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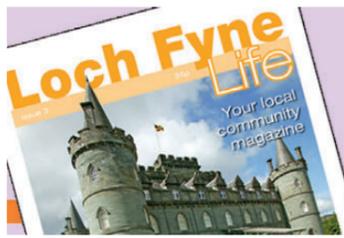
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Royal National Mòd

MUSICIANS from across Mid Argyll are preparing to travel to Thurso in Caithness for this year's Royal National Mòd.

Competitors will be flying the flag for the area as thousands of people descend on the town for a week of competitions. In this week's *Advertiser*, Coisir Og Dhail Riata member Eilidh Campbell tells readers what it's like preparing for the biggest date in the Gaelic calendar.

☐ For more on this story see page 11.

Car stolen from Barrichbeyn

POLICE are appealing for information after a green Rover 216 car was stolen from the area of Barrichbeyn, near Craobh Haven, sometime between 8.30am and 2.30pm on Friday October 1.

The car was later recovered at 9.30pm at Oude Dam, Kilmelford.

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



Zero Fest fun for Oscar

Four-year-old Oscar Lowrie, from Ardrishaig, couldn't get enough of the inflatable slide on Lochgilphead's front green on Saturday. The slide was top of the list of children's entertainment provided at last weekend's Zero Fest. The festival, organised to highlight zero alcohol drinks, proved to be a hit with all the family with children's entertainment, food stalls, craft stalls, cookery demonstrations and, of course, an array of wine, beer and

cider on offer. 08_a41zero03

Fears for future of rehab unit

'No final decision' insists Mid Argyll Community Hospital boss

AN ANONYMOUS letter distributed to key figures around Mid Argyll has exposed plans by NHS Highland to close a geriatric and rehabilitation unit in the Mid Argyll Community Hospital.

As news began to spread of the detailed letter, John Dreghorn, locality manager for the Mid Argyll Community Hospital and Dr Adrian Ward, clinical director of the hospital, met with the *Advertiser* on Tuesday to set the record straight.

Mr Dreghorn said: 'We are currently looking at various options to improve the efficiency of the hospital. No final decision has been made.'

The letter, which is believed to have come from a member of staff, given

EXCLUSIVE
By Jenny
Sutherland

the detailed information contained, raises concerns over the amalgamation of Glassary Ward, a 10-bed geriatric and rehabilitation ward, and Glenaray Ward, a 15-bed acute medical unit.

Issues raised in the letter include infection control between patients, a lack of beds for a hospital serving a catchment area of 15,000 people and patients having to be transferred to other hospitals as a result of unavailable beds.

Mr Dreghorn said he is 'disappointed' the letter had been distributed.

'Dr Ward along with

myself and my team have been looking at how we can have wards running as efficiently as possible,' he explained. 'Occupancy rates have been steadily falling in both Glassary and Glenaray wards for some time now so we are looking at how we can have an efficient model.'

Dr Ward added: 'The reason occupancy rates have fallen is because people don't need to stay in hospital as long.'

'With the social work department across the corridor it makes for a much more efficient service; patients can get home quicker which I see as good news.'

Mr Dreghorn has met staff from all wards concerned, but is keen to

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Dochas Centre's magical outing to Portavadie

A GROUP of 16 carers had a special day out to Portavadie Marina last month. Making the day happen was Cal Mac for giving the group a small discount on their ferry fares.

The Mid Argyll Rotary Club also kindly gave a donation from a BBQ they recently held, which enabled the Dochas Centre to pay for all the lunches.

Last but not least the general manager of the marina, Iain Jurgenson, and his staff, made the day extremely special for the ladies, with their attention to every detail and the excellent way

they looked after everyone.

Maggie McLaren, manager of the Dochas Centre, explained: 'We were met at the ferry taken on a tour of the shop and the apartments, which are out of this world, then over to the Marina for refreshments before lunch which was gorgeous.'

'It was lovely to see everyone laughing and chatting they so deserve a day out. One Carer stated she felt as if she had been on two weeks holiday because she came back home feeling so relaxed and refreshed.'



Carers from the Dochas Centre enjoyed a day out to Portavadie Marina.

Beauty treatments in spotlight at Lochgilphead SWRI

AT THE first winter meeting of Lochgilphead SWRI, president, Mrs Jean Smith, welcomed members back following the summer break.

Kirsty and a colleague

from Bréagha - therapy and beauty treatment beauticians - gave advice on skin care. Debbie Munro and Helena Gillies volunteered to be given facials and Kirsty demonstrated hand and

arm massage. She also explained the benefits of using moisturisers, skin cleansers and toners and answered questions.

The competition results were: Knitted Scarf - Blue: Helena Gil-

lies, Gold: Jean Smith, Silver: Anne Johnson Red: Elizabeth Scott. Flapjacks - Gold: Anne Johnson, Silver: Elizabeth Scott, Red: Helena Gillies, Blue: Debbie Munro and Jean Smith.

Centre celebrates opening of new deck and activity area

A NEW facility is now being enjoyed at Lochgilphead Community Centre.

The Lochgilphead Community Centre Association of User Groups (LCCA) have worked hard to create a new decked leisure and activity area at the rear of the centre.

The group marked the

occasion with an open evening where invitations were extended to all users of the centre.

On behalf of the association, Councillor Donnie MacMillan and Felicity Kelly, recently retired area community and regeneration manager for Argyll and Bute Council, accepted the invitation to open the fa-

cility and jointly 'cut the ribbon'.

One of the user group explained: 'Few people will know of an area of ground to the back of the community centre but those who do, will remember it as a tangled jungle of scrub, gorse, brambles and assorted weeds. Initially the veg-

etation was cleared for the Elfs playgroup by volunteers sponsored by the local Co-op's Community Challenge Programme. This revealed the potential of the area and the LCCA looked at how it might be further developed. One problem was that the ground was enclosed on all four sides without a clear access. In this Argyll and Bute Council came up trumps and were able to fund the formation of a new access door from the kitchen. This in effect kick-started the project and enabled the LCCA, from their own funds, to complete the project.'

The work not only includes the improvement and extension of the play area for the playgroup youngsters, but a large timber decked sitting out and activity area for community use, and a garden area yet to be fully developed.



From left: Councillor Donnie MacMillan, Nasreen Kharagat, Argyll and Bute Council's Adult Learning Manager, Heather Young, LCCA vice chairman, Eric Pearson, LCCA chairman and Felicity Kelly, recently retired Area Community Learning and Regeneration Manager for Argyll and Bute Council.

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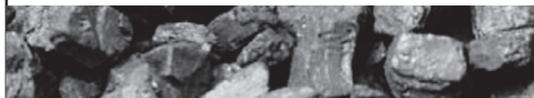
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Secretary of State visits Argyll

MICHAEL Moore, Secretary of State for Scotland, visited Argyll on Monday (October 4) as part of an autumn tour of Scotland.

The Minister paid a trip to Oban Distillery before attending The Scottish Association for Marine Science near Oban.

Mr Moore finished the day off by stopping in at Loch Fyne Oysters in Cairndow where he met managers and directors of the company.

Alleged assault

A WOMAN was allegedly assaulted by a man in East Bank Road, Ardrishaig at 1am on Saturday, October 2.

The woman suffered minor injuries and was taken to the Mid Argyll Hospital but was later released. Police are appealing for any witnesses to come forward.

Graffiti sprayed on wall

GRAFFITI was sprayed onto the wall of a house in Kilmory Road, Lochgilphead, last weekend.

The vandalism is believed to have been carried out between 8pm on Friday October 1 and 2pm on Saturday October 2. Anyone with information or who may have witnessed anything should contact Lochgilphead Police on 01546 702200.

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Bus damaged

A WINDOW of a bus travelling through Ardrishaig was smashed by people throwing stones last Saturday night at around 7.30pm.

Witnesses are asked to contact Lochgilphead Police.

Tree down

A LARGE tree fell across the A83 near Erines, Tarbert, at 11.30am on Wednesday, September 29. The road was blocked for almost an hour as Scotland Transerv worked to clear the tree. No-one was injured.

West Loch Tarbert re-opens

TWO AREAS of Argyll and Bute water have reopened for shellfish harvesting, having previously been closed because of raised levels of naturally occurring algal toxins.

West Loch Tarbert reopened at the end of last week, and the Strand at Colonsay and Islay's Loch Gruinart re-opened yesterday.

Just two areas remain closed due to increased levels of the toxins - Loch Fyne at Stonefield and Loch Striven.



Donnie MacMillan and Alan Reid battle against the rain to plant a tree at the development, marking the special day. 06_a41donnie01

Councillor's delight at name honour

A MID Argyll councillor was this week celebrating as a new housing development was named in his honour.

MacMillan Court at Oakfield Road, Ardrishaig, was named after Councillor Donnie MacMillan in recognition of his 25 years of public service. Members of the public suggested the name for the development after Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA), which commissioned the development, invited names through a public consultation.

Donnie said: 'I am delighted to be here today and that my service to the community is being honoured in this way.

This is a much-needed development, which will bring much pleasure to the many people who will live here.'

Argyll and Bute MP Alan Reid officially opened MacMillan Court with Donnie last Friday. The new development, built by M&K MacLeod, provides 18 homes for rent.

Alastair MacGregor, Chief Executive of Argyll Community Housing Association, said the development was a 'fitting legacy' to Donnie.

He added: 'The association was really pleased to be able to build these desperately needed affordable homes in Ardrishaig. In these difficult economic times the development provided 58 jobs and training for six apprentices.'

The development received housing association grant funding from the Scottish Government and was completed in eighteen months. The total construction costs were £1.9million.

Walk leads to promise on pavements

STAFF at the roads department of Argyll and Bute Council conducted a review of Lochgilphead pavements on Tuesday, following a number of complaints.

Roads inspector Michael Broderick agreed to undertake a walking tour of the town with members of Lochgilphead Community Council after it highlighted a number of health and safety concerns, particularly for wheelchair users.

Michael visited a total of 12 areas in the town, which had been listed on a letter of complaint, sent to the council by Betty Rhodick, convenor of the community council.

Betty said: 'At the last community council meeting people said the pavements in Lochgilphead are in a terrible state. The pavements are uneven, drain covers are raised, there is debris obstructing the paths and a lack of dropped kerbs for wheelchair users.'

'This presents problems not only for the disabled but the elderly, persons with restricted mobility and young mums with prams,' she added.

After the inspection a spokesperson for Argyll and Bute Council, said: 'The next stage will be to draw up a list of works which need carrying out to rectify road and foot-

way defects brought to our attention, which will be completed as soon as possible. Our limited budget means any other suggested works as a result of today's inspection will be considered on a priority basis.'

Mr Broderick has agreed to consult with disabled members of the community when he is prioritising the tasks for the roads department.

Betty said: 'I am absolutely delighted that the council is listening to us and action is being taken. All residents and visitors should feel that a walk along the street will not lead to trips and falls and, at worst, an injury.'

Hospital ward closure

Continued from p1 emphasise that 'nothing is cast in stone' but it is a 'real proposal'.

If the amalgamation of the two wards happens, there are plans to move Cowal Ward - a Dementia Assessment and Challenging Behaviour Unit currently housed in Argyll and Bute Hospital, into the vacant Glasgory Ward. This would mean the ground floor of the Mid Argyll Hospital would house all dementia services.

The move would also 'release funding', says Dr Ward, which would be used to support Chemotherapy development, a range of community services and pre-operative assessment; 'value for money', said Dr Ward.

Mr Dreghorn added: 'We will be carrying out more community engagement on this proposal and I will be writing to all community

councils to find out their views. I'm also happy to discuss this with anyone who may have concerns.'

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Keep a watch out for flea infestation

UNFORTUNATELY one in five cats and one in 10 dogs have fleas. The chances are that all cats and dogs will experience a flea infestation at least once in their lives. Flea infestation can lead to signs ranging from mild irritation to severe allergic reactions.

What is often not recognised however is that fleas can also act as carriers for tapeworms and lead to blood loss and anaemia, especially in puppies and kittens.

You may be able to spot fleas on your pet's coat by parting the hair on the back of the neck or at the base of the tail. Using a flea comb to check your pet regularly is highly recommended.

Around 95 per cent of a flea problem is in a pet's environment in the form of eggs, larvae and pupae. Use of flea product, which not only kills adult fleas, but also inhibits larval development, can be beneficial. Also recommended is to wash your pet's bedding at a high temperature. In addition, regular vacuuming, especially around skirting boards, will assist in eliminating fleas. Household sprays may be recommended under certain circumstances.

Important

If you find fleas on one animal in your house, all pets in the home may be at risk, therefore it is important to ensure that they are all protected.

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Tayvallich pupils visit council HQ

After a question and answer session the youngsters held a discussion and vote

PUPILS from Tayvallich Primary School were given an insight into Argyll and Bute Council last month.

Youngsters from P4-7 were welcomed to the council headquarters at Kilmory, Lochgilphead by Karen Rodger, mem-

bers support officer, before learning about the role of a councillor by Mid Argyll councillors' Donnie MacMillan and Dougie Philand.

They then received a brief overview of the council's departments by Sandra McGlynn, democratic services officer.

After a question and answer session the pupils then had a discussion and vote.

The pupils were asked to imagine that the village of Tayvallich had been given money from The Big Lottery Fund.

They had to decide what the money should be spent on and why. After a democratic vote the youngsters decided the cash should be used to build an indoor ski slope to encourage more tourists to the area.



Tayvallich pupils were given an insight into Argyll and Bute Council by Councillors' Dougie Philand and Donnie MacMillan, Sandra McGlynn and Karen Rodger.



Ex-service men and women from Erskine Hospital joined the Inveraray and District branch of The Royal British Legion Scotland for an enjoyable day-out in Inveraray.

Ex-service veterans from Erskine visit Inveraray

EX-SERVICE men and women from Erskine Hospital enjoyed the hospitality of The Royal British Legion Scotland, Inveraray and District branch, last month.

On Saturday September 18, the Inveraray branch welcomed a minibus of visitors to the Waterside Restaurant at Argyll Caravan Park. The 13 veterans were welcomed by piper, Graham Renton.

After disembarking, the visitors were greeted by the branch members and taken into the restaurant for refreshments of hot rolls and tea, although some of the visitors wished to take stronger waters than tea.

Once rested, the men and women were taken for a short walk along the

shore side of Loch Fyne, which they enjoyed, the weather being very kind with sun and blue skies. Everybody then returned to the restaurant for some entertainment, singing along to the old songs accompanied by Ian Burns and Graham Renton. A good time was had by all present. A raffle draw was held with everybody receiving a prize.

Later in the afternoon, everyone present was treated to a three-course meal which was enjoyed by all.

The visitors were thanked for coming by branch president, Donnie McQuarrie who at the end of the day wished them all a safe return back to Erskine.

An excellent day was had by both the veterans and the Inveraray and District Branch members. **JM**

Improved cancer treatment times welcomed

JIM Mather, MSP for Argyll and Bute has welcomed the news that under the SNP government NHS waiting times for the treatment of cancer sufferers has been dramatically improved in NHS Highland and in other NHS Health Boards across Scotland.

Mr Mather said: 'I am very well aware of how many people and households are affected by the incidence of cancer and there have been significant improvements in the diagnosis and successful treatment of this scourge. Early diagnosis is a key factor in this success and I welcome the progress we are achieving in the reduction of waiting times.'

A82 road closures

THE A82 between Tarbet and Crianlarich will be closed overnight for a couple of weeks next month for essential roadworks.

Scotland TransServ, which will carry out the work on behalf of Transport Scotland, will start on Sunday October 10.

The road will be closed between 10pm and 6am from Sunday to Thursday between the A82/A83 junction at Tarbet and the A82/A85 junction at Crianlarich.

Local access will be maintained throughout the work and is scheduled to finish at 6am on Friday October 22.

Ask the Archaeologist at Kilmartin Museum

AS PART of Highland Archaeology Fortnight, Kilmartin House Museum is offering people the chance to 'Ask the Archaeologist' on Saturday (October 16).

The free event will enable people to ask that burning archaeological question. There's no need to book - just drop in to the museum's education room.

All hands to the deck as Minard Village Hall gets a makeover

A DEDICATED team of Minard residents have been spending every minute of their spare time during the past three months giving their village hall a revamp. A hardy team of husbands and wives have been working around the clock to give the hall a much-needed transformation.

Leonard McNeill, secretary of Minard Community Council, said the renovation work has been carried out with little to no funding.

Mr McNeill said: 'We

received some money from the People's Postcode Lottery to repair slates and timber cladding on the roof, as well as replace two windows, but the rest of it has been done by recycling and scavenging.'

Final straw

The final straw came for the villagers when their kitchen units were found in the basement, having fallen through the rotten floor.

'The whole floor in the hall was rotten. We found streams of water, silt and mud, beneath the

hall, which appears to have come off the hill,' explained Mr McNeill. 'But we've managed to get use of a digger and all the mud has been scrapped away from around the hall.'

'The hall still has six rotten windows which need replacing but we just don't have the money. If we did, we'd have new windows straight away,' said Mr McNeill.

He added: 'Local businesses have been excellent in helping us out and I would like to publicly thank them.'

News from Kilmichael Glassary SWRI

AT THE first meeting of the new session president Catherine Smith welcomed 13 members. Reports were heard from the Federation meetings and the recent H&H Conference in Troon which four members from the Institute attended.

Details of forthcoming demonstrations, classes and the Federation AGM were given.

Members received the programme

for future meetings, the next one will be held in the Cairn Restaurant, Kilmartin House, with a demonstration by Chef John Fisher.

Members also received the Cup for Small Institutes which was presented at the Federation Show in April and this will be shared by members over the next two years. The president thanked Betty Rhodick and her helpers for the evening's refreshments.

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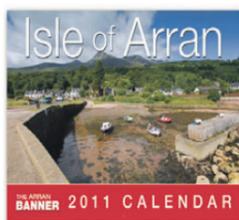


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£750,000 to forecast floods

AS anyone who was caught in the fearsome floods in the Tayinloan area a fortnight ago would tell you – a bit of advance warning would have been appreciated.

The good news is that £750,000 in funds for Scotland has been announced to improve flood-forecasting services.

The flood warning system will provide better and earlier indications of flooding risk and help protect lives, homes and livelihoods.

The Scottish Flood Forecasting Service should be up and running by March 2011, to link experts from the Met Office's operations centre in Aberdeen and the Scottish Environment Protection Agency's flood forecasting team in Perth.

Argyll and Bute Council and emergency services will be given information daily about developing risks, creating early warning of potential flooding and more time to prepare fully, as will all councils in Scotland.

Argyll and Bute has wealthy housing market

ARGYLL and Bute has the tenth wealthiest housing market in Scotland.

According to the property website Zoopla.co.uk, Argyll and Bute's average home value is £153,916.

The average Scottish house price is currently £159,890.

Top of the market with wealthiest housing market is Edinburgh with £227,926, followed by Aberdeenshire with an average home value of £205,254.

North Lanarkshire is ranked the poorest housing market with an average home value of £106,006.



Autism Argyll committee members celebrate their 10th anniversary with a special cake.

Autism Argyll celebrates

ONE of Argyll's leading charities is celebrating a decade of helping people with autism.

Autism Argyll was formed in August 2000 by parents to provide support to those living and working with the people on the autism spectrum within Argyll and Bute.

From the nine parents who founded the initial support group has grown a charity which boasts a membership of 152, a quarter of which is made up of professionals and interested organisations.

The charity has attracted attention on the national and international stage with Autism Ar-

gyll chairwoman Alison Leask frequently contributing to the Scottish Society for Autism's annual conference as a guest speaker.

And world-renowned speakers such as Professor Tony Atwood, Wendy Lawson and Ross Blackburn have all liaised with Autism Argyll over the years.

The Autism Argyll resource booklet produced for parents whose child has recently been diagnosed with autism was also adopted nationally and used across Scotland in 2006.

The charity continues to provide awareness and education work-

shops addressing issues such as challenging behaviour, benefits and sensory processing.

Looking ahead to the next decade Autism Argyll chair Alison Leask said: 'Autism Argyll does not expect miracles but we do expect those on the autism spectrum to receive their rights – to receive the right support from the right people at the right time.'

Autism is a lifelong neuro-developmental disorder. People with autism have trouble with communication; social skills and relationships; thinking and behaving flexibly and sensory processing.

Gigha raises £700 for cancer support

THE COMMUNITY of Gigha raised £700 for Macmillan Cancer Support by hosting a lunch and afternoon tea.

The event was part of the World's Biggest Coffee Morning which took place across the country.

Organisers of coffee mornings could either focus all their fundraising efforts on September 24, which the Gigha community did, and is the official day of the World's Biggest Coffee Morning, or they could raise money in the weeks leading up to the event.

Gigha's Young Firefighters also went along to assist with the day's events.

Shellfish waters reopen for harvesting

TWO areas of Argyll and Bute's waters have reopened for shellfish harvesting.

Islay's Loch Gruinart re-opened on Monday, as did the Strand at Colonsay.

West Loch Tarbert reopened at the end of last week.

Toxins

The areas of waters were previously closed because of raised levels of naturally occurring algal toxins, and included Campbeltown Loch.

Just two areas remain closed due to increased levels of the toxins -

Loch Fyne at Stonefield and Loch Striven.

Eating shellfish such as cockles, mussels or razor fish from these areas may pose a risk to human health, and notices to warn the public have been posted at various locations on the shore.

Commercial shellfish harvesters in the affected areas have been contacted by Argyll and Bute Council, and steps have been taken to postpone harvesting until algae levels subside.

The council continues to monitor the situation at all locations.'

Justice secretary u-turn slammed

JUSTICE Secretary Kenny MacAskill has revoked his statement that Argyll farmers have 'the right' to obtain free information regarding damage to their estate.

At present landowners must fork out £60.50 to obtain a police report in order to pursue an insurance claim to mend their damaged property following a road crash.

This practice was called into question by Mr MacAskill, who in a letter to Jamie McGrigor, Highlands and Islands MSP, said landowners could obtain, free of charge, the insurance company and policy number covering the vehicle's use.

But in a second letter, sent to Mr McGrigor just four months later, the Justice Secretary said: 'The decision whether or not to release personal details... rests with the police... in most cases the police will be reluctant to do so.'

Mr McGrigor confronted the Justice Secretary during ministerial question time last Thursday.

After reading to the parliament the letters he received from the Justice Secretary, Mr McGrigor said: 'Who got at the Justice Secretary? What changed his mind? How can a right belonging to my constituents - one set out in black and white by the justice secretary - be done away with in a matter of weeks?'

Frustrations

Mr MacAskill responded: 'I can understand the frustrations felt by Mr McGrigor's constituents, but let us be clear I cannot direct the police.'

John Warmerdam, who farms at Rhudle, near Kilmartin, and has been campaigning for the police charges to be removed, said: 'I question why Mr MacAskill has changed his mind? Is he feeling pressure from Strathclyde Police?'

Twenty-two days' worth of wide loads!

ALMOST 70 hours of police officers time was used to escort wide load vehicles within the Argyll and Bute Area during September.

And police officers worked an additional 22 days in overtime to meet the demands of windfarms and factories in the area.

Inspector Hugh O'Neill of Strathclyde Police said: 'Officers carried out wide load movements on their days off for a total of 14 days in Campbeltown, specifi-

cally for the windfarms. They also had eight days where wind farm loads were moved from Stuckgowan to Campbeltown.'

Many of vehicles have been travelling across country to the Campbeltown area with a lot of wind turbine parts and steel consignments being delivered to the Skykon Campbeltown factory.

The demand for police time is set to increase in the coming months as the new extension of

the Beinn an Tuirc wind farm in Kintyre gets underway.

Whilst the wind turbines will be delivered to nearby Campbeltown Harbour, assistance will be required to transport the goods the 11 miles north to the Beinn an Tuirc site.

Inspector O'Neill said: 'Road safety is the responsibility of Strathclyde police and therefore we do our utmost to guide these loads safely through Argyll and Kintyre.'

'Due to the amount of large loads using our roads we have to be very careful about when and where we run the loads. If two large loads meet it could close the whole road off and trying to reverse or find a place for the large loads is extremely difficult.'

If companies require goods to be delivered to a site within a specific deadline police officers are offered the work as overtime and the company incurs the additional costs.



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Too much stuff and not enough room?

Self-storage units the way forward

SOUTH Kintyre Development Trust has come up with an idea that could be a space saver for businesses and homes alike: self-storage.

It's a simple solution to a problem everyone faces, too much stuff and not enough room.

The trust has now com-

missioned Campbeltown based consultant Eric Spence to investigate the need for and requirements of self-storage units in Kintyre.

Eric said: 'This is big business in the United States. Self-storage frees up valuable space at home or in the work-

places or organisations. Community ownership would also ensure that any profits generated will benefit the community and also provide a small number of jobs.'

His first step is to undertake market research and he is currently distributing a questionnaire throughout Kintyre.

'It's early days but already there is a lot of anecdotal evidence of cluttered office space, overflowing sheds and jam-packed attics. We aim to develop a storage solution for all these situations,' said Eric.

To take part in the market research or tell Eric what your or your business is looking for email ericspence@btinternet.com



Tarbert Mod Success

Tarbert Academy pupils, Emma MacFarlane (left) and Hannah Prill took home silverware after competing at Mod Dhailriada in Lochgilphead. Hannah and Emma took first place in the 15 years and under duet competition. Emma also won first prize in the girl's solo under 11-12 year's competition.

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From left: Sandra MacKenzie, chairwoman of the Mid Argyll and Kintyre Area Committee and Wilma Little from Ardrishaig with her engraved vase along with Jane Hepburn, housing and neighbourhood services assistant.

Prize for Wilma's blooming garden

ARGYLL Community Housing Association (ACHA) has launched its first 'Garden in Bloom' competition in the Mid Argyll and Kintyre.

From April, tenants and neighbours were able to nominate ACHA gardens as an opportunity to recognise the hard work and commitment from tenants in maintaining their garden.

During August, members of the Mid Argyll and Kintyre Area Committee judged gardens throughout the area. Winners received a £50 voucher from a

garden centre of their choice and an engraved vase from Campbeltown Pottery.

Important

ACHA's regional manager, Yvonne Litster, said: 'It is very important for us to acknowledge the continued effort from our tenants to maintain their gardens. We will continue to recognise this commitment by running this competition annually. Congratulations to both winners. We look forward to receiving applications next year.'

Creative learning network launched

ARTS, culture and creativity in schools has received a financial boost.

The Creative Arts in Schools Team (CAST) has received grant funding from Creative Scotland to form a Creative Learning Network (CLN) in Argyll and Bute.

The aim of the CLN is to champion the arts, culture and creativity in schools and communities within the context of Curriculum for Excellence.

The network will be launched at a day-long seminar in Inveraray on October 29. The purpose of the launch is to identify needs as teachers, artists and community members to aid the above aim. CAST will then be able to ensure that the network is built around satisfying these needs.

At the end of the day participants will be invited to join the network and be a cultural contact or ambassador for their school or sector.

People are being sought from schools, the creative industries and representatives of relevant community groups. Anyone interested in attending should contact fiona.blakey@argyll-bute.gov.uk

Invitation from fellowship

KINTYRE Christian Fellowship is inviting people from across Kintyre and Mid Argyll to hear the story of a man who converted from the Jehovah Witness movement to Christianity.

The meeting is at the Highland Parish Church Hall in Kirk Street, Campbeltown, on Friday October 15.

The guest speaker is

Russ Blackman who will be talking about his life after he experienced a total conversion from the movement.

The meeting, one of the fellowships, regular programme of talks, begins at 7.30pm and the message from the fellowship is that all are welcome to attend, whether they attend church regularly or not.



Lynn Galbraith and Malcolm McMillan, from Campbeltown, at Ben Nevis.

Mountain challenges raise £1,656 for Marie Curie



Sisters Denise and Rachel Brolly, from Lochgilphead, at the top of Ben Nevis.

A GROUP from Campbeltown and Mid Argyll took part in the Marie Curie Mountain Challenges over the summer.

Lynn Galbraith and Malcolm McMillan, Anne and Malcolm McMillan and Denise and Rachel Brolly took part in the Skye and the Cuillins and Ben Nevis Mountain Challenges. Anne and Malcolm also competed the Devil's Staircase.

The group raised a fantastic total of £1,656 for Marie Curie Cancer Care and would like to thank everyone who sponsored them.

Get your vote registered

VOTERS in Argyll and Bute are being urged by the local authority to check they are registered to vote in next year's election and planned referendum.

Constituents across the region should now have received their annual voter registration forms, which will allow them to have their say on the Scottish Parliament and a potential referendum on the voting system for the UK Parliament.

The local Electoral Registration Office has sent registration forms to 48,444 households in Argyll and Bute.

Information from these forms will be used to compile the electoral register which will be the basis for the election and planned referendum on May 5, 2011.

The Electoral Registration Officer's staff will shortly be visiting houses to collect the relevant information where no return has been made to date.

For more information contact your local Electoral Registration Officer on 0800 980 0470.

●The farm should be typical of livestock farms in the area and committed to the scheme.

●The farmer must be an assured member of the QMS Cattle and Sheep scheme.

●The farmer should be keen to discuss their hopes and aspirations for their business with a group of neighbouring farmers.

●Farming must be the full time profession of at least one of the family members

●The farm, where tenanted, requires support for the project from their landlord

●A monitor farm is a three-year commitment

●There will be up to five farm visits per year

●There will usually be one open farm day per year.

●The farmer should be willing to open the books of the business to explore key business data at monitor farm meetings and publish occasional articles in the press.

●Dealing with visitors

●There should be at least one person from the farm willing to speak at meetings

●The farm should be able to cater for up to 50 visitors with sufficient car parking and covered area.

Quality Meat looking for monitor farm

QUALITY Meat Scotland is bringing the Monitor Farm Programme to Kintyre for the first time, and is looking for a monitor farm.

The ideal candidate will be a commercial farm typical of other farm businesses in an area to act as a central point where local farmers can come together and discuss improvements that relate to the farm in question and will also be relevant to other farms in the area.

It will be one of two new farms; the other is on the Isle of Mull, following the success of the North Argyll and Bute monitor farm projects, which finished last year.

An open meeting was held in Campbeltown last week when Peter Beattie, technical projects manager for QMS, said that becoming a monitor farm is a great opportunity to study and improve the financial performance of a farm and try out some of the ideas generated by the community group of local farmers.

'Becoming a livestock monitor farm is a three-

year commitment for a farmer,' he said.

'The first step for a new monitor farmer is a close look at the financial and performance figures of the business.



Peter Beattie.

Accompanied by a discussion to establish the long-term aims of the farm business, this provides the raw material from which improvements in performance and profitability can be measured,' said Mr Beattie.

Some of this information is then shared and discussed at monitor farm meetings.

He added: 'Many monitor farmers change their approach to their business for the better. New contacts are made,

resulting in better collaboration and they become more confident in marketing their sheep and cattle. It's a win-win situation for the monitor farm and the visiting farmers who can see improvements that they can then apply to their own businesses.'

Scotland's monitor farms also benefit the rural economy; a study suggests £6.50 was generated on average by the monitor farm and local community from every pound invested in the programme.

If you know someone who would make a good monitor farmer in Kintyre or Mull or if you are a livestock farmer who thinks your business could become the new Monitor Farm please contact Lucy Sumsion, NFUS Regional Manager on 01499 600154 or by email: lucy.sumsion@nfus.org.uk for more information. Nomination forms can also be downloaded from the QMS website www.qmscotland.co.uk. The closing date for monitor farm nominations is Friday October 30.



Scottish dairy herd numbers continue to drop the census reveals.

Beef numbers up but dairy down says census

THERE'S good news and bad in the latest census figures for Scottish beef and dairy herds.

The Scottish Government's June agricultural census suggests that Scottish beef cow numbers have increased by 1.5 per cent, the first time an increase has been recorded in five years.

The downside for livestock is that the number of cows in the Scottish dairy herd continues to drop and sheep numbers have yet to show signs of stabilising.

On reviewing the figures, Scott Walker policy director for NFU Scotland, said it is good news that for the first

time in five years, beef cow numbers are on the up but it is too early to view this as a full-blown recovery.

'For any recovery to be sustained, the market place must continue to deliver a fair and sensible return if long-term confidence in beef production is to return permanently,' he said.

Improved

'While beef numbers have improved, the same cannot be said of dairy cow numbers and with the dairy supply chain continuing to deliver a poor milk price that sits well below the true cost of production, confidence amongst dairy producers entering

a costly winter remains low.

'There is always a degree of caution when interpreting census results as one year's figures can be quickly transformed by unforeseen circumstances or price volatility.'

The sheep figures came, said Mr Walker, on the back of an exceptionally hard winter, when higher stock losses and lower lambing rates contributed to the ongoing decline numbers.

'It is clear some are planning to rebuild flocks to some degree with an increase in the number of gimmers being retained for breeding.'

Dairy farmers go Dutch

DAIRY farmers from Scotland have been on a fact-finding mission to the Netherlands with the NFUS and they came home impressed.

Members of the union's milk committee spent three days at the end of September visiting Dutch dairy farms, food processors and studying new dairy products; they also met with the Dutch farming union, LTO.

George Jamieson, the NFU Scotland's milk policy manager, said: 'Seeing how the Dutch system works has only strengthened our resolve to improve the way the dairy supply chain in the UK operates.'

In the UK the continued market strength for dairy products has failed to generate any real benefits for dairy farmers and farmgate prices have risen by only eight per cent, which is 'paltry' said Mr Jamieson.

Gold medal for cheese company

A LOCAL family-run creamery has continued to win awards at national level for its cheese.

The Inverloch Cheese Company, based on Kirk Street, Campbeltown, is run by the Eaton Family.

Its Campbeltown Loch brine-washed cheese won a gold medal in the modern British category.

Its Drumloch Guernsey Cowmilk Cheddar, made with milk from Whitehouse, won a bronze in the Export Cheese Category in the British Cheese Awards. A total of 131 entries were submitted in the export cheese section this year. This is the highest since the category was started in 1999.

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GallowayX: £705, Dunlossit Estate

LimousinX: £650, Neriby; £640(2), Eorrabus; £600, Corrary, Coillabus and Neriby; £590, Ardnave; £550, Eorrabus; £540, Kilmeny(2), Coillabus and Neriby(7).

Heifers
Blonde d'AquitaneX £520, Ardnave

CharolaisX: £675, £520(3) and £505, Ardnave.

LimousinX: £635 and £615, Ardnave; £570, Neriby; £545, Starchmill and Neriby(3).

Top prices per kilo - Bulls
Blonde d'AquitaneX: 190p, Ardnave

CharolaisX: 204p(11), Ballimartin; 203p(3) and 201p, Ardnave; 195p(4) and 193p(6), Ballimartin.

LimousinX: 229p, 208p and 201p(2), Neriby; 190p, Ardnave.

Heifers
LimousinX: 194p, 190p(3), Neriby.

Lambs
SuffolkX: £66.00, Eorrabus; £65.00, Octofad; £63.00, Uiskentuie (C MacTaggart Jr); £61.50, Ardbeg; £61.00, Neriby and Craigfad; £60.50, Octofad; £60.00,

Paire A Chlassan; £59.50, Ballimartin and Blackrock; £59.00, Uiskentuie; £58.00, Duich; £57.50, Octofad and Ardnave; £57.00 and £56.50, Octofad.

TexelX: £65.00, Ardbeg; £63.50, Craigfad; £61.00, Neriby; £60.00, Kirkby; £59.00, Stanalane; £58.50, Octofad, Lossit and Leorin; £57.50, Kirkby.

Cheviot: £48.50, Kilbride
Cross: £56.00, Duich

Mule: £56.50, Portantruan
Blackface: £57.00, Lossit; £55.00, Ballachlaven and Duich.

BeltexX: £66.00, 7 Claddach; £65.00, Dunlossit Estate; £61.50, Gartness; £60.00, 7 Claddach; £58.50, Kirkby; £58.00 and £57.50, Blackrock.

Ewe lambs
TexelX: £66.50, Blackrock
CheviotX: £68.00 and £67.50, Kilbride.

Mule: £80.00, Leorin; £76.00, Kindrochaid; £71.00, Coille and Kindrochaid; £70.00, Corrary.

Blackface: £64.00 and £63.00, Dunlossit Estate; £60.00, Mansfield.

Gimmers
Mule: £145, Lorgba (R Paget) and Corrary; £140, Corrary; £125, Starchmill; £110, Lorgba (R Paget).

TexelX: £105, Windyedge; £100, Claddach.

BF £75, Lorgba; £70, Carn.
Warr Ewes
Blackface: £80, Lorgbaw; £66, Kilchiaran; £62, Lorgba; £60,

Craigens.

Cast ewes
TexelX: £62.50, Stanalane; £58.50, Dail; £58.00, Smaladh; £54.50, Stanalane.

Cross: £88.00 and £65.50, Dunlossit Estate; £57.50, Conisby.
Mule: £58.50, Dail
BeltexX: £85.00 and £62.50, Blackrock.

Rams
Suffolk: £550, 6 Bayview

Texel: £440, Dunlossit Estate; £360, Windyedge; £350, Neriby; £340, Dunlossit Estate; £320, Coille.

Cross: £460, Coille
Blackface: £550, Craggabus; £500 and £480, Lorgbaw; £440, Ardbeg; £400, Lorgbaw.

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Environmental fair held in Campbeltown

THE first ABREEF environmental fair since 2005 was held in Campbeltown last week. It was a fantastic success and the organisers are pleased to report that it was very well attended. More than 700 schoolchildren from across Kintyre took part in the two-day event to raise awareness of all the environmental agencies both local and national.

The schools included Castlehill, Campbeltown Grammar, Tarbert Academy, Carradale Primary, Clachan Primary, Dalintober Primary, Drumbleble Primary, Gigha Primary, Glenbarr Primary, Rhunahorine Primary and Southend Primary. This year's theme was biodiversity and there was also an evening session for adults, which

included a debate about community-owned wind turbines. Iain Johnston, who organised the fair for Argyll and Bute Regional Environmental Education Forum said afterwards: 'We would like to thank all the groups, organisations and individuals who helped to make the event such a success - see you in five years' time!'

International piano duo for Mid Argyll and Kintyre



Piano 4 Hands will perform at Ardrishaig Public Hall and Lorne and Lowland Church Hall this weekend.

TWO GREAT piano recitals are in prospect this weekend with the visit to Ardrishaig Hall (Saturday 7.30pm) and Lorne and Lowland Church Hall (Sunday 3.30pm) of the exciting international duo, Piano 4 Hands.

Widely as one of Britain's leading piano duos, Joseph Tong and his wife, Waka Hasegawa have been regular performers at leading concert venues since their acclaimed London debut

in 2002. A number of composers have written new works for the duo. Joseph and Waka were elected Associates of the Royal Academy of Music in 2008 and they are also artistic directors of the Bristol International Piano Duo Festival.

The Kintyre Music Club's concert takes place on Sunday afternoon in the Lorne and Lowland Church Hall, whilst the MAAA concert in Ardrishaig is on Saturday evening. **JBH**



Ceri Strang pipes the ducks into the water and Duncan Semple gets them to the starting line.

Carradale goes quackers once again

ONCE again a large crowd of locals and visitors attended the annual duck race in Carradale helping to raise around £4,500.

Held at Waterfoot, Carradale on Sunday, the 14th annual event saw 326 ducks entering the River Carra with prizes handed out to the first 11 duck sponsors.

The owner of the winning duck was Mrs C McLachlan. The best name cho-

sen this year was 'The X Quacktor' suggested by Ian McRae.

A total of approximately £4,500 was raised for Saddell and Carradale Parish Church.

Many thanks go to all who attended and to the organisers and volunteers of the day.

Grateful thanks also go to all the race sponsors who contributed to the prizes.

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Flying the flag for Mid Argyll and Kintyre

TARBERT Gaelic Choir will be flying the flag for Mid Argyll and Kintyre at the Royal National Mòd.

Choir members are drawn not just from Tarbert but also Campbeltown, Carradale, Southend and Lochgilphead.

It is the last of the choirs in a district once noted for its Gaelic choral tradition, most notable the legendary Campbeltown Gaelic Choir.

The choir, under its conductor Hilary MacDonald, will compete for the Sheriff Macmas-

ter Campbell Memorial Quaich. This is a beautiful silver trophy donated many years ago by the Campbeltown Highland Association.

Tarbert Gaelic Choir has chosen to sing *A Dòmhnail nan Dòmhnall* (Donald of the Donalds). A love song from the Machrihanish area, it appears to date back almost 300 years. It has been specially arranged by Neil Houston who also conducts the Tarbert Ladies Choir.

Needless to say Hilary MacDonald will warmly welcome any new recruits to her choir to keep alive the Kintyre choral inheritance.



There were activities for children of all ages, including a bouncy castle and face painting. Rosanna Ramsay, aged seven, from Campbeltown got her face painted by Francesca Grant from the Funky Chicken children's entertainment company. 04_c41sky02



People from different organisations were invited for a tour round the Machrihanish wind turbine section factory before the open day began on Saturday. 04_c41sky01

Skykon Open day a big success

MORE than 900 people visited the wind farm tower section factory at Machrihanish on Saturday.

Skykon Campbeltown held an open day to give people the chance to see around the factory, with free buses going to and from Campbeltown.

Entertainers

A bouncy castle and funky chicken, children's entertainers provided face painting and games to keep the children occupied.

New factory director David Steele

told *The Courier*: 'We would like to thank everybody who came along and made it a fantastic day, it was great to see so many people from the local community, both families of employees and others, coming to see the factory. The feedback was very positive and we had around 900 people through the doors.'

'We are hoping for a follow up in the new year when the new section of the factory is opened and fully functional.'



Johnny Hauggaard Skov, vice president of Tower Solutions and newly appointed factory director David Steele. 04_c41sky03

Coincidence for Murdo

A COLLECTION of works by Kintyre-born artist John Campbell Mitchell, which lay untouched in his Edinburgh studio since his death in 1922, will be auctioned in the city next week.

And Murdo MacDonald, chairman of the Kintyre Antiquarian Society is celebrating a remarkable coincidence.

He is publishing an essay about the painter in this month's edition of the society's *Kintyre Magazine*.

'I had no idea the sale was planned at all when I was writing' said Murdo.

John Campbell Mitchell moved into his home at Clermiston Road, Edinburgh, in 1904, it has remained in the family. He specialised in seascapes, many from around Argyll, especially Kintyre, and landscapes, often agricultural scenes. More than 100 pieces of his work, as well as some he collected from his fellow artists, are going under the hammer with Bonhams in Edinburgh next Thursday, October 14; oil paintings at estimated prices up to £2,000 and sketches.

Murdo said: 'He was born in Shore Street, Campbeltown in 1861; everyone will tell you it is 1862 but they are

wrong. His father John Mitchell was a wine and spirit merchant on Longrow and his mother was Isabella MacMillan. They moved to Edinburgh when he was young and his parents were buried in Kilkerran Cemetery.'

And you don't have to travel to the auction to see his work; Campbeltown Museum has some paintings on show.



John Campbell Mitchell, RSA *Children paddling, probably Argyll* is estimated to make between £700 and £900 at the auction.

Image courtesy of Bonhams.

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In the age-old battle between cats and dogs, one crazed feline has taken things a paw too far. Kitty Galore, formerly an agent for cat spy organization MEOWS, has gone rogue and hatched a diabolical plan to not only bring her canine enemies to heel, but take down her former kitty comrades and make the world her scratching post. Faced with this unprecedented threat, cats and dogs will be forced to join forces for the first time in history in an unlikely alliance to save themselves - and their humans - in *Cats & Dogs: The Revenge of Kitty Galore*, a comedy that blends live action with state-of-the-art puppetry and computer animation. It's time for the fur to fly.

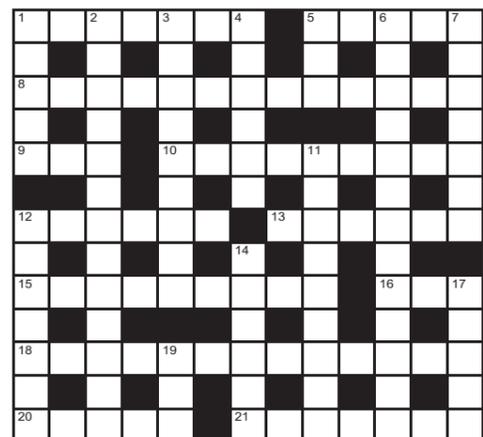
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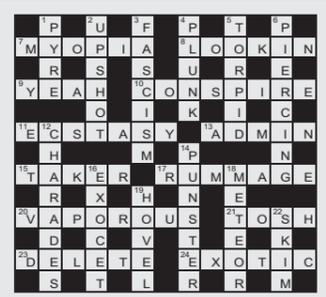
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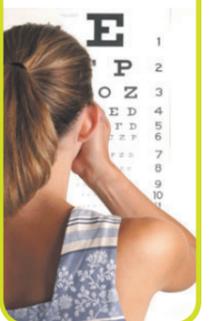
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Zero Fest Success

Alcohol-free beer goes down a storm at one-of-a-kind event

HEAVY rain did not put a dampener on the west coast of Scotland's first ever alcohol-free beer festival.

People from across Argyll descended on Lochgilphead front green, on Saturday, to sample the range of drinks of offer including red, white and rose wine, beer and cider, alcohol-free.

Coincide

Zero Fest, inspired by German beer carnival Ocoktoberfest, was organised by the Mid Argyll Substance Misuse Group Committee to coincide with Alcohol Awareness Week.

The event aimed to show people that there are

tasty alcohol-free alternatives to typical favourites such as beer and wine.

Peter Garrett, of Encompass, said: 'We are not telling people not to drink but showing them there are ways of lessening your alcohol consumption.'

And the message seemed to get through with visitors impressed with the variety of drinks on offer.

One woman said: 'The rose wine is delicious. If this was on offer in a local bar I would definitely order it.'

It is hoped, following the success of the event, pubs and restaurants throughout Argyll will start to sell some of the popular alcohol free beer.



Police Constable Trish Collins and Peter Garrett of Encompass are members of the Mid Argyll Substance Misuse Group, which organised Oktoberfest. 08_a41zero14



The alcohol-free beer and wine proved a hit with Ardrishaig's Kirsty and Mark Simpson.

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Jae Ferguson of Cockles food store in Lochgilphead served up a selection of cheeses and other fine foods at the event. 08_a41zero02

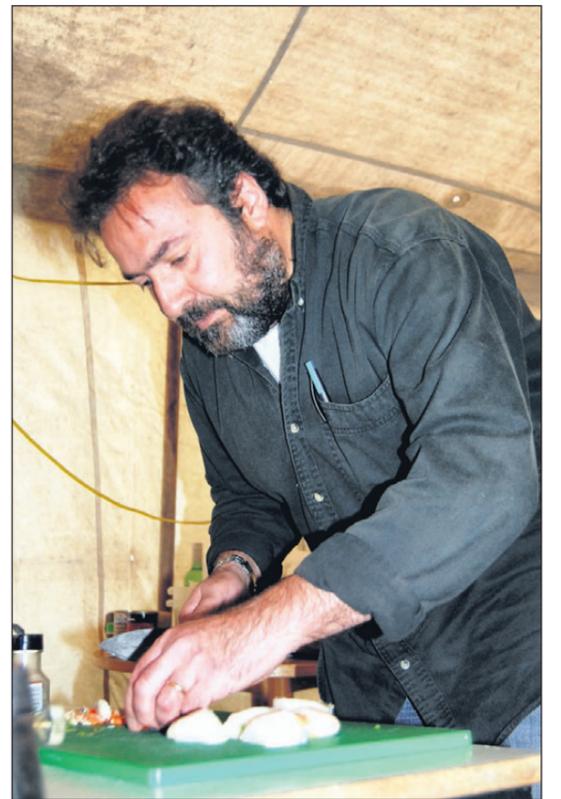


Matthew Watkiss enjoyed the alcohol-free beer with wife Anna.

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Two-year-old Olivia Veitch of Ardrishaig holds on tight as she is spun around on the teacups ride, one of many amusements that entertained the children at the event. 08_a41zero06



Italian culinary maestro Maurizio demonstrated how to cook the perfect scallops to a captivated audience. 08_a41zero10



Cameron Garrett, aged seven, from Ardrishaig, had a great time on the inflatable slide set up alongside the marquee on Saturday. 08_a41zero04



Lochgilphead Primary School pupil Ciaran MacKenzie, aged six, enjoyed the bikes at the Mid Argyll Motocross stall. 08_a41zero15



Colin Ferguson showed off his bartending skills as he poured a class of the very popular alcohol-free white wine. 08_a41zero09

Hitting the high notes takes teamwork

The story behind Coisir Og Dhail Riata

WHAT comes to mind when we hear the word teamwork? It is usually associated with sporting events or business jargon.

However, teamwork, combined with practice in Lochgilphead's Junior Gaelic Choir, is crucial to the production of fine music. Together, the young members of Coisir Og Dhail Riata, which translates as 'Young Choir of Dalriada,' produce a traditional Scottish sound through the lyrics and music of our Gaelic ancestors.

As a choir member, I feel we are all very close to one another and we have to connect when we sing together. With the Gaelic language on the verge of extinction in Scotland, many of our audiences don't understand what the words of our songs mean so we have to go that extra mile to tell the story of our music with feeling, passion and emotion.

All year round, we work our way through five different songs: two in unison, two in harmony and one Puirt a Beul (mouth music).

Coisir Og Dhail Riata faces great competition in the annual National Mòd where we compete with various other Gaelic choirs from around Scotland to try and win that top prize. This year the Mòd is in Thurso, next year Stornoway.

Coisir Og Dhail Riata recently celebrated its 10th birthday. In 2000,

As Coisir Og Dhail Riata, Mid Argyll's Junior Gaelic Choir, prepares to travel to Caithness for the Royal National Mòd this weekend, choir member Eilidh Campbell from Lochgilphead, tells Advertiser readers what it's like being part of such a successful group. Eilidh has been a member of Coisir Og Dhail Riata for five years, winning a cache of silverware along the way.

Mrs Mary Gillies, of Furnace, with the help of interested parents, set up the first senior Gaelic choir in Lochgilphead. It was proposed a good idea as there were so many keen young singers in Furnace's junior choir that it would be a shame to let their talent and enthusiasm go to waste. Subsequently, Mrs Gillies organised a senior choir as a follow up for the younger choir so that when the children joined high school, they were able to continue singing. The choir consisted mainly of first years in 2000, with girls from all over the area attending. Like Coisir Og Dhail Riata today, the choir in 2000 had both a Gaelic and a music tutor. In 2000, Mrs Catriona Ross took the role of teaching the youngsters Gaelic and conducting. Mrs Phyllis Crawford became the music tutor. Since, both tutors have been replaced many times with Christine Johnston as Gaelic tutor and Fiona Munro as music tutor and conductor today. From the early days of Coisir Og Dhail Riata, success has

never been short. In the ten years the choir has been running, they have only ever been unable to attend one Mòd. Within the nine that they have attended, the Gaelic choir has won many awards, having won at least one out of three competitions at the National Mòd every year. So what does being a member of the choir mean to me? Firstly, it enables me to use what I once thought was a weak and shy voice in songs of beauty and loss, creating a sense of achievement and pride. Singing with the choir makes me feel part of a large family who all contribute to producing our unique sound.

Coisir Og Dhail Riata allows me to work with my friends in a way that we are all accepted and we take profound pleasure in what we do. I also feel the choir holds great importance in keeping the dying Gaelic language alive. Alongside conductor Fiona and Gaelic tutor Christine, the girls involved all feel privileged to be so appreciated in the community having being asked

to perform at many local ceilidhs and events and even being invited to Northern Ireland to perform our Scottish music. The choir allows us to express ourselves freely and bond with the diverse ages of the members. Katie Cairns, a current choir member, feels that being part of the choir 'opens doors for us and

allows us to make new friends'. Over the time that I have been a member we've all become really close. Being in the choir allows us to learn a new language and have fun. Although the Mòds are nerve-wracking, we look forward to a great weekend of Scottish music and result depending, celebrating.

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Eilidh Campbell.



The choir took home a cache of silverware at last year's Royal National Mod in Oban. They are hoping to do the same at this year's event in Caithness.



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- Friday 5 November – Queens Hotel, Oban – 10am – 3.30pm
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- Thursday 21 October – Corran Halls, Oban – 10am – 3pm
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- Thursday 25 November – Corran Halls, Oban – 10am – 1pm
- Wednesday 8 December – Argyll Hotel, Inveraray – 12.30 – 4pm
- Thursday 9 December – Queens Hall, Dunoon – 10am – 1pm

Thinking of starting your own business?

Starting your own business can be exciting, however there is a lot to think about. This session will help you to meet and network with like-minded individuals and highlight lots of really useful sources of advice and guidance to assist your start up journey.

- Monday 4 October – Corran Halls, Oban – 3pm – 5pm
- Thursday 7 October – Community Centre, Lochgilphead – 3pm – 5pm
- Thursday 14 October – Queens Hall, Dunoon – 3pm – 5pm
- Monday 25 October – Aqualibrium, Campbeltown – 3pm – 5pm

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Learn how to develop your ideas into a practical and effective plan to launch your business. Key elements covered will include: Getting the marketing right for your business; Developing a realistic, working business plan; Deciding what finance you need and learn how to use financial information; Introducing information technology to your business

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- Tuesday 16 & Wednesday 17 November – Aqualibrium, Campbeltown – 9.30am-4.30pm
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Those Were The Days

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School building work starts

THE FIRST sod has been ceremonially cut by education minister Peter Peacock at Lochgilphead's new school campus.

The event marks the beginning of a building programme, which will see five new school buildings in Argyll.

Under Argyll and Bute Council's private-public partnership (PPP), new school campuses will be built in Oban, Lochgilphead and Rothesay as well as new buildings for Dunoon Grammar Heritage Academy.

Lochgilphead joint campus will house Lochgilphead High, Lochgilphead Primary School and Whitegates Learning Centre, while Oban primary campus will comprise Rockfield, Drumore and St. Columba's primary schools.

Crinan Canal funding boost

ARDRISHAIG has been given a major boost with the announcement that the Scottish Executive is to fund refurbishment of the Crinan Canal.

Transport Minister Tavish Scott announced last week that the executive is to give £480,000 to British Waterways to improve the canal.

From the funds, £400,000 is to be spent undertaking a refurbishment of the operating equipment at Ardrishaig swing bridge. The bridge itself will also be repainted.

The remaining £80,000 will fund a wet dredging programme that it is hoped will improve navigation for boaters in previously identified problem areas. Whilst work on the bridge is in progress, traffic travelling through Ardrishaig on the A83, which would normally cross the swing bridge, will be diverted.

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



SHE was absolutely gorgeous! She had lovely eyes and soft ears and captured my heart immediately. She came across the field swaying her head in welcome. I wanted to take her home, but it's not easy getting a donkey into the car!

She was one of the friendliest donkeys I have ever met and she wanted lots of pats and cuddles. I always keep extra strong mints in the car in case I do meet any horses or donkeys on my travels – and she loved them, along with a few oat cakes, which were in the rucksack! What a wonderful encounter it was with the wee donkey who 'smiled' in appreciation at all the attention.

They were just a few chance moments in time, but would be part of me forever.

I thought of what a wonderful gift our memory is and of how times like that can create good memories for the future.

I thought of how good it is to hear the stories of old from our older generation, and of how memories are made and treasured.

How often people say that their memories are what keep them going. How good it is to reminisce with friends and families of times gone by. How important it is to reminisce with those who are on the last part of life's journey.

How good it is to build a treasure store of memories.

So, in a way, we can shape our future by taking time with those we love now to make memories for the future - memories that can be stored in the winter of our lives to relive when summer fades and we need them.

As I said goodbye to my donkey friend, I noticed the cross on her back and I remembered another donkey at another time that carried a man who would carry a cross on his back.

What a good thing memory is.



Down Memory Lane

THIS Week's Down Memory Lane was submitted by Phyllis Angus from Lochgilphead. The photograph shows the Lochgilphead Golf Club prizewinners in 1981. This year's prizegiving will take place in the Clubhouse on Saturday October 23.

Power companies no longer farming wind but subsidies

Sir,
The news that Scottish householders and businesses will face a massive hike in electricity bills to pay for the mad-cap race to renewable energy should come as no surprise to anyone. So far, around 2500 wind turbines have been erected across the UK and yet they contribute barely one per cent of all the electricity we need. Their combined output of around 900 megawatts is less than that of a single, medium-sized conventional power station.

Worse still, far from being free, this trickle of electricity is twice as expensive as nuclear, gas or coal-fired plants, which provide us with 90 per cent of our needs. Those who claim that offshore wind farms will provide the answer are also well off track. The Royal Academy of Engineering recently calculated

that the cost of a kilowatt-hour of electricity produced by an offshore wind turbine is 7.2p, compared to 2.2p from gas, 2.3p from nuclear and 2.5p from coal. The big power companies are no longer farming wind, they are farming subsidies and the poor consumers will have to foot the bill.

Because the wind only blows intermittently, even in Scotland, wind turbines produce electricity for only about one quarter of their working lives. During the coldest parts of winter, when temperatures plummet and there is no wind for days on end, Scotland's wind turbines will be standing idle while we shiver in the cold!

That is why every single megawatt of generating capacity from our on-shore and off-shore wind farms will need to be matched by a back-up supply from high

CO2 emitting fossil-fuel gas or coal-fired plants, which nobody in the Scottish government is planning for. And since the government has already ruled out any new nuclear plants in Scotland, we can be certain of one thing - the lights are going to go out.

Struan Stevenson, MEP, European Parliament, Rue Wiertz 60, Brussels B-1047.

Changing place names

Sir,
It has been brought to my attention that irresponsible visitors to the district are changing many of the place names in the area.

For example Stonefield Bay, of which the correct Gaelic name is, I understand, Bagh-na-Ron – bay of the seals. It would appear that some

people are now calling it Queen's Bay. This is completely erroneous and should be corrected immediately.

Apart from the fact that the Royal party picnicked there on one or two occasions, it has nothing whatsoever to do with the Queen.

As a native of Knapdale I feel it is imperative that our heritage and culture are maintained, especially when one considers our kinsfolk returning from all over the globe.

Donald Shuttleworth, Lochgair.

Ruled by a small elite

Sir,
Surely Argyll First and others were aware that a party system of politics is not democratic except from the point of view of the party in power.

Allowing one party or

faction to take control condemns the opposition to a non-active role in government, local or national.

In local government they seem to make the rules up as they go along. I do agree that all the councillors should have been in on the discussions but I don't think the outcome would have been any different. After all, no-one wanted to go war in Iraq or Afghanistan but a democratically elected clique decided we were going and there we are.

For the last 200 years we have had government by party or faction, not unlike the Roman Patrician Society. If you are not a member of a party there is little chance you will become an MP.

No Prime Minister has ever been elected to the post by the full house – Churchill was a Dux Bellorum - as should be the case. Generally he or she is Prime Minister in waiting having been selected by their party. Party members of all parties throughout the country are a very small minority of the population. We are in fact ruled by a small elite. Democracy is of all the people and the only way to achieve this is for candidates, on election, to set aside party dogma and work with the other representatives to select a Prime Minister who should then consult with the House to nominate ministerial posts. These ministers in turn should work with the civil servants in their departments – that's what we pay them for. They should not bring in old school friends or other non government people as 'advisors' at taxpayers' expense. I am aware that it might be impossible for party hard-liners to give up their 'right to rule'. I may be wrong but I think making a try for a proper democracy could be no worse than the cosy club system we and a lot of other countries like to call a democracy.

George Doyle, Isle of Seil.

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SELF-build homes are growing in popularity and with good reason. Quite simply, it's the only way to ensure you get everything you want.

It doesn't even matter what style you prefer, from classic or rustic to modern and eco-friendly, you can do it all with self build. But what many people don't realise is that it can also be the economical option, with property prices remaining high despite the impact of the credit crunch. So why not check it out for yourself and find out why more and more people are opting to build their own homes instead of moving into homes they would ordinarily consider less than ideal. Before you embark on your very own 'Grand Design,' there are a

few important things to consider. The first thing you'll want to do is consider how much you intend to spend. Ask for rough quotes from construction firms and self-build specialists to get an idea of what to expect. Remember though that, as with all building work, there is an element of the unknown, so set yourself a prudent contingency budget. If you need it, then you won't have the stress of wondering where you'll find the cash to deal with a problem. If you don't, a trip to the Bahamas beckons! Next you'll want to find a plot of land. This is one of the

most important stages in the process and could have massive ramifications for your quality of life. Where does the sun set and rise? Is the area a flood plane? Are there utilities, shops or facilities nearby? Are there any associated problems with the area? These are all vital considerations when it comes to designing your home and could force you to look elsewhere if they are impossible or too costly to resolve. While the idea of living on an 14 acre estate is as appealing as it is idealistic, be realistic. Being able to afford the land doesn't

necessarily mean you'll be able or want to maintain it. It's just as important you don't opt for a plot that's too small. So give yourself breathing room but not so much as to feel out of your depth. Finally, check to see what the planning status is. Some land can be off limits for building due to special designation, while other areas may have had applications before, so check with the local authority's planning office to find out everything you can before parting with any cash. You'll be so busy thinking about all these other aspects that it could be easy to forget one of the

most important factors – where will you live while the build takes place? If you have to sell your home to finance the project, you will want to arrange alternative accommodation, so remember budget in for the cost of a rental property or caravan. It may also be worth considering why your are building. If economics is a part of it, why not find out if friends or relatives in the area have thought about building their own home. If so, it could make the total cost of the project much cheaper; and you **continued on page 16**



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Eastcliff, one of the magnificent villas built on the shores of Campbeltown Loch during the town's Victorian property boom is still a family home today, unlike some of the other villas by the famous Glasgow architect HE Clifford.

Owner Andrew Smith and partner Alison MacGregor invited The Courier's Dream Home feature to see round the property.

Eastcliffe was built in 1825 and a second part added in 1896. Andrew had the front of the property cleaned and repointed by Graham Powell, stonemason. 'He came to town to clean the Lorne and Lowland Church, met a local girl and decided to stay. He did a superb job,' said Andrew. 04_c40eas18

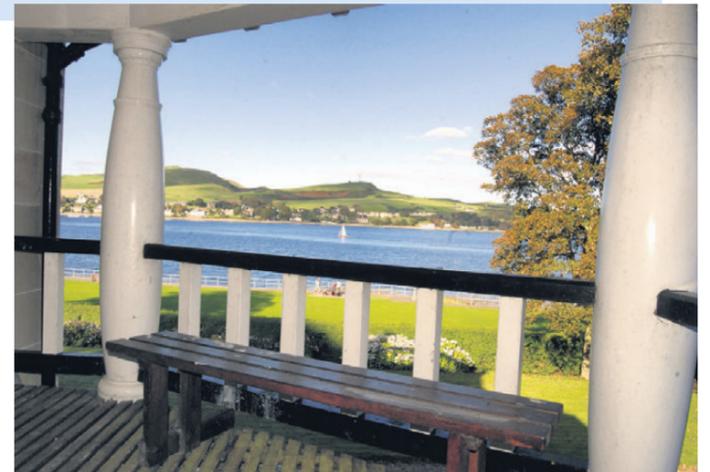
Eastcliff is the work of HE Clifford of Glasgow the man responsible for a number of famous Campbeltown buildings including Craigard, Auchinlee and St Kieran's Episcopal Church.

Eastcliff was rebuilt by Clifford from the original Georgian house built in 1825; his remodelling concealing the original house.

As such Eastcliff is unique in Clifford's work, Katherine McNeil writes in the The Campbeltown Book, because the new building encapsulates than older existing one.



Andrew Smith, his partner Alison MacGregor and Andrew's niece Bethany Stalker. 04_c40eas16



The veranda leading from the master bedroom gives a stunning view over Campbeltown Loch. 04_c40eas01

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The full magnificence of Eastcliff is best seen from the air.



At the rear of the property Andrew cleared a large area of garden and the pond and even added original posts to the drying green. A conservatory added by a previous owner has been turned into a gym. 04_c40eas19

The palm-tree lined drive sweeps up to the house; Andrew has extended the gravelled areas and laid more paving. 04_c40eas17



One of the five bedrooms at Eastcliff. 04_c40eas02



Eastcliff has a billiard room, as befits the home of any Victorian gentleman. 04_c40eas03

The living room of Eastcliff is spacious, with a huge bay window below the upstairs veranda. 04_c40eas08



The fitted kitchen, though modern is in keeping with the house and the neighbouring scullery retains its original sinks. 04_c40eas12

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The landing and staircase at Eastcliff are impressive with the original stained glass casting coloured light onto the walls; the ship design echoes the Campbeltown crest and harks back to a time when shipping was an even more important part of Campbeltown's fortunes. 04_c40eas15



The staircase at Eastcliff has some imposing woodwork. 04_c40eas13



The fireplace in the master bedroom. 04_c40eas06



No expense was spared with the fittings when Eastcliff was built, as can be seen in this Victorian arts and crafts fireplace in the dining room. 04_c40eas10

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can guarantee you'll have neighbours you get on with!

Time is another important consideration. When do you want to move in? How quickly you want to build your home could determine how intricate a design you are able to achieve. It will also have a direct bearing on cost, so be sure you factor this in now before you settle on a design.

Now it's finally time to think about a design brief. This is the stage where you get really specific about what you want. Remember, at this stage it's all about finding out what's possible so include everything. If some options prove too costly, they can always be deleted later.

Be careful to take note of every single detail though, from how many bedrooms you want, to whether they are en-suite and how many plug sockets each room will have.

Storage is vital in a home so consider loft or basement space, and also think about materials and finishes.

Heating, especially in Scotland, is absolutely essential, so think carefully about how you want to keep your home warm. Underfloor heating systems are growing in popularity, but radiators and real fires stoves are just as widespread as ever and can be fitted in to the home to be as inconspicuous as you like.

At this stage, you may wish to consider some of the pre-designed and ready-to-ship homes that are on the market. These are ideal if you want to move in as quickly as possible - some can be ready in weeks - and are especially good if you're working on a budget.

For something a little more unique, start to sketch some ideas of how the exterior will look. Remember to consider the surroundings when coming up with an idea; a wee country cottage in the middle of a housing scheme might not be an ideal design, whereas a glass and steel skyscraper on the banks of Loch Etive wouldn't go down well with planners.

Once settled, it's off to the architect to finalise a design. Once you're happy with your creation, and it has passed planning, it's time to build! The build itself is the most stressful stage of the process, but as long as you're well prepared it need not be a nightmare.

How involved you are in the build itself is entirely up to you. If you'd prefer to hire a project manager

and leave every aspect of the build to him, all you need to do is sit back and wait, while being asked to advise from time to time.

If you prefer to get your hands dirty, then do so. The more you do, the more you can save. It will increase the time it takes to build your home, especially if you have to carry on working during the build.

Just remember that if you're not as competent at DIY as you'd like to think, or you don't have contacts within the building trade, your involvement could end up costing you more than hiring an experienced project manager.

The building work itself can change drastically from day to day, so once the frame of the house itself is up, you'll want to get it watertight as quickly as possible. This is far easier if you've opted for a pre-fabricated design, as everything will arrive in order. Bespoke designs are a little more complicated. You may have specialist materials or intricate designs to take into account. This could extend the time it takes to get the house weatherproof, so programme for this.

Once this important step is out of the way, you can concentrate on the interiors. This means plumbing, wiring, insulating - everything we rely on from day to day but barely take notice of until something goes wrong. If it does go wrong at this stage, it can have an impact on your budget, so make sure you get it right first time. If, for example, you want to install underfloor heating, test the pipework before you cement it in. If you don't and later discover a fault, it could be very expensive and inconvenient to repair.

By this stage, you're approaching the end of the project and, all things being well, your contingency fund will be intact. Don't think about splurging it just yet as anything could still happen. Better safe than sorry! Once all the wiring and pipework is done, the walls and flooring can be completed, kitchens and bathrooms fitted, and furnishings moved in. At last, your building project will start resembling your home! If you had budgeted conservatively for furnishings and luxuries, you may wish to supplement the fund from the contingency budget. You might also think about moving a portion of that budget towards designing a garden and driveway - if you can resist that holiday in the sunshine!

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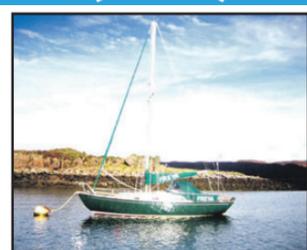


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Take notice that the applications in the following schedule may be inspected during normal office hours at 67/ 69 Chalmers Street Ardrishaig PA30 8DX, at the location detailed below and by logging on to the Council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk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

SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION PLANS

● Ref No: 10/01009/PP

Applicant: Mr Chris Doherty
 Proposal: Change of use of workshop to form public house including alterations and extension.
 Site Address: The Old Cooperage Inveraray PA32 8UE
 Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Inveraray

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● Ref No: 10/01102/PP

Applicant: Mr Stephen Johnstone
 Proposal: Extension to dwellinghouse
 Site Address: Kyle View Lady Ileene Road Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6TU
 Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert

● Ref No: 10/01541/PP

Applicant: Mr And Mrs Bergius
 Proposal: Alterations and extension to dwellinghouse.
 Site Address: Craignish House Craignish Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8QN
 Location of Plans: Council Office Manse Brae Lochgilphead

● Ref No: 10/01620/PP

Applicant: Dalriada Project
 Proposal: Formation of path and road crossing (Retrospective).
 Site address: Achabreck, East Of A816 And Dunamuck Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute
 Location of Plans: Council Office, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead

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

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Councillor Colville can also be contacted on Tel: 01586 820209 or by email - rory.colville@argyll-bute.gov.uk

Councillor Donald Kelly (E.W.1 South Kintyre) can be contacted on Tel: 01586 810 391/0797327751 or by email donald.kelly2@argyll-bute.gov.uk

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

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Councillor Douglas Philand (E.W.3 Mid Argyll) can be contacted on Tel: 01546 606575 or by email on dougie.philand@argyll-bute.gov.uk

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Kintyre wind farm site: 4	55 24.921N	05 47.566W
Kintyre wind farm site: 5	55 22.819N	05 50.062W
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Environmental Impact Assessment Woodland Creation Proposals
 Isle of Ulva, Argyll

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Proposals for the 378.27 hectare site at Ulva covered by the Environmental Statement, involve the planting of 285.80 hectares of native broad-leaved trees and shrubs, and establishment by natural regeneration (trees self-seeding from existing seed source) of 29.17 hectares.

Copies of the Environmental Statement are available for inspection at the Ulva Ferry Post Office and the Forestry Commission Office, Millpark Road, Oban, Argyll PA34 4NH between 9.00 am and 4.30 pm Monday to Friday. The documents will be available for viewing from Monday 4th October 2010 until 1st November 2010.

Copies of the Environmental Statement can purchased from Miller Harris, Forestry Consultant, 1 Galloway Place, Fort William. PH33 6UH. (miller@miller-harris.co.uk) at a cost of £140 per copy or in electronic form on disk for £25 each to cover printing, copying and distribution costs.

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Kappy 50th Elizabeth Herrod



Love Mum, Sharon & Lauren. xxx

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HAPPY 40TH MUM, Lots of love Che, Ellis and Evan

Mary McGuinness and family wish to thank all those concerned who were there to help at the time of her accident. Also to thank everyone for phone calls, cards, flowers and good wishes since her return home. They were all very much appreciated.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

The Bible says, 'Be devoted to one another in brotherly love' (Romans 12:10).

BIRTHS

MCKELLAR – **HOLLAND** – John, Louise and big sister, Freyja, are delighted to announce the arrival of a beautiful baby girl, Neith Alix, on September 19, 2010. Granddaughter for Mary and the late Alan McKellar of Kilmartin and Eddie and Mary Holland of Oban. Special thanks to the staff of the Mid Argyll Maternity Ward for the excellent care we received.

ENGAGEMENTS

JACKSON – **MCINTYRE** – Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Sandi, youngest daughter of Alex and Marleen, Tarbert, to Patrick, youngest son of Frank and Helen, Joppa, Edinburgh on October 3, 2010.

MACFARLANE – PINE – Both families are delighted to announce the long awaited engagement of Willie MacFarlane to Kirsty Pine, on October 2, 2010 at Archlea, Tarbert.

MARSHALL – REID – Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Ewan Marshall, younger son of Bill and Sheena Marshall, of Stirling, to Jennifer Reid, daughter of John and Pamela Reid, Lochgilphead.

MCMULLAN – IRVINE

Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Iain and Caprice at the top of Blackpool Tower on October 2, 2010.

MARRIAGES

REID – ROBERTSON – At the Lorne and Lowland Church on September 18, 2010, by Rev Philip Burroughs, Jamie to Denise. A wonderful day shared with family and friends.

RUBY WEDDINGS

MILNE – On October 10, 1970 at the Highland Parish Church by Rev C Henderson and Rev J Millar Scott, James Falconer Milne to Janet Rankin McIvor. Present address: 14 Mile Elm, Marlow, Bucks.

MORRISON – **MACVICAR** – At St Columba Gaelic Church, Greenock on October 9, 1970 by the Rev Donald Morrison MA, assisted by the Rev Archy MacVicar and the Rev Richard Snoddon, Calum to Margaret.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

WILSON – **MCCORKINDALE** – At St Blaas's Church, Southend on October 7, 1960 by Rev James Marks, James to Louise. Present address: Chenaniah, Campbeltown.

DEATHS

DICK – Died peacefully at Beach Court Nursing Home on Monday, October 4, 2010, Nancy (formerly of Campbeltown Library), wife of the late Alister, much loved mother of Morven and grandmother to Ashley and Lauren. Service at Aberdeen Crematorium on Monday, October 11 at 10.10am. Family flowers only please.

GIBSON – On September 29, 2010, very suddenly at home, Janette Gibson, née Donald, of Inveraray, aged 55 years, beloved wife of Dougie Gibson, much loved mother of Lisa and William, dearly loved daughter of Mae and the late Dan Donald, cherished sister of Daniel and May and a loved aunt. Funeral service at Inveraray Parish Church, on Tuesday, October 12, at 1.30pm, interment thereafter at Glen Shira Cemetery, to which all family and friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers only please, collection at church if desired, for Macmillan Cancer Relief.

JACKSON – Suddenly, but peacefully, at her home, Tigh Na Failte, Slockavullin, Kilmartin, on September 29, 2010, Patricia (Pat) Jackson, née Clarke, aged 79 years, (Formerly of Caton and Lancaster). Beloved wife of the late Alex Jackson, and much loved mum of Wendy and Vivienne, and their husbands Martin and Ian. Cherished granny of Stephen, Louise and Gayle, Jennifer, Jack and Isabel, and great-granny of Michelle. Dear sister to Colin and Sandra, and sister-in-law of Anthea. A good neighbour and dear friend to many.

SMITH – Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on September 18, 2010, Leslie Smith, in his 81st year, 72 Ralston Road, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Gladys, much loved father of Pam and Libby, father-in-law of Jim and Gordon and a loving grandad and pops.

WHITAKER – On October 4, 2010, peacefully at Glenaray Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead, Constance (Connie) Mary Whitaker of Lochgair Place, Tarbert, in her 86th year, beloved wife of the late Squire, much loved mother of Sue, dear mother-in-law of Rick and a dearly loved granny of Jamie and Alasdair. Cremation private. Memorial Service to be announced. Grateful thanks to all Connie's carers and staff at Mid Argyll Hospital, with special thanks to staff nurse Lesley Garbutt for her kindness and consideration.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

LAMBERT – The family of the late Sheena Lambert would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy, cards, flowers and phone calls received following their sad loss. A special thanks to Dr I Norrie and staff of the Acute Ward Campbeltown for their kind care and attention and for making Mum's last days comfortable. Special thanks also to Jan and Margaret for all their help and comfort given. Thanks to the Reverend Burroughs for spiritual comfort and a very moving service, thanks also to Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for efficient and caring funeral arrangements. Also to the Argyll Hotel for catering. Not forgetting all who attended the church and graveside. The sum of £140.40 was raised for the Acute Ward Campbeltown.

MCSPORRAN – Margaret and family of the late Janet McSporrans wish to thank all who sent cards and floral tributes in their recent sad loss. Many thanks to Dr M Lazarus, Dr G Anderson and the staff of Bengullion Ward, Campbeltown Hospital for their care and attention. Thanks also to Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for their sensitive and professional funeral arrangements, Rev Philip Burroughs for his very comforting service, David Gardiner for his lovely music, Ardshiel Hotel for tea and to all who attended the service and graveside.

YOUNG – Jamie and Lynda would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions of sympathy in the loss of their little boy Kayden. Special thanks to the Maternity Department at Mid Argyll Hospital and Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley. To Roddy MacDonald and Fiona for your efficient and sympathetic service, Reverend Roy Flatt for your beautiful service and kind words to us, and to everyone who sent cards and flowers, they were greatly appreciated. Love and God bless to you all.

IN MEMORIAMs

BLAIR – In loving memory of my mum, Dorothy (Dot), passed away October 12, 2009. Loved and remembered everyday - Dorothy.

BLAIR – In loving memory of my gran, Dot, who passed away on October 12, 2009. Of all the gifts in life, however great or small To have you as my gran was the greatest gift of all. Miss you. - Kim.

BLAIR – In loving memory of our mum, Dorothy, who passed away October 12, 2009. Quietly remembered every day. - Alex, Marion and families.

BLAIR – In loving memory of my mum, Dot, passed away October 12, 2009. Always in our thoughts. - Donald, Lynn and Iona.

DEWAR – A loving father, partner, brother and uncle,

Richard McNeill Dewar, died October 9, 2009. Sadly missed.

You were taken from us suddenly, we still can't get over it.

It's been nearly a year since you passed and the pain of losing you still remains. You are forever in our hearts and thoughts, Dad. We love you more than words can say.

- Lots of love and hugs, Jean and Jeanette xxxxxx.

GRANT – Treasured memories of Sarah, our dearly loved mother, grandmother and great grandmother, passed away October 4, 1999. - Jean, Gilbert, Janice, Mark, Gillian, Karl and Douglas.

LIPPE – Precious memories of Feuna Margaret Kerr, died October 9, 1992, aged 26 years.

In God's garden up above, Stands a rose we dearly love, She stands with petals open wide, Watered by the tears we've cried,

Her fragrance fills our lives each day, Locked in our hearts she will always stay.

- Mum, Dad, John, Iona, Paul and wee Feuna. Love you always, Mum. - Peter John xx.

MACLACHLAN – In loving memory of Mary, passed away October 10, 2008 and Neil, passed away May 30, 2010.

Together again, but missed greatly by all who loved you. - Anne, John, Kirsten and Emma.

MACLULLICH – In loving memory of our dear son, Peter, who died on October 6, 1992.

Loving thoughts of our time together With memories we shall keep forever.

- Mum, Dad and Alasdair. **MASON** – Billy, died October 1999. Sadly missed. - Ray and family.

MCKINVEN – Daniel, March 11, 1920 – October 8, 1990.

Now twenty years since he was with us, but still loved and remembered everyday.

- From Beth, Mhairread, Shaman and families.

MCMILLAN – Annette. Mum, five years have passed, my heart's still sore.

As time goes by I miss you more.

Your smile, your laugh, your gentle face, No-one can take your special place.

- Love Jo, Al and kids, and Malcolm.

PICKERING – In loving memory of a dear husband and dad, Dave, who died October 8, 2007.

Always in our thoughts Forever in our hearts. - Eli, Marte and Lorne, Karen and Barry, and Marc and Rebecca.

STEWART – In ever loving memory of my dear wife, Christina (Ina), who departed this life October 13, 2004. - Frank.

STEWART – Ina, a much loved mum, granny and mother-in-law, died October 13, 2004.

Remembered every day. - Frances, Jim, Eilidh and Mairi.

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Saturday
Coffee Morning
10am – 12 noon

Sunday Services
10.30am and 6.30pm.

Tuesday
Over 60's Luncheon Club
-12.15pm
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- 1.30pm

Wednesday
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Sunday 10th October 2010
Kilberry Church 10.00am
Tarbert Church 11.30am

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Sunday, 10th October
Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m.
(Creche, Triple C, Bible Class)

Rev. Philip Burroughs
Tuesday, 12th October
Mothers and Toddlers
9:45 a.m.

Thursday, 14th October
Choir Practice - 7:30 p.m.

Friday, 15th October
Lunch Club - 12:00 noon

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Sunday 10th October 2010
Glassary 10am
Rev Cliff Acklam
All are welcome

LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

All Welcome
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson
Sunday 10th October 2010
11.00am Morning
with communion
Jumpstart Group
Friday 10.00 – 11.30am
Tonight
"The Edge"
6.30 – 7.45
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Sunday 10 October 2010
11.00am
Worship Service for all ages
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Speaker: Graham McLean
"Hearing from God"
All Welcome
"Come and see"

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Lochgair 3 pm
Rev. Roddy MacLeod
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KIRK SESSION
Monday 11th October
Cumlodden Church Hall
7.30 pm

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Lochgilphead Under 14s keep up their winning ways

Lochgilphead SC Under 14s 5 EDFC Under 14s 3

LOCHGILPHEAD Soccer Centre Under 14s continued their winning ways last Saturday with a fourth victory in the Dunbartonshire Football Development League.

In a game moved to Furnace due to a water-logged Ropework Park the home side, sponsored by D A MacDonald (Contractors) Ltd, opened slowly and goalkeeper Ewan McCulloch had to make a good early save but they settled the nerves with two excellent Kyle Selfridge finishes in 11 and 14 minutes. A quick throw in by Aaron Moore gave Ewan Dudding space to add a third with a fine angled drive and Cameron Hendry added a fourth on 25 minutes.

That should have been game over but a minute before half time EDFC were given a lifeline after poor defending at a corner. Half time 4-1.

In the first 20 minutes of the second half Lochgilphead had several chances to increase the lead - Ben Miller hitting a post, Josh Coates shooting wide and Coll McCallum having a shot well saved - but they couldn't find the back of the net.

With six minutes remaining EDFC pulled one back and when they scored a third two minutes later there was a real possibility that Lochgilphead could throw away a four goal lead. However, in the final seconds of the game a great Cameron Hendry run down the right set up Ewan Dudding to drive home the decisive goal and confirm a 5-3 victory. Lochgilphead sit fifth in the league with games in hand on all teams ahead of them and are now the only team with a 100 per cent record in the league.

Lochgilphead team: McCulloch; MacNeill, Krawczyk, Gibson, Lewis; Moore, McCallum (capt), Dudding, Deans; Coates, Selfridge. Subs (all used): Hendry, Miller, Davidson.

Sailing sensation lifts another top title



Lorenzo led from the front throughout the race.

SAILING sensation Lorenzo Chiavarini last week added a championship title to his ever-growing number of awards.

The Bellanoch boy, aged 16, won the Laser Radial dinghy class at the RYA Scotland Volvo Zone and Youth Championships in Helensburgh.

Described as the most important youth sailing event of the year Lorenzo won with a convincing set of results, sailing in a fleet of 16 Laser Radials.

Lorenzo said: 'There were quite challenging sailing conditions given the light winds so I am quite happy with the consistent results I achieved.'

Each class of boat sailed three races during the two-day long event with 140 competitors

turning out to compete across six categories.

Lorenzo was not only aiming for the title at the weekend but, with RYA Scotland coaches in the audience, a place in the RYA Scotland regional and national squads as well.

Having been made a member of the Great Britain Squad in previous years Lorenzo is hopeful he will be among the sailors invited to join the 2010/11 Squad, when names are announced later this month.

Nick Scott, high performance manager at RYA Scotland, said: 'After seeing the high skill set of sailors on the water at this event it gives the squad selection committee a difficult task - the state of Scottish sailing is looking very healthy.'

Last home match of the season for 'Aray

ANOTHER changed side for Inveraray saw them quickest off the mark against Bute last weekend.

The 'Aray boys scored two quick goals in the first 10 minutes through Grant Griffin and Euan McMurdo.

Bute are in need of points to avoid relegation and must have been thinking of the 9-0 scoreline from their last encounter.

But all credit to Bute, they knew they needed points from this game and were relentless in their attack on the Inveraray defence.

Both sides had chances to score but it wasn't until just before half time Bute scored.

Buoyed by this they came out the strongest for the second half and remained the more dominant throughout the half.

'Aray did have chances to extend their lead but failed to capitalise on the space afforded them as Bute pushed forward. The stiff wind around the Winterton made conditions for long passes difficult but 'Aray's defence held firm and the final score was 2-1 to the home team. Bute now go into a relegation decider with Oban Camanachd next week.



Inveraray's Gary McPherson on the chase.



Breaking free: The ponies had other ideas during a recent pony club rally.

Busy time for Argyll South Pony Club

ARGYLL (South) Branch of the Pony Club have had a busy summer competing at various shows and events both within the area and further afield.

The latest fixture was a well-attended rally in September at Killinlochnoch Hill.

Test days were held at Oatridge, with Sara McDougall passing her B test Horse and Pony Care - a highly creditable achievement, since she is the first member from the club to pass this very exacting test in 10 years. Tabitha James also passed the C+ Horse and Pony Care with flying colours.

The next fixture is a rally at Barr Glen Equestrian Centre on October 17. Other rallies, stable management sessions, the AGM, Endurance training, a ride out and winter league dressage and show jumping (open to all) are now finalised to take us through to next Easter. Venues include Glenbarr, Ardrishaig, Kilmartin and Inveraray.

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Lottery numbers

INVERARAY Shinty Club lottery numbers for this week are 3, 14 and 17. There were no winners and the jackpot will be £1200 next week.

KILMORY Camanachd Shinty Club lottery numbers for this week are 4, 10 and 13. There were two winners R. Watt and J. Purdie who shared the £400 jackpot.

Next week's prizemoney returns to £100.

Get jogging

JOG Scotland is inviting Mid Argyll folk for a run this autumn as it resumes after the October break.

The popular running club now boasts three jogging teams catering for all abilities.

The Wednesday club, which meets at 6.30pm, is for intermediate level whilst the 7.30pm Thursday class caters for mixed abilities.

A third class, scheduled for 5.15pm on Thursdays, is for absolute beginners. Organisers say this new addition to the timetable is to encourage people who have never jogged before, or those who have not ran for some time, to take up the sport. All jogging teams meet at The Mid Argyll Community Swimming Pool and it costs £1 to take part. For more information contact Matthew Watkiss on 01546 602717.



Pictured is the under 12s squad in their new training kit with sponsors Charles Cameron, Hire a Joiner, Ardrishaig, left, and Stuart Watson from the Mid Argyll Youth Project.

Mid Argyll youngster signs for Rangers

LOCHGILPHEAD youngster Keir Whitefield is over the moon after signing with Rangers Under 14s.

Keir, who is understood to be the first boy from Mid Argyll to be signed by the Rangers Youth Academy, had been on trial for five weeks prior to being signed last Friday.

The 13-year-old is a former captain of Lochgilphead Soccer Centre's Under 14s, as well as being crowned last season's player of the year and the current soccer centre skills champion.

Keir's father, Graham Whitefield, who is also a

coach at the soccer centre said: 'Keir was given this opportunity by the Rangers scout who first spotted his potential but it is his attitude, effort and commitment during the trial, as well as his football ability, that impressed the Rangers Under 14s coaches.'

'As well as a personal achievement for Keir this is a great boost for the soccer centre and a reward for all the hours put in by the volunteer coaches every week.'

'The boys and girls attending every week now know that it is possible that one day they could play for a top SPL

pro youth team.' Keir played his first full 90 minutes as a Rangers player at Kilmarnock

on Sunday and is now looking forward to his first Old Firm derby on October 17.



Lochgilphead lad Keir Whitefield at Murray Park with Rangers Under 14s coaches Alan Boyd and Ally Dawson.

Youngsters prepare for winter football

THE PROSPECT of another cold, harsh winter is no longer such a big concern for the coaches and players of Lochgilphead Soccer Centre's under 12s squad after they recently purchased sweatshirts and rain jackets using money kindly donated by the Mid Argyll Youth Project and Hire a Joiner, Ardrishaig.

Currently comprising 20 players selected from Primary five, six and seven children who attend Saturday Soccer Centre, the squad competes as two seven-a-side teams, Warriors and Wolves, in the Oban Express Primary Football League which takes place each Sunday morning at Oban High School.

Coach, Gordon Munro said: 'The entire squad and coaching staff are

extremely grateful to Charles and Duncan Cameron of Hire a Joiner, Ardrishaig and Fiona Kalache of Mid Argyll Youth Project for making these generous donations. This funding will help ensure the squad continues to train and play outdoors throughout the winter months and the boys will look great when they turn up for training, matches and tournaments.'

Following last Sunday's matches in the Oban Primary League, Warriors sit proudly at the top of the table with their less experienced stablemates, Wolves placed mid-table. To follow weekly progress of the Under 12's and other Lochgilphead Soccer Centre teams log onto the website www.lochgilheadsoccercentre.com.



Greenkeeper retires

Bruce Harris, president of Tarbert Bowling Club, presents club greenkeeper Colin McCallum with a gift on his retirement after many years loyal service.

Tarbert donate to Cancer Centre



President of Tarbert Bowling Club Bruce Harris presents a £300 cheque to Lynne and Nicola for the Cancer Treatment Centre in Lochgilphead.

The money was raised on September 25 at the Tarbert Charity triples golf competition.

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