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Praise and prizes for pupils in face of coronavirus challenge

by Colin Cameron
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A Mid Argyll head teacher has praised pupils, teachers, parents and carers for their positive attitude during the coronavirus lockdown as they prepare for a return to classrooms.

After a sudden change in government direction it appears that – all being well – pupils will be returning full-time to school in August.

Until Tuesday's announcement by Cabinet Secretary for Education John Swinney, schools across Argyll and Bute had been issuing advice on a 'blended' return to school involving staggered weeks for different year groups and a mix of home and school learning.

Recognised

Throughout the pandemic, however, school staff and pupils have continued to work, a fact recognised this week by Lochgilphead Joint Campus as the school prizes were awarded.

Lochgilphead Joint Campus

Principal Ann Devine said: 'During these unusual circumstances, we felt it was more important than ever that we celebrate the achievements of our pupils within both the school and the wider community.'

'The sheer number of awards reflects the positive attitude of Lochgilphead High School pupils towards their learning and demonstrates their enthusiasm to embrace opportunities for wider achievement; qualities which they have continued to display during the lockdown period, encouraged as always by our tremendous team of dedicated staff.'

'The unexpected closure of the school presented new challenges to both teachers and pupils with the sudden introduction of online learning and the removal of direct, face-to-face communication.'

'As always, our pupils demonstrated their characteristic determination, firstly completing outstanding SQA coursework in the senior phase, continuing with classwork and making preparations for the transition

to the new timetable. Some of the concerns around online teaching simply have not materialised – for example, the interaction between teachers and pupils has been conducted appropriately and sensitively by the pupils and has, in some cases, enabled stronger relationships between individual pupils and teachers to be forged.'

Return

'We will take the best from this and build on it when we return in August.'

Ms Devine added: 'We have never been prouder of our pupils, nor more appreciative of the fantastic support of our parent council and our wider parent body.'

A spokesperson for Argyll and Bute Council said: 'While there will be a number of things to consider, the health and wellbeing of our pupils and staff will remain the council's number one priority.'

A list of the Lochgilphead High School prize winners can be found on page five.



Mid Argyll Rotary president John Peace presents the dux medal to Daisy Carter, who is only the second pupil to be awarded Lochgilphead primary and secondary dux. 51_a26DuxDaisy01

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Positive council report card highlights need for change

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A plan of action will be up for approval at a special meeting of Argyll and Bute Council, to be held remotely on Tuesday June 30.

The draft plan is the authority's response to a broadly positive report on its operations, published last month by the Accounts Commission on behalf of Audit Scotland.

In its report, based on assessment prior to the coronavirus pandemic, the Accounts Commission notes 'significantly improved relationships among elected members and between members and officers' in comparison to similar assessments carried out since 2013.

The council's approach to financial planning and budgeting draws praise, but the report states that 'substantial work will be required to deliver more significant transformation and redesign of services'.

The commission also notes that Argyll and Bute must

improve the way it manages and reports performance, adding: 'We urge significantly increased pace and depth of improvement and in doing so making greater use of the potential for engaging, enabling and empowering the communities of Argyll and Bute.'

'We do however acknowledge the significant challenges in an area as extensive and varied, with declining and sparsity of population, as Argyll and Bute.'

Speaking after the report's release, Councillor Aileen Morton, Leader of Argyll and Bute Council, said: 'This is a good report. It shows that the council has continued to improve since the last inspection, dealing with challenges unique to Argyll and Bute and working to support both the present and the future of the area.'

'Most encouraging, in terms of Argyll and Bute's long term future, is the fact that the report highlights what we already know - that creating a successful future for Argyll and Bute, by making it a great



Council leader Aileen Morton.

place to live and work, depends on the public and private sectors, and local communities, working together.

'As evidenced in the report, there is already a sense of unity in the council and with our partners, in delivering success through our shared

vision. This, in addition to the positive differences local communities are recognised as making to life here, mean that the "Team Argyll and Bute" approach needed to create the future we all want is not only realistic but already happening.'

POLICE FILES

Vehicle seized

At around 11.45am on Monday June 15, a car was stopped by police for a routine check on Lorne Street, Lochgilphead. Checks revealed that there was no insurance in force for the vehicle and the driver, a man aged 31, was charged with the offence and the vehicle seized. The man was issued with a £300 fixed penalty ticket with six penalty points.

Drugs search

A 55-year-old man was found to be in possession of a small amount of cannabis after a house in Tarbert was searched by police at about 11am on Wednesday June 17. He was charged and issued with a recorded police warning.

Charged

At about 8am on Thursday June 18 at Lochgilphead Co-op, a man, 46, allegedly stole some alcohol. He was subsequently cautioned and charged and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Abusive behaviour

Police attended Blarbuie Road, Lochgilphead after a 37-year-old man behaved in an abusive manner at around 10.30pm on Thursday June 18. The man was arrested, charged and issued with a recorded police warning.

Damage to vehicle

Between December 2019 and June 2020 in a car park at MacDonald Terrace, Lochgilphead, a black Fiat car has been scratched numerous times.

Arrested and charged

About 1.30am on Sunday June 21 at Argyll Street, Lochgilphead, a man, 29, allegedly behaved in an abusive manner. Police attended and the man was arrested and charged. A report will be sent to the procurator fiscal.

Drunk driver

A 56-year-old woman was arrested for allegedly driving while under the influence of alcohol at around 2.20am on Monday June 22 on the A83, Lochgilphead. The woman was charged with the offence and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

■ If any member of the public has information in relation to the above, or to any incident, they can contact their local Police Station on telephone number 101, or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111





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A short time ago in a galaxy, far, far away (well, Carsaig...)

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Tayvallich has been at the centre of mysterious goings-on during the lockdown period, with tales of spaceships, robots, pigs in bars and strange characters wearing ponchos.

Locals can relax, though, because (as far as can be ascertained) aliens are not about to descend on the district.

Behind the rumours is rising star of the filmmaking scene, Joe Osborn from Carsaig, who spent lockdown working on his latest project – which he describes as ‘a western space opera’.

The thrilling result, *Alien Bars and Flying Cars* was written, directed, shot and edited by 19-year-old Joe with social distancing and digital compositing to keep within COVID-19 rules.

Lockdown

Jo explained: ‘This film was shot entirely in lockdown on the west coast of Scotland. However, this version of Scotland is home to bounty hunters, Australian robot space-Uber drivers, distant galaxies, hidden treasure and spaghetti-western shootouts with unrealistic laser guns.’

When lockdown is finally lifted, Joe plans to resume his



Up-and-coming filmmaker Joe Osborn.

third year of university studying film making.

He added: ‘In the future I hope to uncover Scotland’s vast yet untapped potential for cinema. Too many great Scottish names have left and gone on to other things, so I

hope to establish some kind of local film company that will help people see what a beautiful place we live in.’

The wild and crazy world of *Alien Bars and Flying Cars*, by Carsaig Films, is now available on YouTube.

Frustration as NHS refuses to release bullying details

A Mid Argyll councillor says he is ‘not happy’ after a Freedom of Information request was denied by NHS Highland.

Councillor Philand submitted the request to the Inverness-based health board after a survey revealed that 68 per cent of workers who responded had been bullied during their time working for Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP).

In his FoI request of June 4, Councillor Philand asked for all statements given by staff to be made available in a bid to understand the issues.

In its reply on June 15, NHS Highland stated: ‘We are unable to disclose the information

requested, as this constitutes personal data in respect of which disclosure would contravene the data protection principles as the information falls within Section 1(a) – (d) and the terms of Section 10 (right to prevent processing likely to cause damage or distress) and this constitutes a ground of exemption in terms of Section 38(1) (b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.’

‘I am not happy with the response,’ said Councillor Philand, ‘as I feel they are deliberately blocking this issue.’

‘I don’t think it would have been too much to take out the personal identifying information.’

Tragedy closes Lochgilphead post office

The Mailbox shop and Lochgilphead post office within it have been closed until further notice after the sudden death of postmaster Findlay Campbell.

Police were called to the Argyll Street premises on the morning of Monday June 22

when the doors remained locked during opening hours.

On obtaining entry officers discovered 59-year-old Mr Campbell’s body. Police report no suspicious circumstances and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.



Space taxis.

Members claim less in expenses

The amount claimed in expenses by Argyll and Bute councillors has fallen for the fourth year in a row.

A table published on the authority’s website shows that a total of £104,925 in expenses was paid to the area’s 36 councillors in the 2019/20 financial year.

This does not include £8,178 in telephone and ICT expenses accrued by the councillors, which are met directly by the authority.

The figure compares to £116,892 in 2018/19, which itself was a decrease of £129,772 the previous financial year.

On average, councillors were paid £2,914 each in expenses in 2019/20, compared to the 2018/19 average of just under £3,250.

When added to salaries, councillors collectively

received £821,833 in the last financial year – an increase of more than £4,000 on 2018/19.

In a statement accompanying the figures, executive director Douglas Hendry said: ‘The tables attached set out the payments made for the period from 1 April, 2019 to 31 March, 2020.’

Gross figures

‘The amounts shown are not the amounts actually received by councillors. Firstly, the remuneration payments shown are gross figures, which are then subject to tax and national insurance deductions.’

‘Secondly, other expense payments relate solely to the reimbursement of actual expenditure incurred by the councillor and are all backed up with receipts.’

‘Thirdly, the council decided that it would be more effective

to provide a broadband connection for each councillor for council business related communication and telephone calls.’

As in previous years, Islay resident Councillor Robin Currie claimed the most of any councillor. After deduction of telephone and ICT expenses, his total was £18,208.

More than half of that was for accommodation, with mileage, travelling expenses and meals accounting for the rest.

He is a member of the planning, protective services and licensing committee, which meets monthly and holds hearings all over Argyll and Bute. His ward also includes eight community councils.

Councillor Alastair Redman claimed the second most with £9,151. He, too, is on the planning committee.

Estate agent appeals for charity nominations

Argyll Estate Agents has announced plans to giveaway a total of £1,000 to local charities.

People have been encouraged to visit its Facebook page to submit nominations for up to £250. The company said it wanted to say a ‘big thank you’ to a registered charity in operation in Oban and the surrounding area.

‘There are so many worthy causes to choose from we decided to run a nomination campaign to help us decide,’ the company said.

To nominate, people have to like or follow

its page on Facebook at www.facebook.com/argyllstateagentsoban/

They must then leave a comment recommending a chosen registered charity.

It said: ‘The registered charity with the most nominations at 5pm on June 30 will receive our donation.’

‘July and September will be nominations for a Mid Argyll-registered charity.’

If two or more have the same number of nominations it plans to split the donation, it said.

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Happy lockdown birthday



Cara Green from Ardrishaig turned eight years of age on Thursday June 18. She celebrated with a birthday tea in the garden with mummy, daddy, brother Thomas, Granny and Grampa.

Having a birthday during lockdown is strange, to say the least. While government guidelines on minimising social contact are in place, sadly we can't enjoy a birthday celebration with friends and family.

You can, though, have your birthday celebrated in the Argyllshire Advertiser.

Happy Birthday

Send us a photograph of your family member or friend enjoying their special day and we will publish it and wish them a happy birthday.

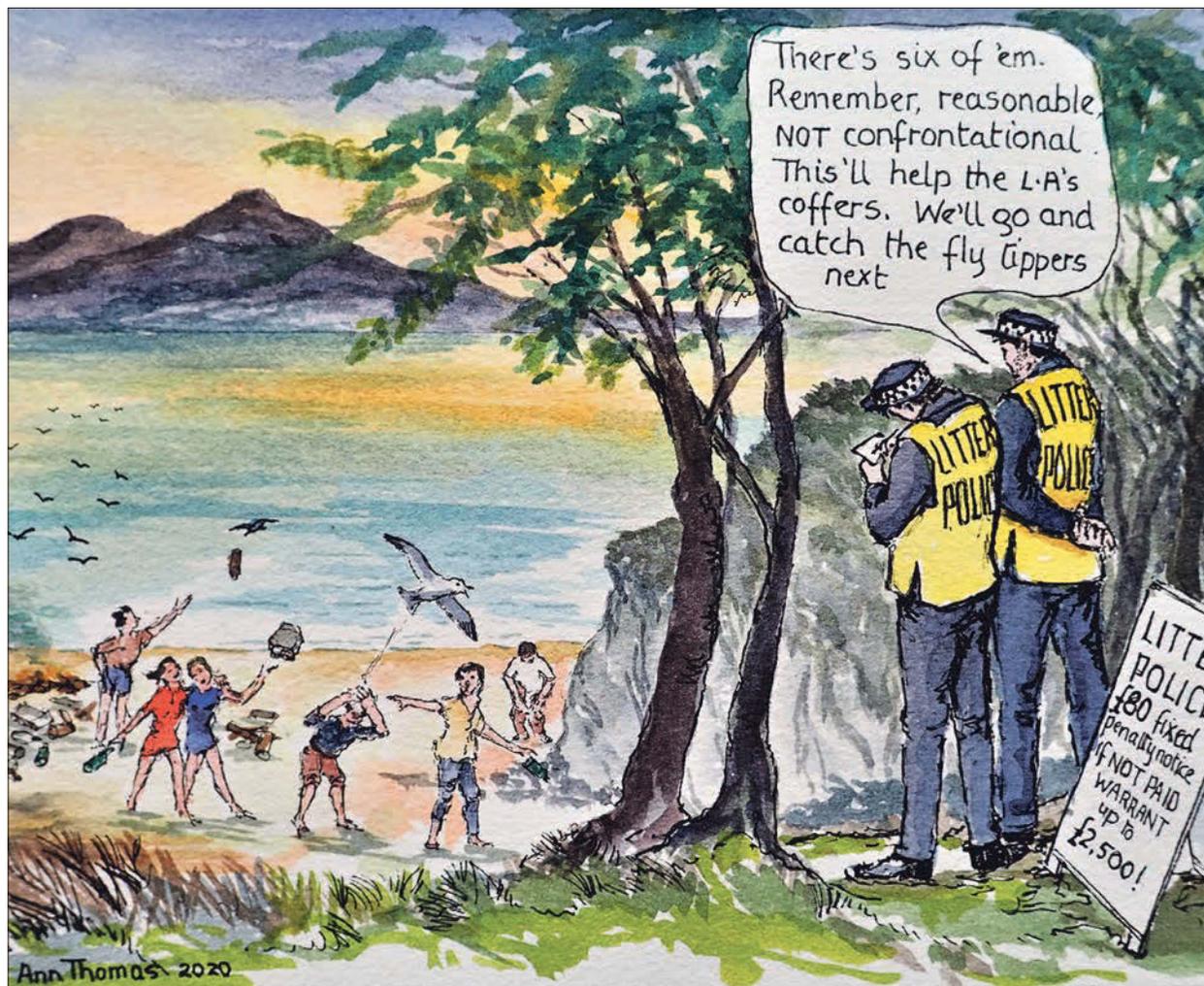
Remember to include their full name, age, where they are from and a bit about what you did to make the day at home special.

Send your photographs to editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk



Kyra Robertson celebrates her 13th birthday today, Friday June 26, and will be spending it at home in Cairnbaan with her family. She is pictured with her brother Arran, who celebrated his 16th birthday under lockdown in April.

Where there's muck...



The blights of littering and fly-tipping have reared their ugly heads again as lockdown has been eased and people are once again venturing out into the countryside. Ann Thomas this week turns her artistic attention to the problem, and wonders if the local authority might ease its financial difficulties at the same time as clamping down on dumb dumpers.



The Dochas Carer Centre

Are you an adult unpaid carer?

We are here for you.

We provide a service to unpaid adult carers across Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Isles (MAKI). We have three teams:

- Support outreach worker team
- Qualified counselling team
- Volunteer befriending team

The Outreach/Support Team are maintaining regular contact with carers via telephone. Our team is providing a listening ear during this challenging time and we have been fortunate to receive additional funding to support carers and those they care for with creative solutions to help with their mental and emotional health while in isolation.

Please visit our website – www.dochasfund.org.uk and Facebook page – www.facebook.com/dochascentre which will be updated regularly with information and advice; we are planning to trial a virtual drop in service.

We are available 10-4pm Monday to Friday. Contact number for the centre 01546 600 022. Email - enquiries@dochasfund.org.uk

Contact numbers for the outreach/support team

Mid Argyll: 07464 308 418

Kintyre: 0753 503 6953

Islay/Jura: 0791 201 5393

The Volunteer Befriending Team

Our volunteer befriending service called Circle of Friends is continuing to run. Volunteers are maintaining contact with the individuals they are befriending by telephone. Our volunteer Co-ordinator, Ryan Taylor, continues to support this service. If you have an interest in this service Ryan can be contacted via the telephone number 0793 203 9801.

Dochas Counselling Team

The dedicated Counselling Team are currently offering online and telephone counselling to unpaid carers and their families, those who have been bereaved or those living with a long term or terminal condition. During the Covid-19 crisis, the Team have also set up a telephone support service for anyone feeling anxious or struggling during lockdown.

For further information or to arrange an appointment, please telephone Alison Whitefield, Lead Counsellor, on 07432 231217 or contact the service via counselling@dochasfund.org.uk or message the Dochas Facebook page. We are here to support you.



Mid Argyll Youth Development Services

Providing Information and Accessible Youth Friendly Services

Are you a young carer?

We are here for you...

MAYDS are still providing support for children, young people and families where we can. Anyone needing advice or help can contact the above at anytime.

We are providing our child and adolescent counselling services via skype, phone etc., and still open for referrals for any young person feeling isolated or in need of support. Our Young Carers are still being supported by our team across MAKI and again referrals are still being taken.

We have regular information and updates on our facebook page mid Argyll youth development services.

Online support is also available on www.cool2talk.org.

Contact 07788900049 or fiona@mayds.org.uk lynn@mayds.org.uk

New deputy lord lieutenant appointed

Campbeltown businessman Jim Martin has been appointed by Lord-Lieutenant Patrick Stewart as a Deputy Lieutenant for Argyll and Bute.

The appointment has been sanctioned by Her Majesty the Queen and took effect as of June 23.

Mr Martin will cover the south Kintyre area of the lieutenancy. Well known in the Kintyre area, from where his family business distributes agricultural supplies across Argyll and beyond, he has a long history of community service.

He is currently a director of Machrihanish Airbase Community Company and Machrihanish Development Company, which he chaired for six years, as well as the chairman of Kintyre and Argyll Events.



Jim Martin has been appointed as a Deputy Lieutenant for Argyll and Bute.

Previously he was the vice chairman of the Kintyre Initiative working group, as well as serving as a community councillor in Campbeltown for 22 years.

He replaces Iona, Duchess of Argyll who has served as a Deputy Lieutenant for 17 years and who retired on June 22.

The Lord-Lieutenant said: 'It is my great pleasure to confirm Jim's appointment as a Deputy Lieutenant for Argyll and Bute. I have known him for many years and know that he is dedicated to his community and to seeing Kintyre thrive. He is

a great asset to the lieutenancy which will enjoy working with him in the years ahead.

'I must also pay tribute to Iona, Duchess of Argyll, who has given so much of her time and effort to the community and to the lieutenancy since she was appointed in 2003. I wish her all the very best in her retirement from Lieutenancy duties.'

Mr Martin added: 'I am honoured to have been appointed as a Deputy Lieutenant. It will be a real privilege, as well as an interesting new challenge, to assist the Lord-Lieutenant in discharging his duty to Her Majesty the Queen.

'I am looking forward to working with the Lord-Lieutenant and Vice Lieutenant as well as my fellow Deputy Lieutenants across the area.'

Lochgilphead High School prizes 2019/20

Administration: Progress: Holly Robertson; Attainment: Daniel Kennedy.

Art and Design: Anya Gritten; Roddy Carroll.

Biology: Sophie Smith; Daisy Carter.

Business Management: Alice Adair; Craig Millar.

Chemistry: Hannah Young; Freya Urquhart.

English: Holly Helbert; Daisy Carter.

French: Ruth Neville; Daisy Carter.

Geography: Ruth Neville; David Gillies

Graphic Communication: Rufus Carter; Iona McCulloch.

Home Economics: Eilidh Cameron; Yasmine Bowden

History: Ewan Ferguson; Daisy Carter

Mathematics: Iris MacMillan; Freya Urquhart.

Media: Attainment: Aidan Kerr

Modern Studies: Progress: Georgia Foster

Music: Tilly Cunningham; Brodie Crawford

Physical Education: Gregor Brown; Yasmine Bowden

Physics: Anya Gritten; Freya Urquhart

Practical Woodwork: Rufus Carter; Zak Barclay

Spanish: Tilly Cunningham; Josephine Boase

Trophies: Blair Memorial Trophy for Contribution to Sport - Michael McCurry. Lewis Wilson Memorial Trophy for Progress in Piping and Drumming - Louis MacMillan. Lewis Wilson Memorial Trophy for Progress in Physical Education and Sport - Hannah Young. Peter MacCallum Memorial Trophy for Music - Emma MacKay, runner up: Alfie Smith. ASN Trophy for Achievement in Personal Development - Isaac Buckley. Lochgilphead High School Award for Employability - Alan Cameron. Employer of the Year: D A MacDonald

Senior Dux: Daisy Carter

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Top of the class

Congratulations to all the Lochgilhead pupils who received prizes at the end of an unprecedented school year.

The head teacher quite rightly recognises not only the determination of pupils, but the dedication of teachers, parents and the parent council in an extremely testing time.

The same applies right across the region. Tarbert Academy is about to hand out its prizes in a way far removed from the usual warm community event, but the awards are no less deserved.

The government may have caught everyone on the hop this week, but our school staff, pupils and parents and local authority education personnel will take it in their stride.

Absent friends

When the time comes for staff at the Advertiser to return to our office (we are working remotely during lockdown), a number of friends of the paper will sadly be missing. Bobby McColl with his shooting reports; Niall Iain MacLean and his regular correspondence; big Donald Clark with his wisdom and twinkling eye. And, of course, the lovely Jess Grant.

We must also mention the sudden loss of Findlay, our neighbour. We will miss him and we offer our sincere condolences to his loved ones and friends.

Fight systemic injustice

Sir,
In publishing the opinion piece 'All lives matter' from your contributor on page 23 of the June 12 edition of the Argyllshire Advertiser, you have demonstrated a profound lack of understanding of the current Black Lives Matter protests.

The tone-deaf piece is an attempt by your contributor to shut down engagement and perpetuate ignorance.

How anybody can make the claim that all lives matter after witnessing such horrific police brutality is beyond belief.

All lives cannot matter until Black Lives Matter.

Instead of deflecting and diluting the conversation, surely it is time to educate ourselves about what is happening, and to fight systemic injustice?

Madeleine Conn, Ardrishaig

Economic incompetence

Sir,
The SNP continues to demonstrate its economic incompetence.

New figures show the SNP government under-spent its budget by a quarter of a billion pounds in 2019-20, and failed to use £45 million of borrowing capacity. Instead of demanding further borrowing powers and more funding from the UK Government, the separatists should learn to use the resources they already have.

With such colossal mismanagement, it's no surprise that even senior SNP advisor Andrew

Wilson has stated that Scotland is set to be the worst performing economy in the developed world. Once again, the separatists' numbers simply don't add up.

Councillor Alastair Redman
Kintyre and Islands ward

Get them checked

Sir,
Exactly two years ago I was diagnosed with stage three, oestrogen positive breast cancer.

I'd just come back from a week's holiday in Spain with Isabel and Margaret. Days before I went on holiday I'd had a biopsy following referral from my GP. Although there wasn't a cloud in the sky, my holiday was definitely clouded by impending results...I had chosen to wait until after my holiday to get them.

The journey that Monday to go to Gartnavel is one I'll never forget. My partner Frank didn't shut up the whole way there, obviously he was nervous. I couldn't be bothered with the small talk and just wanted him to shut up. Obviously I was nervous and he was just trying to keep my mind off it, but I was too busy silently praying.

The number 33 is something I see all the time, so I spent the whole journey looking for the number on someone's licence plate – if I saw it everything would be ok. I didn't see it. That might sound a bit daft, but fear does crazy things to you.

Walking into the consultant's room and finding a nurse waiting there confirmed my worst fears. 'It's a wee cancer,' said Mr Wilson. The words echoing in my head, I couldn't hear

anything after that. I remember taking a deep breath and looking at Frank. I will never, ever forget the look on his face.

My only question that day was 'am I going to lose my breasts?' The answer was no, and thankfully Frank was there to take in what was being said; my head was spinning. The question I really wanted to ask was 'am I going to die?' I was too scared to ask that question.

I didn't cry until I walked out the hospital, then I bawled. Frank was amazing and he didn't talk like a budgie on the way home.

The journey home was horrendous. I was terrified about telling my mum. How do you tell your mum that her only child has cancer? I hadn't told her anything about finding a lump. I couldn't cope with worrying about her worrying about me – but if it happens again I'd do it differently and she'll be the first to know. By the time I got home I had no more tears left.

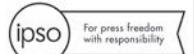
The relief telling mum was a huge weight off my shoulders. What ensued after my initial diagnosis was two weeks of crying every day. Telling the girls at work was so emotional, and in fact I was exhausted with it all.

Once surgery and treatment plans were in place I was in a better place. Time to get the head down and get on with it, and that's what I did. I was full of positivity and determination, and I think my sense of humour helped enormously.

The treatment was bad, but it was necessary. The ongoing treatment is bad but it's necessary. I'm alive and that's what matters. My life has changed forever, nothing will be the same. My life has been divided into Before Cancer and After Cancer; I now have a new 'normal'.

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YOUR PICTURES



Avril Lockhart from Cairnbaan sent us this week's photograph.

Taken at Bellanoch, the photo shows the bike that Avril, as a key worker, has been lent by Alec Ohnstad of the Ardrishaig Bothy. Avril said: 'The bike has been

brilliant for cycling to work and getting some exercise around beautiful Argyll. We've been so lucky with the weather.'

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I don't know what the future holds – who does – but I intend to live my life happily, positively and most definitely to the fullest!

I will never forget the support, both physically and emotionally that I received from my nearest and dearest, and of course from the whole community. The strength you have given me continues, and for that I am truly grateful.

Please, please if you find an abnormality or you just feel something isn't quite right, act upon it and seek attention. Stay safe and take care.

Yvie Young, Lochgilphead

Job retention scheme success

Sir
The latest figures from HMRC show 628,200 people across Scotland have been protected by the furlough scheme, with 9,200 protected in Argyll and Bute.

These figures are remarkable and highlight the support provided by the UK Government to protect thousands of jobs across Argyll and Bute.

The UK Government has provided further support to businesses and individuals in Scotland through the self-employed scheme, bounce back loans, VAT referrals and increases in welfare support such as Universal Credit, as well as an extra £3.8 billion in support through Barnett Consequential funding.

They underline the advantages we gain from being part of the union and the need for a collective UK-wide response to this unprecedented crisis.

Donald Cameron, Highlands and Islands MSP, Shadow Finance Secretary.

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Spaghetti Bolognese

*Butternut squash noodles are available in some large supermarkets. If you can't get them, peel, deseed and spiralise a large squash or 4 courgettes – or use prepared courgetti instead. You can freeze the bolognese without the noodles. You can still enjoy a big bowl of spaghetti bolognese on an SP day – just swap the spaghetti for squash noodles or courgetti!

Ingredients

500g lean beef mince (5% fat or less)	400g jar sweet peppers (such as Peppadew), drained and roughly chopped
1 large onion, finely chopped	3 x 300g packs butternut squash noodles (or see tip)
2 garlic cloves, finely chopped	Chopped fresh parsley, to serve
400g can chopped tomatoes	4 level tbsp freshly grated Parmesan, to serve

Method:
Put the beef in a deep non-stick frying pan over a medium heat and stir-fry for 3-4 minutes or until browned, breaking up any lumps with spoon. Drain off any fat and add the onion, garlic and 2 tbsp water. Cover and cook for 10 minutes or until the onion is soft, stirring occasionally. Add the chopped tomatoes and peppers to the pan, reduce the heat to low and simmer uncovered for 30 minutes. When the sauce is nearly ready, put the squash noodles and 100ml boiling water in a non-stick saucepan over a medium-high heat and cook for 5 minutes or until piping hot and tender. Drain, divide between bowls and top with the sauce. Scatter over the parsley and serve with the Parmesan to sprinkle over (1 level tbsp per serving).

1 Syn per serving 55 minutes Serves 4

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A special tribute to Jess Grant

Mid Argyll lost a much-loved personality with the passing of Jess Grant on April 5, her family by her side. The following tribute is by her sons Angus and Fergus and their families.

Jess Grant was born Jessie Marie Bell in Glasgow on January 1, 1939.

After leaving school she went to study at the prestigious Glasgow School of Art. While studying she met Alistair Grant and they married in 1961.

They began their life together living in Bowling Basin on the boat 'Lucky Dollar'. Boats, whether living on, sailing on or working on, became a central part of their life together.

After Angus was born in 1962 and Fergus in 1965 they moved to America, returning after a year to live in the Jordanhill area of Glasgow. Jess worked as a high school teacher in the east end of Glasgow, but desire for adventure saw Jess and Alistair sell up home and move to the Crinan Basin in Argyll, once more to take up residence on a

boat, this time 'Jane' in 1975. There, Jess became assistant hotel manager at the Crinan Hotel.

In 1979 the family moved ashore to Cairnbaan, while retaining 'Jane' for sailing, holidays and pleasure. In 1987 Jess returned to teaching, this time in adult education, at the Lochgilphead Resource Centre until her retirement in 2001. Her retirement coincided with the death of Alistair, after which she moved for one final time, from Cairnbaan to Lochgilphead.

Jess was always an active member of the community, being at one time the chairperson of the local community council, and always ready to support neighbours in need.

Her sons both live in Germany, and she spent many happy times with them, their wives Andrea

and Laura, and her grandchildren, Viviane, Nelli, Alan, Hamish and Kirsty.

She was instrumental in bringing a bit of Germany to Lochgilphead, hosting the regular 'German group', an informal meeting of friends for learning the German language and culture. She also travelled extensively in Europe with family and friends, but was a staunch advocate of Scotland and strong supporter of Scottish independence, converting many sceptics to this cause.

Jess's passing came all too suddenly for her family and friends, and at a particularly difficult time when social distancing meant many could not visit and comfort her at this time in her life.

Angus and Fergus are consoled that they could be with her at home where she died peacefully on Sunday April 5.



Jess Grant.

Jess's verve and drive were in evidence right until the end, fully engaged with events around her and even producing the latest poster for the Mid Argyll Arts Association in spite of the debilitations of her illness.

The family are very grateful to the Lochgilphead community health team, the

doctors, nurses and carers who assisted in making her last days comfortable and pain-free.

They are also sincerely grateful for all the love and support shown to Jess and them, particularly in her last days, with special mention to Tricia, Anne-Maria and Edith.

Her passing leaves a big void in all our lives.

A celebration of Jess's life will be held at a later date.

An extended tribute to Jess can be found on the Argyllshire Advertiser website - www.argyllshire-advertiser.co.uk



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He said, "Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes in diverse places. All these things are the beginning of sorrows." Matt. 24 v 7 - 8

He also said that there would be "distress of nations with perplexity" i.e. distress with no way out. Luke 21 v 25-26

Jesus is to "judge the world in righteousness." Acts 17v31

He is the Great King who will reign at Jerusalem over all nations. Matt. 5 v 35, Psalm 2 v 6 - 8 and Isaiah 2 v 1 - 4

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Calendar girl Aileen raises cash for Macmillan

Lockdown exercise has given keen amateur photographer Aileen Gillies the perfect opportunity to get out with her camera, and she is putting the stunning results to good use.

Fantastic

Using her collection of fantastic photographs, she has put together a charity calendar, which is selling like hotcakes. In just three weeks, Aileen's calendar sales have raised £1,000 for the Macmillan suite at Mid Argyll Hospital.

She explained her motivation: 'The

Macmillan unit looked after my mum three years ago before she died and they were also great with dad and I.

'I always said I would do something to thank them and I thought this was a good time as they must be missing out from donations from funerals. I know mum's was split between the unit and the ward at the hospital and it was £250 each.'

Aileen's calendars have been posted all over the UK as well as Canada, France, the USA, Australia and New Zealand.

Though a Lochgilphead resident,

36-year-old Aileen describes herself as 'a Ford girl through-and-through', and her photographs show scenes from all over Mid Argyll and beyond.

'I didn't expect to sell my first batch, let alone be on my third lot by now,' said the self-taught photographer.

Planning

'But my 2022 calendar is already in planning!'

Find out more on Aileen's Facebook page, emailing aileengillies@hotmail.co.uk or calling 07825 291614.



Aileen with her charity calendar.



Welcome to the Bellanoch viaduct – a photographic mission for an 80th birthday, since turned into a jigsaw.



An example of Aileen's art – sunset over Crinan.



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Innovation helping turn

Thousands of companies have been taking advantage of an unprecedented package of UK Government support to protect jobs and support businesses during the coronavirus outbreak. As more and more companies continue to get back to work, we look at how the financial support is helping firms across the nation to adapt, innovate and protect jobs. Here is an example of how one company has been helped, and what support is available.

WHEN THE Covid-19 pandemic arrived the chief executive officer of East Lothian firm Sunamp, knew the company could respond.

Andrew Bissell (right) said: "A week into lockdown I woke up in the middle of the night and just thought 'we have to do something that makes the business relevant in this crisis.'"

Mr Bissell turned to Sunamp's innovative technology, developed in partnership with the University of Edinburgh.

The company has led the way in the manufacture of heat batteries that store heat energy rather than electricity like conventional batteries.

The applications of the technology span several industries, but the company's focus has so far been on offering a product that replaces the hot water tank in heating systems with something smaller and more efficient.

Recognising the potential of the technology in the context of Covid-19, Sunamp was one of more than 8,600 companies to apply for grant funding from Innovate UK, the UK Government's innovation agency.

In April, Innovate UK launched the Fast Start initiative, with £40m of



time, but as we head into winter, if you have to wash your hands outside a railway station or supermarket or vaccination centre, it will be much more pleasant to have warm water."

The idea has gained traction with Sunamp's clients, with inquiries coming in rapidly even though the finished product is still in development.

Mr Bissell said: "Covid-19 is a global problem so there's widespread interest."

"Sunamp has partnerships and licensing arrangements with businesses all around the world through which it sells its heat batteries, so the ambition for the mobile units is international."

For Mr Bissell, the appeal of the project is that in addition to its obvious commercial potential, there's a real societal benefit.

"There is no minimising the negatives of Covid-19," he said.

"But there are many people stepping and doing amazing things."

Working with everything from gas boilers to solar and heat pumps, Sunamp says its Heat Batteries deliver hot water with efficiency and proven savings of up to 75 per cent on utility bills in residential, commercial or industrial settings.

funding available to companies responding to the pandemic with some form of innovation.

In the end, Sunamp was one of 800 companies to secure a grant.

The £50,000 award is being used to develop mobile handwash units that can be installed in locations where people lack access to hygiene facilities that can help prevent the spread of Covid-19.

Mr Bissell said: "You don't need hot water to wash your hands, but it is much more comfortable."

"Right now, we're dealing with the virus in the summer



FINDING A SOLUTION: Staff working at the Sunamp site in East Lothian (and right).

tide on uncertain times

SOURCE: HER MAJESTY'S TREASURY

628,200

jobs in Scotland have been furloughed through the Coronavirus Jobs Retention Scheme up to May 31.

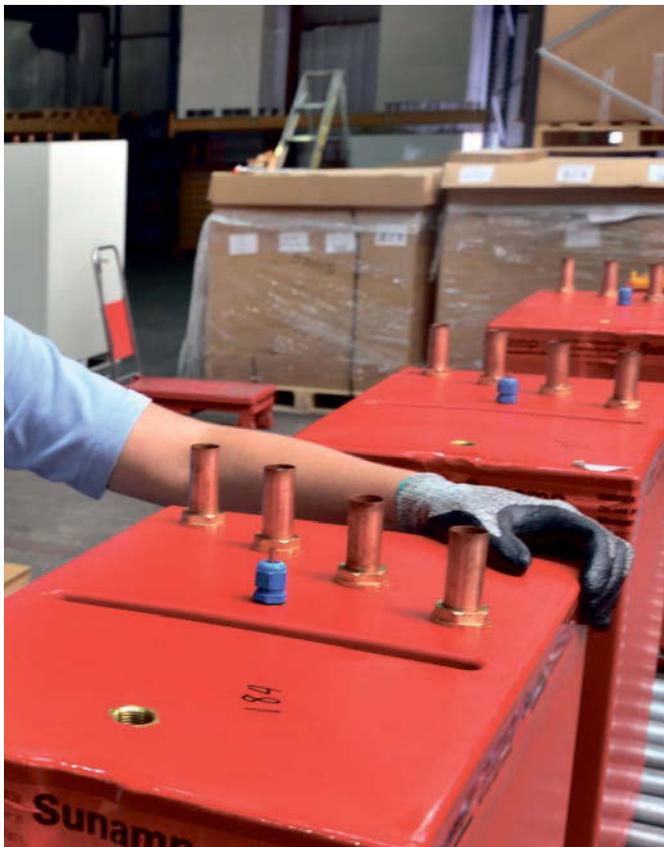
146,000

claims amounting to £425 million through the Self-Employment Income Support Scheme up to May 31.

70% (UK wide)

of those eligible for SEISS made a claim. The average value of a claim is around £2,900.

Details of the support available to businesses across the UK can be found at gov.uk/coronavirus/business-support



Support on offer to aid your business

Here are some examples of the support available for businesses and workers.

■ The Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme has enabled businesses to put employees on a period of temporary leave (furlough) and apply for a UK Government grant to cover 80 per cent of those workers' usual monthly wage costs, up to £2,500 a month.

■ The Self-Employment Income Support Scheme will allow eligible self-employed individuals to claim a taxable grant of 80 per cent of their average monthly profits, up to £7,500.

■ UK VAT-registered firms have been given the option to defer VAT payments until the end of June. There will be no interest or penalties on any amount deferred.

■ The UK Government's Bounce Back Loans Scheme provides loans

of up to £50,000 to small businesses, with a 100 per cent government-backed guarantee for lenders.

■ Commercial tenants who cannot pay their rent because of coronavirus will be protected from eviction.

■ The Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme is available for loans or finance of up to £5m. The UK Government will provide the lender with an 80 per cent guarantee to support the lending.

■ The Coronavirus Statutory Sick Pay Rebate Scheme will repay employers the current rate of Statutory Sick Pay they pay current or former employees for sickness starting on or after March 13, 2020.

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New range of educational NFU posters

NFU Scotland's Next Generation has developed a range of colourful, educational posters free for all farmers and crofters to download and fill out.

The range of 13 posters inform the public about farming, food, the environment and encourage responsible access.

The eye-catching information sheets let the public know about farming activities taking place in the countryside, linking them to food production and the environment and encouraging responsible access.

Entitled 'What's Happening in This Field', the posters are appropriate for fields supporting the following: crops (general), barley, oats, wheat, grassland, beef, sheep, poultry, pigs, dairy, biodiversity and nesting birds.

They ask the public to 'Please enjoy #responsible access' and thank people for keeping their dogs on a lead.

The timing of the posters being released is ideal. With the second phase in lifting lockdown restrictions commencing, and larger groups



Next Generation Chairman
Peter Moss.

permitted to meet outdoors, a new wave of people taking access in the countryside is expected.

NFU Scotland's Next Generation Chairman, Peter Moss from Orkney said: 'With a notable increase in those choosing to access rural areas,

it is clear that we all have a role to play in helping to inform the public about the farming activities we are undertaking.

'The Next Generation group has produced a range of colourful and informative posters to help farmers and crofters engage with the public and tell their own personalised story to those taking access.

'By telling our own farming story, where we manage the environment whilst producing food, we can help ensure that those accessing these areas do so responsibly and safely.

'Now is the time to take advantage of the increase in those accessing the countryside and to thank them for their continued support for Scottish produce.

'Let's take the opportunity to tell the public where their food and drink comes from, how we protect and encourage biodiversity and wildlife, and what they can do to responsibly visit these areas.'

The range of 13 different posters are available at: <https://www.nfu.org.uk/policy/educational-posters.aspx>

Around the markets

Caledonian Marts Ltd (Tuesday 16th June 2020) sold 588 Spring Lambs, Prime Hoggets, Ewes & Tups at their weekly sale.

All classes of lambs followed the National trend with 272 SQQ lambs averaging 214ppkg.

All classes of lambs created an overall average of 208.6ppkg (-22.4p otw) for 305 sold.

Top price of the day went to J McKerrrow, Riverview House, Boness for a cracking 50kg Texel lamb at £117.

Top price per kg went to J Smith, Bankhead, Milnathort for an outstanding 40kg Beltex lamb at 253ppkg.

Leading Prices:-

Lambs per Head:

Beltex £116 Bankhead; Continental £115 Drumardoch; Beltex X £114 Auchtenny; Texel £112 (Twice) Easter Cash; Texel X £110 Bankhead Farmers; Suffolk X £108 & £107 Meikle Seggie; Cross £108 Broom

Lambs per kilo:

Texel 246p (3 Times) Easter Coates; Continental 245p Drumardoch; Suffolk X 243p and 240p Meikle Seggie; Texel X 242p Bankhead Farming; Beltex 242p Bankhead; Continental 238p Ayton; Beltex X 238p Auchtenny; Jacobs 184p Lurg; Mules 178p Midtown.

Also forward were 78 Prime Hoggets selling to a top of £87 from J & D McNicol, Whitecross, Dunblane for a pen of 54kg Texel Hoggets and to 170p/kg from W & M Brown, Mount Lothian, Penicuik for a pen of 44kg Blackface

Hoggets.

Leading Prices:

Suffolk £86 Balchrystie; Texel £86 Balchrystie; Cross £80 Mountlothian; Continental £80 Balcachie; Texel X £80 Bankhead Farming.

Hoggets per kilo:

Beltex X 167p & 165p Whitecross; Texel 164p and 160p Whitecross; Texel X 154p Balchrystie; X 151p West Saline; Blackface 149p Lurg.

Also forward were 238 Cast Ewes & Rams.

All classes of ewes were dearer on the week. Many more could have been sold to sellers advantage. The highlight of the day was a Tremendous run of Texel Ewes from M Jack, Carriston, Star of Markinch who sold 20 ewes to average £147.25.

Heavy Ewes averaged £119.54 selling to £161 for 3 Thumping Texels from M Jack, Carriston.

Export Ewes averaged £65.37 selling to £82 for Cheviots from I & G Farmer, Balbedie, Kinglassie.

Other Leading Prices: Texel - £158, £150 & £140 Carriston; £134 Bankhead Farms

Beltex - £119 Ayton
Continental - £112 Bankhead Farms; £109

Whitecross; £108 Shankhead & Whitecross; £107 Ayton; £106 Balbedie.

Suffolk X - £99 Ayton; £95 Easter Cash; £90 Bankhead Farms.

Cheviot - £75 Arnprior

Mule - £72 Heights & Drumardoch; £71 Heights & Balchrystie; £70 Arnprior; £68 Balchrystie & Drumardoch Blackface - £63 West Lundie; £60 & £59 Drummond Estate; £58 Auchtenny & Ancaster.

Dingwall and Highland Marts Ltd (June, 16th) sold 14 prime cattle. Prime bullocks (7) averaged 216.3p and sold to 227.0p per kg and £1,309.80 gross. Prime heifers (7) averaged 216.5p and sold to 226.0p per kg and £1,471.50 gross.

Prime bullocks (7) averaged 216.3p and sold to 227.0p per kg for a 510kg Limousin cross from Raffin, Tore selling to Messrs Fraser Brothers Butchers, Dingwall, and £1,309.80 gross for a 590kg Limousin Cross also from Raffin, also selling to Messrs Fraser Brothers Butchers.

Prime heifers (7) averaged 216.5p and sold to 226.0p per kg for a 560kg Limousin Cross from Bridgend Farm, Dingwall, and £1,471.50 gross for a 675kg Charolais cross from Easter Sheep Park, Balblair.

Other leading prices per kg:

Bullocks: Raffin, (LimX), 222.0p; Bridgend, (LuiX), 215.0p; Bridgend, (HerfX), 213.0p.

Heifers: Easter Sheep Park, (LimX), 222.0p; Easter Sheep Park, (CharX), 218.0p; Easter Sheep Park, (BBX), 214.0p.

Other leading prices per head:

Bullocks: Bridgend, (LimX), £1,248.00; Bridgend, (BShoX), £1,239.00; Bridgend, (LuiX), £1,236.25; Raffin, (LimX), £1,226.55.

Heifers: Bridgend, (LimX), £1,441.00; Easter Sheep Park, (BBX), £1,412.40.

New season lambs (37) averaged 208.4p and sold to 238.7p per kg and £111 gross.

Old season lambs (51) averaged 127.3p and sold to 155.8p per kg and £70 gross.

SQQ 36.5kg to 45.5kg (53) averaged 172.3p (-64.2p) per kg.

Feeding sheep (143) sold to £130 gross.

New season lambs (37) averaged 208.4p and sold to 238.7p per kg and £111 gross for a pair of 46.5kg Texel crosses from Meikle Ussie, Dingwall, selling to Messrs Fraser Brother Butchers.

Old season lambs (51) averaged 127.3p and sold to 155.8p per kg for a pen of 43kg Cheviots from 5C Balnabeen, Conon Bridge, and £70 gross for a pen of 45.5kg Texel crosses from Ardnamurchan Estate, Kilchoan.

SQQ 36.5kg to 45.5kg (53) averaged 172.3p (-64.2p) per kg.

Feeding sheep (143) sold to £130 gross for a Texel ewe from New House, Muir of Ord.

Other leading prices per head and per kg:

New season lambs: SuffX - New House, & Lochdhu, Nairn, £100, New House, 232.6p; DorsX - Brae Edge, Orlig, £100, 212.8p; TexX - Wester Raddery, Fortrose, £95, Meikle Ussie, 214.3p; RylX - Brae Edge, £95, 208.8p; ZwB - Wester Raddery, £94, 208.9p; BFL - Wester Raddery, £91, 206.8p.

Feeding sheep: TexX ewe - Lochdhu, £98; SuffX ewe - New House, £94 & £90; LynX ewe - South Clunes, Kirkhill, £81; TexX wdr - Dell Farm, Inverness, £80; CharX ewe - Greenlands Farm, Arabella, £80; BeltX ewe - Greenlands Farm, £79; BF - Milton Farm, Aberarder, £73; Mule - Milton of Culloden, Inverness, £71 (twice); Chev ewe - 17-19 Achvraill, Rogart, £70.



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Featuring the businesses in Mid Argyll and Kintyre that are open and able to offer vital products and services to our community during the current Covid-19 pandemic. Many of these businesses are working under extreme pressure to bring quality products and services to the people of Mid Argyll, Kintyre and beyond. Please remember to exercise caution when shopping and only shop for essential supplies. Along with our wonderful NHS staff and carers, our local food, fuel, news platforms and home supply businesses are our community champions!

The Argyll Café

Lochgilphead
Open Wed, Thurs, Fri Sat, 5pm-9m
Your usual favourites, although menu slightly reduced
Collection only, strict social distancing measures
Order by phone or on the Facebook page
Tel: 01546 606225

DJ Campbell & Son

Dairy Produce
Daily deliveries
Tel: 01546 605273
Call Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm for orders

Marmalade Deli

Lochgilphead
Good levels of stock
Bulk orders available – full list on www.marmaladedeli.com
Order via email marmaladedeli@fastmail.com or by phone 01546 606292

Murray Smoked Products

For all your essential fish and seafood supplies
Open Tues-Fri 8.30am-3pm, Sat 8.30am-1pm
Deliveries available within approx. 15 miles with West Coast Motors
Tel: 01546 600262 – or message us on Facebook

CW Shellfish

Order on a Thursday for Friday delivery
Through FB page only please
Fresh prawns from £10 per kilo, Crabs £4 each

Ferguson Butchers

Lochgilphead
Taking orders by phone for collection
Fresh fruit and veg also
Tel: 01546 602400/403

Keara's Snack Shack

Lochgilphead
Taking orders by phone on 07765 550793 or 07717 095691
Medium Fruit & Veg Pack £9.50
Large Fruit & Veg Pack £18
No cash payments – Paypal or bank transfer only
Free local delivery every Friday

TAKE-AWAY FOOD

Grey Gull

Ardrishaig
Take-away available 12pm-8.30pm
Visit FB page for full menu
Collection only
Tel: 01546 606017
Accommodation available for essential/key workers

Salty Dog Café

Home-cooked meals
5 for £20
See FB page for full menu choices
Order by 8pm on a Sunday for Monday delivery (local)
Collections can be arranged
Tel: 07497 003850

CAFE 35

Open for takeaways only
Soups, home-cooking and home-baking
9am until 3pm
Please follow instructions as directed once entering the shop
Card Payments are preferred
You can pre-order if preferred via FB or call the shop on 01546600143.

CHEMISTS/PHARMACIES & HEALTHCARE

Tarbert Pharmacy

Open 9am-5pm (closed 1-2 for lunch)
Social distancing and safety measures in place including hand sanitizing on entry and sneeze guards. 1 in, 1 out policy.
Tel: 01880 820232

Inveraray Pharmacy

Open 9am-4pm, Mon-Fri & 9am-1pm Sat (for general supplies)
Dispensing for acute prescriptions available 9am-1pm, Mon, Wed, Fri (collection only thereafter)
Social distancing and safety measures in place including hand sanitizing on entry and sneeze guards. 1 in, 1 out policy.
Tel: 01499 302133

Argyll Pharmacy

Lochgilphead
Open Mon – Fri 9am-5.30pm, Sat 9am-5pm
Please only order what you need, check prescriptions are ready for collection BEFORE coming to the Pharmacy, please phone where you can for pharmacy advice
This goes against everything we believe in as 'good customer service' however we will be here to support you in the best way we can under these exceptional circumstances.
Please stay safe!
Tel: 01546 603217

VETERINARY CARE

Dalriada Vets

Open 8.30am-6pm Mon-Fri
By appointment only
Social distancing & safety measures in place
Tel: 01546 602240 or email dalriadavets@btconnect.com

EXTRA HELP FROM COMMUNITY HEROES

Inveraray Community Council

Are you in self-isolation?
If you are following government guidelines and self-isolating due to a new cough or fever, we have set up a volunteer group for anyone in Inveraray needing essential groceries or prescriptions from local shops or chemist to be picked up and delivered to your doorstep.
Call Linda on 07388165366 or Aly on 07717885404. Open to Inveraray residents only. Payment on delivery please. If you would like to volunteer to deliver goods please let us know.

West Coast Motors Deliveries

West Coast Motors are offering FREE travel to NHS workers and are also offering a FREE service for pick up and delivery from Lochgilphead and Inveraray.

When placing your order with the store, pay over the phone by card. Let them know that your order will be collected by West Coast Motors. Email or phone Robert Mackay on r.mackay@westcoast-motors.co.uk. Arrange a 01586 555883 (leave a message with your number if he's out) to arrange the pick up from the shop/chemist. Arrange for yourself or a volunteer to meet the bus at the bus stop in your town/village. PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL STORES WHERE POSSIBLE.

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KINTYRE

SUPERMARKETS & FOODHALLS

Tesco Metro

0345 6779130
Open 7am-10pm
Good Friday, Easter Sunday & Easter Monday
8am-8pm
Social distancing measures in place

Co-op Store

Open Mon-Sat 7am-8pm
Key worker exclusive access: Mon-Sat 8am-9am,
Sun 10am-11am
Absolutely essential deliveries only.
Tel: 01586 554504

CONVENIENCE STORES & NEWSAGENTS

County Garage

Petrol and Diesel Esso Service Station and Londis Store
Lots of supplies in-store including breakfast packs and firewood
Open Mon-Sat 7.30am-9pm
Sun 8am-9pm
Contactless up to £45
Tel: 01586 552368
Find us on Facebook!

McKellar's Stores Campbeltown

Open 7am-10pm
Plentiful stock. Social distancing measures in place.
Tel: 01586 551997

Muneroy Stores

Southend
Open 7 days a week.
Whilst the tearoom is currently closed, there is plentiful stock in the shop for all your essential grocery needs.
Delivery is available - please call 01586 830 221 to arrange

FRESH PRODUCE SUPPLIES AND DELIVERY

Muasdale Stores

Plentiful supplies of top quality local produce
Open: Mon-Fri 7am-3pm, Sat 8am-3pm (check FP page for up to date info)
Doors locked, but customers served at back gate
Tel: 01583 421101
Check FB page for up to date info

Glenbarr Stores & Post Office

Essential food supplies aplenty - fruit, veg and plants
Can deliver locally
Tel: 01583 421200

Fresh Connection, Campbeltown

Cakes, eggs, biscuits and much more including

Easter goodies

Lovely hampers from £15
Call the shop on 01586 553220 (leave message if not around)
Or message FB Page

Argyll Bakeries

DELIVERY DAYS
Monday - Town
Tuesday - Stewarton, Drumlemble, Machrihanish, SOK, Kilkennie & Town
Wednesday - Southend area & Town
Thursday - Kilkennie, Glenbarr, Muasdale, Tayinloan & Town
Also Stewarton, Drumlemble, Machrihanish & SOK.
Friday - Peninver, Torrisdale, Saddell, Carradale & Town
Fresh produce and freezer ready meals. Check out menus on FB page.
Tel: 01586 553635

Kintyre Larder

Open 10am-1pm
Deliveries Mon-Fri
Collections Mon, Wed, Fri
Please order ahead: 07725 994521
Or via FB. Payment by card/bank transfer please
DELIVERY AREAS:
CAMPBELTOWN
PENINVER
MACHRIHANISH
SOUND OF KINTYRE
KILKENZIE

Mclvor's Campbeltown

Open:
Veg Box £10
Fruit & Veg Box £15
Fruit, Veg & Salad Box £20
Add on rolls, eggs, milk, cheese etc
Can deliver.
Tel: 01586 552386 to order.

MacMillan Foods

(The Fish Shop/Kintyre Smokehouse)
Open: Tues 9am-5pm, Wed 9am-1pm, Thurs/Fri 9am-5pm, Sat 9am-1pm
Free local deliveries
Fish pies, fish, fresh eggs and more
Delivery Thurs and Fri from Campbeltown to Carradale
Also delivering for Mclvor's Tel: 01586 552170

DJ Campbell & Son

Dairy Produce
Daily deliveries
Tel: 01546 605273
Call Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm for orders

The Wee Isle Dairy

Direct deliveries for milk and sweet sauces
Sauces also via Royal Mail
Order via FB page or 01583 505400

Kintyre Food Bank

Campbeltown Town Hall from 10am to 12pm on Tuesdays and Fridays.
Anybody who is self-isolating and in need can contact the food bank by telephoning 07936 034600 to arrange delivery.

Harlequin Tearoom & Gift Shop, Campbeltown

Soup, Cakes/Cheesecakes, Taster Boxes and "Wee Teas" (Mini Afternoon Teas)
Open for Takeaways: Wed - Sat from 10:30am - 2pm
Free Deliveries in Campbeltown: Wed - Sat from 2pm onwards
To pre-order for Collection or Delivery please call 07979911137 or message FB page

GARAGE SERVICES / RECOVERY

Campbeltown Motor Company
Servicing only - please call ahead
Tel: 01586 553200

Andrew Smith & Son

Essential repairs, please call ahead to book
Mon-Fri 8am-5pm
Tel: 01586 553173

Argyll Recovery

Open as an essential service providing support for key workers and other local residents to keep transport links and roads open for all.
Breakdown recovery, roadside assistance and haulage for loads of up to 5 tonnes.
Tel: 01586 807063 and we are also available 24/7 on our freephone number 0800 433 2468.

DIY AND HOME SUPPLY SERVICES

Archie Houston Electrical Services

Domestic, Agriculture, Industry and Refrigeration
Emergency call out
Tel: 01586 552963 / 07979 383140

Auchencorvie Sawmill

All types of timber fencing, general building timbers, seats & benches
Tel: 01586 551 253 / 07718 741544

A W Gillies

Fencing Contractor and Supplier
Agricultural, Industry, Domestic & Security
Fencing
Tel: 07887 728406

Carradale Garden Services

Domestic & Commercial
Tel: 01583 431362 / 07432 158404

CS Civils

Driveways, Service installation, Digger, Dumper and Small plant
Tel: 07412 624278

VETS, PET SUPPLIES AND KENNELS SUPPLIES

WESTWARD VETS

Open: Monday - Friday 9am to 5pm.
Strictly by appointment only.
Social distancing rules apply.
Video consultations available on request.
Tel: 01586 552136
westwardsvet@aol.com

JH HOOPER

Provides veterinary care for your pets
Usual opening hours - emergency care only
Tel: 01586 552427

NARROWFIELD KENNELS

Drop off & collection of animals will be by appointment only & social distancing & hygiene protocol will be observed.
Tel: 01586 553979
Email: narrowfield@live.co.uk

PET SHOPS AND FARMING SUPPLIES

JIM MARTIN AGRICULTURAL SUPPLIES

Phone and collect
Mon-Fri, 9am-3.30pm, Sat 9am-1pm
01586 550066
sales@jms-scotland.com

CHEMIST/HEALTHCARE

Boots the Chemist

Open: Mon-Sat 10am-12pm, 2pm-5pm
Tel: 01586 553208

Kintyre Medical Group

Southend Surgery
Order repeat prescriptions on 01586 830494
Collections only on Mon 1pm-2pm, Tues 5pm-6pm, Thurs 3pm-4pm, Fri 12pm-1pm



D McNair & Son Ltd

Fuel Merchants
Tel: 01586 552020

Graeme Waste Solutions

Tel: 07788 233119

Highland Fuels Ltd

Fuel Distributor
Open Mon-Fri 8am-5pm
Tel: 07551 020 307

Clachan Filling Station

Fuel and essential groceries and newspapers.
Mon-Sat 8-4
Sunday 9-4
Home delivery service available on weekdays from Whitehouse to Tayinloan and in between!
Please phone 01880 740609 between 8 and 9 am for delivery.

TRANSPORT & DELIVERY

The following businesses are helping with transporting food around Kintyre. Big thanks to them:

AM Transport
MACC Business Park
A Thomson Painters & Decorators
West Coast Motors

Look up FB pages for more information on local services:
Look online at www.campbeltowncourier.co.uk, Kintyre Forum and Explore Campbeltown on Facebook.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

RECRUITMENT

Argyll and Bute Council

CIVIC GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1982 TAXI FARE REVIEW

Notice is hereby given that Argyll and Bute Council, having consulted with taxi operators licensed by the authority, propose to make no amendments to the maximum fares and charges for taxis operating within the jurisdiction of Argyll and Bute Council as detailed below. It is proposed that these will be effective from 22nd October 2020. Due to Coronavirus, our offices are NOT staffed at present, any person wishing to lodge representations in respect of these proposals should do so by email to licensing@argyll-bute.gov.uk no later than 3rd August 2020. If you do not have access to e-mail then you can still submit your representations in writing to the Head of Legal and Regulatory Support, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, Argyll PA31 8RT no later than 3rd August 2020.

Tariff 1	Hirings from ranks or "flag" Hiring between 7am and 10pm	£3.00 20 pence
	Initial charge (860 yards or part thereof) Subsequent charge (each 176 yards or part thereof)	
Tariff 2	Hirings from ranks or "flag" Hiring between 10pm and 7am	£3.60 20 pence
	Initial charge (860 yards or part thereof) Subsequent charge (each 150 yards or part thereof)	
	Tariff 2 also applies to hirings from ranks or "flag" between 6pm and 10pm December 24th, 6pm and 10pm December 31st and between 7am 2nd January and 7am 3rd January	
Tariff 3	Hiring from ranks or "flag" between 10pm 24th December and 7am 27th December and 10pm 31st December and 7am 2nd January	£4.20 20 pence
	Initial Charge (860 yards or part thereof) Subsequent Charge (each 120 yards or part thereof)	

Soiling Charge – £100 maximum (with permission to display warning signs indicating that there may be an additional charge for any potential loss of earnings suffered as a consequence)

Waiting Time – 35 pence per minute commencement of journey, charged on a pro rate basis per second

Taxi called by means of telephone – 30 pence additional charge

Large Mini-bus type vehicles (carrying 5 or more passengers together at their own request) –

- a) Where Tariff 1 would apply – charge Tariff 2
- b) Where Tariff 2 would apply – charge Tariff 3
- c) Where Tariff 3 would apply – Surcharge £1.00

Fee by negotiation – for all journeys commencing within but finishing outwith Argyll & Bute, in a place of the above charges, such fares may be charged as prior to the acceptance of the hire, were proposed to the hirer and accepted by him/her

Ferry Fares – The hirer shall be liable for the cost of a return ferry fare for any journey involving a ferry

David Logan, Head of Legal & Regulatory Support, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, PA31 8RT

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Argyll and Bute Council

PLANNING

The applications listed below together with the plans and other documents submitted with them may be viewed electronically through Argyll and Bute Council website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk. Having regard to Schedule 6, Part 3, s10 of the Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020, documents are only available to inspect electronically at this time. Customers requiring assistance can contact us by e-mail: planning.hq@argyll-bute.gov.uk or tel. 01546 605518.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (AS AMENDED), RELATED PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

Ref. No.	Proposal	Site Address
20/00809/PP	Partial change of use of garden ground to business class and erection of commercial shed for the storage and maintenance of equipment	Dun-Aluin Tangy Kilkenzie Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6QD
20/00902/PP	Erection of 25m high steel lattice mast and the installation of 5no.antennae, 2no.microwave dishes, a pole mounted satellite dish, associated equipment cabinets and ancillary works including new access track	Land Approx 45M North Of Air Wave Tower Southend Argyll And Bute
20/01000/PP	Revised restoration contours across landfill cells 3, 4 and 5 up to a maximum height of 2 metres above currently approved levels	Lingerton Landfill Site Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8RR
20/00910/MIN	Temporary mineral working in association with windfarm development	Blary Hill Windfarm Land North Of Loch Arnicle Glenbarr Argyll And Bute

Written comments can be submitted online <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/find-and-comment-planning-applications> or to Argyll and Bute Council, Development Management, Kilmory Castle, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8RT within 21 days of this advert. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence. Any letter of representation the Council receives is considered a public document and will be published on our website. Anonymous or marked confidential correspondence will not be considered. A weekly list of all applications can be viewed on the Councils website. Customers are requested to use electronic communication where possible during the coronavirus pandemic as our ability to process postal mail is restricted.

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Recovery Worker Argyll & Bute Recovery Service

Permanent Contract | 22.5 hours | £22,341 per annum, pro rata for part time hours
Closing date for application: **5 July 2020**

To apply: www.wearewithyou.org.uk/jobvacancies

We Are With You is a national charity providing evidence-based support for substance misuse and mental health services. Our service in Argyll & Bute provides a recovery service for people concerned about their own or someone else's drug or alcohol use and we are currently looking to recruit a Recovery Worker to provide outreach and support services in the Kintyre/Campbeltown area.

Ideally the successful candidate will have experience of working with substance misuse service users in a health, social care or criminal justice setting.

Mandatory requirements include: an SVQ Level 3 in Adult Social Care, SSSC registration, driving license and access to a car.

We are an equal opportunities employer, committed to promoting equality and diversity in all areas of our work.

Applications must be made via our web site www.wearewithyou.org.uk/jobvacancies; CVs are not accepted.



For further information about the post please contact
Hazel Smith, Business Support Manager
hazel.smith@wearewithyou.org.uk | 0141 221 8390

WE ARE WITH YOU LIMITED is registered charity in England (1001957) and Scotland (SCO40009).

North Argyll House

Bealach an Rìgh, Oban, Argyll PA34 5TG
Currently recruiting for:

Senior Carer - £10.88 per hour

Qualification; Nursing or SVQ level 3 in health and social care essential.

Care Assistant from £9.18

Experience not essential as training will be given.

Full and part-time permanent positions.
Good pay and conditions.
Paid breaks and pension scheme.

For an application form contact manager
Morag A Telfer. 01631 562168
Email info@northargyllhouse.org



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Neil and Anne Watson, would like to thank family and friends for the beautiful cards and gifts received on the occasion of their diamond wedding.

Your kindness is very much appreciated.



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TOYOTA HILUX INVINCIBLE (X)

Automatic, 2015, 86,500 miles, new MoT, full service history, rear camera and sensors. Never used off road, in very good condition. Can be delivered at your cost to the ferry terminal. Any trial welcome.



£14,500 no VAT

Tel: 07786 864877

WANTED

All types of good quality 4 x 4 vehicles, Landrovers, Toyota, Mitsubishi, Kia, Ford etc and all 4 x 4 pickups. Older 4 x 4's and non runners/MOT failures, High Mileage. etc considered. Best prices paid. Will collect.

T: 07546 788945

WANTED

All types of 4x4's, motor homes and caravanettes. Cash waiting. Any age or condition. We also buy water damaged or in need of repair. Also all types of touring caravans from 95 onwards.

M: 07885 203020

Email:

gbplantsales@hotmail.co.uk

WANTED

All touring caravans and motor homes, campers etc, high mileage, MOT failures or damp, all considered, any make or model, will travel.

Tel: 07546 788945



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We buy for retail, breaking and export so no matter the age or condition we can make a cash offer. Young or old, all makes and models, engine problems, farm used, accident damaged, mot failures etc.

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01292 880440

Great Wall
S & S Services
Old Bridge Road,
Heathfield, Ayr
01292 880080
01292 880440

SUBARU
S & S Services
Old Bridge Road,
Heathfield, Ayr
01292 880080/880440

Thought for the Week with Marilyn Shedden

There wasn't a ripple on the sea and it was just like glass.

We were approaching the beach at A'Chleit with our collies when a car zoomed into the car park and, with great excitement, the driver leapt out calling us to see the dolphins.

As we came to the top of the rocks, there was more excitement as another man was racing from the beach to get his binoculars. 'They are too big for dolphins,' he said. 'I think they are small minke.'

What an amazing sight it was, and they were indeed small minke heading north.

As is the custom we wanted to share this good news and phoned a friend. Within minutes he too was at the beach with his binoculars and enthralled by this event.

Meanwhile, the man who had alerted us to this was out on his paddle board with his Labrador sitting on the board with him.

Soon the minke were gathered round man and dog, as dolphins and small cetaceans are some of the nosiest creatures on the planet.

We watched as the minke circled and then as they had to be moving on, they headed up the peninsula to enchant someone else.

There is something very special about dolphins and whales, something that sparks a connection in our souls.

I defy anyone to look at a dolphin and not smile or gasp in wonder.

They have a greater capacity for intelligence than the human animal, and a greater desire for peace.

Dolphins are used to treat depression, to help autistic children and to help people through trauma.

They are some of the most amazing creatures on this planet, and there they were just yards away from me.

What a wonderful time of blessing.

Sponsored by your local Citizens Advice team - They need you!

Volunteers now required in Mid Argyll. Call **01546 60 5550** or email info@abcab.org.uk to find out more.



Ladies champion Margaret MacKinnon.

Five-in-a-row for Margaret

These might be strange times, but the ladies at Lochgilhead Golf Club forged ahead with their championship last weekend.

Leading on day one with 83 strokes was Fiona McLeod, but the winner of the previous four championships, Margaret MacKinnon, was hot on her heels with 84. Day two had a bit of inclement weather but Margaret was not put off her game and returned a score of 86 strokes to give a total of 170 while Fiona returned a score of 98 giving a total of 181. Congratulations to Margaret, crowned Lochgilhead ladies champion for five years in a row.

The stableford competition was won by Ele Hunter, who had a superb 40 points on day one before losing her way a little at the end of day two – but still managed to return with 35, giving an overall 75 points. The ladies also welcomed 12-year-old Eilidh Flanagan to play with them and she was happy with her 59 points.

Due to current restrictions the usual celebrations and chat in the clubhouse could not happen.

The gents played for the John Paterson Trophy on Saturday and, new to competing at Lochgilhead, Sandy Crawford won with 62, beating Kenny Cameron by three strokes. Sunday saw the men play for The Kilcolm Cup, won by Raymond Flanagan with 39 points beating captain James Scott by one point.

Midweek joy for golfer David

David Ronald took the honours in the first midweek stableford at Tarbert Golf Club, with a fantastic score of 44 points.

He was on target to break 70 for the first time but finished with a double bogey for a 71, still a great score. In second place was Sheena Ferguson with 40 points. Peter McLean jnr was third on 38 points by virtue of the better inward half.

Glorious weather on Saturday saw another large turnout of members for Dodies Cup and the first round of the President's Cup.

Peter Bates, playing in his first competition, shot a fantastic 77-20 for a nett 57 to win Dodies Cup. Country boys Calum McLean and Duncan Johnstone were second and third respectively with nett 64.

In the President's Cup, a 36-hole qualifier, Bruce MacNab took the lead on 70 followed by Duncan Johnstone on 73 and Peter McLean snr on 75.

This Saturday the second round of the President's Cup takes place along with the first round of the John Reid Quaich.



Tarbert Golf Club.



Kieran Moore – 'bright future lies ahead'.

Moore signs for Stirling Albion

With plenty of offers on the table, Kieran Moore last weekend put pen to paper to sign for Scottish League Two club Stirling Albion.

Former Lochgilhead Red Star favourite Kieran makes the move after two years with Queen's Park in Glasgow.

Grabbing five goals and with three assists in 23 games, Kieran was voted the 2020 Queen's Park Young Player of the Year.

Stirling Albion manager Kevin Rutkiewicz made the 20-year-old winger one half of his first pair of signings of the summer along with former Airdrieonians striker Andy Ryan.

Rutkiewicz told the club website: 'Kieran has come from a very good environment and we have beaten two or three clubs to his signature. His attitude is first class and he is extremely dedicated to his career in football.'

'We are hoping we are getting someone who is just about to bloom and his numbers in League Two last season were very good in terms of goals, assists and minutes on the pitch. Kieran can play right or left wing and also through the middle but I see him being a wide player for us.'

Chairman Stuart Brown said he was 'delighted' to sign Kieran for the season ahead, adding: 'A number of other SPFL clubs were keen to sign Kieran but I've no doubt he has chosen wisely to continue his journey with us and I'm equally confident that an extremely bright future career lies ahead.'

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DEATHS

BROWN - Peacefully at Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow, on June 16, 2020, Neil Brown, in his 80th year, 67 Meadows Avenue, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Anne Brown, much loved father of Stephen, Alison and Pamela, father-in-law of Fiona, James and John and a loving papa of Neil, Sam, Isaac and Martha. Funeral service private in line with current government guidelines.

DOTT - Suddenly at Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow, on June 16, 2020, Isobel Galbraith McKenzie, in her 81st year, 1 Park Terrace, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Charlie Dott, loving mum of Mandy, Charles and Steven, loving granny of Craig, Charles, Becky, Andrew, Louise and Euan and great granny of Lexie and Belle. Funeral service private in line with current government guidelines.

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CAMPBELL - Charlie, Jack and family would like to thank everyone most sincerely for their kind expressions of sympathy following the death of Sandra. Special thanks to all nurses and care staff who made it possible for Sandra to be at home. Grateful thanks are also extended to Rev. William Crossan for his personal and comforting service and to Kenneth and Rhys Blair for their professional support.

MCCORKINDALE - Jane and Fiona would sincerely like to thank all relatives and friends for the kind expressions of sympathy extended to them following their recent sad loss of aunt Isabella. Thanks also to everyone who attended or joined the service by live stream to pay their last respects.

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- Catriona, John, Jessica and Callum xxx

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HARRISON - Treasured memories of a loving mum, granny and great-granny Sandra, who passed away on July 1, 2018.

Loved and remembered every day. - Andrew, Helen and family.

MACDOUGALL - In loving memory of a dear mother, Catherine, who died July 2, 2016.

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Adversity – “a difficult or unpleasant situation”

(The Oxford English Dictionary definition).

All of us have from time to time been in positions of adversity—not least these “unprecedented” times. However, all time is unprecedented. As you read this, this moment, by its very nature, is different from the one that went before it and the one that is yet to come. And thankfully they haven't all been (nor will they all be) punctuated by adversity. Even now there is much to be grateful for, even in the face of adversity!

Adversity is wide-ranging – affecting individuals and global communities differently. Covid19 has brought with it, a pervading sense of adversity which has been numbing. It is this adversity that is unprecedented, not the times.

Of course there have been other times of national and international difficulty – times of plague, war, economic failure etc., but history suggests that what we (individually and globally) are experiencing is unprecedented adversity – “a difficult or unpleasant situation.”

Compounding this sense of adversity has been the civil unrest abroad and at home. It is against a vast backdrop of expectations, hopes and cultures, that governments are looking at ways of easing our adversity – ways that will affect the lives of everyone.

Yesterday measures were announced that won't unnecessarily hinder peoples' lives but enable greater freedom and opportunity to live as humanity was intended – socially, but not distant.

Martin Luther King (in a different but not dissimilar context) said, “the ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but

where he stands in times of challenge and controversy.” He was addressing everyone; not just those in places of power or who inform decision-making. Everyone has a responsibility in times of comfort and challenge. King continued, “the true neighbour will risk his position, his prestige, and even his life for the welfare of others. In dangerous valleys and hazardous pathways, he will lift some bruised and beaten brother to a higher and more noble life.”

The words of a radical activist? Perhaps. But recall his background and we might realise that this was also someone acting on what he believed was Truth. His inspiration was the Bible.

Addressing people on a hillside Jesus said, “You are the salt of the earth . . . you are the light of the world . . . let your light shine before others . . . love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.” Elsewhere He affirmed the practise of loving our neighbour (Parable of the Good Samaritan). And, from what is probably the world's best known Psalm: “Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me” (Psalm 23). Surely, this was King's inspiration?

Right now life may seem hard but God will help us get through these tough times. Sometimes it may seem as if we're the only ones going through trials, but we're not. A Christian perspective is that God is with us in times of comfort; convenience; challenge; controversy; even adversity – for He is Immanuel, which translated means God with us

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Wealth of shinty pictures are uncovered in Furnace

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A treasure trove of old shinty photographs has been unearthed in Furnace after lying in a suitcase for decades.

The photograph collection belonged to former Furnace and Lochfyneside player, the late Niven 'Bunty' Crawford, and turned up earlier this month when his daughter

Christine Crawford was having a lockdown clearout.

Christine's nephew and Bunty Crawford's grandson Scott Robertson told the Advertiser his grandfather's story.

Bunty Crawford was born and raised in Minard.

Just before the Second World War he was taking a course at Glasgow University School of Art – and was in demand as

a shinty player. While in the city he played for the university and, in fact, played in the 1938/39 Littlejohn Vase final.

He joined the Royal Naval Reserve and on the outbreak of war was posted to the Royal Navy destroyer HMS Icarus. Aboard the Icarus, he saw action in the Norwegian campaign, including the Battle of Narvik, during 1940, and was involved in the Dunkirk evacuation.

After the war Bunty returned to finish his university qualification, and married Christina (Crissie) MacCallum from Furnace in 1946.

Losing out

Bunty and his young wife settled in Furnace where they had three children – John, Moira and Christine. Bunty turned out in goals for Lochfyneside shinty team, playing in the 1947 and 1950 Camanachd Cup finals – losing out to Newtonmore on both occasions.

Lochfyneside disbanded in the 1950s and reverted to the old Furnace club. It was at that point Bunty, a painter and decorator, stepped back from playing. He continued to follow shinty over the years, often accompanied by his friend, neighbour, fellow war veteran and Lochfyneside team-mate Jimmy Sinclair.

Bunty was a keen photographer and recorded many matches and occasions which would otherwise have been left to the memories of the



Bunty Crawford in goal for Lochfyneside in the 1947 Camanachd Cup Final, played at Mossfield, Oban. Nearest the camera is Johnny Campbell of Newtonmore, with Lochfyneside defender Donald Beaton lending a hand.

people who were there. He also captured priceless images of shinty characters now long gone but fondly remembered.

He died in 1987 at the age of 70.

Scott himself has been a stalwart of Inveraray Shinty Club for three decades and a member of the team, along with his brother David, which lifted the Camanachd Cup in 2004.

His grandfather would have been proud of the boys – but maybe less so about the

team they were playing for. 'My grandpa and Jimmy were staunch Furnace men, and there was always this Furnace/Inveraray rivalry,' Scott explained.

'He always said to me never to join Inveraray, and after he died, my gran carried it on.

'When I was 17 or 18 I ended up playing for Inveraray, but he was dyed-in-the-wool Furnace through and through. He would be turning in his grave!'

He added: 'It's great to have these photos, and I have sent

a lot of them to the Shinty Memories Facebook page, which uses memories to help folk living with issues such as dementia and isolation.

'Hopefully people will enjoy seeing them.'

More sport on page 18.



Niven 'Bunty' Crawford and Jimmy Sinclair in Glencoe on their way to play in the semi-final of the 1947 Camanachd Cup in Fort William.



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