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Timber cash to ease lorry burden on Argyll roads

Scottish Government funding of more than £2.58 million has been awarded to projects in Argyll and Bute to reduce the impact of timber lorries on roads.

In total, £1.78 million has been awarded to support road strengthening in the area from the Strategic Timber Transport Fund, which is managed by Scottish Government agency Scottish Forestry.

An additional £800,000 has been awarded to support the TimberLINK shipping service which moves 80,000-100,000 tonnes of timber from forests in Argyll to markets in Ayrshire, taking nearly a million lorry miles off the public road network.

Allocated

Around £6.6 million has been allocated right across Scotland through the fund.

The cash for road projects means that every £1 spent by the Argyll and Bute Council has been almost doubled by the Strategic Timber Transport Fund. Total spend for timber road improvements, including the coun-

cil's investment, will come to more than £2.7 million.

The co-financed money will go towards the improvement of mostly rural roads used by timber wagons and the building of a landing craft ramp at Allt Daraich on Loch Striven to enable timber to be shifted by sea.

Advice

Funding will also go to a timber transport project officer who gives advice across Argyll and Bute.

Announcing the awards, Cabinet Secretary for the Rural Economy Fergus Ewing MSP said: 'It is important that we do what we can to mitigate the impact on local communities of increased volumes of timber coming to market.'

'That is the key purpose of the Timber Transport Fund and it is encouraging to know that local authorities and forest owners continue to bring forward project ideas that will facilitate the sustainable transport of timber and ultimately benefit local communities and the environment.'

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**Cuddles with
Carla the
champion**

Newly-crowned champ Carla would rather nuzzle into Julie than have her photo taken. 51_a33MAS23_dogchampion2

The overall open dog champion at last weekend's unexpectedly sun-drenched Mid Argyll Show was Carla,

a 14-year-old Rottweiler owned by Julie Grove from Scammadale near Oban.

Carla was four years old

when she was adopted from a Glasgow dog rescue centre by Julie. Now she is a champion and a loving member of the

family.

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Youth praised by planning group

by Colin Cameron
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Two members of Mid Argyll Youth Forum, who spoke at the latest meeting of a community planning group, have been praised by councillors on the committee.

Held at the Inveraray Inn on July 31, the meeting of Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands area Community Planning Group featured a presentation by Mid Argyll Youth Forum (MAYF).

Representing the youth group were Yasmine Bowden and Hannah Nicolson, who outlined some of the work done by MAYF over the past year.

Community planning group members heard that the youth forum had carried out, among other things, a very successful backpack filling exercise for Malawi,

helped at Lochgilhead Armed Forces Day, carried on its World War One project in conjunction with Argyll Talking Newspapers and organised a number of social events.

After a confident presentation by Hannah and Yasmine, Councillor Anne Horn said: 'I know you all gave up your time to pack the bags, and you all deserve great credit for the work the group does.'

Echoing this, Councillor Donnie MacMillan said: 'I would like to congratulate the youth group on the work you do, particularly with the World War One project.'

'Mid Argyll Youth Forum goes from strength to strength.'

Chairman Andy Buntin concluded by offering Mid Argyll Youth Forum the full support of the community planning group.



Yasmine and Hannah took back a lot of praise from the community planning group. 06_a33YouthForum02

POLICE FILES

■ About 1.20am on Tuesday August 6 in Tarbert, a man aged 37 was arrested for allegedly driving while under the influence of alcohol. He was charged with the offence and released to appear at court on a later date.

■ On Tuesday August 6, three vehicles were stopped separately in Lochgilhead. Checks revealed the vehicles had expired MOT certificates and the drivers, a woman aged 24, a 55-year-old man and a man aged 81 were charged and issued with £100 fixed penalties.

■ Between about 8pm on Wednesday August 7 and 11am on Thursday August 8, in Leacain Terrace, Furnace, a grey Skoda Yeti car was damaged by having the bodywork scratched.

■ At around 11.30am on Saturday August 10, in a flat in Tarbert, two women aged 18 and 22 were reportedly fighting with each other. Police subsequently charged them and issued both with a recorded police warning.

■ On the evening of Saturday August 10, two men and two women were caught driving at excessive speed on the A83 at Lochgilhead.

Fixed penalty tickets of £100 with three penalty points were issued. Another man aged 20 was also stopped for allegedly driving at excessive speed, was charged and a report will be submitted to the fiscal.

■ About 12.10am on Sunday August 11, in Union Street, Lochgilhead, a man, 27, was stopped and searched by police and allegedly found in possession of a small amount of cocaine. The man was charged and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

■ About 12.25am on Sunday August 11 in Argyll Street, Lochgilhead, a 25-year-old man was issued with a £40 fixed penalty notice for consuming alcohol in a public place in contravention of local byelaws.

■ At around 12.40am on Sunday August 11 in Argyll Street, Lochgilhead, a man aged 21 and another man, also 27, were issued with £40 fixed penalty notices for alleged behaving in an abusive manner.

If anyone has information in relation to any incident, call police on 101, or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.



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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			
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Sat, 24 Aug 2019	12:01	09:01	14:31			
Sun, 25 Aug 2019				13:11	10:11	15:41
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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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Timber cash to ease lorry burden on Argyll roads

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The projects in Argyll to receive money are:

■ A816 Lochgilhead to Oban strategic route;

■ Lochawe haulage routes - B840, C30 and C29;

■ B842 east Kintyre haulage routes to Campbeltown;

■ B8000 Barnacarry to Strathlachlan and Otter Ferry to Millhouse;

■ Leorin B8016 on Islay and

■ Allt Daraich landing craft loading facility.

Argyll and Bute councillor Ellen Morton, depute policy lead for roads and amenity services, said: 'It is particularly encouraging to see that the council has submitted quality projects, in a competitive process, that have secured three of the highest individual funding awards.'

'Forestry is one of the key

industry sectors in Argyll and Bute and it plays a vital part in growing our economy. As much as we encourage it, we recognise it has an impact on our infrastructure at a time when we, as a council, are making difficult choices about services. We are delighted to be able to double our investment in roads to the benefit of our communities and our local businesses.'



Fergus Ewing MSP, Scottish Government's Cabinet Secretary for Rural Economy.

Photo: Alan Peebles



Shuna makes a bid for freedom ...

A Mid Argyll Show highlight for many is the end-of-show terrier race, and this year's proved even more entertaining than most.

Rounds one and two went off with just the usual hilarious scrapping for the tail.

But, as round three got under way, one rebellious wee terrier decided she wouldn't follow the pack tearing up the main ring.

Instead, she would go for a run around the field and simply do

her own thing. Three-year-old Shuna was enjoying herself so much she 'forgot' to return to her handler Joe and his mum Bernie Redman from Lochgilphead. She became a little deaf.

When Joe decided to recapture Shuna, it became a game for his diminutive quarry, and she joyfully evaded his every rugby tackle and scramble to catch her.

As the ringside crowd watched the scene some helpful young

lads joined the hunt to recapture Shuna – who was having a great time holding up the main event.

Tiredness on a hot afternoon probably played a part in her eventual recapture, and a lead was swiftly secured to the wee rebel.

Shuna, though, thought it was great fun – as did the crowds of onlookers.

Show photo special:
pages eight to 11.



Care accounts for bulk of £2.8m cash gap

by Colin Cameron
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Health chiefs have been warned of a projected overspend of £2.8 million on services in Argyll and Bute – just three months into the new financial year.

The figure, most of which is down to spending on social work, is reported in a financial statement produced by Judy Orr, the new head of finance and transformation at the Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP).

The report was presented at HSCP's integration joint board (IJB) at a meeting on Wednesday August 7.

An overspend of £4.4m was projected by the HSCP at the same time last year. The year-end financial position was an overspend of £6.6m, some of which was only made up for by NHS Highland's

brokerage from the Scottish Government.

The total projected overspend for social work services in 2019-20 is £2.306m, a figure which Ms Orr has called 'a very disappointing position'.

She said: 'It should be noted that this is the position at the end of month three, which is still fairly early in the year, and is based on our assessment of the trends at this time, and reflecting actions already well under way.'

'Over the remaining nine months of the year, concerted efforts will be made in order to deliver an out-turn which is considerably closer to a balanced budget. Updated forecasts will be prepared each month so that progress can be tracked.'

'The biggest single area of social work overspend is on learning disability, where there has been a failure to

deliver anticipated savings so far, along with higher than budgeted demand.

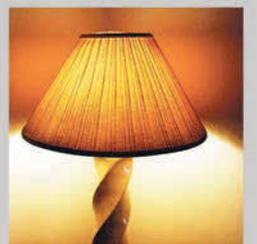
'The next two areas of forecast overspend are physical disability and older people.'

An additional £500,000 is forecast to be overspent on the provision of health services. Ms Orr said: 'The overspend is mainly linked to savings not being achieved in addition to increased costs for oncology drugs, pharmacy costs, patient referrals and agency/locum staff.'

'The overspend has been offset to an extent by vacancy savings and also slippage on budget reserves which includes one-off in year allocations. It is expected that this overspend should be containable through ongoing grip and control of expenditure during the remainder of the financial year, so no new savings are proposed in the recovery plan for health.'

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Going deep to build self-belief

by Colin Cameron
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The Go Deep initiative last week set up camp in Lochgilphead.

Go Deep is described as a game based on the metaphor of a Metro transport system. Participants follow a journey.

But the game has a serious purpose – to uncover the needs and aspirations of a community and work towards a tangible end product, reflecting the views of local people.

Becs Barker, a community support worker based in Minard, has been involved in Go Deep in different places in Europe and brought the game to Lochgilphead for a four-day session at the parish church hall.

Becs explained: 'It might be that people who came together in Lochgilphead just



Making connections and working as a team, using a ball of wool. 06_a33GoDeep07

had a good time, or maybe something will be sparked by Sunday.'

Also attending was Pat Black, who works with Diversity Matters in

Edinburgh, a group which has been involved with a European-wide project designing Go Deep.

Pat explained: 'People taking part may leave feeling better about themselves after recognising qualities in them they never knew they had.'

'New self-belief arising from this should encourage people to make more connections with others, leading to better community spirit and energy.' And this is no superficial exercise. Go Deep really does explore personal emotions in some depth.

There was exploration into 'togetherness' and 'feelings' through group activities and games.

Participants also went out and collected ideas from the community on what they dream for Lochgilphead and Mid Argyll. There was a community meal on Saturday with drama, dance and song, at which the community's views were explored a little further.

An inclusive evening followed, celebrating diversity including those with disabilities and understanding of LGBTQ+ community members.

The Go Deep visit to Lochgilphead wound up on Sunday August 11, when the core team discussed what the next steps should be to help the Lochgilphead community put their ideas into practice.



The raft race was fun for the youngsters.



Yachts take to the water on Loch Sween.

Activities galore at Tayvallich Regatta

Tayvallich Sailing Club held a successful annual regatta on Saturday August 10.

Defying the forecast, lots of people turned up and luckily the weather did not do what it was forecast to.

Always a popular day for locals and visitors, the regatta is the main fundraising event for the sailing club and a very full day of activities.

In the morning, various

on-the-water races were held – rowing, rafting, canoeing, hunt the rubber duck – all in front of the village green where refreshments were served.

In the afternoon, it was all about sea swimming races just outside the bay and wind surfing, dinghy and keelboat races on Loch Sween.

The day was rounded off with a barbecue, prize-giving and live music at The Tayvallich Inn.

This year there were three bands playing – Thorkil and the Creelmen, The Vallichs, and The Rusty Mustangs.

Money raised at the regatta goes towards operating costs and the club's main activity at the moment is teaching the village primary school children to row and sail and be safe at sea.

The Tayvallich Regatta is held annually on the second weekend in August.

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Debbie Lowe, centre, of Icon Hairdressers with band members, from left, Alistair Cupples, Rhian McCuaig, Mary Moir and Pipe Major Craig Lang.

Pipe band travels to World Championships in (hair)style

All roads lead to Glasgow Green this weekend as the World Pipe Band Championships are held in the city.

Mid Argyll Pipe Band will be heading to compete in the Grade 4A arena, with realistic hopes of bringing home a trophy.

And, for the second year running, Icon

Hairdressers in Lochgilphead has sponsored a band bus to the championship.

Pipe Major Craig Lang said: 'We are very grateful to Icon Hairdressers for its generosity, and we look forward to a good world championships at the weekend.'

The worlds will be the band's penultimate competition of the year, with

Cowal Games to follow in Dunoon at the end of August. The band will be running a supporters' bus to the Cowal spectacular, a great day out.

To book a seat, contact the band via the Mid Argyll Pipe Band Facebook page or speak to a band or committee member.

Stuart is the master at piping competition

The best competing pipers around returned to the stage at the National Piping Centre in Glasgow for the annual Masters Solo Piping Competition.

Inveraray's own Pipe Major Stuart Liddell proved to be the pick of the bunch at the competition on Monday August 12.

His win earns him qualification for the Glenfiddich Piping Championship 2019, which takes place this October.

Competition results:
Piobaireachd: 1 Stuart Liddell, The Unjust Incarceration; 2 Fred Morrison, Scarce of Fishing; 3 Callum Beaumont Donald Gruamach's March; 4 Roddy MacLeod, The Earl of Ross's March.

March, Strathspey and Reel: 1 Connor Sinclair, Major Manson at Clachantrushal, Arniston Castle, Broadford Bay; 2 Angus MacColl, The Lochaber Gathering, The Cameronian Rant, Pretty



Stuart Liddell.

Marion; 3 Willie McCallum, Murdo MacLeod, Lady MacKenzie of Gairloch, The Man from Glengarry; 4 Finlay Johnston, Inverloch Castle, Maggie Cameron, Thompson's Dirk.

Amanda given top award for engineering

by Colin Cameron
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City of Glasgow College graduate Amanda Mackie has been presented with this year's Lady Hamlyn Award.

Tarbert resident Amanda, who graduated from the college in June, received the accolade from the Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology, which has offered her a position as a junior engineer.

The Lady Hamlyn Award is given to apprentices who have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to their professional development in the maritime sector.

Matthew Stewart, associate dean for Nautical Science at City of Glasgow College, said: 'This is an outstanding achievement for Amanda and an endorsement of all her hard work and commit-



Amanda Mackie.

ment throughout her time at college. She is an excellent example of our college purpose to let learning flourish and we look forward to seeing her continue to achieve and progress throughout her career.'

Amanda, who attended Kilwinning Academy and now lives in Tarbert, graduated with an SPD Marine Engineering cadetship.

She now aims to become a third engineer within the next six to eight months and then hopes to gain her second engineer and chief engineer certificates of competency.

Amanda said: 'I am extremely proud to receive this award. It is great to have all the hard work of the past three years recognised by such a well-established and respected organisation.'

'I plan on going back to sea once I pass my oral exam and work my way up to second engineer. I will remain at sea while doing distance learning to achieve a post-graduate in renewable energy and engineering to broaden my career options as the energy sector changes, and continue until I reach chief engineer or possibly on to superintendent.'

'The staff at City of Glasgow College have been fantastic and very supportive.'

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Express yourself

Let's face it, we're not great at expressing our emotions in Argyll. The natives, at least.

Perhaps that's an unfair generalisation, perpetuating a stereotype and discriminating against a chunk of our community. But, as this writer is an Argyll native, that's fine (I think).

With this in mind, last week's four-day Go Deep exercise was a wee bit touchy-feely. But perhaps feeling uncomfortable was the whole point. The 'game' gradually pulls out participants' true feelings. If these feelings and views on the Lochgilphead community are put to practical good use, then all the touchy-feeliness will have been well worth it.

And maybe us teuchters should learn to relax a bit more and express our feelings.

Or perhaps not.

A great show

Mid Argyll Show was very lucky with the weather, but the organisers deserved that wee break after hard work setting up in the pouring rain.

This event is part of Mid Argyll's heritage, yet it manages to keep up with the times and keeps everyone entertained.

Congratulations to the committee, helpers, exhibitors, sponsors and everyone else involved on another cracking day out.

Showing appreciation

Sir,

I would like to record my thanks to everyone who contributed to the running of the Mid Argyll Show this year.

It is great for visitors to see these traditions and talents brought together and seeing young people participating in events assuring that these customs are in safe hands for the future.

Thank you again to all involved in running the show.

Councillor Anne Horn

NHS dental patient limbo

Sir,

I read with some interest that a new dentist was coming to town in Lochgilphead to set up a practice, which I am sure we look forward to.

The local NHS trust cannot seem to lure one to the area to work at the Mid Argyll Hospital practice, which I think is unfortunate for all concerned. We do at the moment have a dentist and fully qualified staff and are happy with their work.

Rumour has it that the aforementioned dentist and staff will be taking on patients from Mid Argyll Hospital, which I presume they tend to already.

But the practice is to lose its local NHS patients, so they will deal solely with patients who require dental treatment from the hospital. I think this situation leaves the NHS patients in limbo.

I am sure we would rather that the current dentist and all of her staff be given a chance

to voice their opinions on this matter as much and as well as the local populace.

Yes, it will be brilliant to have both dentists in the town. There is the possibility that those on the local list who are currently treated well by the dental department at the hospital maybe still seen by the dentist and her staff, but I would like this to be confirmed by the local NHS trust.

Brian MacDonald, Crinan

Careers help is available

Sir,

Hundreds of people across Scotland have been helped through their exam results by a group of Skills Development Scotland (SDS) careers advisers.

Based across the north of Scotland, the advisers were part of a team taking calls at the SDS Exam Results Helpline from 8am on results day.

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is also support for parents and carers.

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The work of SDS careers advisers in schools and centres is supported by Scotland's careers website myworldofwork.co.uk, where you can access advice 24 hours a day. It is packed with career information, advice and tools such as the CV builder. There is also a dedicated exam results section.

Details of the local SDS centres are available at myworldofwork.co.uk/centres and information about events and opportunities is also available on Facebook.

Pauline Graham, project manager for the SDS Exam Results Helpline

A great time

Sir,

I had a great time at this year's Islay Show. It was fantastic to speak to so many of my constituents.

It was also wonderful to see many business stalls promoting Islay's dynamic and booming economy.

The show was well attended with lots of families, both islanders and visitors, having a fun day out and luckily the sun was shining most of the day.

A huge thanks to all the organisers and everyone else who contributed to the event.

Councillor Alastair Redman

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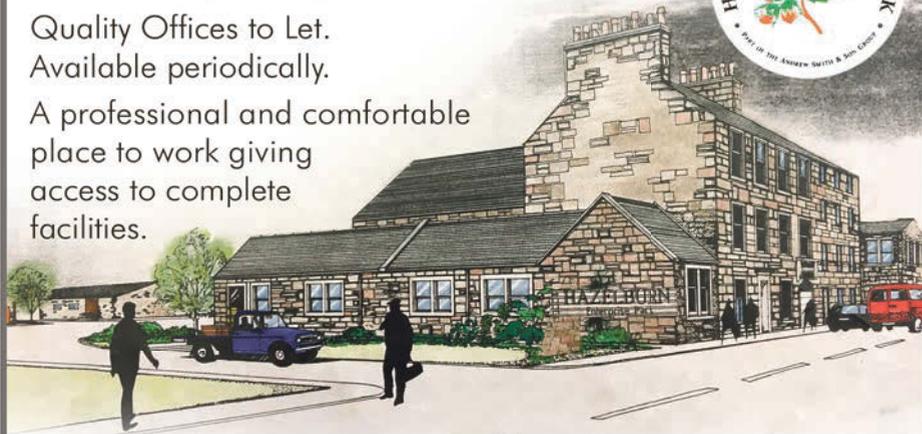
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State of cemeteries

Sir,
I have real concerns about the deteriorating condition of some Argyll cemeteries.

Constituents from Islay recently joined Councillor Alastair Redman in highlighting the poor up-keep of cemeteries in the area he represents.

Councillor Redman reported that there were also problems at other cemeteries in his ward, including the cemetery at Carradale in East Kintyre.

I understand that Argyll and Bute Council confirmed that it now, at last, has plans in place to address the problems at Kilnaughton.

It remains disappointing, however, that things are allowed to deteriorate to the extent that the maintenance of cemeteries has become a matter of public concern.

Frankly, it is very surprising that a cemetery where interments are actually still taking place has been undermined in this way and there must surely be an obligation to ensure this doesn't happen.

My experience is that communities in the Highlands and Islands pay special regard to the final resting places of fellow members of their communities and will be perplexed to discover that they appear to be uncared-for.

Donald Cameron,
Highlands and Islands MSP

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YOUR PICTURES



Tayvallich reader Colin MacInnes captured this photo of these two fluffy cygnets at the Corran Burn in Lochgilphead back in July.

A couple of adult swans were spotted floating near-

by at the time on Loch Fyne and Loch Gilp around Ardrishaig.

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Sergeant Iain MacNicol of Lochgilhead with a special tractor designed to fight rural crime. 51_a33MAS6_policetractor2



The gundog winner was 14-month-old fox red Labrador Nesta, with Anna Lithgow of Ormsary. 51_a33MAS15_gundogwinner

Crowds turn out in

by Colin Cameron
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An unexpected visitor made a welcome appearance at the 122nd Mid Argyll Agricultural Show – the sun.

Dire predictions of rain to spoil this annual celebration of all things rural in Mid Argyll proved ill-founded as a dry, muggy morning gave way to an afternoon full of sunshine on Saturday August 10.

The rain did, though, fall while hardy volunteers prepared the Kilmory show-ground, but soft underfoot conditions on the big day were easily dealt with by a pair of wellies.

The show itself offered a brilliant day of entertainment.

Aside from a high quality show of farm livestock, home industries, poultry, dogs and horses, show-goers could enjoy bicycle stunts from the 3SIXTY team while the sound of Mid Argyll Pipe Band stirred the blood. Skills were tested in the Mini Digger Challenge while the spectacle of sparkling vintage tractors is always something to behold.



Mid Argyll Pipe Band entertained the crowds at Mid Argyll Show. 51_a33MAS27_MAPB1

In the absence of regular announcer Angus MacKay, Kintyre farmer and councillor John Armour stepped into the breach to keep the big crowd up to speed with events around the bustling, sun-drenched showfield.

Young Highland dancers entertained, while a lively rugby demonstration looked like too much hard work for some enjoying a wee prosecco or gin (or both) at the popular stand.

With trade and charity stands right around the field, there was something for everyone.

The afternoon is traditional-

ly rounded off by the madcap canine antics of the terrier race. This year the dogs were meaning business and some fantastically crazy races ensued. But, to the delight of the crowd, for one wee terrier it was more fun to run free in the main ring, evading recapture for as long as possible. More on this story elsewhere in this edition.

Pamela Dunsmore from Carluke, judge for the pedigree dog classes, said: 'It's been good fun. The quality of dogs has been amazing and the personalities and temperaments, which are very important, have been fantastic. There

have been some big classes and lovely dogs.'

Highland cattle judge Stephen Hunter, from Shotts, echoed this. 'I have never judged here before, normally doing east coast shows,' he explained, 'but the quality of Argyll cattle has been every bit as good as I expected.'

Joint show presidents Caitriona MacLeod and Fergus Lyon said: 'We must thank our competitors who come out year after year to support our show with their quality livestock and produce. It takes so much hard work and effort in preparing entries. We really appreciate it – without you there wouldn't be a show.'

'Our dedicated committee, who spend all year preparing, must be thanked as it takes so much hard work and effort from so many people to run such an event.'

'Thank you to our judges, stewards, volunteers, helpers, sponsors and trade stands to every one of you for the part you play, we are truly grateful.'

Planning has already begun for next year's show on Saturday August 8, 2020.



Judge Stephen Hunter of Barnhill Farm, Shotts, presents first prize in the Highland pairs to Cladich manager Stuart Campbell and stockman Alan Cameron. 51_a33MAS18_highlandpairs



Callum MacPhail is presented with the Clydesdale championship trophy for his yeld mare Glacalra Sweet Chloe by judge Amanda Stewart. 51_a33MAS25_clydesdaletrophy

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welcome sunshine



Sheena Woodrow from Islay with her supreme open show champion Texel ewe, being congratulated by show umpire Donald MacGillivray and joint show president Caitriona MacLeod. 51_a33MAS64_openchampi



Young Jacob Blackwell, aka Captain America, won the most picturesque prize in the fancy dress with six-year-old Shetland pony Toots, helped by mum Jennifer.

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My Little Pony. Say no more. 51_a33MAS37_fancydress3



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Ardrishaig's David Cameron with his gleaming Fordson Major joins the tractor parade accompanied by music from Mid Argyll Pipe Band. 51_a33MAS40_vintage tractors2



Enjoying their refreshing Tango Ice Blasts are, from left, Cameron Gilmour from Ardrishaig, and Louisa Cameron and Callan Cooper of Lochgilphead. 51_a33MAS43_cold drink cheers



Plenty of stunning stunts were on show thanks to the 3SIXTY bicycle display team. 51_a33MAS56_bike stunts3



Highland Pony Corrybrough Fergus was crowned overall confined show champion by umpire Donald MacGillivray from Mull. Fergus is owned by Dianne Smith and her sister Rosslyn, pictured, from Balliemore Farm, Kilmichael. 51_a33MAS61_confined champ2



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Sophie MacCallum from Ford won the Mid Argyll Agricultural Society Cup for the children's section, while her sister Rose, on the right, won the 25th Anniversary Quiaich for best exhibit in baking. 51_a33MAS48_homeindustries1



Joint winners of the Preserves Quiaich were Janet West from Tarbert and Ardrishaig's Jennifer MacNab. 51_a33MAS49_homeindustries2



Action from the lead rein working hunter classes. 51_a33MAS33_huntermid1



Helen Hope swept the boards in the floral displays, being awarded the Fyne Flower Cup, the Jane McKenzie Cup and the Ferguson Cup. 51_a33MAS50_homeindustries3



Sophie Millar from Southend and Ruaraidh Baker of Elderslie jointly won the MAAS cup for most points in the children's section (5 to 7). 51_a33MAS52_homeindustries5



The winner of the Shetland pony ridden class was three-year-old Isla Peterson from Scammadale, Oban riding eight-year-old Minnie. 51_a33MAS01_shetland

Full Mid Argyll Show results in next week's edition.

More show winners in our farming section – pages 24 and 25.



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In footsteps of war heroes

Kenny will trek across the Pyrenees

by Colin Cameron
editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk

No stranger to a charity challenge, Tarbert man Kenny MacNab is at it again – despite undergoing surgery in June.

Kenny, chairman of the Clyde Fishermen's Trust, is hoping to raise £3,000 to help the trust support fishing communities and the way of life in fishing villages up and down the coast.

His challenge will be to complete the arduous Freedom Trail across the Pyrenees between France and Spain, climbing to heights of more than 2,500m on remote mountain trails.

As he trained for his trek in the Arrochar Alps, retired fisherman Kenny said: 'As chairman of the Clyde Fishermen's Trust, I have had

first-hand experience of the excellent work it has done since its formation – not least in helping facilitate the recovery of the Nancy Glen and returning our two shipmates to their home port.

'The trust is involved in many other projects involving young people where we educate them about the cultural heritage of the fishing industry. It is our aim that this should never be lost – it's too precious to our communities.

'We are also involved in training for fishermen and also in the arts, and have commissioned a play about fishing and the modern-day problems we face, which may be touring soon.

'The Freedom Trail, or Chemin de la Liberté, follows one of the toughest Second World War escape routes

from Nazi-occupied France. Local people risked their lives to help the thousands of Allied servicemen and Jewish refugees fleeing to safety, and we pass plaques and memorials dedicated to their bravery.'

Kenny continued: 'The trek will be pretty arduous, though I would imagine the scenery will be spectacular and, as well as raising funds, it will be a personal challenge which commemorates the bravery of others. I don't have long to get into shape before heading off on September 7 but I am looking forward to it.'

To support Kenny's fundraising efforts, look out for sponsor sheets around Tarbert, and there is a Just Giving page for donations – simply visit the Just Giving website and search for Clyde Fishermen's Trust.



Kenny MacNab wants to help support fishing communities. 06_a04KennyMacNab01

Young blades – and old – challenged at Cowal Games

The world-famous Cowal Highland Gathering is renowned for entertainment beyond the traditional Highland dancing, piping and heavy athletics, and this year there's a big, bold new attraction in town – axe throwing.

The Braveheart Axe Throwing Club from Glasgow, which ranks as Scotland's premier axe throwing team and boasts tournament wins around the world, has signed up for what is sure to be a big draw on Gathering Saturday.

Sponsored by Tilhill Forestry, the challenge will be laid down to anyone brave enough to try it – throw an axe and see if you can make it stick in the target.

Don't panic, children and grandparents – you can join in too. There is no age limit because the younger/less strong participants can try their hand at throwing a smaller hatchet instead of an axe.

Cowal Highland Gathering chairman Ronnie Cairns is delighted to welcome such a popular outfit to the event's many other attractions.

'The Braveheart club is renowned as being one of the



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most exciting attractions at events around the country, and we're thrilled that Cowal visitors are now going to be able to experience their magic first-hand,' he said.

'Their skill levels have to be seen to be believed, but they are also fantastic at teaching newcomers how to throw these weapons – and do it in a fun, entertaining way. I fully expect them to be one of the stars of the show on the day.'

Bryan Pearce, forest manager with Tilhill Forestry, said: 'Tilhill is excited at the opportunity to be involved once more with the Cowal Highland Gathering. We think this is a fantastic

opportunity for anyone who would like to try their hand at an element of timber sports to come along and give it a go in a safe environment with experienced coaches on hand. I'll be having a go myself.'

The Braveheart axe throwing challenge will run from noon to 4pm in the top field on Saturday August 31.

This year's Cowal Gathering runs from Thursday to Saturday, August 29 to 31. For more information or to buy tickets, go to the gathering's website at www.cowalhighlandgathering.com or contact the event office by emailing info@cowalhighlandgathering.com or phone 01369 703206.

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Burning questions

We have known for more than 50 years that tobacco use causes fatal illnesses, particularly lung cancer, stroke and heart disease.

Yet worldwide tobacco addiction is still the leading

preventable public health issue.

Quitting smoking is hard, and free stop-smoking services are available across the UK to provide replacement therapy such as nicotine

patches, gum, lozenges and sprays. Recently e-cigarette use (called vaping) has been added to this list as an aid to reducing or stopping smoking.

E-cigarettes are battery operated vaporisers that deliver self-regulated doses of nicotine for inhalation without generating harmful smoke. They first hit the western market from China in 2004 and have become increasingly popular. While in the UK they are still mainly used as an aid to quitting smoking, in the US there is an epidemic of vaping among high school students.

More than 3.8 million 14 to



How safe is vaping? Photo: Lindsay Fox, EcigaretteReviewed.com

18-year-olds were reported using e-cigs in 2018 – a rise of 78 per cent on 2017. This epidemic is likely coming our way.

Despite e-cigs being on sale for more than 10 years, experts disagree on their usefulness, and there are very few studies to back up either side of the argument. E-cigs may be safer than standard cigarettes, but it is still unclear if they work as an agent to help quit smoking, let alone whether they form a gateway

to regular cigarette use, are addictive or are a long-term health hazard.

A large UK study has compared the use of e-cigs with other nicotine-replacements used for one year in 886 adult volunteers seeking to quit smoking*. This was combined with face-to-face behavioural support for both groups. Results show one-year abstinence rates of 18 per cent for e-cigs versus 9.9 per cent for other nicotine replacements – overall a rather low success

rate, but nonetheless a significant increase using e-cigs.

It is now time for researchers to address the safety of these devices, answering important and controversial questions like are they addictive? Do they encourage regular smoking? Do they cause long-term damage to lungs, brain, liver or other vital organs?

Only with these answers can the correct regulatory policies be put in place.

*Hajek P et al. New Engl J Med 380: 629-637. 2019.



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Time for Argyll pupils to pack their bags for charity



Pupils in Argyll and Bute are being encouraged to celebrate the new term by donating their old backpacks to children living more than 7,000 miles away in Malawi.

The Backpack Project, run by the Mary's Meals charity, involves filling the old bags with notepads, pencils and clothes. The charity sends them to schoolchildren in Malawi - with more than 40,000 bags being donated every year.

Mary's Meals feeds more than 1.5 million children in 18 of the world's poorest countries every school day.

The food attracts hungry children to the classroom, filling their empty stomachs

Children supported by Mary's Meals show their delight on receiving backpacks in Malawi.

and giving them the energy to learn.

Daniel Adams, executive director of Mary's Meals UK, said: 'I hope pupils in Argyll and Bute will celebrate the new term by joining in the Backpack Project and donating their old bags to children who eat Mary's Meals in Malawi.'

'A bag filled with school essentials is a wonderful gift because it ensures these children can get the most out of their education, giving them a ladder out of poverty and the chance of a better future.'

Since the launch of the Backpack Project in 2005, UK supporters of the charity have donated more than 500,000 school bags to children in Malawi.

Malawi is one of the poorest countries in the world, facing huge challenges in education, access to healthcare and



Mary's Meals volunteers in the Lochgilphead shop are right behind the Backpack Project - from left; Margaret Walker, Eleanor McKenzie and Flora Currie. 51_a33MarysMeals01

widespread child malnutrition. It is home to Mary's Meals' largest school feeding programme, which reaches 32 per cent of primary school aged children across the country.

Mary's Meals can collect group donations of backpacks from schools, workplaces and groups across the UK.

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Your Stranraer Oyster Festival package, worth £320 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, plus upgrades, 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 Bath toilets have already been reserved and allocated to the winner by North West Castle. Use of data: Stranraer Development Trust, organisers 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.

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WHAT'S ON IN MID ARGYLL

A note of chamber music coming to Crear

The UK's leading string orchestra, the Scottish Ensemble (SE), has announced the first half of a Scottish tour – and Argyll is on the list of venues.

The ensemble will perform Mendelssohn and Enescu's stunning octets, and will be led by the outstanding Norwegian violinist Marianne Thorsen.

Though written for just eight instruments, both of these sophisticated works have the drama, richness and depth of a full-blown symphony. They also make for an excellently contrasting pair.

From Mendelssohn's exuberant opening bars, the audience is swept through music that is complex yet captivatingly, joyously melodic throughout, while Enescu's is moody, breathlessly dramatic and, in parts, simply volcanic.



Norwegian violinist Marianne Thorsen.

Guest directed by Marianne Thorsen, SE will explore the specific charm of seeing a small group of musicians

performing live. With fewer instruments, the fabric of the music becomes more tangible, subtle shifts in

mood may have a new-found presence, and pieces people think they know well might offer surprising new colours when heard live. With fewer musicians on stage, it is easier to follow each individual path and witness the beautiful alchemy of eight artists creating something together.

Thorsen is an acclaimed soloist and passionate chamber musician. Former leader of the Nash Ensemble, she regularly performs with Norway's Trondheim Soloists, one of the founding ensembles of The Bridge network and festival.

The first half of the tour, which is called Chamber Notes, will call at Crear Studio, Kilberry, on August 29, followed by a performance at Mull Theatre, Tobermory, on August 31 before moving on to Inverness and Dundee.



Furnace Village Hall will be at the centre of events.

Furnace looks forward to a weekend of fun

The people of Furnace are anticipating the village gala weekend, and it is looking like a packed three-day extravaganza.

Friday August 16 sees Furnace Village Hall open its doors at 7.30pm for village bingo. Entry is free and the bar will be open.

Then, on Saturday August 17, a bazaar will be set up between 1pm and 4pm featuring stalls, a whisky safe, face painting, tombola, plants, children's lucky dip and much more. Tea, coffee, sandwiches and cake will be available, and donations would be appreciated.

A Furnace Gala Weekend beetle drive will follow.

On Saturday evening the big

race night and a curry event will see the hall packed once again.

The cost will be £6 per person, and perhaps the shirt off your back. Curry will be served at 8.30pm and it is for over-18s only. Doors open 7pm, first race 7.30pm.

There is a more laidback feel to Sunday August 18. A village barbecue will be held from 2pm with music from the Loch Fyne Clarsach Orchestra, and folk can even have a go on a clarsach if they want.

There will also be a film to enjoy, which may be a sing-a-long. The film itself will be decided by public vote on the day.

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Let's get your MOJO working

Musical focus: Lost in Berlin

Starting out in 2016, Lost in Berlin is the creation of Ardrishaig-based wordsmith Russell Taylor.

The name Lost in Berlin could be seen as an apt metaphor for society's sometimes confused state. Russ offers to unravel things and resolve into a more positive direction through his unique style of hip hop. He is a true poet in motion.

Originally from Sussex, RST – as he was then known – first threw his talents into the drum and bass scene at the age of 19, becoming an experienced rave club MC.

This scene was all about energy and dancing, as well as a lot of fun, but ultimately Russ knew he wanted to express himself more fully.

In 2006, he focused on hip

hop, teaming up with well-known producer Toni Smoke to form popular group The Shadowpeople.

It was a true awakening of his rhythmic rap, and with his band he gigged all around Scotland for many years. They even won the Scottish Track of the Year 2013 from their album Writing's on the Wall, gaining plenty of regular airtime on Radio 1 along the way.

Relocating to Ardrishaig and going solo in 2016 Russ T, as he is now known, has really found his feet with his Lost in Berlin project, and has set his sights on continuing to use his life experiences – putting his talent to good use.

He describes his music using three words: progressive, conscious and evolution.

His current influences are Cypress Hill and Wu Tang, and he has recently released an album called 11-11, which has had some rave reviews.

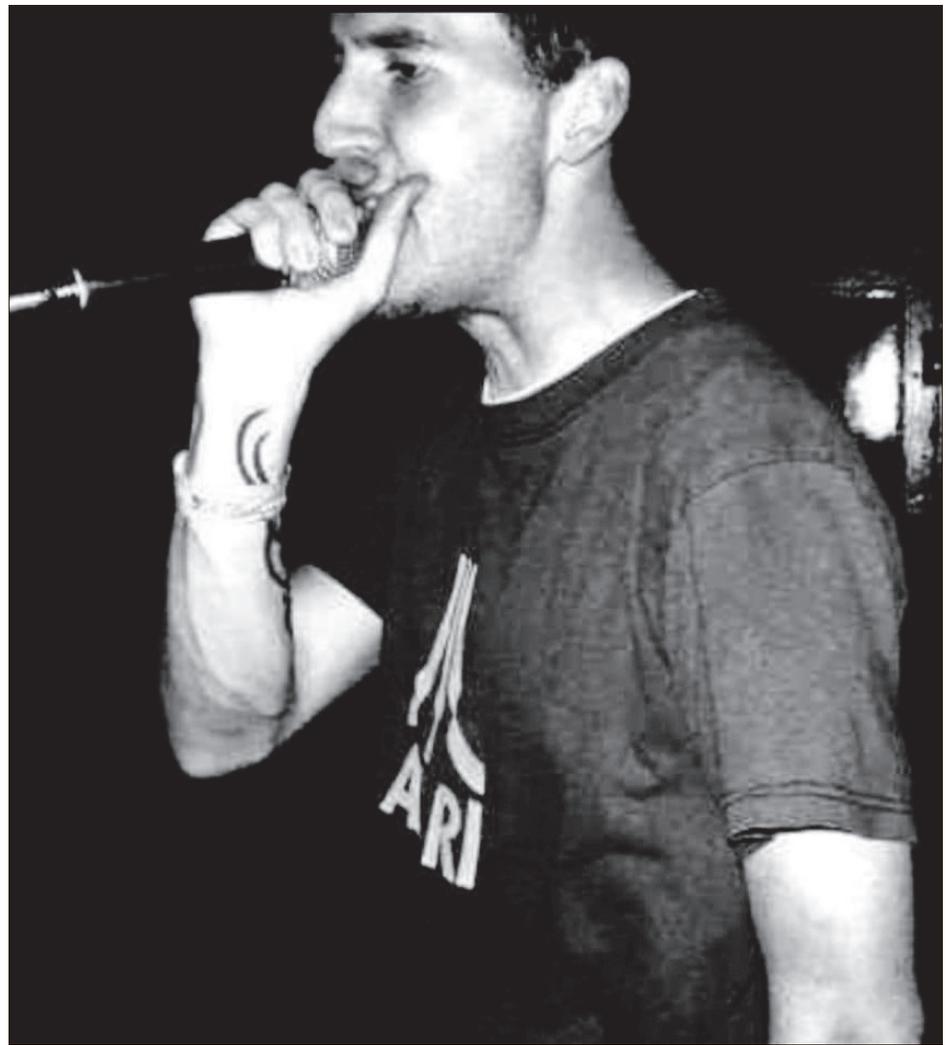
Dan Griffiths, one of the organisers behind the MOJO festival of live original music from Argyll artists, said: 'We are really looking forward to hearing Russ on the MOJO stage.'

'It's going to be good.'

'It may be Lost in Berlin, but it's definitely been Found in Argyll.'

Don't miss Russ T and Lost in Berlin live at MOJO in Ardfern on October 19.

Keep an eye on the Argyllshire Advertiser in coming weeks for more on MOJO and the fantastic artists taking part.



Lost in Berlin is Russell Taylor's latest project.



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Mid Argyll Musical Society has been entertaining people for more than 40 years with a wide range of musical productions in Ardrishaig.

The last two performances – The Wizard of Oz and The Adventures of Mr Toad – were full of fun, colour and musical talent and were particularly well received by audiences.

The enthusiastic group of performers are keen to provide more shows – but the society no longer has a musical director.

After many years of dedicated service, Mid Argyll Musical Society musical director Fiona MacDonald is stepping down.

Society chairman Ian Salmon said: 'We would all like to thank Fiona for all her hard work and wish her all the best in her new adventures.'

He added: 'We are enthusiastic, but we need someone to guide us musically. The position of musical director is unpaid, but what will be guaranteed is a warm welcome and plenty of laughs.'

If anyone feels they could help out,



Fiona MacDonald.

contact Ian on 01546 600486 or Mid Argyll Musical Society producer Sheila Campbell on 01880 820247.

The society is also keen to welcome new faces and voices to its group, and there are no auditions for a chorus part.

Ian added: 'If you want to try us out, you will be made very welcome at our first public rehearsal of the season on Thursday August 22 at 7.30pm in Ardrishaig Public Hall.'



The uproarious Adventures of Mr Toad went down a storm last year. 51_a47MrToad02

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Draw for Inveraray as Kilmory eye league decider

Inveraray	2
Lovat	2
Mowi Premiership	

Garry MacPherson and Connor Howe twice had Inveraray ahead but Greg Matheson pegged them back both times.

Inveraray moved off the bottom of the table after drawing 2-2 with Lovat at the Winterton.



A push in the back for Gary MacPherson? Photo: Andrew Sinclair.

Ardnamurchan	0
Kilmory	8
Mowi South Division Two	

There was another big win for Kilmory as they beat Ardnamurchan, with youngsters Nairn Jackson and Euan Gilmour each scoring.

Hal Jones helped himself to four goals whilst Alex Cunningham scored twice.

Kilmory and Glenorchy are level at the top of the league on 16 points, but Glenorchy have a better goal difference.

They meet in the final league match at Lochgilphead on August 24, so Kilmory must win that one to become league champions.

Kilmory stay in the title hunt after their thumping big win.



Kilmory's future. Three of the young players who took the field against Ardnamurchan on Saturday - Nairn Jackson, Euan Gilmour and defender Innes Cameron.




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Tarbert shellfish company is exporting to China

A Tarbert shellfish company is looking east for export markets as uncertainty over Brexit continues.

Argyll and Bute MP Brendan O'Hara dropped in on Loch Fyne Langoustines last week as managing director Jamie McMillan and operational manager Jonathan Scott prepared another shipment of Scottish brown crab for export to Beijing.

The company has recently begun exporting west coast shellfish directly to China but can scarcely keep up with demand from their new Chinese customers. The prospects for Jamie and Jonathan's forward-thinking look set to be a massive boost to both his business and to the growing world-wide reputation of Argyll and Bute seafood.

In November 2017, Jamie went along to Mr O'Hara's Chinese Business Summit, combining the

efforts of the China British Business Council, Scottish Development International and Highland and Islands Enterprise to bring the Chinese market opportunities to Argyll and Bute companies.

Mr McMillan said: 'This was not an easy undertaking. It has taken months of dedication to get to our first export.'

'We recognised in 2016 that our business might not survive the uncertainty of leaving the EU. We needed to look at our options quickly. The summit came at the right time for us and we seized that opportunity.'

'I remember the folk at Loch Fyne Langoustines coming to our meeting in Campbeltown and how keen they were to explore this further,' said Mr O'Hara.

'They had enough foresight to see that because of Brexit,

the markets on which they had depended could be under threat. From the outset, the business was committed to doing this and they've worked incredibly hard to get this foothold in the ever-expanding Chinese market.

'I am absolutely delighted that they have taken full advantage of the opportunity presented to them and I wish them every success in the future.'

Mr McMillan added: 'There was a huge demand for Scottish shellfish in China and at the rate we're going, our turnover could nearly double, with more demand for staff on the horizon.'

Mr O'Hara concluded: 'Loch Fyne Langoustines is proof that hard work pays off, but equally that the west coast of Scotland and particularly Argyll and Bute has a quality of produce that will sell the world over.'



Brendan O'Hara MP flanked by Jamie McMillan, left, and Jonathan Scott of Loch Fyne Langoustines.

WHAT'S YOUR FAVOURITE RECIPE? Chicken, ham and vegetable pasta

Serves 4

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Ingredients

- 350g dried strozzapreti or other pasta shapes
- 1 small leek, chopped
- 150g frozen peas
- 150g baby leaf spinach
- 200g pulled ham (5% fat or less) or lean ham, visible fat removed, chopped into small chunks
- 2 cooked skinless and boneless chicken breasts, cut into thin strips

For the sauce:

- 1 large onion, roughly chopped
- ½ x 400g can cannellini beans, drained
- 100g cauliflower, cut into small florets
- 1 medium potato, peeled and roughly chopped
- ½ tsp Marmite
- 1 chicken stock cube, crumbled
- 4 large garlic cloves, peeled
- ½ tsp chopped fresh rosemary (or ½ tsp dried rosemary)
- 120g plain quark



Method

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

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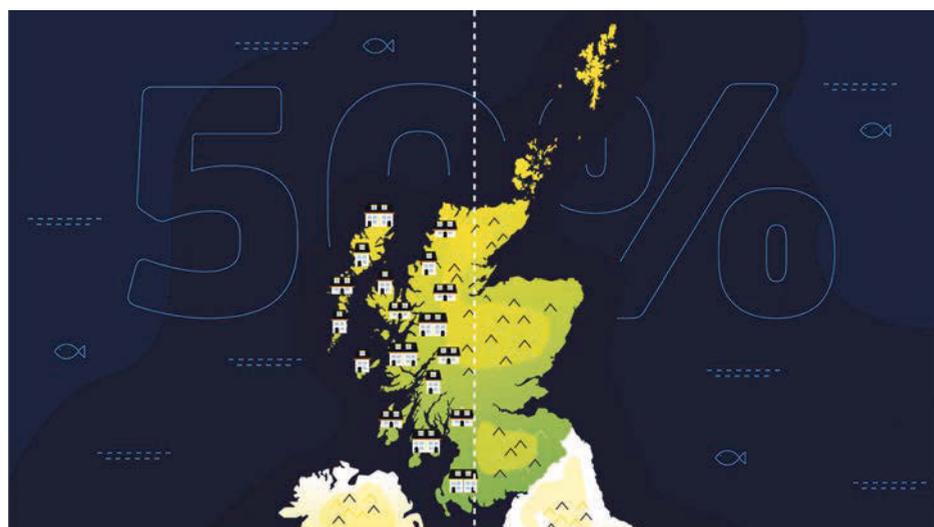
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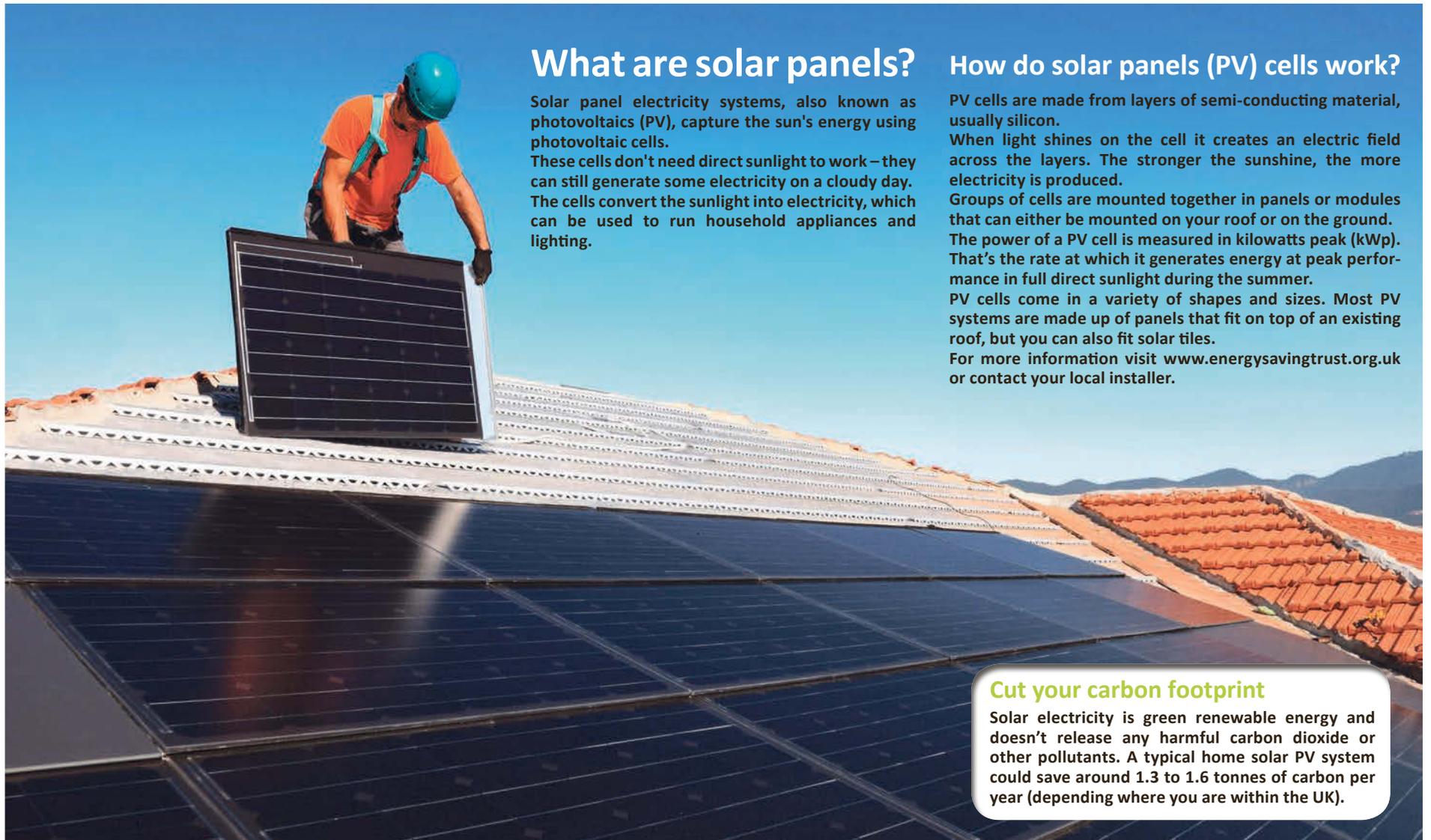
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AlIenergy's Education and Skills Development Programme is funded by ScottishPower Renewables' Beinn an Tuirc 2 Windfarm Community Benefit Fund and Michael Wall and Katie Evamy have been taking a pop-up STEM stand to shows around the area during the summer months. That stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths and Mike and Katie have all kinds of tests and challenges to join in, from riding a dynamo bike to charge a mobile phone to winning a science kit. Katie is seen here at Kintyre Show.

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Livestock shines at Mid Argyll Show



The Lines family had success in the class for bullock calves born after Feb 1, 2019.
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The quality of livestock exhibited at the 122nd Mid Argyll Show was praised by many of the judges, matching the high standard set in past shows.

Show champion

In a fitting reward for the Woodrow family's efforts in supporting the show, their Texel ewe from Islay was crowned supreme show

champion in the open section. The ewe's latest success follows wins at the recent Kintyre and Islay shows.

Reserve open supreme champion was a Charolais cross heifer exhibited by Duncan Semple, Dippen, Carradale.

A selection of winners is pictured on these pages.



Sheena Woodrow with the supreme show champion Texel ewe, sired by Stainton Vigilante out of a Kettle dam. 51_a33MAS65_openchamp2



The commercial cattle winner and reserve supreme open champion, an eight-month-old Charolais cross heifer calf by Carradale Felix out of a Limousin cross dam, shown by Duncan Semple, Dippen, Carradale.
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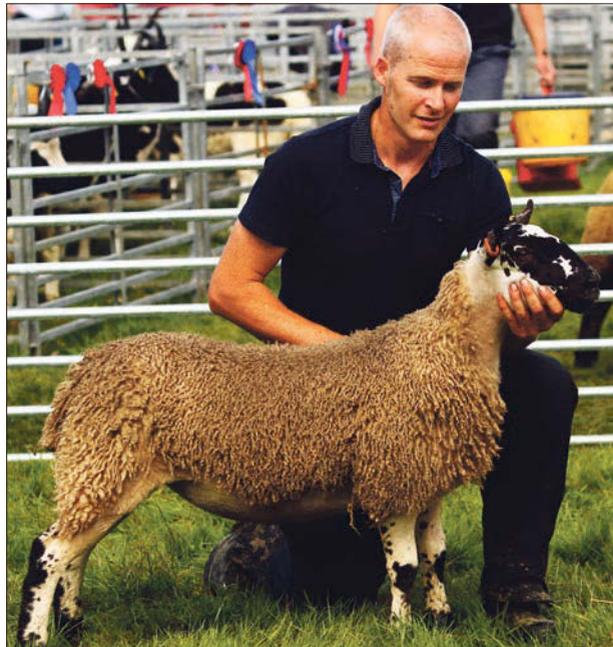
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David Ralston from Campbeltown with his champion mule lamb. Photo: Kevin McGlynn.



The champion Highlander, a three-year-old heifer from RD Schuster, Glenstrae, led out by Stuart McKay. Photo: Kevin McGlynn.



Callum MacPhail, Campbeltown, with the champion Clydesdale, nine-year-old Galcalfra Sweet Chloe, no stranger to winning Mid Argyll Show. Photo: Kevin McGlynn.



Blackface judge William McFarlane has a close look at a tup class. 51_a33MAS08_bfjudge



Retired shepherd George MacDonald has been a committee member and supporter of Mid Argyll Show for 60 years. He is pictured at the Highland cattle classes with steward Sherree McKay from Dalmally. 51_a33MAS17_60years



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PRESS RELEASE

Scottish rental values rising faster than UK average

HomeLet's Rental Index figures for July 2019 have been released.

The headlines from this month's report are:

- The average rent in the UK is now £959, up 2.3 per cent on the same time last year.
- When London is excluded, the average rent in the UK is now £794, this is up 2.2 per cent on last year.
- The rental growth recorded in July 2019 is in line with inflation, recorded at two per cent in the Consumer Prices Index (CPI) in June 2019
- Average rents in London are now £1,665, up by 3.1 per cent on last year.
- The region with the largest year-on-year increase is the south west, showing a 4.5 per cent increase between July 2018 and July 2019.
- All 12 of the regions monitored by HomeLet showed an increase in rental values between July 2018 and July 2019.

Region	Jul-2019	Jul-2018	Annual Var
South West	£855	£818	4.5%
Scotland	£679	£651	4.3%
Wales	£637	£611	4.3%
Greater London	£1,665	£1,615	3.1%
Northern Ireland	£671	£653	2.8%
East Midlands	£646	£631	2.4%
North West	£726	£712	2.0%
East of England	£925	£909	1.8%
West Midlands	£709	£701	1.1%
South East	£1,053	£1,041	1.2%
Yorkshire & Humberside	£641	£635	0.9%
North East	£529	£525	0.8%

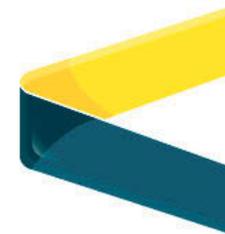
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MOK Fest Celebrates 27 Years

The 27th Mull of Kintyre Music Festival on August 21 – 25 looks will once again rock the town with new events including the Saturday night West Coast Rocks concert, sponsored by Glen Scotia Distillery. The festival promises another great line-up of bands across the weekend including Manran, Dougie MacLean, Glenfinnan Ceilidh Band, Chris Stout and Catriona McKay, Ainsley Hamill and Slainte Davaar Allstars all headlining concerts. This five-day event offers a mixture of ticketed and free concerts that bring national and local acts together to perform at various indoor and outdoor venues across Campbeltown.

The two Saturday night concerts on August 24 cater for all ages with Manran, Heron Valley and Rhuval all performing at the new Glen Scotia-sponsored West Coast Rocks concert in the Victoria Hall. Earlier that night firm festival favourite Dougie MacLean will headline the Traditional Concert in the Heritage Centre supported by local band Ceann Tir.

The Glenfinnan Ceilidh Band performs this year's ceilidh set at the Festival Ceilidh Night on Friday August 23 in the Victoria Hall. This west coast ceilidh band includes stalwarts from across the traditional music world who are as at home playing large concert venues around the world as intimate bothy cèilidhs and are guaranteed to get everyone dancing. Also playing are young folk fusion band Eriska, featuring artists from Argentina, Italy and USA, and The Dalriada Connections Band, featuring students and tutors from Campbeltown Grammar School and guest appearances from many of the artists who will be appearing across the weekend. The Kintyre Schools Pipe Band will open up this hugely popular family event.



Heron Valley.



Rhuval.

On Saturday August 24 the festival launches its exciting new event, The West Coast Rocks Concert, with new sponsors Glen Scotia Distillery and a great west coast line-up of bands. Folk-rock legends Manran, making their debut at the festival, will headline, supported by Heron Valley who are now headlining events across Scotland and are making a much-requested return. Argyll outfit Rhuval will open the concert that promises to give everyone the full-on west coast festival experience in the Victoria Hall. The concert layout will be tables and chairs at the back of the hall with a large area for dancers. The Saturday Night seated Traditional concert in Campbeltown Heritage Centre also on August 24 headlines with renowned singer songwriter Dougie Maclean. Dougie who was originally famed for writing the song Caledonia will perform in the Campbeltown Heritage Centre for the first time.



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Chris Stout and Catriona McKay.

Support band is Ceann Tir, featuring a host of young music talent from South Kintyre who have come through the MOK Fest Music Development Project with Campbeltown Grammar School. Arthur Johnstone will MC the concert.

The opening event of the festival is the Gaelic Concert at Ceol Campbeltown, Seafield on August 21. Headlining this event are Gaelic singer Ainsley Hamill and multi-instrumentalist Toby Shaer. Also performing are Iain MacPherson, Stuart Jackson, Callum and Fiona Ross, Na Smeòraich, Ceòl Beag, Tarbert Tame Dragons, Raibeart MacCallum and Alec MacKinnon with Christine MacIntyre as bean an tìghe.

The Mitchell's Glengyle Dalriada Connections Concert in the Campbeltown Heritage Centre on Sunday August 25 headlines with Chris Stout on Shetland fiddle and Catriona McKay on Scottish harp. This Pan Celtic concert also features Ceólta from Northern Ireland, Scooter Muse from USA, Na Smeòraich from Tarbert and many local musicians including Western Sound, Ross Conner and Frank Rochford. Look out for the sponsor's miniature on entry to the event.



Matt McAllister Band.

The legendary Survivors' Night on Sunday evening with Campbeltown super-group Slainte Davaar Allstars, Rhuvaal making their Survivors' Night debut, also performing are The Gilchristians, Matt McAllister Band,



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Thu 22	Young Folk Night The Heritage Centre Tickets: £7 Doors: 7:00PM
Fri 23	Festival Ceilidh The Victoria Hall Tickets: £18 / £9 Doors: 7:30PM
Sat 24	Community Events Various Locations Tickets: N/A
Sat 24	Traditional Concert The Heritage Centre Tickets: £20 Doors: 7:00PM
Sat 24	West Coast Rocks The Victoria Hall Tickets: £25 Doors: 9:30PM
Sun 25	Dalriada Connections The Heritage Centre Tickets: £12 Doors: 1:30PM
Sun 25	Survivors Night The Victoria Hall Tickets: £22 Doors: 7:30PM



Glenfinnan Ceilidh Band.



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Ainsley Hamill and Toby Shaer.



Slainte Davaar Allstars performing at last years concert.

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The festival also has firm favourite the Young Folk Night on Thursday August 22, the new Best Dressed Ship event on the harbour followed by a performance at the head of the quay from Kintyre Schools Pipe Band at 12.30pm. Up the Close at Springbank Distillery starts at 1pm with a new hope? Gubbed, we.R.soul, Dance legacy and the Funky Chicken on Saturday August 24. Donations are welcome on entry at this event. The mega Saturday Session will be in the Kilbrannan Bar this year and once

again there will be the MOK Fest snapchat filter which people can use over the whole weekend. There will be more on the Saturday afternoon activities in next week's Courier.

Tickets are going well for this year's events and are on sale from TicketWeb and A P Taylors, Main Street Campbeltown. For more updates go to www.mokfest.com or www.facebook.com/mokfest

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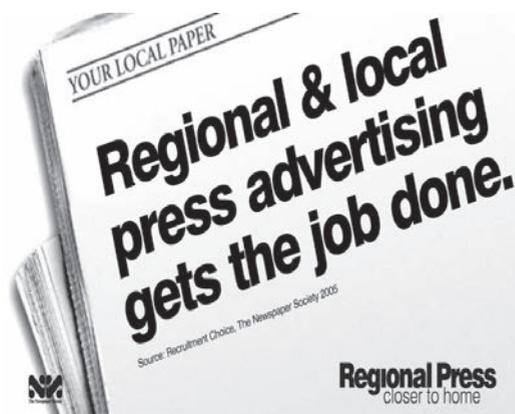
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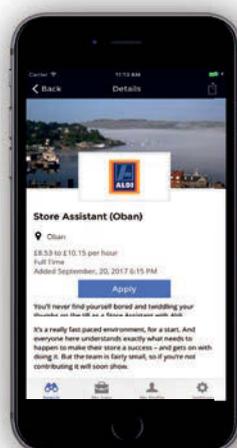
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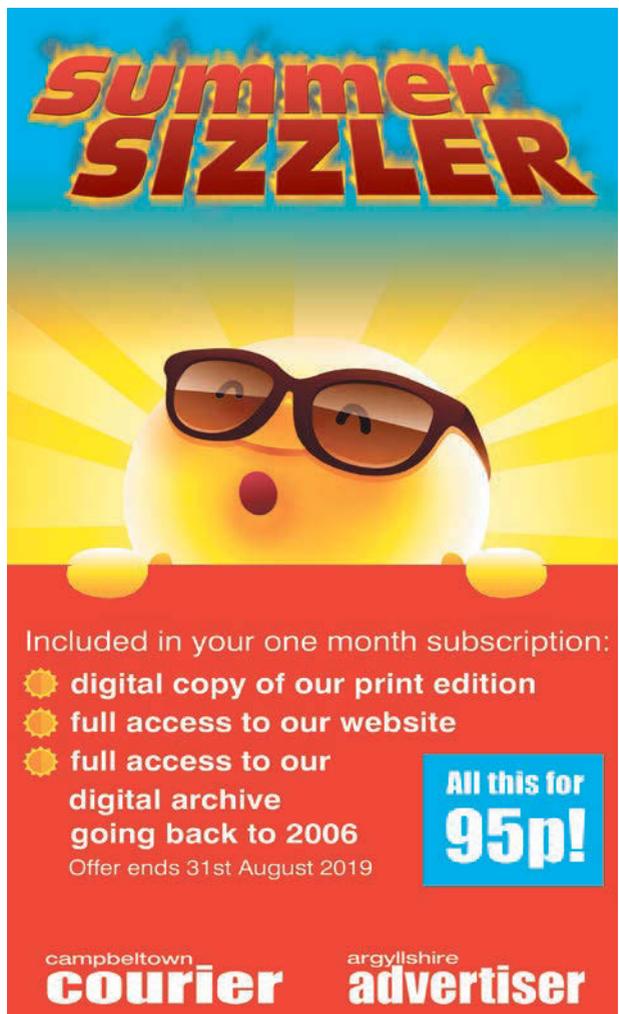
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COWAL

Cowalfest returns

The popular Cowalfest walking festival returns next month in a more compact form than before.

The event offers three days of hill and trail walks right around the beautiful Cowal peninsula in September in conjunction with the new Dunoon Outdoor Festival.

There will also be the opportunity to enjoy cultural events such as a Clan Lamont heritage walk.

Financial constraints and a shortage of volunteers have meant that Cowalfest has been shortened to three days from the 10-day festival of previous years. The decision has been taken to tie in with the Dunoon Outdoor Festival, a new event covering many different outdoor activities around Dunoon and Cowal.

ISLAY

All that jazz

The 21st Lagavulin Islay Jazz Festival takes place from September 13-15.

The festival has a reputation for an uncompromisingly high quality artistic programme – a showcase of everything that is new and exciting in the Scottish jazz scene, with some very special international guests.

The music is presented in the most unusual and atmospheric surroundings – from bird sanctuaries to distilleries – against the beautiful backdrop of the most southerly island in the Hebrides.

There are world premieres, international visitors, exciting contemporary jazz, a classic singer, a blues legend, some great piano trios and some get-down funky music.

The charismatic Canadian trumpet star and singer Bria Skonberg visits Islay for the first time, while blues legend Maggie Bell makes her festival debut with a new show that both highlights her amazing vocals and eavesdrops into her 50 years of showbiz stories.

The festival also features exciting Scottish talent such as Fergus McCreadie, Graham Costello, Colin Steele and David Bowden.

Stuart Todd, chairman of Islay Arts Association and the driving force in getting

HELENSBURGH



A Helensburgh man will hope to defend his All-England Open Stone Skimming Championships on Lake Windermere on Saturday August 17.

In 2018, Alex Lewis, then aged 21, smashed the existing record at the English championships by a full seven metres, recording an incredible throw of 95 metres.

Alex is now the one to beat in the

men's event, though stiff competition from around the UK is expected.

Competitors get three stones, provided by the organisers. To record a throw, a competitor must skip their stone at least three times on the water, keeping it within a lane set out on the lake.

The championships raise money for vital river conservation in the South Lake District.

the festival started, said: 'Audiences and musicians are smitten with the combination of nature and art, and the sense of community

which is central to the experience of living in Islay and which can be shared even on a weekend visit.'

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden

Clachan church was full, the streets were jammed with cars and people, and there was an air of happiness and anticipation.

Folk came from all directions to be there – many were local, others came from Mull, Oban, Appin, Campbeltown, Lochgilhead, Gigha, Bute, Cowal and a minibus from Perth.

The sun danced on the ocean and many of us felt like dancing too.

It was a happy day. We were gathered to welcome a new minister into our midst after long years of vacancy.

Reverend Scott Burton has responded to a call to minister to the folk at A'Chleit, Clachan and Gigha, and we are delighted.

Scott will be on the journey with us, the journey of faith and the journey of a people.

Argyll is known as the cradle of Christianity and the land is scattered with small churches where the people have held the faith through good times and bad throughout the centuries.

Columba and his followers left their marks upon the land and upon our hearts as they spread the word of God to the people of Argyll and beyond.

Ian Bradley in his book *The Making of a Spiritual Landscape* quotes David Kellas, the first moderator of the new presbytery, who said this in 2004: 'All around us the ancient stones look down, a remembrance that the search began many thousands of years ago. We offer to the men and women of Argyll Jesus Christ, the word of God, the end of our search and the start of a wonderful journey.'

We are going on a journey, a journey together, a journey which welcomes others to join in.

Our prayers are for Scott as he walks beside us.

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MACDOUGALL

Stuart and Susan (Houston) are delighted to announce the safe arrival of Harry Houston MacDougall, on August 3, 2019, at the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley. Baby brother for Murray, second grandchild for Archie and Audrey Houston, Campbeltown, and James and June MacDougall, Cardross.

MCFARLANE - Gordon and Andrea are delighted to announce the arrival of Oliver (Ollie) Tom Dixon, on July 10, 2019, in Northern Ireland. A longed for wee brother for Alfie.

RUBY WEDDINGS



MCMILLAN - MCFADYEN

At Lowland Church, Campbeltown, on August 17, 1979, by Rev John R H Cormack, Archie to Mhairi.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS



BROWN - CONNELLY

Married on August 16, 1969, Neil Brown to Anne Connelly (Meadows Avenue), at St Constantine's Church, Govan. Congratulations!

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 Mr and Mrs Robert Brown, Drumlemble and a much loved brother of Catherine, Una, Malcolm and the late Neil, Donald and Bobby.

CLARK - Peacefully, with her family by her side, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on August 10, 2019, Mary Thomson Coffield, in her 83rd year, Drumore Villa West, High Street, and formerly of Kildalloig Farm, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of Archie Clark, much loved mum of Bobby, Jane and Caroline, loving granny of Aimee, Molly, Katy, Adam and Murray and great granny to Sophia. Funeral service in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, Campbeltown, on Friday (today), August 16, 2019 at 1.00pm, thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be

held in aid of the Sunshine Room, Campbeltown Hospital.

MARTIN - On August 8, 2019, peacefully at Mid Argyll Hospital, after a short illness, Robert Henry Martin (Harry), in his 72nd year, beloved son of the late Jimmy and Jane Martin, dear brother of Alex and Tony and the late James and Charlie, a dearly loved uncle and cousin. Funeral service and interment took place at Carrick Cemetery on August 15. With thanks to doctors and staff at Tarbert Medical Practice, NC Support, community care team and district nurses for all the kind care and attention received. Thanks also to Rev Robert MacLeod for a comforting service, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, Tarbert Hotel for excellent catering and to all who paid their last respects at Carrick Cemetery.

MCCALLUM - Peacefully at his home, on August 13, 2019, John (Iain) McCallum, in his 80th year, of Ballymeanoch House, Kilmichael Glassary, by Lochgilhead, beloved husband of Sheila McBride, dear father of Lorna and Fiona, and much respected father-in-law of Alan. A loving brother of Elizabeth (Libby) and a dear brother-in-law, uncle and cousin to all the family. Funeral service will be held in Lochgilhead Parish Church, on Wednesday, August 21, 2019, at 12.00 noon, thereafter to Achnabreac Cemetery. All friends are respectfully invited to attend.

MCNEILL - After a short illness, on August 12, 2019, at the Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilhead, Robert McNeill (former coal merchant), in his 88th year, of 11 Lochgair Place, Tarbert, and formerly of Easfield, Tarbert, beloved husband of the late Tottie, much loved father of Janice and Robert, much respected father-in-law of Neil and Maureen, cherished granda of Christopher, Leanne and Scott and adored great granda of Alyssa and Callum. A dear brother, uncle and cousin to all the family, and a good neighbour and dear friend to many. Funeral service will be held in Tarbert Free Church, on Friday (today), August 16, 2019 at 12.00 noon, thereafter to Carrick Cemetery. Family flowers only please. Donations to Tarbert Nursing Aid.

PATERSON - Peacefully, at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow, on August 7, 2019, Colin Oman Paterson, in his 92nd year, Lynndale, Carradale, dearly beloved husband of Edna Jessie Bell, much loved father of Sandy, William, Jennifer and Colin and a loving papa of Liam, Ryan, Samantha, Shannon, Talya and Xander.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

ROBERTSON - Tommy and the family would like to thank all relatives and friends for their support

and sympathy following the recent sad loss of Irene. Special thanks go to Dr Anderson, Dr Vilalba and the nursing and domestic staff at Campbeltown Hospital, and to staff at Carr Gomm for their compassion and care of Irene. Our thanks also to Rev Crossan and David McEwan for a lovely funeral service and music, to Kenny and Rhys of T A Blair Funeral Directors for their professional services, and to the staff at the Argyll Hotel for the catering.

THOMSON - Esther, James, Karen and family would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy received on the sad loss of Graham. Special thanks to Dr Lazarus, community nurses, ambulance crew, staff of Ward 11A and High Dependency Unit of Queen Elizabeth University Hospital for their care of Graham and the family. Thanks to the Rev William Crossan for his tribute and comforting service, Mr David McEwan for appropriate music, John Brown piper and his army comrades who gave him a fitting farewell. Thanks also to Kenneth Blair and staff, funeral directors, for professional services, the Argyll Hotel for excellent catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. Donations for community nurses (locally) and Highland Parish Church raised £942.48.

IN MEMORIAM

BLACK - Treasured memories of Gilbert, dearly loved husband, father and papa. Passed away August 15, 2017.

Remembered with a song in our hearts.

- Love from Jean and family.

IRWIN - David, August 19, 2018.

There is laughter even though you are gone,

There are reasons to face each new dawn,

Time may ease the pain,

But your memory and love will always remain.

- SR.

MACLENNAN - Treasured memories of our sister and aunt, Elizabeth, who died August 12, 1985. Also remembering our beloved nephew, Kevin, and brother-in-law, Murdo.

Always in our thoughts.

- From Rachael, John and family.

MCGOUGAN - Remembering my husband and our dad, Meiky, died August 14, 2016.

Always in our thoughts, Forever in our hearts.

- Love from the family.

SCOTT - In loving memory of Donald, who passed away on August 15, 2011.

No longer in our lives, but always in our hearts.

Loved and remembered every day.

- Mum, Archie, Fiona, Calum and families.

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Sunday 18th August 2019

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

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Sunday 18th August

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Everyone most welcome

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1st Sunday of the month 9.00am Holy Communion
3rd Sunday of the month 6.00pm Evensong All welcome
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Saturday 17th August 2019 10.30am - 12.30pm Cafe Connect Achnamara Hall
Monday 19th August 2019 7.30pm Tayvallich Church Kirk Session All welcome
www.northknappdale.org

SKIPNESS LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Sunday 18th August 2019 Skipness service 10am Dr John L Morrison OBE
Tarbert service 11.30am Mr James McLellan Everyone Welcome
Tarbert and Kilberry Charity No: SC002622
Skipness Charity No: SC004280
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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE

Church of Scotland Sunday 18th August 2019 Cumladden and Lochgair Charity No. SC016097
Cumladden Church - 10.00am Sunday service will be led by Mrs Margaret Sinclair

Glenaray and Inveraray Church

Charity No. SC016665 Inveraray Church - 11.30am Sunday service will be led by Mrs Margaret Sinclair All welcome



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Soccer centre celebrates another year of success



Left, the prize-winners proudly display their trophies as coaches and sponsors look on and, above, the 2004 Red Star team enjoyed another successful season.

Lochgilphead Soccer Centre celebrated the end of yet another terrific season on Friday June 21 with more than 100 youngsters and many parents and siblings attending a busy family evening.

Presentations started with certificates, medals and goody bags to all primary ones before the evening moved on to celebrate the success of primary twos and threes with more medals and certificates.

Awards

For the older Red Star YFC children, team awards were made for most improved players, fair play award, player of the season and players' player of the season.

Lochgilphead Soccer Centre wishes to thank the sponsors, without whom the children would not have been able to achieve so much – Mid Argyll Youth Development Services, Vention Energy A Cruach Windfarm Trust, administered by Foundation Scotland, McColl's, Jewsons and the main sponsor Ardrishaig Community Trust.

The soccer centre also thanks Jimmy Litster for his humor and skill as master of ceremonies for the fourth year running and also the Co-operative in Lochgilphead for its generous donation of 300 bottles of water for the evening.

With sponsors' help, the club has been able to kit out players with Lochgilphead Red Star YFC match strips, training strips and waterproof jackets.

As the soccer centre looks forward to celebrating its 25th anniversary, the 27 volunteers giving up some of their free time to help out are vitally important.

Festivals

In addition to weekly football coaching on Fridays, from this month the club will have additional nights' training for 2012, 2011, 2009/10, 2008, 2007, 2004 and girls' groups.

As well as all age groups regularly taking part in football festivals near and far, there will also be two teams playing 11-a-side football (under 13

and under 16 ages) in the Glasgow league for next season.

It was also announced that current chairperson Bruce West would be stepping down from the role, though he will continue his involvement with Lochgilphead Red Star 2004 and will be around to support his successor.

In addition to a chairperson, if anyone is interested in helping out a successful and developing organisation, have a bit of time to spare and are motivated by community leadership and sports development, there are a number of ways they could help so please get in touch via the soccer centre.

Football training returns today, Friday August 16, on the artificial pitch at Lochgilphead Joint Campus. Primary ones commence at 6.30pm, primary two and three children will run from 6.15pm to 7.15pm with primary four upwards running from 7.30pm to 8.45pm.

The soccer centre depends on volunteers. Training and kit will

be provided and people don't need to be an expert in football; just to have bags of enthusiasm. There are a variety of ways volunteers can help, either as a coach, coaching assistant or on the admin side. If anyone can spare a bit of time to help, please get in touch by email to the Soccer Centre at lochgilpheadsoccercentre@gmail.com.

The 2010 awards were presented by David Renwick on behalf of Vention Energy A Cruach Windfarm Trust to Connor Griffin, Most Improved Player; Bryce Griffin, Fair Play Award; and Cameron Gilmour, who won both Player of the Season and Players' Player of the Season.

The 2009 awards were presented by Joe Jones on behalf of partner organisation Coerver Scotland to Christopher Galloway, Most Improved Player; Tom Pendreigh, Fair Play Award; and Cameron Young, who won both Player of the Season and Players' Player of the Season.

The 2008 awards were also

presented by Joe Jones to Ross Hamilton, Most Improved Player; Duncan Taylor, Fair Play Award; Geordie Todd, Player of the Season; and Arran Crawford, Players' Player of the Season.

The 2007 awards were presented by Lynn Gorrie on behalf of McColl's to George Curran, Most Improved Player; Lewis Cameron, Fair Play Award; Daniel Semple, Player of the Season; and Kieran Blair, Players' Player of the Season.

The girls' awards were presented by Edward Laughton on behalf of Ardrishaig Community Trust to Angelina Vanwell, Most Improved Player; Jessica Wallace, Fair Play Award; and Freyja McKellar, who won both Player of the Season and Players' Player of the Season.

The 2004 awards were also presented by Edward Laughton to Tom West, Most Improved Player; Innes Paterson, Fair Play Award; Leon Murphy, Player of the Season; and Woody Hoad, Players' Player of the Season.

Youngsters given training kit as Inveraray hosts successful a



The youngsters had a great day, and even got new training kit. Photos: Stephen Lawson

Inveraray Shinty Club hosted a successful annual open day at the Winterton on Sunday August 11.

The day started at 10am with the club's youth coaches putting the primary-aged players through their paces with some fun skills tests. Each child also received new training kit for the year ahead.

As with last year, the older generation then got in on the act, with five teams competing for the six-a-side Peter MacCallum Memorial Quaich. Sponsors WD Semple, the Inveraray Inn, George

Hotel and Londis Inveraray each backed a team in the round-robin tournament.

In the end, though, it was the Londis team which won through and took home the trophy. Tournament trophies, kindly supplied by Midton Acrylics, were given to the winners and runners-up and the presentation of the Peter MacCallum Quaich was handed over to the winning captain.

As well as raising funds for the shinty club, money will this year be given to the new Inveraray toddler group to help purchase a shed for

storing equipment. In previous years, the open day has helped provide a defibrillator for the community and raised funds for a community minibus.

Inveraray vice-chairman Andrew McMurdo said: 'I am delighted with how the day turned out and it was great to have so many people from the club, from young to old, there throughout the day.'

'I am also hopeful of engaging with new members to fill roles in the club to help Inveraray Shinty Club become a stronger, more organised community club.'

Annual championship gets started at Tarbert Golf Club

Last weekend the first and second rounds of Tarbert Golf Club championship took place at Glenralloch.

Saturday August 10 turned out glorious following the torrential rain of Friday but Sunday was very damp and overcast. Saturday's golf was of the highest standard with Iain Macalister, fresh from honing his skills at the Machrie Links, in top form.

He started his round with eight straight pars followed by a 30-foot birdie putt on the ninth hole for a one-under-par 32 on the front nine. Further birdies following at the 11th, 12th and 17th, with a couple of blemishes in between, saw Iain go to the top of the leader board with a superb one-under-par 65 and a handicap reduction as well.

Playing partner Bruce MacNab was also in good form, matching Iain's outward 32, enjoying birdies at the second, fifth and eighth and a further birdie on the 16th saw him finishing with a level par 66 to go into second place.

Defending champion John MacNab

kept his consistent form going and moved into third place with halves of 34 and 35, including birdies at the second and 12th for a 69. Best nett score on the day came from Iain Johnstone snr with 62, followed by Malcolm McAlpine and Archie Black on 64.

Sunday's weather was totally different and this had an effect on the scoring. A pair of 34s, which included three birdies, gave Bruce MacNab a 68 and moved him to the top of the leader board, four ahead of Iain Macalister who added a 73 to his first round total. In third place is John MacNab whose 75 sees him 10 shots back with 36 holes remaining. Best nett score came from a delighted Keith MacTaggart who shot 75-14 for a 61.

The final two rounds, along with the senior championship and second round of the John Reid Quaich, takes place this weekend with tee off times listed on the notice board. Members who have not played in the championship but wish to play this weekend should add their names to the draw sheet.



Congratulations to Lochgilphead Golf Club junior champion 2019 Kern McKellar and Euan Gilmour, who was the Stableford winner.

Sports club lottery draws

The numbers drawn in the Kilmory Camanachd Club lottery draw on Monday August 12 were 1, 3 and 14. The £300 jackpot went to T Noyal this week so next week's jackpot will be £100. Also drawn on Monday, Tarbert Football Club's lottery draw numbers were 6, 14 and 19. There were no winners, so next week's prize will be £500.

Annual shinty fun day



Still smiling as they tumble are, from left, Hamish MacLellan, Scott MacLachlan and Neil Campbell.

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Competition rules

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

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Red Star teach the Pupils a lesson

Campbeltown Pupils 1
 Lochgilhead Red Star 2
 Centenary Cup - Section 8

Red Star made the trip to play Campbeltown Pupils in their season opener last Saturday with manager Colin Weir missing no fewer than eight players due to work and holiday commitments.

The visitors knew they were going to have to battle to take anything from this tie and the task got even tougher as Pupils went ahead inside the opening six minutes. A misplaced pass from Coll McCallum inadvertently played in Pupils Donald McCallum, who rounded Star keeper Ally Lewis and finished to put his side ahead.

The home side's tails were up and Star had to withstand

a heavy onslaught as Pupils looked to add to their lead but thankfully there was no further damage in the opening 20 minutes.

Star steadied the ship and looked to cause some problems of their own, with the pace and trickery of Joseph Harper and Gregor Peacock keeping the Pupils defenders on their toes. The visitors should have been level after half an hour when a nice passing move saw Peacock break down the right channel and lay the ball back to the on-rushing James McGuinness – but the midfielder's effort sailed over the bar.

Into the second half Pupils again looked to take the game to the visitors and should have doubled their advantage when Donald McCallum beat the offside trap and was once



Lochgilhead Red Star pictured before their 2-1 win over Campbeltown Pupils.

again able to round Lewis, but this time his effort was met by a tremendous goal-line block by experienced defender Ricky Reid, who was making his competitive debut for Star.

Star freshened things up in front, replacing the hard working Joseph Harper with Stuart McLean after an hour and the change paid dividends. Colin Weir's

long through pass found the Pupils defence napping and MacLean was able to control the ball before finishing low under the goalkeeper to level the match.

Both sides were keen to snatch a winner and it was the visitors who managed to edge ahead once again through Stuart MacLean. This time he beat the offside trap,

latching onto a through pass from captain Aaron Moore before lobbing the ball over the onrushing keeper to give Star the lead with 10 minutes to go.

The Pupils did their best to claw their way back into the match late on and were unfortunate not to equalise with an effort which rattled the crossbar but the Star backline

defended superbly well to give Star a morale-boosting win in a tough contest.

Red Star continue their Centenary Cup campaign on Saturday August 17 with another derby match, this time against Tarbert. The game is scheduled for the Ropework for 2pm but depending on weather could be moved to the Joint Campus.

Kilberry Sportive well supported in glorious sunshine

The Kilberry Loop Sportive saw around 70 cyclists take on a 40-mile route starting and finishing in Tarbert.

All eyes were on the forecast for the non-competitive cycling event on Saturday August 10. As it turned out, it was a glorious day of warm sunshine and a gentle breeze, ideal weather for a cyclist.

Visitors

The event, run by Mid Argyll Tri and Cycle Club, featured strong representation from the cycle clubs of Oban, Mid Argyll and Campbeltown, joined by quite a number of



The eager cyclists gather at the starting line.

visitors to the area. The start was from the Isthmus, just outside Tarbert, through the village and north on the A83 towards Ardrishaig for seven miles before turning on to the B8024 towards Kilberry.

A steady climb up to Loch Arail was followed by a long descent to Achahoish and the beginning of wonderful scenery along the shores of Loch Caolisport, through Kilberry and up and over to the shores of West Loch Tarbert back to the finish.

The quicker cyclists managed the 40 miles, which

has almost 900 metres of climbing, in under two hours, which is quick, and there are others who completed the course inside a comfortable four hours, so there is room for all abilities.

Early 70s

People of all ages took part, with a couple of gentlemen in their early 70s and those in their 20s taking part.

One of the organisers, John Hardie, said: 'It was a great day, and it would not have been possible without sponsorship from Tarbert Harbour Authority, Tarbert

Enterprise Company, Wm Duncan and Co and Tarbert Co-op, for which we are grateful. Thanks also to the dozen marshals who so willingly gave of their time and all those involved.

'We have to do it all again next year. Altogether Tarbert at its very best.'



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