

CRSC – Scottish Ferry News

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CalMac Ferries Ltd:

- Argyle** **Wemyss Bay – Rothesay** rosters. S 11 May diverted on 1645 ex-WB to assist with rescue off Skelmorlie; W 15 disrupted a.m. (WB linkspan u/s). Su 15 Sep disrupted (weather).
- Bute** **Wemyss Bay – Rothesay** rosters. W 15 May disrupted a.m. (WB linkspan u/s). M 1 Jul off service a.m. (tech); Th 25 off service most of day (tech); M 29 roster till 1535 (tech); T 30 trials, roster from 0930. F 9 Aug off service a.m. (technical). Su 15 Sep disrupted (weather).
- Caledonian Isles** **Ardrossan – Brodick** roster. M 2 Sep missed sailings p.m. (fouled propeller); Su 15 stormbound all day; M 16 roster till 1735 (weather); T 18 roster from 0945.
- Clansman** **Oban – Coll – Tiree/Barra – S Uist** roster. M 22 Apr delayed (weather). W 8 May off service p.m. (repairs, *Lord of the Isles* on roster); F 24 repairs a.m. → Inner Isles delayed, Outer Isles cancelled; S 25 + Lochboisdale; W 29 repairs at Oban p.m. M 24 Jun delayed p.m. (FRC davit problem); T 25 further delays p.m. T 9 Jul delayed a.m. (probs with lifeboat); M 22 + Tiree inward (Music Festival traffic). Th 8 Aug assisted vessel in distress off Coll → delayed 50 minutes; F 16 **Craignure** roster from 1400 (*Isle of Mull* to Barra), + Tiree p.m. for livestock. F 6 and F 27 Sep + Lochboisdale inward (livestock).
- Clipper Ranger** Chartered from Seatruck Ferries for overnight Stornoway-Ullapool freight service. W 18 Sep ex Birkenhead; Th 19 berthing trials at **Ullapool** and **Stornoway**; M 23 commenced service.
- Coruisk** **Mallaig – Armadale** roster. S 27 Apr (off service p.m. – fouled prop unit → *Orion* on roster pax only). Th 23 May stormbound all day. S 8 Jun off service a.m. (tech). Occasional other weather disruptions. Th 19 Sep announcement made by DFM that vessel would be made available to Argyll Ferries for limited Gourrock-Dunoon service (pax only) during part of the winter.
- Eigg** **Oban – Lismore** roster. Occasional disruptions (fog) during Jul. Su 22 Sep to **Tobermory** p.m.; M 23 **Kilchoan** roster; Su 29 to Oban for Lismore p.m. sailing.
- Finlaggan** At **Greenock** (annual survey). F 19 Apr to **JWD**; W 24 trials; F 26 to **Kennacraig** for **Islay** roster. Occasional weather diversions and extra runs (traffic). W 15 May off service a.m. (technical). F 5 Jul delayed a.m. (tech).
- Hebridean Isles** **Kennacraig – Islay – Colonsay – Oban** roster. Occasional weather diversions and extra runs (traffic). S 25 May diverted to Oban (*Clansman* problems → stranded traffic), 1650 Oban-**Castlebay**, 2245 to Kennacraig; Su 26 resumed roster.
- Hebrides** **Uig – Tarbert/Lochmaddy** roster. M 22 Apr delayed a.m. (technical). Th 22 Aug delayed a.m. (technical).
- Isle of Arran** **Kennacraig – Islay** roster (for *Finlaggan*). S 27 Apr spare at Kennacraig. W 1 May to **Campbeltown** (pilottage exemption training); Th 2 to Kennacraig; Su 5 to **Brodick**; M 6 secondary Brodick-**Ardrossan** roster; occasional weather disruptions; **Th 23 inaugurated new Ardrossan-Campbeltown service**. Su 23 Jun stormbound all day (clearing berth for *Caledonian Isles*). S 13 Jul roster till 1855 (bow thruster problem); Su 14 roster from 2000. Su 15 Sep stormbound Brodick all day; Su 29 + Campbeltown (roster extended); M 30 + 1105/1230 and 1350/1515 Ardrossan-Brodick (September weekend holiday traffic → roster extended).
- Isle of Cumbrae** **Tarbert – Portavadie** roster. F 24 May off service (tech).
- Isle of Lewis** **Stornoway – Ullapool** roster. Th 18 Jul delayed (tech). S 17 Aug turned back on 1815 sailing (technical), repaired, resumed service at 2100.
- Isle of Mull** **Oban – Craignure** roster. Occasional weather disruptions. F 16 Aug roster till 1346, then to **Barra** (*Clansman* on Mull roster); S 17 resumed own roster. Su 15 Sep diverted to assist yacht; M 30 last run cancelled (technical).
- Loch Alainn** **Barra – Eriskay** roster.
- Loch Bhrusda** At **Rosneath** (spare). T 7 May to **Largs**; W 8 to **Gigha**; Th 9 to **Oban** and **Craignure**; M 13 commenced **charter to Foster Yeoman** for sailings between **Barcaldine** and **Glensanda** (initially berthing Oban overnight); S 18 [+ occ'l other dates] to **Lismore** (large load). W 3 Jul charter completed; Th 4 to **Campbeltown**; F 5 to **Lochranza**, Largs and Rosneath; M 15 to Largs and Lochranza for **Claonaig** roster (*L/Tarbert* → Largs); W 17 to Rosneath. S 18 Aug to **Largs** and **Campbeltown**; M 19 to **Oban** and **Lismore** (livestock); on roster or special sailings for outsized loads as required. T 3, F 6 & T 10 Sep to **Craignure** (lack of berth at Oban); Th 12 to **Tobermory**; F 13 to **Mallaig**; S 14 **Small Isles** roster (sharing duty with *Orion*); Su 15 stormbound.

Loch Buie	Fionnphort – Iona roster. Occasional disruptions (fog) during Jul. M 9 Sep off service p.m. (technical).
Loch Dunvegan	Colintraive – Rhubodach roster. S 29 Jun off service late p.m. (tech).
Loch Fyne	Lochaline – Fishnish roster. Occasional disruptions (fog) during Jul.
Loch Linnhe	Tobermory - Kilchoan roster. Su 28 Apr to Oban for large load to Lismore . Occasional disruptions (fog) during Jul. Su 22 Sep to Oban for p.m. Lismore sailing (traffic requirements); Su 29 to Tobermory p.m.; M 30 resumed Kilchoan roster.
Loch Portain	Berneray – Leverburgh roster. Occasional disruptions (tide or weather).
Loch Ranza	Gigha – Tayinloan roster.
Loch Riddon	At Rothesay (spare). S 20 Apr to Largs ; M 22 to Rothesay (shelter); W 24 to Largs for standby roster to Cumbræ Slip . S 15 Jun to Lochranza (<i>L/Tarbert</i> u/s); F 21 to Largs, resumed roster p.m.; S 22 off service p.m. (tech).
Loch Shira	Largs – Cumbræ Slip roster. Th 23 May off service (tech); S 25 resumed service p.m.. T 16 Jul off service (tech). S 28 Sep + late sailings (Millport Illuminations).
Loch Striven	Raasay – Sconser roster.
Loch Tarbert	Lochranza – Claonaig roster. W 17 Apr roster till 1420 (weather). S 15 Jun off service (ramp problems → <i>L/Riddon</i> on roster); Su 16 to Rothesay for repairs; F 21 to Rhubodach and Lochranza, resumed service. M 15 Jul roster till 1420, to Largs ; T 16 Cumbræ Slip roster (<i>L/Shira</i> u/s); W 17 to Lochranza for own roster. S 17 Aug diverted to Tarbert (weather).
Lochnevis	Mallaig – Small Isles roster. Occasional weather disruptions. Th 23 May stormbound all day. Su 18 Aug engine repairs → amended roster. S 14 to Birkenhead (arr Su 15); W 18 drydocked for annual survey; F 27 refloated; M 30 ex-Birkenhead for Mallaig.
Lord of the Isles	Oban – Coll – Tiree/Barra – S Uist/Colonsay/Craignure roster. Th 25 Apr delayed during search for missing fishing boat off Easdale; M 29 + Craignure p.m. (<i>Isle of Mull</i> disrupted) → Colonsay cancelled. W 8 May + Barra p.m. (<i>Clansman</i> u/s); W 22 + Craignure p.m.; W 29 + Barra p.m. (<i>Clansman</i> u/s). T 30 amended Oban-Colonsay-Oban. S 7 Sep + fouled propeller leaving Lochboisdale → anchored, divers cleared obstruction → under way at 1830; Su 15 unable to berth at Coll or Tiree (gales); M 16 Colonsay delayed till 0700 T 17 (weather); Su 22 Colonsay cancelled (technical).
Muirneag	Stornoway – Ullapool freight roster. Frequent weather disruptions. F 20 Sep last sailing from Stornoway; S 21 CalMac charter terminated.
Orion	Chartered from Sea.fari for Armadale roster S 27 Apr, and Small Isles roster during <i>Lochnevis</i> annual survey.
Raasay	At Oban (spare). M 12 Aug to Tobermory ; W 13 to Oban (not required); Th 29 to Corpach for annual survey. W 25 Sep trials.
Western Isles	Chartered from Bruce Watt for Mallaig - Small Isles p.m. sailing F 27 Sep (<i>Orion</i> unavailable).
Argyll Ferries Ltd:	
Ali Cat	Gourock – Dunoon rosters. Occasional disruptions (weather/technical). F 14 to S 22 Jun running on own using Kilcreggan steps at Gourock (linkspan repairs).
Argyll Flyer	Gourock – Dunoon rosters. Su 12 May to Ardmaleish for annual survey; S 25 resumed service. F 14 Jun to Ardmaleish for repairs (single ship service → <i>A/Flyer</i> not required); W 19 to Gourock; S 22 resumed service.
Clyde Clipper	Chartered from Clyde Marine Services for additional Gourock – Dunoon sailings S 31 Aug.
Caledonian Maritime Assets Ltd:	
Canna	Chartered to Rathlin Island Ferry Ltd for Rathlin – Ballycastle service.
Saturn	At Rosneath (laid up).
Hallaig	Fitting out at Newark Quay, Port Glasgow. F 19 Jul to Garvel Drydock; Th 25 to Newark Quay. M 5, T 6 and W 7 Aug sea trials including ramp trials at Cumbræ Slip (W 7 only). T 2, W 4 and Th 5 Sep further sea trials.
Ferguson 726	Second 'hybrid' ferry under construction at Port Glasgow. Launched Th 23 May and named <i>Lochinvar</i> .
Flensburg 764	Under construction at Flensburg, Germany. To be named ' <i>Loch Seaforth</i> '. First steel cut M 16 Sep.