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Chance to stand in council elections

PEOPLE hoping to make a difference in their community can now put their name down as a candidates in the upcoming Argyll and Bute Council election.

The nomination period for the election on May 3 is now open, meaning those interested in standing for election should either ask for a nomination pack or get in touch with the council's election office as soon as possible.

Guidance

Nomination packs and guidance forms are available online at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/elections, at local council customer service points, or by calling the election office on 01546 603 264.

The deadline for submitting nominations is 4pm on March 29.

A total of 36 councillors will be elected for the county; they will serve their communities for five years before the next election.



Fun for all as storm-damaged Blarbuie Woodland re-opens

Erin MacFarlane from Ardrishaig was one of many children to enjoy crafts and wood carving at Blarbuie Woodland on Saturday. The nine-year-old carved out a flower in a piece of wood under the watchful eye of volunteer Diane Thomas at the woodland open day. People from across Mid Argyll descended on the woodland at the weekend for its official re-opening after storm damage forced Blarbuie Woodland Enterprise to close the area for several months. For more on this story see page 8. 06_a12blarbuie04

Fisherman hosts charity dance to say 'thanks'

A FISHERMAN who made a miraculous recovery after being hauled overboard a fishing boat, this week raised hundreds of pounds for the organisations that supported him following the accident.

Sean Taylor was shooting a fleet of creel aboard the *Blue Angel* on January 6 2011, as he had done hundreds of times before, when his foot got caught on a rope. The then 21-year-old was pulled from the boat and plunged 50 metres beneath the water.

Now one year after the accident the young Tarbert man has raised £1,800 for four groups that helped rescue him from the cold waters off

Gigha, nursed him back to good health and supported his family during their time of worry.

Hosting a dance last Saturday night in Tarbert Village Hall, Sean, along with his family and friends, raised the funds for the Fisherman's Mission, RNLI, Intensive Care Unit of Crosshouse Hospital in Kilmarnock and HMS Gannet.

Speaking after the dance, which saw local singer Wallace Mair entertain the revellers, Sean said: 'This was just my way of saying thank you for everything they did for me; it is my way of giving something back.'

'I had no idea how

much we would raise and £1,800 is absolutely amazing. I wanted to raise as much money as possible for them and the money will be split equally between all four organisations.

Speaking of the Fisherman's Mission, which has a base in Campbel-

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Police files

Man arrested

A MAN has been arrested for allegedly behaving in an abusive manner on Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig.

The man, in his 30s, was detained by police last Friday afternoon and has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

Appeal for plaque information

POLICE are appealing for information after a plaque was stolen from a road in Lochgilhead.

The brass plaque, installed by the Rotary Club of Mid Argyll to commemorate the planting of 1800 daffodil bulbs in 2009 has been taken from Bishopton Road. Police are urging anyone with information regarding the theft to contact them on 01546 702200.

Sheep stolen from Inveraray

EIGHTEEN sheep have been stolen from farmland in Inveraray.

The sheep, believed to have been taken in January, were grazing on land in Glenshera, on the outskirts of the Royal Burgh.

Anyone who may have seen people acting suspiciously in the Glenshera area in the last few weeks is urged to contact Lochgilhead Police Station on 01546 702200.

Kilmartin chimney fire

A CHIMNEY fire broke out at a house in Kilmartin last week.

Firefighters attended the house in the Castle Park area of the village at 3.30pm on Sunday afternoon. No one was injured.



The new general manager of Landcatch – Neil Manchester.

Landcatch appoints new management team

ONE OF Mid Argyll's leading fish farms, Landcatch, has appointed a new management team as it attempts to grow its market share.

Neil Manchester, who has worked with the Ormsary-based company for 12 years, has been appointed general manager, responsible for all operational, sales and marketing activities in the UK.

Neil, who was previously operations manager with the salmon-breeding company, has more than 27 years of experience in aquaculture.

Keith Drynan has been appointed as head of broodstock production and David Danson as head of freshwater production. The men, both existing members of staff, will have responsibility for after-sales and technical

service for the firm's customers, as well as supporting Neil in sales and marketing.

The change in management comes nine months after Landcatch was bought by Dutch company Hendrix Genetics, a multi-species breeding company.

Dave Libertini, vice president, Americas, Hendrix Genetics, said: 'I know that our management team is dedicated to develop the business and grow from challenger to champion. 2011 has proven to be a difficult trading year for many in the industry, but we believe that with these changes and the company focusing on customer needs, the future is bright. We are excited about the potential and the possibilities that lie ahead.'

Hospital to get new cancer treatment unit

A NEW unit dedicated to delivering treatments for cancer patients is to be built within Mid Argyll Community Hospital.

The unit, part funded by charitable donations from Mid Argyll organisations, will create a comfortable space for local people to receive treatments including chemotherapy.

A space within Glenaray Ward in the hospital has been identified to house the new unit and plans are well underway for the refurbishment work to start soon.

Dr Rebecca Helliwell said the new unit would be a comfortable haven within the hospital, away from hustle, bustle and noise of a busy integrated care centre.

Explaining cancer patients are currently treated in close proximity to patients with acute illnesses, Dr Helliwell said the unit would also minimise the risk of infection for cancer patients, who often have a weak immune system.

Highlighting the role of locals in funding the new unit, Dr Helliwell said the money had helped the hospital secure additional grants.

'We continue to be very appreciative of the enthusiastic public support and fundraising from the public. To date a fantastic sum has been raised by the local community and donated,' Dr Helliwell said.

The new unit is another coup for the Lochgilhead hospital which last year was granted permission to deliver chemotherapy treatments.

Whilst the hospital is still waiting for its first referral from the Beatson Oncology Centre in Glasgow, staff at the hospital remain hopeful that a referral will come soon.

Dr Helliwell said: 'We have developed our service in collaboration with our consultant colleagues in the Beatson Oncology Centre and are continuing to work with them to encourage use of our service, although it has been rather disappointing to wait so long for our first referral.'

But explaining cancer patients are still receive a range of therapies at the Mid Argyll hospital, Dr Helliwell said: 'Each Thursday we deliver a number of cancer supportive treatments to patients from Mid Argyll, medications prescribed by the consultant oncologists for continued cancer treatment.'

It is hoped the new unit, which is also funded by Macmillan Cancer Support, will be up and running in the near future.

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Knapdale project under threat

Calls to abandon beaver trial

CALLS to abandon the Knapdale Beaver Trial were made last week after the Scottish Government said it would monitor escaped beavers along the River Tay.

The government announcement, made last Friday, comes after beavers were found wreaking havoc along the River Tay in Fife, after being released by, or having escaped from private owners.

The decision to monitor the activities of the River Tay beavers came on the same day as the Knapdale Beaver Trial held a stakeholder meeting, raising questions about the need for the local project.

At the meeting, held to update locals on the progress of the trial, local businesswoman Jane Allan said the trial should be stopped im-

mediately.

'Beavers have already been introduced to Scotland and this Knapdale trial is a complete waste of time and money,' Mrs Allan said. 'All this trial shows is that beavers chop down trees and eat vegetation; we knew all that already.'

But scientists conducting the Knapdale trial say their research is completely different to that about to get under way on the River Tay.

Monitors

Simon Jones, project manager of the Scottish Beaver Trial, said the Knapdale trial monitors beavers in a much more controlled environment and will give a clear indication of the impact they have on their surroundings and their breeding habits.

'The Tay beaver watch has no starting

information whereas in Knapdale there was many years of preparation before the beavers were released and they are in controlled conditions,' Mr Jones said.

The Scottish Government had originally planned to trap the Tay beavers, which were being held in Scotland illegally by private individuals. But the decision was taken last Friday to suspend trapping until 2015, coinciding with the end of the Knapdale trial.

The Scottish Beaver Trial is a joint venture between Royal Zoological Society of Scotland, Scottish Wildlife Trust and Forestry Commission of Scotland.

Beavers were previously native to Scotland but were hunted to extinction 400 years ago for their fur and scent glands.



The Scottish Beaver Trial meeting allowed local residents to voice their opinions and concerns about the trial. 06_a11beaver01

Knapdale beaver update

STAFF from the Scottish Beaver Trial gave local residents and update on the project and plans for the future at the stakeholder meeting last Friday.

Since the original 16 beavers were released, four kits have been born, although one died soon afterwards. Three other beavers have also died, and four are currently unaccounted for.

The trial will begin to tag the beavers with a GPS system in a bid to track their location at all times.

The beavers have featured on several national TV programmes in the last

year, including *Countryfile* and *Springwatch*.

Guided walks through beaver territory, which were launched last year, have proven so popular they will take place again in May this year.

A number of businesspeople have credited the beaver project with an upturn in business including Darren Dobson, owner of the Cairnbaan Hotel.

The Scottish Beaver Trial won the Lonely Planet Wildlife Comeback Award for 2011.

Tuk tuk vehicles on Argyll roads?

THEY are a more common sight in urban areas of Asia and Africa but the tuk tuk vehicle, or motorised rickshaw, could become a feature on the streets of Argyll.

Argyll and Bute Council's planning, protective services and licensing committee were due to decide on Wednesday whether to update the council's list of vehicles approved for use as a taxi or private hire.

Council officers have recommended the committee allows the inclusion of tuk tuk vehicles on the list of vehicles approved for private hire. However they also recommend refusal of the tuk tuk to be used as a taxi.

According to the report, the council has received requests to consider including tuk tuks and trikes on the list of approved vehicles.

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HARBOUR GALLERY OPEN FOR BUSINESS

THE Harbour Gallery in Tarbert opened its doors at the weekend, offering the public the chance to see and invest in new works by a coterie of talented Argyll artists.

Landscapes by John Leckie, Gillian Goodheir, Ann Thomas, Sian McQueen, and gallery owner Stuart Herd were among those that went on sale at competitive prices, almost all for under £500 and many for less than £100.

From the detailed realism of Stuart Herd, to the bold impressionistic colours of Gillian Goodheir, one of the attractions of the gallery is to see how similar scenes – such as Tarbert harbour or the lochs and hillsides of Mid Argyll and Kintyre – can be rendered in such a rich variety of ways. Browsers can wander around the gallery, observing each of the paintings in turn and deciding which match their tastes. Stuart or his knowledgeable manager, Allegra, are on hand to talk visitors through the background of the artists, the inspiration for the paintings, and can point towards other works that may be of interest.

As well as paintings, there are original pieces of jewellery, and works by sculptors including George Parsonage, famously known as 'the Riverman'. On the buying side, the art offer customers the attraction of an investment that could potentially reap future rewards, as well as grace the walls of their homes.



The Harbour Gallery is situated in the centre of Tarbert 2_c12gallery1

Stuart Herd

Stuart Herd, who has just opened the Harbour Gallery, studied art and travelled extensively as a photographer and painter before settling in Tarbert around 10 years ago. He also has The Art Studio in Tarbert, where he does much of his painting. Stuart sells art regularly to around 20 galleries in the

UK and there will be an exhibition of his work at a gallery in Edinburgh in May this year.

A gallery in Venice is also interested in displaying his work, with dates for an exhibition hopefully soon to be announced.

On opening the Harbour Gallery, Stuart said: 'We are lucky in Argyll with all

the artists we have here.

'The artwork in the gallery will be changing throughout the year.

'We also have a good selection of prints, costing less than the paintings for those on a tighter budget.' More information can be found at www.theharbourgallery.com or www.artstuart.com



Stuart Herd with gallery manager Allegra Rees 2_c12gallery6



Stuart (centre) talks to two visitors at Saturday's opening 2_c12gallery3

The Harbour Gallery, Tarbert PA29 6UA. TEL: 01880 821170

Communities step closer to shore control

COASTAL communities should be given greater control over their local foreshore and seabed, the Scottish Affairs committee has said.

The committee, which has been reviewing the Crown Estate's management of marine resources, said the estate should hand over more control of marine assets to local authorities and community landowners. The recommendation is one of many made in the review that was highly critical of the Crown Estate.

Chair of the committee Ian Davidson MP said: 'We visited various communities in Argyll and the Western Isles and took evidence from every interested party we could find.'

'The point is to conserve these assets and maximise the benefits to the island and coastal communities most closely involved with them. We are convinced the only way this can be done is by devolving as much of the responsibility – and benefit – down to the level of those local communities as possible.'

The recommendation was welcomed by MP for Argyll and Bute Alan Reid who sits on the committee.



Youngsters at Ardrishaig Primary gave the Rivers in the Classroom project their approval. 06_a11freshwater01

Rivers in the Classroom talk captivates Ardrishaig pupils

YOUNGSTERS at Ardrishaig Primary were intrigued, delighted and disgusted when a visitor came to talk about freshwater creatures last Thursday.

Daniel Brazier of Argyll Fisheries Trust had primary four and five pupils captivated as he spoke to them about creatures living in local rivers and lochs – animals like water boatmen and diving beetles.

Daniel, who was visiting the school as part of the trust's Rivers in the Classroom project, brought a number of insects to the school for the children to look at.

He said: 'We are looking to educate and inform the children about our aquatic environment. A lot of the time you can't see what's living in the

water, but we have so many species in Argyll waters.'

Pupils at Ardrishaig Primary have been looking after newly hatched brown trout in a tank at the school for the last two months as part of the rivers project.

The youngsters will release the tiny fish into Loch Awe in the coming weeks.

Teacher at the school Rachel Walker said the project has taught the children how important it is to keep our local fresh water rivers clean.

The Rivers in the Classroom project was created by Argyll Fisheries Trust in a bid to raise awareness about conservation of freshwater ecosystems.

Turbine contract boosts local firm

MANAGERS behind Mid Argyll's Allt Dearg Community Windfarm have this week reaffirmed their commitment to boosting business in Argyll.

Owners of the windfarm, situated in the hills above Ardrishaig, have this week announced that Wind Towers Ltd in Kintyre has been awarded the contract to supply the 12 wind turbine towers for the site.

Vestas, the company manufacturing the wind turbines, awarded Wind Towers Ltd the contract to build the 55 metre-high towers at the request of managers at Allt Dearg Community Windfarm.

Explaining the owners of Allt Dearg Windfarm - Broadfoot family of Stronachullin, Lithgow family of Ormsary and Ardrishaig Community Trust – were determined to invest in local businesses, Mary Broadfoot of Stronachullin said: 'It's fantastic that even before a blade is turning

we're seeing real benefits to the local economy. First the local team building the roads and now the icing on the cake, the towers being produced at Machrihanish.'

David Steele, head of business development for Wind Towers Limited, said: 'We are absolutely delighted to be working with Allt Dearg Windfarmers and Vestas in supporting this important development for Ardrishaig and Argyll. This project is important and helps Wind Towers Ltd develop and increase our workforce, improving the employment prospects for people in Campbeltown and the Mull of Kintyre area.'

The Machrihanish-based company is one of many Argyll businesses employed to work on the Allt Dearg site. Lochgilphead firm George McNaughton & Son have been on site for several months carrying out civil engineering works, whilst

Argyll haulage firm, McFadyens Transport Limited, has been awarded the contract to deliver the towers and turbines to site.

James Lithgow said the people behind the windfarm were determined to deliver on their promise to bring the maximum level of investment and economic benefit to Argyll through the development.

'We set out to source as much as we could locally, he said. 'We are very fortunate to have first class businesses in Argyll capable of building and operating our wind farm – McNaughtons, McFadyens and Wind Towers Ltd are all able to support the construction and maintenance of Allt Dearg.'

Located 12km south-west of Lochgilphead, Allt Dearg Community Windfarm will feature twelve 81 metre-high wind turbines, generating around 10 megawatts of energy – enough to power all of the homes in Ardrishaig and Lochgilphead.

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Susan was delighted with her winner's certificate. 2_c12auchran1

Southend's Susan delighted with spa resort win

IT WILL be a first-time trip to Arran for Southend resident Susan Davies, this month's competition winner who picked up the prize of a two-night bed and breakfast stay at the Auchrannie Spa Resort.

To win, Susan had to collect two tokens from consecutive editions of the Argyllshire Advertiser, Campbeltown Courier or Oban Times newspapers and answer a simple question.

She said not only was it the first time she would be going to

Arran, it was also the first time she could remember having entered a competition at all.

Nothing like beginners' luck Susan said: 'My husband promised to take me to Arran last year.'

'We left it to the last minute and then something cropped up. I thought this would be a great way to get to Arran and so it's proved.'

'I'm very much looking forward to staying at the Auchrannie Spa Resort and seeing the island.'

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Frogs massacred

A FISHING trip turned into a nightmare for a Duncholgan family when they discovered dozens of mutilated frogs, massacred at Kilmory Loch.

James Williamson, of 1 Duncholgan, by Lochgilphead, took his six-year-old daughter, Nancy, and his two sons, James 13, and William, 10, on a fishing trip to the loch last week. Mr Williamson, 40, said they discovered dozens of dead frogs, which looked as though they had been sliced open with a knife. He added that the remains of a fire contained the charred bodies of more frogs.

The family made the gruesome find while fishing on the southern bank of the loch, directly opposite the picnic tables.

Fish farmers urged to buy local

FISH farmers in the Highlands and Islands are being urged to 'buy local' when they place orders worth tens of millions of pounds for equipment and services.

And to kick-start the process the area's development agency has published a detailed guide to local suppliers.

Timed to coincide with this last month's fish-farming conference, 'Fish Farming 1992', it details nearly 100 companies in the area who supply the sector.

Thought for the Week with Marilyn Shedden



IT MUST have been quite a picnic! We are told there were 5,000 men and we are not told how many women and children were there.

They were all gathered on a Galilean hillside over 2,000 years ago to listen to a young preacher called Jesus.

They were not in a church but on a hillside.

It was in the 1930's at a busy crossroad in Govan in Glasgow that hundreds of people gathered to hear a young preacher called George MacLeod.

They were not in a church but on the street.

How often I hear people say, 'I believe in God, but I don't go to church'.

For some people church seems full of rules and regulations and funny archaic language. It has no place in their lives and so they are reluctant to come for this allocated hour on a Sunday.

There is a place for taking the church to the people and being where the people are.

'Messy Church' does just that. The name may sound strange and give the wrong impression, but some wonderful things are happening at 'Messy Church'.

It is a time when families come together to share a meal, have some fun, realise their creative potential in making things and then pause for a short time of very simple worship. These events usually take place after school so that the whole family can come along and no one has to cook the evening meal.

Young and old work and play together and real engagement takes place.

Taking the church to the people is what Jesus did.

We are not told how many of the 5,000 plus became regular church attendees, but that was not the point of the story.

The people heard the words of Jesus and they were shown the unconditional love of God.

That is church.



Down Memory Lane

THIS WEEK'S Down Memory Lane picture was submitted by Mr Law from Ardrishaig. The picture shows the shinty team for the South of Scotland which included players from across Argyll. We are not sure when the picture was taken but it was at a shinty pitch in Dalmally. To submit a photograph to the Down Memory Lane section of the paper email the newsdesk your picture, along with a short description, to editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk or pop into our office on 44 Argyll Street, Lochgilphead.

Beavers on the River Tay

Sir,
The Scottish Wildlife Trust acknowledges that a decision on the future of the beavers living on the River Tay has been very difficult for the Minister for Environment to make and welcomes the pragmatic approach.

The Scottish Wildlife Trust remains opposed to the illegal release of wild animals into the Scottish countryside.

However, tolerating and studying the unlicensed beavers on the Tay until the end of the official Scottish Beaver Trial in Argyll will enable the Government to make a more informed decision on the future of all beavers in Scotland.

It will be important to record and study any management required of the unlicensed beavers and their effects, and

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consider this alongside the evidence and experience accrued during the five-year trial ending in 2014.

Simon Milne, Scottish Wildlife Trust Chief Executive.

Fuel duty cut

Sir,
On March 1 the UK coalition government cut fuel duty on islands by 5p a litre.

The government is determined that this fuel duty cut will be passed on to motorists and not go into the pockets of the fuel distribution companies.

If any islander is suspicious that the 5p fuel duty cut is not being passed on to the motor-

ist, please let me know and I will investigate.

The Office of Fair Trading (OFT) has launched an inquiry into high prices in remote areas. If you live in a remote community, the OFT would be extremely interested to hear your views on the issues that are most important to you in relation to the supply of goods and services in your particular locality.

Details can be found at www.oft.gov.uk/rem-com.

You can either respond on-line or to Remote Communities Team, Office of Fair Trading, 23 Walker Street, Edinburgh, EH3 7HX.

I hope that a lot of people will respond. This is an opportunity to put

pressure on companies to remove some of the extra charges they impose on sales to people living in remote communities.

**Alan Reid MP
95 Alexandra Parade,
Dunoon.**

Opportunity missed

Sir,
In presenting the UK Budget for 2012 this week, it is highly regrettable that the Chancellor chose to ignore the Scottish Government's plea to release funding for £300 million worth of shovel-ready infrastructure projects here in Scotland.

The Scottish Government's own estimate suggests that this invest-

ment could have supported more than 4,000 jobs across the Scottish economy. The value of construction output from infrastructure projects last year was around £1.3 billion or 12 per cent of total industry output. Subject to how quickly these projects could be rolled out, our own analysis suggests this additional funding could potentially have boosted direct employment in the construction industry alone by up to almost 5,000 jobs.

Scottish ministers clearly understand that boosting investment in major infrastructure projects needs to be at the very heart of any credible plan for building an economic recovery. Besides supporting a key sector of the Scottish economy, it will deliver the high quality infrastructure businesses need to compete, and create the jobs and training opportunities a growing number of young unemployed is looking for. By ignoring the Scottish Government's plea to get shovel-ready projects off the ground, the Chancellor has missed a crucial opportunity to accelerate our economic recovery.

Michael Levack, Chief Executive, Scottish Building Federation.

Campaign thanks

Sir,
I would like to say thank you on behalf of the British Heart Foundation (BHF) Scotland to everyone in Argyll & Bute who got involved with our Red for Heart fundraising campaign in National Heart Month.

During February, BHF Scotland asks the public to think about their own hearts and the hearts of those around them, and to help us raise vital funds for our life-saving work.

Our thanks to everyone who has already sent us their Red for Heart funds. Every penny raised will go towards supporting our work in pioneering research, caring for people with heart disease and providing vital heart health information. Together, we can beat heart disease.

Lisa Stafford, Fundraising Volunteer Manager, British Heart Foundation Scotland.

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'Cold and calculating Gilroy' guilty of Suzanne Pilley's murder

'He transported her to a lonely grave somewhere in Argyll where she is now'

A MAN has been found guilty of killing his former lover, Suzanne Pilley, and using a trip to Lochgilphead to dump her body in Argyll Forest.

David Gilroy, aged 49, was described as 'cold and calculating' by advocate depute Alex Prentice QC, before an Edinburgh High Court jury took two days to find him guilty by a majority verdict.

He now faces life behind bars and will discover his fate on April 18.

Gilroy was declared a suspect early in the investigation shortly after her disappearance on May 4 2010.

Detectives analysed thousands of hours of CCTV camera footage, many from towns and

villages of Argyll, mobile phone records and e-mails to prove that Gilroy took Suzanne's life.

Lothian and Borders Police found CCTV footage of the journey Gilroy made to Lochgilphead, via Dalmally and Crianlarich, the day after Suzanne went missing.

They found it took Gilroy five hours to travel between the Mid Argyll town and Edinburgh; the journey should usually take three.

Colleagues conducting forensic searches of Suzanne's workplace and the boot of Gilroy's car couldn't find any of Suzanne's DNA in those places.

But a specialist dog trained to smell for decomposing human re-

mains was brought in from West Yorkshire Police and gave 'strong positive indications' a dead body had been stored in the building that housed Infrastructure Managers Limited (IML) - their employers - and Gilroy's car. Officers also examined the man's car and found it had serious suspension damage caused from driving off-road.

Over a three-week period, Mr Prentice outlined his theory about Suzanne's final hours to the jury.

During his closing speech, Mr Prentice told the jury how he thought Gilroy persuaded Suzanne to go IML's basement. Once there, the solicitor advocate said Gilroy killed his former lover and then left her

body in a recess area of the basement.

Mr Prentice told the court: 'The Crown case is that Suzanne Pilley met David Gilroy on the morning of Tuesday May 4 2010.

'They went to the basement of the building together quite possibly with the consent of both; that he killed her, he placed her body in the recess, he got his car from his home, brought it to the garage, placed her dead body in the boot, took her home and then the next day transported her to a lonely grave somewhere in Argyll, where she is now.'

The jury agreed with Mr Prentice - and now 'cold calculating' Gilroy faces having to spend the rest of his life behind bars.

Argyll councillor on prison visiting committee

A NEW prison that will house criminals from Mid Argyll will have an Argyll and Bute Councillor sitting on the prison visiting committee.

Councillor Andrew Nisbet will sit on the visiting committee of the newly opened HMP Prison Low Moss to monitor conditions within the prison and address prisoner complaints.

As Argyll and Bute is within the catchment area of the new facility, the council was asked to provide one elected member to take a place on the 15-strong visiting committee.

Argyll and Bute Councillors agreed Mr Nesbitt be appointed to the committee at a full meeting of the council last week.



Justice for Suzanne: David Gilroy has been convicted of killing the 38-year-old woman from Edinburgh.

Parents pay tribute to their 'devoted daughter'

SPEAKING last Thursday morning, in a statement, Suzanne's parents Rob and Sylvia said: 'This day has been a long time coming but finally Suzanne has received the justice she deserved.'

'As a family we continue to struggle to come to terms with losing her; we have lost our daughter but her memory lives on in everyone who knew her.'

Exemplary

'Suzanne was a devoted daughter, a supportive friend and an exemplary colleague at work. She was a proud Scot who led a full and active life, and en-

joyed the great outdoors, always walking, cycling and keeping fit.

'We have been met with nothing but kindness from her many friends during this time of great sorrow.'

'We would like to express our gratitude to every police officer involved in the investigation and to Alex Prentice and his team for their efforts in bringing this case to a conclusion today.'

'Although the trial has ended, our ordeal goes on, and we hope that one day we can lay our daughter to rest.'

West coast businesses feature in Prince's Youth Trust's top 100 best companies

SEVEN successful west coast businesses feature in a list celebrating 100 of the best companies supported by the Prince's Scottish Youth Business Trust (PSYBT).

The research, independently verified by the Royal Bank of Scotland, identifies the 100 best performing companies funded by PSYBT since it launched in 1989.

Turnover

Among the most successful, those companies

with a turnover between £1 million - £5 million, are Argyll-wide firm Mellex Plant and Construction, better known as West Coast Plant Hire and Lewis firms Wild West Foods, and Autoparts Stornoway Ltd.

Mull's Island Bakery and Lewis crane hire company, John MacIver and Sons, feature in the £500,000 - £1 million turnover bracket, while the Harris fishing boat MFV Isbjorn and Tiree

band, Skerryvore, feature in the £200,000-£500,000 category. Between them, the ventures have generated 86 jobs.

Exceptional

Presenting the survey, Mark Strudwick CBE, chief executive of PSYBT, said: 'The 100 businesses featured in this report are all exceptional; but we must not forget they started off as micro-businesses without the funding and support in place to become

sustainable businesses.

'PSYBT provided that support and, through our volunteer network, helped build the confidence and skills necessary for these businesses to flourish.'

'The supported businesses have a combined turnover of some £157 million. 'This has a huge impact on the Scottish economy and is well recognised by all those who know about PSYBT's work.'







Only a fifteen minute drive from the southern tip of Windermere, Cumbria, lies the award winning Abbey House Hotel. Designed by world renowned architect, Sir Edwin Lutyens, the hotel is set in 14 acres of stunning grounds, with 61 individually designed bedrooms to suit every taste. Many dignitaries have stayed here including King George V, the Prince of Wales and the Queen Mother.

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Six family recipes in U3A spotlight

THERE was a big turnout at this month's U3A meeting for the Tried and Tested Family Recipes presentation.

The presentation featured six members discussing and demonstrating an easy-to-make recipe.

Carol MacNeil got things started with her vegetarian nut roast, and Marion MacCallum followed up with a frozen cream meringue which went down very well.

Next up was Elma Meredith with her Speedy Sweet, before chairman George Burns got in on the action with his salad starter.

Heather Cameron's lemon cream dessert was followed by Derek Meredith, who rounded off the presentation with his cinnamon pancakes.

Scott Murray will be speaker at next month's meeting and the presentation will be on digital photography.

The U3A trip on May 30 will visit Geilston Gardens near Helensburgh before moving on to the Rennie Mackintosh Hill House. Non-members are welcome to attend.



Sue Creech, Brenda Bratt, Colin Campbell, Patrick Harvey, Hugh Fife, Angus MacLean, Jess Grant and Iain Fletcher from Blarbuie Woodland Enterprise at the new entrance to the revitalised Blarbuie Woodland. 06_a12blarbuie07

Sun shines as woodland re-opens to visitors

CROWDS descended on Blarbuie Woodland in Lochgilhead as it reopened to the public in glorious sunshine on Saturday.

The woodland had been closed for several months after severe storms earlier in the year brought down dozens of trees and damaged paths.

Families attended the open day at the woodland on Saturday, taking part in guided walks, planting trees, carving pictures in wood and enjoying good music and tasty food.

The woodland, which sits in the grounds of Lo-

chgilhead's two hospitals, is used by patients and locals as a place of solace, peace and quiet.

A special opening ceremony of the woodland also took place on Friday when patients from Argyll and Bute Hospital, Lochgilhead Resource Centre and Link Club were led on a walk.

Both events were organised by Blarbuie

Woodland Enterprise, which aims to boost people's mental and physical wellbeing.

The enterprise is now introducing its walks programme to more groups in the town. Blarbuie Woodland Enterprise is supported and funded by Paths for All, Argyll and Bute Council, Scottish National Heritage and Forestry Commission Scotland.



Ben and Hazel Selfridge were the first youngsters to plant a tree in Blarbuie Woodland on Saturday morning when the woodland re-opened to the public. 06_a12blarbuie01

Masterclass in the sun

VISITORS to Inveraray enjoyed a piping masterclass by one of the best pipe bands in the world on Sunday.

Inveraray Pipe Band took to the burgh's car park on Sunday to practice in the sun, where locals and visitors were treated to a number of traditional Scots tunes under the watchful eye of tutor and legendary piper Stuart Liddell.



Inveraray Pipe Band practice was led by piper Stuart Liddell. 06_a12pipe02

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Community Noticeboard

NHASMA
Friday 30 March

Conservation of Eagles in Scotland
by Andrew Stevenson, SNH

All meetings, unless otherwise stated are at the Community Centre, Manse Brae, Lochgilhead and commence at 7.30pm

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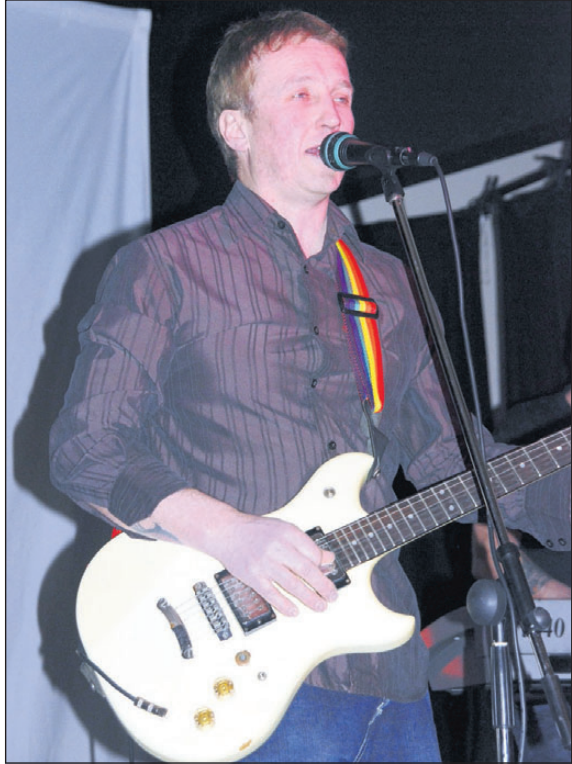
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Wallace Mair Junior and senior stepped in to provide entertainment at the dance after Monkey Shoulder were forced to cancel at the last minute. 06_a12dance03

Tarbert dance raises £1,800 for life saving services

FAMILIES flocked to Tarbert Village Hall on Saturday to dance the night away and show support for fisherman Sean Taylor.

Sean, who fell overboard the *Blue Angel* fishing boat and plunged 50 metres beneath the water in an accident last January, organised the dance to raise funds for the many organisations that supported him following the accident.

The dance, which saw performances from two of Tarbert's rising stars

Caragh Sinclair and Lauren Prentice and father and son duo Wallace Mair senior and Junior, raised £1,800.

The money will be split equally between the RNLI and HMS Gannet, which airlifted Sean to safety from the fishing boat off the isle of Gigha, the Intensive Care Unit of Crosshouse Hospital which cared for Sean after the accident and the Fisherman's Mission which provided support for his family when he was in hospital.

For more on this story see page 1.



Tarbert duo Caragh Sinclair and Lauren Prentice performed before Wallace Mair took to the stage. 06_a12dance01



Sean's Sister and friend - Nicola Taylor and Vicki McDonald - worked behind the bar on the night. 06_a12dance05



Steven and Helen Black celebrated St. Patrick's Day at the dance. 06_a12dance07



Sean's family helped him organise and run the charity dance. L-R: Joshua Morgan, Cheryl Taylor, Nicola Taylor, Matthew Howson, Sean Taylor, Louise Taylor, Kirsty Howson and Mark Howson. 06_a12dance06



Skipper of *Blue Angel* fishing boat Mark Sheldrick, Sean Taylor and auxiliary superintendent of the Fisherman's Mission Matthew Ramsay. 06_a12dance04



Craig Johnstone, Caragh Sinclair, Lesley Taylor, Andrew Black and Lauren Prentice enjoyed the dance. 06_a12dance02

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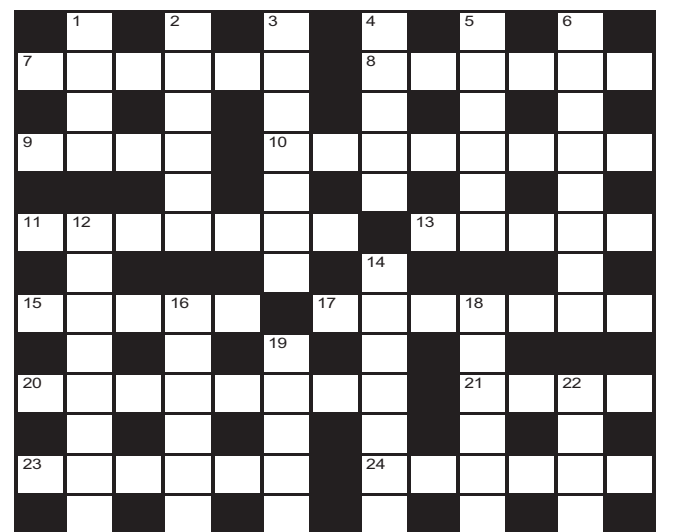
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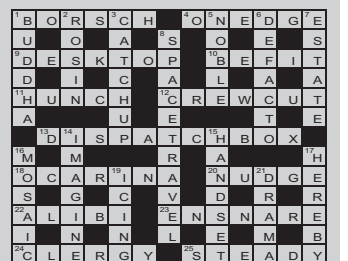
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- Across**
- 7 Despicably (6)
 - 8 Synagogue singer (6)
 - 9 Barred chamber (4)
 - 10 Small period of time in school (4-4)
 - 11 In temper (7)
 - 13 Calculating beast (5)
 - 15 Gathering of fliers (5)
 - 17 Engine type (7)
 - 20 One who teaches (8)
 - 21 Job (4)
 - 23 Where to find the attributed name in the paper (2-4)
 - 24 Fill in (6)
- Down**
- 1 Honey pig (4)
 - 2 Vendor (6)
 - 3 What to put the thread through (7)
 - 4 Coldly (5)
 - 5 Married (6)
 - 6 Days in a fortnight (8)
 - 12 These times (8)
 - 14 Chivvy (5,2)
 - 16 Back away (6)
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With Easter fast approaching, yacht and boat owners across the west coast and beyond will be thinking about an exciting sailing season ahead.

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SPRING has always been a popular time for weddings.

For many years, couples believed there were distinct tax advantages to get married before the beginning of the new tax year on April 6. In fact there was very little financial gain, and with more recent tax legislation, the question of tax now seldom seems to enter the equation.

So why do people choose the spring? Well they may feel it is the start of better weather, and in nature, spring is the start of new life, so therefore couples can start their new lives together.

One thing is certain there will always be more weddings at this season than at any other throughout the year. What this means in practical terms is, all the services connected with weddings will be fully stretched to cope with the demand. It is therefore essential to organise spring weddings more in advance than is necessary at any other time of the year. In fact

now is not too soon to start planning a wedding for spring next year.

The first decision you must make is at where the ceremony is to be held, whether it be church, Register Office or a licensed wedding venue.

The next important booking is the reception. Unlike the ceremony venue, most reception establishments can only cope with one wedding on one day, if that day is to be Easter Saturday say, with all the other Easter weddings taking place in the locality, you must book your chosen venue immediately you have organised the ceremony, otherwise you could be beaten to the post.

Transport and the photographer are the next priorities.

One photographer can only be in one place at a time, and transport operators will only have a certain number of vehicles available. So make sure your reservations go in early.

Flowers and the cake will naturally not be prepared until nearer the occasion but it is as well to contact the florist and baker to make sure they are aware they will be required. And always ask for the date you should contact them to finalise matters.

It is difficult for a bride to decide what kind of dress to wear for a spring wedding. The weather could be quite warm, or extremely chilly. But a decision has to be made and with the help of a bridal dress supplier, it is almost certain a suitable gown or outfit can be bought, made or hired to cope with whatever the weather might provide on the day itself. The same applies to the dressing of attendants. The groom however will also need to ensure he and his Best Man are properly attired. So suits should also be acquired in good time, or booked early if they are to be hired.

The honeymoon will have to be arranged of course, and as spring is a popular time for people in general

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to have a break, the holiday itself, whether in the UK or abroad, must be booked. A trip to the travel agent is essential to ensure there are no hitches on this important aspect of the wedding.

The success of all weddings depends on timing, organisation and planning. So when the great day dawns, the bride will have the satisfaction of knowing that on her chosen day, she will shine as she could shine at no other time of the year. And that should ensure all the extra effort was very worthwhile indeed.

Naturally if the reception is not to be held in a hotel or similar establishment, the catering will have to be considered. This need not be a problem though, there are many excellent firms of outside caterers who have just the experience and facilities behind them to produce the perfect buffet or sit-down meal, for even the largest of gatherings. They will also be able to organise the extra tableware, cutlery and crockery, sufficient for all the guests. And after the

reception, a traditional dance or disco for the guests can also be provided for by travelling bands, groups or discos, who can be hired to set up in the marquee in the evening.


The marquee will have to be suitably decorated for the reception, but then so would any suitable venue whether it be hotel, pub, club, restaurant, church or community hall. Flowers are fine for the reception itself, but a touch formal for the entertainment afterwards. Decorations including balloons, streamers, bunting and elegant drapes can be bought or hired, and don't forget those heart-shaped, helium filled balloons that carry suitable wedding messages and stand proudly upright. They provide a beautiful enhancement for any wedding reception and a wonderful treat for the younger guests.

Of course if the wedding is to be held in a more traditional venue it will have to have been booked up months before. Most caterers provide sample menus for weddings to cover a variety of tastes and budgets. They will also arrange special decor, entertainment

and anything else the wedding party might want. Hotels especially will often provide a bride's room where she may freshen up after the ceremony and where she and her husband may change just before going away.

It goes without saying, a wedding day should be a perfect day, one for the couple and their family to remember all their lives. The best way to ensure this is to have it recorded by a skilful photographer. The photographs will capture in frozen beauty, all the breathtaking formality of the day. Many couples now go for what is known as a reportage wedding video. This is a documentary style recording, including sound, of the wedding day, which can capture all the drama, emotions and amusing incidents. It can encompass the bride's last moments at home as she finishes dressing, the wedding ceremony itself, the arrival at the reception of the bride and all her guests, and then final her departure away on the honeymoon. Surely it would be the perfect memento of a unique occasion!

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CHOIRS, musicians and singers from across Argyll descended on Ardrishaig this week as the Mid Argyll Music Festival got underway.

The event, now in its 33rd year, kicked off on Monday in Ardrishaig Public Hall and saw a host of local school children recite Scots poetry.

Minard's Toby Craven was the first winner of the festival with his rendition of *The Bubblyjock* in the verse speaking competition for primary one to three children.

Toby is one of dozens of children from Ardrishaig, Lochgilphead, Furnace, Tayvallich and Tarbert that have impressed judges throughout the week.

Wednesday evening also saw the public hall packed full of locals eager to see the 'songs from the shows' performances – a competition that proves more and more popular every year.

For more on the fes-



Minard Primary School pupils had a successful day at the festival on Monday. 06_a12music02



Amelia McTaggart's singing career looks set to bloom following her victory in the Scots folk song category for primary 4-5. The Lochnell Primary pupil took the Annabel Morrison Quach. 06_a12music15



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tival and for exclusive photographs see next week's *Argyllshire Advertiser* or log on to www.argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk.



Jacob Adair of Ashfield Primary won for his colourful rendition of *The Painting Lesson*, with runners-up prizes going to Liberty Hampton, left, and Rosie Pollock. 06_a12music03



Toby Craven of Minard Primary proudly displays his winner's medal for his rendition of *The Bubblyjock*. 06_a12music01



Alistair Cupples, 10, of Lochgilphead Primary, took the Gifford Cup for his rendition of *The Great Meat Pie*. 06_a12music12



The adjudicator clearly warmed to Molly MacKay's song *Ho! Jack Frost*, earning her the Ashfield Plate in the vocal solo for girls competition. 06_a12music18

Injured bird bites man during rescue bid

A WILDLIFE good samaritan who tried to help a bird with a broken wing got more than he bargained for from the feisty cormorant.

Ken Campbell, from Doune, was visiting Kilmelford when he spotted the injured bird close to the road. He picked it up to take the cormorant to the SSPCA but ended up with deep cuts beneath his eye for his trouble. He said:

'While I was carrying it, it turned round and bit me in the face.'

'The bird was just following its natural instinct and went for my eye, something I forgot about and a warning to everyone when handling any bird.'

Mr Campbell phoned NHS24 for advice and an appointment was booked for him at the accident and emergency unit of Lorn and

Islands Hospital in Oban.

He added: 'The hospital staff were waiting for me and it was their sympathy, gentleness and efficiency that impressed me. 'The NHS gets such bad press these days but the treatment I received was fantastic and I want to say thank you to those who took care of me.'

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CAIRNDOW

Screen Machine rolls in to Loch Fyne Oysters

VISITORS to Loch Fyne Oysters will be able to catch a movie when the Screen Machine rolls in on Monday.

The Screen Machine, the mobile cinema serving the Highlands and Islands, will be setting up in the car park to show top movies *The Muppets* and *War Horse*.

For more information, log on to www.screen-machine.co.uk.

ARROCHAR

Puppet festival returns with two filmshows

THE PUPPET Animation Festival returns to the Three Villages Hall with two film showings over the next three weeks.

A Town Called Panic, which features animated plastic cowboys and Indians, has its showing this Saturday, while Viking adventure *The Secret of Kells* is on April 14.

More information can be found online at arrocharandtarbet.co.uk.



Lochgilphead High pupils donned their onesies and went on a run in aid of Sport Relief.

Pupils on the run for Sport Relief

LOCHGILPHEAD High School pupils went for a jog through the Royal Burgh in their jammies in aid of Sport Relief.

There was certainly no sleeping on the job as the eight students donned

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their animal-print attire to take part in The One Show's 1,000-mile run.

The pupils were: Caroline Duff, David Prov-

an, Shannon Patrick, Fabienne Renfrew, Rachel Carruthers, Eoghan Anderson, Erik Riddell and Ashley Anderson.

For more on the One Show 1000, see page 27.

LOCHGILPHEAD

Coffee morning

LOCHGILPHEAD Parish Church will be hosting a coffee morning tomorrow, Saturday, at the Red Cross Hall. The event begins at 10am and lasts until noon.

LUNCH cooked by the community for the community will be on offer

at the Red Cross Hall this Monday.

The Timebankers, a voluntary organisation, is hosting the event which is aimed at older adults.

Those wishing to help out at the lunch will be welcomed.

FUNDRAISERS will be at Lochgilphead Co-op tomorrow, Saturday, to promote the Great Daf-

fodil Appeal.

Members of the Marie Curie Cancer Care Mid Argyll Fundraising Group will be at the store from 10am until 4pm to raise funds for Marie Curie nurses in the area and provide people with pin-on daf-

The group has already raised more than £600 for the charity since it was formed in October last year.

YOUNGSTERS can get to know Jesus in a fun and original way when the Messy Church comes to the Baptist Church Hall on Wednesday.

Children will be able to enjoy craft activities and a meal with other families.

The Messy Church is aimed at families who find it difficult to attend church on Sundays.

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ARDRISHAIG

Bowling club ceilidh

ARDRISHAIG Bowling Club's end of season ceilidh takes place today, Friday.

Music will be provided by Archie McAllister and Ron Pirrie and a raffle will also be put on as part of the entertainment with prizes on offer for adults and children.

The ceilidh starts at 7.30pm.

CRAIGNISH

Fairies and pixies in village

FAIRIES and pixies will be at Craignish Village Hall on Thursday.

The Elf of Glen Fern is a puppet show aimed at pre-schoolers, featuring live music and audience participation.

The show is part of this year's Puppet Animation Festival, which also features the show Peter and the Wolf which takes place this Sunday at the same venue.

GLENDARUEL

Fashion show

GLENDARUEL Village Hall is hosting a fashion show on Thursday at 7pm.

The show is being held to raise funds for Kilmodan Primary and features women and children's clothing from M & Co. Male makeovers will also be on offer.

FURNACE

Race night

THE RACE night at Furnace Primary scheduled for Friday March 16 will now take place on Friday 30.

The school will be hoping the night is as successful as last year's event which raised a total of £670 for the school.

ORMSARY



Kathryn McGeachy of Ormsary Camera Club and general manager of Landcatch Neil Manchester hand over a £1,500 donation to Carol Small (centre) of Macmillan Cancer Support.

Club calendar raises £1,500 for Macmillan

ORMSARY residents and businesses have pledged their support to a cancer charity for the second year running.

Ormsary Camera Club, with the support of local business Landcatch, this week donated £1,500 to Macmillan Cancer Support following successful sales of the club's 2012 calendar.

The printing costs of the calendar, featuring images captured by

camera club members, were paid for by Landcatch.

Neil Manchester, general manager of Landcatch, said: 'Landcatch was delighted to fund the charity calendar for the Ormsary Camera Club for a second year and are very pleased to support such a worthwhile cause. Due to the popularity, we will be producing another calendar for 2013.'

CLACHAN



Clachan Primary School youngsters held a coffee morning in aid of Mary's Meals.

VILLAGERS went along to a recent coffee morning at Clachan Primary and did their bit for an Argyll-based charity.

The morning was held to raise funds for Mary's Meals and raised a to-

tal of £107. Visitors to the event were able to enjoy cupcakes made by the children, using their own recipes and Fairtrade products. The youngsters also provided entertainment by singing a few songs.

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A CEILIDH at Clachan Village Hall raised more than £350 for charity.

The evening was also held in aid of Mary's Meals, and visitors were able to enjoy musical performances from Naomi Stanesby and Niamh McKeveney on keyboard and fiddle, David Hunt on accordion and a duet with Emma MacFarlane and Hannah Prill.

ARDRISHAIG

A BAND of leprechauns provided entertainment during the St Patrick's night celebrations at Ardfenaig Care Home.

Residents were delighted by the high jinks of their Irish visitors and enjoyed an appearance by band McNamara's.

A fun night was had by all.



Ardfenaig Care Home residents enjoyed the antics of their leprechaun visitors during their St Patrick's night celebration.

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Caledonian sale at Stirling

CALEDONIAN Marts (Stirling) Ltd sold 511 store cattle, 18 breeding cattle and two young bulls at its sale in Stirling on Monday.

Bullocks averaged 225p per kg (-3p) and sold to 276p for a 210kg Limousin from Wester Whin, Slamannan and £1,385 for a 680kg Aberdeen Angus from Castlehill, Torrance. Heifers averaged 217p per kg (-2p) and sold to 252p for a 380kg Limousin from Laigh Gree, Beith and £1,330 for two 600kg Limousins from Carmichael Estate, Biggar.

Breeding cattle sold to a top of £1,880 for a Simmental cross heifer with Limousin cross calf at foot from A & M Houston, Ben Venue.

Islay hoggs top Stirling sheep sale

CALEDONIAN Marts (Stirling) Ltd had forward 1,019 store hoggets and grit ewes at Stirling last Monday when Texel hoggs from Cunningham, Neriby, Isle of Islay led a brisk trade and selling to £84 and £81

to average at £66.46 – up £10.32 on the previous sale.

Neriby also sold Cheviot cross hoggs to £71.

Easycare hoggs from Dinar Estates sold to £83.50 with Aucheskine selling Cheviot crosses

to £82.

Cheviot crosses and Blackface crosses from Tangy, Kintyre sold to £71 with Blackface ewes lambs from Kirkton fetching £77.

Blackface ewes scanned as carrying

twins sold to £108 from Kinrara Estate, Aviemore, with the same home selling Blackface ewes carrying singles to £78.

Cheviot ewes scanned as carrying twins sold to £88 from Colcruch..



Argyll cattle sell at Stirling sale

CALEDONIAN Marts (Stirling) Ltd sold 197 cattle at their weekly primestock sale comprising of 99 bullocks and heifers, 12 young bulls, 12 Over 30 Month cattle and 74 cast cows and bulls at Stirling last Thursday.

Lorn sold Simmental stirks to £440 and £425 with Ormsary selling Montbeliards to £320 and Aberdeen Angus crosses to £365 and £355.

Young calves sold to £300 for a Simmental from Nether Pratis with Eden and West Drumlemble, Kintyre selling Friesians to £100. East Drumlemble sold Ayrshires to £65 and £60.

Bullocks averaged 211p per kg and sold to 227.5p per kg for Charolais crosses, from Easter Auchtermuthill Farm, and Easter Frew Farm, and to £1,582 for 695kg Charolais also from Easter Auchtermuthill. Heifers averaged 208p per kg and sold to 238.5p per kg for Limousins, from Knockhouse Farm, and Easter Auchtermuthill Farm and to £1,396 for 630kg Limousins from Mains of Cultmalundie Farm.

STIRLING Caledonian Marts

Bullocks:
0-250kgs – £610 Balcachie, 276p Wester Whin;
251-300kgs – £765, 260p Loanhead;
301-350kgs – £825 Maidenwells, 260p Offers;
351-400kgs – £1065, 266p Blairhall;
401-450kgs – £1090, 242p Blairhall;
451-500kgs – £1145, 231p Dunrod;
501-550kgs – £1340, 252p Dunrod;
551-600kgs – £1260, 218p Gillandersland;
601-650kgs – £1335, 207p Castlehill;
651-700kgs – £1385, 204p Castlehill.
Heifers:
0-250kgs – £580 Balcachie, 250p Glenmachrie;
251-300kgs – £650 Maudslie Mains, 239p Heads;
301-350kgs – £710 Auchenbothie, 216p Walton;
351-400kgs – £960, 252p Laigh Gree;
401-450kgs – £1075, 239p Mains of Burnbank;
451-500kgs – £1200, 240p Gillandersland;
501-550kgs – £1210 Carmichael Estate, 228p Gartfaim;
551-600kgs – £1330 Carmichael Estate.
Prices per kg:

Bullocks: 260p Loanhead; 258p Walton; 256p Laigh Gree; 254p Aiket Castle & Loanhead; 248p Glenmachrie; 247p Heads; 245p Laigh Gree; 244p Balkachie; 241p Offers & Glenstockadale Several; 239p West Mitchellton.
Heifers: 250p Glenmachrie; 245p Mains of Burnbank; 242p Balkachie; 240p Gillandersland; 239p Glenstockadale Several & Mains of Burnbank; 237p Maudslie Mains; 231p Summerhouse; 229p Mains of Burnbank, Balkachie & Loanhead; 225p Wester Whin.
Breeding cattle
Simmental heifers with calf at foot - £1850, £1800, £1750 Ben Venue;
Limousin cow with calf at foot - £1450 Hopestead;
Simmental bull - £1380 Easter Glentore.

STIRLING United Auctions

Bullocks
Up to 250kgs Parks of Garden £690, 287.5p;
251-300kgs Muirston £800, 277.8p;
301-350kgs Auchlin £880, Courance Farms 274.5p;
351-400kgs Dalhanna £990, 259.2p;
401-450kgs Wester Clunie £1070, Mid Auchenarroch 254.3p;
451-500kgs Middle

Coldrain £1150, Boydston 247.8p;
501-550kgs West Shirva £1230, Parkgatestone 224.1p;
551-600kgs West Shirva £1250, Wester Mye 216.2p;
601-650kgs Lady;ands £1280, 209.8p;
651-700kgs Badenheath £1350, 197.4p.
Heifers
Up to 250kgs Dyke £620, 247p;
251-300kgs West Shirva £745, Lephinkill 257.6p;
301-350kgs Lochlea £820, 246.2p;
351-400kgs Stenrieshill £910, Dykehole 246.5p;
401-450kgs West Shirva £1020, 228.2p;
451-500kgs West Thomaston £1190, 240.9p;
501-550kgs West Shirva £1310, 254.9p;
551-600kgs Bridgeouse £1160, 205.7p.
Young Bulls
251-300kgs Altewan £705, 237.4p;
301-350kgs Briarlands £745, 225.1p;
351-400kgs Lochlea £810, 219.5p;
401-450kgs Deerpark £890, 218.1p;
451-500kgs East Dowally £980, 210.3p;
501-550kgs Newmains £1140, 192p.
OTM Cows
Upper Auchenlay (BB) £1770, 205.3p; Kinneill Mill (Lim) £1730, Greenyards 201p; West-erhill (Cha) £1535, 195.8p; Lochty (Sim) £1335, Lochlea 174.3p;

Lochty (HE) £1185, 150p; Meikle Camoquhill (Mo) £1145, 156.8p; Glenlyon Est (Lui) £1135, 160.4p; Lochty (Sho) £1035, West-erhill 152.1p; Balmeadie Cott (AA) £1015, Lands of Drumhead 157.5p; OTM Bulls; Noblehouse (Cha) £1790, 155.7p; Longfauld (Lim) £1735, South Flanders 167.9p; Woodend (Ho) £1245, 119.3p; Patrickstone (AA) £1145, 181.2p;
Breeding cattle
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**Janet Crawford Mullett (Livingston)
"Netta"**

November 16, 1932 – March 13, 2012

Janet passed away after enjoying one last dance with her family by her side. Lovingly remembered for her poetry, great wit, friendly smile, and generosity, she is predeceased by her father Angus, mother Janet, sister Margaret, husband Joe and son Joey. Survived by children David Mullett, Kathy Smith (Rick), Robert Mullett (Rebekah), and Janet Dorward (Dale), sisters Mary McCann and Cathie Turner, brothers Donald Livingston and Robbie Livingston as well as 11 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Janet was born in Ardrishaig, Argyll, Scotland and loved Canada enough to immigrate twice. Janet always called Scotland home even though she wrote delightful poems that painted her heart in Northern Vancouver Island as well.

A service to celebrate Netta will be held on Saturday, May 26, 2012 at 2pm in the Ardrishaig Public Hall.

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PLANNING

These applications listed below together with other related documents may be inspected between 09:00 -17:00hrs Monday to Friday at 67 Chalmers Street Ardrishaig PA30 8DX, at the alternative locations detailed below or by logging on to the Council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk. Written comments for the following list of applications should be made to the above address within 21 days of this advert. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence.

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

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location Of Plans
11/02410/PP	Demolition of existing garage and erection of replacement garage/games room/studio.	Corrie House Craobh Haven Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8UA	Sub Post Office Ardfern
12/00366/PP	Siting of temporary modular building for storage and training purposes	Fire Station Lady Mary Row Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6HS	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
12/00421/PP	Erection of wind turbine (77 metres high to blade tip) and formation of temporary access track.	Land North Of Achnaglach Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6PH	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
12/00471/PP	Dwellinghouse - partial demolition of existing single storey extension and conservatory, erection of porch and two new single storey extensions to provide en-suite master bedroom, open-plan living area and utility/storage facilities. Barn - general upgrading of existing barn workshop/store to form new therapy workshop and store for the sole use of residential clients staying in the adjacent Barmulloch Holiday Cottages, together with an extension to accommodate a 1-1 therapy treatment room (for use of both residential and non-residential clients), a break-out/sitting area and ancillary tea preparation and WC facilities. Activities intended for residents in the workshop are relaxation/meditation/yoga sessions, art therapy and a range of complimentary health practices	Barmulloch Farm Kilmichael Glen Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8RJ	Ardrishaig Area Office
12/00510/PP	Formation of access and car park, restoration of an existing causeway, formation of access track, boat storage area, access to the foreshore, slipway and pontoons, erection of storage sheds and dry-composting WC.	Boat Park Craignish Boat Club Eilean Traighte Land South Of Grianan Ardfern Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Ardfern
12/00572/PP	Erection of 2 detached dwellinghouses with detached garages and formation of new vehicular access. (Amended design to planning consent 06/01337/DET)	Plot 2 And 3 Monydrain Road Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute	Ardrishaig Area Office
12/00579/PP	Installation of sewage treatment plant	Land South Of 1 Glenbarr Cottages Glenbarr Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6UT	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

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

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location Of Plans
12/00442/LIB	Internal alterations to form new kitchen layout and toilet facilities	Cumlodden Parish Church Furnace Inveraray Argyll And Bute PA32 8XU	Furnace Post Office
12/00523/PP	Demolition of existing timber shed/garage and erection of facilities building (toilets/shower/laundry) and installation of British Waterways managed community septic tank	Timber Shed/Garage To West Of Crinan Basin Car Park Crinan Argyll And Bute	Ardrishaig Area Office
12/00583/PP	Installation of replacement gas pipes (retrospective)	44 - 52 Main Street, 6 - 14 Cross Street, 6 - 10 Union Street, 3 - 21 Longrow South Campbeltown Argyll and Bute	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

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

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

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THE ARGYLL AND BUTE, LAND AT CRAOBH HAVEN, BY LOCHGILPHEAD, ARGYLL, TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO. 03/11

Take notice that the above Authority in terms of the powers conferred upon them by Section 160 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 has confirmed the above Tree Preservation Order which took effect on 18th January 2012, 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 and Infrastructure 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
28th February 2012

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

'... Commit yourself to the Lord and serve him only, and he will deliver you ...'
(1 Samuel 7:3).

BIRTHS



WILLIAMSON - PETERSSON

Stuart and Sara are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Bruce Mattis Williamson, born on March 11, 2012 at Southern General Hospital, Glasgow. First grandchild for Allison and James Williamson, Campbeltown and Åsa and Hans Pettersson, Sweden.

MARRIAGES

COFFIELD - TAYLOR - Steven to Amanda, on Friday March 9, 2012 at East Kilbride Registry Office. A lovely day was had by all!

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

THOMSON - HUGGAN - On March 24, 1962, at Pilrig and Dalmeny St Church, Edinburgh, by Rev D Robertson, Hector to Margaret McLellan.

DEATHS

BLACKSTOCK - Peacefully at Glenbarr Cottages, on March 19, 2012, William McArthur Blackstock, in his 90th year, formerly of Bellochantuy Cottages, dearly beloved brother of Mary and Jean and the late Peter, Duncan, Meggy and Sammy, and a much loved uncle.

ACKNOWLEDGE-MENTS

COLVILLE - Hugh and family wish to thank family, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy and cards following Frances's death. We greatly appreciate the attention and understanding shown to Frances by all the very caring staff at Oban, The Beatson and Campbeltown hospitals, especially Doctors Anderson and Grose, together with the MacMillan and district nurses. We also thank the Rev Philip Burroughs for his pastoral care and comforting service, Alistair and Kenneth Blair for their efficient and professional funeral arrangements, Flora and her staff at the Ardshiel Hotel for their excellent purvey. Finally, a huge thank you to all who attended the church service and graveside. The retiring collection raised £1375.98, which will be divided between the local MacMillan nurses and Campbeltown Hospital, as Frances had wished. God bless you all.

CRAWFORD - The family of the late Duncan Crawford thank all relatives and friends for their kind support during Duncan's illness and more recently for their many cards, phone

calls and baking. We also wish to thank friends who attended the funeral and graveside services. The comforting funeral service given by Rev Louis Bezuidenhout and by Rev Dr Roddy MacLeod was greatly appreciated, as were the efficient arrangements provided by Stan Lupton. To John Holt and Fyne Folk for their music and the George Hotel for lunch, many thanks. £2,000 will be shared between Cumlodden Church and the Beatson Institute.

HASTIE - David, Kenneth, Rhona and families would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy following the sad loss of their mother, Amy. We have been overwhelmed by the cards, floral tributes, gifts and messages of support we have received. Special thanks to Dr Anderson, Integrated Care Team, staff at the Day Hospital and Bengullion Ward at Campbeltown Hospital for their care over the last four years; Mrs Sheena Armour for her invaluable support; Enablement Carers and Meals on Wheels staff for their cheery visits; Mrs Vicky Middleton, who was not only a wonderful home help but also a truly faithful friend and to the staff at Auchinlee Eventide Home for the wonderful care and compassion given in abundance! Sincere thanks also to Reverend Michael Lind for his very uplifting church service, Mr David McEwan for his beautiful musical tribute, to Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for their professionalism and personal service and to the Ardshiel Hotel for their warm hospitality and welcoming purvey. A final heartfelt thank you to all who paid their last respects at the church and graveside. The retiring collection in aid of Auchinlee Eventide Home and The Highland Parish Church raised the sum of £1059.04.

NEWLANDS - Maimie and Jimmy would like to thank family and friends for their kind expressions of sympathy following the recent sad loss of Alister. A special thanks to the district nurses, Dr Lazarus, Dr Norrie, staff at Auchinlee and Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for their very personal service. Also to Major Dolores Thomson for a lovely service and to all who paid their respects at both the church and the graveside. The retiring collection raised the sum of £190 for Auchinlee and the Salvation Army. A very special thanks to Janette, Linn, Jean and Dawn for helping us through this sad time.

WAREHAM - Catherine and family would like to thank everyone for their kindness shown to us following the sad loss of John. The flowers, cards and phone calls helped us to know how John was so well thought of. To Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for excellent service, to Rev Burroughs for a lovely church service, to Ardshiel

Hotel for the teas and to everyone who paid their respects at the church and graveside, we thank you all. The retiral collection will go to the Beatson Hospital, where John passed away, pain free and at peace. God bless you, John x.

IN MEMORIAMS

CURRIE - Treasured memories of a much loved husband, Donald, died March 25, 2000. Miss you more each day. - Moira.

CURRIE - In memory of my dad, Donald, died March 25, 2000. Always in my thoughts. - Iain.

CURRIE - Donald, March 25, 2000. Twelve years now, Dad, since you were taken away, still missed as much every day. - Elspeth and Jim.

KELLY - Treasured memories of Betty, much loved wife, mum and sister, died March 23, 2008. - John, Laura, Lucille, Cathie, Stephen and Elizabeth.

MCPHAIL - Jean Graham, who sadly died March 21, 2009. No words can describe this feeling inside You're no longer there To hug or to share But you know in our hearts That you will always be there. Mum, we love and miss you loads. - Your loving daughters Catherine, Isobel and their families.

SCOTT - Cathy Cameron In the dark of the night I miss you As the autumn years of life creep over me Cruel was the frost that took you away And left me with an empty spring In our teenage years our love just grew From all the lassies, I picked you Farewell my darling till we meet again At a new beginning that has no end. - Randolph.

SCOTT - In loving memory of a wonderful mother, mother-in-law and nanny, Cathy, who passed away March 27, 2011. Gone but will never be forgotten. - Randolph, Sarah, Liam and Rhys xxxx.

Souden - In loving memory of Alastair, who passed away March 24, 2002. A sorely missed husband, father and grandpa. Ten years have gone, but you will never be forgotten. - Love Elizabeth, Alex, Kelly, Warren, Eva and Saraya xxx.

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ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES

FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
George Street
Campbeltown
Sunday 25th March
12.45pm
Mr Peter Morrison
All Welcome
Scottish Charity Number: SCO03847



Highland Parish Church
SC002493
Saturday 24th March 2012
2.00pm
Sale of Work: to be opened by Mrs Dorothy Henderson 4.00pm
Hall preparation for Sunday
Sunday 25th March
11.15am
Morning Worship
FunDay Club(3yrs - P5) JaM (P6+) 12.15pm
Annual Congregational Meeting
Tuesday 27th March
Badminton Club 6.30pm - 7.45pm
P1 - P5
7.45pm - 9.00pm
P6 - P7
Wednesday 28th March
7.15pm
Bible Studies for Lent - Manse
Thursday 29th March
7.30pm
Meeting of Kirk Session - Hall
Advance Note:
Next Service at Stewarton:
1st April at 6.30pm
Come and join us!
Rev Michael J Lind
Everyone always welcome

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH
Scottish Charity Number SC011686
Sunday, 25th March
Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m.
(Crèche, Triple C and Bible Class)
Jim Campbell
Monday, 26th March
The Guild - 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, 27th March
Mothers and Toddlers - 9:45 a.m.
Congregational
Annual General Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
(New Hall)
Thursday, 29th March
Bible Study (in the manse) - 7:30 p.m.
Choir Practice - 7:30 p.m.
Friday, 30th March
Lunch Club - 12:00 noon.

THE SALVATION ARMY
Burnside Street, Campbeltown
Sunday Services
10.30am
Morning Worship
5.45pm Prayer Meeting
6.30pm Evening Worship
Tuesday
12.15pm Over 60's Luncheon Club
1.30pm Adult Home League
Wednesday
7.00pm House Group
Thursday
11.30am Meet 'n' Eat Café
New to you Stall
Major Dolores Thomson



SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
75 Longrow, Campbeltown
Sunday 25th March
10.00am Breaking of Bread
Mr Alistair Young, Dalry
10.50am Coffee
11.15am
Family Service with Sunday School and Crèche
Mr Alistair Young, Dalry
7.00pm Youth Group
Wednesday 28th March
10.00am Jellytots - Parent and Toddler Group
7.30pm Bible Study and Prayer
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St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown
Scottish Charity No SC023277
Sunday 25th March 2012
Fifth Sunday of Lent
8.30am Holy Communion
10.45am Family Communion
Details of services are on the church door
Enquiries Tel: **01586 551141**
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ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES
Sunday Services
Ardishaig at 11:00am
Achahoish at 12:30pm
Scottish Charity Numbers (SC010713 & SC010782)

WEST LOCHFYNESIDE
Church Services
25th March - all welcome!
Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair
Charity No. SC016097
Morning Service in Lochfyneside Church (Minard) 10 am

Glenaray and Inveraray
Charity No. SC016665
Morning Service in Inveraray Church at 11.30 am

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN
Sunday 25 March 2012
11.00am
Worship Service with Visit of Scripture Union young people followed by light lunch
Speaker: Rosanne Semple "Testimony"
Thursday 29 March 2012
7.30pm
Praise, prayer & sharing
All Welcome

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
Charity Number SC001002
Sunday 25 March
Bellanoch Church
11:30 am
Worship led by Rev. Cliff Acklam
All Welcome
Enquiries **01546 606926**
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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND KILBERRY LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 25th March 2012
Tarbert Service 11.30am
Sunday School 11.20am
Tarbert Arts & Leisure Centre
Rev. Tommy Bryson
For all church enquiries and pastoral care
Telephone 01880 821012
Everyone very welcome
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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 25th March, 2012
Kilmartin 10a.m.
Rev. Cliff Acklam
SC002121

LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
All Welcome
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson
Sunday 25th March 2012
11.00am Morning Service
Jumpstart Group
Friday 10.00 - 11.30am
Scottish Charity SC015187



LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH
SUNDAY 25th MARCH 2012
11.00 am
Worship Service
Rev. Hilda Smith
7.30 pm Youth Group, meeting in The Manse
SATURDAY 24th March 2012
10.00-12.00 Coffee Morning - Red Cross Hall
TUESDAY 27th March 2012
7.30 pm Guild Meeting - Closing Meeting
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Sandy Stewart was the first runner to take to the road in Cairndow. 06_a12relief02



Runners from across Mid Argyll, including Lochgilphead, prepare to take part in The One Show 1,000. 06_a12relief01

Mid Argyll runners take up the challenge

RUNNERS from Mid Argyll took part in the jog of a lifetime as they ran one mile of Argyll as part of a Sport Relief challenge.

The runners, part of the Lochgilphead and Inveraray Jog Scotland groups and Mid Argyll Tri and Cycle Club, ran from Inveraray to Arrochar first thing on Saturday morning as part of BBC One's The One Show 1,000.

A relay race from the Isle of Mull to the Mall in London, The One Show 1,000 sees runners from all corners of the UK pass the Sport Relief baton on to a neighbouring area.

Picking up the baton in Inveraray, joggers from the Royal Burgh ran 10 miles to Cairndow, starting at 6.40am in the morning.

A group of Lochgilphead runners were ready and waiting to accept the Sport Relief baton in Cairndow, where they were faced with the challenge of running up and over the Rest and Be Thankful.

Infamous Hill

The runners, including Matthew Watkiss, Anna Watkiss, Miriam MacKay, Graham Ramsay, John Dale and Dave Payne, made

it up and over the infamous hill, all the way to Arrochar.

Speaking to the *Advertiser* after the early morning challenge, Matthew said: 'All I can say was that it was a fantastic day and we all had great fun congratulating each other and cheering each other along. It was a pretty special feeling to be part of a national event like that and we all got pretty excited when we saw the Inveraray team on their legs on their way into Cairndow.'

He added: 'It was also great to see our Jog

Scotland members joining in and full of confidence in running their miles which shows that all the work and fun they have been having with the group is paying off.'

Arrive

Having been passed through numerous cities throughout Scotland and England, the Sport Relief baton is due to arrive on London's Mall today, Friday.

People wanting to sponsor the Sport Relief relay team should log on to the Sport Relief website - www.sportrelief.com.

Under 13s struggle in the mud

Dumbarton Football Development League Under 13

Lochgilphead Red Star 1

Ardencaple BC 6
RED STAR YFC under 13s faced the league leaders at a muddy Ropework Park last Sunday and competed well before losing to a very good side.

The home side, sponsored by Hire A Joiner, were not overawed by their unbeaten opponents and had the better of the early exchanges.

They could have taken the lead as early as the third minute when shots by Craig Young and Lorne MacFarlane were blocked after a corner, but they deservedly went in front af-

ter 12 minutes. Good work by Allan Cameron in defence cleared the ball to Ryan Caskie in midfield, who played in Liam Cameron to run clear of the defence and score his sixth goal in eight games.

Ardencaple equalised a minute later then showed why they are league leaders with two excellent strikes to make it 3-1 as they took control of the game.

An Aaron Whitefield free kick, which the keeper gathered at the second attempt, was Star's best effort.

Half time 1-3

Ardencaple scored a fourth early in the second half but Red Star were still competing well. James Jackson had

a chance to pull one back but fired wide after good work by Lucas Williamson and Allan Cameron ran in on goal from the halfway line but his first shot was saved and the rebound smothered on the line to deny him the goal his play deserved. As Star tired on the heavy surface Ardencaple added two more in the final 10 minutes.

The whole Star team deserves credit for a fighting display which will bring rewards if it continues in future games but special mention should go to Aidan MacVicar, Allan Cameron, Cammy Simpson and Aaron Whitefield who all worked tirelessly for the full 70 minutes.

Tunnock's will again sponsor WHYW

A LEADING supporter of Scottish Sailing has pledged his support to West Highland Yachting Week as the regatta celebrates its 65th year.

Boyd Tunnock, of the famous Scottish biscuit manufacturers, has offered to sponsor several races in the event for another year.

Mr Tunnock, a keen sailing enthusiast, will this year sponsor the spinnaker classes, which will be known as the Tunnock's Fleet.

The popular final race of the week from Tobermory to Oban is also sponsored by Tunnock's with the Thomas Tunnock Trophy presented for the winner in class three. The Lemarac Cup, named after Boyd Tun-

nock's boat is awarded for the class three winner on Thursday in the Sound of Mull races.

Announcing the company's sponsorship of the event last week, Boyd Tunnock CBE, managing director of the Uddingston based company who will be competing in the regatta, said: 'We are delight-

ed once again to be supporting this well-loved yachting regatta which has such a loyal following and great camaraderie. We look forward to this year's racing.'

Joint Regatta Committee chairman David Waltho said: 'This is great news that Tunnock's are again teaming up with West High-

land Yachting Week. Our competitors have grown to associate the Tunnock's brand as very much part of the week.'

West Highland Yachting Week will run from July 28 to August 3. The event often hosts the infamous Tunnock's Teacake Challenge as part of the social calendar.

Get involved in the Mid Argyll Mile

RUNNERS, walkers and joggers from all over Mid Argyll will be lending their support to national charity Sport Relief today this weekend.

The Mid Argyll Sports Centre, alongside Mid Argyll Active Schools, is hosting three Sport Relief events across one mile, three mile and six mile distances.

Hoping the whole community will take part in the events on Sunday, the

sports centre is urging local families to get involved and get active.

Jillian Gibson, active schools co-ordinator for Mid Argyll said: 'There are literally hundreds of Sainsbury's Sport Relief Mile events taking place across the country.'

The Mid Argyll Mile will take place at Mid Argyll Sports Centre on Sunday. For more details and how to enter, visit www.sportrelief.com.



Some action shots from last Saturday's South Division one shinty match between Kilmory and Oban Camanachd played at Lochgilphead. The Oban side won 4-0 thanks to goals from Jonathan Will (2), Aidan MacIntyre and Iain MacMillan.

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Crinan Puffer 8.5 race

A POPULAR running event is likely to secure the maximum number of entrants for the race on Sunday April 29.

The annual Scottish Sea Farms Crinan Puffer 8.5 is expected to reach its limit of 175 runners even after increasing that number from 150 last year.

Organiser Richard Barrie said: 'It's great to see the support we are being given from far and wide.'

'The event is not only for the seasoned runner, we look forward to our entrants achieving goals, whether it is a personal best, running further than they have before or starting out to lead a healthier lifestyle.'

The Crinan Puffer 8.5 takes place along the east bank of the Crinan Canal, beginning at Pier Square, Ardrishaig and finishing at Crinan Basin.

It is jointly organised by Mid Argyll Triathlon and Cycle Club, Jog Scotland, and Mid Argyll Athletics Club.



Winner of Tarbert Golf Club's 2012 winter league – Stephen Barclay.
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Stephen wins winter league

THE FINAL round of this year's winter league took place at Tarbert Golf Club on Sunday with the league all but over.

The best score was carded by winter league champion, and our own greens superintendent, Stephen Barclay on 19 points.

Stephen was the most consistent golfer over the 15 weeks and in his post-match interview he was hopeful of keeping up his good form when the new season begins.

Joe MacFarlane, who played some

good golf over the winter months, finished second with a score of 17 points.

This Saturday sees the start of the new season at Glenralloch, with the traditional curtain opener pitting the new president against the new vice-president.

The club hopes that members turn up to show their support, arriving at the clubhouse at 12.30pm to begin play at 1pm.

The team draw for the new season will also take place on Saturday.

Duffers Derby D-day dilemma

WITH ONLY one round remaining in the Duffers Derby virtually all the players are in with a shout of winning which creates a bit of a dilemma for them.

If they try too hard to win they will probably crash and burn as the pressure mounts and if they relax and try to go with the flow they will most likely overdo it and under perform. The safest bet might be to just hope that the competition plays even worse than you and win by default.

John Davidson suffered from all of this during the third round; he was out in 20 points as he just played for fun on the front nine holes but he came back in nine points as the pressure of having a good score took its toll.

It was the same story all round but as every one of them wants to get their hands on that big trophy you can expect fireworks during the final round - but some of

them may be damp.

In the main event Ross Sinclair was starting to slip but instead of losing it, as he sometimes does, he hit two near perfect shots instead. A tap in birdie at the fourth was followed by a near hole-in-one at the fifth with the ball finishing an inch away. This was the springboard to some more excellent golf and he will be nearly impossible to catch.

Robert Baxter hits the ball longer and better than nearly everyone I know but I know quite a lot of people who can hit it straighter than him, including some of the duffers. He had one of those days but took it in his stride and could teach most of us a thing or two about composure.

Donald Carmichael had two poor holes which, in the past, would have finished him off but he kept at it till the end and is still in the hunt. His nearest the pin at the seventh was a cracker. David Sinclair is get-

ting better round by round but is running out of time to catch Ross. He will need to equal his best ever round to win and that might not be enough if Ross beats one of his earlier rounds. Still you never know.

Keith Cowan had a better round as he needs to be playing to a certain standard before he can advise Butch Harman and Peter Allis during their Masters coverage. He has not acquired a job in the media he just shouts at the telly.

Alec MacAulay had a poor score but it was sweetened by a double roll over nearest the pin at the ninth hole.

Results: Duffers: K. Cameron and S. Taylor 31pts; L. Hardman and J. Davidson 28 pts; G. MacDougall 26pts; T. Angus and R. Flanagan 22pts; A. Law 19pts.

Non Duffers: R. Sinclair 38pts; D. Carmichael 35 pts; K. Cowan 34 pts; A. MacAulay 31 pts; R. Baxter 18pts.

Tarbert's promotion hopes still on track

Scottish Amateur League
Division One
Tarbert 4
Duncanrig 'B' 0

TARBERT welcomed Duncanrig 'B' to Cil Andres on Saturday looking to gain the three points which would keep them in the promotion hunt.

Although it was a glorious spring day the pitch was very soft and cut up easily.

This never stopped the home team from putting Duncanrig under serious pressure in the first half with quick passing and tough tackling unsettling the visitors.

Only a combination of good goalkeeping and poor finishing kept the scores level, while

Duncanrig looked dangerous on the break, looking to pick out the big forward with the long ball.

Tarbert held firm, the defence winning everything that was thrown at them, with McCormick and Ronald mopping up any loose balls in midfield.

It was McCormick who scored the opener with 10 minutes of the first half remaining, heading home a Ronald cross from 10 yards to put Tarbert one up at the break.

The second half continued in much the same fashion as the first, with Tarbert pinning the opposition back in their own half, but the poor state of the pitch, cou-

pled with poor final balls kept the score at 1-0.

Duncanrig began to bring more players forward on the counter-attack, but the home defence restricted them to a single shot throughout the whole game, which was well-saved by keeper Martin.

Over the Bar

At the other end a Tarbert corner found Smyth unmarked but he put his shot over the bar from just six yards out.

With 20 minutes to go, manager Prentice made his first substitutions, with Elliott, MacIver and MacDougall making way for McKinnon, MacKinnon and Johnstone, and the fresh legs would prove telling against a tiring Duncan-

rig defence.

Prentice capitalised on a poor Duncanrig clearance to net from 10 yards out before doubling his tally, beating the static left back on the right wing to drive a powerful shot low into the corner of the net.

MacKinnon found himself one on one with the keeper after beating two players but un-

selfishly chose to lay the ball off for the unmarked Prentice to round off his hat-trick, netting his 30th goal in just 14 games this season.

This was a solid team performance in a game Tarbert never looked like losing. Martin, McCormick and Prentice in particular stood out in what was a very convincing win.

Work to start on 3G pitch

WORK on Campbeltown's all weather pitch is to start next week.

The pitch on Kinloch Green will be a floodlit third generation (3G) multi use synthetic turf pitch.

It is hoped the pitch, funded by Argyll and Bute Council and SportsScotland, will offer new opportunities for sports clubs in the area. The pitch will allow sports fixtures to take place in poor weather and give clubs a facility to deliver coaching to improve skills development all year round.

Moira wins £500 in Inveraray lottery

MOIRA Bernard was the lucky winner of £500 in this week's Inveraray Shinty Club lottery draw. Moira's winning numbers were 2, 7 and 9. The jackpot will be £100 next week.

There were no winners in the Tarbert Football Club lottery this week, with numbers 4, 8 and 12 drawn. The jackpot will be £600 next week.

The Kilmory Camanachd Club lottery this week drew numbers 3, 14 and 17. There were no winners and the jackpot will be £600 next week.

The jackpot in the Tarbert Golf Club lottery draw will be £700 next week after another week passes with no winner. The numbers drawn this week were 10, 15 and 16.

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