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# Controversial boundary plans – Argyll makes its voice heard



**What's new,  
pussycat?**

Kilmartin museum staff members Claire Morrison, Ruth Bolwell and Caitlin Smart, above, get into the spirit of Hallowe'en. Turn to pages 12 and 13 for a picture special.

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## New post office in Cairndow

BUCKING the trend of post office closures, a new branch has opened up at Cairndow.

More on page 7.

## Lochgilphead's set to sparkle

LOCHGILPHEAD is set to sparkle with fireworks this weekend and a festive switch-on.

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## An enterprising new initiative

HAVE a say in an enterprising new initiative to create a prosperous future for the region.

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REPORT By COLIN CAMERON  
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CONTROVERSIAL and unpopular plans by a Scottish public body to redraw council boundaries have prompted a significant reaction from Argyll and Bute residents.

Figures released by the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland reveal a public consultation attracted four times the level of responses from this region, compared to the rest of Scotland.

The proposed new boundaries would move Ardrishaig, Tayvallich and the rest of Knapdale into Kintyre, while lumping Lochgilphead in with Dalmailly and Bridge of Orchy in a new Mid Argyll ward. Other changes include the abolition of the Cowal ward and the forcing together of areas as dispersed as villages near Helensburgh with others in Cowal.

Argyll and Bute would lose three coun-

cillors from the current complement of 36, while one council ward would go.

A three-month public consultation, which closed last month, attracted around 4,000 responses nationally. Of that number, 300 were from respondents in Argyll and Bute.

Across the board, the rate was one response per 1,000 electors, but that figure was four per 1,000 in Argyll and Bute. When the single responses of community councils are considered, the number of people represented within the 300 respondents grows further still.

Opponents of the plans were delighted to hear the news. One critic, Mid Argyll councillor Douglas Philand, said: 'I can only hope the Scottish ministers take cognisance of the strength of feelings associated with the responses and allow the

democratic will of the residents of Argyll and Bute to prevail.'

Fellow Mid Argyll councillors Sandy Taylor and Donnie MacMillan agreed: 'I am personally pleased to see that level of response as someone who has promoted the need for community awareness and response to the consultation.'

'Knowing how communities in South Oban, Bute and Cowal feel, this exceptional response comes as no surprise to me.'

Councillor MacMillan added: 'At present the proposals are not at all satisfactory for Mid Argyll. I hope the commission responds to what the people are saying.'

A spokesperson for the commission said: 'We will consider all responses to the consultation at meetings in November and December.'

Final recommendations will be submitted to Scottish ministers by May 2016.



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# No poppies in Lochgilphead

PEOPLE in Lochgilphead have been confused this week about the lack of poppies traditionally worn for Remembrance Sunday.

Remembrance day is this Sunday November 8 and it was only as the day drew closer that people realised there was not a poppy to be seen in Lochgilphead.

Many local business owners commented that it was very strange they hadn't had their usual delivery but they hadn't thought to do anything about it.

Poppy Scotland re-

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lies on volunteers to distribute poppies to shops, and sell them door to door and on stalls, and some surmised there was perhaps a lack of volunteers to distribute them this year.

This was confirmed by a Poppy Scotland spokesman, who said: 'We have people retiring each year and unfortunately the Lochgilphead organiser retired too late in the day for

us to find a replacement and get them trained up.' He also said that anyone who might be interested in volunteering for next year should get in touch with Poppy Scotland.

Poppy Scotland raised about £1,500 last year around Lochgilphead. This helped the charity to continue its life-changing work helping war veterans and people still serving in the military.



Samantha Newlands, Connor Chlopuk, Kelly Crawford and Jamie Baxter are apprentices in Kilmory.

## More modern apprentices

ARGYLL and Bute Council has agreed to expand its apprenticeship programme by recruiting a further 15 modern apprentices in the next year.

At a policy and resources committee meeting it was also agreed that the upper age limit should be changed from 19 to 24.

There are currently 11 modern apprentices employed by the council in areas from human resources to mechanics. Most apprenticeships are in Mid Argyll.

**Skills**  
 Council leader Dick Walsh said: 'Young people are the building bricks of Argyll and Bute, and the modern

apprentice scheme gives them the skills, qualifications and confidence to help build a strong future for our communities.

'I am sure that as well as gaining valuable skills and work experience, our modern apprentices will also prove to be a real credit to the council.'

## Refugees in Argyll and Bute by Christmas

ARGYLL and Bute will welcome the first refugees from war-torn Syria by Christmas, Provost Len Scoullar has confirmed.

They will be moving to Bute where there is appropriate housing and support.

Provost Scoullar, who lives on Bute, said: 'People on Bute have stepped forward to offer skills and services they have to make the families feel welcome and to help them settle in. This will be invaluable

for the families who must be feeling incredibly vulnerable and confused. Our families – and I already feel comfortable calling them our families – are all currently in the Lebanon.

**Match**  
 'With the agencies working overseas, we have been very careful to match their experience and skills with those in our own communities. Hopefully this should make it easier for them to find employment.

'We are currently putting in place the arrangements for the support on the island for the first few weeks of arrival and this will include interpreters, health, education and housing services, and we will be taking up the many and very generous offers of support from the community.'

'There is a very detailed project plan that covers these arrangements and makes use of the huge range of support offered by communities.'

## Police files Tachograph offence

ABOUT 11.30am on Monday October 26, on the A83 near Castleton, Lochgilphead, police stopped a lorry for a routine tachograph check. The 50-year-old driver was charged with driving the lorry without taking a sufficient rest period.

## Disturbance

ON MONDAY October 27 about 7.30pm, a disturbance occurred within a shop premises in Argyll Street, Lochgilphead when a woman verbally abused a man.

## Housebreaking

BETWEEN Monday September 28 and Monday October 26, a house at Tayvallich was broken into but no items were stolen.

## Theft

BETWEEN 11.30pm on Saturday October 31 and 12.05am on Sunday November 1, a Samsung mobile phone was stolen from a pub in Lochnell Street, Lochgilphead.

## Mobile phone

ON LOCHNELLS Street, Lochgilphead, Police stopped a car at 4.50pm on Friday October 30.

The driver, a 44-year-old man, was charged with driving while using his mobile phone.

## Fixed penalty

ABOUT 10.30pm on Saturday October 31, in Argyll Street, Lochgilphead, a 20-year-old man was issued with a £40 fixed penalty notice for consuming alcohol in a public place.

## Speeding charge

ABOUT 1.10pm on Sunday November 1, on the A819, near Inveraray, a motorcyclist was stopped by police.

The rider, a 40 year-old-man, was charged with breaking the speed limit.

Any member of the public with information in relation to the above, or to any incident, should contact their local police office on telephone number 101, or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.



There were no poppies in Lochgilphead.



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# Canal chiefs come to Cairnbaan

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CANAL users had the opportunity to meet officials from Scottish Canals as the organisation held its latest customer forum last Saturday.

Local manager Joe Murphy outlined recent works around the Crinan Canal, including canal and towpath maintenance and improvement, improved signage, a lighthouse upgrade and the installation of traffic calming at towpaths.

Looking ahead, Mr Murphy told the audience of around 30 people at the Cairnbaan Hotel that more towpath improvements were planned, along with vegetation control, lock upgrades and the replacement of Bellanoch jetty with a wharf.

The question of WiFi provision along the canal was also raised and this was addressed by David Lamont, director of operations at Scottish Canals. Mr Lamont explained the difficulties

of wireless provision in a rural location with relatively few users at any given time. Scottish Canals, he said, was currently talking to Highland WiFi with a view to improving what had previously been contracted to BT.

A questioner asked the canal officials about the condition of Dunardry Bridge on the canal, to which Mr Lamont replied: 'We've known for a while that it's been deteriorating. A survey has been commissioned and though we're awaiting the full results it's clear that the bridge is not suitable for traffic, not even foot traffic.'

'We'll look at the survey results, see what the costs are but when this site will be included in our work programme, I don't yet know.'

On the broader subject of finance, Mr Lamont stressed the changes that had happened since Scottish Canals was formed three years



Joe Murphy addresses the audience of canal users and locals. 06\_a45canal01

ago after the break-up of British Waterways.

'We're now a standalone public body in Scotland, he explained. 'The transition has generally gone well but we have lost the economies of scale we formerly had. We don't have access to the mon-

ey we used to and we're having to operate more like a commercial enterprise. We've pretty much come through the establishment phase but if I'm brutally honest we lost a little bit of momentum in service delivery. We're now addressing that.'

## Spotlight on the future of wave power

SCHOOL children are being asked to imagine the future of renewable energy in Scotland.

The Junior Saltire Awards is asking children in both primary and secondary schools across the country to design, build and test a wave energy convector which can harness wave power to make electricity. Those coming up with the best ideas will be invited to put their designs to the test at the University of Edinburgh's FloWave Ocean Energy Research Facility - the world's most sophisticated ocean simulator which can recreate multi-directional waves and fast tidal flows.

The competition is open to three age groups: P5-P7, S1-S3 and S4-S6. Teams of four in each age group have until December 18 to register.

Teams have until the end of February to complete a design brief and until the end of April to provide evidence of their finished model.

## Remembrance Sunday

THIS Sunday November 8 is Remembrance Sunday and wreath-laying ceremonies will be held at war memorials across Mid Argyll.

Barnluasgan will have wreath-laying at 9am. Wreath-laying ceremonies will take place at the war memorials at Lochgilphead, Inveraray, Tarbert and Lochgair beginning at 10.45am.

The service at Minard war memorial will be at 11.30am.

There will be a wreath-laying ceremony at Ardrishaig at noon and Furnace at 1.30pm.

## More support for local businesses bidding for council contracts

ARGYLL and Bute Council is aiming to get more local businesses to bid for its contracts.

A recent policy and resources committee meeting agreed to expand the programme of support offered to local businesses bidding for council contracts.

There will be quarterly procurement surgeries held around Argyll including Lochgilphead, Helensburgh and Dunoon.

Council leader Dick Walsh said: 'There is an impression across the

country that public sector contracts can only be won by big, national companies which employ their own procurement experts to fill in the forms, but that simply isn't true. We awarded over a third of contracts to local companies last year; well above the national average of around one-fifth.'

He added: 'We would encourage any local businesses interested in securing public sector contracts to get in touch with our procurement team, join the programme and book a place at one of the upcoming surgeries.'

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# Time to get your Santa letters in the post

WITH only eight weeks to go until Christmas, Royal Mail is once again lending a helping hand to one of its most special customers, Santa Claus. Santa is happy to receive your cards and letters, but please write to him at the North Pole no later than Decem-

ber 6, as he is so busy at this time of year – and don't forget to tell him your full name and address.

Alex McConnell, Royal Mail chief elf, who has the important task of ensuring children's letters reach Reindeerland at the North Pole, said: 'Royal Mail plays a special part at Christmas. We are proud that, for over 50 years, Santa has allowed us to help manage the thousands and thousands of special letters he receives from boys and girls across the UK.'

To ensure Santa receives your letter on time, please make sure you write to him using the correct address on a stamped envelope - Santa Claus, Santa's Grotto, Reindeerland, XM4 5HQ. Alex added: 'Remember to include your full name and address on your letter so Santa can reply to you!'

For less exciting mail, the last posting dates are: Second class - Saturday December 19, First class - Monday December 21, Special delivery - Wednesday December 23.



Don't forget to write to Santa Claus in time for Christmas.

# Charity air ambulance takes delivery of new life-saving helicopter

ARGYLL is set to benefit from enhanced air ambulance coverage as the country's only charity-funded service unveils its new life-saving helicopter.

After two years of nationwide operations, Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance (SCAA) has upgraded to a larger, faster and more powerful EC135 T2i. Its arrival heralds the retiral of the last Bolkow 105 air ambulance in the UK, which launched SCAA's service in 2013 and has deployed to emergencies in Argyll on many occasions.

The new EC135 is expected to be fully operational at SCAA later this month, with crew training now in its final stages.

Scotland's health minister, Shona Robison MSP, said: 'Within little more than two years, Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance has become an integral part of our vital emergency services, responding to over 850 call outs from the Highlands and Islands to the Borders and providing an invaluable service to the people of



The new EC135 could increase capability by 50 per cent.

Scotland. This new helicopter will mean that the Charity Air Ambulance can now fly further and faster than ever before. This will help the air ambulance provide an even better service to the people of Scotland who will need it most.'

The helicopter upgrade was made possible by a £3.3 million allocation from LIBOR funds announced earlier this year.

SCAA chairman, John Bullough, said the funding had provided an invaluable springboard for the latest phase in the charity's development. 'There is no doubt

that this unique service in Scotland has saved many lives and SCAA's work is impacting on the lives of thousands of people right across the country – either directly with patients or indirectly with relatives, friends and colleagues.

**Pleased**

'There are few parts of Scotland that are untouched by the work of our helicopter and highly professional crew and we have been pleased to be able to support communities everywhere.'

The new helicopter will increase the speed, range, endurance and payload SCAA is able to

offer, and will be able to fly at night and in cloud. The new model also has a larger cabin which means a family member or a physician could fly with the patient.

'We believe that the cumulative effect of these and other improvements could increase our capability by up to 50 per cent, which is potentially 50 per cent more lives saved,' added Mr Bullough.

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**GILMOUR - SIMPSON**

Nicola Gilmour, youngest daughter of Ronald and Valerie Gilmour, Campbeltown, married Scott Simpson, only son of Robert and Jeanie Simpson, Ballycaul Farm, Isle of Bute, at Lorne and Lowland Church, Campbeltown, then afterwards to Stonefield Castle Hotel, on the 4th July. The couple now both reside on the Isle of Bute.



**MCNAUGHTON - CONNELLY**

Murray and Liza were married on the 18th July 2015 at Lunga House, Craobh Haven. Murray is the only son of Laurie and Mairi McNaughton, Clachan and Liza is the only daughter of John and Beth Connelly, Lochgilphead. A truly wonderful day was had by all.

## Argyll's finest young pipers come to Lochgilphead

SOME of the best young pipers in Argyll will gather for a concert at Lochgilphead Joint Campus at 7.30pm on Monday November 9.

The concert is being hosted by Argyll and Bute Council's Creative Arts in Schools team in partnership with Argyll Piping Trust, Creative Scotland and the Youth Music Initiative.

More than 160 pipers and drummers will be present including bands from Mull, Mid Argyll and Helensburgh as well

as schools bands from Dunoon, Kintyre and Oban.

Deputy policy lead for education and life-long learning, Councillor Donnie MacMillan, said: 'There is no doubt that there is an abundance of talented young pipers and drummers in Argyll and Bute. To see them coming together at an event such as this will be an amazing spectacle and will showcase the high level of musical attainment that we have in our schools.'

## Blue plaque nominations

RESIDENTS of Argyll and Bute have been asked who they would like to see celebrated on blue plaques, which are placed on buildings associated with famous people.

The scheme is run by Historic Environment

Scotland, which is taking nominations until January 31 2016.

People can be from any field, including sport, politics, science and arts.

More information can be found on the Historic Scotland website.



Sarah Wyatt, adult learning, Chris Macefield, Grace MacLeod and Jess Grant, directors of Blarbuie Woodland. 08\_a45blarbuie01

## Community garden ideas put forward

A WORKSHOP on creating a community garden was held at the parish hall in Lochgilphead on October 28.

There are plans to create a community garden at Blarbuie woodland and organisers were looking for ideas of what people

would want from a garden. Chris Macefield from the Federation of Farms and Community Gardens, had travelled from Edinburgh to give advice and thoughts on different ideas presented.

Grace MacLeod, director of Blarbuie Woodland, said: 'The

idea is that community groups and individuals could use the garden to grow plants and vegetables. We've already had interest from some community groups and we've also had some shops interested in selling the produce that's grown.'

## Improvement in ACHA's latest landlord report

ARGYLL Community Housing Association (ACHA) has released its 2014/15 landlord report, which shows improvement in some areas.

Tenant satisfaction when moving into a new home has gone up from 71 per cent to 78 per cent, but is still well below the Scottish average of 86 per cent.

One area in which ACHA is above the Scottish average is tenant satisfaction with repairs, which are at 97 per cent compared with the Scottish average of 89 per cent.

There is a difference in demand for housing in different areas of Argyll and Bute, which impacts on how long it takes for houses to be re-let. The majority of homes that are difficult to let are in Bute and Kintyre.

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Let's pay our respects this Sunday and remember those who gave their tomorrow for our today.

But remember, too, the people still serving and still suffering on our behalf.

## Spirit

MID Argyll seemed to get into the Hallowe'en spirit last weekend.

In the olden days, before pumpkins and 'trick or treating' (whatever that is), Hallowe'en was a time when youngsters set off into the night, neep lantern in hand, to chap on neighbours' doors.

It was called guising, and every kid had to do a 'wee turn' before being handed an apple, a few nuts and maybe a sweetie or two.

What was wrong with an old candlewick for a cape and a streak of soot from the back of the lum creating a dashing moustache?

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## Sit down together for Argyll

Sir,  
Your editorial in the October 30 edition of the Argyllshire Advertiser is correct to call on everyone to sit down and come up with real practical solutions to the problem caused by the cuts in the amount of money the council is given to spend.

With 25 inhabited islands and a sparsely populated mainland, it clearly costs more to deliver services in Argyll and Bute than other council areas.

The council and our MSPs should sit down together and make a case to the Scottish Government for more money to be allocated to Argyll and Bute.

I will oppose the SNP proposal to close Kilmory and pay expenses to staff to commute to council offices in other towns. That would clog up our roads, be very expensive and turn Lochgilthead into a ghost town.

That is no solution.  
**Alan Reid,**  
136 Fairhaven,  
Dunoon,  
LibDem candidate  
for Argyll and Bute

## Reasons to vote Labour

Sir,  
The Labour party is continuing on its path of self destruction and political irrelevance.

Not content with turning its back on the union and so many no voting Labour supporters by letting its MSPs campaign to tear Scotland out of our United Kingdom if there is another referendum in the future, its members are now squabbling with each other over Tri-

dent having voted to scrap it at their party conference.

Does the Labour party not realise that 11,300 jobs linked to the Faslane naval base will be lost if Trident is scrapped? What reason is there to vote Labour now?

It puts our union at risk by appeasing the SNP at every turn, its republican leader Jeremy Corbyn disrespects and insults our armed forces members both past and present by questioning why Britain should spend a 'shedload' of money on commemorating the First World War. It would, if given a chance, be a huge risk to our economy by spending, borrowing and printing money and it will put our security and jobs at risk by scrapping Trident.

Only the Conservative and Unionist party stands up unashamedly for our military tradition, for Trident and for our union.

**Alistair Redman,**  
Islay

## Help fight debilitating condition

Sir,  
A person's will is a way of leaving something to people and causes that are important to them.

At Action for ME, our supporters often decide to leave a gift in their will as a way of saying thank you for the services we provide, and because they want to help fund more research into the devastating neurological illness, Myalgic Encephalomyelitis (ME).

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ple disabled by ME in the future. She said: 'Anything that adds to the knowledge of what's actually happening would help.'

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**Sonya Chowdhury,**  
chief executive,  
Action for ME,  
Keynsham,  
Bristol

## Craft fairs, charity and fun

Sir,  
I would like to thank everyone who not only came along to support a very worthy cause at the craft fair at Cairnbaan on Sunday, but all the other fairs that I have hosted over the years in the Cairnbaan Hotel and the Kilmartin Hotel.

Last week we raised another £185 for the RNLI and the crafters all had a great day.

The sweepstake prize of £50 went to a very lucky lady from Ardfern.

Thank you again.  
**Penny Airlie,**  
Ford

## Volunteer with no fear

Sir,  
At the British Safety Council, we want to make sure that health and safety fears don't stop young people getting involved in volunteering and social action.

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ities, there is, perhaps, too great a perception that health and safety is something to be feared.

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**Mike Robinson,**  
chief executive,  
British Safety  
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Postie David Watt picks up the mail from Cairndow as (l-r) Caroline Mullan trains Helen MacRaild and Dot Chalmers in post office skills. 06\_a45cairndowp01

# Brand new post office opens for business

CAIRNDOW has its own post office again, as a brand new branch opens at the Here We Are centre.

Situated alongside the Tree Shop and Loch Fyne Oysters at Clachan, Here We Are already provides a valued community resource for locals and visitors alike, with all kinds of information on the past, present and future of Cairndow and district.

The new post office opened on Tuesday October 27, and will offer the full range of services expected at a rural branch.

The post office counter will be open during the same hours as Here We Are, except for weekends, when – though the centre is open – the post office will be closed.

Rather than travelling ten miles to Strachur or eight to Inveraray for postal services, Cairndow customers and visitors can now make use of free cash withdrawals, foreign currency pre-ordering, insurance and much more besides.

Every staff member at Here We Are has been given eight days of intensive training by Glasgow-based post office field support officer, Caroline Mullan, reinforced with online learning.

‘It’s made a difference already’, said Helen MacRaild of Here We Are. ‘Just a couple of days in, and we’re already seeing more people coming into Here We Are because the post office is open.’

‘It’s just that much handier for people, and it will hopefully be used by visitors as well.’

And don’t forget to get your festive Christmas stamps from Cairndow post office.

Other branches are available too, of course.

# Lochgilphead nurse completes charity 10k

LOCHGILPHEAD nurse Yvie Young has completed the Great Scottish Run 10k and raised much needed money for the Rainbow Valley Cancer Care Centre.

She managed to raise over £1,200, beating her target of £1,000, for the charity and completed her first 10k in 1hour 39minutes.

Yvie is a staff nurse at the Mid Argyll Hospital and is involved in organising the annual Lochgilphead Rainbow Valley weekends.

Yvie said: ‘I would like to thank everyone for being so generous. It was great that people sponsored me for this particularly as many of the same people support the Rainbow Valley weekend too.’



Yvie found Commonwealth Games 2014 mascot Clyde at the end of her run.

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### Coffee morning, sale of work and play day

A COFFEE morning, sale of work and children's play day was held by Fyne Families at Lochgilphead Community Centre.

Fyne Families is a children's charity providing pre-school care and after school clubs for older children.

Adults could have a wander round the sale of work before heading to the kitchen for tea, cake and soup for lunch. There was also a bottle stall.

To keep the kids occupied there was Hal-lowe'en face painting and a drawing area.

### Official opening for little gym in Tarbert

TARBERT Little Gym will officially open on Saturday November 7 at a special event.

The free event will be held at Tarbert Harbour from 10am until noon.

Activities for children include face painting and use of the little gym. There will also be exercise classes for adults.

# Full house at Inveraray Accordion and Fiddle club

IT WAS almost a full house for the opening night of the Inveraray and District Accordion Club at the Inveraray Inn (formerly the Argyll Hotel).

Roddy MacDiarmid deputised for chairman Niall Iain MacLean, who was recovering in hospital from a knee operation. Fyne Folk got the evening under way in the usual manner, with Nick MacFarlane on accordion, Jake MacKay and Alex John MacLeod on fiddle and Agnes Liddell on keyboard. Other supporting players were James MacArthur on melodeon; Charlie Soane on fiddle; Johnny Fisher on accordion; Jimmy MacDonald on keyboard and Jake MacKay on moothie. Everyone enjoyed their choice of music.

Guests were the Matthew MacLennan Trio, with Matthew, originally from Kiltarlity but now living in Edinburgh, on accordion, Duncan Black on keyboard and Nicky Mc-



The Matthew MacLennan trio played at the club.

Michan on drums. They treated the audience to around 20 sets, with many of them taken from Matthew's debut CD, Traditionally In-

spired, which was voted album of the year at the recent National Association of Accordion and Fiddle Club's awards. Matthew's roots in the

North was reflected in his playing, with many of his favourite pipe marches included in the programme.

A vote of thanks was

recorded to all the artistes and the club looks forward to welcoming ace accordionist David Vernon on November 11 at 8pm.

### Biggest diecast model show in Argyll

DIECAST model makers and fans will gather in Lochgilphead this weekend (November 7 and November 8).

The show will be held at the TA Centre (Drill Hall) in Lochgilphead between 10am and 4pm on both days.

There will be hundreds of model cars, trucks, trains, planes and buses made by modellers from across Scotland.

Many trucks will be recognisable due to being seen on Argyll roads every day, including diecast models of Coille Haulage, Mundells, McKerrals and McFadyen's Transport.

Highlights will be a six-foot model of the Queen Mary cruise ship, and models of offshore rig tug boats and supply boats. There will be a scale model of a working wind farm site, showing cranes of 1,200-tonne capacity and erecting towers of 100 metres high.

There will also be two scaled-down wind turbines on display.

Proceeds will be split between the Mid Argyll Hospital and the MS Centre in Lochgilphead.

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 Everyone most welcome.

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# Bonfire and fireworks display on the front green this Saturday



Fireworks will be set off in Lochgilphead on Saturday.

MID ARGYLL Round Table bonfire and fireworks will be held this Saturday, November 7, in Lochgilphead.

In association with a number of groups, including Artmap and MAMA Fest, an evening of entertainment is planned. Between 2pm and 5pm the Artmap tent on the front green will be open and people can enjoy a free lantern and kaleidoscope workshop, the results of which can be brought along on the night. Fairground attractions for children of all ages will be available, along with community stalls.

At 6.30pm, there will be music from None the Wiser. Snapberry projections in the Artmap tent start at 6pm. The bonfire and Guy Fawkes will be lit up from 7.15pm.

A Round Table spokesman said: 'A huge thanks to the many businesses that have already donated towards the costs of the firework display and to everyone attending on the evening. The donations raised on the night go towards paying for this year's fireworks, so please enjoy the evening and donate generously into the round table collection buckets.'



Enjoying refreshments at the fundraiser. 08\_a45zamscoted02

## ZamScot holds coffee morning

A VERY successful coffee morning was held at Lochgilphead Parish Hall in aid of ZamScot-Ed, a local charity building a School in Zambia.

As well as tea and cake, there was a raffle and a buy-a-brick campaign to help finish the

school. The event made just more than £400. The school, St Columba's, has now had its roof completed and it is hoped it will be open

in time for the next academic year starting in Zambia in January. The charity aims to provide education to children in the country.

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## Lochgilphead set for big Christmas switch-on

CHRISTMAS is just around the corner.

The days may be dark, the nights long, but never fear, Lochgilphead's Christmas lights will bring a little light to the gloom of winter.

This year's big switch-on will take place at the Campbell Street car park, next to the Dochas Centre – and it's going to be great fun.

There will be a music

and dance extravaganza, with performances from Mid Argyll Youth Project dance troupe and Mid Argyll Youth Project musical hub. Also coming along to entertain will be Mid Argyll Pipe Band.

The date for the diary is Thursday December 3, with music and dance starting at 7pm. The procession to switch on the lights will arrive at the

car park at 7.45pm. The big switch on will take place at 8pm.

Refreshments will be available at the MS Centre.

The committee is planning to take this annual event 'on tour', so if anyone would like to volunteer to host next year's Christmas Light switch-on, contact any committee member or speak to Jimmy Litster.

## Campbeltown Picture House at the Victoria Hall



Saturday 7 November

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5:30pm **45 Years** (15) 95 mins 'Powerhouse performances' The Telegraph

Charlotte Rampling & Tom Courtenay in mesmerising drama

8:00pm **The Martian** (12A) 141 mins

Matt Damon stars in Ridley Scott's epic sci-fi

Sunday 8 November

1:00pm **Hotel Transylvania 2** (U) 82 mins

3:00pm **Everest** (12A) 121 mins

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6:00pm **Suffragette** (PG) 106 mins

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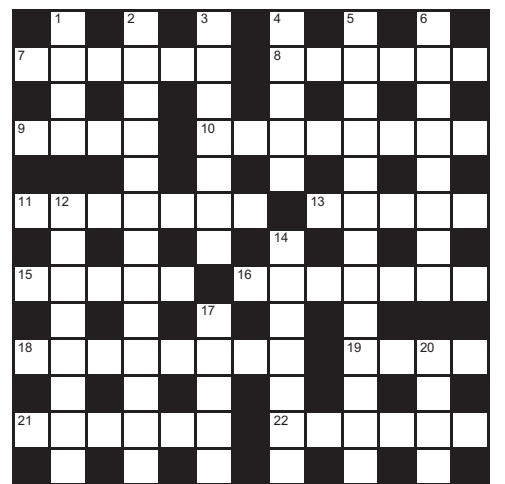
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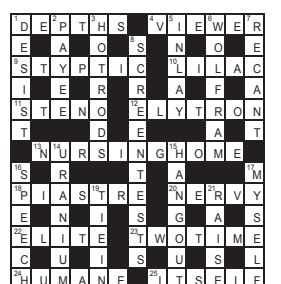
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# Join a conversation on Mid Argyll's future

THE MID Argyll Initiative (MAi) consultation roadshow kicked off last week with events in Lochgilhead, Ardrishaig, Craignish and Kilmartin.

MAi is a collection of 15 Mid Argyll community and business groups which have come together with the aim of creating more jobs and businesses in Mid Argyll. The initiative was set up as a response to population decline and the need to do more to make the area an attractive place for young people to live and work in.

Though still in the planning stage, it is hoped that the initiative will be ready for action by next spring. In the meantime, communities around the region are hosting consultation events, where people

can express their views. Following on from the initial round of workshops, this Saturday will see public sessions in Tayvallich and Furnace, and all residents are welcome.

Jane McCurdie from Lochgilhead Phoenix is a founder member of MAi and attended the initial workshop events. She said: 'It's been great to hear the views of businesses and residents with lots of good ideas coming forward. A recurring theme is that if we work together, we'll achieve more for the area.'

Mary MacCallum Sullivan of Ardrishaig Community Council said: 'It's been great to hear the views of young people too. All of the students at Lochgilhead High School are being asked to contrib-

ute their thoughts and Mid Argyll Youth Development Services has made a short film for the events.'

Ardfern and Craignish residents turned out to share their ideas last Saturday. Mary Smyth, Craignish Community Council, said: 'This is really the start of a conversation. If people have missed their local

event, they should feel free to attend one of the upcoming sessions or make their comments on the MAi website or MAi Facebook page.'

The consultation continues at Tayvallich Hall on Saturday November 7, 11am-1pm and later that day in Furnace from 2.30pm-4.30pm. The final event is in Inveraray the following Saturday.



Professional community consultant, Fiona Robertson, co-ordinates the discussion at Craignish Village Hall. 06\_a45Ma101



Kilmartin was one of the early venues for consultancy workshops.

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## Kind-hearted Mavis donates knitting to Pony Project

A KIND-HEARTED Inveraray woman has been busy knitting children's clothes to give to a charity to sell.

Mavis Bell has donated her knitting to the Pony Project. The charity is based in Ayrshire and helps disabled and disadvantaged children and adults through equine facilitated learning.

This can help with communication, team work and how to build positive relationships.

Director of the Pony Project Jane Forrest said: 'We would like to thank Mavis for her donation of hand-knitted children's clothes for sale. It was very kind and very much appreciated. Profits will be put towards the care and upkeep of the ponies.'



The Pony Project helps people learn through working with horses.

## Top 12 toys revealed

NOW THAT November has begun it won't be long until thoughts turn to Christmas presents for children.

For those unsure of what to get, a list of 12 items expected to be top of the Christmas list has been revealed.

It includes three toys from the Star Wars franchise, including a Jedi master lightsabre and Millennium Falcon.

Lego crosses generations and its Kylo Ren's Command Shuttle and City Deep Sea Exploration vessel are also on the list. For little Frozen fans, a sing-along Elsa is also on the list so they can sing Let it Go along with their favourite Disney star.

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# Farmer stakes a claim for beef at Argyll Country Market

BEEF will be back on sale at Argyll Country Market in Campbeltown tomorrow.

William Taverner, who farms 600 ewes at Ballywilline on the Gobagrennan road, has about 30 Galloway cattle to keep the grazing in good condition for his sheep.

Mr Taverner said: 'Galloways are indiscriminate grazers; they will eat quite rough grass including rushes and even nettles.

'This keeps the hill grazing in good condition for the sheep and they stop the grass from being too rough.'

### Beef for sale

After a meeting at an Argyll Country Market with stalwart stall holder and sheep farmer, Andrew Gemmill, who sells Ifferdale lamb, Mr Taverner has decided to offer beef for sale from this month.

Mr Taverner will send one bullock a month for

slaughter to John Scott's Meats in Paisley. It is hung for four weeks before being butchered at the abattoir, vacuum packed and collected the day before the market.

The meat must be kept chilled and this is done in boxes with chilling packs, similar to those used in a coolbox. At Argyll Country Market sellers are not allowed to sell frozen meat but are allowed to sell fresh meat in vacuum packs.

Mr Taverner said: 'The carcass is about 300kg but I can't say how many of each cut that will give as I am not a butcher.

'We cannot compete with a supermarket on price but we certainly can on quality because the Galloway breed is one of the oldest breeds in the United Kingdom. They are slow maturing and are slaughtered at between 18 and 24 months.

'Up to 1870, Galloways shared the same



William Taverner in the hills above Gobagrennan with some of his Galloway herd. 20\_c45taverner01

herd book as the Aberdeen Angus. After that date, Galloways had diverged enough to be a separate breed.

### Better known

'Galloway meat is every bit as good as its better known cousin.'

Mr Taverner, 55, is a comparative newcomer to Kintyre, after moving

from a farm in the Scottish Borders and buying his farm in 2009. It was exclusively dairy until 1999.

He said: 'We had lost tenancy of the farm in the Borders and were finding it hard to find another because of the landlord's fears about absolute right to buy.

'Kintyre is an easier place to buy a farm, as well as being a beautiful part of the world.'

His current farm is 610 acres but the ground is much better than his 2,500 acres of predominantly hillside in the Borders near Walkerburn.

Mr Taverner said:

'People in Campbeltown seem to be prepared to buy the higher quality of meat on offer at a country market but there will not be any buy-one-get-one free offers.

'I can say what I like but ultimately it will be the customer who decides.'

## Firm trade at Oban sheep sale

A GOOD show of store lambs and feeding ewes at Oban Livestock Centre on October 27 was met with a firm trade.

Caledonian Marts Ltd sold 1,946 lambs and ewes, with lambs keenly bid for and trade up on the previous sale. All classes of ewe saw firm prices and more, say the auctioneers, could have seen sold to seller advantage.

Top price of the day went to A MacColl, Fanmore for a cracking Texel ewe at £100.

In the lamb section top price went to two regular consigners to the market, Donny McCormick, Isle of Lismore and Ian Malcolm, Poltalloch, for pens of Texels and Beltex crosses respectively, both selling at £51.50.

### Leading Prices Lambs

Tex: Tyree £50, Ardlarach £50, Baligarve £49.

Suff: Poltalloch £49.50, Kilbride £49

Chev: Ardentraibe £49

Mule: Bailuacraich £46, Carnasserie £46,

Kilbride £45, BF: Lee Croft £44, Poltalloch £44, Turnault £44, Tiraghail £43, Saorphin £43,

Tyree £42

## MARKET REPORTS

### Caledonian Marts, Oban

CALEDONIAN Marts Ltd sold 616 suckled calves, store cattle and breeding OTM cattle on Tuesday October 20.

Bullock calves averaged 239p per kg, down 2p per kg on the year selling to 305p per kg from Rossal Estate, Mull and £670 for a British Blue from I McKinnon, Achadhbeag, Tobermory.

Heifers averaged 238p per kg, down 10p per kg on the year, selling to 367p per kg from Ardencaple and Scammadale on to £820 from the same farm.

In-calf heifers averaged £1,225, down £32 on the year, selling to £1,700 for a Simmental from A McNair and Son,

Stroneskar, Ford.

Cows with calves averaged £1,340, selling to £1,850 for a Limousin from L Dawson, Rossal, Mull.

Bulling heifers averaged £692, selling to £980 for Simmentals from MD and SA Clarke, Williamwood, Kirtlebridge.

### Leading Prices Heifer calves

Sim Luing: £820, £810, £800 and £720 Ardencaple and Scammadale.

Sim: £680 Saulmore. Luing: £680 and £640 Ardlarach.

Shorthorn X: £820 Killundine, £720 Glenturret and Killundine.

AA: £620 Carloonan.

### Bullock calves

AA: £600 Ballymeanach.

Sim: £600 Arisaig.

Lim: £610 Rossal.

Shorthorn: £600 Meggernie Estates.

Whitebred: £590 Conaglen&Glenturret.

### In calf heifers (spring calvers)

Shorthorn: £1,650 Invernahyle.

Sim: £1,600 Mid.

Cross: £1,550 Stroneskar and Mid

Whitebred: £1,500 Invernahyle and Mid.

Blue Grey: £1,350 Stroneskar.

Lim: £1,450 Ensay.

Bulling heifers

Sim: £880 Williamwood.

Lim: £850 and £840 Ensay.

### United Auctions, Dalmally

AN EXTRA sale to the normal United Auctions calendar last Friday at Dalmally saw an entry

of over 1,800 head of sheep and lambs.

All classes sold to a good ringside of buyers with all types selling at prices comparable to recent sales.

### Principal lots and prices

#### Top prices per head

Lambs

SUFFx: £55.50 – Glenshellach.

TEXx: £52.50 – Glenshellach : £52.00 – Lep-hinkill.

CHEVx: £44.00 – Maam Farm.

CROSS: £49.00 – Stronmagachan.

MULE: £50.50 – Glenshellach.

BF: £50.00 – Glenshellach : £47.50 – Du-allin : £46.50 – Garrogie Estate and Duncroisk.

#### Ewes

CHEVx: £39.00 – Maam.

CROSS: £45.00 – Birchfield : £38.00 – Garrogie Estate.

BF: £55.00 – Auchroch : £48.00 – Pitcastle Estate : £44.00 – Eden Taggart : £39.00 – Birchfield : £38.00 – Garraron & Melfort Farms.

Gimmers

BF: £60.00 – Dall.

Ewe lambs

BF: £56.00 – Raera

Rams

TEX: £180 – Barguillean

CHEV: £160 – Barguillean

#### Top prices per kilo

Lambs

SUFFx: 165p – Glenshellach.

TEXx: 152p – Glenshellach.

CHEVx: 151p – Maam Farm.

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# Spooktacular Hallowe'en fun



The human fruit machine at Lochgilhead MS Centre's Galaveen event had a scary theme. 08\_a45fruitmachine02



Hallowe'en games, such as dooking for apples, were enjoyed at the MS centre. 08\_a45apples02



RS McColl staff in Lochgilhead Cardiac Risk in the Young clinic.

## Fright at the museum

KILMARTIN Museum got into the spirit of Hallowe'en last Saturday. With scarily tasty cakes on sale, (artificial) spiders' webs adorning the museum, plenty of pumpkins and all kinds of ghoulish goings on, there was something to terrify all the family.



Frighteningly good Hallowe'en cakes on sale at Kilmartim Museum's café. 06a45kilmartin01

## Fundraising fun at MS Centre

A HALLOWE'EN Gala was held at Lochgilhead MS Centre on Saturday October 31 to raise funds for the centre.

There was home baking on offer, all served by the MS Centre witches. There were also Hallowe'en ac-

tivities, including dooking for apples, mask-making and a special spooky themed human fruit machine.

### Well attended

The event was well attended and all the various activities were enjoyed by all ages.

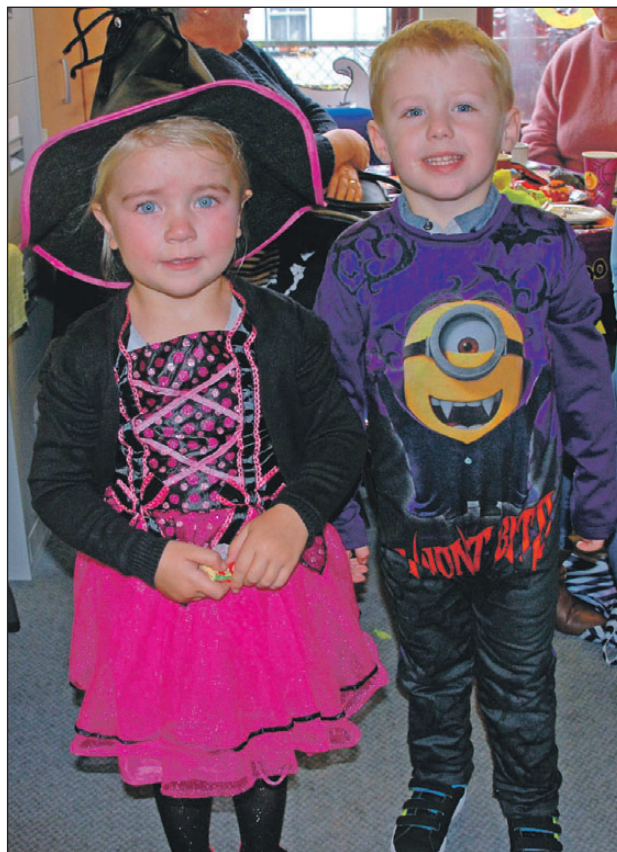
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Eilidh and Rhys had a great time dressing up for Hallowe'en at the MS Centre. 08\_eilidhandrhys02



Young Jacob and Hailey enjoyed scaring people at the Fyne Family's event at Lochgilhead Community Centre. a45Haileyandjacob02


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# and frolics across Mid Argyll



had got into the Hallowe'en spirit at work. They were raising money for the charity. 08\_a45McColl01

Residents at Chalmers Court, Inveraray, dressed up and had friends and family round for a spooky coffee morning.

## Ghoulish goings-on at Galley grotto



The children had a ghoulishly great time.

FOLLOWING its success last year, the Hallowe'en grotto made a gruesome reappearance at the Galley of Lorne Inn, Ardfern.

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15/02816/AMSC	Approval of conditions 5,6,7,8,9 and 10 relative to planning permission in principle reference 14/00669/PPP (Site for the erection of a dwellinghouse)	Plot A Land West of Corranmor Farm Ardfern Lochgilphead	Sub Post Office Ardfern
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Mrs Arlene Knox, Senior Planning Officer  
 28 October 2015  
 Closing Date: 4 December 2015

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Marching contingents and members of the public who wish to parade to the War Memorial are asked to meet at 10.40am outside the Parish Church. There will be an opportunity at the end of the official wreath laying ceremony for individuals to place their floral tributes on the War Memorial.

The times for Remembrance Sunday Services are as follows:

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Marching contingents and members of the public who wish to parade to the War Memorial are asked to meet at 10.00am at Campbeltown Old Quay and those who are laying wreaths as part of the official ceremony are invited to attend a short briefing at the War Memorial at 10.15am. There will be an opportunity at the end of the official wreath laying ceremony for individuals to place their floral tributes on the War Memorial.

After the Act of Remembrance the Parade will march to the Lorne and Lowlands Church where the Service will begin at 11.40am.

  
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**3. Education and qualifications**

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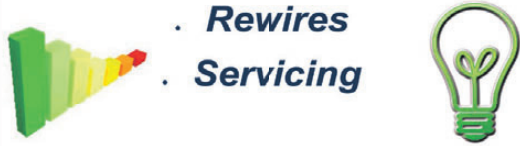
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**Thought for the Week**

with Marilyn Shedden



WE HAD great fun with our guisers last week. They came to us after their village party. The garden looked pretty scary and the garage was transformed into a haunted cave. Even some of the parents said it was spooky. However, the best fun of all was provided by two great friends. They were prepared to enter into the spirit of it all and dressed up as a wicked witch and a zombie pumpkin. The children loved it! However, one of the best moments for me was when little Charlie said he wanted to go back into 'the cave'. Bravely he walked beside me in the darkness. Not much scares these youngsters, I thought to myself. Then a little hand slipped into mine as we got nearer the garage. Charlie smiled up at me and we went in together. What a lovely moment of trust. When I thought about it I realised the reason the children are not scared is because they are with people they trust. They know instinctively that these adults will not let anything happen to them. They are with people who will keep them safe. Soon they were playing with the witch and hugging the pumpkin. It was a clear starry night and small faces glowed with excitement. Chatter and shouts echoed across the garden as children and adults enjoyed fun and friendship together. Soon they were gone leaving trails of laughter behind them. They were off to entertain and scare the next group of friends or neighbours. They were still full of energy. As they were leaving they were still trying to trick me into divulging the identity of the witch and the pumpkin, but that is my secret to keep. Charlie waved to me as he went past the 'cave', and we smiled at each other. It was a mischievous lovely smile.



Old Castle Lachlan with ivy-covered walls before the restoration project started.

**Work continues on castle restoration**

STONEMASONS working on Old Castle Lachlan, on the shores of Loch Fyne, have completed a programme of work started in early October. The huge south west wall of the 14th-century castle, ancient clan seat of the MacLachlans, is wrapped in hessian and tarpaulins to protect new lime mortar from the winter weather. The work has included

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removal of huge ivy plants, complete re-pointing of the south west wall, which faces down the loch, and clearing of several feet of soil and vegetation on the south west wall walk. 'There is still a little work to do at the site in this phase,' said Marion

Bowman of the Lachlan Trust. 'We are working on some additional information panels that will be installed in the castle courtyard in the spring and there will be a deck and bench out on the promontory below the castle, where the best views can be had. The

team has done a terrific job and it's good to be getting to the end of this phase. 'But there will be more to do in the coming years to finish the job of conserving the entire structure. We still need to fundraise.' For further details email [oldcastlelachlan@gmail.com](mailto:oldcastlelachlan@gmail.com), or visit the Lachlan Trust's new website [www.oldcastlelachlan.com](http://www.oldcastlelachlan.com).

**KILBERRY**

**No Meet and Munch at Kilberry church this month**

THE MONTHLY Meet and Munch will not take place this month as a funeral is to take place in the church that day. The group will take place as normal in December. Last month's talk was by Ian Bradley and was enjoyed by everyone who attended.

**LOCHGOILHEAD**

**Lodge on Loch Goil wins big at Scottish Style Awards**

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**TEXT FOR THE WEEK**

The Bible says, 'Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse' (Romans 12:14).

**BIRTHS**



**CAMERON**

On September 29, 2015 to Duncan and Katy (née Welch) a treasured daughter Georgia Susan. A lovely little sister for Lilly. Fourth grandchild for Sandy and the late Susan and second grandchild for David and Karen. Thanks to the midwives and doctors in the Lochgilphead and Royal Alexandra hospitals.



**FRENCH**

Niall and Rachel (née McKinlay) are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Jake Murray, on October 17, 2015 at the RAH, Paisley. First grandchild for Scott and Alice Anne McKinlay, and John French and Jane Beckett, Carluke. Thanks to midwives and staff at Campbeltown Maternity Unit.



**LAIRD**

Mark and Seona are delighted to announce the birth of their twin boys Andrew and Alexander on September 28, 2015 at Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley. First grandchildren for John and Jennifer MacNab, Ardrishaig and Roy Laird, Kilmichael and Linda Steele, Spain.

**MARRIAGES**



**PINE-MCFARLANE**

Kirsten to William at Tarbert Village Hall on October 31st 2015. A perfect day.



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**DEATHS**

**BRIDGEWATER**

Tragically, at his home, 6 Ardpatrik Place, Lochgilphead, on October 26, 2015, Mark Bridgewater, aged 44 years. Much loved husband of Mandy and loving dad of Regan, Neve, Zoe and the late Rhian. Cherished son of Elizabeth and the late William Bridgewater, and treasured brother of Colin, Lisa, Nicole and Luke. A dear son-in-law, brother-in-law, nephew, uncle and cousin to all the family. A good neighbour, dear friend and work colleague to many. Funeral service will be held in St. Margaret's Church, Lochgilphead today, Friday November 6, 2015 at 11am, thereafter to Achtnabreac Cemetery.

**CARTER** - Suddenly but peacefully in the Campbeltown Hospital on October 31, 2015, Nick Carter in his 81st year, of Southend, dearly beloved husband of the late Isobel Anne Carter and a much loved father, grandfather and great grandfather. Service in Clydebank Crematorium on Wednesday, November 11, 2015 at 1.30pm to which all friends are respectfully invited.

**CASKEY** - On October 30, 2015, peacefully at Lorne & Islands Hospital, Oban, John Clyde Caskey, of Smithy Cottage Kilberry, in his 82nd year, beloved husband of the late Kathleen Russell (Artist), dear brother of Clyde and sister-in-law Joyce, brother-in-law of Iain Russell. Funeral service at Kilberry Church, on Wednesday, November 11, 2015 at 1pm, interment thereafter at Ormsary Cemetery, to which all friends are respectfully invited. Flowers welcome, donations if desired for Kilberry Church.

**GUNTRIPP** - Peacefully at home, 82 Davaar Avenue, Campbeltown, on October 28, 2015, Pauline Gilmour, in her 82nd year, dearly beloved wife of the late Jimmy Guntripp, much loved mum of Pamela and Hilary and a loving grandma and great grandma. A service took place in Craighton Crematorium, Glasgow and a memorial service will be held in the Springbank Evangelical Church on Saturday, November 7, 2015 at 1.00pm.

**MCALPINE** - On October 29, 2015, peacefully at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Glasgow, Marilyn McAllister Black, in her 63rd year, beloved wife of the late Douglas, much loved mother of Jessica and Carolyn, dear sister of Sandy and a dear aunt and friend to many. Funeral service was held at Tarbert Parish Church on November 5, 2015, interment thereafter at Carrick Cemetery.

**SOUDEN** - Suddenly at the Southern General Hospital, Glasgow, on October 27, 2015, Isobel McLean, in her 72nd year, 149 Ralston Road, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Neil Souden, much loved mother of Louise, Ronnie and Paul, a loving and much loved nana, great nana, sister and aunt. Service will take place in the Highland Parish Church, on Friday, November 6, 2015 at 1.00pm. 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 Royal National Institute for the Deaf.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**EWEN** - The family of the late Catherine (Ena) Ewen would like to thank everyone most sincerely for the many kind expressions of sympathy in their sad loss. Special thanks to Dr Philips, district nurses, all staff at Ardfenaig and Glassary ward for all care and attention received. Special thanks to Dr Roddy MacLeod for a lovely comforting service, to Stan Lupton Funeral directors for professional services and to Piper Charles Ferguson, The Larder, Tarbert for the flowers and to the Coach House Inn, Cardross for catering. To all who paid respects at Glassary Church and the Crematorium. The collection for Alzheimer's Scotland raised £285.

**MILLER** - Nanette and Janet would like to thank everyone for cards, letters and floral tributes received after their sad bereavement. Thanks to all who attended the services in the church and Kilkerran Cemetery. We would also like to thank Matthew Ramsay for his comforting service, the carers who looked after Ian over the last three years, Jackie McGougan for her special care, Dr Elder and staff at Carradale Surgery and Alasdair Blair for the funeral arrangements.

**SCALLY** - Betty and family would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours, most sincerely, for the many kind expressions of sympathy, cards and floral tributes received following their recent sad loss. Special thanks to Doctors Norrie and Lazarus also all staff of Campbeltown Hospital for their care and attention. Thanks also to Rev. P. Wallace, for his uplifting service, and Argyll Bowling Club and Argyll Bakeries. Sincere thanks to the crew of Campbeltown Lifeboat for their services and attention. The retiral collection raised £840 to R.N.L.I.

**IN MEMORIAM**

**MCCAIG** - In loving memory of our dear dad, Peter, who passed away on November 8, 2010, also our dear mum, Isa, who passed away on November 9, 1999.

Dearer to us than words can tell,  
Were the mother and father we loved so well,  
We do not forget them, we never intend,

We think of them daily and will to the end.

From your loving family at Meadows Avenue and Peninver.

**MCGHIE** - In memory of Gordon who passed away November 10, 2014.

Sadly missed by all family, loved by Mum, Dad, Fraser, Shirley and Yvonne.

**MCQUARRIE** - In memory of our sister Christine (Johnston) who died November 5, 2005.  
Hamish and Kenneth.

**CHURCH NOTICES**



**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH**

**Sunday 8th November**  
Remembrance Service  
Kilmartin 11.45 am  
Rev C Acklam  
All welcome  
SC0 02121

**NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH**  
Charity Number SC001002

**Sunday 8 November**  
Barnluasgan 9 am  
Wreath Laying Ceremony  
Inverlussa Church 10 am  
Service of Remembrance  
Rev. C. Acklam  
Retiral offering for Pop-pyscotland  
**Monday 9 November**  
Prayer meeting 10 am  
Tayvallich Church  
**Thursday 12 November**  
Messy Church 4 - 6 pm  
Tayvallich Hall  
All welcome  
Enquiries 01546 606926  
www.argyllcommunities.org/nknapdalecofs

**Lochgilphead Baptist Church**

All Welcome  
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson  
**Sunday 8th November 2015**  
Service at Cenotaph 10.45am  
Followed by church service at 11.30am  
6.30pm  
Thanksgiving Service  
Alan Donaldson general director  
BU Scotland  
**Monday 2.30pm**  
Ladies Meeting  
Mrs Fiona Schubert  
**Tuesday**  
Mainly music at 10am  
**Friday**  
Jumpstart From 10am  
**Saturday 7th November**  
**200 year Celebration**  
The church will be open from 11am - 4pm  
There will be a display on life of church and communities over the 200 years  
Soup Lunches served from 12-2pm  
Scottish Charity SC015187

**CHURCH NOTICES**



YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED TO JOIN US FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP ON SUNDAY AT:  
Tarbert 10.00am, located on School Road.  
Lochgilphead 11.30am, located on Lochnell Street/Manse Brae  
Minister; Rev. Robert Macleod  
Prayer Time  
Mondays 1.15 - 1.45pm  
Soup lunches will resume on last Thursday of the month from October 29th - 12.00 - 1.30.  
All welcome.

**LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN**

**SUNDAY 8th November 2015**  
11.00am  
Worship Service for all ages followed by a light lunch  
SPEAKER: Bobby Owens, U.S.A.  
**THURSDAY 12th November 2015**  
10.00am  
(Please note change of time)  
Prayer, Word and Sharing  
All Welcome

**Highland Parish Church**



**SCO02493**

**Sunday 8th November**  
The service will be held in the Church after the Parade at the War Memorial and will be conducted by Rev Anne McIvor.  
There will be a Session Meeting in Kirk Street Hall on  
**Wednesday 25th November**  
at 7.00pm.  
Badminton Club  
Tuesday evenings in Kirk Street Hall  
Primary 1 - 5: 6.30pm - 7.30pm  
Primary 6 & 7: 7.30pm - 8.30pm

**LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH**

Scottish Charity Number SC011686  
**Sunday 8th November**  
Service - 11.40am  
Creche, Triple C, Next Generation  
Rev P Wallace  
**Monday 9 November**  
Guild - New Hall - 7.30pm  
**Tuesday 10th November**  
Tiny Tots New Hall 9.45am  
Boys' Brigade Church Hall  
Anchor Boys 6.00pm  
Junior Section 7.15pm  
**Thursday 12th November**  
Choir 7.30pm  
**Friday 13th November**  
Lunch Club 12.00 noon  
New Hall



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Registered Charity No. 214779 and in Scotland SC09359  
Burnside Street, Campbeltown  
01586 552046  
**Sunday Services**  
10.30am Morning Worship  
Army Kidz  
6.30pm Evening Worship  
**Tuesday**  
Lunch Club - 12.15pm  
Home League - 1.30pm  
**Wednesday**  
Make and Munch Mob - 7.00pm  
**Thursday**  
7.30pm Bible Study  
All welcome



**Argyll Street, Campbeltown**  
St Kieran Episcopal Church:  
Campbeltown  
Scottish Charity No SC023277  
**Sunday 8th November**  
Remembrance Sunday  
Holy Communion 11.30am approx.  
Meet at War Memorial for 11am.  
**Details of services are on the church door**  
Enquiries Tel: 01586 551141  
The Scottish Episcopal Church is a Province of the Worldwide Anglican Communion

**SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH**



**75 Longrow, Campbeltown**  
**Sunday 8th November 2015**  
11.30am - PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME  
Family Communion Service  
Dr John Morrison, Tayvallich.  
**Thursday 12th November**  
12.15pm - 1.15pm  
Prayer and Bible Study  
2.00 - 4.00pm  
Cup of Peace - Coffee Afternoon  
For details, contact the church office on 01586 551200 or the Church Secretary on 0586 551237.  
www.springbankchurch.co.uk  
SCO14646

**free church of scotland**

George Street, Campbeltown  
**Sunday 8th November**  
11.15am Communion Service  
Rev Finlay Mackenzie  
2.00pm Explorers Club  
for all Primary School children  
**Wednesday 11th November**  
12.30pm Bible Study and Prayer  
2.00pm Water of Life Cafè  
All Welcome  
www.campbeltownfreechurch.co.uk  
Scottish Charity Number: SC009980

**CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Mainly Music Sunday  
8th November 2015  
11.00 am  
All age family service with mainly music followed by tea, coffee & home baking  
mainly music  
10.00 - 11.30 am  
every Thursday (term time only)  
Registration required  
We meet at the Guide Hall, Kinloch Road  
www.campbeltowncommunitychurch.co.uk  
baptist union of scotland  
We are a member of the Baptist Union of Scotland  
SC043322

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES**

Remembrance Sunday Services in  
Ardrishaig at 10:45am followed by Laying of Wreaths at the War Memorial (approx 12noon) and Achahoish at 12:30pm

**ST MARGARET'S R.C. CHURCH**

**LOCHGILPHEAD**  
Holy Mass Sunday 10am  
**ALL SAINTS, INVERARAY**  
Holy Mass Sunday 12.30pm  
**ST KIERAN'S CAMPBELTOWN**  
Saturday 5pm Fr. David Connor  
01546 602380  
All Welcome (SCO002876)

**Scottish Episcopal Churches**

Everyone Welcome  
**Christ Church**  
Bishopton Road, Lochgilphead (SC013787)  
**Sunday 8th November**  
11.30 am  
4th Sunday of the month 10am Mattins  
& 11am Eucharist Service  
Coffee & Cake follows the service  
**St Columba's, Poltalloch, nr Kilmartin**  
(SC01391)  
**1st Sunday of the month**  
9.00am Eucharist Service  
3rd Sunday of the month  
6.00pm Evensong  
Scottish Prayer Book  
**All Saints, Inveraray**  
(SC025646)  
Saturdays 5.30pm Eucharist Service  
Father Simon Mackenzie  
Priest in Charge of the charges of Mid Argyll & Arran  
01546 602315



**LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH**

**Sunday 8th November 2015**  
09.45am SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE  
Rev. Hilda Smith  
All Welcome  
Every Tuesday  
1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Bumps, Babies and Toddlers  
Every Wednesday  
10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Drop-In Cafe  
More info. at www.lpchurch.co.uk

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE**

**Sunday 8th November 2015**  
**Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair**  
Charity No. SC016097  
Morning Service  
in Cumlodden Church at 10 am  
**Glenaray and Inveraray**  
Charity No. SC016665  
Morning Service  
in Inveraray Church at 11.30 am  
Monthly Gaelic Service  
in Lochgair Church at 3 pm  
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Services at War Memorials  
Inveraray War Memorial  
10.45 am  
Lochgair Memorial 10.45 am  
Minard 11.30 am  
Furnace 1.30 pm (NOTE TIME)  
All Welcome

**SKIPNESS LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNESIDE AND KILBERRY**

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND**  
**Sunday 8th November 2015**  
Skipness Communion Service 10.00am  
Rev Chris Fulcher  
Tarbert Remembrance Service  
Please gather at War Memorial for 10.45am  
Rev Bill Crossan  
Kilberry Service 2pm  
Rev Bill Crossan  
**Guild meets**  
**Monday 9th November**  
Tarbert Church Hall 2.30pm  
For all church enquiries and pastoral care  
Contact Rev. Hilda Smith, Interim Moderator  
on 07826 235735  
Everyone very welcome  
Tarbert & Kilberry SC002622  
Skipness SC004280

# Teenager gets hair cut for local charity



Eilidh Fleming's long hair before being cut.

## 'My father would've been so proud of Eilidh and the money she has raised'

THE granddaughter of well known local fundraiser Brian Christie, who died earlier this year, has taken on his mantle, fundraising for the Kintyre Dialysis fund.

Fourteen-year-old Eilidh Fleming had her hair cut, raising £400 for the dialysis fund and donating her hair to the Little Princess charity which makes wigs for

children suffering from hair loss, usually due to cancer treatment.

The fund is close to Eilidh's heart as her grandfather, who had led the campaign to secure the Lochgilhead Christmas lights, had to travel miles for dialysis.

Eilidh said: 'I felt sad that my seanair [grandfather] had to do so much travelling to get his dialysis. Being able

to get this in Campbeltown would have made such a difference to him and my Nana.'

Her proud mum, Claire Fleming, added: 'My father would have been so proud of Eilidh and the money she has raised. A facility in Campbeltown will help so many people and prevent them from having to make the long journey for essential medical treatment.'



Eilidh's new, shorter look.

## Helping the Highlands for half a century

IT WAS 50 years ago this month that the forerunner to Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE) – the Highlands and Islands Development Board – was set up.

Starting with £150,000 and six staff, its purpose was to tackle the problems that were leaving the region lagging behind the rest of Scotland in terms of the economy and population.

Fifty years on the unemployment level is below the national average and the population has increased by 20 per cent.

The attitudes of young people have also changed dramatically – they now see a good quality of life and good community ties, which make them want to stay in the area, and good opportunities, which allow them to do so.

Professor Lorne Crear, HIE chairman, said: 'The hard work

of everyone who has worked with and for HIE over the past 50 years, along with the ambition of communities and businesses, and collaboration from partner organisations, has helped to bring about a remarkable transformation in the region. The Highlands and Islands now has recognition as a region of ambitious entrepreneurship, innovation and exporting, as well as leading the way in community ownership of land and assets. There are also growing opportunities from emerging sectors such as life sciences and creative industries, and with expanded education provision.'

The economic and community development approach taken in the Highlands and Islands has attracted international attention as a successful model for regional economic development. This month HIE will welcome delegations from France, Canada, Japan and Spain for an in-depth briefing on the approach the organisation is taking to marine renewable energy.



Kilfinan Community Forest, above, is one of many enterprises supported by HIE over the years..

## Argyll food firm lands supermarket deal

AN ARGYLL food business has secured a deal to supply goods for supermarkets all over Scotland.

Inverawe Smokehouse, near Loch Awe, will exclusively provide Aldi with smoked salmon, trout and mackerel pâté, in a deal worth more than £46,000.

The pâtés will be available under Aldi's Specially Selected brand and will be on shelves across the retailer's 62

Scottish stores from now until the end of March next year.

Inverawe Smokehouse was founded in 1974, and remains a family business to this day.

Caroline Campbell of Inverawe Smokehouse said: 'We're thrilled to be working with Aldi in Scotland and look forward to growing our relationship with them over the coming months.'



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# Two late goals see Oban side retain their premiership status

OBAN Camanachd secured their place in the Marine Harvest Premiership, coming from behind to defeat Kingussie 2-1 at Mossfield last Saturday.

The win means the red and blacks jump a point clear of Kingussie, who were playing their last league game of the season. The defeat leaves the Badenoch side to take on Kilmallie in a play-off to see who will be in shinty's top flight next season.

Camanachd, still without the injured Keith MacMillan and top scorer Andrew 'Papa' MacCuish made light of this and recorded a fine win, although not playing as well as they have done in recent weeks.

Mossfield Stadium passed an early morning pitch inspection after the heavy overnight rain and with the overhead conditions fair the stage was set for this important fixture.

In front of a large crowd, Camanachd

were slow to start and Kingussie controlled much of the first half.

The home team persisted in playing through the middle, which was easily dealt with by Kingussie's experienced defenders James Hutchison and Lee Bain, and with John Gibson controlling the vital midfield area it was no surprise when Ryan Borthwick opened the scoring for the visitors.

The Oban side were lacking fluency in their play and Kingussie fully merited their half time lead.

### No effect

The start of the second half was more of the same with Camanachd insisting in playing the ball through the middle, which was having no effect as Kingussie continued to dominate the key areas and looked comfortable, although the lead was only 1-0.

However, with 15 minutes to go the game turned on its head when Camanachd manager

Ian Hay moved Daniel Cameron up to first forward, with Scott MacKillop taking up Daniel's defensive duties. This move seemed to unsettle the Kingussie defence and when Daniel was brought down in the box in the 84th minute a penalty was awarded by referee Robert Baxter after consultation with his goal judge.

However, Lorne Dickie's effort was well saved by Kingussie keeper Andrew Dawson. But Malcolm Clark, who had come on as a substitute, reacted quickly and netted the rebound to make the score 1-1 - game on.

With the Kingussie defence tiring and the home side now using the width of the park their expansive game was starting to pay dividends and the red and blacks looked the more likely team to score. This they did with only three minutes of the match remaining when an Aidan MacIntyre shot found the back of the net.

A shell-shocked Kingussie pushed forward to try and get back in the game, but the Camanachd defence held firm with Gary McKerracher and Garry Lord outstanding.

When referee Robert Baxter blew for full time it was the jubilant Oban Camanachd players and their supporters who celebrated the realisation that premiership shinty will be played in Oban next season.

It was a dejected Kingussie team that trudged off Mossfield at the end of the 90 minutes, but at least they still have their future in their own hands, with the play-off game against Kilmallie scheduled to take place on November 28.

It has been a remarkable turnaround for Camanachd, who for long periods of the season looked certain to be relegated. The Oban side travel to Tighnabruaich on Saturday to take on Kyles Athletic.



The youngsters with their trophies.

## Young golf club members receive their prizes

THE JUNIOR section at Lochgilphead Golf Club enjoyed a quiz night and pizza followed by their annual prize giving on October 26. It was organised by Eleanor Hunter and Donna McKellar of the junior section and prizes were presented by club captain, Ryan McGlynn. Prize winners: Junior champion - Gregor McGeachy. Junior Handicap Champion - Craig Aitken.

Young Rosebowl - Craig Aitken. Booker Trophy - Kern McKellar. Easter Trophy - Alistair Cupples. RNLI Plate - Gregor McGeachy. Wilson cup - Alistair Cupples. F and G Supplies Trophy - Murray MacDonald. Angus Stapleford Cup - Craig Aitken. J.M.K Quaich - Murray MacDonald. District Cup - Gregor

McGeachy. MacAulay Quaich - Ruan McKellar. July Medal - Fionn Doherty. August Medal - Aaron Whitefield. September Medal - Alistair Cupples. Most Improved Player - Ewan Ferguson. Any junior boys or girls interested in golf are most welcome to join. All information is on the notice board in the club house.

## SPOT THE BALL

### THIS WEEK'S JACKPOT £750

**LAST WEEK'S BALL WAS HERE...**



**This week's nearest the ball winners, who each receive £25 are:**

**A Brown Ardminish Isle of Gigha**

**E Thomson Davaar Avenue Campbeltown**

Please ensure when cutting out your coupon that the reference targets are intact. Failure to do so may invalidate your entry.



**All you have to do**

We have removed the football from the photograph opposite. Now look carefully at the position of the players and use your skill and judgement to place a cross at the exact point where you think the centre of the ball was. You may have a maximum of 10 attempts on this coupon at a cost of £1. If you wish to have more attempts, you must enter on separate coupons. The game starts with a jackpot of £250 and will increase by £50 per week until it is won outright. To win the jackpot, the centre of your cross must be in the exact centre of the ball.

**Entry will be void if crosses overlap.** Prizes will be shared between those submitting correct entries. If no correct entry is received, two 'near miss' prizes of £25 will be awarded. When the jackpot is won, no other prizes will be awarded that week.

**Easy to enter**

Cut out your completed coupon and put your entry plus £1 per 10 attempts into a sealed envelope and post it to reach "Spot the Ball" Competition, The Campbeltown Courier, Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown, Argyll PA28 6AE by **4pm on Tuesday**. No refunds will be given for entries received after the deadline. You may hand it into The Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown by the same time. Otherwise all entries must be posted.

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## Star search for first win

LOCHGILPHEAD Red Star travel to Glasgow tomorrow to face Kings Park Rangers in Premier One still looking for their first win of the season.

The side once again came up short last weekend as Callum McGuinness' strike wasn't enough to prevent Star from going down 1-3 at home to Neilston. The visitors went in 0-2 up at the break thanks to a couple of goals from set pieces before Red Star hit back in the second half to make it 1-2. As the home side pressed for an equaliser, Neilston added to a third goal to seal the points.

## Club lottery numbers

THE NUMBERS in this week's Inveraray Shinty Club lottery were 1, 10 and 13. One lucky winner, Mhairi MacFarlane, scooped £300, and next week's jackpot will be £100.

Kilmory Camanachd club winning lottery numbers are 6, 8 and 14. There were no winners so next week's jackpot is £900.

Tarbert Football club Lottery numbers are 4, 5 and 9. There were no winners so the jackpot is £400 next week.

## SAFL results and fixtures

LAST Saturday's results: Scottish Amateur Cup, third round - Campbeltown Pupils 6, Balgonie Scotia 1; Oban Saints, no game; Premier Division One - Lochgilphead Red Star 1, Neilston 3; Premier Division Two - Tarbert, no game; Division One - Paisley 4, Dunoon Athletic 1.

This Saturday's fixtures: Premier Division - Oban Saints v Campbeltown Pupils; Premier Division One - Kings Park Rangers v Lochgilphead Red Star; Premier Division Two - Bridgewater v Tarbert; Division One - Dunoon Athletic v FC Argyll. Centenary Cup - Dunoon v Ferguslie Star.



All the Tin Farm winners on the podium. 20\_c45tin03

# Mid Argyll's Simone breaks women's record at Tin Farm



Simone Charnock, the new women's course record holder, on Ormsary beach. 20\_c45tin01

BRIGHT autumn weather with plenty of seasonal colour provided the backdrop for the ninth annual Tin Farm race at Ormsary.

More than 90 runners signed up for the 5.5-mile event and Simone Charnock, from Mid Argyll Jog Scotland, made the most of the conditions to break the female record with a time of 37:20, placing ninth overall.

In the men's race, the absence of the course record holder gave Campbeltown Running Club's Stuart McGeachy (33:09) the chance of a win with his team mate Daniel Sheldrick (34:32) completing the honours in third.

The pair were split by Mid Argyll Tri club's David Carey, second

with a time of 33:46.

These times were some distance off last year's winner and the record holder, Kenny Campbell, who set 31:55 in 2013.

Campbeltown Running Club's two Jennifers, Martin (38:42) and Reid (39:13), were second and third respectively in the women's race.

This trail race is mostly cross country although there are two road miles at the start.

It starts and finishes at Ormsary Estate Hall on the Knapdale peninsula. From parts of the course there are good views of Islay and Jura.

The course has a sting in the tail - a short stretch of sandy beach at Ormsary just before the finish.



Stuart McGeachy, the men's winner. 20\_c45tin02

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