.

Auchindrain's farm worker Willie Weir took over the house with his new wife until 1967, when they too left and Auchindrain became the museum it is today.

The entire site of Auchindrain became a Conservation Area in the 1990s and 12 buildings with-

in the site including this one are A-Listed. This means that Colt House is the only listed timber house within Scotland which brings with it many responsibilities to maintain both the appearance and condition. Unfortunately, over the years the building has been modified and several of these changes have been

unsuitable for a timber house. Auchindrain's team of curators have undertaken in-depth research in to what the building would have originally looked like and what materials were used.

The museum has a large archive of photographs which document the changes that have happened to the

building over the years. It is also lucky that 'young' Eddie MacCallum, the son of Auchindrain's last tenant, still lives nearby to answer any questions.

This project, funded through HES, will run until September and aims to completely strip and refurbish the exterior of the house, re-

placing any rotten or expired materials with as close to the original as possible.

One of the most noticeable changes since the 1950s is that the wooden cedar shingles of the roof have been replaced with concrete tiles which are putting extra weight on to the frame, leading to pressure and cracks to interior ceilings and walls.

The house should never have been painted with a dark brown stain, and instead the wood should have been left to weather to grey.

This project will also allow the doors and guttering to be repainted which were originally black, as well as replace the small porch which was used to shelter the back door.

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As reported in last week's Argyllshire Advertiser, Tarbert Dental is to open a new NHS practice in Lochgilphead in 2020 to provide much-needed dental care in this part of Mid Argyll.

Meanwhile, the Tarbert dental practice, and its outreach surgery in Furnace, are open for registration to new patients living in the wider area.

This extended provision has been made possible by the recruitment of two new dentists to the Tarbert practice.

'This is an exciting development for Tarbert Dental,' said Dr Linda Garwood. 'I came here 30 years ago to take over a one-room surgery in a house at West Loch Tarbert

before moving to Tarbert Village.' Linda continued, 'The Harbour Street practice now employs a team of around 10 professionals who are committed to providing first-class dental care.'

Dentists David Phillips recently joined the clinical team from the south of England where he has been practising for more than 25 years and is soon to be joined by Kirstin Walker, a graduate of Dundee Dental School. She is returning to Argyll after working as a general dental practitioner in New Zealand.

The two new dentists will team up with the popular Veronica Smith and the well known practice principal Linda Garwood.

'We are very excited about our new project in Lochgilphead,' said Julie Brown, Tarbert Dental practice manager. 'But in the meantime we want to fulfil the obvious need for dental provision in Mid Argyll and new patients are welcome to register at the Tarbert practice.'

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Grassland demo held at Kilmartin

by Colin Cameron
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Kilmartin Glen shimmered in the late June sunshine and dust rose from the green swath.

The hot summer weather made all the difference at Killinochonoch Farm, where machinery dealership Hamilton Ross hosted a grassland demonstration day.

But while a steady stream of people attended, the weather was just so good that others stayed at home to get summer jobs done.

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Alastair Dixon demonstrates the RB 3130F Protec baler/wrapper. 06_a27GrasslandEvent15

The Kilmartin demo on Friday June 28 was the second of three such events, with one having taken place in Killearn another planned for Houston, Renfrewshire.

Alastair Dixon, Argyll and

the Isles agricultural sales manager with Hamilton Brothers, said: 'The sunny weather has been good and bad for us, because people are maybe busy at silage rather than coming here. But we've

done quite well with people calling in.

'But it's good to do these kinds of events just to show people what's available and get the company name out there.'



Jim Steel in charge of the burgers. 06_a27GrasslandEvent01



Maureen Steel and daughter Heather Steel keep the tea urn filled. Heather's sister Kirsty was also hard at work keeping the customers fed and watered. 06_a27GrasslandEvent11



The MF RK 662TRC rake in action. 06_a27GrasslandEvent10



Ideal weather for the tedder. 06_a27GrasslandEvent20

Clochkeil clears up in herds competition

Alister Logan from Holehouse, Kilbirnie, travelled round South Kintyre on a perfect day of warm summer sunshine last Wednesday, to view four herds competing in Kintyre and District Ayrshire Breeders Club's Annual Herds Competition.

Archie Reid and Alex McKinnon accompanied the judge, the first port of call being Machribeg and Gartvaigh in Southend.

They then drove up to the Laggan to view the herds of Clochkeil and East Drumlemble where the afternoon was rounded off with a welcome and cooling ice-cream as the mercury soared to unusually high levels.

Members and friends enjoyed an evening dinner at the Argyll Arms Hotel, Bellochantuy, after which Alister presented the prizes as follows.

Herds: 1 and Volac Cup for large herds, and SAI Cup for overall best herd: J and M Barr, Clochkeil; 2 and George Reid Cup for best small herd: James Barbour and Co, Machribeg; 3 Thos M Ralston and Sons, East Drumlemble. Individual cow: 1 and Ayrshire Breeders' Cup: Clochkeil; 2 Thomas Cameron, Gartvaigh; 3 East Drumlemble.

Chairman Andrew Ralston concluded the evening with a vote of thanks to all who had contributed to the day's success.

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MACH1 Stages is a counting round of the Scottish Tarmac Rally Championship, in association with The Cobble Shop, which will be held over the weekend of July 13 and 14.

On offer to the competitors are 12 stages comprising 95 stage miles over two days in one of motorsport's most stunning locations.

And the event offers spectators the chance to see some of the best that the sport has to offer in Scotland today.

As Colin Harkness, clerk of course, has said about the seeding: 'With every event seeding is a challenge and this year's MACH 1 is certainly the biggest challenge yet. We have 22 cars that could easily fit in top 10 and 35 that would easily sit in top 20.'

The seeding and final instructions for drivers will be issued by email on Sunday.

MACH1 is in the capable hands of Dunfermline Car Club which also hosts its own stages in March, at Ingliston, Edinburgh; the MACH1 Stages are sponsored by The Cobble Shop.

Davie Hatrick, events coordinator, told The Courier: 'We have a friendly bunch of officials, marshals and scrutineers who, along with Machrihanish Airbase Community Company [MACC] and the local community, are proud to support this sixth running of the event.'

He added: 'MACH1 Stages is popular with drivers who have



their eyes on Mull or the Jim Clark and would like to test their cars, or need some seat time or miles under their belts.'

Scrutineering and documentation opens on Friday from 4pm to 7pm and on Saturday from 8.30am until 11am. Spectators are more than welcome to go along to the scrutineering, which is at the air base on the Friday evening free of charge, where they can get up close to the cars which are undergoing the event checks.

Stage 1 starts at 11am on Saturday and runs until approximately 6pm and Sunday starts at 8am and runs until around 1pm, with the awards being presented approximately 2pm-2.30pm.

Spectators are welcome and this year the gates will open at 9am on Saturday and 7am on Sunday - spectator costs are £5 per person and under-16s go free.

Access for spectators will be via the West Park Fergus gate just off the Machrihanish Road; follow the green arrows. Please remember to follow all safety instructions from marshals at all times.

One thing that makes

MACH1 popular with competitors, volunteers and spectators alike is the catering, thanks to Argyll Bakeries and Coast Coffee.

Davie added: 'We have fantastic catering from Argyll Bakeries on the Saturday and the Sunday as well as the ever popular carvery on the Saturday evening in the former officers' mess where there's also a bar and plenty of seating, giving everyone the chance to relax and chat to all the teams ahead of the final day. Spectators are more than welcome to attend.'

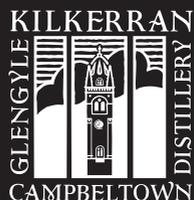
The carvery costs £8.50 per person and is open from 6pm and the bar will be open until late.

The sport is run by volunteers and Fergus Gray, president of the Dunfermline Car Club, summed it up on behalf of members: 'A huge vote of thanks to the residents, businesses and all those within Kintyre who have given us their enthusiastic support and assistance to enable us to organise this event.'

See the Dunfermline Car Club website for more information: <http://www.dunfermlinecarclub.co.uk>



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Last year's winners Bruce Edwards and co-driver Jim Smith are presented with their trophy by secretary of the meeting Trix Grant. 25_c29machone01



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The changing face of Scotland's rental sector



The Rettie and Co research team, Scotland's largest dedicated property research department, has released its summer lettings bulletin.

Among the key findings are:

- Labour tables the Proposed Fair Rents Bill to reinvigorate the case for rent controls.
- Build-to-rent gains pace in Edinburgh as the 'future of the sector' gathers momentum.
- The rental sector is becoming home to a widening range of age groups as the number of over-55s renting is now 12 per cent of PRS households.

- Edinburgh and Dundee have seen average rents at their highest level.

The average rents in Edinburgh and Dundee have reached their highest level on record in Q1 2019 while rents in Glasgow and across Scotland have fallen back from peak levels seen in 2018.

Conversely, rents in Aberdeen have continued to fall reaching their lowest level since values started falling in 2015.

The days taken to let a property has increased across the board. In Edinburgh, the average time to let increased to 30 days in Q1 2019, the first time it has reached this level since 2012 having reached a low of 18 days in 2014.

Glasgow has increased to 31 days which is the same as Q1 2018. Having fallen sharply in Q4 2018 time to let in Dundee has rebounded up to 40 days.

The five-year compound annual growth rate of average rents across Scottish cities has shown a slight slow down over the past two quarters in Edinburgh and Glasgow but remain historically high.

Since rents started rising in 2014 as demand outstripped supply, the five-year annual growth rate has typically been above five per cent in Edinburgh and four per cent in Glasgow.

Having peaked at over six per cent in

Edinburgh and almost five per cent in Glasgow in 2018, rates have fallen back to 5.6 per cent and 4.2 per cent.

Figures from the Scottish Household Survey (SHS) support the rise of mature households in the PRS.

The number of households in Scotland over 45 years of age, who are in the PRS, is now 28 per cent, up 3.5 per cent in the past four years according to the SHS.

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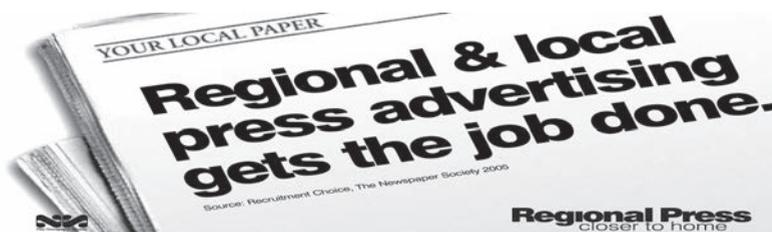
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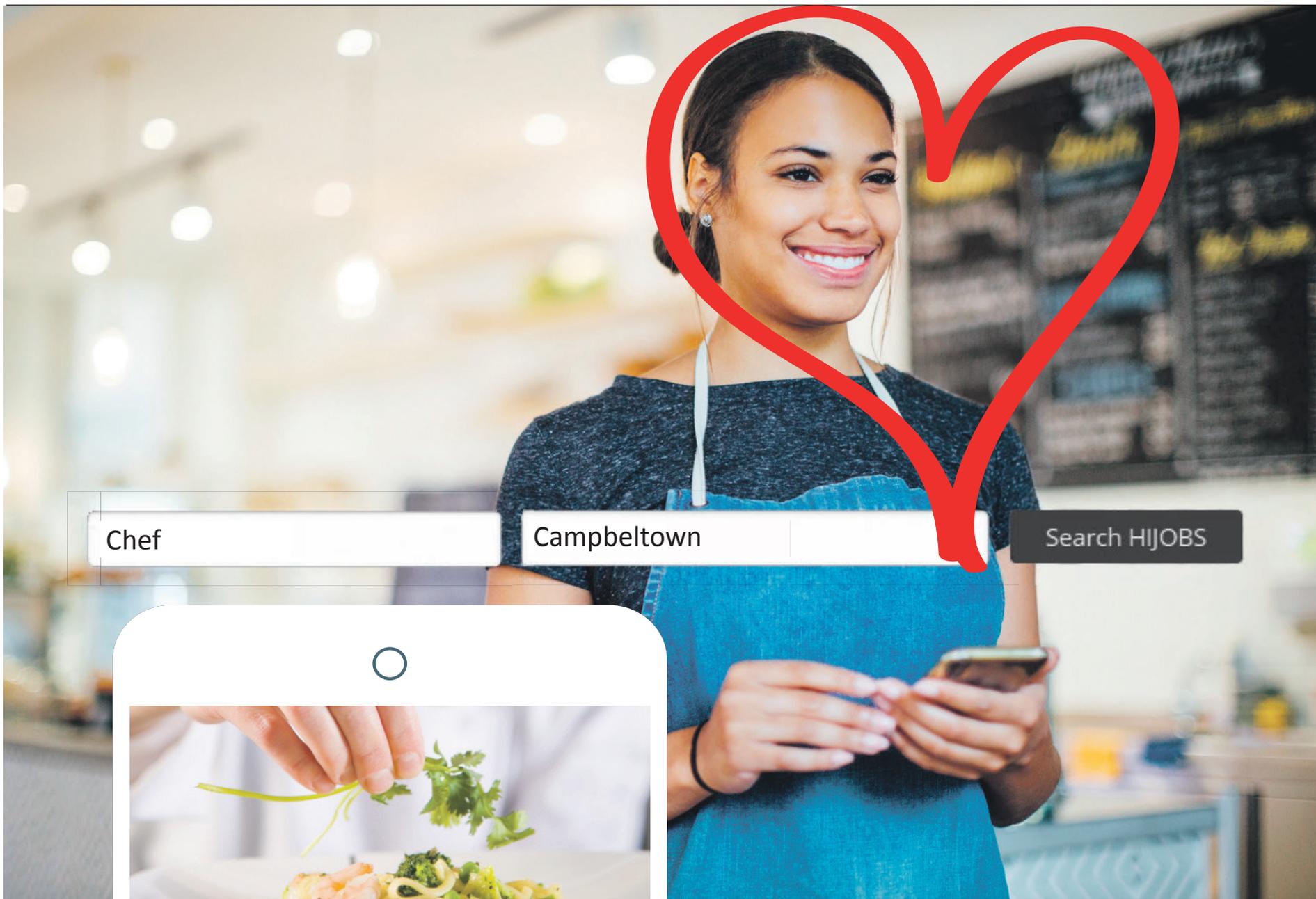
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ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL (UC59 RAF MACHRIHANISH ROAD) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019

On Monday 1st July 2019 Argyll and Bute Council made the above named Order under Section 14 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, which will make it unlawful for any person to drive or cause or permit to be driven any motor vehicle on that length of the RAF Machrihanish Road (Unclassified No. 059) which extends from its junction with the Machrihanish Business Park Access Road to its junction with the A83 Tarbet - Lochgilphead - Campbeltown Trunk Road.

This restriction is required because of the likelihood of danger to the public whilst wind turbine components are being transported from CS Wind at Machrihanish Business Park to Campbeltown Harbour. The prohibition will be in operation from 0000 hours on Monday 15th July 2019 to 2359 hours on Sunday 15th December 2019 or until it is no longer required, whichever is the earliest but will only have effect when indicated by the appropriate traffic signs.

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Ref. No.	Proposal	Site Address
19/01171/PP	Change of use of storage barn to dwelling (class 9), erection of front extension and installation of septic tank.	Keillmore, Keills, Tayvallich, Lochgilphead, Argyll And Bute, PA31 8PQ
19/01267/PP	Erection of replacement dwellinghouse	Keepers Cottage Coshandrochaid, Tayvallich, Lochgilphead, Argyll And Bute, PA31 8PQ
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Tide Lines

Back by popular demand, the amazing Tide Lines will headline The Big Gig In The Hall at Tarbert Music Festival on Friday September 20. Since the boys' sold out show in Tarbert nearly two years ago, Tide Lines have been selling out venues up and down the country, including selling out the iconic Barrowland Ballroom in Glasgow in a few hours.

Joined by Local Teenagers Famous Last Words, anyone who witnessed the amazing show in Tarbert in February 2018 will know that Tide Lines in Tarbert is a special thing. They are coming back for a one-off show which will raise vital funds for Clachan Village Hall Development Fund.

Tickets go on sale on Monday morning at 9am from Clachan Filling Station, but be quick because in 2018 the tickets sold out in two weeks. Only cash or cheques made payable to Clachan Village Hall will be accepted. Tickets are £20 (£30 for VIP) and are available on a first-come-first-served basis.

DUNOON

Comic com at the Queen's Hall



Just one of the many adorable creatures that swarm the BGCP comic cons.

Comic-mania has been sweeping the country of late, as a series of Comic Con events celebrating comics, fantasy and cosplay have been taking place all over Scotland. BGCP Comic Con has been spearheading the movement touring Glasgow and has made the decision to cross over to Dunoon on July 13 to present Dunoon's

first ever Comic Con in the newly-refurbished Queen's Hall.

The event takes place from 11am-5pm and will feature more than 50 traders, cosplayers like Iron Man, Batman, Chewbacca, activities for all ages from tots to adults, as well as a series of guest appearances from writers and artists from

Marvel, DC, Image and 2000ad Comics.

The event is suitable for all ages. Entry is £4 per person, under 10s are £2 and family tickets can be purchased for £9.

This event is likely to be a sell-out so buy in advance to avoid disappointment. Tickets can be purchased at bgcp.co.uk

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden

One of my favourite quotes comes from an African proverb and says this: 'If you think you are too small to make a difference, try sleeping with a mosquito.' Perhaps in Scotland we should change it to 'midge'.

This is the time of year when people are seen flailing their arms in the air and seem to be beating off some invisible attacker.

Well the attacker may seem invisible, but it surely makes its presence known. The dreaded midge is the blight of summertime on the west coast of Scotland and can spoil many a potentially pleasant evening outdoors.

Known as Scotland's secret weapon, they do not inflict disease or illness, but can certainly cause a lot of misery and frustration.

There have been many attempts to thwart midges, from creams and sprays to 'midge gobblers' and much more, but to really no avail.

It is difficult to overstate the irredeemable nastiness that is the Highland midge. Swarms of them plague the Scottish wilds throughout the summer, as inevitable as the tides, as merciless as time, as insidious as poison. They'll make your blood boil if you let them (and then they'll drink it).

A swarm of them can inflict about 3,000 bites in an hour. In that same time-span, 40,000 midges can land on an unprotected arm.

However, if we go back to our quote, they may be small but they are mighty.

One midge may not cause too much damage, but when they team up, they are invincible.

So maybe for some of the causes we care about, the issues which need our attention, the challenges of today, we should become like the midges and torment those with the power to change things, until they do so.

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BIRTHS

RONALD - Archie, Sandra and families are delighted to welcome the safe arrival of Amaya Belle Ronald, born on June 20, 2019. A second granddaughter for William and Elizabeth Conley. Also second granddaughter for John and the late Isobel Ronald. Mummy and Daddy are just loving this little girl.



THOMSON

Heather and Neil are delighted to announce the arrival of their son, Hamish Craig, on June 19, 2019. First grandchild for Hamish and Iona Smart, and third grandchild for Craig and Irene Thomson.

DEATHS

DALZIEL - Peacefully, in the Sunshine Room, Campbeltown Hospital, on June 29, 2019, Frank Best Dalziel, in his 73rd year, 32 Albyn Avenue, Campbeltown, dearly beloved son of the late Robert and Elizabeth Dalziel, much loved brother of Bobby and the late Margaret and Isobel, and a loving and much loved uncle.

MCDUGALL - Mary (née Cameron of Branault, Ardnarnachan), peacefully at home, on June 29, 2019, beloved wife of Ian McDougall, much loved mum of Cameron and Kenneth. Very dear mum-in-law of Violet, cherished "Gaga" of Robbie and loving sister and auntie to all the family. Funeral service will be held in United Church of Bute, on Friday, July 5 (today), at 12.00 noon, interment thereafter at North Bute Cemetery.

RICHARDS - Christine, previously of Kilchousland, Campbeltown, on June 23, 2019, in Cheltenham, aged 94. Thankfully released from a long illness. Funeral will be held at 2.30pm, on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at Cheltenham Crematorium. Flowers to Mason & Stokes, 54 Hewlett Road, Cheltenham, GL52 6AH.

ROBERTSON - Peacefully, at the Kintyre Care Home, Campbeltown, on June 26, 2019, William Robertson, in his 88th year, 3 Muneroy, Southend, dearly beloved husband of Margaret, much loved dad of Mark, Ewan, Sheena and Duncan, loving grandad of Douglas, Donald and Hamish and a loving great grandad of Caitlyn.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

ALLAN - Florence, Janette and Eleanor would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy, cards, letters, flowers and baking which we received following the passing of much loved Stevie; and to those who paid their respects at the church and graveside. We would also like to thank the Rev William Crossan for his lovely service and Kenneth Blair for the dignified funeral arrangements. Heartfelt thanks to the Campbeltown Macmillan and community nurses and Carr Gomm for all their professional and sympathetic care. Thanks also to the Ardshiel Hotel for the arrangements following the funeral.

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POTTS - Mrs Flora Brock, sister of the late Mary (May) Potts, would like to thank the staff of Campbeltown Hospital, the local Macmillan nurses and the staff of Wards 7B and 10B, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Glasgow who cared for May during her recent illnesses. Thank you as well to all the friends and relatives who paid their respects to May at the ceremonies at the Highland Parish Church, Campbeltown and at Cardross Crematorium. A special thanks to the Reverend Carruthers for his warm and moving eulogy, to Kenny and all at T A Blair for their caring and efficient funeral arrangements, and to the staff of Argyll Hotel, Campbeltown for the catering after the service. My personal thanks to all the good friends, near and far, who supported May with practical and emotional support through these last few difficult weeks at home in Campbeltown and latterly in Glasgow. Thank you to Catherine Carver who tended to May in the Queen Elizabeth. Finally, thanks to Myra and Jim Strathie for being my ever-present friends. My sister may not now be at my side, but she is always in my heart.

YOUNG - Mary and family would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy and cards received at this sad time. We would like to thank the Reverend William Crossan for his lovely service. Thanks also to the community nurses and Carr Gomm for the loving care given to Bill over the last few years.

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Racers line up for the first race in around 30 years at the Kilmartin circuit. 06_a27Motocross03

Racing buzz returns to famous Kilmartin circuit

by Colin Cameron
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There was a palpable air of excitement in the air as racing returned to Kilmartin.

The course, in the shadow of Carnasserie Castle and newly reclaimed from a dense layer of bracken, lived up to its reputation as a true championship test.

The course – home to the only ever Scottish round of the GP World Motocross Championship in June 1978 – played host to round five of the 2019 Scottish Twin Shock championship in the first race to have been held there in decades.

The track itself is natural undulating land and not a

man-made track, described by racing aficionados as a place for 'vintage scrambling motocross'. Hot and dry weather in the week leading up to the event on Saturday June 30 was interrupted by a shower on race morning and this, combined with cut vegetation on the track, made for interesting conditions early in proceedings – which simply added to the excitement.

Ricky Caldwell, chairman of the Scottish Twin Shock Scramble Club, said: 'The sighting laps caused a little bit of a hold at the bottom of the hills due to the rain which had fallen, which made a couple of the hills very slippery at the start of the day.

'A few riders had not

realised this and had a little sit down on them to gather their thoughts and then have another go. Once we got the racing underway everything flowed along very well indeed and there was some fantastic racing for all to watch.'

He added: 'Everyone connected with the club had an absolutely awesome weekend at Kilmartin, and the place was buzzing.

'It was especially great to see such a large number of spectators who made the effort to come along to watch, and after speaking to a few of them they seemed to have enjoyed themselves as much as we did.

'Special mention and thanks must go to Jonathan McLeod



Volunteer first aiders Mary Wilson and Frances Miller from Falkirk were on duty at the event. 06_a27Motocross36

who was the driving force behind this event, and without his enthusiasm and effort this would not have happened.

'We also need to thank the three unsung local workers Ronnie, Jamie and Johnny, who, along with Jonathan, all put a tremendous amount of work into the track over the last couple of weeks, cutting down all the bracken by hand on the hill areas, cutting grass and all round general work to ensure this race meet went ahead.'

Ricky Caldwell concluded: 'The riders are excited about coming back next year – so watch this space.'

Look out for a full race report in a future edition of the Argyllshire Advertiser



No holds barred over the first jump. 06_a27Motocross06



The challenging steep climb caused a few difficulties in earlier races. 06_a27Motocross29



Craig Donaldson recovered from a slip in the Evolution class to take eighth place overall. 06_a27Motocross42



There is plenty of opportunity to compete in junior athletics' events this summer. 06_a30inv22

Call for junior athletes to take part in 2019 games

by Colin Cameron
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The Highland games' season will soon be under way in Argyll, with Morvern Games at Lochaline the first on Saturday July 13.

Next up will be Inveraray on Tuesday July 16 followed by Mull Games at Tobermory two days later on Thursday July 18. Taynuilt and Southend in Kintyre are both on Saturday July 20 and finally the Argyllshire Gathering in Oban takes place on Thursday August 22.

Several junior track and field events are being held, including Inveraray, Mull and Oban, with separate events for both boys and girls between the age of 11 and under 16.

The age qualification is that participants need to have been under 16 on May 25, 2019 and events include 90 metres, 600 metres, high jump, long jump and shot putt, with the two track races being on a handicap basis according to age and ability. There will be an overall junior championship, with

points awarded over the series of Highland games and trophies presented to the top boy and girl at Oban on August 22.

Abbie Cato from Fionnphort was the girls' champion in 2018 and Jake Gillespie from Lochgilphead won the boys' overall trophy.

Prize money will be an added incentive at all of the Highland games.

Junior athletes should enter on the games field between 10am and 10.30am with the first event likely to start at 10.45am.

Further information on the junior events at Inveraray, Mull and Oban can be obtained by contacting Bill MacCallum on 01546 602664.

Away from the junior athletics, a ladies' mile race will be held at Inveraray Games on July 16, open to ladies aged 16 years and over with no upper age limit.

Entries are on the day and the race is likely to be in the early afternoon. In addition to generous prize money, a trophy will be awarded to the winner.

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Dunadd house wins joint campus school sports day

by Laura Maxwell
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Lochgilphead Joint Campus hosted its annual sports day on Wednesday June 26.

Students flooded the fields to take part in everything from relay races to shotput, javelin to three-legged races, with high jumps and long jumps in between, while others lay in the grass and enjoyed the new-found sun – but who could blame them.

Pupils represented their house as they sprinted, tugged, lunged, threw and jumped, with Dunadd coming out as the clear winners.



Clockwise from top left: Youngsters take the hurdles with ease; the various track events were very popular; spectators hold their breath at the high jump; while youngsters test their strength against each other in the tug of war.

Tarbert Golf Club competes for Wee Joe Memorial Shield

The MacFarlane family welcomed friends, guests and club members on Saturday June 22 to compete for the Wee Joe Memorial Shield which took place at Tarbert Golf Club in glorious conditions.

The competition is played on a Stableford basis with prizes for both golfers and 'non-golfers'.

The main prize headed to Largside, with Duncan Johnstone playing steady golf to secure 41 points and first place. Peter McLean jnr kept up his consistent form to take second place on 39 points, with last year's winner Kenny MacFarlane third

on 37 points. Longest drive at the second was Peter McLean, closest to the pin at the eighth was Angus MacFarlane and closest to the pin at the sixth was Archie Black.

Competitors were treated to a lovely spread with grateful thanks to Georgie Dickson for her sterling work in the kitchen. A total of £500 was raised for the Mid Argyll Cancer Care Support Group.

Duncan Johnstone, winner of the Wee Joe Memorial Shield with Angus, Cath and Kenny MacFarlane.



Club lotteries

Numbers drawn in the Kilmory Camanachd Club lottery draw on Monday July 1 were 1, 5 and 6. There were no winners, so next week's jackpot will be £200.

Also drawn on Monday, Tarbert Football Club's lottery draw numbers were 9, 11, and 17. There were no winners, so next week's prize will be £1,000.



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