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Raiders hit Wolftrax stealing bikes and kit

by Mark Entwistle
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Police are hunting thieves who raided Laggan Wolftrax Centre at the weekend, causing extensive damage and stealing mountain bikes and clothing valued at more than £50,000.

Police are appealing for information in connection with the theft, which saw eight Polygon Siskiu T8 mountain bikes, estimated to be worth around £12,800, stolen from the visitor centre, along with 12 mountain bikes of various makes and models, and estimated to be worth around £39,500, which were taken from The Wee Bike Hub along with £3,100 of clothing.

The robbers struck some time between 11pm on Friday and 3am on Saturday, cutting the power supply to the centre located in the Strathmashie forest and ripping emergency lighting from the walls, damaging timberwork on the building.

Enquiries into the incident

**Thieves cut power to
the building, smashed
two state-of-the-art
doors and ripped off all
the security lighting...**

are ongoing and police officers are appealing for anyone with information to get in touch.

Detective Sergeant Andy Bilton said: 'In order to steal 20 mountain bikes, someone would need to have access to a large vehicle. We are appealing for anyone who may have seen or heard anything in and around these premises and who may be able to assist with our enquiries to get in touch.'

The centre and its cafe are run by the community-led development Laggan Forest Trust, which leases premises to the The Wee Bike Hub, with the latter operated by Duncan Bailey, who was said to have

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Nevis Radio struggling from Covid cash blow



Nevis Radio's economic fortunes have been hammered by the Covid-19 pandemic, which has seen advertising revenues plummet, as well as the cancellation of vital fundraising events due to lockdown restrictions. This week the station's sustainability and business development manager Simon Abberley told the Lochaber Times of the need for independent stations such as Nevis Radio to get more financial support from the Scottish Government. For the full story, turn to page six. Photograph: Ian Ferguson, ultra photos

Barra and Vatersay in lockdown after Covid surge

Another positive case confirmed on Barra on Monday brought the total number of islanders infected with Covid to 40 as of Tuesday afternoon, with around 145 close contacts now reported to be in isolation, writes Mark Entwistle.

'This already represents a significant proportion of the Barra population and outlines the importance of compliance with restrictions and safety measures to ensure the virus does not spread further throughout the community,' said an NHS Western Isles spokesman at the weekend.

The figures mean about a tenth of the population of the two islands are now self isolating, with 159 people in the Western Isles as a whole having now tested positive for the virus, which also includes one new case on Benbecula and another in the Stornoway area, both confirmed on Monday.

First Minister Nicola Sturgeon announced on Tuesday that Barra and Vatersay were being moved into level 4 lockdown following the sharp increase in infection rates. The rest of Comhairle nan Eilean Siar will remain in level 3.



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Children who reach the age of three years between 1 March 2021 and 28 February 2022 should register for ELC during the week commencing 25 January 2021.

ELC registration, starting from August 2021, will take place online using the council's website. Details of the link will be published using social media and on the website. If you are unable to access the online registration form please call the Early Years Helpline on 01369 708503 week beginning 25 January 2021.

A list of all Early Learning and Childcare settings can be found on the council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/content/childcare-and-pre-school-education and documents relating to registration at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/registering-your-child-nursery.



Argyll and Bute Council

PLANNING

The applications listed below together with the plans and other documents submitted with them may be viewed electronically through Argyll and Bute Council website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk. Having regard to Schedule 6, Part 3, 3.10 of the Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020, documents are only available to inspect electronically at this time. Customers requiring assistance can contact us by e-mail: planning.hq@argyll-bute.gov.uk or tel. 01546 605518.

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

Ref. No.	Proposal	Site Address
20/02021/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse	Cleith Mill, Kilmore, Oban, Argyll and Bute, PA34 4XT
20/01915/PP	Erection of telecommunications equipment compound with 30 metre high lattice tower, formation of access and associated works	Land North East Of Existing British Telecoms Mast, Craighouse, Isle Of Jura, Argyll And Bute

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

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The applications listed below, along with plans and other documents submitted with them, may be examined online at <http://www.hIGHLAND.gov.uk>.

Written comments should be made to the EPC at the contact details below within the time period indicated from the date of this notice. Anyone making a representation about this proposal should note that their letter or email will be disclosed to any individual or body who requests sight of representations in respect of this proposal.

Reference Number	Development Address	Proposal Description
20/04894/FUL	Land 1420M SE Of Grianan Glenlochy, Banavie	Temporary siting of residential caravan
20/05161/FUL	Birchbank, Roy Bridge	Erection of 2 Self Catering Pods
20/05131/FUL	Midland Bank Quarry Ardour	Extension of existing borrow pit to form quarry, extraction and processing of hard rock
20/04861/FUL	Land 3350M NW Of Kinlie Lodge Invergarry	Construction of temporary bellmouth to public road, and access tracks
21/00051/FUL	Land 40M East Of Eilean Fear Portuark, Kilchoan	Erection of house (renewal of 17/05321/FUL)
20/04797/FUL	Ardbray Upper Invergarry Roy Bridge	Construction of new garage with first floor ancillary residential accommodation (for family use)

Time period for comments is 14 days

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TRANSPORT SCOTLAND

Public Meeting for Bridge Scour Repairs at A82 Kiachnish, nr Fort William

Tuesday 2nd March 2021 - 2pm
In accordance with Marine Scotland's licensing procedure, as set out in Part 4 of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010, a pre-consultation meeting is required for the above project. Local residents, business owners and other stakeholders are invited to attend.

The Kiachnish Bridge lies approximately 6.5km south of Fort William and carries the A82 trunk road over the River Kiachnish. The project will comprise of the installation of rip-rap rock armour, across the full width of the channel bed to create an area of stone pitching. This is required to protect the bridge piers from further scouring. Works are proposed to start in July/August 2021, (this will be dependent on receiving the appropriate consents in time). Works are expected to take between 3 to 4 months. No road closures are required to facilitate the works, although traffic management over the bridge may be required, when setting up or removing the site compound, and moving plant or material between lifting locations. Working hours will generally be between 8am and 6pm.

The meeting will be held over an online portal, please contact NWBridgesConsultation@beardscotland.co.uk to confirm attendance and for joining instructions.



PROPOSED ASSIGNMENT OF A GRAZING SHARE

Iain Wilson is applying to the crofting commission for consent to assign the tenancy of the grazing share pertaining to the croft at 1 Bohenie and 4 Murlagann Roy Bridge, Kilmornaig to Alison Ruth Martin of Crossroads East, Spean Bridge, PH34 4EX in the Gairmore Common Grazing Written comments from those with a relevant interest (which may be made public) to: Crofting Commission, 'Leachkin Road, Inverness, IV3 8NW, info@crofting.gov.scot within 28 days from the date of this advert.

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