

Ahoy Rascals!

New Fleet Arriving for Shopmobility

Next month Shopmobility will be welcoming a new fleet of scooters to Inverclyde. The new fleet will comprise of seven Sterling Diamonds and three small Rascal scooters and will provide a greater range of equipment than at present.

Some Shopmobility users

road tested several types of equipment before deciding upon the Diamonds and Rascals.



A Sterling Diamond Scooter



A Three Wheeler Rascal

The old equipment will be going to good use too. It is hoped to have scooters at Cornalees for the Greenock Cut, the Battery Park and further afield in Rothesay and Dunoon, where some existing shopmo users live.

Watch this space for the launch date.

ICOD goes back to School

From the start of the new school term staff and directors of ICOD will be going to school to take part in lessons in Disability Awareness Training. Jim MacLeod said, "This is a great opportunity for children to understand the barriers faced by disabled in their daily lives and also to display their current knowledge. We have



visited two or three schools recently and it has been educational as well as great fun". The contract with Inverclyde Council will last for a period of three years and training will be delivered to all primary 7 pupils in the 26 primary schools in the area.

ICOD AGM

Tuesday 29th August

Inverclyde Council on Disability Ltd are holding the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 29th August at the James Watt College Waterfront Campus, 6.30pm -9pm. Our guest speaker will be Mr John Mundell, Chief Executive of Inverclyde Council. Sign Language Interpreters will be available, please contact the office on 01475 732700 if you require creche facilities.

Shopmobility Update

Ramble to Rothesay

Our social group recently organised a Scooter Ramble to Rothesay. The weather was fantastic and the group enjoyed a ramble along the seafront and a visit to the discovery centre. If you would like more information about our rambles call us on 732600.

Shopmo friendly Scheme launched

Recently ICOD launched our Shopmobility Friendly scheme in conjunction with

the Oak Mall and town centre retailers. The scheme involved our service users visiting shops to check their accessibility for wheelchair users and people with visual or hearing impairments. Participating shops will now be displaying the stickers below to indicate they are accessible.



ICOD Members Kathy and Peter with Paul Canata (Mothercare) and Bill Reid (Oak Mall Shopping Centre) Launching our Shopmobility Friendly Scheme

Thumbs up!



In the last edition of Linkability we had fingers crossed for a number of voluntary workers undertaking their BSL Level 1 course in sign language. The good news is that we now have another six people in Inverclyde who are now able to communicate with

deaf people. This can only be good for their projects as they all strive to be as inclusive as possible. Well done to you all. ICOD will be running more sign language courses shortly, please contact us on 732700 for further information.

For Sale

From time to time our members contact us with disability/mobility equipment for sale, if you would like us to publicise your equipment please contact us.

Prestige 6 Scooter

Very good condition, 2 years old, front and rear baskets, 4 new tyres recently fitted.

Cost new £3,000 will sell for **£700**

Contact Charles McDade on **01475 892947**

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