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Achnamara loses school despite ambitious plans

by Colin Cameron
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Pleas by a Mid Argyll community to mothball its primary school came to nothing as councillors decided to close it permanently.

Argyll and Bute Council's community services committee decided to end the provision of education at Ashfield Primary School in Achnamara at its meeting on

Thursday September 5. That was despite the intervention of councillors Douglas Philand and Sandy Taylor, who were allowed to make their case at the meeting despite not being committee members.

The school has been temporarily closed since March 2016 and was the subject of a consultation on its future earlier this year.

Pupils have been schooled

at Tayvallich Primary School, eight miles away.

Achnamara has big plans to regenerate the area including new housing on forestry land, a community hydro scheme and the development of marine services.

Families

In a letter to Argyll and Bute Council dated September 2, Achnamara Village Hall Committee chairwoman Ailsa Raeburn asked for the

school to be mothballed as community plans take shape, so that it could be brought into use to encourage young families to settle in the area.

Speaking at the meeting, Councillor Philand said: 'The community has been very active in wanting to take things forward and has said it wants the building mothballed.'

'My community has asked for this, and it is not an out-the-box thing. It is just asking

for a bit of time.'

Councillor Taylor added: 'The community's vision includes a school.'

'If you are asking somebody what they want to regenerate the community, it will certainly include a school.'

'The council has a great record of supporting communities but it needs to be a two-way street here.'

Douglas Hendry, the council's executive director

for customer services, said, however: 'If the wish of the community was to pursue a lease of the school building, we would be happy to engage with it to see if that could be negotiated and delivered.'

Councillor Kieron Green said the decision was based on educational aspects.

He said: 'The Education Scotland report says that Tayvallich is well-supported and they have spoken to parents, staff and pupils who are all agreed it would be a better option.'

'There is no educational reason to re-open Ashfield.'

Support

Speaking after the committee's decision, Ailsa Raeburn said: 'We were just asking for time from the council to help support our ambitions to make our community more resilient.'

'This fell on deaf ears, despite all their claims about supporting communities, the need to grow the young and working age population and rural revival.'

The heroes return to Inveraray

Inveraray and District Pipe Band performed on Inveraray's front green as the town celebrated their world championship success in style. Full story and more photographs on pages four and five.

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Mobile bank goes AWOL in Inveraray



The mobile RBS bank in Inveraray. 06_a37RBS_MobileBank01

Customers confused as officials ask van to move off pier

As if losing the final bank in Inveraray when RBS closed was not enough, townfolk last week found themselves unable to find the replacement mobile bank.

Confusion reigned for a time on Thursday September 5 when the RBS mobile bank was suddenly moved from its stance at Inveraray Pier by Argyll and Bute Council.

Offered a site at the rear of Semple's garage, the vehicle moved there only to find, according to customers, that no satellite signal reached the location, making remote banking difficult. Compounding the situation, tempers frayed as customers spent their lunch breaks searching in vain for the bank at the pier head.

Argyll and Bute Council

confirmed the vehicle had been advised to move.

A spokesperson said: 'This particular car park is well used by visitors and is therefore not appropriate for trading. This has been communicated to the providers of the mobile banking service previously.'

'An alternative location, at the Newton car park where no fees would be charged, has been suggested in the past and remains an option.'

Previous parking spots for the mobile unit, including one beside the former RBS building, have proved unsuitable because of traffic and parking conflicts.

The Argyllshire Advertiser approached RBS for comment but the bank failed to respond.

POLICE FILES

Lochgilhead fuel theft appeal

Police are appealing for witnesses or anyone with information to come forward after a black Transit-style van filled up with fuel and drove off without paying from a filling station in Lochgilhead.

The incident happened at 4.50pm on Monday September 2 at Tesco Express, Paterson Street.

Driving while on mobile phone

A male driver, aged 44, has been charged with driving while using a mobile phone.

Police officers stopped the car at 9am on Tuesday September 3 on the A83 at Inveraray. A report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Ardrrishaig drink driver

On Friday September 6 at 8.45pm, a man, aged 37, was arrested and charged with driving a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol on Chalmers Street, Ardrrishaig.

A report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Vandalism – witness appeal

Sometime between 11.45am and 12.55pm on Saturday September 7, outside the Cairnbaan Hotel, the rear passenger panel and driver panel of a dark blue Dacia Logan were scratched.

Police are investigating the incident and are appealing for any witnesses or anyone with any information to contact them.

Drug driving and possession

A man has been charged with driving under the influence of drugs and possessing cannabis resin.

The 29-year-old's car was stopped by police at MacDonald Terrace, Lochgilhead, at 1.15am on Sunday September 8.

He was held for court and a report was submitted to the procurator fiscal.

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

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	Low Tide	From	Til	Low Tide	From	Til
Sun, 1 Sep 2019	07:09	04:09	09:39	19:35	16:35	22:05
Mon, 2 Sep 2019	07:53	04:53	10:23	20:21	17:21	22:51
Tue, 3 Sep 2019	08:38	05:38	11:08	21:08	18:08	23:38
Wed, 4 Sep 2019	09:24	06:24	11:54			
Thu, 5 Sep 2019	10:15	07:15	12:45			
Fri, 6 Sep 2019	11:13	08:13	13:43			
Sat, 7 Sep 2019	12:29	09:29	14:59			
Sun, 8 Sep 2019				13:52	10:52	16:22
Mon, 9 Sep 2019				15:00	12:00	17:30
Tue, 10 Sep 2019				15:56	12:56	18:26
Wed, 11 Sep 2019				16:44	13:44	19:14
Thu, 12 Sep 2019				17:25	14:25	19:55
Fri, 13 Sep 2019				18:00	15:00	20:30
Sat, 14 Sep 2019				18:30	15:30	21:00
Sun, 15 Sep 2019				18:57	15:57	21:27
Mon, 16 Sep 2019	07:20	04:20	09:50	19:24	16:24	21:54
Tue, 17 Sep 2019	07:47	04:47	10:17	19:55	16:55	22:25
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Mon, 30 Sep 2019				19:12	16:12	21:42

Council moves waste collection calendars online

Argyll and Bute Council has introduced a new service which will allow house holders to check their next bin collection day online.

The internet service will save council resources as printed waste collection calendars will no longer be automatically mailed to all homes.

The money saved will be used to fund frontline services at a time when the council is facing even more funding cuts. The decision to end issuing printed calendars to all households was made by the council's Environment Development

and Infrastructure committee in 2018.

This was advertised on the calendars issued last year.

The new downloadable calendars will be available on the website when the current calendar runs out.

People who prefer a permanent reminder of bin collection days will be able to download their calendar and print copies at home.

Anyone who does not have access to a computer or the internet can contact the council's call centre on 01546 605514 and arrange to have a printed calendar sent out to them.

Coffee and cake for Zambia

Tasty treats will be on offer at a coffee morning on Saturday September 14 in aid of ZamScotEd.

Mid Argyll-based charity ZamScotEd supports the education of children in Zambia and will be hosting a coffee morning in Lochgilhead Parish Hall from 10am to help raise funds.

Scotland's Women Stand in Lochgilphead



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A movement to empower women of Scotland to stand for political office chose Lochgilphead as a location for a national event.

Held on Saturday September 7, Scotland's Women Stand was the culmination of a nine-month-long campaign at the Scottish Parliament.

The final event had its base at the parliament, with a small number of regional hubs around Scotland - including one at Argyll and Bute Council headquarters at Kilmory.

Knowledge

Scotland's Women Stand, through a combination of information and inspiring events, aimed to bring together women and equip them with the knowledge they need to take their next steps in politics.

Live streamed from the Scottish Parliament were guest speakers Talat Yaqoob from Women 50:50, Minister Christina McKelvie, Deputy Presiding Officer Linda

Fabiani MSP, Patrycja Kupiec from YWCA and Lee Chalmers, Founder of The Parliament Project.

After a panel discussion, attendees across the country heard from, and asked questions of, Member of the Scottish Youth Parliament Caitie Dundas, community councillor Kay Marie Hughes, Councillor Alison Evison and Alison Johnstone MSP.

Discussion

Hub events followed in the afternoon, with a discussion in Lochgilphead on how to get more involved in politics.

Guest speakers were Councillor Audrey Forrest of Dunoon ward, and Councillor Mary-Jean Devon of Oban South and the Isles, Rosie Sumsion MSYP for Dumbarton, who spoke about their experiences as women getting involved in politics.

Scotland's Women Stand is organised by The Parliament Project and YWCA Scotland - The Young Women's Movement.

The Lochgilphead event was hosted by Argyll and Bute Council.

Delegates gather ahead of the Scotland's Women Stand event in Kilmory, chaired by Councillor Audrey Forrest.

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Clan Lindsay pledge to return

Clan Lindsay members visited Inveraray for their annual get-together. The clan gathering was centred in the Loch Fyne Hotel and clan members are pictured on the evening of Saturday September 7 as they prepared for an evening of fun, dancing and entertainment from the Brambelles. 'We usually go to places in the east of Scotland for our gatherings,' said a Lindsay clan member. 'But Inveraray was recommended to us and it has been fantastic. We've really enjoyed it and I'm sure we'll be back.'

Myasthenia get-together

A get-together is being held in Cairnbaan for those suffering from Myasthenia Gravis.

Myasthenia is a chronic autoimmune neuromuscular disease that causes weakness in the skeletal muscles, which are responsible for breathing and moving parts of the body, including the arms and legs. It can also affect the muscles

that control the eyes and eyelids, facial expressions, chewing, swallowing and speaking.

Myaware, the only organisation in the UK to support those who have Myasthenia, their families and carers, are hosting a support group at the Cairnbaan Hotel on Saturday September 14 at 12.30pm.

This is a great opportunity to meet those who are experiencing the same difficulties and to offer support to one another.

If anyone would like to attend, contact Lynn Stewart, regional organiser Scotland, via email lynn.stewart@myaware.org or telephone 07715 679101.

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'Thanks, Inveraray - we could



Councillor Donnie MacMillan presents the quach to Pipe Major Stuart Liddell on behalf of the Provost of Argyll and Bute. 51_a37IDPReception13



The crowds gather on Inveraray front green to hear the world champions. 51_a37IDPReception05

Celebration was in the air on a gorgeous Inveraray evening.

A crowd numbering in excess of 200 – made up of proud locals mixed with the odd slightly bemused tourist – joined together to mark the success of Inveraray and District Pipe Band.

Laid on by Inveraray Community Council, a reception was held on September 7 on the green as the air cooled at the end of a beautiful sunny Saturday.

And, to mark the occasion,

the band was presented with a celebratory quach from Argyll and Bute Council, handed over by veteran councillor Donnie MacMillan.

On August 17 on Glasgow Green, and for the second time in three years, Inveraray and District Pipe Band won the Grade 1 world title. With the world championship they also secured the Champion of Champions accolade for the fourth year in a row.

The band's success has been remarkable since being

formed with Inveraray youngsters just 15 years ago by current leaders Pipe Major Stuart Liddell and lead drummer Steven McWhirter. The band rose rapidly through the ranks, winning the world title, and many others besides, at every grade in which it competed.

Inveraray is now established as the Grade 1 band to beat and players are attracted from around the world – but regardless of its international make-up, Inveraray still lies at its heart.

That fact was clearly in evidence as the reception was crowned by a magical performance by the world champions, enjoyed by all and captured for posterity on the many mobile phones raised to the heavens.

Speaking as he presented the quach, Councillor MacMillan congratulated the band on its success, achieved in a relatively short period of time thanks to the dedication of all concerned.

Argyll and Bute MP Brendan O'Hara said the band's success had been 'absolutely remarkable' and quipped that Inveraray's success had turned him into a 'born-again piper', so inspired had he been.

Pipe Major Stuart Liddell, Inveraray born and bred and from a line of superb pipers, said: 'I want to thank all band members for their hard work over the past several years, and, of course, their families who have put up with so much and made sacrifices for it to happen – particularly those with young families. It is greatly appreciated.'

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Stuart Liddell addresses the crowd on the green. 51_a37IDPReception16



The band forms up at the church for a recital of some intricate and musical sets. 51_a37IDPReception26

n't have done it without you'



Drum Major Liam Renton leads the band as they march with the world championship trophy up front. 51_a37IDPBrception21

He added: 'Thanks to the town of Inveraray and everyone else who has supported us. We couldn't have done it without you.'

And it was on to a selection of brilliant tunes to entertain the adoring fans clustered around the green.

Speaking after the event, Inveraray Community Council convenor Linda Divers said: 'Thanks to everyone who came out to show their support to Inveraray and District Pipe Band, and to Councillor Donnie MacMillan for coming along tonight.'

Thank

'The community council would like to thank all helpers as well as the British Legion and the band for the use of their tents.'

'The Inveraray Inn provided a fantastic buffet and thanks to Karen for her assistance.'

She added: 'I think we could all hear on Saturday why Inveraray and District are world champions.'



Pipe Major Stuart Liddell issues instructions in his own inimitable style. Photo: Andrew Sinclair



Community council convenor Linda Divers with Councillor Donnie MacMillan as he says a few words. 51_a37IDPBrception12

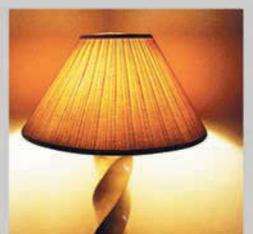


The band goes on an impromptu conga around the crowds of adoring fans.

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Supporting communities

The difficult financial times we live in makes for tough choices on spending, there is no doubt about that.

The decision to close Ashfield school was difficult but it was based on educational reasons, according to the committee.

Barring appeal, it is a done deal, but the building remains. The question now is: what next? It would be refreshing if the council was to look at supporting the community, as suggested by Douglas Hendry, by doing a good deal on renting the premises.

Where people are prepared to develop ambitious plans to haul themselves up by the bootstraps, Argyll and Bute Council must do everything it can to support them in new and imaginative ways.

Old gold

Gold mining in the Cairndow glens may be some time off for modern-day prospectors but it is no surprise to learn locals have known about it for years and have been digging out the stuff.

Inveraray heroes

What a great night it was as the all-conquering Inveraray and District Pipe Band returned home. Well done to the community council.

Be bold, support local

Sir

I applaud the letter in last week's issue from Martin Kennedy of NFU Scotland, calling for our governments and public procurement buyers to ensure that they prioritise Scottish food.

I would point to the example of 'the Preston model', where the city council has adopted a 'guerrilla localism'. It keeps its money as close to home as possible so that, amid historically drastic cuts, the amount spent locally has gone up as featured in The Guardian on January 31, 2018 which notes 'where other authorities privatise, Preston grows its own businesses'.

Preston ensures that its resources prioritise local providers and businesses wherever possible. Argyll and Bute Council's Procurement Strategy 2019/20 falls some way short of this. Its stated aims commendably include:

■ Focusing our commissioning and procurement activity on delivering improvements for the people and communities in Argyll and Bute.

■ Working co-operatively in everything we do to support SMEs and the third sector.

■ Ensuring procurement activity contributes towards the council's general equality duty towards all stakeholders in Argyll and Bute and beyond.

There is no particular emphasis, however, on using its resources to grow Argyll and Bute businesses, to reduce carbon emissions and food transport miles or to foster healthy eating strategies that would benefit our local farmers

through 'joining up the dots' of local supply and demand.

The climate emergency demands a bolder and more innovative response and demands it now.

Mary MacCallum Sullivan, Ardrishaig.

The cost of Brexit

Sir,

I wish to comment on Mr Henderson's open letter to Brendan O'Hara in the September 6 edition of the Argyllshire Advertiser.

The expression 'crash out' of Europe is used by Conservative members of parliament, the BBC and the press. While emotive, this is what many people directly affected by Brexit feel is happening.

For example, on the matter of Germans buying our fish; without a trade agreement the tariff will be 40 per cent on our fish exports to the EU. The Germans will no longer buy our fish.

We can all read about other examples of the harm being done in the press every day. The cost of implementing a no deal exit will be borne by all of us, through further austerity (Conservatives), increased taxes (Labour), increased national debt or a combination of all three. To my mind, such measures will indeed cause serious economic and social harm.

While Brendan O'Hara received a minority of the votes in Argyll, the present government was elected by less than 30 per cent of the electorate.

David Inglis, Ardrishaig.

Life saving air ambulance

Sir,

During this, National Air Ambulance Week (September 9-16), may I draw readers' attention to the amazing work of the country's only charity-funded air ambulance service - Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance (SCAA).

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The value of a helicopter air ambulance is therefore obvious.

Working alongside the Scottish Ambulance Service's air fleet, SCAA relies entirely on public donations to keep this vital resource flying.

Please consider supporting SCAA in its life-saving work during a week when the country focuses on the crucial work of air ambulances everywhere. For further information please visit www.scaa.org.uk

David Craig, chief executive, Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance (SCAA), Perth Airport.

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Action on climate emergency

Sir,
I get a magazine called 'Clean Slate'. In this month is an article where a 16-year-old girl, Greta Thunberg, along with 46 other youth activists, have issued this invitation to adults around the world: 'Starting on Friday September 20 we are going to kick-start a week of climate action, with a world-wide strike for the climate. We are asking adults to step up alongside us and make this a turning point in our history.'

Greta Thunberg was welcomed by the speaker of the House of Commons, the leader of the Labour Party and the secretary of state for the environment, food and rural affairs. She also spoke at the elite gathering of business leaders in Davos and at the UN.

In March 2019, school strikes took place in more than 2,000 cities around the world. Again in May, in more than 100 countries, millions of pupils took to the streets to remind the world that the earth faces a climate emergency.

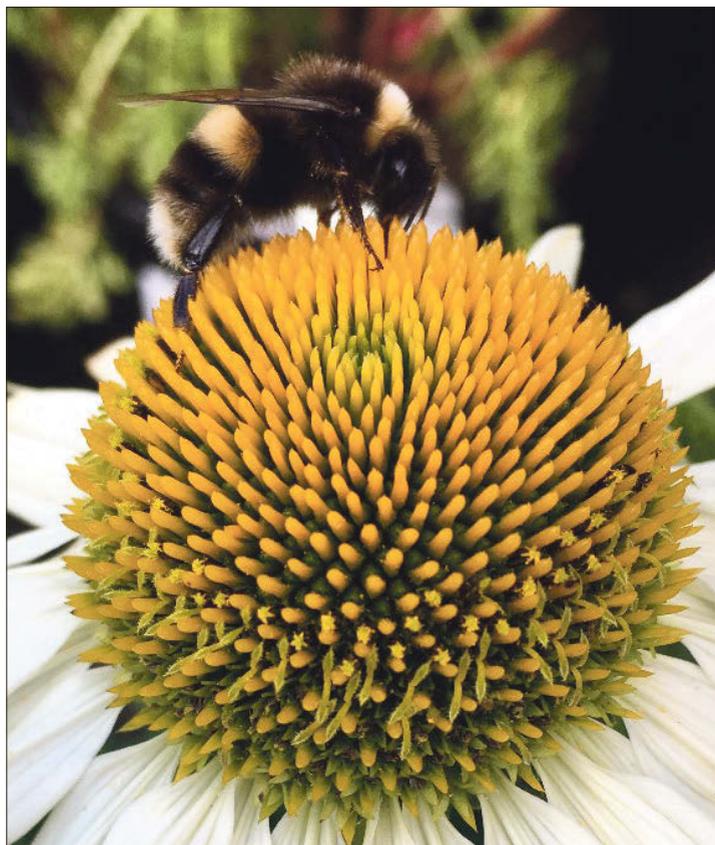
The strike starting on September 20 coincides with the UN Climate Action Summit in New York.

I hear that many in Lochgilphead High School are planning to do the same - well done!

Let us join them on Friday September 20 between 11am and 1pm to help build a future fit for all living beings.

Mary Stirling, Ardrishaig.

YOUR PICTURES



Now that the weather has taken an unmistakable turn for the autumnal, here is a nice wee reminder of summer, thanks to Mairi Henderson from Lochgilphead. Mairi managed to capture this lovely photo of a busy bee in her garden using her iPhone.

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HIE boost for Lochgilphead renewables company



A Lochgilphead renewables company is to increase its production capacity after securing investment of up to £20,307 from Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE).

The project, by Renewable Parts Limited (RPL), will also create two new full-time jobs.

RPL is a specialist technical and logistical supplier to the renewables industry in the UK, Ireland and continental Europe. This includes replacement parts and consumables for out-of-warranty wind farms.

Extending its manufacturing processes will enable the company to transform used products through re-manufacturing, re-use, product disassembly and reprocessing.

It will help reduce waste, not just from manufacturing processes, but throughout the product life cycle.

Gary Haldane, business

development account manager with HIE in Argyll, said: 'Renewable energy is a growth sector, presenting many new opportunities for businesses in the region. It is important that we help high-growth firms capitalise on these opportunities, particularly where this leads to increased trade, business growth and job creation in rural areas.'

'This project will help RPL take the next step in its growth journey, supporting and creating jobs and strengthening community resilience in Mid Argyll. We very much welcome their innovative approach and are pleased to be able to provide support.'

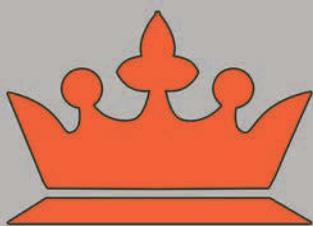
Michael Forbes, general manager at the RPL refurbishment centre, said: 'HIE has been a strong advocate of Renewable Parts Ltd ever since the business was founded.'



Staff at Renewable Parts Limited in Lochgilphead are celebrating after investment from HIE.

'We are delighted with the many forms of support including training, guidance and finance. The most recent capital project has allowed the business to take advantage of a gap in the market for refurbished components.'

'This is helping to create a circular economy where it was much needed, as well as further local jobs in an area of population decline. We very much look forward to continuing to work with HIE as the business continues to grow.'



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David races to charity cash

After losing family members to cancer, Ardrishaig man David Kirkwood decided to do something to help others affected by the disease.

With the help of Masonic Lodge Loch Fyne in Lochgilphead, he raised money for breast cancer and cancer research.

A well-attended race night at the lodge on August 17 raised a total of £1,420 and, even better, David's own horse for the evening ended up the winner.



David and his mum Angela enjoyed a successful evening at the Masonic Lodge.

Golden opportunities are beckoning in Glen Fyne

by Colin Cameron
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Recent reports of the discovery of 'exciting new, potentially significant' gold deposits in the hills around Cairndow are, it turns out, not so new after all.

In a recent update for investors, Scotgold Resources Ltd reported promising results from preliminary investigation work in Glen Fyne, with the potential for gold deposits significantly greater than its existing mining site at Cononish, Tyndrum.

The report notes 'an exciting new, potentially significant anomalous target area at Inverchorachan [in Glen Fyne].'

'The highest gold values detected at Inverchorachan of 124ppb compare favourably with the highest gold values recorded at Cononish of 39.9ppb.'

Scotgold's longstanding interest has been at Cononish, where it established Scotland's first commercial gold mine. Commercial production is set to begin in February 2020.

The company is now predicting investors could see earnings of £147 million over the lifetime of the Cononish mine, up from £101 million with an improved gold price.



Lonely upper Glen Fyne was not always so peaceful. In the misty far distance, Ben Oss is not far from Tyndrum and the existing gold mine. 51_a37GlenFyne02

The people of Cairndow, though, have known for years of metal deposits in Glen Fyne.

One local man said: 'I have been around these hills for 70 years and I remember mines in Glen Fyne, at Inverchorachan and further up the glen.'

'The Cononish mine and the area they are talking about in Glen Fyne is not far apart at all, just over the hill in fact.'

It is believed that gold and lead were the targets of miners in decades long past.

Scotgold is carrying out exploration work under what is known as the 'Grampian

Scotgold Resources, commented: 'Overall progress on the development of Cononish is pleasing.'

'There is a short delay in production of first gold from our previous expectations, but a stockpile of ore will be accumulated during this period which will provide an opportunity to exceed targets later in the year.'

'The combination of the gold price being in excess of £1,200 per ounce, and the pipeline of projects that we

anticipate will result from our Grampian exploration work,

bode well for the company's long-term outlook.'

'Overall progress on the development of Cononish is pleasing'

Project', which has revealed a previously unknown area of promise at Cononish as well as the new find in Glen Fyne.

Richard Gray, CEO of



Sheep have the glen to themselves - but for how much longer? 51_a37GlenFyne11

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New nursing course opens gateway to adult learners

by Colin Cameron
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Excitement was in the air as 22 new students arrived in Lochgilphead to be introduced to a new nursing course for Argyll and the isles.

The students are about to undertake the Scottish Wider Access Programme (SWAP) Access to Nursing course.

This year-long, full-time course has been specifically designed for adult returners to education and will prepare students to enter degree level education in nursing, helping to meet the growing demand for healthcare professionals in rural areas.

The Argyll College students will be based in six locations throughout Argyll and the isles including Arran, Campbeltown, Islay, Helensburgh, Lochgilphead and Oban, and met for the first time at their induction session in Lochgilphead on Thursday September 5.

Opportunities

Course tutor Linda Brown said: 'The Scottish Wider Access Programme is a registered charitable organisation providing opportunities for adults who want to access higher education.'

'Access to Nursing is part of SWAP and is specifically for people wanting a second



Students gather in Lochgilphead for their induction, with tutor Linda Brown pictured second from left.

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chance at education to fulfil their academic potential.'

Linda is a graduate of the SWAP Access to Nursing programme herself and was the first person in her fam-

ily to attend university. She gained qualifications needed to study Adult Nursing at Edinburgh Napier University and received a college award as a SWAP student.

Linda went on to qualify as a nurse, gaining a Bachelor of Nursing degree with distinction. She used this nursing qualification to care for older adults.

She has been lecturing for the past 12 years and has been part of the 'journey to nursing' for many Access to Nursing students in the West Lothian area.



Zoe Grant from Bowmore on Islay is excited to be starting the Access to Nursing course. 51_a37UHI_StudentNurses04



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Cowal piping and dancing success

More Cowal Highland Gathering success for Mid Argyll has come to light following last week's article on the event.

Norma Litster from Lochgilphead contacted the Advertiser to say that her eight-year-old daughter Emma competed in the Argyll and Bute Highland dancing section on Saturday August 31 in Dunoon.

Emma, a Primary 5 pupil at Lochgilphead Primary School, won the trophy for overall winner in the beginners section in the eight years category.

Proud mum Norma said: 'Emma travels each week to Dunoon for lessons with the Katrina Martin School of Dance. To win a trophy for her section was a huge achievement for her.'

The Cowal Gathering solo piping took place on the Friday of the huge three-day event. Among a number of

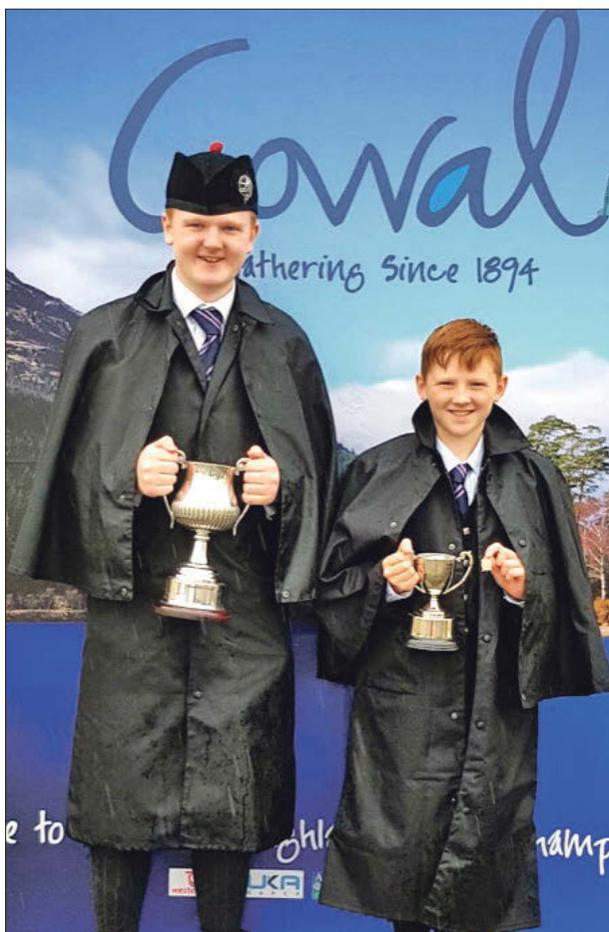
Argyll pipers entered were the McCartan brothers from Ardrishaig.

Mum Ann McCartan contacted the paper to say that her sons Christopher and Euan had won prizes in the solo competitions.

Euan won the open novice march, while Christopher placed third in the 15 and under march and second in the 17 and under open march, strathspey and reel competition.

Christopher is a member of Mid Argyll Pipe Band, which also enjoyed success at Cowal Gathering, and Euan is hoping to join the band this season.

Christopher and Euan McCartan with their trophies won in solo piping.



Emma Litster was delighted to win the Christina Cairns Trophy for beginner dancers aged eight years from Argyll and Bute.

Reaching across 150 years

This year marks 150 years of CrossReach, a social care service provided by the Church of Scotland.

To mark the occasion Glassary, Kilmartin and Ford Parish Church's worship group incorporated a presentation about the

charity into the Sunday service on September 1.

The presentation, led by Linda Tighe and Lesley Steele, looked at the charity's beginnings in 1869 as the Church of Scotland Committee on Christian Life and Work, right through

to the services it provides today as CrossReach.

Using case studies to help showcase the charity's work, Linda and Lesley told the story of Amna, a young girl whose parents needed to use most of their savings in an attempt to resolve an unexpected crisis. The family was suddenly living in poverty and Amna's mum reached out to CrossReach.

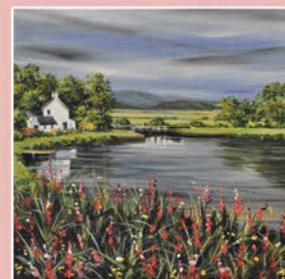
The charity was able to help immediately, providing access to a food bank, clothes donations and legal aid. They were also able to provide Amna with free learning and play sessions.

CrossReach is now one of Scotland's largest care providers, supporting people with mental, physical or learning disabilities, those with drug or alcohol addictions, the homeless and much more.

If anyone would like to support the work of CrossReach more can be found on its website.



Kilmartin Parish's worship group, from left, Linda Tighe with Lesley and Alan Steele.



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MacLeods sow the seed for plant-based business

A Lochgilhead couple's quest to rid themselves of harmful substances has resulted in a unique business model.

Sara and Sean MacLeod run their Kilmartin Glen bed and breakfast, King's Reach, on a plant-based basis, meaning they don't serve any meat, fish, dairy or eggs.

The couple fell in love with Scotland in 2014 while on a family holiday. 'We left a piece of our hearts here,' said Sara.

Looking for a complete lifestyle change, they moved up from the busy south of England in 2017 when they bought a property large enough to run two to three rooms with two self-catering bungalows behind the main house.

Sara and Sean are both vegan which is part of their Buddhist practice of Ahimsa - harmlessness.

'We have been practising

Buddhists for the past eight years and we follow the Thai Forest tradition,' explained Sara.

'We try to reduce our harm in the world by the way we live our lives. So this doesn't just mean what we eat, but everything we use and consume.'

Kings Reach doesn't just offer plant-based breakfasts: all the cleaning and laundry products are cruelty-free, and the couple reuse and recycle as much as possible.

'We provide vegan soap bars for guests in compostible packaging, not toiletries in little plastic bottles, and our electricity is provided by Ecotricity, the green energy supplier,' added Sara.

Sara does all the cooking and her menu is varied to appeal to all diets. 'It's not all lentils and lettuce,' she said.

On the menu at Kings Reach, customers will find a



Sean and Sara MacLeod fell in love with Scotland.

dairy-free yoghurts, freshly baked bread, and home baked pastries and muffins.

'We have had people staying from all over the world with different diets who have really enjoyed our offerings,' she added.

'For vegans or vegetarians, it is a treat to have more than one choice and not to have to sit in a dining room where others are eating bacon and eggs.'

'For omnivores, there is enough choice on the menu for them to try plant-based eating.'

'You don't have to be vegan to stay here, everyone is welcome. Some guests have been inspired to go dairy-free after trying our food.'

vegan version of a full cooked breakfast, a stack of pancakes served with blueberries,

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Sunshine, stalls and sport at Smallholders' Gathering

by Joan Crooks
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After successive days of inclement weather, the sun made a welcome appearance for this year's medieval-themed Clachan Smallholders' Gathering.

In gloriously warm sunshine last Saturday, the well-supported event – held in Tayinloan this year – saw children with painted faces try their hand at jousting and haggis-throwing, and adults and children alike could see displays of traditional crafts like hand-carving and spinning.

Meanwhile a great array of crafts and produce, including fruit and flowers, knitwear, art, candles, soap, cards and eco-friendly wrapping was available to purchase inside the village hall. Sustenance in the form of soup and bread, tea, biscuits and cakes was also on offer.

Lori Silvan, on the Smallholders' stall explained the purpose of the event: 'The Smallholders' Gathering is not a fundraiser for Clachan Village Hall.

'It provides an outlet for local crafters and it is good to bring local people together, to share their skills and to show

and sell what they make and grow.'

Lori added: 'We want to help support as many local groups as possible, and today that includes Loch Fyne Pipe Band and Kintyre Food Bank.'

As the afternoon was drawing to a close, the crowd, enjoying the warmth of the afternoon sun, gathered round to enjoy the fine sound of Loch Fyne Pipe band.

In the evening, there was more entertainment at a licensed event in the hall, where singers, songwriters, bands and choirs from across the area took to the stage.



Pauline Simson provided lunch in the form of homemade soup, bread and cakes.



Margaret Weir looks adoringly at her two-week-old great-granddaughter, Haileigh Campbell.



Kat Berrie promoting reduced use of plastics by selling reusable beeswax wraps.



Isla Hales gets a spinning lesson from Morag Duff watched by her children, Anna, seven, Charlotte, five, Joseph, two, and husband, Sam.



Grace Norris, nine, Alasdair Paisley, 11, Kirsti Paisley, Arthur Duff, Craig Hurd, nine, and Alan Korner, 21, taking charge of the medieval games.

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Science matters

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This is the international year of the periodic table, designated by the United Nations to commemorate its formulation by Dmitri Mendeleev (1834-1907) 150 years ago.

Mendeleev was born in a remote region of Siberia, the youngest of 17 children. When the impoverished family moved to St Petersburg in 1849, Mendeleev was able to attend St Petersburg State University where he eventu-

ally taught chemistry.

Mendeleev was fascinated by chemical elements, the basic building-blocks of all matter. He discovered that if he organised the 56 elements then known in ascending order of their weight (or mass), from hydrogen, the lightest, to lead, the heaviest, a repeating pattern (or periodicity) emerged. Elements with similar properties occur with a periodicity of eight,

so when placed in tabular form, this gives eight rows of elements with vertical columns containing 'families' of similar elements. One such contains the halogens - fluorine, chlorine, bromine, iodine; another the noble gases - helium, neon, argon etc. Using his table, Mendeleev predicted the discovery of some missing elements and corrected the atomic weights of others.

All elements are composed of atoms, which, in turn, are made up of sub-atomic particles. Although Mendeleev knew nothing of these, his table of elements helped to explain how and why atoms interact with each other.

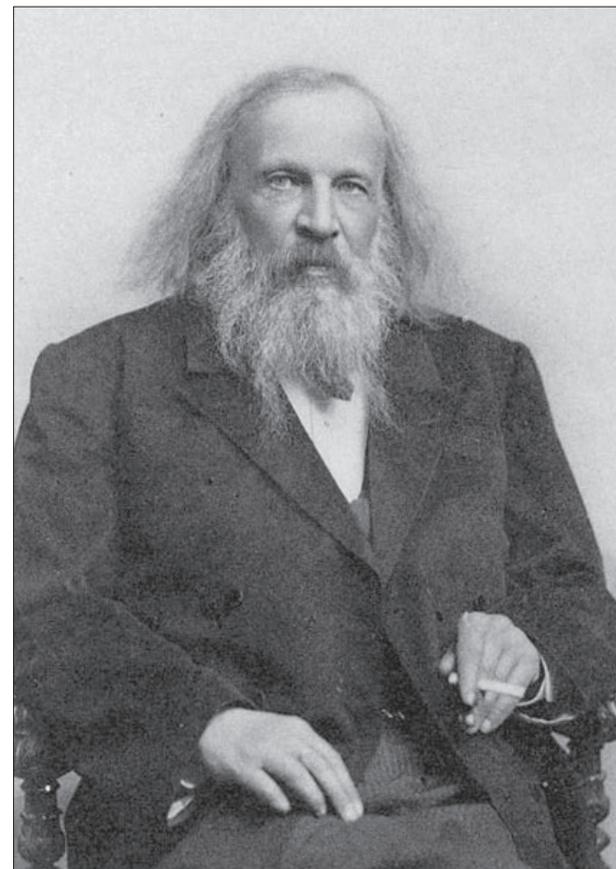
Atoms have a central core of neutrons and protons, orbited by electrons. The electrons are arranged in shells of increasing diameter with the innermost shell containing two electrons and successive

shells filling up to eight before starting a new outer shell. It is the number of electrons in the outermost orbit that determines the properties of an element. This links beautifully to the periodicity of eight in the periodic table where all elements with the same number of electrons in their outer shell are in the same column. Ergo, their reactivities can be predicted at a glance.

Mendeleev's insights were revolutionary, providing order to the natural world. And though there are still doubts about the placings of some elements in the table, with 118 now included, the table still graces the wall of most chemistry laboratories worldwide.



The periodic table, so familiar to school pupils all over the world.



Dmitri Mendeleev photographed in the 1890s.

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Argyll College wins 'green' award

Argyll College UHI has won the Scottish Environment Protection Agency Award for Excellence in Environmental Sustainability.

The award is presented to the Highlands and Islands business or organisation which best demonstrates its commitment to improving its environmental performance and resource efficiency, in ways which go beyond regulatory compliance and increase profits and/or efficiency.

Argyll College, one of the partners in the University of the Highlands and Islands, provides further and higher education from nine centres throughout Argyll and

Arran. The average mileage of the entire college staff runs to approximately 150,000 miles per annum as people travel between centres.

In 2015/16, Argyll College leased three electric vehicles. Whilst there was initial doubt from staff, given the terrain involved and the perceived lack of charging points, the cars travelled 30,000 miles in their first year.

It is estimated the college's annual petrol/diesel mileage is now just 10,000 miles, equating to an annual carbon emissions reduction of 20 tonnes. This adds up to a saving of around £42,000 for the college.

College finance director Ailsa Close said: 'We are delighted to have our green credential recognised in this way.'

'We are lucky enough to live and work in such a wonderful part of Scotland and all of our staff have a commitment to protecting our beautiful environment. Building on the success of our first three vehicles, we now operate a fleet of six.'

'We have recently been successful in securing funding to install charge points in Oban, Dunoon, Campbeltown and Helensburgh.'

'These chargers will also be available to the public.'



Argyll College UHI has increased its fleet of electric cars to six.

The George does awards double

Inveraray's George Hotel won two coveted awards at this year's Scottish Bar and Pub Awards.

The event, organised by Media World, publishers of Scottish licensed trade magazine DRAM, is the longest-established awards of its kind in Scotland.

More than 500 of the industry's movers and shakers attended the awards ceremony at Glasgow's five-star Hilton Hotel, witnessing The George take home the Pub of the Year accolade and Hotel Bar of the Year.

Pub of the Year was in recognition of The George being the crème de la crème out of all the awards winners on the night, while in the Hotel Bar of the Year category, The George beat off stiff competition from Dakota Hotel Glasgow, The Raeburn in Edinburgh and East Kilbride's Torrance Hotel.

The judge said: 'A hotel bar



Pub of the year: The George Hotel. a37_GeorgeHotel01

'The staff are a joy to watch because they seem to really enjoy what they do and are happy to have banter with their guests while delivering an excellent service'

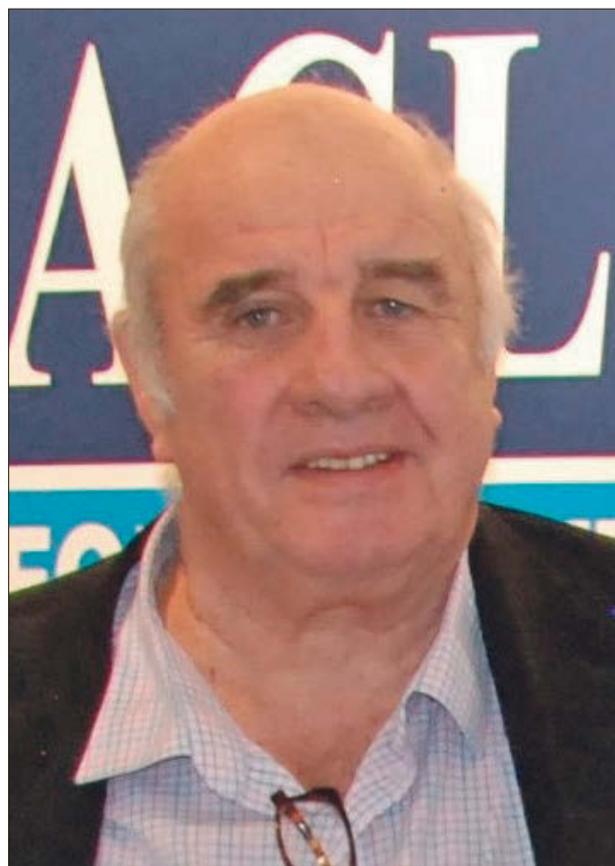
that is busy just about all the time is almost impossible to achieve, which is why The George is such a great example of a great hotel bar. It had a tremendous amount of footfall but the service remains efficient and friendly. The staff are a joy to watch because they seem to really

enjoy what they do and are happy to have banter with their guests while delivering an excellent service.'

The George has been in the Clark family for more than 158 years and a delegation of staff picked up the awards on the night - including a handsome mirror for Sunday Mail

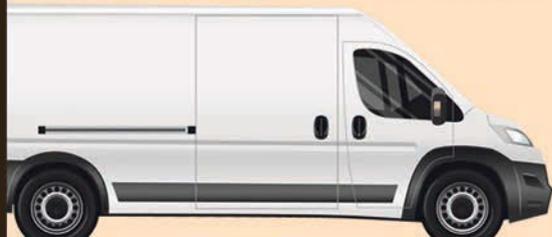
Pub of the Year inscribed with the pub's name.

Donald Clark also joined the hall of fame, receiving a lifetime achievement award. Mr Clark took over from his father at the age of 23 but claims to have taken a back seat in the day-to-day running of the hotel.



Donald Clark took home a lifetime achievement award on the night. 06_a11ChamberofCommerce01

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Young footballers score with Lochgilphead coffee morning

Lochgilphead Red Star 2008s hosted a coffee morning in Lochgilphead Parish Church Hall to raise funds for a trip abroad.

After competing in the International Cup in Blackpool in May this year the Red Star youth team hopes to travel to Amsterdam next year in what may be their last big tournament before moving to 11-a-side.

Parents, coaches, supporters and the players themselves are working hard to raise money for the trip in April 2020.

The coffee morning on Saturday September 7, complete with home baking and tombola stalls, raised £440 before the Rumbly Tum in Ardrishaig generously donated another £100 towards the fund.

Look out for another fundraising event for the Red Star kids when a hypnotist comes to Ardrishaig Public Hall on November 16. Tickets for the big night are now on sale from Sei Bella and the Riverside Cafe, or by contacting the Redstar FC 2008 Facebook page.



The home baking stall was a big attraction.

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Bags of sweet treats on sale at the coffee morning.

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Red Star players with coach Bryan Crawford along with a player of the future.

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Lochgilphead SWI ladies ready to celebrate 90th birthday

Lochgilphead Scottish Women's Institute ladies are celebrating their 90th birthday this year.

A special meal attended by guests from other institutes and the Scottish chairwoman Linda Renton will take place in December to mark the occasion.

The group's new session starts on Tuesday September 17. The first meeting will be a meet and greet activities night. Later on in the session, there will be a bread-making demonstration, a photography evening and a spotlight on Christmas floral decorations.

Existing and new members will be made welcome on Tuesday at 7.15pm in Lochgilphead Community Centre.

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Lochgilphead pipers play at Belfast tattoo



Camron MacPhail, right, and Christopher McCartan, left, with Alisdair McLaren, director of the National Youth Pipe Band of Scotland.

Two Lochgilphead High School pupils had the honour of performing at this year's Belfast International Tattoo.

Camron MacPhail and Christopher McCartan, both aged 13, had their first practise with the National Youth Pipe Band of Scotland in August and were chosen to play in the tattoo along with another 22 members.

The tattoo, at the SSE Arena Belfast on September 6 and 7, had a youth theme to it this year with youth bands from Ireland and Australia also performing.

Commenting on the experience Camron said: 'Playing at the Belfast tattoo was an honour and a bit surreal.'



Some of the children, who completed the summer reading challenge, with their certificates.

Chasing space at summer reading challenge

Lochgilphead library played host to another successful summer reading challenge this year.

The event encourages primary aged children to keep reading throughout the summer holidays and this year's theme was 'Space chase'.

Forty-nine children completed the challenge this year, visiting the library and borrowing books.

Each child received a chart and stickers and other incentives including bags,

wristbands and pencils each time they visited.

Sticking with the space theme, two craft events were run alongside the challenge.

At one, children made aliens out of clay and held a treasure hunt around the library.

Not everyone who took on the challenge could make it to the awards ceremony at the library on Wednesday September 4, but the youngsters who were there were delighted to collect certificates and medals.



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The value of the work will be in the region of £24,000/year, potentially over a 3 year period. If you have experience in particular of contract forestry surveying or other relevant experience and are interested in tendering for this type of work then please come along to the event, where more details of the work involved will be discussed.

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Let's get the funk out at MOJO

Continuing the introductions to the fine original acts from Argyll at this year's MOJO festival, the next band to be highlighted is a cool and lively eight-piece funk group from Ardfern.

Formed in November 2018 with a real intent to boogie, Ardfunk have been playing covers of songs by some of their favourite idols like Aretha Franklin, James Brown and Toots and the Maytals at parties – and they have gone down a storm with their soul, jazz and R&B fusions of funk and reggae flavours.

Not content with simply playing covers, the band have taken on the challenge and got the taste for writing their own slick material to perform.

Particularly exciting for MOJO organisers (and for Ardfunk) is the fact that they will be performing



Ardfunk – a cool and lively eight-piece funk group from Ardfern.

their first-ever set on a live stage – and in their own vil-

lage to boot. The locals are in for a real treat. Ardfunk

are: Nicky Coventry (lead vocals); Angie Bird (lead

and backing vocals); Elaine Purdy (backing vocals);

Abi Gregory (saxophone); Ruari Edmond (keyboards); Robert Potter-Irwin (guitar); Tom Fisher (drums); Nigel Frydman (bass).

As a bonus, Ardfunk have invited another local artist, cosmic rapper 'monade eider' to guest with them.

They are very excited to be playing their own songs at MOJO and the band hopes to be recording before too long, as well as shooting a video and doing plenty of gigs.

MOJO organiser Dan Griffiths said: 'Prepare yourself for an engaging performance of interlocking grooves, smooth vocals and collective hypnotic energy. A lovely trance and a groovy dance awaits us all. Now that's funky!'

MOJO will be held on October 19 at Craignish Village Hall. Tickets will be available at the end of September.

FUNBOX COUNTDOWN TO CAMPBELTOWN



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5, 4, 3, 2, 1! The countdown is on for family favourites Funbox returning to The Victoria Hall in Campbeltown this September with their new interstellar singalong show Space Race – so join the crew of the Starship Funbox with Captain Kevin, First Officer Anya, Navigator Gary and Emperor of the Universe Bonzo as they take a space odyssey across the universe to explore strange new worlds and dimensions on their galaxy-hopping quest to find their keys.

'We love coming to Campbeltown,' said Anya, 'the audience really get

into the show. They totally immerse themselves in it, joining in with all the songs and actions, and telling us what to do. It's not just for the younger ones though, as there are plenty of jokes for the big people too.'

'We kept being asked to do a space-themed show,' added Kevin, 'and with 2019 being the 50th anniversary of the first Moon landings, it couldn't be a better time. Children are fascinated with space travel, aliens, robots, planets, stars etc, and they're so clued up – they know more about it than us! Space really is the final 'fun-tier'.'

Packed with classics like Apples and Bananas and Aiken Drum, Funbox favourites and brand new songs, Space Race is out-of-this-world singalong fun for all the family.

Come dressed for adventure – come as an alien, a space princess or an astronaut – and remember in space everyone can hear you sing!

FUNBOX: SPACE RACE, Victoria Hall, Campbeltown, Friday September 20 at 5.00pm. Tickets: £11.00 (Family Saver: £40.00). Available from Aqualibrium Centre – Tel: 01586 551212; online: liveargyll.co.uk

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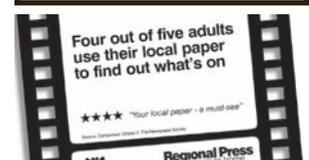
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Sue Hillman, engrossed in creating her moonlit seascape.
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A Fyne show of art in Minard

Members of Argyll Fyne Art Group worked on their latest creations while visitors admired completed works in Minard Village Hall.

The group held its annual open day and exhibition on Saturday September 7, drawing a steady stream of people between 10am and 4pm.

Argyll Fyne Art Group chairwoman Ann Dodd said: 'We are delighted with the

quality and variety of work and with the footfall at the open day and exhibition. Thanks to everyone who came to support us. We were very pleased to see so many interested people.'

The group meets every fortnight on a Wednesday from 10am till 4pm at Minard Village Hall, enjoying tutorials at intervals throughout

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A Fyne show of art in Minard

Continued from page 19. the year. Members, ranging from beginners to experienced amateur artists, draw and paint using a variety of media and techniques including pens, pencils, pastels, watercolour and acrylic, producing a variety of works including landscapes, seascapes, abstracts and portraits.

Ann Dodd continued: 'We certainly enjoy our Wednesdays and we all critique each other's work in a friendly, open way.

'It's a nice group and we have members from Inveraray to Tayvallich.'

Argyll Fyne Art Group is grateful to West Lochfyne Community Council, funded by A' Cruach wind farm, for its generous support.

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Clockwise from left: Work by Mike Masino on display. 51_a37FyneArtMinard02 A wide range of art methods and styles was on show. 51_a37FyneArtMinard03 Artists and interested onlookers through Minard Village Hall for the exhibition. 51_a37FyneArtMinard01 Morag Robins in the foreground works on a painting of Lock 9 on the Crinan Canal, while Mike Masino paints the Italian town of Atina – both using acrylic paints. 51_a37FyneArtMinard05



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SPRINGBANK INVITATIONAL



Last year's competitors

Campbeltown will play host to some of the piping world's finest on Saturday September 14 at The Springbank Invitational.

Organised by the Kintyre Piping Society and held at the Seafield Hotel, entry to this elite competition is by invitation at the discretion of the committee. Last year's winner Callum Beaumont from Dollar will be amongst those taking part and the list of competitors reads like a list of piping's top names.

This year's judges are John Wilson, Murray Henderson and Dr Angus MacDonald.

President John Lang Brown extends a warm welcome to all, players and audience alike: 'We have invited nine of the world's best pipers and three top judges respected throughout piping circles and we are delighted with the continuing involvement of Springbank Distillery as our main sponsor, and are highly indebted to them and

Mr Hedley Wright. We hope that everyone has a day to remember, and enjoys the wonderful music of the Great Highland Bagpipe.'

The competition begins at 10am and fear-an-tighe for the day is Finlay Wylie of Kintyre Piping Society. At the end of the day's competition Heather McFadyen of McFadyen's Transport and Ranald Watson, director of sales and marketing at Springbank Distillery will present the prizes.

The prizes

For Piobaireachd, The Argyll Arms Hotel Trophy with the Carmichael Quaich for the runner-up and in the March, Strathspey & Reel, The Serco Trophy with the Muir Quaich for the runner-up.

The Committee Members' Trophy goes to the winner of the Hornpipe

& Jig and the McFadyen's Transport Ltd Trophy goes to the winner of the 6/8 March.

The champion piper is awarded the Willie McCallum Memorial Cup with an overall Silver Medal awarded to the competitor gaining most points for Ceol Mor and

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Countdown up for the wi

With the onset of autumn, shorter days and less predictable weather, boat owners are starting to think about laying their craft up, or all-year-round berthing, for the winter.

Most boat owners will already be booked into their boat yard of preference or accommodated in other storage space for the winter.

Whether you choose to store undercover or winter berth, there are essential maintenance tasks to carry out for the winter. If you have newly acquired a boat, book a space soon since many yards are nearly at full capacity.

Yards need to know a lift-out date and whether you wish the mast removed and stowed over the winter and what winter work is required to be done. Some offer undercover storage for varying lengths of time and where available this can be a good

option to carry out work that needs good drying conditions.

Maintenance of all craft, whether it be a yacht, motor boat or RIB is essential to keep boats in a good, safe and seaworthy condition.

As well as essential tasks like engine servicing, a rig check, safety checks etc, there may be other improvement work to be carried out. A planned programme of winter lay-up work will make sure all is good for the next season. Many owners will get essentials carried out by the yard or the relevant independent marine service supplier to make sure work is done.

Depending on whether your craft is sail or motor, some key areas need considered in a laying-up work plan:

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It's always helpful to compile a basic check list to work through and have a list of equipment needed to carry out tasks.

KEEL/HULL/TOPSIDES/DECK/COCKPIT

Watch out for damage to through hull fittings from hoist strops on lift out and remove and blank as necessary.

Pressure washing on lift out removes a lot of fouling and anti-fouling giving a good preparatory surface for new anti-fouling in spring or other coatings required like epoxy, copper coat etc as well as making it easier to identify any repair work required. When the boat is ashore, check over the hull, keel, skeg and rudder for any damage and effect repairs while the weather and temperature conditions are good. Check keelbolts, any play in the rudder/cutlass bearings and the prop-shaft.

A wash down of the whole boat with the application of a protective wax on the topsides will protect from winter dirt and make polishing a lot easier in the spring.

The cockpit should be cleaned thoroughly paying attention to nooks and crannies that trap dirt. If any paint or woodwork here and on deck needs touched up, carry out now if conditions allow. Temperatures may be higher in the autumn than spring.

A cover over the whole boat or even just the cockpit can pay dividends. However, make sure covers are well secured and allow for ventilation and check for any chafing at regular intervals.

Some yards will shrink wrap but allow an area of access so you can continue to work inside.

Ensure the cradle, trailer or support legs are secure and the trim of the boat is slightly bow up to make sure water doesn't 'puddle' in the cockpit. Regular inspection over the winter is important in case cockpit drains get blocked by leaves/debris and water builds up.

WATER SYSTEMS

Cold temperatures and freezing of fittings can cause a lot of damage so prevent by following a few basic methods. Fully drain anything that holds or carries water – ie pipes and tanks, pumps and strainers. Flush water systems through with a water sanitizer first. Flush heads through, drain and lubricate and disconnect hoses to allow them to 'breathe'. Pump dry if necessary. Drain down any water heaters or calorifiers. Flush seacocks through to remove salt build up and service and grease. Remove the barrels from traditional style seacocks to prevent them seizing. If in any doubt as to how to do any of the above safely, get the yard or an independent operator to help.

INTERIOR

With boats increasing in size and sophistication the interior needs to be kept clean and pristine. Installing a de-humidifier and heater will keep the saloon and cabins warm and dry.

If not requiring to stay on the boat during winter, it's a good idea to remove as much equipment as possible and take home and store. This has the benefit of seeing

if anything needs to be cleaned or replaced. Clear plastic stack boxes are good to allow inspection of contents which should all be cleaned before packing – boxes can be easily brought back to the boat in the spring. Berth cushions and soft furnishings in particular are prone to mould if left on the boat over the winter and will benefit from storage at home in a warm, ventilated and rodent-free space.

Lockers, bilges, cookers and toilets should all be washed down – a weak bleach mixture rubbed over can remove and prevent mould build up. There are a number of good items available for this purpose from all chandleries. Always ventilate the boat well and do any touch up work inside when weather permits. List any items required for the 2020 season.

Check gas systems on board are up to standard with a qualified gas engineer. Also fire extinguishers, fire blankets and other safety equipment in the cabin and replace as necessary to keep up to the correct safety specifications.

SAILS

Check over all your sails and seek advice from your local sail loft on repairs and upgrades. They are the powerhouse of the yacht so deserve good attention. Often a sail cleaning service is offered by sail lofts and even storage which may be a good option for many owners. However if taking home, make sure sails are kept in a dark, warm, well-ventilated area and away from potential rodent damage.

And, if you need new sails have a chat with your local sailmaker and get your order in quickly. There's often a discount period at this time of year.

RIGGING AND DECK GEAR

Wear and tear on both standing and running rigging and deck gear can lead to serious accidents so should be checked overall carefully. Wash everything with fresh water to remove salt and debris build up. Look over sheaves, swages, split-pins and spreader mounts for any corrosion and replace if suspect. Check standing rigging for any breaks and weakness. Also look over all deck fittings such as sheaves, blocks, winches, cleats etc and if work is needed get it done asap. Servicing winches either now or in the spring is essential.

Many owners remove halyards with messenger lines to aid longevity. Inspect for chafe and wash and dry halyards/sheets before storing in a dry place. If the mast is stored off the boat it's easier to check masthead instrumentation and that rigging blocks are running freely. Grease everything to prevent water ingress. It's always a good idea to remove anchors and chain to look for any damage or wear – these can be stored on a pallet below the boat washing first with fresh water to remove salt and dirt. Service anchor winches and check over chain links and shackles for wear. If the weather is good this is an ideal time to paint out the anchor locker for the spring.

ENGINES, BATTERIES, ELECTRICS

Winterising is essential to good engine maintenance and both inboard and outboard engines need this done. An oil change is standard. New oil prevents internal corrosion and protects the engine standing over the winter. Yard or independent engineers will do this for you if you lack time or confidence to carry out yourself.

The outboard should be flushed through with fresh cooling water and antifreeze/water mix. Remove the impeller and plug the air and exhaust outlet with an oil-soaked rag. Fill fuel tanks to prevent condensation and add a biocide. Change filters as required and bleed system for next season. Change engine and gearbox oil and make a note of the date of change. Minimise condensation by spraying the engine with a moisture repellent and cover with a cloth. Put batteries on a trickle charge and if not needed onboard, take home and sit in a place that won't freeze. Electrics/instrumentation on board should be looked over and any problems checked out by an electronics engineer and repaired or renewed.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Safety gear is vitally important aboard any craft and its maintenance equally important. There is not much point in wearing a lifejacket in a life-saving situation if it fails to inflate.

It's therefore imperative to overhaul everything. Inspect lifejackets, harnesses and safety gear replacing anything that looks suspect. It's advisable to store lifejackets partially inflated over the winter – that way any leaks can be detected and the outer covering won't deteriorate. Check jacket bottles for corrosion and replace as required – kits are available from chandleries. Ensure your flares are in date and replace for next season as necessary. Store flare packs in a dry area and dispose of old flares through official collection depots. Life rafts should be removed and serviced by an authorised centre on their due date. Clean and repair dinghy tenders, storing partially inflated.

Seasoned boat owners will go through all the above as routine but for those new to boat owning it's reassuring to know there is plenty of help and advice on hand from a range of sources – boat-yard operators, service engineers, boat builders, chandleries and sail-makers. If there's anything an owner is unsure about these are the experts, so don't hesitate to ask if you need to.

And once your boat is laid up safely with all maintenance in hand, you can relax and look at planning for the boating season in 2020.





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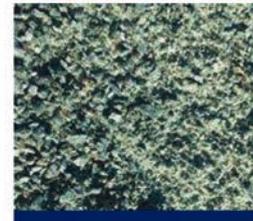
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Home victory for MacGillivrays at Dalmally Show

Historically the last, and quite possibly the largest, show on the Argyll calendar, Dalmally Agricultural Show, took place under blue skies on Saturday.

Having been threatened with cancellation, because of persistent downpours earlier in the week, the event was an unequivocal success with folk coming from near and far to enjoy all the day had to offer.

Whether it was the live-stock, horticultural, baking and art exhibits, the pipe band playing, falconry displays or stick making, there was plenty on offer.

For the children there was a tent of entertainment to explore, while bouncy castles and fun-fair styled stalls around the field gave plenty of options outdoors.

Dalmally Agricultural Society president Marjory Walker said: 'I'm so happy we made the decision to go ahead with this year's show.'

'It was fantastic to see everyone smiling in the sunshine and enjoying everything Dalmally Agricultural Show has to offer.'

'A huge thank you to all our volunteers, competitors, sponsors, stall-holders and everyone who came along to support this year's Dalmally Show. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.'

Rounding off a spectacular show season, the MacGillivrays of Home Farm Barcaldine took the coveted overall cattle title for the second successive year, this time with their Orkney-born heifer Creran Oban Lass.

'It's been a good year for us this year,' said Ewen MacGillivray junior.

'We only have a small herd so to win the overall champion at Dalmally for the second year in row is great.'

Champion Highland and Reserve Champion went to Capleah Buidhebeg IV of Claddich, owned by Jon and Queenie Strickland.

In the indoor ring, the Blackface sheep section was once again hotly contested with a home-bred gimmer



Left: Ewen MacGillivray jnr and Ewen MacGillivray snr with the Craig perpetual challenge cup for Overall Cattle Champion.



Stuart Campbell and Champion Highland Capleah Buidhebeg IV of Claddich.



Stephanie Summers with Blue the lurcher, who took the overall dog honours.



Champion gimmer from J Jackson and Son, Pole Farm, Lochgoilhead.

from Lochgoilhead farmers Davie and Jock Jackson winning.

A Cheviot gimmer from Mull was awarded the any other breed championship for Iain McKay of Torloisk.

In the poultry tent, it was the Paterson family of South Ailey Farm, Cove, who were all of a flutter when their six-month-old Bantam Silkie, named Flower Daisy by four-year-old Aila, won the overall title.

'We won the trophy last year with our White Pekin and thought she might do it again,' said breeder Lauren Paterson, who was ably assisted on the day by daughters

Aila and Morag, aged 2.

'We were totally surprised when the Silkie got it. Really pleased though and the girls are delighted.'

Another star of the show belonged to Stephanie Summers whose two-and-a-half-year-old lurcher Blue was crowned Best in Show in the dog section.

'I was so happy Blue had won the 'any other large dog' section, so to have won the overall title as well is amazing,' said Stephanie.

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Meanwhile, concern about climate change has soared to a record high. Almost two thirds of adults viewed climate change as an immediate and urgent problem. The greatest increase in concern was among adults aged 16-24, rising from 38 per cent in 2013 to 67 per cent in 2018.

Scotland's communities and housing also fared well in the survey. Findings include:

- nine in 10 households are very or fairly satisfied with their housing
- more than eight out of 10 people who have used their local schools or health service are satisfied with them
- the number of households managing well financially has risen from 42 per cent to 55 per cent in the 19 years to 2018
- home ownership among young people aged 16-34 has increased since 2014
- internet access in homes is high, and continuing to increase, and the

gap in connectivity is narrowing between lower and higher income households

- 83 per cent of adults living in Scotland believe their neighbourhood is one where people are kind to each other

Responding to the findings, Deputy First Minister John Swinney MSP said: "The Scottish Household Survey is a unique opportunity for people to share their views and experiences and help the government understand how people feel about life in Scotland.

"This survey shows that parents are ready to benefit from the Scottish Government's £2 billion investment in the expansion of early learning and childcare, with the increase in flexibility and choice that this will bring, including options like year-round provision. We know the transformative impact that a high quality, nurturing, early learning and childcare experience can have and from August 2020 children will be able to access almost twice as many funded hours.

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Happy 50th Birthday Zoe

Love from Neil, Sarah, Christopher, Katie & Joanna xx

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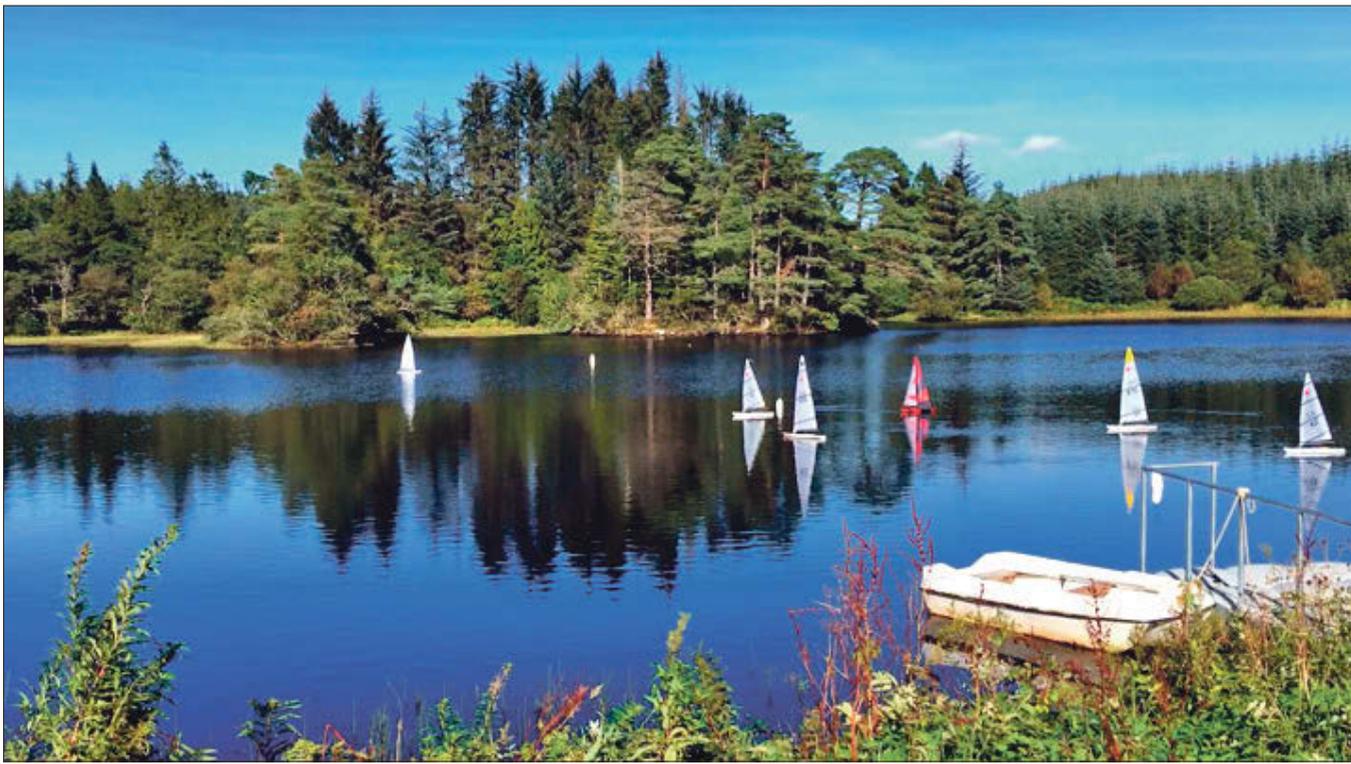
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Newly-formed Mid Argyll Radio Sailing Club (MRS) meets on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons at Loch A'Bharain, next to lock nine of the Crinan Canal.

LOCHGILPHEAD

MACPool has received a donation from Paths For All to help fund training sessions and health walks.

Friday September 6 was the first full day of health walk leader training, which was well attended by staff and volunteers from a variety of organisations, who are working together to provide at least one walk a day, five days a week.

There are walks for everyone, from Crinan Strollers, aimed at parents and grandparents with pushchairs; strength and balance walks that include 14 simple exercises aimed at improving fall prevention and mid morning meanders. Anyone wishing to join the walks

or become a health walk leader volunteer should contact mary.stewart@macpool.org.uk for more information.

LOCH AWE

New lights will be installed in St Conan's Kirk thanks to what must surely be one of the final EU funding awards for the area.

The LEADER EU Rural Development Fund is giving the church more than £20,000, half the cost of the initial phase of an ambitious interior lighting programme.

New lights will be installed in the pew area and in the long aisle to the side that currently has no lighting.

High up the granite walls of the aisle are

wooden statues, hidden in the shadows. With new accent lighting, visitors will see these for the first time. The old brass lights above the pews will also be cleaned, rewired and reinstalled.

Work on the now fully-funded first phase will begin early next year and fundraising will continue until the whole programme has been completed.

INVERARAY

Glenaray and Inveraray Parish Church's summer sale has raised £7,000 for church funds.

Organisers thanked everyone who donated items for sale and the brilliant volunteers who covered shifts over the eight-week long sale.

Thought for the Week
with Marilyn Shedden

I wonder what you would save from your home if it was at risk of being destroyed.

Discounting pets, what would be so precious that you would make every effort to save it?

It has been heartbreaking to see the devastation that has been inflicted on the Bahamas in this latest hurricane.

The country is flattened, thousands are homeless, and food and clean water are in short supply. It is quite unimaginable.

Lashing rain and 185mph winds from this ferocious storm have left many dead and hundreds missing.

A lifetime of belongings has disappeared in the wind and people have been left with nothing.

What did they save? Well, many saved their bibles. Pictures show these traumatised, suffering people laying out their bibles in the sun to dry them off. Amid the horror and the fear, they saved bibles. What a testament to their faith.

I wonder which of us would think to rescue a bible. Would we? Or would we go for our phone, or iPad, or our most expensive jacket?

Bibles drying in the sun must be one of the greatest symbols of faith I have witnessed. How precious the word of God is to some, and what an example of faith against the odds.

As the bibles dry in the sun, the words that give comfort and inspiration will once again speak to these despairing people, with a hope that sustains them regardless of what life throws at them.

When everything crashed around them, the people in the storms of life rescued their bibles. This was what brought them comfort.

What would you save in the storm?

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BIRTHS



GOOD

Mark and Laura (née Galbraith) are delighted to announce the birth of Callum George, on August 15, 2019, at Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley. A first grandchild for Jeanette, and Mairi and Duncan, Greenock.

DEATHS

MCQUARRIE - On September 10, 2019, peacefully at Glenarary Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead, Donald McQuarrie (Donnie), in his 90th year, dearly loved husband of Marjorie, beloved dad of Donna and the late Rhoda, much loved brother of the late Neil, May and Minnie and a dear brother-in-law, uncle and good friend to many. Funeral service at Inveraray Parish Church, on September 17, 2019 at 11.00am, thereafter to Cardross Crematorium at 2.15pm, to which all friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers only please, donations if desired, to Cancer Research UK and Erskine Hospital.

MEENAN - Peacefully at home, 5 Meadowpark, Campbeltown, on September 5, 2019, Denis Meenan, in his 93rd year, dearly beloved husband of the late Netta Meenan, much loved dad of Jamie and Margaret, loving granda of Jamie, Denis, Emma, Frank, Jennifer and Laura and a loving and much loved great granda, brother and uncle.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

GIRVAN - The family of Alexander Thomas Girvan would like to sincerely thank everyone for the many kind expressions of sympathy and support received following the sad loss of Alex. Special thanks to the staff at Ardfenaig Home, Ardrishaig, for the compassionate care provided to Alex over the last few years. Thanks to Reverend Gary McIntyre for his lovely, comforting service, making it a true reflection of Alex's life and to David McEwan for his skilful music. Thanks to Kenneth, Rhys and David Blair for their professional and consoling funeral arrangements and to the hospitable staff of Ardshiel hotel for their purvey. Finally, our many thanks to all who paid their last respects to Alex at the Highland Parish Church and thereafter the graveside at Kilkerran Cemetery.

WATSON - Ivor, Stanley and family would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy received on the sad loss of Zandra. Special thanks to the nursing staff at the Acute Ward, Campbeltown Hospital, Argyll and Bute carers, Rev William Crossan for a lovely, fitting service, T A Blair Funeral Directors for their professional services, the staff at the Ardshiel Hotel for an excellent purvey, and all who paid their last respects at the church and graveside, and donated generously to the retiral collection for the Acute Ward, Campbeltown Hospital.

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IN MEMORIAM

CUNNINGHAM - Neil Blair, loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, passed away September 14, 2012. Loved and remembered every day.
- Christine and all the family.

GODDARD - Agnes, died September 6, 1999. Miss and love you always.
- Mum, Sandra, Ali and family.
Love and miss you very much.
- Twinkle.

SARGENT - Treasured memories of our mum, Senga, died September 18, 2014. You are always in our thoughts, Your love is still our guide, And though we cannot touch your hand, We know you are by our side.
- Senga, Billy and family, and Roger, Heather and family.

CHURCH NOTICES

HIGHLAND PARISH CHURCH



SC002493

Sunday 15th September
The service will be conducted by Mr Kelvin Moller and will be held in the church at 11.15am
All welcome
Wednesday 18th September
A congregational meeting will be held in the Highland Parish Church at 7.00pm.
As this is about the linkage with the other churches we hope that as many people as can will attend

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Scottish Charity Number SC 11686

Sunday 15th September
11.15am Morning Worship
Creche, Triple C, Gen 1
Rev W Crossan
Monday 16th September
Messy Church
3.45 - 5.30pm Church Hall
Tuesday 17th September
Tiny Tots 9.45am
New Hall
Boys' Brigade
Anchor Boys 6.00pm
Junior Section 7.15pm
Church Hall
Wednesday 18th September
Congregational meeting of Highland Parish, Southend, Saddell and Carradale and Lorne and Lowland Churches
7.00pm Highland Parish Church
Friday 20th September
Lunch Club 12.00 noon
New Hall

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Friday 13th September
SKY Youth Group Meeting in Carradale 7.00pm - 9.00pm
Sunday 15th September
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Pastor Steve Davies
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At the Community Church
Thursday 19th September
Bible Study
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Army Kidz 6.30pm Evening Worship
Wednesday
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1.30pm CAMEO
Major Ruth Russell
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George Street, Campbeltown

free church of scotland

Sunday 15th September
11.15am Worship Service
Rev Rodger Crooks
11.15am Sunday School
6.30pm Joint Service in Campbeltown Community Church
Speaker: Rev Rodger Crooks
Wednesday 18th September
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2.00pm Water of Life Cafe
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www.campbeltownfreechurch.co.uk
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CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH



Sunday 15th September
11.00am Family Service
Speaker - Pastor Mark Jasper
with Sunday school and refreshments after the service.
6.30pm Evening Service
A joint service with Springbank Evangelical Church and Campbeltown Free Church
Playgroup
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Communion
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Charity number SC001002
Sunday 15th September
10am Tayvallich Church
Sacrament of Communion
Saturday 14th September
10.30am - 12.30 pm
Cafe Connect
Achamara Hall
Thursday 19th September
7.30pm Tayvallich Church
Kirk Session
All welcome
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Tom MacKay
Tarbert service 11.30am
Tom MacKay
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Cumlodden Church
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Sunday's winners, Sheena Ferguson and Angela Vernel.

Tarbert ladies tee off for trophies

Last Sunday saw the conclusion of the Tarbert Ladies' Golf Club championship at Glenralloch.

A delighted Sheena Ferguson took top honours, while Angela Vernel won the nett trophy.

This Saturday, the gents head overseas to Islay to play the splendid Machrie Links. They will be competing against Islay Golf Club for the Dougie MacKinnon Memorial Trophy.



Anna Airlie from Ardrishaig on the ball for Dunadd.

Photograph: Andrew Sinclair.

Big shinty win for Dunadd ladies

Dunadd Camanachd women's shinty team made the short trip across Loch Fyne to play Cowal and Bute at Strachur.

The match turned into a one-sided affair, with Cowal and Bute – missing their usual goalkeeper – shipping 10 goals by half-time.

The tide was stemmed a little by the home side in the second period as Dunadd's shooting went off target, but Dunadd scored three more goals by full time to make it 0-13.

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End of outdoor bowling season at Lochgilphead

Lochgilphead Bowling Club ended the outdoor season with Alan Guy's under 55s team beating Roddy MacDonald's over 55s team 61 - 28.

The club's carpet bowls will start on the Tuesday September 17 at 6.30pm.

Outdoor winners 2019:

Gents' championship: Craig Bruce.

Ladies' championship: Hannah Johnson.

Ross trophy: Craig Bruce.

Carruthers trophy, two bowl: Donald Crawford.

James Young trophy, 106: Donald Crawford.

Harvey pairs trophy: Claire Macindoe and Donald Crawford.

Burnside open triples: Craig Martin, Jamie McLean and Robert Scott.

McKerlie open pairs: Alan Roy Senior and Gavin McGhie, Garelochhead BC.

Three bowl open pairs: Curly Black and Eileen Brand, Innellan BC.

Alf Branch club pairs: Scott Gargan and Liz Johnson.

IK Flemming club: Alan Guy, Colin MacInnes and Derek Guy.

Gents' west Argyll triples: Sandy Crawford, Ian Guy and Alan Guy.

Gents' west Argyll fours: Tommy Armour, John Crawford, Craig Bruce and Donald Crawford.

Argyll and Bute triples: Sandy Crawford, Ian Guy and Alan Guy.

Ladies' west Argyll triples: Hannah Johnson, Kimberly McAdam and Claire Macindoe.

Ladies' district fours: Liz Johnson, Hannah Johnson, Kimberly McAdam and Claire Macindoe.



Gents' Argyll and Bute triples winners Sandy Crawford, Alan Guy and Ian Guy.



Lochgilphead Bowling Club's gents' champion Craig Bruce with family.



Left: Ladies' district champions Claire Macindoe, Kimberly McAdam, Hannah Johnson and Liz Johnson.



Ladies' champion Hannah Johnson.

North win under-21 match despite south domination

Caol Cup under-21 South U21 0 - North U21 3

All the goals came in the first half at the annual Caol Cup under-21 shinty clash at the Jubilee, Ballachulish, on Saturday September 7.

The north took the lead on 12 minutes when Duncan Matheson turned home a rebound off the keeper and it was Matheson again who scored the North's second on 25 minutes, this time with a rocket shot on the angle from the left.

Roddy Young showed great composure to add a third on the stroke of half-time. The south went on to dominate the second half and it

took some great goalkeeping from Stuart Disher and good defending from Lachie Smith, Danny Kelly, Cameron MacIntosh and Calum Grant, to keep the north out.

Camanachd Association director Steven MacKenzie and Argyll and Bute shinty development officer Euan McMurdo were on hand as north captain Calum Grant was presented with the Caol Cup.

The match is part of the selection process ahead of November's shinty/hurling international between Scotland U21 and Ireland U21 at Abbotstown. Scotland U21 head coach Alan MacRae was in attend-

ance and he has plenty to think about before finalising his squad.

South U21 squad: Cameron Sutherland, Oban Camanachd; Daniel Sloss, Oban Camanachd; Craig Easton, Oban Camanachd; Lewis MacPhee, Oban Celtic; Hamish MacLellan, Inveraray; Ryan Craig, Bute; Daniel MacVicar, Oban Camanachd; Jonny MacAskill, Glasgow Mid Argyll, captain; Ross MacMillan, Oban Celtic; Fraser Watt, Inveraray; Conor Kennedy, Kyles Athletic; Daniel MacCuish, Oban Camanachd; Scott MacLachlan, Inveraray; Blair MacFarlane, Oban Camanachd; Michael MacKinnon, Oban Celtic; Ruairidh Graham, Inveraray,

and Scott MacDonald, Kyles Athletic. Manager: Kenny Wotherspoon

North U21 squad: Stuart Disher, Fort William; Lachlan Smith, Glenurquhart; Cameron MacIntosh, Glenurquhart; Calum Grant, Kingussie, captain; Danny Kelly, Lovat; William MacKinnon, Skye Camanachd; Calum MacDougall, Kilmallie; Kieran MacPherson, Kingussie; Ruairidh Anderson, Kingussie; Lachie Shaw, Fort William; Roddy Young, Kingussie; Duncan Matheson, Kinlochshiel; Oliver Black, Glenurquhart; Ryan Boyle, Fort William; Martin Pringle, Skye Camanach, and Alexander Michie, Kingussie. Manager: Mark MacPherson



Winning pair Johnny Cowan and Leyton Reid with MO-MA representatives Sally Stankey and May Taylor.

Tarbert shooting season starts

Tarbert Gun Club held its first competition of the season on Sunday September 1.

Shaking things up, organisers challenged shooters to something a little different – a two-man flush with 25 overhead and 25 crossing targets the main competition.

The club also tried its new rabbit trap – a clay bouncing along the ground with a few obstacles, just where you would break it, in the way.

Unbelievably there were 160 tries at the rabbit trap and only three maximum scores – Ronald Jenkins, John Weir and Leyton Reid from Bute, with Reid winning the shoot-off. It

was a full house of shooters, with a car load from Bute and four visitors attending. The visitors struggled but the Bute boys shot well.

The £50 top prize also went to Bute with the pairing of Leyton Reid and Johnny Cowan taking it home. Runners-up John Weir and Bob McColl claimed the £30 prize, leaving Roy Laird and Billy Bergart to take third place and £20.

The club took the opportunity to raise funds for the Moving On Mid Argyll (MO-MA) charity. May Taylor and Sally Stankey were there to represent the charity and make sure everyone had their raffle tickets.



Bob McColl presents May Taylor of MO-MA with a cheque for £500.

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Event hits the target for MO-MA charity

During a successful day of shooting on Sunday September 1, Tarbert Gun Club raised funds for Moving on Mid Argyll (MO-MA).

MO-MA supports people who find themselves homeless or in other difficulties. Initially started by a group of local churches, it now works with health and social work professionals, advice agencies and third sector organisations.

The charity provides aid through emergency food parcels and 'starter packs' that are gifted to individuals

to help them settle into their surroundings as they move into a new home.

There on the day, representing MO-MA and selling raffle tickets, were May Taylor and Sally Stankey. An impressive £500 was raised and donated by the club.

Generous

May said: 'We are grateful to Tarbert Gun Club for the incredibly generous donation. It will probably go towards the Christmas parcels we put together.'

new SPOT THE SHINTY BALL

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- L Nicolson Dec '18 £3900

LAST WEEK'S SHINTY BALL WAS HERE...



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

- J Hill
Oban
- D Cameron
Fort William

End of outdoor
bowling season at
Lochgilphead

Event hits the
target for
MO-MA charity

Red Star 2004s off to a flyer

Red Star 2004s have made a strong start to the youth football season.

The Lochgilphead boys have won all four games so far this season.

First up was a home league cup game on August 18 against Cambuslang FC which Red Star won 4-1. Scorers: McMurchy, 2, Caskie and West.

Sunday August 25 saw the boys travel to play Cumbernauld Colts away in the league cup. Even with only 11 players available, Star won 4-2. Scorers: McMurchy, 3, and Caskie.

The third league cup game of the season featured a midweek trip to Glasgow for a game against Glasgow Red Star.

Once again the boys from Lochgilphead emerged victorious with an excellent 6-1 win.

Scorers: McLean, 3, Aitken, 2, and Caskie. These results mean the boys top their league cup group with maximum points from three games and a home game with Clydebank to come.

It was Scottish Cup action on Sunday September 8 as Pollok FC from the Paisley League visited the Lochgilphead Joint Campus astro.

A hard-fought game saw the Lochgilphead boys make it through to the second round with a 4-1 victory. Scorers: McMurchy, 2, Brown and Caskie.

The team is delighted to have taken delivery of new change strips and warm-up tops thanks to sponsorship from S & C Crawford Building Contractors Limited.



The Red Star 2004 team resplendent in their new change strips.

Sports club lottery results

Numbers drawn in Kilmory Camanachd Club's lottery on Monday September 9 were 15, 16 and 18.

There were no winners, so next week's jackpot will be £500.

Tarbert Football Club's lottery numbers were 9, 12 and 19.

There were no winners so next week's prize will be £400.



Sit-ups in the sea.



Eve Salmon and Lily Walsh from the Lochgilphead club practising self defence.

Karate club members kick out in style on Kilmory beach

Members of IKKU Kyokushinkai Karate clubs in Lochgilphead, Oban and Perth met at Kilmory beach on Saturday August 24 for their annual beach training event.

Everyone who attended had a great time and the weather was kind.

The training consisted of fitness, basic techniques and self defence.



Shihan Iain Rodger demonstrating a take down with Sensei Wallace Simpson.

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