



Windfarm firm backs Kintyre Way with £30,000

THE COMPANY behind a contentious windfarm at Freasdail near Whitehouse has this week signed a £30,000 sponsorship deal with the Kintyre Way.

Renewable energy company RES, which this week submitted a planning application for Freasdail Windfarm to Argyll and Bute Council, will provide £10,000 a year for the next three years to the company which manages the route.

Owen Paisley, Kintyre Way route manager, said: 'The funding will go a long way to ensure the future viability of the route so that it can continue to bring benefits to all of Kintyre.'

'Since 2006 it is believed that around 6,000 people have walked down the Kintyre Way, bringing almost £2.5 million into the Kintyre economy. Unfortunately, none of this financial benefit returns to the Kintyre Way to help

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Police warning after four bogus workmen arrested

Accused of defrauding pensioner



Karen Cameron, Sophie Macivar, Helen Rhodick and Thomas
Running who were helping run the indoor car boot sale. 06_a41carboot01

MS Centre's sale cash boost

AN INDOOR car boot sale raised £100 for the Lochgilphead MS Centre, with locals turning out in force to support the cause.

The event, which took place on Saturday in the MS Centre, was an opportunity for people to sell their unwanted clothes, books and toys.

Corna Charlwood, who helped run

the event, said: 'There are seven tables today and each of them has paid a donation which will go to the centre. It's been really busy with people popping in throughout the morning.'

'It was really a chance for people to have a clearout before Christmas while raising some money for the centre.'

FOUR MEN have been arrested in connection with an attempted fraud of an 82 year old woman in Mid Argyll, prompting warnings against bogus callers.

The men, aged 17, 19, 25 and 26, all from out-with the area, have been charged with attempting to defraud the pensioner of £3,500 after offering to carryout repairs to her home.

The men have been accused of making an unsolicited approach to the Lochgilphead pensioner, telling her it would cost £500 to carry out roofing and other household repairs.

The price soon escalated to £2,000 then £3,500.

A neighbour, who became concerned about the situation, contacted police who involved trading standards.

An assessment of the quality of work was car-

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ried out in relation to the quote and the work was found to be sub-standard to the cost.

The bogus workmen were detained at a house in Lochgilphead on Friday and charged with attempting to defraud the woman by charging grossly excessive fees for maintenance work on the house.

A report has been sent to the procurator fiscal.

Local builder Roddy MacDonald said it was a 'shame' it happened so close to home.

Urging local people to be vigilant of rogue traders he said: 'It would be very rare for any local firm to cold call houses looking for businesses.'

'If people are unsure ask them for ID or if they are a member of a building federation.

'People should always

get a detailed estimate before proceeding with any work.'

Age Scotland has condemned the actions of the bogus callers.

He said: 'Something like this would knock your confidence whether you are young or old.'

'Sometimes the techniques bogus callers use put a lot of pressure on people, but people should always be aware it is their right to say no and to ask people to leave.'

Commenting on the case, chief inspector David Pettigrew, said: 'This is a good example of the police working in conjunction with trading standards and with the local community to protect vulnerable people in our community.'

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Kilmory Show Field Homes plan abandoned

Future of site still undecided

A PROPOSAL to build 200 houses on Kilmory Show Field and surrounding land has been abandoned by Argyll and Bute Council, but the long-term future of the site has still not been decided.

The council unveiled proposals to designate the show ground as a potential site for 200 homes in a strategic planning document last year – a move that outraged organisers of the show.

But in a statement, released to the Advertiser this week, the council said: 'At the moment we have no plans to include the

Kilmory Show Field as a housing development site within the proposed Local Development Plan, which is due for issue in January next year.

'No decision has been made about the future of the field, but we have consulted with the local community and all representations have been taken into account.'

The news has been met with 'cautious optimism' by organisers of the annual agricultural show, who have not yet been formally notified of the council's decision.

David Renwick, acting secretary of the

Mid Argyll Show committee said: 'On the face of it this sounds like very good news, although we have had no official word of this.'

'I will be seeking official confirmation from the council.'

The show committee has fought to save their showground, stating the chances of finding an alternative site are unlikely because of animal health regulations.

The Save Mid Argyll Show campaign, launched after the council unveiled its proposals for the site, has almost 1,000 members on Facebook.



Ruby Dunlop, 4, from Riverside Rascals Day Nursery standing with her sunflower.

Ruby's sunflower soars to success

THE WINNER of this year's ACHA Sunflower competition was Ruby Dunlop.

The four-year-old grew the tallest sunflower in the county at

Riverside Rascals Day Nursery, Lochgilphead.

The competition takes place throughout Argyll with youngsters competing to grow the tallest sunflower.

Police files

A WOMAN has been arrested for assault after allegedly attacking another woman at a flat in Campbell Street, Lochgilphead. The 32-year-old has been reported to the procurator fiscal following the incident which occurred just after midnight last Wednesday.

POLICE patrols discovered a man drink driving in Ardrishaig last Friday night.

The 62-year-old man was arrested for allegedly driving whilst under the influence of alcohol when he was stopped by police at 11.10pm on Chalmers Street.

In a separate incident a man, aged 24, was charged with being drunk in charge of a vehicle in the early hours of Saturday morning. Police allegedly found the man in a parked car on Lochnell Street, Lochgilphead.

A MAN was found in possession of cannabis after a disturbance broke out at a house in Tarbert.

Police were called to the house at 1.25am on Sunday morning and later arrested the 21-year-old, who was allegedly found in

possession of a small quantity of cannabis.

A CAR crashed into the Canal Bridge on the A83 in Ardrishaig at 2am on Sunday but the driver failed to inform the police of the accident.

A 54-year-old man was traced and charged with allegedly failing to report the crash to police and failing to identify the driver of the vehicle at the time of the incident.

WITNESSES are being sought by police after an attempted break in at a house near Kilmory Industrial Estate.

Thieves smashed a window in the house in an attempt to get in between 11.30am and 1.30pm on Sunday.

Anyone who may have seen people acting suspiciously in the around the time of the incident can call Lochgilphead police on 01546 702200.

A MAN has been charged with careless driving following a road accident on the A83 at Minard on Thursday evening has seen.

The 48-year-old was arrested following a collision between a Ford Transit and a BMW X5. No one was injured.

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with maintenance and development. Without the financial lifeline offered by RES there was every possibility that the route would have to close in 2013. With this funding in place the board can now continue their work in building up the route as a world class walking destination.'

Louise Davis, RES development project manager, said: 'As a company wishing to develop in the area we want to make sure we are con-

tributing to the future of Kintyre in as many ways as we can. We hope the Kintyre Way continues to attract tourists to the area so they can explore this beautiful part of the country.'

If the Freasdail Windfarm application is approved by planners, eleven 100 metre-high turbines will be erected near Whitehouse village. Kintyre Turbine Watch, a local organisation set up to review the size, scale and suitability of windfarms, is strongly opposed to the development.

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Janet Casey graduated with a BA (Hons) Upper Second Class in Fine Art from Duncan of Jordanstone, University of Dundee.

Janet is a former pupil of Campbeltown Grammar School.

She is the daughter of Kathrin Strang, Gobagrennan, Campbeltown and John Casey, High Dunashery, Tayinloan.



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Fined for biting police officer on the hand

A WOMAN who bit a police officer on the hand was fined £300 when she appeared at Lochgilphead Annexe of Dunoon Sheriff Court on Tuesday.

Agnes Johnstone, 22, pled guilty to committing a breach of the peace and assaulting a police officer during an altercation on Lochnell Street, Lochgilphead, on June 24, 2012.

The court heard PC Brindle had attempted to break up a fight between Johnstone and another woman, who had been taunting Johnstone about her family background.

Sentencing Johnstone, of Care Solutions, Fyne View, McEwan Road, Lochgilphead, Sheriff Vaughn said he had taken into account the circumstances surrounding the incident.

Centre campaigners honoured

VOLUNTEERS who helped save an outdoor education centre from closure have been praised for their work a year after it re-opened.

Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell has praised the volunteers who have helped keep the Ardroy Outdoor Education Centre from closure. The centre was closed by Fife Council to save £290,000 but after a massive campaign, led by Dunoon businessman George Bruce, it was saved.

Since last November more than 2,000 children have used the centre that uses the outdoors to educate young people.



Members and friends of Mid Argyll Cancer Support Group at the Breast Cancer Care fashion show.

Annual outing to Cancer Care show

MEMBERS and friends of the Mid Argyll Cancer Support Group recently enjoyed their annual outing to the Breast Cancer Care annual fashion show.

A highlight on the social calendar of the group, the fashion show is held every October during Breast Cancer Awareness month.

The show, held in Glasgow, was the tenth annual fashion show organised by the cancer charity, which uses the show to celebrate the lives of people who have been affected by cancer.

With speeches from people affected by cancer taking place throughout the show, the day was deemed inspirational and emotional by the local group.

Woman guilty of careless driving

A WOMAN who drove her car along a pavement in Lochgilphead in the direction of a pedestrian has been fined £400.

Teresa Townsley was found guilty of driving her Vauxhall Zafira people carrier along the footpath on Argyll Street only a few feet away from a passing pedestrian when she appeared at Lochgilphead Annexe of Dunoon Sheriff Court on Tuesday.

Townsley, 31, of 3 Peddie Bank, Lochgilphead, had pled not guilty to the offence, which happened on May 30, this year.

The court heard a few

minutes prior to the incident, Townsley had looked at Mrs McCurdie with an angry expression when she was double-parked on Argyll Street and Mrs McCurdie was attempting to cross the road.

PC Barrie, a witness at the trial, charged Townsley with dangerous driving, which was reduced to careless driving during the trial.

He read out Townsley's response to being charged to the court:

'I never parked on no pavement. I never intimidated no pedestrians.'

'I put the window down and said to her you had better watch what you're

doing, you will get yourself knocked over.'

But Townsley told the court she was referring to a separate incident that also occurred on Argyll Street involving another woman on the same day.

Stating she had no ill will towards the complainer in her trial, Townsley said: 'I have never seen her before in my life.'

Saying Townsley was not a credible witness based on the evidence in the trial, Sheriff Vaughn found her guilty of careless driving, fining her and endorsing her driving licence with four penalty points.

Councillors question planned sheriff court closures

THE PLANNED closure of sheriff courts throughout Argyll has raised more questions than answers amongst councillors.

Councillors and council officials have said that the proposal, which would see all jury trials involving Argyll residents carried out in Dumbarnton and

Paisley, has to be looked at in more detail. Speaking at a recent Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay area committee, councillors said more information on the proposals was needed.

Councillor Robin Currie said: 'I think the issue of the court closing in Campbeltown will need to be looked at. There is

a lot of concern on the islands that it could take a witness up to a week to travel to court and this is unacceptable.'

Councillors also expressed concern about how jurors will be selected for trials under the proposed system. It is unclear whether jurors will be picked from the Dumbarnton area or

be expected to travel from Argyll. Mr Currie added: 'This is a massive inconvenience for everyone involved.'

Charles Reppke, head of governance and law, said that more research was needed to see how the proposal would impact people in the area.

He said: 'It is definitely an

issue that needs to be looked into with more detail. I don't know how busy Campbeltown Sheriff Court is and how frequently it is used for a jury trial. This is something that will need to be looked into so that we can fully understand how many people are going to be affected by the changes.'

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Drama festival under threat unless committee can be found

A FESTIVAL that has celebrated amateur dramatics in Mid Argyll for 60 years is this week under threat as it struggles to attract people to help organise the event.

Argyll Drama Festival, an annual event held in Ardrishaig every year, is searching for seven people to sit on the festival's organising committee.

Attracting new members to the committee is vital if the festival is to survive, as grant funding needed to run the event is not be awarded to groups without a full committee.

Jim Morrison, secretary of the Argyll Drama Festival committee, said he, and the treasurer are the only remaining

members of the committee.

He said: 'Being a member of the festival committee is not an onerous task. The administration is carried out by the secretary, which the committee has at present, along with a treasurer.'

'A committee of more than two is needed to oversee the office bearers, review the festival and to seek a grant from a funding body.'

Explaining the committee meets three times a year, Mr Morrison said committee members were needed to help run the festival in April and act as a good hosts for the teams performing at the event.

'The festival commit-

tee meet for the AGM in October, have an organisation meeting in March, when we know what teams have entered, and have a review meeting after the festival in May or June. That's all there is,' Mr Morrison said.

The aim of Argyll Drama Festival is to provide an outlet for talented drama groups, who work hard to perform every year. Reviewed by a professional adjudicator, the festival has attracted a high caliber of productions throughout its 60-year history.

People interested in joining the committee are urged to attend the AGM on October 25 or contact Jim Morrison 01546 603132.



This year's Young Enterprise team who have started a t-shirt business in Lochgilphead.

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Lochgilphead High School pupils launch new business venture

STUDENTS at Lochgilphead High School launched a new business venture this week.

Fourteen pupils from the school's Young Enterprise team have started up the Plain Tease, selling a variety of original t-shirts.

The pupils came up with the idea as part of the Young Enterprise scheme, which takes place in schools across the country. The programme aims to teach

young people how to learn and succeed in business.

Managing director of Plain Tease, Rosie Cairns, said: 'We are going to make a range of quirky t-shirts that will be available in five different colours and each of them will have different designs on them.'

'We want to create something a bit quirky and different. We thought t-shirts would be something people

would want to buy.'

The first challenge for the group is to generate capital to buy material and to do this they will be holding a series of fundraisers over the coming months.

'We are holding the first of our fundraising nights on October 16 at The Stag Hotel which will be a dance. This event is open to anyone over the age of 16.'

'Anyone who is there will have an opportunity

to see the first of our t-shirts. We have the first samples made and will be wearing them on the night.'

The funds raised at the event will be used to produce the t-shirts and they hope to have them in shops ahead of Christmas.

Rosie added: 'We have a Facebook page, Plain Tease, and we are hoping to sell t-shirts in the shops around town and on-line.'

Coastguard plans 'ridiculous'

PLANS to replace the Clyde Maritime Rescue and Co-ordination Centre (MRCC Clyde) at Greenock with a new service in Belfast have been branded as 'ridiculous' by an Argyll and Bute councillor.

Explaining Argyll and Bute Council was disappointed with the plan to replace MRCC Clyde with a Rescue Sub Centre in Belfast, John

Simple, lead councillor for the development and infrastructure, said: 'The main issue here is the very real concern that this will mean a reduction in safety for people in the area.'

Importance

'This move does not take into account the importance of local operational knowledge and will rely too heavily upon new technol-

ogy. This could have an effect on the coastguard's ability to respond to incidents quickly and increase the risk to boats, passengers and crew. Argyll and Bute has a coastline 2,323 miles long, this is 12 percent of the entire UK coastline and it is vital we keep MRCC Clyde to provide protection to those in our seas.'

More Scottish Beaver Trial information to be made available

MORE information about the Scottish Beaver Trial will be made available to Mid Argyll residents this month as a public meeting is held.

The Scottish Beaver Trial Local Stakeholder Forum meets again on October 24 when an overview of the beaver trial actions and progress will be provided alongside an update on access and recreation within the trial area.

People attending the event will have the opportunity to ask questions about the trial, which saw beavers released into Knapdale Forest in 2009.

The meeting, chaired by councillor Sandy Taylor, will take place at Achnamara Village Hall at 2pm following a site visit to Loch Linne.

Vulnerable urged to take the flu vaccine

VULNERABLE people with health conditions such as asthma and diabetes are being urged to get the flu vaccine in the coming weeks.

Offered free to people aged 65 or above and people with existing medical conditions, the vaccine will protect from three strains of seasonal flu including swine flu.

People can make an appointment to get their flu

vaccine at one of Lochgilphead Medical Centre's flu clinics, which begin on October 22, by calling 01546 462001.

Patients attending the nurses for other reasons will also be offered their flu vaccine at the time of their appointment.

Some people experience a slight temperature and aching muscles for 48 hours after the flu injection but other side effects are rare.

Digital manager appointed

A MANAGER dedicated to helping communities harness the benefits of digital communications has been appointed by HIE.

Stuart Robertson, current head of digital and broadband, is to become the director of digital Highlands and Islands.

Alex Paterson, chief executive of HIE, said the post had been created to provide greater focus and leadership in the global digital economy.

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Heroin seized in Kintyre

MORE than £2,500 worth of heroin has been seized by police in Kintyre.

The haul was discovered when officers stopped a car outside Campbeltown at 2.45am on October 5. On searching the 34-year-old local driver, 22.5g of heroin was found.

The swoop comes just weeks after three homes in Lochgilphead were raided by police and a quantity of drugs recovered. Describing the recent haul as a 'dealer quantity of drugs', chief inspector David Pettigrew said the drugs had an unadulterated value of £2,500.

'This will have a significant impact on the availability of drugs in Campbeltown and the man in question will be appearing at court later this month,' Mr Pettigrew said.



Pupils at Glassary Primary School pay one last visit to the land beside their school before it is transformed into a play park.

Glassary pupils' play park joy

CHILDREN at Glassary Primary jumped for joy when they were told their new play park would be built during the October holidays.

Work on the play park, situated next to the village primary, began on Monday and is expected to be completed within four weeks.

The park, which will

have an all weather surface, will feature climbing frames, swings, slides, supernova roundabout and seesaw.

Glassary Project Group, a sub committee of Dunadd Community Council, is delighted to see workmen on site after years of planning and fundraising. Gordon Parker, a member of the

group, set up to create a safe play area in the village, said: 'The children are just bursting with excitement to see the play park completed now.'

The play park will be built on land owned by ACHA. The housing authority has leased the land to Dunadd Community Council for 20 years.

Landslide lights re-think demand

WARNING signs installed as part of £800,000 landslide mitigation works at the Rest and Be Thankful are activated manually on advice from weather forecasts.

Installed last year, the flashing 'wig-wag' signs were installed either side of the A83's most notorious stretch to warn of potential landslide risk and were accompanied by 'enhanced electronic hillside monitoring' equipment to measure potential land slippage.

Transport Scotland has confirmed to *The Argyllshire Advertiser* though that data gathered by the monitoring equipment plays no part in determining whether the

warning signs are activated. Instead, the 'wig-wag' alerts, as well as subsequent traffic warnings on the Traffic Scotland website, are activated in Glasgow in response to projected rainfall figures.

Furthermore, there is no rainfall gauge in place at the Rest and Be Thankful, meaning the warnings can be in effect even if the forecast is incorrect.

Mike Story, executive director of Argyll and the Isles Tourism Ltd (AIT), who sits on the A83 Task Force, has criticised the activation process as 'completely and utterly unscientific' and wants Transport Scotland to rethink the

process. He said: 'They are making a unilateral decision based on a weather report. If you're thinking about taking your family on holiday to Argyll and you see this warning online, are you going to risk it? No, you're not. The Task Force meets in Arrochar on Monday and I will be raising this.'

Argyll and Bute Council's lead councillor on transport, John Semple, also sits on the Task Force and said: 'There's been a lot of work at the Rest and Be Thankful and a lot of preventative measures in place now. It might be time to step down or more finely monitor the mechanism to warn people.'

Retiring doctor thanks local community

A DOCTOR who has retired after working in Furnace and Inveraray for 29 years has expressed his thanks to the local community for their support.

Dr Keval Bijral said:

'I feel overwhelmed and indeed humbled by this expression of regard and affection shown to me

by the community.' The doctor's full letter of thanks can be found on page six.

Decision time on A83 emergency diversion route

TRANSPORT Scotland is expected to make an announcement on Monday on which road will be used as the emergency diversion route when the A83 is blocked by landslide.

More than £2million is to be spent upgrading either Old Military Road or the adjacent Forestry road as part of measures to mitigate problems caused by landslips at the Rest and Be Thankful.

Transport Scotland had previously pledged to have a diversion route in operation by November. While Old Military Road is the preferred option, land ownership complications prevented Transport Scotland confirming the route.

A spokesperson confirmed work on the common access to both roads is progressing 'satisfactorily' but said nothing else could be confirmed at this stage.



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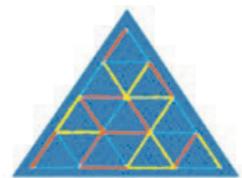
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Minard and Ardchnonnel schools face up to options

ALARM bells are ringing all over Mid Argyll as the threat of closure once again hovers over the district's smaller schools.

Next week Minard and Ardchnonnel come under the microscope during consultation meetings with parents.

On Monday October 19 at 8pm, Minard parents are likely to be discussing three options: 1 The school remains open; 2 The school closes and the children go to Furnace School or 3 The school closes and the children go to Lochgilphead School. The following evening Ardchnonnel parents will be meeting. Their options are: 1 The school remains open; 2 The school is closed and the catchment area between Dalmally and Kilmartin re-zoned.

Regional councillor Carole MacIntyre will be at both meetings.

Accordion and Fiddle Club

AFTER a summer lay-off, Dalriada Accordion and Fiddle Club picked up where it had left off.

The opening night featured not one but two Blacks.

The guest band was that of Robert Black and he had with him brother Duncan on accordion, Neil MacMillan on electric piano and Max Ketchen on drums.

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



THE PLANE dropped quietly through the pink tipped clouds of early evening on its descent into Bristol airport.

The suspension bridge glowed red in the sunset and the city below was a maze of rush-hour traffic.

I looked around at my fellow travellers. Some chatted, some snoozed, some were engrossed in books, some enjoyed a glass of wine or a coffee and some just flipped aimlessly through the in-flight magazine.

It's a strange little world in the sky when a transient community of strangers are together for a brief time.

We were told to prepare for landing and I watched as we sliced through clouds that looked like great, pink duvets.

Soon we were on the ground and entering the terminal building where the arrival hall was filled with people awaiting business colleagues or loved ones.

We spotted our family and great hugs of joy and welcome were exchanged.

Stumbling over words and greetings, we didn't know where to begin with the news – some good, some bad, but all important in the sharing.

Miles and months of absence evaporated in the moment we came together and we enjoyed the anticipation of conversations that would follow.

I thought how fortunate we are to be able to take control of time - of how fortunate we are that we can get on a plane and visit loved ones when we just need to see them.

It was a brief visit, but such a special time.

It was a time when didn't need to say very much and yet it was a time when we said everything.

Sometimes when we come into God's presence we don't need words either – we just need to be in his presence to feel his love around us.

Sometimes God is just there in the silence and holds us, and that is enough.



Down Memory Lane

This week's Down Memory Lane picture was taken by Peter Smith, from Lochgilphead. The picture is of a trawler making room for a fish cage at Tarbert quayside in 1980 when there were changes to the fish production methods. To submit a photograph to the Down Memory Lane section of the paper email the newsdesk your picture, along with a short description, to editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk or pop into our office on 44 Argyll Street, Lochgilphead.

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Sincere thanks and fond memories

Sir,
I, Dr Bijral, and my family would like to express our sincere thanks for the good wishes, by cards, flowers, gifts and also in person on my retirement from my job as GP.

Many thanks for the lovely gift, from the community, of a painting of Inveraray and to have a driving experience of some fabulous sports cars.

I feel overwhelmed and indeed humbled by this expression of regard and affection shown to me by the community.

My family and I have enjoyed our stay, in fact the longest we have stayed in a place.

I have enjoyed my work as a family doc-

tor among the nice communities of Furnace, Inveraray and Minard, our three wee boys have grown up here and will have fond memories of this place.

Mrs R. Bijral
by email.

Take action now on Tarbert dog dirt path

Sir,
As a resident of Tarbert my daily commute to work can only be described as like walking through a minefield.

Walking through the path joining the play park to Oakfield (known as the M1 to locals) is littered with dog excrement.

This is an on going problem not only in the park but all over Tarbert.

Given the number of children that use this

walk way I feel that something has to be done to name and shame the dog owners who do not clean up after their pets. It is now time to stand up and take action as a community.

Keith Blair,
Tarbert.

Urgent A83 work must be properly funded

Sir,
When is a cut not a cut? Certainly not in the topsy turvy world of Alan Reid whose claim that Scotland receives £1,500 more per person than people in England would be laughable if it were not so serious.

The official facts are that Reid's Tory led Westminster government have cut £1.3 billion from Scotland's budget, with a further 11 per cent reduction



Welcome to our new leader column, letting you know what the Squeak thinks about the big news stories in Mid Argyll.

AS THE TERMS of the Scottish Referendum are set to be revealed on Monday the debate about Scottish independence will really come to the fore in Mid Argyll.

With the debate hotting up in Scotland and the rest of the UK, it is the country's position within Europe post 2014 that Mid Argyll people will want to hear about.

For locals that depend on the fishing and food and drink sectors for work, Scotland's relationship with Europe as an independent state will be particularly important.

There are so many questions to be answered – will subsidies currently paid to farmers vanish if Scotland is not part of the EU? Will Scottish fishermen be left out of discussions about European fishing regulations? Will charities that currently gain funding from Europe be forced to close?

People who work in the fishing and farming industries which are dependent on the EU for funding and trade will be pushing Alex Salmond for a full and frank discussion about EU membership.

The issue cannot be avoided and will be a major factor in how Mid Argyll people vote in 2014.

The Squeak is looking forward to hearing more from the SNP and unionist parties over the next two years.

in public expenditure in real terms over 2014/15.

That is money that ought to be spent on infrastructure projects, like the A83, but which has been strangled by the UK government's ill-judged economic policy of cuts and more cuts.

Rather than Scotland's budget being dependent upon the whims of David Cameron and the motley bunch of desperate Liberals keeping him in No.10, the referendum in 2014 will ensure that with access to all the levers of economic growth we can maximise Scotland's potential to secure new investment and jobs.

With a vital Argyll artery at stake, the Scottish Government, working in tandem with partner agencies, is cracking on with sorting the Rest – Alan Reid would be best advised to stop the political posturing, put Argyll and Bute first, and persuade George Osborne in the upcoming

budget to increase capital investment and ensure that urgent works such as the Rest are properly funded.

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FOLLOWING our story about the possible closure of Inveraray Pier in last week's edition of Argyllshire Advertiser readers took to facebook to express their concerns.

Here are some of your comments:

Joyce Cherry: I certainly don't feel safe when I've been on it recently..... Needs some work.

Derek Munro: Was on it yesterday and thought it felt unsafe.

Morven Munro: Agree! I'm surprised all the 'railings' are still there, they are not exactly secure!

Fiona Elder: It needs serious work done to it, the wooden beams are not safe. It is such a shame, it used to be a busy pier for fishing, boats, swimming. I spent many a day down the pier in years passed.

Louise MacGregor: The owner need to fix this, get your finger out!

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Royal National Mod returns to Dunoon

An eight-day celebration of Gaelic music, dance, drama, arts and literature

TODAY (Friday) sees the return of the Royal National Mòd to Argyll as the annual Gaelic festival kicks off in Dunoon.

An eight-day celebration of Gaelic music, dance, drama, arts and literature, the Mòd will this year see a wealth of entries from Mid Argyll with children, teenagers and adults competing in choral and individual music competitions.

The event is a much-anticipated competition for the renowned Seudan Acadamaigh An Tairbeart, Tarbert Folk Group, which has had an incredible year, performing at Glasgow's Celtic Connections festival and Scottish Fanta-

sia in Edinburgh's Ross Theatre.

The band – Emma MacFarlane, Hannah Prill, Niamh MacKaveney, Emma Kok and Naomi Stanesby – has previously won a host of regional Mòd titles in the folk group category and are hoping to be named overall winner in the national event on Monday.

Explaining the group is hopeful of a win at the event, Susan Rhodes, who arranges the music for the group, said this would be the band's second appearance at the national Mòd.

'In 2010 they came third, they did really well and the standard of their music and Gaelic

is much better now than it was,' Susan said. 'The arrangements are more interesting and complicated.'

Explaining it can be difficult to compete against native Gaelic speakers at the Mòd, Susan added: 'They are looking forward to performing well and hope that everyone enjoys it. If they win it will be a bonus.'

Perform

Band members Emma MacFarlane and Hannah Prill will also perform a duet in the competition for girls aged 13–15 years, whilst Niamh MacKaveney will perform as a soloist in the 16–18 years competition, alongside Lochgilphead's Lorna Young.

Senior choirs including Tarbert Gaelic Choir, Còisir Ceann an Tuirc and Atomaig Piseag will also compete at the Mòd, with Mid Argyll junior choirs such as Inveraray Primary School Gaelic Choir and Còisir og Dhail Riata also taking part.

Singing Sensation Holly Renton, who this year won the overall prize at Mid Argyll Music Festival, is hoping to maintain her winning streak at the national event when she performs as a soloist and in a duet with Inveraray's Cara Blyth.



Seudan Acadamaigh An Tairbeart, Tarbert Folk Group, is hoping for continued success at The Mòd.

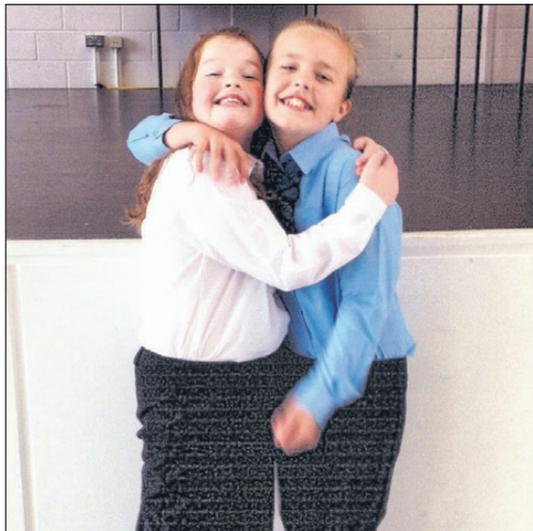
Kyle Renton, Peter MacCallum, Alasdair MacLean, Brodie Crawford, Craig Millar, Calum MacDonald, Angus MacLean and Angus Macaskill will

represent the Mid Argyll junior boys at the festival, whilst Hollie MacGregor will join Holly Renton and Cara Blyth to represent Mid Argyll girls.

The youngsters from Mid Argyll will join Highland dancers, pipers, musicians, singers from all over the world at the Mòd, organised by An Comunn Gàid-

healach, the world's oldest Gaelic organisation.

For a report on the Royal National Mòd and our local competitors see next week's Advertiser.



Holly Renton and Cara Blyth will perform a duet and in the solo competitions following their success at the recent Lochgilphead Mòd.

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Wordwide Photo Walk takes place in Inveraray

THE WORLD'S biggest social photography event will reach Mid Argyll this weekend, as the annual Worldwide Photo Walk gets under way in Inveraray.

The local walk, led by local photographer Richard Hunt-Smith, will see photography enthusiasts capture some of the Royal Burgh's most beautiful landmarks and scenery.

The budding photographers will be amongst 27,000 people walking in different locations across the world taking part in the walk organ-

ised by the National Association of Photoshop Professionals (NAPP).

Commencing at The Avenue Car Park at 10.30am tomorrow (Saturday) morning, the walk will be led by Richard for the third time in the event's five year history.

Interesting

Speaking to the *Advertiser* on Monday, Richard said: 'For the first part of the walk we will visit a few places that only the locals know about with some great photo opportunities, making our way towards

the castle and some very interesting bridges.'

People taking part in the event will this year be able to share their photographs and experiences with photo walk participants across the world via a new Google+ page dedicated to the event.

The photo walk is free and open to anyone who owns a camera - digital, film or disposable.

For more information on the walk or to sign up for the event log on to worldwidephotowalk.com/walk/inveraray-scotland-united-king-



Robert Toner, Libby Philand, Douglas Philand, Sheila Hood and Alasdair Toner, enjoying the Parish Church coffee morning. 06_a41church01

Coffee morning for church restoration fund

A FUNDRAISING coffee morning took place on Saturday to help raise money for the Lochgilphead Parish Church Restoration Renewal Fund.

Dozens of locals showed their support for the event in the Red Cross Centre, where they enjoyed tea, coffee and homebaking.

The coffee morning, which was organised by The

Guild, brings the project one step closer to raising the money it needs to restore the parish church.

Great support

Reverend Hilda Smith said: 'There has been a great support here this morning.'

'Thank you to everyone that has come along and to The Guild who organised it.'

Salmon Fishing in Yemen at Tarbert Film Club

ROMANCE and comedy combine for the next movie instalment at Tarbert Film Club.

Salmon Fishing in Yemen, featuring a stellar British cast, will be screened in Tarbert tomorrow (Saturday).

Visionary

The unusual film fea-

turing Scottish heart-throb Ewan McGregor and Emily Blunt, follows a visionary sheik who believes his passion for the peaceful pastime of salmon fishing can enrich the lives of his people, and he dreams of bringing the sport to the not so fish-

friendly desert.

Willing to spare no expense, he instructs his representative (Emily Blunt) to turn the dream into reality, an extraordinary feat that will require the involvement of Britain's leading fisheries expert (Ewan McGregor), who happens

to think the project both absurd and unachievable.

Interesting

The storyline takes an interesting turn when the prime minister's overzealous press secretary (Kirsten Scott Thomas) latches on to the scheme as a 'good will' story.

A much-praised British rom-com, the film has received rave reviews from national newspapers with *The Mirror* describing it as 'an odd-couple love story, with stunning locations, that delivers the right balance between laughs and romance'.

Scotland's Landscapes

READERS of a new book, *Scotland's Landscapes*, have the chance to see the west coast from a new perspective.

The book, by James Crawford, uses the latest aerial photography to show how the landscape has changed over the last 10,000 years.

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At the heart of the community and with the community at its heart invites you to our Coffee Afternoon to help raise funds for Tarbert Church of Scotland.
You'll find us in Tarbert Youth Group
On Saturday 13th October from 1.00 - 4.00pm
We've got face painting, raffle, soup and a special Zumba taster session with Zandra!
If that's too energetic for you, join us for tea, coffee and home baking
We'd be delighted if you'd like to donate baking - all proceeds goes to the church

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Red Cross workers Murdena Clark and Anne Crerar sold homebaking at the event.

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Awareness day

MEMBERS of Lochgilphead Red Cross could be seen on the town's front green on Saturday raising awareness about the services they provide in the community.

A variety of demonstrations took place on the green, including locals being taught the basics of first aid how to carry out CPR.

Number

There were a number of stalls selling homebaking, face painting and raffle tickets, with the money raised from the stalls donated to the

organisation's transportation service.

Anke Brown, transport service co-ordinator at the Red Cross, organised the event.

She said: 'We want to raise awareness about the services we have to offer and show that the Red Cross isn't just here when there's a crisis.'

'We offer a range of transportation services which can include taking people to hospital appointments. We really want to help people in rural areas get about more easily.'

Oxana turns in memorable performance at Ardrishaig

Review by John Holt
AT A time when BBC Radio 3 is highlighting the piano as a great solo instrument, it was fitting that the audience in Ardrishaig Hall should be treated to possibly one of the finest piano recitals ever heard at this venue.

Given by the young Kazakh pianist, Oxana Shevchenko, it became immediately clear why she won first prize at the Scottish Piano Competition in 2010 and other prestigious prizes around the globe.

Oxana's programme was an eclectic mix of great piano writing from Mozart - Sonata in A maj. K33, Chopin's beautiful *Andante spianato et grande polonaise brillante* in E flat maj. Op

22, and Stravinsky's Three movements from *Petrushka*. After the interval she played Ravel's 5 *Miroirs* and ended the main programme with his *La Valse*. This was followed by an encore, a sparkling sonata by Domenico Scarlatti.

Virtuosity is 'a given' now with the new generation of young pianists, - amply demonstrated throughout Oxana's programme - but what she gave us went far beyond that.

From the very beginning of the Mozart it was apparent that here was someone who cherished every note and nuance of each piece, with virtuosity subservient to the music. The clarity and dexterity of her passage work was in-

credible and greatly enhanced by judicious use of the sustaining pedal; the range of dynamic colour and rhythmic drive were also truly astonishing. This was indeed highly honed, intense and focused playing of the highest order.

To choose highlights from such a wonderful programme is well nigh impossible, because it was all so splendid, but her rendition of *Petrushka's Room* was truly memorable - she was *Petrushka* right there in that room. Also Ravel's *Sad Birds* was stunning - no birds have ever been more sad.

Oxana Shevchenko - watch out for her name; she surely has a great future ahead of her.



Pianist Oxana Shevchenko gave a 'memorable' performance at her concert in Ardrishaig last week. a40oaxana01no



Anya Gritten, 7, taking part in the Colouring Ardrishaig workshop. 06_a41colour01

THE FINAL Colouring Ardrishaig workshop took place at the weekend with people invited to try their hand at letter art.

Letter artist Sheena Devitt was running the art drop-in session and she was encouraging those taking part to use words in an expressive way.

One of four workshops to take place in recent weeks, the art drop-in sessions encourage people to use different types of art in creative ways in a bid to brighten up the village.

A number of people used lettering techniques at the workshop to create an artwork within Colouring Ardrishaig's gull theme.

Sheena said: 'We are hoping to have an exhibition in the coming weeks to showcase all the work that has been carried out by the community.'

Giants in the Forest

MORE than 100 people turned out to for the final event of the Giants in the Forest project.

Locals donned their warm clothes and torches for a guided tour around Moine Mhor, where three giants lay waiting for them.

Strange sounds, smoke and lighting added to the suspense, whilst a storyteller and musician

seemed to float magically across the moor.

The giants, made out of moss and twigs, were installed amongst the trees of the nature reserve in the summer in a bid to encourage people to enjoy the woodlands around them. The heads were made by local school children and adults with learning disabilities.



One of the giant heads in lit up in the final Giants in the Forest project.

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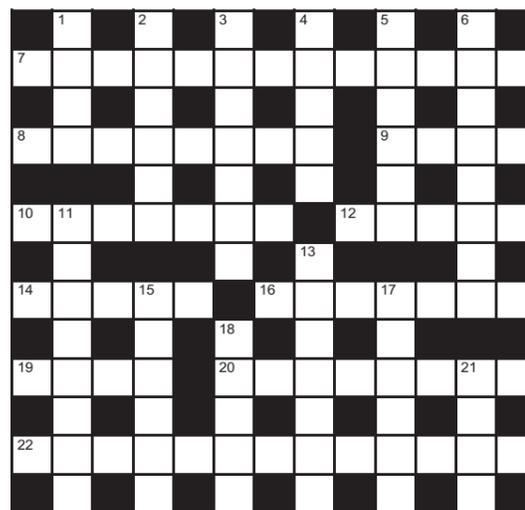
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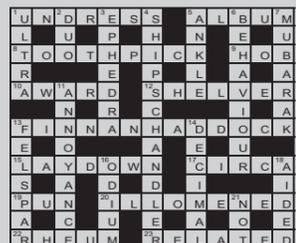
Across

- 7 Brotherhood (13)
- 8 Coruscant (8)
- 9 Command to keep a dog near (4)
- 10 Lack (7)
- 12 Milk dispenser (5)
- 14 To examine by smelling (5)
- 16 Just a small thing (7)
- 19 Practised for inner strength (4)
- 20 An extortionate amount to pay a landlord (4,4)
- 22 Indiscriminate (13)

Down

- 1 Lengthy (4)
- 2 Space for work... (6)
- 3 ...framework (7)
- 4 Bizarre (5)
- 5 Bare footed (6)
- 6 And so on (2,6)
- 11 Friendliness (8)
- 13 Irregularly shaped (7)
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- 17 Experienced (6)
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You need to decide when you want to retire, and you can choose to work past your State Pension age, or take early retirement.

As well as considering your finances as you approach retirement, you also need to think about taking care of your health.

By taking some small steps to keep healthy and active now you can increase your chances of enjoying a healthy, independent life in the future.

The NHS has helpful advice on staying healthy for men and women between the ages of 40 and 60.

Preparing for retirement will make it easier on you and your family when the time comes.

Reaching retirement can be both a joy and a worry depending on the circumstances of your retirement.

Different people see retirement through different eyes and while one person embraces the chance to have time to pursue hobbies, interests or see more family, others face the prospect with dread.

Sometimes that

dread can be fear over finances with pensions perhaps not matching up to expectations or not having the back up of a pension at all but there are professionals who can help with arranging finances to ensure a regular income.

They can also help with managing income or giving advice on taxes if you decide to take on part-time employment.

Sometimes it can be daunting facing each day without a regular routine, but this is something that with the right attitude can be revelled in.

Many retired people decide to become politically active, either in their community council or local authority because they feel they have a wealth of experience to give. Or if not a political animal, charities are always looking for volunteers. It can be a great way to meet like-minded people and make new friends.

For those with a more adventurous mindset, many charities encourage people to take part in ac-

tivities to raise funds and retirement – especially if you are still reasonably fit – is a fantastic opportunity to take part in these.

For instance, many have challenges of trekking up Kilimanjaro to cycling across mountain ranges, suitable for people of all ages to take part in.

For the less adventurous, clubs like the University of the Third Age (U3A), offer stimulation, interesting activities and a chance to meet others.

They have a variety of topics and new skills those of advanced years can benefit from.

Health and well-being are often a focus for those reaching retirement and a vis-



it to your local leisure centre is worthwhile as they have regular classes or discounts specifically tailored to those who are retired.

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Vaccination to help reduce risk of abortion agreed for Kintyre Monitor Farm.

AT THE latest meeting of the Quality Meat Scotland Kintyre Monitor Farm, it was recommended that the Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis (IBR) vaccination should be given.

Herd health issues, in particular IBR, were discussed at Glenbarr Farms, owned by Duncan Macalister.

Duncan runs a breeding herd of just over 150 predominantly spring-calving females. This mostly out-wintered herd has a high percentage of Aberdeen-Angus blood. All prog-

eny, other than replacement heifers, are finished.

Earlier this year a number of females, which had scanned in calf, failed to produce a calf. This prompted Mr Macalister to ask his vet, Catriona Wilson of the Westwards Veterinary Practice in Campbeltown, to conduct blood tests in the hope of establishing the cause.

In June, Catriona she had tested 10 heifers. Trace element levels had been satisfactory and all had proved negative for Leptospirosis and Bovine Viral Diarrhoea (BVD).

Additionally, in late March a female had aborted and consequent blood tests revealed evi-

dence of exposure to the IBR virus.

'So it seems that IBR may have been the cause of the empty, but previously scanned in-calf, cows,' said Catriona.

'Once a cattle beast is infected it becomes an incurable, lifetime carrier. And while an infected animal does not constantly shed the virus, the virus lodges in nerve cells in its brain and can be triggered by stress.'

Having established a possible cause of the lost calves, the challenge for Mr Macalister, is how to reduce the shedding of the IBR virus and prevent more abortions.

Catriona recommended vaccination using 'marker' vaccines, which make it possible to differentiate between natural and vaccination titres in later blood tests.

Mr Macalister plans to vaccinate the herd and introduce an on-going IBR vaccination programme, to reduce the risk of abortions and respiratory infection in calves.

This would also hopefully improve the overall performance of his growing cattle, which are housed after weaning.



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Suffolk lamb is Islay champion

UNITED Auctions held their annual breeding sheep sale and sale of all classes of lambs and feeding sheep at Islay Auction Mart last Friday.

A record entry of sheep was catalogued and a total of 5487 head was sold.

A show of breeding rams and ram lambs was held and the judging was in the hands of Mr. Donald MacCorquodale, Achnaba, North Connel and he awarded the championship to a Suffolk ram lamb which was consigned by Mr. John McGillivray, 24 Laoigan Place. The lamb later realized £650. The reserve was awarded to Mr. Alistair Currie, Balachlaven for a Blackface shearling which went on to sell for £500.

Despite recent national decline in values for all classes of lambs, trade was firm and all lambs were cleared at satisfactory rates.

All classes of quality breeding sheep were in keen demand whilst feeding sheep continued to sell at firm rates.



Caledonian Marts (Stirling) Ltd held their annual show and sale of Blackface shearlings, crossing rams and ram lambs at Oban Livestock Centre on Wednesday when a shearling from RD Schuster, Glenstrae Farmers, Dalmally was selected as show champion. Shown by stockman Donald Dempster, it later sold for £900 15_t42ramchamp01

Dippen takes calf awards at Stirling

UNITED Auctions sold 1,884 suckled calves at their annual show and sale of suckled calves at Stirling last Monday.

Bullocks averaged 219.84p (+7.03p on the year) and sold to 292.50p per kg for a 292kg Charolais cross from Grove Farms and £1110 for a 452kg Limousin cross

from Monzie. Heifers averaged 192.59p (-0.93p on year) sold to 282.90p per kg for a 258kg Charolais from Auchentiber and £1010 for a 416kg Limousin cross from Mains of Creuchies.

The show was judged by J Taylor, Easter Ochtermuthill

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1st Mr Semple, Dippen - 376kgs, £890
2nd Mr Glen, Sadel Home Farm - 332kgs £840
Autumn Bullock
1st Monzie Farms - 452kgs £1110
2nd Mr Simpson, Mains of Creuchies - 394kgs £1020
3rd Monzie Farms - 400kgs £930
Spring Heifer
1st Mr Semple, Dippen - 380kgs £770
2nd Mr Glen, Sadel Home Farm - 354kgs £730
Autumn Heifer
1st Mr Simpson, Mains of Creuch-

ies - 416kgs £1010
2nd Monzie Farms - 420kgs £940
3rd Monzie Farms - 432kgs £960
Pen of 4 Bullocks
1st Monzie Farms - 425kgs £980
2nd Monzie Farms - 407kgs £990
3rd Mr Semple, Dippen - 376kgs £950
Pen of 4 Heifers
1st Monzie Farms - 431kgs £960
2nd Mr Simpson, Mains of Creuchies - 427kgs £960
Champion - Monzie Farms - 452kgs £1110
Reserve - Mr Simpson, Mains of Creuchies - 416kgs £1000

ISLAY United Auctions

Lambs
SuffolkX: £69.00 Lyrabus £67.50 Frederick Cresc £66.50 Eorabus £63.50 Duich £62.50 Kinnabus £62.00 Ballimartin & Octofad £61.50 Ardbeg £61.00 Ardtalla Estate.
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CharollaisX: £50.50 Ardtalla
CheviotX: £64.00 Ballivicar £61.50 Aoradh. Cross: £56.50 Leorin £52.50 Ardnave.
Mule: £54.50 Braigo £53.50 Corrary £52.50 Leorin.
Blackface: £52. Lossit £50 Craggabus.

BeltexX: £55.50 Lossit
Ewe lambs
Texel: £135 Kilmeny
Mule: £90.00 Lower Craggabus (J Porter) & Corrary £80.00 Island £70 Corrary, Coille & Braigo.
Blackface: £50.00 Ballachlaven
Gimmers
Mule: £140 Claddach £135 Conisby £130 Lorgba (R Paget) £125 Conisby £100 Windyedge & Coille.
Texel: £260 Kilmeny £105 & £100 Claddach.
Blackface: £98 Carn.
Warranted ewes
CheviotX: £70 Kinnabus
Blackface: £54 & £53 Oransay £50 Ballachlaven £49 Craigens
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CheviotX: £57.50 Aoradh
Cross: £63.50 Octofad.
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Blackface: £38.50 Ardnave.
Rams
Suffolk: £650 24 Laoigan Place £420(2) Coille £380 Ronnachmore £300 6 Bayview.
Texel: £380 6 Bayview £300 Kirkby
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Blackface: £500 Ballachlaven (A Currie)

£400(2) Ballachlaven £380 17 Mansefield Rd £300 Ballachlaven.
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TexelX: 164p Ardbeg 162p Octofad.
CheviotX: 145p Kilbride 143p Aoradh & Conisby 140p Aoradh. Cross: 150p Ardnave.
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BeltexX: 146p Kilchiran.
STIRLING United Auctions
Bullocks:
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301-350kgs - Taiglim £965, 286.4p;
351-400kgs - Mains of Creuchies £1020, Taiglim 266.8p;
401-450kgs - Sadel Home Farm £1000, Monzie 243.2p;
451-500kgs - Monzie Farms £1110, 245.6p;
501-550kgs - Formal £1100, 210.7p;
Heifers:
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251-300kg - Auchlin £780, Auchintiber 282.9p;
301-350kgs - Sadelbank £770, 229.9p;
351-400kgs - Coilavoulin £895, 234.3p;
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WRI spotlight on whales and dolphins

THE FIRST autumn meeting of Whitehouse WRI saw members enjoy an informative talk and slideshow presentation by Julia Hamilton from the Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society.

Ladies from Tarbert and Clachan WRI were also invited to attend the event and all agreed it was a very interesting evening, learning about those majestic creatures of the deep and the terrible effects that whaling and captivity has on them.

Competition: Tray-bake: 1. Margaret Pratt, 2. Pam Caley, 3. Maureen Small.

Hostesses for the evening were Pam Caley and Dorothy O'Donnell.

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Ron's Ramblers and support driver Jim Kirkland.

Ron's Ramblers raise £1,000

FOUR men from Port Bann Holiday Park have raised more than £1,000 for charity after walking almost 100 miles.

Jonathan Sheldrick, David Austin, Neil Baxter and Jim Duncan walked the West Highland Way in recognition of their friend Ronnie Barr who is battling cancer. Dubbed Ron's Ramblers, the four men walked 96 miles to raise funds for Cancer Research UK. The men undertook the walk on behalf of Ronnie who always wanted to do the trek but is now too ill to fulfil his dream.

Ronnie, who previously lived in Lochgilphead and worked at Port Bann Holiday Park, was diagnosed with

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oesophageal cancer last year and is currently in intensive care at the Princess Alexandra Hospital in Paisley.

Jonathan Sheldrick, owner of the holiday park, said: 'The final figure we collected is not yet known, but it will be over our target of £1,000 which all goes to Cancer Research UK. We are very grateful to all our donors and sponsors.'

The men, who were supported on the journey by driver Jim Kirkland, received donations from Port Ban Holiday Park, Crear Concerts and Weddings, The Kilberry Inn and Gowanlea Gardening Services, Glasgow.

ARDRISHAIG

Festival in full swing

A FESTIVAL to raise awareness about mental health issues is well underway in Mid Argyll.

Folk band *Sanctuary* is carrying out a series of performances in the area as part of the Scottish Mental Health Arts and Film Festival (SMHAFF).

The band, which is based at Argyll and Bute Hospital, were performing at The Slainte Bar, Ardrishaig on Sunday night.

Hugh Fife, organiser of the group, said: 'We are a group of musicians made up by members of staff and users of the mental health hospital.'

'We have been doing various things as part of the festival which includes performing and doing a film show at the youth project.

'There will be a two day festival at the Blarbuie Woodlands next Friday and Saturday between 3pm and 9pm which is open to everyone.'

SMHAFF is an annual event that brings together music, film, visual art, dance and literature. It aims to challenge people's preconceived ideas about mental health.

He added: 'The festival is really a chance to raise public awareness and let people be creative.'



Sanctuary performing at the Slainte on Sunday night. 06_a41sanctuary01

FORD

Behind the scenes of veterinary practice

CREATURES great and small were introduced to members of Ford WRI at a recent meeting as Catriona Wilson gave members an insight into veterinary practice.

Catriona shared a range of images of animals, some in gory detail. The ladies were privileged to see pictures of behind the scenes procedures and life saving operations for animals from cattle and horses, dogs and small exotic animals through to a very lucky tortoise.

The presentation concluded with a quiz – guess what it is and what it is used for. Shown pictures of an array of veterinary instruments, the women were asked to identify them and what they are used for.

Finishing the evening the women expressed their thanks to the local veterinary service for their skill and dedication in caring for sick animals, not only for caring, but researching into preventative medicine and procedures.

The October competition saw ladies submit photographs of their pets. The winner was Sue Grocock, second Marilyn Gill and third Val Willis. Ella Wilson was the winner of the tablet competition.

TARBERT

Church fund coffee morning

DOOKERS are being reminded about a coffee afternoon to raise funds for Tarbert Church of Scotland's restoration appeal.

Organised by Tarbert Youth Group, the coffee afternoon will serve up tea, coffee, home baking and warming soup to locals in search of respite from the cold weather.

Also offering a taste of excitement and exercise, a Zumba taster session will take place at the event, allowing locals the chance to sample the Latin inspired dance class. The coffee afternoon will run between 1pm and 4pm at Tarbert Youth Group's premises.



The Chinaski Sessions will be performed in Craignish on October 19.

Dance, theatre and live rock music on village hall stage

AN ENTERTAINING show that features dance, theatre and live rock music will be staged at Craignish Village Hall next Friday.

A new show, The Chinaski Sessions, choreographed by Kylie Walters is a wink to Charles Bukowski's cult character Henry Chinaski.

Produced by David Hughes of Dance Scotland, the show follows seven testosterone-crazed men trapped in a rock-band's home studio

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as they try to finish their new album. The live concert collides the virtuosos Belgian rock duo *I Love Sarah's* scorching math rock with five superb Scottish based performers amongst copious amounts of bravado and chaos.

The Chinaski Sessions features a diversely talented group of Scottish-based performers. Matthew Foster, Martin Lindinger, Michael

Sherin, Jack Webb and Rob Heaslip seamlessly merge their individual dance styles (contemporary, breakdance, ballet, Irish) with dynamic physical theatre, surreal humour and live music on stage from Belgian musicians Jeroen Stevens and Rutger De Brabander.

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PLANNING

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

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
12/01943/PP	Erection of domestic garage.	Land at Ardlarach Loch Ardlarach Road Ardferrn Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8QR	Sub Post Office Ardferrn
12/01964/PP	Alteration to existing window to form new door	Glenreisdale House Whitehouse Tarbert Argyll and Bute PA29 6XR	Sub Post Office Tarbert
12/02023/PP	Erection of dwellinghouse and formation of vehicular access	Plot 2 The Roading Campbeltown Argyll and Bute	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

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

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
12/02122/PP	Installation of replacement windows	Flat 1/2 103 Longrow Campbeltown Argyll and Bute PA28 6EX	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
12/02145/PP	Change of use from shop (class 1) to mixed use gallery/cafe (class 1 and 3) retrospective.	Luckenbooth Gallery Harbour Street Tarbert Argyll and Bute PA29 6UD	Sub Post Office Tarbert

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

The Council maintain a Register of planning applications which can be viewed during normal office hours at Planning and Regulatory Services, Whitegates Office Whitegates Road Lochgilphead PA31 8SY.

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

Any letter of representation the Council receives is considered a public document and will be published on our website. Anonymous or marked confidential correspondence will not be considered.

DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

THE ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL (ROUTE A83 KENNACRAIG TO CAMPBELTOWN ROAD AND UC59 MACHRIHANISH ROAD) (CONTROLLED PARKING WITHIN LAY BYS) ORDER 201_

New lay bys have been constructed along the A83 Kennacraig to Campbeltown Road and the UC59 Machrihanish Road north of Campbeltown. Their main purpose is to accommodate traffic when there are movements of large vehicles between Machrihanish and the harbour in Campbeltown. Argyll and Bute Council proposes to make an Order that will control the parking within the lay bys to prevent the likelihood of stationary or abandoned vehicles being left unaccompanied. The permitted period of parking will be limited to one hour, no return within two hours.

Full details of these proposals, which form the proposed "The Argyll and Bute Council (Route A83 Kennacraig to Campbeltown Road and UC59 Machrihanish Road) (Controlled parking within lay bys) Order 201_", together with a Plan, and a Statement of Reasons for proposing to make this Traffic Regulation Order, are available for inspection during normal office hours Monday to Friday inclusive at the offices of:

- Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Burnet Building, Campbeltown;
- Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, Argyll.

Any person wishing to object to the proposals should send details of the grounds for objection in writing to the Head of Governance and Law, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, Argyll by 2nd November 2012.

Sandy Mactaggart, Executive Director, 1A Manse Brae, LOCHGILPHEAD PA31 8RD

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If you would like to apply, please submit an application in writing with details of relevant experience, no later than Friday 19th October 2012 to: Vicky Ferguson, Human Resources Manager, Marine Harvest (Scotland) Ltd, Business Resource Centre, Blar Mhor Industrial Estate, Fort William, PH33 7PT.



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Working largely on your own initiative but as part of a team, the ideal candidates will have a flexible person-centred approach to work practices; they will be friendly, non-judgemental, enthusiastic, practically minded, flexible and adept in a variety of domestic and social situations. Candidates for these vacancies must have good communication skills, proven problem solving and organisational abilities as well as basic recording and reporting skills. A driving licence is essential for all these vacancies.

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For an application form and job description, please contact:
Suzanne Mawer, HR Department,
The Scottish Salmon Company Ltd,
Ardkinglas Estate, Cairndow,
Argyll PA26 8BH
Tel: +44 (0) 1499 600 435 / 415
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Further information and an application form (unfortunately we're unable to consider CVs) are available on the careers section of our website - www.hial.co.uk or by contacting our HR team on 01667 464314. The closing date for applications is 12 noon on Friday, 2nd November 2012.

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For further information/job description contact Dinah McDonald on 01369 706591 and look on www.argyllmausoleum.org. Send us your c.v. and tell us on a single page why you are suitable for the job. The closing date has been extended for this post. E-mail your application to dinah.mcdonald@btinternet.com by 13th October. Interviews will be held in the area on 16th October.

This post is part funded by Heritage Lottery Fund and Argyll and the Islands Leader.



Argyll & Bute Citizens Advice Bureau



**New Housing Debt & Money Advice
Project funded by Scottish Legal Aid Board**

**Housing Debt/ Money Adviser (2 posts)
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Salary: AP4 £23232 + 6% pension

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Based: Lochgilthead

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

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

MARRIAGES



ROBERTSON - STEWART

On September 15th 2012, at East Larbert Church, Larbert, Leanne, daughter of Janice and Neil, to Lorne, son of Alan and Joan. A wonderful day had by all.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

MCDONALD

CRAWLEY - On October 13, 1962, at Port William Church, Wigtownshire, by the Rev Robert Tyre, George to Margaret. Present address 106 Smith Drive, Campbeltown.

MCNAIR - MCPHEE At Castlehill Church on October 12, 1962 by the Rev. J.R.H. Cormack assisted by the Rev. I.F. Tibbs, James to Margaret.

DEATHS

BLACK - Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital on October 9, 2012, Barbara Colville McMillan in her 88th year, 70 Smith Drive, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of Duncan Black, loving mother of Jenny and Duncan, much loved granny of Karen, Colin, Catherine and Archie and a loving great granny. Service in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, Campbeltown on Friday, October 12 at 1pm. Funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Acute Ward, Campbeltown Hospital and the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church.

MORRAN - Suddenly, at home in Perth, on Friday, September 28, 2012, James Morran (Jamie), in his 57th year, very much loved father, granda, brother, uncle and great uncle. Service in Perth Crematorium on Tuesday, October 16 at 2.00pm, to which friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers only. A retiral collection will be held in aid of Macmillan Nurses. Burial of ashes will take place in Campbeltown Cemetery, on Saturday, October 20 at 12 noon. Family and friends welcome

MUIR - Joseph McLay Muir, peacefully at home on October 1, 2012, beloved husband of the late Christine, much loved father of Mhairi, Christine and the late George, father-in-law to Des and a loving granda and great granda.

RONALD - Suddenly, at the Southern General Hospital, Glasgow, on September 28, 2012, Archiebald Ronald (Archie), in his 78th year, 22 Craigowan Park, Campbeltown, formerly of

Largiebaan, Southend, dearly beloved husband of Betty McKinven, much loved father of Archie, Charles, Neil and the late James and a loving and much loved papa.

SOUDAN - Peacefully, at Naim Town and County Hospital, on Thursday, October 4, 2012, after a long illness bravely borne, Jean (Sheena) Smith Soudan, née Wallace, of 3 Balmakeith Park, Naim, formerly of Campbeltown, Argyllshire, beloved wife of the late Duncan Soudan, loving mother of Alison, William and Shona, much loved grandmother of Nikki, Corran and Kiera, dear sister of Robert and Jack and a dear mother-in-law. Interred at Kilkerran Cemetery on Thursday, October 11, 2012.

ACKNOWLEDGE-MENTS

GRAHAM - Edward. At the end of an active life, and following a short illness, Ed (95) was cremated simply and quietly on October 5, 2012, in accordance with his wish. Trevor and Ann gratefully acknowledge the care, respect, affection and compassion shown to him by so many and sincerely thank all those kind people who made his twilight years in Carradale so happy and content.

MACARTHUR - Catherine, James, Alan, Lynne and Bruce and families would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for all their kind phone calls, cards and beautiful flowers after the sad loss of our mum, granny and great granny Mabel. Thanks to Oban Hospital, Mid Argyll Hospital, ambulance crews and the district nurses and home helps. Grateful thanks to Kenneth Blair for their care and direction at a difficult time. Thanks to Liz Robertson and the Piper and a special thanks to Catriona Hood for a lovely, moving church service. Also thanks to the Tarbert Hotel for the catering and the local police for all their assistance in dealing with traffic. Many thanks to all who paid their respects at church and graveside and contributed to Tarbert Nursing Aid and Tarbert Academy.

MACCALLUM - Donald, Sandra, Elizabeth and Nan would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their many kind expressions of sympathy following the sudden loss of their mum, Jenny. Many thanks to the nursing and medical staff of both the Mid Argyll Hospital and RAH, Paisley for their kindness to mum during her last few days. Huge thanks to Rev Hilda Smith for the uplifting personal service, which we know mum would have loved, and to Roddy and Fiona of Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for the reassuring professional help with all arrangements. Gratitude also goes to the Cairnbaan Hotel for the fine purvey and to John McLeod for piping at the cemetery. Many thanks to all who paid their respects at the church and graveside, plus the beautiful flowers and donations too - the sum of £520 was raised for the Mid Argyll Hospital.

MCFARLANE - The family of the late Euphemia Currie McFarlane, wishes to thank all the nurses, carers and doctors who helped us over the last months of our mother's life. Effie passed away peacefully at her home Mount Pleasant, Tarbert on October 1, 2012, in her 97th year and was buried at Carrick Cemetery on October 4. We also wish to thank Stan and Neil for doing everything so considerately and well, the Reverend Donald Morrison for his comforting services, the cemetery staff, everyone who showed their last respects to our mother at Tarbert Free Church and at the cemetery, everyone who sent cards, flowers and condolences, and finally the Tarbert Hotel for its hospitality. The sum of £300 was collected for Tarbert Nursing Aid.

SOUTER - Willie and all the family would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their overwhelming kindness, cards, flowers and phone-calls during Violet's illness and since her sad passing. Special thanks to Dr. Lazerus, Kitty and all the many nursing staff who attended her at home. They did a wonderful job. Thanks to Alistair and Kenny Blair for their highly proficient services and to the Seaford Hotel for excellent catering. Also high praise to all Royal British Legion members who attended the church in full uniform and the men that carried out their duties at the church and the graveside. Also many thanks to Rev. P. Burroughs for his comforting words at home and his uplifting church service and to Agnes Stewart for the passage she read during the service. A retiral collection for the MacMillan nurses raised £462.64.

IN MEMORIAMs

BLAIR - In loving memory of our mum, Dorothy, who passed away on October 12, 2009. Quietly remembered every day.

- Alex, Marion and families.

BLAIR - In loving memory of my mum, Dorothy Blair, who passed away October 12, 2009. Missed more that words can say.

- Dorothy.

CAMPBELL - In memory of Mary, loving mother, granny and great granny, passed away October 14, 2011. Always ready to do her best With a heart so true and tender

She devoted her life to those she loved And those she loved remember.

- Catherine, Jimmy and family.

CAMPBELL - In loving memory of a much loved mother, Mary, who died on October 14, 2011. There's a place in our hearts That is yours alone

A part of our life No one else can own For deep in our memories You are with us yet To love and to cherish and Never forget.

-From your loving daughter, Mary and son-in-law, John xx

CAMPBELL - In loving memory of Mary, a dear mum, granny and great granny, who died October 14, 2011. Those we love don't go away But walk beside us everyday Unseen, unheard, but always near

Still loved, still missed, still very dear. Anne, James, Karen and Archie

A kiss blown up to the sky so blue Catch it wee granny, its just for you.

Ryan and Emma xx

CAMPBELL - Blowing kisses to heaven

That's all that we can do To say that wee granny We love and dearly miss you.

Sadly missed, dearly loved. Alison, Caroline and families.

DAWSON - Jack Dawson, Mamie Dawson and Gladys Dawson.

Dearly loved, sadly missed. Inserted by son and husband Bill.

LAFFERTY - Remembering Billy, beloved husband and a devoted father and grandfather, who died on October 16, 2011. Loved and missed every day Jenny and family.

MASON - Billy, October 1999. Sadly missed.

- Ray and family.

MCKERRAL - William G, who died October 16, 2010. A much loved husband, father and grandfather. Sadly missed.

- Douglas and family. Miss you lots.

- Hannah and Liam xx.

MCLEAN - In loving memory of our beloved daughter and sister, Louise, passed away October 15, 2011.

As Louise told us, When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set for me,

I want no tears in a gloom filled room. Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little, but not too long, and not with your head bowed.

Remember the love that we once shared.

This is a journey we all must take and must go alone.

Bury your sorrow in doing good works.

Miss me, but let me go. We miss you more and more each day, Louise, but your memory sustains us.

- Mum, Dad, Simon and Tracy xxx.

MCLEAN - In loving memory of Louise Jane McLean, passed away on October 15, 2011, aged 23. Our wee angel.

So fair a flower the sun has kissed, Always with us, always missed.

Rest in peace, neath skies above,

In your folded arms, our everlasting love.

- Gran, Peter, Uncle Charles, Uncle Ian and Aunt Ann.

MCMILLAN - In loving memory of our mum and granny, Annette, who passed away October 10, 2005. Loved and missed everyday.

- Jo, Al, Malcolm, Bella and kids.

MACTAVISH - Precious memories of Annie, a much loved mum, mother in law and granny, who died October 13, 2002. Always in our thoughts, Catherine Ann, Donald, Sharon and Louise.

MUIR - Precious memories of my dearly loved husband and our Ian. Tenth anniversary on October 17. You will never be forgotten.

- Love, Ellen, John and Maurice xxx.

STEWART - In fond memory of my beloved and sorely missed wife, Christina (Ina), who died at Dumfries on October 13, 2004. Frank

STEWART - Precious memories of Ina, a dear mother, mother-in-law and granny, who died October 13, 2004. You were much too special to ever forget.

Frances, Jim, Eilidh and Mairi.

THOMPSON - Treasured memories of Kenny, who passed away on October 12, 2010.

You sailed the stormy waters And battled heavy seas Then found a peaceful haven

Where you'll always rest in peace. Loved and sorely missed.

- Nikki, Nicolette and Claire.

Love and miss you, Papa. - Isla and Sean.

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

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SC002493 **Sunday 14th October 2012** 11.15am Morning Service Mr. Jim Campbell No FunDay Club or Jam This Week **Tuesday 16th October** Badminton Club Registration Kirk Street Hall 6pm **Wednesday 17th October** Bible Study Fellowship Ballywilline Farm 7.30pm **Advance Notice** **Saturday 20th October** Church Coffee Morning Kirk Street Hall 10am - 12 Usual Stalls Everyone very welcome

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Scottish Charity Number SC011686 **Sunday, 14th October** Morning Worship: 11-15am (Crèche Triple C) Mr. William Crossan **Tuesday, 16th October** Mothers and Toddlers - 9:45 a.m. Boys' Brigade Anchor Boys - 6:00 p.m. Boys' Brigade Junior Section - 7:15 p.m. **Thursday, 18th October** Choir practice: 7-30pm **Friday, 19th October** Lunch Club: 12noon

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

For Funeral Directors Blair, MacDonald & Lupton please turn to page 20.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES
St. Kieran's Scottish Episcopal Church
Argyll Street, Campbeltown St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown Scottish Charity No SC023277 **Sunday 14th October 2012** Pentecost 20 10.45am Family Communion **Details of services are on the church door** **Enquiries Tel: 01586 551141** The Scottish Episcopal Church is a Province of the Worldwide Anglican Communion

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All Welcome Pastor Rev Derek Gibson 11am Morning Service Speaker Rev Angus MacNeill **Ladies Meeting** Monday 15th October 2.30pm Dr Alison Hay **Jumpstart Group** Friday 10.00 - 11.30pm Scottish Charity SC015187

FOOTBALL

East Kilbride YM - 4
Tarbert - 2

TARBERT failed to pick up a crucial three points as they travelled to take on East Kilbride (EK) YM in their latest league fixture.

Two goals from Tarbert's Ronald were not enough to beat the EK YM side which played defensively throughout the match.

The home side was the first to score in the game when a long ball out of the East Kilbride half could only be cleared by the Tarbert defence for a corner. Slack marking at the back post meant the big centre half had an easy header from a yard out.

Within the space of two

minutes EKYM doubled their lead with a near replica of the first goal, this time an easy header from six yards out.

It was not until mid way through the first half that Tarbert pulled themselves back into the game, with Prentice firing a free kick at the wall, which found Ronald, who beat the keeper.

Tarbert gained confidence and began to play some good football in defence and midfield, but the team failed to break through the home side's defence to gain an equaliser.

In the final minutes of the first half EKYM scored their third goal when a long ball was

picked up by a lone forward out wide, who passed the ball to the centre midfielder, who stabbed the ball in the back of the net.

Tarbert struggled in the second half when the home team put five players in defence. On the one-hour mark Tarbert managed to get a second goal when Ronald rose to head in a corner to claim his second goal of the match.

The Tarbert defence remained strong, with keeper Martin pulling off two good saves. But with ten minutes to go the home team took advantage of another corner, scoring their fourth goal to secure their victory.



Isla Sloan FROM Mid Argyll Sailing Club was one of many children to take part in the sailing event at Lochgoilhead.

Emma races to first victory

A TARBERT youngster, inspired to sail after the London Olympics, last week won her first race.

Emma Scott from Tarbert Loch Fyne Yacht Club was the overall winner of a recent Argyll and Bute Sailing event, targeted at young people that have learnt to sail in the last year.

Delighted with her first win at the Lochgoilhead Scout Centre, Emma said: 'I have never raced before but saw all of the sailing on the TV over the Olympics. I completed my stage four and thought I would just have a go.'

There was also a bit of sibling rivalry on the day, with Isla Sloan, 10,

from Mid Argyll Sailing Club taking part alongside her younger brother Aaron, whilst Piers and Lucas Gritten also fought it out on the water, representing the Mid Argyll club.

The race was one of a number of junior championship events taking place across Scotland, run by RYA sailing development groups.

Commenting on the Lochgoilhead event Alasdair Young, sailing development group coordinator for Argyll and Bute Sailing, said: 'It was hugely impressive to have people coming from so far around the area to take part in the event.'

FOOTBALL

Late goal clinches Red Star victory

SYFA Scottish Cup second round
Lochgilphead Red Star YFC 1
Blantyre YFC 0

A LATE goal clinched victory for Lochgilphead under 16s, sending them through to the third round of the Scottish Cup.

The winning goal came in the final stages of the match when a corner kick by Deans reached the back post and was met by Coates, whose header beat the keeper to score the only goal of the match.

It was a hard fought encounter against Blantyre but the under 16s

took control of the match in the early stages. A heavy pitch meant both teams struggled to pass the ball, creating very few chances.

Coates tried his luck from long range on a couple of occasions but failed to trouble the keeper. Moore played a defence splitting pass to Deans who got the ball in front of the defender, but his shot from just inside the box came back off the bar.

Blantyre began to make their presence felt in the closing stages of the match as they pushed for an equaliser but the Star defence remained solid.



The winning goal came from Red Star's Josh Coates.

First away win to Kingussie

INVERARAY leapfrogged Kingussie in the Orion Group Premiership with a 2-1 victory over their opponents at the Dell.

The win means Inveraray finish fifth in the league, a major improvement on last year's performance when the team faced relegation.

The last game of the season saw Euan McMurdo open the scoring for the Royal Burgh, with David MacPherson doubling the lead on 25

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minutes. Five minutes before half time Kingussie's Lee Bain pulled a goal back for the home side but there were to be no more goals.

Assistant manager Garry MacPherson said: 'It is the first time we have beaten Kingussie up there.'

The strong league finish and seeing the Celtic Society Cup in the trophy cabinet will go some

way to heal the wounds of Inveraray's recent Camanachd Cup final defeat. Gary said the team's performance in the league might silence critics who claim Inveraray is a 'cup team', but added: 'We tend to do better in cup games because we have a better chance of playing a good 12 players. Coming from such a small community, it can be difficult to get the same team playing in league matches every week.'



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Final golf competitions at Glenralloch

THE FINAL competitions of the summer season were played at Glenralloch at the weekend with the James Johnson over 50s Cup and an under 50s medal up for grabs.

First in the James Johnson Cup was Duncan Johnston, claiming his second major singles cup of the season.

Archie Black took second place in the competition, making a comeback to the sport following a foot injury, scooping the magic two prize.

The under 50s medal was won by Bruce MacNab, with Keith Blair taking second place.

The winter league at Tarbert Golf Club will commence in the coming weeks for both men and women, with more silverware on offer.

More information on the winter league can be found on the club noticeboard.

Stuart's lucky

Lottery numbers

THE NUMBERS in this week's Inveraray Shinty Club lottery draw were 9, 12 and 19. The £500 jackpot was won by Stuart Kidd. Next week's jackpot will be £100.

There were no winners in the Kilmory Camanachd Club lottery draw this week, with numbers 6, 14 and 16 drawn. Next week's jackpot will be £700.

Tarbert Football Club lottery numbers this week were 13, 18 and 20. There were no winners. The jackpot next week is £200.



Red Star clear the ball after another Whitehill attack at Ropework on Saturday. 06_a41star03

Star see double red as they lose to Whitehill

SAFL Division 1B
Lochgilphead Red Star 2
Whitehill FP 3

RED STAR suffered defeat at home in a closely fought match against Whitehill on Saturday.

Most of the action happened within the first 45 minutes, with the home side starting off brightly.

Red Star was the first to score as Peacock cut inside in the left channel to shoot on goal; the keeper initially saved the shot but the ball took a deflection and spun into the net.

The visitors soon made

the score even when the Whitehill winger managed to weave through the Star defence before unleashing a powerful strike from the edge of the box which could not be saved by keeper Kalache.

A needless free kick was given away by Star, half an hour in, which saw the ball come close to the net. As Alderson tried to clear it from danger he headed the ball over Kalache and into his own net.

Star came back to equalise five minutes later when a direct pass from the back allowed

Peacock to get in behind the defence and, beating the keeper to the ball, he took it around the Whitehill number one to score into an open goal.

In the final minutes of the first half, the Whitehill winger scored an impressive goal after Broderick missed a long ball into the box.

Both sides struggled to make chances in the second half, with Star failing to break through the Whitehill defence.

Star's task of getting back into the game was made all the more difficult when Alderson was dismissed for a second

booking after an altercation with a Whitehill defender.

Both sides then saw a player each sent off after Broderick reacted angrily to a challenge from the Whitehill number nine, who was also dismissed.

Star's next match will take place tomorrow (Saturday) at Ropework Park when they take on King's Park Rangers B.

They were originally scheduled to play Harp AFC in the second round of West of Scotland Cup but the away side have scratched from the competition.

Winter league at Lochgilphead

GLORIOUS sunshine greeted golfers for the first match of Lochgilphead Golf Club's winter league at the weekend.

Ross Sinclair is the first to encourage new players and he was full of praise for Simon Taylor until he found out that he had been to the pro, Keith, for lessons. Things got much worse when Simon had the cheek to play better than Ross and smile because he was happy - this could not be tolerated. Several crafty moves later Simon was back in his place and he will need to learn to be as deaf as John Downie when playing with the crocodile - never smile at a crocodile.

John Downie had one of his best ever starts with some quality driving that should win prizes, which is a contrast to his performance when he gets behind the steering wheel of his car which wins him the sort of prizes you do not want.

Lord of the dance

Tommy Angus is the lord of the dance and it is his timing and grace that enables him to hit the ball so straight. Keith Cowan entered Strictly Come Dancing in an attempt to emulate Tommy but so far

it has backfired and he came in last; he was hitting the ball all over the place and in every burn.

You can tell that Jim Hunter is playing well when he returns to the clubhouse with all 14 clubs intact and Saturday was one of those days. His four under par score makes you wonder why he tortures himself by playing rubbish all summer every year.

Christmas present

Kenneth MacAulay managed to beat dad Alec by a couple of shots but should not repeat this too often as the size of his Christmas present may be reduced significantly if he does.

David Sinclair is related to Ross and as such is immune to his ways but he too likes to encourage new players. In hindsight, maybe he could smile like Simon, as it seemed to put Ross off and would be a better thing to do instead of moaning when he hits perfectly good shots.

Kenny Cameron and Lee Hardman won the last of the points and the duffers' derby awaits players like these.

Results: 10 J Hunter, 9 K MacAuley, 8 R Sinclair, 7 J Downie, 6 A MacAuley, 5 T Angus, 4 D Sinclair, 3 S Taylor, 2 K Cameron, 1 L Hardman. A Macauley was nearest the pin on the seventh hole and K MacAuley on the ninth.

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