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CHRISTMAS SPECIAL INSIDE



Lest they are forgotten



WRAC veteran Elisabeth Barbour from Ardishaig, who served with the army in Northern Ireland in the 1970s, pays her silent respects in Lochgilphead at the 11th hour on Wednesday November 11. And the people of Mid Argyll gathered in the rain at town and village memorials last Sunday to remember the sacrifices of armed forces in wars past and present. More on pages 4 and 5.

Inveraray mourns after road tragedy

Man, 24, dies in two-car collision

THE PEOPLE of Inveraray have been left shocked after a local man lost his life last Friday in a road traffic accident just south of the town.

The crash happened on the A83 near Dalchenna Farm at around 4.20pm when two Renault Clio vehicles collided.

One of the drivers, 24-year-old Ross Kennedy from Inveraray, died at the scene.

The driver and the passenger of the second vehicle, also local people, sustained no serious injuries in the crash.

The road was closed for around six hours to allow police investigations to take place.

The tragedy has stunned the close-knit community.

One woman told the Advertiser: 'Ross was a really nice lad, and our



SAD LOSS: Ross Kennedy.

hearts go out to his family and friends. It's just so sad.'

Ross worked with an Inveraray forestry contracting company. His family spoke of their loss.

His mother, Lynn Kennedy, said: 'He had just gone out the door a few minutes earlier, and when we heard there had been an accident, we didn't think anything like this would

have happened. People all around Inveraray have been so kind, and it means a lot to us. Ross was just an easy-going, kind-hearted boy.

'He would have done anything to help anyone.

'It's just unbelievable, and there is a huge hole in all of our lives,' added Lynn, 'but if what happened makes young drivers think about the dangers of the road, at least some good will have come out of it.'

Sergeant Archie McGuire, from the divisional road policing unit, said: 'This is a serious road collision which has resulted in the death of a young man.

'I would appeal to any witnesses to please contact the Argyll and West Dunbartonshire divisional road policing unit via the 101 telephone number.'



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Caller's north-south confusion leads to ambulance being sent the wrong way

A CONFUSED caller has been blamed after emergency services were sent in the wrong direction to attend a road accident on the A83 trunk road.

The accident, involving a single vehicle, happened at noon last Thursday near Dunderave, north east of Inveraray on the road to Cairndow.

The Traffic Scotland website, which provides information on current road traffic incidents on behalf of Transport Scotland, showed that the location of the crash - and subsequent road closure - was between

Inveraray and Furnace, when the crash site was, in fact, around 10 miles away on the other side of Inveraray.

Sergeant Iain MacNicol of Police Scotland, Lochgilhead, explained: 'It appears the confusion is simply down to the description given by the first person who called the ambulance service.'

Location

'The ambulance service in turn called us, giving us what they had been provided as a location and we would in turn pass this on to Traffic Scotland.'

A spokesman for the

Scottish Ambulance Service confirmed that a crew had been sent south instead of north to attend the emergency, saying: 'Ambulances are dispatched based on the location information provided by the caller. Within a few minutes of the initial call the police advised the correct location.'

He added: 'Two patients were transferred safely to Royal Alexandra Hospital in Paisley.'

'This type of thing happens regularly, said Sgt MacNicol, 'particularly around here when a caller may

not be from the area and not be very able to accurately describe the location.

'In this case, the original caller said the incident was on the A83 south of Inveraray, which when you look at a map takes you to the Lochgilhead side of Inveraray.'

Assume

'However, if you are not looking at a map and you don't know the area and you travel north from Glasgow towards Inveraray, you may well assume that everywhere on the Glasgow side of Inveraray is on the south side.'



A caller's confusion about the location of an accident led to emergency services being sent the wrong way along the A83.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

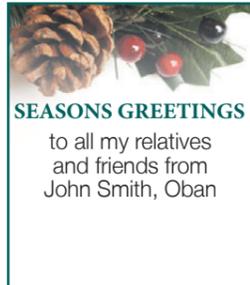
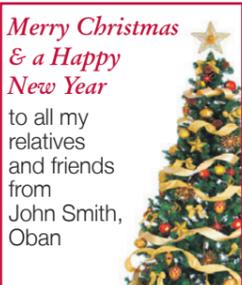
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Crinan fraudster avoids jail sentence

A CRINAN woman has been sentenced to community service after pleading guilty to four separate charges of benefit fraud.

At Lochgilhead Sheriff Court on Tuesday, Maureen Holmes, 53, Kilmahumaig Cottages, pleaded guilty to charges re-

lating to benefit fraud between 2012 and 2014. The court heard Holmes failed to inform the authorities that she was living with her partner, claiming council tax discount and higher rate of some benefits payable to those living on their own. In total she fraud-

ulently claimed £12,235, but has so far paid back around £3,000 of that amount.

Sentencing her to 200 hours of community service, Sheriff Ward told Holmes: 'If you hadn't paid back £3,000, the chances are you'd be going to jail.'

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Police files

Dangerous driving

POLICE are appealing for information after a white Citroen Berlingo was spotted allegedly making dangerous overtaking manoeuvres on the A83 between Inveraray and Furnace at 11.45am on Thursday November 5.

Drug possession

ABOUT 10pm on Thursday November 5, two men, aged 41 and 21, were found in possession of cannabis at Kilmory industrial estate.

Car accident

AROUND 12.30pm on Friday November 6, a car came off the road near Dunderave Castle. The car overturned before landing on the shores of Loch Fyne.

A 56-year-old man was taken to hospital in Paisley with minor injuries.

The road was closed for an hour while the car was recovered.

Firework danger averted by alert Ardrishaig teenager

AN ALERT Mid Argyll teenager raised the alarm after finding stray fireworks in an Ardrishaig play park.

It was last Wednesday while walking her four-year-old spaniel, Harris, that Jade McFadyen found the potentially dangerous objects.

She told the Advertiser: 'There were three fireworks in the park beside Ardrishaig Primary School, as well as lots of bits of wood from rockets lying around. I know you shouldn't pick them up, but I had to put them in the bin in case Harris or my younger siblings

got hold of them. I suppose it was like a protective instinct.'

Jade added: 'I think it was just teenagers messing around, but it is a silly place to let off fireworks with young children playing in the area.'

Argyll and Bute Council was informed and the

fireworks removed from the park.

The makers of the type of fireworks found by Jade describe them as an 'exceptional 25 shot range of fireworks', with 'whirring shots begin and break into blue stars with silver strobe before quick fire blue and red

humming mines lift off from the ground'. The description concludes: 'The pace throughout is relentless and the duration is equally impressive.'

The pack recommends a safe distance of 25 metres as they are being ignited.



The fireworks found by Jade lying in a children's playpark.

Public asked to give council feedback

COUNCILLORS representing Mid Argyll have urged people to speak up over Argyll and Bute Council's proposals to slash jobs and services.

Members of the public are being asked to put forward their views in a formal consultation, before the final spending decisions are made early next year.

As part the current list of 150 separate mea-



Councillor Douglas Philand. 06_a45philand01

sures for saving money and increasing council charges, more than 400 full-time equivalent jobs would be lost.

Mid Argyll councillor Donnie MacMillan said: 'We, as councillors, need to hear the views of local people so that we can make the best decisions we can at our budget meeting in February.'

Tarbert-based council-

lor Anne Horn, representing Kintyre and the islands, said: 'I would urge residents to research in great detail the impact of these choices and what it will mean to the people and the areas we live in.'

'I would encourage as many people as possible to participate,' said councillor Douglas Philand, 'to communicate to the [council] admin-

istration the effect the proposals will have upon them and future generations.'

Councillor Sandy Taylor, leader of the council SNP group, said: 'It is vitally important people find the time to learn more about these cuts and let the council know what they think about them.' Printed versions are available in libraries and council offices.

What's under threat in the savings proposals?

BUDGET estimates show the authority will need to bridge a funding gap of between £21.7 million and £26 million over the next five years, with £9 million in each of the next two years to be slashed from budgets.

As things stand, the council's plans to save this money would mean many council services would have funding cut, many by one fifth, along with the loss of hundreds of jobs.

Education: The loudest protests so far have been about the proposed cuts to additional support needs in schools. This would lead to the loss of 72 jobs. Many

parents with children who rely on this service say their children will lose some of their quality of life and will find it difficult, if not impossible, to get through a day at school.

Arts education is also being cut with music instructors facing redundancy and the price of tuition going up. School support staff jobs will be lost, including janitors, classroom assistants clerical staff and technicians.

It's not just children's education that will suffer as the adult learning budget is set to be halved with a reduction in staff numbers, resources and classes.

Council services: Bin collections could now be every three weeks. Forty-three public toilets will be closed, mobile libraries would no longer be seen on the roads and librarians be removed from secondary schools. All this would result in job losses.

The appearance of many towns and villages would change, as flower borders are grassed over and hanging baskets removed. Some areas would no longer have their grass cut. There is also a proposed cut in subsidy to community pools, which will affect Mid Argyll community pool (MACpool)

and the pool on Islay. The MACpool committee has set up a petition on change.org opposing this. The price everyone pays for many council services is likely to jump, as will some car parking charges. The cost of burial and cremation services will rise by 20 per cent.

There is much more on the list and it is worth taking time to find, read and digest it. Find out more at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk under the section called 'Planning our Future - public consultation'.

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Combined Operations memorial - Jim Jepson leads the ceremony at the memorial to thousands of allied troops who trained on Loch Fyneside during the Second World War. 06_a46remembrance16



Inveraray - Rev Roddy MacLeod delivers a moving sermon in the rain. 06_a46remembrance05



Ardrishaig - Staff Sergeant David Sinclair and PI Helen Rhodick of Lochgilphead cadets at the Ardrishaig war memorial.



Lochgilphead - Ignoring wind and rain to remember. a46remembrance01a

Defying win to remembe

AUTUMNAL wind and rain lashed Remembrance services last Sunday.

The foul weather did little, though, to put off the people of Mid Argyll as they turned out to pay their respects to the fallen in conflicts past and present, and to remember those in the armed forces who continue to make sacrifices in their country's name.

Coinciding with the heaviest rain of a very wet day, the Furnace service was

held in the village hall. Rev Roddy MacLeod, who had stood up to the elements at the earlier Inveraray parade, remarked that it was just the second time in his 30 years in the area that the hall had been used for shelter.

Rev MacLeod brought into focus the sheer scale of past sacrifices.

The world was shocked, he said, by the loss of a Russian airliner last month with 224 people on board.



Furnace - Robert Irons pays his respects as he lays a wreath on behalf of the Royal British Legion Scotland. 06_a46remembrance09



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Look out for a copy of Argyll and Bute Council's winter weather ready leaflet or find information online at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/winter-weather-ready

Be prepared for severe weather by packing a few essential items to take with you.

Your emergency kit should include

- An ice scraper and de-icer
- A shovel for snow
- A torch and spare batteries
- Warm clothes, boots and a blanket
- Some food and a warm drink in a flask
- A first-aid kit
- Battery jump leads
- A map for any unplanned diversions
- A fully charged mobile phone

Before travelling in bad weather you should

- Check the weather forecast and road conditions
- Decide if your journey is really necessary
- If it is - allow extra time
- Tell someone your destination and when you expect to arrive



Tips for winter driving

Ice

Slow down, steer gently and use the highest gear you can. If you have to brake don't do it sharply. Look out for other skid hazards like frost and wet leaves. Always be aware that there could be 'black ice'. This is a thin coating of ice on the road and while not truly black it is transparent, so you will be able to see the road through it.

Snow

If your tyres won't grip, there may be a salt heap or grit bin nearby. Spread salt or grit in front of your driving wheels and set off in the highest gear you can. If you are caught in heavy snow, wrap up warm and stay inside your vehicle if possible.

Fog

Use dipped headlights, keep your windscreen clear and drive so you can stop in the distance you can see. Use rear fog lights if visibility is less than 100 metres.

Rain

Use dipped headlights, keep your speed down and keep well back from the vehicle in front. If you come to a flood, slow right down but keep your revs high.

Hail

Slow down and use dipped headlights. Beware of slush on the road after a hail storm.

d and rain r sacrifice

Rev MacLeod then asked those gathered at Inveraray and Furnace to imagine 670 such disasters over a four or five year period.

This gives some indication of the loss of life in the First World War in Scotland alone, when 150,000 people lost their lives.

And today the sacrifice goes on, with some 7,000 British service men and women killed since the end of the Second World War.

Paying their respects at

Inveraray, and at a later ceremony at the Combined Operations memorial at Argyll Caravan Park, was a group of Norwegian visitors. The Second World War Combined Operations centre, on the site of the caravan park, was where commandos trained for a daring raid on occupied Norway, and the visitors were there to find out more about the background to this important wartime event.



A detail from the Furnace war memorial.

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Above: Furnace - Bearing the colours are Gareth and Tom Irons, with Robert Irons to the left.

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Below: Lochgilphead - Cadets Charlie McGregor and Gregor Mather lay a wreath at the town's war memorial.



Inveraray - Leading the Remembrance parade, Inveraray and District Pipe Band. 06_a46remembrance01



Combined Operations memorial - Piper Craig Wilson leads the parade to the memorial, at Argyll Caravan Park. 06_a46remembrance15

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Not put off

THE WEATHER has certainly taken a turn for the autumnal over the past week.

Remembrance ceremonies were battered by storms, but that failed to deter those attending to pay their respects.

As one lady in Furnace said: 'Do you think the people we're remembering would worry about a wee bit of wind and rain?'

Much loved

CONDITIONS on our roads deteriorated as quickly as the weather changed. There were a good handful of road accidents in the period between Thursday and Sunday on the A83 from Cairndow to Inveraray. The reasons for these are unknown, but police again advise motorists to drive according to the conditions.

The worst of these accidents was outside Inveraray, where a much-loved young man lost his life. The condolences of everyone at the Argyllshire Advertiser go to everyone affected by this tragic event.

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Second community wind farm starts production

Sir,
The three Sròn-doirè Community wind farm turbines are now all turning and generating clean energy and substantial economic benefit for Argyll's rural communities.

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It is particularly fitting that we should be starting out production at Sròn-doirè Community Wind Farm in the same week that Allt Dearg passed the £500,000 mark of direct community benefit - paid out to the Ardrishaig community and the Allt Dearg educational trusts.

Under local control, Allt Dearg and now Sròn-doirè Community wind farms are proud to share the economic benefits of wind power with the wider community.

If we have a good windy day on December 25, then between them Allt Dearg and Sròn-doirè Community wind farms will be cooking one in every five of Argyll and Bute's Christmas dinners, whilst bringing real

economic benefits to our local communities.

Mary Broadfoot and James Lithgow, Community wind farms.

Don't close Kilmory

Sir,
How can the SNP be in favour of closing Kilmory?

It's the main employer in the area.

We all moan about the high earners but what about the lower paid who live locally and have families to support?

I'm sure many work flexi-time so they can collect kids from school. That won't be easy if they are having to travel a longer distance to work.

Governments should treat rural areas and cities the same. If Glasgow City Council was in the same position, would they move jobs out of Glasgow?

Archie MacVicar.

SNP record a catalogue of disasters

Sir,
I hope your readers acted to be heard at the consultation on the Children and Young Person (Scotland) Act 2014.

Clause 4 of this Act has just got even more intrusive with the SNP government imposing a section, with the named person making 11 personal visits in the first three years to the child's home to complete a checklist.

How more controlling, undermining of parents' authority and anti-personal liberty can they get?

The SNP record in government is a catalogue of failures. Education, their flagship policy, has widened the gap of literacy and numeracy between

children from well off backgrounds and those from financially challenged ones. What has happened to the smaller classes promised?

Health services are creaking because of the continuous strain of under staffing, resourcing, missed targets and poor forward planning. Cuts in training places have contributed to this crisis.

Public confidence is failing as is evidenced by the by-election result in Alex Salmond's stamping ground where SNP were second preference for the voters. Police Scotland is unravelling and scandal ridden.

Our local government is in crisis as funding from Holyrood is tightened even when there is an underspend of £280 million that could have been distributed to councils to stop some of their inevitable cuts to services.

I for one hope that the Holyrood elections diminish the SNP's absolute control and we can have proper consensual politics that benefit Scotland.

Ursula Craig, Cove.

Great work to bring in jobs and business

Sir,
Well done to the Mid Argyll Initiative for its work to bring more jobs and businesses to Mid Argyll (Advertiser, November 6).

In contrast, the SNP's plans pose a serious threat to the Mid Argyll economy. It wants to close Kilmory and move all the jobs to other towns. This crazy idea would devastate the Mid Argyll economy and must be stopped.

Alan Reid, Dunoon, Liberal Democrat Candidate for Argyll and Bute.

Business breakfast in Lochgilphead

Sir,
As a Mid Argyll business owner, I was initially pleased to see Fergus Murray - Argyll and Bute Council's head of economic development and strategic transportation - taking the pro-active approach in consulting Argyll businesses in the council's pursuit to encourage more people to live, work and invest in our area.

Such involvement with the local business community, which is the fundamental driver of local economic and employment growth, is invaluable for our council to initiate and deliver a practical and realistic plan. Only with the involvement of our active business community and general population, can Argyll re-establish itself as an attractive place to live and work.

I was, however, dismayed by the lack of consideration afforded to Mid Argyll businesses which, by the logistics of being asked to travel to consultation events in Campbeltown, Oban, Inveraray, Helensburgh and Dunoon only, were being effectively excluded from taking part.

I am pleased to report that having taken up this issue with Business Gateway - and in turn, Fergus Murray's department - that an SME business breakfast will now be taking place in Lochgilphead on Thursday December 10, 8.30-10am. I would like to thank Mr Murray for extending Mid Argyll businesses this opportunity and would actively encourage fellow business owners to participate.

Stuart Campbell, Fyne Wines, Lochgilphead.

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Mid Argyll Hospital staff think pink



MID ARGYLL Hospital's annual coffee morning raised an amazing £2,110 for cancer charities.

The event on Friday October 30 was well attended by staff and the wider community and the money raised will be split between Breast Cancer Now and Macmillan Cancer

Staff and members of the public enjoyed the coffee morning.

Support. Staff thanked everyone for making the day such a success and for contributions of baking and raffle prizes.

Lochgilphead Joint Campus dinner ladies donated £50 for Wearing It Pink on Friday and this was added to the amount raised.

Thanks were also extended to the Co-op, Lochgilphead and John Frier, Garden Supplier, for donations.

Lochgilphead holds Scottish premiere of Mediterrania

FILM fans gathered in Lochgilphead to enjoy the Scottish premiere of the film Mediterrania.

The film was free and screened in association with the European Parliament as it is in the running for the parliament's Lux award.

This recognises films that highlight current European issues under

debate and this production looks at the current refugee crisis.

Dangerous trips

Thousands of people have made dangerous trips across the Mediterranean Sea to flee war torn countries and this tells the story of just one, Ayiva, who leaves Burkina Faso and tries to settle in Italy.

Brochures were handed out on Friday October 30 and European Parliament representative Helen Ross gave a short speech about the award before the film began.

The winner of the Lux award will be revealed at the next plenary session of the European Parliament in Strasbourg on November 25.



Film fans in Lochgilphead were treated to a film premiere.

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Kids busy making kaleidoscopes. 08_a46workshop01

Artmap Argyll hosts lantern workshop

ARTMAP Argyll hosted a lantern workshop in the Mid Argyll Youth Development building, Lochgilphead, before the fireworks display.

Kids of all ages were invited to the free workshop on Saturday November 7 where they could make their own lanterns and kaleidoscopes

and then take them to the bonfire that evening. The workshops were packed out and many impressive lanterns were made.

It is hoped this enthusiasm will help make sure that Lochgilphead's much missed lantern parade could return next year.

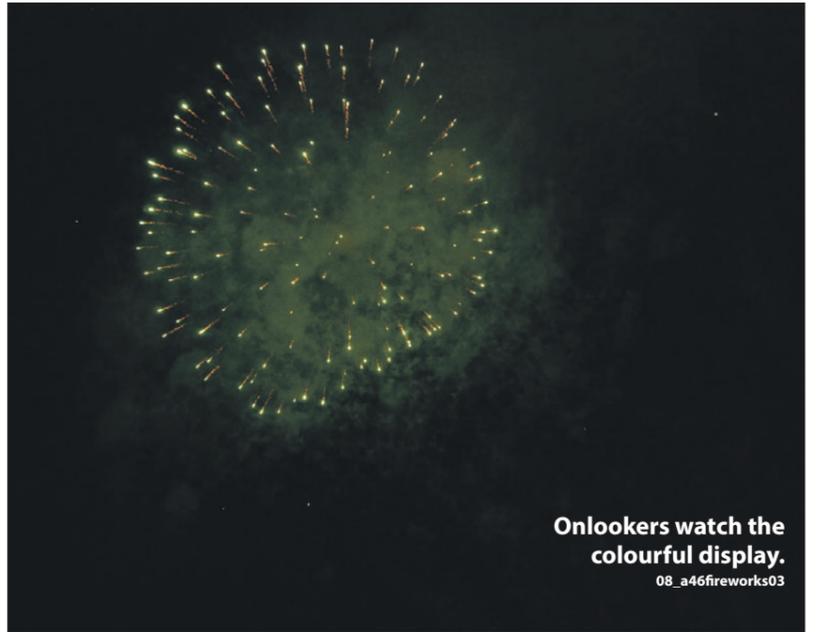
Fireworks go off with a bang

THERE were plenty of fireworks displays and bonfires lit around Mid Argyll over the last few days.

In Lochgilphead the display took place on Saturday November 7 near the front green.

Mama Fest had arranged for local band None the Wiser to do an outdoor performance to keep people entertained until the main event.

There was also some activities for children including a spinning



Onlookers watch the colourful display. 08_a46fireworks03



The bonfire in Lochgilphead. 08_a46fireworks01

cups ride and a football game. Many kids came armed with the lantern they had made at the Artmap Argyll workshop earlier that day.

Impressive

Crowds gathered in front of the loch as the fire was lit. Shortly after a very impressive fireworks display began.

Over 20 minutes or so onlookers were treated to a spectacularly colourful display full of pops, whizzes and bangs, which some said was the best they had seen.

Children's new Gaelic events

LITTLE Gaelic Voices, the Gaelic pre-5 group in Lochgilphead, has put together a new series of events over the next months to help promote Gaelic to young families.

The first session will be on Saturday November 14 from 10am to

11.30am at the Mid-Argyll Youth Project building on Union Street.

This will include a bi-lingual Bookbug session as well as free play and time for carers and parents to relax and chat over tea and coffee.

Future sessions will also include games, craft

activities and outdoor play all with a theme to help introduce Gaelic in an informal way.

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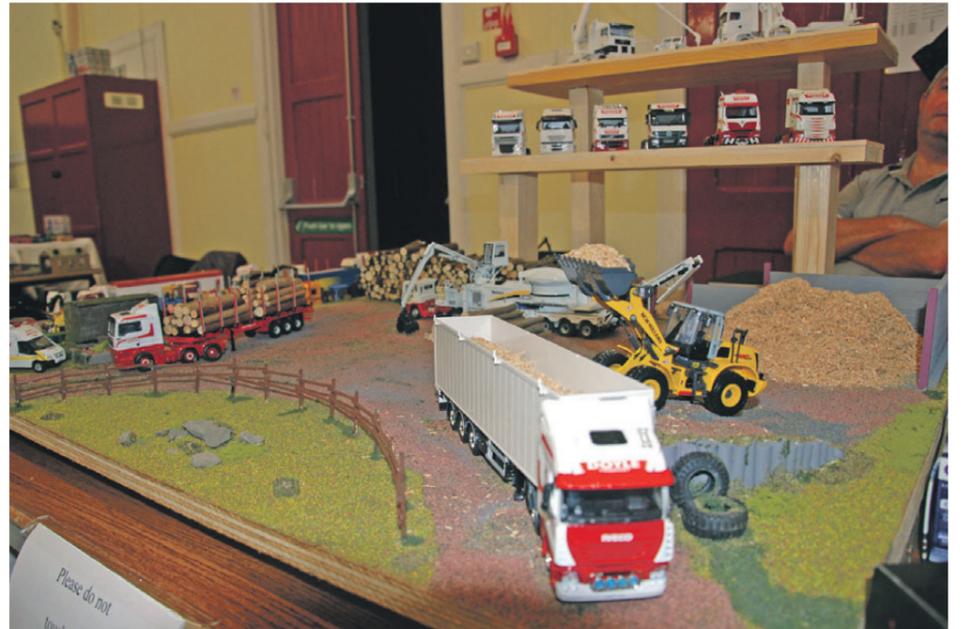
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The train set was a big hit. 08_a46model01



A display of a forestry site by James Doyle from Clachan. 08_a46model03

Diecast models on display

A DIECAST model show in Lochgilphead raised nearly £1,000 for charity as well as providing a superb display. The show featured wind farms, emergency service vehicles, boats,

cars, trains and lorries. One highlight was a model of the Queen Mary, another a scale model of a working wind farm, a sight becoming more common in Argyll.

A working model train set was a particular hit with youngsters. Exhibitors enjoyed the show and said they hoped it would get more young people interested in diecast models.



The wind farm display was popular. 08_a46model02

The money raised at the well-attended event will go to the Lochgilphead MS centre and Argyll and Bute Hospital. The exhibitors would like to thank Ferguson's butchers for their donations.



The church aimed to build a wall of 200 'bricks' for its second centenary. 08_a46Baptist01

Baptist Church celebrates 200 years

TWO hundred years of worship has been celebrated in the oldest church in Lochgilphead.

To commemorate, Lochgilphead Baptist Church displayed a timeline showing, at 10-yearly intervals, what had happened in the church, in the wider community and the wider world.

Pastor Derek Gibson said: 'It's great to have the support of the community

today and right through the history of the church.

'Although it's nice to remember the past it's important to realise that we're a church for the present and for the future.'

There was soup and cake served at the event on November 7 and people attending were asked to write on a cardboard 'brick' with the aim of building a wall of 200 bricks.

Christmas bazaar at Christ Church

A HUGH array of crafting talent was on show at a Christmas bazaar in Christ Church, Lochgilphead.

Plenty of people had their goods on sale, on Friday and Saturday November 6 and 7, ranging

from jewellery to chocolate all of which made lovely Christmas presents or treats.

There were also charities involved and Guide Dogs for the Blind raised £280 with a guess the name of the dog,

tombola and raffle.

There was mince pies and mulled wine available to get people in the Christmas spirit and on Friday evening Argyll Brass played a selection of big band tunes and Christmas carols.

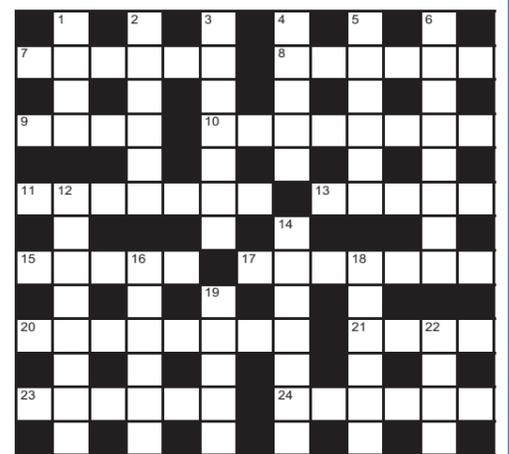


There was a range of stalls at Christ Church's bazaar. 08_a46christchurch01

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Piping Gala at Lochgilphead campus

MORE than 100 young pipers and drummers took to the stage, and the floor, at Lochgilphead Joint Campus on Monday November 9.

Pipe bands from Oban, Dunoon, Kintyre and Mull gathered to play to an appreciative crowd.

The evening began with the spectacular sound of all the musicians playing Dawning

of The Day before they left the stage so Jamie Campbell from Strachur could play a solo set.

During the first half there were tunes from the award-winning quartet from Tobermory High School. The development and competing bands from Dunoon Grammar School also played before Lochgilphead High School pip-

ers got their chance to shine in front of their home crowd. Lochgilphead pupil Josh Coates performed a solo of the Mason's Apron.

After a final performance by Kintyre Schools Pipe Band it was time for a break and some refreshments.

The second half began with a short talk about how the pupils all started with practise chanters and practise drum pads before graduating to the goose pipes and, finally, the Highland bagpipes and snare drums.

All these were demonstrated by pupils at the various levels.

There were more performances by bands from Kintyre, Dunoon and Oban High School.

The Helensburgh Trio brought some Christmas cheer with Christmas carols as they had never been heard before.

The drummers were given their moment in the spotlight performing a drumming fanfare.

There was a finale where all the bands got together, highlighting the talent of young pipers across Argyll.



More than 100 pipers and drummers playing together.

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Lochgilphead's Josh Coates played a solo.

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The audience enjoyed Lochgilphead High School's performance.

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Sale of prized Kintyre dairy herd exceeds estimates

A KINTYRE dairy farmer's need to buy pints of milk is just one of the more mundane consequences of his decision to sell a prized herd of Ayrshires.

Archie Millar, 52, of Ballygreggan Farm near Drumlemble, jokingly said that it was strange learning which coloured cap milk to buy, after a lifetime on a dairy farm, founded by his grandfather. He has also found himself struggling to adapt to not needing to be up at 5.30am.

At the Pedigree Ayrshire Cattle – National Society Show and Sale at Borderway Mart Carlisle last Wednesday November 4 there was one ray of sunshine for Mr Millar when he won a rosette for the show champion, which was the mother of this year's Kintyre Show champion.

Mr Millar averaged 1444 guineas for his herd comprising 70 cows and heifers in milk, eight in-calf heifers and one bull, with a couple of animals coming back to Kintyre.

Mr Millar said: 'Anything over 1,000 guineas was a bonus for us. To get that average for older cows and in-calf heifers was great.'

'I was more than delighted with the price, they travelled well de-



Archie Millar, centre in green shirt, with the show champion.

spite my pre-sale concerns, and the three men employed by the market did a great job of turning them out.

'My dad came to the sale and I think in the end he was pleased with the price.'

'He said you will be glad you pedigreed them because that made them eligible for this sale.'

Two weeks ago, when Mr Millar spoke about his decision to sell, he cited a combination of reasons including the then milk price of 18 pence per litre (ppl) in Kintyre, his health and a lack of a successor.

Mr Millar said: 'Every-

one I spoke to at Carlisle told me they were getting at least 24ppl.

'I spoke to a Marks and Spencer direct supplier, who lives right next to the motorway in England and gets 30.5ppl - we cannot compete with that in Kintyre.'

Mr Millar's best sale price for an individual animal was 4,000 guineas to A and S Lawrie at Kinross, Fife.

The largest number of cattle, nine and at the higher end of prices, were bought by A and R Paton of Easter Greenhill in Falkirk, a number went to Wigtonshire, Dumfriesshire, Peeblesshire and Aberdeenshire proving a demand

from other areas of Scotland.

In England the highest proportion of buyers was from Cumbria, as to be expected with the location of the sale, with one in Clitheroe and another in Huddersfield.

One even went to Askham Bryan Agricultural College in North Yorkshire.

This was the first sale to disperse the milking portion of Mr Millar's herd with a further sale due in spring 2016.

Mr Millar said: 'It is a weird feeling going out and finding no cattle in the shed.'

'After 30 years it is not something I ever thought I would experience.'

'We have 212 acres of fields and I shall aim to rent that out.'

In his youth, Mr Millar was a fine football player, reputed to be the best of his generation, with Campbeltown Pupils although he always found it difficult to fit in with dairying life.

Mr Millar, who owns Wee Toon Sports shop in Campbeltown, said: 'I am a keen Hibs supporter and now I might have some time to get out and follow my team.'

Sirloin steaks sold out as beef returns to Argyll Country Market

A KINTYRE farmer is very pleased with buoyant beef sales in his first venture at direct selling.

William Taverner, who farms 30 Galloway cattle at Gobagrennan near Campbeltown, sold three quarters of a 300 kg carcass as beef cuts at Argyll Country Market.

Mr Taverner said: 'We had a great turnout considering it was such a wet day and sold out of sirloin steaks. My son

Nathan thoroughly enjoyed himself on the stall.

Five stars

'A German lady has given us five stars for the sausages which is praise indeed. We have just sent the beast away for the December sale when, due to customer demand, we will have rib eye steaks.'

'It has been very exciting although it is always nerve-racking taking on a new venture.'



Ann Norrie with a wide selection of beef from William Taverner's stall. 20_c46beef01

Kintyre faces lowest milk price since the 1980s

AS has been reported, a Kintyre farmer has sold his prize herd of Ayrshires. The milk price per litre in the region is at its lowest point since the 1980s accordingly to a local councillor.

National headlines

Since Archie Millar sold his herd, in Carlisle last week, the plight of Kintyre's dairy farmers has made national headlines and even Prince Charles has once again appealed for people to buy British food whenever possible to

save farmers' livelihoods.

Councillor Donald Kelly said: 'The milk price for Kintyre farmers is not sustainable.'

'Farmers in the central belt of Scotland have other choices of markets but here the farmers are tied to Campbeltown Creamery and the price offered by First Milk.'

'It is particularly bad as we are coming into the winter with its higher costs of feed for animals kept indoors.'

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Kirsty's business is a glass act

AN ARGYLL artist is celebrating her 10th anniversary in business this year as she looks to expand her customer base even further.

Kirsty Brady, from Kilmichael Glassary, set up A Touch of Glass in 2005, specialising in glass art from large architectural installations to small decorative pieces. She has steadily built up the business over the last 10 years using her surroundings and travels as her main source of inspiration.

Kirsty said: 'After graduating in architectural and decorative glasswork in Glasgow I wanted to come home to Argyll and carry on

glassmaking but I never imagined I would be running a successful business for 10 years.

'Although I have travelled around the world and I've studied different areas of glass work in America, my work is mainly based on Argyll and showcasing the region's beautiful scenery.'

With plans to attend the Country Living Show at the SECC in Glasgow later this month and after winning a Business Gateway competition which saw A Touch of Glass products on sale at the Best of the West (BoW) festival, Kirsty is excited about growing over the next 10 years.

She added: 'I definitely want to build on the good foundations of the last 10 years and get my work out there even more.'

'At the moment I sell on Etsy, my own e-commerce site and my work can be seen at galleries across the country. I was also awarded a scholarship at Pilchuck Glass School in Seattle and I hope to use the skills I learned during this course to expand into different areas of glass work in the future.'

'I've had support from Business Gateway and I was delighted to win the competition for a place in the craft tent at the BoW festival. It was a



Kirsty displays some of her work at a local craft fair.

huge success and I not only sold on the day but it has expanded my customer base as I was able to meet and show dozens of new and potential customers my products.'

Barbara Halliday, business adviser for Business Gateway, said: 'Celebrating a 10th year in business is a real achievement and it is testimony to Kirsty's

talent and hard work.

'Kirsty has taken advantage of our services and we look forward to working with her as she continues to take the business forward.'

To find out more about how Business Gateway can help set up and develop a business call 01546 808 363 or visit www.bgateway.com/argyll-and-bute

New Business Gateway workshops and new trainers

ARGYLL and Bute Council's Business Gateway is mid-way through its autumn workshop schedule, with free business skills workshops being held in Lochgilphead and Inveraray as well as right across Argyll and Bute.

Any small business owner looking to boost their skills should book now to ensure they get a place.

'Business Gateway has increased the range of workshop topics available based on feedback from local businesses,' said Councillor Aileen Morton, Argyll and Bute Council's policy lead for sustainable economic growth.

'All the workshops are free of charge and I would encourage any small business owner to get in touch to find out how they could benefit. Last year there were

more than 800 attendees across more than 100 Business Gateway workshops delivered in this area, and the programme of support will be even more varied this year.'

The 'Better Business Websites' workshop running in Oban on November 25 is a half-day workshop for businesses already online but looking to get more from their website. It examines how to make a website better through design, content, usability and search engine optimisation. This new workshop is being delivered for Business Gateway by Gary Ennis, founder of NS Design Ltd, an award winning digital agency. Gary has delivered hundreds of digital workshops for Business Gateway across Scotland and is a former CEO of the Year

at the Digital Technology Awards.

The 'Introduction to Trading Online' workshop has been updated and will focus on the basics required for businesses wanting to sell products online. The workshop covers how to trade online, including the various tools, payment options and online marketplaces available such as eBay, Amazon, and Etsy. This workshop will run in Inveraray on December 1, also delivered by Gary Ennis.

The 'Managing and Developing Staff' workshop, running in Inveraray on December 10, will help business owners recruit, induct, manage and develop staff in a way that helps their business grow. It will focus on the skills and processes required to help get the best out of staff, rather than the

legal aspects. It is being delivered for Business Gateway by Karen Morrill of Morrill PMC Ltd. Karen is qualified through the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development and has extensive business and people management experience.

As well as the new workshops, other established topics are back by popular demand. Anyone thinking about starting their own business should join the 'Business Start-up' workshop in Oban on December 2 and December 3 to help develop their ideas into a practical and effective plan. The 'Practical Basic Book-keeping' workshop will run in Oban on December 10. Those new to business and with little or no formal training in book-keeping will benefit from this workshop,

which provides the starting point for good record keeping and understanding financial information.

Lastly, businesses wanting to find out more about becoming a supplier to the public sector can join the supplier development programme's 'What the Buyer looks

for in your Tender' workshop in Lochgilphead on November 24. This provides an insight into buyers' needs and expectations and can help in getting the highest score possible in a tender process.

To book a place or to find out more about the full range of work-

shops, contact the Business Gateway team on 01546 604555 or email business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk.

The workshop programme is part-funded by the European Regional Development Fund under the European structural funds 2014-20 programme.

Business briefings . . . business briefings . . .

FERGUS Murray, Argyll and Bute Council's head of economic development and strategic transportation, is hosting a series of informal business briefings across the area.

These will include a lunchtime business briefing at the Loch Fyne Hotel, Inveraray, on Tuesday November 24 from noon to 1.30pm, and a business breakfast on Thursday December 10 from 8.30am to 10am at the Enterprise Centre in Lochgilphead. These events are sponsored by the Mid Argyll Chamber of Commerce and are open to all business owners in the area.

Fergus will be outlining the coun-

cil's approach to encouraging more people to live, work and invest in Argyll and Bute. The sessions are an opportunity for small and medium-sized business owners to put their questions to Fergus.

Mid Argyll Chamber of Commerce will outline its activities and the Business Gateway team will also be on hand to talk about the support it offers. Anyone wanting to attend should email business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk or call 01546 604 555.

Sessions will also run in Oban, Dunoon, Rothesay and Helensburgh.

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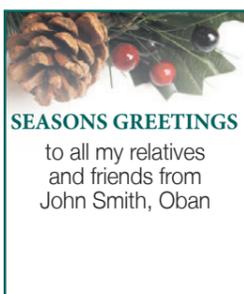
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CAMPBELTOWN will go Christmas crackers at the end of November when the three-day winter festival marks the start of the festive season.

The centre of the Wee Toon will be lit up on Friday November 27 when the traditional parade, including an appearance by Santa and the Christmas lights switch-on heralds the winter weekend.

By the time the switch is flipped to illuminate the streets in their festive glory, skaters will have been enjoying the Burnside Square ice rink for more than six hours.

Other headline events dur-

ing the weekend include a fireworks display, sponsored by the Ardshiel Hotel and Explore Campbeltown, on the New Quay at 6.30pm on Saturday November 28. For the third year in a row a 50-stall Christmas market will be held in the Springbank Distillery's Malt Barns on Sunday November 29 from 11am to 4pm.

A spokesperson from Explore Campbeltown said: 'Feedback from the 2014 event suggests that everyone liked that both malt floors were in use so we plan to do the same again this year.'

'All the craft stalls will be on

the lower floor of the Malt Barns and the food providers and cafe area will be on the upper floor, accessible from a staircase inside the Malt Barns and an external staircase from the lane, close to the main entrance of the barns.

'Like last year, on the upper floor we will have all the food and drink stalls round the edges and have tables and chairs in the middle for peo-

ple to rest and enjoy a bite to eat.'

Stalls for this event have all been let to a wide diversity of stallholders, and for the first time there will be a dedicated Campbeltown Courier stall. Be sure to come and say hello.

Explore Campbeltown will decorate the Malt Barns and have designed Santa's Grotto to keep young children occupied.

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Santa Claus and his little helper Morgan Irwin were among the special guests for Campbeltown's Christmas Lights Switch-on last year. They were part of a parade that saw hundreds of people descend on the town centre to enjoy the lights and fun.

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NUMERO Dix Hair Salon's stylish fundraising has resulted in nearly £1,000 cash for Breast Cancer Now.

For the Wee Toon's winter festival the girls have teamed up with photographer Raymond Hosie and eyedoreu makeup artist Claire Dryden, who will be in Campbeltown from November 26. Claire will finish with a stall alongside Numero Dix Hair Salon at the Christmas market on Sunday November 29.

On Friday November 27 from 4pm onwards Numero Dix Hair Salon will have a Frozen theme hair, face painting and a photo shoot in the salon, from £5.

There will also be charity cupcakes and cocktails for the adults in aid of Breast Cancer Now.

Numero Dix Hair Salon would like to thank everyone for their fund-raising support, as follows: Gail McKay for the homemade bramble jelly, Mairi

McKillop for the FBX class, Gayle Durnin for the candlelight party, Ella McKinven for the donation of tablet, Footnotes Dance Company for the do-

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See below for a timetable of events on Friday November 27: 12 noon to 10pm - ice skating in Burnside Square, except during switch on; 6.00pm - Late night shopping and Stewarts fun fair; 6.15pm - Live music; 6.20pm - Street lights off, please take care; 6.30pm, sharp - All floats to be assembled at Hazelburn or Millknowe; 7.00 pm - Parade commences along with pipe band; 7.20pm - Switch on; 7.30pm until 8.30pm -

Santa's Grotto in Food for Thought.

The parade route is as follows: From Hazelburn or Millknowe, turning left heading to Longrow, it will continue and turn left onto Main Street, heading towards the roundabout onto the dual carriageway, down to the ferry terminal. It will then turn back on itself past the care home, continuing to the roundabout where it will turn left onto Main Street and then up to the town hall for the switch-on.

The special guests will dismount and the floats will then continue to a safe location along with Santa's sleigh and the special guests' transport.



Campbeltown Christmas Lights Committee of 2014 from left, Mandy Robertson, Jamie McIvor, Caroline Armour, Lorraine Gillespie, Will Anderson, vice-chairman, and Raymond Harvey, chairman.



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While it may be tempting to just give cash, taking the time to choose a personalised gift will mean so much more. Gifts don't have to be expensive, often it's the simple things that people remember most. If in doubt, gift vouchers are always appreciated. Or consider making a gift, such as a batch of sweet treats or a handmade card.

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25 November - Oban

Becoming an Employer - Help small businesses create a structured plan for taking on staff and understand the process of employing people covering legal obligations and good practice recruitment. 26 November - Helensburgh

Introduction to Trading Online - A workshop that will focus on some of the basics required for trading online, and will look at the various tools, platforms and payment options available to everyone and will include some information of the legal requirements.
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Practical Basic Book-keeping - A half day workshop shows how book-keeping is used to generate the financial information needed for Income Tax, VAT, Corporation Tax, PAYE and National Insurance contributions.
8 December - Campbeltown; 10 December - Oban

Get your Business Noticed - This workshop will help businesses understand how to create their own advertising, generate publicity themselves with minimum spend and understand how to plan and deliver their own PR and advertising campaigns to meet their business objectives.
8 December - Helensburgh

Managing and Developing Staff - This workshop will help businesses recruit, induct, manage and develop staff. Focusing on the skills and processes required to get the best out of staff, rather than the legal aspects and be able to create a plan for managing and developing the staff within their business.
10 December - Inveraray

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LOOK A LITTLE FURTHER THIS CHRISTMAS

“ Whatever the season there are a lot of great places to eat, drink and shop in Argyll. My particular favourite is always seafood and with oysters, prawns, crabs and salmon all plentiful, good eating is guaranteed. What’s more, the rise of food businesses in the local area means that local food for giving as presents is more and more available and affordable.”

Michael Russell, MSP Argyll and Bute



TAKE time out during the festive season to get off the beaten path for Christmas shopping, dining and lodging that is out of the ordinary and out of this world. The Argyll countryside is teeming with unique gift shops, fanciful art galleries and wonderful eateries, all featuring the best of the west.

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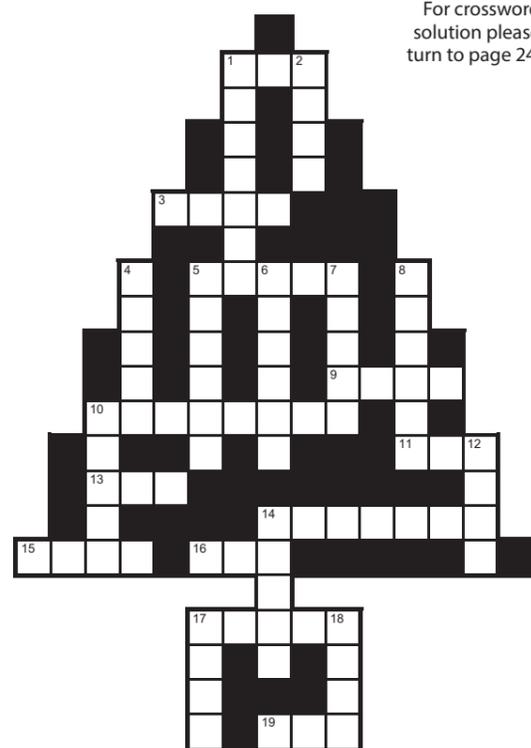
Christmas Crossword

Across

- 1 Pleasure (3)
- 3 Gift from a wise man (4)
- 5 Chest material (5)
- 9 Snow transport (4)
- 10 To be toasted on the fire (8)
- 11 Roast for Boxing day (3)
- 13 Berries or wine (3)
- 14 A Reindeer (7)
- 15 Sacred (4)
- 16 One of mince (3)
- 17 Money off in January (5)
- 19 Christmas tree (3)

Down

- 1 Rejoicing season... (7)
- 2 ...Christmas season (4)
- 4 The happening that Christmas is celebrated for... (5)
- 5 ...and the reason for its name (6)
- 6 Celestial (6)
- 7 Certain tribute (5)
- 8 Father of the one born in a stable (6)
- 10 Song (5)



For crossword solution please turn to page 24.

- 12 Mother who gave birth in the stable (4)
- 14 Ringers (5)
- 17 Sound to make in Church (4)
- 18 Northern leading one (4)

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- Torch and spare batteries or a wind-up torch
- Boots
- First aid kit
- Jump leads
- A shovel
- Road atlas
- Sunglasses (the glare off winter sun can be dazzling)

In addition, when setting out on journeys during the winter season remember to take with you:

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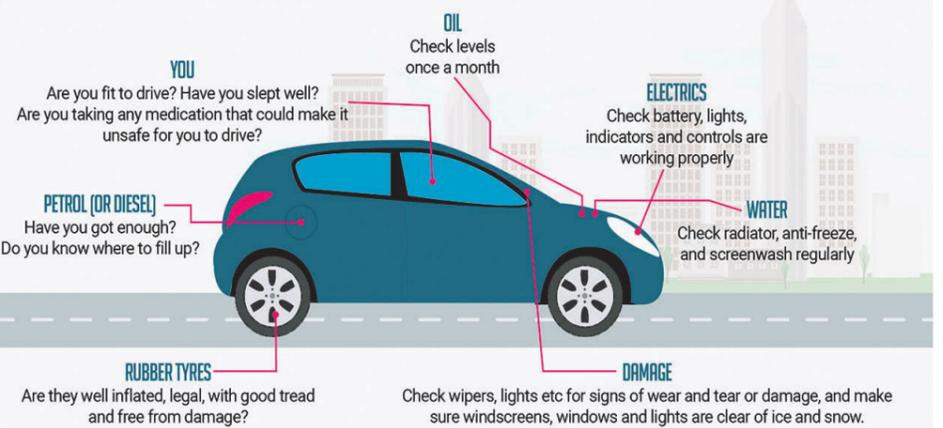
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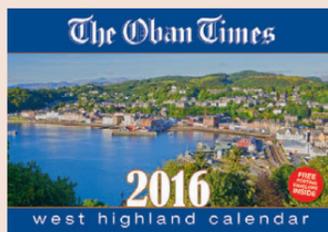
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Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



SOMETIMES God uses the most unlikely people and places to make things happen.

Bethlehem wasn't exactly the centre of the universe, but our faith was born in that small town.

Craignish is not exactly the centre of the universe, but something very interesting is going to happen there.

Usually theatre premieres take place in New York or London and so many of us never have the chance to see them.

However, a small village hall in Craignish at Ardfern, will host the Scottish premier of an exciting new play.

The subject of this play will also be top of the international agenda at next month's UN conference in Paris.

The people at both these venues will focus on the very same issue.

They will focus on the biggest threat to our planet since its birth.

They will focus on the huge problem of climate change.

'Baked Alaska' is a very clever, vibrant and moving story by the group Riding Lights

It uses sketches, puppets, live music and story telling to highlight its message. It takes its audience though a journey of questions, laughter and tears.

The play is a catalyst; it's a stepping stone to get us to walk a common journey.

It's a plea to us all to reflect on the creation of our planet; to think of the beginning when the spirit of God brought order out of chaos; it's to stop us in time before our ordered world limps back to chaos; it's a cry for help for all the people and animals who are gasping for the fresh air of hope.

It's a call to start a church-wide and community-wide conversation.

'Baked Alaska' doesn't have all the answers but it does enable us to ask better questions.

It may not be the centre of the universe, but something important might just begin at Craignish village hall on November 17 at 7.30pm.

CAIRNDOW

Festive treats

ARDKINGLAS House, Cairndow, was the venue last weekend for two early festive treats.

Alison Sykora led a workshop on Saturday where participants learnt how to create delightful edible Christmas decorations - everything from cranberry and chilli popcorn chains to iced gingerbread stars.

Then, on Sunday, Alison hosted a Christmas baking workshop. The fantastic kitchen at Ardkinglas was rich with the aroma of fresh stollen bread, black bun and, of course, Christmas pudding.

LOCHGILPHEAD

Volunteers

AT THE time of year when everyone pays their respects to brave service personnel past and present, an appeal has been made for Armed Forces Day volunteers to come forward.

Ahead of the AGM of Lochgilphead Armed Forces Day on Monday November 16, committee secretary Betty Rhodick said: 'We are looking for dedicated volunteers to support Armed Forces Day.'

Anyone interested is asked to go along to the AGM at 7pm in Lochgilphead MS Centre.

FORD



The colourful mug hug competition entries.

Ford SWI members are in focus

FORD members of the Scottish Women's Institute met on Tuesday November 3 in Ford Village Hall to hear Walter Ritchie give an informative and entertaining talk on enjoying a camera.

From Box Brownie to compact SLR and from simple point and shoot to choosing settings on a

digital camera, a wide range of topics was covered.

Composition was beautifully illustrated with photographs of people, landscape, architecture, wildlife and still life.

Afterwards everyone had a chance to chat over a cuppa whilst admiring photographs of ruins and the colourful mug hug

competition entries.

The next meeting will be an open meeting in the afternoon of Tuesday December 1. Members will meet at 12.30 pm at Living Stones Hall, Kilmartin for a buffet lunch followed by the film 'The Theory of Everything' which is based on the life of physicist Professor Stephen Hawking.

INVERARAY

Old and new faces as Inveraray Kids on the Run starts back

INVERARAY Kids on the Run started back this week.

There were lots of old faces and some new ones too.

The children buddied up with a partner and

the old hands showed the new ones the safe way to run together as a group and how to watch out for each other.

Favourite
The new ones learnt the old favourite, the

peeling method of running and then the screaming game was practised - always a popular choice.

The children were all fantastic, enthusiastic and listening to the ad-

vice that keeps them all safe. There was no individual Runner of the Week as none of the leaders were able to single anyone out but watch this space as next week there will be.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

The Bible says, 'If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone' (Romans 12:18).

BIRTHS



MILLAR

Tom and Alison are delighted to announce the safe arrival of their son, Thomas, on October 30, 2015, at the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley. A wee brother for Hannah and Emma. Thanks to all midwives at Campbeltown Maternity Unit, especially Isabel.



MOLLER

Gareth and Sally are delighted to announce the safe arrival of Samuel Richard Harry, on October 21, 2015. A brother for Grace, Hannah, Thomas and Nathaniel. Seventh grandchild for Jill and thirteenth for Graham and Leonie. 'Children are an heritage from the Lord'.



WESCHE - GREEN

Nathan and Julie are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Richie John, born on October 20, 2015, at Peel Health Campus, Mandurah, Western Australia. A brother for James.

ENGAGEMENTS



CARR - MCFARLANE

Both families are very happy to announce the engagement of Laura, only daughter of Barbara, to Charles, middle son of Maxwell and Lorna.

DEATHS

CRAWFORD - Suddenly, but peacefully, on November 5, 2015, Catherine (Cathy) Crawford, aged 81 years, of Myrtlecrest, Kilduskland Road, Ardrishaig, beloved wife of the late Don Crawford and much loved mother of Archie, Donald and Karen. Adored Nana of Holly, John, Kelly and Ryan and a much respected mother-in-law of Julie. A good neighbour and dear friend to many. Funeral service will be held in Ardrishaig Parish Church, on Friday, November 13 at 12.00 noon, thereafter to Achnabreac Cemetery. Family flowers only or donations, if desired, to Alzheimer Scotland. All friends are respectfully invited to attend.

MCCAIG - Peacefully at home, 24a Davaar Avenue, Campbeltown, on November 9, 2015, Mary Teresa McCaig, in her 83rd year, dearly beloved wife of the late Neil McCaig, much loved mother of June, Peter, Wilma and the late Martha and a loving grandmother and great grandmother. RIP. Service will take place in St Kieran's R C Church, on Friday, November 13, 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 the District Nurses, Kintyre Locality.

MCGOUGAN - Suddenly at home, 26 Burnside Street, Campbeltown, Malcolm Mathieson McGougan, in his 46th year, much loved father of Michael and Stephen, dearly beloved son of Gus McGougan and the late Elizabeth McSporrán and a loving brother of William, Archie and Dorothy. Service in the Highland Parish Church, on Monday, November 16 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

MCALPINE - The family of the late Marilyn McAlpine would like to thank most sincerely, family, friends and colleagues for the many kind expressions of sympathy and support, for cards, flowers and acts of kindness shown following the sad loss of Marilyn, after a short illness. Special thanks to Cathanna at Tarbert Surgery, Dr Hicks, Dr Davidson, Barbara, Allison and the staff of Ward 7B at Queen Elizabeth Hospital Glasgow for nursing and kind care and attention. Thanks also to Matthew Ramsay for a personal and fitting service, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, Tarbert Hotel for catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. The collection for Tarbert Parish Church raised £1402.

RIDDELL - Ulla and family would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy, cards, flowers, phone calls and visits received following the sad loss of Jim. We are very grateful for the support given to us all at this difficult time. Thanks to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for caring and efficient arrangements. Finally, our thanks to all who attended at Cardross and Tayvallich Inn to pay their respects. The retiral collection has raised £230 for Re-Konect.

IN MEMORIAM

GALBRAITH - Willie, died November 13, 1996. Always in our thoughts. - Maureen and family.

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MCLELLAN - In loving memory of our dear mum, Jenny, passed away November 16, 1982.

Time is quickly passing, But memories are everlasting.

- Neil, Margaret and families.

MCSPORRAN (Adair) - In loving memory of Connie Marie, sixth anniversary of a much loved and sorely missed niece and cousin, who passed away on November 18, 2009. Let the winds of heaven blow gently for you to hear,

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MITCHELL - In loving memory of our dear mother, grandmother and great grandmother (Jeannie), died November 15, 1996. Forever in our hearts. - From all the family, home and away x.

CHURCH NOTICES



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 11.15am Worship Service
 Mr Calum Ferguson
 2.00pm Explorers Club for all Primary School children
Wednesday 18th November
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 2.00pm Water of Life Café
Saturday 21st November
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 What matters most?
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 Followed by the Sacrament of Holy Communion at 1.15pm
 Rev P Wallace
Tuesday 17th November
 Tiny Tots New Hall 9.45am
 Boys' Brigade Church Hall
 Anchor Boys 6.00pm
 Junior Section 7.15pm
Thursday 19th November
 Choir 7.30pm
Friday 20th November
 Lunch Club 12.00 noon
 New Hall



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 The service will be conducted by Rev. G. Middleton in the Church at 11.15am.
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NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
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 Joint Service followed by light lunch in Church
 Rev. C. Acklam
Monday 16 November
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 Tayvallich Church
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 Speaker Andy Bell
Tuesday
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THURSDAY 19th November 2015
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 Dr. John L. Morrison
Saturday 21st November 2015
 10am - midday
 Coffee Morning in the Church Hall
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 3pm
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 3rd Sunday of the month
 3.30pm Evensong
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Symposium at Kilmartin Museum

Kilmartin Museum is to host an archaeological symposium on November 27 and 28.

It will provide a rare and exciting opportunity to bring together academics and experts from across the UK to discuss the archaeology and history of Argyll.

Those attending will examine and discuss current knowledge of the area and what direction future exploration and research should take.

Expert speakers will champion more than 10,000 years of Argyll's history. The speakers have written discussion papers on each of the time periods which are available to view on the museum's website.

Although this is primarily a professional event, the museum is offering a limited number of places to members of the public who may also be interested in being a part of this significant event.

Light up and run in Inveraray

THE ANNUAL Glow Run will take place in Inveraray this evening (Friday).

There are both runs and walks available. All begin at Inveraray Primary School at 6.30pm and are led by JogScotland leaders.

Torches are a must and anything else that will light up the night is encouraged. The run is to support the Mid Argyll Chemotherapy unit and last year raised £500.

If the run has worked up a hunger there is an optional curry available at the George Hotel for £5. Organisers are looking for numbers for this so get in touch with Fee Corner on 01499302160 to book.

There will also be a whisky raffle after the event.

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Tarbert residents weren't put off by the rain.

Tarbert Little Gym officially opens

ON SATURDAY morning, despite heavy rain, Tarbert residents old and young turned out to celebrate the opening of the new children's play area in the harbour.

The Little Gym, as it is now known, was officially opened

by Councillor Anne Horn and also in attendance were trustees of Tarbert Harbour, members of Tarbert and Skipness Community Council and directors of Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust.

All organisations worked

together to make the project a success.

The opening was funded by donations from Tarbert Harbour Authority and Argyll and Bute Council Provost Fund as well as food donations from Tarbert Co-op.



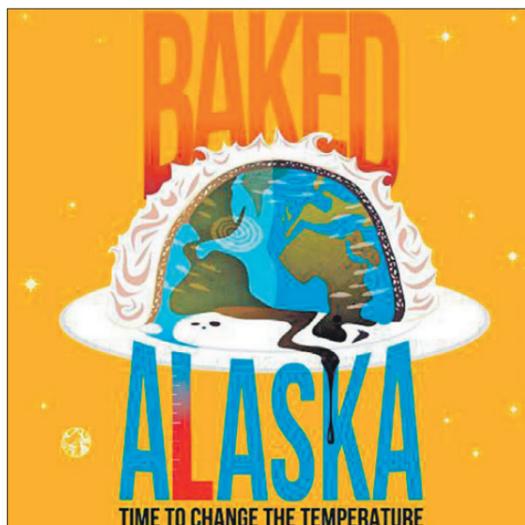
Nicola and Alexandra Bibby - the Bibby Piano Duo.

Craignish looks forward to play premiere in village hall

THE SCOTTISH premiere of the play **Baked Alaska** will be held at the Craignish village hall on November 17 starting at 7.30pm.

The play looks at the problem of climate change and how unpredictable its effects are across the world.

It aims to highlight climate change before the climate change summit in Paris in December.



Bibby Piano Duo wows Ardrishaig audience

Review by Phillip Bowden-Smith

IT MAY have been bonfire night in Lochgilphead last Saturday, but the audience at Ardrishaig hall were treated to a very different type of fireworks in the opening piece in the recital given by the Bibby Piano Duo - Shostakovitch's Festive Overture Op.96.

This accessible and testosterone-fired piece, full of driving rhythm and sizzling flute and piccolo effects was delivered with panache by the two sisters, Nicola and Alexandra.

We then entered the more intimate world of Schubert in his Grande Sonate Op.30. Whilst less performed than some of his duet compositions, this was pure Schubert, loaded with beautiful long melody shifting from major to minor and the three movements complemented each other perfectly.

This music requires sensitivity and clarity. Schubert is all about song, and, in this piece, the sisters' many years of playing together re-

ally shone through with delicious phrasing and dynamic control.

Schubert was followed by Ravel's transcription of Debussy's much-loved Prelude a L'apres-midi d'un faune. To reduce the original ravishing score into duet form is a tall order, but, despite its inherent short-comings, the rendering of the piece was very sincere, and the best was made of the awkward return of the opening theme toward the end of the piece.

The first half of the concert ended with four Hungarian Dances from Brahms.

These popular pieces were a hit with the audi-

ence and delivered with conviction.

After the interval we were treated to a relative obscurity by the 20th century composer York Bowen - his Suite Op 52. The three movements each demonstrated the integrity of this neglected composer's work, which was well executed.

The grande finale was Saint-Saens' Carnival of the Animals.

This popular favourite with its humorous - and clever - portrayal of the animal kingdom was a thoroughly enjoyable romp to end the programme and the audience's enthusiasm earned them a delightful Brahms Waltz encore.

'Flowers by Morna' at Whitehouse SWI

AT THE last meeting of Whitehouse SWI, members were treated to a demonstration from 'Flowers by Morna'.

Members were shown how to make a hand-tied bouquet and everyone made a table decoration to take home.

Everyone agreed it was a very enjoyable evening.

The winners in the competition to create a small floral arrangement were: 1 A Sillars, 2 M Wilson, 3 M Elder.

Sports centre hosts karate competition

Local club does well taking seven medals and placing in every category except one

THE CALEDONIA Kyokushin Karate tournament took place at the Mid Argyll Sports Centre on Sunday November 1. Competitors from several different organisations and from all over Scotland attended.

The tournament was primarily for juniors, but with categories for adult kata (set patterns).

The tournament was organised by Shihaan Iain Rodger of the Independent Kyokushin Karate Union, who runs the Kyokushinkai Karate club in Lochgilphead.

The club did very well taking seven medals and placing in every category except one.

The last final of the day involved Jilly Lefebvre from the Lochgilphead Kyokushinkai club against Iona McCulloch from the Inveraray Shukokai club and was the best fight of the day. Jilly pulled off the win in great style scoring with two jumping kicks to the head.

Among those placed were: Stuart Phillips, third place junior low grade kata; Oliver Twynham, first place junior high grade kata; Karen Paterson, first place adult low grade kata; Andrew Smart, third place adult high grade kata; Arran Crawford, first place under 8 years fighting; Darcy Curran, 8 - 11 years low grade fighting; Jilly Lefebvre, 11 - 13 years high grade fighting.



Jilly Lefebvre came first in the 11-13 age group.



Arran Crawford won the under 8s' competition.



Karen Paterson won the adult low grad Kata.

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Lorenzo Chiavarini.

Mid Argyll sailor a top Olympic prospect

MID ARGYLL champion sailor Lorenzo Chiavarini has been promoted to the British sailing team's 'podium squad' ahead of next year's Rio Olympic Games.

The 21-year-old from Bellanoch, near Lochgilphead, has impressed team bosses following a success-filled season to the extent that he has been included in the elite group of medal prospects for the games.

His achievement is made all the more remarkable given that he broke a wrist in March last year.

Aside from sailing, Lorenzo graduated in September from Plymouth University with an honours degree in engineering.

Before coming home to the banks of the Crinan Canal for Christmas, it's off to Nassau for Lorenzo ahead of an Olympic test event in December.

Lottery numbers

KILMORY Camanachd club winning lottery numbers are 4,7 and 19.

There were no winners so next week's jackpot is £1,000.

Inveraray Shinty Club lottery numbers were 3,10 and 16. There were no winners so the jackpot goes up to £200 for next week.

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Muddy masochistic mayhem - that's the MACC Challenge

WET, windy weather was the least of the worries for the wannabe commandos who braved the Machrihanish Air-base Community Company's Challenge.

The event, in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care, has nearly doubled in size and this year saw 180 entrants, up from 100 at the inaugural day in 2014.

The four-mile military-style obstacle course included a hoisting from the fire tender

at both start and finish, numerous dank slimy muddy ditches to be variously crawled, swum and waded through, a jump over blazing logs and numerous tests of agility.

Based on similar events world wide such as 'Tough Mudder' few can claim to be based on a site which once housed US Navy SEALs.

This year's £30 entry fee included a MACC Challenge T shirt, dog tag medals and refresh-

ments after the event.

Many Kintyre businesses also supported this year's event in a variety of ways.

Jewson Campbelltown, Machrihanish Dunes and Kintyre Club, Peter Mckerral and Co, Wind Towers Scotland Limited, Alistair Graham, T and W Scaffolding and Kintyre Firewood Supplies all played a big part in providing the necessary materials and manpower to construct the course.

A spokesperson said: 'We would also like to thank the Co-op Campbelltown, Argyll Bakeries and the Marie Curie team for the hot food and post-race hospitality. Also all participants, marshals, helpers and spectators who supported the event this year. The feedback has been overwhelmingly positive.'



Lucy Marquis proves her strongman mettle.

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At the start, Lochgilphead team from left, Argyll and Bute council worker Rebecca Hepburn, the Square Peg's Lucy Marquis, Mid Argyll Hospital community nursing assistant Jacqui MacDonald and Midton Acrylics' Mhairi MacInnes.

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The team after four miles of hell. 20_c46macc17



Dunadd shinty team with happy helpers. 08_a46Dunadd01

Fundraiser for ladies' shinty team

DUNADD ladies' shinty club has been raising funds to buy new equipment.

Members held their annual coffee morning at Lochgilphead Parish Hall on Saturday where there was a wide array of home baking to be enjoyed along with tea, coffee and juice for the

children. There were also a number of stalls and the team would like to thank people for the donations of home baking and prizes.

A total of £331 was raised on the day.

Now that the shinty season is over, the team is focusing on training.

Wild and wet for Tarbert winter league opener

WINTER officially started for Tarbert Gun Club as the first shoot of the winter league season was held last Sunday.

The conditions were wet and windy, but that failed to affect the shooting too much, with Archie Currie in particular demonstrating some exceptional shooting in the wild weather.

With down-the-line, sporting and team events, the 45 competitors enjoyed a great day of sport.

The down-the-line section was won by Ian Winward, Ormsary, while the sporting winner was Ally McDonnell.

Out of the nine competing teams, the group containing Nor-

man MacDonald, Andy Peden, Jonathan Gargan, Archie MacGilp snr and Jennifer Campbell came out on top.

Second in the team event were Brian Baird, Niall Wilson, Archie MacGilp jnr, Stephen McSporran and John Winward.

In the different classes, the A section was won by Ally McDonnell, with Brian Baird second

and John Weir third.

Other results

Class B: 1 Andy Peden; 2 Ian Winward; 3 Stewart MacAllister

Class C: 1 Lynn MacDonald; 2 Ronald Jenkins; 3 Andy Wilson

Class D: 1 Archie MacGilp snr; 2 Jack Campbell; 3 Stephen McSporran

Class E: 1 Archie Currie; 2 John Winnard; 3 Jennifer Campbell.

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