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Minard and Ashfield stay on school closure list

PARENTS of two Mid Argyll schools say they will continue to fight any threat of closure after Argyll and Bute Council unveiled their latest consultation hit list.

Chairs of both Ashfield and Minard primaries, Alka Foster and Brian Barker, spoke of their shock following last week's announcement. Glassary and Achahoish schools have been removed from the list.

As the *Advertiser* went to press on Thursday, councillors were set to discuss the revised plans to amalgamate primary schools. At the meeting, councillors were asked to agree a recommendation to hold informal pre-consultation meetings with representatives from 12 communities potentially affected by the school estate review. Councillors were also asked to agree a review of the school's estate on an ongoing basis.

The council says their revised approach represents 'greater transparency, greater detail and greater involvement from communities'.

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But Brian Barker, chair of Minard Parent Council, said: 'The selection of a school for closure should be on the grounds of educational benefit, but in this case it appears to have been made using rehashed information from previous discredited proposals. The Parent Council and community will fight to save the school as an example of the best that Argyll and Bute has to offer.'

Alka Foster, chair of Ashfield Parent Council, said: 'The previous process, halted on January 5, was proven to be inadequate and failing to comply with the Schools Consultation Act 2010. We are therefore even more confused now as to the criteria for selection. Ashfield's school roll is rising despite the ongoing threat of closure and there are little savings to be made closing the small schools.'

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Cadets welcome training centre revamp

Army Cadets from across Argyll descended on Lochgilphead last weekend to celebrate the opening of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders Battalion Army Cadet Training Centre. The centre, which has received £1/2million revamp, was officially opened by the Lord Lieutenant of Argyll and Bute, Kenneth MacKinnon Esq RD WS. For more on this story see page five of this week's *Advertiser*.

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Craignish man escapes Libya unrest

A CRAIGNISH man, caught up in the Libyan unrest, has returned home safely.

Andrew McIlvride, from Craobh Haven, was holidaying in the Arab country when fighting broke out two weeks ago.

It is understood Mr McIlvride was able to escape the area on one of the last planes out of the country. He arrived home last week.

Fighting erupted in the Arab state as rebels attempt to overthrow the country's leader, Colonel Muammar Gaddafi.

Trailer stolen

BETWEEN 1.30pm and 3.30pm on Saturday February 26, a one metre-long car trailer was stolen from the road leading to the Quarry at Castleton.

Police are appealing for any witnesses or anyone with any information to call Lochgilphead Police on 01546 702200.

Alcohol seized

AFTER a report from a concerned member of the public at 3.20pm last Friday (February 25), police seized a quantity of alcohol from three youths near Millers Bridge on the Crinan Canal.



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Residents tune in to digital help sessions

RESIDENTS from Tarbert and Lochgilphead certainly kept the Digital UK advisors on their toes during last week's help sessions.

Ivan Kennedy, the regional project co-ordinator for the help scheme, was on hand in Lochgilphead last Wednesday and Tarbert last Thursday, to answer any questions residents may have on the UK digital switchover.

Although the weather in Lochgilphead was a little wet, people still turned out to learn about the switchover.

Ivan said: 'It's fair to say the weather was against us when we were in Lochgilphead, but people still came out and as a result four people were able to go directly into the help scheme.'

A total of 30 people made enquiries in Tarbert with 14 available for help in changing to digital television.

The switchover for Mid Argyll begins in May this year.

For more information on the digital switchover visit www.digitaluk.co.uk or telephone - 08456 505050.



Digital Switchover UK regional manager Ivan Kennedy gave Tarbert resident Sadie Meenan helpful information ahead of the digital switchover. 06_a09digit01

Citylink looks at better bus service

IMPROVEMENTS to the Campbeltown to Glasgow bus service are being looked at by the route's operator, Scottish Citylink.

Although the firm has not made an official announcement about its 'enhancements' for the 926 route, it has confirmed that changes will take effect when the summer timetable comes into effect.

The route, which Scottish Citylink tenders to Campbeltown-based firm, West Coast Motors, is well-used by Mid Argyll passengers.

The *Advertiser* understands that under Scottish Citylink's improvements to the service, passengers could benefit from an increase in the number of journeys per day, which could rise to six in the summer period; the sixth journey would

run from Glasgow terminating in Ardrishaig.

A spokesman for Scottish Citylink told the *Advertiser*: 'Enhancements for our Campbeltown service are still being finalised for our new summer timetable. Should these changes come into effect they will significantly enhance connectivity throughout Argyll and offer increased flexibility for passengers travelling to and from the area.'

But he added: 'We are still exploring funding options for this service and are not in a position to announce the proposed changes at present.'

'We are currently in discussions with Argyll and Bute Council and hope to be in a position to make an announcement on the status of the 926 service in the near future.'

Tourism alliance launched

A MARKETING group representing the Mid Argyll area will be launched at a special event next week in Lochgilphead.

The Heart of Argyll Tourism Alliance will be officially unveiled on Friday, March 11 at Argyll and Bute Council's chambers in Kilmory.

The initiative was originally led by the Mid Argyll Chamber of Commerce, and has most recently received funding as a legacy of the Dalriada Project.

The group behind the initiative is now ready to launch the Tourism Alliance and go live with their website - [Heart of Argyll.com](http://HeartofArgyll.com).

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No show appointments cost NHS thousands

PATIENTS in Mid Argyll who fail to show up for clinician appointments are costing the NHS thousands of pounds.

The problem of 'Did Not Attend' (DNAs), is not just a problem in Mid Argyll but across the whole Argyll and Bute Community Health Partnership (CHP) area.

Between April and September 2010, £204,000 was lost to DNAs, with £15,000 of that attributed to Mid Argyll. That's the equivalent of throwing away the wages of a part-time member of staff.

Kristin Gillies, services manager

for Argyll and Bute CHP, understands people lead busy lives, but is urging patients who can't attend their appointments to let the surgery know as soon as possible.

Kristin explained: 'We've had a few bad clinics in Mid Argyll recently.'

'It is vital that we don't waste a valuable clinician slot as we must meet the National Waiting Times targets; this won't happen if people don't turn up for appointments.'

NHS Highland has identified five main 'hot spot' clinics where

no shows are most common. These are: Orthopaedics, Ophthalmology, Dermatology, the Ear Nose and Throat Clinic and Paediatrics; which is one of the highest.

Kristin is urging people who can't make appointments to let the surgery know.

She explained: 'Every slot is so valuable and it is for their benefit to keep waiting times to a minimum.'

For those wishing to cancel or make a query about an appointment telephone 01546 462009.

Red Cross launches earthquake appeal

THE BRITISH Red Cross has launched an appeal to help those affected by the New Zealand earthquake.

Mid Argyll residents are being asked to assist the Red Cross in anyway they can, by donating blankets, clothes or money.

Barry Armstrong, disaster response manager with the British Red Cross, said: 'Local

volunteers reacted immediately, providing first aid support to help the emergency services, and additional emergency staff and supplies have been arriving through the night.'

As well as providing first aid, Red Cross volunteers are staffing an evacuation centre for around 2,000 people and helping others find alternative accommodation.

To donate to the appeal visit www.redcross.org.uk/nzeearthquake or call 0845 054 7200.

'Recovery from a disaster of this size will take years, but the Red Cross focus at the moment is on the immediate emergency response to make sure people get the help they need as quickly as possible,' added Mr Armstrong.

Woman driver arrested

FOLLOWING a minor road crash in Lorne Street, Lochgilphead, last Tuesday (February 22), a 67-year-old woman was traced and arrested for allegedly driving whilst under the influence of alcohol.

A report has been submitted to the Procurator Fiscal in Dunoon.

Festival of Museums

ARGYLL and Bute residents are being encouraged to ensure their local museums and galleries get involved with a brand new festival for Scotland, announced by Museums Galleries Scotland.

Festival of Museums will celebrate Scotland's wealth of culture with day and night time events scheduled to take place from May 13-15.

Grants to stage events are still available to eligible Argyll and Bute-based museums until early March and further information can be obtained from www.museumsgalleriesScotland.org.uk

Police files

Alleged assault

POLICE were called to an incident at around 7.40 pm last Thursday (February 24) when a schoolgirl was allegedly pushed and knocked to the ground in Back Street, Tarbert.

The girl suffered minor injuries and police are appealing for any witnesses or anyone with any information to call Lochgilhead Police on 01546 702200.

Breach of the peace

FOLLOWING a disturbance in Furnace, at around 3pm on Friday, February 25, a 63-year-old man was arrested and charged with an alleged breach of the peace.

A report has been submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.

Man arrested

A 39-YEAR-old man has been arrested and charged with an alleged breach of the peace.

Police were called to a disturbance in a flat in Lochnell Street, Lochgilhead, at about 2.15am on Saturday (February 26).

A report has been submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.

Breach of the peace

FOLLOWING a disturbance in a building in West Bank road, Ardrishaig last Tuesday (February 22), a 51-year-old woman was arrested and charged with an alleged breach of the peace in Lochnell Street, Lochgilhead at about 3.30pm. A report has been submitted to the Procurator Fiscal in Dunoon.

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Chemical spill evokes full-scale emergency

A FULL-scale chemical emergency procedure was put into place after a spillage of mercury in a garden workshop.

Police, firefighters and scientists were alerted to the incident in Inverneil after a new owner accidentally spilled a bottle of the dangerous element.

Group Commander Thomas Keay,

from Helensburgh area command, was called to the scene along with Lochgilhead and Oban's retained firefighters who secured the scene. A government scientist was also called to the building in the roadside garden.

Group commander Keay said: 'Any chemical spillage can be serious and this woman acted in a very

appropriate manner by contacting the emergency services immediately. The woman had recently taken up occupancy in the house. She was tidying out her new work shed when a bottle of an unidentified substance fell to the ground. By the way the chemical reacted she realised it was mercury. Despite it being a very small

amount of the chemical we have to treat all incidents with the up most caution. This woman made the correct decision to call for help. Mercury is a very dangerous substance. When the scientific services arrived at the scene they made a full assessment of the situation and the area was cleared up in an appropriate manner.'



Mid Argyll piping tutor Stuart Liddell, left, was one of three tutors to receive new pipes from the Argyll Piping Trust. The pipes were designed by Campbeltown native William McCallum, right. Also pictured are Islay tutor James Carmichael, second left, and Oban tutor Angus MacColl. 15_t09pipe05

Argyll Piping Trust bags £10,000 boost

ARGYLL Piping Trust has handed over 12 sets of bagpipes to some of the most promising young pipers in Argyll after securing a grant of £10,000 from Awards for All.

The pipes, which were designed by Campbeltown piper Willie McCallum, were officially passed on at the Netherlorn Piping Society's monthly meeting last Wednesday in Oban's Argyllshire Gathering Halls, where Willie was the headline performer.

The trust has been instrumental in reinvigorating the piping scene in Argyll by part-funding piping tuition in Oban, Lochgilhead and Islay high schools and their feeder primary schools.

Angus Nicol of the Argyll

Piping Trust said: 'In the late 1980s it became noticeable there were very few up-and-coming young pipers in Argyll, Argyll being the home of piping for well over a century.'

'The reason for this was in the Strathclyde Council days, whenever a piping tutor left there was a policy not to replace them.'

Cost

Argyll Piping Trust, which was established by The Argyllshire Gathering in 1979, offered to pay Argyll and Bute Council half the cost of piping tuition and a pilot scheme in Oban, with Pipe Major Ronald Lawrie, was set up in 1994.

Since then the trust has extended

its tuition funding to Mid Argyll and Islay.

The three tutors who are supported by the trust, Angus MacColl, Oban; Stuart Liddell, Mid Argyll; and James Carmichael, Islay, were also in attendance at the handover last week and James brought four of his pupils along with him.

He said: 'We have been given four sets of bagpipes, which will help us enormously.'

Netherlorn Piping Society president Alistair Dewar said: 'We were asked by the piping trust to host the handover of the pipes and we were only too happy to do so because we recognise what they do for piping in Argyll.'

Hunt on for Mid Argyll's most promising young musician

THE HUNT is on for the most promising young musician of the year to receive a silver cup and cash prize donated by the Rotary Club of Mid Argyll at its Charter Dinner on May 14.

Last year was the seventh occasion where the Rotary Club made this award, and the current holder of the trophy, Lorna Semple of Achahoish, was selected from a number of entries by a specially chosen musical panel.

Entries can be an instrumentalist, singer or composer, and to enter, candidates must fill in a

simple form, where, in their own words, they describe their past and present musical activity, why they enjoy music and their plans for the future.

To be eligible, applicants must live in Mid Argyll and be aged between 12-18 years of age on May 1, 2011.

Closing date

Music teachers or the school office will have the Rotary application form and the closing date for application is Thursday April 21 2011.

For any queries about the Rotary trophy contact John Holt on 01546 886384.

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Small business bonus welcomed

ARGYLL and Bute MSP, Jim Mather, has welcomed the SNP Government's support for Scotland's small businesses with the £450million Small Business Bonus.

If re-elected, the Business Bonus will carry through the next Parliament protecting the role of small businesses in

our economy. The bonus is helping more than 80,000 small businesses in Scotland. An eligible business saved on average £1,440 in 2010/11 with a maximum saving of £4,100. Mr Mather said: 'Small businesses in Argyll and Bute have benefited from the Small Business Bonus.'

'I join with my colleague Nicola Sturgeon MSP, Deputy First Minister; Federation of Small Businesses and hundreds of small business owners across Scotland in stating that the introduction of this Small Business Bonus means the difference between success and failure.'

Fuel debate welcome

ARGYLL and Bute MSP Jim Mather has welcomed proposals from SNP colleagues to have a special debate on fuel prices before the Budget in March and prior to planned additional fuel duty increases to take effect in April.

Mr Mather said: 'I find it truly remarkable that some politicians appear content that Scotland should be paying the highest fuel pump prices in Europe, appreciably higher than prices paid in countries that have no oil resources, and would appear to fail to recognise that those costs should inevitably impact severely on all goods and services, particularly those in rural and island communities.'

Town clocked stopped again

LOCHGILPHEAD'S town clock has stopped again.

This time the hands stopped ticking at 10.15.

The Parish Church clock which sits at the top of Argyll Street, was only repaired last month after it failed to tick at Christmas.

Students hard at work doing something for Lochgilphead



The Working in Communities students with Fiona Kalache, the Mid Argyll Youth Project's co-ordinator. The students hope to raise money to move the youth project to larger premises. 06_a09youth01

A GROUP of students from Argyll College have been busy organising a fundraising ceilidh in Ardrishaig.

Students of the Working in Communities course are organising a ceilidh to raise funds to help the Mid Argyll Youth Project move to larger premises.

The group of seven students, who range in age from 15-17 years, have sent emails and letters to a range of businesses and voluntary organisations as well as contacting big-name bands to play at their event. The youngsters have also set up a Facebook page as well as a WordPress blog.

Seventeen-year-old student Shaun Thomson said the group hoped to attract some big names to the ceilidh. He said: 'We've written to the Proclaimers, the MacDonald Brothers and a band called Logan to see if they would play at the event.'

The fundraiser, which takes

place on Saturday May 14, will be a non-alcoholic event.

The students have been given £500 from the Substance Misuse group which will be used to pay for advertising, the hire of the hall and food.

Shaun added: 'We would encourage as many people as possible to come along to the ceilidh because we are raising money which will go straight into the local community.'

'It's our chance to do something for Lochgilphead.'

Fiona Kalache, the Mid Argyll Youth Project's co-ordinator and one of the course tutors, said: 'Young people have been doing lots of hard work over the last month and will continue to do so to raise funds for the Youth Project through a Ceilidh event.'

'This is a new course for the college and Lochgilphead is the pilot at the moment so we hope this will be a success and will continue to be offered in the area.'

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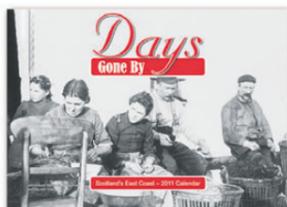
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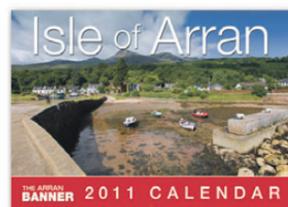
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ACHA approves annual budget

ARGYLL Community Housing Association (ACHA) has approved its annual budget.

The budget, which will run from April 2011 until March 2012, was approved unanimously and will invest £37,888,826. A total of £26,726,788 will go into capital improvements aimed towards bringing the association's existing 5,000 plus homes up to the Scottish Housing Quality Standard by 2015.

The association also hopes to spend £4,394,300 in building new homes which will be subject to final confirmation of grant funding by the Scottish Government, as well as investing £2million in infrastructure. The association will invest £2,898,038 in day-to-day repairs in its

properties and £1,669,701 in planned maintenance. It has budgeted £200,000 for aids and adaptations.

The budget will be supported by £11million of grants from the Scottish Government which was negotiated by the Association.

Alastair MacGregor, ACHA's Chief Executive, said: 'This budget is intended to deliver continuing improvements to our tenants' homes, jobs in our communities through the links to the construction industry and new homes for those in need of affordable housing.'

'In these difficult economic times I hope this record planned investment by ACHA will provide continuing stability and opportunities, not just for home improvements but employment.'

Keep Scotland Beautiful

MORE than 500 people in Argyll and Bute have already signed up for Scotland's largest volunteer litter pick, National Spring Clean.

Keep Scotland Beautiful, who are behind the campaign, are urging more volunteers to sign up to their fifth birthday litter picking events.

The campaign period has been extended this year so volunteers can carry out litter picks in the last two weeks of March and the first two of May, and there are 14 areas of Argyll and Bute earmarked for a clean up.

For more information visit - www.keepsotlandtidy.org/springclean.

Entrepreneurs sought

FINANCIAL support for new businesses is being offered in the form of the Bright Business Idea competition.

Organisers of New Start Scotland are hoping to encourage the next generation of Scottish entrepreneurs with the offer is £30,000 of business support, including £5,000 cash. The competition can be entered via the New Start Scotland website www.newstartscotland.com.

World Day of Prayer

RESIDENTS are being reminded of tonight's World Day of Prayer Services being held across Mid Argyll.

Local residents will join people from more than 180 countries tonight (Friday) for the World Day of Prayer Service.

Women, men, old and young from around the world will come together for the service, which will take place from sunrise in the Tonga Islands until sunset over Alaska 36 hours later.

People will sing, think and pray around a common theme every year at this time.

Services will be held in Christ Church, Lochgilphead at 7.30pm. Bellanoch Church will hold its service at 7pm.

Argyll Army Cadets invade Lochgilphead



18-year-old Sgt Ian Grunewald from Lochgilphead receives his award for Most Efficient NCO Cadet from Colonel A K Miller. 06_a09cadet05



Sgt Major Alex Chlopuk from Lochgilphead receives his long service award from the Lord Lieutenant of Argyll and Bute, Kenneth MacKinnon Esq RD WS. 06_a09cadet07



Lord Lieutenant of Argyll and Bute, Kenneth MacKinnon Esq RD WS officially opened the refurbished the Lochgilphead Cadet Training Centre on Saturday. 06_a09cadet08

ARMY Cadets from across Argyll are set to reap the benefits of a £1/2million revamp to their Lochgilphead training centre.

Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders Battalion Army Cadets from Oban, Campbeltown, Lochgilphead and Dunoon descended upon their recently renovated centre on Saturday (February 26) as the Lord Lieutenant of Argyll and Bute, Kenneth MacKinnon Esq RD WS, officially opened the facility.

Over the last five years, the Highland Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Association (Highland RFCA) have invested in the Cadet Training Centre, which benefits youngsters from across Argyllshire, Dumbartonshire, Stirlingshire and Clackmannanshire.

The centre can now accommodate 50 Cadets and 20 Adult Instructors, with bright new classrooms, kitchen and dining facilities.

Business is booming in



Standing to attention: Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders Battalion Army Cadets. 06_a09cadet06

Argyll for the Cadets after a tremendous year in which the Army Cadet Force celebrated its 150th anniversary.

Operating from the centre, cadets learn military skills and fieldcraft, and adventure training that includes orienteering, cycling, climbing and hill-walking.

The package helps develops confidence, motivation, determination and leadership

in youngsters aged from 12-18.

During Saturday's official opening of the centre, some cadets were presented with awards.

The youngsters were thrilled to be presented with their accolades by the Lord Lieutenant of Argyll and Bute.

Speaking at the event the Lord Lieutenant said he was

'very impressed' by what he had seen from the cadets and was 'extremely privileged to be asked to re-open the centre'.

Colonel Bob Elliot, Commandant of the Argyll Cadets, said: 'I am really delighted that Highland RFCA has provided us with this new facility. It's made such a difference to the Cadets and Adults when they come up

here.' Colonel A K Miller, a former Regular Argyll and now Chief Executive of Highland RFCA added: 'At Highland RFCA we endeavour to use local contractors across the Highlands wherever possible.'

'Here we were able to use a number of tradesmen which enabled us to inject funds into the Argyll economy which I am sure is well appreciated.'

THE CADET movement in Argyll and the Western Isles is growing rapidly with some 800 Cadets in 37 Detachments.

The most recent success stories have been the revival of the Islay Detachment last year with its 19 Cadets, and the establishment of the new Detachment at Arrochar.

The Lochgilphead Detachment is also booming with 40 Cadets on strength who will be using these new facilities on a weekly basis. The aim is to have three adult instructors, drawn from the local community, to support each Detachment. Campbeltown and Oban also have very active Detachments.

Recruiting both adult and cadets remains buoyant, with many former Cadets returning as instructors when they turn 19.

What the cadets think...

Cdt Abigail Dalby, aged 15 from Lochgilphead, said: 'I like everything about Cadets and I like the new centre and its also my detachment so I get to come here every week.'

LCpl Adam Kenny, aged 15 from Campbeltown, said: 'It's better than sitting in the house, more sociable and you get to meet more people.'

LCpl Daniel Currie, aged 16, from Dunoon, said: 'Cadets is brilliant and I like the drill.'

Cpl Graham Robertson, aged 18, from Campbeltown, said: 'The new centre is much nicer because it's cleaner, brighter and more like home. It makes the experience more family-like.'

LCpl William Humphries, aged 14 from Oban, said: 'Cadets is great fun, you get to meet new people and have friends around the country that you can meet up with.'

Sgt Shaun Reardon, aged 16 from Oban,

said: 'Cadets is a great experience, you get to meet loads of people and since joining Cadets I have travelled and got to do lots of activities I would not have had the chance to do, especially at Annual Camp when you get to do adventure training.'

Sergeant Instructor Sean O'Ryan of Lochgilphead, who is also a chef and cooks for the cadets, said: 'The new facilities are absolutely fantastic. The kitchen is so much better than the last one: there's so much more room; the new equipment is so much better and the whole environment is just so much more modern. It's a pleasure to cook in.'

Lieutenant Colonel Gilly Moncur added: 'The Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders cadets are very grateful for these new facilities. They are vital, along with our sister facilities at Arrochar, for us to be able to train and develop our cadets from as far afield as Bo'ness, Bowmore, Cumbernauld and Callendar.'

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Cash splash for pool

A MAJOR financial windfall was this week welcomed by Mid Argyll committee chairman as light at the end of the tunnel.

And the unexpected £100,000 cash bonus from the Secretary of State for Scotland has strengthened the future of a swimming pool in Mid Argyll.

'I am delighted by the news,' said Mr John MacLean, chairman of the swimming pool committee, 'after many bleak years there is now a brightening light at the end of the tunnel.'

But, according to one councillor, the money which came as part of a £160,000 General Service Allocation could have been spent on a number of alternative projects.

'There are other things the money could have been spent on,' said Councillor Noel Faccenda, 'and it could be spent immediately.'

But Councillor Douglas Currie said: 'I think it is a great idea. It is a reflection of the hard work of the Mid Argyll community that this project has been recognised.'

The pool committee has raised £20,000 for the project with £80,000 anticipated from the private sector.

Flower of Scotland

A PRETTY Lochgilphead bank teller is counting on her face to make her a fortune as she prepares to take the fashion world by storm.

And for attractive Fiona Rayns, 18, from Ardrishaig, a surprise photo session could be the answer to all her dreams.

Her boyfriend secretly entered her into a national newspaper competition in a quest to find the 'Flower of Scotland'.

The Clydesdale Bank teller will continue to use her artistic talents as a cartoonist for the Clydesdale Bank magazine in the hope her modelling dream will come true.

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shelden



'HOW ARE you travelling?' I have noticed that this phrase is creeping into our social greetings. I think it started in TV soaps from Australia and is now finding its way here.

It seems to mean more than a simple 'How are you?' – for, really we do not expect a medical report in answer to this almost rhetorical question.

'How are you travelling?' is really asking, not just about your physical health, but also about your emotional well-being.

It would seem to me that we would have to know the person well before we would share this kind of information. We need to trust someone before we discuss our feelings – we need to have confidence in our confidant.

So I have been thinking about this. When we ask folks how they are, do we really listen past the usual response of 'Fine thanks'?

Do we really care about the journey that person is on, or are we just being polite?

Of course we don't want to psychoanalyse everyday greetings, but maybe sometimes we need to watch for the signs that tell us that someone is struggling. Maybe we really do need to ask ourselves, 'How is my friend travelling?'

Maybe we need to walk alongside on the hard part of the journey, and just be there when support is needed.

Before Jesus healed people, he often asked them, 'What do you want me to do for you?'

Often we would think it would be obvious, but Jesus was the great enabler. What a simple question! So often we decide what someone needs, and forget to ask that simple question, 'What do you want me to do for you?'

Jesus always started with the person and went with them to the centre of their journey, for that is where healing begins.

Travel well.



Down Memory Lane

This week's Down Memory Lane was taken from the Advertiser's archives. The photographs show the 2002 Prince's Youth Business Trust regional winners, which include Kerry Carey (nee Russell) of The Stables Restaurant, Lochgilphead, are pictured with Murdo MacLeod, Councillor Donnie MacMillan and Arthur Barclay. We're always on the lookout for Down Memory Lane photographs; they can be emailed to our newsdesk – editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk or pop into our office – 44 Argyll Street, Lochgilphead.

Disgraceful Dunardry debris

Sir,

I am one of the huge army of walkers, photographers, artists, twitchers, joggers, cyclists and horse riders who enjoy the forest walks of Mid Argyll.

I count myself blessed to live in an area where so much has been invested in creating such a wonderful leisure network. The Forestry Commission Scotland, SNH and the Dalriada Project have worked together to offer this 'playground' to local residents and visitors.

As a visitor attraction, this network must rank high not only in the UK but in Europe.

I have just come home from Dunardry. Glorious day, glorious walk. You are right to be waiting for the 'but'.

At Dunardry car park my eye was caught first by a scattering of cigarette packets, then by a neatly-tied plastic carrier bag, presumably containing rubbish, placed carefully behind the Dalriada

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information boards and finally, as I stood beside my car to change my boots, a used condom.

Who is so arrogant that they feel they have the right to leave such debris for someone else to clear away?

Who is so selfish that they feel they have the right to mar the beauty of any spot in the country?

Who is so lazy and inconsiderate that they find it easier to 'hide' their rubbish behind a viewpoint storyboard and throw a used condom out of their car window than to simply pack the remnants of their outing into the car and dispose of them in an appropriate place?

We hope that in a few weeks, the tourist season will begin and that the recession will benefit Mid Argyll as people stay in the UK for their holidays.

What a welcome we'd be offering if all our carefully designed car parks were

to be littered with the detritus of the selfish few. Bag it and bin it – it's not a hard slogan to follow.

Marian Kilmichael
by email.

Unjust financial punishment

Sir,

In response to the present financial crisis occasioned by grossly inappropriate gambling by our banking industry, no doubt in the interests of themselves and the global financial system, restorative actions have been made at considerable cost to the non guilty masses of this unfortunate Country.

However at the regional and local level this unjust punishment grinds on relentlessly.

Your journal notes our council proposes to a drop

in wages 'for cleaners, caterers, and janitors and a putative move from year round to term time only contracts'. Thus at a stroke they are shunted from full time to temporary employment. How many individuals are in this category?

It should be remembered that this follows the loss of 494 council employees jobs in response to regional financial strictures. Worse still, there a requirement that all school meals will cost 15 pence more.

This proposal will differentially impact the lower paid of our community, yet there is no mention of increases in meal prices for Councillors or senior officials, nor would it appear to alter the job prospects of the latter category. As a matter of fact it would appear that there has been no challenge through Scotland to the whole financial strictures imposed from the National Government on a population who are in a great majority, not in any way culpable, other than failing to elect a competent national administration. Were we to learn from the Tunisian, Egyptian, and in all probability a Libyan examples.

We have lost the name of action.

J Small, Glenburn Road, Ardrishaig.

Search on for Royal Air Force musicians

Sir,

Were you ever a musician in the Royal Air Force?

The RAF Music Services Association is looking for new members.

We wish to contact any retired and former musicians who served in any of the RAF established bands or orchestras, including the WRAF band and the RAF voluntary bands.

The association was formed in 1987 as a way for members to renew their friendships with former colleagues. Membership includes a magazine twice a year full of news and reminiscences of the RAF Music Services past and present.

Members also have the opportunity to attend the Annual Reunion each summer. For full details of membership please contact John Dablin on 01296 433763 or by email jdablin@ntlworld.com. **John Dablin, Aylesbury.**

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Start up help for business

SETTING up a new business is exciting but there are many issues for the aspiring entrepreneur to consider.

Anyone looking to start up their own business is being encouraged to make use of the help available from Argyll and Bute Council's Business Gateway. A wide range of support is on offer, including business workshops, experienced local business advisers and a comprehensive website. Last year the Business Gateway team supported 166 new businesses start-ups across Argyll and Bute, compared to 123 in 2009. As well as offering practical advice on the paperwork and legal requirements that any new business will face, a business adviser can help focus on the necessary planning that is required to run a business and signpost useful contacts.

After 20 years teaching art and design in Mid Argyll schools, Lynne Girdwood benefited from Business Gateway support when she set up Fyne Silver, a jewellery design studio based in Ardrishaig. An avid beachcomber with an interest in jewellery, Lynne sets translucent sea glass, iridescent shells, vintage pottery and wave tumbled pebbles with sterling silver to enhance their beauty.

'Business Gateway has been on hand right from the start, even when the business was no more than a pile of shells and ideas,' explains Lynne. 'As a business novice, it's reassuring to know that there is always someone at the end of the phone to offer advice.' To find out more contact Business Gateway on 01546 605459 or visit www.bgateway.com

Toddlers to benefit from shop's efforts

CAMPBELTOWN has taken The Original Factory Shop to its heart.

It was the best performing shop in the group at Christmas.

And store supervisor, Lorraine Dalziel, revealed this week that kindhearted customers are going to help smash another record, for helping charity.

'Each store picks a charity for a year and has a target of £500 to raise; we have been given nearly £400 within the first month!'

The charity chosen by Campbeltown staff is the Meadows Under



Lorraine Dalziel supervisor at The Original Factory Shop in Campbeltown and Katrina Thomson play leader with the Meadows Under Fives Play Group. 04_c08med01

Fives Play Group. The group is raising money for sensory equipment for their quiet room.

It was a good Christmas and winter for The

Original Factory Shop, branches in Campbeltown and Oban.

Wellies and advent calendars topped the bill. Sales for the six

weeks ended December 26 2010 were up 23 per cent along with like-for-like sales up by five per cent.

Fiona Leishman, area manager said: 'We were undoubtedly hit by the severe weather conditions but the combination of our loyal customers still coming out and our ever committed colleagues still coming to work meant we were still able to deliver an excellent performance.'

Over the past two years, the company has grown sales 73 per cent, or 17.1 per cent on a like-for-like basis.



From left: chairman of Mid Argyll Chamber of Commerce, Ian Macintyre; secretary Jane MacLeod; Alan Reid MP; the RT Hon Michael Moore MP, Secretary of State for Scotland, and councillor Alison Hay. 06_a08moore01

Scottish Secretary hears business views

THE RT Hon Michael Moore MP, Secretary of State for Scotland, met the Mid Argyll's business leaders to hear their concerns on a variety of local issues.

Mr Moore enjoyed a business breakfast with the Mid Argyll Chamber of Commerce at the Cairnbaan Hotel.

'A big part of my job is to get on the road as often as possible. There's no substitute for getting out and about,' said Mr Moore, adding: 'I am from a rural area so I understand many of the concerns raised.'

The recent VAT increase, banking and infrastructure were just a few of the items discussed at the meeting.

Chairman of the Mid Argyll Chamber

of Commerce, Ian Macintyre, said: 'It was very beneficial to get the opportunity to talk to the people that make the decisions.'

Alan Reid MP and Holyrood Lib Dem candidate, Alison Hay, also attended last week's meeting. Speaking of his colleague, Mr Moore said: 'I must say that Alan has always done a tremendous job of making parliament aware of Argyll's issues. He certainly campaigns strongly on behalf of the local people.'

After leaving the Mid Argyll Chamber of Commerce, Mr Moore travelled to Kintyre to meet with the Machrihanish Airbase group as well as visiting the Skycon Factory.

Potter relocates - just round the corner!

AS part of the restructuring of businesses by Springbank Distillers, Campbeltown Pottery has relocated but its faithful customers will not have to walk to far.

Simon Rochford, owner of the pottery has moved the business from 34 Union Street, Campbeltown, round the corner to 11 Bolgam

Street.

You can now find the pottery between the TSB branch and the Whisky Shop.

Alterations

Alterations to the new pottery premises were carried out by Springbank who also helped Simon to move.

He said this was as much appreciated.

The pottery is stocked with Simon's traditional hand thrown pottery including his Kintyre range and popular whisky sets and water jugs for whisky; his unique music plates featuring music manuscripts and children's gift range.

Visitors to the pottery will be able to see Simon at work.

Campbeltown Pottery supplies work to four distilleries, Campbeltown's own Springbank; Laphroaig, Ardbeg and Tobermory, and also for the Machrihanish Dunes and Machrihanish Golf clubs.

Right now Simon is hard at work making the medals for the 2011 MoK run.

Pension reform and small business

by IAIN REID

NEW and existing businesses need to be aware of the Government's work-based pension reform, which aims to encourage more people to ensure that they have adequate and well-protected pension savings.

This reform will impact both employers and employees, so Business Gateway is urging small businesses to start planning for the changes in good time.

Currently there is no legal requirement



for employers to provide a company pension scheme or to make contributions to workers' pension arrangements.

But the Pensions Act 2008 introduces new obligations on employers to provide access to, and

contribute towards, a workplace pension arrangement for eligible jobholders.

In phased stages from 2012 onwards, employers will be required to automatically enrol all their eligible jobholders into a qualifying

pension scheme and make contributions towards it.

This requirement will apply throughout the United Kingdom and all employers must register their schemes with The Pensions Regulator. Employers with the largest number of workers will have the earliest dates, and the smallest employers will have later staging dates from 2014. An information leaflet on the changes can be downloaded from www.thepensionsregulator.gov.uk or contact Business Gateway.

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Sun shines on Kilmartin Snowdrop Tea

THE SUN shone brightly on Saturday enticing a lot of people outdoors and those looking for an afternoon refreshment paid a visit to Kilmartin's Snowdrop Tea.

The annual event, organised by the Kilmartin Community group, is a fundraiser for the village's summer gala. A selection of delicious homemade cakes

and hot cups of tea and coffee were served to customers at the Living Stone Christian Centre. The total of £464 was raised during the two-hour event.



From left: Jenna MacLennan-Robbie aged seven from Tayvallich, Isabella Hedley, aged 21 months from Crinan and Emma Gargan, aged seven from Kilmartin enjoyed the Snowdrop Tea last Saturday. 06_a09snowdrop01



Kilmartin Community Group treasurer Pauline Houston serves Ros Walker from the village, with a nice cup of afternoon tea. 06_a09snowdrop02



Olya Maiboroda, left, from Oban, and Mairi Fleck from Kilmelford travelled to Kilmartin to take part in the felt workshop. 06_a09felt01



From left: Elizabeth Hitchens from Ardfern, Catriona Gorrie from Kilmichael and Jan Aksnes from Tayvallich with their colourful felt creations. 06_a09felt02

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3D felt making workshop success

CRAFTSPEOPLE from across Argyll travelled to Kilmartin House Museum on Saturday (February 26) to take part in a 3D felt making workshop. From sheep, to faces and rocks, there was no stopping the 12 ladies who attended the workshop with Liz Gaffney. Liz travels to Kilmartin House from her home in Ayrshire once a year to give the full-day workshop. 'I'm teaching people how to use needles to create 2D and 3D felt pieces,' explained Liz. 'We're also experimenting with needle embellishes to cross fibres,' she added.

Macmillan fundraiser in memory of Donald

A FUNDRAISING event in memory of Ardrishaig man, Donald McMillan, took place in the village's public hall last Saturday (February 26). A most enjoyable night was had by all who attended the fundraising event for Macmillan Cancer Support. The evening was organised by Ross, Scott and Craig McMillan in memory of their late father. The fun began on Saturday afternoon with a football match, then in the evening the boys had mustered a willing team of family and friends to help run a great night of music, haggis, neeps and tatties, a raffle, silent auction and bottle stall.

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Macmillan fundraiser

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The hard work and effort that went into all the planning and organising proved well worthwhile, with the fantastic sum of around £5500 raised; the final total is still to be confirmed. All money raised will go to the local branch of Macmillan Cancer Research. Winners of the raffle prizes were: DKNY Bag: Andrea Flower; Signed Rangers Ball: Ross McMillan and John McNab (6 months each); Rangers top signed by Sasa Papac: Robert MacBrayne; Rangers top signed by Kris Boyd: Lewis Pollock; Signed Jolomo print: Jonathan Welch; Limited edition Rangers Canvas: Thomas Welch; Signed Kyle Lafferty photo: Rebecca Welch. The boys would like to pass on their thanks to everyone

who made the day such a success – those who gave so generously with their donations to the prizes, those who gave unstintingly of their time to cook and serve food, those who provided the excellent entertainment, as well as those who came along on the night to take part. Family friend, Katrina McLeod, said: 'Family and community were very dear to Donald's heart; he liked nothing better than to see the different generations getting together and enjoying one another's company. His boys did him proud on Saturday night. He would have approved.' The Lochgilphead Macmillan Cancer Support AGM will take place in the MS centre in Lochgilphead at 7.30pm on Monday March 7. Volunteers are always needed.



Graham, Jenna and Katy had a great time at the ceilidh.



Susie and Seonaid helped the McMillan boys organise Saturday's event.



These two young ladies had a great time at fundraising ceilidh.



Michael Harvey from Lochgilphead attended the show with his son. Together they have an abundance of collectables, from motorbikes and cranes to cars and lorries, and only began showing them last year.

Enthusiasts showcase models at show

MODEL enthusiasts from Mid Argyll travelled to showcase their collectables in Campbeltown over the weekend.

The Guide Hall in the town was filled with all sorts of collectables from cranes and buses to cars and tractors.

Organisers reckon that over the course of the weekend, the contents of the hall could have been worth in excess of £100,000.

Members of Oban Diecast Model Club travelled to Kintyre for the occasion, as did others from Wick.



Alan Ross, also known as Goldie, is one of the main organisers of the Diecast Model Show, and has run similar events in Mid Argyll.

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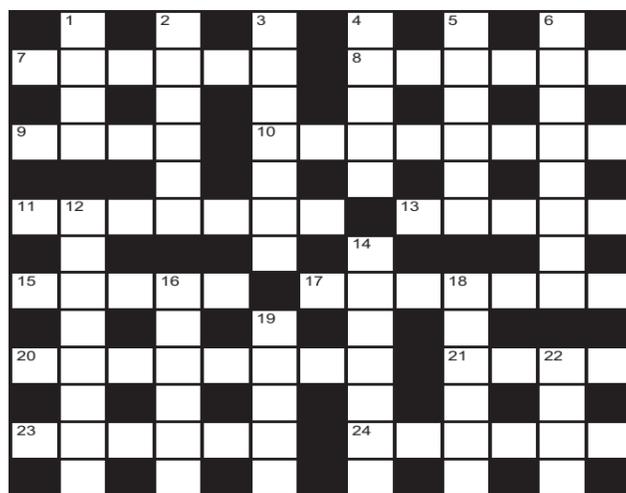
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WINTERS BONE: 17 year-old Ree Dolly (Jennifer Lawrence) sets out to track down her father, who put their house up for his bail bond and then disappeared. If she fails, Ree and her family will be turned out into the Ozark woods. Challenging her outlaw kin's code of silence and risking her life, Ree hacks through the lies, evasions and threats offered up by her relatives and begins to piece together the truth.
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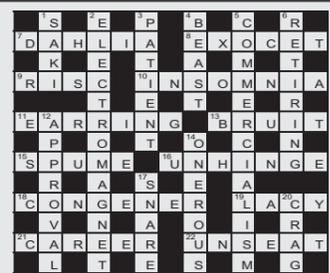
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Last Week's Solution



HMS Campbeltown's farewell voyage



HMS Campbeltown on the high seas.



When HMS Campbeltown was first commissioned Campbeltown Lifeboat station presented her with a telescope on September 6, 1993; Gordon Black (left) honorary secretary, from Campbeltown Lifeboat, with then captain of HMS Campbeltown. During her final visit to the town the telescope will be handed by to the RNLI in Campbeltown.



In 1989 the year she came into service HMS Campbeltown paid a visit to Campbeltown and amongst the children who were shown round were these pupils from Dalintober. Are you amongst them? If so, get in touch via facebook or our letters page and tell us your memories.



The civic formalities of HMS Campbeltown's visit in 1989 in the days of Argyll and Bute District Council. From left, Michael Gossip, chief executive; Councillor Archie McCallum, Catherine Hood, council staff; Councillor Alastair McKinlay, Captain JEK Ellis RN, Councillor George McMillan, Patrick Stewart, Councillor Willie Hunter, Convener; Councillor John McKerral, Councillor Robert Currie

Farewell to our ship

THE PEOPLE of Campbeltown are invited to Main Street on Wednesday March 9 to mark the final visit of HMS Campbeltown.

In a ceremony echoing the one held in Main Street when the ship paid her first visit in 1989, the Captain of HMS Campbeltown, Lt Cdr K Harris, will present the ship's bell from the first HMS Campbeltown which destroyed the dock gates at the French port St Nazaire in 1942 to the Provost of Argyll and Bute Councillor William Petrie. This bell will go on display at Aqualibrium until the

ship sails from Campbeltown for the last time.

Captain Harris will also return a silver plaque presented to the ship in 1989. This plaque should have been presented by Campbeltown Town Council to the original HMS Campbeltown but she was blown up before the presentation could take place.

Taking part in the parade will be some of the ship's company, along with Campbeltown Sea Cadets and representatives from the Royal British Legion, the Royal Air Force Association, the Army Cadet Force, Girl Guide Association,

Strathclyde Police, the Ambulance Service, Fire Brigade and Young Fire Fighters, Royal National Lifeboat Association and the Harbourmaster.

The parade will begin at 5.30pm when Kintyre Schools Pipe Band will lead the first group of organisations down Castlehill to the Town Hall. This will be followed by the Sound of Kintyre Pipe Band, which will escort the ship's company, and the Sea Cadets.

Also taking part will be Campbeltown Brass which will play as people wait for the parade to begin as well as during the

inspection of the ship's company and the Sea Cadets by the Lord Lieutenant of Argyll and Bute, Kenneth McKinnon.

A special guest will be Nick Beattie whose father, Lt Cdr Sam Beattie was the commanding officer of the original HMS Campbeltown. Sam Beattie was one of five of the ship's company to receive the Victory Cross for the part they played in 'the most daring raid of all'.

The visit will end on Monday March 14 and Campbeltown will put its best foot forward to mark this momentous but sad occasion.

A BRAVE SHIP REMEMBERED

THE ORIGINAL HMS Campbeltown was the former USS Buchanan, an old four-stack destroyer among a batch of 50 ships transferred to the Royal Navy under Lend-Lease in 1940.

In 1942, the Normandy Dock of St Nazaire was used by the mighty German battleship, the Tirpitz, for carrying out repairs.

A mission, Operation Chariot, was devised to destroy the dock gates and HMS Campbeltown was selected as the ship to carry out the task.

In the space of seven weeks, HMS Campbeltown was stripped out internally and packed with explosives. The mission was successful and against all the odds the dock gates were destroyed, rendering the dock out of action until 1948.

The raid was so successful that the Tirpitz never ventured into the Atlantic again.

Nick Beattie's father, Lt Cdr Sam Beattie, was awarded the Victoria Cross along with four others who took part in the raid.

Commonly known as 'The Greatest Raid of All' 89 members of the landing force were decorated for their actions with 5 Victoria Crosses being awarded for outstanding bravery and of the 622 Royal Navy and Commando personnel deployed on the raid 169 lost their lives, 215 were taken prisoner and 228 eventually made their way back to England.

HMS Campbeltown was awarded the Battle Honour 'St Nazaire 1942' for her part in Operation Chariot.

MARK THE OCCASION

HMS CAMPBELTOWN will be welcomed into Campbeltown Loch on Wednesday March 9 by a flotilla of local boats led by Campbeltown Lifeboat.

She will dock at the POL jetty at 10am and at noon the captain will meet local councillors and community councillors in the Council Chamber. Also present will be the Provost of Argyll and Bute, Councillor William Petrie and the Lord Lieutenant of Argyll and Bute, Kenneth McKinnon as well Inspector Tom Harper of Strathclyde Police.

After lunch, there will be a visit to Campbeltown Lifeboat when a telescope, which had been presented to the ship, will be returned.

The ceremony to mark the occasion will be held at 5.30pm in the Main Street and in the evening the ship's company will be hosted in various pubs.

On Thursday, Campbeltown Sea Cadets will spend a day at sea as guests of HMS Campbeltown and in the evening an invitation has been extended by the Rotary Club of Campbeltown for two officers to attend the Young Musician of the Year/Citizen of the Year in the Argyll Hotel.

On Friday local schools will visit the ship and this will be followed by visits to the schools by Nick Beattie, President of the St Nazaire Society, whose father was the CO of the original HMS Campbeltown.

The ship will be open to the public between 10am and noon on Saturday March 12 and transport will be available from the terminus at Aqualibrium from 10am on a first come first served basis. Various activities have been organised for the ship's company including golf, walking, surfing, clay pigeon shooting and a tour of Springbank Distillery.

On Sunday the Lorne and Lowland Church will host a service to mark the end of the visit and this will be taken by James Campbell, Chaplain to Campbeltown Sea Cadets. As well as some of the ship's company and Campbeltown Sea Cadets, there will be representatives from other organisations.

On Sunday afternoon, a team from HMS Campbeltown will play Campbeltown Pupils at Kintyre Park.

At 10am on Monday March 14, HMS Campbeltown will sail from the POL jetty up Campbeltown Loch to pay her respects to her named town for the last time.



HMS Campbeltown leaving Rosyth after her visit in 2010.



HMS Campbeltown crew at St Nazaire.

THE BELLS

THE SHIP'S bell from the original HMS Campbeltown was returned to Campbeltown Pennsylvania after the Second World War and sat on display at the Fire Station until 1989 when it was presented to the

newly commissioned HMS Campbeltown.

Two years ago, the bell was returned to the United States for the 200th Founding Ceremony in Campbeltown PA. Now that the Type 22 frigate has been decommissioned,

the bell will be returned to Pennsylvania by the Royal Navy.

Campbeltown Scotland will receive the bell from the current ship and will keep it until there is another HMS Campbeltown.



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Fair Trade Fortnight

CRAIGNISH Parish Church is celebrating Fair Trade Fortnight by holding a food night and sale of Fair Trade goods, in Craignish Village Hall on Saturday March 5.

Everyone is invited to go along to the hall with a dish to share (made with Fair Trade ingredients if possible) and to enjoy an evening of good food and company.

There will be sales of Fairly traded goods from around the world, including Madagascar, Palestine and Sri Lanka, plus the evening will see the launch of Just Trading Scotland's '90Kg rice challenge' amongst the Netherlorn Churches.

Just Trading Scotland is a Scottish Charity, based just outside Glasgow, which imports a range of products from Malawi, Swaziland and South Africa.

The Charity is challenging schools, Churches and community groups to sell 90Kg of Kilombero rice, the amount which a Malawian farmer must sell in order to pay for a year's basic secondary education for one child.

On Saturday the Rev Professor John Riches, the founder of, and prime mover in, Just Trading Scotland, will attend the food night in Craignish Village Hall and



ORMSARY

Landcatch Ltd sponsors charity calendar

Kathryn McGeachy of Ormsary Camera Club hands over a donation of £1,550 to Carol Small of MacMillan Cancer Support, which was raised by selling the Ormsary Camera Club 2011 calendar. Also pictured is Neil Manchester, Director of Landcatch Ltd, who kindly funded the printing costs of the calendar. Neil said: 'Landcatch was delighted to fund the charity calendar for the Ormsary Camera Club, and to support such a worthwhile cause. We will be producing another calendar for 2012, probably with a bigger print run considering the popularity of this one.' For details of the Ormsary Camera Club, contact Kathryn McGeachy on 01880 770215.

will speak about the rice and the farmers that grow it.

Tickets for the evening, which is suitable for all ages, are available from Ardfern Village Store or by ringing 01852 500674.

CRINAN

Finders Keepers

AN EXHIBITION featuring some of Scotland's best artists will be housed in Crinan during March and April.

A private viewing of *Finders Keepers* will take place in the Crinan Gallery tomorrow, Saturday, with the exhibition opening to the public thereafter.

Artist exhibiting include: Gordon Mitchell, Jock MacInnes, Charlie MacQueen, David Smith, Ronnie Smith, Sam Cartman, Christine Woodside, Jim Dunbar and Simon Laurie. Kilmartin artist, Sian MacQueen will also exhibit her work.

The exhibition runs until April 1.

AUCHINDRAIN

Cash boost for Auchindrain Township

ACHADH an Droighinn/Auchindrain Township Museum is set to benefit

from thousand of pounds of funding.

A total of 12 museums will directly benefit from awards from Museums Galleries Scotland, which totals almost £450,000. Achadh an Droighinn/Auchindrain is one of the projects that successfully bid for Recognition funding, securing £39,982.

The site, between Furnace and Inveraray, brings an original Highland farm township back to life. Visitors step back in time to see how the local community lived, worked and played.

Their Recognition funding will allow them to continue important conservation work. Convener of The Auchindrain Trust, Reverend Brian Wilkinson, said: 'It is a huge practical and financial challenge to preserve the buildings of a complete village, and open them to visitors.'

'We very much appreciate the support of Recognition funding through this project, which over the next year will make it possible for us to continue to maintain Auchindrain as a place where people can come to learn about their past.'



Ardrishaig Primary School children and their parents tuck into some tasty dishes as part of the Fitter, Funner Families Programme.

ARDRISHAIG

Fitter, healthier, happier families

A PROGRAMME to help families become fitter, healthier and happier is currently running in Ardrishaig.

The Fitter, Funner Families Programme encourages families in the village to learn more about a healthy lifestyle through family-focused interactive sessions.

Held in Ardrishaig Primary School, the sessions began in January.

The health-based initiative will run over a six-eight week period. It is delivered within communities by a range of professionals who are trained to work with children, young people and their

families. Professionals delivering the programme include public health nurses, active schools co-ordinators, schools, forestry and leisure staff. Public Health Practitioner Marianne White explained: 'Families are supported to participate fully in the programme and through group or individual discussion are encouraged to offer suggestions of activities that they could do on a daily and weekly basis. Families are also offered the chance to learn more about food labelling, cooking and smart shopping tips and locally grown produce.'

For more information contact your local

health visitor or school nurse or Marianne White on 07917 167754.

Information day

PEOPLE interested in the future of Ardrishaig are being reminded of an information day, being held in the village's public hall next week.

Ardrishaig Community Trust is inviting residents of the village to come to its open day to find out what it has achieved so far and to encourage input into its plans for the future of the village.

The event will take place in Ardrishaig Public Hall next Tuesday March 8.

For more details on the event visit - www.ardrishaigcommunitytrust.org.

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LOCHGILPHEAD

Hard hitting crash message delivered

A GRAPHIC scene of carnage was used to hammer home the importance of road safety last Friday night (February 25).

Lochgilphead Joint Campus was the venue for a realistic car crash, which gave a 'no holes barred' account of the consequences of losing concentration when driving.

Police, ambulance crews and firefighters worked together to demonstrate how the emergency services respond to a car crash.

A crowd of around 250 people attended the event.

Strathclyde Fire and Rescue's Area Commander Paul Connelly said last week's event was the sixth staged crash scenario they had held in Argyll and Bute.

'This is a graphic approach to show members of the public what it's really like to be involved in a road traffic collision,' explained Mr Connelly. 'There has to be a joint approach between all the emergency agencies; there's no other way, particularly in Argyll and Bute, to handle a road crash.'

He added: 'We all have a vital role to play and the crash scenario lets members of the public see that they have a role too. Road safety really is in their hands.'

Talking of the crash scenario, Sergeant David Ferguson, said: 'It shows members of the public what every crash entails and by the joint working, prevention of fatal road traffic crashes and most importantly the saving of lives.'

Organisers of the event, would like to thank Argyll and Bute Council and Mitie for supplying the venue, the Stag Garage who provided the cars and a special thank you to the emergency services who attended.

Fundraising ceilidh reminder

FAMILIES looking for a good



Crash scene scenario: The fire crew work to remove one of the passengers from the car. Photograph by Steve Partridge.

night out whilst raising money for charity, should look no further than the Mthunzi and Lilanda Initiative (M.A.L.I) Ceilidh.

The fundraising Ceilidh, which will be held in the Argyll Hotel, Lochgilphead, marks just one in a long-line of events, geared up to raise as much money for the charity as possible.

The event, which features top Ceilidh band, Gigalum, takes place on Saturday March 12. For more information and tickets, telephone - 01546 603626.

DUNOON

Writer shortlisted in competition

A DUNOON woman has been shortlisted in a national campaign to end the stigma and discrimination of mental ill-health.

Elizabeth Sinclair from Dunoon is among four shortlisted finalists who have made the final cut in the poetry category of 'See me's' first ever national creative writing competition.

Elizabeth will join finalists from the other competition categories of short story and Twitter at a lunchtime awards ceremony in April where one lucky finalist from each of the three categories will be

presented with the top prize of £250 Amazon vouchers. The final winners will also see their work published on the 'see me' website and published in an anthology to be released later this year.

Speaking ahead of the finals, Elizabeth said: 'As soon as I heard about the 'see me' creative writing competition I was really keen to be involved. For the theme 'support' I was inspired to write a poem for all those people who experience mental health problems.'

'I wrote from the heart, as I could never truly empathise with those who suffer from this invisible illness, more often than not they feel alienated and invisible. I'm thrilled to have made it through to the final stage of the competition. I'm really looking forward to meeting the judges at the winners' day and finding out who the overall prize winners are.'

KILMARTIN

Seed swapping

WHILST Kilmartin House Museum does have some 2,000 year old barley seeds that have been collected locally, these seeds will not be available to swap tomorrow (Saturday).

The museum, which reopened on Tuesday (March 1) will be holding a seed swap in the Glebe Cairn cafe tomorrow.

People are invited to bring along any viable seed they

have either saved or surplus commercial seed to swap. Even if people do not have any seed, a donation will provide you with something to sow.

Whether it's vegetable or flower bring it along in packets labelled with the variety and either date collected or sow by date.

There will be information about seed saving and heritage varieties and the possibility of starting a seed saving group.

For more information contact - sallywilkin@cooptel.net or Kilmartin House Museum on 01546 510278.

Highland Clearances topic

AS PART of Kilmartin Primary School's Highland Clearances topic, P6/7 pupils decided they would like to visit a settlement in their local area that was affected by events during that time.

With the help of Kate Moody from Kilmartin House Museum and funding from The Forestry Commission, MGS (Museums Galleries Scotland) and The Robertson Trust, pupils visited the sites of Arichonan and Kilmory Oib.

The youngsters were really excited when they heard that they would be accompanied by Roddy Regan, who is an Archaeologist and has been involved in digs at the Kilmory

Oib site. The pupils found out lots of interesting information about the people who once lived in these settlements, and also were able to have a go at surveying the site with maps and measuring tapes.

and songs about the history and legends of the Castle. The event is free and begins at 2pm, lasting approximately 1.5 hours.

CAIRNDOW

Learn Gaelic

NEXT Thursday, March 17, will see the start of a 12-week series of beginner's Gaelic lessons in conjunction with Argyll and Bute Council.

The sessions, held in Kilmartin House, can accommodate up to 14 people. Booking is essential as the museum requires eight participants to make the course viable.

The tutor is Sheena McKellar from the Gaelic centre on Islay.

The Bishop and The Big Feller

CARNASSARIE Castle will take centre stage next Saturday, March 19, for a historical drama, The Bishop and The Big Feller.

Bob Pegg, Bill Taylor and Joy Dunlop, gold medalist 2010 Royal National Mod, will perform stories, music

Cairndow toddles for cash

CAIRNDOW childcare group has been thanked for its effort in raising money for Barnardo's Scotland.

The childcare group raised £165 by taking part Barnardo's Big Toddle 2010. The final total raised was £3,098.20.

Moirra Cruickshank, Toddle Fundraiser, said: 'These amazing toddlers took part in a short sponsored walk and helped to raise a fantastic amount for vulnerable under-fives in the area.'

'The funds raised by each toddler are vital for supporting local children including those with physical and learning disabilities, autism and behavioural problems.' Toddlers in Dunoon also added to the total, raising £1,466.70.

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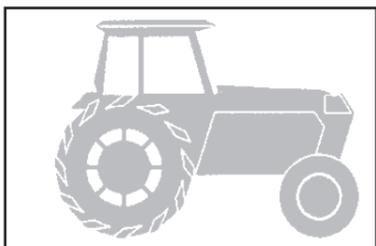


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EC may ban aid in fight against bracken

'If we can't use a spray to get rid of bracken then what are we going to use?'

Ian Malcolm, chairman of the Mid Argyll branch of the National Farmers Union Scotland

FARMERS in Mid Argyll have voiced their concern that more EC regulations are about to make it almost impossible to halt the spread of one of the west coasts most common weeds.

Banned

The ability of crofters and farmers to prevent bracken from encroaching on hill pastures is under threat with a key chemical used to control bracken potentially going to be banned in two weeks time.

It is anticipated that a European committee could ban the use of Asulox, the primary chemical used to combat bracken, when it meets on March 9.

Asulox is currently the only herbicide that is licensed for aerial application.

The National Farmers Union Scotland (NFUS) is deeply alarmed and views the continued use of Asulox as vital to keeping many hill and uplands in a grazeable condition.

The Union claim that the loss of Asulox could be an environmental disaster in terms of uncontrollable bracken growth.

Ian Malcolm, chair of the Mid Argyll branch

of the NFUS, said: 'If the ban went ahead it would certainly be a very retrograde step.'

'If we can't use a spray to get rid of bracken then what are we going to use?'

He added: 'Asulox is the only way of getting rid of bracken; the land will just get worse and worse if we can't treat it.'

NFUS vice-president, John Picken, said: 'Such is the importance of Asulox to Scottish hill farmers that we are throwing every resource into seeking its continued use in controlling bracken.'

'Many bodies in the UK, including NFU, Scottish Government, SEPA, SNH and Defra are supportive of the product's continued use, and recognise its importance in keeping a difficult and hardy plant like bracken under control so that the economic and environmental benefits of having grazing animals on our hills can be enjoyed.'

Bracken is a deceptive plant; like an iceberg most of it is out of sight. Ninety per cent of the bracken plant is underground in the form of rhizomes, which can be highly invasive. Bracken can produce 50 tonnes of rhizomes per hectare.



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Cast cows sold to 134p per kilo and £1025 for a Limousin from Messrs McFadzean, Woodhead of Mailer, Perth and £855 from Machrihanish. Over 30 Month cattle sold to £1064 for a Limousin from Allanfauld and £895 for a Limousin from Killoccraw.

Bullocks averaged 165.5p per kg and sold to 195.5p pence per kg for a 625kg Limousin, Learielaw Farm, Broxburn and to £1230 for a 730kg, Charolais, Lower Tarr Farm, Thornhill.

Heifers averaged 166p per kg and sold to 191.5p per kg for a 490kg, red Limousin from Knockhouse Farm, Dunfermline and to £1128 for a 635kg Limousin from Mains of Culmalundie Farm, Perth.



Gill Walker of Gill's Delights had a selection of tasty cakes for sale. 06_a09prod02



Julia Griffiths from Clachan with some of her selection of Spring plants. 06_a09prod01

Produce market comes to Tarbert

TARBERT'S Templars Hall was brimming with goodies on Saturday as the monthly produce market set up camp for the morning.

Attending Saturday's market, were Barbreck Farms in Ardfern, Gill's Delights from Tarbert and Clachan's David and Julia Griffiths with their

plant stall. The next market will be on Saturday March 26 where shoppers looking for a special Mother's Day treat, will not be left disappointed.

Market report

STIRLING

United Auctions

Bullocks: 251-300kgs Darleith £590, Ochiltree Place 204.5p;

301-350kgs Cleugh £730, 225.3p; 351-400kgs Bargany £770, South Glassock 196.9p; 401-450kgs Bargany £770, South Glassock 196.9p; 451-500kgs Meikle Camoquhill £835, Ochiltree Place 174.3p; 501-550kgs South Arnloss £980, 178.5p;

551-600kgs South Arnloss £1005, 182.1p; 601-650kgs Pairney £1100, 170.5p; 651-700kgs Pairney £1170, 177.3p; 701kgs + Sunwick £1210, 163.5p. **Heifers:** Up to 250kgs Glenniston £430, 179.9; 251-300kgs Glenniston £535, Tannahill 187.1p;

301-350kgs Threepwood £600, 193p; 351-400kgs Bargany £780, 203.7p; 401-450kgs Sunwick £770, Nutholm 175p; 451-500kgs Nutholm £875, 177.8p; 501-550kgs Acrefield £880, Auchensalt 163.7p; 551-600kgs Auchensalt £860,

151.9p **OTM cows;** Airthrey Kerse (Lim) £1215, 139p; Westhouse (Cha) £1115, 118.4p; Little Raith (HF) £895, 112p; Demperston (Sim) £885, 131.3p and Sunwick (AA) £885, Westerhall 137.6p; Drumelzier (HB) £875, 136.3.

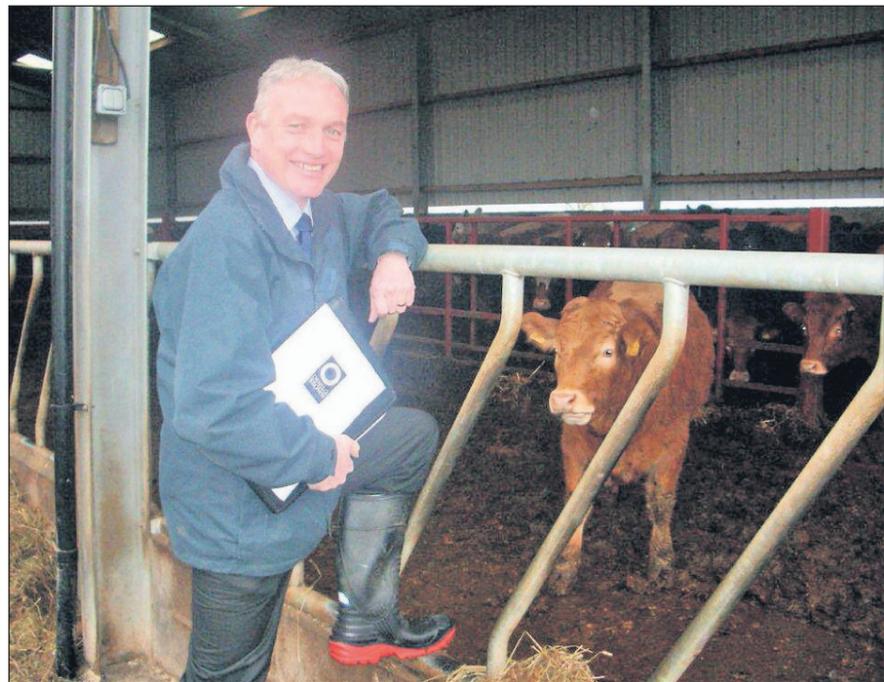
OTM bulls; Dunalastair (Cha)

£1270, 102.6p; Ballarie (AA) £935, 107.2p

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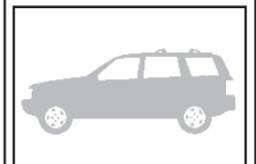
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Argyll and Bute Council, in terms of Section 17 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, have fixed from 21 March 2011, the following scale as the maximum fares and other charges in connection with the hire of taxis in public places within Argyll and Bute.

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Ferry Fares – The hirer shall be liable for the cost of a return ferry fare for any journey involving a ferry

Charles Reppke, Head of Governance and Law, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilphead PA31 8RT

COUNCILLOR SURGERIES

Councillor Rory Colville (E.W.1 South Kintyre)
Councillor Rory Colville will be holding a surgery on Tuesday 8th March in the Conference Room, Aqualinium, Kinloch Street, Campbeltown from 6.30pm – 7.00pm.
Councillor Colville can also be contacted on Tel: 01586 820209 or by e mail – rory.colville@argyll-bute.gov.uk

Councillor Donald Kelly (E.W.1 South Kintyre)
Councillor Kelly can be contacted on Tel: 01586 810 391/07977327751 or by e mail kelly2@argyll-bute.gov.uk
Councillor Kelly will be happy to arrange meetings to suit constituents.

Councillor John Semple (E.W.1. South Kintyre)
Councillor Semple can be contacted on Tel: 01586 553 765 or by e mail – john.semple@argyll-bute.gov.uk

Councillor Donnie MacMillan (E.W. 3 Mid Argyll)
Councillor Donnie MacMillan can be contacted on Tel: 07979 086093 or an appointment can be made by phoning Members Services on Tel: 01546 604209. Councillor MacMillan can also be contacted by e mail – donald.macmillan@argyll-bute.gov.uk

Councillor Alison Hay (E.W.3 Mid Argyll)
Councillor Alison Hay can be contacted on Tel: 01546 604261 or by e mail – alison.hay@argyll-bute.gov.uk

Councillor Douglas Philand (E.W.3 Mid Argyll) can be contacted on Tel: 01546 606793 or by e mail on dougie.philand@argyll-bute.gov.uk

TREE PRESERVATION ORDER

THE ARGYLL AND BUTE, ST. CLAIR ROAD, ARDRISHAIG, ARGYLL, TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO. 09/10

Take notice that the above Authority in terms of the powers conferred upon them by Section 161 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 has confirmed the above Tree Preservation Order which took effect on 23rd September 2010, without modification.

A Certified Copy of the said Tree Preservation Order and map, as confirmed, have been deposited at Argyll and Bute Council's Development Services Office at 67/69 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig, Argyll and may be inspected during normal working hours for a period of 28 days from the date of this advertisement.

Charles Reppke, Head of Governance and Law, Kilmory, Lochgilphead 23rd February 2011

PLANNING

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

Take notice that the applications in the following schedule may be inspected during normal office hours at 67/ 69 Chalmers Street Ardrishaig PA30 8DX, at the location detailed below and by logging on to the Council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk and clicking on Online Planning Applications. Anyone wishing to make representations should do so in writing to 67/ 69 Chalmers Street Ardrishaig PA30 8DX within 21 days of the appearance of this notice. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence.

SCHEDULE – DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION PLANS

● **Ref No: 11/00268/LIB**
Applicant: Mr Alec Briggs
Proposal: Installation of replacement rooflights.
Site Address: Maam Inveraray Argyll And Bute PA32 8XH
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Inveraray

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2008 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT

Applications for planning permission listed below together with the plans and other documents submitted with them may be examined at 67/ 69 Chalmers Street Ardrishaig PA30 8DX and the location detailed below between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday to Friday and by logging to the Council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk and clicking on Online Planning Applications. Written comments for the following list of applications may be made to Planning and Regulatory Services 67/ 69 Chalmers Street Ardrishaig PA30 8DX by the 25/03/2011

● **Ref No: 10/01809/PP**
Applicant: Mr And Mrs J Shaw
Proposal: Erection of porch.
Site Address: 14 Meadowburn Place Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6ST
Location of Plans: Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

● **Ref No: 11/00041/PP**
Applicant: David Anderson
Proposal: Erection of dwellinghouse.
Site Address: Land North Of Inverneill Farm Inverneill Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA30 8ES
Location of Plans: Council Office Manse Brae Lochgilphead

● **Ref No: 11/00137/PP**
Applicant: Mr C McFadyen
Proposal: Erection of conservatory.
Site Address: 5 Lochview Avenue Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6FN
Location of Plans: Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

● **Ref No: 11/00196/PP**
Applicant: Strathclyde Fire Board
Proposal: Proposed demolition of existing outbuilding and erection of a single storey garage to store rescue boat
Site Address: Lochgilphead Fire Station Campbell Street Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8JU
Location of Plans: Council Office Manse Brae Lochgilphead

● **Ref No: 11/00199/PP**
Applicant: Mr Frederick Connor
Proposal: Erection of 6.5 metre high steel pole with 1.2 metre diameter aerial.
Site Address: BT Telephone Exchange Tayinloan Argyll And Bute
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office, Tayinloan

● **Ref No: 11/00243/PP**
Applicant: Mr Brian Linfield
Proposal: Erection of extensions to dwellinghouse
Site Address: 51 Davaar Avenue Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6NQ
Location of Plans: Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

● **Ref No: 11/00267/PP**
Applicant: Mr Alec Briggs
Proposal: Installation of replacement rooflights.
Site Address: Maam Inveraray Argyll And Bute PA32 8XH
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Inveraray

● **Ref No: 11/00288/PP**
Applicant: Tarbert And Skipness Community Trust
Proposal: Erection of a temporary 40 metre anemometer mast for a period of 1 year
Site Address: Mast 1 Land At Barr Reamhar South East Of Tarbert Argyll And Bute
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert

● **Ref No: 11/00289/PP**
Applicant: Tarbert And Skipness Community Trust
Proposal: Erection of a temporary 40 metre anemometer mast for a period of 1 year
Site Address: Mast 2 Land At Barr Reamhar South East Of Tarbert Argyll And Bute
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert

● **Ref No: 11/00295/PP**
Applicant: Stewart Knight
Proposal: Partial change of use of class 5 store to class 1 retail and class 5 store
Site Address: Unit 16 Site 6/7 Kilmory Industrial Estate Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8RR
Location of Plans: Council Office Manse Brae Lochgilphead

Argyll and Bute Council maintain a Register of planning applications which can be viewed between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at Planning and Regulatory Services, Dalriada House, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8ST. An extant list of planning applications can be viewed on the Council's website www.argyll-bute.gov.uk

A weekly list of applications can be viewed at Planning and Regulatory Services, Dalriada House, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8ST and Argyll and Bute Council Libraries.

Any letter of representation the council receives about a planning application is considered a public document.

Please therefore note that representations will be made available for public inspection and, under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act, will be copied on request. They will also be published on the council's web site.

The author of such a representation is solely responsible for its content and accuracy.

Anonymous representations will be "shredded" and those marked confidential will be returned to the sender. Neither will be taken into account when the application is being considered.

Details of representations we receive on planning applications can be viewed on the council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/publicaccess



Forestry Commission Scotland

Expression of interest for 3 year Low Loader Framework Contract for Harvesting and Marketing based at West Argyll FD

Details available from Lochaber FD District Office 01397 702184 or procurementlochaberargyll@forestry.gsi.gov.uk

Mid Argyll Musical Society
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Thursday 10th March 2010
Argyll Arms Hotel, Ardrishaig
7.30pm
All welcome

TARBERT BOWLING CLUB AGM
Saturday 5th March 2011
2pm
In the Clubhouse

Mid Argyll RNL Branch AGM
Monday 14th March 2011
Royal Hotel, Ardrishaig
7.30pm
All welcome

WEST LOCH TARBERT MOORING ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
The AGM of the Association will take place on Monday March 22nd at 8pm. Prospective new members welcome. Please email andrew.russell@btinternet.com or leave a message on 01880 821200 to receive Agenda and Venue (which depends on numbers wishing to attend)
Andrew Russell
Secretary & Treasurer

Dalintober & Millknowe Tenants & Residents Association AGM
Tuesday 29th March at 10.30am
To be held at Broom Cottage, Saddell Street, Campbeltown
All Welcome

KINTYRE BLACKFACE SHEEP BREEDERS ASSOCIATION KINTYRE PRIMESTOCK BREEDERS ASSOCIATION
Joint A.G.M.
Tuesday 15th. March
Argyll Hotel, Campbeltown
7.45pm
Speaker
Archie MacGregor
Allanfauld
Kilsyth
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40 hours per week
Rate of Pay £7.43 per hour

Mallaig Ferry Terminal	Ref: 359-SB
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Craignure Ferry Terminal	Ref: 364-SB
Armadale Ferry Terminal	Ref: 365-SB
Oban Ferry Terminal	Ref: 368-SB

Applications are invited for the position of Seasonal Port Assistant based at the above Ferry Terminals. Reporting to the Port Manager, you will need a flexible approach to your day-to-day responsibilities. Your duties will include mooring operations, customer enquiries, sales of passenger/vehicle tickets, cash handling and control of passengers and vehicles embarking and disembarking from vessels. You must be computer literate, with excellent verbal and written communication skills. You are expected to have a flexible approach to working as shift and weekend work will be involved. You must be customer focused, have a clear understanding of the customer interface and have a proactive approach to customer care. The successful candidate must be able to commute to the Ferry Terminal on a daily basis.

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Mallaig Ferry Terminal
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Rate of Pay £6.35 per hour

Ref: 372-SB

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If you are interested in any of these positions, please respond by sending your CV quoting the appropriate reference number no later than 11th March 2011 to:

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PKC2445

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You must be willing to work in confined spaces, use breathing apparatus and be competent in the safe handling of chemicals and substances. The post will require candidates to locate/repair water mains and services in the networks.

Full training for this post will be given to the successful candidate.

Application packs are available from Human Resources, tel: 0131 445 6330 during office hours or e-mail: HRConnect@scottishwater.co.uk

Closing date for receipt of applications: 12 Noon, Thursday 10 March 2011.



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Applicants must have experience of automated feed systems, fish health, growth curves and feed management. The successful candidate must be able to demonstrate commitment to the safety and welfare of the staff for whom they are responsible, to the livestock within their control and to limiting any environmental impact of farming on the local community and beyond. Current driving licence essential.

Job descriptions and application forms available from
The Scottish Salmon Company, Stornoway, Isle of Lewis HS2 0DB.
Tel: 01499 600622/600601 E-mail: sandra.macrae@scottishsalmon.com
Closing date Friday 18 March 2011

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Caravan Sales Advisor

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

'Apply your heart to instruction and your ears to words of knowledge' (Proverbs 23:12).

BIRTHS

KOURKOULOS - George and Catherine Ann (née Crawford) are happy to announce the birth of their son Thomas Alexander on February 1, 2011 in Corfu. Wee brother of Andriana. Second grandchild for Cammy and Amy.

RUBY WEDDINGS

ROBERTSON - MCKERRAL - March 5, 1971, Andy Robertson to Ibbly McKerral at Castlehill Manse, Campbeltown, by Reverend J.R.H. Cormack.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

FORSHAW - MCGOUGAN - March 4, 1961, James to Fiona at Rhinsdale Church, Baillieston by Reverend Martin.

DEATHS

BROWN - Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on February 28, 2011, Janet Nicholson MacLean, in her 88th year, 19 Burnside Cottages, Stewarton, formerly of Flush Cottages, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Neil Brown, much loved mother of Duncan, Callum, Helen, Donald, Janet, Mary, Katie, Kenny, Rhona and Peter Marshall and a loving and much loved granny, great granny and great great granny. Service in the Lorne and Lowland Church on Friday March 4 at 1.00 pm. 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.

GOUDIE - On February 22, 2011, peacefully at Ardfenaig, Ardrishaig, Elizabeth (Betty) Goudie, nee Fergusson, formerly of McCracken Court, Lochgilphead, in her 87th year, beloved wife of the late Robert Duff Goudie, much loved mother of Colin, mother in law of Moira and a dear aunt and gran. Funeral service was held at Lochgilphead Parish Church, on 2nd March, interment thereafter at Achnabreac Cemetery. Special thanks to Staff at Ardfenaig for their care and kindness, to Dr Roddy MacLeod for a comforting service, Stan Lupton Funeral Director, for professional services, Victoria Hotel, Lochgilphead for catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside.

MACINTYRE - Peacefully at Ayr Hospital on Thursday, February 24, 2011, surrounded by her family, Isabella (Ella) nee Blair. Beloved wife of the late Tom MacIntyre, loving mum of Zandra, Euan and Iona and a dearly loved gran of Greig, Rosslyn, Ross, Cara and Neale. Funeral Service at Newton Wallacetown Parish Church on Friday, March 4, at 1.30 p.m. thereafter to Cumnock Cemetery at 2.30 p.m.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

MACCORMICK - Coll, Dugie, Dorothy and family would like to thank everyone for the cards, calls and kind expressions of sympathy following their very sad loss of Jill in New Zealand.

MCKILLOP - David and family would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions of sympathy, to all hospital staff in the care of Annie, to Alasdair and Kenny Blair and to all who paid their respects at the church. The collection raised was £1,285 for the Highland Parish Church.

MCSPORRAN - Jean, Margaret and their Families would like to thank all relations, friends and neighbours of their late father, Jimmy McSporrnan, for their kind expressions of sympathy, cards, flowers, visits and phone calls received following Jimmy's death. Sincere thanks to David Carruthers for his comforting service and to Roddie and Fiona (Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors) for their professionalism and caring assistance. A special thanks to Doctors and Staff at Mid Argyll Hospital and Wansbeck General Hospital, Ashington for the care and attention provided to their Dad. Thanks also to Argyll Arms Hotel for fine purvey. Retiring collection of £370 was raised for Heartlife.

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BURTON - Paul Gordon Burton and David Campbell Burton.

Always in our hearts and minds.

- Mum and Dad, Kevin, Eilidh and Chris.

FERGUSON - In loving memory of Barbara, a dear mother, who passed away on March 4, 2009. Forever in our thoughts

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FERGUSON - Barbara (Granny Babs), died March 4, 2009 and Mary Crawford (Gren), died March 12, 1999. Memories are forever.

- Charles, Fiona, Andrew, Lorna, Cameron, Ewan, Holly and Anna.

GALBRAITH - In loving memory of our dear son and brother, Finlay Neil, who passed away March 5, 2010.

To us you were someone special, someone set apart

Your memory will live forever, engraved within our hearts

Remembering you is easy, we do it every day

It's just the pain of losing you, that never goes away

Loved and missed so much.

- Mum, Dad and Christine.

GILCHRIST - In loving memory of Leonard, a wonderful husband and dad, who died March 5, 2010.

A year has passed since you fell asleep, Precious memories we'll always keep.

Love and miss you everyday

From your loving wife Gloria, son Steven and daughters, Gloria and Angela.

xxx
I never got a chance to have my grandad to love, But I know he's watching over me from up above.

Love and cuddles, Kayla.

GILCHRIST - Treasured memories of Leonard, a much loved brother and uncle, who died March 5, 2010. Sadly missed by us all. Sonny, Isabel & Family.

GILCHRIST - In loving memory of my dear brother (Leonard) died March 5 2010. Forever in our hearts. Malcolm, Jean and Family

LITSTER - David. In loving memory of my shenair who died March 3, 2010. Always in my heart and mind.

Lots of love, Tamara (Wee Taz) xxx

MACDONALD - Remembering with love Celia, our dear mum, granny and sister, who died March 7, 2010.

To hear your voice, to see you smile

To sit and talk to you a while

To be together in the same old way

Would be our dearest wish today

You went so suddenly

We did not say goodbye

But families can never be parted

Precious memories never die

With all our love.

- Mary, Helen and families and your loving sister Mary.

Also remembering Donald, our dear dad, Seanair and brother in law who died on April 20, 2003.

Your name is often mentioned

Our thoughts are with you still

You have never been forgotten

All our love.

MCTAVISH - In loving memory of Douglas, a dear brother, brother-in-law and uncle, who passed away February 27, 2001. Sadly missed.

- Catherine Ann, Donald, Sharon and Louise.

MCCALLUM - Treasured memories of May, a dear and loving sister, aunty and friend who died March 3, 2010.

Love and miss you every day.

From you loving family, at home and away.

MCFARLANE - Treasured memories of Angus, much loved husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, who died March 5, 2002. Gone but not forgotten.

- Family home and away.

MCFARLANE - In loving memory of Meg McFarlane, died March 4, 2007.

I only wish I could say, I'm going to see my mum today,

To hear her voice and see her smile,

To sit and talk to her for a while.

I always shed silent tears,

A constant wish that you were here,

For the hardest thing in life to bear,

Is to need my mum and she's not there.

Love Hannah x

It broke my heart to lose you, But you did not go alone, As part of me went with you, When the angels called you home. Cameron x

MCMILLAN - It's been a busy year Gordon, With lots of special birthdays

And a new McMillan too. We celebrated and drank a toast or two, But the life and soul of the party was missing - That of course was you!

We are all getting older - it's a privilege I'm told, While you are young forever, We wish you were here partying with us, - Also growing old. See you later G x

SMITH - Douglas, died March, 2, 2008. Dearly loved and sadly missed - Morven and family.

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Sunday 6th March 2011
Sunday before Lent
10.45am Morning Prayer
Wednesday 9th March 2011
Ash Wednesday
10.45am Holy Communion
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Saturday 5 March 2011
Quarterly Prayer Breakfast
Breakfast: 8.00 - 8.30am
Praise & Prayer: 9.00am
Sunday 6 March 2011
11.00am
Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch
Speaker: Graham McLean
"Lord send the rain!"
All welcome

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Morning Worship
Sunday 6th March 2011
Tayvallich Church 10am
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Sunday 6th March
11.15am
All-Age service
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Communion service in Kirk St Hall followed by tea
Monday 7th March
7.30pm
Guild - Kirk St Hall
Tuesday 8th March
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6.30pm - 7.45pm: P1 - P4
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Advance notice:
Sunday 13th March 6.30pm
Stewarton service
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Keith hits form to reach KO final

AFTER several weeks of playing badly, Keith Cowan picked the very last week of qualifying play to put in a good round and in the process beat John Downie in the semi – final of the knockout cup.

Even then it was close as he beat four other players who had the same score on a count back.

Always one to see the positive side of things he will now fancy his chances of winning the double and who would bet against him?

Well Ross Sinclair would for starters.

Ronnie Kennedy cut it even closer just qualifying by virtue of the most recent score rule, when tying for ninth place with Grant Macdougall.

Kenny Cameron had the best score of the day and must be second favourite for the final starting next week.

Reward

Andy Law doesn't play often and usually gets rewarded with the mat of shame for his efforts.

He was in the process of being awarded it again this week when it was noticed that he actually had a good score and some recalculation was needed resulting in him coming in second on the day.

Jim Hunter beat Donald Carmichael in the battle of the bandits but Donald will be a contender in the big final while Jim will be playing with the duffers.

Ross Sinclair had a poor day by his standards, a big night playing darts seemed to affect his putting and he has sworn off the darts until after the winter league.

David Sinclair was nearest the pin at both of the counting holes and has been playing better over the last few weeks.

He was not fooled by Ross's putting performance as it is Oscar season after all and Ross will be worth the watching over the final weeks.

Qualifiers

The qualifiers for the final are: Ross Sinclair, Kenny Cameron, Alec MacAulay Donald Carmichael Robert Baxter Jnr, David Sinclair, John Downie, Keith Cowan and Ronnie Kennedy.

The remaining players will play in the Duffers Derby which is a special competition for players who sometimes play brilliantly but mostly don't.

Busy afternoon at Mossfield for Kilmory's keeper

Oban Camanachd 3, Kilmory 0

CAMANACHD started the match combining the majority of possession with some great passing moves up front.

They could have gone ahead early on when Aiden Macintyre ran onto a pass from Scally Macmillan and hit a great low shot that rebounded out off the post.

Aiden again could have opened the scoring when he hit a near perfect shot only for the Kilmory keeper to turn it out for a corner.

Camanachd then seemed to do everything but score with shots flying over the bar and round the posts, while the Kilmory keeper was on great form and proving very hard to beat.

Then in the 42nd minute of the first half, Lorn Dickie received a pass from Lewis Cameron which he hit first time, drilling it past the keeper - a great goal which was well.

At half time Camanachd changed their formation up front which seemed to pay off straight away with Scally going into the D and his slick play and great ability to bring defenders onto him making space for young Lewis Cameron who shot straight into the top corner of the kilmory goal.

However, Camanachd's celebrations were cut short when referee Billy Wotherspoon



Action from Oban's Mossfield stadium, where Oban Camanachd hosted Kilmory in the teams' final pre-season friendly fixture. 15_t09obankilmory03/15_t09obankilmory04

blew for offside from a decision by the goal judge - a correct decision but hard to swallow under the circumstances.

Camanachd continued to pressure the Kilmory defence and took full control of the match when Scally dribbled the ball round three defenders before converting the chance to make it 2-0 on 65 minutes.

Kilmory's keeper made a

string of three fine saves before the game was stopped late on when a spectator was struck on the face from a Kilmory clearance.

Both benches provided first aid and made sure the gentleman was okay before the match continued.

Aiden Macintyre was last on the score sheet when he turned his shot straight passed the keeper to make it 3-0 Oban in the 86th minute.



Dookers' late show seals points

TARBERT AFC welcomed high flying Finnart to Cil Andreis on Saturday needing to collect some much needed points to climb up the Premier 2 league table.

Manager Prentice was without Smyth and C Martin for the game, with C Johnstone and Elliott deputising in central defence.

It was clear to see why the away side were having such an impressive season, their attacking play causing problems for the Tarbert side every time they went forward.

The home side were really having to dig in to stay in the match with Finnart's excellent movement off the ball, however, they did eventually take the lead when a good move down the right hand side allowed a Finnart player to drill the ball low across the goal, with their striker having the simple task of tapping the ball home.

Tarbert didn't let their heads go down, and were soon level courtesy of an excellent individual goal from the in form Prentice.

He picked the ball up 20 yards out and placed his shot in the bottom corner, giving the keeper no chance.

The game was being played at a ferocious place and the away side continued to dominate, without really creating anything clear cut.

Tarbert continued to work hard giving their opponents no time on the ball, and their endeavour paid off just before half time, when they took the lead.

N MacDougall floated over a free kick, Johnson lost his man and steered a header into the corner.

Referee Scott blew for half time, ending an excellent half of football.

Half time: Tarbert AFC 2 - 1 Finnart

The second period was nothing short of sensational, with Finnart dominating possession for the first 15 minutes, creating chance after chance.

The Dookers were doing everything to keep their slim advantage and Martin in goal pulled off some excellent saves.

Finnart were awarded a penalty when Miller fouled their striker, but the home keeper guessed right and held onto the ball.

Only minutes later they were awarded another penalty, albeit a soft one, however the same player stepped up and hit an identical effort, only for Martin to save it once again, much to the delight of the home support.

Eventually, the away side managed to find the equaliser they craved, and it was a soft goal to lose as the striker bundled a shot over the line.

Finnart were now on the front foot and looking for a winner, with the crossbar and some desperate Tarbert defending keeping the score line level.

Tarbert weathered the storm, and with only five minutes remaining they thought they had sealed the points.

Prentice cut in from the right and hit a left foot cracker into the bottom corner for his second strike of the afternoon.

But the drama continued as Finnart were awarded a free kick on their left. The delivery was good and the

slightest of touches carried the ball past Martin and into the top corner.

Still the home side would not give up, and with one minute of added time remaining, they won a free kick 35 yards out when Prentice was wiped out with a wild lunge.

The striker picked himself up and blasted the ball past the keeper with the last kick of the game. Almost immediately the referee blew for full time to give the Dookers their first league win of 2011.

Full time: Tarbert AFC 4 - 3 Finnart.

Under-16s crash to Drumchapel

IN A highly competitive match Lochgilhead Soccer Centre Under 16s took on Drumchapel Utd in the GADYFL last Sunday (February 27).

The home team took the lead as McCallum swept MacBrayne's cross ball low into the net.

Chances were created at both ends with I McGuinness going close, before Drumchapel equalised following some hesitation in the home defence, with the ball being looped high over the

stranded Selfridge.

The visitors then took the lead as the Lakeland Marine/Peter-McKerral & Co/EWOS failed to clear their lines following a Drumchapel corner kick. Half time 1-2.

Immediately at the start of the second half McCallum had the chance to equalise, however the away keeper spread himself well to block the striker's effort.

Both teams then had several attempts at goal, however

neither goalkeeper was tested until Selfridge dived to his right to block from point blank range.

Many fine performances despite defeat in the Lochgilhead ranks. Next Sunday the team play host to Easthall Star.

Lochgilhead Team: Selfridge, Watt, Allen, Meechan, Donald(Capt), MacNaughton, McCallum, MacVicar, I McGuinness, Doull, MacBrayne Subs: MacLean, Boyd, C McGuinness, Crossan.

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Mid Argyll's athletes bag four out of ten titles

AN ENTRY of 90 young athletes took part in the Argyll Final of Sports Hall Athletics last Saturday in Atlantis Leisure in Oban.

The final was the last in a series of five competitions held in Argyll over the winter months and promoted by Mid Argyll Athletic Club.

After almost five hours of intense competition the overall awards were distributed to most parts of the county with athletes from Mid Argyll winning four out of the 10 titles.

Five Argyll age records were broken and several athletes came close to breaking or equalling records showing that there is still a lot of young talent in the district.

Three of the records were set in the boys under-nine events and two set by an outstanding champion William Brock from Ardrishaig Primary. William made a great start in his first event winning the high jump clearing 1.12metres and adding 2cm to the Argyll age record but he only won the event on count back having less failures than Angus Milne from Tobermory who cleared the same height and now shares the record with William.

William then moved across the hall for the two-lap time trials and set the fastest time of 26.2seconds improving the



Erik Riddell, under 17 boys champion. 15_t09under-17lochg

record by over half a second. William also won the standing long jump and vertical jump reaching up to 42cm just below the record. Shaun Doy, also from Ardrishaig Primary, was runner up in this age group.

Shaun excels in the javelin and in winning the event he broke his own Argyll age record set last year setting a new mark of 17.75metres. Shaun also won the standing triple jump. Another winner in

this age category was Joseph Harper from Kilmartin who won the long jump.

Erik Riddell from Tayvallich was the under 17 champion with Alan Lazarus from Campbeltown runner-up.

Erik won six events to Alan's two and continues to improve in the high jump winning with 1.53metres.

The girls events provided two new Argyll age records. In the under 11 section Chloe Fairman, Lochgilphead Primary, completed a fine double

in the running events recording 25.6seconds in the two-lap and 57.4seconds in the four-lap only missing the record by a tenth of a second. Three girls shared the same points for 2nd overall. Jenny Semple and Emma Lazarus, both from Dalintober and Chloe Fairman made it a great competition and were not far behind champion Eilidh Anderson.

Jodie Robertson from Lochgilphead was the under-nine champion ahead of Grace Thompson from Rockfield.

Jodie won the high jump and vertical jump and was first equal in the standing long jump with Katie Edmundson from Bunessan on Mull. In the same section Emma Curtis from Lochgilphead won the speed bounce.

Two girls from Lochgilphead high school were first and second overall in the under 13s. Freya Corner, Inveraray, was champion ahead of Olivia Kerr, Ardrishaig, with Freya winning the high jump clearing 1.28metres and the two-lap race recording 24.5seconds and just missing the Argyll age record. Olivia excelled in winning the speed bounce with 81 jumps and the four-lap race in 55.5seconds.

In the under 17 section Rachael Cameron from Tayvallich won the shot putt.

There is no follow up competitions after the Argyll final.



Under 9 champion Jodie Robertson. 15_t09under-9lochg



Rachael Cameron, third in the under 17 competition. 15_t09under-17girls

In the past Argyll teams would be selected in the under 13 and under 15 age groups to compete in a regional final and then hopefully the Scottish final or even UK final.

The sports' governing body, Scottish Athletics, withdrew support for this version of indoor athletics in 2007. Wales and Northern Ireland and all the regions in England continue to participate in Sports Hall Athletics for under 13s and under 15s.

Inveraray Golf Winter League

THE WINTER League at Inveraray Golf Club continues to gather pace and scores continue to improve, along with the playing conditions.

Iain MacDonald is the leader after three rounds with a score of 29 just one stroke ahead of new Club Captain Kenny MacDougall. Kenny won't be too downhearted about being in second place as an outrageous chip-in at the 6th saw him scoop the £50 lucky two's money.

Lorne Campbell managed to hold onto third spot on 32. The competition continues this Sunday at 11am and new competitors are welcome to come and join in the fun.

Lottery numbers

Inveraray
THIS week's Inveraray Shinty Club lottery numbers are 9, 10 and 15. There were no winners and the jackpot will rise to £900 next week.

Kilmory
KILMORY Camanachd Shinty Club lottery numbers for this week are 13, 14 and 19. There were no winners with next week's jackpot rising to £500.

Dive in for Stroke Association

SWIMMERS from Argyll are being urged to consider signing up for The British Gas Great Scottish Swim.

The Stroke Association has teamed up with the organisers of the event, which takes place in Strathclyde Loch in Strathclyde Country Park in September.

Some of the world's best swimmers will compete on the same course as the masses in an elite race.

Anyone interested in taking part and supporting charity can find out more at www.stroke.org.uk/greatswims or by calling 0131 555 7243.



Under 13 champion Freya Connor (right), with second placed Olivia Kerr, both Lochgilphead. 15_t09under-13girls



Under 9 champion William Brock (right) and second placed Shaun Doy, both Ardrishaig. 15_t09under-9boys

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