

## CRSC – Scottish Ferry News

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### CalMac Ferries Ltd:

- Argyle** **Wemyss Bay – Rothesay** service. F 5 May missed first run (tech). S 10 Jun only sailed 2110/2200 (tech). S 1 Jul off service am (tech); T 25 off service am (tech). T 22 Aug berthed **Gourock** o/n (divers working at linkspan berth at Rothesay); F 25 1945 ex-Wemyss Bay cancelled, berthed **JWD** o/n (*Waverley* lying at Rothesay).
- Bute** **Wemyss Bay – Rothesay** service. W 23 Aug berthed **Gourock** o/n (divers working at linkspan berth at Rothesay).
- Caledonian Isles** **Ardrossan – Brodick** service. Occasional tidal disruptions. W 7 Jun bow thruster problem → ran late; W 16 bow ramp problem → ran late; M 26 **berthing trials at new Brodick pier** → no 1355/1515 Bro-Ard; T 27 berthing trials → no 0820/0945 Bro-Ard.
- Carvoria** Ordered by CMAL from Malakoff Ltd, Lerwick on 3 Jul to replace *Gylen Lady*. Launched at Lerwick M 14 Aug; transported by low-loader via Aberdeen to Dunstaffnage Marina for completion; W 30 berthing trials at **Oban**, **Gallanach** and **Kerrera**.
- Catriona** **Lochranza – Claonaig** service. M 15 May diverted to **Tarbert** (weather); Th 25 disrupted (fog); occasional tidal disruptions. S 10 Jun diverted to Tarbert (weather). M 24 Jul off service pm (tech); W 26 trials; Th 27 resumed service 1825. Su 6 Aug assisted vessel off Lochranza → missed run to get back on time; F 11 and M 14 diverted to Tarbert (weather); T 15 off service am (tech, *L/Riddon* summoned but only did one run); W 16 diverted to Tarbert (weather).
- Clansman** **Oban – Coll – Tiree – Barra/Colonsay** service. Occasional weather disruptions. M 24 Apr no Colonsay (weather). M 15 May amended roster (weather); S 27 + Colonsay pm (*Heb Isles* - extra Islay sailing). S 3 Jun + Colonsay (*Heb Isles* u/s). W 12 Jul amended timetable (Tiree Music Festival → no Castlebay); Th 13 amended timetable (TMF → no Colonsay); F 14 amended timetable (TMF); M 17 **Craignure** service till 1420, 1500 Oban – Tiree (TMF); W 19 amended timetable (TMF → no Castlebay). F 4 Aug + 1430/1530 Craignure (*Coruisk* u/s).
- Clyde Clipper** Chartered from Clyde Marine Services for additional **Wemyss Bay – Rothesay** sailings on S 19 Aug (Bute Games).
- Coruisk** **Craignure – Oban** service. Occasional weather disruptions. F 28 Apr missed one run (tech). F 4 roster from 1815 (tech).
- Eigg** At **Sandbank** (laid up).
- Finlaggan** **Kennacraig – Islay** service. Occasional weather disruptions/diversions. Th 25 May + 2035 PEL-Ken (Feis Ile, timetabled); F 26 on 'wrong' roster; S 27 resumed own roster. F 2 Jun on own → ran late (*Heb Isles* u/s); S 3 + 1800/2045 Ken-PAS; Su 4 + 0700 Ken-PEL for roster; F 9 all sailing to/from PEL (Beach Rugby). Su 16 Jul own service till 1725; M 17 on *Hebrides Isles* roster till 2005, + 2020 PAS-Ken (*Heb Isles* → Colonsay, TMF); T 18 resumed own roster. T 15 Aug diverted to Port Ellen (Port Askaig linkspan u/s).
- Gylen Lady** Chartered from Kerrera Ferry Ltd for **Gallanach – Kerrera** service from S 1 Jul following absorption of service into CalMac network. Returned to owner introduction of *Carvoria*.
- Hallaig** **Raasay – Sconser** service. F 18 Aug start of extra Friday-only 1330/1400 sailing (only during school term).
- Hebridean Isles** **Kennacraig – Islay – Colonsay – Oban** service. Occasional weather disruptions/diversions. T 9 May no 1000/1245 Ken-PEL (tech); Th 25 + 2030 Ken-PEL (Feis Ile); F 26 on 'wrong' roster; S 27 amended timetable pm → no Oban. F 2 Jun off service (ramp repairs); S 3 roster cancelled but repairs finished early → 0945/1230 Ken-PEL and 1515/1745 Ken-PAS; Su 4 resumed roster; F 9 all sailings to/from PEL (Beach Rugby); Su 18 off service (repairs). Su 16 Jul + 2015 Ken-PEL (for 1800); M 17 on *Finlaggan's* roster till 0920, 1000 Ken-PAS and Colonsay – Oban (for *Clansman*); T 18 resumed own roster; Th 27 tech probs on passage, repaired but missed 1530/1800 Ken-PAS. Su 13 Aug diverted to Port Ellen (to avoid RNLI Open Day at Port Askaig); T 15 diverted to PEL (PAS linkspan u/s); W 16 amended timetable → Colonsay/Oban via Port Ellen but PAS linkspan repaired pm.

- Hebrides** **Uig – Tarbert – Lochmaddy** service. Frequent late-running (traffic). M 24 Apr stormbound pm. Su 7 May berthed stern-in at Lochmaddy (weather). T 25 Jul hull cleaned by divers o/n at Tarbert → improved timekeeping. M 21 Aug assisted coastguard with vessel in distress off Uig.
- Isle of Arran** Additional **Ardrossan – Brodick** sailings. W 19 Apr manoeuvring trials, to Ardrossan and **Troon**; S 22 to Ardrossan for additional Brodick sailings (till Th 26); M 24 disrupted (weather); Th 27 commenced summer timetable (incl. **Campbeltown**). Occasional weather/tech disruptions. M 15 May roster from 1230 (weather). W 7 Jun bow thruster engine failed on 1515 departure ex-Brodick → returned to berth, off service, to **JWD** for repairs; W 21 repairs complete, to Ardrossan and resumed service, after roster **berthing trials at new Brodick pier**; F 23 no Campbeltown (weather), berthed Brodick o/n; S 24 roster from 0945; Su 25 no Campbeltown (weather); M 26 further berthing trials after roster; Th 29 no Campbeltown (weather), berthed Brodick. Su 23 Jul roster cancelled (tech), to Ardrossan for repairs; M 24 resumed service. F 4 Aug off service am (creel buoy caught round stabiliser fin, divers required), to Ardrossan for 1640/1800 Ard-Bro and 1930 Ard-C'ton.
- Isle of Cumbrae** At **Garvel JWD** for repairs. T 25 Apr trials, to **Largs**; W 26 ramp trials at **Cumbrae Slip**; Th 27 to **Sandbank**. T 2 May to **Colintraive, Portavadie and Tarbert**; W 3 resumed service; M 15 only sailed 0800 and 1815 (weather/tech); occasional tidal disruptions; Th 25 lay at Portavadie 1040-1245 (fog). Th 8 Jun service cancelled pm (car blocking slipway at Portavadie). S 22 Jul off service 1110-1345 (tech).
- Isle of Lewis** **Castlebay – Oban** service. Th 27 + **Craignure** inbound (uplift heavy plant). M 15 May delayed sailing (weather); F 19 delayed sailing (divers clearing obstruction); W 24 off service (tech); T 25 trials, sailed 1300/1820. Su 4 Jun + 2100 Castlebay – Oban; M 5 0520/1700, 2215 Oban – Castlebay (funeral traffic); T 6 amended timetable 1200/1720 Castlebay – Oban; W 7 resumed normal timetable.
- Isle of Mull** **Oban – Craignure** service. M 24 Apr disrupted (weather). M 17 Jul Oban – **Coll – Tiree** (TMF, delayed, > 900 pax), resumed own roster 1555.
- Loch Alainn** **Ardmhor – Eriskay** service. Occasional weather disruptions. M 15 May stormbound. M 5 Jun amended timetable (funeral traffic). W 12 Jul off service am (tech); Th 27 and F28 further runs missed (tech). T 8 Aug to **Ardveinish** after roster for repairs; trials, resumed service 1725.
- Loch Bhrusda** At **Sandbank** (laid up). W 26 Apr trials. Th 1 Jun trials; M 5 to **Largs** for **Cumbrae Slip** service (5 runs), to Sandbank; Th 8 to **Colintraive** and **Lochranza** (standby for additional runs if required, *I/Arran u/s*); S 10 one run to **Claonaig**; Su 11 to **Tarbert** (shelter); M 12 to Lochranza; W 21 to Largs; Th 22 Cumbrae Slip service (*L/Shira* → Troon); S 24 roster till 1920, to Sandbank. Th 3 Aug to Largs and **Campbeltown**; F 4 to **Colonsay**; S 5 to **Ardmhor**, berthed **Ardveinish**; M 7 to **Eriskay** and **Lochboisdale** (berthing trials at new marina), to Ardveinish; T 8 to Ardmhor; W 9 Eriskay service till 1720 (*L/Alainn u/s*), to Ardveinish; Th 10 to Lochboisdale; W 23 to **Berneray**, berthed **Otternish**; F 25 to Lochboisdale.
- Loch Buie** **Fionnphort – Iona** service. Occasional weather disruptions.
- Loch Dunvegan** **Colintraive – Rhudodach** service. M 24 Apr off service 1645-2030 (technical). M 1 May assisting vessel in distress → missed 2 runs pm. S 2 Jul missed runs pm (tech); W 12 operating single-ended am (ramp problem).
- Loch Fyne** **Mallaig – Armadale** service. Occasional weather disruptions. Regular tidal amendments to timetable.
- Loch Linnhe** **Tarbert – Portavadie** service (*Isle of Cumbrae u/s*). Occasional tidal disruptions. W 3 May to **Colintraive** and **Sandbank** (lay-up). T 25 Jul to Colintraive and **Lochranza** (*Catriona u/s*), 5 returns to **Claonaig** (finished 2215); Th 27 roster till 1810; F 28 to **Largs** and Sandbank. M 28 to Largs (to cover for *L/Riddon*).
- Loch Portain** **Berneray – Leverburgh** service. Occasional weather/tidal disruptions.
- Loch Ranza** **Tayinloan – Gigha** service. M 19 Jun roster from 0930 (fog).
- Loch Riddon** **Largs – Cumbrae Slip** service (as required). Th 15 Aug to **Lochranza** for **Claonaig** service (*Catriona u/s*, did one run only), to Largs; M 28 to **JWD** (ramp repairs); W 30 to Largs.
- Loch Seaforth** **Stornoway – Ullapool** service. M 24 Apr no freight run (weather); T 25 disrupted (weather). Su 23 Jul amended timetable (HebCelt Festival) → 0600/0930, 1300/1630,

2000 Sty-Ull; M 24 resumed roster 0300 ex-Ullapool. S 5 Aug put back on 1530 ex-Sty (medical emergency), sailed at 1620; M 28 late-running (stern ramp problem); T 29 continued to run late, repaired at night → freight run delayed; W 30 sailed 0330 and recovered time throughout day; Th 31 back on time by 0700.

- Loch Shira** **Largs – Cumbrae Slip** service. S 3 Jun off service am (tech); Th 22 to **Troon** (drydocked for repairs, *L/Bhrusda* at Largs); F 23 refloated, trials; S 24 to Cumbrae Slip, resumed service pm.
- Loch Striven** **Oban – Lismore** service. Occasional tidal disruptions.
- Loch Tarbert** **Tobermory – Kilchoan** service. Occasional tidal disruptions.
- Lochinvar** **Lochaline – Fishnish** service. Occasional tidal disruptions.
- Lochnevis** **Mallaig – Small Isles** service. Occasional weather disruptions.
- Lord of the Isles** **S Uist – Mallaig – Armadale** service. Occasional disruptions incl regular tidal amendments to Armadale service. M 24 Apr stormbound; T 25 diverted to **Oban**. Su 7 and M 15 May stormbound. Th 8 Jun assisted fishing vessel in distress off Canna; S 10 diverted to Oban (weather); S 24 sailed 0600/0945 Lochboisdale – Armadale (weather). W 16 Aug amended roster, sailed 0700/1100 Lochboisdale – Mallaig (Armadale runs cancelled, weather).
- Raasay** At **Oban** (laid up). T 27 Jun three runs Oban – **Kerrera** (plant). T 11 Jul to **Gallanach** for **Kerrera service** pm. W 23 Aug to **Corpach** for annual survey.

#### **Argyll Ferries Ltd:**

- Ali Cat** **Gourock – Dunoon** service. Occasional weather disruptions. Su 28 May till Su 18 Jun single vessel service. W 19 off service am (gearbox failure); Th 20 to **JWD** for repairs; F 28 trials, resumed service pm. S 27 Aug shuttle service from 1000 (Cowal Highland Gathering).
- Argyll Flyer** **Gourock – Dunoon** service. Occasional weather disruptions. Su 28 May to **JWD** (MES deployment), and **Ardmaleish** (for annual survey). F 16 to Gourock; M 19 resumed service. S 27 Aug shuttle service from 1000 (Cowal Highland Gathering), late runs cancelled.
- Clyde Clipper** Chartered from Clyde Marine Services for additional **Gourock – Dunoon** sailings Sat 26 Aug (Cowal Highland Gathering).

#### **Caledonian Maritime Assets Ltd:**

- Canna** Chartered to **Rathlin Island Ferry Ltd** for Rathlin – Ballycastle service. Last day in service T 13 Jun; sold for further service in Ireland.
- 801/802** New Arran/Uig Triangle ferries under construction at Ferguson Marine Engineering Ltd, Port Glasgow. Hull 801 ( Arran vessel) to be named *Glen Sannox*. Launch provisionally scheduled for August but later postponed.