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Crash survivor goes for gold in pool - and gets it

Christopher takes top swimming title six months after collision left him paralysed

A LOCHGILPHEAD man left paralysed after a severe car accident six months ago has won a gold medal in a major swimming competition.

Christopher Wilson was left paralysed after he was in an accident near Fort William last November which left him with a dislocated neck and three crushed vertebrae.

The 31-year-old was left with movement in only his left arm, but after an operation he began to recover.

Just months later and he claimed first place in the toke Mandeville Inter Spinal Units Games - being named best overall athlete in the process.

Christopher, a patient at The Queen Elizabeth National Spinal Injury Unit in Glasgow since the accident, was invited to take part after wowing doctors with his determined and upbeat attitude during his recovery.

To claim gold, Christopher had to beat off competition from across the UK.

Speaking to the *Advertiser* Chris said he did not expect to do so well in the

competition.

'I was asked to go down and we spent a week at the competition. I was asked to compete in the swimming and I somehow won gold,' he said.

'When they were announcing the overall winner I heard my name called, which was a surprise.'

Whilst many people would find it difficult to adjust to such a life-altering event, Christopher said he tried his hardest to maintain a positive attitude.

'When I first came in all I could move was my left arm but I have had intense physiotherapy and I have been pushed,' he said. 'I'm hoping to soon use crutches so I can start walking, but it is one day at a time.'

For the moment Christopher said he is looking forward to moving to Ardrishaig in five weeks time and being closer to his family in Lochgilphead.

'I hope to move in five weeks. I'm a little apprehensive but it will be good to get home,' he said.



Christopher Wilson was left paralysed after a serious accident six months ago and has gone on to pick up a gold medal in a major swimming competition.

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Driver reported after police car forced to avoid collision

POLICE officers in a marked police car had to take evasive action to avoid a collision with a car overtaking a lorry near Lochgilphead Joint Campus.

A 60-year-old man was stopped on Saturday afternoon and reported to the Procurator Fiscal for driving without due care and attention.

Ditched lorry closes A83

THE A83 between Lochgilphead and Inveraray was closed on Friday after a lorry and trailer became stuck in a ditch near Minard.

The vehicle ditched on Friday morning but could not be removed until later that night because it required specialist equipment to recover it. The road was closed from 9.30pm and 12.30am to keep disruption to other drivers to a minimum.

Nobody was injured and no other vehicle was involved in the accident.

Family dives in with generous Mid Argyll swimming pool donation



Catherine Moran presents the £1,930 cheque to Sue Hillman, chairwoman of the MACEL board, who stands beside Jim Moran and pool manager Stuart Owen. 06_a18pool01

A GENEROUS donation of £1,930 was made to the Mid Argyll Community Swimming Pool by the family of a woman who was born in Furnace in 1885.

Jim and Catherine Moran, from Lochgilphead, presented staff board members and youngsters at the pool a cheque which was in memory of Catherine's great aunt Eliza Baird Sanderson.

Eliza was raised in Furnace before moving to America.

Although she spent most of her time in the United States she always had a great love for Furnace and Mid Argyll, which she shared with her children and grandchildren.

When Eliza passed away in 1973 her ashes interred in the family grave at Kileven Cemetery at Crarae.

Eliza's family are aware of how much

the pool means to residents in Mid Argyll and decided to have her memory marked through the generous donation.

Speaking at the cheque presentation at the MACPool on Monday afternoon, Catherine said the pool was great community amenity.

Fantastic

'This is a fantastic facility for the local community which is why we decided to support it,' she said.

The cheque was presented to Sue Hillman, chairwoman of the MACEL board, who was delighted to receive such a generous donation.

She said: 'It is a generous gift from the Morans and what a wonderful way to immortalise their great aunt Eliza whose name will be commemorated on our plaque at the pool.'

Groups invited to claim share of windfarm cash

Community trust has £50,000 to share

COMMUNITY groups in Ardrishaig are being encouraged to express an interest in the money available from Allt Dearg Community Windfarm.

Ardrishaig Community Trust confirmed it has received the first instalment of revenue from its one twelfth share of the windfarm, which is in the region of £50,000.

The trust has established the ACTION Fund Panel which will assess applications and make recommendations to the trust about where the money should be awarded.

At the moment the trust would like new or existing community groups to fill in an expression of interest form so it can get an early indication of the interest.

The fund will be available to anyone who is trying to deliver a real benefit to the Ardrishaig community.

Projects can be of any scale and

be over a short term period or in the medium to long term it can be used to support larger regeneration projects that will improve Ardrishaig for both visitors and residents.

The fund will support a variety of purposes within Ardrishaig, which includes youth projects, improving community care, improving the environment, demonstrate social benefits, economic regeneration and create jobs.

Groups that would like to express an interest in the fund can do so by downloading a form from the trusts website www.ardrishaigcommunitytrust.org or can ask a member of the trust, community council or find them in various places within the village.

Forms should be submitted no later than May 24 and full applications will be made available later this month.

Online help to boost tourism

TOURISM business owners can learn from the industry's leading experts as a series of free online seminars get underway.

Organised by Highland and Island Enterprise, the sessions will bring together the best in the tourism industry who will share their insight and give practical tips on how to capitalise on Scotland's growth markets.

Live

The five seminars will be broadcast live on a Wednesday from 9.30am and cover ancestral tourism, culture and heritage: Gaelic, sustainable tourism and waste (Scotland) regulations, the adventure tourism market and technology.

Businesses that register can ask questions beforehand which will be discussed in the presentations.

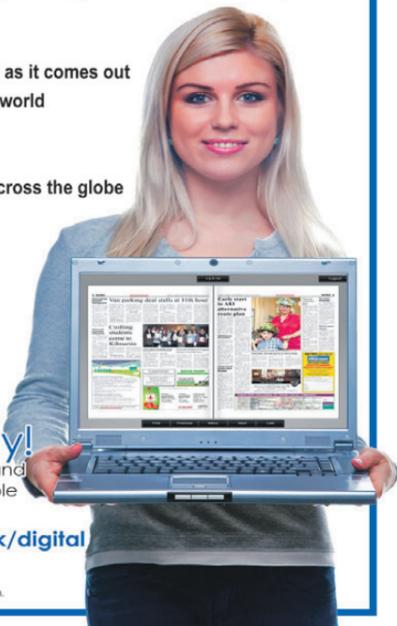
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Man found in possession of a knife

A 22 YEAR-old man was arrested in Ardrishaig for being in possession of a knife. Police stopped the man on Chalmers Street on Saturday night in relation to another incident and he was then searched by officers who found the knife.

Arrests after disorder on bus

FOUR young men have been charged with assault, breach of the peace and resisting arrest following alleged disorder on a Campbelltown to Glasgow bus on Tuesday, April 23. A passenger on the bus is also reported to have been slightly injured.

The four men, all from the Glasgow area, were arrested after they had got off the bus at Tarbert.

Three were later remanded in custody pending a court appearance and one released on bail.

£6million to help farmers

FARMERS who have been hardest hit by the recent bad weather are to get £6million of help from the Scottish Government.

The package was announced by rural affairs secretary Richard Lochhead on Wednesday.

An industry group chaired by chief agricultural officer Drew Sloan will develop the details of the package.

Mr Lochhead said: 'A team of industry experts, who will further develop the detail of the aid scheme, will meet for the first time next week.'

The funding is in addition to the £500,000 already announced to help deal with the costs of fallen stock.



Margaret MacLean, Margaret MacVicar, Yvie Young and Rachel MacLean are part of the committee which has set up the Rainbow Valley charity. 06_a18rainbow01

The Rainbow Valley fundraising weekend

THE RAINBOW Valley fundraising weekend kicks off in Lochgilphead tonight (Friday) raising money for the charity inspired by the vision of Johanna MacVicar.

Johanna's mum, Angela, hopes to raise £1million to build a centre for people affected by cancer which will provide information on alternative therapies, nutrition, exercise and how to maintain a positive attitude.

The first event starts with a kids disco at 7pm and quiz in the Argyll Hotel, Lochgilphead at 9pm.

Tomorrow (Saturday) the wig and one-sis fun run will start at Ropework Park. The under 16s will run one mile, with the runners ready to cross the start line at 10am.

Over 16s will cover two and a half miles

with the race starting at 11am.

Fun day

An afternoon of games can be had by all ages at the family fun day at Lochgilphead Fire Station from 1pm.

The junior football tournament kicks off at Ropework Park at 2pm and an over 18s disco will be held in the Argyll Hotel, Lochgilphead from 8pm.

On Sunday people can have a flutter on the horses at the race day in the Argyll Hotel, Lochgilphead from 1pm which will be followed by a karaoke.

Johanna was diagnosed with leukemia at the age of 16 and her mum, Angela, set up the charity and hopes to make her daughter's dream come true.

Speaking ahead of the weekend Angela said the support they have received over the years

has been incredible.

She said: 'The incredible support we received through out the years of fundraising has been very much appreciated and we look forward to seeing everyone at Rainbow Valley weekend.

'Rainbow Valley was not my brainchild but Johanna's dream. As the

charity will help a wider community of those effected by cancer I feel extremely privileged to be able to help build something which will benefit so many people.'

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Argyll Homes for All to carry out day to day repairs for housing association

DAY to day repairs and maintenance of Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA) homes is to be carried out by a new inhouse repairs service.

Created by ACHA, the new company, called Argyll Homes for All, has been given a three year contract to deliver these services on behalf of ACHA to its tenants across Argyll.

Up and running
Alastair MacGregor, chief executive of ACHA said: 'After a year in the making I am pleased that Argyll

Homes For All is now up and running and providing a range of repairs and maintenance services under contract to the association.

Good value
'I hope that our tenants will get an excellent service and good value for money in the arrangements.'

'This is a very exciting time in the association's development and I hope our new repairs subsidiary will rise to the task and be able to expand its services both to ACHA and others over the next few years.'

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Pub Watch makes its mark in Mid Argyll

Scheme aims to tackle anti-social behaviour, vandalism and violence

A SCHEME which aims to cut out anti social behaviour, vandalism, violence and excessive drinking has resulted in three people being banned from ten licensed premises in Mid Argyll.

Pub Watch was launched in the area at the start of the year and already action has been taken to reduce the number of people acting out of order whilst under the influence of alcohol.

Two people have been banned for one year for violent conduct whilst one person has been banned for six months for confrontational behaviour with staff in licensed premises.

The project currently involves premises in Cairnbaan, Glassary, Lochgilphead and Ardrishaig and it is now hoped more business will get on board so the scheme can be rolled out across the area.

The scheme is run by

licence holders who meet to decide on how to deal with any incidents in their pubs and come to a decision on the best course of action.

June Craig, owner of the Tarbert Hotel and The Stag Hotel, in Lochgilphead, said people were certainly aware of the scheme.

'The news is certainly out there that the scheme is in place,' she said. 'I think it is like all new projects people will try to test the waters.'

The scheme also tackles under age drinking, with anyone caught buying alcohol for youngsters facing a ban.

June added this was a step in the right direction for improving the town.

'I think this will help improve the town and people who are looking to make a bit more money for themselves will think twice,' she said.



Musical talent from around Mid Argyll will perform at the Grand Gala Evening in Ardrishaig Public Hall.

Curtain up on Grand Gala Evening

RESIDENTS in Mid Argyll can enjoy some of the best musical entertainment in the area at the Grand Gala Evening this evening.

Mid Argyll Arts Association are presenting a Grand Gala Evening in Ardrishaig Hall tonight (Friday) from 7pm.

This is the final event in the associations'

calendar for the 2012-13 season and brings together acts of singing, speech and instrumental.

Perform

Some of the notable solos, groups and choir performances from this year's 2013 Mid Argyll Music Festival back in March will also perform.

The standard at this year's festival was very high as indicated by the adjudicators remarks and bodes well for the future.

The new season commences with the annual general meeting on Friday, August 30 with the first concert planned on September 28 when the artistes will be The Sutherland Duo on violin and piano.

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Trek up Ben Nevis for Befrienders

A GROUP of Argyll and Bute Council staff who are set to climb to the top of Ben Nevis in June are seeking volunteers to join them on their epic adventure.

Karen Rodger, from member services at Kilmory, along with friends, family and colleagues, will take the spirit of Hai Karate to the extreme, when they perform martial arts at

the highest point.

The group will raise money for Befrienders, a voluntary organisation which works with vulnerable children, young children and their families across Argyll and Bute. More than 70 people have signed up to take part in the climb but the group are keen for more to join.

Anyone who is

interested in taking part can contact Karen on 07887 501 758 or by email at Karen@kkskscotland.com

People who cannot make the climb but would like to make a donation can visit Karen's donate page at mydonate.bt.com/charities/befrienders, click on donate now and then I am not registered to make a donation.

Hector Scotland's favourite doggie

A LOCH Fyne dog has become a national celebrity after being named Scotland's Hotel Doggie of the Year.

Hector is a familiar site to patrons of The Creggans Inn, where his 'nice to meet you' routine includes a welcome yip, a wagging tail and one or two whisky kisses.

It seems the guests love him enough to nominate him for this one off accolade from the Scottish Hotel Awards.

He's since been lording the award around the hotel - an engraved bone tag attached to his collar.

Archie and Gill MacLellan owners of The Creggans Inn, said: 'He even has his own fan club and a regular slot on our hotel newsletters.'

The hotel also saw a Medaille D'Argent presented to chef Robbie Hutchinson for outstanding service.


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Mid Argyll communities urged to 'celebrate' with fund

COMMUNITIES in Mid Argyll are being urged to give themselves something to 'celebrate' - by winning a share of a £4 million fund.

The Lottery money is on offer as part of plans to mark next year's Commonwealth Games in Glasgow.

Grants of £500 to £10,000 will be available to communities across Scotland to hold arts, heritage, sports and celebrations of the 2014 Commonwealth Games.

Projects with links to the 71 countries and territories taking part in the games will also be eligible for the 'Celebrate' funding.

Michael Russell, MSP for Argyll and Bute, said: 'Celebrate will support communities to celebrate the diversity of the Commonwealth and create a legacy of community and Commonwealth connections.'

Celebrations can be a single one-off event or activities which end with a party. The special fund has been created by four Scottish Lottery distributors, Big Lottery Fund, Creative Scotland and Heritage Lottery Fund. More information, including case studies and the application form can be found on the Celebrate website at www.celebrateit.org.uk.

Young high school entrepreneurs have got new business success down to a 'T'

By OLIVIA KERR and ELLIE DONALD

A GROUP of entrepreneurs from Lochgilphead High School had a successful night at this year's Young Enterprise awards when they were named Best Overall Business.

The sixth year students who formed the group have worked together as a team since the start of the school year to produce their business idea, Plain Tease.

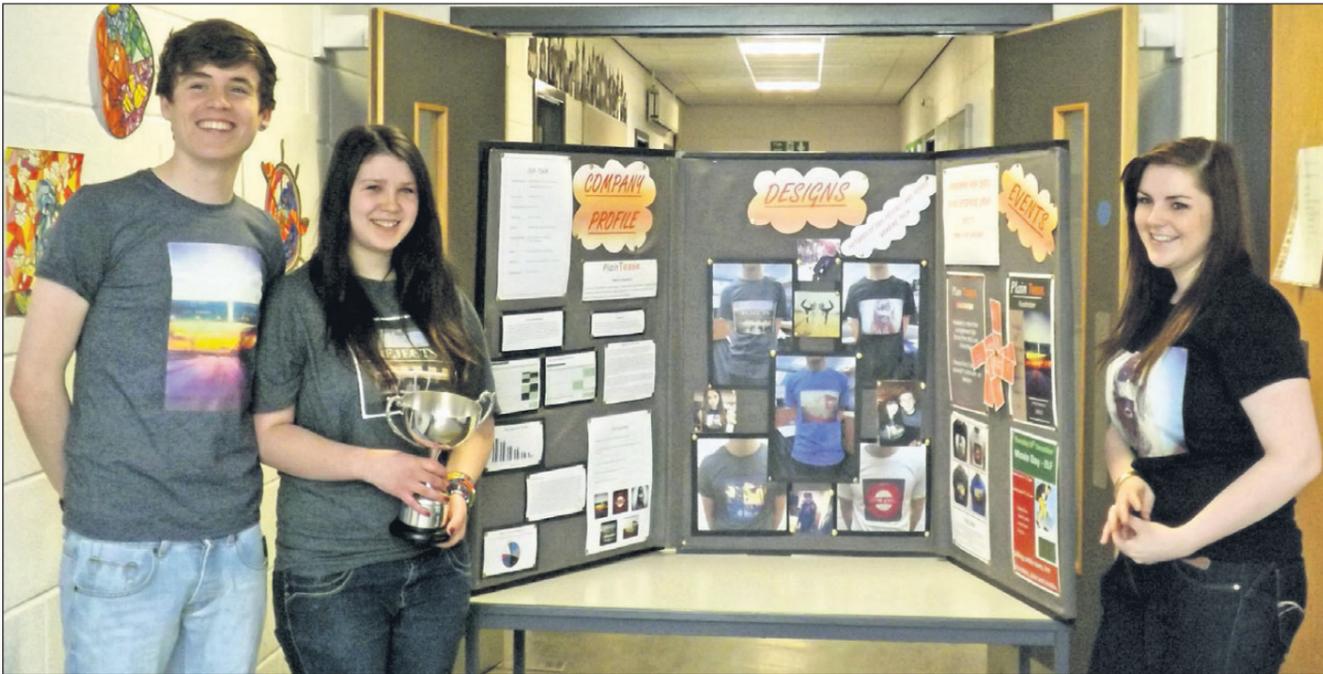
At the awards in Inveraray last week they faced tough competition from three other schools and also scooped an award for best trade stand.

The team decided on the concept of selling t-shirts with a variety of different designs and prints to the public and they were a huge hit - selling 94 out of a possible 100 units.

The aim of the company was to supply a product which would be popular with their target market and yet be of a high quality and reasonable price.

The group were faced with competition from three other schools and also picked up an award for their trade stand.

The entrepreneurs



Connor Boyd, Rosie Cairns, managing director of the Plain Tease, and Adele Sinclair picked up the Best Overall Business at the Young Enterprise awards.

will now face a further 16 businesses again in the finals on June 18 in Glasgow.

Rosie Cairns, managing director of the company said the experience had been a really enjoyable one.

She said: 'We mostly enjoyed coming up with the idea and seeing it develop, although winning the award was definitely a bonus.'

If given the oppor-

tunity again the group agreed they would improve communication and ideally set up a Facebook page as soon as an idea was finalised.

Even though the students will be leaving the campus at the end of this term they are determined to keep the business going and buy more stock to sell to customers.

Ms Devine, campus principal, praised the work of the pupils.

'I'm very pleased with the outcomes of this year's young enterprise team,' she said. 'The group have been focused and have produced a very high standard of work.'

Ms Devine hopes the strong success of this year's group and the well supported profile of Plain Tease would inspire many young enterprise groups in years to come.

Action on economic development

A NEW plan which focuses on Argyll and Bute Council's economic assets and how they can be capitalised on has been agreed by the council.

An economic development action plan for 2013 to 2018 is centred on various themes including competitiveness, connectivity, collaboration and compelling.

The council will focus on businesses, places, infrastructure, digital connectivity, European funding policy, employability and skills as part of the plan.

The plan will also seek ways of attracting new residents, visitors and inward investors to the region.

Scottish Natural Heritage warns drivers: look out for deer on road

MOTORISTS have been warned to slow down and to look out for deer in May to avoid any serious accidents.

The warning comes from Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH)

as the number of vehicle accidents involving deer peaks at this time of year, with the animals looking for new territories. Due to the high risk SNH in conjunction with Transport Scotland are placing

warning messages on trunk roads between April 29 and May 31 to remind motorists to drive with care. Research has revealed that more than 7,000 collisions between cars and deer occur every year.

Ten-year plan to transform canals

A NEW ten year strategy which could turn Scotland's canals into bustling centres for recreation, tourism, sport was announced by the Scottish Government this week.

Transport minister Keith Brown made the prediction when he revealed details of the Scottish Government's policy for the country's historic canals at the Scottish Parliament.

The government will focus on a number of areas to capitalise on

canals which include looking at the canal heritage, improving visitor experience and increasing the awareness of what canals have to offer to the area.

The news comes as the number of visitors walking and cycling along canal towpaths has increased by 300 percent in the past eight years, along with steady growth in water sports and tourism.

The work between Scottish Canals and organisations in the pub-

lic, private and third sectors along the canal corridors was praised for the positive changes being made to canals in the country.

Mr Brown said: 'Scotland's canals can play an important role by helping to stimulate economic development for some of the country's most populous communities. Our canals are important assets that we wish to see utilised in order to enhance quality of life and to help create a more successful, sustainable country.'

Balliemanoach Wind Farm Public Exhibition

Inazin is exploring the possibility of building a wind farm south-east of Portsonachan, Argyll.

A public exhibition about the project is being held:

Date: Wednesday 15 May 2013	Time: 3pm - 8pm
Location: Portsonachan Village Hall, Portsonachan, PA33 1BJ	

Date: Thursday 16 May 2013	Time: 3pm - 8pm
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Members of the project team will be available to answer your questions and welcome feedback about the proposal.

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NEWS that farmers in Mid Argyll and Kintyre are to be among those to benefit from a £6million funding page must be welcomed this week.

Farmers in this area in particular have suffered several and severe problems caused by the erratic weather in the past seven or eight months, with everything from drought to snow and downpours in between hitting crops and livestock alike - never mind making transporting goods more difficult.

Announced by the Scottish Government as the Advertiser went to press, the fund is to be administered by an industry group - a common sense move that means only those farmers who need the cash most will get it. Music to the ears of our farmers, no doubt.

So this £6million boost should also be music to the ears of the wider community too. Not only are our farmers important to our enjoyment of life in this rural landscape but the industry itself is vital for our economy.

It has been a hard time and many farmers would no doubt have started feeling the pinch. Less well publicised problems continue to bite into margins and, with that, livelihoods. Rising fuel prices don't just hit hard when filling the tractors or combine harvesters, but also have an adverse impact on transport costs for livestock and supplies. That in turn increases the cost of deliveries and livestock movement.

Livestock farmers will also testify to the increased cost of feed for their animals too - it all hurts and forces farmers to cut their own spending, in our communities.

So this money from the Scottish Government isn't just welcome, it's vital and will go a long way to helping an essential part of our community.

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Locality must recognise they are being tempted by money

Sir,

I was put in a fury earlier this month when I received a letter from RES UK and Ireland - the company behind the proposed Freasdail Wind Farm in Kintyre - offering to knock £235 off my electricity bill for every year of the windfarm's existence, providing it goes ahead.

This would be part of the company's 'community benefit' programme that also includes a generous annual payment in favour of the local community to spend as it pleases.

Now there are few households who would not welcome such a windfall, given the soaring price of electricity, due in no part to the consumers' obligation to fund the unconscionably high subsidies awarded to the wind farm developers.

These are the same developers who pursue their depredations around the countryside with the Government's blessing.

However, before we succumb to a surfeit of sycophancy and gratitude over such unbounded generosity, perhaps we should first check this out.

The financial deal fundamentally depends on the Freasdail project getting planning permission and for some time those pesky objectors have been letting their views be heard.

What has to be clearly understood from the outset is that the proposed wind farm, should it go ahead, would be one of the most obtrusive among the many that already industrialise our horizons and

most treasured vistas. There will be adverse implications for tourism, wildlife, biodiversity and quality of life for those in the vicinity.

The value of their houses will plummet, as has been well documented elsewhere. Most significantly, justification for the project is weak, because wind power is unreliable, uneconomic - without subsidies and Government favours - and ultimately unsustainable.

Information reaches us that opposition to Freasdail is considerable.

RES, no doubt, will be hoping to mitigate matters by appealing to the community through the power of its very considerable financial resources and perhaps stay the hand of those who would otherwise object to the planning application.

They might even get some letters of support.

However, I hope the locality can recognise when they are being tempted by money.

**Neil Duncan,
Stonefield Farms,
Tarbert.**

Community would benefit from discounted electricity

Sir,

In light of the recent comments by David Bridge, RES would like to make the following points in order to avoid any confusion regarding the new Local Electricity Discount Scheme (LEDS) for Freasdail Wind Farm.

1 LEDS has been developed in response to feedback from local communities around RES' existing and consented wind farms on how our projects can

deliver real, tangible benefits to them. The scheme at Freasdail Wind Farm has been launched following an initial consultation exercise at the public exhibitions in August 2012, at which we received a very positive response.

2 LEDS is voluntary and there is no requirement for any qualifying property to support our proposal for Freasdail Wind Farm. LEDS offers a discount of £235 year to qualifying properties and to join the scheme there is no requirement to change tariff or supplier.

3 Contrary to Mr Bridge's suggestion, RES will not be releasing the names of anyone who has signed up to the scheme to show support for the wind farm.

The positive feedback received to date shows that a discounted electricity scheme is a community benefit that many people want to receive and we look forward to many more qualifying properties registering their interest in LEDS at Freasdail.

**Rachel Anderson,
RES Community Relations
Manager.**

Protect our precious democracy

Sir,

There is a democratic and also a dictatorial path for wind farm developments.

Pray let us follow and claim our democratic rights that have been hard fought and died for over many years. Benefits to the community are based on a financial income of a few hundred thousand pounds per year and are the well-known proverbial sop.

This cannot be compared with the already proven income of millions from tourism over

the same proposed period of time and worse still, seriously and adversely affect that same tourism now and in the future. It will affect the highly acclaimed and unsurpassed beauty of our world-renowned Scottish landscapes and others elsewhere for many decades yet to come.

This is brought about through our most precious democratic rights being flouted because of the great poverty of mind of a minority of peoples' greed for power and wealth.

This is the realm of the rich who easily turn poor economies to their great advantage - let us therefore protect and not lose our precious democracy. Selling the beauty of our land cannot be likened to the 'family silver' as it is belongs to everyone - and more importantly, is our peoples very future and our children's true heritage.

The truth of that same heritage lies in the exquisite beauty of our countryside, created over millions of years and now threatened by man-made greed.

This same poverty of mind is changing our beautiful countryside at this present time - that same beauty that speaks to our souls.

All this has been created mystically for the benefit our very beings as we continue to search for the truth that leads us to love the light of true freedom - even in another age of man-made darkness.

**Thomas Glen,
Rosneimhidh Kames,
Lochgair.**

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Soup and sandwich lunch raises £300

FOUR STUDENTS from Argyll College raised £300 for the MS Centre in Lochgilphead to fund the centre's yoga classes.

Abby Ashworth, Alicia Battle, Marion MacLean and Gayle Maxwell hosted a soup and sandwich lunch in the centre on Saturday, which included an afternoon of games and a raffle.

Delighted

The event was organised by the girls as part of their NC administration course.

On the day the girls were delighted that so many people had shown their support for the charity that helps people with the debilitating illness.

The money raised will be able to fund 10 yoga classes for 12 people with mobility problems.

Speaking to the *Advertiser* Abby said: 'It went a lot better than we expected. We never thought we would raise so much money. 'Thank you to everyone who showed



Gayle Maxwell, Alicia Battle, Abby Ashworth and Marion MacLean raised £300 for the MS Centre in Lochgilphead at a soup and lunch fundraiser. 06_a18centre01

their support and were so kind.'

The event was part

of their communications and event planning module and they

said it was a great experience which they hope to repeat in the

future.

'It has been a really good experience and

I think it is something we hope to do again,' Abby said.

Hebridean Whale and Dolphin Trust looking for volunteers

VOLUNTEERS are being sought for The Hebridean Whale and Dolphin Trust's 2013 surveys off the west coast of Scotland.

The surveys, which will take place between May and September on the charity's research yacht, will gather information on the numbers and behaviour of whales, dolphins and porpoises from Islay to Cape Wrath.

Each survey trip will see up to six volunteers join marine scientists to work onboard Silurian for seven to 10 days.

Volunteers will contribute directly to research work, receive training in scientific techniques and in species identification, and gather comprehensive data through acoustic and visual methods.

For more information about the surveys, including costs to attend can be found on www.hwtdt.org or call 01688 302620.

New funding will allow MS Centre to employ outreach workers

Project is the next step to expanding facilities

AN EXCITING new project is to be launched by the MS Centre in Lochgilphead which will allow the service to reach more people across Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the isles.

The centre has received funding from the Health and Social Care Alliance Scotland, which will allow it to focus on expanding its service, including employing an outreach and community development worker.

The workers will be responsible for offering support for individuals in their homes with the aim of removing the ob-

stacles which stop them from living their lives.

The programme will also include developing a programme of therapies, including hand therapies and building a team of volunteers to support them.

The funding will be spread out across the next three years with the first year of the project focused on Mid Argyll before being rolled out across Kintyre the Isles.

Speaking to the *Advertiser* Karen McCurry, the MS Centre manager, said it was an exciting time.

She said: 'It is a very

exciting time. This will allow us to reach more people in the area with long term conditions.

'People who find it difficult to travel to the centre because of transport or people who have not really thought of using the centre will benefit. We hope that it will encourage more people to come into the centre as well.'

The project is the next step to expanding the facilities which are already on offer at the centre but, Karen said this does not mean the centre is not still struggling financially.

'We had reached a transitional stage and were ready to take a step to expand our reach from the centre in Lochgilphead, so we decided to submit a funding application to the Alliance,' Karen said.

'We had won the Self Management Project of the Year 2012 and it was suggested we apply for the funding.

'The money will be used directly for this project so the centre is still very much in need of the help and support of the community. This is another arm to our service.'

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New oral history of the Moine Mhor Nature Reserve

PEOPLE who have a story to tell about the Moine Mhor National Nature Reserve are being asked to come forward and take part in an exciting project which celebrates its history.

A new oral history project has been launched by Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH) which aims to capture the people of today and their stories, past or

present, of the mossy reserve.

Share

Steeped in history many people have lived, worked or visited the ancient landscape through the Dark Ages, Neolithic era Victorian age to present day and SNH want people to share their stories about the reserve.

People can share their stories of the present

or yesteryear by telling a story, poem or song about the ancient landscape.

The oral history project started in March and will continue throughout the year and people who would like to contribute can contact Mags Russell, SNH rural development officer on mags.russell@snh.gov.uk or telephone 01546 603611



The Moine Mhor National Nature Reserve is part of an exciting new oral history by Scottish Natural Heritage.

Annual Red Cross coffee morning

TOMORROW (Saturday) sees the Annual Red Cross coffee morning in the Red Cross Hall, Lochgilphead and, as always, scrumptious baking will be on sale.

Sunday marks the start of Red Cross week

with many projects both abroad and at home benefit from fundraising efforts which take place as part of the event.

Home baking

The first cuppa will be poured at 10.30am and people can enjoy the

delicious home baking whilst helping those in need at the same time.

On Tuesday, May 14 and Wednesday, May 15 the Red Cross Hall will host two soup and sandwich days to raise money.

Inveraray Pipe Band gear up for the busy season ahead



Inveraray and District Pipe Band will perform at the prestigious pre worlds concert later this year.

MEMBERS of Inveraray and District Pipe Band are gearing up for another busy season as they prepare to perform at the most prestigious concert on the pipe band calendar.

The award winning pipe band is busy preparing for the 2013 Pre-Worlds concert at Glasgow Royal Concert Hall in August, which comes the week before the World Pipe Band Championship.

Sell out

Hosted by Glasgow Skye Association Pipe Band, the *Ascension* concert looks set to be a sell out with 800 of the 2,000 tickets already sold before the pipe band season officially gets underway this month.

The concert is aptly named following the bands success since it reformed under Pipe Major Stuart Liddell in 2004 and has rapidly worked its way through the

ranks to join the top flight when it became a grade one pipe band in 2010.

Douglas Orr, a promoter of Glasgow Skye Association Pipe Band, said: 'We are thrilled at the response so far, but given the quality of the band and the worldwide reputations of the pipe major Stuart Liddell and leading drummer Steven McWhirter perhaps we shouldn't be too surprised.'

'We would like to thank all those who have bought their tickets early and would urge those have still to buy theirs to do so as soon as possible. It is going to be a great night with a terrific atmosphere.'

The concert will offer people the opportunity to see the pipe band perform at the highest level.

The band will start the pipe band season at the British Pipe Band Championships in Bathgate on May 25.

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Lovely laid back quality at *Glimpses of the Moon*

Review by: Sheila McCallum
GLIMPSES of the Moon was the title of the programme presented by Triplicity, a musical trio comprising Frances Cooper, soprano, Anne Lewis, Mezzo soprano and Coluin Dundas, piano, for the April concert organised by Mid Argyll Arts Association.

This was a cleverly devised theme with vocal items, many of which were unfamiliar to the audience.

The composer ranged from the 18th century to the present day and linking each song was a reading from *The Science of Stars* by EW Maunders.

Both ladies excelled in their solo renditions and were at one with each other in their duet singing.

Frances Cooper showed beautiful con-

trol of the vocal line in Schumann's *Mondnacht* and Duparc's *Chanson Triste*, whilst Anne Lewis produced a lovely warm tone, which was to be admired in Bellini's *Vaga Luna* and Handel's *O' Mithra*, which also included many passages of florid writing delivered with perfect articulation.

Delightful
 Frances displayed delightful characterisation in a setting of *The Owl and the Pussy Cat* by Matyas Seiber and *The Cat* by Ian MacDonald.

Memories of the Victorian era were evoked in Anne's extract from the *Lily of Killarney* - the moon was raised her lamp above - by the English composer, Sir Julius Benedict. *My Sweet Heart's the Man in the Moon* might well have been written for the music hall.

The singers combined for several duets and their voices blended perfectly and once again their linguistics expertise was evident with extracts in French, Italian and German.

There was lovely laid back, languid quality of their singing of *The Moon*, which preceded the final item *Fly Me to the Moon* that needed no introduction.

The musical accomplishment, artistry and personality of both singers shone like the moon throughout the evening.

Finally, none of this would have been possible without the faultless accompaniments of Coluin Dundas.

He was supportive, yet unobtrusive throughout and well deserved the warm applause given to the group by the small, but nevertheless, appreciative audience.

St Margaret's Church, Lochgilphead gains from coffee morning fundraising

MORE THAN £300 was raised for St. Margaret's Church in Lochgilphead at a fundraising coffee morning on Saturday.

Tea, coffee and delicious cakes were served up by members of the congregation at the coffee morning, which was held in Lochgilphead Baptist Church.

Money raised
 All the money raised will be put towards the funds of St Margaret's Church.

Helen Simpson, who organised the event, said: 'Thank you to everyone who came along keeping the church going.'

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Six year old Callum and his four year old sister Katie MacVicar with the cakes on sale at the St. Margaret's Church coffee morning. 06_a18coffee01

Staying in raises £400 for cancer support

FRIENDS gathered together in Inveraray over the weekend to raise more than £400 for MacMillan Cancer Support - by staying in for the evening.

Residents at Chalmers Court Sheltered Housing invited their friends along for an evening of musical entertainment, drinks and nibbles last Friday.

The event was organised as part of MacMillan's Really Good Night, which encouraged people to stay at home for the evening and donate the money they would normally spend on a night out to the charity.

Musical entertainment at the gathering was courtesy

of Fyne Folk and singer Laura Stewart who was accompanied by guitarist Luke Schofield.

The event was organised by Sheena Stewart, community support assistant at Chalmers Court Sheltered Housing, who said they were delighted with the final total.

She said: 'I'm absolutely over the moon. It's more than we could have asked for and it is such a worthwhile cause and is an opportunity for us to give something back.'

'I would like to say thank you to all the shops and businesses that donated food and prizes.'



Ishobel Frater and her husband Adam stayed in for the night to raise money for MacMillan Cancer Support. 06_a18macmillan01

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1 Small engine vehicle (5)

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5 Altering bell sounds (6,7)

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Is there anyone in there? Spirit hunters reveal spooky secrets of Inveraray Jail

Inveraray Jail is well known for its spooky goings on, with ghost hunts often held at the popular museum. So, when Psychic Trio Investigations invited an *Advertiser* reporter to see for themselves if there was any truth to it, we sent sceptical reporter Kali Lindsay along to find out more.

A OUIJA board out of control, rattles on the wall, whispers in the ear - a night of ghost hunting at Inveraray Jail was enough to make anyone believe spirits do in fact linger on earth.

With the full moon beaming down and a distinct chill in the air, conditions were almost too perfect for myself and 16 other brave souls to head into the jail on the search for ghosts.

The event had been organised by the newly formed Psychic Trio Investigations, which is made up of psychics Linda McCann and

REPORT BY
KALI LINDSAY
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Michael Wood, and sketch artist Tam Smith. I went into the night with an open mind, intrigued to see how the trio work. As we walked to the jail as a group to watch them work you could be forgiven for asking the question - is it faked?

When asked, Linda said: 'We could make it up but we don't - what do we have to gain from that?'

By the end of the night it was clear we were all believers, whilst Linda,



A group of spirit hunters reached a three year old girl on the ouija board. 06_a18jail05

Tam and Michael were clearly shaken by what we had seen.

A walk around the jail revealed a pretty angry ghost in the new jail.

'I can see a spirit, he's right up in my face. He's around 18-years-old, cocky and he wants us to leave,' Linda said.

We did, but it was not without one of the group getting a kick and another a little shove from an unseen source. It was not the last the group had seen of him that night.

At that point Michael and I joined a smaller group of six and we headed upstairs to a séance. It was time to make a call to the spirits.

We joined hands and asked for a ghost to come forward. Asking them to touch you is encouraged. It makes you believe - apparently - and Michael was keen for one to touch me so I could say it was real. I was convinced when, after 20 minutes of asking, there was thud

on the wall.

Screams echoed through the jail hands seriously squished as fear took hold. The torches were quickly back on.

Speaking to Michael, who has seen spirits since the age of five, it was clear he was finding parts of the night distressing. I wondered, was this was a gift or a curse?

'Sometimes yes and no, sometimes you just want to switch off,' Michael said. 'If I'm lying in bed and a spirit just sits on it I have to turn my back. I often wonder what they all want.'

Enough things had gone bump in the night by that point and we headed downstairs to regroup.

Whilst we were upstairs, the other group tried out a ouija board; it had been more eventful

clearly confused and unable to spell. The group stuck to yes or no questions.

Tam, who sketches the faces he sees, was quickly scribbling on his note pad.

Finger on the glass, you could feel the energy build up, the spirit trying to move it.

'If you're there come forward,' one woman asked.

The glass started moving, but not for long. After an hour of trying, the girl had left.

As the night drew to a close it had clearly been a huge success as the group met to discuss the evening's events.

'The court room was brilliant,' Lynn said. This had been one of the rooms people could go in twos to sit in the dark.

'There were balls rolling and doors opening, it was fab!'

For Michael, Tam and Linda the night was a huge success, though they were clearly shaken as well.

Linda said: 'I think it was a really good night. There was so much activity, it was great. I think what we have here is unique.'



Tam Smith, left, Linda McCann and Michael Wood make up the Psychic Trio Investigation team. 06_a18jail07

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Go and get pampered at Me L'amour

A LOCHGILPHEAD woman has teamed up with a hotel to open a spa which will offer a range of treatments and packages to visitors and residents in Mid Argyll.

Lynsey Fyfe opened Me L'amour in the Grey Gull Hotel after she was approached by Heather Leighton, who runs the hotel.

Lynsey, who studied complementary therapies at Glasgow College, opened the business in October in the old conference room, but as the summer months approach hopes to target tourists and the lucrative wedding season.

Waxes

The 26-year-old offers a range of treatments which include Moroccan Hammams body scrubs, massages, tanning, nail treatments and eyebrow waxes.

The spa will offer

weekend packages to residents staying in the hotel and day packages which would be ideal for local residents who want to get pampered for the day.

'I want to offer an affordable experience to people so it's not just a treat that they have to save up for,' she said.

Ideal

'Being in the hotel is ideal as I can offer weekend and day spa breaks, which we hope to start soon and people will be offered a soup and sandwich lunch so they will use the hotel as well.'

To expand the business Lynsey will launch her own range of beauty products which she will sell at events in the area.

'I'm quite excited about this and it will include body scrubs, moisturisers and lip balms,' she said.



Lynsey Fyfe, who runs Me L'amour in the Grey Gull Hotel, pampers Sandra Staniland with a nail treatment. 06_a18beauty01

New restaurant at Empire Travel Lodge

THE OWNERS of the Empire Travel Lodge in Lochgilphead have decided to expand their business and open up a new restaurant.

Elle and Jim Hunter will open the doors of the Empire Bistro for the first time tonight (Friday) and will serve up traditional Scottish evening meals to residents.

The restaurant is an expansion to the nine rooms in the lodge, which the couple have ran for seven years, and comes after they spotted a gap in the market.

Speaking to the *Advertiser* about their business venture Elle, who will do the cooking herself, said a traditional restaurant would be perfect in the town.

'It was once a restaurant called Burns' and people have often asked us about re-opening it so we thought why not,' she said. 'I think this is exactly what the town needs, a nice restaurant with traditional food,' she said.

The restaurant, which can seat up to 25 people, is an opportunity for the couple to not just cater for locals but those that stay in the lodge.

'We often have cyclists and other guests who stay with us and they ask where there is to eat so it makes sense that we can cater for them here,' she said.

The restaurant will be open Wednesday to Sunday evenings and booking is advisable.

Are you ready for your seasonal staff?

In the tourism industry especially many employers take on temporary workers over the summer season.

Employers need to be aware of the issues of employing seasonal staff and their legal obligations.

Obligations

Argyll and Bute Council's Business Gateway is on hand to help local businesses understand their obligations by providing support from business advisers and a range of interactive online tools.

Pre-employment checks on all employees are required some checks are optional but advisable like checking qualifications or references, whilst others are a legal requirement.

Employers must ensure all workers are entitled to be in the UK and to take up the job in question.

The moment an applicant unconditionally accepts a job offer a contract of employment comes into existence and the terms can be written,

oral, implied or a mixture of all three.

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Opt out agreement

Unless the worker has signed an opt out agreement, or an exemption applies, workers aged 18 or over cannot be forced to work for more than 48 hours a week on average. This applies to temporary

workers as well as permanent employees. Temporary workers, like permanent employees, are entitled to a rest break of at least 20 minutes if they work more than six hours.

Workers who are over the minimum school-leaving age but under 18 must not work for more than eight hours a day or 40 hours a week, which cannot be averaged out and there is no opt-out available.

Seasonal staff must be of and understand company pol-

icies as employers are liable for acts of temporary employees in same way as permanent employees.

Additional guidance

Business Gateway can provide additional guidance on any of these subjects and a range of useful policy templates and pro formas to help small businesses meet these obligations.

To find out more visit www.bgateway.com or contact the local office on 01546 605 459

Maternity outfits get the Wham Bam Glam alternative edge

A LOCHGILPHEAD woman has launched her own range of maternity and baby clothing which has an alternative edge after spotting a gap in the market.

Lauren Rutherford, the force behind Wham Bam Glam Clothing, has launched a new range of maternity wear specifically for goth, punk and emo mums to be and their new-born babies.

There are no fluffy rabbits or pastel shades in

the Wham Bam Glam baby collection. Tattoo motifs in strong colours and black romper suits, complete with skeletons, take the place of traditional new-born neutral styles.

Inspiration

Speaking about her inspiration behind the fashion range Lauren, who studied fashion at Glasgow and received a start up grant from the Prince's Trust to launch the company, said there

is a lack of alternative maternity and baby clothing.

'Women who have developed an alternative look, whether it's tattoos, goth, emo, punk, skater, rockabilly or rock n roll, don't want to wear florals and pastels while they're pregnant,' she said.

'I wanted to find comfortable clothes that would fit and flatter, and reflect the distinctive look of these women.

Now, they can maintain their identity and look great throughout their pregnancy. They can give their babies with a similar look too.'

Online

Lauren's collection is available to buy online and the range was a hit when she exhibited at the Scottish Tattoo Convention in Edinburgh.

The full range of clothing and accessories can be seen at www.whambamglamclothing.co.uk

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Crofters and farmers urged to consider eagle management scheme

‘Sea eagles are a protected species, but we recognise their presence can occasionally lead to conflict with livestock rearing’

SCOTTISH Natural Heritage has opened the sea eagle management scheme to farmers and crofters for a third year as the eagle breeding season gets underway.

The initiative aims to assist land managers reduce the risk of losing livestock while helping the eagles thrive, thereby boosting tourism.

Over the last two years, 50 contracts with land managers have been signed, with £164,652 in grants being paid for extra shepherding, fencing, sheep tick and fluke treatment, and management benefitting sea eagles.

This included work in Skye, Wester Ross, Lochaber, Mull, Lorn, Islay, and the Outer Hebrides.

Following reports that eagles regularly take lambs, SNH says it is keen to address problems ‘as sea eagles move into new territories or come into conflict with livestock’

Farmers and crofters are being advised to contact their local SNH office to discuss what options are available to help.

Ross Lilley, SNH sea eagle scheme manager,



Over the last two years 50 contracts with land managers have been signed with grants being paid to accommodate sea eagles

said: ‘I’d encourage any farmers or other land managers with concerns about the impact of sea eagles on their livestock to look into the scheme.’

‘Sea eagles are a protected species, but we recognise their presence can occasionally lead to conflict with livestock rearing and we want to help minimise this where possible.’

He added: ‘The conservation success story of Scotland’s sea eagles owes a huge amount to the extensive farming and crofting systems of

the west coast that have provided the landscape, habitats and food stocks for the species to thrive.

‘On vulnerable farms and crofts, every lamb counts and any measures available to farmers and crofters through the schemes that help mitigate any adverse impacts of sea eagles are welcome.’

‘Practical measures to help improve hill flock productivity are available through the scheme. These are there to be taken up by the increasing number of farmers and

crofters who are hosting the birds but may not benefit from the wider economic lift generated by their resurgence.’

The management scheme, open to anyone who manages land within the vicinity of breeding sea eagles in Scotland, is operated on behalf of the Sea Eagle Partnership, which includes the Scottish Government, NFU Scotland, RSPB, Scottish Land and Estates (SLE), the Scottish Crofting Federation, FCS and Visit Scotland.

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Bulls averaged 176p and sold to 213p per kg for an Aberdeen Angus from Carra View, Tayinloan and £755 for two 370kg Herefords from Whitehill Kennels, Crossgates.

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Members of Cumlodden, Lochfyneside and Lochgair Church raised almost £1,000 for church fund through a sponsored walk at the weekend. Some of the walkers are pictured enjoying a bowl of home-made soup after their efforts. 06_a18lch01

Church walkers raise £1,000

ELEVEN walkers put on their boots to raise almost £1,000 for Cumlodden, Lochfyneside and Lochgair Church.

The sun was shining down on members of the congregation who

FURNACE

walked from Inveraray to Furnace to raise money for the church on Saturday morning.

The weary travellers

were rewarded for their eight mile trek, which took almost three hours, with a bowl of home made soup and sandwiches that were waiting for them at Furnace Village Hall.



Primary school shinty memories

AN ARDRISHAIG resident brought this photograph of Lochgilphead Primary School shinty team, who were crowned Scottish Champions in 2004, into the Advertiser office. John Crawford has donated the photograph of to the Lochgilphead Joint Campus

ARDRISHAIG

ahead of the tenth anniversary of the side's victory. The team was led to its victory by John's wife Donella and assistant coach Alex Cunningham.

CARRADALE

Swan Song a hit with audience

MEMBERS of Carradale Drama Club performed at this year's Argyll Drama Festival and their production of Swan Song was a huge hit with the audience.

The performance gave many people in the audience poignant and heart warming moments.

Scottish Series welcomes Maritime Art Workshop

THE MARITIME Art Workshop will be held at the Scottish Series on Saturday May 25.

The event will be held at Tarbert Harbour and be part of the celebrations of the popular sailing event.

TARBERT

Check out the Advertiser in the coming weeks for more information on all the activities planned at the event.

TIGNABRUAICH

Portavadie Marina charity spring fashion show

LADIES who are looking for a new look can shop and help raise money for charity at a spring fashion show at Portavadie Marina.

The Portavadie and White Rabbits Boutique Spring Charity Fashion Show will be held on May 18 and whilst people shop till they drop they can also help raise cash for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Along with the fashion show people can enjoy a cocktail on arrival, two course meal and can take home a goodie bag.

Popular sailing event returns for three days

THE SCOTTISH Series is back at Portavadie Marina this month with three nights of entertainment to be enjoyed.

The popular sailing

event will stop at the marina and there will be a host of entertainment from Friday, May 24 to Sunday, May 26.

Music will be played in the marquee which will include performances from DJ Stephen McCafferty, Acoustic Soundz and Canned Haggis will lead the closing with closing ceilidh.

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800 enter MOK Run this year

Volunteer marshalls still required

NOW attracting worldwide attention, Campbeltown's annual MOK Run half marathon and 10k in three weeks' time will welcome a record 800 competitors.

'We were inundated with entry inquiries from around the world,' said race secretary Elaine McGeachy.

'Within nine days, our 800 limit had been reached. It was crazy.'

'I had a late inquiry from Canada. They have already booked their spot in next year's race.'

The demand for the event may have a lot to do with Runners World magazine naming MOK the UK's top half marathon in 2010, 2011 and 2012 because of 'the overall event experience'.

It added: 'How many races do you know that offer a post-race ceilidh and a song-writing festival?'

MOK is indeed more than just two running

races - it is a week-end-long festival which has made it hugely attractive for participants from near and far.

Now, locals who are not actually competing are being given a chance to join in the fun and help continue the huge success of an event which promotes the attractions and delights of Kintyre.

Volunteer

'We are still looking for volunteer race marshalls,' said race secretary Elaine McGeachy. 'It is a great chance for people to help out and be in the thick of the action.'

'Marshalls have a very important role to play.'

Anyone wishing to volunteer can call 07736 180 428.

The MOK event will see pipe bands, brass bands and other musicians for entertainment as well as the ever-popular Funky Chicken for children.

There will also be stalls and refreshments for spectators and runners at the finish area. All finishers will receive a fantastic goody bag and a Campbeltown Pottery medal.

The Race Expo at the Aqualibrium from 1pm-8pm on Saturday, May 25 will also have a variety of health and fitness stalls, displays and free talks by chi running expert Nick Constantine and Triathlon Scotland, as well as a pasta party in the evening.

There are still a few places left in the junior races for 6-14 year olds on Kinloch Green, beside the Aqualibrium, on the Saturday. Entry forms are available from Aqualibrium, Wee Toon Sports or download from www.mokrun.com.

Travelling competitors have now been informed they can take advantage of the new ferry service from Ardrossan launching the same weekend.



Scott Govan, one of MOK's oldest competitors, celebrates finishing the 10k last year. In the centre is his eldest son Donald and right is his son-in-law Finlay Keith. c18mokfamily01no

Annual pilgrimage to the MOK Run 10k for Glasgow family

A GROUP of Glasgow family relations are becoming regular faces at the Mull of Kintyre 10k.

The Govans and Keiths first made the trip to Southend to scatter the ashes of Isobel Govan, nee Clark, who died of cancer in 2004 aged 65.

However, they enjoyed the weekend break in Kintyre so much they have come back every May since.

Widower

And since 2009, Isobel's widower, Scott, now 77, has run the 10k with his sons Donald, 39, and

Mark, 37, who are both members of Clydesdale Harriers.

'There were nine of us when we first stayed at the Ardshiel Hotel in 2005,' said Scott's son-in-law, Finlay Keith, 42. 'Now there will be 14 family members there this year.'

'The weekend has become an annual pilgrimage and is now centred around the 10k. It is enjoyable, and there is a fun atmosphere.'

Mr Keith told how Isobel's mother, Isabella Cameron, a former Campbeltown Grammar

dux, left the area for Glasgow University in the 1930s.

Isobel and her elder brother Ian spent their childhood holidays in Campbeltown, playing with her cousins Flora and Alex McLean who were brought up in the town.

Raise funds

Mr Keith added that the family, hopefully represented by six runners instead of the usual four, intended to raise funds for MacMillan Care next year to mark the 10th anniversary of Isobel's death.

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Post office opens in £500 garden shed

A RETIRED civil engineer has put Southend on the map - by opening a post office in a small £500 garden shed.

A lot more people in Scotland are now

aware of the beautiful Kintyre seaside village after John McDowall, 60, opened for business in a 8ft by 10ft hut.

Nearly every daily paper in the country



The tiny post office in Isobel Mathieson's garden at 22 Rhudal Cottages, Drumlemble. c08_c18post02

ran stories last weekend about it being the smallest post office in Scotland.

And Southend got publicity all over again when it was then pointed out that there was an even smaller operation, out of an 8ft by 6ft hut, in Kylescu, Sutherland.

Meanwhile, nearby Drumlemble also has an 8ft by 6ft post office - made only marginally bigger by a tiny 'porch'.

'We tried to explain to the journalist who ran the original story that there was a smaller one in Drumlemble, but he didn't seem to pick that up,' laughed John's wife, Margaret, 62, this week.

'We don't want to step on anyone's toes



John McDowall in his new Southend Post Office. 08_c18post01

by claiming to be the smallest. Isobel Mathieson, who runs the Drumlemble office, gave us a lot of help before we opened.'

The new Southend Post Office was first mooted by the village community council after the previous one, based at the Argyll Arms pub, closed a few years ago.

It left locals facing a 20-mile round trip to Campbeltown.

John, 60, who retired early on health grounds, decided to press ahead with providing a service.

After being trained for a week by the Post Office, his self-assembled shed, complete with full electrics, phone line and alarm link to the police, now sits in the centre of the village near the play park.

John opens 10am to noon Monday to

Friday, except on Wednesday which is 9am to 10am. 'Then I am off to Dunaverdy for a round of golf,' he said.

The McDowells also confirmed that their office may only be a temporary solution.

'It is the aim of Southend Community Council to build a community hall, and the plan is for that to have a specially-built room as a post office,'

said Margaret.

At Drumlemble, Isobel, 56, told the *Courier* how she had run her office from the garden of the family home for 28 years after near neighbour, Jessie Lewis, retired and closed her garden shed post office.

'Her hut may have been even smaller, and I think she ran the office for even longer than me,' said Isobel.

Tourism group keen to make part of the A83 a World Heritage Route

KINTYRE'S section of the A83 could become a World Heritage Site after it was announced the idea is to once again be investigated.

At last Friday's Kintyre Initiative Working Group meeting, chairman Rory Colville explained that the Explore Kintyre tourism group was keen to look into making the road from Ronachan down to Westport a UNESCO World Heritage Route.

The idea was original-

ly investigated in 2008, but eventually fizzled out.

Reasons

Rory Colville explained the rich history of the area as well as the fact visitors constantly pull over to take photos of the views were reasons for making a case.

He said: 'Somebody has to pull all that together, the history of the sea and the land.'

'The whole community needs to be behind it. Once we start build-

ing up the case we can advertise the fact we are promoting this as a World Heritage Route.'

According to councillor Colville, someone has already volunteered to research both the cultural and geological history of the area, but it could be five years before it becomes part of the World Heritage List.

Once the case has been built up it has to go to Westminster where it will be decided if it should be taken for-

ward. It then goes on a nomination document, before being considered by the World Heritage Committee.

Fully supportive

Mary Dott, of Explore Kintyre explained the project was in its very early stages, adding: 'This is something that Explore Kintyre is fully supportive of as it is undoubtedly one of the most scenic routes in Scotland and is often talked about by visitors.'

Air your views at community council meeting

MEMBERS of the public are being invited to air their views at a special meeting of Campbeltown Community Council next Monday, May 13.

The meeting, which will also include the attendance of NHS managers, has been organised to discuss changes to the number of beds at the town's hospital.

Presentation

NHS staff will give a presentation on the proposed changes, with a chance for questions at the end.

Derek Leslie, director of operations for Argyll and

Bute, will also be in attendance to discuss the proposed methadone clinic.

Local councillor Donald Kelly is urging members of the public to attend. He said: 'I know many constituents are very concerned regarding the NHS proposals to establish a methadone clinic and reduce the number of beds. This is an opportunity for them to question the NHS about these proposals and have their say.'

The meeting starts at 7.30pm and will be at the Victoria Hall.

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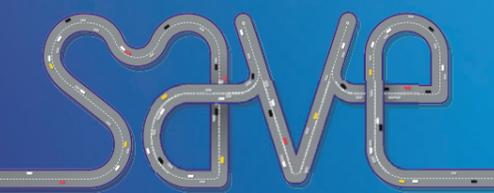
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The church at Glenorchy had a mantle of low mist around it as the worshippers made their way through the ancient graveslabs and into the church.

I thought how much life has changed since these past saints raised their voices in praise.

The hills have remained the same, the glens are unchanged, yet our whole way of life has changed so dramatically in so many ways.

I wonder if we give to God the offerings of our faith today or if we cling to the worship offered in the past.

I wonder if we sing a new song often enough to the Lord – a song that will tell him of our feelings in this 21st century.

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In 1933 Miss Lindsay-MacDougall joined St Hilda's College in Oxford, where she studied modern history. After graduating in 1936 she went on to complete a PhD on early Tudor letter books.

These years of study were followed by a short spell, teaching history at Benenden School in Sussex, which was brought to an end by the outbreak of the Second World War.

Miss Lindsay-MacDougall contributed to the war effort wholeheartedly, initially taking up a role in the War Office where she helped identify potential enemy spies.

She went on to work in covert operations, to defend London, including covering the Thames with soot so German bombers could not use it for navigation.

Joining the WRNS in 1941, Miss Lindsay-MacDougall went on to serve in many stations around Britain before being sent to Sri Lanka to ensure the safe passage of prisoners of war heading home.

Academic career

She left service in 1946 and swiftly resumed her academic career, taking up the position of custodian of manuscripts at the National Maritime Museum in Greenwich.

Miss Lindsay-MacDougall's effort at the museum saw order brought to the ar-



Katherine Lindsay-MacDougall.

chives but her outstanding achievement was to bring together Nelson's letters to his wife. The collection came into the public domain when the Nelson Papers were purchased by

collection in 1958 did they become an invaluable resource for anyone who wanted to learn more about Nelson. **Painstaking** But she never got the credit she deserved for her painstaking hard work. The letters were published as the labours of G Naish, a senior member of staff at the museum who insisted on the glory for himself. Disheartened, Miss Lindsay-MacDougall

contracted in Zambia.

She moved to the Dower House, part of Lunga House, near Ardfern and spent 41 happy years there, becoming a pillar of the local community.

Miss Lindsay-MacDougall had spent summers at the family home at Lunga as a child, playing with her brother John in the open countryside and beach. In later years she became a much loved member of the local community and had an encyclopaedic knowledge of local history.

She ran a bed and breakfast business with great enthusiasm and was devoted to her family, organising an annual New Year trip.

Loved lift

Katherine Lindsay-MacDougall loved life, and lived it, enjoying a distinguished career, the love of her family and taking pleasure from the simple things, including the view over Loch Craignish from her house.

Her father had died on the first day of the Battle of the Somme in 1916 when she was only six months old, her mother had succumbed to septicaemia in 1945 and her elder brother was killed in the invasion of Sicily in 1943. Miss Lindsay-MacDougall passed away exactly when she said wanted to, on the birthday of her brother John, February 28.

A pillar of the Ardfern community for 41 years



Portrait of Katherine when she was around five years old.



With her brother John on the beach.

TEXT FOR THE WEEK

'Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength' (Isaiah 40:31).

BIRTHS



BELLAMY

Colin and Kimberly are delighted to announce the safe arrival of their son, Zac Neil-Alexander Bellamy, on April 21, 2013. A first grandson for Rhona and Keith and Isobel and Geoff. Thanks to midwives at Southern General and Campbeltown.



BLACK

Archie and Arlene (née Taylor) are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Taylor Elizabeth, born April 14, 2013. First grandchild for Duncan and Tan and the late Jimmy and Liza. With thanks to all midwives at Campbeltown and Southern General.

DEATHS

LESLIE - Peacefully, at Campbeltown Hospital, Campbeltown, on April 26, 2013, Margaret McQuistan Stewart, Avondale, High Askomil, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Allan Leslie and much loved daughter of the late Alexander and Mary Stewart. A memorial service will be held in the Lorne and Lowland Church, on Friday, May 3, 2013 at 1.00pm. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A private cremation service will take place at Cardross, on Monday, May 6.

MACDONALD - Peacefully at Ardfenaig Residential Home, Ardrishaig, on April 30, 2013, Agnes MacDonald, née Gallacher, in her 89th year, formerly of 7 Queen Elizabeth Cottages, Furnace, beloved wife of the late Donnie MacDonald, much loved mum of Allan, Donald and Sine and loving granny of Robert, Laura, Katie and Iman. A much respected mother-in-law and good friend to many. Funeral service will be held in Inveraray Parish Church, on Tuesday, May 7 at 12.00 noon, thereafter to Kilevin Cemetery.

SCALLY - Peacefully at the Western Infirmary, Glasgow, on April 26, 2013, James Scally (Jim), in his 79th year, 27 Lorne Campbell Court, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of May Duncan, much loved father of John, David and Mairi and a loving grandad and great grandad.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

DEWAR - Following Jess's recent passing, the family would like to thank everyone for the many kind expressions of sympathy. Grateful thanks to all the doctors, home care staff and medical staff from West Dunbartonshire for their excellent help, care and attention to Jess during her last few weeks. Our thanks to Rev Hilda Smith for comforting service; to D Macdonald for excellent handling of the funeral arrangements and Stag Hotel for catering. Finally our thanks to all who attended at church and graveside.

MAXWELL - Tommy, James and family would like to thank everyone for their kind support on the loss of Bunty. Sincere thanks to the Mid Argyll and Royal Alexandra hospitals and the local ambulance service for their care and support. Thanks to Rev D Carruthers for his kind and comforting service. Thanks also to D MacDonald's for their seamless and professional service which they provided and to the Grey Gull Hotel, Ardrishaig for the catering, which did us proud. Finally, thanks for everyone's generosity, which raised over £700 for the Mid Argyll Community Hospital.

SINCLAIR - The family of the late Helen Sinclair would like to thank everyone most sincerely, for the many kind expressions of sympathy received in their recent sad bereavement. Special thanks to all medical staff involved in her care, all staff at Lynn of Lorne Care Home, Benderloch for the kind care and attention received, to Rev Louis Bezuidenhout and Dr Roddy MacLeod for their support and comforting service, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, George Hotel for catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. The collection for Alzheimer Scotland raised £250.

WEIR - Tina and family would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy, phone calls, cards and visits received following their recent sad loss of Alex. Grateful thanks to doctors and nursing staff of Mid Argyll Hospital, and to Argyll Homecare team for their care and attention to Alex. Our thanks also to Margaret Sinclair for a lovely service and tribute; to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for their efficient and caring arrangements and to the Grey Gull Hotel for excellent purvey. Finally, our thanks to those who attended at church and graveside to pay their respects. Your kindness and support was greatly appreciated. The total collection raised over £320 for Ardrishaig Church Funds.

IN MEMORIAM

CAMERON - In loving memory of Ilene, who sadly passed away April 17, 1992, and Donnie on May 1, 2010. A loving mum, gran, pappie and dad. Treasured memories keep you near, As time unfolds another year. Forever in our thoughts. - Kenny, Joyce, Scott and Lewis xx.

JACKSON - Treasured memories of Margaret, a much loved and remembered friend, died May 5, 2012. - Mary.

MCCALLUM - Treasured memories of our mum, Tessa (Scally), died May 5, 2007. Also our dad, Archie (Caddy), died January 6, 1993. Always in our thoughts. - Maureen, Robert, John and family.

MCGUINNESS - In memory of our much loved dad, John (Ian), who died May 6, 2009. We love and miss you every day, Dad. - Mary, Robert, James, Elizabeth, grandchildren and families.

MCGUINNESS - In loving memory of Ian, a dear brother, brother-in-law and uncle, died May 6, 2009. When thoughts return as they often do, We treasure the memories we have of you. - From the family at Ayr, Carlisle and Lochgilhead.

MITCHELL - In loving memory of a beloved husband, father and grandad, Robert, died May 3, 2012; a beloved granddaughter, daughter, sister and niece, Amelia Hope, died May 5, 2010, 27 days old; a loving son, brother and uncle, Robert, died June 1, 1987, aged 16 years old. Those we love don't go away. They walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near. Still loved, still missed and very dear. - The Mitchell family, home and away.

RENNIE - In loving memory of Tricia, a dearly loved wife, died May 2, 2012. Gone is the face I loved so dear, Silent the voice I loved to hear, Tis sad but true, I wonder why. The best are always the first to die. Missing you is a heartache that never goes away. - Richard.

ROBERTSON - In loving memory of our beloved son, Peter, died May 5, 2012. Deep in our heart you will always stay. Loved and remembered every day. - Mum and Dad xx.

ROBERTSON - In loving memory of Peter, died May 5, 2012. Look around your garden, Lord. For an angel with a smile. That will be our dad. He must stand out a mile. He gave us many things in life. Gifts both big and small. But the greatest gift he gave us. Was the love he shared with all. Miss you so much. - Love from Barbara, Paul, Isobel, Jake, Skye, Lara and Jensen.

ROBERTSON - In loving memory of Peter, a dear brother, brother-in-law and uncle, who died on May 5, 2012. Forever in our hearts. - Anmarie, Mick, Kelly and Charlene.

STEWART - Marjorie (Madge), twenty years on May 8. Sadly missed, remembered always. - Love, Jimmy, your daughters and grandchildren xx.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES

TARBERT LOCHFYN AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
Sunday 5th May, 2013
Service of Communion
Tarbert Service 11.45am
to be held in Tarbert Free Church
Rev. Tommy Bryson
For all church enquiries and pastoral care
Telephone 01880 821012
Everyone very welcome
SC002622

LOCHGILHEAD PARISH CHURCH
SUNDAY 5TH MAY 2013
11am Worship Service
2.30 pm Children's Club
Rev. Hilda Smith
All Welcome
Further information
(01546) 606218
www.lpchurch.co.uk
Lochgilhead (Church of Scotland) SC016311

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES
"It is good to sing praises to our God"
Achohoish at 9:45am
Ardrishaig at 11:00am
oOo
5th May
1 Corinthians 2
"your faith does not rest upon human wisdom but on God's power"
Registered Scottish Charities
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NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
Charity Number SC001002
Sunday 5 May
Tayvallich Church 10 am
Morning Worship
Rev. Cliff Acklam
Sunday 5 May
Carsaig Bay 12 noon
Sailing Service
David Logue
All welcome
All welcome
www.argyllcommunities.org/nknapdalecofs

CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH
Communion Service
5th May, 11:00 am
Visiting speaker Andy Bell with Sunday school
Tea & coffee after the service
Baby & Toddler Group
10:00 - 11:45 am
every Thursday
Meeting of Members
Thursday 9th May, 7:30 pm
Upper room, Guide Hall
We meet in the Guide Hall, Kinloch Road
For more information please visit our website
www.campbeltowncommunitychurch.co.uk
SC043322

Highland Parish Church
SCO02493
Sunday 5th May 2013
11.15am Communion Service
Elders meet at 10.45am
Fun Day Club in hall
JAM in church
Preacher: Rev C Hood
Wednesday 8th May 2013
7.30pm Bible Study
Ballywilline Farm
Everyone very welcome

CHRIST CHURCH SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Bishopton Road, Lochgilhead
01546 602315
Eucharist Service
Sundays 11 am
Everyone welcome
SC013787

WEST LOCHFYNESIDE Church Services 5 May - all welcome!
Cumloddan Lochfyneside and Lochgair
Charity No. SC016097
Morning Service Lochgair Church at 11.30am
Glenaray and Inveraray
Charity No. SC016665
Morning Service Inveraray at 11.30am
Short service in Chalmers Court at 2.30pm

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH
Sunday, 5th May 2013
Ford 11.30am.
Rev. Cliff Acklam
All welcome
SC002121

LOCHGILHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
All Welcome
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson
Sunday 5th May 2013
11am Morning Service
Café Style
(A informal time of worship)
Jumpstart Group
Friday 10.00 - 11.30am
Scottish Charity SC015187

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN
Sunday 5 May 2013
11.00am
Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch
Speaker: Graham McLean
"Hearing from God"
Thursday 9 May 2013
7.30pm
Praise, prayer & sharing
All Welcome

ST MARGARET'S R.C. CHURCH LOCHGILHEAD
Holy Mass Sunday 10am
ALL SAINTS, INVERARAY
Holy Mass Sunday 12.30pm
Fr. David Connor
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All Welcome
(SC0002876)

FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
George Street, Campbeltown
Sunday 5th May
12.45pm Worship Service
Rev John A M MacKay
11.30am Sunday School
All welcome
Scottish Charity Number: SC009980

THE SALVATION ARMY Burnside Street, Campbeltown
Sunday Services
10.30am Morning Worship (Army Kidz)
6.30pm Evening Worship
Tuesday
12.15pm Lunch Club (Over 60s)
1.30pm Home League
Thursday
7.30pm Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

St. Kieran's Scottish Episcopal Church
Argyll Street, Campbeltown
St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown
Scottish Charity No SC023277
Sunday 5th May 2013
Sixth Sunday of Easter
10.45am Morning Prayer
Details of services are on the church door
Enquiries Tel: 01586 551141
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LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH
Scottish Charity Number SC011686
Sunday, 5th May
Kirk Session - 10:55 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m.
Sacrament of Holy Communion (Crèche, plus Holiday Club for P1 to P7 children)
Afternoon Worship - 2:30 p.m.
Sacrament of Holy Communion
Rev. Philip Burroughs
Tuesday, 7th May
Mothers and Toddlers - 9:45 a.m.
Boys' Brigade Anchor Boys - 6:00 p.m.
Boys' Brigade Junior Section - 7:15 p.m.
Thursday, 9th May
Prayer Meeting - 4:00 p.m.
Friday, 10th May
Lunch Club - 12:00 noon.

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
75 Longrow, Campbeltown
Sunday 5th May 2013
10.00am Breaking of Bread
Mr George Stewart
Kilmartin
10.50am Coffee
11.15am
Family Service with Crèche
Mr George Stewart
Kilmartin
7.00pm Youth Group
Wednesday 8th May 2013
10.00am Toddlers Group
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Fyne Tankard at Tarbert golf Club

THE SECOND and final round of the Fyne Tankard was played around Tarbert Golf Club on Saturday, with only six shots separating the top five all was to play for.

Round one leader Archie Black unfortunately had to withdraw after nine due to a recurring injury.

So that left the way for the remaining members to battle for the Tankard.

After all the scores were counted it was Bruce MacNab who took the title with a total of 128.

In second place with a total of 129 was Keith Blair and in third position was Duncan Johnstone on 137.

The second round scores on the day were: Net: 1. Keith McTaggart 57; 2. John MacNab 63; 3. Calum MacCaffary 64; Gross: 1. Bruce MacNab 68; 2. Keith Blair 68; 3. Duncan Johnstone 71.

The golf club is hosting a family fun day tomorrow (Saturday) and would like families to come along to the event which kicks off with a BBQ at 2pm.



More youngsters than ever before are picking up golf clubs at Tarbert Golf Club. 06_a18golf01

Swinging time at Tarbert Golf Club

AS THE country prepares for the Ryder Cup next year more youngsters than ever before are swinging their clubs at Tarbert Golf Club.

Almost 20 children from primary school to high school age have turned up to take part in the Club Golf programme, which runs every Monday night.

Now in its third week the programme offers structure classes to the youngsters, which include learning how to

grip the club, stance and eventually they will head out onto the fairways.

The programme was launched across the nation in 2003 after Scotland successfully bid to host the 2014 Ryder Cup and aims to get as many youngsters involved in the game.

Tarbert Golf Club has been working with Active School co-ordinator Frances Hardie, this year, to promote the sport at Tarbert Academy and it has been a huge hit with pupils.

Junior Aquathlon

A RECORD number of youngsters turned up to take part in the second annual Mid Argyll Junior Aquathlon on Saturday morning.

A total of 66 youngsters turned up to the Mid Argyll Community Swimming Pool to take part in the event which combines swimming and running.

The event was open to children aged eight to 13 who could complete the race as individuals or as part of a team. After swimming the set number of laps in the pool, depending on age, the youngsters then headed outside to run a track set out around the pool.

Jillian Gibson, Active Schools co-ordinator for

Mid Argyll, said the day was a huge success.

Results: eight-year-old girls, Polly Payne; eight year-old boys, Wiktor Skrzypowski; eight year-old team, Aaron Sloan and Zak Barclay; 9/10 year-old girls, Megan Dan-

Louis MacMillan; 9/10-year-old team, Lily Young and Peter Adair; 11/12-year-old girls, Holly Smith; 11/12-year-old boys, Joseph Harper; 11/12-year-old team, Joe Payne and Ben Smith; 13/14-year-old girls, Jura MacMillan



Niamh Brady and Rowan MacIntyre picked up their medals after competing in the Mid Argyll Junior Aquathlon. 06_a18aqua01

Record number of runners will take part in the Kintyre Way Relay

A RECORD number of runners - from as far afield as Sweden and Poland - will take part in this year's Kintyre Way relay and ultra runs next Saturday, May 11.

A total of 88 athletes are entered, with 30 running solo in the 67-mile test of endurance along Scotland's most scenic long distance walk, The Kintyre Way from Tarbert to Campbeltown.

A further 20 ultra-runners will be running the 35 miles from Tayinloan to Campbeltown and the remaining runners will take part in relay teams with each runner doing one of the six sections of the

route. One of the main aims of The Kintyre Way is to bring as many people as possible to the area and this year's race sees more than 90 per cent of the runners coming from outside Kintyre, including Sweden, France, Poland and the Irish Republic.

Passenger ferry

The Irish runners will be using the Kintyre Express passenger ferry between Campbeltown and Ballycastle.

Anne Martin, marketing officer for The Kintyre Way, said: 'Ultra Running - where the distance is longer than the standard 26-mile marathon - is be-

coming increasingly popular and The Kintyre Way event provides runners with the challenge of extremely varied terrain amid wonderful scenery.'

The race will start on Saturday morning in Tarbert and the finish line will be at Aqualibrium in Campbeltown in the early evening.

An evening get together and food is planned for runners and supporters in the Guide Hall.

Anne added: 'We would love for as many local people as possible to become involved in the event by supporting runners at the finish or marshalling during the day.'



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£900

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Cut out your completed coupon and put your entry plus £1 per 10 attempts into a sealed envelope and post it to reach "Spot the Ball" Competition, The Campbeltown Courier, Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown, Argyll PA28 6AE by 4pm on Tuesday.

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This week's nearest the ball winners who each receive £25 are:
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Red Star lose out in close game with Goldenhill

SAFL Division 1B
Lochgilphead Red
Star 1

Goldenhill 2

A DETERMINED performance from Red Star was not enough to clinch a victory over Goldenhill at Ropwork Park.

Star were looking to improve on a 7-2 drubbing by the Clydebank side from earlier in the year.

The match was played at a frantic pace in the early stages with the visitors enjoying the majority of possession. They put the Star defence under pressure but without troubling Kalache too much in goal.

Goldenhill took the lead from a free kick which was delivered from a wide position and

the forward was first to react, nodding the ball into the far corner.

A disappointing way for Star to lose a goal after defending well in the opening 20 minutes.

Star did not let the heads go down however and came back into the match as the half wore on, the midfield duo of Alderson and Dougall were starting to win tackles and headers in the wider areas, whilst wide men Weir and Naisby were able to get involved more going forward.

The home side's efforts were rewarded after 40 minutes when Kirk latched onto a ball over the top, the forward managed to clip the ball over the committed

Goldenhill keeper and into the top corner.

Just on half time the visitors restored their lead from a corner, this time it was the Goldenhill number four who escaped his marker from a corner and powered his header into the net to give his side the lead.

The second half started in similar fashion to the first with the visitors having the majority of possession and looking to play their wingers in behind the Star full backs, but Star full backs Peacock and Crawford were on hand to stop any crosses coming in.

The home side rang the changes in the second half as tiredness began to creep in and the intro-



Cammy Kirk takes on Goldenhill player in a league match at Ropwork Park. 06_a18star02

duction of MacLean's trickery offered something different which the Goldenhill defence struggled to contend with.

Towards the end of the game Star had a glorious chance to equalise through Kirk but the an-

gle did not favour the striker and his shot came back off the post and it was the visiting team who ran out winners.

Manager Weir was disappointed to have lost the game in the end but was delighted with the determination and ef-

fort shown by the players over the course of the match and will be looking for the same in the final few weeks of the season.

Tomorrow Star travel take on Easthall Star where another tough game is in prospect.

Stewart Scott qualifier at Inveraray GC

PLAYERS at Inveraray Golf Club battled it through wet underfoot conditions and squally rain showers to qualify for the Stewart Scott Shield.

In this two part competition the top eight players make it into the match play stages for the trophy.

Despite the weather scoring was of a high standard in difficult playing conditions.

The best score of the day came from Derek McCulloch with an excellent 66. John MacDonald took second with a 67 and Paul Armstrong finished third with a 70.

The full draw for the next stage of the competition is D McCulloch v B Easson; J. MacDonald v G Morrison; P Armstrong v Dn Robertson; R Campbell v DJ MacDonald.

The next club competition is the May Medal on Sunday, May 5 with proceeds in aid of Erskine Hospital.

Inveraray manager tells his players to believe in themselves

INVERARAY manager Garry MacPherson

has told his players to start believing

in themselves having watched them domi-

nate the second half against Newtonmore after going 4-1 down.

'I don't know if it was because the pressure was off but we were the better side after that,' said Garry, who believes his team can still make a march towards the title, starting with this weekend's visit to Kinlochsheil.

'It's been a good season. We've got a bit of breathing space early doors and we're still in the title race.

'Against Newtonmore I think we were beaten before we got on the park, we didn't believe in ourselves. After that second half performance, they should start believing.

'Kinlochsheil is a wee, tight park and it might suit them. They've had some good results and some bad results. It's a big test but I'd like to take something from that game.'

Records up for grabs at Blue Bell Hill race

COURSE records are up for grabs in this year's Inveraray Blue Bell Hill run as the route has changed slightly with the finish line directly outside Inveraray Castle.

The race, which is now in its fourth year, begins as a mass breakout from Inveraray Jail and is just over four miles up the hill to Dun na Cuiche and back down to finish at the castle.

Members of D Company 7 Scots will run this year's race as part of their plan to re-enact the training taken by the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders in the Royal Burgh during World War One.

This year for the first time there is also a chil-

dren's race for six to 13-year-olds of two miles whilst the main hill race is open to all aged 16 and over.

The race will be run on Sunday, May 12 at 11am with registration between 9.30am and 10.30am at Inveraray Jail.

There are prizes in the following categories junior, senior, veteran and super veteran.

The event takes place with the kind permission of His Grace The Duke of Argyll and is sponsored by Inveraray Jail and David and Kathy Owen of Inveraray Londis.

For more information contact Fiona Corner on 01499 302160 or fiona.corner@icloud.com

Second half collapse sees Kyles lose to Kingussie

KYLES will be hoping for a reversal in fortunes after defeat against Kingussie left them three points adrift of top spot in the Premiership, with Newtonmore still having a game in hand.

Roberto Zavaroni put the visitors two nil up against Kingussie, but a second half collapse gave the hosts all the points and sees them move onto the same points total as Kyles with a game in hand.

If Kyles are to get their championship race back on track they'll have to defeat Lovat next Saturday, who currently sit third in the league on ten points.



Newtonmore's Scott Chisholm tries to block this clearance from Inveraray's Ruaridh Graham during last Saturday's Orion Premiership match at the Winterton which the Badenoch side won 4-1.

Scottish Amateur League results and fixtures

LAST Saturday's results: Premier Division - Rolls Royce EK 2, Oban Saints 2. Premier Division 2 - Dunoon 1, Rutherglen 2; Port Glasgow OBU 0, Campbeltown Pupils 4. Division 1A - Port Glasgow Hibs 1, Tarbert 3. Division 1B - Lochgilphead Red Star 1, Goldenhill 2.

This weekend's fixtures: Saturday - Premier Division - Oban Saints v Aikenhead Thistle; Sunday - Oban Saints v Eaglesham; Premier 2 - Port Glasgow OBU v Dunoon; Division 1A - Port Glasgow United v Dunoon Athletic; Division 1B - Easthall Star v Lochgilphead Red Star.



Red Star under 16s celebrate their victory against Allander which takes them to the league cup final.

Double up as two Star teams reach cup finals

Under 14s and under 16s will now go for silverware

PLAYERS for both Red Star under 14 and under 16 sides are vying for cup glory after progressing through to the final of their respective league cups.

The under 16s secured a place in the final of the league cup after the side's grit and determination gave them a 3-1 victory against Allander Colts.

Meanwhile the under 14s made it through to the final after defeating the formidable Milngavie 99s 2-1.

The under 16s travelled to Alexandria to play the semi final and it was Allander that were the first to settle when James Tanasee burst through the middle to unleash a powerful shot that was heading towards the top corner only for Star's Ewan McCulloch to dive full length to tip the ball round the post for a corner.

Star began to come into the game with Cameron Hendry having a good shot expertly saved by Allander's Callum Reid.

The opening goal came just before the half hour mark when Hendry found Cameron Wylie running through on goal who then showed great composure to find the back of the net.

Star extended their lead when Star captain Ryan Deans showed neat footwork on he left wing to jink past the defender before crossing from the bye-line for the incoming Josh Coates to shoot past the helpless Reid in goal.

Allander started the second half brightly with a shot going narrowly wide of the post. Star struggled to create any chances of their own as Allander took control of the game.

On the hour their perseverance paid off when a free kick from the half way line was not cleared and Greg Fallon who came on for Allander at half time pounced on a loose ball and shot past McCulloch in goal.

This seemed to give Red Star a wake up call that this game was far from over.

Unlucky

Star's Coll McCallum was very unlucky to see his powerful free kick saved well by Reid.

It was now end to end and Allander missed a glorious chance to equalise when Fallon shot over the bar after a corner landed unexpectedly at his feet.

Star's Keir Whitefield put in a great tackle in the box as Allander desperately tried for their second goal.

The Argyll team scored their third and decisive goal of the game with 20 minutes left to play when Lewis Mahaffey made a strong run into the box and his pass found Hen-

dry, who calmly and efficiently hit the net from 10 yards.

The Star under 14s travelled to Bearsden Academy 3G and despite pressure from the opposition quickly grabbed the advantage.

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Blair Mackay cut the ball back to the edge of the box and Liam Scott curled a clever lob over Milngavie's keeper.

Star added to their score line when Souden went on a solo run and scored from close in.

The Glasgow side piled on the pressure for the rest of the half but squandered three good chances.

In the second half, with the wind behind them, Star did not take full advantage of the elements and let Milngavie back in to the match when their strikers scored from a breakthrough.

Both teams had further chances in the game, but Lochgilphead held out for this important win.

Star now face Oban Saints 99 in the final at the end of May in Dumbarton.

This Sunday the side face another tough match against second place Antonine at Rope-work Park.

Strachur take their chances

Marine Harvest South
Division 2
Kilmory 1
Strachur 3

STRACHUR Shinty Club secured their second victory over Kilmory Camanachd in three weeks when the sides met in league action at MacRae Park on Saturday.

The match was moved to MacRae Park after the Strachur field was laid with new grass seed during the week, but the home side failed to use the advantage.

Strachur have still been fielding a young team and both sides are considered to be equally matched, but it was Strachur that finished their chances to secure the points.

Donald MacDonald, Strachur's coach, said he was delighted with the result.

'There is absolutely nothing between the two sides. The only difference is that we took

our chances and they didn't,' he said. 'The side are getting more confident though I hope they don't get too confident though.'

The side now sit one point behind the Mid Argyll side in the league with a game in hand.

Strachur travel back to MacRae park tomorrow

(Saturday) to take on the Mid Argyll side for the third time in a month in the first round of the Camanachd Cup. Throw up is at 2.30pm.



Strachur's strikers were able to finish their chances to secure a win against Kilmory on Saturday. 06_a18strach01

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