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Kintyre's tourism firms fear for economic future



Snakes alive! Rainbows add colour

Ben, Connor and Cate McMillan are some of the many children who have added to the rainbow rock snake at the Cutting which is giving a splash of colour to lockdown. A rainbow tribute to key workers has also brightened up the outside of their dad David's DM Fabrication workshop in Campbeltown. For more on the rock snake and DM Fabrication rainbow, see page two.

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More than 75 per cent of the tourism business owners who are members of Explore Kintyre and Gigha (EKG) fear their companies could go bust if current coronavirus restrictions remain in place.

EKG carried out a survey of its more than 80 members, who either rely on tourism or gain benefit from tourism, to compile a report for the Scottish Parliament's Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee. On April 28, the committee launched an appeal for views on the impact of COVID-19 on culture and tourism sectors, asking for the concerns of people, organisations and businesses.

EKG's report, submitted to the committee this week, reveals the group's members have been 'hit hard' with 80 per cent of businesses closed at the time of completing the survey. Of the 20 per cent that remained open, eight per cent were operating

with major changes such as offering a takeaway service only, or providing accommodation for key workers.

This has resulted in 'a significant loss of income' in the local economy, with 32 per cent of businesses having lost more than £40,000 of income in the two months from March 23 to May 23 and a further 24 per cent having lost between £20,000 and £40,000. 'This is likely to equate to a loss to the local economy of more than £600,000 in two months,' the report reads.

The report also reveals members have 'real concerns over sustainability' with more than 20 per cent of business owners fearing they would not survive into August. A further 30 per cent could not see themselves making it beyond October.

'Kintyre could lose 50 per cent of its hospitality businesses by the end of October,' the report reads. 'By Christmas it could be more than 75 per cent. This would have devastating impacts on the local economy.'

'The hospitality sector really

needs some clarity in the roadmap as to when it may begin to re-open.

'The need to be able to get an increase in bookings before the winter is imperative for the survival of many in the sector.'

The report outlines actions EKG believes the government could take which would make 'a real difference' in determining what kind of tourism, cultural and hospitality industry Kintyre has in the future.

These include: further financial support in the form of grants to help ensure the sustainability of businesses in the sector; further action on the Job Retention Scheme if re-opening is to be delayed until September; action to be taken on behalf of the sector to assist with some of the current financial pressures; help for businesses preparing for the 'new normal', including guidance on social distancing, PPE and hygiene for staff and customers; further financial assistance packages for festivals and other cultural events that have lost money as the result

of having to cancel events or close; mental health support for business owners; encouraging VisitScotland to embark on a major campaign across the UK promoting visits to and holidaying in Scotland and clear timelines for re-opening with plenty of notice.

The report concludes: 'Action by the UK and Scottish governments has been welcome and ensured the initial survival of many businesses forced to cease trading. However, this is a very trying time for the sector and decisions or actions by the UK and Scottish governments over the next couple of months could be critical in determining what kind of sector we have left.'

On Wednesday, Fergus Ewing, the tourism secretary, announced further measures to support Scotland's tourist industry.

Mr Ewing revealed a provisional date of July 15 for when some tourism businesses may be able to resume limited operations, depending on scientific and health advice.



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Rainbow snake rocks up in town

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A 'snake' made up of painted stones has grown in length considerably since it first came to Campbeltown, now slithering halfway along the Cutting. The people behind the Campbeltown Rocks Facebook page were inspired to kickstart the rainbow rock snake after seeing similar projects by people in other areas.

The Campbeltown Rocks 'Fraggles', who typically paint stones with colourful and heartening designs and leave them to be discovered in and around Campbeltown, decided not to put any rocks out during the coronavirus pandemic as people would naturally touch them when they found them and hid them again.

After receiving several messages from people about creating Campbeltown's own rock snake, to which stones would



only be added, not touched or removed, the Fraggles got their paintbrushes out.

A spokesperson said: 'We started rainbow snake and thought the Cutting was the best place for it, away from cars and roads and not be in anyone's way.'

'The Fraggles placed the snake's head and a few other rocks to start it off, but unfortunately some of the rocks were taken.

'We posted on our Facebook page and lots of people started putting rocks down and it soon took off.'

'Rainbow snake started growing. This is its third week and there are now more than 400 rocks, which is just amazing.'

'It's great seeing all the pictures of children and families out on walks and dropping off rocks. The rocks themselves are fabulous works of art.'

Amara, Aria and David Mullen with the rock snake at Dalaruan Street.

'Thank you everyone who has taken part and put a rock down for the lockdown. Let's see how long we can make this snake. Thanks also to Kenny Craig who has been taking photographs so we can see the progress of rainbow snake.'

The rock snake proved so popular that another one quickly appeared at the side of the pavement on Dalaruan Street and a third sprang up in Machrihanish this week.

The Campbeltown Rocks spokesperson added: 'It's so good seeing people being creative, out walking and being part of a good thing for the community, for all age groups. This is what it's all about. Meadows Under Fives nursery even had it as one of their tasks for the day. There is such great support in this wee town.'

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Theft of saws

Between Monday May 25 and Monday June 1 within a garden at Smith Drive, Campbeltown, an 'old-looking' bow saw and a dark-handled carpenter's saw were stolen.

Boat stolen

A trailer and small RIB boat were stolen near Kinloch Green, Esplanade, Campbeltown, between 7am and 11am on Saturday June 6. The boat was subsequently found abandoned.

Vehicle damaged

The wing mirror of a red Peugeot car was damaged when it was struck by another vehicle which failed to stop

and report the collision at about 5pm on Tuesday June 2, in Lady Mary Row, Campbeltown.

Abusive behaviour

A 35-year-old man allegedly behaved in a threatening and abusive manner at 2pm on Thursday June 4 near Kildalloig, Campbeltown. Police later traced the man when he was cautioned and charged. A report was submitted to the procurator fiscal.

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

Planned road closures across West Kintyre

Drivers should anticipate overnight road closures on the A83 between Whitehouse and the top of Clachan hill next week as BEAR Scotland carries out resurfacing.

Work will start on Tuesday June 16 and it is expected to

take 11 nights. There will be overnight road closures between 8pm and 5am each day with no work planned for Friday and Saturday nights.

Amnesties take place at 9pm, 10pm, midnight, 2am and 4am during working hours.

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Ben, Cate and Connor McMillan, inset, with the rainbow outside their dad's workshop.

Fab tribute adds splash of colour

A welded rainbow tribute to key workers has added a splash of colour to Campbeltown's town centre.

McMillan siblings Ben, aged 11, Connor, aged nine, and Cate, who is nearly three, asked their dad David, who owns welding business DM

Fabrication, if he could make a rainbow for them to paint and display in their garden.

'When it was finished we thought it was a shame no-one would really see it as we live at the Moy,' said the children's mum Nancy, 'so David put it up on the workshop wall, hop-

ing all the key workers will see it as a way of thanking them for being out risking their lives while we were safe at home.

'Hopefully, it will brighten up a wee corner of the town, too, and is nice for children to see while they are out on a walk.'

Pipers and parliament remember the Highland heroes of St Valéry

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Today, Friday June 12, marks the 80th anniversary of the 51st Highland Division's surrender to overwhelming German forces at St Valéry-en-Caux, the site of a Second World War battle which involved almost 100 men from Kintyre.

Many soldiers were killed and wounded and thousands were taken as prisoners of war, something which had a huge effect for many years on towns including Campbeltown.

The occasion will be marked by pipers from around the world who will take to their doorsteps at 10am today (Friday) to play Heroes of St Valéry, a piping tune composed by a veteran of the battle.

The sacrifice of the soldiers has also been remembered by MSPs at the Scottish Parliament.

Highlands and Islands MSP Donald Cameron, proposed



a motion to the Scottish Parliament highlighting the commemoration, said St Valéry was, in some respects, the 'forgotten Dunkirk'.

He said: 'Unlike at Dunkirk a few days earlier, it proved impossible at St Valéry to evacuate the troops due to the weather and the proximity of German artillery.'

'As a result, thousands of soldiers, who had spent weeks fighting gallantly, went on to spend years as prisoners of war.'

'Winston Churchill called it a "most brutal disaster", and the loss of so many of our young fighting men was felt keenly across the Highlands and Islands, with very few communities left untouched.'

'Five years later, the reformed Highland Division re-entered St Valéry as liberators, appropriately to the sound of the pipes.'

'It's surely equally appropriate that we commemorate this anniversary with a tune composed by Donald MacLean, a



Emma Carpentier at Angus McIntyre Cook's grave in 1948 and Angus, right.

by machine-gun fire on June 5 1940, aged 22, as his company fought its way to the French coast.

Anne said: 'Angus's friend and fellow Campbeltonian, William Kelly, was with him at the time but was unharmed. Angus's body was taken to St Valéry where he was buried in a make shift grave by his comrades.'

'A young St Valéry resident, Emma Carpentier, witnessed the burial and tended his grave for years. She was instrumental in ensuring Angus was eventually given a proper military burial in a cemetery in the St Valéry area.'

'The incarceration and death of so many local men must have had a devastating impact on our small town.'

Anne's father, Donnie Cook, and her grandmother, Jeannie

Cook, visited St Valéry in June 1950 by invitation of the British Army to witness the unveiling of the St Valéry Memorial Stone. While there, they stayed with the Carpentier family. The Cook family corresponded with Emma Carpentier until Donnie passed away in the early 1990s.

Angus's younger brother Willie survived the battle of St Valéry and evaded capture. He went on to serve in Italy and North Africa.

Live broadcasts of the piping commemoration, which was arranged by Poppyscotland, Legion Scotland and the Royal Caledonian Education Trust: Scotland's Armed Forces Children's Charity, can be viewed at the following sites:

www.facebook.com/Poppyscotland; www.facebook.com/LegionScotland; www.facebook.com/RCETScot; and www.youtube.com/Poppyscotland

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Support for parents across Scotland

As schools and nurseries prepare to re-open in August, many parents and carers are facing the summer trying to keep children motivated and entertained, stay calm and manage to get through their workload as well as tackling everyday tasks.

It can be challenging and stressful for everyone in the family.

Keep in touch, keep going and be kind to yourself are just some of the messages being shared with families to promote good health and well-being during these challenging times.

The Scottish Government's Parent Club's 'Here For You' campaign is encouraging parents and carers to look after themselves as they juggle the additional pressures being placed on them as a result of the coronavirus pandemic.

Parents all have an internal frustration meter and some situations with children can push that dial higher than others but there are ways that can help calm things down.

Chelsea French, 21, a mum of one from Dundee, has been feeling the pressure of looking after a toddler and the concerns the pandemic has brought with it.

Chelsea said: 'I've definitely

Parent Club

noticed some changes in Kiera since we went into lockdown. Just like us, it's clear this situation has affected her and as a result she has been getting irritated and acting out. Usually she is so well behaved but it's hard for her not seeing her friends and family for so long, so we have been letting her have her moments of frustration.

'We've been using Parent Club to come up with new ways to keep Kiera busy and entertained but also to help remind ourselves we are doing the best we can as parents. We try to go for walks together as a family to give us all a break from the house.'

Dr Punam Krishan, 37, has been a doctor for more than 13 years and is a GP in Glasgow. She studied at the University of Glasgow where she now teaches medical students and junior doctors in her role as a senior clinical lecturer alongside her full-time job. Having only recently given birth, she is

currently juggling life at home with newborn Ellora and her six-year-old son Aarish.

Dr Krishan said: 'My children are at different stages – one needs all my attention day and night and the other is looking for my attention because his whole life as he knew it has changed. It's impacting children as much as adults and we must remember we can only do the best we can. Parents are under so much pressure and there is no right way to do it, but it's great to see support hubs like Parent Club being provided.'

Parent Club is a digital information resource, support hub and online community offering practical advice and support for parents and carers across Scotland. From mental health advice, tips for play and learning at home, keeping active and eating well to talking to your children about coronavirus, advice comes from the trusted voices of other parents and is backed by experts and the Scottish Government.

To find out more visit parentclub.scot/coronavirus and follow @ParentClubScotland on Facebook and @parentclubscot on Twitter. Parents can also find tips from other families by searching #ParentClubTips on social media.



Kind-hearted Kianna Shields behind her lemonade stall which raised more than £100.

Kianna's sweet gesture raises NHS cash

A five-year-old girl came up with a sweet way to repay the hard work of Campbeltown Hospital's staff.

Kianna Shields set up a lemonade stall outside her Campbeltown home to raise money for the doctors and nurses who are working hard to keep everyone safe during the coronavirus pandemic.

She donned a lemonade T-shirt and lemon leggings as she sat behind the stall on Sunday

and Monday afternoon selling cups of the homemade drink for £1.

Her mum Zara told the Courier Kianna said that even if she raised a couple of pounds she was going to buy a box of chocolates to give to hospital staff.

But she actually raised £104.47 which will be donated to Campbeltown Hospital's acute ward, along with some of her delicious lemonade.



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

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- 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.



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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

Grant extension approved

Council grants will be carried forward by a year to support events in Argyll and Bute which have had to be cancelled as a result of COVID-19.

A pot of almost £100,000 was made available to event organisers across the area by the council's Supporting Communities Fund.

The money was distributed as a result of decisions made by the four area committees in March 2020. Around £22,500 was made available in each administrative area with some

having a little extra due to unspent previous funds.

But many events involve mass social gatherings, which currently cannot take place under lockdown measures despite the recent easing of restrictions in Scotland.

The council is now proposing to carry grants awarded by the Supporting Communities Fund forward by a year if restrictions are not relaxed sufficiently to allow events to be staged. This would give organisers until March 2022

to hold their event. The nine members of the authority's business continuity committee were asked to approve the action when it met via Skype yesterday, Thursday June 11.

A report by council chief executive Pippa Milne said: 'Fifty-one groups were allocated funding totalling £98,199.29 from the 2020/21 Supporting Communities Fund. Area committees approved this spend at their meetings in March 2020. Awards of funding include community events,

sporting events and numerous gatherings of people that will possibly be cancelled or delayed due to the COVID-19 outbreak and government restrictions in place.

'Correspondence has been received from several groups concerned they are unable to spend the funding within the current time period up to the end March 2021 due to current circumstances and their projects requiring to take place at certain points in time in the calendar year. It is recom-

mended applicants awarded funding from the council's Supporting Communities Fund in 2020/21 are allowed to carry forward their project, activity or event as set out in their application, into the following financial year.

'The deadline for spend would move from March 31, 2021 to March 31, 2022. It is further recommended the applicant group will not be able to apply for funding in 2021/22 for a project/event/activity which duplicates that which

has been funded for 2020/21. A communication is issued to all successful applicants for 2020/21 advising them of these agreed recommendations and highlighting their funded project event or activity can be undertaken through different approaches such as online to provide as much flexibility as possible to allow it take place.'

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands area committee awarded a total of £23,422 from the fund at its March meeting.

Care home group's appeal to remain vigilant

People in Argyll and Bute are being asked to maintain vigilance and continue to follow national guidance to protect vulnerable and older people from coronavirus as lockdown rules are eased.

Caroline Cherry, Argyll and Bute Care Home Task Force Group (CHTG) chairperson, said: 'We remind people in

Argyll and Bute of the Scottish Government messages about coronavirus and we're asking them to remain cautious and vigilant about the risk of spreading infection.

'We understand this has been a very challenging time for residents, their families and friends. With lockdown rules slowly easing, it is now even

more important for everyone to follow the national guidance and take personal responsibility to protect themselves and all our vulnerable and older people from the virus.

'The whole community needs to keep thinking about their everyday actions and recognise the consequences their own activities can have for vulnerable

people, care home residents and staff. By following the rules, they will help minimise the risk of infection across our communities.'

Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) works with the CHTG to protect vulnerable and older people and improve the safety and wellbeing of care home

residents and staff during the pandemic.

To protect themselves and others, people are being asked to: stay home; stay two metres away from other people and wash hands regularly and as soon as you get home.

For more information on all of the guidance, visit www.nhsinform.scot



Caroline Cherry.

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(Open office hours Monday to Friday)
Call: 0800 111 4000
Text phone service: 0800 111 4114

To help people at increased risk access essential help if they do not have family or other support.

Health

www.nhsinform.scot/coronavirus
0800 028 2816 for general information only

NHS 24: Call 111 if symptoms worsen or if fever for 7+ days

Shielding local support:
www.gov.scot/covid-shielding-contacts

Feeling anxious or depressed?

NHS Inform:

www.nhsinform.scot/coronavirus-mental-wellbeing

NHS 24:

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Breathing Space:

www.breathingspace.scot
0800 83 85 87

SAMH:

0344 800 0550

Samaritans Scotland Helpline:

116 123 / jo@samaritans.org

Advice for pregnant women

www.nhsinform.scot/ready-steady-baby or contact your midwife if concerned.

Social welfare and financial help

Citizens Advice Scotland:

www.cas.org.uk
0800 028 1456

Struggling with energy bills?

Home Energy Scotland:
0808 808 2282

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Advice Direct Scotland:
www.coronavirusadvice.scot
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www.parentclub.scot/coronavirus

Parentline Scotland:

08000 28 22 33

The Money Talk Team:

0800 085 7145

Information for young people

www.young.scot/coronavirus

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www.agescotland.org.uk
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www.alzscot.org
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Helping our businesses

The UK Government has announced an unprecedented package of support to protect jobs and support business across the whole country during the coronavirus outbreak.

The financial support is helping firms across the nation to adapt, innovate and protect jobs.

Here is how some companies have been helped, and what is available.

A SOCIAL enterprise in Edinburgh which repairs used furniture and IT equipment and trains people with the skills to do so has launched a phased return to business after lockdown.

The Edinburgh Remakery, which suspended all services on March 24, started accepting donations of used IT equipment from June 4.

The organisation has asked for donations of laptops, tablets and mobile phones from individuals and businesses, and has put in place stringent hygiene and safety measures to allow for it.

The equipment is given free of charge to those in the community, including homeless people, who are in need of it. The organisation also aims to reduce waste by repairing items rather than them being sent to landfill.

Managing director Elaine Brown said the Remakery's services are in greater need than ever because lack of access to public facilities means people are relying more on digital services.

Library closures have meant those without a laptop no longer have access to a shared computer. Others who may previously have been able to buy or repair their own IT equipment cannot due to reduced income.

While three staff members of the Remakery have been furloughed, the remaining three have been working during the lockdown to donate a total of 47

keyboards and mice, 41 PCs, 20 laptops, 12 tablets and six iMacs.

Ms Brown said: "The furlough scheme was absolutely crucial to our business model to survive Covid. Without that, we would undoubtedly have faced immediate redundancy. It allowed us breathing space and it allowed us to retain our staff."

While the organisation is receiving extra funding as a charity, the furlough scheme has been needed to plug the gap left by a lack of shop revenue.

The scheme has been extended until the end of October, and Ms Brown said some Remakery staff will remain on furlough until then, while others may come back on a part time basis.

The scheme pays workers 80 per cent of wages up to £2,500, but the Remakery is topping up the remaining 20 per cent of wages.

Ms Brown said: "We always knew there was a need for us, we always knew there was digital isolation, but really Covid has intensified that and magnified the need.

"We're dealing with people who need the equipment for wellbeing needs, because of isolation, and also the impact of families trying to homeschool children.

"These issues were probably always there, but Covid has definitely increased the need."

The workshops and furniture repair normally run by the Remakery will remain suspended for the time being.



GOOD TO BE BACK: Edinburgh Remakery is making a phased return to operations after the Covid-19 crisis.

What help can firms access during the current climate?

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.

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

■ 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.

■ 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.

■ The Future Fund will issue loans between £125,000 to £5 million to innovative companies which are facing financing difficulties due to the coronavirus outbreak.

towards brighter futures

Restaurant boss optimistic after crucial support

A BUSINESSMAN has been able to get over lockdown and put 70 per cent of staff at his pizza business back to work thanks to support from the UK Government.

Giuseppe Fallone (below) and his wife Fiona own La Dolce Vita Pizzeria restaurant in O'Hagan Street, Newry, as well as takeaway outlets in Patrick Street in the city and in Warrenpoint and Camlough.

He is particularly pleased that he has not had to make a single one of his 130 staff redundant and is now feeling optimistic about the future.

Giuseppe is one of countless businesses that have survived thanks to UK Government support schemes, which include government backed loans and the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme, also known as furloughing.

Giuseppe, whose father came to Northern Ireland from Italy after the war and went into the fish and chip trade, said: "The restaurant closed on March 17 and the takeaways closed on March 20."

Grants from the UK Government and Stormont helped him get through the initial period when they had no turnover.

Giuseppe said: "Stormont had the £10,000 grant and then there was the £25,000 grant for higher threshold rate payers.

"But furlough has been the main one, a big

saviour for the business."

Government grants and other measures helped keep the business afloat..

Giuseppe said: "The government pause in the VAT payments and rates were also a big help. Our VAT bill was due in April so the government deferred our payments and we were able to use the money we had in our VAT account to pay the furlough wages."

Taking the pressure off their VAT and rates bills has also allowed him to pay utility bills and finance on catering equipment, vehicles and software.

He and his wife had been discussing starting cook-at-home pizza kits before the pandemic. As they were musing on how they could launch it, they had a call from O'Hare's, a local supermarket chain, asking if they could offer the product.

The finished product contains two 10-inch Dolcezza dough balls, freshly grated mozzarella, Tomato sauce and an instructional card with a YouTube link.

Giuseppe said their outlets either make deliveries only or allow the public to queue in a socially distanced manner outside to collect orders placed online.

They are not handling any cash.

He said: "You can see it, week by week, getting back."



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



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Tense time for tourism

It must be an incredibly worrying time for those in the tourism industry, not just in Kintyre but across the world.

While people's health has to be the priority, any negative effect on Kintyre's tourism industry will have a huge impact.

Given the unprecedented nature of the current situation, it must be hard for the powers-that-be to know what to do for the best and we are glad we are not the ones having to make the tough decisions.

Hopefully, any developments will benefit businesses here in Kintyre and across Scotland, as the government has a duty to do all it can to protect jobs and businesses through this crisis.

Thank you, children

It is heartening to see the bright and colourful tributes the youngsters of Kintyre have been creating during the coronavirus pandemic.

This must be a very strange and worrying time for children and their hardships may sometimes be overlooked. They are bound to be missing their friends and teachers but we rarely hear any complaints from them.

We hope they know how much their rainbows in windows, painted rocks, colourful signs and other tributes are appreciated.

Battle of St Valéry

We were sorry we missed Angus McIntyre Cook's name from the list of those who died in last week's coverage of the 80th anniversary of the battle of St Valéry-en-Caux. It was written to the best of our knowledge but if we have missed your relative, please get in touch.

Shielding inside from the danger

In response to Marilyn Shedden's challenge in Thought for the week on May 22, my choice of Bible story to encourage a worried and waiting world is the Passover story from Exodus chapter 12.

This event in Israel's history came to mind as I thought how difficult lockdown continues to be for those who are required to shield inside their own homes until the danger of coronavirus has passed. No going out for exercise or to enjoy some socially distanced company now that restrictions have eased a little, but staying inside to keep safe.

As God prepared to send the tenth and final plague to Egypt to make Pharaoh agree to let the Israelites go after 430 years of slavery and hardship, there was only one way for the Israelites to be kept safe until the danger had passed.

On the night the plague of the death of the firstborn would strike Egypt, each Israelite household was to kill a lamb and sprinkle its blood on the sides and tops of the doorframe of the house where they would eat the roasted lamb. Only those inside these houses would be safe.

That night, as God passed through the land killing the firstborn of every house that did not have the lamb's blood on the doorframe, he saw the blood and passed over those houses. Only those who were inside were safe. This momentous event was to be remembered at the same time every year through a Passover feast.

As Jesus celebrated the Passover meal with his disciples for the last time, he gave instructions for a new remembrance meal – the sacrament known as the Lord's Supper. He explained that he is the sacrificial lamb whose blood would keep those who are 'inside', trusting in him, safe. Not safe from physical death, for we know each of us must die one day, but from eternal death, so that after we pass from this life, we will go to heaven to be with him.

Shielding at home is the recommended way for the vulnerable to be protected from coronavirus. Shielding at home was the only way for the Israelites to be kept safe from the tenth

plague. Shielding in Jesus is the only way for any of us to escape eternal punishment and have a sure and certain hope of heaven.

Coronavirus is frightening but eternal punishment is infinitely more terrible. This is why we must trust in Jesus and in him alone.

**Dr Rodger Crooks,
Campbeltown Free Church.**

Thanks to Nickel and Dime staff

I would like to thank the staff members of Nickel and Dime, who came to my rescue recently, after I jammed my thumb in the car door.

They offered me a seat, a bucket as I felt sick, a bottle of water and made sure I was okay before I left the shop.

I was so grateful to them for their care as I thought I was going to pass out and without their help, I might well have collapsed.

Margaret Richardson, Carradale.

Tory MPs turn backs on voters

Politicians are often decried for saying one thing in an election and doing another thing in parliament.

Probably the worst form of this type of hypocrisy is when elected representatives turn their back on the people that voted them into office and engage in activities which, by direct implication, will undermine the future prosperity and wellbeing of those who trusted them at the ballot box.

On May 13 these were the actions of the six Conservative MPs: Andrew Bowie, West Aberdeen and Kincardineshire; David Duguid, Banff and Buchan; David Mundell, Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale; John Lamont, Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk; Douglas Ross, Moray, Scottish Office minister; and Alister Jack, Dumfries and Galloway, Scottish Secretary of State, all representing constituencies where farming and food production are vital to the local economy, when they voted with the UK Government to defeat an amendment to the UK Agriculture Bill which aimed to enshrine in law that food imports in any post-Brexit trade deal would need to match UK quality and animal welfare standards.

It was also evident these MPs do not share the same enthusiasm to stand up for their rural constituents as some of their party colleagues, with 22 Tory MPs representing constituencies in England joining the SNP, Labour, Lib Dems and all other opposition parties in voting to protect domestic food producers and farming.

In separate statements, Mr Bowie and Mr Duguid attempted to justify their actions by citing the potential risk to any UK-US trade deal as the reason for not supporting the amendment.

So rather than being motivated to protect their constituents' interests, they were more concerned with rubber-stamping the UK Government's attempts to appease Donald Trump.

**Robert Macintyre,
Newstead, Newcastle upon Tyne.**

SNP would sell out fishermen

We in the Scottish Conservatives will not sell out Scottish fishermen.

Brexit negotiations are stalling, mainly due to the EU demands for access to UK fishing grounds.

Scottish Conservatives are calling on the SNP to follow our example and support Scottish fishermen against the EU demands for access to our waters.

The Scottish Conservatives will not sell our fishermen out – the separatists on the other hand would take us back into the hated Common Fisheries Policy.

**Councillor Alastair Redman,
Kintyre and the Islands.**

Don't abandon new pets after lockdown

Blue Cross pet charity is concerned that puppies taken on during lockdown won't cope when owners return to work and many may be given up to rescue centres or abandoned in the months to come.

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**Claire Haynes, animal behaviourist,
Blue Cross.**

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PHOTOGRAPH OF THE WEEK



This photograph by Jessie Main was taken last month, at lambing time, from Largie Estate, Tayinloan, looking towards Gigha and Jura. Jessie said: 'This year was one of the driest spells of weather for lambing in a long time.' If you have a photograph you would like to share, please email it to editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk or send it to us via the Courier's Facebook page.

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2 peppers (any colours), deseeded and chopped

Method:

Cook the pasta according to the pack instructions, then drain and return to the pan, reserving 100ml of the pasta cooking water.
Meanwhile, spray a wide non-stick frying pan with low-calorie cooking spray and place over a medium-high heat. Add the salmon chunks and cook for 1-2 minutes, stirring occasionally. Transfer to a plate.
Add the peppers, garlic and green beans to the frying pan and cook for 6-8 minutes or until tender and lightly charred, stirring often. Add to the salmon cubes and mix gently.
Toss the salmon mixture through the pasta and stir in the fromage frais, lemon zest, chopped watercress and as much of the pasta water as you need to make a good sauce.
Season lightly and divide between plates or shallow bowls. Scatter over the watercress sprigs and serve with lemon wedges to squeeze over.

This fuff-free fish supper is packed with good things and tastes every bit as fantastic as it looks!

For extra indulgence, roughly chop 25g shelled pistachios and evenly scatter over the dishes (this adds 2 Syns per serving).

1 garlic clove, crushed
300g green beans, trimmed and halved
100g fat-free natural fromage frais
1 large unwaxed lemon, zested and cut into wedges
Small bag of watercress, a few sprigs reserved, the rest chopped

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TEN YEARS AGO

Friday June 11, 2010
Tarbert transformed

Alex Neil MSP summed it up in one word as he officially opened the regeneration work in the centre of Tarbert on Monday: 'Transformational!'

The Minister for Housing and Communities was clearly impressed by the work carried out as part of the £1 million Town Centre Regeneration Initiative Grant from the Scottish Government.

The old Dickies Boatyard site has been cleared and landscaped, a new amenity area on the old boatyard site has been partially formed, with picnic tables, seating and flower containers recycled from their original locations. A path for walkers has been created, linking the pontoons to the town centre and on to Tarbert Castle and the beginning of the Kintyre Way.

Also included has been the refurbishment of Tarbert public toilets, new walled flowerbeds, seating, picnic tables at the Co-op corner and Earra Gael and improved car parking.

Tarbert Harbour Authority played the lead role in the joint bid put forward in partnership with Argyll and Bute Council.

Alan Macdonald, chairman of the board of trustees, said how delighted the board is with the finished scheme and proud of the part it has played in enhancing the village and harbour.

'It has succeeded in making the centre of the village a more pleasant place to visit and relax,' he said.



Alex Neil MSP, Minister for Housing and Communities, right, cuts the ribbon to mark the official opening, with Alan Macdonald, chairman of the Tarbert Harbour Authority Board.

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO

Friday June 16, 1995
Hundreds miss out on lottery jackpot chance as links crash

There were queues down Campbeltown's Main Street as computer chaos meant hundreds missed out on the chance to win £22.5 million in last week's National Lottery draw.

All the town's terminals were blacked out at some point on Saturday by a nationwide computer failure.

The terminals at Woolworths, Victoria Wine and the Co-op supermarket all failed at different times during the day.

And, after 6.30pm, it was impossible to buy a lottery ticket in the town. Woolworths and Victoria Wine both lost their satellite link to

Camelot mid-morning, but their terminals came online again for a period in the afternoon.

Victoria Wine's terminal started to work again at 3 o'clock, but took a long time to process tickets. Then it failed completely again at 6.30pm. But a long queue stretched down Main Street for some time afterwards as people waited in vain for the terminal to start up again before the 7.30pm deadline.

The Co-op was more fortunate. Its terminal worked normally until lunchtime before it too was cut off. The store's manager Mr David Lockhart told the Courier: 'Folk tend to like to buy their ticket on Saturday. Personally, I don't know why people wait till the last minute.'

A statement from Camelot said that there had been a 'technical problem with a small percentage of retailers intermittently during Saturday'.

FIFTY YEARS AGO

Thursday June 11, 1970
Top surfer praises Kintyre

Expert New Zealand surfer Rodger Lond, who was in Kintyre at the weekend with his wife Helen, described the surf at Westport as 'excellent by world standards'.

Rodger, who has surfed in Australia, Hawaii, and the USA, as well as in New Zealand, said there were only 'four or five places in New Zealand and a dozen in America' which compared with Westport.

Rodger, a professional surfboard manufacturer, arrived in Kintyre on Saturday and left on Monday. He found out about the Kintyre beaches through a leaflet prepared by the Scottish Surf Club and circulated throughout Britain.

Secretary of the Scottish Surf Club, Mr George Raynes, was with Rodger during the weekend.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

Saturday June 12, 1920
Successful Kintyre Cattle Show

The annual cattle show of Kintyre Agricultural Society – the 61st in the society's history – was held at the Castleacres, Campbeltown, on Friday June 4.

Brilliant weather favoured the occasion and the show was an exceptionally successful one. Entries in all sections were highly satisfactory, and the quality of the stock was most creditable to the district. The attendance of the general public was also highly gratifying, and especially from one o'clock onwards the field was a busy and animated scene.

The total drawings from gate, entry money, and catalogues amounted to £124 12s, which is a record for the show.

The arrangements for the show were efficiently carried out by Mr Wm. Hunter jr, who, by the way, now demits the office of secretary to the Society, and is being succeeded by Mr M Black, of the Ugadale Estate Office.

Mr J M Hall of Killean, the president, Mr James A Hunter, Machribeg, senior vice-president, and Provost Colvill, Campbeltown, junior vice-president, were on the field all day attending to the courtesies of the occasion.

The president had a marquee on the field where lunch was dispensed to the judges, attending directors and other guests.

The judges were: Ayrshire cattle, whitefaced sheep and pigs, Mr Thomas Barr, Hobsland, Monkton; male Clydesdales and roadsters, Mr James Picken, Torrs, Kirkcudbright; female Clydesdales, Mr Wm. Brown, High Craigton, Bishopton; blackfaced sheep and dogs, Mr James Pate, Allarstocks, Strathaven.

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Machrihanish faces on film

In April, the Courier was contacted by amateur and rare films dealer Marco Savaglio who, at a church fair in London earlier this year, bought a 1929 film which shows some Machrihanish residents at that time.

Most of the images on the small reel of 16mm amateur film were accompanied by a description of the person's job or role within the village but there were no names included.

Mr Savaglio sent some still images from the film to the Courier in the hope people may recognise some faces. We published several at the time, and more last month. Here are the final images, along with their accompanying captions.

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This uncaptioned image shows Machrihanish in 1929.



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Happy lockdown birthday

Birthdays during a global pandemic are bound to be different from usual.

People may be unable to celebrate with family and friends due to government guidelines on social distancing, but they have been finding other ways to make their day special. This is how some of Kintyre's birthday boys and girls spent or plan to spend their day.

Happy birthday to everyone celebrating a lockdown birthday. Don't forget to let us know about your friend or family member's lockdown birthday and we will give them a shoutout. Email a photograph to editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk including their full name, age, where they are from and a bit about how they celebrated or plan to celebrate.

Hunter Brodie from Campbeltown turned nine on Sunday June 7. He had a great day playing in the sun and received lots of lovely presents. His mummy, daddy and sister Rowan send him lots of love.



Emma Johnston from Campbeltown celebrated her eighth birthday on Monday June 8. She had a great day and received lots of lovely cards, presents and messages.



Ciara Wallace from Campbeltown will be 12 on Tuesday June 16. Her mum, dad, Ruairidh and Nannie wish her a very happy birthday with lots of love.



Graham Brown from Campbeltown will be eight on Monday June 15. He is hoping for good weather so family and friends can visit him in the garden on his special day and hopefully he can visit the beach. His mum, dad, brother Sonny and sister Janna wish him a very happy birthday.



Lynsey Macphee will be 11 on Wednesday June 17. Her mummy, daddy and little brother Jamie wish her lots of love.

Left: Josh McLellan from Campbeltown will turn 12 tomorrow, Saturday June 13. He will be spending the day celebrating at home with his mum, dad, sister Keryn and brother Scott.

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Left: Susan Graham and her children James and Louisa after completing their green run and cycles. Right: Finlay Blair enjoying a break during his orange cycle.

Rainbow runners double target

An athletics challenge which originated in Kintyre has encouraged people to get their running shoes on.

The Seven Runs for a Rainbow challenge has several options allowing people of all abilities to take part. These include running one mile seven times, running seven kilometres seven times, or running seven miles seven times. After each run, someone else should be nominated and once each participant has completed seven runs, they should donate £7 to the NHS via a fundraising page set up by the group.

Participants are encouraged to wear a different colour from the rainbow during each of the

runs. The challenge is open to non-runners with walking, cycling or participants' own choice of exercise counting.

Organisers initially hoped to raise £500 but the challenge has so far raised more than £1,000. One of the runners who helped organise the challenge said: 'It has been great to see families, mothers and babies in prams, runners and all ages take part in this challenge. When you see folk writing on social media that it has been a great incentive to get them and their young families out, that makes it all worthwhile.'

Visit <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/7runsforarainbow> to take part in the challenge.

Global interest in malt whisky event

Glen Scotia Distillery's virtual malts festival has been heralded as a huge success after attracting more than 8,000 visitors from around the world.

Following the cancellation of the 2020 Campbeltown Malts Festival, which had been scheduled to run from May 19 to 21, due to COVID-19 restrictions, Glen Scotia Distillery announced it would bring its programme of events online for the first time via its website.

As part of the programme, the distiller made its famous dunnage whisky tasting, which for many is the pinnacle of their Campbeltown Malt Festival experience, available for those outside the distillery for the first time.

The theme for 2020 is 'The Casks of Campbeltown, featuring whiskies matured in casks from the town and a look at the influence they have on the

modern Campbeltown style. Only 200 dunnage tasting packs have been released in the UK, each containing five 25ml samples along with password access to a specially created tasting video hosted by distillery manager Iain McAlister. A further 1,800 tasting boxes will be distributed to markets around the world.

In the UK, the Glen Scotia Dunnage Tasting Box is available to order from The Dram Team, a company which curates and delivers out-of-the-ordinary whisky tastings. The five samples include: Glen Scotia Victoriana, 54.2 per cent ABV; Cask 810, 2005 First Fill bourbon 60.1 per cent ABV; Cask 486, 2002 Refill Sherry Hogshead 48.8 per cent ABV; Cask 2/359, 2009 First Fill Bordeaux Red Wine 57.1 per cent ABV; and Cask 6/413, 2005 First Fill Tawny Port Hogshead 57.4 per cent ABV.

Mr McAlister said: 'We've been absolutely thrilled by the response we had to the Glen Scotia virtual malts festival. We saw more than 8,000 people join us from around the world. We're now considering making some elements of the festival permanently "virtual". We know Campbeltown isn't the easiest place in the world to get to so this will be a great way to give our global whisky fans the chance to be a part of the celebrations in future.'

'The dunnage tasting is one of my favourite events in the Campbeltown Malts Festival schedule and we're excited to provide those who had hoped to join us in person, and quite a few who usually wouldn't have had the chance, the opportunity to take part.'

Chris Borrow, founder of The Dram Team, added: 'I could not be more thrilled to be working with the fantastic

team from Glen Scotia to put together this incredible dunnage tasting set. Friends and I had the privilege of being spoilt by Iain McAlister on our first visit to Campbeltown, when he generously hosted us for a Glen Scotia tasting. To this day, the best tasting experience of my life and one I am excited to put in a box for other people to enjoy. This is the best whisky-tasting-by-post we've ever done.'

Founded in 1832, Glen Scotia reflects centuries of craftsmanship and experience associated with Scotland's fifth and smallest malt producing region. The distillery's award-winning whiskies are renowned for their distinctive maritime influence and Campbeltown character.

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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
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Inveraray Community Council

Are you in self-isolation?
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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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Tasty line-up for virtual Royal Highland Show

The Scottish red meat industry and its brands will be showcased across social media later this month, as Quality Meat Scotland (QMS) brings its Royal Highland Show activities online.

The events, which will run on the QMS and Scotch Kitchen Facebook pages from June 18-21, will include cooking and butchery demonstrations and fun competitions and giveaways.

A line-up of top Scottish chefs, including the 'Queen of Cuisine' Lady Claire Macdonald, will be demonstrating delicious Scotch Beef PGI, Scotch Lamb PGI and Specially Selected Pork dishes via cook-along videos from their homes.

Chef Daniela Forbes will be hosting a family cook-along

on Friday June 19, as well as supporting RHET's virtual discovery centre where QMS is encouraging children to learn how to cook Scotch Beef PGI fajitas.

Members of the Scottish Association of Young Farmers Clubs hope to impress judges with their culinary talent as they battle it out on Sunday June 21 via video link.

Scotch Beef and Scotch Lamb limited edition show T-shirts are on sale via the QMS website with all proceeds going to RHASS.

Alan Clarke, Chief Executive of Quality Meat Scotland, said: 'A virtual show cannot replace our presence at the Royal Highland Show from a social aspect, but our planned activities will bring fun to consumers at home.'

Around the markets

Island store cattle on top at Oban sale

United Auctions sold 241 store cattle, 31 breeding cattle, 553 ewes and lambs and 430 feeding sheep at the firm's Oban centre on Saturday June 6.

Bullocks averaged £826.81 per head and sold to £1,130 for a 512kg CharX from Messrs Epps, Ardnave Farm, Islay. Heifers averaged £737.70 per head and sold to £970 for a 362g LimX also from Ardnave.

Bullocks averaged 253.73p/kg to a top of 325.80p/kg for a 198kg, LimX from F Boa, Antuim, Mull and heifers averaged 241.91p/kg to 289p/kg for 2, 176.50kg, Lim crosses from Antuim.

Breeding cattle sold to £2,250 for a SimX heifer with bull calf at foot from D Dempster, Barguilean Farm, Taynuilt. Ewes and lambs sold to £81/life for TexX ewes and twins from The excels of the late D MacDougall, Strathorchy, Dalmally.

While keeping with current legislation and social distancing, the market was full to capacity. With such a strong force of buyers in attendance, all classes of stock sold readily and to sellers' advantage.

Leading prices

Bullocks per Head - AAX - £1005, £975(4), £880(5), Ardnacross. BSX - £1035, Innishewan; £970(2), £815(4), Auchlyne. CHARX - £1130, £1100(2), £1065, £1020(2), £980, £960(2), £950, £935(2), £905(2), Ardnave Farm. LIMX - £1065, £1040, £1010(3), £960(4), £960(3), Ardnave Farm; £955(4), Achnaba Farm; £940, Dall Farm. SALX - £885, Barnakill. SIMX - £930, Achnacone; £930(4), Cornaigmore,

Coll; £900(4), Barguilean; £830(2), Cornaigmore, Coll. Heifers per Head - AAX - £820, Ardnacross. BSX - £910, £865(2), £800(5), Auchlyne. CHARX - £965, £950, Ardnave Farm; £945, Salum, Tiree; £945(3), £940, Ardnave Farm; £905, Salum, Tiree. LIMX - £970, £960, Ardnave Farm; £960, Ardchatten HF; £945(2), Ardnave Farm; £910(2), Achnaba Farm; £905, Ardnave Farm. SIMX - £865(3), Cornaigmore, Coll.

Bullocks per Kilo - AAX - 271p(2), Poltalloch; 257p, Ardnacross. BSX - 262p(2), Daltote. CHARX - 284p(2), 283p, 274p(2), Ardnave Farm; 268p(3), Barnakill; 261p, 254p(2), 253p, 248p(2), 242p, Ardnave Farm. HERX - 235p, 1 Blaich. LIMX - 326p, Antuim; 325p(2), 302p, Ardnave Farm; 301p(4), Sorisdale, Coll; 297p(2), 291p(3), Ardnave Farm; 290p(2), Antuim; 286p, Kilmalieu; 286p, Ardlarach; 286p(4), Poltalloch; 285p, Antuim; 282p(3), Poltalloch; 277p, Tullochcan; 274p, Ardlarach; 269p(2), Ardlarach. LRX - 257p(4), 254p, Antuim. SALX - 243p, Barnakill. SIMX - 287p, Cornaigmore, Coll; 271p(2), Sandaig, Tiree; 270p(2), 260p(4), Cornaigmore, Coll; 257p(2), Sandaig, Tiree; 257p(3), Ardnacross; 256p, Ellary Farms; 253p(4), Barguilean.

Heifers per Kilo - AAX - 248p(4), Ardnacross. BSX - 239p(2), 237p(3), Auchlyne. CHARX - 280p(2), 268p, 260p(3), Ardnave Farm; 259p(2), Tullochcan; 256p(3), 255p, 254p, Ardnave Farm. LIMX - 289p(2), Antuim; 286p(4), Sorisdale, Coll; 276p, Tullochcan; 274p, 268p, Ardnave Farms; 265p, Kilmalieu; 260p(2), Ardnave Farm; 256p(2), Achnaba; 255p, Ardlarach; 255p, Salum, Tiree; 254p(2), 1 Knockvologan; 252p(3), Ardnave Farms; 251p(2), 1 Knockvologan. LU1X - 235p, Aird Farm. SIMX - 259p, Cornaigmore, Coll; 257p(3), Sandaig, Tiree; 256p(3), 255p(2), Cornaigmore, Coll; 246p(2), Sandaig, Tiree.

Breeding Cattle - Heifers with Calves - £2250, £2150, Barguilean; £2000(3), Innishewan Farms

Cows with Calves - £1300, £1280, Barguilean; £1300, 16 Eoligarry, Barra; £1280(2), £1200(2), £1150, Kilvaree; £1180, £1100, Ellary Farms; £1080, Dalrannoch; £1060, Barguilean & Barnakill; £1050, Kilvaree.

Ewes with Twin Lambs at foot - per life - Cross - £81, Strathorchy; £70, Ellary Estate; £64, 24 Balephetrish, Tiree; £62, Kilvaree; £61, High Balantyre; £61, Strathorchy; £60, Maam Farm; £59, £58, 83 Borve, Barra; £54, Gribun, Tiree; £54, Clachan, Tiree; £54, 12 Ardveenish, Barra. BF - £46, Clachan, Tiree; £46, Kilvaree; £45, Creag A Mhadaidh; £45, Barbreck; £44, 15 Ardmhor, Barra; £43, 13 Ardveenish, Barra; £40, Ellary Estate.

Ewes with Single Lambs at foot - per life - Cross - £76, £72, £70, £60, Dunans; £66, Ellary Estate; £61, 83 Borve; £60, High Balantyre; £63, £60, Strathorchy; £58, Clachan, Tiree; £58, 83 Borve, Barra; £58, Maam, £58, 17 St Brendan Road, Barra; £56, Strathorchy; £56, Strathorchy; £52, 4 Glebe Hill; £50, 4 Middlequarter, Uist; £50, 6 Leanish, Barra; £50, 17 St Brendan Road, Barra. BF - £51, Barbreck; £50, 83 Borve, Barra; £50, Clachan, Tiree; £50, Maam Farm; £50, Ellary Estate; £48, 24 Balephetrish, Tiree; £48, Creag A Mhadaidh; £44, Ellary Estates.

Hoggs - Suffx - £78.50, Kilbride Farm; £71.00 - 4 Middlequarter, N Uist. TexX - £80, Clachan, Tiree. CHEV - £70.00, Maam Farm. Mule - £67.00, Maam Farm. BF - £60.00, Fiart; £59.00, Stroneskar.

Feeding Ewes - Suffx - £77, 7 Middlequarter, N Uist. TexX - £88, High Balantyre; £85, Barcaldine HF; £70, Tyree; £70, 56 Tangasdale, Barra. Chev - £69, Balligarve; £66, Stalker Cottage; £65, Balnagown; £63, 56 Tangasdale, Barra. Cross - £64, High Balantyre; £63, 15 Ardmhor, Barra; £63, 56 Tangasdale, Barra. Mule - £68, Lusraganbeag; £65, 83 Borve, Barra; £62, Balligarve; £62, Oban Seil Croft; £60, Ricruin. BF - £69, Dunrostan; £67, Fiart; £64, Brackley; £57, Dunrostan; £56, Musdale.

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Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds, LS9 6NF, stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representors must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A Guide to Making Representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's office.

Argyll and Bute Council

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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.

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| Ref. No. | Proposal | Site Address |
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| 20/00897/PP | Erection of dwellinghouse, ancillary outbuilding and formation of vehicular access | Land East Of Auchencreech High Askomil Campbeltown Argyll And Bute |
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Argyll and Bute Integration Joint Board

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Joanna Macdonald, Chief Officer,

8 June 2020

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Pippa Milne,
Chief Executive

8 June 2020

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Thought for the Week with Marilyn Shedden

'It wisnae me!' These words have echoed down since the beginning of time.

Adam said them: 'It wisnae me, it was the wife.' Eve said them: 'It wisnae me, it was the snake.' We've said them: 'It wisnae me, it was that guy there.'

It's known as the scapegoat mechanism and it's as old as Adam.

On the Day of Atonement, the high priest Aaron was instructed to symbolically lay all the sins of the people on one unfortunate goat. The people would then beat the animal till it fled into the desert, hence the term 'scapegoat'.

Obviously animal welfare organisations were absent in these days and this cruelty was perpetuated.

Instead of owning their faults, this ritual allowed people to export them elsewhere – in this case onto an innocent animal.

The image of the scapegoat powerfully mirrors the universal, but largely unconscious, human need to transfer our guilt onto something or someone else by singling that other out for unmerited negative treatment.

We need another group to be against to form our group. For example, many countries scapegoat refugees who are seeking asylum, falsely accusing them of being criminals. This pattern is seen in many facets of our society and our private inner lives.

We are guilty of apportioning blame to the blameless. We still say: 'They are taking our jobs', 'they are causing trouble', 'they are evil'. We seldom consciously know we are scapegoating. It's automatic, ingrained and unconscious.

Jesus said: 'They do not know what they are doing.' We do know what we are doing when we apportion blame to the blameless, to the easy target, the marginalised, the poor, the unemployed, the homeless, the voiceless. God forgive us when we do know what we do.

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Memories of Tarbert

Life under lockdown got Lancashire resident John Walker thinking back to happy days spent in Argyll. Now retired, Mr Walker spent 35 years working for North West Ambulance Service on Lancashire's Fylde coast. He contacted our sister tile the Argyllshire Advertiser with his memories:

In this time of lockdown, I am reminiscing on great times had in Argyll.

I first visited Kintyre with my parents as a 17-year-old, my family having bought a Mini car in 1966. We stayed with Margaret and Iain McDonald at their home named Meadowview in Tarbert which was located near the school.

We all enjoyed the area so much that we continued to visit every year for the next eight years. Margaret invited me to go out on the herring

'I remember there was a boat called the Southern Cross tied up to Cock Island. Can anyone tell me any history of it?'

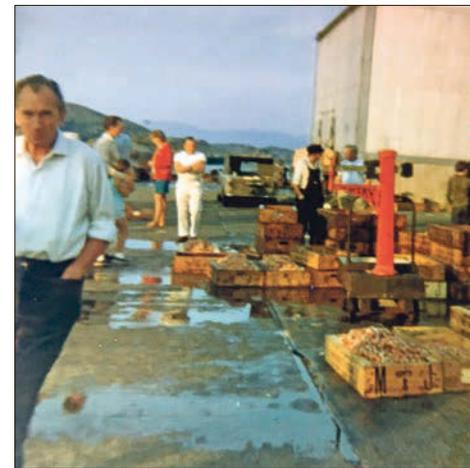
boats once or twice. One was named Village Maid and the other Village Belle and, needless to say, we often had kippers for breakfast, which were very nice. I remember there was a boat called the Southern Cross tied up to Cock Island. Can anyone tell me any history of it and when it disappeared?

There also used to be a smokehouse for kippers along from Tarbert to Ardrishaig.

Another fond memory I have is watching the logging trucks unloading on the quay and watching them get loaded on to large boats and I think then being shipped round to Sweden or Finland. Is that correct or not as I thought



Mr Walker and his daughter Katy during his visit to Tarbert in 2018.



One of Mr Walker's photographs – an evening fish sale on Tarbert fish quay in 1969.

there was a paper mill at Fort William? I joined North West Ambulance Service in the 1980s and Margaret used to send me the Argyllshire Advertiser and in one of them was an advert for recruitment to the Scottish Ambulance Service.

I duly got an application form from Paisley and was all but sending the form in when I realised it would be unfair to move so far away from our young children's grandparents and for them to be unable to see them growing up.

At the time your local pharmacist was retiring and my wife Sue was a qualified pharmacist, but our children were both under school age so relied on her parents for child care.

Ironically, I believe the job was filled with a Blackpool pharmacist whom I had met occasionally.

My love for Scotland continued and we had

our honeymoon travelling around Scotland and called in at Tarbert for several days.

Our last trip up there was 2018 in June as a treat from our daughter who accompanied us on this trip. The weather was glorious and one day we caught the bus to Skipness and walked part of the Kintyre Way.

Another day we took the Caledonian MacBrayne Ferry to Islay, which was again a glorious day out. We also visited Crinan, Lochgilphead and Inveraray, followed by a couple of days fishing off the pier in Tarbert. We travelled back via Portavadie and Dunoon and have in the past used the ferry to Arran, then Brodick, Ardrossan and home.

Thank you for taking the time to read this. It has been good to share some of the memories of Argyll with you.

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DEATHS

ALLAN - Peacefully, at Campbeltown Hospital, on June 7, 2020, Susan MacNair Mitchell, in her 90th year, 28 Albyn Avenue, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Thomas Allan, formerly of Benton Farm and Mill Park, Southend, and a much loved sister and aunt. Funeral service private in line with current government guidelines.

CAMPBELL - Peacefully at home, Craigaig, High Askomil, Campbeltown, on June 5, 2020, Alexandra Hamilton Smith (Sandra), in her 78th year, dearly beloved wife of Charlie Campbell, much loved mum of Jack and the late Charles and a loving nana of Jack and Rona. Funeral service private in line with current government guidelines.

HESSEY - On May 23, 2020, suddenly, at home in Hampshire, Fionnaigh Margaret Hessey, née Campbell, formerly of Kingsway Tarbert, aged 52 years, beloved wife of Adrian, much loved daughter of Archie and the late Marion Campbell, dearly loved sister of Moira and Christine and a dear daughter-in-law, sister-in-law and aunt. A much respected work colleague and dear friend of many. A private funeral service, owing to current restrictions, will take place at Carrick Cemetery, Tarbert, today Friday, June 12, cortège will leave from Tarbert Fish Quay at 11.30am, along Harbour Street, School Road, Church Terrace and Kingsway, to Carrick Cemetery.

KERR - Janice Ann (née Lovie), aged 51 years, on June 6, 2020, at Highland Hospice, Inverness, beloved wife of Martin, much loved mother of Grace and Alice, daughter of the late Francis and Elizabeth Lovie. Private funeral service at Inverness Crematorium, on Monday, June 15 at 12.00 noon. Donations to Highland Hospice, Inverness.

MACLELLAN - Suddenly, at home in Eastbourne, on June 2, 2020, Alister Finlay MacLellan, beloved son of the late Norman and Isabella MacLellan, Lochgilphead, dear brother of Norma and brother-in-law of Alex Whyte. A much loved father, uncle and grandfather. Sadly missed.

MCALLISTER - Peacefully, at Ardfenaig Care Home, Ardrishaig, on June 4, 2020, Donald Harvey McAllister, in his 84th year, formerly of Caledonia Court,

Ardrishaig, only son of the late Walter and Agnes McAllister and dear brother of the late Jean. Also a much loved uncle to Kenneth and James. Private service to be held at Cardross Crematorium, on Monday, June 15, 2020.

MCCORKINDALE - Peacefully, at Bruach House Care Home, Nairn, on Monday, June 8, 2020, Isabella Armour McCorkindale, formerly of Lochorodale Farm, Campbeltown, aged 93 years, much loved sister of the late Hugh, Barbara, Donald, Neil, Archie and Lachie, a much loved aunt of Jane and Fiona, great aunt of Maxwell, Duncan and Campbell, and friend to many. Isabella's funeral can be attended via online live stream, on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 2.00pm, please contact David M Ellen Funeral Directors (01667 453023) for further details. Donations to The British Red Cross in Isabella's memory may be forwarded to David M Ellen Funeral Directors, 66 High Street, Nairn IV12 4AU.

MCMURCHY - Suddenly, at Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow, on June 9, 2020, Alice Hendry Paterson, in her 79th year, 4 Burnbank Cottages, Drumlembie, dearly beloved wife of the late John Edward McMurchy, loving mother of Linda, Julie, Jill, John and Lisa and a loving grandmother and great grandmother. Funeral service private in line with current government guidelines.

LIMBERT PASCALE

- Mary Elizabeth, aged 84, passed away on June 7, 2020, at Greenwich Hospital. She was born on September 10, 1935, to Fred and Kathleen (Peel) Limbert in Furnace, Argyll. Overcoming the hardship of losing her parents in her teens, Mary went on to become a police officer in Greenock for several years. In 1965, Mary moved to the United States where she eventually came to meet and marry James Pascale. Mary was a long-time resident of Port Chester and enjoyed reading, knitting, watching the Yankees and playing the accordion. She was a caring, friendly woman, who cherished time with family and friends. Mary is survived by her son Peter Pascale and his wife Deirdre of Port Chester, three grandchildren Kelly, CJ and Joseph Pascale, daughter Jane Pascale of Port Chester, sister Kathleen Kennedy and her husband Vernon

of Monroeville, Ohio, brother Fred Limbert and his wife Kate of Dunoon, Scotland. She was predeceased by her husband James Pascale of Port Chester, sister Bertha Bradley of Leicestershire, England, and sister Gert Brady of Quebec, Canada.

POW - Suddenly at the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary on June 2, 2020, Graham Pow, in his 56th year, adored dad of Alastair and Sinéad, much respected step-father of Callum and Mark, beloved son of Jean and the late Iain, and dearly loved brother of John. Former teacher in Lochgilphead High School and Campbeltown Grammar. Sadly missed by Denise and Annie, his wife Jenn, and by his extended family and friends. A good neighbour and much respected work colleague to many. A private family service will be held in Edinburgh, on Tuesday, June 16. Forever in our thoughts.

IN MEMORIAM

CLARK - In loving memory of my beloved husband and our father, Colin, who died on June 9, 2014. Forever with us. - Tottie and family.

MCCARTAN - In loving memory of a dear husband, dad and grandad, Ian, who passed away June 13, 2010.

Every day in some small way, We miss you more than words can say. In our hearts you will always stay, Loved and remembered every day.

Happy memories. - With all our love, Jean, John, Ann, Stuart, Clare, Nicola and your grandchildren.

MCMILLAN - In memory of our beloved daughter, Jane, died June 10, 2017. Always in our hearts and minds, With love there is no end. - Jen and Charlie.

POTTS/BROCK - In loving memory of my dear sister May Potts, died June 18, 2019, and my dear husband, Ian Brock, died April 11, 2006. Loved and remembered every day. - Flora.

WILSON - In loving memory of our precious mother, granny and great granny, Isobel, died June 17, 2018.

Your presence we miss, Your memory we treasure, Loving you always, Forgetting you never. - Gordon, Heather, Stewart, Kerry, Louise, Peter and Harvey.

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All lives matter

Don't get me wrong. It would be a shame if a self-evident truth expressed in three simple words were felt to be diluting or even denying another truth. It's true that black lives matter. And it's true that human cruelty to other humans is a scourge that, if we're wise, we'll do our absolute best to legislate against, and protect the victims and pursue the perpetrators.

But at the same time I suspect that many of us are growing wary of the power of a slogan: power to draw people out onto the streets, in a way that magically seems to legitimise the tearing down or defacing of public monuments in collective acts of violence. That cannot be a way for public decisions to be made, or public spaces to be managed. However, as soon as I make that claim, something else will also need to be defended. Familiar words are being redefined with remarkable speed these days; no doubt someone is already trying to recast 'racism' to close down debate on the methods of public

decision-making. They will argue that the ends justify the means; that if you feel you're not being heard, just pull down a statue or two.

President Kennedy's wasn't the first use of the phrase, just the most memorable, when he said admiringly of Winston Churchill that he 'mobilised the English language and sent it into battle.' One way of turning language into a weapon is to claim the right to redefine words to suit your own purposes. Another technique is that not-very-subtle tool of persuasion, the three-word slogan. Take back control, protect the NHS, black lives matter. Right or wrong, wise or foolish, these all fit a theme: three words are all you need. Show you've heard; repeat after me; pass it on.

All lives matter, whatever the colour scheme; old, young and unborn; male and female. If the Human Genome project has shown us anything at all (apart from the fact that there's a vast amount of work still to do), it's actually that we're all

one race. Every time you look into the eyes of another human being, that's precisely who they are: another human being, a fellow-breather of the same oxygen as you, a co-heir of all the same triumphs and disasters of our collective history. One of the tragedies of the growing passion for 'identity politics' is that it conjures up false identities. Find who you are, it says, by 'identifying' with this group, or that group. It's all, sadly, a distraction from the real story. It diminishes our humanity.

The Bible tells us that God created humanity and knows what we're about. And that we're loved, every one of us: so much, in fact, that he gave his Son, who willingly identified with us: if anything was identity politics, that was. Its purpose was reconciliation, after all the injustices and tragedies and hurts of our history - stains that we'll never wipe away on our own, however many statues we topple.

Pastor Steve Davies
Springbank Evangelical Church



The former Scout Hall is in need of extensive renovations.

Club fights for funding

Core Mixed Martial Arts Campbeltown appeals for votes

A mixed martial arts (MMA) club established to relieve small town boredom and keep Kintyre's youngsters focused on something positive is in with a fighting chance of securing funding to renovate its new premises.

Core MMA Campbeltown has applied to the Calor Rural Community Fund for a £5,000 grant to restore the club's new base at the former Scout Hall on John Street.

Applicants are listed on Calor's Rural Community Fund website and are encouraged to share their project as much as possible through social media to gain points.

The projects with the highest number of points in each funding category will become shortlisted finalists and will be reviewed by Calor's committee before being announced as finalists. So far Core MMA Campbeltown is in first place in the £5,000 category but the 'fantastic' level of support must continue to ensure it stays in the top spot.

Jimi McCallum, the club's founder, said: 'There is very little here for young people and many end up getting into bother. This club provides a safe, nurturing environment for them and helps with mental health issues.

'The whole town is behind us with this, but it has been a rough time lately for Campbeltown and money is tight in the community. We rent a small hall but this is expensive, and a few children have said they can't afford to come although we try to make the club available to everyone.'

There are currently 30 youngsters training with Core MMA Campbeltown with more on a waiting list to join.

The former Scout Hall, for which the club recently took on the lease, is in need of extensive renovations. The floor has dry rot and there is water ingress caused by broken

render, no heating and the hall isn't connected to mains gas.

The use of the hall, once refurbished, will mean more youngsters can join Core MMA Campbeltown.

Jimi added that the club also needs money for public liability insurance and for kit to enable the youngsters to train safely, which is why he and fellow coach Warren Tait have been working hard to gain funding.

He added: 'Martial arts and boxing have always had a place in the community. This project provides somewhere for youngsters to achieve something and get exercise,

as well as helping with social interaction and mental health.

'A big thank you to Helen Gilchrist for all her support, Andrew Thompson for supporting us and networking businesses, Campbell Ramsay, Peter Paterson and Tony Wright for voluntarily giving their time, Jewson and Buildbase for supplying materials and Stuart Crossan from SRJC Sport. Thanks also to the youngsters and their parents who have stood by the club at this tough time. It's their support that has got us to number one in our category on the Calor Rural Community Fund website.'

First round of Tarbert's Fyne Tankard

Tarbert golfers got back to competitive play last Saturday with the first round of the Fyne Tankard.

The early starters had to deal with a blustery north wind blowing across Glenralloch in what proved to be a difficult scoring day.

Club champion Iain Macalister, who is recovering from a knee operation, took the first round lead with a net 65 and a sought after magic two at the eighth.

His close neighbour, Iain Johnstone senior, had a 'game of two halves' round - 45 shots in his first nine followed by 35 on his back nine.

This gave him a net 66 to move in to second place along with Chris Smyth and Peter Cupples.

One stroke further back are Peter McLean junior and Jim Brownlie on 67.

It's all to play for this Saturday for the final round and with the weather set fair the club is expecting another big turnout.

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