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Mid Argyll pupils defiant over climate campaign



Major mission against plastic

Touring with her new film Vitamin Sea, Cal Major returned to Tarbert to share the tale of her stand-up paddle boarding expedition from Land's End to John O'Groats, as part of the Paddle Against Plastic campaign. More on page 13. 06_a38CalMajor02

by Rachel Carruthers
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Pupils across Mid Argyll were readying themselves to demand urgent action from political leaders to tackle climate change – until Argyll and Bute Council attempted to stop them in their tracks.

A year ago, inspired by Swedish teenager Greta Thunberg, young people around the world began walking out of school for a few hours to demand action against global warming.

In May, when 1.4 million children around the world walked out of school, they asked for adults to join them next time. That next time is today, Friday September 20.

Despite Lochgilphead High School trying to discourage pupils from taking part in the Global Climate Strike at a school assembly on Tuesday, many pupils were adamant they would still attend the strike.

Alfie Smith, a sixth year pupil from the school, said:

GLOBAL CLIMATE STRIKE
20-27 SEPT

'Although we don't want to miss out on our studies, we feel it is vital to draw attention to our climate crisis. I have been studying environmental science at Argyll College. As individuals we can only make small changes in our lives, so we are striking to persuade the government to make big changes.'

Via a letter issued through the school to parents earlier in the week, Argyll and Bute Council gave pupils and parents the impression students would be prevented from participating in the demonstrations. The council's approach

appeared to have softened, however, when approached by the Argyllshire Advertiser to comment on the event. A spokesperson said: 'Climate change is an important issue which is increasingly part of our young people's educations.'

'While we would not seek to prevent pupils from expressing their views, it is ultimately for parents and guardians to decide on whether to allow their children to be absent from school.'

Banners raised, Lochgilphead pupils will be marching from the school campus to Lochgilphead front green at 11am today. A short educational talk about climate change and the purpose of the world wide strikes will be led by adults joining the group.

Meanwhile in Tarbert, by the harbour, the P6/7 class from Tarbert Academy will be participating in the global event, displaying banners and handing out leaflets they have made.



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POLICE FILES**Drugs**

A man, aged 29, was arrested by police for possessing drugs after officers stopped a vehicle on the A83 at Inverneill at 12.30am on Saturday September 14. A report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Assault

Police were called to reports of an assault at a property on Harbour Street, Tarbert, on Monday September 9 at 4.30pm. A 37-year-old man was charged and issued with a recorded police warning.

Possession

At around 5.45pm on Friday September 13, in Burns Brae, Lochgilphead, police officers searched a 22-year-old man, who was found in possession of controlled drugs. The man was arrested and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

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


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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
Wed, 18 Sep 2019	08:18	05:18	10:48	20:31	17:31	23:01
Thu, 19 Sep 2019	08:54	05:54	11:24	21:11	18:11	23:41
Fri, 20 Sep 2019	09:36	06:36	12:06			
Sat, 21 Sep 2019	10:25	07:25	12:55			
Sun, 22 Sep 2019	11:25	08:25	13:55			
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Wed, 25 Sep 2019				15:17	12:17	17:47
Thu, 26 Sep 2019				16:14	13:14	18:44
Fri, 27 Sep 2019				17:02	14:02	19:32
Sat, 28 Sep 2019				17:46	14:46	20:16
Sun, 29 Sep 2019				18:29	15:29	20:59
Mon, 30 Sep 2019				19:12	16:12	21:42

Keeping safe this winter

Attention is already turning to winter in Argyll and help might be needed to keep people safe.

Community involvement in gritting and clearing pavements in the event of cold weather has been suggested by Argyll and Bute Council.

Discussions about the council's winter maintenance policy took place at a meeting of the authority's environment, development and infrastructure committee on Thursday September 12.

Councillor Ellen Morton, who chaired the meeting in the absence of chairman Councillor Roddy McCuish, endorsed the opinion communities could become involved.

She said: 'When I was young, no-one used the phrases 'community resilience' or 'community engagement'. It was just taken for granted that every shopkeeper and householder went out and cleared the pavements of snow.'

'I know a lot of people in the community still do that. What we want to do is

encourage that. The days of expecting the council to do everything have gone. That is the reality and there is no sign of it changing soon.'

Councillor Jim Findlay initially floated the idea of the public becoming involved to avoid slippery pavements during a cold snap.

Jim Smith, the council's head of roads and amenity services, said: 'Community maintenance is something we are aiming to do.'

'We just don't have the number of staff needed to do it as well as carriageways. We are hopeful we can get volunteers.'

'We can provide equipment and materials.'

In February, the council approved an additional £500,000 being allocated to winter maintenance as part of its budget for 2019/20.

The council has 31 frontline vehicles ready for action during winter, with another two spare in case of breakdown. There are a further six which can be deployed if necessary, as well as tractors and V ploughs.

**Argyll and Bute Council
is encouraging people
to help one another this
winter.**

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Argyll high school pupils celebrate exam success

This year's exam results from the four secondary schools in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the islands have been revealed.

They all have something to celebrate, with three schools beating the area and national averages for advanced higher pass rates, while the fourth has out-performed the Scotland-wide figure for National 5s by 10 per cent.

The advanced higher figure at Lochgilphead Joint Campus has leapt from 75.6 per cent in 2018 to 94.4 per cent in 2019, convincingly beating the averages of 75.7 per cent for Argyll and Bute and 79.4 per cent for Scotland. But the higher and national 5s pass rates declined slightly.

It is a similar story at

Campbeltown Grammar School, where the advanced higher pass rate has gone from 66.7 per cent last year to 80 per cent this year.

Its higher and national 5s pass rates fell from the previous year.

At Islay High School, the higher pass rate of 73.3 per cent was 0.2 per cent greater than the Argyll and Bute average, but down 2.4 per cent on last year. The advanced higher pass rate remained static, while national 5s fell slightly.

Tarbert Academy's national 5s pass rate, meanwhile, rose from 83.5 per cent to 88.3 per cent – well above the area and national averages and 10 per cent higher than the



Above: Members of the erz design team with the council's head of development and economic growth Fergus Murray, second right. 51_a35FrontGreen02

Left: A plan of the new front green layout. 51_a35FrontGreen06

Council plugs into funding for charger programme

Work is under way at Lochgilphead's Lorne Street car park to install a third Argyll and Bute Council electric car charging point.

A council spokesperson explained: 'We are installing a new 22 Kva fast charger in the car park as part of the 2018/19 electric car charging programme, funded by Transport Scotland to the tune of £210,000.'

'Additional chargers will be installed in Inveraray, Tarbert, Bowmore, Craignure and Helensburgh.'

The spokesperson continued: 'We secured a further £150,000 for 2019/20 which means more chargers will be installed in Manse Brae office car park, Lochgilphead, along with rapid chargers on Tiree and Coll.'



Work has started on installing a new electric car charging point in Lorne Street, Lochgilphead. mp_a38ChargingStation01

Diggers due on front green 'by March'

by Colin Cameron
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People in Lochgilphead can expect to see work on the town's front green starting by March, Lochgilphead Community Council has heard.

At the community council's September meeting, convenor Andy Buntin gave an update on the £1.7 million project to improve the area on the Loch Gilp sea front.

Mr Buntin and fellow community councillor Betty Rhodick met the front green project design team in late August.

Changes described by Mr Buntin as 'tweaks' to the

design will cost around one to one and a half per cent of the budget but, he added, the project is 'certainly moving on'.

'The timetable is being rigidly adhered to,' said Mr Buntin, 'and we should see work starting next year.'

Tenders for work on the front green will go out in December and work is expected to begin by March 2020.

The project team, Mr Buntin said, would like to see an official opening in spring 2021.

Referring to the latest in a series of open events on the project, held on Saturday August 24, Mr Buntin said that around 120 people had

attended the event beside Lochgilphead war memorial, with the general feeling 'people just want to see it moving forward'.

He reserved special praise for the design company recruited by Argyll and Bute Council for the project, saying: 'The council knew erz Ltd was a good firm and the evidence certainly backs this up.'

The new design will include a walking/cycling route, a seating wall parallel to the sea wall, a public square with space for events, children's play areas, a picnic area and a new avenue of trees.

Details of the front green design can be viewed at argyll-bute.gov.uk/frontgreen.

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Previously David MacInnes has challenged himself to complete marathons in aid of charities.

On the move again

Anthony Nolan supporter and mega fundraiser David MacInnes is back at it, setting himself a challenge well beyond his comfort zone.

David, who won the Donor Champion of the Year award at the Anthony Nolan Supporter Awards last November, completed the London marathon last year, raising £4,695 in the process, but this time he wants to go higher. Literally.

October 2020 will see David and his team push themselves as they set about climbing Mount Kilimanjaro.

In the lead up to next year's challenge David and his team will also be taking on other 'mini' challenges, including a 24-hour three peaks challenge, to help train them for the mammoth climb.

Uncertain future for Slainte Bar

by Colin Cameron
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The future of an Ardrishaig building hangs in the balance after emergency repair work ground to a halt due to the poor condition of mortar in the building.

The former Slainte Bar building, right next to the A83, was deemed 'dangerous' on May 10 after inspection by architects and in consultation with Argyll and Bute Council building control. The pavement outside was cordoned off and trunk road traffic restricted to one lane for a time as a safety measure.

The defects came to light as Marie Hendry – owner of around three quarters of the property – planned to carry out major renovations.

Earlier this week Ms Hendry told the Argyllshire Advertiser: 'I have been advised to get the opinion of



The former Slainte Bar building with safety scaffolding erected. 06_a38SlainteBuilding02

a quantity surveyor to assist in making the right decision going forward, ie whether to continue renovation (but at what cost) or have it demolished.'

'I have been told that the earliest he can visit is the middle of October.'

The owner of the rest of the building, Chris Gabriel, has not been seen or heard of by Ms Hendry since the building was cordoned off in May.

She told the Advertiser earlier this year: 'After I personally tried to contact him over several months, my solicitor wrote to him on numerous occasions over the past three years but he has ignored all correspondence.'



The pavement is blocked off for safety reasons. 06_a38SlainteBuilding03

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West goes wild for coasts and waters

The first ever pan west coast Scotland tourism campaign has received funding support from VisitScotland.

West Coast Waters, bringing together an unprecedented 22 industry groups from across Scotland's west coast, has received a £40,000 VisitScotland Growth Fund award. The growth fund, delivered by the national tourism organisation, supports national, regional and sectoral tourism groups across Scotland to deliver partnership marketing campaigns.

The campaign looks to attract visitors to the west coast and surrounding islands in 2020 to either get on, or in the water. This is following a major scoping initiative in 2018 where 300 hubs across the west coast were identified as locations where visitors can experience Scotland's marine tourism offering.

In 2020, Scotland celebrates its coasts and waters with a year-long programme of events

and activities which will shine a spotlight on these vital elements of the landscape.

Using this as a platform, the 12-month campaign will work with social media influencers and use digital marketing to raise awareness of the sheer breadth and scale of opportunities available across the west coast of Scotland for adventure seekers and curious travellers from the UK.

The campaign will focus on four key products:

- Boat trips exploring the wildlife, remote attractions and stunning scenery of the west coast.
- Island hopping with CalMac and other ferry and boat operator services.
- Trails of discovery including snorkelling, sea kayaking, seafood, whisky, whales and dolphins.
- Snorkeling, wild swimming, surfing and paddle sports.

Founder 'would be proud' of transport charity

by Colin Cameron
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With 450 clients, 100 runs every month and 23 drivers, Mid Argyll Transport Volunteers is a major provider of services for the elderly and disabled – and it is celebrating a significant anniversary this year.

The charity provides much-needed transport for people across the whole of Mid Argyll and Tarbert area, taking them as far as Glasgow to and from medical appointments, social occasions,



Co-founder of Mid Argyll Transport Volunteers 25 years ago, Joan Robertson.

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shopping trips and more besides.

The origins of the volunteer drivers' service goes back exactly 25 years.

It was in August 1994 that retired social worker Joan Robertson and her friend and former home help co-ordinator Janet Tyson together started Mid Argyll Transport Volunteers.

They had noticed that people could become socially isolated, not necessarily due to lack of fitness but because they had no transport.

As the anniversary fell, the Advertiser took the opportunity to have a chat with Joan at her Ardrishaig home.

Reflecting back on the early days she said: 'At the beginning we would take folk out shopping perhaps for an afternoon or visiting friends, and it developed from there.'

Funded by jumble sales and raffles, they started with a handful of drivers.

Remember

Looking back to the early days, Joan recalled: 'I remember some of the first drivers were Dondie MacIvor and John Grant, while in Tarbert there was Duncan Henderson.'

The service doubled in size,

helped by grant funding identified by Janet, by the end of the first year.

'At the beginning, and for quite a few years afterwards, we didn't charge folk. There were donations, but that was all.'

'We didn't go as far in those days, probably because there were other services taking folk to appointments, but as demand grew we went further afield.'

After a few years Janet emigrated to Australia to be close to her family following her husband Tommy's death, and she has since sadly passed away.

A new committee was formed, when Betty Thomson from Kilberry took over as co-ordinator – the person who holds the whole service together – before Shirley MacIvor later took over the role.

After a spell away from the charity, Joan returned as co-ordinator for a number of years before stepping back, at which point Margaret MacDougall stepped in for a spell. The co-ordinator for the past five years has been Catherine Kennedy.

Catherine explained: 'Mid Argyll Transport Volunteers provides as vital a service as it did when it was formed, maybe even more so.'

'People are living longer, and many have no family around as support.'

Lifeline service

'It is very much a lifeline service for disabled and older people. If it wasn't there, I don't know what they would do.'

Joan concluded: 'Things have changed with the times, but the heart of the transport volunteers is still there, and Janet would be so proud.'

'It was her 'baby' to begin with, and she would be de-



ising things and the drivers are so patient and helpful. 'I can't recommend it highly enough.'

Val Willis spoke for most clients when she said the service is 'brilliant'. 51_a38MATV04

Volunteer driver Maureen Byrne is happy to assist the charity. 51_a38MATV02

The client's view

'I have to say that I rely on the service entirely', said Lochgilphead resident Val Willis.

'I gave up driving two years ago and use Mid Argyll Transport Volunteers to get to Glasgow for hospital appointments, but also to go to Oban and maybe the Co-op in Lochgilphead for shopping.'

'The service is brilliant, Catherine is fantastic organ-



From left are co-ordinator Catherine Kennedy with vice chair Margaret MacDougall, drivers Alastair MacLachlan and Maureen Byrne, and Joan Robertson. 51_a38MATV01

lighted to see how the baton has been passed down the years.'

To find out more about Mid Argyll Transport Volunteers, whether as a volunteer or service user, call co-ordinator Catherine Kennedy on 01546 603564.

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Young people and the climate

Argyll and Bute Council has a duty of care to pupils to ensure their health and safety during the school day. Likewise, parents have a responsibility to ensure their children attend school.

Given the seemingly clear and imminent (though some might disagree) threat to the global climate, and the prospect of this accelerating to the point of no return, there must surely be room for a common sense compromise to allow young people – tomorrow's adults – to protest over climate change.

It may sound trite, but this is a far bigger issue than rules and regulations within a Scottish local authority.

There was, though, an interesting difference in tone between a letter to parents issued on Tuesday which noted that Lochgilphead High School 'cannot allow pupils to leave school to participate in demonstrations, no matter how worthy the cause' and the council's response on Wednesday which suggested that, with parents' permission, it would be recorded as an absence.

Maybe the council should change tack, get right behind this cause – rules aside – add its collective voice to the campaign and back these young people to the hilt.

Give small boats more quota

Sir,

The United Kingdom's fishing industry is worth only 0.5 per cent of our GDP and yet the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP) is central to the Brexit debate.

Many who voted to leave the European Union despise its policy in setting quotas within member states EEZ waters (Exclusive Economic Zone; an area up to 200 nautical miles from a nation's coast). And yet the irony is the UK, not the EU, has done more to internationalise our territorial waters.

Unlike other member states of the EU, the UK has permitted our fishermen to either sell or lease their share of fish quotas to foreigners. One example being that a single Dutch vessel now takes 23 per cent of the English catch.

Currently the European Union Council of Ministers sets the tonnage of specific fish, the Total Allowable Catch (TAC), which can be caught in EU waters and then divides this between each member state.

What could be considered, upon exit of the EU, would be to allocate a far larger share to our small boats fleet (10m and under in length). They make up 77 per cent of the UK's fishing fleet, employ almost all of our 12,000 fishermen and yet the small boats fleet presently only gets four per cent of the UK quota share.

So proposals and petitions from within the United Kingdom have been made. The Government is presently considering other methods of dividing fish stocks but the House

of Commons Library, when asked about a new domestic fisheries bill, has said 'the system is unlikely to change'.

It reads, we cannot simply 'take back control' as some of our politicians would have us believe, without first paying vast sums in compensation.

Tommy Macpherson, Saddell, Kintyre.

Poorly served by government

Sir,

It is hard to disagree with Brendan O'Hara MP when he calls Boris Johnson's parliamentary shenanigans 'outrageous'.

Each day this Prime Minister looks ever more like 'Wreck it Ralph' than someone with a real plan. The hard right Tory government at Westminster doesn't give a hoot for ordinary people, whether they live on the west coast of Scotland or in the middle of England.

The recent drama at Westminster may have made good telly and copy for the newspapers but let's not fall into the trap that all this parliamentary manoeuvring is making a difference to many people's lives.

I really hope over the next few weeks that our representatives can focus on the real political issues, using their position to shift power from those in high places to those who don't have a lot of money; those who are working hard just to get by.

What really matters is making sure that people can get a job and earn a decent wage; have

a roof over their head; are looked after when times get hard, or they're ill, or get old; that our schools, public services, and transport links are properly funded and organised.

There's a need for our representatives to keep this in mind, whether they are in Westminster, Holyrood, or the Argyll and Bute Council chamber.

At the moment, I don't get the feeling that the needs of our communities are being well-served by any level of government.

Polly Jones, Garelochhead.

Hospital praised

Sir,

It is with heartfelt gratitude I write in praise of Mid Argyll Community Hospital.

In the past eight months, three generations of my family have had to call on the services of paramedics and staff in Accident and Emergency and Glenaray Ward in various serious situations. On each occasion we have been treated speedily and efficiently with compassion, respect, care and dignity.

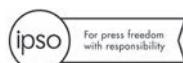
In particular, I thank the staff in Glenaray Ward for their amazing end of life care for a close relative and the superb way in which they cared for our family. The provision of the safe, quiet, restful family room is second to none and an unexpected blessing in such a difficult time.

Thank you very much Mid Argyll Hospital for your professionalism and for all you provide for our community.

Davina Sully, Ardrishaig.

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Energy efficiency takes money

Sir,

Private landlords who commit to providing affordable housing should be given the same financial support as housing associations to improve the energy efficiency of their properties.

In our response to the Scottish Government's Energy Efficiency (Private Rented Property) (Scotland) Regulations 2019, Scottish Land and Estates stated that, of the six financial support options currently advertised on the Home Energy Scotland website, only one could be used by many of the private landlords offering affordable homes to rent in rural Scotland.

If private landlords in rural Scotland are unable to meet energy efficiency standards without financial help, there is a risk they will no longer offer their properties as affordable homes to rent. We continue to raise concerns that the method used for calculating Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) is not fit for purpose. It is based on an 'average' home, and just does not sufficiently account for things like efficient off-grid heating or the construction type of many properties in rural areas.

These flaws are well documented and need to be addressed if the EPC is to be the main regulatory tool to improve energy efficiency across the private rented sector housing stock in Scotland.

Stephen Young,
head of policy, Scottish Land and Estates.

YOUR PICTURES



Regular contributor Cheryl Ratcliffe-Nye sent us this photograph of an unusual tree to be found near Tarbert.

Cheryl said: 'In the grounds of Stonefield Castle, near Barimore Island, you can see this tree, which is

framed beautifully against the blue sky in this photo. It has small buoys hanging in its branches which appear to have names and celebrations written upon them.' Send your favourite photographs for publication to editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk



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Mid Argyll swimming pool extension gets green light



The pool is well used by a number of community groups, including Mid Argyll Dolphins swimming club, pictured above during a visit by GB international swimmer Robbie Renwick in 2017. 06_a40RobbieRenwick04

A new front entrance pavilion, community café, new staff facilities and changing areas

Mid Argyll's public swimming pool is to extend its premises after planning permission was granted.

A new front entrance pavilion, a community café, and new staff facilities and changing areas are all on the agenda for the Mid Argyll Community Pool.

And they are to become a reality after Argyll and Bute Council's planning department gave Mid Argyll Community Enterprises the green light for the plans.

The site includes an adjoining building, which is part of three buildings surrounding an open courtyard adjacent to the leisure facility.

A report of the application's handling by the council said: 'The existing steel-framed entrance canopy, whilst functional and "of its time" in terms of design, now appears somewhat dated.'

'The proposed new glazed entrance pavilion will result in a substantial visual improvement both to the

appearance of the building from the main road and also to the "legibility" of the pool, providing an obvious and welcoming entrance feature.

'Likewise, the proposed extension to the courtyard building adjoining the pool will result in an elegant "pavilion" style extension to the existing nondescript building.'

'The two inter-linked buildings forming the eastern and southern edges of the courtyard area are currently used as a nursery.'

'The proposed courtyard extension will retain an open gap of approximately 11 metres to the building directly opposite.'

The report also gave details of a further extension, which will be to the rear of the building and will house staff and changing facilities.

The document added: 'The distance from the existing pool building to the rear garden fence of the closest house on the opposite side of the

burn is approximately 16.5 metres. Minimum separation between existing pool buildings and the rear elevation of the house is approximately 24 metres.'

'The proposed rear extension will be no closer to houses on the other side of the burn than the closest points of the existing pool buildings. As such there will be no loss of natural daylight or visual intrusion to the nearby houses.'

'Whilst there will be windows to a staff room and staff office in the rear elevation, given the distance to the houses, oblique angles of orientation and intervening vegetation, there will be no loss of privacy by reason of overlooking with reference to policy guidance.'

'However, the proximity of the site to the rear gardens does warrant restriction of construction hours in order to protect residential amenities during the building period.'



Mid Argyll Community Pool trustees, staff and Councillor Donnie MacMillan at an open day to air the development plans earlier this year. 06_a20MACPool_openday02

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Macadamias to Mid Argyll - Ryan answers his calling

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Not so long ago he was a farmer in the tropical climes of South Africa – now he is Baptist minister in Lochgilphead.

Ryan Taylor had been living with his family – his wife Tracy, daughter Amy and their son Scott – in the farming community of Port Edward, KwaZulu-Natal for the past nine and a half years.

Life for 44-year-old Ryan had involved looking after macadamia nuts and banana plantations, while at the same time carrying out assistant pastoral work for a local church.

But it was a seed sown almost two decades ago which led to the family uprooting from South Africa's tropical east coast to the wet and windy west coast of Scotland.

'I was on the west coast in 2001, washing dishes in a hotel and it was then I fell in love with Oban and the Isle of Mull,' explained Ryan.

'I thought at the time that this would be a great place to spend a honeymoon, but Tracy and I never actually got round to coming back until January 2018.'

'We spent a couple of days in Lochgilphead with friends connected to the Baptist Church, fellowshipped on the Sunday at the church, then

went back to South Africa and continued to farm.'

Ryan continued: 'While we were here, we had noticed that churches were closing up and down the west coast of Scotland and congregations are shrinking, and we sensed a real spiritual burden.'

'In South Africa we are experiencing the opposite. Churches are full and new ones are starting.'

A couple of months after their Lochgilphead trip Ryan received, out of the blue, a WhatsApp message telling him the Baptist pastor in Lochgilphead had moved on, there was a vacancy and asking whether he would consider applying.

He said: 'I thought it would be great to come here and bring some energy and passion.'

'But coming from South Africa to here hasn't been easy. With so many obstacles in the road we really feel this is where we were supposed to be.'

'We feel that God has called us here.'

Settling into life in Lochgilphead, the family already feels at home and welcome. Tracy said: 'It's been wonderful to watch how it has all unfolded and how we got here. Lochgilphead is lovely, it really is, and the people are very down to earth.'

'We are really enjoying it.'



New Baptist pastor Ryan Taylor, right, with his son Scott and wife Tracy. 51_a37BaptistPastor01

The couple have two daughters. Kerryn, who is 23, works as a veterinary nurse in Port Elizabeth, South Africa. Her sister Amy, 21, is currently completing her degree course at the University of Pretoria and hopes to join the family later in Scotland this year.

For their 15-year-old son Scott it was a wrench leaving behind friends, but despite the obvious pressures of joining a new school, he is finding his feet in Lochgilphead High

School. 'It was stressful but also exciting,' he said.

A hockey player, Scott has yet to be converted to our native sport of shinty. 'It looks a bit dangerous,' said Scott.

Leaving behind friends and family is something the whole family has had to face. 'It's tough, for sure,' said Ryan, 'but at the same time we are meeting a whole group of new people.'

'The people in the church have been incredibly welcoming.'

A service of induction for the new pastor was held at Lochgilphead Baptist Church on August 31 and Ryan is making the ministry his own.

'What I want to create is a friendly, family-oriented church where people feel loved, and it would be great if people would come in and join us on Sundays at 11am.'



Ryan and Tracy Taylor with daughter Amy and son Scott in sunny South Africa.

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Church sale is a sellout

Ardrishaig Parish Church held a busy annual sale of work in Ardrishaig public hall, with many stalls selling out in record time.

Opening the sale, Stephen Hunter encouraged everyone to 'buy as generously as you can' and many took on his challenge.

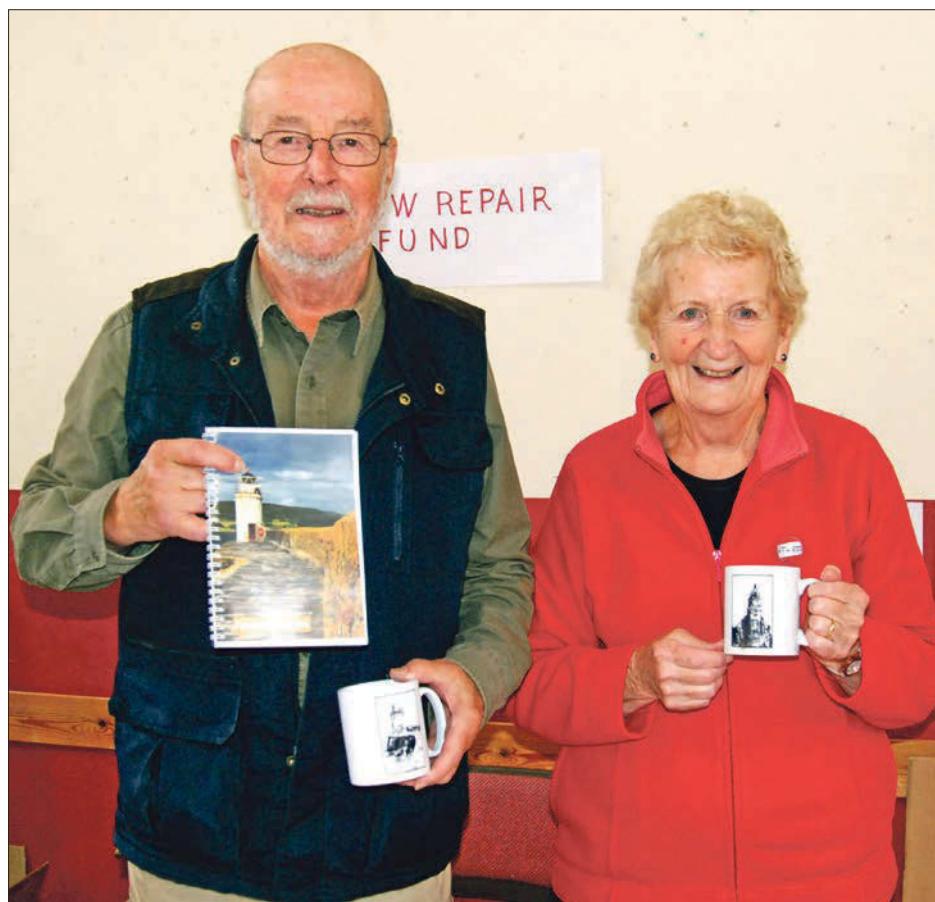
Held on Saturday September 14, there was more than enough to browse through from home baking, bric-a-brac, books, garden pro-

duce and a silent auction, while tea and cake were served across the road in the North hall.

Wiped clean

The ever-popular home baking stall nearly sold out in under half an hour and the bottle stall was wiped clean at a similar speed.

A total of £1,821.16 was raised on the day, £230 of which will go towards the church's window fund.



Stephen Hunter and Kay Valentine sold Mid Argyll-themed products in aid of the church's window repair fund. 06_a38ArdChurchSale02



Ivy Campbell, Mary Stirling and Elma Medidith held off the rush at the baking stall.

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Perfectly pink rhubarb was in high demand later on in the afternoon. 06_a38ArdChurchSale03

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Mid Argyll to Mull – Gaelic mòd performers excel

The 81st Mòd Ionadach na Dreiblùinn – Mull Provincial Mòd – was blessed with a gorgeous day as it opened on Friday September 13.

More than 1,600 separate entries were signed up for this year's event, including eight adult choirs.

For the past two years,



Duetists Brodie Crawford and Holly Renton.

numbers have topped 1,400 but figures excelled for 2019, said Mod president Janet MacDonald, who described the entry as 'amazing'.

The Mid Argyll contingent of performers did a sterling job, bringing home a number of prizes.

The 7-8 years learners saw Ella Fyfe of Lochgilphead receive the gold badge while Joni MacDougall of Ardrishaig was in second place with silver and Sophie Phillips of Ardrishaig in third. Carly Cranston of Ardrishaig also sang beautifully in this large class. Duet partners Rosie Blyth of Lochgilphead Joint Campus and Feorlin Renton of Inveraray Primary School performed in the solo girls' 9-10 years learners. Feorlin was placed first in this class.

The girls' 13-15 learners saw Isabel Crawford, Tilly Cunningham and Rhona Love perform, with Rhona being the recipient of the bronze

badge.

The girls' Mull song 13-16 years saw Eilidh Graham, Brodie Crawford and Rhona Love perform. Eilidh and Rhona were placed equal second.

The girls' 16-18 years class saw Eilidh Graham, Brodie Crawford and Holly Renton performing. Holly Renton was awarded the silver badge and Brodie Crawford the bronze.

In the boys' 13-15 years learners, Angus McLean of Lochgilphead Joint Campus was a worthy recipient of the silver badge.

In duets for 13 years and under, Rosie Blyth and Feorlin Renton received the gold badge; as did Brodie Crawford and Holly Renton in the duet for 13-18 years.

As ever, the Royal National Mòd being less than a month away in Glasgow made Mull a good practise ground for medal hopefuls.



Some of the Mid Argyll contingent have an open air break in sunny Tobermory.



Competitor Isabel Crawford and her mum Rhona eating lunch in the sunshine.



Feorlin Renton and Rosie Blyth with their singing teacher Josie Campbell.

Amanda's amazing Wall of Wool

In a bid to try something a bit different on her trade stand at the recent Dalmally Agricultural Show, Amanda Duffy Brown came up with a novel idea – a wall of wool.

Amanda, of D and D Clothing shop in Lochgilphead, said: I'm very proud of my wall of wool, but truth be told it was my partner's idea.'

The Amazing Wall of Wool did the trick as Amanda enjoyed a successful time at the show on a sunny Dalmally day.



Amanda with her impressive creation on her show stand.

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MacColl marches away with top prize



Springbank Distillery's director of sales and marketing, Ranald Watson, presents Angus MacColl with the Willie McCallum Memorial Trophy.

The overall winner of this year's Springbank Invitational Piping Competition was Oban's Angus MacColl.

Held in Campbeltown's Seafield Hotel last Saturday September 14, Kintyre Piping Society's annual competition pits some of Scotland's best pipers against one another in a series of competitions.

As well as Mr MacColl, this year's pipers were Willie McCallum, Roddy MacLeod, Callum Beaumont, Finlay Johnston, Iain Speirs, Stuart Liddell, Glenn Brown and Peter McCalister.

The judges were John Wilson, Murray Henderson and Dr Angus MacDonald, and the Fear-an-Tighe was Finlay Wylie.

Mr MacColl had success across the contests, placing second in the Piobaireachd, winning the Carmichael Quaich; third in the MSR; first in the 6/8 March (by local composers), winning the McFadyen's Transport Ltd Trophy; and first in the Hornpipe and Jig, winning the Committee Members

Trophy and a Sgian Dubh presented by the McCallum family. This meant he also won the Silver Medal and the Willie McCallum Memorial Trophy for being champion piper on the day.

Inveraray's Stuart Liddell placed first in the Piobaireachd, winning the Argyll Arms Trophy and an inscribed quaich; second in the 6/8 March; and second in the Hornpipe and Jig, also winning the Bronze Medal for being second overall (Piobaireachd preference).

Glasgow's Roddy MacLeod MBE won the Serco Trophy and an inscribed quaich for MSR.

Callum Beaumont, of Dollar, was placed second in the MSR, winning the Muir Quaich. Only the Piobaireachd and MSR results count for the overall placings.

Kintyre Piping Society wishes to thank all pipers and the judges for making the day such a success.

A spokesman added: 'The society would also like to

thank Flora, Marion and their staff at the Seafield Hotel for their work keeping everyone fed and watered, all who came along to see these world-class pipers, and all who donated prizes to the raffle.

'We would also like to thank all of our sponsors and to our main sponsor of 20 years, Springbank Distillery, for its continued support. It is very much appreciated by the Kintyre Piping Society.'

The prizes were presented by Springbank's director of sales and marketing, Ranald Watson, and Campbell McFadyen of McFadyen's Transport Ltd.

Results: Piobaireachd: 1 S Liddell, The Daughters Lament; 2 A MacColl, Scarce of Fishing; 3 F Johnston, Farewell to the Laird of Islay; 4 G Brown, The Edinburgh Piobaireachd.

MSR: 1 R MacLeod - Marches: The Marchioness of Tullibardine and Lord Alexander Kennedy, Strathspeys: Maggie Cameron and The Shepherd's Crook, Reels: Ca the Ewes and The Rejected Suiter; 2 C Beaumont - Marches: Miss Elspeth Campbell and The Stirlingshire Militia,

Strathspeys: Lady Loudon and The Cameronian Rant, Reels: Miss Proud and Drumlithie; 3 A MacColl - Marches: The Lochaber Gathering and Mrs John MacColl, Strathspeys: Maggie Cameron and Caledonian Society of London, Reels: Captain Lachlan MacPhail of Tiree and Mrs MacPherson of Inveran; 4 W McCallum - Marches: Murdo McLeod and Mrs Duncan MacFadyen, Strathspeys: Dora MacLeod and Ewe wi the Crookit Horn, Reels: Roddy MacDonald's Fancy and John MacKchnie's Big Reel.

6/8 March (local composers): 1 A MacColl, Angus McVean (George M McIntyre); 2 S Liddell, Hamish Colville (George M McIntyre); 3 W McCallum, Heading for Lochsanish (Hugh MacCallum); 4 C Beaumont, The Braes of Scotland (P/M John McKenzie).

Hornpipe and Jig: 1 A MacColl, Kyle Howies and Calum's Bridge; 2 S Liddell, The Stornoway Hornpipe and The Cannister; 3 W McCallum, St Valery and Malcolm Johnston; 4 I Speirs, P/M George Allen and The Curlew.



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by Rachel Carruthers
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Returning to Tarbert, Cal Major arrived by land instead of sea to bring Tarbert a thought-provoking film screening.

During her 1,000-mile stand-up paddle boarding expedition from Land's End to John O'Groats, Cal found herself in need of shelter and headed for Tarbert. Suse and John Coon had been following the Paddle against Plastic campaign and had contacted Cal to say if she found herself in that direction there would be a bed for her, so a call was made and Cal was warmly welcomed by the couple at the harbour.

Friendly

Speaking about Tarbert, Cal said: 'I feel so at home here. I've been welcomed here with open arms by people I've never met before. I absolutely love it. The whole community is so friendly, so welcoming and so engaged. The conversations we have had have been

wonderful. People really want to get on board with this.'

The Paddle Against Plastic campaign was started by Cal in 2015, following a trip to Tiree. Strewn across the white sands and bobbing in the turquoise water was multicoloured plastic and quickly Cal started to notice plastic everywhere she went surfing. With a desire to connect people to the simple and positive

solutions to the issue, Cal decided to start using stand-up paddle boarding adventures to capture people's imagination and connect them to the issue of plastic pollution in the oceans.

Cal said: 'As a society I think we have become disconnected from our natural



Stopping along the way, Cal Major carried out beach cleans on her expedition.

Photo: James Appleton.

world and what it means to be a human within that world and actually, if we can fall back in love with that natural world, we're going to want to protect it.

'The places I've found the most effective campaigns are in communities that are supporting each other in tackling plastic pollution on a grass roots level.

We've seen in the last few years that the number of people caring about this is increasing so much that our

voices have got so big companies and governments are having to listen. It's no longer a few people shouting about it and it falling on deaf ears.

Simple things

Encouraging people to get involved, Cal said: 'There are loads of different levels of action we can take as individuals. Just doing simple things can help us feel like we are a part of the solution, inspiring further hope and further change. We are all a very small piece in a very

large jigsaw but those small pieces need to be in action to make it happen.'

Following a successful screening of Vitamin Sea, Cal joined the Tarbert Keeping Well Group the following day to share a special screening of Skye's the Limit; her award-winning film about her solo circumnavigation of the Isle of Skye on a stand-up paddle board in 2017. The aim of this film was to show that even remote places are being impacted by plastic pollution.

A splashing sing-song



The afternoon's entertainment: Cal Major with Fynesiders Arthur, Robin, George and John. 06_a38Fynesiders02

Tarbert's Keeping Well Group had a water-themed afternoon of film and musical entertainment.

The self-funding group has been running for eight years and the real aim is to help combat loneliness by getting people back into the community, meeting weekly for home baking and a cuppa, some light exercise and the occasional quiz to help exercise the brain.

The afternoon get together on Thursday September 12 was a jam-packed event, with a film screening of the Skye's the Limit, a film about Cal Major's stand-up paddle

board expedition around Skye as part of her Paddle against Plastic campaign and a performance by some of the Fynesiders Barbershop Chorus.

Despite the lack of a tenor and being a few members short, the Fynesiders still had feet tapping and arms waving as they performed *Hello Mary Lou* and debuted their rendition of (*Is this the Way to*) Amarillo before ending on the always popular *Danny Boy*.

If anyone is over 60 and interested in joining the group they would be made very welcome every Thursday from 1.30pm at the Templar Arts and Leisure Centre, Tarbert.

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A helping hand for Zambia's children



Hard at work at the ZamScoEd coffee morning were, from left, Celia Rees, Denise MacLean, Catherine McFadden and Marian Pallister.

Education for children in Zambia will be enriched after generous donations from the people of Mid Argyll.

A coffee morning on Saturday September 14 organised by Mid Argyll-based charity

ZamScoEd raised £321.

Marian Pallister of the charity said: 'I want to thank everyone for their loyal support for ZamScoEd and for their support for the children in Zambia.'

Councillors call for action on Argyll's flooded roads

Councillors have called for more action on flooded roads as autumn and winter loom large in Argyll and Bute.

At a meeting of Argyll and Bute Council's environment, development and infrastructure committee, Councillor Alastair Redman claimed that constituents were concerned about poor drainage on roads in his Kintyre and the Islands ward.

Jim Smith, the council's head of roads and amenity services, assured the councillors that all that could be done within the authority's budget was being done.

Councillor Redman told the meeting on Thursday, September 12: 'In my constituency there has been an improvement in resurfacing of roads, but often raised by my constituents is the drainage on the roads.

'I do worry that sometimes when we throw down the Tarmac we are not getting the full life out of it, because the roads are flooding.'

'Is our council doing more

drainage work and ditch clearing?'

Mr Smith replied: 'When we carry out these works we try and deal with all the issues that are affordable.'

'We are in line with the general budget and by and large, we carry out drainage work as well as we can.'

'There is an issue with vehicles going into the roadside verges and there is quite a focus on that. Ideally we would do more, but we do as much as we can.'

Councillor Alan Reid of Cowal commented: 'Drainage is an expense, but by not carrying out maintenance we just give ourselves more work to do.'

'Are there regular inspections of these roads, and where poor drainage is identified,

is it acted upon?'

Mr Smith responded: 'We have the roads asset management plan, whereby our roads are inspected every four weeks to once a year depending on the risks.'

'Works are issued and carried out where needed, but to deal with every bit of standing water would be hard. There are issues which we will continue to look at.'

'On a frequent basis we also have lists of all the flooding hotspots in each area. When we have a weather warning we will send a squad to check prior to the rain coming.'



Argyll's rainfall can cause problems if not properly drained from roads.

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Bakery is on a big roll with Business Gateway

The Ginger Breadman is raising the bar in Helensburgh with the launch of a third premises following funding support from the Business Gateway Local Growth Accelerator Programme.

The bakery, run by Martin Rippon, was launched in June 2013 in Dunbartonshire in a converted church selling scones and traybakes using only a domestic cooker.

Since relocating to Helensburgh in October 2015, the business has continued to expand rapidly and now specialises in artisan sourdough breads, cakes, deli sandwiches and pastries. This significant growth has resulted in a need for additional premises to service both the bakehouse and the catering business which supplies baked goods for local hotels, restaurants and retail outlets across the central belt.

Martin said: 'I launched

the business after years working in hospitality, both front and back of house and always loved it. I approached Business Gateway as, while I had the passion, I had never baked goods in a commercial capacity. With their support, I decided to take the plunge and open a small bakehouse and it's just snowballed since then. We've gone from baking six loaves a day to more than 1,000 a week.'

'Business Gateway has been an excellent partner, helping me with the early stages of my business plan and providing a range of workshops that we were able to take advantage of. This relationship has only grown as The Ginger Breadman relocated from Dunbartonshire to Helensburgh. Business Gateway's support let me employ additional staff, including a trained and qualified pâtissier chef through

grant funding, and purchase equipment that has furnished our second outlet.'

The business has since grown from one full-time staff member to nine employees, including two apprentices, supplying businesses in Loch Lomond and Helensburgh.

Martin, who gained his SVQ Level II Craft Bakery Skills while on the job, is an active member of Scottish Bakers and works with them to deliver his apprenticeship training.

Martin continued: 'The wider industry can struggle to attract people due to difficult conditions and the unsociable working hours required. However, it's an incredibly rewarding job and we have been fortunate to have a great bunch of passionate bakers working for us. Looking after them is really important to us, because we appreciate it's a hard job and we couldn't

do it without our great team behind us.'

Jen Smith, Business Gateway adviser, said: 'It's been a brilliant journey to support Martin as his business has gone from strength to strength, and completely embedded itself into the Helensburgh community.'

'Clients such as Martin showcase the potential evolution of a business's relationship with Business Gateway. To be able to support The Ginger Breadman from the initial days to the launch of a third outlet demonstrates the range of services offered and how Business Gateway can provide support that applies throughout the life cycle of a business.'

To find out more, visit the Business Gateway website.

Martin proves a success with Business Gateway's help.



Plenty of business support ahead in Argyll

Argyll and Bute Council's Business Gateway has launched its autumn programme of free business skills workshops, including a range of fresh new topics.

Places are expected to fill up fast so anyone interested in attending is urged to book as soon as possible.

The one-and-a-half-day Business Start-up workshop takes place in Lochgilphead on November 19 and 20.

Running in Lochgilphead on December 11 is the Practical Basic Book-keeping workshop, aimed at those new to business and with little or no formal training in book-keeping.

First of the new topics is Online Photography running on October 2 in Oban. An expensive camera is not needed to produce sharp and engaging photos. This workshop



will help people get the most out of their smartphone to take quality shots for their company website, social media pages or newsletters.

The trainer will be Emma Baker, a corporate video producer and writer, who runs her own training and consultancy firm.

Another addition is the How to Complete a Self-Assessment Tax

Return workshop on October 30 in Oban.

This practical workshop is aimed at those in self-employment who need to complete a self-assessment tax return online. The trainer will be CIMA qualified management accountant Linda Hunter.

The Creating Killer Graphics with Canva workshop on November 29

in Oban is a hands-on beginner's workshop learning how to design simple but eye-catching graphics using Canva, a free online tool.

Training will be provided by Thea Newcomb, a dynamic, Glasgow-based Californian with first-hand experience of running different types of small businesses.

Last of the new topics in Oban is Developing Your Brand taking place on December 4. The brand is one of a business's most important assets. It gives the business an identity, makes it memorable, encourages consumers to buy from the business and supports its advertising.

Aimed at small businesses, this workshop will help people to develop their brand, covering brand identity, message, style, management, recognition and

trust. It includes how to develop a strapline, promote a brand and brand maintenance.

This workshop will be delivered by Alastair Kennedy, an experienced trainer who has been delivering marketing workshops for many years.

Further workshops, including some in Campbeltown, will be scheduled in the coming months. If anyone would like to see a particular workshop delivered in their area please register interest with the local Business Gateway office.

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Agencies work together in attempt to save whales

Kames Coastguard Rescue Team joined other agencies in an attempt to save a beached whale.

On Tuesday September 17, the team was called out when a beached young Sowerby's beaked whale was found.

While British Divers' Marine Life Rescue, SSPCA and Barbara's Wildlife Rescue were assessing the young whale, the mother beached too.

Unfortunately, Bute and Cowal vets had to put the young whale down as it was clearly unwell and underweight.

By this point, the mother had gone back out to sea but despite attempts from

Tighnabruaich lifeboat to prevent her coming back in she continued to beach, injuring herself.

The difficult decision was made by all the marine agencies and the vet that she, too, had to be put down.

On a Facebook post, a Kames Coastguard spokesperson said: 'Massive thanks to everyone involved. There were a few members of the public who stayed with us all day making sure the animals were not too distressed. Thank you to those who brought us cups of tea.'

'And a thank to Raj from Kyles Premier Stores for the food. It was a tough day for everyone.'

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Gleaming grins from the Oral Health Improvement team.

Spreading the word with a social smile

Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership's (HSCP) Oral Health Improvement (OHI) team is spreading the word about good oral healthcare via its newly-launched social media pages.

Getting information out to people through social media platforms is a modern way to communicate with people of

all ages. The OHI team want to share and make people more aware of the importance of oral healthcare and share oral health key messages.

Margaret Morrison, oral health improvement manager, said: 'I am pleased the HSCP is expanding its use of social media.'

'Social media platforms are excellent to reach more

people in rural communities. The team is really looking forward to developing our social media pages and I would encourage people to have a look.'

The team will be making regular posts on current oral healthcare initiatives and services.

The HSCP's Oral Health Improvement Team social

media pages provide health and wellbeing information that is trusted and readily available on NHS approved and partner websites.

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WHAT'S ON IN MID ARGYLL

Tarbert tunes up for music festival

Time to get your dancing shoes on and your voice in tune ready for a sing-song at Tarbert Music Festival this weekend.

The festival kicks off tonight

(Friday September 20) with a sold-out Tide Lines gig in the village hall to raise funds for the new Clachan village hall.

Elsewhere in the village, Gubbed will be performing

in Islay Frigate; 2 Bob Rocket will be at the Anchor Hotel; Tarbert Hotel host The Camans and Mad Ferret Band and Kenny and Wallace will entertain at the Corner House.

On Saturday afternoon, Islay Frigate offers None the Wiser, the Anchor Hotel hosts Matt McAllister and the Tarbert Hotel has The Skunned performing.

Left: Brian Melville, Blair Crann and Scott MacVicar from Glasgow enjoying the atmosphere outside The Corner House at last year's Tarbert Music Festival.

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On Saturday night, Islay Frigate has The Democrats performing live; 2 Bob Rocket entertain at the Anchor Hotel and Dr Hip and the Blues Operation take it away in the Tarbert Hotel. The Corner House will be playing host to Mad Ferret Band and Kenny Wallace throughout Saturday.

Mid Argyll Pipe Band will be in the spotlight on Saturday with an open jam session in the harbour marquee from 1pm to 4pm.

The quay is the venue for a free, open air concert on Sunday from 1.30pm. With music from Rhuvaal, Mad Ferret Band and the Gary Innes Duo, the crowd is sure to be dancing the day away. Loch Fyne Pipe Band will also be in fine tune on Sunday evening.



Tarbert Music Festival organisers Margaret MacNeill, Duncan MacGregor and Barbara Johnston. 08_a38organisers

Fundraising coffee morning

A coffee morning will be held during the festival weekend to raise funds for the event.

The coffee morning will take place on Saturday September 21 from 10am till noon at the Templars Arts and Leisure Centre.

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Fyne news as FyneFest 2020 dates revealed



Award-winning Argyll brewery Fyne Ales' plans for next year's FyneFest are well under way.

Promising three days of incredible beer from around the world, alongside Argyll food and a full weekend of music, the organisers have announced that next year's festival will take place from June 5-8 2020 at the brewery estate in Glen Fyne.

Tickets for the 11th annual party in the

glen will go on sale on Friday September 27, followed by a launch party to get the party started early for their next festival, with an afternoon of special beers, live music, food and a pub quiz on Saturday September 28 at the brewery tap.

Information

Further information is available from the Fyne Ales website, with a new FyneFest site launching before tickets go on sale.



Awkward Family Portraits had folk up on their feet. 51_a23FyneFest23



Kazz Syme kept the foodies fed at the Loch Fyne Oysters stand. 06_a23FyneFest15



The rain didn't ruin this year's FyneFest fun. 06_a23FyneFest02

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Ardrishaig goes loopy for Brazilian street party

by Rachel Carruthers
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Huddling together in the room adjacent to where the performance would be held, the audience for LOOPING: Scotland Overdub could feel the anticipation in the air.

No one was entirely sure of what was to come.

The performance, being held in Ardrishaig Public Hall on Friday September 14 had been advertised as an immersive street festival ceilidh.

Re-imagined from the hit show Looping: Bahia Overdub by Felipe de Assis, Leonardo França and Rita Aquino, the performance featured text produced in collaboration with acclaimed writer Kieran Hurley and an electronic dance score mixed live by DJ Torben Lars Sylvest.

The doors slid open and tentatively the audience made its way through into the

smoke-filled room. The beat kicked in and before people knew it they were already up on the dance floor, guided by the Scottish Dance Theatre company.

Hurling and burling the dance company showed off their skills, as they fused the Brazilian street party vibe with some ceilidh dance moves, providing plenty of opportunity for audience participation.

Rejuvenating

With a crowd eager to be involved but in need of a rest, some of the dancers kindly handed out a much-needed shot of rejuvenating Irn-Bru while the others performed an under-water themed routine based around the striking light-up speakers.

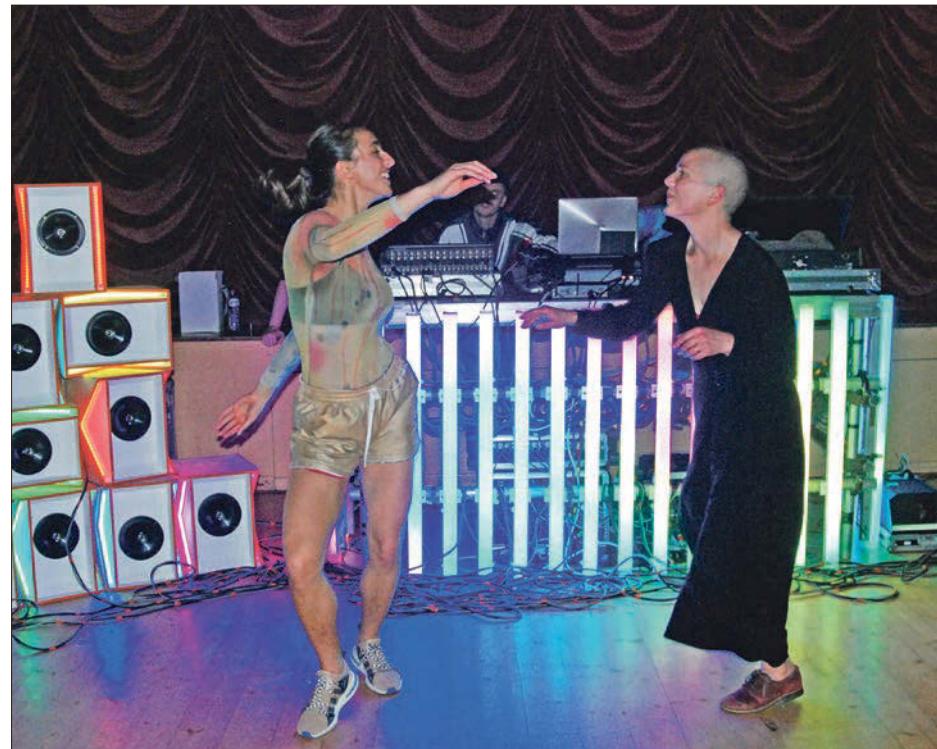
Commenting at the end of the performance Scottish Dance Theatre artistic director Joan Clevillé said: 'We expected the rural audiences to

be more quiet but apparently that's not the case.'

A question and answer session after all the dancing gave the audience a chance to get a better insight into the piece and for the dancers to reflect on the evening's performance.

Jessie Roberts-Smith, one of the dancers, discussed how each performance differs depending on the audience's participation, the dancers' own moods and the general atmosphere in the room, saying that 'every performance is about being in the moment together'.

Jessie Roberts-Smith
and Francis Drewery
get in the groove.
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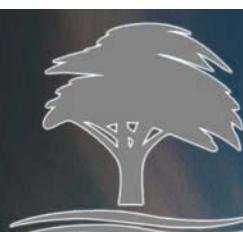
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Oban to host exciting Argyll cultural heritage conference

Anyone with an interest in the culture and history of Argyll should mark a special date in their diary.

On Tuesday October 1, Argyll and Bute Museums and Heritage Forum (ABMHF) will host its first major conference with the theme Cultural Heritage Counts.

The conference, to be held in the Corran Halls, Oban, will be opened by Devon McHugh of Museums Galleries Scotland, the main funder for the conference.

Devon is deeply appreciative of the volunteers who give their valuable time to so many cultural and heritage venues and societies. She also understands the value of taking care of heritage at every level involving archives, collections, archaeology and genealogy.

Since its inauguration in 2003, ABMHF has provided support for anyone, professional or volunteer, within the sector.

From the tiniest volunteer-run museum and heritage/family history society to the professionally run archive and accredited museum, the group provides a forum where people can meet, discuss their concerns and learn new skills.

Over the years the forum has helped to deliver training schemes covering topics as varied as identifying photographs and labelling collections to palaeography and archiving.

ABMFH is planning an exciting day for delegates at the Cultural Heritage Counts conference.

There will be displays and updates from the area's initiatives as well as a question and

answer panel entitled Getting it Started and Keeping it Going, where delegates can ask questions on any topic, to inspirational talks from professionals in the sector.

And with plenty of opportunity for networking, this is an event not to be missed.

To keep in touch with conference updates, follow Argyll and Bute Museums and Heritage Forum on social media.

Argyll and Bute Museums and Heritage Forum supports cultural heritage initiatives such as archaeological digs.

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Summer's coming to an end, time for sales and tractors



Where did 2019 go? September is almost over; the summer show season came to an end with Dalmally at the start of the month and we are heading into the time for ploughing and general cultivation, drilling and sowing.

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Around the markets

OBAN – United Auctions on Tuesday September 10 held its Annual Show and Sale of Blackface Wedder lambs at Oban Livestock Centre also sale of all classes cross bred lambs and feeding sheep. A total of 3,785 lambs and sheep were sold, and this recorded an increase of 692 head on the year. The show of pens of 20 or more Blackface wedder lambs was ably judged by Craig Malone, Pitcairn Farm, Cardenden. His awards were as follows: Champion pen taking the Carrs Billington Shield was Achallic Farm which sold for £54.50 to the judge. 2 Turnault £48.50 to J Gilvear and Sons, Stirling. 3 Fiart, £46.50 to J Gilvear and Sons. The sale average for the Blackface Lambs was £33.23 which records a drop of £3.28 per head on the year. It was evident throughout the sale that there wasn't the normal tail end of Blackface lambs presented. The overall average of the sale was £35.09 which is £5.70 back on the corresponding sale last year.

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DALMALLY – United Auctions on Saturday September 14 held its annual show and sale of Blackface wedder lambs at Dalmally Auction Mart which was sponsored by The Blackface Sheep Breeders Association.

The show was ably judged by long-standing supporter of this event, Mr Ben Jack, Wester Upper Urquhart Farm, Fife, who made the following awards:
Champion Pen of 40 or more BF Lambs and winner of the James Weir, Memorial Trophy 1 Achnaba £58. 2 Clachan Farms, Kilninver £57.50 3 Glenfeochan Estate £47.50. All three pens were purchased by M/s Errington, Penrith. The Blackface wedder lambs averaged £39.02 per head or 137.6p per kilo (+£1.67 per head). The overall average price for the 7,181 head sold was £39.86 against £39.98 at the corresponding sale last year with 302 more sold.

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TIREE – United Auctions held its second sale of lambs and the annual sale of breeding and feeding sheep, also all classes cattle at Tiree Auction Mart. 1,265 head of sheep was sold. Cattle, in keeping with mainland trends, met with a hesitant trade. All classes of sheep sold well.

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CROSS £152 – Middleton : £130 and £100 – Carrachan.

TEXx: £125 – 5 Kilmoluraig : £122 – 2/15

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Barrapol.

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19/01093/PP	Extension to existing substation	An Suidhe Electricity Substation North East Of Killean, Furnace, Argyll And Bute
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CIH Scotland welcomes energy efficiency regulations for the PRS

The Scottish Government is preparing to introduce a minimum energy efficiency standard for privately rented homes of EPC band E at change of tenancy from April 2020 and EPC band D at change of tenancy from April 2022.

A consultation on regulations and guidance to support the new requirements included details on proposed exemptions for landlords where permission to carry out work has been refused and where the cost of the work required to meet the minimum standard would exceed £5,000 for EPC band E with a further £5,000 cost cap applying to meet EPC band D.

Under the proposals, local authorities would be responsible for ensuring compliance with minimum standards and landlords failing to meet the standards could face financial penalties of up to £5,000.

Ashley Campbell, policy and practice manager at CIH Scotland, said: 'We welcome the introduction of minimum energy efficiency standards in the private rented sector. People should be able to expect to live in a warm, energy efficient home regardless of what tenure

they are living in. Improving the energy efficiency of all of our homes will help to reduce fuel poverty and work towards meeting ambitious climate change targets. However, we do have some concerns.

'Robust monitoring and enforcement will also be key to ensuring compliance and it is unlikely that local authorities will be able to undertake this function without additional resources. We want to make sure that any new regulations are applied equally and fairly and that landlords who choose not to follow the rules are identified and dealt with accordingly.'



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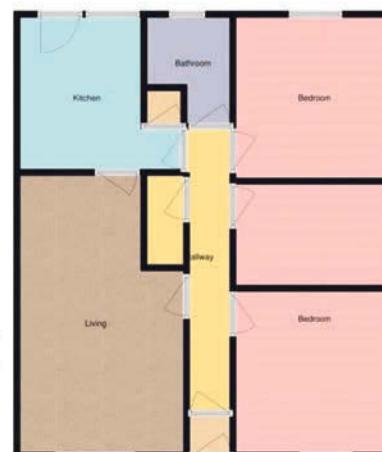
14b Victoria Park is a three-bedroom semi-detached bungalow nicely situated within a small residential development in the picturesque village of Minard. The accommodation comprises Lounge/Diner, kitchen, bathroom and 3 bedrooms.

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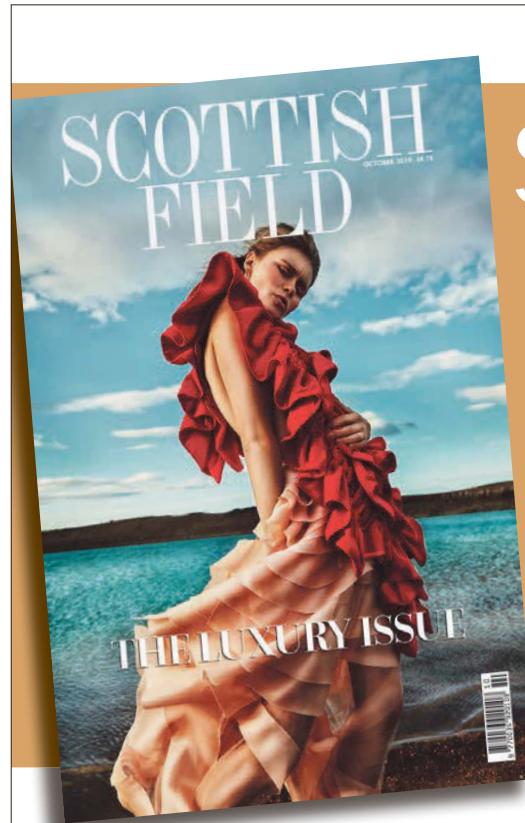
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Flamingo Land plans

Plans for the controversial Flamingo Land development on the banks of Loch Lomond have been withdrawn.

The decision came after officials for the Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park Authority recommended its board reject the bid earlier this month.

Over 55,000 objections were lodged against the development plans between April and May but the group behind the project have not ruled out submitting a new application at a later date.

Andy Miller, director of Lomond Banks, said: 'Our priority now is to fully understand concerns, gather the necessary information and dispel some of the myths that continue to circulate around our ambitions for the site.'

'It is only at this point, we will consider re-submitting our plans to ensure decision makers will be able to take a fully informed decision on this important application.'

The proposal by Flamingo Land Ltd and Scottish Enterprise collectively included a 60-bedroom apart-hotel, a 32-bedroom budget accommodation, a craft brewery, boat house, leisure centre and restaurants. It was estimated the development at Balloch would create 80 full-time jobs, 50 part-time jobs and 70 seasonal roles.

Campaigners were worried the project would spoil the scenery and limit access to the shoreline for locals.

LOCHGILHEAD

Coffee morning

Lochgillhead Parish Church will be serving up delicious home baking at a coffee morning on Saturday September 21.

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COWAL AND BUTE



Members of Inspiring Innellan with Councillor John Martin and Councillor Andy Ferguson.

Beautiful Scotland Awards

Community groups, local authorities and businesses from all across Scotland gathered in Dumfries on Thursday September 12 to celebrate the 53rd annual Beautiful Scotland Awards, organised by environmental charity, Keep Scotland Beautiful.

Thirty-eight groups were recognised, marking their achievements in creating places that are good for health, wealth and happiness. This included three groups from

Argyll and Bute. The Argyll and Bute project winners were Bute in Bloom, Inspiring Innellan and Sandbank Community Council.

Being recognised for the community involvement and encouraging a sense of pride in the village, Inspiring Innellan received the coastal village category award and the community involvement discretionary award.

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Sheddien

We have a new hybrid Toyota RAV 4 and are absolutely delighted with it.

There are so many things to learn about, that it will take us ages to become conversant with it.

However one of the things I really like about it is that at the end of every journey, it marks an eco score on my driving.

A message appears to say that driving has been good, very good or excellent. So far my best score has been 93/100.

There are various tips to follow as to how to get the most out of the hybrid engine and thus be more cost effective on fuel, and also become a more eco-friendly car.

Now, this is an inanimate object and yet it gets the best from me.

I am so pleased when the little message is one of high praise and encouragement. It makes me feel better and I have a wee smile of satisfaction – just because the car has said I have done well.

The message is never derogatory or insulting, but always gently states that I could improve with a few little pointers.

Another feature amuses me, as there is a 'beep' to let me know that I have strayed over the central white line, and if I do this too often, a picture of a steaming cup of coffee appears and suggests I take a break.

The car doesn't understand the pothole evasion strategy in Argyll.

How good it is to be positive, and if a car can make us feel good, think how much better the world would be if we all took time to praise and encourage one another.

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BIRTHS

MFARLANE - Blair and Rhona (née Barr) are delighted to announce the safe arrival of Aoife Iona, on June 18, 2019. Both Isla and Hope Mary are smiling down upon her from Heaven above. Many thanks to all staff at Ayrshire and Arran Maternity Hospital for their wonderful care.

PLATINUM WEDDINGS

BROWN - MCDONALD - Seventy years ago, at St Michael's Church, Edinburgh, on September 16, 1949, by the Rev Joseph Easton, Duncan M Brown to Margaret S McDonald.

DEATHS

CUNNINGHAM - Hugh Patrick Lt General Sir KBE, passed away, peacefully at home, on September 12, 2019, aged 97. Much loved husband, father, step-father and grandfather. Private cremation, followed by service of thanksgiving, at St Andrew's Church, Fontmell Magna, Dorset, SP7 0NY, on Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 12.30pm. Family flowers only. Enquiries and donations for Help for Heroes to Merefield and Henstridge F/D, Ridgemount, Pitts Lane, West Melbury, Shaftesbury, Dorset, SP7 0BU. Telephone 01747 853532.

GALBRAITH - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on September 15, 2019, Margaret McLellan Paterson (Pearly), in her 92nd year, The Barnes, Carradale, dearly beloved wife of the late Robert Barbour Galbraith (Bobby), much loved mum of Senga and the late Shona and loving mother-in-law of David. Funeral service in Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, Campbeltown, on Monday, September 23, 2019 at 12.00 noon, thereafter to Keil Cemetery, Southend. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation.

MCARTHUR - Peacefully, at the Kintyre Care Home, Campbeltown, on September 13, 2019, Christian McArthur (Chrissie), in her 94th year, formerly of Fort Argyll, Campbeltown, much loved wife of the late Neil McArthur, loving mother of Christine, Donald and the late Margaret and adored granny of Neil, Douglas, David and Susan.

MCLELLAN - Suddenly, but peacefully, at the Golden Jubilee Hospital, Clydebank, with her family by her side, on September 12, 2019, Wanda Faye Sowders, 34 Smith Drive, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of Don

McLellan, a much loved sister, aunt and great aunt, and a dear friend to many.

MORRANS - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on September 16, 2019, Catherine Gillies Morrans, in her 87th year, 31 New Parliament, Campbeltown, dearly beloved mum of Janice and Angus, mother-in-law of Mags, loving granny of Tammy, Garry, Shawn and Reece and great granny of Julia, Ainsley, Tegen, Sawyer, Stella, Charlotte, Kat and Christian. Funeral service in Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, today, Friday, September 20, 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 Macmillan Nurses, Kintyre Locality.

NAISMITH - Suddenly, but peacefully, at the Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead, on September 15, 2019, Edith Naismith, in her 80th year, of Ashlea Cottage, Crarae, Minard, beloved wife of the late Archibald Naismith, much loved sister of Margaret, sister-in-law of Derek and a dear aunt to all the family. A good neighbour and very dear friend to many. Funeral service will be held at Cumlooden Parish Church, Furnace, today, Friday, September 20, 2019 at 12.00 noon. Family flowers only, donations to CHAS, SSPCA and Heart and Stroke Research.

NICOL - Suddenly but peacefully, at home, 16 Knockscalbert Way, Campbeltown, on September 13, 2019, Hugh MacLellan Nicol, in his 79th year, much loved husband of the late Agnes Armour, much loved dad of Hugh, Wendy and the late Judith, father-in-law of Christine and a dearly loved grampa of Cara and Andrew.

STORRIER - Peacefully, at Campbeltown Hospital, (James) Brian, on September 15, 2019, aged 74. Beloved brother of June and Vivienne and a very dear brother-in-law, uncle and great uncle. Funeral private.

WATT - Peacefully, at the Lorn and Islands Hospital, Oban, on September 15, 2019, Janet Bryson Watt, in her 88th year, of Flat 2, The Hollies, Poltalloch Street, Lochgilphead, beloved wife of Kenneth Watt, dearly loved mother of Jae and Gillian, much respected mother-in-law of Colin and Jean-Michel, adored gran of Jan, Iver, Nicol, Julia, Finlay, Donald, Yves, Mairi and Michel and also a great gran. Funeral service will be held at Cardross Crematorium, today,

Friday, September 20, 2019 at 11.15am. No flowers please. All friends are respectfully invited to attend.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

MACTAGGART - Following the death of John Norman McTaggart, Helen, Claire and Alice extend their thanks to everyone for their expressions of sympathy and their presence at Cardross Crematorium, where the funeral was conducted by Ellen Gibson and directed by T A Blair Ltd, Campbeltown.

SAMBOREK - Sandy, Alex and Peter would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy, flowers, phone calls, cards and visits received following the recent sad loss of Annie. Our thanks to Rev Hilda Smith for a comforting service, to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for caring and efficient arrangements, to the Stag Hotel for fine purvey, to The Flower shop for floral tributes, and to Harry for piping at the church and cemetery. Finally, our thanks to all who attended at church and graveside to pay their respects. The retiral collection raised £340 for Lochgilphead Parish Church.

IN MEMORIAMS

GILLESPIE - To a very special aunt. Remembrance...

The memories are always there, A snapshot of your being, Reminded me of times gone by, And other ways of seeing. Until we meet again, The film I will rewind, To view again those special moments, I have stored within my mind.

- From her loving niece, Bobbie. Roberta Burns Hyslop.

GILLESPIE - To a much loved and much missed sister, Marion (Marie).

The Golden Stair... Wishing you were here, But you are, Just not on this earthly plane, Wishing I could see you, But I can,

In my mind's eye's window pane, Wishing I could feel you, But I do, My emotions I unchain, For you are all around, My senses know you're there,

And one day we'll be reunited On Jehovah's golden stair. Till my mortal life is over, I will embrace the spirit code, To take away my heartfelt sadness, And I'll see you down the road.

- From your loving sister Rosie ('Odie').

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What's in a trophy name?

by Colin Cameron
editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk

The MacQuisten Cup Final is to be held between Oban Camanachd and Inveraray at Taynuilt on Sunday September 22.

The winners of this trophy each year can call themselves the south of Scotland under-17 shinty champions.

The MacQuisten Cup has been contested in the sport since 1927 and for a number of years it has been played for at under-17 level – but where did the trophy originate?

Well-known Inveraray gent Niall Iain MacLean noticed a recent Argyllshire Advertiser sports story on the MacQuisten and contacted the paper with some background information.

The trophy was presented to the sport, said Mr MacLean, by Fred MacQuisten, who was MP for Argyllshire, as it was, in the years up to the Second World War. 'My

father knew him quite well,' said Mr MacLean. 'But I seem to remember the poor man died quite suddenly at the start of the war.'

A bit of research revealed a little more of the history of Frederick Alexander MacQuisten MP.

He was the son of Reverend Dr Alexander MacQuisten, minister of Inverkip Parish Church, and became an advocate and barrister-at-law.

He was Scottish Conservative and Unionist MP for Springburn in Glasgow between 1918 and 1922,



then Argyllshire from 1924 until his death aged 69 on February 29 1940 at his home at Walton-on-Thames, Surrey. Mr MacQuisten is said to have been well-known in the House of Commons for his wit.

Aside from his move in 1921 to criminalise lesbianism – rejected by the House of Lords – he introduced

Left: One of the few published photographs of Frederick Alexander MacQuisten.

a Private Member's Bill four years later intended, in his own words, to 'restore the individual freedom of the working man'. The Bill was eventually introduced following the general strike in 1926.

He also sang the praises of herring, porridge and Scotch whisky.

Perhaps his support of shinty had something to do with this view of Scotland – or perhaps it was because his predecessor in the Argyllshire constituency, Liberal MP Sir William Sutherland, had himself presented the sport with a now-famous trophy years earlier.

Whatever the motivation, the MacQuisten Cup remains something worth winning to this day. Just ask the young players on Sunday how much it would mean to win this venerable trophy.



The MacQuisten Camanachd Cup, presented to shinty in 1927.



The Lochgilphead Red Star 2007 team.

Four in a row for red hot Red Star 2007s

Lochgilphead has two youth football teams playing 11-a-side this season as Red Star 2007s make their debut in the Glasgow League – and what a fantastic start they have had.

With four games under their belt, all away from home, the team has won each game, scoring 27 goals and conceding only eight.

Their first game, on Sunday August 18, was a local derby away to Campbeltown. This was a competitive game which the Lochgilphead team won 5-2.

On a trip to Helensburgh on August 25, the youngsters put in a terrific performance to win 12-3.

Saturday August 31 saw the team travel to Oban where the Lochgilphead players were in commanding form again, winning 5-1.

Last week's game was an evening

kick off on Friday September 13 in Dunoon. The teams were level at two goals apiece after the first half, but the Lochgilphead team scored three goals without reply in the second half to win the match.

With four straight wins, Red Star 2007s top their league cup group with maximum points.

The players are: Struan Urquhart, Benjamin Tustin, Kieran Blair, Cameron Lewis, George Curran, Euan McCartan, Lewis Cameron, Gregor Mochrie, Jamie Angus, Declan Cooper, Logan Phillips, Rhys Coffield, Callum Green, Ryan Gibson, Daniel Semple, Gavin Small and Geordie Todd.

Next up is the team's first outing in the Scottish Cup when they welcome Dumbarton United Blacks to the Ropework on Sunday September 22.



Left: Kirsty won the trophy in Islay – her second victory in three weeks.

Lochgilphead golfer's delight at second win in three weeks

Four members of Lochgilphead Golf Club's ladies' section headed to Islay on Friday September 6 to play in the Islay Ladies' Open at Machrie Golf Links.

The practise round on the Friday was fun – but a bit of a challenge playing in 22mph winds.

A lot of time was spent hunting for balls in the rough and giggling as the wind took them off in whatever direction it fancied.

It did not bode well for serious

play in the open on the Saturday, but when the day dawned it was beautiful. All the ladies played well and thoroughly enjoyed the day with Kirsty Flanagan carding 43 points to win the coveted title.

This followed her triumph at the Lochgilphead ladies' open two weeks earlier.

Kirsty only started playing 18 months ago when she came to a club open day with her daughter Eilidh.

She had no intention of joining but was persuaded to give it a go by some lady members and has never looked back.

Kirsty said: 'I should have taken it up years ago. Golf is a great way to de-stress after a busy day at work and I would encourage any ladies to give it a go.'

Kintyre youth shinty – but what was the year?

The photograph of Lochgilphead, right, was discovered by Ian MacPhee while helping to clear the attic of his friend and fellow shinty stalwart John Crawford, from Ardrishaig, who recently died.

John himself, looking very smart, is on the right of the image, which has written on the back: 'Donald Woodrow, left, with his Kintyre under-16 side after having been presented with the Peter English Trophy, awarded by the Shinty Year Book for achievements made under difficult circumstances. The presentation was made by John Crawford.'

It appears the photograph had been prepared for publication in a newspaper in years gone by – but



what year was it taken and can readers name the players?

Can you tell us any more about the background to the team, trophy and shinty in Kintyre? What were the

achievements and the 'difficult circumstances' for which they received the trophy?

We would love to hear from anyone with information.



Robert MacBrayne with a ling.

Muckle Flugga and muckle fish for anglers

The lure of catching big fish in the deep waters around the most northerly point of the UK was a no brainer for a group of Mid Argyll anglers who recently embarked on their fourth outing to Muckle Flugga in Shetland.

The lads from Loch Fyne Sea Angling Club embarked on the epic journey north in search of something 'special' and to set a few new personal records. Atlantic waters around Shetland can be really boisterous at times and it is definitely not for the faint-hearted, so the boys were lucky to have three fairly gentle days fishing aboard the Oberon out of Cullivoe.

They used a combination of pirkling, trawling and bait fishing each day to entice a range of species including cod to 23lbs, ling to 30lbs, coalfish to 25lbs along with numerous 20lb cod, haddock and torsk, plus everyone managed a few personal bests.

It was a long journey but well worth every mile to experience some of the best sea fishing available in UK waters.



Steven MacBrayne with a Flugga Cod.



Jim Smith with a Torsk.

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Tarbert golfers enjoy Islay hospitality

Golf captain Chris Smyth led his troops overseas to Islay last Saturday to play for the Dougie MacKinnon Memorial Cup.

They were treated to superb hospitality by members of Islay Golf Club and staff of the Machrie Hotel. Unfortunately the result did not go well for the Dookers with Tarbert losing 4-1, the only success coming from the pairing of I MacArthur and D Johnstone.

The team, however, thoroughly enjoyed the day out and was delighted to play such a superb course.

The ladies gathered on Sunday September 15 for the September medal with Sheena Ferguson keeping up her good form with a nett 74. Jo Kerr and Helen Samborek were next on 76.

On Saturday September 21, members and guests will take part in the Archie Miller Memorial in conjunction with the club's Cancer Relief day. This event is open to ladies and gents, with the club hoping Inveraray Golf Club members can join them.

Players are asked to meet at the clubhouse at noon when pairing will take place. Play will start at 12.30pm.

Lottery result

Numbers drawn in Kilmory Camanachd Club's lottery on Monday September 16 were 3, 5 and 19.

There were no winners, so next week's jackpot will be £600.

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Portugal or bust for walking footballers



Argyll riders take home Perthshire prizes



Argyll Adult Novice class prizewinners, left to right: Kate Moody, Roanna Clark, Jenny Livingstone and Karen Dixon.

Seventeen riders from Argyll were among 170 entries at Strathearn Eventing in Perthshire on Sunday September 15 competing in the Autumn Hunter Trials.

Riders from Oban, Appin, Mull, Inveraray, Ardfern and Lochgilphead took part in the cross-country event which tests riders' endurance and bravery over solidly built fences and natural obstacles including ditches, drops, streams, logs and rustic fences. And the Argyll riders enjoyed success.

In the Adult Novice class, Jenny Livingstone came first in section one, riding

Jerry Hatricks and their Pacemakers will make their way overseas this October as captain Anderson tries to reinvigorate his Lochgilphead Walking Football Club troops after a dismal summer, which saw his coat hang precariously on that shoogly peg.

An invitation to the highly prestigious Lagos Strollers walking football tournament in Portugal might just be the tonic he and his troops need, along with the alleged free bar on offer from the aforementioned capitano.

With captain Anderson, Dave 'The Rave' Renwick and 'Camper Van' MacDonald being warned on more than one

occasion during the summer tourneys to cease running, it really was a case of 'you'll never walk alone'.

Stuart 'The Forest' Johnston is included in the travelling squad. His warning to his team mates was simple: 'Buck up your ideas or I'm branching out.'

Tom 'United' Kilcolm is particularly looking forward to the trip, gin in Bothwell, gin at the airport, gin on the plane, gin in Lagos. Tom's luggage will include a spare liver for the return journey.

The ace in the pack for this tournament, however, could well be 'The Sneddon'. With a foreign holiday under his belt already this year, he is acclimatised to the heat. The only slight problem might be him walking around with the hanky tied round his napper to keep the sun off.

The boys from the west coast are looking forward to their first foreign tournament. Win, lose or draw it should be a marvellous adventure and, being Scotland fans, are set for glorious failure.

Breaking news: Captain Anderson is in talks with a retired firefighter to secure a keeper for the tournament. Hope he materialises because, unfortunately, he has no other irons in the fire.

Jimmy Litster.



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