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### Top bravery award for Lochgilphead- born man



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## Bikers seriously injured in crash

TWO MEN were seriously injured after the motorbike they were travelling on left the road on the A83, Inveraray to Glasgow road, near Cairndow.

The men, who were not from Argyll, were rushed to hospital in Glasgow, where their injuries were described as serious but not life threatening.

Police, ambulance and fire and rescue services all rushed to the scene when the accident was reported at 1.30pm on Saturday.

## Organisers gear up for Anthony Nolan weekend

ORGANISERS of the annual Anthony Nolan fundraising and awareness weekend have confirmed the event will kick off on April 30.

The 2011 events, held in Lochgilphead and Ardrishaig, will feature a quiz night, football tournament, disco, race day, karaoke and coffee morning.

It is hoped the three-day fundraising extravaganza will raise awareness of the bone marrow donor register and raise money to support those living with Leukaemia and their families.



Reinold and Anne enjoyed sharing their home with bed and breakfast guests.  
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# Minard Castle crisis

THE OWNER of Minard Castle has this week said he will struggle to maintain the building as a piece of Mid Argyll heritage after the castle was forced to close as a B&B.

Reinold Gayre, who lives at the castle with his wife Anne, has been told that the castle can no longer let out three bedrooms unless he forks out £30,000 to fireproof the building to the latest standards.

The B&B was set up by Reinold in 1997 as a means of generating income, which could be used

to restore and maintain the eighteenth century building.

But Reinold was told by Strathclyde Fire and Rescue that, despite only operating a very small part of the castle as a B&B, he would have to upgrade the fire safety equipment across much of the building.

Reinold said: 'In order to meet the newly required standards we would need to fit fire doors across a number of rooms outwith the B&B, install more smoke detectors, electrical beams that would be

broken by smoke, a siren alarm system and a control panel from which to operate it all.

'What they are asking us to do is just so excessive,' he added. 'It is disproportionate to the level of risk here. There have been no fire deaths in Scottish bed and breakfasts.'

Minard Castle is regulated by the Small Bed and Breakfast and Self Catering Premises fire guidelines but Strathclyde Fire and Rescue said extra guidelines were required because of its size.

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## Man arrested for non payment of fine

A LOCHGILPHEAD man was arrested last Thursday after failing to pay a fine imposed by Lochgilphead's Justice of the Peace Court.

The 32 year-old man was arrested in Union Place in the town and detained at Lochgilphead Police Station. He was subsequently released upon full payment of the fine.

## Help Scotland wipe out litter

MID ARGYLL folk are being urged to keep Scotland beautiful as part of a national spring clean campaign.

People are being asked to pick up litter from open spaces in their area as the country's largest co-ordinated clean up operation kicked off on Monday.

Lochgilphead will hold a beach clean next Saturday (April 2) on the foreshore. Litter-pickers should meet at 2.30pm.

To volunteer and receive free clean up kits visit [www.keepsotlandtidy.org/spring-clean](http://www.keepsotlandtidy.org/spring-clean).

# Mid Argyll Youth Project's positive message to MSPs

YOUNG people are inspirational, respectful and hardworking - that is the message Mid Argyll Youth Project (MAYP) delivered to the Scottish Parliament.

Twelve representatives from the youth project travelled to Holyrood to tell MSPs negative stereotypes of teenagers are wrong.

The youngsters attended the Community Partnerships Project outcomes conference after they were chosen to work with the Scottish Government for a year.

At the conference the group showed a DVD they made, which tackled the issue of 'teenage Britain' through comedy figures such as Little Britain's Vicky Pollard.

Three newspapers featuring positive stories about young people in Mid Argyll were also presented.

MAYP co-ordinator Fiona Kalachhe said: 'The conference was a great opportunity for the young people to present what they have gotten out of this year and show how they have changed perceptions of young people. I am proud of them.'



Stacey Rhodick and Connie Spridell of the Mid Argyll Youth Project presented Alex Ferguson, presiding officer of the parliament, with a quach as a gift from Argyll.

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## Local dog owners return from Crufts with plenty silverware

MID ARGYLL dog owners have returned from the UK's largest dog show with armfuls of prizes.

Dog owners from Minard, Cairndow, Dunoon and Tarbert competed at the 2011 Crufts, bringing home a cache of silverware.

Carolyn Pearce from Sandbank in Dunoon was competing at Crufts for the seventh time last week. This year showing Golden Setter dogs, Ardnadam Red Kite and Ardnadam Willow Grouse, a brother and sister duo aged 13 months.

Ardnadam Red Kite was placed second in the special puppy dog class whilst Ardnadam Willow Grouse was awarded second place in good citizen dog scheme - bitch category.

'I enjoy Crufts immensely,' said Mrs Pearce. 'It's good fun and to win something is just a bonus.'

### Puppy

Stuart Somerville, from Minard, and his chow chow dog Korina's Rambo were awarded fourth place in the special puppy dog category.

'I think he is going to be one

to watch in the future,' said Mr Somerville.

Another long-standing competitor Cathy MacLean from Clachan, Tarbert, showed her six-year-old dog in the veteran dog class where she was awarded a very highly commended fifth place.

Husband and wife team John and Pamela Tibbs, from Cairndow, also received awards for their Pointer dogs. Raigmore Dust til Dawn won second place in the mid limit category and Raigmore Skeewif was fourth in the yearling dog competition.

## Minard Castle crisis

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A spokesman for Strathclyde Fire and Rescue said: 'The regulations class the bed and breakfast as a medium to large sleep risk.'

Reinold, who inherited the Grade B listed castle from his father in 1996, has spent years restoring the castle's original features - reinstalling original Victorian sash windows, restoring shutters and maintaining the castle's extensive grounds.

This loss of income will, he says, put a stop to such work.

Reinold, who is in his 70s said: 'There will come a time when we are unable to live here. I hope any new owners continue to restore the building sympathetically.'

## Budding poets urged to get writing

BUDDING poets are being called upon to represent Mid Argyll and enter the National Poetry Anthology competition.

Winners from the region will have their poem published in the National Poetry Anthology book and the overall winner will receive £1,000.

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## Kilmartin pupils travel back in time

CHILDREN at Kilmartin Primary School have travelled back hundreds of years in time learning what life was like in the Iron Age.

The primary five pupils have this week been helping to make clothes, jewellery, leather pouches, belts and shoes just like their counterparts would have done centuries ago.

Education and outreach officer at Kilmartin House Museum, Julia Hamilton, visited the school with her Iron Age artefact box containing replica objects from the Iron Age.

Primary four-five teacher at the school, Simone McAdam said: 'History is often confined to pictures and books so for the children to see the objects and imagine what life was like then is great.'



Primary five girls at Kilmartin Primary School enjoyed dressing as children would have hundreds of years ago. 06\_a12iron05

# Outrage at plan to store rubbish

RESIDENTS in Furnace are outraged at Argyll and Bute Council's proposal to store some of the village's waste on one site and collect it on a fortnightly basis.

Householders in Shore Cottages are being asked to carry their rubbish to a waste site in the village, which has yet to be appointed, as the council's new 23-tonne refuse lorry cannot travel through the narrow road to reach the houses.

The proposal follows Argyll

and Bute Council's waste review in which it was decided the lorry currently used to service the area would be decommissioned.

Chairman of Furnace Community Council Mike Masters said he was disappointed that the community had not been consulted.

'What happened to community engagement,' he said. 'If they had consulted us they would realise that there are three pensioners living in

Shore Cottages, one of which has poor health. How will they carry their rubbish to other parts of the village?'

Villagers have also expressed concern that large amounts of waste in one place could create bad smells and vermin.

But a spokeswoman for Argyll and Bute Council said: 'Experience suggests that this is not the case if the bins are used responsibly. One big bin is no more likely to attract vermin or smell bad than six smaller ones.'

## Argyll and Bute's budget boost

A BUDGET boost from the Scottish Government means Argyll and Bute Council is better off by £2.455million.

However, the council's spokesperson for education has said the education estate will not benefit from the additional monies, nor will it alter the plight of schools under threat of closure.

Out-going education secretary Mike Russell, who was at a meeting between out-going finance minister John Swinney and representatives of the council, is demanding the money is

spent on keeping schools open. After the meeting cabinet ministers, Argyll and Bute Councillors and the council's chief executive Sally Loudon brokered a deal to bring half the funding originally cut back to the council.

The Scottish Government previously cut Argyll and Bute Council's annual grant by £5.6million; the biggest cut in Scotland. A further £1.31m was negotiated by Convention of Scottish Local Authorities.

The agreement now reduces the cut to £1.8 million, the average cut for Scottish

councils. Mr Russell said: 'There is now absolutely no justification for closing rural schools in Argyll and Bute. I expect to hear an announcement that the school closure programme has been dropped.'

Councillor Ellen Morton, education spokeswoman for Argyll and Bute Council said: 'This £2.455 million is a great outcome for Argyll and Bute. However it is my understanding the money was to replace supporting people funding and nothing to do with the school estate.'

## Mod Dhail Riata volunteer appeal

ORGANISERS of the Mod Dhail Riata are appealing for people to come forward and contribute to the much-loved event.

The Mid Argyll Mod Committee, which aims to maintain Gaelic traditions in the area, is urging young people to help them shape this year's event.

Chairman of the committee, John Murray, said: 'Although the Mod gets a lot of praise

for its smooth running, we are keen to have ideas to keep it fresh.

'It would be good to hear from some of our young people who have been involved in Gaelic activities as Mod competitors or choir members.

The Mod Dhail Riata AGM at takes place on Tuesday night at 7.30pm at Lochgilphead Community Centre.

## Top marks for Lochgilphead Joint Campus

LOCHGILPHEAD Joint Campus has received a glowing report with praise being lavished in all aspects of the education it provides.

The school received the results of its HM Inspectorate of Education (HMIE) report on Tuesday.

**'Very good'**

The report found every area of school life at Lochgilphead Joint Campus to be either 'very good' or 'good'.

Among the particular strengths highlighted by the

inspectors were: motivated and enthusiastic children, engagement of all staff in working together to improve the school and partnerships with a range of agencies. Head teacher Ann Devine said: 'The most pleasing aspect of the report is that it recognises the progress we have made in working together - staff, pupils, parents and the wider community - to become a strong, cohesive 3-18 unit, providing a positive educational experience for young people at all stages and levels.'

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# Core paths up for public discussion

A DROP-in session to discuss the finalised Core Path Plan for Argyll and Bute was held in Lochgilphead last week.

Residents were able to view the finalised plan and discuss any issues they may have with it.

David Garner, access technician with Argyll and Bute Council, said there had been 'a steady flow' of people viewing the plans last Wednesday (March 2).

He said: 'We want people to give us their comments or support for the paths in their area.

'The main communities came to the last con-

sultation event in 2009 where they told of paths they regularly walk and use.

'This time we're double checking that this is what people want.'

Mid Argyll alone has up to 60 core paths.

## Comments

Residents have until April 4 to submit their comments on the Argyll and Bute Core Path Plan.

Copies of the plan can be found online by visiting - [www.argyll-bute.gov.uk](http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk) or by calling the Outdoor Access Team on 01546 604119.



Lochgilphead High School pupil, Tamara Smyth from Crinan, was interested to find out more about the core paths. She is pictured with David Garner, Argyll and Bute Council's Access Technician. 06\_a10paths01

## Don't delay - fill in your census questionnaire

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# Tarbert's housing problems identified

A WEAK roads infrastructure is one of the problems being attributed to Tarbert's lack of affordable housing.

For years the fishing village has voiced its concerns over the need for more housing, and particularly affordable housing.

Earlier this month members of Tarbert Community Council met with representatives of Argyll and Bute Council, Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA), Fyne Homes and Forestry Commission Scotland.

Ian Macintyre, vice-chair of Tarbert Community Council, has long campaigned for more housing in Tarbert.

Speaking after the meeting, Mr Macintyre, said: 'There were a lot of

things discussed. The meeting was very beneficial because we were able to identify the problems of getting affordable housing in Tarbert.

'This included the village's poor infrastructure. The land is there, it's just about getting access to it.'

Mr Macintyre explained that a recent study, undertaken by Jura Consultants, had identified a need for 100 affordable homes in Tarbert.

'We, as a community, need to keep pressing forward on this issue. We now know the problems, we just need to find a solution to them,' added Ian. 'All parties involved are willing to co-operate but it's the physical difficulties we need to now overcome.'

## Shared council services on the agenda

SHARED services between Argyll and Bute Council and neighbouring authorities are on the agenda.

Council chief executive Sally Loudon told councillors earlier this month that she would be putting forward a 'strong case' for the authority when sourcing new ways of working - but did not rule out job losses.

At a meeting of the executive committee she said she has already given presentations to other authorities. Ms Loudon said: 'There is already agreement on areas that can be scoped. Police, fire and health are worthy of investigation into to developing projects. We are ensuring every possible opportunity for sharing services is investigated.'

Ideas already considered are joint management in health and social work, strategic transportation, waste management and recycling, cleaning, catering and janitorial contracts, contact centre services, training and asset management.

Ms Loudon continued: 'Shared services work is progressing in the right direction and work is ongoing to ensure that the most suitable options are taken forward.'

'The focus is on a small number of sensible options with high potential impact'.

## Festival of Museums

STORYTELLING amidst the standing stones of Kilmartin Glen and a glimpse of 18<sup>th</sup> century life in a west-highland village are examples of the eclectic cultural treats being planned by museums in Argyll and Bute to celebrate the first ever Festival of Museums.

At Auchindrain Museum *Return to the Sheiling* will give visitors the chance to experience daily life in an 18<sup>th</sup> century highland village.

Kilmartin House Museum is the setting for *Sounding the Stones*. Participants will delve into history through music and storytelling.

The festival takes place from May 13-15.

## Hollyrood elections

SHELTER Scotland and the Electoral Commission have teamed up to encourage as many people as possible in Argyll and Bute to register to vote in the forthcoming Hollyrood elections.

For more information visit - [www.aboutmyvote.co.uk](http://www.aboutmyvote.co.uk)



**PC Kevin Heafey, who hails originally from Lochgilphead, is presented with his Testimonial on Parchment from Tayside Police Chief Constable Justine Curran.**

# Top bravery award for Lochgilphead-born man

A FORMER Lochgilphead man who rescued a three-week old baby from a burning flat in Perth has been given a top bravery award.

Kevin Heafey, who was born and brought up in Mid Argyll, now works as a Police Constable for Tayside Police in Perth.

The 43-year-old was on mobile patrol with another officer

on February 20 last year when he saw smoke coming from a block of flats in the Muirton area of Perth.

The men went to investigate and found that a fire had taken hold in a ground floor flat, trapping people in the flat above.

The men managed to move a ladder to the first floor window where they removed a

baby and three adults from the building.

In view of their quick actions, which saved lives, the officers received a Testimonial on Parchment from the Committee of the Royal Humane Society.

Kevin's family, who all still reside in Lochgilphead, are immensely proud of him.

His sister, Anne Gillies, said:

'We're absolutely delighted and obviously very, very proud of Kevin.'

'He kept the award a secret from us because he didn't want anyone to know; we eventually found out from his wife.'

Kevin, who attended Lochgilphead primary and high schools, lives with his wife and three children in Perth.

## Supermarket application refused

PLANNING permission to build a new Co-operative foodstore in Dunoon has been refused by Argyll and Bute councillors.

CWP Property Development and Investment hope to build a class one foodstore with carparking, access road, road bridge, petrol station and associated engineering works in Argyll Street.

The site currently houses Walkers Garden Centre and petrol station. The proposed development would also take up land behind Milton burn.

Head of planning, Angus Gilmour, told councillors last Wednesday that according to the local plan, the site is 'located in a settlement area' of Dunoon and outwith the preferred town centre.

He added that an alternative site has been identified for the superstore, on the grounds of the former gasworks in the town.

Councillors moved in favour of holding a discretionary hearing in the Queen's Hall, Dunoon. A date is still to be set for the hearing.

## Million pound contract

A MILLION pound contract to provide information technology services for Argyll Housing Association (ACHA) has been awarded to Argyll and Bute Council.

The council's IT department will work with the housing association to set up a series of new IT systems over the next three years. The contract, which will generate almost £1.5million of additional revenue for the council, is one of its first shared service partnerships.

Council Leader Dick Walsh said: 'We are incredibly proud of the council's IT service and I hope that this initial contract period is the start of a long relationship in the technology sector with ACHA. Norman Beaton, ACHA chairman, said: 'We look forward to seeing the benefits of this partnership rolling out to our tenants, other service users and our staff.'

## Craobh man fined £450

A CRAOBH Haven man has been fined £435 for shouting, threatening and struggling with police officers in Ardfern on January 1.

Brian Wiles, aged 47, pled guilty to committing a breach of the peace and resisting arrest when he appeared before Oban Sheriff Court last Tuesday.

The court heard that Wiles became aggressive towards police officers when they approached a car he and another man were sitting in to ensure neither man would drive under the influence of alcohol.

Wiles, of The Rest, Craobh Haven, told the court he was embarrassed by his actions and passed his apologies to the police. 'It was completely out of character,' he said.

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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.

Mr James Williamson, of 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 the discovered dozens of dead frogs, which looked as if they had been sliced open with a knife.

He added that the remains of a fire containing 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.

Mr Williamson said there was a 10 to 12 yard strip along which the dead frogs were lying thick.

### Fish Farmers are 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,' details nearly 100 companies in the area who supply the sector. It has been produced for HIE by the leading Scottish trade publication, Scottish Fish Farmer.

A directory of fish-farms in the Highlands and Islands where virtually all the industry is based, has also been published for the first time by HIE, which announced a draft five-year aquaculture strategy for consultation.

### Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



THE islands had disappeared completely and the mist gathered land and sea into one. There was no horizon and no tide line.

All the way down Loch Fyne the little boats looked as if they were suspended by an invisible thread with nowhere to sail.

If I hadn't been familiar with the road I would not have known there was anything beyond the mist at all. Everything was grey. At Minard, vehicles with headlights on loomed out of the mist and headed into the unknown.

I travelled on to Arrochar and along the banks of Loch Long where a hunched grey heron merged morosely into the scene.

Then the top of The Cobbler suddenly appeared in a patch of blue sky and I watched as in minutes the sun banished the mist and left everything in glorious technicolor. Behind the mist all the beauty and grandeur was still there just waiting to be unveiled.

At this time of Lent we are on a journey. We are following the journey of Jesus to the cross. This journey has familiar landmarks, but often they are obscured by the mist of our own doubt.

Sometimes we just can't see the horizon of our faith when we are struggling to find the way. Sometimes we sit rooted to our own rock unable to take flight like the heron or hang motionless like the wee boats. Then it just takes a shaft of sunlight, a word from someone, a verse of scripture, a song of praise, to transform our path and dissipate the mist.

Then the landmarks of our faith appear again - as solid as the Arrochar Alps or the paps of Jura and we come over to the rest promised by our God, truly thankful and ready for the next part of the journey.



## Down Memory Lane

**THIS WEEK'S Down Memory Lane was submitted by D. Crawford from Ardrishaig. The photograph shows his grandfather's F.B. Treasure - TiT 136 on the beach at Minard Bay. The photograph was taken in 1940. The boat is owned by John Crawford, Inverae, Minard and based at Minard, Loch Fyne. a11dml01NO**

### Bollards and potholes

Sir,

I should like to thank Argyll and Bute Council for all the new bollards being put in place on the A816 between Arduaine and Kilmartin.

However they did not need to go to the bother of indicating every pothole on the road for us motorists - we know they are there.

**Rick Potter  
Arduaine**

### Share the Care Week

Sir,

For most of us, taking a break whenever we want to recharge our batteries is considered quite normal, but during Share the Care Week 2011 I would like your readers to spare a thought for those who can never take such a simple pleasure for granted.

For the UK's millions of disabled people and the loved ones who care for them, getting time off from the unrelenting stress of their daily routine often presents an insurmountable challenge.

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According to recent surveys, disabled people are twice as likely never to have taken a holiday, as non-disabled people and a third of all carers have never been able to take a break. But without regular respite from the daily struggle of physical and social isolation, depression, ill health and despair.

I work for Vitalise, a charity providing desperately needed respite breaks for disabled people and carers at accessible centres around the UK. The guests who spend time with Vitalise often tell us how important a break is in their lives. Just one week a year can make the difference between coping and despair, between just existing and really living.

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our vital work. To find out how you can support Vitalise or for more information about our accessible breaks, please call 0845 345 1972 or visit [www.vitalise.org.uk](http://www.vitalise.org.uk)

**Colin Brook  
Senior Communications  
Officer  
Vitalise  
London**

### The meaning of Lent

Sir,

Many people fast or deprive themselves of luxuries during Lent. Others use the time to curb bad habits such as alcohol, cigarettes and chocolate. Although Lent is seen essentially as a religious time of penitence and reflection, and these qualities are certainly aspirational for many Christians, there is no Biblical instruction whereby Jesus commands His followers to 'fast' during this period. Even the term "Lent" is not found

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anywhere in the Bible, yet it is still embraced unquestioningly by many church denominations. It is actually derived from Old English, not Greek or Hebrew, and stems from the word to "lengthen," indicating the time of year i.e. the lengthening of days during spring.

The Gospels inform us that Jesus went into the wilderness and fasted for 40 days and 40 nights without any food or even water where He was tempted in every conceivable way by the devil. I have been in the Judean Desert and it is a very barren and inhospitable place, without creature comforts, and certainly not a pastoral 'retreat'! This was a gruelling yet necessary preparation time for His ministry on earth as the awaited Messiah, but He did not ask His followers to copy these actions, in fact the Pharisees observed "but Your Disciples do not fast." (Matthew 9:13.)

Even after the Resurrection Jesus did not command His followers to abstain or fast for 40 days and nights, so how come Lent is so prominent in Church circles? It is because it is a man-made tradition, straining unto physical perfections, which cancels out the need for God's love and grace.

We may suffer for Him in our trials as His followers, but we were never asked to adhere to a ritual, picking and choosing whatever we feel like giving up, as if for charity. We can recall the time with sincerity without feeling that we have to do it all over again for Him. He has already done it for us, and that was enough. On the Cross He said, "It is finished."

We don't need to add anything more, much less the man-made tradition of Lent.

**Colin Nevin  
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### Arichonan appeal

Sir,

I am studying the township of Arichonan, North Knapdale and would welcome help from the local community. Are you descended from the families who once lived at Arichonan? Do you have information about the people and the history of Arichonan? If so, I should be very pleased to hear from you and from anyone in the district who has an interest.

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[jeanc15@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:jeanc15@tiscali.co.uk)**

# Mid Argyll Music Festival underway

CHOIRS, musicians and singers from across Argyll and beyond have this week been descending on Lochgilphead and Ardrishaig as the Mid Argyll Music Festival got underway.

### Contest

The annual event, in its 32nd year, kicked off on Saturday with piping competitions and will climax with the

bands contest this Saturday evening.

Held over 7 days, the festival features almost 1,000 musicians performing in almost 100 competitive classes.

Kintyre's Ryan McLachlan was the first winner of the 2011 festival, winning first place in the chanter competition on Saturday.

Mid Argyll youngsters from

Furnace, Minard, Ardrishaig, Ashfield, Tayvallich, Tarbert, and Lochgilphead primaries have impressed judges throughout the week.

### Exclusive

For more on the festival and for exclusive photographs log on to [www.argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk](http://www.argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk).

See next week's Advertiser for more on the Festival



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Joshua Coates was awarded The George McAllister Cup for his performance in the novice pipers competition. 06\_a12music06



Craignish Primary School pupils Jock Spencer, aged 7 and Ruthie Neville, aged 5, won classes 100 and 103. 06\_a12music16



Eleven-year-old Ryan McLachlan was the first winner of the 2011 Mid Argyll Music Festival, winning first place in the chanter competition. 06\_a12music03



Lochgilphead's Jamie Baxter, of Inveraray and District Pipe Band, battled against nine other competitors in the bagpipes competition. 06\_a12music15

Ten-year-old Abbie Williams was ecstatic after being awarded The Argyll Drama Festival Cup for achieving the highest marks of all competitors in classes 100-106. The Ardrishaig Primary School pupil also won the Kilmartin Primary School Board Plate for the best performance in the Scots verse speaking solo competitions. 06\_a12music19



Minard Primary School pupils took part in the verse speaking solo competitions held in Ardrishaig on Monday morning. 06\_a12music18



Finley Moody, from Kilmartin, was awarded first place for his performance of *Creative Writing* in the verse speaking solo competition for primary five to seven pupils. 06\_a12music20

# ANCHOR HOTEL

Tarbert



The Anchor Hotel, Tarbert, Loch Fyne, has undergone extensive refurbishment. We are delighted to announce the hotel will re-open on 2nd April 2011.

Serving bar snacks, afternoon teas, lunches, dinners daily. Why not make a night or a weekend of it and stay over?

We also have a fully refurbished function room suitable for all your event needs.

THE Anchor hotel, in Tarbert, is this week being brought back to life as a new management team prepares to provide a warm welcome to Loch Fyne folk. The hotel, which remains the same in name only, has undergone a complete renovation – providing

luxurious spaces for accommodation, dining and socialising. With the class touch of distinguished interior designers the hotel's bedrooms add a modern touch to the charm and intimacy of the listed building. The comfortable combination of modern amenities

within a romantic setting continues throughout the hotel with the public bar and restaurant creating a fine dining experience within a warm and friendly atmosphere. Utilising the abundance of seafood landed daily by Tarbert fishermen, the Anchor's new menu features

dishes packed with locally sourced, seasonal food. Managing the transformed hotel is Alastair Borland. Having moved to Tarbert just a few weeks ago, the hospitality manager hopes to welcome people to the hotel with the warmth that Dookers are so well known for.

Alastair said: 'As the hotel opens next week, myself and the team hope to create a haven where people can call in to enjoy a glass of fine wine or a dram in a warm and friendly atmosphere. 'Sited on Harbour Street with views of the loch I hope locals and visitors

alike will enjoy relaxing with us in this beautiful part of the world.' There has been an Anchor Hotel, in Tarbert, for decades and this new, inspired incarnation of an old friend is sure to delight customers old and new. The hotel will officially open on April 2.

To make your reservation or to enquire, call us on 01880 820577, or email us at [anchor-hotel@btconnect.com](mailto:anchor-hotel@btconnect.com)

# Happy birthday to Dalriada Club

## Toe-tapping music at 30th anniversary



Left: Long-standing club supporter, Jenny Brown from Lochgilphead, cuts the club's 30th birthday cake. Jenny is pictured with club chairman, John Hunt. 06\_a12dal03

LOCHGILPHEAD'S Argyll Inn was brimming with toe-tapping music earlier this month as the Dalriada Accordion and Fiddle club celebrated its 30th birthday.

The hall was brimming with a delighted and appreciative audience as fine tunes and a tasty birthday cake went hand-in-hand.

Just over thirty years ago, Bill Black and his Scottish dance band struck up to start the inaugural club night of the Dalriada Accordion and Fiddle club. Since then and without interruption, club nights with guest artists, have been held every month from September through to May.

As well as a host of Argyll musicians, the audience enjoyed tunes from The Ian Muir

Trio. Ian, on accordion, was joined by Gordon Simpson on fiddle and Neil Macmillan on piano.

The evening drew to a close with long-standing club supporter, Jenny Brown, cutting the club's birthday cake.



Argyll musicians. From left are: John Holt from Lochgair, James McArthur from Oban, David Hunt from Tarbert, Rodger Gillespie from Campbeltown, Roddy McCallum from Campbeltown, Alec McPhee from Tarbert and Alex MacKinnon from Carradale. 06\_a12dal01

Left: Tarbert player, Alec McPhee, gave the audience a few toe-tapping tunes. 06\_a12dal05



The Dalriada Accordion and Fiddle Club committee with Jenny Brown. From left are: Jenny, Margaret Young, Sandy MacDonald, Myra Strathie, John Hunt and John Holt. 06\_a12dal04

# happy mothers day



MOTHERING Sunday plays a huge part in family life across the country, with a modern interpretation resting on giving 'Mum' a day off from the daily household chores. Mothering Sunday has been celebrated in the UK on the fourth

Sunday in Lent since at least the 16th century. Traditionally, it was a day when children, mainly daughters, who had gone to work as domestic servants were given a day off to visit their mother and family. Today it is an occasion

for children to give presents, flowers, and homemade cards to their mothers. There are plenty of ideas to treat your mother, whether it is giving her breakfast in bed or buying or picking some flowers and a card, or splashing out on a lunch or dinner. There are plenty of places in the area to get something within your budget, and either way your Mum will be appreciative of the gesture.

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# Community Noticeboard

**Tarbert Music Centre**  
Do you want to learn an instrument?  
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Open night for all young people from P5 - S6 from Mid Argyll and Kintyre and Kintyre schools.  
**Thursday 31st March**  
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Saturday 26th March 2011  
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10am - 12pm  
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**Kintyre Antiquarian & Natural History Society "Researching the Lady"**  
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Wednesday 30th March at 7.30pm  
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# Tarbert celebrates Big Green Day

The village has been getting the community to act together to reduce carbon emissions

SATURDAY was Big Green day in Tarbert.

It was the celebration of the culmination of the two-year Big Green Tarbert Project, funded by the Climate Challenge Fund,

During this time Tarbert

residents have been working together to reduce carbon emissions.

A total of 130 households made pledges to do this.

Many of the different organisations involved in, or linked to the aims of Big Green Tar-

bert, had stalls in a marquee on the quay side on Saturday. Inside the Templars' Hall there was more information on show, highlighting the work that Big Green Tarbert has done and the research it has produced during its two-year mission.



Audrey Baird, co-ordinator Mid Argyll Public Health Network; Neil Donaldson, Big Green Tarbert; Eleanor Sloan, Home-Start MAJIK; Nick Heath, Changeworks; Ed Tyler, Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust; Tracy Preece, Choose Life; Jim Paterson, Big Green Tarbert and Myra Hunter, Tarbert Healing Garden. 12\_c12big05



Esther Agnew and Anne Crerar of the British Red Cross. 12\_c12big07



Heather Bellshaw of Tarbert Youth Group was introducing people to the variety of non-alcoholic beers on offer. 12\_c12big04



Left: NHS ChildSmile saw Margaret Morrison and Caroline Glen and their big green friend teaching youngsters about oral health. 12\_c12big08

## 'All things red' at joint campus

CHILDREN at Lochgilphead Joint Campus enjoyed a day of 'all things red' on Friday as they celebrated Comic Relief's Red Nose Day.

Pupils enthusiastically got behind fundraising events such as a non-uniform day, baking

red nose buns, walking backwards around the campus and zumba dance activities.

Pre-school children, who dressed in red on the day, decorated their classroom with red nose bunting and banners.



The pre-school unit at Lochgilphead Joint Campus enjoyed their first Red Nose Day at the school. 06\_a12rednose01

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## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

**Black Swan:** Black Swan follows the story of Nina (Portman), a ballerina in a New York City ballet company whose life, like all those in her profession, is completely consumed with dance. She lives with her retired ballerina mother Erica (Barbara Hershey) who zealously supports her daughter's professional ambition. When artistic director Thomas Leroy (Vincent Cassel) decides to replace prima ballerina Beth MacIntyre (Winona Ryder) for the opening production of their new season, Swan Lake, Nina is his first choice. But Nina has competition: a new dancer, Lily (Kunis), who impresses Leroy as well. Swan Lake requires a dancer who can play both the White Swan with innocence and grace, and the Black Swan, who represents guile and sensuality. Nina fits the White Swan role perfectly but Lily is the personification of the Black Swan. As the two young dancers expand their rivalry into a twisted friendship, Nina begins to get more in touch with her dark side with a recklessness that threatens to destroy her.

Visit the wee pictures website for more what's on and coming soon.

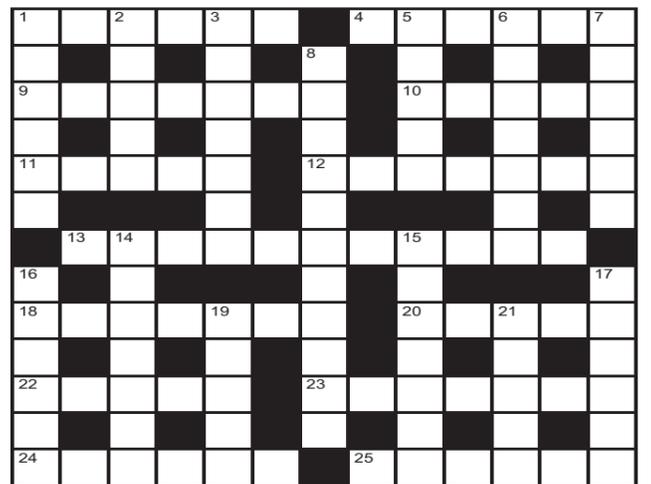
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### Across

- The odds are probably against this person (6)
- Spicy sausage (6)
- As a preferred alternative (7)
- White wader (5)
- Exotic fruit (5)
- Problem (3-4)
- Responsible for (11)
- Loving (7)
- Pear (5)
- Disturbed (5)
- Not looked forward to (7)
- French film director, of 'Weekend' (6)
- Dash (6)

### Down

- Span (6)
- Croatian inventor, Nikola (5)
- Mint family member (7)
- Wide awake (5)
- Sent by plane (7)
- Amount eaten (6)
- Bric a brac (4,3,4)
- Wonky (7)
- An institution for advancement in literature (7)
- Nosey insect? (6)
- Without warning (6)
- One who has (5)
- Fourth son of Jacob (5)



### Last Week's Solution



**FURNACE**

## Helping to provide a brighter future for Malawi

A FURNACE teenager will embark on the adventure of a lifetime this summer as he travels to Malawi to help build a hospital unit and work with orphans.

Adam Gilmovitch, will visit Africa for three weeks, helping to build a six-bed high dependency unit and care for children orphaned through Aids.

The sixteen-year-old Lochgilphead High School student is one of 12 youngsters from the Scottish west coast chosen to carry out the humanitarian work.

Organised through the Struan Summer Camp, which Adam attends, teenagers were asked to apply for a place on an exchange programme involving community work.

Hoping to forge a career in childcare and youth work Adam fought against 200 applicants for a place on the programme.

'I am over the moon to have been chosen,' said Adam. 'I feel that visiting different countries, seeing how other

young people live and how they cope with poverty will give me a new perspective on life here.

'We will be visiting villages, working with young people there, teaching them games and other activities, and I'm sure that we will learn a lot in return,' he added.

The exchange programme will see pupils from the prestigious Saint Andrew's International High School in Malawi visit Scotland in 2012.

## Bet it was a good night

FORGET Cheltenham, the place for keen race goers on Friday was Furnace Village Hall, when residents turned out in force for the Furnace Race Night.

The event, organised by Furnace Primary School Parent Council and the Argyll Round Table, raised £670 for school funds.

Robbie Bell, chair of the parent council said: 'We are absolutely delighted at the success of the evening and the generosity of those taking part. It was a good, fun evening for a good cause, and I would like to thank members of the parent council, the round table and the school's headteacher, James Helbert, for all their hard work. At the end of the day, it's the children who will benefit.'



Adam Gilmovitch is looking forward to helping Malawians build a better future.

elled to Tayvallich to host a series of lessons on Saturday and Sunday at the village's multi-sports court.

Assisted by Richard Kerr, Gordon helped 13 groups of players, across all ages and abilities, improve their game.

Gordon will be returning to Tayvallich in September to deliver more coaching sessions.

To register to take part in the coaching weekend, whether to learn tennis or to improve existing skills, contact Jan on 01546 870233. Participants must be aged five and above.

**CRAIGNISH**

## Boat jumble in village hall

CRAIGNISH Community Company (C3) is gearing up for the biggest ever boat jumble and carboot sale this weekend.

Held in Craignish Village Hall and car park, Ardfern, the annual event takes place tomorrow (Saturday) from 10.15am - 2pm.

The event, which is one of a number of boat jumbles which take place around the country, attracts sellers and buyers, both amateur and professional, from far and wide. With stallholders coming to Ardfern from all over Argyll, plus Northern Ireland, Mallaig, Edinburgh and Ayrshire there should be some real bargains on offer for the discerning buyer.

But the Craignish Boat Jumble is not just for those looking for nautical bargains; with a number of tables inside and car boots out, selling 'ordinary' jumble, there are bargains galore to be found for landlubbers as well.

The £2 entry includes refreshments to revive flagging bargain hunters and with a raffle to add a bit of excitement this will be a day out to be enjoyed by the whole family.

For more information contact - 01852 500689.

**KILMARTIN**

## Museum given grant

KILMARTIN House Museum has been awarded a grant to help Mid Argyll children learn more about their natural heritage.

The museum has been awarded £9,110 by the Big Lottery Fund to deliver an outdoor education programme to more than 600 children across Mid Argyll and Kintyre.

The project features a for-

**LOCHGOILHEAD**

## Indoor sports facilities

INDOOR sports facilities will be more widely available at Drimsynie Estate following the closure of the curling rink.

A spokesman for the Campbell family, who owns the estate, said that the sports hall, which currently houses the curling rink, would be developed to cater for additional indoor sports and would be available all year round.

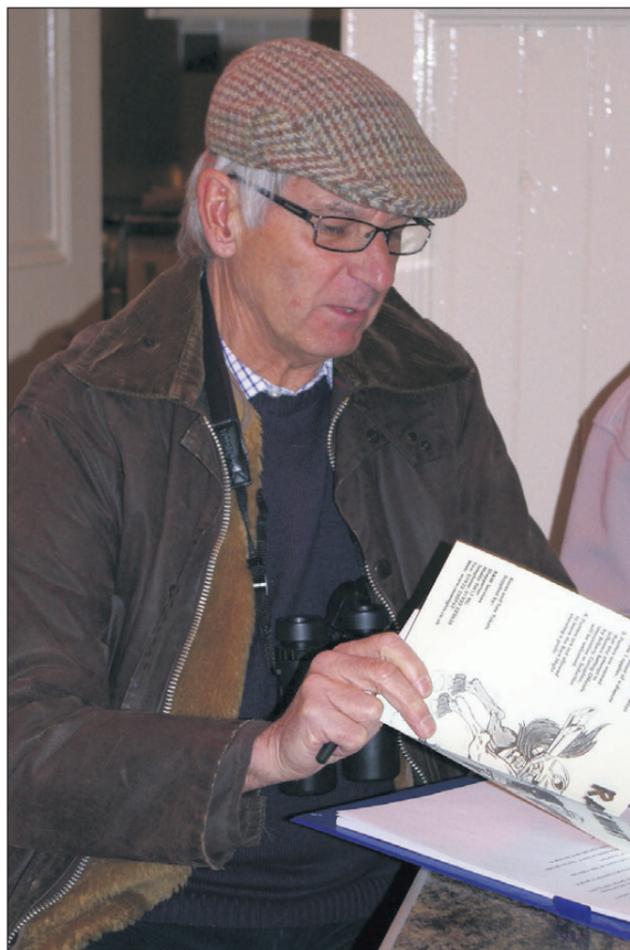
Drimsynie Leisure Centre already offers carpet bowling, snooker, table tennis, badminton and a toddlers play area.

**TAYVALLICH**

## Tennis master class lesson

TENNIS enthusiasts around Loch Sween were this week treated to a master class lesson from professional tennis coach Gordon McGuigan.

Gordon, from Glasgow, trav-



A keen race-goer studies the odds on a horse at Furnace Race Night.

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est creatures theatre project, where puppets are used to explore issues relating to local natural heritage. Themes such as biodiversity, climate change, sustainability and recycling will be explained to the children in a fun and accessible way.

The programme, which will take place in May and June, is aimed at preschool children and those in primaries one to four.

Outdoor education officer at Kilmartin House Museum, Kate Moody, said: 'This is an innovative and exciting initiative to teach local children about the very special natural heritage of Argyll and Kintyre and I would like to thank the Big Lottery Fund as well as Scottish Natural Heritage and the Forestry Commission for their support.'

**LOCHGILPHEAD**

**Lochgilphead supports Fyne Families**

A CROWD descended on Lochgilphead Community Centre on Saturday as Mid Argyll folk turned out in force to support local charity Fyne Families.

The organisation, which supports Mid Argyll families, held a coffee morning and tabletop sale to raise funds for its three projects – Early Learning Folk (ELFs), Lochgilphead After School Club and Duncholgan Family Centre.

Fyne Families supports Mid Argyll families by ensuring good quality play and learning experiences for children through preschool education and out of hours care for school children.

Toys, books, plants and home baking were just some of the things on sale at the community centre.



**Julia Griffiths, who grows plants and flowers at her home in Clachan, manned the plant stall at the Fyne Families tabletop sale on Saturday.** 08\_a12sale01

Planning officers at Argyll and Bute Council confirmed that no planning application has been submitted for the area but the Advertiser understands that an application for the building of a retail unit is to be submitted in the near future

formative influence in shaping British frontier policy during the period 1607-38 and his leadership of the Covenanting Movement in Scotland between 1638 and 1645.

Described as a joy for history buff's MacInnes' book will appeal to those interested in clanship, civil war and British state formation.

**INVERARAY**

**Author to visit the Duke of Argyll**

AUTHOR Allan MacInnes will be travelling to the Royal Burgh next month to celebrate his book *British Confederate, The: Archibald Campbell, Marquess of Argyll, 1607-1661*.

MacInnes will be a guest of the Duke of Argyll at a special reception held at Inveraray Castle marking his family's contribution to the book.

The author enjoyed privileged access to archives in Inveraray Castle during his research of the man, so often referred to as the Scottish Cromwell. Published last year the book reviews Campbell's

**ARDRISHAIG**

**Music Festival causes parking problem**

RESIDENTS in Ardrishaig highlighted the problem of parking in the village this week as the Mid Argyll Music Festival got underway.

Calling for more parking space to be created within the village one resident said special events highlight the extend of the problem.

Ron MacInnes said: 'There is chaos in Ardrishaig at present with only one carpark in operation and lots of parents trying to get their children to the Mid Argyll Music Festival competitions in the Public Hall.

'Events such as these, though a welcome boost to the village, exasperate an already serious problem.'

**MINARD**

**Sponsored walk for cancer**

A MINARD woman is calling on people in Mid Argyll to support Breakthrough Breast Cancer by taking part in a sponsored walk.

Lesley Goodwin is asking people to follow the Brainport heritage trail, walking about two miles, in a bid to raise cash to support the cancer charity's life saving work.

Breakthrough Breast Cancer hopes to remove the fear of breast cancer for good through research, campaigning and education.

The walk, which takes place on May 8 at 12.30pm, offers the chance to view some of Mid Argyll's finest scenery along the heritage trail.

For more information contact Lesley on 07826714021

**GRADUATION**



**DR AIDEN MCGLYNN**

Aiden McGlynn, grandson of Tat and May McGlynn, Lochgilphead, recently graduated Phd (philosophy) from the University of Texas. Now working in the Northern Institute of Philosophy, University of Aberdeen.

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**TARBERT**

**Barmore development gets go-ahead**

AN APPLICATION to build eight affordable homes on Barmore Road in Tarbert has been approved by Argyll and Bute Council.

The housing development features five flats, situated in a two and a half story high building, one detached and two semi-detached houses.

Drawings for the development, situated on the former Tarbert Garage site, show the housing development will be situated near the boundaries of the site, with an area in the middle reserved as a potential location for retail development.

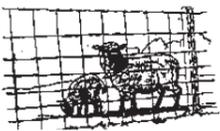
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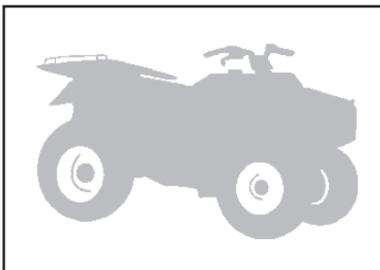
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**Argyll and Bute farmers meet their new vice president**

**John Picken, the new NFUS vice president discussed the European Common Agricultural Policy with Argyll and Bute farmers.** 06\_a12picken01

THE NEW National Farmers Union Scotland (NFUS) vice president John Picken, who operates a mixed livestock and arable unit near St Andrews, met members of the NFUS Argyll and Bute regional board in Tarbert last Friday as discussions continue on the European Common Agricultural Policy (CAP).

The last time the Argyll and Bute regional group met to discuss CAP was in late 2009 so Mr Picken was interested to hear their current views.

He said: 'It's my role to listen to the views and ideas of the regional boards and to feed that information into the government.'

'It's important we discuss the issue regionally because each area has different needs and these all have to be addressed.'

The Common Agricultural Policy is the framework under which farmers operate.

It sets out a range of farming, environmental and rural development activities as well as controlling EU agricultural markets.

Chairman of the regional board, John Semple, Ellery, said: 'It's nice to see John (Picken) in his capacity as vice president and to let him see how hard the west coast is compared to the softer, Fife ground which he farms.'

**Hurdle**

Mr Semple continued: 'The CAP is a major hurdle we have to get over to get reasonable pay for Argyll farmers who farm on hard terrain. This is the only way to keep people farming in this part of the country.'

Mr Picken said: 'It's about matching the support with the uniqueness of Scotland.'

All comments on the European Common Agricultural Policy must be submitted to NFUS by April 14, 2011.

**Time running out to have say on farmland paths**

CROFTERS and farmers throughout Argyll are being encouraged to take part in Argyll and Bute Councils' consultation on Core Paths Planning. The consultation runs until Monday April 4 2011 and is available on the council's website, as well as in local council offices and libraries. During this time farmers, crofters and land managers have the opportunity to see if paths have been proposed across their land and to comment respectively.

National Farmers Union Scotland's (NFUS) Argyll and the Islands regional manager, Lucy Sumsion, said: 'The land

reform (Scotland) act requires all Councils across Scotland to draw up core paths plans to ensure sufficient provision for the general public to walk, cycle or ride in the countryside and take access on inland water. Where the proposed paths come into contact with farming activity, it is crucial that farmers take part in the consultation process to ensure that farming operations are taken in to account.'

'The consultation documents and maps are available online, but if anyone has difficulty accessing them they should contact Argyll and Bute Council access officers to request a

paper copy of the maps relating to their farm, estate or croft.'

John Semple, chairman of the Argyll and the Islands NFUS Regional Board said: 'Your land may be affected by core paths proposals, even if you have not been approached directly by your local access authority.'

'With only just over a week to go before the consultation ends we would urge all members to check if they have a proposed core path on their farm or croft. If you have not seen the draft Core Paths Plan for your area, I would advise you to do so as soon as possible.'

**Farmers join forces with haulage firms to fight for fuel price reduction**

FARMERS in Scotland are joining forces with haulage companies to ask the UK government to act now and reduce fuel prices.

NFU Scotland and the Road Haulage Association (Scotland) have said record fuel prices and the associated tax places a huge burden on both of their industries.

As key representatives of the road haulage, food and farming industries in Scotland, the organisations have written to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, George Osborne MP, asking him to address fuel costs in his forthcoming budget, due to be

delivered on March 23. The joint letter asks the chancellor to:

- Scrap the fuel duty increase, due to come into effect in April
- Support the development of a fair fuel duty stabiliser
- Introduce a reduction in fuel duty in all remote areas of Scotland

NFU Scotland President Nigel Miller said: 'Immediate action on fuel is totally justifiable as transport sits at the centre of the whole economy.'

'As farmers and food producers, our members are reliant on haulage to bring inputs onto the farms and crofts and we need to

deliver our livestock and produce to the marketplace and the shop shelf. The fact that our fuel prices and our levels of taxation are now amongst the highest in Europe is undermining the efficiency and competitiveness of our whole food chain and if that is not addressed now then it will damage these areas in the long term.'

Phil Flanders of the Road Haulage Association said: 'We need some respite and a positive signal from the Government on fuel issues would bring some stability to the many hard pressed businesses out there.'

**Prime sheep trade rises at Stirling Auction Centre**

UNITED Auctions sold 6,457 prime sheep including 5,110 hoggs averaging 211.2p/kg (+5.8p) and 1,347 ewes and rams at Stirling Auction Centre last Thursday when all categories showed another rise on the previous weeks premium rates.

Beltex lambs from Guardswell

and Texels from Hill of Dripps sold to £115 with Ardtornish selling Suffolk lambs to £101.50 and Cheviots to £99.50.

Kilkeddan sold Blackfaces to 222p per kilo and Mules to 216p per kilo.

Ewes sold to £154.50 for Bluefaced Leicesters from

Pitsundry and to £150 for Texels from Carriston while cast rams sold to £178 for Suffolks from Stanley.

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**Store sheep meet rising trade at Stirling**

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Ewes sold to £70 for Blackface grit ewes from T Adam, Shankhead with Blackface ewes scanned with twins selling to £60 from Kilbride and to £53 for Blackface ewes scanned with singles from Doune of Glendouglas. Blackface feeding ewes from Innieshwan Farms sold to £55.

Bullocks averaged 173p and sold to 215p per kg for a 230kg Limousin from Wester Whin, Slamannan and £1025 for a 550kg Simmental from Blairgorts, Buchlyvie.

Heifers averaged 171p (+1p) and sold to 198p per kg for three 530kg Charolais from Burnhead, Kilsyth and £1050 for three 530kg Charolais from Burnhead, Kilsyth.

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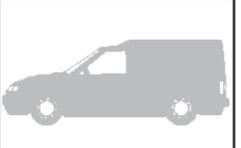
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● **Ref No: 11/00059/PPP**

Applicant: Christine Doogan  
 Proposal: Site for erection of dwellinghouse  
 Site Address: Land North Of East Trodighal Farm Machrihanish Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6PT  
 Location of Plans: Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

● **Ref No: 11/00282/PP**

Applicant: Mr Brian Whyatt  
 Proposal: Demolition of existing dwellinghouse and erection of replacement dwellinghouse, detached garage and installation of new septic tank  
 Site Address: Rhu Lodge Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6YF  
 Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert

● **Ref No: 11/00306/PP**

Applicant: Mr Dave Eastman  
 Proposal: Erection of temporary 81.5m meteorological mast.  
 Site Address: Arnicle (Loch) Woodland Glenbarr Argyll And Bute  
 Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tayinloan

● **Ref No: 11/00342/PP**

Applicant: Mrs J. Adamson  
 Proposal: Alterations to dwellinghouse to enlarge existing windows and doors  
 Site Address: Corrie House Craobh Haven Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8UA  
 Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Ardferr

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 Councils website [www.argyll-bute.gov.uk](http://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.

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

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**SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION PLANS**

● **Ref No: 11/00350/PP**

Applicant: Alison Young  
 Proposal: Demolition of chimney.  
 Site Address: 31-33 Lochnell Street Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8JL  
 Location of Plans: Area Office Ardrishaig

● **Ref No: 11/00404/PP**

Applicant: Argyll Community Housing Association  
 Proposal: Replacement roof covering, replacement of 4 rooflights, render repairs and repainting  
 Site Address: 57-61 Lochnell Street Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8JN  
 Location of Plans: Area Office Ardrishaig

● **Ref No: 11/00412/PP**

Applicant: Hire A Joiner  
 Proposal: Formation of builders storage yard with 3 storage containers.  
 Site Address: Plot Opposite McGilps Smithy Lane Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8TA  
 Location of Plans: Area Office Ardrishaig

● **Ref No: 11/00413/PP**

Applicant: Mr David And Mrs Gina Kent  
 Proposal: Erection of dwellinghouse  
 Site Address: The Studio Ardrpatrick Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6YA  
 Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert

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Description	Latitude	Longitude
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ADCP 1: B	55 18.220N	05 35.800W
ADCP 1: C	55 18.160N	05 35.900W
ADCP 1: D	55 18.160N	05 35.800W
ADCP 1: CENTRE	55 16.190N	05 35.850W
ADCP 2: A	55 15.150N	05 37.320W
ADCP 2: B	55 15.150N	05 37.220W
ADCP 2: C	55 15.050N	05 37.320W
ADCP 2: D	55 15.050N	05 37.220W
ADCP 2: CENTRE	55 15.100N	05 37.270W
ADCP 3: A	55 17.050N	05 37.550W
ADCP 3: B	05 17.050N	05 37.450W
ADCP 3: C	55 16.995N	05 37.550W
ADCP 3: D	55 16.995N	05 37.450W
ADCP 3: CENTRE	55 17.000N	05 37.500W
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**THE MACHRIHANISH GOLF CLUB  
 Machrihanish, Campbeltown, Argyll**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The Annual General Meeting of The Machrihanish Golf Club will be held in the Clubhouse on **Friday 1st April 2011 at 8.00pm.**

All members are respectfully invited to attend.

A. Anderson  
 Secretary

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 Meeting  
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 2011  
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The main duties will include the following:-

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- To supervise the use of medicines and support the development of new medicines and health initiatives.
- To provide a monitoring and diagnostic service to the site for rapid detection of health challenges.
- To collate data on fish health and produce regular reports for the Lochs Area Manager and Freshwater Health Manager.
- To support the Freshwater Health Manager in wider projects and visits to other sites.

Candidates should be able to demonstrate a high degree of commitment to the job, be able to work independently as well as being a strong team player, be computer literate, and have previous experience of working in a similar role or have fish health qualifications.

If you are interested in applying for this post, please submit a CV with a supporting letter to: Vicky Ferguson, Human Resources Manager, Marine Harvest (Scotland) Ltd, Business Resource Centre, Blar Mhor Industrial Estate, Fort William, PH33 7PT.

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Applicants will preferably have a minimum of 1 years' experience in a Training/Health & Safety role and ideally possess a Train the Trainer qualification and NEBOSH General Certificate, or other industry recognised qualification. In addition applicants must possess excellent verbal and written communication skills, excellent presentation skills, a good knowledge of computer packages and industry related Health and Safety legislation and regulations. The post is based in Fort William with regular travel to the company's sites throughout the West Coast and Outer Isles.

In return, Marine Harvest offers a competitive salary and benefits package along with excellent opportunities for personal growth and development.

If you have the drive, commitment and enthusiastic personality that is required for this role, coupled with experience, please apply in writing stating your reasons for applying and your relevant skills and experience to: Vicky Ferguson, Human Resources Manager, Marine Harvest (Scotland) Ltd, Business Resource Centre, Blar Mhor Industrial Estate, Fort William, PH33 7PT by closing date of 8th April 2011.

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

**BIRTHS**



**COLBY**

Douglas and Shona are delighted to announce the arrival of their daughter, Mia Fay, on March 11, 2011. A wee sister for Adam.

**COOPER – CAMERON** – Niki and Louisa are delighted to announce the safe arrival of Callan Anderson on March 16, 2011. Little brother for Declan and second grandchild for both families. Thanks to midwives at Royal Alexandra Hospital and Mid Argyll Hospital.

**GRIFFIN** – To Bobby and Anita on March 3, 2011, a son, Sachin, born in Cairns, Australia. First grandchild to Elizabeth Blair and step grandchild to Chris Blair. Third grandson for Dr and Mrs Ashok, Khasgiwale, Stourbridge. A true gift from God.

**MCCUAIG** – Gordon and Claire and families are delighted to announce the safe arrival on March 15, 2011 of their beautiful daughter, Kali Elizabeth. Special thanks to the midwives at the Mid Argyll and Royal Alexandra hospitals.

**ENGAGEMENTS**

**MCWHIRTER – MCDADE** – Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Paul, son of David and Caroline, Campbeltown, to Christina, daughter of Joe and Frances, Paisley.

**GOLDEN WEDDINGS**

**MAUCHLINE – COLVILLE** – At Castlehill Church on March 24, 1961 by Rev J R H Cormack, Duncan to Jane, 41 Meadows Avenue.

**DEATHS**

**DURNAN** – Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on March 16, 2011, Isabela Elder (Isobel), in her 56th year, 96 Ralston Road, Campbeltown, dearly beloved mother of Hazel, Adele and Duncan, a loving and much loved granny of John, Aidan, Kayleigh, Joshua, Poppy and Rebecca and dear sister of Alexander.

**EDWARD** – Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on March 21, 2011, George Edward in his 95th year, Loch View, Knockscalbert Way, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Jean, much loved father of Jeanette and Alex, loving and much loved papa of Kirsty, Alexander, Mark, George and great

grandfather of Jayden and Aileigh. Service in the Lorne and Lowland Church, on Friday, March 25, at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Keil Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Bengullion Ward.

**MCARTHUR** – Suddenly after a short illness, at the Inverclyde Royal Hospital, Greenock, on March 17, 2011, Mary McArthur, aged 86 years of Ardnahein Hotel for the Elderly, Dunoon and formerly of Kilmory Home Farm, Lochgilphead. Beloved daughter of the late Archibald and Margaret McArthur and much loved sister of Neil and the late Archibald, Hugh, John, Donald and Dugald. Dear sister-in-law of Avril and Peggy. A much respected aunt and great aunt to all the family. A good friend and former work colleague to many. Funeral service was held in Lochgilphead Parish Church on Wednesday, March 23, 2011, followed by interment at Ach-na-breac Cemetery.

**MCMILLAN** – Son of the late Archie and Nancy (née Gilchrist), Ian, aged 75 years, passed away March 15, 2011 in Coventry with his loving sons Paul and Stuart at his side. Sadly missed by all the family.

**PARFITT** – Peacefully at his home, The Cleft, St Clair Road, Ardrishaig, with his family by his side, on March 18, 2011, Ken Parfitt, aged 88 years. Formerly of Kent and Fort William. Beloved husband of Margaret and loving father of David, father-in-law of Jacqui and grandad to Daniel. A good neighbour and dear friend to many. Funeral service was held in Lochgilphead Baptist Church on Thursday, March 24, 2011, followed by a private cremation service.

**WILSON** – Dr Robert Blue Wilson (formerly of Campbeltown), much loved father of Kenneth, Elaine and Campbell, died peacefully after a long illness at Sherwood Court Care Home, Preston, Lancashire on Saturday, March 19, 2011. Funeral Service to take place at Carleton Crematorium nr Poulton-le-Fylde, Lancashire on Monday March 28 at 3.00pm.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**MCGREGOR** – Bet's family wish to thank family, friends and neighbours for the kind expressions of sympathy, cards and flowers. They also wish to thank all the staff at Glenaray Ward and the Marie Curie Nurses for the care and compassion shown to all during her short illness. Thanks to Rev Roddy MacLeod for an uplifting and comforting service and to Donald MacDonalds for efficient arrangements. The collection for Marie Curie raised over £350.

**IN MEMORIAM**

**CURRIE** – Treasured memories of a much loved husband, Donald, who died March 25, 2000. Time won't heal the heartache.

- Moira.  
**CURRIE** – In memory of my dad, Donald, who died March 25, 2000. Always in my thoughts.

- Iain.  
**CURRIE** – Dad, March 25, 2000. Your presence we miss Your memory we treasure Remembering you always Forgetting you never.

- Elspeth and Jim.  
**FORD** – Norman Ernest. Treasured memories of my husband and dad, who passed away March 29, 2010, aged 88.

Love always, Helen née Clark, Jackie, Stuart and Flora. Also remembered as a father-in-law, granddad and great granddad.  
**ROBERTSON** – Precious memories of our much loved father, father-in-law and grandfather, Ian (Rufus), who passed away on March 27, 2007.

Your presence we miss Your memory we treasure Loving you always Forgetting you never.  
- Love Morven, Ian, Jamie and family xxxx.

**ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES**



**Argyll Street, Campbeltown**  
St Kieran Episcopal Church:  
Campbeltown  
Scottish Charity No SC023277  
**Sunday 27th March 2011**  
**Third Sunday of Lent**  
10.45am Family Communion  
**Details of services are on the church door**  
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Scottish Charity Number SC016097

Sunday 27th March 2011  
**UNITED SERVICE**  
(incorporating Annual Business Meeting)  
Cumlodden Church (Furnace)  
**10.30 am**  
(Tea to follow)  
Rev. Roddy MacLeod  
Ceud mìle fáilte  
All Welcome

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND KILBERRY LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE PARISH CHURCH**

**Sunday 27th March 2011**  
Tarbert Church 11.30am  
Sunday School 11.20am  
Kilberry Church 2.00pm  
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**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH**  
**Sunday 27th March 2011**  
Glassary 11.30am  
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Rev Cliff Acklam  
All welcome  
SC002121

**LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH**  
All Welcome  
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson  
**Sunday 27th March 2011**  
11.00am Morning Service with communion  
**Jumpstart Group**  
Friday 10.00 – 11.30am  
**Tonight**  
"The Edge"  
P1 – P7  
6.30 – 7.45  
Scottish Charity SC015187

**Church of Scotland NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH**  
Morning Worship  
**Sunday 27th March 2011**  
Bellanoch Church 10.00am.  
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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  
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10.45 a.m. Coffee  
11.15 a.m. Family Service with Sunday Club  
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Jelly Tots Parent & Toddlers  
8.00 p.m.  
Bible Discussion & Prayer  
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**LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH**  
Scottish Charity Number SC011686  
**Sunday, 27th March**  
Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m. (Creche, Triple C & Bible Class)  
**Tuesday, 29th March**  
Mothers and Toddlers - 9:45 a.m.  
Congregational Annual General Meeting - 7:30 p.m.  
**Thursday, 31st March**  
Choir Practice - 7:30 p.m.  
**Friday, 1st April**  
Lunch Club - 12:00 noon

*Highland Parish Church*  
  
SC002493  
**Sunday 27th March**  
11.15am Morning Service  
Creche 0 – 3yrs: Church  
FunDay Club (3yrs – P5): Kirk St Hall  
12.10pm  
Stated Annual Meeting  
**Tuesday 29th March**  
Badminton Club  
6.30pm – 7.45pm: P1 - P4  
7.30pm – 9.00pm: P5 – P7  
**Wednesday 30th March**  
7.15pm – please note earlier time  
Bible Study Fellowship – Manse  
DVD: *Jesus – Man, Messiah, or More?*  
Rev Michael J Lind  
Everyone always welcome

**LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH**  
**SUNDAY 27th MARCH 2011**  
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Rev. Hilda Smith  
All Welcome  
**7.30 pm Youth Fellowship,**  
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S1-S6 Welcome  
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Achahoish at 12:30pm  
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**LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN**  
**Sunday 27 March 2011**  
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Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch  
Speaker: Stan Holloway  
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# Soccer Centre teams have a winning weekend

**Lochgilphead 3 North Kelvin United 0**  
 LOCHGILPHEAD Soccer Centre Under 14s got back to winning ways in the league with a three goal victory over North Kelvin United last Saturday.

The Argyll team played against the breeze in the first half and it was McCulloch in the visitors' goal who did well to prevent Lochgilphead going one down in the first five minutes. He came out to block a one on one with North Kelvin's centre forward, allowing the rebound to be cleared up field.

It took the Lochgilphead side 17 minutes to open the scoring. McCallum headed the ball over MacDonald and into the home goal after a deep cross from Deans.

Shortly after Hendry threatened to double the lead when he beat three defenders and hit a strong shot which the Kelvin's 'keeper turned over

the bar for a corner. Several changes were made at half time and after the restart, Lochgilphead camped themselves in the home team's half for large spells, but without ever creating a clear goal scoring opportunity. Indeed it was the visitors' sub goalie Lewis who made the best save of the half, diving forward to make an excellent catch from a very well hit effort.

With only four minutes remaining Miller broke down the right and sent in a shot that the home side's substitute goalkeeper should have kept out but to the delight of the visiting support it crept over the line to make the score 0 - 3.

Newlands-Steele had the ball in the net again shortly after but the goal was judged to be offside.

The Lochgilphead boys will play away again tomorrow when they will face Helensburgh side Ardencaple.



Lochgilphead's Alistair MacVicar on ball with Connor Boyd

**Lochgilphead Under 16s 17 Rutherglen Boys Club 0**  
 LOCHGILPHEAD Under 16s scored an incredible 17 goals on Saturday when they

travelled to Glasgow to take on Rutherglen Boys Club in the latest round of the football league.

In a one sided match against

the team, currently bottom of the league, all under 16 players got time on the pitch.

Seven members of the squad scored during the 90 min-

utes including McGuinness, five goals, McCallum and MacVicar with three, Bruce and MacLean two, and Allen and Doull scored one apiece.



The winning team: from left - David Thorburn, Ally McDonnell, and Archie MacGilp Jnr and Snr. Not pictured is Alasdair McCallum.

## Top shots at Tarbert Gun Club

EARLIER this month saw the climax of Tarbert Gun Club's winter league team shoots with a night out in the Victoria Hotel, Tarbert.

Club president, Brian Baird, thanked all the shooters for their support and sportsmanship to the club throughout the year.

The standard of shooting is improving each year especially with the younger members.

The club is also keen to

support local charities and this year saw the club donate £1,000 to the MS Centre in Lochgilphead.

On receiving the cheque, centre manger, Karen McCurry, thanked everyone at the club for their generosity; this being the third year in succession the club has donated to the centre.

Results: Class A: 1. Brian Baird; 2. Ally McDonnell; Class B: 1. Ronald Jenkins; 2. Stewart MacAllister; Class

C: 1. Brian Thompson; 2. Archie MacGilp Jnr; Class D: 1. Andrew McDonald; 2. David Thorburn; Class E: 1. Archie MacGilp Snr; 2. Andy Wilson. Top Junior: Niall Wilson; Top Lady: Lynn MacDonald; Wooden Spoon Team: John Weir, Scott McNeill, Hugh McLean, Ian Winnard, Michael Harvey Snr; Top Team: David Thorburn, Ally McDonnell, Archie MacGilp Jnr and Snr and Alasdair McCallum.

## Sinclair leads golfers into winter league final

ROSS SINCLAIR is leading Lochgilphead golfers into their final match of the winter league this Saturday.

Ross leads the final after three rounds with Kenny Cameron, who is a close second.

Ross took exception to John Downie's comments in last week's advertiser and stated that yes he was a moaning miserable whinging complainer but that he was not a greetin face baby so he banished John to the seventh hole in a four ball as an act of revenge which made John very unhappy and crabbit.

Donald Carmichael is like a windup toy when he has a score going and if he is not careful his spring will snap. He has been very consistent - loud and annoying every single week.

John Downie is really a duffer so it was a waste of his time trying to play with the big boys and he should have stayed in the sandpit where he belongs.

Keith Cowan came very close to nearly losing the match play final against Jim Hunter but in fact he won.

Retaining this trophy is a major achievement for Keith and the rest of the players are looking forward to hearing all about it during the summer season - not.

In the Duffers Derby Grant MacDougall looks to have it in the bag with the others playing for second, but you never know.

Nearest the pin this week were Grant MacDougall and Keith Cowan.

## Magnificent seven for Inveraray against Glenorchy

INVERARAY shinty team enjoyed a victory over Glenorchy at the weekend as the Royal Burgh won 7-0.

Inveraray were on good form with some nice passing play, helping them reap their seven goals and retain a clean sheet themselves.

Glenorchy challenged the Argyll side but players' confidence dropped as Inveraray's goal total rose.

Russell MacKinlay enjoyed a hat trick, scoring three goals, whilst Gary MacPherson and Euan MacMurdo scored two each.



Andrew MacMurdo gives chase.

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## Football's getting very expensive

FOOTBALL teams across Argyll are spending record amounts of money paying for transport to away games – the Argyllshire Advertiser has been told.

Lochgilphead under 16s recently spent £133 traveling to Glasgow to take on Rutherglen Boys Club.

Lochgilphead football coach Billy Meechan said: 'As fuel prices and minibus rental costs increase, with only referees fees remaining unchanged, away match costs have soared.'

Billy said: 'The club would like to sincerely thank everyone who has helped and contributed to our fundraisers, especially our sponsors Lakeland Marine, Peter McKerral&Co Ltd and EWOS. Without their continuing support under 16's youth football in Mid Argyll and Kintyre would be impossible.'

## Anthony Nolan tournament

FOOTBALLERS throughout Argyll are being urged to support the Anthony Nolan Trust and compete in the charity's annual football tournament.

The Joanna MacVicar Memorial Seven-a-Side Football Tournament kicks off on April 30, at Ropework Park in Lochgilphead, and organisers want boys and girls teams to compete for the cup final.

Funds raised from the charity match will be used to help and support those living with leukaemia.

Entrants to the football tournament must be aged 16 and over. For more information contact Ian MacInnes or John Sweeney on 01631 569995 or email anthynolan.oban@strathclydefire.org.

## Lottery numbers

THE WINNING numbers for Inveraray Shinty Club lottery this week are 6, 17 and 20. There are no winners and next week's jackpot will be £200.

It is another roll over for Kilmory Camanachd Club lottery next week as the jackpot reaches £800. No one had this week's winning numbers of 7, 13 and 16.

There are no winners for this week's Tarbert Football Lottery, the winning numbers 4, 12 and 20. The jackpot next week will be £300.

# Carolyn to run the London marathon

## 'I've already raised £3,500, which is great'

A WOMAN, who bet her terminally ill father that she would run the London marathon if he gave up smoking, will next month fulfil her promise.

Carolyn McAlpine, who lost her father to leukaemia in February last year, will run 26 miles around England's capital on April 17 in memory of her dad Douglas.

The 27-year-old, who this time last year had not even ran a 10k race, laughed when her dad said she'd be running the London marathon, after joining the Tarbert Jog Scotland group at the end of 2009.

'My dad said you take everything to the extreme, you will be running the London marathon next,' said Carolyn. 'We joked about it at the time and I said if you stop smoking I will run the marathon. He did stop so now I'm running.'

Carolyn, a human resources officer for Argyll and Bute

Council, will also be running to raise funds for the Anthony Nolan Trust, which she says is 'very close to her heart'.

'I have already raised £3,500, which is great,' she said. 'People in Tarbert have been handing me money whilst I've been out running; it is very touching. People have been very supportive.'

Carolyn also wants to raise awareness of the Anthony Nolan bone marrow transplant register, where members of the public can sign up to be a donor.

'There are 1,400 people in the UK in need of a bone marrow transplant, which is usually their last hope of survival in the fight against leukaemia,' she said.

To sponsor Carolyn log on to www.justgiving.com/carolyn-mcalpine or hand a donation into the Clydesdale Bank in Lochgilphead or The Rest, in Tarbert.



Carolyn's personalised trainers mark her greatest life challenge – the London Marathon 2011.

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## Iain holds on to win winter league

THE FINAL leg of the Inveraray winter golf league was to be a battle between five players.

Topping the leader board the men were separated by only three strokes going into the match that would crown the champion.

Iain MacDonald lead from the beginning and was relieved to watch as his fellow competitors squander early chances to close the gap at the top of the leader board.

The worst offender was Kenny MacDougall who missed an easy putt on the third and three-putted the fourth from close.

Iain went on to slot home a 15 footer to stretch his lead to two strokes.

The other members of the group D.J. MacDonald and Derek McCulloch were failing to find their form and only managed to improve their score by one stroke over the nine holes.

Going into the last couple of holes Kenny failed to pick up the strokes required whilst Iain held on to take the title.

Scores: 1<sup>st</sup> Iain MacDonald - 28 strokes; 2<sup>nd</sup> Kenny MacDougall - 30 strokes; 3<sup>rd</sup> Derek McCulloch - 31 strokes.

## Star lose out in close away game against league leaders

S.A.F.L Division 1  
**Gourock Thistle 2**

**Lochgilphead Red Star 1**  
LOCHGILPHEAD'S Red Star travelled to Battery Park on Saturday to take on league leaders Gourock Thistle in the latest round of the division one football league.

It was the home side that did most of the early running, forcing some early corners without really testing Kalache in goals.

Thistle did take the lead however after the referee awarded, what Star felt to be a soft penalty, when Peacock was adjudged to have bundled the Thistle winger over in the box.

Thistle's number nine made

no mistake from the spot to put his side 1-0 up.

This forced Star into action and they could have been level immediately after. Peacock got away from his marker on the right, before cutting inside the box and getting his shot away but the Thistle keeper was equal to the youngster's shot.

There were not many clear chances for the remainder of the half and it remained 1-0.

As the second half got underway the visitors knew the next goal was vital. But it was Thistle who doubled their lead in fortuitous circumstances after a cross from the winger came off the head of Crawford and looped over the helpless

Kalache into the net to make the score 2-0. Star were in no mood to give up though and pulled themselves back into the game when Houston broke through from midfield and pulled his side back into the game with a low shot into the bottom corner.

Star continued to press for the remaining 20 minutes and was screaming for a penalty late on when Campbell was bundled over in the box but the referee waved play on and the game ended 2-1.

Tomorrow (Saturday) Star will take on Inverkip Thistle. Currently bottom of the league, Inverkip will be gunning for their first points of the season.

## SFA Level 2 coaching course to be held in April

A SCOTTISH Football Association Level 2 (Coaching Youth Footballers Certificate) course will be held in Oban on Sunday 10 and Sunday 24 April from 10 am till 4pm.

This is the next step on the coaching ladder following the Level 1 course held at the recent Argyll and Bute Coaching Weekend in February.

Argyll and Bute Football Development Officer Martin Rae wants as many coaches as possible in Argyll and Bute

to achieve the Level 2 standard so he can organise a Level 3 (Coaching in the Game Certificate) course during the summer.

The Scottish Football Association would like to run a refereeing course in Lochgilphead within the next few months.

For further details on both courses contact Argyll and Bute Football Development Officer Martin on 07767 391843.

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