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The Egg Shed hatches in Ardrishaig

'I hope this is an important part of the regeneration of Mid Argyll'

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Ardishaig's brand new heritage and community hub, the Egg Shed, opened to the public on Friday August 2, and with music, entertainment and lots of sunshine, it was a cracking day out.

The Egg Shed, which had historically been used as an egg grading station, has been revived from a disused building into a bespoke interpretation and community centre which tells the story of the Crinan Canal and the communities which lie on its banks.

The building is now home to a living archive with stories, photos and memorabilia, much of it donated by the community, just waiting to be discovered.

In amongst the formalities of opening the £1.5 million Egg Shed and marking the official twinning of the Crinan Canal with Sweden's Dalslands Kanal attended by CEO Benny Ruus, there was plenty of time for some fun in the Ardrishaig sunshine.

Ardishaig Bothy was open and help was on hand to introduce youngsters to riding a bike, or brush up on their cycle control skills. There was also a unique opportunity to join the 5th Duke of Argyll on a walking tour of the Crinan Canal as he uncovered the Chronicles of Crinan, but if that was too energetic then there was the option of sitting back to be entertained.

Mid Argyll Pipe Band took time off from competition to play to the crowds. They joined some local bands who

made sure toes were tapping from early morning until the end of the day.

Of course, the main event was the ribbon cutting to formally open the Egg Shed and let the crowd who had gathered in Pier Square get a first look at the much-anticipated new building. Scottish Canals chief executive Catherine Topley together with chief executive of Argyll and Bute Council Cleland Sneddon addressed the crowd before enlisting the help of some young Ardrishaig helpers to help cut the ribbon and allow the first guests to flood in.

As well as learning more about 'Britain's most beautiful shortcut', and its souvenir shop, the Egg Shed hosts a multi-purpose community space, free for the people of the area to use in a multitude



Catherine Topley CEO of Scottish Canals and Cleland Sneddon, chief executive of Argyll and Bute Council, open The Egg Shed with a few little Ardrishaig helpers.

of ways. It currently hosts an exhibition of Crinan Canal paintings by artist Richard Demarko, who, when asked how he would describe them, said they were 'a love letter to the Crinan Canal'.

Mid Argyll councillor Dougie Philland attended the launch and said: 'It was a very well-organised event and well attended. It sends out the signal that not only Scottish Canals but other partners

are interested and are now investing in Ardrishaig. Long may this continue in order to regenerate the village back to the splendour it once enjoyed.'

Councillor Donnie Macmillan, who also attended, said: 'I had a wonderful day at the opening of The Egg Shed. I would like to congratulate everyone who helped to make it a professional and successful day. Everyone involved

played their part in a professional manner.

'I hope this is an important part of the regeneration of Mid Argyll and I will continue to give them all my support in my duties as a councillor.'

The Egg Shed is the latest marker in the regeneration of Ardrishaig Harbour and has already been taken to the community's heart. It will be 'eggciting' to see what the future holds.

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SIMBA bingo night in Lochgilphead

Bereaved parents charity SiMBA is hosting a bingo night in Lochgilphead's Stag Hotel on Friday August 30.

The charity night is a way to raise money for memory boxes that are created to comfort grieving parents with somewhere to put precious memories of their child.

Books are £10 each with a raffle to indulge in. Bingo starts at 7.30pm.

Autism on the Water

Starting from Crinan Basin at 9.30am the free event will see adults and children with autism set off and get a taste of sailing, ending up at the Ardrishaig basin at 4.30pm.

The trip is free but donations are welcome to finance future events, which are a great opportunity for those who love sailing.

The Autism on the Water boat takes off on Saturday August 24.

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First phase of Rest and be Thankful roadworks complete

The £2.24 million first phase of the innovative A83 Rest and be Thankful catch-pits has been completed, meaning the A83 was reopened to both lanes as planned on Wednesday July 31.

Construction of the three new catch-pits on the A83 was completed as planned, which alongside the existing smaller catch-pit will help to provide a combined capacity to store more than 13,000 tonnes of material from a potential landslip.

The three pits are positioned next to the A83 carriageway and have been built into the slope at strategic locations. They are designed so that, should an event occur, any debris or material will be caught in the pits and prevented from impacting the A83.

Over 28,000 tonnes of rock was removed in creating the three catch pits, which collec-

tively measure around 180m long. Together, the volume of all the catch-pits is almost the same as three Olympic-sized swimming pools.

An innovative and sustainable solution for the 28,000 tonnes of excavated rock was also put in place with the material transported to Glen Kinglas, just three miles from the Rest and be Thankful, where it was used to form rock bunds to help provide additional landslip resilience for the route after the area was identified as another location at risk from landslips.

This project not only reused the excavated rock but also provided a drastic reduction in carbon emissions with teams saving an estimated 50,000 lorry miles – roughly the same distance as travelling around the world twice – due to the huge reduction in haulage distance for the excavated rock.



The Rest and be Thankful landslide of October last year.
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Together the rock bunds at Glen Kinglas and the recently completed catch-pits on the A83 will help provide additional resilience and mitigate against any potential landslips on this key route into and out of Argyll.

Temporary traffic lights had been in place to protect roadworkers as well as motorists throughout construction,

with the lights removed on Wednesday evening once the project was complete.

The next phase of the catch-pit project is set to begin in late 2019.

Eddie Ross, BEAR Scotland's North West Representative, said: 'We're pleased that this first phase of the catch-pit project is complete, meaning the A83

has reopened to both lanes as of Wednesday evening.

'This has been a huge project and teams have worked hard to complete this major phase in the ongoing work to improve landslip resilience at the Rest, with the catch-pits helping to mitigate against potential landslips and improving the reliability and safety of the A83 for all road users.'

'Teams have also worked to come up with an innovative and sustainable use for the 28,000 tonnes of excavated rock, by transporting it three miles up to Glen Kinglas and reusing it to build additional rock defence against landslips in the area – saving a huge number of road miles in the process and a great reduction in carbon emissions.'

Minor works will continue at Glen Kinglas with teams to complete the remaining rock bunds in the coming weeks.



Davaar Island Safe Walking Times



	Morning	Safe Walking Times		Afternoon	Safe Walking Times	
	Low Tide	From	Til	Low Tide	From	Til
Thu, 1 Aug 2019				18:21	15:21	20:51
Fri, 2 Aug 2019	06:43	03:43	09:13	19:08	16:08	21:38
Sat, 3 Aug 2019	07:29	04:29	09:59	19:56	16:56	22:26
Sun, 4 Aug 2019	08:15	05:15	10:45	20:45	17:45	23:15
Mon, 5 Aug 2019	09:04	06:04	11:34	21:35	18:35	00:05
Tue, 6 Aug 2019	09:55	06:55	12:25			
Wed, 7 Aug 2019	10:50	07:50	13:20			
Thu, 8 Aug 2019	11:52	08:52	14:22			
Fri, 9 Aug 2019				13:02	10:02	15:32
Sat, 10 Aug 2019				14:14	11:14	16:44
Sun, 11 Aug 2019				15:18	12:18	17:48
Mon, 12 Aug 2019				16:13	13:13	18:43
Tue, 13 Aug 2019				17:01	14:01	19:31
Wed, 14 Aug 2019				17:44	14:44	20:14
Thu, 15 Aug 2019				18:20	15:20	20:50
Fri, 16 Aug 2019	06:46	03:46	09:16	18:53	15:53	21:23
Sat, 17 Aug 2019	07:18	04:18	09:48	19:24	16:24	21:54
Sun, 18 Aug 2019	07:48	04:48	10:18	19:55	16:55	22:25
Mon, 19 Aug 2019	08:20	05:20	10:50	20:29	17:29	22:59
Tue, 20 Aug 2019	08:53	05:53	11:23	21:05	18:05	23:35
Wed, 21 Aug 2019	09:29	06:29	11:59			
Thu, 22 Aug 2019	10:11	07:11	12:41			
Fri, 23 Aug 2019	11:01	08:01	13:31			
Sat, 24 Aug 2019	12:01	09:01	14:31			
Sun, 25 Aug 2019				13:11	10:11	15:41
Mon, 26 Aug 2019				14:26	11:26	16:56
Tue, 27 Aug 2019				15:33	12:33	18:03
Wed, 28 Aug 2019				16:29	13:29	18:59
Thu, 29 Aug 2019				17:18	14:18	19:48
Fri, 30 Aug 2019				18:05	15:05	20:35
Sat, 31 Aug 2019				18:49	15:49	21:19

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Driving while using phone

About 8am on Monday July 29, on Glenburn Road, Ardrishaig, police stopped a car as the driver was using a mobile phone. The 40-year-old man was charged and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Also on Glenburn Road, Ardrishaig, police stopped a van as the driver, a 47-year-old man, was driving while using a mobile phone about 9am on Tuesday July 30. The man was charged and a £200 fixed penalty ticket with six penalty points was issued.

About 11am on Tuesday July 30, police stopped a van on the A83 in Inveraray, as the driver, a 53-year-old man, was driving while using a mobile phone. The man was charged and a £200 fixed penalty ticket with six penalty points was issued.

Vehicle theft

About 10am on Monday July 29 a car was stopped for being driven at excessive speed on the A83 at Lochgilphead. Enquiries revealed that the driver, a man aged 61, had no permission to take the vehicle, no insurance to drive the vehicle and an expired driving licence. The man was charged and will be reported to the procurator fiscal.

Abusive behaviour

A 68-year-old man was arrested about 1pm on Tuesday July 30, following a report of a man behaving in an abusive manner at Oakfield, Tarbert. The man was arrested and charged with the offence and held in custody for court.

Assault and abusive behaviour

A 31-year-old man was arrested for having

assaulted a woman within a property on Main Street East, Inveraray at about midnight on Friday August 2.

He was charged and released to appear at court on a later date.

Breach of bail

About 6am on Friday August 2, a 36-year-old man was seen on the A83 Tarbert breaching bail conditions imposed by the court by not adhering to his curfew. The man was arrested and held in custody for court.

Dangerous driving

About 11pm on Friday August 2, a grey Ford Focus was driven at a dangerously excessive speed on Paterson Street, Lochgilphead, and failed to stop when required to do so by police.

Subsequently the car was traced, stopped and checks revealed the motor vehicle had no insurance.

The vehicle was seized and the driver, a man aged 36, was charged and reported to the procurator fiscal.

Assault report

Police attended a property on Main Street West, Inveraray, following reports of a woman having been assaulted about midnight on Saturday August 3.

A 33-year-old man was arrested, charged and released to appear at court on a later date.

No MOT

A vehicle was stopped by police about 2pm on Saturday August 3 on the A83 at Inveraray. Checks revealed that the vehicle had an expired MOT and the driver, a 23-year-old man was charged and issued with a £100 fixed penalty.

Power line green light amid Tarbert opposition

As Scottish Ministers gave consent for a new upgraded Argyll power line, the region's MSP has again voiced opposition to plans for new, taller pylons close to Tarbert.

Consent was last week granted to Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks (SSEN) Transmission for the replacement of the Inveraray-Crossaig overhead electricity transmission power line. The existing line, which installed was in the 1950s, is reaching the end of its operational life.

The new line, which will initially operate at 132kV, will have the capacity to be upgraded to 275kV in the future.

A number of conditions are attached to consent, including the requirement for SSEN Transmission to submit details of proposed mitigation for local landscape impacts of the project at both the Crinan Canal and where the line passes Tarbert.

He said: 'I held a surgery

SSEN lead project manager Ian Clark said: 'We are pleased the Scottish Government has provided consent for the replacement of the Inveraray-Crossaig transmission line.'

'We now look forward to working closely with the local communities and other interested parties throughout the construction phase and as a responsible developer, we will do everything we can to keep disruption to an absolute minimum.'

Concerns

Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell has concerns, shared with many Tarbert residents, about the impact of new pylons on the village's scenic value.

Mr Russell has previously met with the company and discussed the possibility of the line being placed underground or on the bed of West Loch Tarbert.

He said: 'I held a surgery

in Tarbert last week and it is clear that the community remains resolutely opposed to the plans by SSE to create a massive blot on the landscape which will be visible from miles around, particularly from the sea approach to both the East and West lochs.'

'I have seen the permission document and it is obvious that the Scottish Government is also worried about this situation.'

'While no-one is opposing it in its entirety, we have to realise that the company will make a great deal of money out of the new route and it must therefore ensure that it does not devalue the village of Tarbert and those who live there.'

Mr Russell has written to the company to seek another meeting to resolve the issue.

The new line will be built in two phases – the first from Inveraray to Port Ann, with



Tarbert folk are worried new taller pylons will destroy the village's scenic beauty.

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work on this section scheduled to begin in the coming months and be completed

towards the end of 2021.

The second phase, from Port Ann to Crossaig, is expected

to begin in 2021 and is due to be completed in summer 2024.

Cairndow's adventure zone opening soon

A year on from the official sod-cutting ceremony, the new Cairndow childcare and family centre is nearing completion.

And, after an extensive branding process, it has a new name:

The Fyne Den - Little learners, Family Hub, Adventure Zone.

Cairndow Childcare business development officer Sheena Dowse said: 'With the concrete flooring screed down, plumbing and electrics started we can see clearly the immense possibilities of the building, and it's getting more exciting as each week progresses. Our staff are now very eager to get into the new building and can't wait for the children to experience the new space.'

The new childcare facility will occupy more than half of the building, and there

will be outdoor space for children to enjoy and develop in. Making the most of the building's high ceilings, sky lights and picture windows, the natural light pours in giving the adjacent rooms a light, airy glow.

The rest of the building will offer space for health and wellbeing classes, family services and other possible partnerships accessible to the local community.

Sheena continued: 'The most exciting recent development has been the hiring of the play equipment company Touchwood, to design and build amazing indoor and outdoor play zones.'

The indoor play zone will be open seven days a week to the public once completed in November 2019, and party events and clubs are planned.



Cairndow children help to cut the first sod on the new family centre exactly one year ago – now it is nearly ready to open. 06_a34CairndowChildcare07

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James Urquhart drilling components for the play park.



Martha and Polly Payne at World Scout Jamboree.



Andrew Smart and Lorne Barrie building the play park.

Scouts' summer adventures

The 19th Argyll Scouts have had a busy summer, from humble barbecues in their own backyard to globe-trotting trips to America and Malaysia.

The summer session started with a memorable family barbecue. It would be fair to say the midges enjoyed a feast, chewing both young people and their guests with vigour.

But they didn't dampen the spirits of the Scouts who were presented with numerous awards including Bronze, Silver and Gold Chief Scout Awards.

The highlight of the evening was the presentation to Martha Payne of her Diamond Chief Scout Award, the second highest award in Scouting. Martha has been

an enthusiastic and active member of the 19th Argyll for more than seven years.

After gaining her award she said: 'I have loved my time in Scouting – it has provided me with so many opportunities and memories.'

Shortly after receiving her Diamond Chief Scout Award, Martha and her sister Polly, jetted off to join 45,000 other

Scouts from around the world at the 24th World Scout Jamboree in West Virginia. This event is held every four years in different countries. The objective is to promote peace and understanding and to develop leadership and life skills in those attending.

While Martha and Polly were in the United States, seven members of the 19th Argyll travelled to the world's oldest rainforest in northern Malaysia to take part in a community development project with members of the Orang Asli tribe.

The project had been organised by the West Region of Scouting in Scotland supported by the Yayasan EMKAY foundation. This charity exists to improve the living standards of the people living in this remote and challenging area. In total the group comprised 11 leaders and 44 explorers (14 to 18 years of age) and networkers (18 to 25 years of age) completing four projects.

The projects included renovating a classroom to allow the villagers to attract a primary school teacher (currently the only formal education available is to those who are pre-school), building a play park (the rainforest is too dangerous to allow children to play in it unsupervised), preparing fields for planting of fruit trees, herbs and vegetables, and building a table for the elders to meet and discuss village business.

Working in the rainforest

ventures, whether small ones or big ones.

'Last year we ran two camps for our Beavers, our Cubs attended the Adventure Centre at Lochgoilhead and won the District Camping competition, our Scouts completed a number of weekend camps including the Snowdrop Challenge Hike, and our Explorers had their first taste of ice climbing. Next year is our 50th birthday and we are planning a whole host of activities and adventures to mark this milestone.'

John McCartan, chairman of the group, said: 'Scouting in Mid Argyll is as strong as it has ever been. The leadership team, guided by the young people, have developed a fantastic programme in all of the sections.'



Anna Turner designing a Jungle Book mural.

was challenging with very high levels of humidity and temperatures regularly touching 40°C.

The whole group had an amazing adventure with memories and friendships formed that will last a lifetime.

Finally, two members of the 19th Argyll had their first outings as members of the Mid Argyll Pipe Band. Robert Toner (piper) and Martha Moir (drummer) took part in the recent Ardrishaig Gala Day.

David Smart, Scout leader, 19th Argyll said: 'This has been an amazing summer. We are so proud of all our members who have grasped the opportunities that Scouting provides. Scouting for the 19th is all about having ad-

'We are keen that as many young people in Argyll take up the opportunities that Scouting provides. We have a stand at the forthcoming Mid Argyll Show and would be delighted to discuss our plans.'

If anyone is interested in finding out more about the 19th Argyll Lochgilphead Scouts, email 19thargyllscouts@gmail.com or call 07758 130576. The group runs four sections – Beavers (age six to eight), Cubs (age eight to 10), Scouts (age 10 to 14) and Explorers (14 to 18). There are spaces in all sections for boys and girls. The group is also keen to talk to adults about how they can help the group either as uniformed leaders or as supporters.'

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Community council makes move to increase public discussion

In an attempt to create more open discussion with the public, Lochgilphead Community Council will be switching rooms.

Still held in the Lochgilphead Community Centre,

the community council will meet in a larger room with an added number of chairs and one table to encourage more visitors.

The aim is to entice the Lochgilphead public to

bring and discuss more to Lochgilphead Community Council and encourage more input.

The next meeting will be held on Monday August 12 at 7pm.

Historic Egg Shed hatches



The hub is to be a place of historical heritage.



Arthur Barclay and Mid Argyll Councillor Donnie Macmillan.



Scottish Canals' Catherine Topley and Dalslands Kanal CEO Benny Ruus.



Mid Argyll Pipe Band entertained visitors.



The Ardrishaig bothy was a big hit with cyclists big and small.



Two young visitors were admiring the view from the new maritime hub.



Members of the Easy Club strum up some tunes outside the Egg Shed.

The Easy Club entertains at Egg Shed launch

The Easy Club was entertaining Egg Shed visitors by playing outside the Steamer Terminal.

Once again, the musical members of the Easy Club were heard sharing rock and folk songs with the visitors of the new community and maritime hub during the launch of the Egg Shed.

In an article published in the August 3 edition of The Argyllshire Advertiser, under the headline 'The Easy Club fills Ardrishaig streets with music', it was stated that The Easy Club meets every Thursday.

We would like to clarify that The Easy Club has no fixed pattern of meetings and will usually get together once or twice every month at Lochgilphead Resource Centre.

The Easy Club is always looking for more participants so contact the Easy Club Facebook page @ easyclubargyll or email hugh.fife@yahoo.co.uk for more information.

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Cracked it

The Egg Shed opening is big news for Mid Argyll.

The development, as part of the wider Ardrishaig harbour improvements, can only be a good thing for the village. Think about how it looked a couple of years ago.

Mid Argyll has been treated as a backwater for decades, but the Egg Shed project is just the start of a number of fresh developments, including the Crinan Canal corridor, Lochgilphead front green and a new scheme to improve Lochgilphead's town centre buildings.

There is a growing feeling of positivity locally, and that has to be the only way to tackle the future – Brexit or no Brexit.

Crowd scenes

Attendance was up at this year's Celtic and Pictish Festival. This event is turning into a fixture in the region's social calendar and offers something completely different. Well done to Brian and the community council for their hard work in putting it on.

Benfica bonus

Benfica? To an older generation the name conjures up memories of Eusebio in his pomp. For the current generation of schoolchildren, what an opportunity to learn from a famous European club.

British or Scottish?

Sir,

Should Argyll cheese be labelled British or Scottish?

Many feel it is important to keep the identity of Scotland's brand in the domestic and global market, otherwise we could lose jobs and the market share.

It is unclear whether Scottish farmers and fishermen, producers of Scottish potatoes, lamb, beef, fruit, food and drink will be able to retain their Scottish Protected Geographical Indicators (PGIs) when we leave the EU.

There are promises from Westminster that these PGIs will be kept, but in the recent Economic Trade Agreement with Canada, the government did not see fit to protect these.

Actions count, not promises.

Also, it is very concerning that the US has long made it clear that the protection of PGIs is regarded as a barrier, and will be unlikely to be included in any future trade deal with the US.

See the #KeepScotlandtheBrand stall at the Mid Argyll show on Saturday August 10.
Tricia Grey, Lochgilphead.

Diesel or petrol?

Sir,

Like many folk in Mid Argyll I felt exasperated to find that high octane unleaded petrol had disappeared from the Fyneside garage.

So used to silly corporate decisions these days I honestly could not be bothered to

write to you. However your robust front page article (Advertiser July 2) has roused me from apathy to express my views.

Not only is it deplorable to see a profit-centred rather than a customer-centred decision by a wealthy multinational company such as Esso affecting a rural community, but I have to point out another, incredibly stupid, aspect to the changes at the pumps.

The labelling on the pumps and nozzles is an ergonomic disaster; the labelling in large print reads from left to right 'Supreme', 'Unleaded' 'Diesel'. Being adjacent to Unleaded, one expected Supreme to mean Supreme Unleaded, but oh no, it's diesel. The diesel nozzles are on either side of Unleaded rather than together.

On my first visit after the change I naturally expected still to find Supreme Unleaded. So, although admittedly not paying too much attention, I chose 'Supreme', expecting unleaded, and was saved from an expensive mistake only by the wider nozzle.

Esso's limp justification that the community was advised in advance is interesting – one wonders where the message appeared.

Prof. Angus Mackay, Ardrishaig.

Stress and anxiety caused by rural crime

Sir,

Last year rural crime cost Scotland an estimated £1.6 million.

However what that bald figure hides is the stress and anxiety that it is causing many

people in rural Scotland who, all too often, are trying to get by on very modest incomes.

The news that Scotland is facing such a rapid rise in rural crime and that high value items are being targeted as those responsible become more sophisticated is an added worry.

There is a suspicion that the SNP Government has expended too much time and energy on centralising what were previously regional police forces, and not enough on grass roots policing.

This report graphically shows that we need a renewed focus on actually tackling criminal activity rather than obsessing about police structures and the SNP's ongoing policy of centralisation.

Donald Cameron MSP.

Scottish Welfare Fund

Sir,

The Scottish Welfare Fund made 1,400 payments to people in Argyll and Bute in the last financial year.

A total number of 515 community care grants and 885 crisis grants were awarded in Argyll and Bute over the year.

The money helped people with essentials such as food, heating costs and household items.

The Scottish Government introduced the Scottish Welfare Fund in 2013. The fund is part of a £125 million annual package to mitigate the impact of UK Government austerity.

Since its launch in April 2013, the fund has paid out more than £200 million to

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YOUR PICTURES



Ardrishaig reader Cheryl Ratcliffe-Nye sent in this photo of the view from outside the new 'Egg Shed' Heritage Centre looking back to the Ardrishaig lighthouse over the moorings and log pier. Cheryl

said: 'In this time it looks like it could have been taken many years ago.'

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Egg Grading Station

Sir,

As a born and bred resident of Ardrishaig, I have always known the building as the Egg Grading Station, not the Egg Shed, so why change it?

Who decided to change the name?

I totally agree with Mr William Jackson (July 2 edition) that the name should remain as the Egg Grading Station for the future generations.

Angela Mitchell, Ardrishaig.



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Fish race fun day in Ford



Spirits were certainly not dampened as this year's Ford Fun Day was unbeaten by the rain.

A weekend of events kicked off on the evening of Saturday August 3 with a ceilidh dance and entertainment by Ardfern band Cabin Fever in the village hall.

Sunday then played host to

the annual fun day with any sore heads being soothed by bacon rolls and coffee.

Winners

The baking competition had two winners crowned – Amber Crowley was awarded the most beautiful cake prize, while Elizabeth McGregor walked away with the tastiest cake accolade.



Keeping everyone fed and watered was the kitchen crew, from left: Kim Courtauld, Zara Courtauld and Martin Crowley.

Winner of the 'beautiful' cake competition – Amber Crowley with her two daughters, Thea, 5, and Evalyn, 1.

Visitors were able to take part in a t-shirt colouring stand, a tombola, darts competition and a cracker eating competition.

But the highlight of the day was certainly the Fish Race through the village burn.

The fish were plopped in at the top and made their way through the obstacle course

of rocks and weeds, cheered all the way by enthusiastic spectators.

First

Little Effie Cole's fish came in first, followed by Zara Coultauld's and taking third spot was Thea Crowley.

All funds raised from this year's events go towards Ford Village Hall.



Felix Cole, 3, and Thea Crowley, 5, sold homemade lemonade at their stand.



Spectators eagerly await the appearance of the fish through the village burn.



Ensuring the fish race ran smoothly - Patrick Mackie, back, and Martin Hemmings.

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Sue Phillis, pictured left, and Trish Scott, both from Ford, had the arduous task of judging the baking competition.



Renewable Parts Ltd recognised for Scottish environmental change

The hard work and commitment of one Mid Argyll company at the forefront of environmental change in Scotland has been recognised by the VIBES - Scottish Environment Business Awards.

Renewable Parts Ltd, a wind turbine refurbishment centre, which is based in Lochgilphead, has been included in the shortlist for the Circular Scotland category of the prestigious awards, which are focused on inspiring companies to play their part in meeting Scotland's ambition to be a world leader on tackling climate change.

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the awards and finalists have been selected across 11 award categories which recognise the various ways sustainable best practice can be implemented.

They include examples of

good practice in the following categories: Leadership Scotland, Innovating Scotland, Product Scotland, Service Scotland, Hydro Nation Scotland, Circular Scotland, Moving Scotland, Adapting Scotland, Engaging Scotland, Partnership Scotland and Small Business Scotland.

As part of this year's anniversary celebrations, a special Best of VIBES Award will also be presented to a past winner which has demonstrated an on-going contribution to sustainable development by embracing new practices and constantly reviewing its systems so that it remains environmentally focused.

Bob Downes, chairman of SEPA and head of the VIBES judging panel, said: 'The scale of environmental challenges facing humanity is enormous, with a real urgency to act.

The successful businesses of tomorrow will be those which embrace the economic opportunity of sustainable solutions to environmental challenges.

'VIBES - Scottish Environment Business Awards, linked to SEPA's ambitious One Planet Prosperity strategy, recognise Scotland's leading businesses which show a real commitment to sustainable goods, products and services through leadership, innovation and ambition.'

I would like to congratulate all the finalists which have been recognised by the VIBES Awards and I look forward to announcing the winners in due course.'

Scottish Environment Secretary Roseanna Cunningham MSP said: 'My congratulations go to the businesses which have been



SEPA chairman Bob Downes.

shortlisted for this year's VIBES awards. We are all aware of the urgent environmental issues affecting our planet and business has a vital role to play in Scotland's con-

tinuing journey to a net-zero society. It is important that we recognise those which are leading on action to develop sustainable solutions and environmental practices while seizing the economic benefits of embracing a vibrant and innovation circular economy.'

Award sponsors include Adaptation Scotland, Chivas Brothers-Pernod Ricard, Farne Salmon and Trout, Mabbett, ScottishPower, Glenmorangie, The Scottish Government, Travel Know How Scotland, University of Stirling Management School, Wave Utilities.

The winners will be announced at a ceremony on November 14 at the Doubletree by Hilton hotel in Glasgow.

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Doggie delight at Ardfern

It was canine capers galore at Ardfern's dog show fun day.

The event was held in aid of Guide Dogs for the Blind at Soroba Farm, and there were plenty of classes to suit doggies of all shapes and sizes.

Judge Jan Burgess had the unenviable task of placing the pooches in the show ring, with classes for everything from spaniels to terriers.

There were the fun classes, featuring a dog and owner lookalike competition and a musical sit-down challenge. The agility ring had dogs (and the odd human handler) jumping over obstacles, while the terrier racing provided the usual pandemonium and hilarity.

A total of £75 was raised for Guide Dogs for the Blind.



Ardrishaig rent-a-stall has everything

Ardrishaig Public Hall was turned into a makeshift market on Sunday August 4. Stalls selling anything and everything filled the hall for customers to browse. Clothes, trinkets, artworks and everything in between were on display for the taking. The rent-a-stall was a good chance for those looking for a clear-out to offload everything too good to throw out, or to showcase some homemade or craft items. Below, Jean Johnson had a table full of her knitted baby garments. 51_a32ArdRentAStall02



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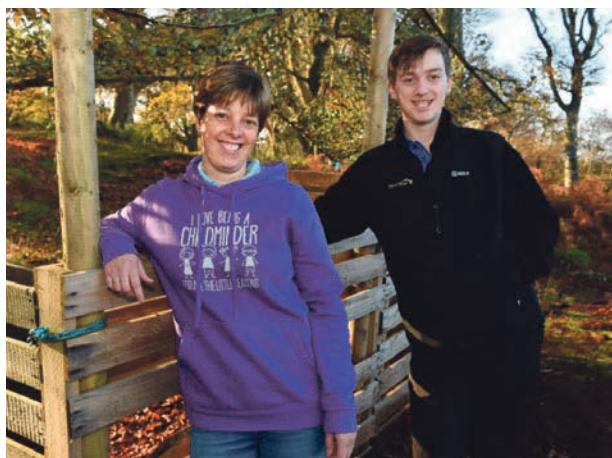
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Craig with his mum, Katy, who helped to inspire him to train with Stramash Outdoor Nursery.

Outdoor learning inspires Craig

After leaving school, 17-year-old Craig MacIntyre from Kilmore, near Oban, took up an apprenticeship at the Stramash Outdoor Nursery.

Throughout his training, Craig will undertake written and practical assessments, which will ultimately lead to an SVQ3 Social Services (Children and Young People) at SCQF Level 7.

Craig's mum, Katy, is a childminder, and so Craig has grown up with young children at home and he always enjoyed spending time with them. His mum's influence, coupled with his little brother attending the outdoor nursery, are what inspired Craig to go for the apprenticeship.

With outdoor play being the focus of Craig's nursery, he can be creative in his work and embrace the adventurous side of play.

He explained: 'Our nursery is full of all sorts for the children to play with. For example, we have baskets and containers full of stones, shells, ribbons and seeds that we've collected.'

'The nursery site is among the trees so there are lots of leaves, twigs and branches too.'

'We encourage the children to freely develop their ideas with everything we have

here and if they have an idea of something they want to create, we try as much as we can to help them to do it. Recently they wanted an obstacle course for the nursery, so we have created one with their help, using logs, tyres, rope and other pieces – they love it!

'Being an outdoor nursery, we're usually playing outside for most of the day and that's what I love most about my job. Only on the wettest and windiest days do we use the huts for some shelter.'

I think it makes a huge difference in a time when technology is being used more and more in education – with no electricity, wifi or running water, the children are challenged to learn how to make things with little help.

I love seeing it when the wee ones learn something new or master something they've been trying to do for a while, like climb that little bit higher in the tree.

'It's also really rewarding when the children see me outside of work and they run over to talk to me.'

'If I was to say one thing to somebody considering a career in early learning and childcare, I'd say go for it! It's a great job and you really feel you have made a difference in a child's life.'

Majority of Argyll and Bute students celebrate exam success

The majority of pupils in Argyll and Bute are celebrating, having gained the qualifications they were hoping for, according to the education authority.

A spokesperson for Argyll and Bute Council said: 'Nationally there has been a reduction in pass rates and we are analysing what this means for young people in Argyll and Bute. A report

will be put to Community Services Committee later in the year.'

The council's policy lead for education, Councillor Yvonne McNeilly, said: 'Pupils and teachers should be proud of their efforts and I would like to congratulate them all and thank them for their hard work.'

'We are determined to do everything we can to ensure

that our children and young people are given every opportunity to achieve success in their lives and to move onto positive destinations.

'There are many ways our young people can make positive progress and access appropriate pathways into work, even if they did not receive the results they were hoping for.'

'We work very closely with our partners at Skills

Development Scotland and the Job Centre to promote enterprise and entrepreneurship, and to help our young people raise their ambitions so that they can develop and succeed. The council has also developed its own award-winning modern apprenticeship scheme.'

'Should anyone need further support, direct contact can be made to their school.'

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College courses are now open for applications. There are lots of different childcare qualifications that offer the flexibility of full-time or part-time courses, all of which are combined with on the job training too. For those who are interested in earning as they learn, lots of employers are also recruiting Modern Apprentices and trainees of all ages.

Early Learning professionals are responsible for giving Scotland's children the best start in life using ideas and activities that help develop essential skills and begin their learning journey with professional, nurturing staff.

There are plenty of jobs available across a range of different roles, working in a number of settings from a traditional nursery to a playgroup.

If you know someone looking for a job that's rewarding, fun and will positively affect lives, then Early Learning and Childcare could be a great career for them.

School leavers can also talk to their careers adviser at school or ask their local college, training provider or nursery for advice.

Visit www.childcarecareerscotland.scot to find out more about a career in Early Learning and Childcare, including a live jobs feed which will include Modern Apprenticeship posts in some local areas.

Historically accurate fun at the Loch



by Laura Maxwell
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Lochgilphead's latest festival invited some unscrupulous characters ashore onto the front green on Saturday August 3.

More than 500 visitors, including Celts, Picts, Vikings, Romans and even Scousers, enjoyed the Lochgilphead Celtic and Pictish festival celebrating the heritage of Scotland.

Put together by Lochgilphead Community Council and Lochgilphead Phoenix Project, stalls and activities brought the ancient and simpler times to the front green with items like salt lamps and craft mead mere feet away from weapons demonstrations and wood carving.

The much-loved Glasgow Vikings returned for this year's event, fresh from conquering Tarbert for the Loch Fyne Viking Festival still riled up and ready for more. They opened the day with a procession through the festival and the raising of the Pan-Celtic flag which is a combination of the six Celtic nations.

They then judged the fancy dress competition which saw some lucky mini-Vikings win medals for their amazing costumes and ferocious battle cries.

In another example of education amongst the fun, The Glasgow Vikings then gave a demonstration of ancient weapons, with dramatic deaths to really drive the point home.

Music was provided by Clanadonia, who are known for appearing on TV's Outlander. With drums that hit like Thor's hammer and piping that put a spring in everyone's step, they were a fitting addition to the festival.

The stalls had various ancient skills on display, such as artist Margaret Ker's labyrinth having visitors wander in circles to find their centre.

Highland Glass offered glass painting and clay moulding, and Kilmartin Museum put together a dig to demonstrate the perks of archaeology.

Festival organiser Brian MacLennan said: 'The festival was a huge success this year with visitors from as far

afield as Liverpool. I've had lots of positive feedback from visitors, performers and stall holders with everybody I've spoken to being keen to come back next year.'

'The shops I've spoken to have reported an upturn in business for the day and we can confidently say that we will be back bigger than ever next year as plans are already underway.'

'As always, we couldn't do this without our performers, providers and great team of volunteers who are vital to keep things running smoothly through the day. Thanks also to our sponsors: DA MacDonald, Scottish Canals, Harbro, The Square Peg and Travis Perkins, anybody who donated to the crowdfunding campaign and other fundraising activities and to our other local helpers and supporters Macleod Construction, The MS Centre, MAYDS, Stag Hotel, 19th Argyll Scouts, and the Community Centre.'

'We're really excited for the continued growth of this now firmly established highlight on the calendar.'



The roaring vicious Vikings of the costume contest.
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Clanadonia gave beats that would give a weak heart a shock. 51_a32PictViking31

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The Glasgow Vikings put on a good show... 51_a32PictViking21



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Mini Viking Cara Green from Ardrishaig gives her best warrior face.
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The labyrinth, by artist Margaret Ker, was popular.
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Laura Cutler and Jean Kirkland of Argyll Country Kitchen selling home-baked sweet treats. 51_a32PictViking18



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Ian McAulay of IKM Crafts was selling crystals and salt lamps. 51_a32PictViking11

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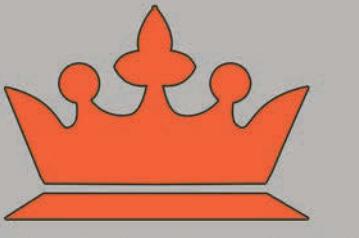
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The club has received financial support from Tarbert Enterprise Company, Tarbert Harbour Authority and William Duncan &

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Kilberry Loop Sportive

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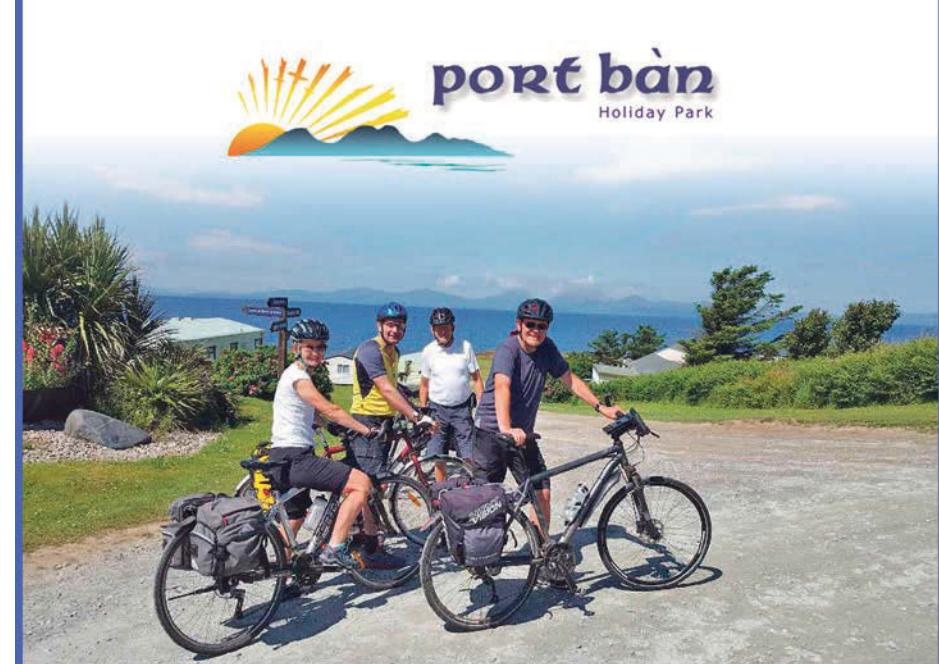
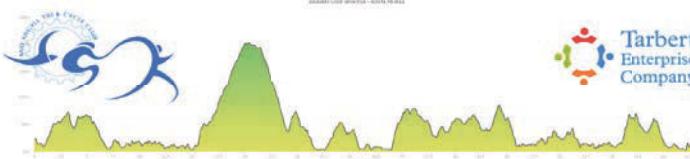
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The first Kilberry Loop Sportive proved to be so popular that we have decided to organise it again this year! It is a favourite route for local cyclists. The start is from Tarbert, heading through the village and north on the A83 towards Lochgilphead before turning onto the B8024 on to a single-track road.

This is where the fun starts! There is a steady climb for about 2kms before the descent into Achahoish and the beginning of wonderful scenery as the loop continues along the shores of Loch Caolisport. We pass through Kilberry and head east following the coast of West Loch Tarbert, north past the Tarbert Golf Club, reaching the A83, and back to Tarbert and the finish.

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WHAT'S ON IN MID ARGYLL

St Margaret's Church hosts coffee morning

Supporters of St Margaret's Church filled Lochgilphead Parish Church Hall to enjoy tea, treats and chat.

On Saturday morning of August 3, church members put on a delectable spread as a fund-raising event for the church.

The hall was bustling with people both young, and young at heart, enjoying a catch-up with neighbours.

There was also a raffle for some lucky winners to take home a bottle.

The church raised around £350.



A busy table enjoying tea and cake. 51_a32StMagsCM02



Moira Shaw and Cathleen McFadden sold cakes at the coffee morning. 51_a32StMagsCM01

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Mid Argyll artists featured at art society exhibition

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Lochgilphead's Drill Hall is filled with colours and patterns, paintings and photos, sculptures and cushions, to admire and buy.

After a bustling first day

almost 20 works had already been sold by Monday morning with 220 visitors by Tuesday night.

The new addition of tabletop items such as the wooden carvings of Leslie McGeachy and Alison Litster's colourful cushions featuring cuddly creatures, really expands the

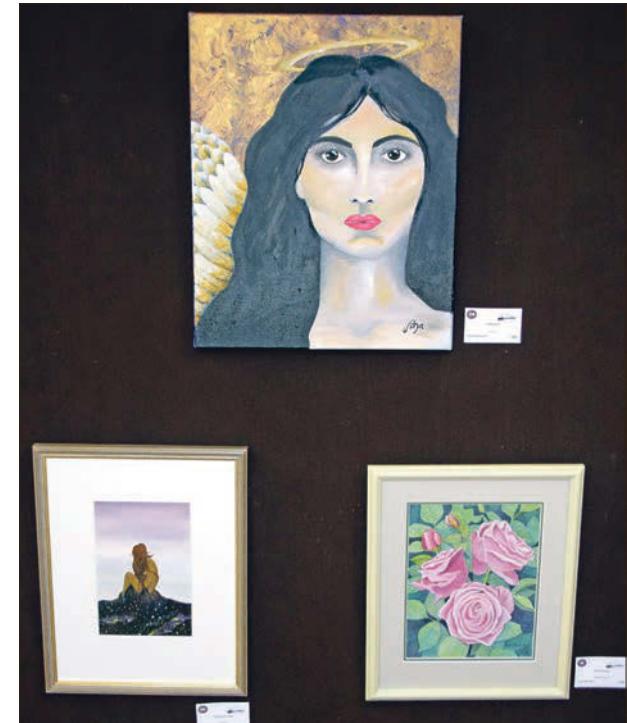


A selection of photographs by Walter Ritchie, one already sold by its second day. 51_a32MAAS01

range of this year's exhibition giving visitors more to see.

The last chance to visit is Saturday August 10 before the exhibition packs up for another year.

Leslie McGeachy's wild horse statue. 51_a32MAAS01



The paintings of Sonja Kainonen. 51_a32MAAS12



Fraser McIver's Hans' Longboat Crinan Bridge.

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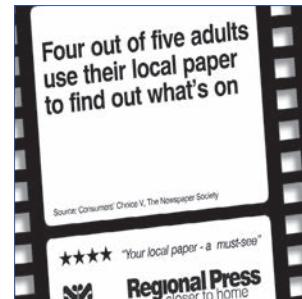
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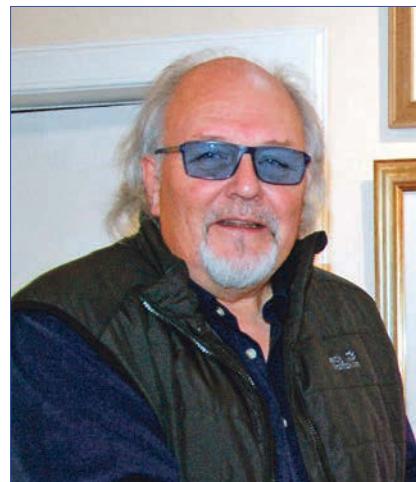
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Jolomo goes solo in annual gallery highlight

Lochgilphead's Archway Gallery will once again feature renowned Argyll painter Jolomo in his 25th solo exhibition on Saturday August 10.

The latest exhibition by John Lowrie Morrison concentrates on paintings of Crinan



Jolomo himself. 06_a44jolomo01

and Knapdale, landscapes found within a few miles of his Tayvallich home.

The expressionist artist will be present at a private showing at the Archway Gallery, with wine and nibbles.

Although John's work is now sought out by collectors all over the world, he continues to exhibit every August at his 'local' gallery, the Archway. A percentage of the artist's profits will go to Mid Argyll Cancer Support.

The new show, *Toward the Light: Crinan and Knapdale*, which runs until September 7, includes new paintings of Loch Caolisport, the

Crinan Canal, Bellanoch, Loch Scottish and Tayvallich itself.

However, John explains that there is more to his work than simply painting what is in front of him.

John says: 'Each of us lives in two different worlds, an exterior world which is physical and visible and an interior world which is intangible and invisible - the world of our spirit.

Expressionist

'As an expressionist painter, I work from the interior realm. It is an intimate world, personal and subjective, the world of our thoughts and feelings. Children live in it quite naturally, but as adults we tend to withdraw from it.

'I use high-key expressionist colour to express how I feel about the landscape.'

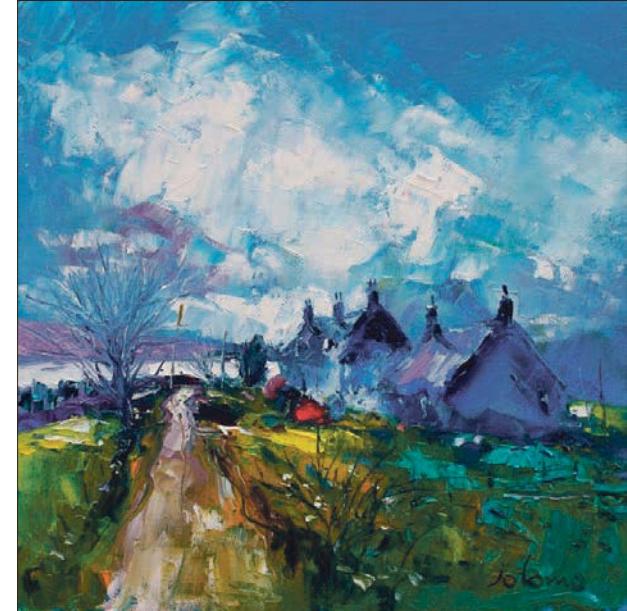
'I've been painting the area around me now for more than

50 years, and the more I paint Knapdale, the more intensely I use light and colour to express my emotions for the landscape.'

John worked for 25 years as an art teacher at Lochgilphead High School, then in art education with Strathclyde Region before leaving to paint full-time in 1997.

His distinctive colourful landscapes quickly made him one of Scotland's most successful painters, with celebrities such as Sting, Madonna, Simon Le Bon and Gregor Fisher collecting his work.

Wilma Meikle, who owns the Archway Gallery with her husband Iain, said: 'We're delighted that John has supported the gallery for all these years. His exhibition is always the highlight of our year and the new paintings are amazing.'



Toward the Light, Skipness, Argyll, £2,600.

'It's also really nice to have a show which is relevant to this area. It's obvious that

John loves painting the area around Lochgilphead and the Crinan Canal.'

Toward the Light - Knapdale & Crinan

Jolomo

An exhibition of new paintings by
JOHN LOWRIE MORRISON OBE

Archway Gallery

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Tayvallich workshop to tackle environmental conservation

An upcoming workshop in Tayvallich aims to identify ways that the community can become more sustainable.

The Tayvallich Sustainability Jam brings together people from Tayvallich, the surrounding area and further afield to explore, develop and test new ideas to address issues of sustainability. The event is hosted by Time for Change, an Argyll environmental conservation organisation formed by a group of young people who want to make a difference in the face of the climate crisis, and Make+Do Studio, Argyll-based designers and design educators Keira Anderson and Nils Aksnes.

Over Saturday and Sunday August 17 and 18, the jam will bring people together to create and test new ideas. The event is open to everyone regardless of background, profession, or experience. All they need is an appetite to explore, discover, and create



Keira Anderson selling environmentally-friendly goods and Teri Smith selling Neal's Yard products at the Tayvallich Big Weekend.

new solutions to old problems with a focus on sustainability: whether ecological, social or economical, surrounding topics such as food, transport, waste, biodiversity, fashion, energy and tourism.

Keira said: 'Our primary goal is that people who come along are able to increase their understanding of the

complex issues surrounding sustainability and feel they aren't alone in the struggle.

'We hope it will be a good opportunity for minds to meet on the subject and exchange what they know, how they are tackling the issues and what we all struggle with. It will be fun and folk will be supported to find new ways to

look at complicated problems – and any practical ideas and solutions that might be in place by the end of the weekend will be an added bonus.'

Participants are invited to Tayvallich Village Hall for the whole thing, or to pop in and out. The first session on Saturday August 17, 6pm to 9pm, is a fun and inspirational evening of talks, conversations and exploration. Sunday August 18, 10am to 4pm is a day of developing and building solutions, followed by the third and final session from 4pm to 6pm, which will share ideas and think of the future.

No booking or tickets are required. People are invited to go along when they can. A £5 donation on the door is suggested as a contribution to the cost of venue, food, drinks and materials for the event.

Any profit goes to Time for Change to support its on-going programme of events in the area. Find out more at medium.com/tayvallich-sustainability-jam.

Book Review: Traigh

Traigh is a sheepdog named after the village between Arisaig and Mallaig and living on the shores of Loch Fyne. However, he is no ordinary dog as he is brought to life in the letters in the book sent by himself or his owners, Paul and Gwen. This is not simply another gentle anthropomorphic tale, as Traigh holds strong opinions and is only too happy to share them with the readers.

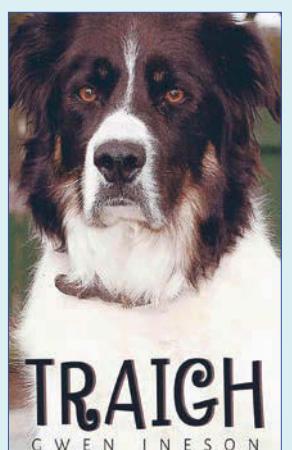
He dislikes trips to B&Q, sees no point in barbecues, but is fascinated by the efforts of athletes at the Highland games. He decides to style himself 'HRH Traigh, His Royal Hound', but is never boastful. His chosen approach is wry scepticism about life as he observes it in the Highlands and for a time in England before returning to his beloved Scotland. He can be as politically incorrect as any human and it would not surprise the reader if he had views on Scottish Independence or Brexit.

The work clearly comes out of Gwen Ineson's love

of her adopted Highlands and of dogs and the natural world. It is simply written and never becomes mawkish. Dog owners or lovers will appreciate her observation that 'we never owned him; we just all belonged to each other'. Everyone else will relate to the journey through life as seen from the eyes of a dog, but one just as real to those of us on two legs.

Traigh, by Gwen Ineson, is published by Austin Macauley Publishers.

Eric Macintyre



The book's front cover.



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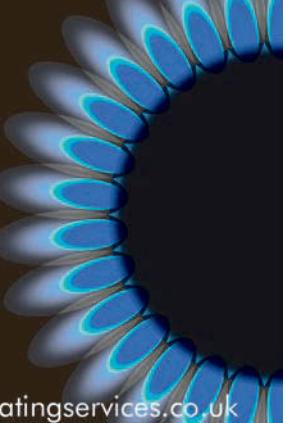
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Loch Fyne Oysters wins at the 'Oscars' of the food industry

Fresh oysters from Scottish seafood company, Loch Fyne Oysters has received the highest possible rating from a prestigious UK food award, winning three stars from The Great Taste Awards.

Organised by The Guild of Fine Food, The Great Taste Awards is often considered the 'Oscars' of the food and drink world, awarding between one to three stars to the finest food and drink products the UK has to offer. All products which are entered into The Great Taste Awards undergo a blindfolded taste test by small judging panels of men and women, of different ages, ethnicities, backgrounds and expertise to ensure all products are given a fair judgement.

With only two per cent of entries being on the receiving

end of a three-star Great Taste Award each year, this is recognition of the superior quality and taste of Loch Fyne Oysters.

As well as the three stars awarded to Loch Fyne Oysters, Loch Fyne Fresh Golden Shell Mussels with a Thai Green Curry Sauce won two stars and the company's Bradan Orach Smoked Salmon won one star.

This victory tops a winning year for Loch Fyne Oysters, which was recently awarded Scottish Product of the Year by The Scottish Food and Drink Excellence Awards for its Loch Fyne Kinglas Fillet. The company is now in the running for the Great Taste Awards' coveted Golden Fork Award which is given to the overall winner later in the year.

Managing director of Loch Fyne Oysters Cameron Brown said: 'We are absolutely delighted that our famous fresh oysters were awarded three stars by the Great Taste Awards, the highest accolade possible.'

'Not only that but our new Golden Shell mussels in a chef-prepared sauce won two stars, which is awarded to only 10 per cent of products, and our delicious Bradan Orach won one star, which is awarded to only 25 per cent of foods.'

'This year is shaping up to be a good one for us. Thank you to the whole team at Loch Fyne Oysters and everyone who continues to support us.'

Loch Fyne staff behind the oyster bar.



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Not so Fyne conditions for sea anglers

Portpatrick has long been a thorn in the side of Loch Fyne Sea Angling Club members for cancellations and poor weather – and last weekend's trip was no exception.

It started off well on Saturday with warm winds and brilliant sunshine, but huge tides and strong winds were against them, making

fishing really challenging. To make matters worse, only one bait mackerel was captured; luckily a supply of frozen was on hand.

Drifting the soft and hard grounds it was difficult to hold bottom, even with a two pound weight. Needless to say there were tangles galore making catching even more

tricky. The anglers did, however, manage a few – and hats off to the humble dogfish that saved a few blanks for sure. There were a few undersized whiting and grey gurnard around but on the whole it fell far short of what is expected from Portpatrick.

Steve the skipper tried hard to find decent fish but it was a hopeless task in these conditions. When they eventually dropped anchor, club members were hopeful of a few more decent species, but even the humble spurs were not to be seen.

Steven MacBrayne hooked into a double figure bull huss only to lose it at the surface when it sheared his braid. Somehow it got tangled up with Jim Smith's line and he landed it with a bit of help from the skipper. Twice captured for no points. Not to be outdone Gary picked



Jim Smith with a bull huss.

up another double figure beauty only to have its photo taken and returned without measuring or weighing it, so no points again.

Best catch of the day was by Robert MacBrayne with a stunning 'tub gurnard' that tipped the scales at 2lb 10oz. Another interesting catch was a 'streaked' gurnard caught by Steven MacBrayne. These are relatively rare in these waters and turned out to be

the first ever landed on the Lucky Dip II. After all that 'excitement' they headed inshore for a bit of pollack bashing, but the tides were still running far too fast and it was hard to connect with anything apart from the seabed. Andrew Jamieson managed to winkle one out and after that they called it a day. The Loch Fyne anglers were up bright and early on Sunday morning for another

day of fighting the tides and wind, but on the advice of the skipper they decided to abandon ship rather than struggle with the elements.

Species caught: Bull Huss, Tub Gurnard, LSD, Whiting, Pollack.

Results: 1 Nikki Thompson; 2 Steven MacBrayne; 3 Robert MacBrayne and Andy Jamieson; 5 Jack Baker; 6 Gary Sinclair; 7 Jim Smith; 8 Nick Friel.



Robert MacBrayne with a tub gurnard.

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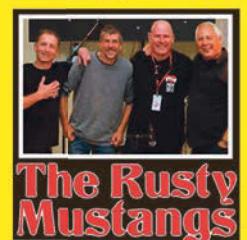
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'Small' is beautiful as the saying goes and so are 'independent' and 'local' when it comes to shopping

In Lochgilphead the independent retailer rules and the customers are royalty.

With two major food chains on the edges of the town, the centre of Lochgilphead belongs to small shopkeepers with a high street that makes you feel like you are stepping back in time in a good way to when everyone knew your name and the welcome was warm.

The big high street chains sell you what they want to; in Lochgilphead the shops are stocked with products and produce the owners know that their customers want.

The big names in retail won't go out of their way to try and meet a special request because they can't.

Their stock has been ordered months, if not a year, in advance and is trapped in a massive, algorithm-driven buying pattern and supply chain of contracts.

In the kind of small, independent shops that fill Lochgilphead they deal with independent wholesalers and sales representatives of companies directly, so if they can track down a product for you they will.

The shops in Lochgilphead that thrive are the ones that know this and work well to fill their niche in the market.

Shopping in Lochgilphead is such a delight because all the retailers know that their customers can hop in the car and go to a bigger town or buy online, so traders take pride in choosing their stock with care and listen to their customers.

If you take a leisurely browse round the shops in

Lochgilphead you will find new names you have never seen before or old favourites you thought you would never see again. Those goods have been there all along; it is just that they had fallen out of favour with the big stores which had stopped stocking them or they are not big enough names to fulfil huge orders demanded by the giant shop chains.

By shopping locally you are not just supporting your local shops and community but also supporting smaller-sized producers, many of them within Argyll and Bute, the West Highlands or Scotland.

A small independent retailer knows all about what they are selling. They have to in order to survive in business. For the small trader a wrong buying-in decision is a far more costly mistake than for the big boys, so the product knowledge they have is excel-

lent. Often they will start to stock a product on customer recommendation.

This all makes for the level of customer service and involvement that people want and expect and treasure in a small town.

Link this to free and plentiful parking and a good mix of friendly local cafes where you

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Exciting times for town centre

The centre of Lochgilphead is at the start of something exciting, which will make it an even nicer place to shop, work and live.

The town centre and the Front Green are going to have massive improvements.

In spring this year Lochgilphead's historic town centre was given a £1million boost, starting with a grant from Historic Environment Scotland of £969,700.

The funding is part of the Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) the like of which

has seen massive improvements made in neighbouring Inveraray and further afield in Campbeltown, Dunoon and Rothesay.

Alongside this grant Argyll and Bute Council will provide funding of £386,000 and, with contributions from building owners estimated at £250,000, it all gives a projected total budget of £1.6m over five years.

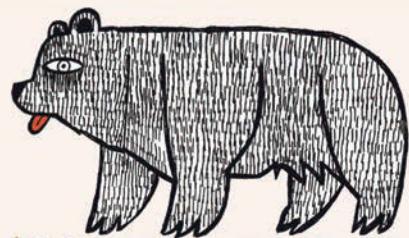
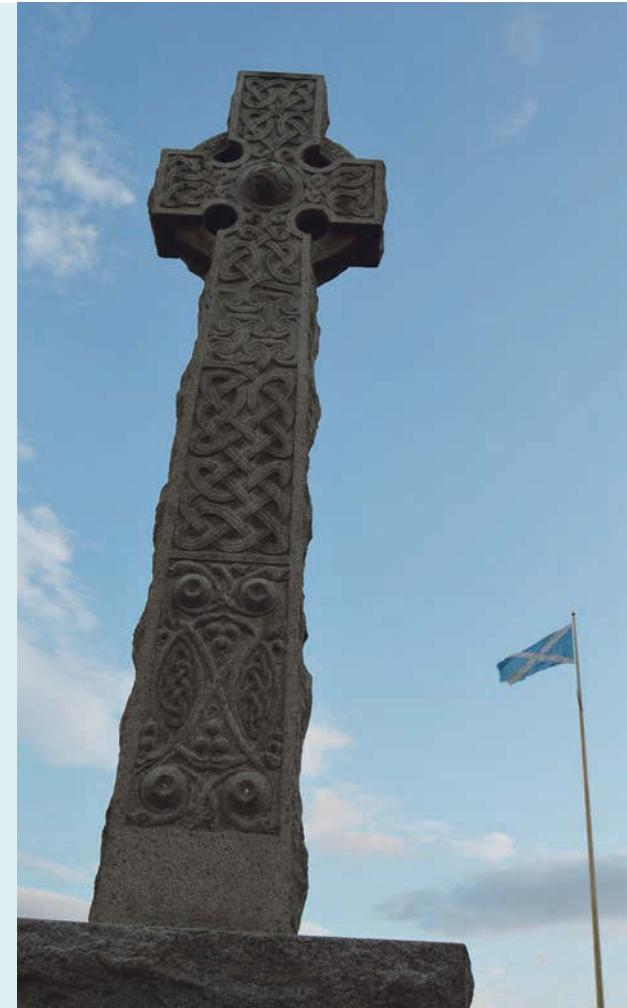
Then there is the Lochgilphead Front Green project which is getting cash from the Tarbert



and Lochgilphead Regeneration Fund which has been allocated £3 million to promote regeneration and economic development in Mid Argyll.

Lochgilphead people turned out in large numbers in May to look at the proposals for the green and pass on their opinions on giving the area a facelift so that

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Keep Scotland the Brand, says campaigner Watson

'It's not about flags or nationalism, it's about the economy.'

Founder of Keep Scotland the Brand campaign Ruth Watson is passionate about giving Scotland's rural economy all the help it can get in the precarious post-Brexit climate, now rendered even more perilous by the prospect of a no deal exit.

Keeping the Protected Geographic Indication (PGI) status is one important strand in this fight. PGIs are used to promote and protect the names of quality agricultural products and foodstuffs (such as Scottish salmon, both

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PGIs benefit producers by significantly boosting their returns, protecting their reputation for quality, and ensuring that that quality won't be undercut by foreign competitors hijacking the brand.

PGIs benefit consumers by giving an assurance of quality to a particular product. They bring wider benefits to the community through product-related investment, jobs and tourism. They underpin some of the strongest export sales the country achieves:

think of the 180 overseas markets for Scotch whisky.

All the witnesses to a recent Scottish Affairs Committee agreed that retaining and expanding PGI status was vital for producers in Scottish communities.

As Ruth told them: 'When we are looking at communities that are losing jobs we need to do everything we can to get an edge.'

A similar message came from Martin Kennedy NFU Scotland vice-president in a recent blog, published in the Argyllshire Advertiser on July 19. Looking at ways



Scotch beef or British beef?

to remedy the 'mess we are in' Mr Kennedy identified the need to stop substandard products coming in from 'the side door' and the need to establish 'meaningful understandable country-of-origin labelling'.

With reports that US trade

negotiators might require the abandonment of PGI status as one condition for a trade deal with the UK, or looking at the ambiguous wording of the current DEFRA guidance, there is growing concern surrounding the prospect of more 'mess' for Scotland's

hard-pressed rural producers. Ruth Watson will spend the day at her Keep Scotland the Brand stall at the Mid Argyll Show on Saturday August 10 and invites farmers, and all who are concerned about this issue, to meet and discuss the problem.

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Echoes of past glories on eve of farming showcase

by Colin Cameron
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The 2019 Mid Argyll Show offers a modern family day out, but the event's roots run deep.

There are many fantastic attractions for 2019, including a dog show, vintage tractor displays, horse classes, home baking competitions, prosecco bar, mini rugby and a spectacular bike stunt team display.

But the heart and soul of Mid Argyll Show remains with the farm livestock.

The earliest records reveal that Mid Argyll Show goes back as far as 1887, but there is little doubt that local farmers were proudly exhibiting their finest animals for many decades before then.

Two trophies have recently come to light which date back to the earliest years of Mid Argyll shows, and while there are gaps in their history they have fascinating stories to tell.

Furnace resident George Johnston comes from a family with a long farming tradition in Mid Argyll. Among many livestock show medals and

farming documents in his possession is a trophy which can only be described as unusual.

It was presented in 1891 by J & W Greig Wool brokers, Glasgow to the Argyle (sic) Cattle Show for the Best Blackfaced Shearling Tups. The trophy takes the form of two cattle horns with a small brass gong strung between them, complete with leather-bound striking mallet.

'I wanted to let the show committee see the trophy because it demonstrates how long the show has been going,' explained George.

Presented

The trophy, along with the many medals, were presented to the Hamilton family, who farmed at Crear, Kilberry from at least 1815 until the early 1930s.

'The Hamiltons were on my great grandmother's side,' George explained.

'They were keen on showing Clydesdale horses and Blackface sheep in particular, and took great pride in it.'

Another venerable trophy was handed to the Mid Argyll Show committee by Sheila MacCallum. A horse enthusiast

ast and past president of Mid Argyll Show, Sheila was given the trophy by Tayvallich woman Annie Logie, who discovered the rather beaten-up and tarnished trophy in a house belonging to a recently-deceased relative of hers.

The cup has a small horse modelled on the lid of the trophy, so Annie thought Sheila might be interested. A plaque with the cup is inscribed: 'Kilmartin Show 1894. Won by A McNicol, for Best Foal by Glasgow Pearl.'

The house in which it was found, Tigh na Croit, was occupied by Donald Burgess, who had been a blacksmith, as was his father.

Sheila explained: 'Blacksmiths would always have a few horses about them. Farmers too, would keep some breeding mares to replace their horses, so perhaps that's where the connection with Glasgow Pearl – probably a breeding stallion – came from.'

To witness some of the best 21st century livestock Mid Argyll has to offer, judging will start around 9am on Saturday August 10.



George Johnston with the unusual trophy won by his Hamilton ancestors.
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The horse motif on the lid of the cup.
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Brian Berry, chief executive of the Federation of Master Builders, said: 'The

fall in construction activity for the third month in a row and business optimism being at its lowest levels since 2012 means the building industry is heading towards crunch time. The UK Government must immediately postpone its plans for a complex and burdensome tax change if the supply chain is to start to turnaround its consistent decline. The time is not right to implement Reverse Charge VAT,

which would restrict cashflow and add extra administrative burdens which risk sending small businesses to the wall. The Government's guidance on the policy is confusing and complex, and it wasn't published with enough time for companies to prepare.'

Berry concluded: 'Reverse Charge VAT, Making Tax Digital and a no-deal Brexit will create the perfect storm for con-

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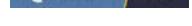
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19/01547/PP	Change of use from community, development and information centre to tearoom and gift shop	2A Main Street, Campbeltown, Argyll And Bute, PA28 6AG
19/01459/PP	Upgrade existing access to form bellmouth to enable timber harvesting	Cnocachamach Woodland, Land North West Of Achadh Chaorunn, Ardpatrick, Tarbert, Argyll And Bute
19/01348/PP	Alterations and upgrading of existing vehicular access and formation of new access track to link to existing track and associated works	Land South Of Bushang Cottage, Inveraray, Argyll And Bute
19/01537/LIB	Demolition of existing garage, erection of sunroom, installation of oil tank, re-position of satellite dish and increase height to boundary wall	Flat Ground/2, Seaciff, Glenburn Road, Ardrishaig, Lochgilphead, Argyll And Bute, PA30 8EU
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TIM MCKEOWN

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GARELOCHHEAD

A planned hotel and housing development for a lochside beauty spot at Portincaple, outside Garelochhead, would 'double the size of the community overnight', community figures have said.

The proposed development was made public in an application for a 'screening opinion' lodged with Argyll and Bute Council and concern is mounting among residents about the effect it could have on neighbouring woodland.

Members of the Portincaple Residents' Association have already met MSP Jackie Baillie to air their concerns.

The council insists that it is premature to assume the authority is backing the plans, but the residents' concerns remain.

Hilary Wharton from the PRA said: 'We are concerned about the disruption to the woodland and wildlife, but also the community in general.'

'The council defines the area as a minor settlement according to its planning policy, which says that it is against any more than five housing units.'

'So we are shocked, as this goes against anything in the local development plan. There are 54 houses in Portincaple so this doubles the size of the community overnight.'

Ms Baillie said: 'I have met with representatives of the Portincaple Residents' Association and understand their concerns about the scale of the development. I am happy to provide any assistance that I can in relation to the forthcoming planning application.'

OBAN

Oban High School had the highest number of exclusions in Argyll and Bute last year, figures have revealed.

A freedom of information request to Argyll and Bute Council revealed 48 temporary or permanent exclusions took place at the school.

Physical assault with no weapon against a pupil was the most common exclusion offence at Oban High in 2018/19, responsible for 25 per cent of removals.

There were 10 pupils excluded for verbal abuse of staff, while six were removed for general or persistent disobedience.

DALMALLY

The Portsonachan Squirrel Regeneration Project group with the new feed boxes.

Squirrel project replaces Loch Awe feeders

The Portsonachan Squirrel Regeneration Project is continuing its work to preserve the red squirrel population.

Some of the volunteers of the group have installed new squirrel feeders.

These feeders will be used along South Loch Awe-side replacing existing feeders which have been damaged by the elements, thus providing a total of 19 feeding stations being watched and sustained by the volunteer group.

The purchase of the new feeders was made possible by the group's main sponsor, Tilhill Forestry, and Egger Forestry. Also sponsoring the project this year is Ardanaiseig

Hotel, which enables the group to have a continuous supply of food for the future, supplementing the natural diet available locally.

Spokesperson Carol Russell said: 'We have already seen a steady spread of red squirrels from the initial hotspots, with some areas reporting four or five youngsters and hopefully we will see a second litter later this year.'

Further information on the project can be found on the Portsonachan Squirrel Regeneration Project Facebook page or by contacting Carol Russell at Carolr2@btinternet.com.

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Sheddell

If you met John the Baptist on a dark night in a quiet place, you might be justified in feeling a little afraid, for John might have appeared a little strange.

John was a colourful character who was, according to the gospels, a voice crying out in the wilderness. John was not an ordinary person and is described as wearing clothes of camel's hair, living on locusts and wild honey, while telling people to repent and be baptised.

He was a wee bit unorthodox, but he was committed to his God.

One day when the crowds asked what they should do to please God, John replied: 'Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none and whoever has food must do likewise.'

Recently I have had several friends deciding to 'down size' to get rid of clutter, to clear things out and not leave it for someone to do 'when I'm gone'.

How we can so easily get cluttered with possessions; how easily we can become weighed down with things we don't need, will never use, wish we hadn't bought, and so on.

As I look around our house and all the possessions we have accumulated over the years, I feel burdened by it all.

It is so easy to be a gatherer, a hoarder, a squirrel.

So many folk have told me how liberating it is to clear the clutter, get rid of the baggage, sort things out.

Possessions can weigh us down, and the clutter not only occupies the house, but also occupies mental energy too. I think John's words resonate today when we are encouraged to buy things we just don't need. I think I'll begin in the loft.

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DEATHS

BROWN - Peacefully at home in Shafton, Barnsley on August 4, 2019, Alexander Houston, aged 81 years, South Yorks Constabulary (Retired). Loving partner of Maureen, second son of the late Mrs and Mrs Robert Brown, Drumlembie and a much loved brother of Catherine, Una, Malcolm and the late Neil, Donald and Bobby.

COX - Peacefully after a short illness in the Sunshine Room, Campbeltown Hospital, on July 31, 2019, Isabella Cox, nee Colville, in her 82nd year, 14 Smith Drive, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late David (Danie) Cox, loving mum of Eleanor, Nanette and David and a much loved grandma and GG.

GALBRAITH - David B.E.M (Zara) from Southend, passed away peacefully at home in Clydebank with his family around him on August 2, 2019 aged 87 years. Loving husband for 59 years to Sheena McNair. Formerly of Strathclyde Police 'B' Division in Clydebank. Will be sadly missed by all.

LITSTER - Suddenly, but peacefully at the R.A.H Paisley, on August 7, 2019, James (Jimmy) Litster Snr, in his 84th year, of 9 Meadows Road, Lochgilphead. Loving husband of the late Flora (Laura) Darroch and much loved father of James, Duncan, Stewart and Laura. A proud grandfather of David, Caroline, Amy, Ashley, Sarah, Clare, Ewan, Campbell, Cameron, Emma and Murray and loving great-grandfather. Dear

brother of Danny and the late Davie. Much respected father in law of Alison, Verina, Norma and Colin. A cherished brother in law, uncle and cousin to all the family. A good neighbour and very dear friend to many. Funeral service will be held in Lochgilphead Parish Church on Monday August 12, 2019 at 1.30pm, thereafter to Achtnabreac Cemetery.

ROBERTSON

Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on August 3, 2019, Catherine Taylor Brown (Irene) in her 85th year, 12 Meadowpark, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of Thomas Robertson, much loved mother of Johnnie and the late Marina, loving nana of Catherine, Leona, Denise, Tammy, Margaret and Thomas and a much loved great nana.

WOOLMORE

Peacefully at her home, Ionad Socair, Upper Lochgair, on August 5, 2019, Isabella (Ishbel) Woolmore, nee Johnstone, in her 99th year. Beloved wife of the late Robert Woolmore. A good neighbour and dear friend. A graveside service will be held at Kilevin Cemetery, Crarae, Minard, on Monday August 12, 2019, at 11am. All friends are respectfully invited to attend.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

BROWN - Cathie, Kenina, Drew, nieces and nephews, would like to thank everyone most sincerely for the many kind expressions of sympathy received in the sad loss of Hugh. Special thanks to doctors and staff at Tarbert Medical Practice, Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley and all Carr Gomm staff for the kind care and attention received, to Rev Robert MacLeod for his tribute and comforting service, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, West Loch Hotel for excellent catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. Donations for Diabetes UK raised £300.

SCOTT - The family of the late Flora Scott would like to thank everyone for the lovely cards, flowers & donations, and to those who attended the service and interment. Our thanks to all the staff at the North Argyll House for the kindness and loving care given to Flora during her time there. Also to Rev. Dr Roderick Campbell for a comforting service; Mrs Ethel MacCallum for music; the George Hotel for catering; Roddy & Fiona at Donald MacDonald for their help and consideration, and to Morna for the beautiful flowers.

IN MEMORIAMS

ALLAN - Sweet and happy memories of our darling youngest son, Iain Kelly, died July 30, 2006. Also my beloved husband, Robert Galbraith, (Big Bert) died August 13, 2006.

- Love and miss you both so much, till we meet again. Always and ever.

Jean xx

LIDDELL - In loving memory of our dear dad Robert, died August 9, 2004.

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MACLENNAN - In loving memory of Elizabeth, died August 12, 1985, loving wife of the late Murdo and beloved mum of the late Kevin. We hold her close within our hearts.

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To walk with us throughout our lives. Until we meet again.

- Love always, Lorrie, Leone, Darren and Laurene x

MCKENZIE - In memory of Sandy who died August 11, 2005.

Always in our thoughts.

- Jane and girls xxxx

MORRISON - In loving memory of my fiancé Murdo, who died August 13, 2009.

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10.00am All welcome (SC002876)

SALVATION ARMY



Sunday Services

10.30am Morning Service

6.30pm Evening Worship

Major Ruth Russell

Adventure Cruise Holiday Club

Primary School Children

Mon-Wed 12-14th August

10.30am - 12.30pm

All welcome

Scottish Charity

Number SCO09359

CAMPBELTOWN FREE CHURCH

George Street, Campbeltown

Sundays 11.00am

Eucharist & Coffee

St Columba's,

Poltalloch

(SC031391)

1st Sunday of the month

9.00am Holy Communion

3rd Sunday of the month

6.00pm Evensong

All welcome

Father Simon MacKenzie

01546 602315

www.campbeltownfree-church.co.uk

Scottish Charity

Number: SC046745

ST MARGARET'S R.C. CHURCH

Lochgilphead

Holy Mass Sunday 10am

All Saints, Inveraray

Holy Mass Sunday

12.30pm

Fr. David Connor

01546 602380

All Welcome

(SC002876)

CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH

KINTYRE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Kintyre Christian Fellowship

Meeting to be held

on Friday 16th August

at 7.30pm

in Lorne and Lowland

(new) Church Hall,

Campbeltown

Guest speaker:

Mr David Wylie,

Greenbank Evangelical

Church, Glasgow

Tea/coffee served after

meeting.

Everyone most welcome

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH

Charity number

SCO01002

Sunday 11th August

10am Bellanoch Church

Morning Worship

Saturday 10th August

10.30am - 12.30pm

Cafe Connect

Achnamara Hall

All welcome

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Sunday 11th August Skipness Service

10.00am

Mr J G Malcolm Tarbert Service

11.30am

Mr J G Malcolm Kilberry Service

2.00pm

Mr J G Malcolm Everyone Welcome

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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE

Church of Scotland

Sunday 11th August Cumlodden and Lochgair

Charity No. SC016097

Cumlodden Church

- 10.00am

Sunday service will be

led by Mrs Margaret Sinclair

Glenaray and Inveraray

Charity No. SC016665

Inveraray Church

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MacLeod hat-trick helps Kyles sink 'Aray

Inveraray	1
Kyles Athletic	5
Mowi Premiership	

Sixth placed Kyles Athletic are six points off the top of the table with two games in hand after beating Inveraray at the Winterton.



Kyles Athletic's Roddy MacDonald takes a tumble after this challenge from Inveraray's Lewis Montgomery.

Robbie MacLeod broke the deadlock on 35 minutes after he got on the end of a floated free-hit from Paul MacArthur.

Young Ruaraidh Graham was credited with Inveraray's 51-minute leveller though the ball went in off Kyles player Innes Macdonald. Fraser Watt's half-hit shot across

goals from the left was diverted past John Whyte from the edge of the D by the unfortunate Macdonald to make it 1-1. Robbie MacLeod got his second to put Kyles back in front just 10 minutes after the restart.

Ross MacRae made it 3-1 on 75 minutes, turning home a rebound following a Paul MacArthur shot. MacRae tapped the ball home from a Rupert Williamson corner just five minutes later to claim his second goal of the game.

Robbie MacLeod completed his hat-trick a minute from time with Ross MacRae and Cairn Limbert involved in the lead-up play.

Taynuilt	3
Inveraray	2

Mowi South Division One

Taynuilt withstood a second half fight back from the Inveraray second team to win 3-2 in a thrilling match.

Both teams had chances early on but it was Taynuilt who took the lead in fortuitous circumstances on 15 minutes when a cross from the wide area deflected off Inveraray defender Donald Ferguson and ended up in the net.

Taynuilt doubled their lead on 40 minutes after a superb run through



Inveraray's Robert Wood and Conor Kennedy, Kyles Athletic, tussle for the ball. Photos: Stephen Lawson

Jamie MacFarlane. Inveraray

pushed for the goal that would get them back into the game and eventually got their goal on 66 minutes when the ball broke out to Campbell Watt on the edge of the D and he fired home to reduce the deficit.

Inveraray were level just a couple of minutes later when Peter McIntyre

fired a shot into the top right corner.

Both teams pushed for a winner and it was the home side who grabbed both points with a goal just four minutes from time from Zander Kilmurray.

The win lifts Taynuilt above Inveraray to seventh in the table and they have games in hand on most of the teams above them.



The Camanachd Cup

Shinty semi-final, live from Argyll

The second semi-final of the Tulloch Homes Camanachd Cup is due to be broadcast live from Mossfield, Oban this weekend.

The match, between Kyles Athletic and Oban Camanachd will be broadcast on BBC ALBA on Saturday, with a 4pm throw-up.

The winner will face cup holders Newtonmore in the final of the sport's blue riband event on September 14 at an Aird, Fort William.

Lochside Rovers win Bullough Cup

Glasgow Mid Argyll	1
Lochside Rovers	4
Bullough Cup Final	

It was a step too far for the Glasgow Mid Argyll (GMA) second team in the Bullough Cup as Lochside Rovers took home the silverware at Strachurmore on Saturday August 3.

The Oban side started favourites, having come out on top in the two league matches between the teams this season, but GMA had a strong squad and made a decent start.

Connor MacLeod and Andy McGhee were driving GMA forward from the centre line and Lochside keeper Dougie MacDonald made a good double save, first stopping John McNulty's early shot and then Seb MacMillan's rebound attempt.

Lewis Buchanan had the first attempt on target for Lochside, which Jonathan Oates saved with his feet.

At the other end, McNulty tried a shot from distance which flew narrowly over the crossbar. But it was Lochside who took the lead after half an hour, Buchanan's shot from 30 yards finding the roof of the net.



The Lochside players and coaching staff celebrate after winning the cup. 06_a32BulloughCup02

Lochside had a goal disallowed for offside a few minutes later and had the chance to double their lead when a penalty was awarded, but the Glasgow side were let off the hook when Buchanan's spot hit went past the post.

Impact

Lochside brought on Michael MacQueen at half forward at the interval and he soon made an impact.

When GMA failed to clear their lines the ball broke to MacQueen at

the edge of the D and he fired it low into the net with just a couple of minutes played in the second half.

A MacQueen shot from a narrow angle was saved by Oates with his chest, but a third goal was not long in coming. From a corner on the Lochside left, Craig MacDougall

picked up the ball and fired a low shot which took a wicked bounce in front of the GMA keeper to make it 3-0.

Buchanan sealed the result with

15 minutes to go when he ran onto a Blair MacFarlane pass and finished into the far corner.

GMA kept fighting, but Lochside captain Jordan Kerr was leading his defence well. With two minutes left, GMA were rewarded with a consolation goal through Nick Lavin.

It was too late to affect the outcome and Lochside Rovers were presented with the Bullough Cup to add to the Sutherland Cup they won a few weeks ago.



Action from the inaugural Kilberry Loop Sportive in 2018.

Cyclists take the scenic route

A cycle run taking in some of Argyll's most beautiful scenery will set off from Tarbert this weekend.

The second-ever Kilberry Loop Sportive is a non-competitive event which will follow the Kilberry road before returning to Tarbert.

Organised by Mid Argyll Tri and Cycle Club, the Kilberry Loop Sportive is aimed at all abilities, though some climbs are involved.

The event starts at 8.30am on Saturday August 10 from the Isthmus, Tarbert, heading through the village and north on the A83 before turning left at the junction with the B8024 on to a single track road. There follows a steady climb

for about 2km before a descent into Achahoish and the beginning of wonderful scenery as the loop continues along the shores of Loch Caolisport.

The breathtaking views over to Jura, Islay and Gigha demand a quick stop for a photograph.

There will be a feed station around the half way mark.

The route continues through Kilberry with some short sharp climbs and sweeping descents, before following the coast of West Loch Tarbert north up passed the Tarbert Golf Club, reaching the A83, turning left, back to Tarbert and the finish.

Close run thing in Pairs final

Gilbert Mullen and Neil MacDougall ran out winners of the Ardrishaig Bowling Club Pairs on Saturday August 3.

The Oban Bowling Club pair beat Irene McNicol and Amy McCallum from Tarbert in a closely fought final at Ardrishaig Bowling Club.

Gilbert and Neil.



Red Star on A & B Cup duty

With the Oban Saints' first team squad away on a 'team bonding' session in Inverness, the Oban Saints Greater Glasgow team hosted the Argyll and Bute Invitational Cup, tournament sponsored by Soroba House.

Joining the host team were old friends and Argyll rivals Lochgilphead Red Star, Ayrshire Division One champions New Farm Loch and Caledonian Division One champions Milngavie Wanderers.

Games were played on both Oban High School 3G pitch and the excellent conditioned Glen 2, with three x 50-minute games each and combined with the blistering sun it was sure to be a major test fitness-wise for all involved.

The first two games saw Saints lose 2-0 to eventual winners Milngavie Wanderers and Red Star going down to New Farm Loch. Credit to the Lochgilphead lads they were 4-0

down at one stage but fought back to make the final score 4-2.

The next two games saw New Farm defeat Milngavie 3-0 and Star going down 3-0 to Argyll rivals Oban Saints.

New Farm went into the last game knowing that a win would give them the trophy but they were shocked by the young Oban Saints outfit who recorded a fine 3-0 win in what was probably the best game of the day.

In their final match a tiring Red Star were no match for Milngavie who ran out comfortable 6-1 winners which gave them the trophy by virtue of a one goal better goal difference than hosts Oban Saints.

Councillor Jim Lynch kindly presented the Argyll and Bute Cup to a happy Milngavie squad.

Thanks go to referees Jimmy Lister and Martin Rae and a special thanks to Soroba House for sponsoring the competition.

new SPOT THE SHINTY BALL

THIS WEEK'S JACKPOT £3200

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

If you wish to have more attempts, you must enter on separate coupons.

The game starts with a jackpot of £500 and will increase by £50 per week until it is won outright. To win the jackpot, the centre of your cross must be in the exact centre of the ball. If the crosses overlap the entry will be void.

If no correct entry is received, two 'near miss' prizes of £25 will be awarded. When the jackpot is won, no other prizes will be awarded that week.

competition and no correspondence will be entered into. The final decision rests with the Company.

In the event of more than one correct entry, the jackpot will be shared equally between all winning entries. Any decision regarding the awarding of a prize is entirely at the discretion of the Company.

The Company reserves the right to declare the competition null and void at any time, subject to its discretion and to make full refund of the price of the coupon to any person who has entered the competition at that time. Winners agree to have their photograph taken for publicity purposes. Winners' names and home towns will appear in the newspaper. Employees of Wyvern Media, their immediate relatives and any person otherwise connected with the competition are ineligible to enter. We will protect your personal data. We only gather what we need for the requirements of this competition. Entry data will be deleted/destroyed within 30 days of the competition entry deadline and in a manner appropriate to GDPR regulations. Entrant's details will not be used for any other activity'.

Easy to enter

Cut out your completed coupon and put your entry plus £1 per 20 attempts into a sealed envelope and post it to "Spot the Shinty Ball" Competition, The Oban Times, PO Box 1, Oban, Argyll PA34 4HB by 2pm Tuesday. No refunds will be given for entries received after the deadline.

You may hand it into any of our offices - The Oban Times, Lochavullin, Oban; The Lochaber Times, High Street, Fort William; The Campbeltown Courier, Main Street, Campbeltown; The Argyllshire Advertiser, Argyll Street, Lochgilphead or the Arran Banner, Brodick, Isle of Arran by the same time. Otherwise all entries must be posted.

Competition rules

No responsibility will be accepted for entries which are delayed, mislaid or lost, and proof of posting cannot be accepted as proof of delivery.

The Company's decision is final on all matters relating to the



Please remember to enclose £1 for 20 crosses. The maximum number of attempts on this coupon is 20, but you may enter on separate coupons as many times as you wish. No photocopies allowed. You agree to abide by the rules. How to enter: Mark your crosses using a ballpoint pen. Twenty crosses may be put on this coupon for £1. Send to 'Spot the Shinty Ball' Competition, The Oban Times, P.O. Box 1, Oban PA34 4HB or hand in to any of our offices as detailed above.

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LAST WEEK'S SHINTY BALL WAS HERE...



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

K Mitchell
Ardrishaig

A Mitchell
Ardrishaig



Winner Peter Cupples with Catherine Mundell.

Peter leads the way at James Mundell Open

The great British summer failed to put a dampener on last Sunday's James Mundell Memorial Open.

The 45 players who took part enjoyed an excellent Tarbert Golf Club course despite some awful weather for the morning starters.

First off the blocks was Peter Cupples playing in the worst of the weather, who returned the winning score with a fabulous 72-12 for nett 60, a score that nobody could threaten all day despite the improving weather conditions.

In the scratch section, David Lamont took the honours with a superb one under par 65.

As always, competitors were well looked after by Sheena, Georgie, Fiona and Mrs Mundell, who provided outstanding hospitality all day. Captain Smyth thanked Catherine Mundell for her continued support.

Results: 1 Peter Cupples Nett 60; 2 Ross Sinclair 65; 3 Iain MacArthur 66; 4 Archie Black 66 Scratch: 1 David Lamont 65; 2 Lee Mathieson 72; 3 John MacNab 72; 4 Ryan McGlynn 74.

This week the first and second round of the Tarbert Club Championship takes place, with John Mac Nab defending.

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Lochgilphead footie coaching, Benfica style

Benfica. Quite simply one of the most famous names in world football.

The Lisbon football club has won the Portuguese league title 37 times and, with legendary players such as Eusebio, secured the European Cup twice in the 1960s.

This week, young footballers from Mid Argyll had the opportunity to learn from that famous club as Benfica Academy coaches spent two days teaching young players at Lochgilphead Soccer Centre in partnership with Coerver Coaching Scotland.

Youth coaches Jose Bruno and Joao Videria visited Lochgilphead Joint Campus

on Tuesday and Wednesday August 6/7, prompting a good few of the kids to wear replica shirts bearing the name of modern-day Portuguese hero 'Ronaldo'.

Skills training

Around 70 young players from primary to secondary school age benefited from the skills training in showery weather interspersed by warm sunshine. Not that the weather mattered as the players soaked up the valuable tips on offer.

The Benfica coaches have been visiting Scotland in partnership with Coerver, with Lochgilphead their fifth stop on a three-week tour.



No quarter asked, or given, among Jose Bruno's group.

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The primary school players put the coaching into practice.

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Joao Videria explains a drill to the eager young players.



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WIN

A LUXURY COUNTRY HOUSE STAY IN THE HIDDEN HIGHLANDS



Hidden amid 20 acres of beautiful woodland, Forss House is a unique country house hotel. Located on a loop of the gently meandering River Forss, in majestic Caithness, this is one of the wildest places in Britain.

Enjoy award-winning dining in the 2AA Rosette restaurant, experience the genuine warmth of Scottish hospitality and follow in the footsteps of our Pictish and Norse ancestors - discovering mind-blowing landscapes, soaring sea cliffs and deserted stretches of coastline. About as far north as you can get, this pretty 14-bedroom hotel is a place for life's adventurers, one for the discoverers - the boundary pushers and the bucket listers.

The winner and their guest will enjoy a one-night stay in a master bedroom, a three-course dinner, full Scottish breakfast and a whisky flight for two. Worth over £350, this is your chance to experience the very finest Scottish hospitality.

If you'd like a chance to win this amazing prize, answer the following question.
Which river runs alongside the hotel?

Must be redeemed within six months of the draw date. Cannot be redeemed between or on 23rd December - 2 January, Bank Holidays, 14th-16th February.

WIN

A STRANRAER OYSTER FESTIVAL BREAK AT NORTH WEST CASTLE



Enjoy a fantastic foodie experience with a two night Stranraer Oyster Festival package at North West Castle Hotel.

Stranraer Oyster Festival is packed with fun and flavour. Celebrating the wild, native oysters of Loch Ryan this food festival includes celebrity chef demonstrations, the Scottish Shucking Championships, foodie workshops, dining experiences, an artisan market, family friendly activities, street food, live music and more.

Your Stranraer Oyster Festival package, worth £30 must be taken on Friday 13 and Saturday 14 September, includes dinner, bed and breakfast, plus room upgrade and wine. As well as weekend tickets to Stranraer Oyster Festival and to one celebrity chef demonstration, and two tickets to the Saturday evening Big Oyster Bash.

If you'd like a chance to win this amazing prize, answer the following question.
What national chef competition takes place at Stranraer Oyster Festival?

NB: The closing date for this competition is Friday 30th August.

T&Cs: The prize is for the Stranraer Oyster Festival package, at the North West Castle Hotel, plus Stranraer Oyster Festival tickets. The prize must be taken on 13th and 14th September 2019. The prize is for 2 adults sharing a room. The winner will be sent a voucher for their prize. The room and Big Bash tickets have already been reserved and allocated to the winner by North West Castle. Use of data Stranraer Development Trust organiser of Stranraer Oyster Festival, will use any data received from this competition for the purposes of sending email marketing about Stranraer Oyster Festival, including details of programmes and ticket offers. It will not be sold or given to any third parties, and will not be used for any other purpose.

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 Ferry Road, Edinburgh EH5 2DL or enter at www.scottishfield.co.uk. Closing date, unless otherwise stated, is 30 September 2019. Winners drawn from all competitions also enter a prize to win a bottle of Whitetail Gin.

Entrants must be 18 or over. Employees of Scottish Field, the competition promoters, and their direct families are ineligible to enter. No purchase necessary. The winner will be first correct entry drawn after closing date. No cash alternative is available. The winner will be informed by telephone. Usual Scottish Field rules apply. We will protect your personal data. We only gather what we need for this competition - your name, address, telephone number and email address. If you wish to receive news and offers from the third party running the competition then please mark the words 'OPT IN' on your postcard entry. If you enter various competitions on one card you will be opting in for every competition running. Unless you opt in to receive further marketing information we will only contact you if you win a prize in the competition Scottish Field (9WYex Media) will retain your information for a maximum of 3 months after the competition closes and then it will be deleted. If you have opted in to receive third party information, the data you have supplied will be passed to the third party company running the competition. This may be used for the purposes of the third party contacting you regarding new products and services for a period of 3 month, unless you agree to an extension with the third party company at a later date.