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Arran schools go for gold in national award

by Hugh Boag
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The schools on Arran are among the best in the UK and have proved it by picking up a national teaching award.

Selected from thousands of nominations, the Arran Cluster, which consists of the seven island primary schools and Arran High School, has been honoured as one of 102 Pearson National Teaching silver award winners nationally.

The Arran Cluster received the silver award for Impact through Partnership for its outstanding commitment to changing the lives of the children it works with every day – and now it is going for gold.

The group of schools is the only Scottish entry of the four shortlisted in its category to win one of just 15 gold awards later in the year, in a programme which will be broadcast on the BBC. It will face opposition from three other schools/clusters in this category, which are in Surrey,



London and Cambridgeshire.

The Arran Cluster created a health and wellbeing strategy bringing together the different groups working on the island to form a cohesive, progressive and sustainable approach to promoting and supporting positive health and wellbeing for the island population.

The strategy included upskilling of staff, parents and students in different areas of health and wellbeing, hosting free-to-attend, certificated courses on mental health, suicide prevention and first aid, and working closely with the island's Health and Social Care

Partnership and the locality partnership.

Head teacher Susan Foster told the Banner on the last day of the session on Tuesday: 'We are delighted and grateful to receive this award. It is not only a reflection of the amazing work being delivered by our dedicated and talented teachers on Arran, but it also demonstrates the support and engagement we see from our young people every day.'

'Although we've faced many challenges over the past year due to the pandemic, we are very proud of the partnerships that enable the good work tak-

ing place on the island to shine through and have a real impact for all our young people.'

The silver award winners are being honoured as part of the wider celebrations for Thank a Teacher Day, a national campaign to honour and recognise school staff for their incredible work. The celebrations follow new data which shows how the previous year's lockdowns have significantly changed how families across the country view the role of teachers.

New research from Parentkind and The Teaching Awards Trust highlights that three in four parents and carers

New school captains Sid Townsend, Grace Crichton and James McCarthy, holding the award, with head teacher Susan Foster, left, depute head Suzie Dick, right, and acting depute Michelle Bunting. 01_B26award01

have a new-found respect for the teaching profession following their experiences of remote learning during lockdown – 74.9 per cent agreed or strongly agreed they had more respect for teachers following their experiences of remote learning.

Sharon Hague, senior vice president of schools at Pearson UK, said: 'After a year like no other we want to take today to say thank you to all the incredible school staff who have kept children and young people learning despite unprecedented challenges.'

'We hope the celebrations today show how much you are appreciated, and that your hard work has not gone unnoticed nor unrecognised.'

Island's seas take on blue hue

The waters around Arran have been admired more than usual this week and have been the subject of much debate as a result of their resemblance to the Mediterranean or Caribbean seas, writes Colin Smeeton.

The sea all round the island has changed to a distinct blue-turquoise colour thanks to a bumper bloom of plankton which has given Arran's coastal areas a look far from the Firth of Clyde.

Reported to be an ehnux or karenia variant, the mostly-harmless algae bloom is believed to be responsible for the change in sea colour, however, owing to the difficulties of suspended sediment in the Clyde and the complexities of algae, it is difficult to pinpoint the exact culprit.

The Clyde bloom follows reports of a massive blue-green algae bloom that was recently witnessed on

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The water in Brodick Bay has taken on a turquoise colour owing to a plankton bloom in the area. 01_B26algae01; Looking over Kilbrannan Sound from Machrie, the bloom was visible as far as the eye could see. 01_B26algae02

Arran seas take on blue hue

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satellite imagery – spreading across the Minch in north-west Scotland, which is still being monitored by the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA).

That particular bloom of blue-green algae, also known as cyanobacteria, prompted health officials to issue a warning for members of the public to avoid any contact with any algal scum and to keep their pets away from it

as a precautionary measure. Thankfully on Arran, according to Hab Reports, an organisation that provides reports on harmful algal blooms and biotoxin monitoring, all samples taken in the surrounding areas of Arran have returned acceptable levels of safe algae with no reports of karenia.

Algae is naturally-occurring and the change of sea colour is most likely due to billions of tiny phytoplankton growing in the abundant sunshine.

The behaviour of algae is erratic and the level of its toxicity can fluctuate, it can also appear one day, and disappear the next; it can be dispersed by the wind or even reaccumulate at any time.

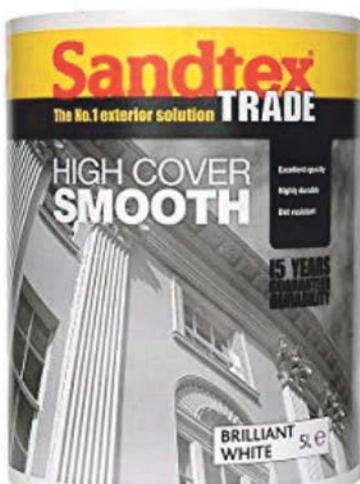
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Summer police back on patrol on Arran

The summer secondees have settled into the policing of island life having been here since the start of May. We caught up with them in Lamlash this week and can introduce them as, left to right: David Healy, normally based in Partick; Nicola Goodall, Bonnyrigg, Midlothian; Alex Johnston, Edinburgh City and Louise Thomson, Maryhill. 01_B25police01



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Lamlash church bells ring out in global celebration

The bells of Lamlash parish church will ring out at noon tomorrow (Saturday) to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the invention of the Ellacombe chiming apparatus that was originally invented by the Reverend Henry Ellacombe.

Lamlash will be joining rings of bells from as far afield as New Zealand to Canada, while closer to home in Scotland Dunblane, Edinburgh, Inverness and Dundee will also chime their bells at noon local time.

There are nine bells in Lamlash tower, all cast by John C Wilson & Co, Gorbals Brass and Bellfounders, Glasgow, in 1886 and it is thought that the original eight bells are the largest single ring of bells by this founder, with the same founder adding the ninth bell in 1913.

The church and five of the bells were a gift to the people of Lamlash by the 12th Duke of Hamilton and it opened on Sunday June 6, 1886. The three other original bells were a gift from James Auldjo Jamieson, the Duke of Hamilton's Commissioner.

The bells are rung by use of an Ellacombe chiming apparatus, which works by striking stationary bells with hammers. The bells are kept static, or 'hung dead', and a hammer strikes against the inside of the bell. Each ham-



Councillor Timothy Billings with bellringers Maureen Pattison and Alison Page outside Lamlash church. 01_B26bells01

mer is connected by a rope to a fixed frame in the bell-ringing room. When in use, the ropes are taut and pulling one of the ropes towards the player will strike the hammer against the bell.

The chiming frame was invented by the Rev Henry Ellacombe, who was a keen bellringer and vicar at Bitton, Gloucestershire. However, he had inherited an unruly band of bellringers that had the only key into the church tower and would ring at any time of the

day and were often drunk and generally obnoxious.

In order to get back control of his church's bells he devised a chiming apparatus that only needed one person to ring all the bells, rather than the normal practice of full-circle ringing that needed one person per bell, so he could kick out his unruly ringers and still keep the bells ringing. It is pleasing to note that once he had restored order, he did allow the ringers back and his set of bellringers' rules can still

be seen in Bitton church.

One feature of the Ellacombe apparatus is that it enables tunes to be rung on bells, rather than the familiar change ringing normally heard from church bells. The Lamlash church's three bellringers, Maureen Pattison, Dorothy Noyle and Alison Page, have been ringing for many years, and it is thanks to them that we continue to enjoy the bells ringing out across Lamlash.

The sound of the bells reminds us all to pause and



consider the spiritual side to our lives irrespective of our religious beliefs and we look forward to hearing the bells for many years to come.

Timothy Billings

Top: Alison and Maureen beside the bell ringing mechanism in the bell tower. 01_B26bells02; and above, The original founder's plaque is still on the bell tower wall. 01_B26bells03

Summer season lost

Tourism bosses have largely welcomed the news that Scotland aims to lift all Covid-19 restrictions by August 9.

However, there is also concern that by then many businesses will have lost most of the summer season.

Association of Scotland's Self-Caterers chief executive Fiona Campbell said she welcomed much of this week's statement from the first minister, specifically the additional clarity on the expected dates for the lifting of restrictions.

'However, the date of August 9 for moving beyond level zero means our members, especially those operating larger properties, will only have one week of the Scottish school holidays in which to do business and will have effectively lost the entire summer season,' she said.

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The old pier at Brodick is to be demolished later this year. 01_B26pier01

Old pier at Brodick to be demolished

The old Brodick pier, which has been out of commission since the £30 million Brodick ferry terminal redevelopment project was completed is to be demolished later this year by Caledonian Maritime Assets Limited (CMAL).

In April 2018, the old pier was closed to vessels and the public, and work was carried out to remove the linkspan. However, the lifting dolphins and the steel and concrete structures that supported the linkspan were left in place. Demolition of the pier is now required to remove the old infrastructure before it becomes unsafe.

CMAL is currently working with consultants to carry out necessary environmental surveys and apply for marine licences and will go to tender next month with a view to appointing a contractor to begin

work in the autumn.

John Quinn, senior civil engineer at CMAL said: 'The old pier and infrastructure served Brodick and Arran for many years, but has reached the end of its serviceable life. It is therefore necessary to now remove all the marine structures associated with the old pier.'

'The work is anticipated to take six months and ferry services will continue to operate uninterrupted throughout the works.'

Further updates will be given after a successful contractor has been appointed and a commencement date has been confirmed.

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Ten-year plan to invest £1billion in 23 new ferries

by Hugh Boag
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Arran's MSP Kenneth Gibson has welcomed the Scottish Government and Caledonian Maritime Assets Ltd's (CMAL) ambitious plans to invest £1 billion renewing Scotland's ferry fleet and upgrade ferry ports over the next decade.

Kevin Hobbs, chief executive officer, and Brian Fulton, head of business support at CMAL, outlined their ambitions to build six major new vessels in addition to the MV Glen Sannox and Hull 802 currently under construction in Port Glasgow. Whilst the Glen Sannox is expected next summer, the others will enter service by Quarter (Q) 2 2026. This means that eight of the 11 major new vessels currently in service will be replaced, including the present Arran ferry, the MV Caledonian Isles. The exceptions are the MV Finlaggan, MV Lochnevis and MV Loch Seaforth.

In addition, two new Northern Isles vessels which currently carry freight will be replaced by 2026/27 possibly with passenger capacity too. Thirteen small vessels will



Arran MSP Kenneth Gibson at the Ferguson Marine shipyard in Port Glasgow.

also be built in two phases of seven and six, entering service from Q3 2024 to Q2 2026 and 2027/28 respectively.

The fleet will be expanded from 36 to 39 vessels by 2030, 23 of them new.

The Scottish Government has already committed £580 million to 2026, not including the Glen Sannox and vessel 802. The total cost of fleet renewal

and seven extensive harbour upgrades is expected to be £1 billion by the programme's completion in 2030, representing a huge investment in all island communities.

Mr Gibson said: 'I'm delighted that CMAL – strongly backed by the Scottish Government – is progressing with its ambitious plans to renew our ageing ferry fleet

and major harbour upgrades.

'There will be extensive community consultation on the detail of these plans. A replacement for the Caledonian Isles is expected to enter service by Q2 2026.'

'Small vessels are likely to be built in Port Glasgow, where they have experience of building them on time and on budget. Large vessels will go out to international procurement.'

'CMAL is aiming to ensure each small vessel can sail using 100 per cent electric power, although this comes with technical challenges. Hybrid vessels are likely for the foreseeable future, with the possibility of retro-fitting as technology advances.'

'Vessels will be designed with interchangeable components, so that there won't be a situation where there spare parts which only fit one vessel.'

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Nursery closure deadline is set but fight goes on

by Colin Smeeton
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The Brodick Early Years committee has vowed to continue its fight to save the nursery which is under threat of closure owing to the uncertain future of the council-run Brodick Hall.

The future of the nursery, which is located in the hall, once again hangs in the balance following North Ayrshire Council's decision to press ahead with plans to transfer ownership of the facility to any group which wishes to take it over under its community asset transfer scheme.

At its AGM on Monday the committee made the difficult decision to set a deadline of Wednesday December 15 to have formal plans in place for the future of the nursery be-



for the start of February 2022, when parents need to register their children for the academic year ahead.

A spokeswoman said: 'There will be a deadline date of Wednesday December 15, 2021

whereby plans for a permanent premises must be in motion to allow the nursery to continue in August 2022, otherwise, with regret, Brodick Early Years will need to close come the end of the academic year.

Brodick Early Years is housed in Brodick Hall which is facing an uncertain future owing to a planned Community Asset Transfer.

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'We will not be accepting any promises this time but will, in fact, need actions to be in place and moving forward with pace.

'This date has been agreed as parents need to register their children for nursery in the first week in February 2022, allowing parents the time to gather relevant information and make their decision on other nurseries around the island if need be.'

The decision to potentially shut the Brodick nursery comes after a three-year battle with council and government

officials which initially seemed to offer some solutions to the issues faced, but which has now left it back where it started in 2019.

The spokeswoman continued: 'For the sake of the academic year 2021/2022 we will make do with using the hall as is. The library will continue "gifting" us with some of its space - to be used if needed - when other community groups require the hall. This is not ideal but we recognise that parents have registered their children at Brodick for another year and staff are prepared to put in the extra work involved for this to happen.

'Nevertheless, this may not be ideal for other community groups which want to use the hall on a more regular basis and it certainly cannot go on as a long-term solution, or

even a temporary one, during the lengthy process of waiting to see if an asset transfer will take place or not.

'It is important for the community to understand that we are thinking of the entire community and it is not just about the future of the nursery.'

Looking to the future, Brodick Nursery committee members will attend a meeting with the hall committee to come up with a plan for the next academic year to secure the space alongside other community groups which wish to start using the space again safely.

The nursery committee will also arrange a meeting with senior council officials regarding its position and a public meeting will be held towards the end of August in a bid to find a solution.



The yacht looked very impressive sitting in the bay.

Superyacht spotted in bay

Brodick Bay had an interesting visitor last weekend in the shape of an £87 million superyacht, pictured above.

The luxury 74.5m Elandess includes massive deck

spaces and an eight-metre outdoor swimming pool, while the Nemo Lounge is located below the waterline offering a new underwater perspective for guests.

The award-winning yacht

is owned by the British billionaire philanthropist Sir Lloyd Dorfman, the founder of Travelex, but it is not known if he was on board during the visit to Arran. The yacht left on Sunday.

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Schools' success

We all know Arran schools punch well above their weight.

But for the Arran Cluster to be recognised as among the best in the whole of the UK in a prestigious national awards is high praise indeed.

And now the island carries the hopes of Scotland when they attempt to win the gold award later this year. We are sure the whole island will wish them well.

The award could not have come at a better time as the schools break up after what has been a difficult 12 months and more. Home schooling and disrupted exams have all taken their toll on pupils and teachers alike.

Now they all deserve a well-earned rest ahead of the challenges the new school year will bring in August.

Tropical times

Arran is bathed in natural beauty as we all know. But there has been something totally tropical about the seas in the past week or so and it has just lifted the spirits of everyone.

Gazing at the ever changing turquoise-blue waters has let people's minds drift to waters of the Mediterranean or ever farther afield, to the Caribbean, and after more than a year without foreign holidays, that is a joy in itself.

Thought for the week

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God.' **Matthew 5:6**

Salmon farming has to move forward

Sir,

I can understand Iain Monteith's position in relation to salmon farms, Arran Banner letters June 11, given that his excellent boats are ideal for their purpose, but salmon farming has to move forward.

Norway has banned any further expansion of sea-based farms, because of their deleterious effects on the marine environment, and all future development must be in on-shore closed-containment facilities. There is no doubt that commercial farming makes sense, but there are now cleaner, but more expensive, ways of doing so.

Tom Tracey's letter should be considered. Let COAST take photographs of the seabed under the Kings Cross farm and compare them with those of the no-take area.

The analogy could be the transformation of Glen Ashdale, now the pine forest has been removed.

Under the pines, nothing grew, just a black carpet of dead needles. Now there is a glorious resurgence of every sort of deciduous tree, as we saw on our walk to the Giants' Graves last week.

I still have a photo of my cousin with a six pound haddock which she caught at Kings Cross in the '60s, when John McKenzie had the boats.

No such fish exists now in this area.

Of course, I do not blame the salmon farm alone for this tragedy; the greed of commercial inshore fishermen also contributed greatly, but somehow, the natural environment must be restored and protected.

Arran used to have a week-long fishing festival. Oh that such an event could be reinstated!

Yours,

**John N E Rankin,
Whiting Bay.**

Sad state of cemetery

Sir,

I visited Arran last week with my family and as part of my visit I went to Lamlash Cemetery to pay my respects to my grandparents who are buried there.

My Mum also joined me to visit her parents, and my five-year-old twin sons were with us.

I was saddened to see the state of the path and grass around the older graves which were created in the 1980s.

There are weeds growing all along and across the path. Some of them are tall so look like they have been growing for months without being removed. The whole path is covered in weeds and looks very unkempt.

The grass around the graves is overgrown, and there are lots of holes around this grass which makes a visit quite dangerous as they are hidden. My little children were able to insert a full foot into these holes in the grass.

I have written to the local councillors highlighting this issue as I feel it is totally disrespectful to Arran residents who are buried in Lamlash Cemetery, and their families, that North Ayrshire Council has left the pathway and grass around the older graves to become so neglected. It appears that all effort has gone into creating a new area for graves to be added and the older graves of my grandparents' generation have been left neglected.

My mum really was very upset to see her parents' grave surrounded by a weed-filled pathway, overgrown grass and dangerous holes.

Yours,

**Caroline Wilkinson,
Giffnock.**

Deadly Hemlock

Sir,

I was recently alerted to the latest blog from the Botanical Society of Scotland, about a plant

called Hemlock Water Dropwort. This deadly poisonous plant looks very similar to something we have in our garden in Machrie.

Do any of your readers have any knowledge about this plant and what have they done to remove it?

And, other readers, please beware if you are out foraging!

Yours,

**Hilary Patrick
Machrie.**

Motoring assistance

Sir,

On Monday June 7, my car suffered a blow out on a tyre on the String Road. Being a Honda Jazz, which does not have a spare tyre, I eventually drove the car into Bridgend Campsite where Robin, the owner, very kindly got in touch with Angus Lambie at Brodick who came out and changed the wheel, which enabled us to get to Slidery. Angus had a replacement tyre ready for me the next day. I want to express my heartfelt thanks to these two gentlemen for their efforts on my behalf.

Yours,

**Bill Robertson,
Muirend.**

Japanese knotweed invasion in Brodick

Sir,

Having been off island for long periods due to lockdown, at last we managed as a family to have a June holiday and were blessed with superb weather.

In my walks around Brodick, however, I was alarmed at the extent of the Japanese knotweed invasion. I was aware of it before, on the golf course edges near the sea, but now it seems to have spread widely and is to be found near the school and along the fisherman's walk.

It is also to be found in the ditch near the library and on the edge of the Cloy burn.

In conversations with Brodick people, there seems to be no plan to deal with it and it appears that the local authority is only responsible for its own land. Expressions of helplessness are common. I am not a botanist so I might be wrong and this hollow stemmed plant may not in fact be knotweed but that is what I am told it is. Perhaps it is an opportune time to raise public awareness.

Yours,

**Sandy Pollock,
Brodick.**

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EU settlement scheme deadline less than one week away



EU Citizens living in Scotland, who have not yet applied to join the EU Settlement Scheme, are being urged to apply now to avoid missing the deadline of June 30.

The latest figures show that as of April 30, 268,500 applications have been made by people living in Scotland. The number still to apply can't be confirmed as there is no official data on the number of EU citizens living in Scotland, but it could be a large number.

The Scottish Government is now running a new campaign, up until Wednesday June 30, calling on EU citizens who were living in the UK at December 31, 2020, to apply to the UK Government's EU Settlement Scheme so they can carry on living, working and studying in Scotland. Irish citizens and people with indefinite leave to remain do not have to apply. However, even if you already have a permanent residence document or have lived in the UK for a long time,

you will still need to apply. The campaign will run on radio, digital, social, and press.

Jenny Gilruth, minister for culture, Europe and international development, said: 'Our message to everyone from the EU who lives and works here remains this: Scotland is your home, you are our family, and we want you to stay here with us.

'Scotland is a better place because you are living here. Please apply. And please stay with us.

'The UK Government's EU Settled Status Scheme means that I must, sadly, reiterate that it remains critical that all EU citizens must complete an application by June 30 2021.'

Those who do not apply to the scheme may not be able to continue living or working in Scotland.

For more information on the support available, visit www.mygov.scot/stayinscotland

To download the Stay in Scotland toolkit or graphics, visit www.gov.scot/stayinscotlandtoolkit

Case study:

Benedikte Ranum

Norwegian Benedikte Ranum, who now lives in Doune, outside Stirling, has gone through the process. Here's what she had to say:

How did you find the process?

Initially, I had some misgivings about applying for settled status. I had lived in the UK most of my adult life, and had studied, worked and raised a family here. It felt odd having to prove that I had the right to remain in the country I'd considered my home for all these years.

But as it turned out, the process couldn't have been easier. The online application guides you through a series of simple steps, and the instructions are very clear.

If you have a biometric passport, you can even scan it rather than having to post it to the Home Office. I also got the reply much sooner than I had expected, saying I had been granted settled status.

Around the time I applied, there was also a letter from the Scottish Government, reassuring me and other people in my position that



we are wanted in this country. I'm pleased about the efforts that are being made to create a friendly and welcoming environment for those of us who are Scots by choice rather than by birth.

What would you say to others who have yet to apply?

I would say just go onto the website and get it done. The chances are it will be a lot more straightforward than you think. And if you do get stuck, there's help freely available – just contact Citizens Advice. Even if you don't have access to the internet or have problems with English, there's help available.

And the sooner you start the application process, the more time there is to iron out any issues before the June 30 deadline.

EU CITIZEN IN SCOTLAND?

APPLY TO STAY BY 30 JUNE

If you're an EU citizen living in Scotland,
we want you to stay.

The deadline for the EU Settlement Scheme is **30 June 2021**.

So apply now to stay in Scotland. You can find support and guidance at mygov.scot/stayinscotland.

Your children must also apply to the scheme.

You do not need a national insurance number to apply.

EU citizens who need help applying to the EU Settlement Scheme can receive free support and advice.

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Local businesswoman proposes tearoom plan for 'dry' Shiskine

by Hugh Boag
editor@arranbanner.co.uk



A new tearoom is being planned for Shiskine which is presently without anywhere to even have a cup of tea.

The proposal is to erect a simple traditional new building to house the tearoom comprising a seating area, toilet facilities, a serving area and kitchen. Ancillary to this will be an outside seating area, children's play area and parking provision for cars, bicycles and horses.

The tearoom is being proposed by Katie Webster, who has run the Machrie Bay Tea Room for four years, and has now submitted a planning application to North Ayrshire Council.

The tearoom would be built on a site to the north of the



The site of the cafe is marked out in the field in Shiskine.

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village, adjacent to the String Road in the corner of what is presently a grazing field south east of Inglewood.

A planning and design state-

ment drawn up by architect Alastair Howe states: 'Shiskine remains the largest settlement between Brodick and Blackwaterfoot with around

150 houses and a resident population of over 300, which almost doubles when holiday homes are in use.

'Whilst it has a church and

primary school and, despite it hosting the medical centre that serves the west of Arran, there are no other facilities.

'At present the residents of Shiskine and Machrie, and anyone else who is passing through the district, must go to Blackwaterfoot if they want as much as a cup of tea or a sandwich. In addition, there is also a steady stream of walkers, cyclists and motorists travelling along the String Road.

'The applicant has successfully run the tea room at Machrie for four years and being a resident of Shiskine she is aware of the lack of facilities in the village and wishes to use her experience to improve the village for all.

'The site is at the northern end of a field, the owner of which is related to the applicant and is supportive of the proposal.

Other locations and existing buildings within the village have been considered but none were considered suitable for a variety of reasons.'

An online survey was undertaken in May last year and only one negative response was received in more than 40 responses. The majority of the comments related to the point that there is nowhere in Shiskine to go to gather socially and therefore the proposal would be good for the community. Many also commented that it would reduce the need to drive to meet up. There was also mention of increased employment opportunities and as a place for young people to meet socially and independently.

The application is presently under consideration by council planning officials.

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Couple's self-service plan to sell farm produce in Brodick

A plan to sell farm produce from a converted shipping container in Brodick has been submitted to North Ayrshire Council planners, writes Hugh Boag.

The vending machine project by social enterprise Woodside Arran CIC would be a self-service facility selling Arran produce. And the site proposed is a disused piece of land between the bike hire shed at The Shore House and Arran Active.

Last month the Banner reported how owners Jenny and Andy Macdonald, of Woodside Farm in Kildonan, had received funding from Highlands and Islands Enterprise which would allow them to press ahead with the vending machine proposal.

The application states: 'We are aiming to place a purposed 40ft shipping container that has been customised to have two entry doors and two large windows and will be clad in local timber to make an aesthetically beautiful but temporary building, directly in line with the bike hire shed.'

A supporting statement adds: 'The project aims to address the significant lack of local



Jenny and Andy Macdonald, of Woodside Farm in Kildonan.

fresh produce available on the island. Currently there are no green grocers, with nearly all fresh produce being unsustainably transported on to the island by the one supermarket brand which has a monopoly on the island.

'There is significant public support for more local produce to be available and the aim of the vending machine project is to meet this need in a convenient and sustainable way supporting residents and

visitors to the island to have access to the local, affordable, environmentally-friendly produce they want.'

The change of use planning application is currently under consideration by planning officials.

YOURSTORY

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Summer club at library

Arran Library is running a summer club for five- to 12-year-olds with different activities each week, starting on Thursday July 1 with Margo McLellan giving a bee demonstration.

There will also be a design-a-bee-garden competition

craft. Booking is essential on arranlibrary@north-ayrshire.gov.uk or ring on 302835.

During the holidays the library will also be running a scavenger hunt, fun sports event and crafts events over six weeks.

More details to follow.

Mackie's at country park

A tasteful partnership between ice cream and chocolate manufacturer Mackie's and the National Trust for Scotland will see visitors to Brodick Castle and Country Park, and 13 other trust properties in Scotland, receiving a chocolate treat during their visit.

The initiative, known as

the Mackie's Summertime Explorers, will help celebrate the great tourist attractions on offer with every family taking part in a family trail tomorrow (Saturday) and Sunday being eligible to track down a Mackie's chocolate treat by following the clues and solving a simple puzzle.



Hillwalkers thank rescue 'angels'

by Colin Smeeton
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A husband and wife who required the services of the Arran Mountain Rescue Team (AMRT) while on holiday have praised the volunteers, calling them 'the angels of the mountains'.

Merseyside residents John Crook and his wife Patricia were enjoying their visit to Arran and on the last afternoon of their holiday decided to take a walk from Corriegills to Lamlash on the upper coastal path.

Just as the couple were making their way down from the trig point towards Lamlash – with the thought of coffee and cakes awaiting them at the Old Pier Café – Patricia slipped down a steep part of the path and badly injured her ankle.

The couple quickly realised



Patricia Crook receives additional care at the bottom of the hill and is prepared for transportation to the hospital.

importantly gave her much needed gas and air. With assistance we made our way down the hill to the waiting Land Rover ambulance. We were then handed over to the local hospital where the care continued and a broken ankle was diagnosed.'

A relieved John added: 'We cannot praise the AMRT enough for their kindness, care, efficiency and professionalism. We would just like to thank everyone involved and sing the praises of the volunteers who give their time and expertise freely to all who need them. They truly are the angels of the mountains.'

that they would be unable to continue down the hill as Patricia's ankle was extremely painful and it was unlikely that she would be able to put any pressure on it.

John told the Banner: 'Thankfully along came Andrew, who was a volunteer

for the RNLI and a trained first-aider. He quickly realised that we needed the AMRT and he actioned everything to get us the help we required.

'Once the team arrived, Struan, Martin and Corinna made a plan of action to get my wife off the hill, and most

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When it comes to the great outdoors there really is something for everyone on Arran.

The 432 square kilometers of the island is largely a great untouched wilderness and that, and the seas around it, are a utopia for nature lovers and an explorers haven for those who like nothing better than enjoying the great outdoors.

With a burgeoning tourist industry aimed at the enjoyment of Arran's natural heritage, there is an abundance of outdoor activities to enjoy. From scenic self guided walks to professionally guided tours there are a variety of ways to enjoy Arran's scenery. From kayaks to bicycles, low level or high level walking or running, there are various organisations that can make the inaccessible, accessible.

So what are you waiting for?

Arran Active

Arran Active have been selling outdoor gear on the island since 2005 and were thrilled to receive a Silver Award in the public vote for the TGO Independent Outdoor Retailer of the Year in 2020. Working with top-of-the-range established brands, such as Rab, Mountain Equipment & Scarpa, as well as mid-range suppliers like Craghoppers, Hi-Tec & Trespass, they have developed a selection that works for everyone whatever their budget or level.

So whether you are a dog-walker or peak-bagger, Arran Active will have what you need. Over the summer months, the range expands to include camping equipment and, for 2021, a wide selection of wetsuits from a new supplier, O'Neill. There are also snorkels, crab lines, aqua shoes – everything for a summer holiday! (Best not to mention Smidge....!)

But it doesn't stop there. The range is nothing if not eclectic. The children's department boasts wooden toys from Melissa & Doug; there is an interesting selection of books for all ages; and no visit to the store is complete without browsing the range of gins from all up the west coast, including Arran's own gin of course.

Did we mention the fashion clothing and footwear? And that we sell merchandise from the fantastic Arran Mountain Rescue Team? One visit is never enough.....



Otter's Tail

Otter's Tail offer a range of outdoor activities, catering for everyone from family groups to experienced adventurers.

You might fancy the family friendly gorge walk, or a half day kayak excursion. Or come for the whole day and they can kayak anywhere around Arran. Holy Isle, Pladda and Carradale are all lovely day trips by kayak. They love a dawn paddle, too.

Otter's Tail run multi-day kayak expeditions around Arran and beyond. Maybe you've always wanted to paddle to Ailsa Craig?

If the hills are calling you, they can help. They can guide you up any of the marvellous hills of Arran where you can spend a day in the hills, or a night walk under the stars. They are happy to take their time, or would you prefer to do some fell running?

This summer they can help you branch out onto the rock faces, too. You could traverse the iconic A'Chir ridge or have a go at multi pitch climbing on some of the best rock routes in Scotland.

Why not combine the hills and the sea and have a full day kayak adventure to the Holy Isle including a climb to the top? Otter's Tail are always open to new ideas, too, so get in touch with your plans!

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Have a look at their website: otterstail.co.uk, or find them on facebook or Instagram: [otterstail arran](https://www.facebook.com/otterstailarran)

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Shiskine champions Colin Allison and Pat Adamson with Duisky winner Jock Kelso.

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Arran members of the British Legion met in the Douglas Hotel to hear a talk by Major Bronco Lane, a retired soldier who cycled to Arran from Hereford.

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Corrie Ladies Open prizewinners Lorna McKelvie, Jerry Arthur, Betty McKelvie and overall winner Moira Logan, who is pictured with Alice Anderson.

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Young islanders gathered at a barn in North Sannox to learn sheep shearing. They are: Ewan Rogerson, Jamie Picken, Peter McDonald, Neil McMaster, Fiona Laing and David Fowler.

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A strong easterly wind pulled this boat off its mooring in Brodick Bay. Owner Alastair Bilsland and friends prevented serious damage by pulling it onto land.

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A clandestine gathering at the Southend in the early hours last Sunday saw an Arran version of Wacky Races taking place.

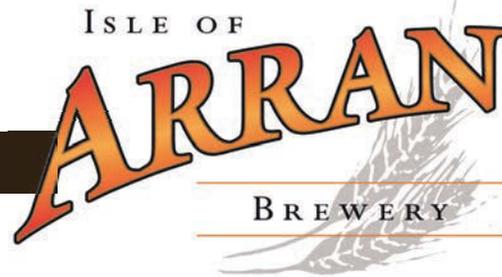
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Saturday 26th June

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Brodick Castle, Brodick, 11am – 4pm
RNLI Shop Open, Lamlash, 2pm - 4pm
Rink Games, Blackwaterfoot Bowling Club, 2pm
Rink Games, Brodick Bowling Club, 2pm
Arran Coastal Rowing, Try Out Session (Arran Residents),
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Sunday 27th June

Brodick Castle, Brodick, 11am – 4pm
RNLI Shop, Open, Lamlash, 2pm – 4pm
What's Happening On Arran, <http://www.arranmedia.co.uk>, 4pm

Monday 28th June

Brodick Castle, Brodick, 11am - 4pm
Lamlash Bowling Club, Lamlash, 2pm
Shiskine Tennis Club, Shiskine Golf & Tennis Club, Blackwaterfoot, 4pm
JogScotlandArran@gmail.com, Whiting Bay, Venue varies, 5.30pm
Brodick Bowling Club, Brodick, 7pm

Tuesday 29th June

Healthy Outdoor Team, Brodick Castle, 10am – 1pm
Brodick Castle, Brodick, 11am - 4pm
Dougarie Gardens Open Day, Dougarie Estate, 2pm - 5pm
Rink Games (Social distancing observed), Blackwaterfoot Bowling Club, 2pm
Shiskine Tennis Club, Shiskine Golf & Tennis Club, Blackwaterfoot, 11am
Junior Hockey, P1 - S3 (5 to 14 yrs), Ormidale Pavillion, Brodick, 6pm – 7pm

Wednesday 30th June

Kilmory Toddlers, Kilmory Hall, 10am -12noon
Arran Well-Being Cafe, Ormidale Pavilion, Brodick, 2pm – 4pm
Arran Skinnymalinks Walk & Weigh-in, COAST, Lamlash, Walk, 4pm,
Weigh-in, 4.30pm
Arran Pace Makers please check Facebook @arranpacemakers, Venue
varies, 5.30pm
Brodick Bowling Club, Brodick, 7pm
Lamlash Bowling Club, Lamlash, 7pm

Thursday 1st July

Shiskine Tennis Club, Shiskine Golf & Tennis Club, Blackwaterfoot, 11am
Senior Hockey (12+), Ormidale Astro Pitch, 7pm – 8.30pm

Friday 2nd July

Shiskine Tennis Club, Shiskine Golf & Tennis Club, Blackwaterfoot, 4pm

Saturday 3rd July

Brodick Castle, Brodick, 11am – 4pm
RNLI Shop Open, Lamlash, 2pm - 4pm
Rink Games, Blackwaterfoot Bowling Club, 2pm
Rink Games, Brodick Bowling Club, 2pm
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Please apply by forwarding your CV and a personal covering letter to :- Sarah McDowall, Production Manager
sarah.mcdowall@arran.com



We are Hiring

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PUBLIC NOTICES

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997
PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND
CONSERVATION AREAS)(SCOTLAND) ACT 1997**

Applications listed below together with the plans and other documents may be examined online at www.eplanning.north-ayrshire.gov.uk
Comments should be made online at www.eplanning.north-ayrshire.gov.uk by 16.07.21. Any representations received will be open to public view.

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT
PROCEDURE) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013 REGULATION 20(1)**

21/00601/PP; Site To North West Of Lairghru, Corriegills Road, Corriegills, Broddick; Erection of detached dwellinghouse.

21/00604/PP; Site To South East Of Inglewood, Shiskine, Broddick, Ayrshire; Erection of new tea room and associated parking and vehicular access.

21/00590/PP; Pier House, The Pier, Broddick, Ayrshire; Erection of 3 storey office building with private parking area and demolition of existing Pier House and Tourist Information Centre.

Craig Hatton
Chief Executive
Cunninghame House
IRVINE KA12 8EE



**LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1973
NORTH AYRSHIRE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD
UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS – YEAR TO 31ST MARCH 2021**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN under Regulation 9 (1) of the Local Authority Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2014 that:

- Copies of the unaudited accounts of North Ayrshire Integration Joint Board for the period from 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 will be available for public inspection from Thursday 1 July 2021 to Wednesday 21 July 2021 on the Partnership's website – www.nahscp.org/ [nahscp.org]
- Any person interested may inspect a copy of the abstracts of the accounts to be audited and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts relating thereto. However, due to the current restrictions in relation to Covid-19, interested parties are requested to submit email requests for access to these documents to annualaccountsNAHSCP@north-ayrshire.co.uk no later than 21 July 2021. Where the current restrictions allow, we will endeavour to provide electronic copies of the requested documents before the approval of the audited accounts for signature, at a date to be determined;
- No charge will be made for the inspection of documents or for the provision of electronic copies;
- Any person interested may object to the accounts, or to any part of those accounts, no later than 21 July 2021 by:-
1. Sending their objection in writing, together with a statement of the grounds thereof, to the auditor Deloitte LLP, pakenny@deloitte.co.uk and;
2. Sending a copy of that objection and statement to the Chief Officer, North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership carolinecameron@north-ayrshire.gov.uk, or to any other officer of the Authority who may be concerned.
- The auditor shall, if requested by the person objecting, the authority or by any officer of the authority who may be concerned, afford to that person or authority or officer, as the case may be, an opportunity of appearing before and being heard by the auditor with respect to that objection; and any such person or officer may so appear and be heard either personally or by a representative.

The appointed Auditor of the Accounts is Deloitte LLP,
110 Queen Street, Glasgow, G1 3BX.

Paul Doak, Chief Finance and Transformation Officer,
North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership,
Cunninghame House, IRVINE KA12 8EE



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CHURCH NOTICES

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND Parishes of North Arran, Brodrick, Corrie, Lochranza, Pirnmill and Shiskine *Independent but working together*

There is a booking system at Brodrick & Shiskine churches as the numbers are still limited. Liz Lawrie 302782 & John Kerr 860 498

There will be a streamed service fortnightly, this can be found on the three Church websites.

Sunday 27th June 2021
Lochranza & Pirnmill Churches-

Service at Lochranza Church 10:15am Morning worship. Shiskine Church 12noon. Morning worship. Brodrick Church 10.30am Morning worship. Corrie Church at 12noon. Morning worship. The Food Bank continues from Brodrick Church

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND Whiting Bay and Kildonan Church of Scotland

Charity Number: SC014005
Sunday 27th June
Worship will be conducted at 10.30am

As our capacity is greatly reduced due to the two metre social distancing, we have a booking system.

You are asked, please, to phone Mrs Janet Redfearn on 700244 by the Friday lunchtime if you wish to attend Sunday worship.

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND Kilmory linked with Lamlash

"A faith to proclaim ~ a fellowship to share"
Scottish Charity SC015072
Sunday 27th June
Kilmory 10am

Lamlash Church 11.30am
Please note that we will be in Church from 27th June

Due to our reduced capacity, if you wish to attend Sunday Worship in Lamlash, please phone Margaret McArthur at 600363 by midday on Friday. All welcome

We will be observing all socially distancing procedures

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SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH (Part of the Worldwide Anglican Church)

St Margaret's, Whiting Bay.
Sunday 27th June

Fourth Sunday after Trinity
Holy Communion at 11 am.
Revd Adrian Fallows
ALL WELCOME
Coffee after service
We follow strict SEC guidelines

ARRAN BAPTIST CHURCH Minister - Rev. Vince Jennings Phone: 01770 600222

While we are still unable to meet due to social distancing, you are invited to pick up our mini service on our new website at www.Arranbaptistchurch.org.uk

We would love you to join us.

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Attendance at Saturday Vigil Mass and Sunday Morning Mass

is by booking only and subject to social distancing, wearing of face coverings and NHS Test and Protect requirements.

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A REGULAR BOOKING PLEASE BE AWARE THAT SPACES MAY ONLY BE AVAILABLE FOR THE SATURDAY VIGIL MASS
Please email peterdwilko@gmail.com or telephone 600595 to check availability and confirm your place

*BLESS O LORD THIS ISLE OF
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ST ROCH PATRON OF THE
SICK PRAY FOR US
OUR LADY OF THE ISLES
PRAY FOR US
ST COLUMBA PRAY FOR US*

DEATH

MACMILLAN - Alison Margaret (nee Forbes) Peacefully at Cooriedoon Care Home, Isle of Arran, on Tuesday 22nd June 2021, Alison, in her 100th year, late of Dundee, much loved mother of Alison, Ann, Heather & Fiona, mother-in-law of Terry, Alan & Terry, 'Grandma Mac' to Steven & Richard, Graham, Gillian & Andrew, Katherine, Joanna & Neil and her ten Great-Grandchildren. Due to Covid Restrictions there will be a private funeral. Donations if desired to Alzheimers Scotland.

ARRAN BANNER GOLF



Whiting Bay Golf Club

Sunday June 6, The Tor Alvey Greensome, nine pairs played: 1 Graeme Crichton and Neil Mckenzie 13, 57 acb, 2 Fraser Mackenzie and Nicol Auld 11, 57, 3 Peter Towndrow and Jamie Macpherson 8, 60. Magic twos Duncan Heenan and Ronnie Mann @17th.

Wednesday June 9, Summer Trophy, 21 played: 1 Graeme Crichton 14, 60, 2 Neil Lucas 13, 63 acb, 3 Duncan Heenan 13, 63, 4 David Blair 12, 67 acb. Lowest gross, Jamie Macpherson 72. Magic twos Duncan Heenan @5th, Mark West @11th, Nicol Auld and Jamie Macpherson both @17.

Wednesday June 16, Summer Trophy, 19 played: 1 Dave Hackett 13, 59, 2 David Brookens 13, 61, 3 Gordon Maclachlan 23, 64 acb, 4 David Morrison 9, 64 acb. Lowest gross, Nicol Auld 70. Magic twos Gavin Mainds @12, Neil McKechnie @14.

Fixtures:
Sunday June 27, Medal.
Wednesday June 30, Cancer Relief Stableford (Open).

Lamlash Golf Club

Thursday June 17, Summer Cup: 1 Derek Harrison 78-18=60, 2 Jack McNally 69-8=61, 3 Stuart Campbell 67-5=62, 4 Graeme Andrew 76-13=63. Best scratch Dougie Macfarlane 66. Magic twos, Paul Cowan and Dougie Macfarlane @16th, Iain Murchie @ 8th, Stuart Campbell @12th, Neil Young @2nd and 13th, Ian Bremner @14th and 16th. Hole two drawn, winner Neil Young.

Sunday June 20, Jamieson Cup: 1 Alan Campbell 74-14=61, 2 Serge El Adm 75-12=63, 3 Paul Cowan 69-5=64. Best scratch Paul Cowan 69. Magic twos Paul Niven @16th. Hole 17 drawn, rollover.

Fixtures: Saturday June 26, AGA Hope Cup semi-finals at 1pm, followed by finals at 6pm. Sunday June 27, Medal Shield, draw at noon. Thursday July 1, Summer Cup and Tom Graham Cup. Make up own groups and see starter for times.

Ladies' section: Wednesday June 17, Stroke 3: 1 Madeleine McLaren 88-30=58, 2 Kate McAdam 79-17=62. Scratch



Newly appointed AGA secretary Jacki Lea Vaught presents the Thomson Cup to Babbies MacNeil, who beat Bob McCrae in the final at Brodrick on Saturday June 12.

Kate McAdam 79. Spaces still available for Ladies' Open (15 holes) Wednesday July 21, contact Alison Heron, alison.heron8@btinternet.com

Shiskine Golf Club

Thursday June 17, ladies' Nancy McCutcheon Trophy, nine played: 1 Fiona Scott 28pts, 2 Julia Salton 27pts, 3 Jenni Turnbull 25pts. Magic twos Clare Buchanan, Ann May and Jenni Turnbull.

Sunday June 20, gents Sunday Stableford. 1 W McNally 29pts, 2 J Bell 28pts BIH, 3 R Waine

28pts. Magic twos D Davidge, R Waine.

Brodrick Golf Club

Wednesday June 16, Summer Cup, 36 played. 1 Fred Galbraith 74-14=60 acb, 2 Ali Hume 71-11=60, 3 Craig Thomson 84-22=62 acb. Scratch Ali Hume 71.

Sunday June 20, Marchioness of Graham Trophy (bogey), 20 played: 1 George Hamilton 16, 6 up, 2 John May 23, 5 up, 3 Douglas Robertson 21, 3 up.

Saturday June 19, Hope Cup: Brodrick beat Lochranza in

round one of the Hope Cup. Fixtures: Saturday June 26, Hope Cup semi-finals and final at Lamlash.

Corrie Golf Club

Wednesday June 16, 18-hole medal: 1 A Smith 74-15-59, 2 G Andrew 71-12-59, 3 R I McMillan 84-23-61. Scratch W Paton 70.

Saturday June 19, 18-hole medal: 1 R Burke 74-14=60, 2 A Napier 71-10=61, 3 W Paton 69-8=61 and scratch.

Fixtures: Saturday June 26, 18-hole medal. Wednesday June 30, 18-hole medal. Competitors arrange their own matches and adhere to the current Covid regulations.

Machrie Bay Golf Club

Tuesday June 15, Peter Sutton. 1 Phil Betley 63, 2 Campbell Laing 68, 3 John Milesi 69 BIH.

Monday June 21, finals day. Ladies - after a close game Jenni Turnbull beat Elizabeth Kelso. Gents - Phil Betley beat Brian Sherwood with Phil playing exceptionally well John Pennycott beat Willie Kelso.

Fixtures: Tuesday June 29, Lady Mary/Peter Sutton tee off 12.30pm. Anyone intending to play in the evening please contact Brian before Monday.

Arran Golfers Association

Hope Cup 2021: first round was hosted at Lamlash Golf Club. Shiskine bt Machrie Bay, Whiting Bay bt Corrie and Brodrick bt Lochranza Castle. Tomorrow (Saturday) will be the semi-final at 1pm where the home team of Lamlash will play Shiskine and Whiting Bay will play Brodrick. The final to be played at 6pm at Lamlash, please come along and show your support.



Phil Betley, winner of the men's championship; Jenni Turnbull, winner of the ladies' championship and John Pennycott winner of the President's Cup at Machrie Bay.



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Donald lifts First Minister's Cup in annual golf contest



The winners and all those who took part in the annual school golf competition. 01_B26first01



Left: Senior cup winner Donald Currie. 01_B26first02
Cup winner Donald Currie with runner-up Gordon MacIntyre and James McCarty, junior winner Isabella Reid and Frazer Ferguson, longest drive. 01_B26first03



Last Friday the Arran High School annual golf competition for the First Minister's Cup 2021 took place in glorious sunshine at Lamlash Golf Club.

More than 25 pupils took part this year from S1-S6 and organisers say it was great to see so many young people playing and could not have asked for better weather.

This year the school has also introduced a Junior First Minister's Shield for S1-S3 pupils, as well as the Senior First Minister's Cup

and the school is grateful to Lamlash Golf Club for providing the pizza for all of the pupils who took part. Thanks go to Lauren Gilbert, active schools co-ordinator, for helping to organise this event and keep the tradition going.

The prize winners from the day for the Senior First Minister's Cup were: 1 Donald Currie, 2 Gordon MacIntyre, 3 James McCarty. The winner of the Junior First Minister's Shield was Isabella Reid.

The winner for the

longest drive was Frazer Ferguson.

The First Minister's Cup was gifted by former first minister Jack McConnell, now Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale, for an annual golf tournament at Arran High School.



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