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Snowman and Merry Christmas by Amy Edwards

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Contributions to the Kilninford News

Contributions can be emailed to any of the KN team members, or posted in our Kilninford Letterbox inside the Village Shop. If you have a hand written or audio version you can contact any of the team and we will endeavour to help transcribe it. Anonymous contributions are also welcome – provided that the KN team know who the authors are! Obviously we would like everybody to keep in mind that our newsletter is potentially read by all ages.

PLEASE NOTE: All contributions for the Easter EDITION should be with the News team by

5th March 2017

CONTACT DETAILS ARE GIVEN INSIDE THE BACK COVER OF THIS EDITION

Kilninford News by email

To those who have asked for the **Kilninford News** to be posted out to them, there is now the option to receive the **digital form by email**. If you prefer to receive this digital form over the paper form, please send an email to one of the Kilninford News team members.

Obviously the newsletters are also available on www.kilmelford.com and we plan to upload the missing older issues to this website over Winter, so the set will be complete.

Local Telephone Directory (September 2016)

The Local Directory has been updated and is for sale at £1 a copy at Kilmelford Village Shop or by contacting Georgina Dalton. Next directory will be out in September 2017. Please contact Iain Bark or Georgina Dalton with any changes for the next edition.

Georgina 01866 844212 Iain barkee@live.com

Once again a big **THANK YOU** to all who have contributed to this newsletter!

The Kilninford News exists thanks to your entries, the support of advertisers, the kind donations we receive and the help of the lovely people who deliver the Newsletters 3 times a year to each household in Kilninner, Kilmelford, Arduaine and surrounding areas. Thank you!

A special THANK YOU must go to Georgina Dalton, for all the time and effort she puts into our community. Without her input a lot of the activities, groups and events that locals enjoy, would never have got off the ground.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Very Happy 2017

The Kilninford News team

A huge **THANK YOU** to **Alex Tweedly** for hosting + refreshing the Kilninford News online extension, the kilmelford.com website. Your help and knowledge is much appreciated.

The Kilninford News team

Website for Kilninner, Kilmelford and Arduaine; www.kilmelford.com

www.kilmelford.com has recently undergone a much needed refresh thanks to Alex and KN team members. Alex has shown Iain, Mark and Astrid how to keep the website updated. Please have a look at the new version of Kilmelford.com Local businesses, please check to make sure you are mentioned and the information given is correct. If you contact us with info / events we are able to inform the community via the website as well as through this newsletter.

The Kilninford News team



Congratulations Yvonne and Simon!

As a result of CAMRA's (CAMPAIGN FOR REAL ALE) pioneering efforts to identify and help protect our country's historic pub interiors, The Cuilfail Hotel has been awarded a place in the Historic Pub Guide as a pub with an interior of national importance.

You should be very proud of your "Blue Plaque" and lovely wee pub!

Slàinte mhath!

your regulars

WHAT IS ON IN AND AROUND KILMELFORD AND KILNINVER

Fire Fighters Charity Christmas Pub Quiz; Saturday 3rd December 7.30 pm at Cuilfail Hotel.

Teams of up to 6 people, £2.50 per person. Come and enjoy a great evening of fun and help support the Fire Fighters Charity at the same time!

Xplorers Christmas Special; Sunday 4th December at 4 pm, Kilmelford Church.

Community Christmas carol singing; Friday 16th December at 6.30pm in Kilmelford Church. Everyone welcome. Choose your favourite carol. Bring instruments, voices or just listen and enjoy. Craft activity for young people. **Contact Krissie 01852 200706**

Family Nativity Service and Gift Sunday; Sunday 18th December at 12 noon, Kilmelford Church. Please join us. Everyone welcome.

Thursday 22nd December; Christmas Nativity Play (location & time to be announced)

Saturday 4th February; Kilmelford's Got Talent, Kilmelford Village Hall at 7 pm

Music Night; Mondays

All welcome to come and join in. Musicians – bring along your instruments.

The Shower of Herring: Every Monday from 9pm.

'Crafts and Things'; Wednesdays

For anyone interested in embroidery, tapestry, sewing, knitting, crochet and other similar crafts, meetings are in the Kilmelford Village Hall every **Wednesday** from **10 a.m. - 12noon.**

£2.00 per person for each session.

Contact: Toni Mitchell 01852 316151 or Olga Salmond 01852 200787

Mothers and Toddlers Playgroup; Wednesdays

Playgroup is on every **Wednesday** 1:30 – 3.00pm. All preschool, babies and bumps welcome. We get to have a chat and a cuppa while the kids play or do crafts. It would be great to see more mums, dads grandparents, etc. and their little ones. Holidaymakers are also more than welcome, it's a great way to spend a rainy Wednesday afternoon. We look forward to seeing you there.

Contact: Ann (Luke & Ben's mum) af_robb@hotmail.co.uk or **Georgina 01866 844212**

Gin & Whisky Tasting; Wednesdays

The Shower of Herring - Every **Wednesday**: 6.30 pm – 7.30 ish pm

Come along and try gins in a completely different way, or try whiskies with a professional.

Olwen and Fergus will tell you about the history and methods. £14 per person.

Please book through Melfort Village; 01852 200257

Melfort Ukuleles; Wednesday evenings at Craignish Village Hall

Beginners/Slow Session 6.50 – 7.25pm. Children welcome (free) when accompanied by paying adult (3 children max per adult). **Main Session: 7.30-9.00pm** Followed by refreshments. Spare ukuleles available to borrow. £4/person £6/couple.

Contact: Sarah Whittle 01852 500790 or email sarah@musicforlife.info

Art Group; Thursdays

The group meets **weekly on Thursdays** from 2 pm – 4.30 pm in the Kilmelford Village Hall (small hall).

All welcome. £2 per session. Contact: **Agnes McColl Tel.: 01852 200365**

Country Dancing; Thursday

Thursday evenings from 8 pm – 10 pm at the Kilmelford Village Hall

All welcome. You can come and join us at any time.

Contact: Bob Fleck Tel.: 01852 200258 E-mail: rfleck@btinternet.com

Bagpipe Sessions; Thursday

Come and play – or just listen!

Every Thursday from 8pm at The Cuilfail Hotel

Bazza's Bingo; Thursday

Starts 7:30, great prizes to be won and complimentary half time munchies

Every Thursday at The Lord of the Isles, Craobh Haven.

Music Nights; Friday

All welcome to come and join in. Musicians, bring along your instruments.

Every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month, from 9.30 pm at Loch Melfort Hotel Tel.: 01852 200233

Games Night; Friday

On **Friday** evening in the Village Hall, games / sports from **6 pm till 7.30 pm.**

All children aged 8 years and older are welcome, £2 per head. Juice & snack included.

Contacts; Helen 200789 Georgina 01866 844212

Xplorers: Sunday 20th November, 4th December (Christmas Special), 18th December, 15th January, 19th February, 19th March

Every 3rd Sunday of the month the Xplorers meet at the Kilmelford Church at **4pm**. All children welcome, under 5's welcome too with an adult. Becky and the older Xplorers (S1 and older) are able to use the Kilmelford Village Shop Cafe (entry on the side of the shop) for hot drinks and chats.

For more information contact; **Georgina 01866 844212** or **Helen 01852 200789**

Sunday 4th December at 4pm; Xplorers Christmas Special

Preparations for Christmas are not the same without Christingle making, and lighting the candles in the darkness of a December evening. So come and join us for an Xplorers Christmas special. ALL ages welcome. Activities include Christingle making, Advent rings, decorating the tree and making cards all things to take home. Refreshments followed by favourite Christmas carols.

Coffee Mornings; TRIAL CHANGE OF DAY TO THURSDAYS TO MAKE THINGS EASIER FOR SCHOOL

Coffee Mornings at Kilmelford Village Hall (**10.30 am – noon**) on;

Thursday 8nd December, Jan/Feb/Mar To be confirmed ... might revert to Friday 13th January*, 3rd February*, 3rd March*, 7th April depending on success of different day.

Please bring a friend and come along for coffee / tea and our lovely home baking. Funds in aid of the Church and the Village Hall. Offers of help, offers to give somebody a lift and donations of baking are much appreciated. Please contact;

Melissa Oats on 01852 200314



THE LORD OF THE ISLES

Wil Craig and his team at The Lord of the Isles in Craobh Haven, plan to organise several events over Winter for all to come and enjoy. **Live music nights, entertainment, events...**there is lots to come!

Every **Thursday** you can enjoy a” **Burger ‘n’ pint**” for £8.50 from 5:30pm – 7:30pm followed by “**Bazza's Bingo**” at 7:30pm (great prizes to be won and complimentary half time munchies).

Every **Friday** the **Fish 'n' Chips + a pint** of your choice will be £9, from 5:30pm – 7:30pm.

There's more stuff in the pipeline – LOTI hopes it offers people in Kilmelford and the surrounding area a little something extra in the dark winter months!

CHRISTMAS FESTIVE MENU AVAILABLE FROM THE START OF DECEMBER

- Check website and Facebook for more details. Contact: 01852 500658 www.lordoftheisles.co.uk

CRAIGNISH VILLAGE HALL

For regular events such as Coffee Mornings, “Keep Fit” and “Knit and Natter” please check their website; www.craignishvillagehall.org.uk or their Facebook page.

E-mail: cvhartsevents@gmail.com Tel.: 01852 500746

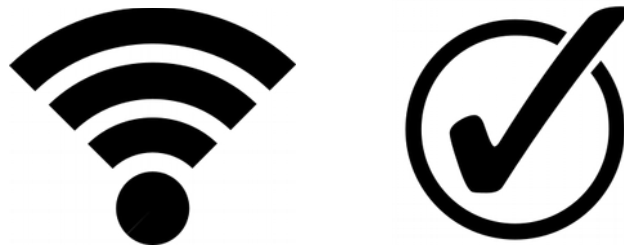
KILMARTIN HOUSE MUSEUM

A full programme of events can be found on www.kilmartin.org

Information and bookings: Tel.: 01546 510278 E-mail: admin@kilmartin.org

KILMELFORD VILLAGE SHOP; Coffee Shop / Art Gallery

Sarah’s Coffee Shop will be closed during the Winter months, but the Art Gallery remains open. Sarah is however very happy for people to use her coffee shop for meetings, but do let her know in advance.



Wi-Fi in Kilmelford Village Hall

On behalf of Kilmelford Village Hall users we would like to thank **Nigel Mitchell** (Chair Kilninver and Kilmelford Community Council) for getting Wi-Fi installed in our Village Hall, paid for with a Micro Grant from the Carraig Gheal Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund. His time and effort, resulting in the Kilmelford Village Hall being connected, is much appreciated!

KN editors

Stamp appeal

The money raised with the sale of stamps is a vital contribution to funding projects.

This year the Stamp Appeal has been supporting the Church of South India's Othara Eco-Spirituality Centre.

Please cut stamps off envelopes with 3 mm border and give them to Georgina Dalton, Mary Clark or leave them at the shop. Thank you!

Merry Christmas and all the best throughout the New Year
From Simon, Yvonne & Sally at the

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The Fire Fighters Charity

The Fire Fighter's Charity is the UK's leading provider of services that enhance quality of life for serving and retired firefighters, fire service personnel and their families by supporting people in the fire and rescue community when they are in need. Over the years, we have helped hundreds of thousands of individuals by providing world-class treatment and support services. We have three centres in Devon, Cumbria and West Sussex, which offer a range of support programmes including physical rehabilitation and recuperation. The centre in Cumbria also offers nursing care. In addition, and to aid emotional recuperation, we offer one or two week breaks designed to help those who have suffered injury, illness, stress or bereavement.

Fire Fighters Charity Christmas Pub Quiz

3 December

Cuilfail Hotel on 3rd December 2016 at 7:30 pm. Teams of up to 6 members £2:50 per head.
Come along to the pub quiz. It's always a fun night, just ask those who have been previously, and help raise funds for The Fire Fighter's Charity.

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Kilmelford's Got Talent, 4th February 7 pm in Kilmelford Village Hall

Kilmelford's Got Talent will take place in Kilmelford village Hall on Saturday 4th February 7pm. Singing, dancing, poetry, ventriloquism, magic tricks, juggling....what's your talent? The competition is open to adults, children and pets. This event will be held to raise much needed funds for our primary school and Marie Curie Cancer care. Entries should be in by the last week in January. There will be lots of wonderful talent from Kilninver and Cragnish primary schools...and I want to see some talented members of our community signing up for a laugh.

Please help me to make this a fun village event. Mrs Dorothy Bark and myself will be performing a rendition of Flower of Scotland whilst drinking a pint of ale. So come on and let's all get together, have fun and raise some money.

Posters will be going up shortly with contact details and information.

Sarah



Peace on Earth

Among the words we love to hear at Christmas “peace” is especially precious. No doubt this is because we are so often experiencing the opposite of peace with turmoil and trouble in matters great and small. The promise of peace on earth always strikes a chord. The relevance of Jesus is readily apparent when he is called the Prince of Peace.

Never has this been more true than it is today. We need look no further than Aleppo to see violence being unleashed on an apocalyptic scale. Though we are fortunate to be able to live our everyday lives in tranquil Argyll our hearts go out to the many innocent people who are caught up in merciless conflicts not of their own making.

What is especially vexing is that though there is widespread longing for peace, all too often we are unable to achieve it. Left to ourselves it seems that our human propensity is to get trapped in intractable and ever-deepening conflict. Perhaps it is time to discover that peace is a gift.

Jesus said: “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you” (John 14:27) It is a wonderful promise, whether we think of it in terms of our own personal circumstances or in terms of the global situation. This is the promise that came into view at Christmas. It explains why Christmas will be celebrated as a source of hope in desperate situations around the world. It explains why Christmas worship is not to be missed wherever we are.

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in his wings.

Happy Christmas!

Kenneth Ross, Parish Minister

Church of Scotland

We hold services every alternate Sunday in Kilmelford and Kilninver Parish Churches to which all are welcome. Services are held at 12 noon.

Sunday 25 th Dec	Christmas service in Kilninver Church
Sunday 1 st Jan	Kilmelford Church
Sunday 8 th Jan	Kilninver Church

Kilmelford Church is in the middle of the village and the car park is behind the church. Kilninver Church is half a mile off the A816 road to Oban. Take the turning to Easdale. You can park along the roadside.

Christmas in Netherlorn 2016

Netherlorn Advent Communion Service; Tuesday 6th Dec 18.00 Kilninver (KR)

Craignish

Sunday 11 th Dec	10.15	Gift Sunday
Sunday 18 th Dec	18.00	Carols by Candlelight (KR / TB) (no morning service at Craignish; Nativity at Kilmelford 12.00)
Saturday 24 th Dec	23.15	Watchnight Service (TB)
Sunday 25 th Dec	10.15	Christmas Family Service (KR)

Kilmelford and Kilninver

Sunday 4 th Dec	17.00	Kilmelford	Christingle Service (KR), with Xplorers
Friday 16 th Dec	18.30	Kilmelford	Community Celebration Carol Singing
Sunday 18 th Dec	12.00	Kilmelford	Nativity Service and Gift Sunday (KR)
Saturday 24 th Dec	23.30	Kilmelford	Watchnight Service (KR)
Sunday 25 th Dec	12.00	Kilninver	Christmas Family Service (KR)

Kilbrandon

Wednesday 14 th Dec	18.30	Carols by Candlelight, with Seil Sound (MW)
Sunday 18 th Dec	10.00	Nativity Service (RR)
Saturday 24 th Dec	23.15	Watchnight Service (PM, MR, RR)
Sunday 25 th Dec	11.00	Christmas Family Service (MW)

Kilchattan

Sunday 27 th Nov	11.30	Advent Christingle Service (JA, JLA)
Sunday 18 th Dec	11.30	Nativity Service (FC)
Saturday 24 th Dec	19.30	Watchnight Service (FC, JA, JLA)
Sunday 25 th Dec	11.30	Christmas Family Service (FC, JA, JLA)

Weddings

Mhairi Gillanders married Douglas Elliott on Saturday 10th September at South Knapdale Church, Achahoish, near Kilberry.

Your in-laws called, and are coming to stay
You tell your wife, Oh Nay ,Oh Nay !!



That noisy school friend wants to
visit in June.

Oh, please NO !! I will be doomed.

Your son, will soon arrive with bairns galore,
You and your wife are running out
the door.



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Adopt a kiosk



Owing to public telephone box usage having dropped by over 90% since 2006, BT intends to remove a third of all kiosks – which means that in Scotland at 3,300 remaining more than half of the 6,962 operational in 2003 will be removed. So far, 1,500 payphones have had a notice to remove placed on them and our kiosk opposite the shop in Kilmelford is one of them.

As a result your Community Council, having carried out a quick informal survey (at very short notice owing to the discovery of BT's intention rather far in to the 42 day limit to respond), has as directed applied to Argyll & Bute Council Planning Department and to BT to adopt the kiosk. If all goes smoothly it will be ours upon payment of £1 (which has already been kindly donated in anticipation of a successful outcome) and we will then have the responsibility of maintaining it. A decision on retention or removal is due by the end of the year. Suggestions as to what we wish to use it for e.g. log store, greenhouse for tomato growing, library, local/tourist information point will be welcome and may be left with Sarah or Ruth at the shop.

Jane Rentoul

North Argyll Volunteer Car Scheme - (NAVCS) Registered Charity No SCO37509

On behalf of the committee, I would like to thank Dave Millward for his kind gesture in volunteering to arrange a pub quiz to raise funds for the car scheme and The Cherish Transport Fund. The evening was most enjoyable and raised £162. Many thanks also to the local community for their ongoing support by filling our 'Wee Red Car' donation box in the Kilmelford Village Store.

The NAVCS provides transport for residents of designated areas of North Argyll who are unable to use, or have difficulty with access to public transport, and do not have suitable access to a private car. We organise volunteers to provide transport in their own cars to passengers who are registered with the scheme.

The scheme is not intended to replace buses, taxis or emergency services for those who would normally use them.

We only undertake journeys within North Argyll and passengers are asked to make a small contribution to driver costs.

If you would like further information about the scheme please do get in contact.

Caroline Gillanders – Co-ordinator 01852 200760 carolinenavcs@gmail.com

Kilmelford Community Skiff

We have enjoyed a good season of rowing this year, the intention is to keep going throughout the winter, weather permitting. Now that the days are shorter we will be limited to rowing at the weekends. A years subscription is £25 per family, if you wish to join us please contact myself or Sue for info. No experience necessary and life jackets are provided.

Contacts; Sarah on 01852 200555 or Sue on 01852 200364

Notes on previous events

Autumn Celebration

On Sunday October 9th the 2016 Autumn Celebration was held at Kilmelford Church. The event was a celebration of the start of the Autumn Season and followed on from the Spring and Summer Celebrations held earlier in the year. Krissie had done an excellent job in advertising the event throughout the local area and with her young helper produced an amazing collage of autumn colours on the balcony of the Church.

Attendees were greeted at the door of the Church by Jamie McAndrew who piped continuously prior to the Celebration and many thanks are due to him for piping both then and during the following event inside the Church.

Celebrations were started by Neil giving a very brief chat about where the words Autumn and Fall came from and sundry other facts and then sang, to the tune of 'We plough the fields and scatter' the song 'John Barleycorn' to open the celebration. Dave gave a tune on the accordion and then sang an Austrian song (in faultless German!!). Isabel read two poems relating to Autumn and Georgina gave a fiddle tune. Shian gave a poetry reading and Olwen read two poems all relating to the season. Phil gave a couple of songs and Helen concluded the event with another poetry reading.

Many, many thanks are due to all the participants who provided the entertainment during the Celebration and for the people who gave up their time to attend and to make the event such a great success.

The next event will be the Carol Concert to be held on Friday 16th December (time to be confirmed) [18:30 ed.] Keep watching around Kilmelford for further details of this evergreen event when YOU decide the Carols to be sung.

Neil Goulding

A Passion for Music

Recital by Marek Kochmanski. Held at Kilmelford Village Hall Friday 28th October 2016

Marek was born in Poland in 1981. He took private music lessons from the age of 7 and continued his passion for music at the University of Silesia in Katowice, where he graduated BMus in 2005 as a pianist, composer and educator.

Since moving to Scotland in 2006, Marek teaches, often gives recitals in Scotland and Poland, won 1st Prize in the Lady Fermoy Piano competition in Oban, run as part of the Highlands & Islands Music and Dance Festival in 2015 and is currently recording works at Crear.

Marek opened the night with his improvisation 'Silent Prayer', breathing life into a hauntingly beautiful piece drawing the listener into his own personal language of music. Most striking in his delivery of both classical and improvisational works was his range of dynamics; left and right hand counterpoints then with great fluidity, directing the listener's ear toward melting notes of melody.

Interval earned and requiring fuel for the second part of the programme, we were all rewarded with a delectable, notable composition of Middle Eastern cuisine by the skilled hand of Matthew Anderson of Melfort House and his happy helpers!

Schedule resumed, Marek displayed impressive dexterity over furious and rapid octaves and thoroughly entranced the audience with his magical enduring love of music. A consummate master of technique and artistry, demonstrating a deep poetic depth.

Programme

1. Improvisation "Silent Prayer"
2. Mozart Sonata KV545
3. L. van Beethoven bagatelle "Für Elise"
4. F. Chopin Waltz in E-minor op. posthumous

Interval

1. Improvisation "Journey"
2. F. Chopin Waltzes: A-minor, Op. 64 No. 1 and 2,
3. F. Chopin Prelude in D-flat "raindrop"
4. Improvisation "My mountains"
5. F. Chopin Polonaise op.53

Some quotes describing the essence of the evening:

'Nice to feel the immediacy of sight and sound in a real time recital'

'Marek's fingers just flew across the piano'

'It's such a privilege that we, in such an out of the way place, can hear this quality of music'

'One thing that struck me was his love of Chopin'

'I think his playing could well be classed... 'World Class''

'A magical, very special evening'

Thank you to Marek...we look forward to future recitals at Kilmelford and hope to make it an annual event..... I'm not biased.....he is my piano teacher!

Karen Liversedge

TOP SECRET

Colin Gibson's Surprise 60th Birthday Party on 29th October

An open invitation to a surprise party for Colin Gibson's 60th birthday arranged by the Melfort Club took place on Saturday 29th October at Kilmelford Village Hall. There were flashing lights accompanying music from the 60s onwards and the welcome sound of Paddy and Libby playing for Gay Gordons, Dashing White Sergeant and Strip the Willow – very much a family affair. Brenda from the Melfort Club composed the following poem which she delivered, to great applause. In all, a very happy evening and lovely to see young and old enjoying a truly community event in a full hall.

In writing this poem for Colin
I know exactly where to begin
So I'll start with the word loyal
Coz he's there with us through thick and thin.
Supportive is another word screaming out
That doesn't just come to mind
Coz he's that to each and everyone of us
Every day he digs out blind.

Funny is an understatement
He makes us laugh all day
His wit, charm and sense of humour
Keeps all our teams buoyant come what may.
Ever the happy chappy
You can come to work feeling down
Colin will lift and make you happy
He's so good to have around.

Team Spirit a shining example of
What everyone should be
With total selfless commitment
That's plain for all to see.
Without a doubt a Muskateer
All for one and one for all
And to all of us in Melfort he is
The greatest guy of all.

Thanks for all the extra hours you do
That you never ever write down
Thanks for your outstanding dedication
I think you should take a huge bow.
You are due a huge enormous hug
For being the great guy you are
Never moaning or complaining
At least deserves a star.

Colin, you are our Mr Melfort
Kind and strong and true
And all of us would do anything
Just anything for you.
You have walked and run 500 miles
And we'd gladly walk 5000 more
For you our wonderful Colin
Who we love, respect and totally adore.

Poem composed by Brenda (Melfort Club)

Cuilfail Hotel

Take Away Menu

Available until 8.30pm

Mains

Prices valid to 31/12/16

Haddock & Chips	£7.00
Lasagne & Chips	£7.00
Beef Burger & Chips	£7.50
With Cheese	£1 extra
With Bacon	£1 extra

Steak & Ale Pie & Chips	£8.00
Chicken Curry, Rice	£7.00
Macaroni Cheese & Chips	£6.00
Scampi & Chips	£7.00
Chicken Goujons & Chips	£7.00

Pizza 12"

Cheese & Tomato	£6.00
Toppings:	
Ham, Salami, Tuna, Haggis	£1.50
Mushroom, Peppers, onion & Pineapple	£1.00
12" Garlic Pizza, tomato & Garlic	£5.00

Sides

Garlic Bread	£2.30	Garlic Bread with Cheese	£3.20
Onion Rings	£3.00	Potato Wedges	£3.00
Chips /Cheesy	£2.50/£3.40	Mushy Peas	£1.50
Side Salad	£2.50	Rice	£2.50

Soft Drinks & Alcoholic Drinks
Please ask for availability at the bar

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Due to our alcohol licence

Under 18s must be accompanied by an adult

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KILNINVER AND KILMELFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

For a number of years Community Council Minutes of Meetings have been published in full in the Newsletter. Now as a result of advice from Community Engagement, Argyll and Bute Council and with an eye to printing costs of the Newsletter, it has been decided to discontinue printing the Minutes in this way. They will, as now, be available on noticeboards at Kilninver and at Shop and Hall at Kilmelford. In addition they can be found online at www.kilmelford.com and two – initially, more if needed - printed copies in Kilmelford Shop. Draft minutes of the previous meeting are of course available at each Community Council meeting where they are scrutinised and approved at that meeting before being published on the website.

Dates of meetings for the ensuing year will be published and contact details will be regularly updated and printed in the Newsletter.

All meetings at Kilmelford Village Hall at 8.p.m. and all members of the public are very welcome to attend.

2016 13th December

2017 14th February; 11th April; 13th June; 8th August; 10 October; 12th December

Committee Members

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The Glebe: 3 bedroomed holiday let in Kilmelford. email; honeytummy@hotmail.co.uk



Winter Fire Safety

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service is keen to promote a safe and fire free festive period and with this in mind here are some hints and tips to reduce the risk of fire in your home;

- Keep portable heaters away from curtains and furniture and never use them for drying clothes.
- Unplug or switch off portable heaters when you go out or go to bed.
- Fit a Carbon Monoxide detector in all rooms containing gas or paraffin heaters.
- Never leave an electric blanket switched on when you're in bed unless it's marked 'suitable for all night use'.
- Check your electric blanket, plug and flex regularly for damage. If you're in any doubt, don't use the blanket.
- Unplug fairy lights or other electrical Christmas decorations when you leave the house or go to bed.
- Extinguish all candles before you go to bed. Never leave a burning candle in a bedroom.
- Be especially careful with night lights and tea lights, which can get hot enough to melt plastic. Always put candles on a heat resistant surface/ holders.
- Leaving cookers unattended or being distracted while cooking is the most frequent cause of fire in the home. Never cook hot food while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Most fatal fires are caused by smoker's materials. Don't smoke in your chair if you've been drinking or you're feeling tired. If you do feel tired smoke outside or stand up and smoke at a window or outside door.
- Check your smoke and heat alarms are working. Replace batteries if necessary.

Get your free Home Fire Safety Visit and free smoke alarms, where necessary, by contacting Dave Millward on 01852 200220 or 07789 480673

Have a great Christmas and New Year

Dave Millward

Decorative Ice Lantern for the Festive Season

Needed; bucket(s), water, freezer, tealight

Step 1: Fill your bucket(s) with water.

Step 2: Put the bucket(s) in the freezer.

Step 3: Let the water freeze – but not completely!

Step 4: Carefully turn the bucket upside down and pour water on it.

Step 5: Carefully lift the bucket off the lantern.

Step 6: Pour out the remaining water.

Step 7: Inspect the lantern for any cracks...if needed put the ice lantern back in the bucket, fill with water again and place it back in the freezer.

The ice lanterns will look great in any garden in the Winter evening, with a tealight inside.



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A pair of Winter Warmers; 2 cocktail recipes

“Gin Fizz”

30 ml gin or vodka
15 ml pomegranate juice
Splash of lemon juice
Soda
Crushed ice

Pour the gin and pomegranate over crushed ice, top up with soda and garnish with a sprig of rosemary

“Ginger Highball”

30ml whisky
Top up with ginger ale
Dash of lemon

Add a lemon slice or 2



sent in by Sally Fletcher

Youth Services Update

One of the areas of youth work I am passionate about is Digital Youth Work. I am part of the Scottish Digital Network and am currently campaigning for Argyll and Bute Youth Services to increase its online presence, I also do lots of work around internet safety and deliver the Think You Know Training in schools. Living in a rural area feels so safe, but the online world can expose young people to dangers in their own bedrooms. I therefore thought I'd share some of my tips for young people staying safe online.

Tips for Being Safe on Social Media

Know who you're talking to

Only add people on Facebook that you've actually met, and remember that Twitter is an open forum, meaning that potentially millions of people could read the information you share. If someone asks to meet up with you, and you don't know them – tell an adult, remember that not everyone online is who they say they are. It's a good idea to learn the signs of grooming.

Think before you post or share anything

Everything you write on a social network is public, so don't give out any personal details, such as your address, bank details etc. That would be the equivalent of shouting the details out of the window. Many employers also google prospective employees before hiring, so don't post anything that could damage your chances of getting a job. Try and think about the people who could potentially see what you've posted, I always think – what would my granny think if she saw what I've posted!

Don't give out your username

Avoid sharing your Whatsapp, Snapchat or Skype to strangers on Twitter or Facebook, as you don't know who could be adding you.

Check your settings

Use the privacy and security settings on social media sites so that only friends and family can see your pages. Then speak to friends and family and encourage them to tighten their privacy settings too as they could affect you. Even if your account is locked as private, personal information you have shared with others could still be accessed through their pages.

Photos and videos

Be careful about which photos and videos you share on social media sites – avoid photos of your home, work, school or places you're associated with. Remember, once you've put a picture of yourself online, other people may be able to see it and download it – it may not just be yours any more.

Protect your Digital Footprint

The online world is a public place. If you share something online you may not have full control over who sees it or what happens to it. If people search for your name or a nickname you use, a lot of what you post online could be found. People could copy, share or discuss things you've posted.

If you see something online that makes you feel uncomfortable, unsafe or worried: leave the website, turn off your computer if you want to and tell a trusted adult immediately. The rule for dealing with cyberbullies is to "stop, block and tell". Don't answer back, as that will only feed the abuse, block the person or message and tell someone you trust.

Find out more about staying safe when chatting online and how to create a positive online presence or to report abuse visit www.thinkuknow.co.uk

Roanna Clark

Argyll and Bute Youth Participation Officer

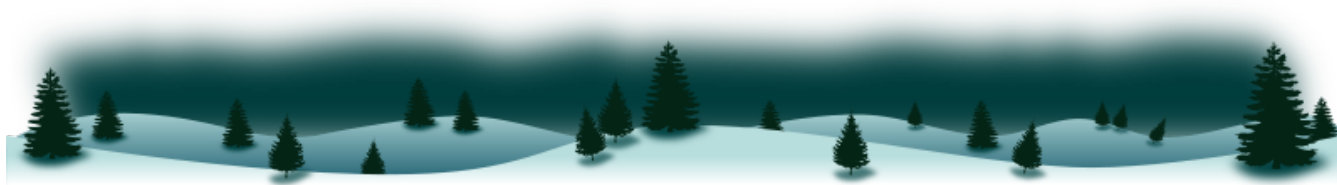
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Realising Our Potential Together



Christmas Recipe

- Step 1: Go buy a turkey
- Step 2: Take a drink of whiskey, scotch, or J
- Step 3: Put turkey in the oven
- Step 4: Take another 2 drinks of whiskey
- Step 5: Set the degree at 375 ovens
- Step 6: Take 3 more whiskeys of drink
- Step 7: Turn oven the on
- Step 8: Take 4 whisks of drinky
- Step 9: Turk the bastey
- Step 10: Whiskey another bottle of get
- Step 11: Stick a turkey in the thermometer
- Step 12: Glass yourself a pour of whiskey
- Step 13: Bake the whiskey for 4 hours
- Step 14: Take the oven out of the turkey
- Step 15: Take the oven out of the turkey
- Step 16: Floor the turkey up off the pick
- Step 17: Turk the carvey
- Step 18: Get yourself another scottle of botch
- Step 19: Tet the sable and pour yourself a glass of turkey
- Step 20: Bless the saying, pass and eat out



sent in by Sarah

Kilninver Primary

We now have 23 children in the school and would like to extend a warm welcome to our new pupils, Kyle, Eli, Lois, Bronwen, Keira and Milo. Caiden, Abi and Leo in the pre 5 unit.

We have had a busy start to the term and enjoyed the visit from Sydney and Dikeranni. They brought us news from our friends in Bemvu school in Malawi. You can see photos from the afternoon that we spent with them in Kilninver back in August on our school blog at the following address

<http://kilninver.edublogs.org/2016/09/14/we-had-2-visitors-from-malawi/>

We have been keeping in touch with them via the Wassap facility on the mobile phone and have sent them poems, photos and drawings depicting Argyll in the autumn, we are hopeful that our minister Ken will return with news of what they have been learning in return.

We have continued to develop our strong friendships and have enjoyed meeting our friends from Craignish Primary on a weekly basis. We have been meeting on Friday mornings in the Kilmelford hall and have been working together to increase our general levels of fitness through circuit training at PE, learning new vocabulary and conversing in Gaelic and have constructed our own adventure play park in Mr Catterwell's woodland behind the village hall through our Forest School experiences.

Our main focus for learning this session has been energy. We have been exploring many different aspects of energy in a local context and have really enjoyed researching how we can show how energy works. As you drive past the school we would encourage you to take a look at the windmill that we constructed from an old bicycle wheel, it is a fully functioning windmill that rotates in the breeze and has a special design feature that makes sure it changes direction to catch all the wind that is available. Again if you want to see examples of the concepts that we have been exploring there are lots of interesting photos on our blog at <http://kilninver.edublogs.org/2016/09/22/steam-power-experiment/>

We all visited the power station at Cruachan and were amazed at the scale of the operations there, in the weeks to come we plan to visit a similar operation in Kilmelford and explore the burns of Scammadale for potential sources of power-So please watch our blog for an update and some interesting photos, it is possible to comment on what you read, we would like to have your feedback.

We are planning to hold a joint schools Nativity play on Thursday 22nd of December, We would like to make this a community event so If you would like to participate, please get in touch with the school We are actively encouraging audience participation and intent to take the show on the road, we will have a firm plan in place in advance. Costumes can be provided. Lamas heavily disguised as camels can be accommodated.

Dates for your diary

Wed 2nd Nov	We start a 6 week block of swimming tuition
Friday 11th Nov	Our early years children go to the cinema – Zootropolis
Tuesday 15th Nov	Our early years children go to the cinema – Finding Dory
Friday 18th Nov	School closed for Inservice day
Tuesday 20th Dec	Christmas Party
Wednesday 21st Dec	Christmas Lunch
Thursday 22nd Dec	Christmas Nativity
Friday 23rd Dec	School closes for Christmas holiday
Monday Jan 9th	School reopens

Berni McMillan

Loch Melfort Hotel

COUNTRY HOUSE BY THE SEA

Christmas Day: 12:30- 3:30pm

Classic Three Course Christmas Lunch £39pp

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Boxing Day and New Year's Day:

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KILMELFORD & KILNINVER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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Secretary	Diane Scaife	
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	Ellen Coyle	
	Lucy Files	
	Maggie Morsley	
Caretaker	Colin Gibson	01852 200204 or 07825 987 696
Bookings	Kilmelford Village Stores	01852 200271

KILMELFORD & KILNINVER VILLAGE HALL CHARGES

ALL BOOKINGS TO BE MADE AT KILMELFORD VILLAGE STORES Tel. 01852 200271

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Squash:	£5.00 per hour all categories
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Junior Football:	£5.00 per hour
Indoor Tennis:	£5.00 per hour

HIRE CHARGES

	LESSER HALL	MAIN HALL
Charity Fund Raisers	£2 per hour	£5 per hour
Social use other than charities	£4 per hour	£7 per hour
Commercial use	£8 per hour + £25*	£15 per hour + £25*

* The £25.00 charge is for the Caretaker to set up the tables and chairs beforehand, and clear up afterwards. Above charges include kitchen power and use of equipment for light refreshments and drink preparation only. Additional use of kitchen cooking facilities for preparation of hot food is **£10.00** per event

EVENING DANCES & FUNCTIONS	5 pm until 11 pm (1 am for dances)
Charity	£65.00 per session Deposit £20.00
Private	£65.00 per session Deposit £20.00
Commercial	£90.00 per session Deposit £50.00

Above charges include kitchen power and use of equipment for food and refreshment preparation

After use the Hall must be left clean and tidy. Failure to do this will lead to a further charge of £50.00

HIRE OF EQUIPMENT

Residents of Kilmelford, Kilninver and Arduaine may hire equipment, and by special arrangement for those resident outside the area. Tables £5.00 per day. Chairs £3.00 per day. Prices of cutlery and crockery on request.

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In the Spotlight; “Roanna Clark”

Roanna Clark has lived in Kilmelford for most of her life, moving from one side of the village to the other – Glenbeg to Glenmore. She attended Kilniver primary, Oban High and Edinburgh University where she studied Community Education, Social Policy and Politics. In her day job, she works for Argyll & Bute Council Youth Services as the Youth Participation Officer and has a passion for ensuring young people have a voice. This passion has led her to apply as the newest member of the Kilmelford and Kilniver Community Council, which she took up the role in late October and is looking forward to her first meeting in December.

Roanna has experience working with community groups and sits on many committees from Community Safety, community planning and Local Licensing Forum as well as supporting the Argyll and Bute Youth Forum and Scottish Youth parliament. Working in Lochgilphead and having a horse means she hasn't been involved in village life as much as she'd have liked, but is really hoping, through this role, to get to know many of the locals and represent their views as well as ensure the whole community has a voice. She has the energy and enthusiasm to make a difference, and really wants her son to enjoy growing up here as much as she did.

Carraig Gheal Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund

COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND NOW OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS

The Carraig Gheal Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund receives £46,000 each year from the Carraig Gheal Wind Farm developer GreenPower. The most recent round of funding ended in July 2016. Five applications to the main fund were successful and over £23,000 was distributed throughout the five community council areas that surround the Carraig Gheal Wind Farm.

MAIN GRANT SCHEME – GRANTS FROM £251 - £7,000

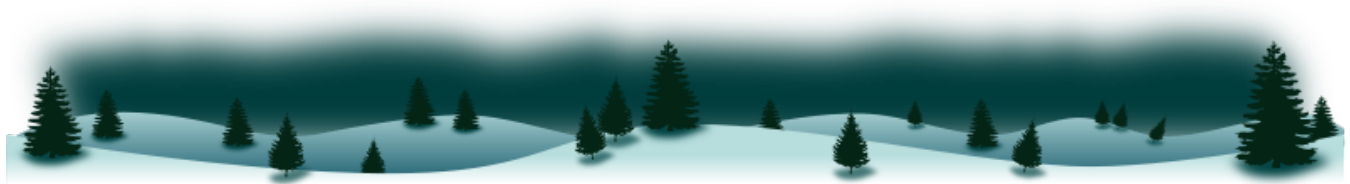
The next funding round of the Carraig Gheal Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund main grant scheme is now open for applications from 1st November 2016 until 31st January 2017. The main grant scheme may award grants from £251 up to £7,000 to constituted groups.

MICRO GRANT SCHEME – GRANTS UP TO £250

The Micro Grant Scheme is open all year round and awards grants of up to £250 to individuals, constituted and non-constituted groups. For further information and guidance on how to apply for the grant schemes please visit the Carraig Gheal Wind Farm website:

www.carraighealwindfarm.co.uk/community

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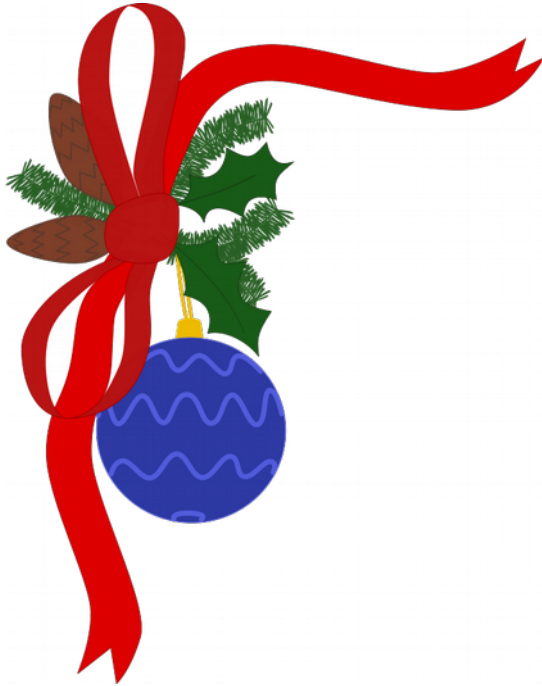
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A nice and easy recipe for the Winter

“Surprise, we are in Fort William and are on our way down....” All sorts of thoughts rushed through my mind *“You could have given me more notice”, “Are the spare rooms done?”* followed by *“What on earth am I going to do about dinner?”* 3 extra mouths to feed on short notice, no time to rush down to the shops *and* get the house looking a bit more presentable. The fridge reveals mushrooms, peppers, carrots, a kale stuck to the sides, some beef, 4 left over sausages and a few rashers of bacon.

This is what I ended up doing; **A beef & veg casserole** (serves 5)

Ingredients

2 chopped onions, 2 really big carrots, halved lengthways then very chunkily sliced, big handful of mushrooms, cut in 4, 2 sweet peppers cut in chunks, 5 bay leaves, 2 sprigs thyme, 1 tbsp vegetable oil, 1 tbsp lard or butter, 2 tbsp plain flour, 2 tbsp tomato purée, 2 tbsp Worcestershire sauce, 2 beef stock cubes, 600g stewing beef (featherblade or brisket works nicely), 4 sausages and 4 rashers of bacon.

I cut the beef in chunks, slice the sausages, dice the bacon and prepare the vegetables, meanwhile the oven is turned on (160C / gas 3) and the casserole dish is warming up on the hob. I put the onions, carrots, mushrooms, peppers, bay, 2 thyme sprigs and the oil + lard (husband uses the lard for greasing his gaiters...*“I wonder if that is why the dog walks at his heel so nicely?”*) into the casserole dish and soften for 10 min. Then stir in the flour until it doesn't look dusty any more, followed by tomato purée, Worcestershire sauce and the crushed stock cubes. Slowly I stir in 600ml hot water and tip in the meat....bringing it all to a gentle simmer.

Cover the dish and put in the oven for 2hrs 30 mins, than uncover and cook for 30-45 mins more until the meat is really tender and the sauce is thickened.

I served this with colcannon (mashed potatoes with the kale I found hiding in my fridge), but it will be as nice with boiled potatoes, rice or even crusty bread.

(mental note to self; *“Search for bacon and sausages in freezer for tomorrow's breakfast!”*)

Once the casserole was in the oven I quickly cleared the kitchen, checked the spare bedrooms and took the Hoover for a run through the house....before my husband returned from his walk with his sidekick (the dog)...*“Better tell him the news”*.

A Kilmelford Lass



Kilmartin Museum

Where Argyll's Ancient Past Comes Alive!

Winter Opening Hours

Tuesday 1st November to Friday 23 December 2016

The Museum and Café will be open from 11.00 to 4pm during November and December, closing on 23rd December, reopening on Wednesday 1st March 2017.

Events

Winter Talk Programme;

Thursday 8th December 2016

Jane Smith – Wild Island: A Year in the Hebrides

Thursday 12th January 2017

Dr Sharon Webb – Hidden Treasures in the Museum Collection Store

Thursday 9th February 2017

Dr Clare Ellis – Mesolithic to Medieval: Some recent Archaeology Excavations in Glorious Argyll!

Thursday 9th March 2017

Brigadier John MacFarlane – A Giant Among Men: The Life & Times of Bishop John Carswell, Carnasserie (1522?-1572)

All talks will be held in the Living Stones Christian Centre, Kilmartin, PA31 8UN, 19–20.30.

Seed Swap

Saturday 4th March 2016 - 10am to 4pm at Kilmartin Museum Café

Come along to Kilmartin Museum with your saved seeds or surplus commercial seeds. Swap them and try something new or make a donation if you don't have anything to swap.

Kilmartin Museum Café and Shop

At Kilmartin Museum Café we pride ourselves on our delicious menu and mouth-watering range of home baked cakes. We source local ingredients wherever possible and take special care to make our menus child friendly. We also cater for a wide range of specific dietary requirements – just ask a member of our friendly team.

Share your special events with us! Kilmartin Museum Café is available for private parties (including children's) and small functions. We can offer a bespoke service to meet your requirements. For more details, contact Yvonne on 01546 510278 or email cafe@kilmartin.org

Kilmartin Museum Shop offers a truly unique shopping experience. With goods from many local artists, a great selection of books and a wide range of gift ideas, Kilmartin Museum Shop is the perfect place to find something special.

Profits from our Café, Shop and Museum ticket sales support the work of Kilmartin Museum.

Email: admin@kilmartin.org Telephone: 01546 510278

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TOP TIPS ON DRIVING SAFELY ON COUNTRY ROADS



Belt Up

Before you head off, be responsible and make sure everyone is wearing a seatbelt. It could be the crucial difference in the event of a crash.



Watch Your Speed

Country roads aren't just about obeying the speed limit. You have to drive at a speed that won't affect your decision-making ability. And that may be well below the limit.



Blind Summits / Hidden Dips

Dips on the road will catch you out if you aren't paying attention. Be aware of summits by keeping an eye on road signs and slowing down as you approach. You just don't know what could be over the hill.



Hairpin Bends

It's really important to reduce your speed when navigating a bend. Going a fraction too fast could force you into the middle of the road, leaving you exposed to oncoming traffic.



Blind Corners

Country roads are so unpredictable that you can never know what hazards are waiting around the corner. The best way to take blind bends is to reduce your speed.



Expect The Unexpected

Conditions are always changing. You might know a road like the back of your hand, but you won't know if there's a tractor pulling out of a field or a slick of mud waiting on the road. Drive cautiously at all times.



Distractions

When road conditions are changing so fast, it's even more important to make sure you're focussed on the road. Ignore your mobile, leave your Sat Nav alone and wait until you've arrived safely to have that packet of crisps.

Trunk Road Policing Officers, supported by the Divisional Road Policing Units, continue to carry out coordinated patrols and road checks on the A816 between Lochgilphead and Oban.

Officers stopped a variety of vehicles and offered advice and assistance on the run up to the winter period.

The intention was to influence driver behaviour by providing a large presence on a single route, with officers targeting specific offences that are linked to injury collisions.

As well as attending a number of collisions, a variety of offences being detected they will continue to do so on the run up to the Christmas festive safety campaign.

Jeremy Moore
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Atlantic Islands Centre, Cullipool, Isle of Luing

Another Award for the Atlantic Islands Centre on Luing

The Isle of Luing Community Trust's Atlantic Islands Centre has won The Herald Society Community Project of the Year 2016 Award at a major awards event in Glasgow on 2 November. This is its third award this year having won the Scottish Civic Trust My Place Award 2016 in March and the Argyll & Bute Third Sector Interface Social Enterprise of the Year Award in September.

The Centre was built to provide a community hub to improve social life on Luing, to display its arts, crafts and history in changing exhibitions all year round, to offer a rich cultural programme of arts and science events and activities, and to provide visitors with fresh, locally sourced seafood and other produce, as well as insights into life on Luing and the other Argyll Islands. Its purpose is to help to regenerate and improve the quality of life on Luing, and to stem its decline in population.

Since opening in May 2015 the Centre has made a huge difference to people's lives by being open 7 days a week all year round and attracting 3 times as many visitors as came to Luing before including Church, WRI, U3A, UHI, geology, kayakers and other Trusts. It has created 6 FTE jobs (an increase of over 30%) and motivated 36 regular volunteers who donate 1,000 hours of work per month to the Centre.

Birgit Whitmore, the Trust's Events Coordinator, said, "The Centre has also brought considerable economic benefits to other businesses on the island such as Luing Stores & Post Office, self-catering accommodation, the B&B, caravan park, bike hire, fishing businesses and local artists. Its varied programme of over 50 theatre, concerts, talks, workshops and social events has proved very popular, helped by almost £15,000 funding from Creative Scotland."

"The educational benefits include courses on digital photography, bread making, cookery, felting, jewellery making, geology, natural history, business start-up and writing. This has led to over 20 partnerships with education, arts, science, natural history, tourism, heritage, Council and social enterprise organisations."

She added, "Winning these awards is a tremendous achievement for the people of Luing and is the result of a great deal of hard work by our dedicated team of staff and volunteers. We would like to thank them all for making this possible."

More information about the Atlantic Islands Centre and Isle of Luing Community Trust is available at www.atlanticislandscentre.com and at www.isleofluing.org.uk.

For further information and comment contact Birgit Whitmore at 01852 314096 or email her at info@atlanticislandscentre.com.

News Release 5 November 2016



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Please book at least one week ahead.

Kilniver and Kilmelford Community Emergency Action Plan Update

Up until the writing of this short article, it would appear that we have avoided the strong winds and days of driving rain that Autumn often brings to the area. As promised, the Kilniver and Kilmelford community emergency action plan (EAP) has been updated to include some new resources which the community now has. These include: -

- Emergency kit bag, containing; First Aid Kit, head torches, wind up torches, loudspeaker, hand warmers, wind up FM radios, high visibility vests and heat reflecting blankets.
- Mobile defibrillators, which are currently being installed at the Kilmelford Village Hall, Kilniver Primary School and Kames Fish Farming.

The emergency kit bag can be found in the hall office. The defibrillator located at Kames Fish Farming is now in place in the canteen (first building you come to, on entering the yard) and the other two are awaiting an electrician to carry out the installation work. An announcement will be made once all the units are installed and a training evening will be planned to give members of the community the opportunity to practise with them.

In the plan, some contact numbers have been updated and the new telephone number for SSE has been included (105). The plan itself remains largely unchanged and meets the basic guidelines which A&B Council set out. Once approved all community council members will be issued with a copy. The plan can also be found in the village hall with the emergency pack and can be sent to anyone who wishes a copy.

Jamie McAndrew

(jamiemcandrew@kames.co.uk)



Did I read that sign right?

“TOILET OUT OF ORDER. PLEASE USE FLOOR BELOW”

In a Laundromat: “AUTOMATIC WASHING MACHINES: PLEASE REMOVE ALL YOUR CLOTHES WHEN THE LIGHT GOES OUT”

In a London department store: “BARGAIN BASEMENT UPSTAIRS”

In an office: “WOULD THE PERSON WHO TOOK THE STEP LADDER YESTERDAY PLEASE BRING IT BACK OR FURTHER STEPS WILL BE TAKEN”

In an office: “AFTER TEA BREAK STAFF SHOULD EMPTY THE TEAPOT AND STAND UPSIDE DOWN ON THE DRAINING BOARD”

Outside a second hand shop: “WE EXCHANGE ANYTHING – BICYCLES, WASHING MACHINES, ETC. WHY NOT BRING YOUR WIFE ALONG AND GET A WONDERFUL BARGAIN?”

Notice in health food shop window: “CLOSED DUE TO ILLNESS”

Spotted in a safari park:(I sure hope so) “ELEPHANTS PLEASE STAY IN YOUR CAR”

Seen during a conference: “FOR ANYONE WHO HAS CHILDREN AND DOESN'T KNOW IT, THERE IS A DAY CARE ON THE 1ST FLOOR”

Notice in a farmer's field: “THE FARMER ALLOWS WALKERS TO CROSS THE FIELD FOR FREE, BUT

THE BULL CHARGES.”

Message on a leaflet: “IF YOU CANNOT READ, THIS LEAFLET WILL TELL YOU HOW TO GET LESSONS”

On a repair shop door: “WE CAN REPAIR ANYTHING. (PLEASE KNOCK HARD – THE BELL DOESN'T WORK)”

Proofreading is a dying art, wouldn't you say?

“Man Kills Self Before Shooting Wife and Daughter”

This one I caught in the SGV Tribune the other day and called the Editorial Room and asked who wrote this. It took two or three readings before the editor realized that what he was reading was impossible!!! They put in a correction the next day.

“Something Went Wrong in Jet Crash”, Expert Says *Really? You think?*

“Panda Mating Fails; Veterinarian Takes” Over *What a guy!*

“War Dims Hope for Peace” *I can see where it might have that effect!*

“If Strike Isn't Settled Quickly, It May Last Awhile” *You think?!*

“Cold Wave Linked to Temperatures” *Who would have thought!*

“Enfield (London) Couple Slain; Police Suspect Homicide” *They may be onto something!*

“Red Tape Holds Up New Bridges” *You mean there's something stronger than duct tape?*

“Man Struck By Lightning Faces Battery Charge” *He probably IS the battery charge!*

“Astronaut Takes Blame for Gas in Spacecraft” *That's what he gets for eating those beans!*

“Kids Make Nutritious Snacks” *Do they taste like chicken?*

“Local High School Dropouts Cut in Half” *Chainsaw Massacre all over again!*

“Hospitals are Sued by 7 Foot Doctors” *Boy, are they tall!*

And the winner is....

“Typhoon Rips Through Cemetery; Hundreds Dead” *Did I read that right?*

Sent in by Etonella Christlieb



Parish Lunch & Produce Sale 5th October 2016

The annual Parish Lunch took place on a gloriously sunny day which may have accounted for slightly fewer people attending and raising a little less than last year at a total of £1357. It was nevertheless another very enjoyable event with the usual stalls (including for the first time a beautifully presented arrangement of langoustines and dressed crab) doing brisk business and the kitchen producing the customary delicious soups and filled rolls. Huge thanks to the kitchen crew and to all who manned the stalls and who in any way contributed to another successful Parish Lunch for which the Kirk Session is very grateful for the generosity and support of the community.



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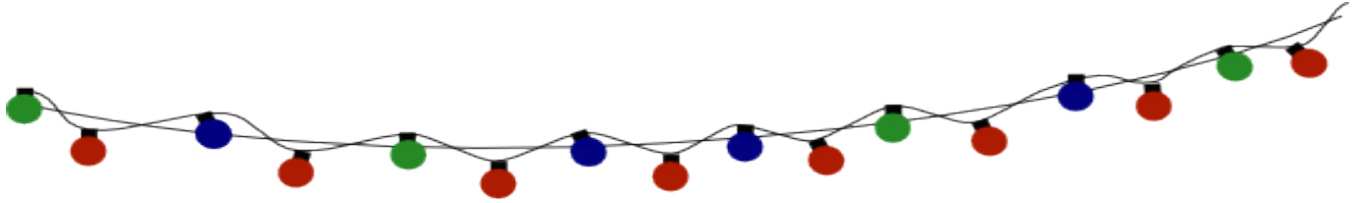
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Our new core purpose, powering our community, describes a commitment that customers and communities will always be at the forefront of the way we manage and operate our networks.

You will start to see the new Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks brand on company assets such as vehicles, websites and customer communications from now on.”

Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks
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