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Argyll's forgotten town



'It's time for Lochgilphead to catch up' - councillors

LOCHGILPHEAD can no longer be ignored when it comes to plans for economic growth and regeneration, the three Mid Argyll councillors have said.

The call comes days after Argyll and Bute Council's 2014-16 budget revealed Lochgilphead is the only Argyll town that does not have a serious regeneration plan.

The town, the biggest in Mid Argyll and home to the council's headquarters, was noticeably absent from the council leader's budget speech when he said: 'We are progressing £30 million regeneration initiatives in Campbeltown, Helensburgh, Oban and Dunoon.'

Priority

However, as Argyll and Bute Council states it is to invest £80 million in the county, Mid Argyll councillors say Lochgilphead should be top of the priority list.

Councillor Douglas Philand said: 'Given the spend there has already been in other areas, in terms of equity of spend, Mid Argyll must have priority based on a robust economic action plan.'

'The CHORD projects have been part of the council strategic direction for some time and by this

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very fact CHORD areas have had more money invested in their town centres. It is now time Mid Argyll caught up.'

Councillor Philand and his fellow councillors, Sandy Taylor and Donald MacMillan, have joined forces in a bid to ensure Lochgilphead and its surrounding areas get the investment they deserve.

Speaking about the local area economic development plans to be created for every council ward, Mr Philand added: 'This should be done bearing in mind Lochgilphead, Inveraray and Kilmartin Glen for future development.'

Councillor Taylor said competition for funding in each area would be fierce but added: 'We now have the opportunity to win some of the resources, previously identified in CHORD projects, for Mid Argyll.'

'I am confident that the local members will work together to influence the development of this initiative and look to how we can see Mid Argyll feature when the time comes for these monies to be awarded to communities across Argyll and Bute.'

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Cash splashed for MAC Pool

MAC Pool was one of the winners in last week's budget as it secured an additional £10,000 per year in its settlement with Argyll and Bute Council.

The local authority will grant the pool £55,975 every year for three years, beginning in April 2014. It has also agreed to increase the grant in line with inflation from April 2015.

Stuart Owen, pool manager, said: 'This is a big year for Mid Argyll Community Pool. We have just embarked on a redevelopment project and to get all of the work done we'll need to apply for substantial amounts of funding. This commitment from the council gives a strong message to funders that we are an important and valued resource in Mid Argyll.'

The additional funding comes after councillors Donald MacMillan, Douglas Philand and Sandy Taylor met with Stuart to discuss the pool's financial challenges.

Stuart added: 'All three councillors have



Councillor Sandy Taylor, pool manager Stuart Owen, members of the pool board Jilly Wilson and Bob McIlwraith and Councillor Douglas Philand are all delighted with the council's financial support. 06_a08pool01

been hugely supportive of us and helped fight our fight, so we are very,

very happy with the support that we have had from them.'

£150,000 for tourism body

A TOTAL of £150,000 is to be pumped into Argyll's tourism body.

The local authority agreed to award Argyll and the Isles Tourism Cooperative (AITC) £50,000 a year for the next three years as part of its budget.

It comes as council leader Dick Walsh said tourism would be key to the region's economic growth.

The money will be used to promote the area and create growth in the tourism sector.

AITC was set up in 2012 bringing together all eight of Argyll's tourism marketing groups into one organisation. It works to raise awareness of Argyll and the Isles as a high quality visitor destination.

Support for museum

ARGYLL and Bute Council has pledged its support for Kilmartin Museum's mass expansion plans, allocating it £50,000 in this year's budget.

The money will support the museum's ambitions for growth and allow it to finalise architectural plans before submitting a Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) application.

Councillor Sandy Taylor, who is a trustee of the museum, said work was underway to submit a stage two application to the very competitive HLF and find match funding.

He said: 'I am delighted this money has been made available. It allows the museum to take forward its plans. This project requires a lot of funding and I am happy with the efforts that the museum staff have been putting in to progress this.'

Museum staff are currently setting out a vision of how the new extension will be used when built, collating a list of community, cultural, educational and archaeological activities.

The proposed new building will include a larger exhibition space, storage space for artefacts and additional education space.

The Argyll and Bute budget at a glance:

- There will be no rise in council tax
- The cost of school meals, Meals on Wheels, blue badges, car parking, planning service administration fees and community-

based care services will remain the same

- Fees for other services, such as leisure facilities, will increase by between three and four per cent.
- An extra £536,000 will be spent on adult and elderly care this

year

- There will be efficiency savings of one per cent across all council departments
- £607,000 will be invested in street lighting as part of the council's 'feeling safe' campaign.

£90 million will be invested

MORE THAN £90 million will be invested in Argyll and Bute over the next two years as the local authority aims to make the region more attractive to businesses and families.

Argyll and Bute councillors last Thursday unanimously agreed the budget for 2014/16, which they say will address the area's biggest challenges: growing the population and attracting business.

They agreed to set aside £80m to support growth in the local economy, with £40 million of that dedicated to improving roads and infrastructure. A further £11.8 million in the council's Reserve Fund has also been earmarked for economic development.

Detail

Much of the detail surrounding this capital investment is still to be made clear.

It is however understood that funds will be split between the four administrative areas of the council, with area committees taking a much more ac-

tive role in driving economic regeneration within their respective towns and villages.

Council leader Dick Walsh said: 'Our overall challenge in securing a prosperous future for Argyll and Bute is attracting more jobs and more people who contribute to the prosperity of the area. It is people who keep communities thriving and our population is falling.'

'We recognise that growing our economy is not a one size fits all approach and we will require to review our Economic Action Development Plans...to ensure that their development is populated with the most up to date research and advice and, when agreed, are relevant not only to our purpose, but for each of our areas to grow their economy and population.'

Sally Loudon, chief executive of Argyll and Bute Council, said the economic projects and action plans for their delivery would be 'firmed up' in the next year.

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A Fyne plan

Brewery's £2 million expansion will bring 12 new jobs

The farm's sheep shed, built by Jamie's grandfather in the early '70s and originally used as sheep market, will host the £2million brewery.

THE ONLY brewery in Mid Argyll has secured £2 million worth of investment as it seeks to build a new factory and boost production.

Fyne Ales, in Cairndow, is currently converting a sheep shed into a state of the art brewery as it embarks on an expansion plan designed to increase productivity and profits.

The company, which produces 90 barrels of beer per week, will grow production to 120

barrels per day in five years. Turnover is expected to rocket from £1.6 million a year to more than £5 million, while the workforce will jump from 16 to 28.

The increased production will allow Fyne Ales to export more to growing markets such as Italy, Japan and Ireland.

Jamie Delap, whose parents Tuggy and Jonny established Fyne Ales in 2000 as an addition to their farming business,

is leading the project as managing director.

He said: 'This expansion is about meeting growing demand but first and foremost it is an opportunity for us to get even more flavour and consistency into our beers using kit like a hopback which will extract brighter and fresher aromas from the hops.'

'The new brewery will also allow us to mill malt on demand which will add a new level of

freshness to our beers.'

Construction of the new brewery began this month under Glasgow firm CBES, which has committed to using Argyll-based contractors throughout the build.

The expansion project has received financial backing from Highlands and Islands Enterprise and a Scottish Government grant, while the Bank of Scotland has provided a £1 million loan.

Only those in 'real hardship' will have 'tax' paid for them

ONLY people who are experiencing 'real hardship' in Argyll and Bute as a result of the 'bedroom tax' will have the levy paid for them by the local authority.

Argyll and Bute councillors last Thursday agreed to provide Discretionary Housing Payments (DHP) to people in high and medium levels of hardship, despite receiving enough money from the Scottish Government to eradicate the 'bedroom tax' completely.

Council leader Dick Walsh, said: 'We have taken a prudent decision which is all about ensuring that those in Argyll and Bute who truly need help are able to get it.'

'Some people could face real hardship and it is important for us to en-

sure that we make the best possible use of this funding and spend it wisely.'

But not all councillors backed the proposal.

James Robb said: 'With the additional funding from the Scottish Government the SNP group proposed taking all residents in Argyll and Bute out of the 'bedroom tax'.'

'We also proposed enhancing a tenant's right-sizing incentive [a scheme which offers tenants a cash sum encouraging them to move to a smaller property], as requested by our registered social landlords.'

Instead the council will use the remainder of the money, about £550,000, to pay for a six-point plan that aims to lift people out of poverty and mounting debt.

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Debate will discuss effects of referendum

AN intergenerational debate is to be held in Tarbert Academy this week to discuss how the Scottish Referendum will affect the area.

Organised by Argyll Voluntary Action, the debate will aim to bring different generations together to discuss the issue. It will take place in the same format as 'Question Time' with audience members grilling a panel of experts.

The panel will include Councillor Anne Horn, Councillor Rory Colville, Ed Tyler and conservative Alastair Redman. It will be chaired by Reverend David Carruthers.

The event, which is part of AVA's building community bridges project, will take place on Wednesday from 3pm until 5pm.

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Inveraray GP post interviews postponed

NHS Highland has confirmed that interviews for the vacancy at Inveraray General Practice have been postponed until next month.

A panel was due to interview applicants for the post, which has been vacant for nearly two years, last week.

The panel will include members of the local community from Furnace and Inveraray.

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Man gave girlfriend drug

A MAN who gave his girlfriend the drug Ecstasy was arrested after she later collapsed and was taken to hospital.

At Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week, Alexander Miller, 31, of flat 1/3 Union Street, Lochgilphead admitted supply the drug to his girlfriend in Tarbert on July 6 of last year.

Fiscal Scott Simpson told the court that police were called after the girl collapsed and was taken to hospital 'perhaps as a result of taking the drug'.

He added: 'Miller was spoken to by police and he admitted he had bought the Ecstasy and given it to his girlfriend of 11 months.'

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC said she was worried that it was Miller's third offence and deferred sentence until March 13 for a criminal justice social work report.



Lily and Ben Davidson were inspired by the Crinan Canal for their metal embossing. 06_a08art04

Green Art workshops a hit with youngsters

DOZENS of youngsters were inspired by the Crinan Canal during the February break at a series of workshops as part of The Green Art Shop.

The workshops were held at Piers Square, Ardrishaig, by local artists who helped children create designs with mono painting, stone carving, metal embossing and mosaics.

Youngsters let their imaginations

run wild with puffins, fish, the Crinan Canal itself and other beautiful wildlife - even lions - all featured in their designs.

Works produced as part of the project will be photographed to inspire designs for colourful lamp post banners, which will be put up in Ardrishaig.

The project was a partnership between HeART of Argyll, Artmap Argyll and Scottish Canals.

Pensioner scammed by bogus energy firm

A LOCHGILPHEAD pensioner is £150 worse off this week after being scammed by a bogus energy efficiency company.

The woman, who wished to remain nameless, was cold called by firm Green Deal Rewards, which offered to carry out a home energy assessment to see if she qualified for new boiler.

People who do not qualify for a new boiler under the UK Government's Green Deal scheme would be given a full refund, she was told. But, after being told by a

friend the Airdrie based company had a bad reputation and had failed to send out surveyors, she contacted the firm for a full refund.

She said: 'I received a call last Monday and over the phone. I went to the bank on Tuesday to cancel the payment and the money had already been taken.'

'I phoned them to get my money back, but the woman hung up on me.'

'This is a lot of money that I cannot afford to lose. I am furious with them.'

The woman contacted

the *Advertiser* in a bid to raise awareness about the scam.

'I am furious with myself for falling for this. I wanted to make sure as many people know about it as possible,' she said.

The woman is the latest in a number of Argyll people to fall victim to the scam.

A spokesman for Argyll and Bute Council's Trading Standards Department said it had received a number of complaints via the Citizens Advice Consumer Service.

'We have already been working with our colleagues in other authorities who have been actively working to resolve the complaints with the company involved,' he said.

People who would like to make a complaint can contact CACS on 08454 040 506.

No comment was available from Green Deal Rewards as the *Argyllshire Advertiser* went to press.

Two owners fined as council steps up fight against dog fouling

TWO DOG owners have been hit with £40 fines for failing to clean up their dogs' mess this week by Argyll and Bute Council.

The local authority says dog fouling has been getting worse in the last three months - especially in Tarbert.

The three worst areas

in Tarbert are Croft Park, the harbour front and the far end of Pier Road known as 'the concrete'.

In a bid to tackle the problem Argyll and Bute Council has stepped up patrols in the area at various times of the day.

Lochgilphead and

Ardrishaig are also problem areas and are being patrolled with a £40 fine recently issued.

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The first edition of Fraser MacIver's Pen and Ink Project, Ardrishaig Public Hall.

Artist shares love of area's buildings

A RENOWNED artist in Mid Argyll has been inspired to share his love of architecture.

Fraser MacIver has committed to sketching what he calls a 'building of note' every month for the next year under his new Pen and Ink Project. His first instalment focuses on a community hub - Ardrishaig Public Hall.

Fraser, who is originally from Canada, says he was inspired to do the project after an artist undertook a similar initiative in Montreal.

He said: 'I remember seeing Mr Colin's work as a child and thinking that's really cool. This project gives people a chance to see buildings that they walk past every day - often they don't really see the buildings, we take them for granted.'

'I'm offering the use of these drawings for 12 months as public service to help raise community awareness of not only in some cases the decay, but the aesthetic beauty and heritage value of many of the older structures we have in abundance in Mid Argyll.' Fraser share his works on Facebook and Twitter and with the Advertiser.

Tarbert crash driver jailed for nine years

A DRIVER who clocked up 110mph before a crash which killed a Tarbert teenager has been jailed for nine years.

James Neill, 35, from Tarbert, crashed his Honda Civic on the A83, near Erines, on August 20, 2012.

Natasha Clark, 17, later died in hospital, while a further two passengers were injured.

Neill last month admitted causing her death by dangerous driving.

The High Court in Edinburgh heard on Wednesday Neill's three passengers pleaded to him to slow down before he lost control of the car and it crashed into a large boulder.

Experts estimated he was driving at 70mph at the time of impact.

Natasha and her friend, Sandra Harvey, were trapped at the back of the car and both were taken to hospital by am-

Judge tells Neill his speed was 'grossly excessive'



James Neill at the High Court, Edinburgh.

balance. Front seat passenger Sean McGregor was also hurt.

Natasha, a shop assistant at Lochgilphead Co-op, was airlifted to Glasgow Royal Infirmary but was pronounced dead the following day.

Sandra suffered a broken leg and suspected spinal injury.

When he appeared for

sentence at the High Court, judge Lord Stewart told Neill his speed had been 'grossly excessive'. He said: 'The danger to passengers of your vehicle and other road users was obvious but you continued in complete disregard of pleas to slow down.'

Lord Stewart said he knew the stretch of road

well - but that had not influenced him. What had influenced him was material produced in court by prosecutors which included a 'drive through' video and photos of the crash scene.

Neill of 45 Easfield, was also banned from driving for 15 years and ordered to take an extended test before getting behind the wheel again.

Solicitor advocate Simon Whyte, defending, said since the incident Neill had been treated for anxiety and had been unable to work.

Lord Stewart said he accepted that Neill's remorse was genuine.

An earlier hearing at the High Court in Paisley heard that Neill was told to 'stop pushing it' by Mr McGregor, while another motorist said he had never seen a car travelling so fast on that stretch of road.

Appeal for witnesses

POLICE are appealing for witnesses after a window in a house on Lochnell Street, Lochgilphead was smashed.

It happened at some point between 11.30pm Tuesday February 11 and 8.30pm Wednesday February 12.

Anyone with information can contact the police on 101.

Man charged over driving

A MAN who carried out an alleged careless overtake on the A83 in Ardrishaig has been charged with driving without due care and attention.

The 56-year-old was seen by a police car on patrol driving at speed and overtaking on Saturday at 5.15pm.

Drink driver

A 69-YEAR-OLD man was arrested for allegedly drink driving last Thursday after police stopped his car on the A83 at Ardrishaig.



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AS ARGYLL and Bute Council prepares to pump tens of millions of pounds into projects that deliver economic growth, people in Mid Argyll need to roll up their sleeves and fight for their fair share of the cash.

It is not enough to say there has been no investment in Lochgilphead, Inveraray and Tarbert for years; that we are a deserving case.

The clear under investment and neglect of towns such as Lochgilphead may put Mid Argyll to the top of the priority list. But, without projects that deliver on regeneration and economic growth, Lochgilphead will remain Argyll's forgotten town.

Mid Argyll meanwhile will remain penniless in comparison to its neighbours in Kintyre and North Lorn.

Council leader Dick Walsh has made it obvious that the £80 million fund available in Argyll will only be given to projects that have a realistic vision, which business, community groups and residents are ready to implement.

Lochgilphead has neither a vision nor a plan, so the reality is a wealth of work needs to be done before the town has any chance of securing investment.

It is up to Mid Argyll councillors, community leaders and business people to sit around the table and devise a vision for Lochgilphead, one that highlights initiatives which have real potential for growth.

This needs to be done in haste, in less than a year the local area economic development plans will be complete and the council will be handpicking proposals that warrant its financial backing.

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Why we must support addicts

Sir,
I write following the recent articles published in the Argyllshire Advertiser on the subject of addictions in Mid Argyll.

I come from a family of educated people. I am proud to say that among my relatives are doctors, nurses, teachers, professional musicians and a professor. Within my close family I also have my brother who suffers a terrible disease - that of addiction to heroin, crack and skunk.

My point in sharing these two points is to illustrate that addiction can and does affect people from all walks of life; from every social background. My brother's disease affects each and every one of us and, like the time my sister had cancer, we want him to recover and to live a healthy and fulfilling life.

I was saddened by Councillor Kelly's assertions on the subject of Methadone treatment in our community and that the addictions nurse seems to have to work under cover. Would we expect the same debate and restraints for treating my sister's cancer?

We are now in the 21st century. While my brother has responsibilities to take and his recovery is in his court, both he and my family need support and acceptance. Perhaps Mr Kelly would think differently if he were in my shoes.

People with addictions and mental ill-health deserve to live without taboo with equal access to evidence-based health care as if they were experiencing a physical disease

like cancer. I look forward to the day when the addictions nurse is a known and respected member of our community and that I can talk freely and without judgement about the sadness addiction has brought to us. I also look forward to the day my family is able to recover from this disease and can look forward to a healthy future with the support of people like Peter Garrett from Encompass.

**Mid Argyll resident,
Name and address supplied.**

Our soldiers deserve better

Sir,
Just weeks after the UK Government launched a £3 million army recruitment drive, figures show a record fall in Scotland's regiment personnel as the UK government's austerity drive kicks in.

The cutbacks have left 5 Scots (the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders) stripped to a ceremonial company of just 100 soldiers.

This is outlandish hypocrisy from the UK Government which is spending millions on an army recruitment drive while continuing to sack soldiers. After the shambolic handling of welfare reforms by Iain Duncan Smith the UK Government has now made a complete mess of managing Scotland's army.

Philip Hammond should get off Twitter and apologise for these appalling cuts.

Our soldiers deserve better. Instead of wasting billions on nuclear trident, an independent Scotland would invest in having conventional defence

assets.

**Michael Russell
MSP for Argyll and Bute.**

£8 million question

Sir,
After The Oban Times' latest freedom of information request, we in the public now know that Argyll and Bute Council has had for years and years more than £8 million of council tax payers' money tied up in vacant properties.

All this has been and still is happening while incumbent persuasions and across different administrations are time and time again cutting essential front line services. How was this allowed to have happened when we continue to be told that there is no money left?

It is clear that the culture of incumbency in some of our councillors has led to an institutional incompetence in the managements of our council's finances.

**Alastair Redman
Islay**

Planning system failing Scotland

Sir,
It is the Scottish Executive's plan to have 100 per cent of Scotland's electricity produced by renewables (mainly wind) by 2020 and to increase farmed salmon production by 50 per cent by 2020.

In order to achieve this, many of Scotland's beautiful hills and coastal areas will be spoiled by inappropriate major development. Jobs and economic development

are being put before protected landscape and nature conservation. I was therefore surprised to read that Michael Russell MSP is objecting to the wind farm proposed for Barr Glen, especially when I heard he had been publicly thanked by FishFrom's chief executive for all his help in getting its application successfully through the planning process.

The giant factory is to be built on the coast at Rhunahaorine, by Tayinloan, one of the most protected areas in Argyll.

I was also informed at the FishFrom public hearing that a group of planning committee councillors, led by Robin Currie, also hold the view that jobs and economic development come before views and nature conservation. This opinion suggests these councillors see this as an either/or issue instead of one of sensible local planning where both can be accommodated.

We have lost a lot of forestry and countryside in recent years and we need to have a development plan that is rigid in the areas it allows for large industrial development and rigid in its application.

Not only would this policy protect our valued landscapes and nature conservation areas, but it would also save an incredible waste of private and public resources that are spent on ridiculously inappropriate applications. The people of Argyll deserve to hear from our MSP and local councillors what plans they have to make this happen.

Our planning system is failing Scotland.

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Argyll war hero features in new Clooney film

RAF squadron leader is one of The Monuments Men

A GLENDARUEL family has this month enjoyed mixing with the Hollywood elite after helping to uncover the secret past of their great uncle and war hero.

Charles and Sadie Dixon-Spain recently attended the London premiere of George Clooney's film The

Monuments Men, after helping the author of the book on which the film is based.

The pair worked with researchers and author Robert Edsel, informing them of Charles' great, great uncle, former RAF Squadron Leader John Edward Dixon-Spain - one of the so called

Monuments Men. Ted, as he was known to the family, had the rare distinction of serving his country in three major conflicts; the Boer War and World Wars I and II.

It was Ted's role in World War II that was of interest to the American author for his book The Monuments Men, which chronicles the story of the monuments, fine arts and archives (MFAA) programme of the Allied forces.

Set up with the approval of American President F.D. Roosevelt, the MFAA was a multi-national unit tasked with protecting European cultural heritage - such as important buildings, artworks and documents.

During the war, the main threat to Europe's cultural heritage came from Hitler's policy of plundering works of art from museums and private collections with the aim of enriching his planned, but never realised, Führermuseum (Leader's Museum) in his Austrian hometown

of Linz. Edsel's book has now been adapted into a film, also entitled The Monuments Men, co-written, directed by and starring George Clooney.

While in London for the film premiere of the film, Mr Edsel expressed his gratitude to Charles and Sadie for their assistance with the book.

He said: 'One of the joys of my 12 years of work researching the Monuments Men and women of all nations has come from getting to know their family members.

'Charles and Sadie, like so many others, have been very helpful in providing me and the Monuments Men foundation with important information on their family member, John Edward Dixon-Spain. We remain grateful for their assistance.'

Ted died in 1955, but in addition to an illustrious military record, which ultimately saw him awarded an OBE and a French Chevalier



Uncle Ted - John Edward Dixon-Spain - served in the Boer War and World Wars I and II.

of the Legion of Honour, he had been an eminent architect and a widely recognised authority on church architecture.

It was this expertise which saw him selected as one of the very first Monument Men.

Aged 65, in 1944 he was part of the Allied invasion of Europe and from July to October of that year, Ted worked closely with George Stout - George Clooney's character in the film - in the Twelfth Army Group of the US forces, until he was re-assigned to the 21st British Army Group under General Montgomery.

His career as a Monuments Man ended in April 1945 when he was retired out of the army.

For Charles and Sadie, who previously knew nothing of Ted's Monuments Men history, the task of researching their ancestor provided its own rewards.

Sadie, the founder of the Walking Theatre Company, which specialises in telling historical tales, said it was a unique opportunity to delve into the past through the life of a relative.

'We already knew a little about Ted; that he had been a significant archi-

tect in his own right as well as someone with an impressive war record, but researching his story has brought him very much to life for us. It has been a rewarding experience on so many different levels,' Sadie said.

Charles there is a parallel between Ted's love of and desire to protect beautiful buildings and his own major, on-going project to restore to its former glory Dunans Castle in Glendaruel.

He and Sadie bought the property in 2003 after the castle, built in 1864 in the Franco-Baronial style, had been gutted by fire.

'Uncovering Ted's story has been a real source of inspiration for me,' Charles said.

'He was obviously a man after my own heart, someone who cared greatly about historic buildings and their place in the cultural heritage of a nation.'

Charles and Sadie were able to recognise Ted's contribution to the MFAA when they were personally invited by Edsel to the star-studded UK premiere of the film. 'That was one invitation we didn't have to think about before accepting,' Sadie said.



Sadie Dixon Spain, Robert Edsel and Charles Dixon Spain at the UK premiere of The Monuments Men.

GRADUATIONS



Congratulations to Eilidh Fyfe who recently graduated with a Bsc Degree in Nursing (Mental Health) from the University of Stirling. Eilidh is the daughter of Gillies and Fiona Fyfe, Inveraray and granddaughter of Elizabeth and the late Joe Fyfe, Inveraray and James and Annie Middleton, Furnace. Eilidh is currently working as a Staff Nurse for NHS Highland.



Susan Linklater recently graduated from Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh with a MA Honours of the second class (upper) in Accounting and Finance. Susan is the daughter of Bryan and Christine, The Park, Rendall. She is a former pupil of Evie Primary and Stromness Academy. Currently Susan is working for Serco Northlink at Scrabster and getting work experience from Victor T Fraser & Co in Caithness.

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Ocean flows into opera

A VARIED programme of activities is scheduled to take place in Craignish Village Hall on Thursday.

The fun will begin at 4pm when Craignish Boat Club invites everyone, from novices to experienced seafarers, to talk about boating at the launch of a new sailing season and a new location.

This will be followed at 5.30pm by a presentation by Dr John Howe and Dr Andy Dale of the Scottish Association of Marine Science (SAMS). The men, who last year completed a survey on the Firth of Lorn, will reveal their latest underwater discoveries and the mysteries of the Corryvreckan.

Craignish folk will then have the opportunity to refuel with a pasta dinner before Opera Highlights. It will see four singers and a pianist from Scottish Opera perform a series of entertaining arias and excerpts, ranging from old favourites to undiscovered gems.

To book a place for the meal and opera call 01852 500746 or email cvhartsevents@gmail.com.



Warming cup of coffee fills church coffers

PAT McGuire and Catherine Cameron were among the dozens of locals who enjoyed a warm cuppa at a coffee morning in Lochgilphead Parish Church Hall on Saturday. The event raised £467 for Lochgilphead's St Margaret's Church, which will be put towards church funds. 06_a08coffee01

Singer comes home for workshop

A TARBERT-BORN singer who has taken on stage roles including Jesus and the Devil is to hold a singing masterclass in the village next month.

Dr Fraser McGlynn, son of acclaimed local accordionist Fraser McGlynn, senior, will be hosting the first of what is hoped to be several musical workshops.

The idea is for singers, including choirs in Campbeltown and Tarbert, to gain a different experience from

working with their usual choirmaster, Paula McLean.

She hopes other professional musicians will follow Fraser in coming down to Kintyre to take the workshops.

Fraser, who now lives in Montrose, owns and operates the part-time theatre arts school The Song Shop. He and his wife Judith also operate Stagecoach Theatre Arts schools in Aberdeen and Perth.

Fraser teaches singing and piano and has been musical director and director of many theatre productions, as well as a workshop tutor for musical theatre seminars. He was children's musical director for the professional touring production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat.

Fraser has played many principal roles in musical theatre productions in Dundee, Fife and Angus. Productions

have included Jesus Christ Superstar and the Witches of Eastwick.

He said: 'I'm delighted to be attending the singing workshop in my home village on Tarbert.'

The day-long workshop, taking place on March 16, will include a masterclass singing lesson and group singing. Everyone is welcome.

To register interest contact Paula McLean on 01586 830252 or email paulamclean@btconnect.com.

Mic night is open to all

MUSICIANS can show case their talents at the first Mid Argyll Unplugged Night next Friday.

Set up as part of the Mid Argyll Music and Arts (MAMA) Festival, the open mic night aims to promote live music in the area.

The event, which will be held on the Stag Hotel, Lochgilphead, is open to any musician who would like to perform - from a band to a solo performer or singer.

The sessions will take place on the last Friday of each month from 8.30pm.

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There will be a meeting in Peninver Village Hall on Monday, 24th February at 7pm to discuss interest in forming an Emergency Plan for the area in and around Peninver
Guest Speaker - Eleanor Sloan of East Kintyre Community Council

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Saturday 1st March
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Pianist Philip Howard delighted the audience at the recent Mid Argyll Arts Association Concert.

THE MUCH-respected British pianist William Howard took to the stage in Ardrishaig for the latest Mid Argyll Arts Association Concert.

The first half of the recital started with a set of short and rarely performed pieces by Robert Schumann from his Op.99 Bunte Blatter. These charming and varied miniatures were played with obvious affection and sensitivity.

We then moved on to the heart of the first half of the programme - Schubert's Wanderer Fantasie in C major D760. This large single movement opus is Schubert's only contribution to the virtuoso piano repertoire and is technically very demanding.

Although William's rendition of this work was well-rounded, exhilarating and well within his technical ability, it appeared that the base, particularly, of the piano was causing problems. Pianos of Schubert's day had a much lighter touch than our modern-day equivalents, and the MAAA's Yamaha can be quite slow in response, making very fast and quiet passages extremely difficult to execute.

After the interval we were treated to three charming pieces by Faure, whose large output of piano music is too little known.

Review by Philip Bowden Smith

The first, Romance sans Paroles, was followed by two of his Barcarolles, Whilst not 'flashy' in the late romantic sense, these require considerable technical skill and sensitivity in execution; we received these in equal measure - delightful.

William ended with three pieces by his favourite, Chopin.

The first of these, the second Scherzo in B flat minor, was delivered with considerable panache.

The second, the Nocturne in A flat Op32 No.2, with well controlled melodic line, gave a brief 'quiet before the storm' of the final piece, the much-loved Ballade No.1 in G minor. This tautly structured work brought the recital to a dramatic and exciting end.

Following well-deserved rounds of applause from the sizeable audience, we were treated to a heart-felt rendition of Chopin's posthumous Nocturne in C# minor as an encore.

This was certainly an evening's entertainment which brought much-needed warmth to an otherwise freezing Ardrishaig Hall.

Rusty Mustangs perform in Ardrishaig

THE LIVE music scene in Ardrishaig is continuing to flourish as local band The Rusty Mustangs play at the Lorne Bar tonight (Friday).

The Rustys are regulars in the Lorne and play an eclectic mixture of rhythm and blues, soul, rock and roll and laid back rock classics.

Drummer Patrick Harvey, guitarist Kevin Williams, lead guitarist Dave Garner and bass guitarist James Livingstone will be sure to please the crowd as they tackle any song that takes their fancy.

The members are no strangers to taking the stage together and have played under various guises. Patrick and Kevin are veterans of the Real Live Music Club and went on to play in End of the Line - a band in demand at functions in the '90s.

They were then joined by Dave and James before re-launching as The Rusty Mustangs.

Celebration ceilidh

A CEILIDH and buffet celebrating the Scottish Beaver Trial will be held later this year.

The event will mark the role played by the many partners and people involved in helping to deliver the project since 2009. The dance is in the Cairnbaan Hotel on Friday, May 16 with music provided by Ceilidh Bandidos. The trial is due to end this year.

Mid Argyll Music Festival programme launched

WITH four weeks to go until the Mid Argyll Music Festival competitors can now find the preliminary schedule on the events' website.

The 35th music festival will take place between Monday, March 17 and Saturday, March 22 in both Lochgilphead and Ardrishaig.

People can view the schedule on the event's new website, which can be found at <http://www.midargyllmusicfestival.webeden.co.uk/>

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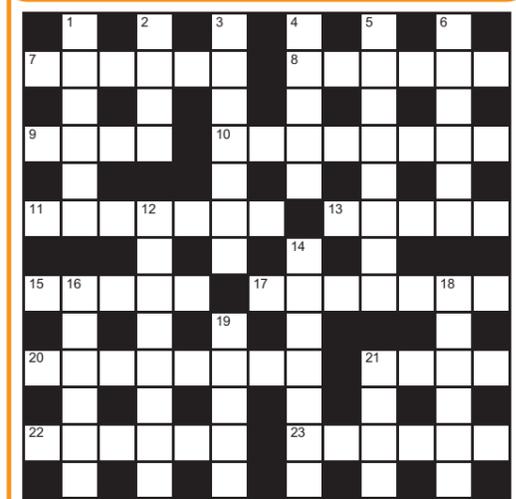
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Advertiser farming

Stockjudging award for young farmer

YOUNG farmer Graeme McMillan has been named Campbeltown Rotary Club's inaugural young stockperson of the year.

The award was set up in memory of the late Rotarians Jean and Hamish Smith, and resulted from Hamish's lifelong interest in livestock, as well as from the Smith family's generosity to Rotary. Rotarians John Smith, Andrew Ronald and Alan Minshaw awarded merit points to young people taking part in the stockjudging competitions of 2013, with Graeme McMillan taking the honours.

A Rotary Club of

Campbeltown spokeswoman said: 'Graeme and Hamish actually knew each other.

'The club was honoured to have Graeme as a guest at lunch for the occasion, and also to have the company of his parents, Malcolm and Anne McMillan of Balloch Cottage.

'Graeme has always wanted to be a farmer and he is employed by his relatives in Gartvaigh Farm, Southend.'

At the prizegiving last week, Margaret Bakes, convenor of Rotary's vocational service committee, read a short citation, while the presentation of the shield and a framed certificate was made by president Dave Morris.



Graeme McMillan, left, winner of the first Rotary Club of Campbeltown's young stockperson of the year award, with rotary president Dave Morris.

Last monitor farm meeting

KINTYRE Monitor Farm is to hold its final meeting next Thursday at the Ardsheil Hotel.

Duncan Macalister of Glenbarr Farms has been the area's monitor farmer for three years in a programme run by Quality Meat Scotland.

The last meeting will discuss whether the primary objectives of the moni-

tor farm have been met.

These include improving profitability and efficiency of the business by saving costs, increasing production and increasing revenue. Also speaking at the meeting is Stuart Ashworth, head of economic services for Quality Meat Scotland, who will discuss beef and sheep market trends.



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DEMANDS on the modern farmer and a need for greater efficiency within both the cereal and livestock sectors means multi-purpose agricultural machinery is now more essential than ever.

The basic workhorse may now be a tractor, even this has evolved over the many years to replace working animals on even the smallest of farms, while the range and complexity of today's machinery ensures this rate of change has reached a pace where even the most modern of farms find it a challenge to stay in touch with develop-

ing technology. machinery for much of their everyday requirements. This in turn has increased the importance and therefore the demand for regular and specialist maintenance from highly skilled agricultural mechanics. Throughout the country, numerous firms have developed to sell, maintain and advise on what is both available and affordable to the crofting and farming community.

As input costs rapidly rise in tandem with this technology, many farmers have turned to second hand

This important service industry, much of which specializes

in the ATV and small tractor market, has increased to the extent that outlets are available within easy reach of most west coast mainland and island farms - this in turn means that these service providers must remain both competitive and trained to a high standard if they are to retain business.

Livestock farming remains dominant on the west coast, while the majority of cereal production is targeted at winter feed for stock. Be-

cause of this, there is not the same degree of investment in the very large and heavy machinery that has revolutionised cereal production in other areas. Nor has there been the environmental problems that accompany the extremes of ever-bigger machines.

A2011 report claimed that Scotland's soils support agricultural businesses worth £700million to the Scottish economy however the report also highlighted that the use of increas-



ingly heavy farm machinery and how they compact soils posed a potential threat that was not fully understood in Scotland.

Some machines used for harvesting crops can weigh up

to 40 tonnes and those used in forestry up to 20 tonnes, the report said.

Citing research from Germany and Denmark, the study also said heavy equipment was compacting soils at

increasingly deeper levels.

The report, The State of Scotland's Soils, which was put together from research by the British Geological Survey, Centre for Ecology and Hydrology, Macaulay Institute,

Scottish Agricultural College and University of Glasgow, has also highlighted that some earths have a 'strong regional identity' and were culturally and historically important - such as the machair of the Western Isles.



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Kyle Danson, Zander Mackenzie and Rowan MacKellar. 06_a08disco1



Six-year-old Macie Gilbert and Ardrishaig's Molly Mulholland, six, enjoyed the children's disco. 06_a08disco06



Holly MacKinnon, 11, Megan Danson, 11, and Leah Mackenzie, 10. 06_a08disco2



Margaret MacLean and Jackie Gilmour showed their support for the Duntrune Trekkers. 06_a08disco12



Hazel Selfridge, 10, and Chelsey McNulty, 10. 06_a08disco07

Love to disco!

LOVE was in the air at the Duntrune Trekkers Valentine's Day Disco, which marked the start of the trios fundraising programme.

Blair Johnston, Duncan McGregor and Campbell Wright, who make up the Duntrune Trekkers, plan to climb Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania in September for charity.

The group hopes to raise in excess of

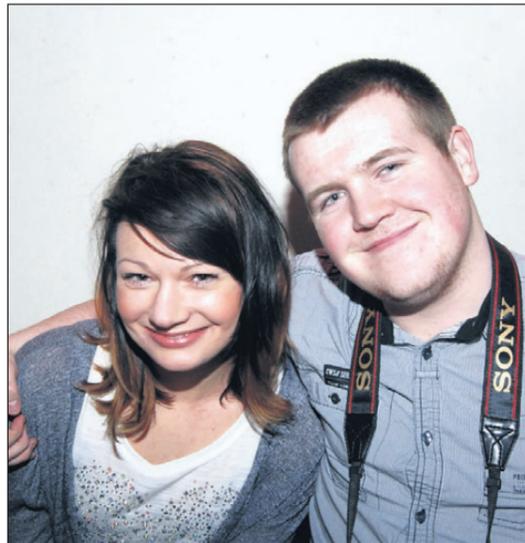
£12,000, which will be split between Lochgilhead's MS Centre, Rainbow Valley and the Lauren Currie Twilight Foundation.

Adult dance

The evening kicked off with a children's disco, which was followed by an adult dance. People danced the night away to Chris Small, who was supported by DJ Steesh.



Mell, three, and Lexie Houston, four. 06_a08disco09



Maya Szymus and Gary Cole were just two of the revellers at the Valentine's Day disco. 06_a08disco13



Campbell Wright, Duncan Macgregor and Blair Johnston launched their fundraising programme with a Valentine's Day Disco.



Harry Thomas, left, with Kyle MacDonald, Michael Kennedy and Daniel Broderick. 06_a08disco11

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Application submitted for new Carradale slip

A PLANNING application has been submitted to Argyll and Bute Council for the creation of a slipway at Carradale Harbour.

The project aims to regenerate the harbour area in the village, improving it for both locals and visitors.

Access to the new slipway is to be from the harbour car park which is owned by the council.

The plans were submitted at the end of last month and are still under consideration by the council.

Carradale Harbour Group said in December it hoped to have the new slip built by the summer.

Urgent appeal to call the midwife

PREGNANT women in Argyll are being urged to contact the midwifery department as soon as their test proves positive.

The call comes as NHS Highland says it is essential to address the health needs of women and their babies early on, so an appointment with the midwife should be booked immediately.

Midwives will be on hand to offer support to first time and existing mothers and can offer advice on eating well, exercise, dental care, smoking, drinking, money and housing.



Jamie McIvor.

Jamie backs writing competition

REPORTING Scotland correspondent and former Campbeltown Grammar pupil Jamie McIvor is backing a competition to find budding journalists, photographers and publishers.

High schools across Scotland can submit entries for the Scottish School Media Awards, run by imPRESS, before the April 30 deadline.

The *Argyllshire Advertiser*, part of Wyvex Media Ltd which is sponsoring the best newspaper category, is encouraging Argyll schools to take up the challenge.

And Jamie McIvor, who began his journalism career at our sister paper, The Campbeltown Courier, said his grounding in Argyll was key to his career progression.

Organised by Menzies Distribution, the im-

PRESS awards aim to encourage young people into careers in publishing and the creative industries, and are of particular interest to pupils who have an interest in writing, photography, design and business.

Jamie told the *Advertiser*: 'I used to write for the Courier while I was at school which I thoroughly enjoyed.'

Writing

'I always particularly enjoyed writing and was interested in people, stories and events.'

'One of the most important qualities any journalist should have is an ability to talk to absolutely anyone and listen to their stories or opinions.'

'Nearly all the best stories are ultimately about people - even if you get into some very difficult or complicated

issues. At a local paper you get the chance to develop that skill.'

'Another brilliant thing at a local paper is that you get to know your readers. People soon tell you if you've made a mistake or if they don't like something you've done, so you soon learn!'

Encouraging schools across Argyll to enter the Scottish School Media Awards, Jamie added: 'Some students might fancy a career in journalism and it's a great opportunity for them.'

'But newspapers and broadcasters are such important parts of society, it's great to give as many people as possible the chance to understand what it is they really do and why.'

For more information visit impressscotland.co.uk.

Ormsary firm makes scientific breakthrough

Landcatch closer to eradicating disease from fish farms

LANDCATCH, Mid Argyll's leading aquaculture company, has made a scientific breakthrough which will revolutionise the global fish farming industry.

The Ormsary-based business has developed a SNP (Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms) chip which helps scientists identify salmon that is resistant to disease and can be used in large breeding programmes.

The chip works by allowing scientists to look at the DNA sequence of individual fish - between 20,000 and 30,000 genes - and

predict which fish have the best performance.

The device is already used on crops, cattle, pigs and chickens but Landcatch is the first company to apply the technique to salmon.

Dr Alan Tinch, director of genetics at Landcatch, said: 'This development takes selective breeding programmes to a whole new level. It is an extension to the selective breeding of salmon, allowing more accurate identification of the best fish to create healthier and more robust offspring. We have now achieved a strategic goal

in salmon breeding. We have a far clearer picture of how individual fish will perform in our customers' farms.'

It is another landmark for Landcatch which in 2007 was the first aquaculture company to pinpoint a gene controlling resistance to Infectious Pancreatic Necrosis (IPN) which poses a major threat to Atlantic salmon.

Landcatch worked with a number of academic institutions in its research including the University of Edinburgh, Stirling University and Glasgow University.

Hole lot of damage on roads



Scottish councils have paid out £2.7 million in five years to compensate drivers over pothole damage.

AN average of £4,800 a year is being spent by Argyll and Bute Council in compensating drivers whose vehicles have been damaged by potholes.

The amounts paid out by local authorities for repairs such as burst tyres and suspension damage vary considerably. According to Freedom of Information figures obtained by the Scottish Conservatives, motorists were reimbursed to the tune of £584,745 in 2012/13,

with the five-year total now standing at more than £2.7 million.

Last year, Glasgow paid out nearly £360,000 in compensation, by far the highest in Scotland.

Scottish Conservative transport spokesman Alex Johnstone MSP said: 'The true damage caused by potholes is likely to be far higher than this, because many drivers can't face going through the official channels to try and recoup the money paid for repairs.'

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Housing potential dims bid to see path lit up

LIGHTS will not be installed on the path which runs from McIntyre Terrace to Mid Argyll Community Hospital.

Argyll and Bute Council has said it will not invest money in lighting the path because it is situated in a field identified as a potential development area (PDA).

This means the path could later give way to a housing development or other buildings.

Benefit

The local authority, which is not responsible for the path, said it had been laid for the benefit of the community but that it was always known no funding was

available for lighting.

Lochgilhead resident Peter Laing had earlier written to the council requesting the path be lit.

He said: 'I would like some lighting there for safety reasons... maybe there will be houses put up on the other side of the path eventually and it will be lit then.'

Bringing homes back into use

ARGYLL and Bute Council is one of 13 local authorities which has signed up to a scheme which aims to find buyers for empty homes across Scotland.

The Empty Homes Matchmaker service introduces buyers looking for an investment or

renovation opportunity to those looking to sell empty properties.

It works by allowing potential buyers to upload their details to a central register which all participating councils have access to.

Run by Shelter Scotland, Matchmaker is

part of a wider campaign to transform empty properties across Scotland into homes for families and individuals who need them.

According to Shelter Scotland there are 23,000 long-term, private empty homes across Scotland.



Fundraiser is sweet music for pipe band

Coffee, tea and cake were piped into Ardrishaig North Church Hall recently as Mid Argyll Pipe Band hosted a coffee morning. Members of the juvenile band served up tasty treats to guests as their fellow band members entertained with musical performances. The event raised £462 which will help the band take part in competitions across Scotland this year. 06_a07pipe01



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Historian to discuss King Arthur tourism potential

Legend may be worth millions

THE AUTHOR who says the King Arthur legend could be worth millions to the Mid Argyll economy will be the guest speaker at a networking event for those in the tourism industry.

Adam Ardrey, who believes the renowned legends of King Arthur originate from Dunadd, is to speak at the Heart of Argyll Tourism Alliance (HoATA) AGM on March 4.

In his books - Finding Merlin and Finding

Arthur - Mr Ardrey argues that Dunadd, near Kilmartin, is where Arthur pulled the sword from the stone as part of a succession ceremony in 574 AD.

Research

The historian will tell business owners how they can capitalise on his research, and will give more detail about the business plan he is preparing for Argyll and Bute Council on the subject.

Calum Ross, owner of the Loch Melfort Ho-

tel and board member of VisitScotland, will also give a talk entitled No Tourism Business or Destination Marketing Organisation is an Island.

Mr Ross will speak about collaborative working and will be fielding questions.

The event, which includes a buffet dinner, is free to members and friends. To book a place email Carron Tobin, HoATA coordinator, at carron.tobin@ruraldimensions.com.

Last day for school nominations

NOMINATIONS for the Scottish Education Awards 2014 close today (Friday).

The awards, which celebrate the achievements of schools and teachers across Scotland, are open to publicly funded schools.

This includes secondary, primary,

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Date	Port	Venue	Time
5th February	Troon	Marine Hotel	7:30pm
6th February	Castlebay	Learning Centre	7:30pm
10th February	Kyle of Lochalsh	Kyle Hotel	7:30pm
11th February	Ullapool	MacPhail Centre	7:30pm
12th February	Stornoway	Cabarfeidh Hotel	7:30pm
19th February	Oban	Royal Hotel	7:30pm
20th February	Tarbert	Anchor Hotel	7:30pm
24th February	Campbeltown	Ardshiel Hotel	7:30pm
28th February	Mallaig	Community Centre	2:30pm

Further information about the events, the displacement study, and development of possible management measures can be found at;
http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/marine/marine-environment/
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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2008 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
14/00078/PP	Erection of holiday letting chalet, installation of septic tank and formation of vehicular access	Land North of Grianach Carsaig Tayvallich Argyll and Bute	Ardrishaig Area Office
14/00105/PPP	Erection of 2 new detached dwellinghouses	Land South West of Alder House Kilmichael Glassary Argyll and Bute	Ardrishaig Area Office
14/00107/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse	Land West of Forest Lodge Kilmichael Glassary Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute	Ardrishaig Area Office
14/00160/PP	Erection of extension to provide lounge and licensed bar	Village Hall Furnace Inveraray Argyll and Bute PA32 8XN	Furnace Post Office
14/00217/PP	Erection of dwellinghouse, formation of vehicular access and installation of private sewerage system.	Plot 2 Land South West of Achnashelloch Farm Kilmichael Glassary Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute	Ardrishaig Area Office
14/00254/PP	Revised substation location and access track from planning permission reference 13/01427/PP	Land South of Stronachullin Farm by Ardrishaig Lochgilphead	Ardrishaig Area Office

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (AS AMENDED), RELATED PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
13/02930/PP	Erection of Class 1 retail store, upgrade of existing access and associated landscaping	Land South West of Inveraray Primary School The Avenue Main Street Inveraray Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Inveraray

Argyll and Bute council encourages planning applications to be made on-line through The Scottish Government website: <https://eplanning.scotland.gov.uk>

The Council maintain a Register of planning applications which can be viewed during normal office hours at Planning and Regulatory Services, Whitegates Office Whitegates Road Lochgilphead PA31 8SY.

A weekly list of applications can be viewed at the above address and at all Council Libraries.

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APPLICATION FOR AUTHORISATION COLINTRAIVE HYDRO SCHEME, BY COLINTRAIVE, ARGYLL

An application has been made to the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) by The Mount Stuart Trust for authorisation to carry on controlled activities at, near or in connection with Colintraive Hydro Scheme, By Colintraive, Argyll namely:

Description of Controlled Activity	Waters Affected	National Grid Reference
Construction of impounding works 1.7m in height	Milton Burn	NS 0389 7558
Abstraction of 26,611.2m3 per day of water	Milton Burn	NS 0389 7558
Return of abstracted water approximately 1.2km away from abstraction point	Milton Burn	NS 0336 7468

SEPA considers the above controlled activities may have an impact on the water environment. A copy of the application and any accompanying information may be inspected free of charge, at the SEPA Registry below, between 9.30a.m. and 4.30 p.m. Monday to Friday (except local and national holidays). Alternatively, the application may be viewed on SEPA's website at: www.sepa.org.uk/water/water_regulation/advertised_applications.aspx

Any person affected or likely to be affected by, or having an interest in, the application may make representations to SEPA in writing within 28 days beginning with the date of this advertisement, at the following address, quoting reference number CAR/L/1117561: **Registry Department, SEPA, Graesser House, Fodderty Way, Dingwall Business Park, Dingwall, IV15 9XB**

Written representations received by SEPA within 28 days of this advertisement will be taken into consideration in determining whether or not to grant the application.

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- assess the indirect effects of the impact on any other aspects of the environment likely to be significantly affected;
- consider any likely adverse social and economic effects of that impact and of any indirect environmental effects that have been identified;
- consider the likely environmental, social or economic benefits of the activity;
- assess the impact of the controlled activity or activities on the interests of other users of the water environment;
- assess what steps may be taken to ensure efficient and sustainable water use; and
- apply and have regard to relevant legislation.

SEPA will then either grant or refuse the application.

Demand for homes in Scotland continues to outstrip supply

During January, the number of houses coming onto the market for sale in Scotland remained steady, says the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) January residential market survey.

Last month a net balance of 27 per cent more chartered surveyors reported an increase in new instructions. Despite this, the amount of potential buyers continued to surge ahead of supply for the ninth consecutive month, with a net balance of 37 per cent of respondents reporting a growth in demand. However, some surveyors note that supply is expected to increase as we enter the traditional 'spring bounce'.

With the gap between steady supply and rising demand not seeing any considerable change, house prices continued to grow. During January, a net balance of 38 per cent more respondents across Scotland reported an increase in prices, with the cost of a home now rising since May 2013.

Chartered surveyors also noted the continued positive impact of the Home Report on the housing market in Scotland, with 78 per cent of respondents reporting that it has reduced the need for multiple surveys.

Prices are on the up in Scotland and this is driven largely by a lack of properties coming onto the market. With a growing number of people now in a position to buy a home, there are simply not enough properties to satisfy demand. The upshot of this is that prices are increasing in many areas. However, RICS members do expect an increase in supply in the coming months as the traditional spring bounce begins to take effect.

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Sarah Speirs, Director RICS Scotland, said: 'RICS Scotland continues to work closely with the Scottish Housing Commission to address the issues of housing supply and demand in Scotland. The Commission's findings will be published in April 2014.'

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Salary £24,000 per annum (pro rata)

Mull and Iona Community Trust is looking to recruit a self motivated individual to act as a catalyst for innovative and sustainable community development in the Ulva Ferry area. Reporting to the General Manager, the Local Development Officer will work closely with a local steering group and with the community as a whole.

Specific projects include affordable housing, play-park and community facilities; community transport, renewables and communications and assisting local groups.

The applicant will have a good understanding of the issues affecting fragile rural areas. Strong computer skills are desirable, as are strong diplomacy and communications skills.

A relevant qualification or prior experience in community-led development would be advantageous as would a knowledge and affinity for the locality. Support and training is available for the right person. The position will be a job share for 2.5 days per week.

The contract will run until March 2015 with the possibility of two further years subject to funding.

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To view the job description visit www.mict.co.uk, then contact Moray Finch, General Manager of the Community Trust (enquiries@mict.co.uk) for an application pack;

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Mull and Iona Community Trust VACANCY - Ulva Ferry, Isle of Mull Housing Project Manager (0.6 full-time equivalent)

Salary £23,000 per annum (pro rata)

Mull and Iona Community Trust is looking to recruit a Project Manager to oversee development of an exciting new housing development at Ulva Ferry on the Isle of Mull. Reporting to the General Manager, the Housing Project Manager will work closely with a local steering group and with the community as a whole.

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The applicant will have a good understanding of project planning and budgetary control as well as the issues affecting fragile rural areas. Strong computer skills are desirable.

A relevant qualification or prior experience would be advantageous as would a knowledge and affinity for the locality. Support and training is available for the right person. The position will be part-time for 3 days per week (with flexibility).

The contract will run for two years.

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Angie B is 40

Happy Birthday
Love Dad, Kenny,
Alexis, James and
Charlie
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MARGARET MACMILLAN wishes to thank family and friends for expressions of sympathy and kind support following the sudden loss of her elder daughter Helen. The many cards, flowers, home baking and visits were comforting and greatly appreciated during this sad and difficult time. Sincerest thanks to all.

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Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



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On one side there was an article about packages for weddings, in which there were special deals for a limited time only at a bargain price of around £25,000.

On the facing page was a story about life in South Sudan where almost four million people are in acute need of food.

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Scottish Opera comes to Strachur

THERE will be ghosts, ghouls and ghostly goings on at Strachur Primary School as the Scottish Opera brings The Curse of the MacCabra Opera House to the area.

The production 30-minute opera follows writers Compo Zerr and Libby Retto as they

STRACHUR

work late into the night to finish their new opera at the MacCabra Opera House. But, there is more to their helpful host Dee Parton than meets the eye.

Pupils will play roles of the singers, workers and critic alongside the Scottish Opera stars. Learning the music and words in series of workshops. Pupils take to the stage on March 27.

LOCHGAIR

Cleaning, baking and more

A BUSY spring lies ahead for members of the Lochgair Association who have lots of events planned in the coming months.

People are invited to help out at the annual Lochgair Beach Clean on Saturday, April 19. The event, which starts at 9am, will be followed by a BBQ.

Tea and cakes will be on sale at the plant sale and coffee morning to be held in Lochgair Church Hall on Saturday, May 24. The event proved hugely successful last year, raising money for the Mid Argyll Community Hospital dementia unit.

KILMARTIN

Torchlight adventure

THE LIGHTS will be turned off at Kilmartin Museum next week as youngsters in from the Great Auks archaeology club explore it by torch light.

The youngsters will see the museum in a new perspective as they search for pre-historic animals and look at the museum's displays using just their torches.

The club will meet next Friday at 6.30pm.



Isaac Stanesby was presented with a Kindle Fire and £200 for school funds by Neil McKnight and Gary Mulvaney from the Helensburgh dealership.

Tarbert pupils' winning design

TWO pupils from Tarbert Academy were recently presented with prizes for winning this year's Helensburgh Toyota Dream Car Art Competition.

Isaac Stanesby was presented with a Kindle Fire and £200 for winning the

age 12 to 15 category of the competition, which asks youngsters to draw their dream car.

Issac's creative fruit mobile - a car made of fruit that gives you various fruit drinks - was a hit with the judges.

TARBERT

In the same category Jack Faulkner finished third with his country battle design. He was presented with an Amazon voucher at the Hel-

ensburgh dealership where both boys picked up their prizes.

Eight other winners from schools in Argyll and Bute and West and East Dunbartonshire were also presented with prizes.

School gears up for race night to raise funds

RUNNERS and riders will be at the ready tonight (Friday) in the Royal Burgh as at a fundraising race night.

Organised by Inveraray

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Primary School Parent Council, race goers can have a flutter on the gee-

ws to help boost school funds.

People can buy or sponsor a horse with the first runners out of the stalls at 7.30pm. The

event, which will be held in the Argyll Hotel, will also include a raffle.

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Creative times for pupils in block printing

PUPILS at Clachan and Skipness primary schools showed off their creative sides when they participated in a block printing project.

The Cloth Uncut project was offered by the Creative Arts in School Team (CAST) and allowed pupils from P1 to P7 to create a unique cloth design based on traditional Scottish images, such as an Irn Bru can

SKIPNESS

and tartan.

Catherine Black, head teacher, said: 'All the pupils loved the element of personalisation and choice which the workshop offered.'

'Staff and pupils would like to thank Alison McAlpine and CAST for funding such an excellent learning opportunity.'

'Family' gathering needs volunteers

VOLUNTEERS are being sought to help organise this year's Glassary Gathering, which will be held on May 31.

The theme for the popular family event will be the clan gathering and Highland games, tying in with The Year of Homecoming 2014.

The Glassary Events Committee is looking for people to spare a few hours to help make

GLASSARY

the event a success.

People can join the committee, suggest ideas, volunteer on the day or contribute to the event with fun, games or demonstrations.

Anyone who would like to be part of the event can contact the committee via its Facebook page - Glassary Presents.

TEXT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus said, 'Peace be with you' (John 20:21).

BIRTHS



KERR

Robert, Louise and Lucy are delighted to announce the safe arrival of Jake Roderick, on Sunday, January 19, 2014 at the Southern General Hospital, Glasgow. A proud big sister! Thanks to Campbeltown Maternity and SGH.



MCKELLAR - GRAHAM

Robert and Debbie are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Robert Alexander, on January 31, 2014 at Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley.

ROBERTSON-PARKER

Derek and Kirstin are delighted to announce the birth of Calum Ian, born on February 2, 2014. A little brother for Evan and second grandchild for Sheena and John, Shona and Kevin, and Gordon and Lora. Thanks to midwives in Mid Argyll and the Royal Alexandra Hospital.



WALKER - RALSTON

Fergus and Dorothy are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Maida Iona, on February 6, 2014. Second grandchild for Tom and Jane Walker, Lochgilphead and William and Margaret Ralston, West Darlochan, Campbeltown.

DEATHS

ABERNETHY - Peter Cameron. At the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley, on Saturday, February 15, 2014, Peter, aged 57 years (late of Lochgilphead), father of John, dear son of the late John and the late Kitty, brother of Duncan and brother-in-law of Caroline. Funeral service will take place at Clydebank Crematorium, North Dalnottar, on Thursday, February 27, at 11.30am. Family flowers only please. The family expresses their sincere gratitude to all health care workers who looked after Peter.

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BARRETT - Peacefully, at the Western Infirmary, Glasgow, on February 12, 2014, Jack Daniel Barrett, in his 72nd year, 13 Burnside Cottages, Stewarton, dearly beloved husband of Margaret, much loved father of Christine, Thomas, David and Gayle and a loving and much loved papa.

DURNAN - Suddenly, but peacefully, at the Southern General Hospital, Glasgow, on February 14, 2014, Charles Durnan (Charlie), in his 82nd year, 46 Calton Avenue, Campbeltown, dearly beloved son of the late George and Annie Durnan, much loved brother of George and the late Roy and a loving and much loved uncle. Service in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, Campbeltown, on Friday, February 21, 2014 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of Cat Rescue, Campbeltown.

LIVINGSTONE - Peacefully, at Glenaray Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital, on February 18, 2014, Alistair Livingstone, aged 93 years, of 12b Caledonia Court, Ardrishaig and formerly of Poltalloch and Kilmory, former BRS Driver and latterly of M & K MacLeod, beloved husband of the late Anne Wilson, dear brother of Dolly and Mary and a much loved uncle and cousin to all the family. A good neighbour, dear friend and former work colleague to many. Funeral service will be held in Glassary Parish Church, Kilmichael, on Tuesday, February 25 at 12.00 noon, thereafter to Achnabreac Cemetery. Flowers, or donations if desired, to Macmillan Nurses, Mid Argyll.

MEGSON - Suddenly, at the Southern General Hospital, Glasgow, on February 16, 2014, Ann Margaret Megson, in her 78th year, 19 Mill Street, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Pete Megson, much loved mother of Mark and Lynn, mother-in-law of Phil and Fiona and a loving and much loved nanny. Service in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, Campbeltown, on Monday, February 24, 2014 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Macmillan Nurses, Kintyre Locality.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

CAMPBELL - The family of Helen Dawson Campbell (née MacMillan) sincerely thanks all relatives, friends and neighbours for the many cards, flowers and telephone calls following the sudden sad loss of Helen. Grateful thanks to Rev David Carruthers for support and comforting service, T A Blair for professional funeral arrangements and Ardshiel Hotel for hospitality. Thanks also to all who attended the church in Ardrishaig and Kilkerran Cemetery, Campbeltown.

IN MEMORIAM

GILLIES - In loving memory of a dear wife, mother and grandmother, Margaret, who passed away February 22, 2013. Loved and remembered every day. - Angus, Neil and Doreen.

LOVE - Wee Jamie, remembered with a smile, our much loved brother and uncle, left us on February 22, 2009. Sadly missed every day. - Love, Emma, Steven, Shona and Calum xxx.

MCKINLAY - Precious memories of Tommy, a much loved husband, father, father-in-law, grandpa and great grandpa, who passed away on February 22, 2010. A daily thought, a silent tear, A constant wish that you were here. - Morag and family x.

MORRANS - In loving memory of our mother, Sarah Soudan, who died February 24, 1999. Loved and remembered always.

- The family.

ROBERTSON - In loving memory of a dear wife, mother and nana, Cathie, who passed away February 18, 2001. Loved and remembered every day.

- Callum, Catriona, Roy and all the family.

SOUDEN - In loving memory of our dad, who died February 4, 2007. This day is quietly kept, no words are needed, we will never forget.

- From your loving daughters, Isobel and Liz, sons-in-law, Martin and John, and loving grandson, Graeme.

THOMPSON - Tommy, went to sleep February 15, 2007. A much loved husband, dad and grandad. Too dearly loved to ever be forgotten.

- Your loving wife, Rene, your son, Scott, your girls, Senga and Maureen, and families at home and away.

CHURCH NOTICES

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN

Sunday 23 February 2014
11.00am

Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch
Speaker: Mrs. Heather Allen
"Comfort My People Israel"

Thursday 27 February 2014
7.30pm

Praise, prayer & sharing

Saturday 1 March 2014
Quarterly Prayer breakfast
Breakfast: 8.00-8.30am
Praise & Prayer: 9.00am

All Welcome

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
Charity Number SC001002

Sunday 23 February
Tayvallich Church
Morning Worship 11:30 am
Rev. C. Acklam

Thursday 27 February
Messy Church 4 - 6 pm
Tayvallich Hall

All welcome
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CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday Service
11:00 am
with Sunday school
Tea & coffee after the service

Baby & Toddler Group
10:00 - 11:45 am
Every Thursday

We meet at the Guide Hall,
Kinloch Road
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George Street,
Campbeltown

Sunday 23rd February
12.45pm Worship Service
Rev David Parker

Friday 28th February
6.30pm Christianity Explored
Course (meeting in Church flat at 4f Albert Place)

All Welcome
Scottish Charity Number: SC009980

Highland Parish Church



SCO02493
Sunday 23rd February
11.15am Mr M Ramsay
No Sunday School

Tuesday 25th February
Badminton

Wednesday 26th February
7.00pm Session Meeting
Kirk Street Hall

Everyone very welcome

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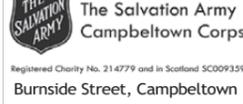
Scottish Charity Number
SCO11686
Sunday 23rd February
Morning Worship 11.15am
Creche, Triple C, Next Generation
Rev. P Wallace

Monday 24th February
Guild Concert
Church Hall 7.30pm

Tuesday 25th February
Parents and Toddlers 9.45am
BB Anchor Boys 6.00pm - 7.00pm
BB Junior Section 7.15pm - 8.30pm

Thursday 27th February
Choir practice 7.30pm

Friday 28th February
Lunch Club 12.00 noon



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10.30am Morning Worship
Army Kidz
6.30pm Evening Worship

Tuesday
12.15pm Lunch Club
1.30pm Home League

Wednesday
7.00pm The Make & Munch Mob

Thursday
7.30pm Bible Study & Prayer
Saturday 1st March
10.00am Table Top Sale
Lt. Mark Scouilding

CHURCH NOTICES



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Sunday 23rd February 2014
11.15am Family Communion
with crèche

Pastor Ross Ferguson
Coffee from 10.45am
4.00pm Service at
Lorne Campbell Court

Wednesday 26th February 2014
10.00am Jellytots Toddler Group
7.30pm Bible Study

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Sunday 23rd
Who is God?
Father

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SUNDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 2014
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Church at 11.30 am



LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
All Welcome

Pastor Rev Derek Gibson
Sunday 23rd February 2014
11.00am Morning Service

At Lochgilphead Community Centre,
Manse Brae
Scottish Charity SC015187

TARBERT LOCHFYNESIDE AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Sunday 23rd February 2014
Tarbert Service 11.45am
to be held in Tarbert Free Church
Kilberry Service 2pm
Rev. Margaret Anderson

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Cairnbaan pair miss out on trophy

BOWLING

A CAIRNBAAN pair were defeated in a thrilling final of the Falls of Lora Shield annual open doubles competition, hosted by Connel Carpet Bowling Club.

Robert Scott and Lachie MacLean were beaten in the final by father and son pairing Ivor and Stuart MacLean in Connel Village Hall on Saturday.

The round robin competition attracted bowlers from all the Lorn League clubs. In the first semi final Douglas MacCallum and Sandy MacFarlane from Taynuilt played Robert and Lachie, from Cairnbaan, with the latter pair winning through to the final.

Next up was Hugh MacLeod and Mike Kelly, North Connel, against Ivor and Stuart MacLean. Ivor and Stuart joined the Cairnbaan pair in the final and went on to win the match.

Lottery numbers

THE NUMBERS in this week's Tarbert Football Club lottery were 5, 18 and 20. There were no winners and the jackpot will be £200 next week.

Numbers 1, 3 and 17 were drawn in this week's Kilmory Camanachd lottery. There were no winners and the jackpot will be £700 next week.



Action from the Fort William v Inveraray friendly shinty match on Saturday which Inveraray lost 4-0. 20_f08shinty03

Not worried by friendly fire

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'These friendly matches are that for a reason. They point us in the right direction and allow us to use different tactics.'

'We also tried a few players in different positions to see if that's where we could play them in the season ahead.'

'We had Scott MacLachlan in goal, which allowed him to get more experience at this level, which is what it is about.'

Scott, who plays for Inveraray under 15s, was named the national young player of the year at the Marine Harvest National Shinty Awards at the end of last season.

'There are a few young boys playing who have more experience after playing in the premiership last season, so I will be expecting a bit more from them,' Garry added. 'This year we will also have Grant Griffen back after two years in Australia.'

Looking to the season ahead, the coach said: 'I hope there is the same mentality as there was last season as it was really good. There was a really good effort from the team.'

Saturday (tomorrow) the royal burgh lads will play their annual over 30s v under 30s match at Winterton Park. Throw up is at 2pm.

Inveraray will open the season against Kingussie at Winterton Park on March 1.

Rampant Red Star romp to 8-1 victory

A RAMPANT Red Star under 15s side put in an impressive performance to beat their opponents Goldenhill YFC with an 8-1 victory.

The Mid Argyll football side welcomed the Helensburgh side to Ropework, to play their first home match of the season.

Star started brightly and pressed the visitors' defence in the early stages, but they were unable to break down the well marshalled back four until the 23rd minute.

Rhuaridh Brown thundered a left foot drive from 25 yards into keeper Gallacher's top corner.

Keiran Moore scored the second when he tucked a superb free kick into the keeper's opposite corner.

Two minutes into the second half Hill's Gallacher tried to clear the ball but Brown's first

Lochgilthead Red Star	8
Goldenhill	1
DFDL Under 15s League	

time half volley from 22 yards went straight into the roof of the keepers rigging.

Star were now dominated the play and Ryan Caskie added to the goal tally with a strike from 18 yards.

Star introduced trialist Ryan Blackstock and Dougie Ritchie with the former latching onto a through ball and netting from 16 yards.

Curtis and Wood went on for Star with both fulfilling their roles well.

Goal number six was scored by a powerful header by Scott Souden.

Goldenhill were awarded a penalty, but Ally Pow made a great save to clear the ball.

Debutant Blackstock scored his second just after the hour mark

when he slotted the ball into the net. Blair Mackay netted number eight with a fierce drive, closing the score sheet for Star.

In the closing stages Pow made a couple of good saves, but was beaten by a Callum Ross strike from 12 yards.

This was a good win for the Star squad of Pow, Simpson, Young, Cameron, Jackson, Caskie, Souden, Moore, MacVicar, Mackay, Brown. All the subs were used Blackstock, Ritchie, Curtis and Wood.

The team would like to wish Aaron Whitefield a speedy recovery following his injury against Ardencaple two weeks ago. This week Star are away to Drumchapel United.

New coaches at rugby helm

RUGBY

RUGBY training at Lochgilthead Joint Campus started back up again recently with eight newly qualified coaches at the helm.

Mid Argyll Rugby Club has struggled in the past

to attract volunteers to help out at primary and secondary school training sessions.

But, since the club reconvened after the winter break four new volunteers and eight coaches have stepped forward to complete the rugby ready course.

They can now assist at training sessions and referee matches at the weekly sessions, which are attracting more than 20 youngsters.

Allan Wright, rugby by development officer for Argyll and Bute, said: 'We are delighted that so many people came forward to volun-

teer and train as coaches. It means that there are more people available to help at the training sessions.'

'They are parents who mainly come along to the youngsters' practise sessions and watch. We thought as the season was re-starting after the winter break it would be the perfect time to get everyone involved, sort of start as you mean to go on.'

The annual Argyll Dalriada Tournament, which will take place at venues throughout the area, will begin in March.

Last year teams from Mid Argyll, Oban, Kintyre and Taynuilt competed.

Jog Scotland experiences record numbers

A RECORD number of people are putting on their running shoes as Jog Scotland Mid Argyll asks for more people to become leaders.

Since the group began it has gone from strength to strength with 28 regular runners taking part in the beginner classes on a Thursday evening.

The Mid Argyll group now has 50 members overall taking part in its weekly classes.

Matthew Watkiss, co-ordinator of Jog Scotland Mid Argyll, said: 'Jog Scotland Mid Argyll has been an amazing success over the last couple of years and that's down to everyone's enthusiasm and dedication to keep coming along on a regular basis.'

To date the club has a total of nine leaders, but would like to increase that to allow for more group nights and provide a

greater choice for runners.

Matthew said: 'We are still really keen for more people to take on Jog Scotland leader training to help out at our tremendously successful groups.'

'We would be happy for anyone to go through the training. You don't have to be the fastest or most experienced runner. You just need to be enthusiastic to help out with the groups,'

he said, adding: 'Leaders will be able to set up their own sessions, lead the regular groups on a Wednesday and Thursday night, start beginners' groups or act as an extra pair of feet on the ground by assisting established leaders.'

'Anyone can make a contribution as a leader.'

A Jog Scotland training day has been organised for Saturday, March 8 in Campbeltown.

Weather wreaks havoc with football fixtures

HEAVY rain last week once again played havoc with the weekend's West of Scotland Amateur League football fixtures.

Tarbert was forced to cancel its home match against Shawlands.

The Dookers will be back in action tomorrow (Saturday) at home when they take on Neilston AFC in the Coronation Cup.

Red Star also had their home tie against Port Glasgow United called off.

The Premier Two side are scheduled to play a home match against league leaders Jamestown tomorrow (Saturday).

Lack of players forces cancellation

A LACK of player numbers meant that Lochfyneside was forced to cancel its match against St Andrews at Greenock.

The side is scheduled to play Minorities Youth Foundation away from home tomorrow (Saturday).

Lunga youngster shoots for gold



Ben Coates set a personal best in the under 16s 60-metre hurdle to win a gold medal.



Above: Archie Spencer won a gold medal for the shot putt at the Scottish Indoor Age Group Championship.

Success for young Mid Argyll athletes

A LUNGA youngster shot for gold in the Scottish Indoor Age Group Championships to pick up a medal in his first national championship.

Archie Spencer won a gold medal for throwing a distance of 8.58 metres in the under 14s shot putt at the competition in the Emirate Arena, Glasgow last weekend.

The 12-year-old represented Mid Argyll Athletics Club at the event and only started training with the Lochgilphead-based club in November.

Archie, who has quickly excelled to become a Scottish Age Group champion, will look forward to competing in similar events in the future.

The youngster was one of 15 athletes from Argyll to travel to the competition.

Kilmore's Ben Coates, who also represented Mid Argyll Athletics

Club, retained his national title in the under 16s 60-metre hurdle with an impressive victory.

Ben was a clear winner in the final and set a personal best of 8.66 seconds to win the gold medal. He is now ranked as the top hurdler in his age group in Scotland.

Success

The victory follows on from his success in the Scottish Secondary Schools Championship just 10 days earlier where he won the same event at the Emirate Arena.

He also qualified for the 60 metres final recording 7.65 seconds for fifth place in a high quality field.

Other Mid Argyll Athletic Club members gaining top six places were Chloe Fairman in the under 16s triple jump, Gregor McGeachy in the under 14s high jump and Kilmichael's Shaun Doy in the under 14s shot putt.

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Not worried by friendly fire

Jamie Cruickshank, left and opposite number Peter MacIntyre had a close tussle all afternoon. 20_f08shinty04

A HEAVY defeat in the first and only pre-season friendly for Inveraray Shinty Club is not a sign of things to come, according to player manager Garry MacPherson.

The premier division side suffered a 4-0 thrashing from Fort William on Saturday; a team that plays a division below the Royal Burgh side.

Fort William	4
Inveraray	0
Friendly	

Inveraray struggled from the beginning and Fort opened the scoring through Garry Innes on the 10-minute mark. He later trebled his tally and a fourth goal courtesy

of Niall MacPhee put the game beyond the reach of the Inveraray men.

But player manager Garry MacPherson says the team's performance has not made him worry about the season ahead.

'I'm not really too bothered about the final score,' he said.

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