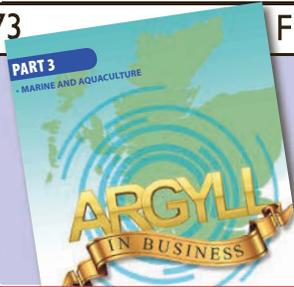


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New jobs blow for town as Tesco roles are threatened

by Hannah O'Hanlon
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A spokesman for supermarket chain Tesco has confirmed its Campbeltown store is undergoing a 'restructure' which will involve the 'loss of some roles'.

The Tesco Metro store, which currently employs about 85 people, is one of the town's biggest employers.

The news of potential job losses comes just a week after the Courier revealed that nine of the 25 Campbeltown Creamery employees have been made redundant.

The Tesco spokesman said 'changes' in the Campbeltown store are part of its broader strategy to 'simplify and reduce processes and administrative tasks' at all 153 Tesco Metro stores across the UK.

One-to-one conversations with staff began on August 5. The spokesman refused to comment on the speculative numbers being spoken of in Campbeltown, but it is expected the changes will lead to an overall reduction of around 4,500 staff across

the UK. The supermarket says the changes will allow it to 'serve shoppers better' and run its business 'more sustainably, in an increasingly competitive and challenging retail environment'. It says it will also allow it to 'better align the way it runs its stores to the way that customers are shopping in them'.

Jason Tarry, Tesco's UK and Ireland CEO, said: 'In a challenging, evolving retail environment, with increasing cost pressures, we have to continue to review the way we run our stores to ensure we reflect the way our customers are shopping and do so in the most efficient way.'

The Metro format was originally designed for larger, weekly shops, but today nearly 70 per cent of customers use them as convenience stores, buying food for that day. Therefore, the changes Tesco is introducing at its Metro stores include the following:

- Faster and simpler ways of filling shelves, with fewer products stored in back rooms and more stock going straight to the shop floor;

- Staff working more flexibly to improve customer service at the busiest times of the day and in the right areas of the store;

- A leaner management structure.

Tesco's priority is to 'support affected colleagues, helping find alternative roles within Tesco for as many as possible'.

Mr Tarry added: 'We do not take any decision which impacts colleagues lightly, but have to make sure we remain relevant for customers and operate a sustainable business.'

Some small changes are also being made in 134 of the 1,750 Express stores, where customer footfall is lower. Changes in these stores will include a slight reduction in opening hours during quieter trading periods at the start and end of the day, and simplifying stock routines.

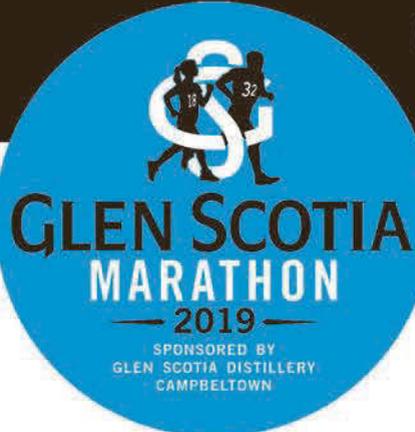
There will also be some localised changes in some large stores, which will see Tesco streamlining operational routines, including processes for moving stock around the store and filling shelves.

India has fun in sun at MOKFest



Little India Anderson, who will celebrate her first birthday in a week, had lots of fun at this year's Up The Close event, which included children's entertainer Funky Chicken and various fair attractions, and was made all the better by the glorious sunshine. India was joined by her mum Lynsey Mcshannon and dad Gary Anderson. For more MOKFest coverage, turn to pages 31-34.

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Repairs bring A83 overnight curfew

by Hannah O'Hanlon
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Sunday night sees the start of two weeks of overnight closures on the A83 as another section of the road gets much-needed repairs.

This time the work is on a stretch of road north of Point Sands Holiday Park, between Tayinloan and Ronachan. More than one kilometre of the road will be resurfaced.

'This latest £275,000 surfacing investment on the A83 will greatly improve the road surface at this section, creating a safer and smoother journey for motorists,' said Eddie Ross, BEAR Scotland's north west representative. BEAR Scotland manages and maintains the trunk roads here, and in the north east, on behalf of Transport Scotland.

'The road closure is essential to ensure the safety of road workers and motorists during



The road will be repaired between Tayinloan and Ronachan.

the overnight project. We've scheduled the project to take place overnight, providing amnesty periods at regular intervals to minimise disruption as much as possible, as well as avoiding working on Friday and Saturday nights. Our teams will do all they can to limit the impact to motorists and complete the project as quickly and safely as possible.

'We thank motorists in advance for their patience while we carry out these improvements on the A83 and would encourage road users to plan their journeys in advance by checking the Traffic Scotland website for up to date travel information and allow extra time for travel.'

The overnight project is scheduled to start on Sunday September 1 and is expected

to take two weeks to complete. The improvements will take place between 7pm and 7am each night with all works due to be completed by 7am on Friday September 13. No work is planned for Friday or Saturday nights.

With no suitable trunk road diversion available, amnesty periods will be provided at 8pm, 9pm, 10pm, midnight, 2am, 4am, 5am and 6am.

The A83 will remain open outwith working hours during the day but a speed limit of 30mph will remain in place as traffic will be running over a temporary surface.

Emergency services will be able to pass through the work at all times and scheduled bus services will be maintained.

Keep up-to-date with your journey plans by visiting www.trafficscotland.org, twitter at @trafficscotland or the new mobile site my.trafficscotland.org

Man found over drink drive limit after crash

A man from Lincoln fell foul of the differences in drink-driving laws in Scotland and England and lost his licence for 12 months.

Paul Robinson, aged 58, of 38 Cosford Close, admitted driving with a breath-alcohol level of 33 microgrammes per 100 millilitres of breath. In Scotland the limit is 22, in England, Wales and Northern Ireland the limit is 35 and he would not have been charged.

Campbeltown Sheriff Court was told on August 21 that Robinson's vehicle had collided with a car on the A83 near to Kennacraig Farm road-end, Tarbert, on May 16. The other driver was negotiating a turn into the junction having missed their intended turn off. Police officers attended and drivers were breathalysed. When Robinson failed he was taken to Lochgilphead police station.

His defence agent, Ruben Murdanaigum, told the court that Robinson, a marine engineer who had been working in Campbeltown, had drunk wine with his meal the night before: 'He did not intention-



Campbeltown Sheriff Court.

ally set out to drive under the influence; he would have been under the limit in England.'

Sheriff Patrick Hughes disqualified Robinson from driving for 12 months with the understanding this would be reduced to nine months if he completes the drink drive rehabilitation scheme successfully, at his own expense, and a fine of £400. 'This is something you did not intend to happen. It is testament to the affects of alcohol and the lack of public awareness of how long it stays in the system,' said the sheriff.

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Be on guard for boat thefts

Police are advising people to take extra care after reports of two boats being taken in Mid Argyll this month.

A white and blue, 11ft long Lune Pilot rowing boat was

stolen sometime between Saturday August 3 and Wednesday August 21 from the foreshore at Achnamara.

Sometime between Friday August 16 and Monday August 19, a grey Wabacu rubber dingy was stolen from a pontoon near to the Crinan Hotel.

The advice is to make sure boats are as secure as possible.

Anyone with information in relation to the above, or to any incident, should contact their local police station on telephone number 101 or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

POLICE FILES

Carradale incident

Two people have been charged by police after incidents in Carradale on the evening of Tuesday August 20.

Following a report of a man allegedly behaving in an abusive manner, a man, aged 44, was arrested. He was charged with the offence and held for court. A woman allegedly made racially offensive comments towards another woman. Subsequently, a woman, aged 53, was traced and charged and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Abusive at Muasdale

Early on the evening of Tuesday August 20, police received a report that a man

was allegedly behaving in an abusive manner on the A83 at Muasdale. Officers traced the man, aged 58, and he was charged with the offence. A report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Driving with no insurance

At noon on Friday a car was stopped by police officers for a routine check, at the Sound of Kintyre, Machrihanish. The check revealed there was allegedly no insurance in force for the 27-year-old female driver. She was charged with the offence and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Driver failed to stop

Islay police are looking for a motorist who allegedly

failed to stop and report damage after allegedly causing dents and scrapes to the back of a blue Peugeot 3008 car around 11am on Thursday August 22 on Flora Street, Bowmore.

Dangerous driving

In the early hours of Sunday, shortly after midnight, a white VW Caddy Van and a grey VW Golf were reported as being driven in a dangerous manner and at excessive speed on Jamieson Street, Bowmore.

Police on Islay are investigating this incident and appeal for any witnesses to come forward.

Police are appealing for witnesses or anyone with information on the above or any incident to phone 101 or call Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

Power cuts caused by electricity pole fire

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The A83 was closed overnight and homes were left without power after an electricity pole caught fire near Glenbarr.

Police received a call about 7.30pm last Sunday reporting there was a pole on fire and power lines down on the road at Glenbarr. Shortly afterwards, at 7.47pm, Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks (SSEN) engineers were alerted to reports of a fault on the electricity network serving the village.

The fault initially affected 110 properties, which had their electricity restored in stages.

Forty one properties had power restored at 9.54pm, with the remaining 69 fully restored at 4.21am on Monday.

Police officers and fire fighters attended and the road was closed and traffic

diverted through Glenbarr village. BEAR Scotland also attended to provide diversion signs and manage the road closure.

SSEN engineers made the area safe before fire fighters used a hose reel jet to extinguish the pole fire.

Engineers then replaced the damaged wooden electricity pole and repaired the power lines.

The road remained closed overnight and re-opened at 5am when the repair was complete.

A spokesperson from SSEN said: 'We'd like to apologise for any inconvenience caused and thank our customers for their patience as our engineers worked throughout the night to safely restore power as quickly as possible.'

SSEN believes the fault was caused by a previous lightning strike which had damaged equipment near Rosehill Farm.



The pole caught fire near Glenbarr. Photograph: Police Scotland.

Woman guilty of assault with glass bottle

A 21-year-old woman was found guilty of hitting a man over the head with a bottle in Campbeltown's Main Street when she appeared before the town's sheriff court last week.

Courtney Cairns, of 2 St James Way, Coatbridge, previously of Campbeltown, denied pushing the 21-year-old man on the head to his injury on June 30 2017.

The man was in the company of his then girlfriend and had approached Cairns who was with a male friend whom he accused of 'being creepy and weird' towards his girlfriend.

An argument escalated during which Cairns struck

the man on the side of the head with a bottle of Buckfast in a carrier bag. The bottle did not smash.

Giving evidence in her own defence, Cairns told the court the man's actions left her friend 'cowering in a corner'.

She said: 'I just wanted to get [friend] home, have a nice evening and play Xbox.'

The bottle was in a bag wrapped around her wrist and as she tried to get the man away 'the bag swung round my wrist and caught him'.

Sheriff Hughes found her guilty of assault and deferred sentence until September 19, calling for reports to be prepared on Cairns.

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Carradale woman found guilty of racial abuse

A Carradale woman who told a woman of mixed race heritage to 'go back to where she came from' has been found guilty of racial abuse.

Jennifer Grant, 47, of 25 Tormhor, denied acting in a racially aggravated manner which caused or was likely to cause alarm or distress on April 27 this year.

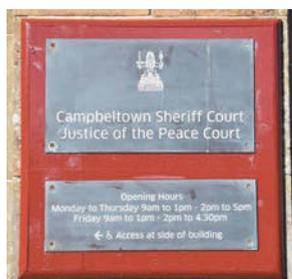
During a Campbeltown Sheriff Court trial last Wednesday and Thursday, Grant admitted telling the woman, a neighbour, to 'go back to where she came from' but said she did not say it in reference to the woman's ethnicity, and actually meant the woman should return to her house.

Giving evidence, the complainant said she asked Grant what she meant by the phrase and was told 'You know what I mean'.

The complainant also told the court: 'I have had a lot of racial problems up there [in Carradale]. It's 2019. I had it when I was young. I don't expect it now. I get a lot of it and it's getting to breaking point.'

Grant described the com-

ment as a figure of speech and said she was gesturing towards the complainant's house when she said it. Procurator fiscal depute Eoin McGinty asked her: 'Are you honestly telling this court that you did not know that the phrase had any racial connotations?'



Grant maintained that she spoke in reference to the complainant's home.

The comment was made after a delivery of wood meant for the complainant was left on ground described by the complainant as communal ground and by Grant as on her property.

Grant allowed the delivery driver to leave it there but when she found out it belonged to the complainant, she was 'not happy'.

She said she has trust issues since her dog was poisoned some years ago. She mistrusts the complainant not because of her heritage but because she and her family have committed 'crimes of dishonesty' in the past.

Grant said there are normally CCTV cameras installed at her home but they were not operational at the time of the incident.

Mr McGinty said: 'To say "go back to where you came from" to a black woman, knowing that she had been racially abused by a neighbour in the past, can only be seen as racist.'

Defence agent Stephen MacSporran said: 'I do understand that this phrase, used in certain contexts, could be racist but this is not one of them. The context is clear, as in telling someone to go back to their house.'

Finding Grant guilty, Sheriff Patrick Hughes said: 'It is agreed that the words were said. It seems to me that this is a remark which is unusual and it is a loaded remark.'

He imposed a £300 fine to be paid within 28 days.

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Flying the flag for merchant seafarers

A Merchant Navy veteran will pay tribute to the 'brave men and women' who kept Britain afloat during both world wars, as well as the modern-day merchant seafarers who are said to be responsible for 95 per cent of the UK's imports.



John Manning, pictured above, who was a Merchant Navy engineer for nine years, will lay a wreath at Campbeltown War Memorial at noon on September 3, Merchant Navy Day.

At past commemorations, John has been the only person present and he is keen for others to join him this year. Merchant Navy Day is held every year on September 3, the same date as Britain entered the Second World War in 1939 – it was not until 1999 that the government officially created a special memorial day.

The merchant marine service was given the title Merchant Navy by King George V at the end of the First World War as recognition of the role that it had played in the logistical supply of food, munitions and manpower in the 'war to end all wars'.

Raising more cash for Waverley refit

The wonderful old PS Waverley, voted one of the best nostalgic vessels in the world, is powering ahead with its restoration with new electrical generators ordered thanks to continued donations to her boiler refit appeal, writes Hannah O'Hanlon.

Alasdair Macmillan, Waverley's operations director, who is managing the boiler refit, said the new boilers were ordered last month, adding: 'Three new Caterpillar generators will now be built for Waverley to be installed along with the two new steam boilers under construction in Annan.'

'By installing new electrical equipment, in addition to the boilers, we are safeguarding Waverley's future for many more years to come.'

PS Waverley was built for the London and North Eastern Railway and entered service in June 1947. She is the last sea-going paddle steamer in the world and was gifted to the Paddle Steamer Preservation Society in 1974 for £1.

It was a shock when Waverley had to be withdrawn from service earlier this year because of boiler problems. She has operated since 1975 on a



Sheena Inglis, book shop manager at the station, donates £1,000 on behalf of Friends of Wemyss Bay Station to Paul Semple, Waverley's general manager.

'not-for-profit' basis and is owned Waverley Steam Navigation Co Ltd, a registered charity. Since then she has carried more than six million passengers, and visits more than 60 ports and piers around the UK, including Campbeltown, annually, offering a variety of day, afternoon and evening cruises.

Among the accolades she has earned is a four-star Scottish Tourist Board tour award and a nomination, by the Sunday Times, as 'one of the top three nostalgic journeys in the world'.

The Friends of Wemyss Bay Station gave a boost to the appeal last week by donating £1,000 raised through the station bookshop. Millport Country Music Festival, which takes place this coming weekend, will also be supporting Waverley's appeal by

auctioning a customised guitar and festival drum skin, both signed by artists, and an original PS Waverley artwork by Millport artist Scott Watson. All proceeds from the auction will go towards saving Waverley and returning her to service.

The charity which owns Waverley is pursuing all possible funding avenues and has now submitted a grant application to the National Lottery Heritage Fund Trust for £250,000. Further trust fund applications will be submitted to secure funding.

Donations to the Boiler Refit Appeal can be made online at waverleyexcursions.co.uk or by calling 0141 243 2224 or by texting STEAM £20 to 70085. All donations made directly to Waverley Excursions will be recorded on a donor wall on board Waverley.

Progress on childcare rollout

Significant changes have taken place in schools and nurseries across Argyll and Bute over the summer, as the council prepares to roll out 1,140 hours' funded childcare provision to more areas.

The expansion is part of a Scottish Government initiative aimed at providing young people with a high quality experience that can make a significant contribution to their development, and help close the poverty-related attainment gap.

To accommodate the increased hours, building work took place to alter the existing ELC units at Carradale, Drumlemble and Tarbert Primary Schools, while Campbeltown Nursery Centre has opened an additional unit at Aqualibrium.

Argyll and Bute Council's policy lead for education, Councillor Yvonne McNeilly, said: 'Our early years staff have worked extremely hard to meet tight deadlines and ensure that quality provision is in place for our young people. We want the very best start for our children and young people and I have no doubt that we are helping to make that happen.'




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It's good to talk: TSI hosts social enterprise meeting

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The opportunity to network and share best practice brought together social enterprises from all corners of Argyll and Bute in Inveraray on Wednesday August 21, at an event hosted by Argyll and Bute Third Sector Interface (TSI).

And TSI also provided an opportunity for organisations in Argyll and Bute to feed directly into a review of the Scottish Government Social Enterprise Strategy.

Third sector organisations are made up of charities, social enterprises, community groups or voluntary organisations. Argyll and Bute TSI is a registered charity, funded in part by Scottish Government.

The focus of the day was definitely local.

Attending organisations were given a chance to see how they could become



The Inveraray Inn was the venue last week for a successful Third Sector Interface social enterprises networking meeting for Argyll and Bute.

more closely aligned with the proposed Argyll and Bute Rural Growth Deal, with a presentation from Fergus Murray, head of economic development and strategic planning for Argyll and Bute Council. It was a lively discussion session afterwards.

Helping social enterprises to achieve growth and sustainability was highlighted in a presentation from

Claire McMurchy, head of strengthening communities at Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE), who spoke about how HIE engages with social enterprise and what social and economic benefit they look for as a result of their investments.

The day ended with Campbeltown-based organisation Inspiralba delivering an interesting workshop on

rural social enterprise as part of its Erasmus+ funded ViSENet project.

Kirsteen Murray, TSI's chief officer for Argyll and Bute, said after the event: 'It was fantastic to see so many social enterprises from across Argyll and Bute gathered together to discuss everything from the national strategy to how HIE supports very fragile islands with crucial capital investments.'

'Discussions about the rural economic growth deal certainly stimulated the imagination and provided plenty of food for thought for social entrepreneurs and budding social entrepreneurs.'

The next group meeting run by the TSI is the Third Sector adult health and wellbeing group, which will be held on the September 27, in Inveraray.

Visit the TSI website and Facebook page for more details.

Gigha school report – improvement needed

School inspectors have reported they are 'not confident' that Gigha Primary can continue to improve the quality of education it provides for the island's children.

The school and its pre-five unit were visited by representatives from Education Scotland in April and the watchdog has now published its findings, indicating the school's ability to raise achievement and potential are 'weak'.

However, the team of inspectors who carried out the visit found several strengths in the school, including that pupils are kind and respectful to each other, responding well when engaging with visitors.

There is also a strong sense of teamwork across the school, and staff and practitioners in the pre-five unit were praised: 'school staff and practitioners in the pre-five unit provide a wide range of interesting and stimulating experiences to promote children's curiosity and creativity'.

Learning, teaching and assessment were marked as 'satisfactory', while the nursery class was given a 'good' mark for its

two performance indicators.

Areas for improvement were identified and discussed with the head teacher, and a council representative. Inspectors also talked to parents/carers and children, and worked closely with the school staff.

The report by HM inspector Lorraine Fisher ends: 'We are not at present confident from our visit that the school has effective arrangements for ensuring continuing improvement in the quality of education for all learners.'

The report said the school should 'develop further approaches to planning, learning, teaching and assessment ensuring an appropriate level of pace, challenge and differentiation'.

It added: 'Children should be given opportunities to lead their own learning and be more involved in evaluating their own progress and next steps. [The school should] ensure there is a sharp focus on raising attainment and achievement for all children. This should include robust tracking and monitoring of children's progress in learning and achievement.'



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Down but not out

It is unfortunate that for two weeks in a row the Courier is reporting on job losses in Campbeltown.

A spokesperson from Tesco refused to tell the Courier how many members of staff were in talks about their employment.

However, it was revealed that the estimated total number of people who will lose their jobs across the UK's 153 Tesco Metro stores is 4,500, which averages out at almost 30 people per store.

It is not the first time jobs have been lost in Campbeltown, often when big companies close down – Campbeltown Shipyard, Kintyre Farmers, Jaeger, Woolworths and Woosters, to name a few – but something usually turns up to redress the employment balance.

Our fingers are crossed that the same thing happens this time around.

The success of the recent MOKFest shows that Campbeltown is still a vibrant, thriving location, which people from all across the world are keen to visit.

Tourists from as far afield as the USA, Brazil, Canada and across Europe, and many locals and natives, attended this year's festival which basked in sunshine.

Golf club's history should be shared

I refer to Gordon Waite's letter in the Campbeltown Courier dated August 23, in which he made comments about the Machrihanish ladies' clubhouse.

I note the plans for the new Machrihanish Golf Clubhouse incorporate a ladies' locker room, so maybe the original plan to replace the lockers may not materialise.

Mr Waite is correct in raising his concern about this iconic building as the Machrihanish Ladies' Golf Club was the third oldest ladies-only golf club in the world when it was established in the late 1800s and is of high historical significance at Machrihanish and in Scotland.

Over the last few years, the club has renamed this iconic Historic Scotland-listed building from 'ladies' clubhouse' to 'ladies' changing and locker room' which, I believe, shows little



An artist's impression of the proposed new clubhouse at Machrihanish.

respect to these early lady pioneers who set up this ladies' golf club.

Also, the latest golf club website does not include any historical details. It is, I believe, a worrying trend, as advertising the history of the club is a reason visitors, especially American visitors, want to visit Machrihanish, due to the link with Old Tom Morris, who re-designed the course in 1879.

How much better would it be for the club to rename this building to the original name, to market the building and the historical significance of this Old Tom Morris-designed course, rather than not give any mention at all on its website?

Hugh Sinclair,
Campbeltown.

News from Gigha surgery

I was delighted to catch up with my constituents at my latest surgery on the Isle of Gigha.

Concerns have been raised about the need for a newer ferry for Gigha, as well as later sailings to help minimise future disruptions.

This is not just a matter that affects Gigha's growing tourism economy but also for many who live on the island but work on the mainland.

Like many parts of Argyll and Bute, the Isle of Gigha has many areas lacking mobile phone signal and that suffer from slow broadband. With some reports showing we in Argyll are the third slowest constituency in Scotland, it is clear much more needs to be done to clear our digital black spots.

Bins at Tayinloan ferry port are overflowing

with rubbish and this problem is exacerbated in the summer. I have contacted our council and I have asked for something to be done about this as soon as possible.

The road to Gigha's cemetery and the overall condition of the cemetery continues to be raised by my constituents. It is my firm belief we have a moral obligation to keep our cemetery in good condition. I have been working with Donald Cameron MSP and fellow Conservative councillors to get this matter addressed.

With more and more people in the UK using electric cars, I have been pressing for the expansion of the number of car recharging points across my ward including our many island communities.

Rural depopulation is a challenge for the Kintyre and Islands ward. If we are to combat rural depopulation in the future, quality long-term jobs with school-to-work programmes will need to be an essential part of the solution.

It was fantastic to be back on the Isle of Gigha and I am looking forward to visiting my constituents on the island very soon.

Councillor Alastair Redman,
Kintyre and the Islands.

Democratic representation in the UK

The German poet and playwright Bertolt Brecht wrote in Die Lösung (The Solution), recognised as one of the great poems of political dissent: '...would it not be simpler in that case if the government dissolved the

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people and elected another? I wish to raise the question of democratic representation of the United Kingdom.

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■ United Kingdom (Great Britain and Northern Ireland) - Houses of Parliament presently as 1450 members sitting (800 Lords and 650 Commons) for a population 66,848,070

Having such a high percentage to population in democratic representation, do you, the people of the United Kingdom, believe in being fairly represented?

Or is our form of democracy, formed more than 800 years ago, now dissolving before our very eyes?

Tommy Macpherson, Saddell.

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PHOTOGRAPH OF THE WEEK



Retired jeweller Grant Logan took this stunning shot of barley blowing in the breeze last week.

He captured the photograph using the camera on his iPhone

while out on a sunny bike ride near Chiskan with his daughter Helen.

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FROM OUR FILES

TEN YEARS AGO Friday August 28, 2009

Brass up with the best

Thirteen young brass players from Campbeltown attended the 52nd annual National Youth Brass Band of Scotland (NYBBS) summer course in St Andrews.

The return 'home' to St Andrews comes after the band's incredible tour of Japan last year. This year, though, it was back to business, with the training band conducted by Gordon Evans, reserves led by John Boax, and the senior band conducted by its inspirational musical director, Richard Evans.

'Dick the stick', as he's affectionately known, yet again guided the band through a week of intensive rehearsals on challenging repertoire old and new. As always, he was assisted by a superb team of tutorial staff, all fine players and teachers, and well established in the brass band movement.

This year, NYBBS was also delighted to welcome guest conductor Major Peter Parkes. Major Parkes has the record of being the most successful brass band conductor ever, having had unparalleled success with both Black Dyke Band and the Fairey Band in particular.

The course began with the usual



Campbeltown Brass members who attended the course in St Andrews.

round of auditions to determine where the players would sit in the band. Campbeltown's representatives did themselves proud, gaining a number of solo and principal chairs.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO Friday September 2, 1994

Councillors clash over office

Argyll and Bute District Council and the West Highlands and Island of Argyll Tourist Board are set to lock horns over the board's controversial decision to close the

Campbeltown Tourist Office over the winter months.

The Area Tourist Board faces the loss of potentially thousands of pounds of revenue if Kintyre members carry out threats of cancelling their memberships in the wake of the closure.

And the District Council, as one of the board's funders, now wants answers to map out why it was not consulted before the decision was made.

Documents obtained by Campbeltown Courier show the saving made by making the closure effective at the end of October, is

£6,557 – with the Scottish Tourist Board announcing a grant of £6,600 will not be withdrawn, which would have meant a theoretical loss for West Highlands and Island of Argyll Tourist Board of £43.

FIFTY YEARS AGO Thursday August 28, 1969

Western Ferries' Gigha service

People living on the island of Gigha, or visiting the island, should have a first-class service by about November if Western Ferries Ltd's plans come to fruition.

The company is constructing a pier at the north end of the island, but it will be a pier with a difference. Because of the rocky nature of the site they will not be able to build the kind of timber jetty which they have at Kennacraig and Port Askaig.

Instead, a pontoon 200 feet long and 20 feet wide is being put into position so that the roll-on/roll-off car ferries operated by the company can tie up alongside the pontoon and then lower their ramp on to a fixed pier.

The manager of Western Ferries Ltd, Mr J Rose, told the Courier that they hoped to have a pontoon-pier in operation by November. Any of their present vehicles, including the

new one, the Sound of Islay, would be able to serve Gigha.

There would be at least one daily call at the island, but in fact there could be more if the occasion arose.

ONE-HUNDRED YEARS AGO Saturday August 30, 1919

Football in Campbeltown

The annual general meeting of the Campbeltown Football Association was held in the Christian Institute on Friday night, when there was a large attendance of players and club officials, presided over by Councillor A Maceachran, president of the association.

The financial statement was read by the treasurer (Mr Sam Thompson). The War Funds League had produced a balance of £24 6s 2d, which had been divided equally between the Scottish Sailors' and Soldiers' Hospital, Edinburgh, and the Erskine Home for the Limbless – £12 3s 1d to each.

The Orr Ewing Cup competition had yielded a balance of £48 14s 3d, and this had been divided in equal shares between the competing clubs and the Association.

The Charity Cup competition showed a balance of £32 3s 9d, which had been distributed among local charities.



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The Calton area of Campbeltown in 1951, showing the prefabrication houses of the time.

Last week, the Courier shared several images from naval veteran Thomas Mason's extensive photographic collection.

Mr Mason, 87, moved to Campbeltown in 1953 and has taken most of the photographs since.

As well as iconic buildings, many of Mr Mason's photographs depict scenery, vehicles, people and animals.

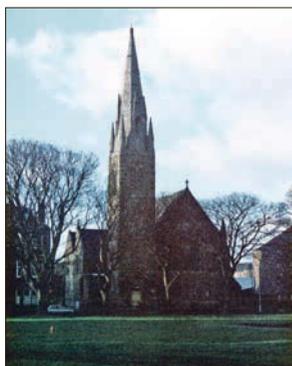
Here are a few more of the photographs he shared with the Courier.



The old TA Hall, which has since been replaced with housing, on St John Street/Argyll Street.



The now-demolished Jaeger clothing factory, on the site of the old gas works.



Lochend Church, which once stood where the Tesco car park is now.



The County Garage, as it once was, with the garage on the right and the showroom on the left.

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Whitehouse's wonderful grow and show festival

Whitehouse Village Hall enjoyed a second successful grow and show event on Saturday.

Forget your notions of a traditional produce show where sometimes the rivalry can get a wee bit intense – the aim of the event is really not to compete.

As its name suggests, the idea is to bring along anything you have grown, in the spirit of sharing information about the highs and lows of your gardening year, and also to have a bit of fun. This includes the People's Vote which enables everyone present to choose their favourite items on display.

Winners

A wider spread of entries over five main categories made the People's Vote very close once again but finally the winners turned out to be: Iain Maclachlan, flowers; Rob and Isla Reid, fruit; Wendy Spy, vegetables; Catherine Doyle, floral art; and Jonny Montgomerie won the children's section.

These winners were presented with unique plaques, hand-carved by John Coon.

There was a notably different spread of entries this year, as the weather pattern meant that some products were not ready, while others were past their best. Garden expert Neil John MacLean said: 'Many of the entries are as good as you will see on any show bench.' So



From top left: Bioblitzing with Pete Creech; Councillor Anne Horn opened the show; burgers and sausages were on sale at Phil Connor's stall; organiser Dorothy O'Donnell; the winning flower arrangements were stunning.

and cakes but also provided a wonderful spread of jams, chutneys and cakes to buy.

Ancillary activities included the plant stall which offered a number of seedlings and cuttings, herbs and mature plants at bargain prices. One of the highlights of last year's grow and show was the Bioblitz, organised by Heart of Argyll Wildlife.

It was such a great day that next year's date has already been announced, so save August 22, 2020, in your diary.

The organisers would like to thank the following people and businesses for their generosity in helping make the grow and show 2019 a success: Eve and James Montgomerie for allowing Pete Creech and his sweep net to venture further up the lane this year to explore their garden and pond; the panel of experts and the stewards, vote counters, car park attendants, sandwich makers, poster designers, plaque carvers, PA system experts and everyone who turned up to support the event.

The sponsors: Co-op, Tarbert; The Original Factory Shop, Campbeltown; The Garden Shop, Campbeltown; Glenbarr Stores; Kintyre Electrics, Tarbert; A and L McCrae Ltd; D McNair and Son Ltd; Mackay's Ironmongers, Tarbert; and Skipness Smokehouse.

credit goes to all the local gardeners who took part.

New this year was a Gardener's Question Time-style panel of experts, including Pete Creech, lecturer in organic production, plant protection and terrestrial ecosystem modules to UHI students studying HND Horticulture via Argyll College, himself an organic smallholder for many years

in Dumfriesshire before moving to Argyll.

Alongside him were Neil John MacLean from Ardrishaig, a knowledgeable vegetable gardener, a highly sought-after judge and a stalwart of the Ardrishaig Show, and Jacky Preece, landscape designer and plant expert based at Ormsary Garden Estate.

Among the questions tackled by

the experts were how to get rid of bracken (get some beavers!), how to get rid of slugs organically (copper wire, toads and slow worms, sacrificial sunflowers) and why oak trees are dying (drowning in poorly-drained soil).

Adding to Phil Connor's popular burger stall was a team of ladies from Whitehouse Women's Institute who not only served teas

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Tarantino flick will be focus of film club's first meeting

Campbeltown Picture House (CPH) is set to host the first meeting of its newly established film club next week.

The movie to be discussed at the inaugural meeting is Quentin Tarantino's *Once Upon a Time In Hollywood*, rated 18.

The movie visits 1969 Los Angeles, where everything is changing, as TV star Rick Dalton (Leonardo DiCaprio) and his long-time stunt double Cliff Booth (Brad Pitt) make their way around an industry they hardly recognise anymore.

Golden age

The ninth film from writer-director Tarantino features a large ensemble cast and multiple story-lines in a tribute to the final moments of Hollywood's golden age.

Talking about the film club, Ellen Mainwood, CPH's manager, said: 'It will basically work like a book club ... but for films.'

'We will pick a film, everyone will watch it whenever's convenient for them, then we will meet together to talk about it.'

'The discussion sessions will take place in the conference room at the cinema. We will have a few points to start us off and then just see where

the conversation takes us. It doesn't matter if you loved or hated the film – differences of opinion will make for a richer discussion and don't worry if you don't think you have anything to say – come along and see how you get on.

'There'll be free tea/coffee and biscuits and a friendly non-judgmental atmosphere.'

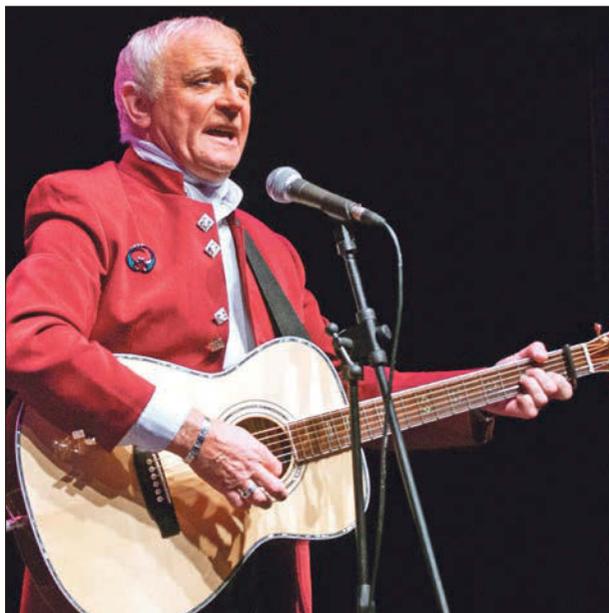
Helen Pickering, who came up with the idea for a film club in 'a complete burst of inspiration', said: 'We want to get a good cross-section of the community involved, but it will mainly be aimed at adults because of the ratings of the movies.'

'My original idea was that we could all sit down and watch each film together and then discuss it afterwards, but it's difficult for everybody to get to the cinema at the same time, so people can go whenever they want – and then we will meet, sit down together and have a blether and discuss it.'

'It's another way of getting people to go to the cinema – it is such a rich and fantastic place, it's just great.'

The first meeting will be held in the cinema's conference room on Wednesday, September 4, at 7pm. It is free and all are welcome.

More music in store for the Wee Toon



After a very successful MOKFest, music lovers can look forward to another concert in the very near future.

On Wednesday September 4 at 7.30pm, well-known folk singer, entertainer and broadcaster Alastair McDonald will be in concert in Campbeltown Free Church.

This will not be Alastair's first visit to the Wee Toon. Most recently he performed as part of Quatro MacJazz at the Kintyre Music Club in March this year.

All proceeds from the con-

cert will go to help support Govan Community Project, which, although a relatively recent venture, has already helped many in that area of Glasgow.

Originally a response of community and church members to the needs of newly arrived asylum seekers, the church community project has developed to become a local charity working with and for all the diverse communities of the Greater Govan area and beyond.

Concert entry will be £7, or £5 for senior citizens and non-wage earners. Tickets will be available at the door and also from Shopper-Aide, 47 Longrow, and from Campbeltown Free Church.

Alastair McDonald will perform at Campbeltown Free Church.

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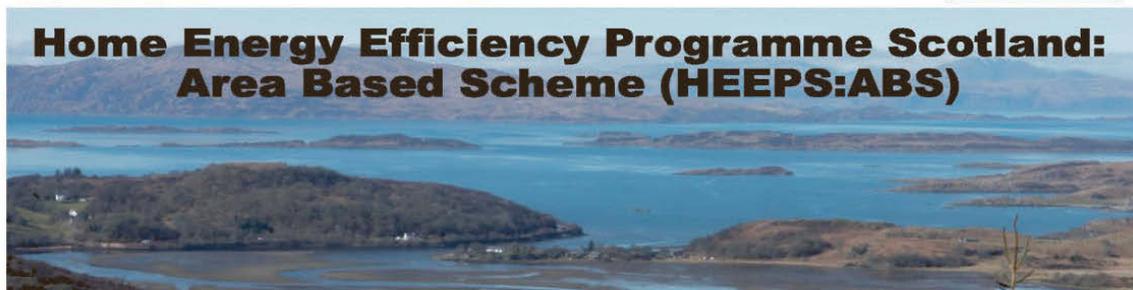
The first film to be discussed is *Once Upon a Time In Hollywood*.



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ASN assistant Amy vo



Amy hopes to keep in touch with those at the orphanage.

by Hannah O'Hanlon
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A Campbeltown additional support needs (ASN) assistant made the most of her six-week summer break by volunteering in Vietnam – and it was an experience which helped her realise the quality of education in Argyll.

During her first solo trip abroad, Amy McCallum travelled to Ho Chi Minh City to teach ASN students in Tu Tam Disabled Centre, an orphanage specifically for children with disabilities.

The 24-year-old, who works between Campbeltown Nursery Centre and Castlehill Primary School, spent four weeks at the orphanage and described it as 'amazing but hard work' in 'a very different culture'.

She told the Courier: 'The conditions in which the children lived weren't nice and it was difficult to see the way they were treated.'

'There were 19 children in the class, some of whom were

completely deaf, some had Down's syndrome and a few had no real disabilities, but came from very poor families who could not afford to look after them.'

Amy planned a lesson each night and, each morning, took a class for the children considered 'more able to learn'. She taught basic literacy and numeracy through various tasks, games and action songs. The rest of her time was spent interacting with the children with more severe disabilities.

'Some had physical disabilities and others had severe learning problems, including autism,' Amy explained. 'I sang songs and nursery rhymes with them, and played games and did some colouring.'

'I also had to help feed the children lunch – white rice with meat, which had to be watered down – as several of them are not capable of feeding themselves.'

Amy added: 'It really made me appreciate what we take for granted here.'

The experience was joyful as well as challenging.

'The children were all so happy to see me every day and just wanted affection,' Amy said. 'Although they lived in quite upsetting conditions and didn't really have any toys or materialistic things, they were all so happy and eager to learn.'

Amy has wanted to volunteer for some time, and after hearing about the stigma surrounding ASN in Vietnam, and how many children are 'hidden away' and left unsupported, she decided to head to the south-east Asian country.

She said: 'I really wanted to go out there, taking the knowledge and experience I have gained from working with children with ASN here, and help the children over there.'

'It was different working over there as you don't get any support with the children,' she said. 'You are left to take a full class by yourself and plan every activity and lesson, whereas working here you get support from others and often

only work one-to-one with more dependent children.'

'It has made me appreciate that we do have support here for children with additional needs, and they are included as much as possible here.'

Amy helped to organise a party for the children on her last day at the orphanage.

'We painted the children's faces and nails, did their hair, had a water fight and played some games which they all loved,' she said. 'It was emotional saying goodbye to them all as I felt I'd bonded with them over the four weeks working there.'

Most of Amy's trip was paid for by various fundraisers throughout Kintyre, including two afternoon teas, a bingo night, and a charity football tournament organised by Campbeltown and District Juvenile Football Association.

'This helped a huge deal in funding the trip and also allowed me to buy lots for the children,' Amy said. 'I gave them clothes, food, school supplies such as pencils, eras-

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Volunteers in Vietnam

ers, crayons and colouring books, Play Doh, books, toys and outdoor equipment.

'They were over the moon with everything, and I'm so grateful to everyone who came along to fundraisers or donated prizes or money.

'I would really like to thank all the local businesses that donated prizes, but particularly the Co-op which not only donated a prize for each fundraiser, but also provided hot snacks and drinks at the football tournament.'

Argyll and Bute Council's policy lead for education, Councillor Yvonne McNeilly, said: 'I'd like to congratulate Amy on taking the step to broaden her horizons over the summer break by volunteering. Being aware of work that happens elsewhere can often help to develop good practice and this trip sounds like it has been a wonderful, learning experience.'



She described the Vietnamese culture as 'very different'.

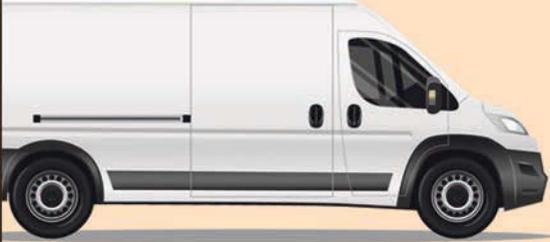


Amy taught classes in Tu Tam Disabled Centre in Vietnam.



Amy built up a bond with the children.

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Drama group hold AGM.

All invited to drama group's meeting

The Argyll-Kintyre District Committee of the Scottish Community Drama Association is inviting all amateur drama enthusiasts, young and old, to its AGM.

Any amateur drama groups wishing to get involved in the drama festival next year will also be welcome.

February 2020 is the drama festival's 71st year and the committee is hoping for a large number of entries and audience support.

The meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday September 11 in the Argyll Arms Hotel, Campbeltown.

Annual Gaelic service unites people from across the world

St Kieran's Scottish Episcopal Church's annual Gaelic service took place on Sunday, on the final day of the Mull of Kintyre Music Festival (MOKFest).

The church was full with lots of locally-based visitors as well as some from further afield - England, Ireland, the USA and Peru.

Although the congregation had an opportunity to join in with the final hymn in Gaelic, all the vocal items were performed by Ailie Renton, Iona Renton and, joining them this year for the first time, Finlay Wilson.

A spokesperson said: 'It is a measure of the skill and musicality of the singers that they were able to undertake all of this - Ailie is nine, Finlay is 10 and Iona is 13.'

Iona played a selection of Gaelic airs for 15 minutes

before the start of the service. Although the service began at 10.30am, one person arrived at 9.30am to be sure of a good seat!

Finlay, who had attended last year as an observer, wanted to be involved this year so he opened the service with the solo Thainig an là (This is the Day).

Ailie sang Thoir dhomh aoibh na mochridh (Give me Joy in my Heart) and was accompanied on the organ by her big sister, Iona.

After that, Ailie and Iona sang a duet - Mar a thogras-fiadhansruthan (As The Deer Pants for the Water).

New this year and for the first time, all three singers took a verse each of the well-known Runrig song composed by the MacDonald brothers from Skye - An ubhal as airde (The Highest Apple) and then joined in three-part harmony for the

chorus, quite a feat for the young people. An ubhal as airde makes various reference to the biblical story of the Garden of Eden and the tree of knowledge. Iona also gave a moving rendering of Ar n-Athair (Our Father).

The guest readers - Calum Ross, Calum Macaulay and Morag Patton - represented the Islands of Skye, Lewis and North Uist respectively.

From St Kieran's congregation, Jane Mayo led the intercessions and tea, coffee and biscuits were enjoyed by the assembled company at the end of the service.



Vocalists at the service were, from left, Ailie Renton, Iona Renton and Finlay Wilson.

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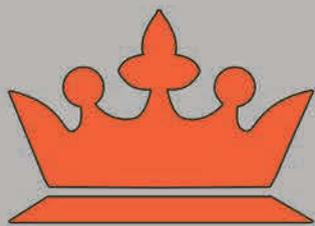
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Scottish Food & Drink Fortnight celebrates 10th birthday

- Scottish Food & Drink Fortnight 2019 (31 August – 15 September) celebrates its tenth year of championing Scottish produce.
- The Fortnight showcases and supports the companies, brands and people contributing to the success of the sector.
- Since the first Fortnight Scottish food and drink has grown to become a £15bn industry, a record-high.

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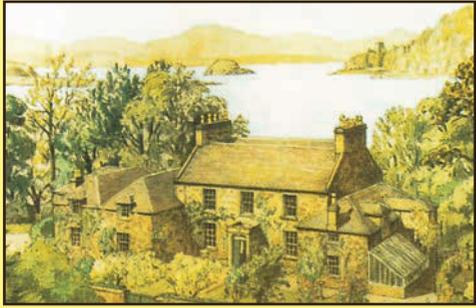
food, there are lots of ways to join in and further information, ideas and inspiration can be found on the website." Scottish Food & Drink is now worth a record £15bn to

the Scottish economy and through awareness raising events like the Fortnight, is anticipated to grow to a £30bn industry by 2030. Follow the conversation around Scottish Food &

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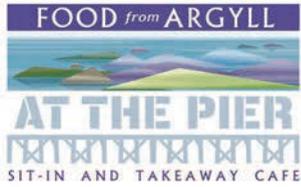
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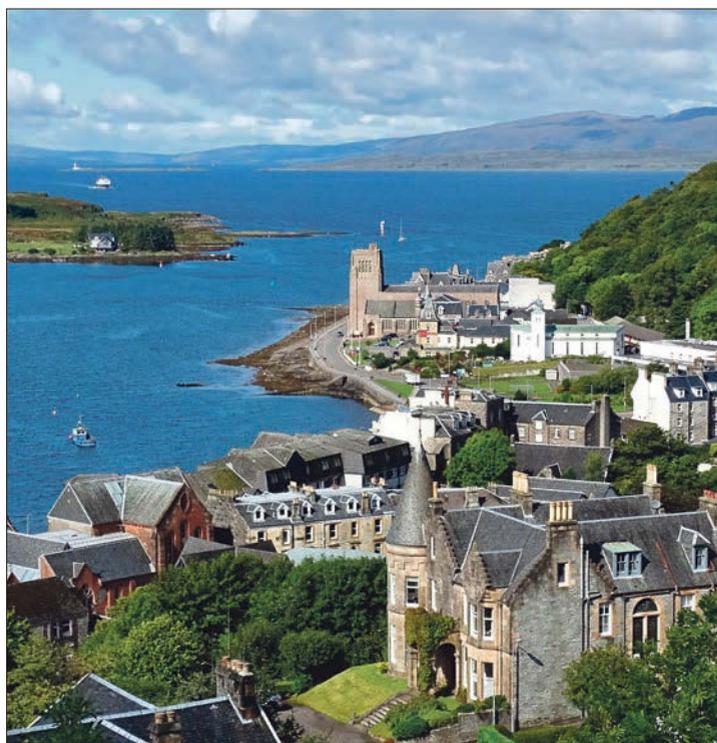
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The third part of our four-part look at how Argyll and the West Highlands work today – and there is so much we can all be proud of

Strong performance from Scotland's economy

'Scotland's economy and public finances are strong' – says finance minister

Scotland's notional deficit is falling faster than the UK's, with onshore revenues increasing by 5.1 per cent to reach £61.3 billion in 2018-19 as a result of continued economic growth.

Government Expenditure and Revenue Scotland (GERS) figures announced this month show Scotland benefited from a £3 billion increase in onshore revenues in the past year – the fastest growth since 2010-11 as the overall notional deficit fell by £1.1 billion to seven per cent of GDP, down from eight, in 2018-19.

Finance Secretary Derek Mackay said as the figures were unveiled: 'With record tax revenues, strong economic growth and near record low unemployment, Scotland's economy and public finances are strong. Today's figures show overall revenue in Scotland reached £62.7 billion – exceeding £60 billion for the first time – reflecting the strength of our economy.'

'Our notional deficit has fallen while public spending has increased thanks to our efforts to grow the onshore economy and the strong performance of taxes in Scotland. The Scottish Government's choices on taxation are

A no deal Brexit could reduce revenues in Scotland by around £2.5 billion a year

helping to create a more progressive tax system. This strong performance from Scotland's economy is at risk as a result of the UK Government's EU exit plans, and in particular a no deal Brexit, which poses a severe threat to jobs, investment and living standards

'A no deal Brexit could reduce revenues in Scotland by around £2.5 billion a year, holding Scotland back and demonstrating why people in Scotland increasingly recognise the importance of making our own decisions.'

He added that the figures reflect Scotland's position as part of the UK.

'As we have always said, Scotland has a strong, and growing, economy and our future will be far brighter as an independent member of the EU.'

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Fish have shaped our communities and culture, from the boom days of the Campbeltown fleet and Loch Fyne herring helping to build grand Victorian houses and endow schools, libraries and churches, to today's skippers selling their catches via the internet before they reach port and the computerised systems running fish farms.

Argyll and Bute Council statistics show that agriculture, fishing and forestry count for 8.8 per cent of employment here; the national average is 3.8 per cent.

Fish farming is worth around £1bn to the Scottish economy, with salmon the country's top food export. The Scottish Government plans to double production within the next 10 years.

Fishing in Scotland gives the nation a Gross Value Added (GVA) sum of £296m and a turnover of £571m and employs 48,200 people.

Here in Argyll and Bute there is a GVA of £13.86m, in fourth place behind Aberdeenshire, Shetland and Highland and another fourth place with 547 people employed on Scottish-registered vessels.

Highlands and Islands Enterprise says there are around 225 aquaculture farming businesses in Scotland of which 70 per cent are based in the Highlands and Islands.



Scottish scallops on sale in the Mercato di Rialto, Venice. Fish and seafood from Argyll goes across Europe. What happens in the face of Brexit to the fishermen, merchants and seafood lorries carrying the produce? The country has built an excellent reputation for its produce, caught or farmed.

Almost 80 per cent are micro businesses with the industry dominated by a small number of large employers.

Aquaculture in Scotland has a £216m GVA, a turnover of £797m and 2,280 people in Scotland. Salmon is the leading fish with mussels and the Pacific oyster remaining the top shellfish products for both the table and on-growing. Argyll and Bute Council says aquaculture brings in more than £12m in salaries with its 595 jobs and a GVA of £31m.

What the future holds when or if Brexit happens remains to be seen but

to put the picture in perspective, the government announced at the start of August that sea fisheries and processing businesses are to share more than £5.6 million aimed at increasing growth and creating local jobs.

The cash comes from the eighth round of the European and Maritime Fisheries Fund and includes £1.3 million for Seafood Scotland to help it maximise key exports.

'The marine economy plays a vital role in supporting coastal communities and is critical to our ambitions to double the value of our food and drink industry,'

The Oban Times has always kept the fishing industry well informed throughout its history.

At the turn of the 19th and 20th centuries, the paper carried columns of news from Russia and Prussia as the skippers and merchants needed to know about anything which might hit these lucrative markets.

Fish landings and prices were also invaluable; it was a brave man who went home without money and blaming a poor catch when his wife knew fine well the price of fish on Oban pier that week.

In May this year, Oban Times parent company Wyvex Media transformed its aquaculture website in line with our monthly magazine title, Fish Farmer. The changes mean that the latest news is displayed better, and our news archive will be more readily accessible, as will back issues of the magazine.

said Rural Minister Mairi Gougeon as she announced the news.

The total £5,606,657 grant comprises: £4,204,992 from the EU and £1,401,665 from the Scottish Government.

'From grants which will help open up existing and new export markets, to the funding of new and improved factories this £5.6 million investment will support the marine economy supply chain, boosting growth and creating local jobs.'

[Argyll and Bute fishing statistics are by area of vessel registration and do not include catches landed at foreign ports.]

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Mention a career in salmon farming and most people think of the core roles of farm manager or fish husbandry. Few could anticipate the sheer breadth of opportunities that now exist within this growing sector.

Scottish Sea Farms is one of the country's leading growers of farmed salmon – the UK's favourite fish, outselling cod, tuna, haddock, mackerel and trout – with 42 marine farms around Scotland's west coast, Orkney Islands and Shetland Isles.

It's also a leading employer within Scotland's remote and rural communities, with a 464-strong team, the majority of whom live in the same town or village as they work.

Range of roles

Argyll is a key hive of activity for the salmon grower, home to 13 of its marine farms, four freshwater farms, a large processing facility and all manner of essential support services ranging from fish health,

environment, health and safety and engineering, to IT, processing, quality, supply and human resources.

The pathways into these different roles are every bit as varied, as Scottish Sea Farms' head of human resources Tracy Bryant-Shaw explains. 'We want the best person for the job, every time. For some roles that means someone with specialist knowledge or experience, but for many others it means someone with enthusiasm and a can-do attitude who we can equip with the necessary skills through training and development.'

'We're working with DYW Argyll and secondary schools to recruit local school-leavers, many of whom go on to undertake Modern Apprenticeships in aquaculture or engineering. We're working with Argyll College to encourage more people to enrol on their Maritime Skills course. And most recently, we've started working with the Scottish Association for Marine Science to host visits for students and raise awareness of how their academic know-how applies to the farm environment.'

'Equally, we recruit people who have previously worked in another sector or who are hoping to return

to work, offering them all the training and develop they need to thrive in their new role.'

Higher than average salaries

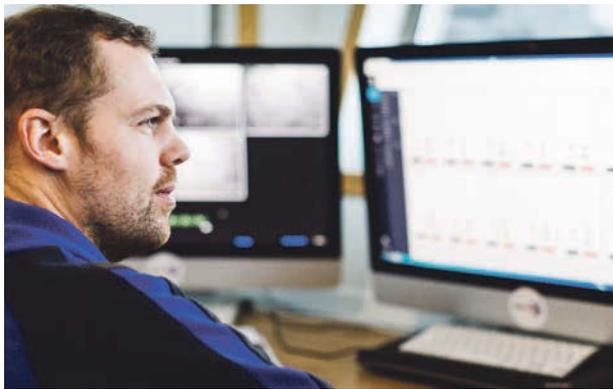
This sustained investment in jobs and skills hasn't gone unnoticed, earning Scottish Sea Farms Investors in People (IIP) Platinum accreditation – the highest possible status – along with the Investors in Young People Good Practice Award at Gold level and IIP Health and Wellbeing Good Practice Award.

The awards make Scottish Sea Farms only the seventh company in Scotland and the first salmon farmer in the UK to achieve all three accolades.

'We want to be the employer of choice in the sector and in the communities in which we live and work,' says Tracy. 'It's why we choose to pay the Real Living Wage as opposed to the Living Wage. It's why we pay an average salary higher than that for Scotland as a whole. And it's why we invest so heavily – time, thought and money – in skills and training. There's always an opportunity for someone to progress with us, and there's always something new to learn.'

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'When the Sea Life Sanctuary closed, I knew there was only one company I wanted to work for'

With a background in animal welfare, Heidi Holland applied to join Scottish Sea Farms after being made redundant from her role as duty manager for popular visitor attraction, the Oban Sea Life Sanctuary.



'I was losing a job I really loved and knew there was only one company I would be happy working for next: Scottish Sea Farms. My dad had worked there, and I'd learned through him how good they were to their people and that once in the door there would be the opportunity to progress.'

'I applied for the role of receptionist at South Shian, seeing it as a chance to learn about what other roles existed and which might be the best for me. Within six months, I moved across to the quality team, then a few months later I was promoted to my current role of quality supervisor.'

'In some ways, it's unlike anything I've ever done before, and yet lots of my previous skills and experiences have proven transferable.'

'My advice would be to get in touch with the HR team, tell them what you've done before, what you're interested in and they'll help match you to the best role. They'll also tell you if there's something you could be doing training-wise until the right vacancy comes along.'

'I've gone from chef to farm manager, meaning I'm able to be with my young family at night'

When former chef of 10 years Alan Tangny became a dad, he found himself seeking a role with more family-friendly hours.



'Living on Mull, there are two main career routes: the hospitality sector or salmon farming. So when I spotted an advert for a trainee position with Scottish Sea Farms, I went for it, even though I knew nothing about fish farming.'

'My lack of experience didn't hold me back. At a company level, they enrolled me on a Modern Apprenticeship through Inverness College UHI. At a farm level, the team were every bit as supportive, giving their time and sharing their experience. As someone who lives on Mull, as well as works here, it was also great to learn first-hand how much Scottish Sea Farms do both to protect the salmon in their care and the surrounding environment.'

'The more I learned about salmon farming, the further I progressed, advancing from trainee to fish husbandry then senior husbandry, followed by a role as acting farm manager.'

'Four years on, I'm now farm manager of Loch Spelve and loving it. What's more, I start work at 8am and I'm home again in time to help get my children bathed and ready for bed.'



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In 1983, Stewart Graham first set out to bring better catching, higher quality and more robust fishing equipment to fishermen in the Hebrides. His drive to partner with the local fishing community to develop and manufacture equipment suited to individual needs enabled him and his customers to build lasting, trusted relationships. Stewart's dedication in putting his customers' needs front and centre of everything he did 36 years ago still guides our approach to business to this very day.

Today, aquaculture is at the heart of what we do at Gael Force. From our first involvement in mooring supply in the 1990s, we have grown to become a globally recognised key supplier to the aquaculture industry with the full capability to offer highly durable turnkey solutions for fish farm site installations.

Across our near 250 highly skilled workforce, our proud heritage and strong company values are embedded. Our core values are resolute and are the framework of all our actions. Our approach to work is

consistent with integrity at its very core.

In business, we value our customer relationships and strive to deliver a level of service and supply beyond expectation. Our mission: to be the trusted product and service supply partner of choice to our customers.

Our passion for delivering high levels of customer satisfaction is driven by our collaborative approach with customers which stimulates new thinking around innovation. This enables us to offer better choices and added value to meet the needs of our customers.

Through our close working relationships with our customers we are knowledgeable about the industry, aware of current issues and future challenges. Because of this we have the opportunity as well as the technical capability and capacity to continuously improve our products and services to meet changing customer requirements where technologically intelligent solutions are required to tackle industry barriers to sustainable growth.

'Aquaculture is at the heart of what we do and our mission is to be the trusted product and service supply partner of choice to our customers.'

ion built on trust

What do our employees say?



Rhuraidh Edwards is product development engineer at Gael Force Fusion in Oban. He shared his thoughts on what it is like to be part of the team at Gael Force.

'Having graduated from Product Design Engineering at

Strathclyde University, I secured a job with Gael Force Fusion as a development engineer focusing on design and development of highly sophisticated plastic pen systems and associated products. My role initially included the generation of 3D drawings and aiding small development projects, and eventually grew into a more external technical development and sales role. More than seven years on and my job has provided me with the opportunity to travel nationally and internationally to engage with customers. Daily, I work to solve existing customer challenges and

I am often developing new methods/products to help improve their day to day operations in very challenging and demanding farming locations.

'There are many benefits of working within Gael Force Group, one of which is that there are multiple routes for career development and progression across different sectors.

'With a high level of innovation in the aquaculture industry, the opportunities for growth and development in a role at Gael Force are wide ranging. We are also provided with the opportunity to expose ourselves to other areas

of the business in cross department projects like combining high level electrical technology with heavy duty engineering.

'Coming from the west coast originally, it has been great to move back, to settle and work in the Oban area. Historically, there have been very few opportunities to work on the west coast of Scotland and apply design engineering degrees.

'Oban is often referred to as the "gateway to the isles" meaning there are an abundance of outdoor and social activities right on our doorstep which aren't possible in many jobs like this.'

Open day plans for new Gael Force Fusion site



Earlier in May, Gael Force Fusion was successful in its bid to acquire the former premises of the Scottish Sea Life Sanctuary at Barcaldine. Land and estate agent Galbraith, who managed the sale on behalf of the seller, said at the time: 'This was an extremely sought-after site resulting in us setting a closing date and we are delighted with the outcome for our client and that a local business has benefited. Clearly there is a need for premises like these in this area.'

The acquisition of the premises will enable Gael Force Fusion to move from its current location at Barcaldine, leased from Scottish Sea Farms.

By committing to an investment at the former visitor attraction site, Gael Force is supporting its current workforce of 27 highly skilled people in the Oban area and subject to necessary consents will be seeking to create a further eight jobs.

The new premises will enable Gael Force Fusion to continue with its plans to invest in innovative fish farm pen systems, research and development, technical design and manufacturing – further delivering value to the market in support of its long-standing key customers in Scotland and overseas.

Gael Force Group managing director Stewart Graham commented: 'This is a clear indication of our commitment to the Argyll region where we will be aiming to regenerate an existing unused business premises to support our continued strategic growth plans and large programme of work. The positive outcome of our investment is that we can support our current workforce, move ahead with our plans for creating further sustainable jobs in Argyll and contribute to the economic stability in the area. This development is another strong signal that the aquaculture sector is playing a leading role in creating sustainable careers and supporting the rural economy.'

Gael Force will be hosting an open day on Thursday October 3, between 3pm and 8pm at Benderloch's Victory Hall where members of the public will be invited to go along and discover more about future plans for the site.

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WORKFORCE

Part of the company's success is that the workforce has played a major role in sustaining the continual growth while maintaining standards. Over recent years, 70 jobs have been created, helping to support the Highlands and Islands economy.

'People are definitely the greatest asset in this company and we never forget that fact. We have built a strong team of talented people whose loyalty and expertise ensures that we deliver the professional level of service that our clients demand.'

'Our vessels are operated by highly skilled crew who have the industry experience, with continual training, to satisfy the customers' requirements – this is what wins us repeat contracts,' said Ben Wilson, managing director.

INVESTMENT

Mr Wilson added: 'We have always been very focused on high investment in new innovative designs of vessels, which means we can stay ahead of competitors and ensure we are providing our customers with the most up to date ideas and technology.'

The firm's strategy is to meet the requirements of the expanding aquaculture sector with major investment in new multi-purpose vessels, enabling them to secure long-term contracts while gaining an excellent reputation for safety and reliability.

In December last year, Inverlussa confirmed it had placed an order for two new vessels; designed in collaboration with Macduff Ship Design and being built at Ferguson Marine, Port Glasgow.

SAFETY

In October 2018, Inverlussa achieved accreditation to ISO 45001, the new international standard only released in March 2018. The company worked hard to gain this accreditation in the shortest time frame possible, to show commitment to the health and safety of crews, vessels and clients.

Mr Wilson added: 'It shows how much emphasis we put on health and safety on our vessels and confirms that we are meeting stringent international standards. This new accreditation, along with our existing ISO 9001 and 14001, puts us in a better position to maintain the high level of quality, safety and environmental considerations that clients expect.'

COMMUNITY

Being based on an island, Inverlussa supports many local groups and charities, including the RNLI, Mull Rugby Club, the Mull and Iona Association, Mull Highland Games and Còisir Og Mhuile (Mull Youth Gaelic Choir).



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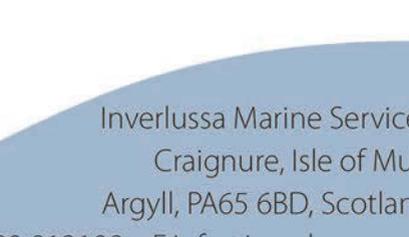
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LEISURE & ENTERTAINMENT

WHAT'S ON IN CAMPBELTOWN AND KINTYRE

MOKFest traditional tunes prove real crowd pleasers

by Hannah O'Hanlon
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With an array of sold-out concerts and bright sunshine all weekend, this year's Mull of Kintyre Music Festival (MOKFest) was a definite hit.

Scottish folk music, which has seen a massive resurgence in popularity in recent years, seemed to be the focus of this year's festival but there was something for everyone across its 10 events.

Things kicked off at the Gaelic Concert at Ceol, Seafield Hotel, last Wednesday, where an array of returning and first-time performers took to the stage in an intimate setting.

The folk music continued on Thursday night, when the Heritage Centre was packed for the Young Folk Night, which showcased the talents



of an astounding number of young local musicians.

On Friday night, the Festival Ceilidh was held in the Victoria Hall. It was hard

to keep still all evening with the Beinn an Tuirc 3A Pipe Band kicking off the evening, which also featured The Dalriada Connections Band,

Eriska and The Glenfinnan Ceilidh Band.

Those feeling fresh and bright enough to be out and about the following morning

Festival headliners Manran were a massive hit.

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attended the first 'best dressed boat event' which was held in conjunction with Sailing and Cruising Northern Ireland at Campbeltown Marina. There was not far to go to watch Kintyre Schools and Beinn an Tuirc massed bands perform at the head of the Old Quay, before marching up Main Street towards Springbank Distillery for an afternoon of fun 'up the close'.

With the sun shining and a rocking line-up of bands, the afternoon proved to be fun for all the family. Headliners a new hope? last played at the festival in 2010, so it was a real treat for all the crowd. Support was provided by

Gubbed and we.R.soul, and there was also a performance from Dance Legacy and children's entertainment from Funky Chicken, as well as various fair rides.

While the events 'up the close' were taking place, a music mega-session also took place at the Kilbrannan Bar.

Saturday evening saw two concerts, with the Dougie MacLean Concert packing out the Heritage Centre once again, and the Victoria Hall jumping at the West Coast Rocks Concert, headlined by Manran. It was almost impossible to keep still in the Vic, with toe-tapping performances from Rhuvaal and Heron Valley as well as the main act at the Glen Scotia-Distillery sponsored event.

Sunday, the festival's fifth

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MOKFest traditional tunes prove real crowd pleasers at week-long party

Continued from page 31 and final day, is dedicated to those whose constitutions are strong enough to make it to the final concerts. The Heritage Centre once again opened its doors to host the Dalriada Connections Concert, featuring Chris Stout and Catriona McKay and various other artists at the Mitchell's Glengyle-sponsored concert.

Also on Sunday, the highlight of many people's music festival experience, Survivors' Night was held in the Victoria Hall. The usual home favourites included Gilchristians, we.R.soul, Session A83 and more – and they did not disappoint!

A spokesperson for the festival said: 'It was a great success with sell-out concerts and visitors from the USA, Brazil, Canada and across Europe attending this year. The feedback from the musicians at all the concerts has been great with many commenting on how much they enjoyed the event and

Father and daughter Oscar and Zelda Ferreiro, from Spain, enjoyed Friday night's ceilidh. 50_c35mokfest01



the reception they got from the audiences. It was great that the weather was kind to us allowing us to run the Saturday outdoor event again and we were delighted with the amount of people who attended.

'Finally, we would like to

thank everyone who worked so hard to make the 27th MOKFest such a special event. We now look forward to year 28 – see you there!

For more MOKFest coverage, see next week's Courier. For more photographs, turn to page 34.



Above, the Festival Ceilidh was fun for all the family, pictured are Liam Brodie, Charley Gilchrist, Hannah Gilchrist, Emma Johnston, Ailie Renton, Iona Renton and Amy Ross. 50_c35mokfest02; right, Mary Wareham, in red, from Campbeltown, was joined at the ceilidh by family members Matthew, Alison and Bella Frater, who travelled from Manchester. 50_c35mokfest04



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University friends Rudi Mathieson, from Glasgow, and Chris McCorquodale and Ben Elliott, both from Edinburgh, were in Kintyre on a golfing trip and decided to join the fun at Saturday's West Coast Rocks Concert. 50_c35mokfest06



The massed Kintyre Schools and Beinn an Tuirc pipe bands kicked off Saturday's open-air events by marching from the head of the Old Quay to Springbank Distillery. 50_c35mokfest07



Jenny Semple, Ava Mclatchie and Iona Reid enjoyed the sunshine 'up the close'. 50_c35mokfest08



a new hope? proved popular in their first festival appearance in nearly a decade. 50_c35mokfest10



Little Lucy Graham, held by her mum Louise, could not take her eyes off her dad, Peter, who is the drummer in a new hope?, while brother Darroch, held by his aunt, Jane Robertson, was more interested in his sweets! 50_c35mokfest11



Springbank Distillery's square was packed on Saturday afternoon. 50_c35mokfest12

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Lyndsay Harvey and David Macpherson got into the spirit of things at the West Coast Rocks Concert.

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Kate MacPherson, Louise Mackay, Eilidh Smith, Jennie Maclean and Alex Wotherspoon at Saturday's West Coast Rocks Concert.

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Nicola Wells, Caerla Cox and Kirsty Kennedy with Heron Valley on stage behind.

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Campbeltown Grammar School teaching stalwarts, husband and wife Alison Woodrow and Jim Farren, and Janice MacGregor at Saturday's West Coast Rocks Concert.

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Archie McMillan, Jennifer McMillan and Ewan McIlroy, with Manran on stage.

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Claire Harvey, Wilma McCormick, Michelle Wilson and Heather McFadyen enjoyed Saturday's night Victoria Hall concert.

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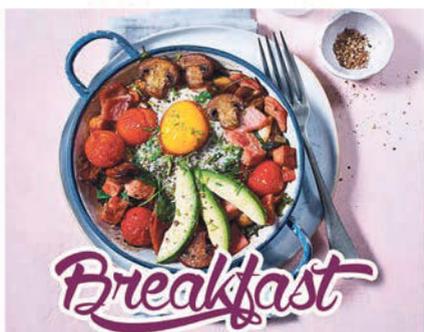
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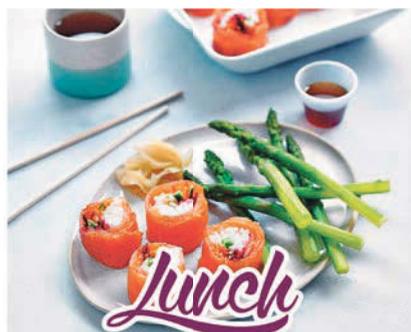
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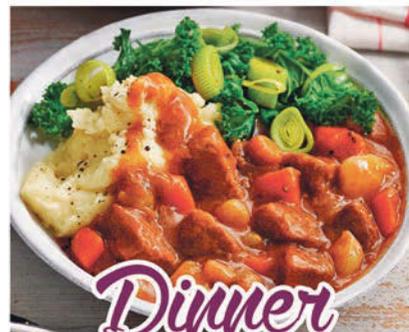
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Making the most of the weather



It wasn't only festival-goers who made the most of the weekend's sunny weather. With blue skies and bright sunshine, farmers and agricultural workers across Kintyre, like these alongside the A83 at Patchan, took to their fields in their combine harvesters. 50_c35straw01

Farmers urged to be safe near electricity network

Farmers and agricultural workers are being reminded to 'Look out, Look up!' and stay safe as they work near the electricity network.

As harvest season is well under way, Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks (SSEN) is sharing practical advice with farming communities in Scotland in a bid to help them avoid potential incidents.

The advice is:

■ 'Look out, Look up!' before you start work in any

areas where electricity lines are present.

■ Risk assess and be aware of the height of machinery that will be in use near lines and ensure there is plenty of clearance – remember that electricity can 'jump' if an object comes near enough.

■ If you do come into contact with an overhead line or cable, stay in your cab or vehicle and try to avoid touching anything metal within it.

■ Call 105 immediately –

this is the UK-wide single emergency number for power companies and is the quickest way to put you through to the correct network operator.

■ If the situation is too dangerous to stay put – for example, if the machinery is affected by fire – it is advised that you leap out of the vehicle as high and as far as you can to avoid touching any part of the machinery or electricity network.

Dale Cargill, director of customer operations at SSEN,

said: 'As farmers and their teams work long hours to complete this year's harvest, we want to ensure they're armed with the knowledge they need to stay safe near overhead power lines that may run across their land.'

'Always take the opportunity to risk assess before any work begins, 'look out, look up' and pay attention to your surroundings and if you come into contact with an overhead line or cable, stay in your cab and call 105 immediately.'

Store sheep sell well at Islay sale

United Auctions held its opening sale of lambs and sheep at Islay Auction Mart last Friday, when it sold 3834 head.

The sale average recorded was £61.52 per head or 160p per kilo (+ 80p per head for 1619 more lambs sold).

In keeping with current mainland trends, heavier lambs were selling below last year's prices while store types were showing an increase per head of around £2.

Overall, an excellent offering of lambs was sold to a good following of buyers.

Lambs: SUFFx: £77.00 – Coull Farm and Ardnave Farm; £75.00 – Daill (JordieRountree); £74.00 – Ardbeg; £71.00 – Claggan; £70.50 – Ardbeg; £70.00 – Octofad and Cladville; £69.00 – Octofad; £68.50 – Starchmill; £67.50 – Claggan, Coull and Octofad; £67.00 – Octofad, Islay Estates and Ardbeg; £66.00 – Claggan and Ardtalla Estates; £65.50 –

Smaladh and Duich; £65.00 – Duich, Smaladh and Octofad. TEXx: £81.00 and £80.00 – Blackrock; £77.00 – 16 Westend; £74.00 – Blackrock; £72.00 – Ardbeg; £71.00 – Octofad; £69.50 – Mansefield JG Ltd and Tallant; £68.50 – Ardbeg; £67.50 – Ardnave; £66.00 – Mansefield JG Ltd; £65.50 – Blackrock; £65.00 – Aoradh (E and J Brown), Ardbeg and Claggan. BELTx: £80.00 – Daill (Josie Rountree); £67.00 – Blackrock; £66.50 – Starchmill. CHEV: £63.00, £59.50, £57.50 – Aoradh (E and J Brown). CROSS: £62.00 – Ardtalla Estate; £61.00 – Claggan. MULE: £64.50 – Ardnave; £61.00 – Octofad. BF: £49.00 – Ceannacroic. JAC: £42.50 – Ardlussa Estate.

Ewes: TEXx: £85.00 – Carrabus; £75.00 – Ardbeg; £62.00 – Mansefield JG Ltd. CROSS: £69.00 – Carrabus; £61.50 – Ardtalla Estate; £60.50 – Carrabus. MULE: £62.50 – Octofad. BF: £48.50 –

Carrabus; £45.50 – Tarbert Estate, Jura; £43.50 – Charlotte Street.

Top prices per kilo: Lambs: SUFFx: 182p – Ballachlaven; 177p – Ardtalla Estate; 174p – Smaladh and Islay Estates; 173p – Coille Farm; 172p – Coull Farm; 171p – Ardnave. TEXx: 229p and 202p – Blackrock; 188p – Coull Farm; 183p – Mansefield JG Ltd; 175p – Ardtalla Estate, Ardnave and Blackrock; 174p – RSPB Kinnabus; 173p – Mansefield JG Ltd; 172p – Carrabus. BELTx: 200p – Blackrock; 190p – Daill (Josie Rountree). CHEV: 156p – Foreland No2; 156p and 155p – Aoradh (E and J Brown); 154p – Foreland No4; 150p – Tarbert Estate, Jura. CROSS: 160p – Ardtalla Estate; 155p – 16 Westend; 153p – Carrabus; 151p – Ardnave. MULE: 163p – Smaladh; 160p – 11 Charlotte St; 154p – Rockside. BF: 129p – Ceannacroic; 128p – Cladville. JAC: 142p – Ardlussa Estate.

Ardbeg bullock is champion calf at Islay sale

United Auctions held its annual show and sale of autumn-born suckled calves at Islay Auction Mart last Friday.

A good show of calves was presented and J Taylor, Easter Octtermuthil, judging the various classes, made the following awards: Bullock Class: 1 Ardbeg, 2 Kilchiaran, 3 Ardbeg; Heifer Class: 1 and 2 Ardbeg; Champion calf: Ardbeg bullock which takes the William A Low, Trophy; Reserve champion: Kilchiaran bullock.

Overall, the bullocks sold to an average of £834 per head or 211.3p per kilo while the heifers levelled out at £725 per head or 196p per kilo.

Principal lots and prices: Bullocks: AAx: £870 and £850 (2) – Ballimartin. BRBx: £880 – Bayview. CHARx: £960 – Tallant; £890 (2) – Claggan; £870 – Eorrabus. LIMx: £1080 – Ballimartin; £1070, £1040 (3) and £970 (2) – Ardbeg; £970 – Ballimartin; £965 – Lossit; £965 – Blackrock; £960 (5) – Ardbeg; £950 – Blackrock; £950 (4) – Kilchiaran; £950 (2) – Lossit; £920 (7) – Ardbeg. SIMx: £700 – Carrabus.

Heifers: AAx: £960 – Ballimartin. CHARx: £840 (2) – Claggan; £800 – Tallant. LIMx: £960 (2) – Ardbeg; £945 – Ballimartin; £910 (3) – Lossit; £875 – Blackrock; £845 (4) and £840 (3) – Ardbeg; £840 – Ballimartin.

Top prices per kilo: Bullocks: AAx: 209p (2) – Ballimartin. BRBx:

199p – Bayview. CHARx: 247p – Tallant; 214p (3) – Claggan; 202p – Eorrabus. LIMx: 250p (2) – Lossit; 236p (4) and 234p – Kilchiaran; 232p (3) – Blackrock; 231p – Kilchiaran (2) and Ardbeg (2); 230p (2) – Ardbeg; 228p – Lossit; 223p (7) – Ardbeg; 220p (3) – Claggan. SIMx: 219p – Carrabus.

Heifers: AAx: 194p – Ballimartin. CHARx: 207p (2) and 197p – Claggan. LIMx: 232p (2) – Ardbeg; 222p (3) – Lossit; 217p (3) and 214p (4) – Ardbeg; 211p – Blackrock; 209p – Lossit and Blackrock; 206p (2) – Blackrock; 204p – Claggan and Ardbeg (7); 199p (2) – Ardbeg; 198p (3) – Eorrabus; 193p – Ballimartin (3) and Eorrabus (2); 192p – Ballimartin; 191p (2) – Carrabus.

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ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL (CRINAN CANAL TOWPATH ROAD, CAIRNBAAN) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019

On Monday 26th August 2019, Argyll and Bute Council made the above named Order under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, which will make it unlawful for any person to wait, drive or cause or permit to be driven any motor vehicle on the lengths of road indicated in the schedules below. Exceptions will apply to a vehicle being used in an emergency for fire brigade, ambulance, police or coastguard purposes; a vehicle being used for carrying out the works; or a vehicle requiring access to and from affected properties.

Schedule 1 - Prohibition of Traffic

| Name of Road | Extent of Closure |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Crinan Canal Towpath Road, Cairnbaan | From the east end of Lock 7 extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 110 metres or thereby. |

Schedule 2 - Prohibition of Waiting

| Name of Road | Extent of Waiting Restrictions |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Crinan Canal Towpath Road, Cairnbaan | That section of layby situated on the north side of the road, 100 metres or thereby east of Lock 7. |

The restrictions imposed by this Order which are required to allow essential works to be carried out will be effective when indicated by signs from 0001 hours on Monday 2nd September 2019 to 2359 hours on Sunday 29th September 2019, or until the works are complete, whichever is the earlier.

Diversion routes will be signed in an appropriate manner.

Roads & Infrastructure Services 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilphead PA31 8RD

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| Ref. No. | Proposal | Site Address |
|-------------|--|---|
| 19/01695/PP | Retention of 80 metres high anemometer mast (for a further period until January 2023) | Mast 1 Land North East Of Muasdale, Tarbert, Argyll And Bute |
| 19/01646/PP | Section 42 application for planning application 14/01978/PP approved on appeal PPA-130-2052 (Erection of 14 wind turbines (up to 110 metres high to blade tip), upgrading of road junction with A83T and improvements to C20. Construction of access tracks, control building and substation, transformers, anemometer masts and ancillary development) variation of condition 2 of appeal decision to enable construction to commence within 5 years of the date of the decision notice rather than 3 years | Arnicle Loch Woodland, Glenbarr, Argyll And Bute |
| 19/01513/PP | Erection of dwellinghouse, installation of septic tank and formation of vehicular access | Plot 5 Land North East Of Coldrain Farm, Macharich, Southend, Argyll And Bute |

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ISLAY

Sean Batty to land on Islay during fundraising appeal

STV weather presenter Sean Batty is hoping for blue skies when he flies to Islay next week.

He will be joining in with the Big Scottish Breakfast, an annual STV Children's Appeal fundraising event supporting children and young people affected by poverty in Scotland.

Most Big Scottish Breakfast events will be held on Friday September 6, but Sean is hungry to get involved and will be doing a Big Scottish Breakfast tour, kicking off with a flying visit to Islay for fundraising events on the island.

Sean's tour is supported by Loganair, which is supplying complimentary flights to and from Islay Airport.

Various events are expected to take place on Tuesday September 3, at locations across the island.

These include a breakfast using vegetables grown at Port Ellen Primary School, an American brunch for staff and students at Islay Youth Action, a cook-a-long for the children to eat healthy breakfast foods at Bowmore Primary School, a big picnic lunch, outdoors if possible, at Keills Primary School, pancake decorating with pupils from Port Charlotte Primary School at Port Mor Community Cafe, and afternoon tea and a raffle at The Machrie Hotel.

STV will be filming Sean's day on the island for its special Children's Appeal programming later this year.

Residents invited to Scottish Land Commission meeting

The Scottish Land Commission (SLC) is continuing its calendar of public meetings with the next taking place in Bowmore on Islay.

The SLC is holding an informal public meeting to give people from Islay the opportunity to find out more about how their community can benefit from land reform.

Chairman of the Scottish Land Commission Andrew Thin said: 'Land is at the heart of Scotland's identity, economy and communi-

WEST ROAD



The Kintyre West Road Ladies RNLI Guild committee, back row, from left: Helen Steel, Zoe Weir, Leonie Moller, Diane Roberts, Jane McCallum and Ruby Currie. Front row: Margaret MacKinnon, Helen Galbraith, Kate Lowe and Nikki Galbraith.

'Nobody makes gingerbread like Helen!'

The Kintyre West Road Ladies RNLI Guild, which hosted a coffee evening last week, is in its 50th year of fundraising and still has an original member.

Helen Galbraith, who has served for all of the group's 50-year history, is an active member of the present com-

mittee, members of which say of her: 'Nobody makes gingerbread like Helen!'

The coffee evening in Clachan Village Hall last Thursday, August 22, raised £267.90 from the various stalls and £175.30 from the selling of RNLI souvenirs. The quiz sheet competition,

which raised £197, was won by Elsa Macdougall.

The committee would like to thank everyone for supporting the event and 'helping to support the brave men and women who put their lives at risk for us all up and down the country'.

ties - so it matters that it is owned and used in a fair and productive way.

'We are keen to meet with communities to discuss the work we are doing to deliver change so that the ownership and use of land realises Scotland's potential.

'There are many benefits it can bring to you and your community, including transforming vacant and derelict land, community ownership, community engagement in decisions relating to land and unlocking opportunities through modernising land ownership.

'We will also be discussing our recently published report - an investigation into the issues associated with large-scale and concentrated land ownership in Scotland. The report was published in March alongside recommendations to Scottish ministers to address the adverse effects identified, and to stimulate a more productive, diverse and dynamic pattern of rural land ownership.'

The event is being held at Ionad Chaluim Chille Ìle, Bowmore, Islay, on Wednesday September 4, at 7pm.

Thought for the Week
with Marilyn Shedden

I have the privilege of regularly leading worship on Gigha and I often receive many blessings on that lovely wee island.

Sunday was a day of particular delight and the God of surprises had a few treasures in store.

The morning was perfection. The sea was a flat calm, and glistened in a myriad of hues of green and navy, blue and ultramarine. The ferry drifted into the bay and the white sands shimmered in the morning sunlight. A few boats glided across the water and I noticed a man skilfully manoeuvring his paddleboard with a dog standing on the front of the board, and another dog swimming behind.

It was the most idyllic scene and I thought again how fortunate it is to live in this beautiful part of God's creation.

What a way to go to church! Worship is all around in creation itself.

The wee church's open doors extended their own welcome and friends offered the hand of friendship and love.

Then another surprise. A visiting friend of the congregation had agreed to play the organ and Joy's music brought joy to us all on that glorious morning.

Added to that, Joy's husband Gareth had the most wonderful Welsh singing voice and the praise echoed up to heaven itself.

Then to the hotel for coffee and cake, gifted to the congregation every week by the generosity of the hoteliers.

What a way to go to church!
The sail back was total perfection and I thought again of that old Celtic saying that, in some special places, there is just a tissue layer between heaven and earth as God seems so close.

Gigha, God's island, is surely one of these places of blessing and peace.

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GRAHAM - RONALD

- At Southend Parish Church, on August 3, 2019, Derek, son of Jim and the late Alison, Falkirk, to Catherine Galbraith, younger daughter of Malcolm and Inez, Allt Mor, Southend. A wonderful, happy day!

DEATHS

DAVIDSON - Kenny, at Crosshouse Hospital, on Wednesday, August 21, 2019, after a short illness, beloved son of Mary and the late Billy, dear husband of Susan, loving father of Lucy and Stephen, brother of Gary and Serena, and a good friend to many.

MCARTHUR - Matilda Avril Jane McAulay McArthur. Peacefully, at the Mid Argyll Hospital, on August 26, 2019, (Matilda) Avril, of 47 MacDonald Terrace, Lochgilphead, loving wife of the late Neil McArthur, cherished mother to Jean, Caroline, Catherine, Neil and Fiona, elder sister of Mary, Elizabeth and Ben, and a sorely missed grandmother and mother-in-law. Dear aunt to all the family. Funeral service will be held in Lochgilphead Parish Church, on Monday, September 2, 2019, at 11.00am, thereafter to Achnabreac Cemetery. Family flowers only please.

STRANG - Peacefully at home, 26 Ralston Road, Campbeltown, on August 21, 2019, Agnes Stewart Strang, in her 89th year, dearly beloved wife of the late Donald McConnachie Strang, much loved mother of Robert, Ian and the late Donnie and a loving granny and great granny.

TODD - Suddenly, at the Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead, on August 26, 2019, Michael Gordon Todd, aged 51 years, of Ashfield, Glenburn Road, Ardrishaig and formerly of Dalavich, much loved and loving husband of Babs, adored dad of Katie, Carla and Nikitta, cherished younger son of Irene and Eddie, and dearly loved brother of Richard and Lindi. An adored and proud uncle of Lauren, Georgia, Cameron, Ella, Arron, Kirsten, Scarlet and Murray, great uncle of David and Iona, much respected brother-in-law of Shona, Louise and the late Mark and a dear son-in-law and cousin to all the family. Michael was a very dear friend to many people in the local and wider community of Mid Argyll, and will be sorely missed by all who knew him. A memorial service will take place, tomorrow, Saturday, August 31, 2019, in Lochgilphead Parish Church, at 2.00pm. All friends are respectfully invited to attend.

WILSON - Suddenly at home, Craighussa, Machrihanish, after a short illness, on August 25, 2019, Sandra Murray (Sandie), in her 71st year, dearly beloved wife of the late Charles Wilson, much loved mum of Louise and Stuart, loving granny of Carrie and beloved sister of Barbara, Moira and the late Billy. Funeral service in Cardross Crematorium, on Monday, September 2, 2019 at 1.15pm, to which all friends are respectfully invited. Donations may be made in lieu of flowers, to the Macmillan Nurses, Kintyre Locality.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

MCCALLUM - Sheila, Lorna and family would like to thank all friends and neighbours for their kindness and support following the death of Iain. We would like to express our appreciation to all who paid their respects at the church and cemetery. Our thanks to Rev David Carruthers for conducting a lovely service. We would like to thank Mid Argyll Home Care staff, especially Amy, Janice, Maggie and Ann, for the excellent care and support they provided, not just to Iain. Thank you to Roddy, Fiona and Cammy for their efficient and sensitive funeral arrangements, the Stag Hotel for their catering and Morna for the beautiful flowers.

IN MEMORIAM

MACDONALD - In loving memory of Roddy, died August 31, 2016, a loving husband, dad and papa. Loved and remembered every day.

- Jenny and family.

MACLENNAN MBE - In loving memory of our dear dad, Murdo, died September 1, 2013. Just a prayer from those who love you, Just a memory ever true, In our hearts you will live forever, Because we think the world of you.

See you later, Dad.

- Love always, Lorne, Leone, Darren and Laurene xx.

MACLENNAN MBE - Keep the biscuit jar full, Grampa.

- Love always, your grandchildren xx.

MCGOUGAN - Remembering my wife, Alice, died September 2, 2014.

Though your smile has gone forever and your hand I cannot touch, I still have so many memories of the one I loved so much. Your memory is my keepsake with which I'll never part, God has you in his keeping, I have you in my heart.

- Inserted by your loving husband, Stewart.

MCGOUGAN - In loving memory of a dear mother, granny and great granny, Alice, died September 2, 2014.

Remembered always.

- Stewart, Heather and family.

MCKERRAL - Neil, a loving and much loved son, brother and uncle, who died August 28, 2008. Missed every day.

- Mum, Iain, Marie and Phil.

SHIELDS - In loving memory of our mother and grandmother, Rita. I could search the whole world over

Until the end of time And never find a mother As wonderful as mine And if there is another life And we are born once more

I pray that God will give to me

The mother I had before.

- Carole-Anne, John, Scott, Yvonne, Leigh-Anne and Mhairi.

SHIELDS - In memory of Rita. Gone, not forgotten.

- Meg.

CHURCH NOTICES

HIGHLAND PARISH CHURCH



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Sunday 1st September

The service will be conducted by Rev Anne McIvor and will be held in Kirk Street Hall at 11.15am All welcome

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Tuesday 3rd September

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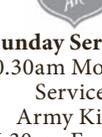
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Sunday service will be led by Mrs Margaret Sinclair

All welcome

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Kintyre is cheering on its own cross-Scotland cyclists

Two members of Kintyre Wheelers Cycling Club, Robbie Semple and Stephen Blackstock, are part of a group of five cyclists who are travelling from Tayinloan to Aberdeen tomorrow (Saturday) to raise money for the STV Children's Appeal.

They will be setting off on this 240-mile journey at about 4am. Not many folk will be up at that time of the day so Robbie and Stephen take it as read that there is a big cheer from all of Kintyre and best wishes to all them for the day.

They are following the route that record-breaking Scottish adventurer and cyclist Mark Beaumont planned for the appeal; it is an across-Scotland route with stops at Furness, Lochearnhead and Forfar along the way; a full-blown version of the event is planned again for next spring, open to 80 cyclists.

Joining them on the ride are Kevin Stacey from Inverness and Tim Pitt and David Steele from Edinburgh.

Robbie says he has been using the Kintyre 'loop' of the east and west roads to train for both distance and gradient.

Robbie, aged 49, who has only been cycling seriously for four years, said: 'I guess I am the ring-leader of this



Fellow Kintyre Wheelers cyclist Stephen Blackstock will also cycle the 240-mile route. KC_c35cycle02

challenge and I am looking forward to pushing myself and hopefully achieving not only the distance but raising a decent amount for the STV Children's Appeal.

'Will I make it? To be honest, I don't know but I am going to give it 100 per cent and a tail wind will help so fingers crossed!'

Stephen, 47, has competed in several cycling and running events in the past up to ultra marathon distances but the Argyll to Aberdeen ride will be the longest as he faces 18 hours in the saddle.

Stephen said this is a great challenge and a worthy char-

ity to support. He added: 'It is 240 miles, cycling east across Scotland to Aberdeen in one day,' he said. 'We do four, four-hour blocks of cycling with 30 minutes of rest in between each block.'

'The furthest distance I have ever cycled in one day was 137 miles from Inverness over the Lecht and Glenshee to Perth on no training and that was painful!'

Both men have done well raising money and hope that more people will donate.

Since launching in 2011, the STV Children's Appeal has raised £16.3 million, with 964 big and small grants awarded



Robbie Semple is the group's ring-leader. KC_c35cycle01

to projects across all 32 local authority areas in Scotland, providing much-needed support to over 67,000 children.

The money raised is distributed to provide practical help

like food and warm clothes, create opportunities for training and employability, and enable social and emotional support for those who need it most.

The cyclists and their back-up teams will be updating via Facebook on the day so see how they get on and send messages of support to keep them going.

Excellent home win for Pupils' youth side

Campbeltown Pupils 7
Broomhill Sports Club 0
GDYFL (U15) League Cup

The Pupils Under-15s side made it back-to-back wins in the Glasgow and District Youth Football League Cup on Sunday with a commanding win over Broomhill Sports Club.

After taking the lead in the first minute through birthday boy Stuart Phillips, the local side squandered a number of chances as they dominated early play.

With the first-half drawing to a close, it looked like the Pupils would only have a one-goal cushion to show for all their dominance until Calum Ellis scored a brace to ease any worries. The 2005s' top goal-scorer for the past two



Michael Campbell in action on Sunday.

seasons continued his fine form scoring in the 35th and 28th minute to make it 3-0

to the Pupils. Broomhill can count themselves unlucky not to have snatched a goal

on the counter attack but the defence of Graham, Arkell, L Paterson, O'May and

Campbell stood strong along with the welcome return of Scott Oman in goal.

Early into the second-half, Phillips secured his second. The youngster from Ardrishaig, celebrating his 13th birthday on Sunday, made a darting run between the Broomhill defence to score with a fine finish.

Michael Campbell made it 5-0 shortly after with a long-range looping effort from all of 25 yards before Ellis scored his hat-trick with another excellent goal from the Pupils forward.

Ryan Shields scored the goal of the game to round off the scoring.

Collecting the ball in midfield, he rounded one player before unleashing an unstoppable strike into the top corner.

This was a particularly pleasing result for the youngsters given their tough last season and more so with the welcome return of Scott Oman and Ryan Harding, who missed the majority of that last season through injury.

Andrew Semple continues his fine form in midfield – a real team player who always gives 100 per cent.

There was also the introduction of young Raphael MacLachlan from Clachan who recently joined the team and played his first game of 11-a-side and can be very pleased with his performance in the midfield.

The Pupils play their final game in the League Cup section with an away tie to Drumchapel on Sunday September 15.

Athletes asked to represent Kintyre at Mid Argyll Day

Athletes from Kintyre are being encouraged to compete at Mid Argyll Athletic Club's annual open sports day this weekend.

Sunday's competitions, held at Lochgilphead Joint Campus, will start at noon with all entries on the day from 11.30am. There will be running, jumping and throwing events for six age categories starting at under seven and up to under 17. The Scottish Athletics age qualification date of September 1 will apply to all age groups which means it is 'age on the day' this year.

The running events will be held on the artificial grass and the jumps and throwing events will take place on the all-weather jumps area and adjacent grass area.

The jumps facility was installed in 2016 and was the first of its kind in Argyll and has been a great asset for the local club as well as the schools at the Joint Campus.

The young athletes will be allowed to compete in a maximum of five events and an entry fee of £2 per competitor will be levied.

This competition provides the opportunity for youngsters to try



The sports day will be held at Lochgilphead Joint Campus.

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athletics for the first time and hopefully also to discover some talented youngsters who will continue in the sport and reach a level to allow them to compete at regional and national events.

All competitors will receive a medal and trophies will be awarded to first, second and third overall in each age group. Entries are welcome from all parts of Argyll and beyond including visitors to the area.

Excellent conditions for Dunaverty autumn meeting

Ideal weather conditions and a superbly-prepared course by greenkeepers David Scullion and Robert Irvine helped Dunaverty Golf Club's members to record some excellent scores during their autumn meeting, which was sponsored by captain John Brown.

Early starter Campbell McCallum posted a scratch 68 for a net 62 and led the field at this point.

Next up was Ross Sinclair with the best scratch score of the day recording a 67 and a net 63.



Bill Brannigan triumphed during Dunaverty's autumn meeting.

The afternoon players enjoyed sunshine and a light breeze and this enabled Robert Irvine to finish with a net 62 and move into the lead by virtue of a better inward half but still not quite good enough to finish as the day's winner.

This was left to an improving Bill Brannigan who had the best outward half with 33 strokes but faltered on the inward nine by dropping five shots over the last five holes, still managing to record a net 60 to claim the captain's prize and his first win of the season.

Ailie Goddard in the Tea Box had to work hard providing refreshments for the competitors and this was much appreciated.

A super twos competition produced no fewer than 13 twos.

Results: 1 Bill Brannigan 72-12=60; 2 Robert Irvine 70-8=62(bih); 3 Campbell McCallum 68-6=62(bih); 4 Robert Coffield 71-9=62; 5 John McKinlay 73-10=63(bih), 6 Ross Sinclair 67-4=63(bih).

CSS for the day was 62.

Tomorrow (Saturday August 31) as there is no competition, a gents' bounce Stableford event is scheduled for 9am.

Dunaverty lotto rolls over

The draw for Dunaverty Golf Club's three number lotto took place on August 25.

The winning numbers were 7, 12 and 17.

There were no winners so the next

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

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

Competition rules

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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Excellent home
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Macalister sweeps the boards at Glenralloch

After a nail-biting delayed fourth and final championship round at Tarbert Golf Club, Iain Macalister showed nerves of steel to take home the Sam Andrews Trophy.

Not only did he secure his first championship victory at Glenralloch last Saturday, but he swept the boards, also winning the net and senior championships.

The greens were freshly cut for the competition which was played in glorious sunshine and captain Chris Smyth chose some interesting pin positions to test the players' skills.

Iain held a one-shot lead over Bruce MacNab and a five-shot lead over John MacNab heading into the final round.

If there were any nerves at

the start of play, this was not evident as Iain started with four fours, followed by an excellent 12-foot birdie putt at the fifth and a chip-in birdie at the sixth.

He finished the nine with three pars to give him an outward level par 33.

John also played well, enjoying a birdie at the sixth with the only blemishes at the third and ninth for an outward 34.

Chipped in

Bruce had the poorest nine of the three with 37, so with nine holes to play, Iain held a five-shot lead. He increased this to six after 10 holes but this soon changed when Bruce chipped in for a two at the 13th and chipped in again at the 14th to reduce the deficit to three.

At the 15th and 16th both players had pars, then at the 17th Bruce got another shot back, to be two behind going to the 72nd and final hole. By this time a large turnout of members had gathered to watch proceedings in the late afternoon sunshine, not knowing the state of play.

Iain sensibly played short of the burn while Bruce had no option but to drive, splitting the fairway in the process, leaving a 70-yard shot to the green.

Iain's second shot came up a bit short, leaving him a difficult up and down. The drama continued as Bruce almost holed his second shot to leave a tap-in birdie.

With nerves of steel, Iain chipped on to four feet and duly rolled in the putt for a

well deserved victory. In his acceptance speech, Iain told the crowd of his delight at winning, while complimenting the sterling work done on the course by Graham Prentice, John MacNab and Duncan Johnstone.

Presented

Captain Smyth also presented the John Reid Quaich to Duncan Johnstone, the James Johnson Cup to Iain Johnstone and the August medal to himself.

Members were treated to a lovely buffet provided by Sheena, Georgie and Catherine, with celebrations carrying on late into the evening.

Final totals: 1 Iain Macalister 282, 2 Bruce MacNab 283, 3 John MacNab 291.



Tarbert Golf Club champion Iain Macalister, left, with club captain Chris Smyth.



It was a proud day for the Macalister family, as Iain won the championship, as well as the net and senior championships.



Trophy winners, from left, Iain Johnstone, Iain Macalister and Duncan Johnstone.

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