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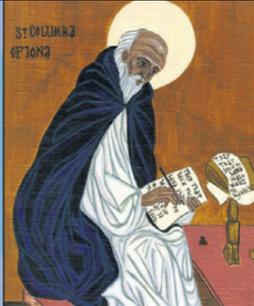
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# Eleven beds to go at Campbeltown Hospital

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ELEVEN beds are to go at Campbeltown Hospital, leaving 21 inpatient beds to service south Kintyre's 7,000-strong population.

NHS Highland this week confirmed 32 beds at its in-patients services ward would be cut, with two beds used as continual care beds for the elderly. Three beds will be on standby in case of an emergency.

The announcement comes after NHS Highland confirmed the highest number of beds occupied in the hospital was 23 on two separate occasions in the last year.

Andrew Hemmings, chairman of Campbeltown Community Council, said: 'I have real concerns about this,' he said. 'One thing I have been pursuing is the issue of care in the community, as they are not able to recruit enough community carers at the minute.'

'They shouldn't be clos-

ing beds when they are already struggling to care for people in the community.'

A spokesman for NHS Highland said Campbeltown Hospital redesign project group had reviewed the level of bed occupancy over the past three years, patients' length of stay, their age and projected population increases before making the decision.

Donnie Cameron, clinical services manager for Kintyre, said: 'This work is a further important step in ensuring we have the right balance of service provision in Kintyre to make sure that our hospital beds are available for those patients with acute illnesses.'

'We have also increased community services in both health and social care which will help prevent people getting ill and let-

ting them remain in their own home.'

Staff at the hospital will not be made redundant under NHS Highland's no-redundancy policy.



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## Androssan ferry to be postponed

THE CAMPBELTOWN to Ardrossan ferry service, due to commence in April, could be postponed for a year.

Councillors who fought for the service to be launched will submit an emergency paper calling for the ferry to be delayed at Argyll and Bute Council's budget meeting next week.

The decision was taken at Tuesday's Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee meeting in Lochgilphead.

Councillor John Semple said: 'There is very little time for people to market the ferry.'

'There are lots of issues with how the harbour is used which have not been taken into consideration.'

The ferry would only have three years to prove itself as a viable route, which he said was 'not a long time'.

  
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Flybe cuts will not affect operations at Campbeltown.

# Flybe cuts will not affect Campbeltown

## Loganair plans a long term future with the airport

LOGANAIR, the airline that operates flights between Campbeltown and Glasgow, has stated it plans a long-term future with Campbeltown Airport, despite earlier fears of cuts.

The airline has confirmed cuts at parent company, Flybe, will not affect operations at Campbeltown, in the same week as it confirmed it would be running a Sunday service in the summer.

Flybe, which acts as sales agent to Loganair, announced last month it would be cutting jobs and reviewing its bases.

But, at a public consultation event on Monday, Steve White, manager of flight support at Loganair, said the company would continue to supply flights to Campbeltown, as there will always be demand for services.

Highlands and Islands Airports Limited also confirmed summer flights between Campbeltown and Glasgow would be running on a Sunday, but times and dates have not yet been decided.

With the new ferry to Ardrossan via

Brodick running between April and September, as well as Sunday flights, local tourism groups believe this summer could boost business in the town.

Marc Wexler, from Kintyre Development Company Limited, which runs Machrihanish Dunes, said: 'We see these flights as just the first step in improving air access to the Campbeltown region and hope that additional flights and relaxed weekend opening policies at the airport, which will ease access for leisure aviation, will soon follow.'

### Significant difference

Mike Storey from Argyll and the Isles Tourism said: 'I think they will make a very significant difference.'

'It will open up the weekend trade.' A spokeswoman for Transport Scotland said the weekend air service would run as a pilot over the next two summers. She added: 'This will allow us to gauge demand and determine whether this should become a permanent summer service.'

## Shopfront workshops next week

TWO WORKSHOPS explaining how shop fronts in a conservation area can be updated will be held in Campbeltown next week.

The events, part of the Townscape Heritage Initiative (THI) training programme, will be led by conservation expert Dr Lindsay Lennie.

The first workshop, held on Wednesday evening at the Ardshiel Hotel, will see Dr Len-

nie give a lecture on shop front conservation to business men and women in the town and community groups

The second event, at 9am on Thursday, is a shop front masterclass aimed at local tradesmen, building professionals and planners.

Lead councillor for development and infrastructure, John Semple said: 'We are fortunate that the majority of his-

toric shop fronts still exist in Campbeltown town centre and every effort should be made to conserve these. Local people are once again being given the opportunity to benefit from the knowledge of nationally acknowledged experts.'

Booking is essential for the lecture on Thursday. To book a place contact james.lafferty@argyll-bute.gov.uk or call 01586 559 048.

## Burglar alarm keyholder lists must be updated

POLICE are warning local businesses they may not be treated as a priority if their burglar alarm keyholder lists are not updated.

Several alarms have been going off in Campbeltown as a result of recent stormy weather, but a lack of up to date contacts has presented a headache for officers.

Sergeant Hugh Gilbert said: 'If the police have to attend for several false alarms and the keyholder list is not up to date it will be treated as a low priority.'

'The quicker we're there the better chance we have of catching someone if they are breaking in so it is important.'

## POLICE FILES

A SPECIALIST device used to detect people carrying weapons showed no signs of knife crime in the Campbeltown last weekend.

A ferroguard, a metal detector that scans people for weapons such as knives, was used to check 35 people on Friday and Saturday night.

The device, which was loaned to Campbeltown Police Station from Dumbarton, was used around the town as part of a Strathclyde Police Force initiative to stamp out violent disorder in communities on the west coast of Scotland.

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A 31-YEAR-OLD man was arrested outside a pub in Campbeltown on Sunday evening.

The local man was detained by police following a disturbance in the town at 7pm.

He appeared before Campbeltown Sheriff Court

on Monday charged with a breach of the peace.

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A WOMAN has been reported to the procurator fiscal for alleged drink driving after a car crash on Islay. The 50-year-old's car left the road at 12.30am on Sunday morning near Port Ellen.

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A £60 fine was issued to a man on Main Street, Campbeltown, shortly after midnight on Sunday as he was behaving in a disorderly manner.

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POLICE officers in Campbeltown detained a local man over the weekend after he allegedly broke the terms of his bail order.

The 37-year-old was traced by police at 11.30pm on Saturday after breaking his curfew. He appeared before Campbeltown Sheriff Court on Monday.

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Councillor Ellen Morton

# Councillors warned about 'sleepwalking into a Valentine's Day massacre'

'It's the worst budget I've seen in my 14 years as a councillor'

COUNCILLORS have been warned against 'sleepwalking into a Valentine's Day massacre' as details of a budget that will shed hundreds of jobs emerge from Kilmory.

Argyll and Bute Council will meet on February 14 to consider a budget that aims to slash £5.8 million a year from the authority's spending across the next seven years, with every department likely to feel the pinch.

Papers released last week confirm 430 employees will be made redundant, with a total 670 positions to be removed over the seven years.

### Severance payments

Nearly £12 million has been set aside for severance payments in that time, something the deputy leader of the opposition, Ellen Morton, described as 'scandalous'.

Mrs Morton expressed further

concern over cuts to the road repairs, elderly care, maintaining public toilets and grass cutting budgets.

While James Robb, the administration's lead councillor for finance, has accused the opposition of playing 'confrontational politics', Mrs Morton says her response is as a result of a 'clandestine' budget setting process.

Mrs Morton said: 'It's the worst budget I've seen in my 14 years as

a councillor. I'm not pretending a budget would have been brought forward that handed out sweets and ice cream to everyone, but this is seriously bad.

### Worried

'The scale of cuts and job losses are not necessary and I'm worried we're sleepwalking into this.'

'It's the most secretive budget I've come across. The opposition only saw these papers four weeks before the budget meeting.'

Mrs Morton plans to oppose the plan and believes the opposition will follow suit.

Mr Robb accepted that job losses were inevitable, but accused the opposition of putting point scoring first.

### Misguided assertions

He said: 'Within all of these misguided assertions by the opposition there is not a single alternative proposal to achieve the required £5.8 million of savings.'

## Councillor Kelly says his position in the administration 'could be untenable'

CAMPBELTOWN councillor Donald Kelly has said his position within Argyll and Bute Council's administration 'could be untenable' as he denounces proposals within the 2013/14 budget.

Mr Kelly has said he may abstain from voting on the budget on

February 14 as proposals lack the detail needed to make an informed decision.

'I have been told that I can abstain from voting and still be a member of the administration but whether or not that will be tenable I don't know,' Mr Kelly said.

'I know I don't support

the budget in its current form. I have asked questions about how it will impact on a local level but I haven't had answers to satisfy me.'

### Closing

Mr Kelly is considering his position in the administration after it proposed closing care home Struan Lodge in

Dunoon.

Refuting the council's claim that the £400,000 savings made from the closure could be used to boost the quality of care across Argyll, Mr Kelly said: 'That money is not going to be redistributed. It is a spin they have put on it to justify closing it.'

## Award winning coaching festival could be scrapped to save council £21,000 a year

A PROPOSAL to scrap an award winning coaching festival as part of Argyll and Bute Council's budget cuts has been described as 'incomprehensible' by Rory Colville.

### Volunteers

Coaching Champions, which trains volunteers to roll out sports programmes in rural communities, could be cut in a bid to save the council

£21,000 a year.

Kintyre councillor Mr Colville said: 'This event gained a London Inspire Award in 2012 and the council papers acknowledge that it is a best practice example of coaching qualification development.'

'Sport participation in South Kintyre benefits hugely from the many volunteer coaches who give up their time to as-

sist so many in their chosen field. The area has one of the highest sport participation rates in Argyll and Bute and as a result will be one of the areas hardest hit.'

### 1,500 people

But Douglas Philand, lead councillor for sport, said 1,500 people had been trained under the coaching champions scheme in the last six years.

'The ending of the coaching champions weekend will not stop sport growing in the area as the numbers who have been supported and trained would suggest,' he said.

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## Red tape prevents Southend Post Office from opening its doors

RESIDENTS of a Kintyre village have been left frustrated as red tape prevents a vital community Post Office from opening its doors.

Last year, Southend's John McDowall successfully applied for permission to open a sub-post office in a temporary shed until a new community hall is built in the village to house the facility, but was told he could not open until he was officially trained.

John had hoped that he would have the necessary accreditation in time to allow him to open up shop in November – but several cancelled appointments by the Post Office trainer has left him in limbo.

Worse, when a representative of the Post Of-

fice did finally turn up last week, training was not on the agenda.

John said: 'He was only down to assess the building itself. It's frustrating. We haven't had a post office in Southend for 18 months now.'

'It's important for the area but it's just not happening.'

### Funding

John's wife, Margaret, a community councillor who is also working towards obtaining funding for a new village hall, said: 'We had expected to be open in November – it's now February and we're no further forward.'

The Post Office was contacted for comment but did not respond at the time of going to press.

### Spot checks to be stepped up

SPOT checks to find speeding motorists in Kintyre are to be stepped up following a series of complaints from residents in rural villages and hamlets.

Police have issued a reminder to motorists to adhere to speed limits at all times.



Liam McCallum, Jo Chinn and Alice Morton proudly show their Duke of Edinburgh Service award certificates. 20\_c06dofe01

## Pupils organise beach clean at Peninver

CAMPBELTOWN Grammar School pupils were surprised to discover 1,000 pieces of rubbish after cleaning Peninver beach.

The group of learning support pupils collected 30 bags of rubbish during four visits to the beach last term as part of the

service section of their Duke of Edinburgh Award.

### Awarded

They will also be awarded with the John Muir Award.

Amongst the 1,000 pieces of rubbish found were 199 pieces of general plastic,

98 of these were plastic bottles.

Last Thursday the pupils did a presentation on their beach clean and four of them received their Duke of Edinburgh service award from Nona Thomas, Duke of Edinburgh development officer from Argyll and Bute Council.

# New group aims to deliver additional support services

A NEW community interest group in Carradale aims to create jobs and improve elderly health care in Kintyre after meeting with councillors to discuss their plans this week.

Shelagh Cameron and Catharine Forbes, who represent Carradale Community Care, met with councillors at the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Isay area committee meeting at Kilmory on Wednesday.

The aim of the group is to deliver additional support services, such as home care and create local jobs by providing services.

Once the group forms a board, their first task will

be to investigate possible funding to employ a project officer. Argyll Voluntary Action will be providing help on this.

Sarah-Anne Munoz from the Centre of Rural Health, University of Highlands and Islands will be advising the

group as they move forward with their plans.

The first official meeting of the care group will be on February 28,

### Campaign against bogus callers launched

A RECENT increase in the number of bogus callers being reported in the area has led to the Kintyre Crime Prevention Panel (KCPP) launching a campaign against them.

At the January meeting of the KCPP the committee discussed their latest drive to hand out leaflets offering advice to the elderly and vulnerable members of the community about how

to deal with a bogus caller turning up at their door.

It was also noted there had been an increase in the number of incidents of dog fouling being reported. This suggests the Panel's recent project of distributing leaflets advising the public of the law and penalties which could be imposed if a person fails to clean up after their dog, had achieved some success.

### Surgery opening times concern

SOUTHEND Community Council is to write to the local doctor surgery to express concern over an unannounced change in opening hours.

Friday mornings at the surgery will now be by appointment only as is the case with Tuesdays.

Despite their concerns, the council said they were still pleased with the quality of service from the surgery.

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# Plans for Southend Hall take a step forward

'We've been given £200,000 but they've hinged that on the Big Lottery Fund'

AMBITIOUS plans to build a £550,000 community hall in Southend have taken a step forward after £200,000 of match funding was secured.

The Scottish Government's People and Communities Fund has given assurance that the money will be granted to the project should an application for £350,000 from the Big Lottery Fund be successful.

If built, the hall would act as a hub for the community, useful for events, sport, education and social functions and could be home to the village Post Office.

While there is some concern over the chances of success from the application to the Big Lottery Fund, community councillor Margaret McDowall said there was cause for optimism following a recent meeting with the organisation.

She told Southend Community Council: 'We've been given £200,000 but they've hinged that on the Big Lottery Fund.'

'They seem to have some doubts over its sustainability but we know it will be sustainable. We are quite optimistic.'

'The other thing that came up was the childcare facilities. They want to see someone saying they will definitely run a childcare facility from

the venue.

'But the notes from the meeting were quite heartening. They're warming to us.'

A bid is also to be lodged with the new 2014 Commonwealth Games Legacy Fund for £100,000 of funding, which would reduce the amount required from the Big Lottery.

## Armed robber jailed for four years

A MAN who attempted an armed robbery at a shop in Campbeltown, only to be foiled by a brave shop assistant, has been jailed for four years.

Appearing at Dumbar-ton Sheriff Court last week, Francis Smith, of 344 Paisley Road, Glasgow, was told by Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC that his sentence would be backdated to December 6, when he was first taken into custody.

Smith had previously admitted threatening a 23-year-old man with an eight inch blade at a Longrow store on March 18 last year.

When the 38-year-old held the knife to the shop assistant's throat, the assistant pushed him out of the shop. The assistant was described in court as showing 'extreme courage'.

## Campbeltown man is on the ball

IT WAS a case of third time lucky for Campbeltown's David Wallace after he scooped £2,600 in the *Courier's* Spot the Ball competition.

The father of two couldn't hide his delight after his sharp eye helped him net one of our biggest ever jackpots – whose win actually book-ended a competition where he won a near miss prize at the very start of the jackpot's build up.

David, of Stewart Road, said: 'It's the most I've ever won, the biggest before being £1,500 on the National Lottery five years ago.'

'I do play it most weeks and at the very start of this round I won £25 for a near miss, so you could say it's been a lucky competition for me.'

A member of Machrihanish Golf Club, David has already got his eye on a new set of clubs, but will also put some of the money to taking wife Linda, 15-year-old son Andrew and 18-year-old daughter Clare to Gran Canaria in the summer.



David Wallace was in the mood to celebrate after winning £2,600 in our Spot the Ball competition. To play for yourself, turn to our sport pages. 20\_t06davidwallace1



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## Is this the future of care in Kintyre?

AS a community interest group in Carradale starts developing ideas to stimulate employment and help elderly care in the area, one has to ask if this is the future of care in Kintyre?

Argyll and Bute Council will be holding their budget meeting next Thursday, February 14, and one of the proposals is to privatise care of the elderly in order to save money.

This raises a number of serious questions, as care of the elderly will shift from being a public service to becoming a private commodity, with the focus being on money and profit, perhaps to the detriment of the care given.

It is also worrying that members of a community have had to volunteer their time and energy to solve the problem of an increasingly ageing population.

We have heard time and time again how Argyll has a larger elderly population than the rest of Scotland and how services will have to change to accommodate this. There is to be more emphasis on home care, meaning shorter hospital stays.

However, there is already a shortage of carers in Kintyre, with many struggling to be given jobs due to the lack of a driving licence and other obstacles.

Many in the Campbeltown area are struggling to find suitable carers for their relatives and as more and more young people leave the area due to the lack of suitable jobs, this is certain to get worse.

Carradale Community Care must be commended for what it is trying to achieve, but it begs the question, should it have come to this?

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## Petrol prices - it's daylight robbery

Sir,  
Do other drivers in the Campbeltown area feel as frustrated as me?

I filled the car with petrol on Saturday at £1.42 per litre. On Sunday I travelled to Glasgow and returned on Monday. The petrol at Lochgilphead was £1.35. I know that the same firm owns both garages.

How do they justify their prices? It does not cost 7p per litre extra to bring the petrol to Campbeltown.

It is daylight robbery.  
Judith Macrae.

## North Beachmore wind turbine plan

Sir,  
In response to your article Wind Turbine Plan for North Beachmore rejected, dated February 1, 2013, we would like to make the following comments.

The vote taken by councillors was five against the proposal and four voting for a motion for more time to decide, not five against and four in favour.

As in the testimony given at the committee hearing, in your article a comparison is made with Gigha. The difference is that Gigha is a community which has been developing community owned projects, including wind turbines. The fact is that there is no community involvement with the turbine proposal at North Beachmore. It is a commercial partnership for profit.

Mr Sloan's partner in this

venture is Community Energy Scotland, a Scottish charity set up to promote COMMUNITY renewable energy projects. Unfortunately in this case, CES has disregarded the community. If you were to refer to the list of supporters and objectors to the proposal, you would find that 75 per cent of objectors live in the surrounding community and only three per cent of supporters.

Also worthy of note is that all through the committee proceedings and also in your article, there was no mention of Green benefits or carbon reduction. The only point made over and over again was what the partners were going to spend their profits on.

To close, it must be said that communities do have a voice, and if they express themselves in the right places, the correct decisions will be taken, as was the case here.

Signed by all  
North Beachmore residents.

## Thanks for your support at the Sports Hall Athletics

Sir,  
Following the Sports Hall Athletics competition held at Campbeltown Grammar School at the end of January, I would like to thank all the young athletes and their parents who supported this annual event. This was the 20th year as we started back in November 1994.

Can I also thank all the local adult volunteers who helped on the day. They are Susan, Angus, Fiona and Leanne and special thanks to the four

Sports Leaders from the Grammar School who also officiated at the events and without their help we could not have held the competition. The girls are Rachael O'May, Gina McMurchy and sisters Kelly and Charlotte Gilbert.

Can I also take this opportunity to apologise to all the successful athletes if they feel they did not get appropriate recognition for their excellent efforts.

I did prepare a detailed report and emailed it to *The Courier* but due to a lack of space the newspaper was unable to print it in full.

Qualifiers for the Argyll final in Oban on February 23 will be advised by letter through their schools. I hope to see most of you then.

Thanks again  
Bill MacCallum,  
for Mid Argyll  
Athletic Club.

## Improvements at the old shipyard

Sir,  
I would like to thank whoever it is that has improved the old shipyard at the end of Low Askomil by putting steps down the embankment to the beach below.

Also, by putting a seat made out of logs washed up on the beach adjacent to the bridge and burn, decorating the tree with floats that have been washed up, making use of the debris and also putting a photo frame there on the wall.

This I personally took advantage of after losing our beautiful two and a half year old Rough Collie, Vixen, on December 28 by placing a picture in the frame. It has repeatedly fallen down in the strong

winds and someone has kindly replaced it.

Our lovely dog used to love drinking from the burn and this seems an ideal place to remember her.

This act of kindness puts faith back into the human race, I would like to thank whoever is responsible.

Yours sincerely,  
Greer Abendroth

## Care of Kintyre pensioners

Sir,  
Can you ask Donald Kelly why the care of my husband and hundreds of others should suffer to keep open a luxury care home in Dunoon that loses the council £400,000 per year.

Why should pensioners in Kintyre have worse care because of this?

Name and address supplied

## Facebook comments

Stewart Wareham says:  
RE: Mobile Phone Upgrade - with regards the story that appeared in *The Courier* (on January 25), surely this is a no-brainer that requires minimum consideration?

Taking into account several suppliers already have 3G in certain areas why would there be any doubt in upgrading all 2G cells to 3G and why will it take up to 'within the next year' to carry this out? With the rest of the UK talking about moving on to 4G why has it taken so long to supply 3G to Kintyre and the rest of Argyll?

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## Emergency plan to be put in place to protect vulnerable Southend residents

AN EMERGENCY plan is to be put together in Southend to help protect vulnerable residents if the area finds itself cut off.

Community councillors said they were initially sceptical over an Argyll and Bute Council initiative urging locals to draw up a contingency plan for the community, however became convinced of its merit following recent events, including extreme weather.

John Bakes, chairman, said: 'Say for example we lose the road again, we will have a list of vulnerable people, an agreed meeting place, a list of people who have medical training, farmers who can clear the road with tractors and a list of ladies who can make soup in the kitchen.'

'There is merit in this.'

Funding is to be sought for high visibility jackets and to have a mail shot to request information from residents to help prepare the plan.

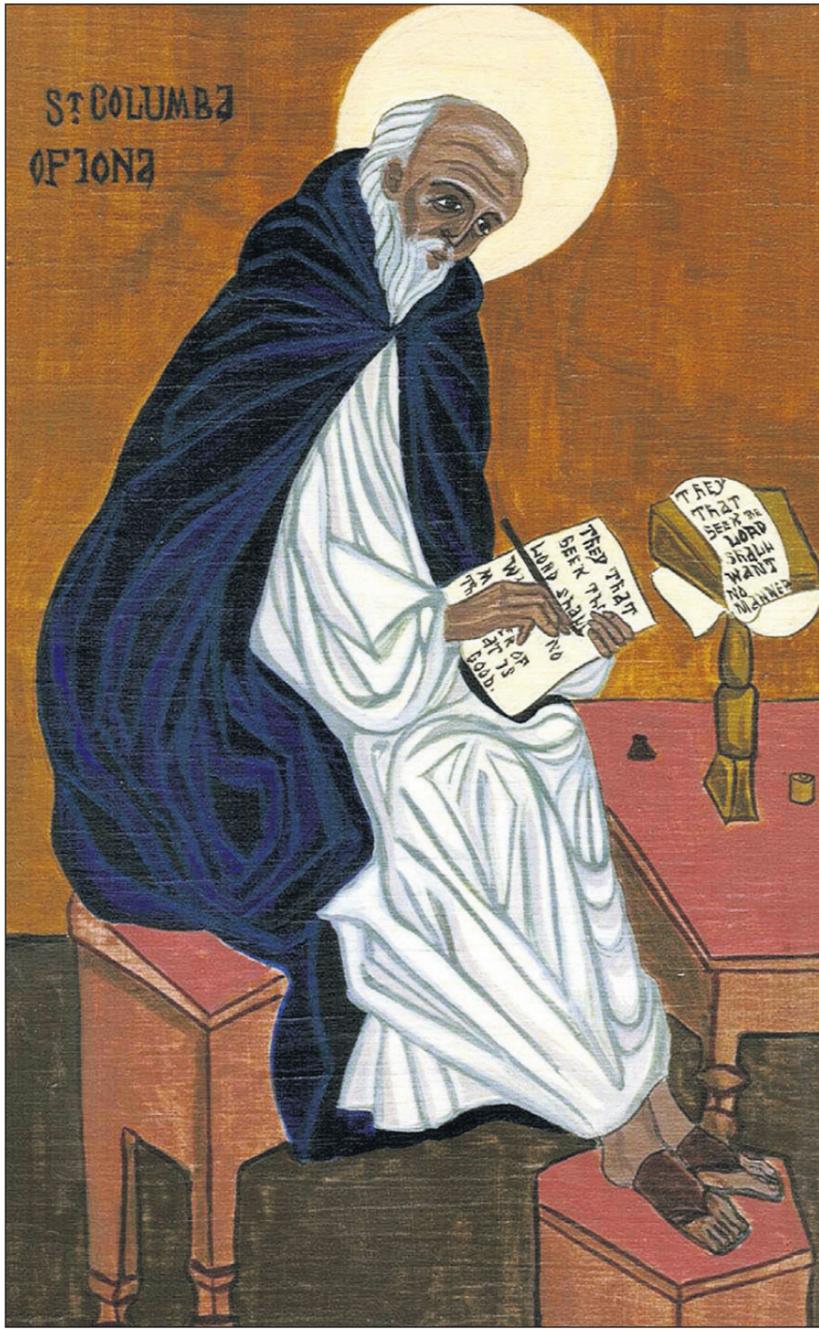
## Trunk road status for the A83?

PROGRESS is being made on having the A83 between Kennacraig and Campbeltown upgraded to trunk road status, according to the council.

Local member and the authority's lead councillor for roads, John Semple, told a recent meeting of Argyll and Bute Council that: 'A business case is being drawn up by the council and Transport Scotland.'

'The council will be brought up to date on progress as it happens.'

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Southend will still host a series of celebrations to mark the 1450th anniversary of St Columba's arrival despite a late funding scare.

## St Columba celebrations will go ahead in Southend despite late funding scare

CELEBRATIONS to mark the 1,450th anniversary of the arrival in Scotland of St Columba are set to go ahead in Southend despite a late funding scare.

Argyll and Bute Council had applied for £60,000 from Creative Scotland and a further £25,000 from Event Scotland to pay for a full programme of events at Southend, Dunollie in Oban and on Iona. The authority was also anticipating making a further £10,000 from ticket sales and concession stands and was to make an application to Historic Scotland.

However, the £60,000 funding application was not successful and the council was forced to look at other funding streams, prompting fears in Southend that planned celebrations would be scrapped.

However, it has received a letter from the council saying that it has sourced approximately £35-£40,000 to pay for some celebrations and has reassured Southend Community Council that Kintyre very much remains part of the plans.

Chairman of the community council, John Bakes, believes the community should also look to hold its own event on June 15, but separate from the traditional conventional ceremony, which is expected to attract 100 people.

### Re-enactment

He added: 'I think we need to do something and the church is not against the idea. It'd be good to have some re-enactment and maybe have something at the caves for the kids.'

It's hoped 500 people are set to attend at Southend for the celebrations.

Argyll and Bute Council had originally planned on holding a series of re-enactments of the landing of St Columba throughout the day, with a trail of the historic and folklore sites to be created. The plans, which the council still aims to fulfil, includes stalls for craft workers and historical cookery demonstrations.

The evening would see live theatre and musical performances in a marquee.

# Green should be the preferred option on the Rest say councillors

TWO OF the three options recommended in Transport Scotland's Rest and Be Thankful landslip report should be pursued, according to Argyll and Bute Council.

At its recent full meeting, councillors discussed their preferences from the study, which put forward three possible options to mitigate the effects of landslips on the road.

In its report, Jacobs recommended the Red Option, which at £10million was the cheapest and least effective solution. It would see new gutters and drainage in-

stalled on the road with extra netting and vegetation put in place.

The Yellow Option would see a new viaduct created adjacent to the existing road, costing £83-95million, while the Green Option would see a new 4km stretch of single carriageway created on the opposite side of the glen, costing between £27-91million.

While councillors expressed a need to see the rapid action the red option would present - and the comparative lack of disruption it would create during construction - it was suggested the green option could also

be pursued.

However, councillor Dick Walsh urged caution with how the authority responded.

He said: 'My worry is we get the Red Option and that's it. Should we not put forward that the preferred option is the green one?'

Dougie Philand added: 'We have to look at the permanent solution. Say we want green but give us the red because it causes minimum disruption to the road.'

Councillor Duncan MacIntyre said: 'The clear option is the green one, that's what we really want.'

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# Lagavulin looking for an apprentice

TONGUE-in-cheek comments from fans of Lagavulin whisky, wishing they could work in the distillery, have inspired a new competition run by the brand. Following calls from fans to get involved with the process, the Islay distillery is running the unique competition to find an apprentice to work two days in June. But instead of working for Lord Alan Sugar, the successful apprentice candidate will be paired

up with Lagavulin legend Iain McArthur, the warehouseman who has worked at Lagavulin Distillery for more than 42 years. Iain explained: 'Duties will include peat-cutting, malt-advocating, cask-testing, whisky-tasting and tea-making - I like my tea with just a drop of milk! 'I'm joking about the tea, but there's plenty of work to be done.' To have a chance of winning, entrants must

apply before March 31 and then accumulate enough votes to get into the final. Iain will handpick a winner from the 10 entries with the most votes and 50 runners-up will receive a signed bottle of Lagavulin 16 Year Old from Iain. Entrants must apply via the Friends of the Classic Malts website at [www.malts.com](http://www.malts.com), explaining why they would love to work with Iain for two days.



Lagavulin legend Iain McArthur is looking for an 'apprentice' to work at the distillery for two days.

## Brass Diversions come to town

A CUTTING edge trio of musicians are set to bring their brassy sound to Campbeltown when they perform in the town next Friday. Brass Diversions was formed by three musicians who met at the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama, (RSAMD) and perform a range of brass-based chamber music. Christopher Baxter is a pianist originally from Aberdeen who mostly plays

as a soloist but also as an accompanist and chamber musician. Tom Poulson plays trumpet and is a Yamaha Music Foundation of Europe Scholar. Completing the trio is Faroese trombonist Davur Juul Magnussen who is currently principal trombone of the Royal Scottish National Orchestra. The concert will be held at the Lorne and Lowland Church Hall from 7.30pm.

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# Three generations band together

THREE generations of the same musical family formed an 'emergency' Islay ceilidh band to help community events in what is a first for the island in living memory.

Margaret MacDonald, who has been playing in Islay bands for almost 60 years, was joined by her daughter Alison MacTaggart and granddaughter Ciara MacTaggart to play at concerts in Gruinart, Kilmenny and Port Ellen.

## Showcase

Margaret, a member of the Islay Accordion and Fiddle Band, explained: 'The Islay Gaelic Choir had an event to showcase their new songs but they were stuck for bands and asked the three of us to play. We had played together among the family before but never in public.'

'Through that we got invited to play at the Kilmenny Ceilidh and then

performed for senior citizens in Port Ellen. Those were very proud moments for me to be able to play with Alison and Ciara but I don't think it will become a regular thing!'

The three women, who all currently live in Port Ellen share a love of music: Margaret has played keyboard for various Islay bands, daughter Alison was formerly a piper with Islay Pipe Band and plays guitar, while 21-year-old Ciara plays the accordion and tin whistle with the Islay band, Siar.

The family is also related to the famous Gaelic singer Kenna Campbell.

While Margaret has all but ruled out the new trio becoming a more regular fixture on the Islay ceilidh scene, Alison is less sure. 'The band was just put together for a few events but who knows what will happen?'



Margaret MacDonald and Alison and Ciara MacTaggart make up the family trio that has made history on Islay.



Last year's sale featured an old sewing machine. 21\_c07sale02

## Sale of the Century

A VERY unusual item is up for sale at this year's Rotary Club Sale of the Century, a 1986 Honda motorbike.

These sales are organised and run by the Rotary Club of Campbeltown and are very important fundraisers for the club's charities account. This enables the club to help others locally, nationally and internationally.

The Honda motorbike is an 89cc C90M model, unlicensed and requires a considerable amount of work before it would be road worthy.

The usual, very popular bric-a-brac stall will be available, and throughout the day on Saturday, the Inner Wheel Club of Campbeltown will provide refreshments, rolls and biscuits, all of which help their funds.

Auctioneering will be in the hands of Cecil Finn and John Kerr, with some assistance from Clive Good.

The sale will take place next Friday and Saturday.

## Talk on the history of Carradale to be held at Campbeltown Library

A TALK on the history of Carradale is set to take place next Wednesday, February 13 at Campbeltown Library.

Entitled, 'Old Carradale - How do we think it was?' the talk will be given by Christine Ritchie, who is local to the town and researched Carradale's history by visiting libraries and archives and using the internet.

Christine's talk will include various old photos and copies of old maps, which her father, Duncan Ritchie, had collected.

The talk will focus on the changes in the area since the 1700s, including those in Waterfoot and the building of the pier in Carradale.

The event starts at 6pm on Wednesday.

## Get your entries in for the Great Peninver Bake Off

CHILDREN are being given the chance to show off their baking skills as part of the Great Peninver Bake Off, taking place in March.

Children under 12 are invited to take part in the event, which is being held at the hall in Peninver.

Adults are also encouraged to get involved by doing their baking at

home and showing off the results at the bake off.

Application forms are available from George McMillan's, the fish shop, Paterson's Bakery in Carradale or from Hilary Oman at hilaryoman@ambamail.com.

The three adult categories are: a decorated cake, an afternoon tea loaf and biscuits. The under 12 class is cup-

cakes.

'We are looking forward to all the competitors bringing along their baking to the afternoon tea event on March 3,' said Hilary, 'But ensure you pre-book as there are a limited number of entries for each category.'

Time is running out to enter, as all application forms must be in by next Thursday.



## Sale of the Century

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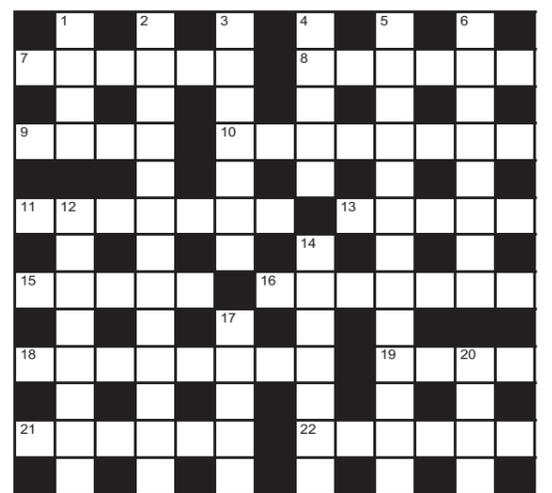
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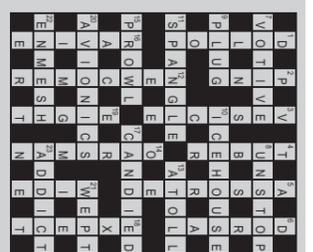
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- 13 The horizontal axis of a two-dimensional Cartesian coordinate system. (1-4)
- 15 Hot dish (5)
- 16 Skull (7)
- 18 Said in prayer (4,4)
- 19 Adjoin (4)
- 21 Edge (6)
- 22 Illicit cigarette (6)

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- 2 Sounds like a sharp bone (8,5)
- 3 Puzzle (7)
- 4 Shoo away (5)
- 5 Too old for work (13)
- 6 Italian dish (8)
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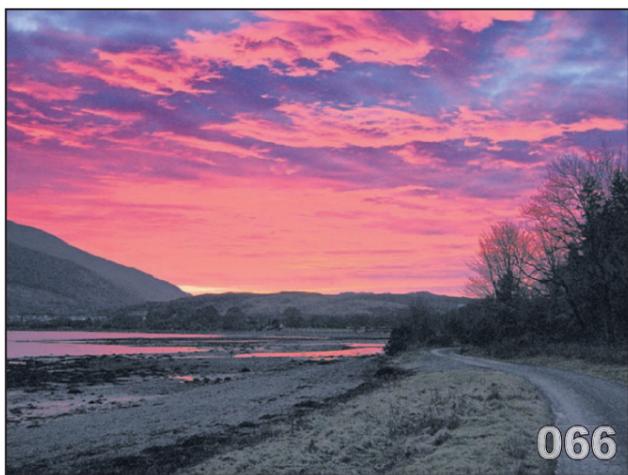
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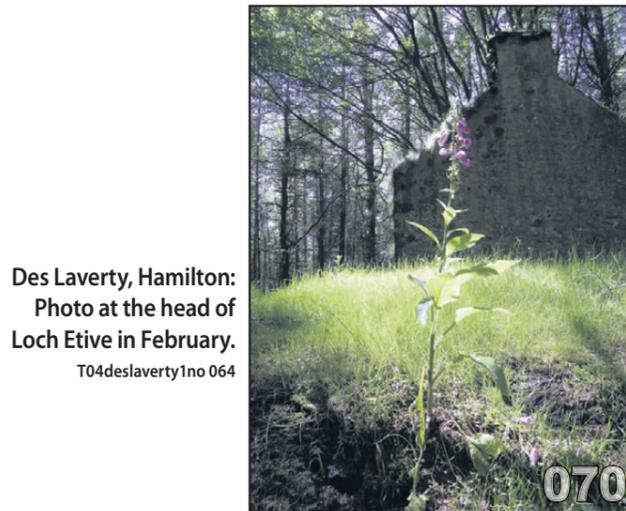
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# 'Longer term solution' for Tayinloan pier

The problems have come despite a £2.65 million project taking place last summer to improve the pier

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ARGYLL and Bute Council has promised to find a 'longer term solution' to silt build up which caused the closure of Tayinloan pier last week.

Last Tuesday, ferries between Tayinloan and Gigha were diverted to Kennacraig, causing disruption to those using the service for the rest of the week.

The council has been carrying out dredging work at the pier since Friday when the weather has allowed it, and the ferry resumed service from Tayinloan at the weekend.

However, the dredging will only be a short-term solution to the problem.

According to the council, there has been 'a gradual accumulation of sand, silt and weed at the pier, which has been exacerbated by the recent severe weather.'

These problems have come despite a £2.65 million project taking place last summer to improve the pier, including removing 80,000 tonnes of sand from the south beach to the north beach.

A spokeswoman for the council explained: 'We do very much re-

gret any inconvenience caused to the community as a result of the issues at Tayinloan pier.

'We have been monitoring this situation closely and, in the meantime, have arranged for dredging work to clear the berth. This work is still on going. We will be meeting with the designers and, following these discussions, hope to implement a longer-term solution.'

A spokesman for ferry operator, Caledonian MacBrayne, added: 'We are in contact with Argyll and Bute Council on this issue and apologise to ferry travellers for any inconvenience caused.'



Some of the children who have already received awards as part of Aqualibrium's water safety classes.

## Campbeltown children attend water safety classes at Aqualibrium

CHILDREN in Campbeltown are being given the chance to learn about staying safe in the water and first aid.

Instructors at Aqualibrium are promoting water safety to children with classes every week on Thursdays.

Ten children currently attend

the classes which are split into eight week blocks, with bronze, silver and gold levels.

Alastair Brown and Eilidh Cook, who are the main instructors, are keen to promote water safety.

'We are enthusiastic about promoting water safety since there

are around 5,041 miles of coastline as well as canals, rivers, lakes and waterways in the UK and Ireland,' explained Alastair.

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## New navigational system will benefit Campbeltown Airport

CAMPBELTOWN Airport is to benefit from a brand new navigational system, which will lead to more efficient flights.

Highlands and Islands Airport Limited (HIAL), which runs the airport, recently learned one of their two current navigational systems was reaching the end of its operational life.

They will now be switching to a new system called EGNOS, which functions through satellites and works in a similar fashion to satellite navigation in cars.

This system gives pilots more precise information, which means a more straightforward approach to the runway.

This is critical for medical evacuations as well as landing in bad weather.

It will also protect customers from a rise in fares, as less fuel will be

used.

Steve White, manager of flight support at Loganair said: 'It's a no brainer. It is so much better for bad weather and it makes much more sense to use the technology that is about now.'

HIAL hopes to start using the system before the end of this year.

### Nominations wanted

THE SCOTTISH Education Awards is inviting people from Argyll and Bute to nominate their local schools, nurseries or individuals for a range of prizes.

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## SELF BUILD HOMES

A self-build home is the dream of many a home seeker unable to find just the right type of accommodation. Indeed for most people, the idea of being able to construct a home around their particular family and circumstances would be the perfect solution to many of life's problems.

Most such 'dreamers' dismiss the idea as impossible and carry on their search, or compromise with their choice. In fact an increasing number of people are succumbing to the urge to 'do it themselves' and although at one time, it would have been impossible without the requisite reserves of ready money, today building societies, banks and other financial institutions have come to terms with the idea and are favourably considering well thought out plans for self-build projects.

It is estimated some 20,000 or more people a year take the decision to build their own homes. Some naturally fall by the wayside and hand the unfinished project on to professional builders. These will be the people motivated more by enthusiasm than sense, who will have plunged into the project with little thought, hardly any preparation and next to no appreciation of the problems that lie ahead - because problems there undoubtedly will be. The successful majority however will have studied the idea, looked at the pitfalls, consulted professionals and listened to experts. They will also have assessed their own capabilities and made a conscious decision on how much of the work they will actually be able to do themselves. And as not even every professional builder will have all the skills necessary to finish a new house, so too will the self-builder need to contract out certain aspects of the project at various stages along the way.

It is worth remembering that building your own home doesn't necessarily mean actually doing all the work. Developers after all, build homes but never actually get their hands dirty.

They simply select the design, appoint the builders, provide the funding and supervise the work. The individual self-builder need do only as much of the work as he or she is able or inclined to do.

Anyone considering a self-build project should have an initial word with an architect, because only if they can supply well drawn up and sensibly conceived plans will they stand any chance of getting planning permission let alone the necessary funding.

Once land, survey, plans, permission and finance are organized, builders or other contractors must be appointed or materials located. Again the architect can be of enormous help as can the surveyor, and either will help supervise the work as it proceeds. And if you are doing the work yourself you will need the advice of a professional to keep you abreast of all the By Laws and building regulations you will have to observe.

Building your own home is enormously satisfying in so many ways. Not only do you have exactly the sort of accommodation your circumstances dictate, you also have the satisfaction of knowing what you have is almost unique. You can be sure the workmanship is of the very highest quality and you will be very sure the materials are the best you could buy for the job. There are other advantages too. When carrying out repairs and alterations, you will know where services run and how they enter the property. You will have made sure of the energy efficiency of the house as it was built and so will find it highly economical to live in. You will find that you will have paid far less for the quality of house you have built than you could have expected to have paid for one built more commercially. And, should the time come to move on, not only will your property be easier to sell, it will probably attract a comfortable premium as well, just the job for your next self-build project!

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The big thing about extensions is, they should be built properly, by reputable builders. They should also be built with full planning permission - if it's required. The rules on this are not quite as straightforward as you might suppose, so it's worth taking advice before you commence to build. A reputable builder should be able to advise you but if you are employing a surveyor to assess the viability of your plan,

or an architect to design the extension, either will be able to advise and will even apply for the planning permission on your behalf if necessary.

You do need to have the area to which the extension is to be attached, properly surveyed before you commit yourself to the idea of course. You don't want your extension to fall foul of the drainage system to start with, and there are other considerations too that could endanger the integrity of your house's structure. If you are considering an extension that might in any way, prove intrusive to your near neighbours, it would probably be as well to discuss it with them before you apply for planning permission. With reasonable give and take on either side, you could save yourself a whole lot of trouble, expense and heartache later on. You could find that a very tiny adjustment to your original plan would make the structure acceptable to even the fussiest neighbour.

on spatial limits.

Consider how you will heat the extension. It may not be possible to attach it to the end of your existing heating system, or if you do, it might result in your entire home being seriously under-heated. Best probably to consider a separate system? Don't ignore the problem of heating or you might find you have an extension that's virtually unusable in winter.

By the same token, if you are to have vast areas of glass, as in a conservatory, consider how you will add shade or, at the height of summer, you'll be able to bake bread in there but do precious little else.

Once building commences, do inform the building department at your local authority. Builders usually undertake to do this but, it's your responsibility as householder, and builders sometimes forget.

Inform your insurers at every stage of the project, what you plan, when the work commences and when it's finished, because it will alter the valuation and rebuilding costs of the property.

Finally, don't overlook security. If you have a sophisticated alarm system make sure the new extension is included into the circuit or, it will offer a safe haven for burglars who, having broken into the extension, will have the time and cover to work out how to break in to the rest!

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# OLD OR NEW PROPERTIES - KEEP AN OPEN MIND

When you are considering the purchase of a house, you have to make a great many decisions. There are the matters of location, cost, size, style, etc. The most common decision however is, whether to buy a brand new home or to go for something older and lived-in.

There is a lot to be said for a brand new home. You have the satisfaction of at least knowing, no-one else has ever been there. You have the opportunity of making the house 'your home' in every sense of the word.

Of course you will be saved a great deal of time and trouble in that the new home will usually be already decorated. If you negotiated to buy at the right time, you will have had a big say in the colour schemes and materials used in the decor. You may have had other choices too, such as the type of appliances fitted in the kitchen, the colour of the bathroom suite, the lay-out of the garden. If carpets and curtains were included in the price, you may well have had a hand in choosing them too. Even if you hadn't the choice, the newly applied decor will generally have been chosen to complement pretty well every style of furnishing you can imagine.

With an older property you will naturally be taking over the decor ideas of previous owners. Carpets and curtains will often be included in the sale, though of course they will seldom be new. You will also be inheriting a fairly mature garden with a selection of bedding plants perhaps, shrubs and trees, already established. You can still move straight in but, you will probably want to make many changes.

And this is where the advantage of the old house comes to the fore. It does give you the opportunity to make changes and alterations that suit your ideas, your taste and your needs. You may well find you can buy an older house that is very suitable for a planned extension of specific style and dimension, whereas with a new house, it may be you would have to buy a very much larger house to give the same accommodation for a similar, over-all cost.

Older houses, built before such things as insulation and fuel savings were a big consideration, can be more difficult and expensive to heat and ventilate. New houses on the other hand, are built with the latest materials, use the latest technologies and are usually very energy efficient.

Character is often quoted as being the reason an older



property is chosen rather than new. However it is a matter of what you want. Each generation puts a degree of character and style into its buildings that is considered desirable. Today's houses have just as much character in their own way, as the houses of yesterday - it's just different. In any case, the stark styles of the 1950s and 60s have long gone from architects' drawing boards. Today's houses are attractive, warm and accommodating to look at. They have enough nooks and crannies within, to give that extra touch of style and surprise, that is the essence of good decor.

If you are on the move and looking to change your home, don't make too many hard and fast rules about the type of property you intend to buy. Keep an open mind at all times. Look at as many older properties as brand new. Weigh the advantages and disadvantages of each very carefully, before you decide to buy. You never really know when you are house hunting, how a particular property will affect you. Like love, the desire to own a particular house can strike suddenly, and without rhyme or reason. Suffice it to know, when you see the house that's 'you', you'll know. And whether it's old or new, that is the house you must buy!



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#### Argyll cattle

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Native bred cattle in demand at Stirling sale

id Watson, Ardnacross, Peninver at 260p per kg for a Charolais.

Once again 27 per cent of the sale going south of the Border.

Native bred cattle sold to £1140 for a 550kg Aberdeen Angus bullock

from Blairgorts, Buchlyvie, while White Short-horn bullocks sold to £950 for a 480kg from No.5 Tomaig, Campbeltown.

Overall bullocks averaged 219p (+11p) and sold to 287p per kg for

two 195kg Limousins from Wester Whin, Slamannan and £1,205 for a 600kg Charolais from Shorttrigg, Slamannan.

Heifers averaged 202p (+4p) and sold to 241p per kg for a 170kg Limousin from Keppoch, Kilberry, Tarbert and £1,240 for a 680kg Charolais from Auchenstarry, Kilsyth.

Bulls averaged 160p and sold to 222p per kg for a 220kg Charolais from Ampherlaw, Carnwath and £1180 for a 650kg Limousin from Millhole, Luncarty, Perth.

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SOUTHEND

**Interesting talk on nursing in Saudi Arabia by Eleanor Macpherson**

SOUTHEND WRI welcomed a district nurse to their January meeting to discuss her visit to Saudi Arabia.

The meeting was held on January 7 in Blaas's Hall and after a welcome from president, Jen Ronald, district nurse Eleanor

Macpherson began her talk about her trip to a hospital in Saudi Arabia to work on a two year contract in 1991.

She described her fear at being in a country alone, unable to speak the language and the customs of the country.

She wore a tunic and white trousers while at work, but had to be covered from head to toe while outside.

**Experienced**

She returned home after a year having experienced working with many different nurses and treating a number of interesting patients

After a vote of thanks, refreshments were served and entrants of

the limerick competition read out their entries.

Competition Results: Baking - Piece of Christmas Cake: Gold Jen Ronald, Silver Janet Ferguson, Margaret Mclean, Inez Ronald and Elizabeth Semple, Red Margaret McDowall. Literature - Limerick: Gold Margaret Russell, Marion Warnock, Silver Jean Ives, Red Margaret McDowall.

GIGHA

**Hair today, gone tomorrow!**

A GENEROUS Gigha resident has had her hair shaved off in the name of a fundraiser for cancer research.

At a fundraising coffee and home baking afternoon in Gigha Village Hall, June Watson had her locks cut off.

**Research**

The money raised from the event will go towards turning research into practical applica-

tions for cancer sufferers. To date, the event has raised £1,400 for the Beatson Pebble Appeal.

The organisers would like to thank all those who supported the event on the day or donated.

For more information visit [www.beatsonpebbleappeal.com](http://www.beatsonpebbleappeal.com) and to support the appeal, log on to [www.justgiving.com](http://www.justgiving.com) and enter June Watson to donate.



June, before she had her hair shaved off.



June shows off her new hairstyle. All the money she raises will go towards cancer sufferers.

**Road Safety poster winners**

SEVERAL pupils from Gigha Primary School have been awarded for their entries in the Argyll and Bute Road Safety Poster Competition.

Beth from the P4 class received a 1st prize; Ruby in P3 4th and Lauren, Bailey and Amanda were given highly commended certificates.



The five girls from Gigha Primary School who received prizes in the Argyll and Bute Road Safety Competition.

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Book-keeping is a core business skill, and, even if someone else does it for you, you still need to understand and value the process.

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February - 19, Dunoon

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**Introduction to social media for your business**

This workshop is aimed at people that are very new to or still sceptical about the idea of using social media for their business.

**Course objectives:**

- Provide delegates with a basic understanding of what social media is and what benefits there may be of using it for business
- Give delegates a chance to explore some of the basic technical aspects of well-known social media sites (Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter)
- Show delegates how to get the most out of using social media and how to deal with negative feedback

The workshop will explain the principles behind what social media is, how it works and why it is so popular. It will explain how the "process" of social media allows it to be used for a wide variety of business objectives. It will discuss and explain a number of the most popular social media sites including Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Blogger, etc.

February - 18, Mull; 21, Rothesay

March - 4, Inveraray; 7, Oban

**Improve your business website performance**

Aimed at small businesses that already have a website, whether this was built by a professional website designer or homemade, who feel that their website isn't producing the results that they expect, or needs refreshing. It is also suitable for people currently in the process of building or having a website built to make sure the end result is going to be successful. It is aimed at those with no technical web development skills BUT basic PC skills are required.

**Course objectives:**

- Provide delegates with a basic understanding of which factors are key to the success of a website
- Show delegates how these factors can be used to create a good design
- Give delegates examples of common mistakes made
- Provide delegates with a number of online sources that provide further good practice and advice

The course will discuss the 4 key success factors of website development: visibility, appearance, functionality and compatibility. It will cover issues including graphic design, layout, navigation, the online sales process, search engine optimisation, browser compatibility and site feedback.

February - 18, Mull; 21, Rothesay

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**Build your own business website**

Aimed at small businesses looking to build their own business website. It is aimed at those with no technical web development skills or experience but basic PC skills are required. The course will include some very basic online trading.

**Course objectives:**

- Introduce delegates to the basics of good website design
- Explain the various (online) tools available to build a website and how to choose the one best suited for the purpose
- Show delegates the kind of activities that are involved in building their own website using an online tool

Delegates will be introduced to the basic essentials of website design, how to make it findable as well as attractive and at the same time usable. The course will explain which tools are available and how to pick the one that would be best suited for the purpose. Delegates will learn a wide variety of skills using a simple online website building tool. These skills include working with text, images, colour and layout as well as managing pages (navigation) adding links and some simple functionality.

February - 19, Mull; 22, Rothesay

March - 5, Inveraray; 8, Oban

**NEW Online trading essentials**

Small businesses that are considering selling products or services, or taking bookings and payments online, but don't know where to start. This course is less suitable for people who are already trading online and are looking for detailed technical advice.

**Course objectives:**

- Explain the basic building blocks of an online trading site
- Discuss various options available to achieve an online shop or booking system
- Show various means of taking online payment
- Make delegates aware of the legislation in relation to online trading

The workshop will introduce delegates to the basics of online trading. It will look at the essential things needed in order to be able to take online orders or bookings, and how they can be achieved, including online payment such as PayPal. It will cover various means by which an online shop or booking system can be achieved, including using third party providers such as eBay, Amazon or Booking.com.

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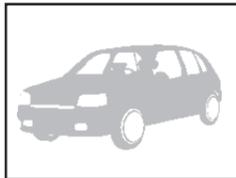


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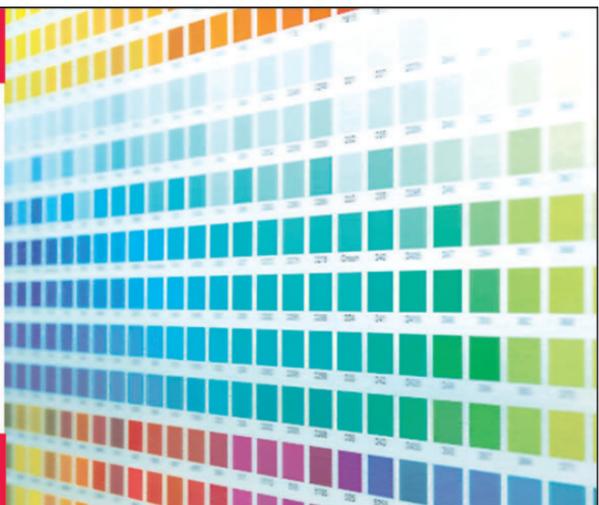
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Further information can be obtained from RWE Npower Renewables Limited, Earn House, Broxden Business Park, Lamberkine Drive, Perth PH1 1RA.

Three public exhibition will be held at Inveraray Parish Church Hall, Inveraray on Monday 18th February 2013 between (2pm and 8 pm), at Portsonachan Village Hall, Portsonachan on Tuesday 19th February 2013 between (2pm and 7pm) and at Dalavich Community Centre, Dalavich on Wednesday 20th February 2013 between (2pm and 7pm).

Anyone wishing to make comments on the proposal should do so by writing to the above address by Thursday 14th March 2013.

Please Note – No application has been submitted to Argyll & Bute Council in relation to this proposal. Any comments made to the prospective applicant at this time are not representations to the Council and would not be considered as part of any future application. If the prospective applicant subsequently submits a formal application for planning permission there will be an opportunity to make representations on that application to the Council.

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Refval	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
13/00103/PP	Change of use of laundrette (class 1) to cafe/ bistro (class 3)	87 Chalmers Street Ardrishaig Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA30 8DX	Ardrishaig Area Office
13/00195/PP	Erection of dwellinghouse, installation of septic tank and formation of vehicular access	Land East Of Glenbarr Primary School Glenbarr Argyll And Bute	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

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Refval	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
12/02248/PP	Installation of a system to collect and pump waste water from all pier square and workshop buildings owned by British Waterways to the mains sewer in the highway, including two pumping stations with associated pipework and one pumping station control kiosk	British Waterways Pier Square Ardrishaig Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA30 8DZ	Ardrishaig Area Office
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- 1 Plumber / Gas – Lomond
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**TEXT FOR THE WEEK**

Jesus said, 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep' (John 10:11).

**DEATHS**

**CONVERY** – Suddenly, at Mid Argyll Hospital, on February 3, 2013, Mr Dan Convery, aged 82 years, of 24 MacDonald Terrace, Lochgilphead, beloved husband of Ann, much loved dad of Paul, Graham, Gavin and Gillian, adored papa of Duncan, Daniel, Paul, Shannon, Jackson and Brodie and cherished great grandfather. Funeral private.

**MACDONALD** – Ian. Peacefully at home, on February 3, 2013, Ian MacDonald, beloved husband of Ina Park, dearly loved father of Malcolm, Anne and John, dear father-in-law of Janice, adored papa of his seven grandchildren and his great granddaughter, and beloved brother of Anne. Funeral service was held in Kilcalmonell Parish Church, Clachan, on Thursday, February 7, followed by interment at Clachan Cemetery. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends.

**WYLIE** – Peacefully, after an illness bravely fought, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on February 3, 2013, Sandra Wylie, in her 68th year, 131 Ralston Road, Campbeltown, much loved mother of Bobby, Sandra and Gemma, mother-in-law of Eileen and Craig and a loving granny of Megan, Iain and Craig.

**ACKNOWLEDGE-MENTS**

**JENKINS** – Ronald, Stephanie and Douglas wish to express their sincere appreciation for the many expressions of love, sympathy, kindness and support given to us during this difficult time. Many thanks to family, friends, neighbours and colleagues for all the beautiful flowers, cards, telephone calls, home baking and thoughtful gestures received on our recent and very sad loss of Margaret. Sincere thanks to all the doctors and nurses who cared for Margaret over the years, and in particular the last few weeks of her illness. Thanks to Donald MacDonald, Funeral Directors, for their friendly and professional service and advice and guidance. We thank Rev David Carruthers for the very personal and comforting service and Rev Hilda Smith for her Bible reading. Our thanks to the Flower Shop, Lochgilphead for the lovely flowers and to Cairnbaan Hotel for the excellent purvey. We also wish to thank all who attended the services at Cardross Crematorium and Ardrishaig Parish Church, this was a great comfort to the family. The retiral collection for Glenaray Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital was the perfect remembrance to Margaret's caring spirit. We wish to thank you for your generosity.

**LEGROS** – Agnes Hill and the family of the late Aline Legros, wish to thank everyone most sincerely for the many kind expressions of sympathy received in their recent sad loss. Special thanks to all medical staff involved in her care, to Rev Louis Bezuidenhout for his visits and comforting services, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional arrangements, Kenny at the Scotch Heather Shop for excellent floral tributes, George Hotel for catering and to her many friends, who paid their last respects at Cardross Crematorium and at the memorial service afterwards at Inveraray Parish Church. The sum in excess of £500, was collected for the Beatson Institute for Cancer Research.

**LIVINGSTONE** – Alistair and family would like to thank all friends, family and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy, flowers, cards and phone calls received following the recent sad passing of Mary. Our thanks to local doctors and medical staff at Lorn and Islands for their care and attention of Mary. Grateful thanks to Rev Jeff McCormick for a personal and uplifting service; to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for caring and efficient arrangements and to the Lochnell Arms Hotel for excellent purvey. Finally our thanks to all who attended at church and graveside to pay their respects.

**MACKINNON** – Malcolm and family would like to thank everyone for their kindness and sympathy shown during the recent sad loss of Inez. A special thank you to Tarbert ambulance staff and the nursing staff of Glenaray Ward of the Mid Argyll Hospital for their care and attention. Thanks to Stan Lupton for his efficient handling of the arrangements, to the West Loch Hotel for refreshments and to the Rev Bryson for a sympathetic service.

**RAMSAY** – The family of the late Lena Ramsay would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy. Special thanks to staff at Lynn of Lorne Nursing Home for their care and support, Rev David Carruthers for a comforting service and Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for their kindness and professionalism.

**IN MEMORIAMS**

**CARD** – In loving memory of Mum, Annie, who died February 6, 2008. Memories are like threads of gold, They never tarnish or grow old. - From family in Tarbert. **MACFARLANE** – In memory of a loving brother and uncle, Angus, passed away February 10, 2011. A new year comes, another goes But the gates of memory never close. - Sheena, John and family.

**MILLS** – For our mum, Margaret Mills, who passed away February 8, 2008. We miss your laugh, we miss your smile, Five years have passed, but all this while, We hold you deeply within our hearts, Wishing we never had to part, So very young, it was such a waste, And our biggest challenge we had to face, Losing our precious beautiful mum. Sleep tight, we love you. - Corinna and Lynda xxx.

**ROBERTSON** – In loving memory of my dear brother, Donald, died February 6, 2003. I loved you dearly, More dearly than a spoken word can tell, Donald, I will always love you. - Sister Nan, East Kilbride.

**ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES**

**SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
75 Longrow, Campbeltown  
Sunday 10th February 2013  
10.00am Breaking of Bread  
Mr Kelvin Moller Clachan  
10.50am Coffee 11.15am  
Family Service with Crèche  
Mr Kelvin Moller Clachan  
7.00pm Youth Group  
Wednesday 13th February 2013  
10am Parents and Toddlers Group  
7.30pm Bible Study and Prayer  
For details & other enquiries contact The Church Secretary  
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**Scottish Episcopal Church**  
Argyll Street, Campbeltown  
St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown  
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Sunday 10th February 2013  
Sunday before Lent  
10.45am Family Communion  
Wednesday 13th February 2013  
Ash Wednesday  
10.45am Holy Communion  
Details of services are on the church door  
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**Highland Parish Church**  
SCO02493  
Sunday 10th February 2013  
11.15am Morning Service  
Rev. Catriona Hood  
Fun Day Club in Hall  
JAM in Church  
Tuesday 12th February 2013  
Badminton Club Kirk Street Hall  
Primary 1-5 6pm-7pm  
Primary 6 & 7 7pm-8pm  
Wednesday 13th February 2013  
Bible Study Fellowship Group  
Ballywilline Farm 7.30pm  
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6.30pm Evening Worship  
Tuesday 12.15pm Lunch Club (Over 60s)  
1.30pm Home League  
Wednesday House Group 7pm  
Thursday 7.30pm Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

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Communion Service in Inveraray Church at 11.30 am

**LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH**  
Scottish Charity Number SC011686  
Sunday, 10th February  
Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m. (Crèche, Triple C and Bible Class)  
(Rev. Philip Burroughs)  
Monday, 11th February  
Messy Church - 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, 12th February  
Mothers and Toddlers - 9:45 a.m.  
Boys' Brigade Anchor Boys - 6:00 p.m.  
Boys' Brigade Junior Section - 7:15 p.m.  
Thursday, 14th February  
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Friday, 15th February  
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Rev. Tommy Bryson  
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Rev. Cliff Acklam  
All welcome  
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# Social evening for horse riding enthusiasts

KINTYRE horse riders are being invited to an equestrian social evening in Campbeltown next week.

The event, being run by Argyll Riding Club, hopes to bring together all horse enthusiasts in the area to find out what events riders would like to see take place in their area.

## Well attended

Last year the club held a similar event that was well attended and saw the largest intake of members from the Southern region.

Jenny Sutherland, chairwoman of Argyll Riding Club, explained: 'The aim of next week's event is to bring both members and potentially new members together to talk about the kinds of events riders would like to see happening.'

'There are a huge number of equestrian enthusiasts in Mid Argyll and Kintyre, and the club's aim is to bring all those people together as we all have a shared passion - to have fun with our horses!'

The social evening will

also see a Kintyre representative voted onto the club's committee.

## Feedback

'It is important that we have representatives from Kintyre on the committee to ensure that feedback from members in that area is fed back to the committee,' explained Jenny. 'So if anyone is interested in fulfilling that role come along on the night.'

The social evening will take place next Wednesday, February 13, from 7.30pm in the Seaford Hotel.



KINTYRE youngsters performed well on the football pitch on Sunday as they took on teams from Lochgilhead. About 70 children from Kintyre and Lochgilhead descended on the town's all weather pitch for a seven-a-side tournament. The children, in the primary four to seven age group, were split into teams for the event with every child having an opportunity to represent their area.

## Argyll boys star for Dumbarton youths in historic win over Celtic

SIX young footballers from Argyll helped Dumbarton Football Club's pro-youth under 16/17 team defeat the youth side of SPL giants Glasgow Celtic in a friendly match at Barrowfield, Glasgow, last Sunday.

Ally McKerracher, Stuart Alexander and Connor Howe from Oban, Taynuilt's David Beaton, Donald McCalm from Campbeltown and Keir Whitefield from Lochgilhead were in the Dumbarton squad, with David Beaton netting one of the goals in an historic 3-2 win.

## Joint second place for Josh

CASTLEHILL youngster Josh Barbour took joint second place in the under 11s category at the Youth Indoor Athletics, which featured in *The Courier* last week.

Josh scored nine points and shared second place with fellow Castlehill Primary pupils Ross Connor and Coll Houston.

## Club lottery numbers

THERE were no winners in this week's Dunaverty Golf Club lottery draw on Sunday.

The jackpot has now reached £800 and the next draw will be on Sunday, February 17. Tickets are available from the clubhouse, committee members, Commercial Inn and Muneroy Stores.

THE RESULTS of the Carradale AFC members' lotto draw from November to January are: November: 43, 66; December: 11, 80; January: 50, 70.

## Campbeltown and District Darts League

BURNSIDE darts team maintained their winning streak last week when they took on Commercial in the most recent round of the Campbeltown District Darts League.

Burnside beat visitors

Commercial 6-4, whilst Kilbrannan put in an impressive performance against Southend, winning 8-2.

In the battle between Fiddlers first and second team, Fiddlers B suffered a heavy defeat,

losing by eight points.

Kilbrannan B's game against Ailsa was postponed, whilst Kinloch enjoyed a bye.

Only one 180 was carded this week, scored by Alan Glen for Kilbrannan.

The Walter Tavendale Mixed Doubles charity competition will be held on Monday in the Kilbrannan. All darts players are being urged to attend following a low turn out at earlier charity events.



# WIN £300 JACKPOT

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This week's nearest the ball winners who each receive £25 are: J Martin, Burnside, Isle of Gigha and P Marlin, Kilkerran Road, Campbeltown

# Carradale are spot on in penalty drama

Scottish Welfare Cup  
3rd Round  
**Carradale 2**  
**The Star 2**  
(Carradale won 3-1 on penalties)

**CARRADALE** Football Club goes into the hat for next weekend's draw in the 4th round of the Scottish Welfare Cup after a dramatic ending to their tie against The Star AFC.

With the home side leading 2-0 going into the last three minutes it looked as if the Kintyre team were already through, but two headed goals from dead ball situations from Adamson and Hartley brought the scores level.

This meant a penalty shoot out would decide the outcome.

The Dale keeper Reid Anderson, who had a tremendous match, carried on where he left off by saving three out of the four penalties to break The Star's hearts.

The Meridian Salmon Group sponsored team converted their three penalties through McIlroy, Blair and McGariggle to win the shoot out.

### Good work

In the first half, Carradale opened the scoring after 40 minutes of good work by Mark Davis. He found Ryan McConnachie with a nice cross, the young striker controlled the ball before shooting home from 14 yards.

Three minutes later the home side doubled their lead after Ewan McIl-

roy took advantage of an error in the away defence, firing a 35 yarder past the helpless keeper, resulting in a poor bye kick.

### Retrieve

The strong Alloa side had a real go in the second half to try and retrieve the game and the home defence held fast right up to the 87th min before losing the two late goals.

Carradale would like to thank T A Blair LTD for sponsoring the match and also other local companies for helping them through the advertising boards.

Next weekend's game is at home against Clydebank Rovers in a league match on the AWP with a 2pm kick off.



**Carradale AFC show off their new team tracksuits and polo shirts donated by James and Elaine from the Kilbrannan Bar.**

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**Jonathan Scott representing A+M Transport hands Carradale AFC team captain Ewan McIlroy a cheque in front of their advertising board.**

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## Calum's a winner!

**Calum McMillan of Tweedale, High Street, was the lucky winner of Campbeltown Pupils AFC lottery draw. Alex McKinven, president of the club, this week handed over a cheque for £660. The football club's new three-number weekly lottery can be purchased from players, committee members and various business outlets in the town.**

## Coaching Champions voted a great success

DOZENS of sporting enthusiasts from Kintyre were amongst the 460 people that took part in Argyll and Bute's Coaching Champions festival at the weekend.

The coaching festival, organised by Argyll and Bute Council, saw hundreds of volunteers and community leaders trained to coach a range of sports in their communities.

The 2013 event, which ran over Saturday and Sunday, trained people to coach hockey, a sport that's growing at a rapid rate in Argyll, Duke

of Edinburgh leader training and a host of swimming workshops.

Describing this year's event as a great success, Donald MacVicar, head of community and culture services at Argyll and Bute Council, said: 'It's great to know that so many people in Argyll and Bute are willing to give up their own time to support sport development.'

Coaching Champions is the largest training programme in Scotland, producing high quality coaching courses, delivered by a range of top quality tutors.

## Dookers lose out in close game

SAFL Division 1A

**Tarbert 1**

**East Kilbride 2**

TARBERT were unlucky against East Kilbride AFC (EK) on Saturday afternoon as they failed to clinch an equaliser.

The away side sat comfortably on the ball, enjoying lots of play with good interlinking for long periods of time but they never managed to trouble Tarbert's goalie Martin too often.

East Kilbride finally took the lead on the 25th minute when one of their midfielders managed to get the ball to the left-winger, who cut past Johnstone and

scored in the top corner from 22 yards.

On the half hour mark the Dookers reverted to a 4-4-2 formation with youngster Kyle Doull going up front in a bid to stop EK playing the ball out from the back. However the home side conceded another goal just before half time after the EK midfielder hit an unstoppable shot from 35 yards into the top corner.

Tarbert put in a much better performance in the second half, playing with a greater determination and desire.

With an hour gone McDougall replaced young McNaughton and his trickery on the ball started causing the visitors

problems.

The home side were now pressing hard and sent captain Martin into midfield to keep the EK playmaker at bay, whilst giving Tarbert more possession.

Moments later Nikki McDougall was tripped in the box and the referee immediately pointed to the spot. David Ronald stepped up but his spot kick was pushed away by the keeper. The Dookers were later rewarded when Martin headed in at the front post to give his team some hope.

Despite there being three minutes of injury time, the Dookers could not get that all important equaliser.

## Seventh Heaven as Pupils stay top of the league

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Garry Grumoli was at it again a few minutes later, this time a family affair when Paul Grumoli tucked the ball across the face of the goal for his brother to score from close range.

As the floodgates opened, a Lorne Robertson knock back gave Paul Grumoli a chance to emulate his brother, and a first-time effort from

close range gave the keeper no chance as the Pupils went three goals clear on the half hour mark.

The local lads pleased their management with their high tempo approach, never giving the opposition time to settle on the ball.

The fourth goal was scored five minutes before the break and saw Craig Lang pick up the

ball on the halfway line, cut inside the defence to send a low-dipping shot into the bottom corner from all of thirty yards. He deserved his moment in the limelight for a solid first half performance.

The home side's hunger continued after the break, and a third goal from Garry Grumoli preceded full use of the substitute's bench.

Further goals from Ryan Gilchrist, who stroked the ball home from close range, and a Stuart McBrayne header after a fine move and cross, put icing on the home side's cake.

The Pupils will play away to Centre in East Kilbride tomorrow (Saturday), weather permitting, in the second round of the Jimmy Marshall Trophy.



**Action from the Tarbert v East Kilbride match.**

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# Seventh Heaven as Pupils remain top



Paul Grumoli (left) and Stuart MacBrayne look to get in on the action.

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SAFL Premier Division 2  
**Campbeltown Pupils 7**  
**Port Glasgow OBU 0**

CAMPBELTOWN Pupils justified their top spot in SAFL Premier Division Two on Saturday with a first class display against an under performing Port Glasgow OBU.

It was one-way traffic from the beginning of the match at Campbeltown's all-weather pitch as the pupils dominated from the kick off. However a combination of stubborn defending and a series of narrow escapes kept the game goalless until the 20<sup>th</sup> minute of the match.

Unfortunately for the away side the first goal came gift-wrapped. A misplaced pass back allowed Garry Grumoli to run free and steady himself before stroking the ball home from an acute angle.

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