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Still time to sign up for the A83

The campaign has
united the council

by RUTH McCLEAN
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THERE is still time to 'Sign for the A83' as more people get behind the campaign to push for the area's roads to be sorted.

West Coast Motors is amongst some of the major companies that have been voicing their support this week.

At last Thursday's meeting of Argyll and Bute Council the Leader of the Council Dick Walsh and the Provost Billy Petrie agreed to sign the petition.

The remaining members of the administration followed suit.

This campaign is non-party political and is aimed at trying to gather as much support as possible to put pressure on the government to do something about the A83.

This includes not just the Rest and Be Thankful but also other prob-

lem spots on the road, including at Ardrishaig and Tarbert and turning the A83 from Campbeltown to Kennacraig into a trunk road.

Argyll First councillors behind the campaign are delighted that the campaign has united the council.

Councillor Donald Kelly told *The Courier* eight MSPs and 33 councillors are supporting the campaign.

Less Disruption

Colin Craig, Managing Director of West Coast Motors said for local people the major benefits of the recommended improvements would be less disruption of the company's services due to adverse weather conditions or road closures caused by landslides as well as the potential for a reduction in journey times.

'For visitors, the possi-



David Mullen, left, and Dave Ward of Campbeltown Lifeboat testing the new lifejackets with Finn and Rowan MacKay-Hubbard, from Tarbert. Finn and Rowan were down visiting Campbeltown with their Dad for the day and got the chance to see the lifeboat boys in action. The new lifejackets have been introduced to the lifeboat station over the last few weeks. Each of the 28 crewmembers had to test the lifejackets as they are different from the old ones before they can be fully put into use. The new jackets are more comfortable, have extra pockets for torches or similar items and are more user-friendly. 21_c02life02

ble benefits would be reduced journey times and improved accessibility,' said Mr Craig. 'These factors along with the £8 million Southworth Development in Kintyre and our efforts, via the

Kintyre Express, to open up Kintyre as a destination from Ireland would result in a significant boost to our local economy through increased numbers of visitors.'

The Federation of

Small Businesses is encouraging its members and any businesses in Argyll to sign the petition as any improvements will be of benefit to their business.

There is still time to

sign the petition, either on paper, which is available throughout a number of shops and businesses in Argyll, and online at www.gopetition.com, which has nearly 300 signatures.

Resurfacing of the A83 stalled

FURTHER disruption on a vital main road will not go ahead after Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell intervened to have scheduled resurfacing works stalled on the A83 at Rest and Be Thankful.

The MSP has agreed with transport minister Keith Brown that the work will not go ahead as had been planned over the next few weeks.

Mr Russell pursued the case after many of his constituents demanded that there should be no more road closures on the Rest and Be Thankful until a longer-term solution can be found for the trouble-prone road.

Mr Russell told *The Courier*: 'Obviously the disruption in recent weeks has made it incredibly difficult for businesses and residents in Argyll to go about daily life.'

'Keith Brown agreed not to go ahead with the resurfacing works due for the end of this month. This is a sensible decision for all concerned. We need to limit the disruption until a long-term sustainable solution can be found.'

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Meeting lasts eight minutes

A ROW has broken out over last week's full meeting of Argyll and Bute Council, which 31 members attended for just eight minutes.

New Oban north and Lorn councillor, Louise Glen-Lee of the SNP, was quick to criticise the administration for holding such a short meeting, saying it was a waste of taxpayers money, with members able to claim travel expenses of 45p per mile for the journey to Kilmory.

Island councillors can also claim accommodation expenses for the meeting if required to stay overnight.

However, the deputy leader of the authority, Ellen Morton, was just

as quick to return fire on Mrs Glen-Lee, saying she is 'ill-informed' and 'factually inaccurate.'

Furthermore, many of the councillors who attended wouldn't be claiming expenses, she said, saying most administration members car-shared.

Only eight items were on the agenda for last week's meeting. However, one item was withdrawn just before the meeting started, while councillor James Robb demanded a motion appear on the agenda, despite being advised in advance that it was incompetent.

Oban north and Lorn councillor, Louise Glen-Lee, said: 'It was a to-

tal waste of time and money bringing us all here. The council has to find another way of doing things. It is terrible this was allowed to go ahead.'

But Helensburgh and Lomond south councillor, Ellen Morton, said the brevity of the meeting was as much the responsibility of the SNP opposition for not asking questions about any item on the agenda, including a report summarising the council's borrowing, investment and economic forecasts.

Furthermore, she said a number of meetings were held after the full council meeting, resulting in a busy afternoon for most members.

Book delivery service decreases

THE number of people using a local library service for the housebound has decreased.

Over the years Campbeltown Library has provided a library book delivery service to people who have difficulty leaving their home.

Now it is trying to get more folk using this scheme and get more locals reading again.

There are currently six housebound people in Campbeltown who take advantage of this.

The library books are delivered by six volunteers on a three-weekly rota by the British Red Cross to people who live in Campbeltown.

Although this service is limited only to the Campbeltown area, arrangements for a family member or a carer to collect items can be extended to those outside of the town.

Staff at Campbeltown Library are happy to



Jose Maria Lopez, right, of Campbeltown Library with Irene Millar from the British Red Cross who has been involved with the homebound service for around 12 years. 21_c04librby01

help people select books to suit a reader's preference.

This service has been in operation for the last two decades and it's free of charge.

The loan period is up to three months to maximise readers' flexibility and needs. There is no limit on the number of people wishing to enjoy this scheme.

Councillor Colville hits back

COUNCILLOR Rory Colville has hit back at claims made by a fellow councillor in last week's *Campbeltown Courier*, concerning the marina project.

Councillor Colville, chairman of the Campbeltown CHORD project, told *The Courier* the reason for the delay in decisions being made is that there was a request from a CHORD Project Board member for more information.

Queries

Once the information was supplied further queries were raised about the criteria by which the recommendations had been arrived at.

'All of this was despite the fact that one to one meetings were arranged with officers of the council as far back as the beginning of September,' said Councillor Colville.

'The agenda of the next meeting of the Campbeltown CHORD Project Board will include the berthing facilities and other proposals that have still to be allocated funding.'

'All of this is of enormous importance to the people of Campbeltown and the surrounding area.'

He said much has already been achieved by the CHORD project including ongoing work

on 32 new homes on the old Park Square and roads depot site which could not have been built without CHORD funding.

Greatest benefit

'Can I assure your readers that as well as trying to gain the greatest benefit from the remaining unallocated funding in the CHORD project, I will over the next few weeks in the lead up to the budget, be fighting on their behalf to secure £1.2 million for capital works on the Old Quay to safeguard the future of our fishing industry, after all if the Old Quay is not fit for purpose there will be no berthing facilities,' he said.

Taxi fares could be frozen for 18 months

TAXI drivers across Argyll and Bute could be lumbered with the same fare structure for at least the next 18 months.

At the local authority's planning, protective services and licensing committee last week, councillors voted to freeze fares but at the same time opted to extend the current annual review period by six months.

This is something that is causing concern for an industry beset by tax and fuel price increases as well as a weakening economy in recent years.

Drivers have until March 1 to make their views on the proposals.

What do you think of the proposals? Do you agree with them or are you a taxi driver and disagree with the plans? Get in touch www.facebook.com/campbeltowncourier

Ambulance dispute agreement

PROPOSALS to end the long-standing dispute in the Scottish Ambulance Service over staff working times have been agreed.

Last week in the Scottish Parliament, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Wellbeing Nicola Sturgeon announced details of new arrangements following negotiations between joint trade unions, the Scottish Ambulance Service and Scottish Government representatives.

Unite Scottish Secretary Pat Rafferty said: 'The latest developments are a step in the right direction.'

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Police Files

Drunk and Disorderly:

TWO men were arrested and issued with fixed penalty tickets for being drunk and disorderly on Main Street, Campbeltown. The incident happened at 2am on Sunday morning.

Youths causing bother:

THERE has been two incidents where youths have been causing bother in common closes early in the morning.

On Sunday morning at 4am on Longrow a group of youths were moved on; a second group were moved on after reports at 5am on Fisher Row, Campbeltown.

Alleged assault:

POLICE received a report of an alleged assault on Friday night at 11.15pm.

The incident was reported to have been in the Davaar Avenue area of Campbeltown, and no one was arrested.

Speed checks:

SPEED checks were carried out at Drumore, Campbeltown on Sunday morning.

Three warnings were issued and one fixed penalty for speeding at 10am.

Bomb on beach:

MEMBERS of the public came across a bomb on Saturday on Carradale Beach.

They came across it at 1pm and raised the alarm with local police. It turned out to be a World War Two mortar bomb which was washed up.

The Royal Navy Bomb Disposal Unit from Faslane was brought down and blew up the device on Sunday morning.

New event to replace Round Britain Race

CAMPBELTOWN will hold its own event in replace of the Round Britain Race 2012 as it announced it would not be coming to the area in June.

The group that was formed to take forward the plans for the race, is wanting to encourage more people to come forward for a water-based event which will be held over the June 23 and 24.

At a meeting last week, willing volunteers made the decision to try and arrange for some sort of event to take place to try and entice visitors to the town.

Town Centre Manager, Aileen MacLennan told *The Courier*: 'In order to make this work we really need willing volunteers.'

'The current group has limited numbers so we need more people to help out in order for this to go ahead, particularly groups and individuals who have an interest in the sea.'

'I would urge them to attend our next meeting which will be held on Wednesday February 8 in the Ardshiel Hotel, Campbeltown, at 7pm.'



The Kintyre Schools Junior Band with instructor Katy Welch. 21_c04band01

Band qualifies for London festival

FOR the first time since 1989 an Argyll band has qualified for the National Concert Band Festival in London.

The Kintyre Schools Junior Band, received the gold award in October and an invitation was

extended for the band to attend the National finals at the end of March.

The band features children from primary six to S2 from all the primary schools in the area including the grammar school.

It also boasts members from Lochgilhead who travel down for practices. Fundraising for the trip will start this weekend with bag packing at the Co-Op, with the aim to raise around £5,000 to fund the trip.

Six months in jail

A YOUNG Campbeltown man who was found guilty of threatening a woman was sentenced to six months in prison.

Peter Gamble, aged 21, of 4A Queen Street, denied the offence and demanding money from a man on November 23 last year at 68 Longrow, Campbeltown.

A crown witness told the court he was in the living room of the flat when Gamble came 'storming in' demanding his bankcard.

In his evidence Gamble said he was on Main Street, Campbeltown at this time and denied going into the flat. He said the only time he saw the woman during that day was at the court.

Evidence

Sheriff Ruth Anderson said she had 'no hesitation' in accepting the evidence of the crown witnesses and found him guilty.

She sentenced him to six months imprisonment.

Quiet start to the year for fire station

IT HAS been a quiet start to the year for Campbeltown Fire Station.

The crews have had few calls, mainly false alarms or alarms being activated

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Revised Gigha ferry timetable

A REVISED timetable for ferry sailings between Tayinloan and Gigha during February and March has been agreed.

The new timetable, which has been agreed in consultation with the island's residents, will be in operation Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

It will be in operation between February 6 and Friday March 29, 2012, inclusive, when the winter timetable ends.

However, it will not be in operation on the following dates to accommodate increased ferry traffic expected as a result of the celebrations

planned around the tenth anniversary of the buyout of the island: Wednesday 14 March, Thursday 15 March and Friday 17 March.

Argyll and Bute's spokesman for rural and island affairs, housing and Gaelic, Councillor Robin Currie, said the amendments were just the latest decision to be made in partnership with the community.

'We have done everything we can to minimise the inconvenience to those who rely on this ferry, and that has been done through trying to ensure that they are involved as much as

possible in the alternative arrangements,' he said.

'I am grateful to the community for their on-going co-operation during these works. The reward at the end of it will be the smoother operation of what is a lifeline ferry service for the people of Gigha.'

A weekend closure has already been agreed for January 28 and 29 2012 where a service to Kennacraig will operate. However, if the weather prevents sheet-piling works from being undertaken, the closure will take place the following weekend, February 4 and 5 January 2012.

Household water charges frozen

SCOTTISH Water household charges will be frozen for the fourth year running.

In April 2012 household water charges will remain frozen ensuring customers continue to get real value for money.

'Water charges help pay for the investment which is needed to ensure we continue to deliver clearer, fresher drinking water

at its highest quality, protect the environment and continue to improve service to our customers,' said a Scottish Water spokesman.

'The fact that charges are being kept at the same level for the fourth year running is a tribute to the efforts of management and everyone who works at Scottish Water in creating an even

more efficient Scottish Water.'

The average household charge will remain at £324 which was the same level it was in 2009/10.

As part of its regulatory contract agreed for the five years from 2010-2015 Scottish Water will deliver a massive investment programme supporting thousands of jobs across Scotland.



Early Year's Practitioners Tracey Brogan and Chloe Rice, with some of the children who will benefit from the vegetable and herb garden.

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Grant for vegetable and herb garden

CASH has been awarded to a local group to design and harvest a vegetable and herb garden.

The Green Activity Zone (GAZ) at Aqualibrium, Campbeltown has been given a £1,753 grant from Community Food and Health (Scotland).

The group was awarded the funding through its work under a Scottish Government funded scheme to promote healthy eating.

Kim Newstead, Community Food and Health (Scotland) Development Officer said: 'We are always impressed

at the range of healthy eating activities that community groups achieve with quite small amounts of money and the difference these can make to people in their community.'

GAZ has also been awarded £2,000 from the Scottish Community Fund towards its garden project.

The group is keen to hear from anyone who would be able to help them, either through providing their skills, or materials for the garden and are looking to get as many people as possible involved.

Man stole television set from Tesco

SENTENCE was deferred on a 41-year-old man after he admitted stealing a television from Tesco in Campbeltown.

Michael Anthony Hall, c/o 2 Caraview, Tayinloan, admitted the offence on January 12, and to possessing Diamorphine at the charge bar of Campbeltown Police Station.

Procurator fiscal David Glancy told Campbeltown Sheriff Court last

week that Hall entered Tesco on Lochend Street, Campbeltown.

Realised

He said he picked up the 19 inch television, then realised there was a tag on it so made his way through the store and out the back through the loading bay.

A cleaner saw Hall and raised the alarm.

When police traced Hall he told them he had just sold the television

to someone in the pub for £30 but wouldn't tell them who.

Police detained the accused and at the charge bar discovered a bag containing three smaller plastic bags containing Diamorphine. He said the accused then tried to stamp on them.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC deferred sentence for two months, until March 15, for him to be of good behaviour.

Ring and Ride service

THE future of the Campbeltown Ring and Ride service is still being discussed.

In December, arrangements were being made for it to continue to run for three days every week from early February.

The decision comes after several discussions between Argyll and Bute Council and community transport groups, people who use the service and West Coast Motors.

The funding the council gave to support the service was reduced as one of the savings options accepted by the council in the 2011 budget.

An Argyll and Bute Council spokeswoman said: 'We will be able to tell users of the outcome as soon as this is agreed.'

Sentence deferred

PUNCHING a man on the head saw Michael Johnson having his sentence deferred for good behaviour for six months.

At Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week, Johnson, aged 24, of Flat 34G, High Street, admitted the offence on Bolgam Street, Campbeltown on November 20. His defence agent told the court: 'He was so drunk he had little or no recollection of this incident.'

Sheriff Ruth Anderson deferred sentence until July 5.

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Rona Cameron recently graduated with a BSc in Adult Nursing at Inverness Campus, Stirling University. Rona is the daughter of Donnie and Kate Cameron.



Kelly Tuite graduated Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Event and Tourism Management from University Campus Suffolk. Kelly is the daughter of John Tuite Kilmichael and of Dianne Warr Liphook Hampshire.

Wind farm proposals will go on display

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PROPOSALS for a 26-turbine wind farm north-west of Glenbarr will go on display next month.

Last year Burcote Wind announced proposals for Creggan Wind Farm with a total installed capacity of 78 megawatts, which was met with a mixed reaction from the West Kintyre community.

If approved, the wind farm could generate enough electricity to power 58,000 homes and would offset almost

118,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide each year.

As currently proposed, the project would also be accompanied by a community benefit fund worth £234,000 each year, or £5.9 million over its 25-year lifetime.

The plans for the wind farm will be on display at Glenbarr Village Hall on February 23 when interested members of the local community will have an opportunity to discuss the proposals

with the project team.

The event is just one element of community engagement programme Burcote Wind has lined up, designed to keep people up to date with the project.

Burcote Wind chairman Graham Brown told *The Courier*: 'Proper community consultation is extremely important to us. We are keen to talk to the local community about our proposals at an early stage of the process so they can have a meaningful input into the project design.'

'This public exhibition is just one part of a much wider programme of engagement and consultation we are currently undertaking.'

He said the project has potential to give a major boost to the local economy in West Kintyre.

'I hope as many members of the local community as possible will take the opportunity to come along to our first exhibition, to ask questions and to give us feedback,' said Mr Brown. The event will take place from 2pm to 7.30pm.



PIPERS entertained on the town's Main Street on Saturday as part of the South Kintyre Development Trust workshops being held in the town hall. 21_c04pipe01

Community Councillors wanted

NEW members are being sought to join Campbeltown Community Council.

There are now five places available for local people from all areas of town, but in particular from the Ralston Road and Davaar Avenue areas of town.

There are currently 11 members on the community council but there should be 16.

Convener Jim Martin spoke at this month's meeting and asked for anyone to come forward.

'Some people think we are a waste of time, but we're not, we're far from that. We are looking for people with different backgrounds and different age groups,' he said.

Anyone over the age of 18 and on the voters roll can apply.

Volleyball competition

A VOLLEYBALL competition is taking place in March for the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islands area.

The competition is taking place in the Victoria Hall, Campbeltown on March 21.

It is being run by Active Schools co-ordinator Lindsay Ramsay with schools from across the area taking part.

Man jailed for making false allegations

JAMES Anderson was sent to jail for four months after admitting making false allegations.

Anderson, of 123 Longrow, Campbeltown pled guilty that on October 1 last year at Glebe Street and Longrow, Campbeltown to making false allegations on two separate occasions causing officers to devote their time to investigate them when he knew they were false.

Procurator fiscal David Glancy told the town's sheriff court last week that it was 2am and the accused dialled '999' anonymously and said he was passing a drugs package to someone if they wanted to let the police know.

When police went a drive around the streets the only person they could see was the accused but didn't know it was him who had made the call.

Another call was made two hours later when Anderson pretended to be

someone else and reported that a Jamie Anderson had assaulted a man on Glebe Street.

Police went to the home of the man who was allegedly assaulted and he was in bed; police officers drew a blank.

A police sergeant who was watching the closed circuit television at that time saw Anderson and suspected he may have a part to play in it. He obtained the number from the 999 operator for who made the calls. When the police sergeant phoned Anderson could be seen answering his phone on CCTV.

Anderson's defence agent described the situation as 'bizarre' and said there was no explanation for this behaviour.

He said the 30-year-old was heavily under the influence of drink and drugs at the time and apologised.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC sentence Anderson to four months imprisonment.

Campbeltown members of Oban Mountain Rescue Team assist in incidents

CAMPBELTOWN members of Oban Mountain Rescue Team have assisted in incidents since the start of the New Year.

Last weekend the team were tasked to find two people lost on Beinn a Chreachain.

They had become lost in mist and dark and called for help. The team found them and walked both off the ridge back to the Bridge of Orchy; both were well and uninjured.

They were called out

early last Monday morning to search along with Arrochar and Strathclyde Police Mountain Rescue Teams and Rescue Helicopter 177 from *HMS Gannet* for a walker who was reported overdue on Binnein an Fhìdhleir.

Rescue 177 spotted the casualty at around noon and a group including members from all three-teams made its way to the location. The casualty was taken from the hill but sadly his injuries were fatal.

Fined £100 for failing to use a tachograph

A LORRY driver who failed to use a tachograph was fined £100 at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week.

Michael Gallagher, aged 53, of 21 Gardner Road, Heysham, Morecambe, Lancashire pleaded guilty to failing to use a record sheet from the moment of taking over the vehicle until the end of the daily working period during a journey from Morecambe to Campbeltown on November 2.

Jemma to make skydive

A CAMPBELTOWN woman will be taking to the skies for charity next month. Jemma Green, aged 24, is doing a charity skydive in aid of Muscular Dystrophy Campaign with friends from Dumbarton.

She will take part in the skydive on February 29 at Strathallen Air Field and is looking to raise as much money as possible

towards the cause.

Jemma told *The Courier* she has never done anything like this and is terrified.

Sponsors can be given through Jemma's Just Giving page, by texting JEMZ91£1 to donate £1 or whatever the amount to 70070, or Jemma will also be using sponsor sheets around Campbeltown.

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Thought for the Week with Marilyn Shedden



I wonder if you are off to a Burns' Supper this weekend.

I always enjoy the colour and fun of these events as we pay tribute to one of Scotland's most famous sons.

There will be a great rush on haggis, and our hands will be sore chopping neeps and champing tatties.

Rabbie's portrait will grace many village halls and speeches will be made throughout the land.

I often wonder what more can be said about Burns, but someone always comes up with a new angle or a new thought, such is the vastness of this man's character.

I wonder if, as Rabbie made his first cry, his mother could have imagined just how that voice would echo throughout time.

Burns was indeed many things, poet and politician, philosopher and philanderer, and so much more.

He was a voice for the people he loved. He was a champion of the marginalised and the poor. He loved and respected the natural world. He detested false piety, hated hypocrisy, abhorred inequality and knew well his own faults.

He was a man of faith and of kindness, and a man of love and of passion.

He was a man of vision, and what greater vision than to dream of the day when 'man to man the world o'er shall brithers be for a' that'

He shared that dream with some of the greatest – Martin Luther King, Oscar Romero, Nelson Mandela, Aung San Suu Kyi, and many saints unknown to us, but well known to God.

Burns' poetry is respected throughout the world and there are more statues in his honour than there are to any other literary figure.

So as we raise our glasses tonight, or whenever, let us fill them with the milk of human kindness as well as the 'water of life' and embrace the dream.



Down Memory Lane

OUR Down Memory Lane this week features Drumlembie Primary School. This is the primary 6/7 class and it is thought the photograph was taken around the 1960s. Left to right, back row: Jean Kerr, Elizabeth Merilees, Kathleen Muir, Jessie Ralston and Flora Graham. Middle row: Margaret McGuire, Jean Wardrop, Sheila Irwin, Margaret Jackson, Maureen Colville and Isobel Watson. Front row: Robert Millar, Duncan Greenlees, Alec Docherty, William Kelly, James McPhee and James Allen.

Thanks from Scottish Hydro Electric

Sir,
Following the storm force winds experienced earlier in the month resulting in the loss of power to so many properties within Argyll and Bute, I felt I should write and express my thanks to our customers for their patience, understanding and support in what must have been very tough and challenging conditions.

As a result of the storm, our teams undertook the equivalent of four months of fault repair work in just four days and the support of the local community was invaluable to us. In many cases, local residents were offering use of 4x4s, quad bikes and assisting in clearing roads blocked by debris to allow our engineers access to damaged parts of the electricity net-

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work as quickly as possible.

While we used social network Twitter, our website and emergency line to provide updates, we appreciate that communication during an event like this is critical and we will be looking at how we can improve this during severe weather events in the future.

In exceptional events such as these, industry regulator Ofgem specifies the level of compensation, which is available to customers. However, we have decided to make a payment well in excess of what these regulations specify and will provide customers who were without power for more than 48 hours with an ex-gratia payment

of £75. Customers can claim this by writing to The Claims Department, Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution, Inveralmond House, 200 Dunkeld Road, Perth, PH1 3AQ or by emailing feedback@sse.com.

The community spirit during the storms was incredible and I would like to thank everybody for the support given to our engineers and teams during these very difficult few weeks. The support we have received means a lot to the teams of people working to deliver a reliable and sustainable electricity supply to Argyll and Bute.

Stuart Hogarth,
Director of
Scottish Hydro
Electric Power
Distribution.

More support for A83 campaign

Sir,
The Road Haulage Association (RHA) wholeheartedly agrees with Argyll First that the time has come for fundamental and lasting improvements to be made to the A83.

Whilst the current 'patchwork' approach in responding to emergency closures is of some help, and absolutely necessary at the time of the incident, the continual disruption to business – and in our particular case to haulage operators, is very damaging to the area's economy.

Hauliers increasingly have to alter their vehi-

cle and delivery schedules at short notice in order to meet their contractual commitments.

This also entails incurring extra costs as the detours involved usually involve many extra miles.

Also as an area relatively remote from the rest of Scotland and the main business markets, substantive works to improve pinch points and accident black spots are urgently needed.

We therefore strongly support the local community in aiming to achieve its goal of radically improving the A83.

Phil Flanders,
Road Haulage
Association,
Director Scotland and
Northern Ireland.

State of the electricity network

Sir,
Following the recent power cuts, I persuaded the Scottish Affairs Select Committee to hold an inquiry into the state of the electricity network and the response of the power companies to the cuts. The main aim is to see what can be done to reduce the risk of future power cuts.

If you would like to contact the committee with your views on what should be done, please email the committee by February 2 in a Word or rich text format at scotaffcom@parliament.uk.

If you don't have email please write to my office as below and I will forward your letter to the committee.

Yours sincerely
Alan Reid MP,
95 Alexandra Parade,
Dunoon,
Argyll,
PA23 8AL.

Correction

IN LAST week's *Courier*, an advert for Westwards Veterinary Practice, the website address should have read www.westwardsvet.co.uk.

Apologies for any confusion.

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Jura Trust welcomes draft ferries review

JURA Development Trust has mainly welcomed the proposals affecting the island in the Draft Scottish Ferries Review.

The trust has reached a consensus on the proposals, which include free ferry travel from Jura to Islay for those then travelling on to the mainland and the increase of ferries from Kennacraig coming to Port Askaig.

While the proposals have been widely wel-

comed, there is disappointment at the lack of support for the Tayvallich passenger ferry service, which the trust says is 'of massive economic benefit' to Jura, and Argyll as a whole.

Draft proposals

Commenting on the draft proposals Jura Development Trust secretary Peter Wotherspoon said: 'We support in principle the idea that a trip to the mainland will cost the same for a Diùrach as an Ìleach.

The proposal to include the trip across the Sound of Islay in the fare to the mainland and not as an additional cost of over £15 for a car and passenger is particularly welcome.

'We are pleased that the government supports the need for more ferries to use Port Askaig terminal. Its support is recognition that the 60-mile round trip across Islay for the people of Jura and our visitors to catch ferries at Port El-

len is an undue burden on us.

'We welcome also the planned introduction of the Road Equivalent Tariff because it offers a potential boost for tourism.

Crucial

'The lifeline Islay to Jura ferry link remains crucial to the community on the island, but the fact that the journey is currently one of the most expensive in Scotland is extremely detrimental.'



Parking will always be a problem

PARKING will always be an ongoing problem in Campbeltown, according to the local police inspector.

Inspector Tom Harper told last week's meeting of Campbeltown Community Council that there is still a problem in Burnside Square because of the lack of road markings.

'It is difficult to enforce any parking restrictions,' he said

'It is not going to go away until it is

reviewed and something is done about it,' he said.

He said police in the town were working their way through illegal parking areas like Longrow as and when required.

'I think the problem has improved to a certain extent, it comes in dribs and drabs. A management plan is still being looked at,' he told community councillors.

Argyll and Bute draft budget papers published next week

ARGYLL and Bute's draft budget papers for 2012/13 will be published this week.

The proposals have been drawn up following a lengthy period of public consultation, during which the council sought to engage the maximum possible number of individuals and groups.

Consultation

The aim of the consultation was to alert people to the budget process and to the need for the council to make significant savings, and give

residents the opportunity to make suggestions as to what they think the council's spending priorities should be.

Council leader, Councillor Dick Walsh, said: 'This was one of the most comprehensive consultations we have ever undertaken.

'Our aim was to engage with the widest possible cross section of the Argyll and Bute community, and we took on board people's suggestions as to how we might reach the maximum number of

residents.

'The consultation set out the overall context for our budget, and showed how funds are currently divided between service areas.

Challenges

'We also clearly set out the financial challenges we face as a result of the reduction in overall public sector finance, and asked our residents for their views and responses to various questions.'

The papers were due to be published yesterday (Thursday).

Drink driver fined and banned

DRIVING over the legal alcohol level cost a Campbeltown man his license at the town's sheriff court last week.

Christopher McAllister, aged 26, of Flat 4-3, 41 Mill Street admitted driving a car with 162 microgrammes in 100 millilitres of urine on July 31 on Shore Street, Campbeltown; the legal limit is 107.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC banned him from driving for four years and ordered him to pay a fine of £280.

SNH latest strategy announced

MORE people should be encouraged to experience, enjoy and value Argyll's nature and landscapes, a recent report has suggested.

Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH) has announced in its latest strategy that the county's natural environment will help support wealth, health, lifestyle and culture in the area.

Vowing to work with landowners, businesses, voluntary organisations, and community groups across Scotland, SNH says it will work to ensure Scotland's natural attractions help boost the economy.

The SNH corporate strategy is available from the organisation's website at www.snh.gov.uk.

Fuel duty discount scheme

ALAN Reid, MP for Argyll and Bute has welcomed the announcement in the House of Commons earlier this week by Chief Secretary to the Treasury Danny Alexander that almost every petrol retailer on the islands has signed up to the fuel duty discount scheme.

At Treasury Question Time in the House of Commons, Mr Reid had asked Mr Alexander for an update on progress towards introducing the fuel duty discount scheme. In reply, the Chief Secretary said that the five pence per litre fuel duty discount scheme would be available to customers at island filling stations from March 1.

Council's new planning inquiries 'golden number' goes live

IT IS now easier for members of the public with planning inquiries to contact Argyll and Bute Council.

The new 'golden number' went live on Tuesday and will replace planning services' previous reception numbers in the various council areas.

Automatically

The number is 01546 605518 and anyone dialling one of the old numbers will hear a message telling them about the new golden number before being automatically transferred to it.

Chairman of the planning, protective services and licensing committee, Councillor Daniel Kelly, said it was all part of

making the council more customer-friendly.

'We wanted to ensure that the system for handling initial customer inquiries regarding planning made the best use of our significant investment in the Customer Service Centre and Customer Service Points,' he added.

The new number, which has 20 lines available at any one time, will handle all initial customer contacts for planning services, including building standards and planning policy.

Posters advertising the new golden number have already been put up in the customer service points and in planning office receptions.

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Coffee mornings

CAMPBELTOWN Action Group and Cancer Research UK are holding coffee mornings tomorrow (Saturday).

The Bible Society will be holding its in Lorne and Lowland Old Hall, and Cancer Research UK's will be taking place in the Red Cross Hall, Campbeltown; both are from 10am to noon.

Car boot sale

A CAR boot sale will be taking place at Campbeltown Heritage Centre next Saturday.

It will take place on February 2 with the first Farmers Market of the year also there.

See advert for more details.

Recipe book

A NEW recipe book promoting Scottish produce is seeking recipes.

The RSABI is working on the new book to try and raise cash for the charity's funds.

If you have any recipes that fit the bill, please email eilidh.grieve@rsabi.org.uk

Lottery

TARBERT Football Club's Lottery numbers for January 23: 4, 12 and 20 no winners so £300 for next week.

A wonderful night of music at Lorne and Lowland Church Hall

Zambra - one of the most popular wind quintets in the land

IT WAS evident from their playing that *Quintet Zambra* have established themselves as one of the most popular wind quintets in the land.

The quality of playing at Lorne and Lowland Church Hall last week from start to finish was well articulated and balanced, with great attention to detail and dynamic range.

The programme began with Mozart's *Overture to the Magic Flute* and was followed by three sea shanties, cleverly and amusingly arranged by Malcolm Arnold.

The first half concluded with an arrangement for wind quintet of the string quartet in F, opus 96 by Dvorak, subtitled *The American*. This was the highlight of the evening. It was given a most vivid interpretation throughout its four movements and required

much stamina and breath control from the musicians.

The second half opened with three short pieces by the French composer, Jacques Ibert, and continued with a quintet in five movements by Paul Hindemith. Much of the thematic material resembled military march style. The fourth movement was most surprising with a short main theme interspersed with brief cadenzas from each instrument – and all in the space of one minute.

The concert concluded with a dance suite by Norman Hallam. This comprised Waltz, Bosanova Quick Step and Charleston. The last dance featured synchronised movement as well and was the perfect conclusion to a wonderful evening's music making.



Quintet Zambra has performed at a number of concerts across the area. 16_c03quintet01

Still time to vote for your Citizen and Young Musician of the Year

THERE is still time to nominate your Citizen of the Year or Young Musician of the Year.

The Rotary Club of Campbeltown organises the awards annually to recognise the good work people do in Kintyre and the talent of the peninsula's young people.

Good citizenship is recognised through the Citizen of the Year award.

Nominations are welcome from anyone who feels someone has given outstanding service to the community during 2011.

The Norman and Phyllis Milne Fund will award the Young Musician of the Year with the trophy and £2,000 to the most promising young musician of 2011.

Applications are invited

from young musicians of secondary school age, residents in South Kintyre or from persons on their behalf, stating their name, address, date of birth, telephone number and musical experience, with a short outline as to why they deserve to be nominated.

Nomination forms for both awards are available from Keith's Newsa-

gents, Main Street, Campbeltown. Entries for both should be received by February 17.

Letters and nomination forms should be sent to: The Secretary, Rotary Club of Campbeltown, Argyll Arms Hotel, Main Street, Campbeltown, PA28, marking the envelope clearly for which category you wish to enter.

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Good response at workshops

by RUTH McCLEAN
editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk

SOUTH Kintyre Development Trust had a good response from workshops held in the local town hall on Saturday.

Various organisations went along to gather different views on projects, which they hope to go ahead in Campbeltown, as well as giving people the chance to give their opinion on what the town needs.

The great people, beautiful landscapes, and the excellent events are what some say makes Campbeltown a great place to live in according to the results of the Campbeltown – Your Future? survey carried out last year.

Presented

The results of this were presented to the community at the drop in event.

This information and the feedback from the event will be used to form the Campbeltown Community Action Plan.

This project is being carried out by the South Kintyre Development Trust with support from Argyll and the Isles LEADER, Awards for All, South Kintyre Area Development Group, East Kintyre Wind Farm Trust, West Kintyre Wind Farm Trust and Inspiralba.



Above: Iain Johnston, Martha Rennie, and Maureen Johnston of Kintyre Cultural Forum displayed information about a planned arts centre. 21_c04skdt01

Kintyre Piping Society holds Burn's Night Ceilidh in the Argyll Arms Hotel

THE Kintyre Piping Society kick starts the New Year with its popular Burn's Night Ceilidh in the Argyll Arms Hotel tomorrow evening (Saturday).

This is a Burn's night with a difference, light-hearted and plenty of music for everyone to enjoy.

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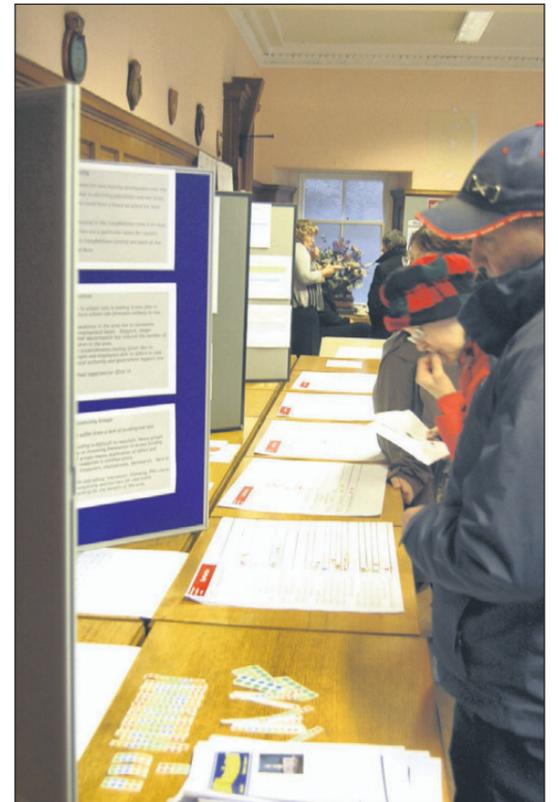
ice Juvenile Pipe Band, with pipers bringing in the Haggis, which will be addressed by Alasdair Cousin will start off the night.

James McCorkindale Highland dancers, fiddle group Clan na Ceol, Gus McAllister and Roger Gillespie on accordion, a brass band quartet and of course Kay Johnston and Alister Gillies with Frank Rochford on fiddle, will be taking to the floor throughout the evening.

It all adds up to a great night's entertainment.

Doors open at 7pm and see advert for more details.

Right: A large amount of information was available for people to have a look over and give their views. 21_c04skdt02



Academy folk group on Danny Kyle Open Stage

FOLLOWING success in the music festival Celtic Connections, Tarbert Academy's Folk Group was offered a slot on the Danny Kyle Open Stage on Sunday in the Glasgow Royal Concert Hall.

Lucy Kemp Smith, Emma Kok, Emma MacFarlane, Niamh MacKaveney and Hannah Prill headed for Glasgow at the weekend to take part in the concert.

Artists took to the stage throughout last week with six performances going forward to a finalist's concert.

Coaching champions event next weekend

THE Argyll and Bute Council's coaching champions event will be taking place next week.

Many different courses have been introduced to this year's event, which is the fifth annual sports coaching event.

There are 56 different courses ranging from badminton to shinty that are being offered, and new courses include archery and gym instructor training.

There is still time to enter for the event, with the deadline Monday January 30.

For more information and to book your place visit our website at <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/coachingchampions>.

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8 Countless (6)
9 Several (4)
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15 Appearance (5)
16 It goes around the world (7)
18 Where it is (8)
19 One's supporter... (4)
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22 Not honoured by music? (6)

Down
1 Building blocks (4)
2 Land off the southwest coast of England (5,2,6)
3 Disbelief (7)
4 Adult insect (5)
5 Female heir to the throne (5,8)
6 A gentleman's other half (8)
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17 Extremely small (5)
20 On this cloud and you'll be happy! (4)

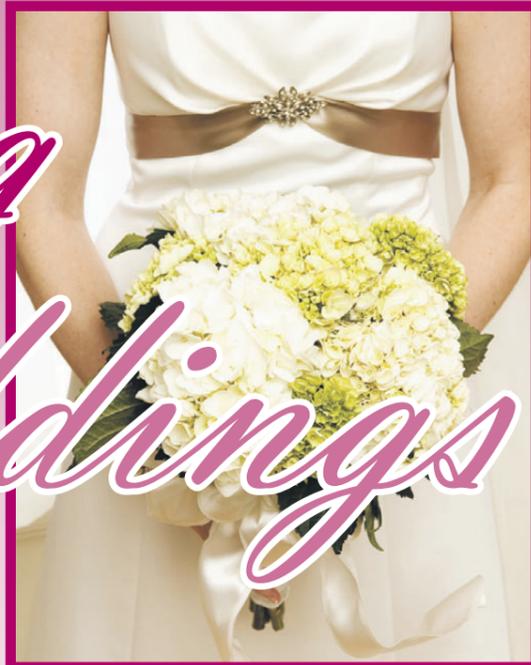
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Smokers urged to kick the habit

SMOKERS in the area are being urged to make 2012 the year to kick the habit.

Argyll and Bute's 15,838 smokers are encouraged to take advantage of the wide range of NHS services to help make it happen.

A new campaign has been launched encouraging smokers to quit with the help of Scotland's national stop smoking helpline.

Smokeline 0800 848484 offers people tips on how to kick the habit geared towards their personal circumstances and needs.

A Scottish Government community engagement team will be visiting

locations across Scotland to inform and advise smokers who want to quit. Visitors will be able to take lung ageing and carbon monoxide tests and also pick up quit calendars to support them through their quit attempts.

A new Scottish Government-commissioned survey suggests four in ten smokers are smoking at least 15 cigarettes per day, but only a quarter think that they are spending more than £1,750 a year on cigarettes – less than the average annual cost of smoking for a 15-a-day smoker of £1,916, suggesting many are underestimating the true cost of their habit.



SHEENA Ramsay, chairwoman for Macmillan Cancer Support, Campbeltown Branch, was presented with a cheque for £532.58 from Dalintober Primary 7, who took part in the World's Biggest Coffee Morning 2011.

Senior councillors subject of complaints

by **Steven Flanagan**
editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk

THE CONDUCT of three of Argyll and Bute's most senior politicians is to be investigated after a complaint from the county's MSP.

The Scottish Government's education secretary, Michael Russell, has lodged a complaint with the Commission for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland alleging that the council's deputy leader, Ellen Morton, and senior councillors Duncan MacIntyre and Robin Currie, misrepresented him.

Mr Russell said: 'The complaint revolves around a motion lodged on November 24 last year by Islay councillor Robin

Currie and seconded by Duncan MacIntyre.

The motion alleged Mr Russell had, at a meeting on May 23 last year, promised on behalf of the Scottish Government to help with future funding of the Jura passenger ferry if the council funded it in 2011, something that is not in his remit to do.

However, the councillors involved say they are 'surprised' that the complaint was lodged, denying any wrongdoing in the process.

Mr Russell said: 'I've made it clear from the beginning that this accusation was serious and, as it was untrue, I

have sought an apology, which has not been forthcoming.

'Accordingly, I have made a complaint under the Commissioner's Code of Conduct. It must be allowed to take its time to consider the matter.'

Mrs Morton said: 'It is very disappointing that he's found it fit to lodge a complaint then go public about it without having the decency to tell me it was being lodged.

'I did receive an email from him asking for an apology. I didn't make one because I haven't done anything wrong.

'I didn't move or second the motion. I voted for it, but so did others so I can't understand

why there's a complaint about me.

'I can understand him complaining about the mover and seconder.'

Mr MacIntyre said: 'I'm certainly surprised and disappointed. I don't see the problem; the Ferries Review has assured the future of the Jura Ferry for the next couple of years anyway.

'While I didn't hear his comments first hand, Ellen Morton is pretty accurate in these sorts of things.

'He's not the minister for transport, but he was fully supportive of taking this forward.'

Mr Currie was contacted for comment but was unavailable at the time of going to press.

Where should the bell be displayed?

WHERE to display a bell, which is being gifted to Campbeltown by its namesake ship, was discussed at the town's community council last week.

During her time with Campbeltown Community Council, Nancie Smith organised for the bell from HMS Campbeltown to be handed over to the town after the ship's decommissioning last year.

Missing yachtsman

COASTGUARD and lifeboat crews from across the area were involved in a search for a missing yachtsman last week.

As well as Tarbert and Carradale coastguard teams, Campbeltown Lifeboat were called to assist their colleagues on Arran when a fishing boat discovered the yacht *Cena* with no one on board.

A search was co-ordinated by Clyde Coastguard with the help of Rescue Helicopter 177 from HMS Gannet in Prestwick last Wednesday.

The search began at around 3.15pm after the alarm had been raised and was then stood down at 8pm that night.

Coastguard crews and Arran lifeboat resumed the search at first light on the Thursday but to no avail and the man's next of kin were informed.

MSP to open new organic orchard

MICHAEL Russell MSP will officially be opening Campbeltown Community Organic Garden's new orchard next month.

Mr Russell will be attending the garden on February 24.

The garden planted its orchard with fruit trees given to all those who wanted them.

The opening will highlight the good work Jim Paterson and Scottish Orchards have been doing for the local area

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Campbeltown Sheriff Court:

Man placed woman in a state of fear and alarm

A 40-YEAR-old Campbeltown man had his sentence deferred for him to be of good behaviour after admitting placing a woman in a state of fear and alarm.

George Paton, of 34C High Street admitted the offence and behaving in a threatening of abusive manner, shouting, swearing, demanding entry and striking a window and door at 68 Longrow on August 5.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC deferred his sentence until May 10 for him to be of good behaviour.

£600 fine throwing traffic cone

A TARBERT teenager was ordered to pay £600 after throwing a traffic cone through a shop window causing it to break.

Stephen MacDougall Cupples, aged 19, of Lorne Cottage, Garval Road, admitted the offence which took place on October 1 last year at Barmore Road, Tarbert.

At Campbeltown Sher-

iff Court last week Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC ordered him to pay £500 compensation as well as a fine of £100.

Sentence deferred

ACAMPBELTOWN man who admitted conducting himself in a disorderly manner had his sentence deferred for good behaviour.

At the town's sheriff court last week Neil Brodie, of Flat 1, 65 Kirk Street, pleaded guilty to the offence where he also placed the occupants of a flat on Longrow in a state of fear and alarm

and breaching the peace, whilst on bail, on October 1 last year.

Sentence was deferred until May 10 for the 32-year-old to be of good behaviour.

Cocktail of alcohol lands man in dock

DRINKING a cocktail of alcohol landed a former Islay man in the dock at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week.

Stephen Bamforth, aged 21, of Room 54, 38 Clyde Place, Glasgow, admitted behaving in a threatening and abu-

sive manner, destroying items of furniture and other household items and placing occupants in a state of fear and alarm at 6 Hawthorn Lane, Bowmore, on October 15 last year.

Procurator fiscal David Glancy told the court Bamforth had a cocktail of Buckfast, lager and whisky with the possibility of drugs on top that night.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC deferred sentence on Bamforth for six months for him to be of good behaviour.

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South African farmer is guest speaker

NIGEL Lok, a dairy farmer from South Africa, was the guest speaker at a meeting in the Ardshiel Hotel, Campbeltown recently.

The event was organised by Davidsons Animal Feeds and Alltech UK to discuss the use of technology to manage large dairy herds efficiently.

Nigel farms 235 hectares in the Tsitsikamma region of the Eastern Cape, South Africa.

The unit currently milks 800 cows through a 60-point rotary parlour, with the plan to expand to 1,000 in the next few years.

The cows are split 50/50 between Holstein, and Holstein Jersey crosses. Cows are grazed all year round, and the farm is divided into 2-hectare paddocks to maximise utilisation of grass.

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Nigel Lok was guest speaker.

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This strategy of using technology to individually feed cows has resulted in Nigel's herd achieving 45 per cent more fat corrected milk than the district average, 30 per cent less concentrate use, and 30 per cent less nitrogen applied to pasture.

Nigel eloquently and entertainingly demonstrated how he uses technology to treat cows individually and in so doing, increase the production and profitability on his dairy unit.

John's the judge

JOHN Ralston will be master judge at the Kintyre and District Ayrshire Breeders Club's annual stock-judging.

It will be taking place on Friday February 3, at Ballygreggan Farm, starting at 7.30pm.

The club will be holding its annual general meeting on March 8 with Margaret Howie, president of the Ayrshire Cattle Society as speaker.

It will be taking place in the Argyll Arms Hotel, Campbeltown at 8pm.

Kintyre & District Ayrshire Breeders Club

Annual Stockjudging

Friday 3rd February

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Annual General Meeting

Thursday 8th March

at 8.00pm

in Argyll Arms Hotel,

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Speaker:

Margaret Howie, Kent

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Cattle Society

Ploughing match postponed

KINTYRE Agricultural Society's ploughing match scheduled for tomorrow has been postponed.

The society was unable to mark out the field at the weekend due to it being too wet. John Armour of the KAS said that with more wet weather forecast over this week they were postponing the match until Saturday February 4.

He asked that anyone wishing to enter the ploughing match to let him know as soon as possible and at the very latest by this Sunday.

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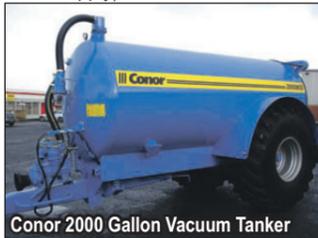
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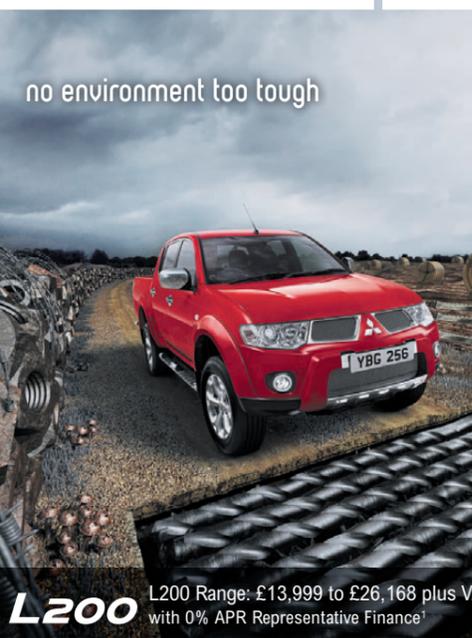
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CONTINUING to provide a competitively priced service to farmers is the aim of Andrew Smith & Son in the coming months, as well as trying to expand further.

The company currently employs three full time and three part time staff, and is currently in talks with Highlands and Islands Enterprise to buy a site for a new purpose built workshop.

They are hoping to expand on staff engineering and fabrication with an aim of taking on a few apprentices and more machinery.



Andrew Smith and Hamish Smart joined forces last year after running different enterprises. They

moved forward as a joint venture and are now in a position to further expand Andrew Smith & Son.

Andrew and Hamish, along with Gus Morrans, provide a competitively and fairly-priced service of fabrication, welding and engineering works as well as agricultural repairs and fabrication to farmers, and non-farming businesses and individuals across Argyll and the islands.

Andrew Smith & Son is also a sub dealer for Agricar selling New Holland tractors, Amazone and Krone machinery, amongst others.

The company also provides a tractor, machinery and telehandler hiring service and are looking to expand to machinery.

As well as providing hires for people throughout the area, Andrew Smith & Son is also a representative for Adam Purvis, Mitsubishi.

CLACHAN

SWRI meeting

CLACHAN SWRI's members brought photos of themselves as children, and these were passed around after the business meeting at its January meeting.

They had to guess who each photo was of, and Joyce Andrews got the most correct, Jane Griffiths was second, and third equal were Paddy Alderson, Glynnis Lewin and Pat Dean.

Everyone had also brought a dish from a recipe by a celebrity chef, and after tasting all the savouries, the sweet dishes were sampled.

The ladies left very full, and with the recipe sheets for them to try out at home. It had been another good night of fun, food and laughter.

COLONSAY

Dead fox

A DEAD fox found on Colonsay has puzzled residents, because the island has been fox free since 1892.

It was found at Scalasaig by islanders Ross Moodie and Chris Baker as they checked the island's fire station for storm damage last month.

How it got there has been the talk of the is-

land. Mr Moodie said: 'Somebody had a theory that it came on a RIB [rigid inflatable boat] carrying Hydro Board workers, but I am of the opinion that it came across in a bin lorry from Oban.'

JURA

Oral culture festival

JURA'S first festival of oral culture will be taking place in April.

The team behind the annual September jamboree of Scottish traditional music has organised the event, which will be a celebration of oral culture.

It will take many forms including storytelling, poetry, song and reading, in English and Gaelic.

With place at its heart the new event will explore Jura, Scotland and the islands, and that common ground of human experience.

Artists and features confirmed for Bàrr mo Theanga include renowned musician and folklorist Alasdair Roberts, a new song cycle based on the works of Islay Bards and workshops, ceilidhs, oral histories and a children's programme.

The event has been made possible by a Quality Production award from Creative Scotland and support from Jura

Development Trust's Argyll and the Islands LEADER and Highlands and Islands funded GatE Local Development Officer.

BELLOCHANTUY

First meeting of 2012

FOR the first meeting of 2012 president Elaine Hemmings welcomed the members of Bellochantuy SWRI to Glenbarr Hall.

Business matters were discussed, after which the president introduced Linda Bryce, a Bellochantuy member, as the demonstrator for the evening.

She showed the meeting how to produce an intriguing variety of handmade items for a forthcoming competition.

After the demonstration members were given the opportunity to try their hand at some of the items whilst Linda ably assisted.

Alice McLean gave a vote of thanks and Linda judged the competitions.

Tea was served and the raffle drawn.

Competition results Baking, Battenberg cake/Bakewell tart: gold Alice McLean and Susan Turner; silver Pam Francis, Elaine Hemmings and Susan Turner; red Libby Kerr.

Knitting, baby jacket with hood: silver Libby Kerr and Susan Turner.

Fun: gold Tricia Fair, Elaine Hemmings and Susan Turner; silver Angie Smith, Nettie Semple, Mary Barbour, Janet Hamilton, Jean Miller, Judith McRae, Libby Kerr, Margaret McKinnon and Morag Branson; red Alice McLean, Sheena Caskey, Annie Taylor and Ann Bolton.

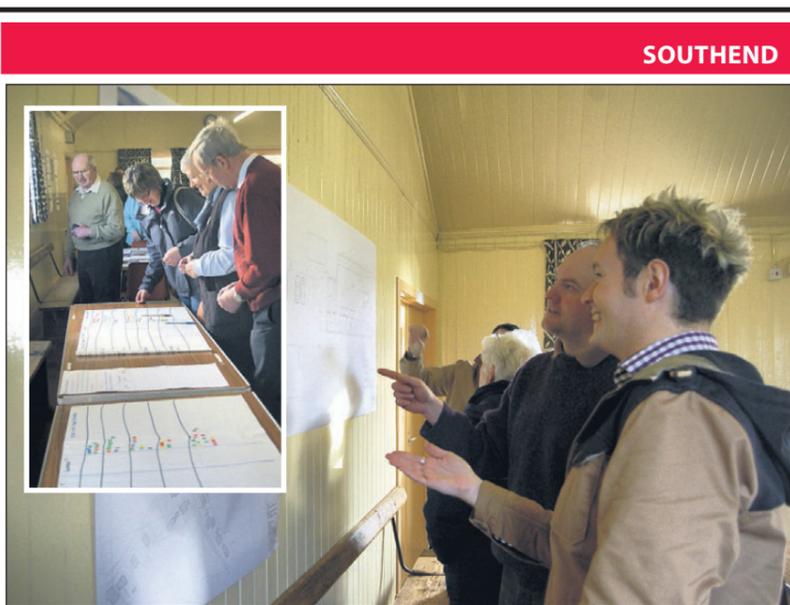
LARGIESIDE

January meeting

LARGIESIDE WRI held its January meeting in Tayinloan Village Hall.

As the president, Helen Steel, was away the vice-president, Mary McDonald, took the meeting.

Mary began by paying tribute to Angela Gillies who died on Saturday, January 14, after a long illness. She then went on to introduce the speaker for the



DAVID Barbour looks over the newly unveiled plans for the new village hall at the community workshop event in Southend organised by South Kintyre Development Trust. Architectural designer, Craig Inglis, right, explained the plans which were available to the public for the first time for the new hall. The event was well attended and people were able to give their views on a number of issues as part of a survey which was completed at the end of last year.

Wendy house

THE wild weather at the start of the year caused damage to Southend Primary School's Wendy house.

The school hopes to have its roof back on again soon.

Golf lessons

ACTIVE schools co-ordinator Lindsay Ramsay has been running a series of Club Golf lessons at Southend Primary.

They have been for Primary 4 to 7 this term, which the children have been enjoying.

Burn's lunch

SOUTHEND Primary School held

a Burns' Lunch for the children on January 25.

All pupils have been learning about Scotland's national poet through music, poetry, art and writing.

P4 to 7 pupils tried their hand at writing an ode to their favourite Scottish foods such as tattie scones, square sausage and Irn Bru.

Younger children in the nursery have been learning all about Chinese New Year.

2012 is the year of the dragon and the children have been having fun making dragon pictures, pretending to be dragons and playing in the role play area, which this month is a Chinese restaurant. They will be eating Chinese food at snack time and will even try to use chopsticks.

SOUTHEND

sir Ghàidhlig Ìle. There was Gaelic song aplenty, with instrumental music, Highland dancing and ceilidh dancing. Performing artistes were Alasdair Currie, Andy McCowan, Mairi McGilivray, Libby Morris, and Ella's Highland dancers, with other local musicians. The gathering enjoyed dancing to Niall Kirkpatrick on accordion and Davie Hastie on drums.

Kilmeny Ceilidhs are for everyone; all ages are welcome, and traditional singers or musicians (of all ages) who come along are welcome to take part. This time it was a special ceilidh, a thank you for all the local support in the Kilmeny Ceilidh Club's first year.

SOUND OF KINTYRE

Meeting

AT THE January meeting of the Sound of Kintyre Homeowner's group the following issues were discussed:

Poor turnout

THERE was a poor attendance at the Annual General Meeting on November 25, 2011. It was suggested that in future proxy votes could be returned directly to the chairman to avoid unnecessary delays.

Planting

JOYCE Goel planned to plant begonias this year at the signage to the estate.

The bulbs planted by the roadside were beginning to appear.

Bob Morkel suggested the pampas Andrew Hemmings was donating could go in the bed by the bus turning circle.

Invitation

ANDREW Hemmings reported back on communications with Mr Doran at the factors Hacking and Paterson and it was agreed to follow up his suggestion to meet to discuss their ongoing involvement with the Sound of Kintyre Homeowners. He will be invited to the next meeting.

Participate

Any tenants wishing to participate in the meetings will be invited to contact Andrew at 112. It was suggested they could vote if they had a proxy from the homeowner.

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bilee later this year.

Following the success of the golden jubilee party in 2002, residents in Kilberry will once again be donning chequered tablecloths over rows of dining tables as they celebrate Queen Elizabeth's sixtieth year as the head of state.

The celebrations will begin with a light lunch and tea party at midday on Sunday, June 3 and finish with a ceilidh at Ormsary Hall in the evening.

The vote of thanks was given by Linda Hutchinson, Institute Secretary. The hostesses for the evening were Ann Clark and Jessie Main.

The competition results were: Child's Novelty Slippers Linda Hutchinson 5; Patchwork Potholder Linda Hutchinson 5.

KILBERRY

Street party

RESIDENTS in Kilberry are to host a street party to mark the Queen's ju-

life of Jesus, but painted in a very original and thought provoking way. They were shown close-ups of parts of a painting which showed the emotional content of the scene.

As the guild pondered on the pictures, Maggie Young played haunting tunes on her flute. Devotions were led by Ann Paterson and Liz Ball, and a delicious supper was enjoyed. Marilyn and Maggie were thanked for a very special evening.

KILCALMONELL

Presentation by Marilyn Shedden

KILCALMONELL Guild had a very moving start to 2012 with a presentation by Marilyn Shedden.

She showed a few pictures by the German Christian painter, Sieger Koder. They were of familiar scenes from the

life of Jesus, but painted in a very original and thought provoking way.

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BALLYGRANT

Old New Year ceilidh

AN OLD-fashioned ceilidh with traditional seasonal fare was held in celebration of the Old New Year, An t-Sean Nollaig, in Ballygrant Hall.

Fear an tìghe was Andy McCowan of Ballygrant, formerly of Glasgow Islay Gaelic choir and currently a member of Còi-



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

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
11/02416/PP	Hotel refurbishment to include - alterations to fenestration, extension to function area, formation of new entrance and canopy, front porch and storage enclosure, installation of ramp, additional car parking and installation of septic tank	Hunting Lodge Hotel Bellochantuy Campbeltown Argyll and Bute PA28 6QE	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
11/02578/PP	Erection of front porch extension.	Craigadam Low Askomil Campbeltown Argyll and Bute PA28 6EP	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
12/00015/PP	Formation of track for livestock use.	Sunnyside Glenbarr Tarbert Argyll and Bute PA29 6UZ	Sub Post Office Tarbert

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (AS AMENDED), RELATED PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
12/00081/PP	Erection of dwellinghouse and formation of new vehicular access	Land South Of Caolside Lady Ileene Road Tarbert Argyll and Bute	Sub Post Office Tarbert
12/00089/LIB	Erection of 5 illuminated fascia signs and 1 illuminated projecting sign and wall mounted lights	Royal Hotel Main Street Campbeltown Argyll and Bute PA28 6AG	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

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

The Council maintain a Register of planning applications which can be viewed during normal office hours at Planning and Regulatory Services, Dalriada House, Lochgilhead, Argyll, PA31 8ST.

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

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

CIVIC GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1982

TAXI FARE REVIEW

Notice is hereby given that Argyll and Bute Council, having consulted with taxi operators licensed by the authority, propose to make no amendments to fares for taxis operating within the jurisdiction of Argyll and Bute Council. This proposal will become effective from 30th April 2012.

Any person wishing to lodge representation in respect of these proposals should do so by writing to the Head of Governance and Law, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilhead, PA31 8RT, by no later than 1st March 2012.

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TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO. 03/11

The above Authority under Section 160 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 has made a Tree Preservation Order which takes effect on 20th January 2012 and hereby gives notice that:-

1. The Tree Preservation Order was made to ensure the protection of woodland at Craobh Haven, by Lochgilhead, Argyll and considered by the Authority as the Local Planning Authority to be of considerable merit and contribute to the overall setting of the property and the local area;
2. A certified copy of the Provisional Tree Preservation Order and map has been deposited at Argyll and Bute Council Development and Infrastructure Office at 67/69 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig, Argyll and may be inspected during all normal working hours;
3. Objections and representation with respect to the Tree Preservation Order may be made to the undersigned in accordance with Regulation 5 of the Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation Order and Trees in Conservation Areas) (Scotland) Regulations 2010, which Regulations state that:-
 - (1) every objection or representation to the Planning Authority with respect to an Order shall be made in writing, shall state the grounds thereof, and specify the particular trees, groups of trees, or woodlands in respect of which it is made.
 - (2) an objection or representation shall be duly made if it complies with Regulation 5 and is received by the Planning Authority by no later than 28 days after the date of advertisement.
 - (i) The Tree Preservation Order shall take effect on 18th January 2012 and shall continue in force until the expiration of a period of 6 months beginning with the date on which the Tree Preservation Order was made unless before the expiry of said period of 6 months the Tree Preservation Order has been confirmed by the Authority. In the event that the Tree Preservation Order is confirmed within said period of 6 months, it shall continue until a Revocation Order is made by the Authority.

CHARLES REPPKE, Head of Governance and Law, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilhead

MEETING OF THE AREA COMMITTEE

FOR MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE & THE ISLANDS

WILL BE HELD IN

Council Chambers, Lochgilhead, ON WEDNESDAY 1 February 2012 at 10.30a.m.

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DOUGLAS HENDRY, Executive Director - Customer Services

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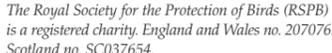
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Closing date: 5 February 2012. Interview date: To be confirmed

For further information and an application form, please visit our website.

www.rspb.org.uk/vacancies



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Administration Assistant



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Reception - dealing with boat owners, handling telephone calls and taking and recording payments

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Administration - control of banking and petty cash maintenance of the sales ledger and credit control

Applicants with suitable clerical experience would be preferred but this is not essential as full training will be given.

Please send your CV to Jim Berry, Craobh Marina, Craobh Haven, By Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8UD



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Shinty Development Officer

The Camanachd Association, in partnership with Argyll & Bute Council and sportscotland, wish to appoint a Shinty Development Officer to lead the Association's plan for the promotion and development of shinty in Argyll & Bute. This is an important role with a particular emphasis on Youth Development, Club & Volunteer Development and Coach Education.

The Job Description, Person Specification and further information on the application process are available on www.shinty.com.

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ACHA's Board of Management continually undertake self assessment to identify areas on the Board where the recruitment of specialised skills would be beneficial to the Association.

What are we looking for?

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- Building sector
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If you are interested in obtaining an application pack, please contact Lesley Lindsay, PA to the Board of Management, Argyll Community Housing Association Ltd, 50 Sinclair Street, Helensburgh, G84 8TQ. Telephone: 01546 605971 or email: lesley.lindsay@acha.co.uk or visit the Association's website at www.acha.co.uk where application packs can be downloaded

Closing date for applications is: Friday 3rd February 2012.

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If you would like to know more please contact Claire Scott on 01786 445521 or email Claire.scott@scottishseafarms.com to obtain an application pack.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

'When I said, "My foot is slipping," your love, O Lord, supported me' (Psalm 94:18).

BIRTHS



BLAIR

Scott and Louise are delighted to announce the birth of their gorgeous son, Charlie Ryan Blair, born on January 17, 2012 at the Lorn and Islands Hospital, Oban. First grandchild for Colin and Karen Blair in Lochgilphead and David and Joan MacLeod in Oban. A special big thank you to all midwives involved.

DEATHS

FYFE - Peacefully at Ardfenaig Residential Home, Ardrishaig, on the January, 21, 2012, Jean Kingsley Fyfe nee Ross, aged 91 years, formerly of Kennovay, Tayvallich. Former Matron of Argyll and Bute Hospital. Much loved wife of the late Harry Fyfe. Dear Aunt to all the family. A good friend and former work colleague to many. Funeral service will be held in Tayvallich Parish Church on Friday, January, 27, at 12.30pm, thereafter to Carsaig Cemetery. Flowers or donations, if desired, to MacMillan Nurses.

GALBRAITH - Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on January 23, 2012, Archibald Donald Galbraith (Archie) in his 79th year, 3 Muasdale Cottages, dearly beloved husband of the late Marion Emerson, much loved father of Joseph, Helen-Mary, Mandy and Alison, a loving and much loved father-in-law, grandfather and great grandfather. Service will be held in A'Chleit Church on Friday January 27 at 1pm. Funeral thereafter to Patchan Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of Muasdale Surgery.

KELLY - Peacefully at his daughter's home in Alexandria, Peter Clark in his 94th year, Bayview, Machrihanish. Beloved husband of the late Annie, loving father of Robert, Helen and William. Adored granddad and great granddad and good friend to many. Funeral service to be held at Lorne and Lowland Parish Church on Monday, January 30 at 12 noon to which all family and friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers only please, retiral collection will be held in aid of the Vale of Leven Hospital Diabetic Clinic.

MACDONALD - Peacefully at Erskine Hospital on January 20, 2012, D.E.C. MacDonald (Donny), former proprietor of the Stag Hotel, in his 87th year. Beloved husband of Jean Gillies, father of Cameron and Ailsa and beloved grandfather. A cremation service has been held in Glasgow.

MACINTYRE - Suddenly, but peacefully at her home, The Garden Cottage, Craignish, Ardfern, Gwen Milton Macintyre, aged 62 years, beloved wife of Duncan, much loved sister of Carol, cherished sister-in-law and dear aunt to all the family. A good neighbour and friend to many. Funeral service will be held on Monday, January 30 at 1pm, in Kilvee (Kirkton) Chapel, Craignish, Ardfern, thereafter interment at Kilvee Cemetery, Craignish.

MCCAUGHAN - At the Kintyre Care Centre, Campbeltown on January 24 2012, Margaret Andrew Quin (Peggy) in her 89th year, 5 Fort Argyll, Campbeltown, formerly of Milngavie, dearly beloved wife of the late James McCaughan, loving mother and mother in law of Jim and Annemarie, Liz and Francis McGeehan and Anne and Martin Devlin, much loved granny of Jonathan, Matthew, Phil, Amy, Nick and the late Barry and great granny of William and Natalie. A service will be held in Clydebank Crematorium on Wednesday February 1 at 1.30pm. To which all friends are respectfully invited.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

FERGUSON - Catherine, Catriona and Douglas wish to thank family, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy following the sad loss of Dugald. Many thanks to Doctors, Acute Ward and all health care providers for their care and support over the years. Thanks also to Rev. Philip Burroughs for a comforting service and Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for efficient and professional services and Seafield Hotel for excellent catering. A retiral collection of £438.26 will go to the R.N.L.I.

HUTTON - Marion and the family of the late Geoff Hutton wish to thank all who gave their help, support and expressions of sympathy during Geoff's illness and bereavement. Special thanks to Ellen for her help and friendship, the staff of Glengarry Ward for their excellent care, Dr. J Philips, Collette Morgan (McMillan Nurses) and Community Nursing Team for care at home. To all who attended the Memorial Service at Christ Church Lochgilphead and grateful thanks to D. McDonald and staff for their helpful and professional funeral arrangements, and staff from the Smiddy for a lovely buffet. Donations to be given to Erskine Hospital. The big man will leave a big gap in many lives.

MACDONALD - Hugh, Mairi, Moira and all the family would like to thank all Flora's relatives, friends and neighbours for their heartfelt expressions of sympathy and support following her passing and their attendance at her funeral service. Our most sincere thanks to all staff at Campbeltown Hospital and in particular Dr. Lazarus, Kitty Millar of the MacMillan Nurses, the nursing staff of the Acute Ward and the ICT Team for all their dedicated care and compassion. Thanks also to Rev. Philip Burroughs for the uplifting church service, Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for their advice, support and professional service and the Argyll Hotel for the purvey. A retiral collection of £600 will be shared between the Acute Ward and MacMillan Nurses, Kintyre Locality.

MACLEAN - The family of the late Charles Jnr. would like to thank family, friends, relations and neighbours in Oban and Lochgilphead for the help, support, phone calls, cards and flowers they gave us following the sudden loss of our son, brother and father. Special thanks to Rev Hilda Smith and Rev Cringle for their comfort, thanks to staff at Lochgilphead and Southern General Hospital. For all who attended Service and Interment at Achnabrec Cemetery, to the Stag Hotel for the buffet, Donald MacDonald for kindness, comfort and efficiency, the retiral collection raised £400.

MCINNES - John, Elaine and Caroline would like to thank all family and friends for their supportive phone calls and sympathy cards following the sudden and sad loss of Margaret. A huge thank you to Dr Villalba, Dr Anderson, the ambulance men and all the nurses involved in Margaret's care over the last few months. Thanks to all those who were able to attend the church and graveside, Mr Bob Craig for the comforting service, Alasdair Blair for his guidance and professional services and to the Ardsiel for the lovely purvey. Collection for Springbank Evangelical Church was £250.

SWIFT - Harry and family wish to thank everyone concerned with the care of my father, Raymond, in his final years as he had to cope with serious illnesses. First of all to the local Police who assisted us on a number of occasions and especially the young Police Officer who diligently searched for us to pass on vital information during the night when our phone failed and the hospital had to rush him to Oban Hospital. Even although this was a few years ago, this is still appreciated by all of us. Also we wish to thank the doctors, and nursing staff of Campbeltown Hospital, the ambulance teams, day hospital,

the local social services, and all the forty two people involved in his care over this difficult time. Thanks to the Kintyre Care Home during the many respite periods which helped our family deal with the situation better. Finally, the surgical team and ward twenty four of the Royal Alexandria Hospital, Paisley and the local congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses and many friends and local people who sent cards, gave us support and sympathy in person at that time along with Alasdair and Kenneth Blair, the local undertakers and the management and staff at the Ardsiel Hotel for looking after all of us so well.

WAREHAM - Peggy and family of the late John would like to thank all family and friends and neighbours for overwhelming expressions of sympathy, cards and flowers. Special thanks to doctors and staff of Campbeltown Hospital, Rev. Philip Burroughs for his comforting service, Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for efficient funeral arrangements, ambulance crew and the Seafield Hotel for catering. A retiral collection was donated to the Acute Ward, Campbeltown Hospital.

IN MEMORIAMs

MITCHELL - In loving memory of my dear husband, our dear father, father-in-law and grandpa, Jimmy (The Butcher), who passed away so suddenly, but peacefully, on January 29, 1991. Memories are like the stars that shine

They last until the end of time We think about you every day And in our hearts you will always stay.

- Cathie and family xxxx.
ROBERTSON - In loving memory of a dear brother and uncle Charlie, died January 31, 1988. Loved and remembered always, Anne, Stuart and Family.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH

75 Longrow, Campbeltown

Sunday 29th January 2012
10.00am Breaking of Bread
Mr George John Stewart, Kilmartin
10.50 Coffee

11.15am
Family Service with Sunday School and Crèche

Mr George John Stewart, Kilmartin
4pm - Service at Lorne Campbell Court
7.00pm Youth Group

Wednesday 31st January 2012
10.00am Jellytots - Parent and Toddler Group

7.30pm Bible Study and Prayer

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LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

All Welcome

Pastor Rev Derek Gibson
Sunday 29th January 2012
11.00am Morning Service
Family Service
Followed by shared lunch
Jumpstart Group
Friday 10.00 - 11.30am
Scottish Charity SCO15187

ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES

"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!"

Services in
Ardrishaig at 11:00am
Achahoish at 12:30pm

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Sunday 29th January
12.45pm

Rev Tommy MacKinnon
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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH
Sunday, 29th January, 2012
Ford Church 10a.m.
Rev. Cliff Acklam
SC002121

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN
Sunday 29 January 2012
11.00am
Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch
Speaker: Stan Holloway "Faith 2 Amen"
Thursday 2 February 2012
7.30pm
Praise, prayer & sharing
All Welcome

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
Charity Number SCO01002
Sunday 29 January 2012
Bellanoch Church
11:30 am
Worship led by Rev. Cliff Acklam
Tuesday 31 January 2012
Kirk Session 7:30 pm
Tayvallich Church
All Welcome
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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND KILBERRY LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 29th January 2012
Tarbert Service 11.30am
Tarbert Art & Leisure Centre
Rev Tommy Bryson
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Highland Parish Church

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Sunday 29th January 2012
Services in Kirk St Hall until further notice. Duty officebearers please meet at 10.30am sharp.
11.15am Morning Worship
FunDay Club(3yrs - P5) JaM (P6+)
Service followed by £1 tea in aid of Scottish Churches Housing Action
Tuesday 31st January
Badminton Club - Kirk St Hall
6.30pm - 7.45pm P1 - P5
7.45pm - 9.00pm P6 - P7
Wednesday 1st February
7.15pm
Bible Study Fellowship - Manse
Luke's Gospel: DVD
Advance Notice: Sat 4th February
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Rev Michael J Lind
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Argyll Street, Campbeltown
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Sunday 29th January 2012
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Tuesday
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Thursday
11.30am Meet 'n' Eat Café
New to you Stall
7.00pm Bible Study
Major Dolores Thomson

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH
Scottish Charity Number SC011686
Saturday, 28th January
Scottish Bible Society
Kintyre Action Group
COFFEE MORNING
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
(in Church Hall. Admission £1-50p)
Sunday, 29th January
Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m.
(Crèche, Triple C & Bible Class)
Jim Campbell
Monday, 30th January
The Guild - 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, 31st January
Mothers and Toddlers - 9:45 a.m.
Thursday, 2nd February
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Winners Kenny Campbell and Charles Robertson with Lynn Crawford of the Argyll Arms Hotel, Southend.



Runners up Steven Jordan and Donald Stewart.

Kenny and Charles make the arrows fly at league doubles

KENNY Campbell and Charles Robertson won the Campbeltown and District Darts League doubles competition on Monday night.

At the Argyll Arms Hotel, Southend, Kenny and Charles from the Burnside team beat Steven Jordan and Donald Stewart of the Fiddlers team.

Martin Coffield and David Reid scored 180 on the night.

Thank

The league would like to thank Malcolm and Lynn for donating the prizes and also for the use of the venue.



Kenny Docherty and Greg Scally. 21_c04dart04



Donald Stewart and Gregor MacGregor. 21_c04dart02



Left to right: Kenny Brown, Duncan Watson Peter McCallum, Stuart McIntosh and Thomas McGuire. 21_c04dart03

Prentice sinks Dunoon with six goal haul in Coronation Cup match

Coronation Cup - 1st Round
Dunoon (B) 0 - 8 Tarbert AFC
TARBERT AFC travelled to Dunoon on Saturday to play the opening round of their Coronation cup campaign in what can only be described as horrendous conditions.

The Dookers began the first half playing into a driving wind, giving the young Dunoon outfit an opportunity to put the away team under pressure. They did cause Tarbert problems with some direct running however the final ball let them down on more than one occasion.

The Dookers were slowly grabbing a foothold on the game with some good passing however it was a set piece that paved the way for the opening goal. A near post corner from Ronald was guided home by striker Prentice, despite the best efforts from the Dunoon defender on the line. The away side were now attacking continuously and the second goal arrived from yet another

set piece. Johnson was fouled on the edge of the area, giving Prentice the chance to add to his opener. He made no mistake from twenty yards, curling the ball past the keeper and into the net.

Half time 2-0.

The third goal arrived after 50 minutes, in a somewhat unlikely fashion. With Dunoon attacking, the ball broke loose to Elliott at the edge of his own area. He hit a rocket clearance downfield which took an almighty bounce before the keeper, looping over him and into the net.

Wild celebrations followed, marking his first goal for the club and capping a fine performance from the left back. The home side seemed to lose their fight after this, paving the way for a Tarbert goal fest.

Prentice proved he was in the mood grabbing his hat-trick from yet another free kick after an hour, and his fourth soon followed when he cut in from the left and drilled a

low shot past the keeper. It was wave after wave of attack from the away side by this point, Prentice scored his fifth when a corner fell to him in the box, taking one touch to turn his marker and finishing the move with ease.

The Dookers freshened things up with Miller, McKinlay and Talbot replacing Smith, McCormack and MacIver who had all put in an excellent shift. The changes did not stop the Tarbert pressure and MacDougall grabbed his first of the New Year after fine work from Talbot.

The scoring was completed in the last minute when Prentice and Ronald exchanged passes before the big striker ran in on goal. He finished off the move, scoring his sixth, and Tarbert's eighth of the afternoon. The Dookers now go into the next round where they will face Port Glasgow Hibs, the side they will face this week at home in the SAFL Division 1.

Argyll clubs could gain national recognition for their work with youth golfers

SIX golf clubs in the area who have been developing their junior sections through ClubGolf have the opportunity to gain national recognition for their efforts.

The Royal Bank of Scotland (RBS) Junior Club and Volunteer Awards will be presented at a prestigious event in March.

Carradale, Dunaverly, Islay, Isle of Gigha, Machrihanish and Tarbert Golf Clubs have all been running the national junior programme ClubGolf and are in with a chance of winning.

A prize of £1,000 is up for grabs in the RBS Junior Club of the Year

Award, while £500 will be presented to Scottish Golf's leading volunteer at the annual Scottish Golf Awards, taking place at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Glasgow on Friday March 23.

Numbers of juniors taking up golf across Scotland are at an all time high as a result of the flourishing national junior programme ClubGolf, supported by RBS, which has introduced 220,000 primary 5 children to golf.

To nominate your club for RBS Junior Golf Awards visit www.scottishgolf.org. All nominations must be received by February 10.

Soccer Centre back in action after festive break

CAMPBELTOWN Soccer Centre starts back again tonight (Friday).

The first session for Primary 1, 2 and 3 runs from 6 to 7pm, with Primary 4, 5, 6 and 7 from 7pm to 8pm. These sessions will focus on developing skills, and forms are available from McKellar's Grocery Store, Main Street, Campbeltown with the block running for six weeks.

Indoor football has also started back again on Wednesday nights with P1, 2 and 3 starting 5pm to 6pm; P4 and P5 from 6pm to 7pm and P6 and P7 from 7pm to 8pm.

The sessions are run by Campbeltown and District Juvenile Football Association and take place in the Victoria Hall, Campbeltown.

Islay golf

ISLAY Golf Club results from week nine of its Winter League: 1 David Livingstone 28pts, 2 Sammy Graham 27pts and 3 Alister Blair 27pts.

Gigha Challenge

THE annual Gigha Challenge event will be taking place on May 5 this year.

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Sports Hall Athletics this Sunday

BOYS and girls in the Kintyre area are reminded that the local area competition for Sports Hall Athletics takes place this Sunday January 29, at Campbeltown Grammar School.

Events will start at 1pm with entries on the day from 12.30pm. Sunday's contest provides competition for five age groups starting at under nine up to under 17 with age taken as on September 1, 2011.

Trophies and medals will be awarded to first, second, third and fourth overall in each age category and successful athletes will qualify to compete in the Argyll final to be held at Atlantis Leisure in Oban on Saturday, February 25. They will be joined by athletes from Mull, Mid Argyll and the Oban area.

The entry fee for Saturday's competition is £2.

Mull of Kintyre Bike Ride date

THE date for the second Mull of Kintyre Bike Ride has been set.

Organisers have allocated October 14 as the date the 2012 event will take place, with the Ardsiel Hotel once again providing the post-ride buffet.

The event will be raising funds for the local branch of Macmillan Cancer Support.

Further details will follow in the future about race routes and how to enter.

Lawrence kicks San Francisco 49ers to Super Bowl XLVI

The goal kicker was born in Greenock, and brought up in Campbeltown

LAWRENCE Tynes, who grew up in Campbeltown whilst his father was stationed at Machrihanish has earned his team a place in next month's Super Bowl XLVI.

Lawrence kicked the winning goal in overtime against San Francisco 49ers to send the New York Giants to the Super Bowl on February 5, 2012.

His kick has set-up a re-match of the dramatic 2008 Super Bowl when the New York Giants beat the New England Patriots; Lawrence became the first Scot to win the Super Bowl and the coveted Super Bowl Ring.



Lawrence Tynes was brought up in Campbeltown.

Lawrence was born in Greenock, his mother is Scottish and from Port Glasgow, whilst his father, Larry, was stationed in Scotland with US Navy Seals.

Larry was then sent to Machrihanish where Lawrence and his two other brothers were brought up before Lawrence left with the family at the age of 10 to go back to America.

His father played for Longrow Boys Football Club during his time in Campbeltown, and keeps in touch with friends from the town.

Full results: Girls singles: winner Ellie Mac-

donald Rothesay Primary, runner up Louise McKellar Castlehill Primary.

Boys singles: winner Harry Mobey Taynuilt Primary, runner up Neil Littleton Glenbarr Primary.

Girls doubles: winners Harry Mobey Taynuilt Primary and Courtney Schnell Castlehill Primary, runners up Louise McKellar and Fern Currie both Castlehill

Mixed doubles: winners Harry Mobey Taynuilt Primary and Courtney Schnell Castlehill Primary, runners up Neil Littleton and Nicola Wareham both Glenbarr Primary.



Prize winners from the badminton championships.

Victoria Hall hosts primary schools badminton championships

ARGYLL and Bute Schools Badminton Championships took place on Saturday with more than 40 players from across the area competing.

The primary 6 and 7 pupils gathered in the Victoria Hall, Campbeltown to participate and after a successful day's following the following awards were presented by Robin McArthur.

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donald Rothesay Primary, runner up Louise McKellar Castlehill Primary.

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Girls doubles:

winners Harry Mobey Taynuilt Primary and Courtney Schnell Castlehill Primary, runners up Louise McKellar and Fern Currie both Castlehill

Primary.

Boys doubles winners Neil Littleton and Cameron Campbell both Glenbarr Primary, runners up Harry Mobey Taynuilt Primary and Jordan Leitch Rothesay Primary.

Mixed doubles: winners Harry Mobey Taynuilt Primary and Courtney Schnell Castlehill Primary, runners up Neil Littleton and Nicola Wareham both Glenbarr Primary.



Johnny McIntosh was one of the players that gathered in the Argyll Arms Hotel, Southend for the Campbeltown and District Darts League's doubles competition. See page 23 for more photographs and report. 21_c04dart01

Scottish Cup tie on Saturday

CAMPBELTOWN Pupils' match against Dennstoun on Saturday was cancelled due to the weather.

The fixture for the fourth round of the Scottish Cup is now due to go ahead tomorrow (Saturday) at Kintyre Park.

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