

# Fury as environmentalists celebrate Arran fishing ban

by **BEN RAMAGE**

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A CONTENTIOUS Marine Protected Area (MPA) to the south of Arran has become law, to the delight of the Community of Arran Seabed Trust (COAST).

The MPA's imposition has enraged many west coast fisherman as it will prohibit scallop dredging in the area to the south of Arran.

It may not be all bad news for the fishermen as bottom trawling in outer areas of the zone will still be allowed.

Fishermen in Tarbert, Carradale and Campbeltown may be affected by the MPA, which is set to be followed into law by a further 13 MPAs, including Upper Loch Fyne and Loch Sunart to the Sound Of Jura.

Tarbert fisherman Colin Clark, 54, fears his career and future hangs in the balance. Mr Clark has fished from Tarbert Harbour since leaving school aged 16 and was amongst a number of fishermen who turned out at Scottish Parliament recently to express their opposition to proposals to create Marine Protected Area's (MPAs) in the River Clyde and Loch Fyne.

Colin feels the Arran MPA will affect his livelihood in particular.

The prawn fisherman said: 'The fishing is still good. The last few years have been some of the best I've seen.'

'From March until September we fish in the west coast. The south Arran MPAs are going to affect us, but most of the closures are going to affect us.'

Kenny MacNab, chairman of the Clyde Fisherman's Association, said: 'We want to stabilise the issue, because right now we do not know what is going to happen next.'

## Scaremongering

COAST representative Andrew Binnie said: 'The Scottish Government's refusal to buckle to scaremongering from the mobile prawn lobby means the South Arran MPA came into effect on February 8.'

'We are celebrating on Arran this week and looking forward to healthier and more productive seas around Arran, and Scotland. This will benefit all marine stakeholders and future generations.'

The decision comes on the back of a Rural Affairs Committee debate which took place at Holyrood last month,

when representatives from coastal communities and conservation or-



## Red roses ready for lovers . . .

**KINTYRE florists are blooming busy as Valentine's day approaches this Sunday. In Campbeltown at Mclvors Alana Decoite (left) said: 'It is hard to measure the demand because many guys leave it to the last minute.' Lorraine MacFarlane (right) at Fresh Connection plans a special opening to mark the occasion.**

ganisations lobbied for the MPA to be saved.

The motion to annul MPAs by Jamie McGrigor, Conservative MSP, was defeated

by seven votes to two on January 27.

Mike Russell MSP said: 'Richard Lochhead (Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs, Food and

Environment) gave categorical assurances not just about the impact of MPAs, but about the monitoring of economic effects and was clear

about help for communities if that was required.'

For more on this story see letters page six and 12.

## Councillors may slash £10million off services

MEADOWS Under Fives boss Heather McPherson made a last ditch attempt to win support at Campbeltown Community Council (CCC).

At the meeting, on Tuesday night, members agreed to send an email to every Argyll and Bute councillor giving the educational charity and Campbeltown Nursery Centre their backing ahead of yesterday's crucial Policy and Resources Committee meeting.

Councillor Donald Kelly said: 'My feeling is that education and early years cuts will be withdrawn.'

'The council has about £50m of reserves but only £12m is available.'

CCC member Jim Martin said: 'What is the point of replacing the chief executive Sally Loudon? They could save the money spent on her post.'

CCC Chairman Alan Baker pointed out that lots of the proposals are about making cuts to staff at the lower end of the salary scale and perhaps the council was looking at the wrong end.

About three per cent of Argyll and Bute's residents replied to the controversial Services Choices consultation and councillor Kelly said there has to be a better way to engage the public.

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## Scouts try to earn a coffee badge

CAREFUL compass work tomorrow morning (Saturday) should lead to a Scout's Kirk Street coffee morning.

The 16th Argyll (Campbeltown) troop will be serving drinks in the Red Cross Hall from 10am till noon.

## Supper date

FOOD and entertainment is on the menu at Tayinloan Hall this evening (Friday).

Killean and Kilkenzie Church is holding a buffet supper at 7.30pm. For more information call Margaret on 01583-421317.

## Quiz night

IT WILL be thinking caps on for the Largeside Institute's quiz night in Tayinloan hall.

The event is next Thursday February 18 at 7.30pm and the ticket price includes tea and coffee.

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Islay Airport saw an increase in passengers in 2015.

# Campbeltown's airport jet-lagging behind Islay

IN THE battle for air supremacy, Islay is dominating the Kintyre skies.

Scotland's regional group Highlands and Islands Airports Ltd (HIAL), which operates both Campbeltown and Islay, recorded its busiest ever year in 2015, gaining more than 45,000 additional passengers.

While Islay passenger numbers soared to 28,460 last year, the airport at Machrihanish mustered just over a third of that total - 9,774.

Islay was a strong performer in 2015, with passenger numbers up by 6.9 per cent, up 1,964.

The numbers come on the back of service provider Loganair's difficult period, in which numerous flights to and from Campbeltown were called off.

A spokesperson for Campbeltown Airport said: 'Numbers were down because of less demand on the Glasgow route and an increase in weather related cancellations. December and January have seen an upturn in demand with both months recording an increase in passenger numbers.'

## Buddy disappears from Drumlemble garden



Buddy before he went missing.

A DRUMLEMBLE family is upset after their 12-year-old chocolate Labrador vanished last Friday evening.

Buddy, who has never wandered off alone, was out in their Burnbank garden at about 7.30pm last Friday evening but when Gilbert McKillop went to get him in he had gone.

Buddy is quite distinctive with a white muzzle but was not wearing a collar and is not chipped. Anyone with information is asked to call 01586-810200.

## Property ownership

A NUMBER of red herrings were amongst the serious matter of a talk titled 'Property Matters.' Professor J Thomson spoke at Bellochan-tuy Rural recently about different types of property ownership.

A full report of the meeting will follow in next week's district pages.

## Free dog chipping

POOCHES and puppies are the target of a Dogs Trust campaign with a free chipping session in Campbeltown.

From April 2016 it will be compulsory for all dogs to be micro-chipped and the animal charity offers its services at Kintyre Community Education Centre in Stewart Road on Tuesday February 23 from 2pm to 6pm.

It is open to all dogs both working and pets, there is no limit on numbers per household, no appointment and all puppies should be vaccinated.

## Procurator fiscal considers alleged sex attack

THIS week the Crown Office confirmed it is investigating an alleged sex attack by a Campbeltown man.

A spokesman said: 'The Procurator Fiscal has received a report concerning an 82-year-old man in relation to alleged incidents between January 21 and 25, 2016.'

'The report remains under consideration.'

Police were recently called to Auchinlee Care Home where they made

## Police files:

### Lorry catches fire

ON BALLYGREGGAN road last Saturday, a lorry caught fire. The fire was believed to be an electrical fault.

No-one was injured in the blaze.

### Cross Street Assault

AFTER an alleged assault a 46-year-old man was arrested on Cross Street Campbeltown.

The assault is said to have taken place in the early hours of Sunday morning.

### Multiple offender held in custody

A MAN who resisted arrest was charged with police assault, a number of other offences and remanded in custody. He was due to appear in court this week.

### Assault

A WOMAN was reported to the police for an alleged assault at 2am last Friday.

### Vandalism

POLICE followed up a report of vandalism at 7.30pm last Saturday.

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# Careless tourist killed Campbeltown A83 driver

A DANISH man on an Argyll hunting trip was convicted of driving carelessly when he hit a minibus and killed the Campbeltown driver.

Stefan Hansen, 24, was ordered to surrender his passport when he was convicted at Edinburgh High Court on Wednesday last week.

On October 17, 2013 Hansen was driving on the wrong side of the road at 7.10am, near Kennacraig on the A83, when his 4x4 vehicle collided head on with a MacLeod's minibus being driven by Andy Rennie, 62, from Millars Park, Campbeltown.

Mr Rennie, suffered serious injuries and died at the scene. Ten of the construction workers including his son Iain, were taken to hospital some seriously injured.

Student Hansen, who has no previous convictions, had denied a charge of causing Mr Rennie's death by dangerous driving by driv-

ing his vehicle southbound in the northbound carriageway.

Members of Mr Rennie's family were in court for the summary last week but have decided not to comment until after sentencing later this month.

A jury at the High Court in Edinburgh convicted Hansen of a lesser offence of causing death by careless driving. The court heard he had previously offered to plead guilty to that offence.

## Appreciate

The judge, Lady Stacey, told Hansen: 'You appreciate you have been convicted of causing death and injury by careless driving.'

She explained that she required a report from a social worker before sentencing him later this month and would allow him bail but with a special condition that he surrender his passport.

The judge said: 'I am not prepared to allow



Police and specialist accident investigators at the scene of the crash in 2013.

you to return to Denmark.'

The court heard that Hansen had previously been in Scotland in 2011 for work experience in the area taking part in wildlife management and had driven regularly.

He had returned in 2013 with his father and

one of his friends and they went hunting.

On the morning of the crash he had set off alone with a rifle.

He said he had turned onto the A83 taking the left hand side.

He said he had decided to change the channel on the radio and looked down.

Hansen said: 'I switched the channel on the radio and the next thing I saw is two headlights coming towards me and there was a collision.'

'I just saw these two lights coming towards me and that was it.

'There was no time at all to react, just maybe

hitting the brakes and try to avoid it.' One of the passengers in the minibus, joiner Charles McCormick, said he had seen headlights coming towards them.

He said within seconds there was an impact and the windscreen shattered.

'It was just mayhem

after that,' added Mr McCormick.

One police officer who attended the scene said she had spoken to the Danish driver who told her he had left the premises he had been staying at and 'got onto the wrong side of the road'.

Another witness who made a call to the emergency services said the driver had said he had forgot what he was doing and drove up the wrong side of the road.

## Convicted

His counsel, Euan Dow, sought to have Hansen's bail continued ahead of sentencing 'Notwithstanding the fact he has been convicted of a serious offence.'

Mr Rennie was a father of three and grandfather of nine and drove the minibus every working day taking Campbeltown-based colleagues to jobs in Mid-Argyll.

At the time MacLeod Construction director, Jane MacLeod, said: 'Andy Rennie was employed by us for more than 15 years and was a highly respected member of our company.'

## Whale washes up on Kintyre beach

ENVIRONMENTAL health workers removed a long fin pilot whale from a beach near Kiltgruier.

It is not known how long the whale (*Globicephala melas*), which measures about 12 to 15 feet from head to tail, laid on the sand but its natural colour had gone and its decomposing body was being eaten by birds including a raptor.

Argyll Hotel, Bellochantuy, proprietor Nick Fletcher spotted the animal on a regular dog walk last week and sent a photo to *The Courier*.

Nick Davison, co-ordinator with the Scottish Marine Animal Stranding Scheme, said: 'We will record it in both the UK and Scottish databases but unfortunately it is a little too decomposed for a necropsy.'

When a whale is stranded, its body weight crushes internal organs and muscles and they may die of dehydration.

There has been a spate of strandings on North Sea coasts with 30 Sperm whales dying recently.

A spokesman from Argyll and Bute council said: 'The whale was removed on Tuesday afternoon.'



It is not known how long the whale had been on the beach.



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# Dedicated firefighters put down their hoses

A PAIR of Campbeltown Community Fire Station crew commanders have hung up their helmets after a combined service of 40 years.

Crew Commander Kenny Mabon retired at the end of 2015 af-

ter 25 years of service at the station, while Paul Souden has also announced his retirement from duty after 15 years of dedicated service.

Kenny joined the station in April 1990 and served as a firefighter

until March 1999 when he was promoted to crew commander.

Over the years, Kenny has attended numerous call outs, both serious and minor, and also assisted in training crew members using the vast knowledge and experience he gained over his years of service.

Paul is currently serving out his notice and retires officially at the end of February.

He joined the station in October 2001 and was promoted to crew commander in 2005 and has been an influential figure during his time in the station.

As well as his operational duties Paul has been heavily involved with Campbeltown Fire Cadets and has built the unit into a very successful and highly regarded youth organisation, giv-



**Crew Commander Paul Souden, who retires at the end of the month.**



**Kenny Mabon being presented with his leaving certificate from Watch Manager Ronnie Souden.**

ing them a good grounding in fire and rescue service skills, trauma/first aid and life skills.

Paul was awarded the Queens Fire Service Medal for the exemplary, hard work and commitment he has dedicated to the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS).

A spokesperson said: 'The station wishes to thank both Kenny and Paul for all their hard work and dedication over the years and wish both a very happy, prosperous retirement from SFRS.'

'Due to their retirement two crew commander positions became available, and the first successful candidate promoted was Firefighter Jamie Reid, who has a wealth of experience having joined the fire service in June 2000.'

Jamie has now taken

up the position and is looking forward to the challenging role the position holds.

The spokesperson added: 'Kelly McSparran will also be promoted and takes up her new role at the end of February.'

'Kelly joined the Retained Unit of Campbeltown Community Fire Station in September 2012 and was one of the first young members of the Young Firefighter Cadet programme.'

'She completed a number of years in the cadets developing the vital skills which allowed her to be successful in her application to join the Fire and Rescue Service.'

'Kelly now has a leading role within the young firefighter cadet programme and is a credit and example of all the hard work, commitment and dedication



**New crew commanders Jamie Reid and Kelly McSparran.**

she has given over the years.'

Kelly is the granddaughter of the late Pete Stimpson, who was a former station officer of Campbeltown Fire Station Retained Unit.

The retained unit of Campbeltown Fire Station now has three vacancies for personnel.

These positions are ad-

vertised online and can be applied for through myjobscotland.gov.uk with recruitment drives in February and May 2016.

The spokesperson added: 'The commitment of retained firefighters is second to none with many having full time jobs and families.'

'Most full time jobs average 37.5 hrs a week, but when you put into perspective being on call for up to 120 hours per week, as well as having to commit to attend call outs with no notice at any time of the day or night, you can see that it would not be possible without the support of families and full time employers allowing members of retained units to attend call outs with no notice.'



**Firefighters at training school.**

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# Campbeltown Brass clinch three Scottish titles

## Andrew McMillan is the new tenor horn Scottish Solo Champion

CAMPBELTOWN Brass showed there was to be no hangover from their hugely successful 2015 by winning three national titles.

At the 2016 Besson Scottish Solo and Ensemble Championships held in Livingston last weekend, they carried off three Scottish Championships titles and earned seven gold, one silver and one bronze award.

They also received two brand new Besson cornets as reward for their impressive collective performance.

In the Junior Section, 12-year-old tenor horn player Andrew McMillan became the new Scottish Solo Champion, with a flawless performance of *La Belle Americaine* which earned praise from adjudicators David Childs and Davur Magnussen.

In second place was Erin McLellan, while Kyle Paterson finished fourth which earned them both gold awards.

Andrew had further success when joined

by Drew Cunningham, Caius Walker, Kyle Paterson and Scott Oman. Their performance of *Northumbrian Folk Song Suite* won them The Scottish Junior Ensemble Competition.

Competing for the first time at national finals, the very young group of Hannah McCaig, Rona Campbell, Jack Campbell, Andrew Colville and Jamie Colville earned a bronze Award.

Later in the competition in the Intermediate Ensemble 16 and under section, the Brass Quartet of Kirsten Souter, Emma Bannatyne, Lucy Kerr and Owen Pickering clinched the third Scottish title for Campbeltown with a perfect

performance of *Bohemian Rhapsody*.

The quartet of Hannah Oman, Rebecca Semple, Suen Yee Walker and Andrew McMillan, deputising for an ailing Amy Paterson, picked up the silver award.

Band members Owen Pickering and Gavin Johnson also both earned gold awards in the Intermediate Solo section, capping a truly remarkable day for the band.

Conducting all four groups was Musical Director Gordon Evans, who after the competition had finished said: 'In more than 50 years of banding, I have never enjoyed a day quite like it.'



Andrew McMillan with his trophy.



Right: Campbeltown Brass Band Junior Ensemble.



Right: Campbeltown Brass Band Intermediate Ensemble.

## Psalm singing minister takes final service



Rev Finlay Mackenzie and his wife Christine.

PSALM'S Alive - songs of the heart will provide the send off for a Free Church minister who retires this month.

For the past three years, Campbeltown Free Church here has been under the wing of Glasgow City.

Under this arrangement, Rev Finlay Mackenzie, as Assistant Minister of Glasgow City Free Church, has spent part of each month based in Campbeltown and he and his wife, Christine, have revitalised the congregation.

Rev Mackenzie is a

psalm singing enthusiast and so the congregation is marking his last Sunday by having a psalm singing event in the Free Church, George Street at 4pm.

### Powerfully

Rev Mackenzie said: 'Although written thousands of years ago, the psalms speak powerfully to our lives today and touch on every kind of human experience.'

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### Sensational report sells papers

LAST Friday a national daily paper featured Campbeltown on its front page with a truly shocking headline.

Before anyone starts to think this is a case of sour grapes, as *The Courier* was scooped, the daily paper, which sold out by noon, wrote about an arrest, although nearly two weeks after the incident it has not resulted in any charges, far less a court case.

For many in the town it would be easy to identify the people in the story, one of whom should have been guaranteed anonymity, but a journalist in Glasgow would not be particularly concerned with that.

The story followed a tip off and the police reassured the Community Council, on Tuesday night, it did not come from them.

In a population as small as Campbeltown, by Saturday morning, a possible identity for the source was being discussed with some wild guesses as to the fee paid for the information.

Any amount up to £millions should have been insufficient to broadcast this gossip which, while of a shocking nature, was not previously known in the town and should not have been until after a court of law has examined the facts.

If it was inside information the organisation concerned probably has a confidentiality clause in its work contracts and the source might also end up in the public eye.

### All creatures great and small

THIS week animals dominate in the paper, on Monday *The Courier* received an email about a stranded whale.

During a trip to the Killegruer site, the reporter stumbled across a litter of eight piglets who are the stars of this week's farming page.

Elsewhere there is a story about a missing dog, there is free dog chipping and Marilyn Shedden's Thought for the Week on page 24 is about two collies.

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### Rocket about O'Hara and Machrihanish Spaceport

Sir,  
I have spoken to a number of local residents in Kintyre who have expressed their disappointment that Argyll and Bute MP, Brendan O'Hara, unlike a number of other SNP MPs, failed to participate in the debate on space policy secured by his colleague Dr Philippa Whitford MP in the House of Commons on January 14.

Dr Whitford took the opportunity to promote Prestwick as the location for Scotland's spaceport and some residents are concerned that Mr O'Hara was not there at the debate to speak up for Machrihanish although I understand he was present at Westminster on January 14.

Machrihanish is a first-class site as the only shortlisted location to exceed the criteria for runway length and is situated away from densely populated areas, but our elected representatives need to be making the arguments for it in the face of strong competition from Prestwick.

As an aside, some residents have also suggested to me that the spaceport is urgently needed to allow the SNP to travel as quickly as possible between Earth and that other planet they clearly live on: I will leave your readers to decide whether they agree with this or not.

**Donald Cameron,**  
**Scottish Conservative**  
**Candidate for Argyll**  
**and Bute,**  
**Ardrishaig.**

### Reply from Brendan O'Hara

Sir,  
Every day I am at Parliament, I have to balance the demands of each and every constituent's interests.

Prior to January 14 I had managed to secure a meeting with the UK Chairman of the Ministry of Defence Police Federation to discuss the impact of the Strategic Defence and Security Review on the 700 MOD police officers directly within our constituency.

Unfortunately, this clashed with the late notice of a backbench business committee motion covering an extremely wide range of space-related issues, not only the Spaceport project; but including the importance of space technology, praising Tim Peak and the International Space Station as well as encouraging the government motion looking at which of the bases should be chosen as the UK's Spaceport by 2018.

The bid for Machrihanish could be a game changer for Campbeltown and has my unequivocal support, to such an extent I have been in liaison with MACC to ensure I have all current information on the bid to hand so that I can promote it wherever possible.

These opportunities present more often outwith the Chamber.

Unfortunately notice of these debates is limited and can conflict with pre-arranged business.

The motion on January 14 was unrelated to any government motion in respect of the

spaceport bid and the position remains unchanged.

What I will say at this stage is that we need to build on constituency-wide public support for this bid and at this stage, that will be my focus, together with working with MACC to secure as much support for this project which is in my view a 'no-brainer.'

Any candidate for parliament, Holyrood or otherwise need to avail themselves of the broad responsibilities of being at parliament and the need to balance interests of all parties which is exactly what I do, each and every day.

**Brendan O'Hara,**  
**Westminster.**

### Marine Protected Areas (MPA) could end Kintyre fishing industry

Sir,  
The current proposals to create Marine Protected Areas, along with Fishing Regulating Orders, are of considerable concern to the Kintyre Business Community.

The closure of the main fishing areas available to the fishing boats of Tarbert, Caradale, and Campbeltown, would effectively end the fishing industry in Kintyre.

Local processing firms will be forced to close, with a further loss of jobs. Road hauliers in the area will also be affected.

Tarbert has been recognized as a fishing port for many centuries, with several families following a tradition in fishing for generations. Having run a retail business in Tarbert for almost 60 years,

I am aware of the importance of fishing to the local economy. The annual income generated by the catch of scallops and prawns, landed in Kintyre runs to millions of pounds. The suggestion that 'Sea-Angling Tourists' will flock to the area if commercial fishing is restricted, can only be fanciful. Previous attempts to operate such businesses have failed.

The actions of the Sustainable Inshore Fisheries Trust (SIFT) and the Community of Arran Seabed Trust (COAST) appear to be setting the communities of Arran and Kintyre against each other, when in fact by working together to promote tourism, both could benefit. An agreement must be reached which will protect the Kintyre fishing industry. Our MSP representatives must be persuaded to take all necessary action to counter these threats.

**Ian Y. Macintyre,**  
**Tarbert.**

*See Page 12 for more letters*



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# Photo clubs focus on Campbeltown competition

## Watch the birdie . . .

SNAPPERS from eight Argyll and Bute camera clubs will show off their lens work when an annual battle is held in Campbeltown.

The Frank Walton Argyll Inter-Club Trophy, originally donated by the eponymous Oban photographer, will not return to the Wee Toon for nearly a decade as it is hosted by a different club each year.

Mr Walton, 76, from Benderloch, ran his own camera shop in Oban for about 30 years before retiring aged 65.

He said: 'My father was a keen photographer and when he passed away in 1982 I conceived the idea of donating a trophy.

'Oban had and contin-

ues to have a strong photographic club. When digital came along a lot of the purists said it would be the death of photography but it has revitalised the skill. It is still a fascinating hobby.'

This year's Frank Walton event, at the Seafield Hotel, on Monday March 14, will be joint hosted with Carradale Camera Club.

It will be attended by photographers from Cowal, Helensburgh, Mid-Argyll, Oban, Campbeltown and Carradale, joined by two younger clubs: 3Villages and Peninsula.

Clubs enter 10 images each with no more than two from any one photographer.

These will be independently and expertly judged by Philip Price of Loch Visions based in Kilchrenan, Argyll.

Loch Visions runs photography workshops concentrating on wildlife photography exclusively in Argyll and Mr Price has featured on BBC Countryfile. He has won numerous awards including the British Countryside award for Best Rural Enterprise in 2008.

Campbeltown Camera Club meets on the second Monday of the month at the lifeboat station. For more information call: 01586 550237 or see the website at: <http://campbeltowncamerac.wix.com/towncamclub>

## Starring roles for one night only

ROMANCE, dyslexia and hypnotism will be in the spotlight at Kintyre's annual drama festival.

Last year's winners, Accent Players, will be hoping to stage another top performance in the local round of the Scottish Community Drama Association (SCDA) One-Act Festival.

Last year their performance of 'That Old Black Magic' won the Argyll Kintyre District SCDA competition and the Rex Trophy.

This year's festival will be staged on Thursday February 18 in Campbeltown Grammar School at 7pm.

### Early start

The early start is because it seemed that the best plan for the audience was to hold the festival on one fun-packed evening.

The show starts with Strachur and District Youth Drama, newcomers to the SCDA One-Act Festival.

Their play, 'The Struggles' by Kendra Thomas, is a poignant, award-winning drama about the problems caused by dyslexia.

Next to grace the boards will be Accent



Accent Players collecting the trophies in 2015 are: Martha Rennie, Kenny Johnson and Maureen Johnson. 06\_a18drama02

Players with a play called 'Romance' by John Reason.

It tells the story of a woman who made a life-changing choice. Was it the right one?

The final team of the evening is the ever-popular Peninver Players with a cracking comedy called 'When I Snap my Fingers,' by Bruce Adam. A couple agree to be hypnotised for a short time. What could possibly go wrong...?

Lochgilhead Drama Club was due to perform with 'Mrs Meadow-sweet,' by the ever-pop-

ular David Campton, but have had to pull out.

Silvie Taylor of the Scottish Association of Speech and Drama Adjudicators is charged with the difficult task of judging the plays.

Silvie's adjudication work for The British and International Federation of Festivals, has taken her throughout UK, to Canada, Sri Lanka, Zimbabwe and on many occasions to Hong Kong.

She has judged public speaking at national level, is a book reviewer, freelance writer and past president of the Scottish

Association of Writers.

Tickets, priced at £7 and £4 for children under 12, can be bought in advance at the Yorkshire Building Society, Longrow South, Campbeltown, or at Campbeltown Grammar School on the night.

For various reasons, some of the regular teams are unable to take part in this festival, but hopefully they will be back with a bang next year.

Remember, curtain up is at 7pm prompt. Don't miss it.

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# Trad music superstars stage Wee Toon charity concert

SKIPINNISH supported by the Wee Toon Tellers played to a sell out Victoria Hall crowd and raised £2400.

The top Scottish traditional music band from Tiree, headlined in the Wee Toon last Saturday, just a week after nearly 3,000 fans filled Glasgow Royal Concert Hall.

The one-off charity gig, which originated in a conversation between two friends, saw the proceeds being shared by Meadows Under-Fives and Shopper-Aide.

The night was organised by a committee of David MacPherson, Peter Paterson, Sarah Livingstone, Graeme Harvey and Iona McAllister.

The group were worried that their idea to bring Skipinnish to the town and raise money for these good causes would not raise any profit as the cost to run such an event was a big surprise to them.

The hire cost of the Victoria Hall, for instance, was nearly £1,300. However,



Fans mobbed the stage as Skipinnish start their set. 25\_c07skipinnish01

thanks to the kindness and support of locals, the tickets sold out almost immediately.

A spokesperson for the organising committee said: 'We would like to thank everyone who supported the event, but in particular Flora and Marion at the Ardshiel Hotel for accommodating the band free of charge, Alan Shaw at D McNair and Son, businesses and individuals who donated raffle prizes and everyone who

donated their time and energy to help behind the scenes on the night.'

Heather McPherson from Meadows Under Fives said: 'We are very excited by the cash boost which will allow us to buy extra resources for the children.'

Shopper-Aide's Joan Stewart said: 'How grateful we are to the people of Kintyre and the organising committee. This money will make a big difference to us.'

Some Skipinnish band members took the chance to sample the high life in a different area of Kintyre, spending part of the weekend in the servant's quarters at the award winning Torrisdale Castle.

Proprietor Niall Macalister Hall tweeted after the visit: 'You realise @Skipinnish the last celebs we had here were Julian Clary and Fanny the Wonder Dog, and they just visited the tannery.'



Support act The Wee Toon Tellers. 25\_c07weeoonellers01

## Quintet score with football polka

ONE of Scotland's foremost chamber music groups was a hit in Campbeltown.

At its concert last Friday night the Northern Lights Wind Quintet played a mix of classic and less well known works for wind in the Lorne and Lowland Church Hall.

The opening of Mozart's *Overture to the marriage of Figaro* set a nice light-hearted tone which largely continued through the first set of music up to the interval.

The select audience was treated to the foot

tapping tunes of Shostakovich's *Polka from the Age of Gold* written about a Russian football team.

In the second half there was a more serious note through Nielsen's *Wind Quintet* originally written for five musicians he knew personally.

The Northern Lights slightly misjudged its length and had to drop one part of the programme before finishing on the delightfully frivolous *The Simpsons* by Elfhame arranged by Shaw.

The next Kintyre Mu-



Clarinetist Jenny Stephenson. 25\_c07musicclub04

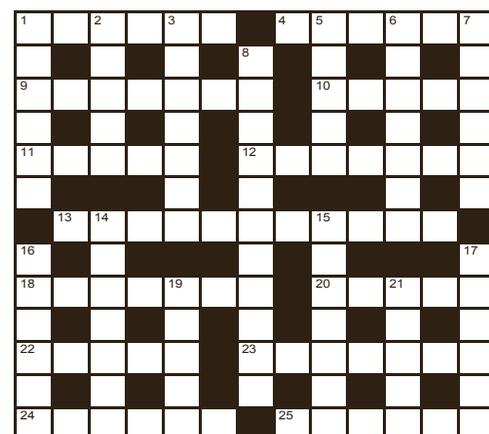
sic Club concert is the Tim Kliphuis jazz trio on Friday March 11.

The quintet play Kilmory Castle tomorrow (Saturday) at 7.30pm



The Northern Lights Wind Quintet. 25\_c07musicclub05

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- 18 One species (7)
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- 24 Very small (6)
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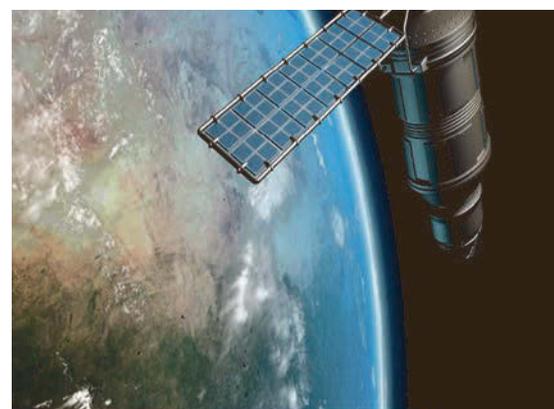
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**LARGIESIDE**

**Champion shepherd is penned in at Largside**

POSSIBLY Kintyre's best-known sheepdog handler did not need a whistle to keep control when she spoke at Largside Scottish Women's Institute (SWI).

Jessie Main gave a detailed talk on her life as a shepherdess, sheepdog handler, sheepdog trial commentator at the meeting on Thursday January 21.

Jessie has won sheepdog trials on many occasions and when she is not competing can often be found behind the microphone commentating at events.

Jessie breeds and trains her own dogs and brought photographs, leaflets and trophies to supplement the talk.

The vote of thanks was given by Pat Rawson for an enjoyable evening.

The hostesses for the evening were Colleen McCallum and Helen Steel.

Competition results:

ginger fruit loaf: Helen Steel and Jessie Main 5; Ann Clark 4; Colleen McCallum 3 and Lesley Thomson 2. Recycled item: Pat Rawson, Patricia Johnstone and Jessie Main 5; Lesley Thomson 3 and Adrienne Bradley 2.

**CARRADALE**

**Ash in the air at volcanic guild meeting**

THE guild received an insightful and informative talk on volcanoes at its February meeting.

Held on Tuesday February 2, Tony and Margaret Leighton spoke about Iceland to a packed room of more than 30 people.

Impressive photographs were shown of erupting volcanoes, geysers and glaciers, while the guild also enjoyed a film on the after-effects of the ash cloud on Iceland in 2010, which forced several airports in the UK to close.

The next meeting is on Tuesday February 23 when David McEwan will give a talk on his favourite hymns.

**SOUTHEND**

**Southend primary gains third green flag**

GREEN fingered pupils at Southend Primary and Early Learning Child Care have won their third environmental award.

Keep Scotland Beautiful, which runs Eco-schools, has given the primary its third green flag.

The Eco Group has been monitoring litter in the playground and improving both playground areas by introducing a pond, wild

flower area and grass for outdoor studies.

The pavillion has had recycled bottles put into the windows to reduce the draught, while the wendy house, pavillion, benches and gardening boxes have all been repainted.

A group of children continue to be involved in recycling and rag bag collection within the school.

The Eco Group's next project will aim



Southend primary pupils with their latest flag.

to improve the school's area in preparation for wormery and compost planting raised beds with flowers and vegetables.



Pupils eating traditional Burns' fayre.



The class and teachers singing 'Auld Lang Syne'.

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**Southend primary Burns lunch**

POETRY by the immortal bard was all part of the menu when Southend primary pupils held their own Burns lunch.

Children recited poems, made speeches, played the chanter, sang and danced during the event on Tuesday January 26.

A school spokesperson said: 'We all enjoyed the haggis, neeps and tatties with our guests.'

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**Heritage initiative man speaks on conservation**

THE MAN at the centre of the scheme to restore some of Campbeltown's great buildings put down his trowel to speak at Southend Scottish Women's Institute.

The group welcomed James Lafferty, project officer for Campbeltown Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS), to its February meeting.

**Grant awards**

Since the project started in 2007, CARS has secured almost 90 grant awards, resulting in repairs to more than 40 town centre buildings and 17 shop fronts being improved. CARS has helped owners secure match funding from other sources, such as £1 million from the Big Lottery Fund for the Town Hall or European funding of £250,000

for the bunkhouse at Big Kiln Street.

In April 2015 it started work on a second CARS project at 10-20 Longrow South. The total budget is £2.5 million and construction work will start on the first building at the end of March.

The group is also targeting the Old Post Office at 53 Main Street.

Results of competitions: Orange marmalade: gold, Margaret McDowell; silver, Eve Taylor and Kathleen Martin; red, Fiona Rowland and Marion Warnock; blue: Alison Nyon and Jean Ives.

Scotch pancakes: gold, Margaret McLean and Kathleen Martin; silver, Marion Warnock; red, Fiona Rowland, Eve Taylor and Margaret McDowell.

Valentine's poem: gold, Marion Warnock and Fiona Rowland; silver, Karen Twynham, Christine Jardine and Eve Taylor; red, Margaret McDowell.

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# Kintyre sow's celebrity status after litter of eight

FANMAIL has been arriving for a Tamworth sow who has become the star attraction

at Bellochantuy Farm Stall. The animal, which has become known by the name 'Big Pig,' gave

birth to a litter of eight piglets about two weeks ago.

In celebration of the

piglets' arrival proprietor and farmer Hannah Jones, baked some pig shaped shortbread which is now on sale in special presentation packs printed by Krisp Print in Campbeltown.

Mrs Jones, who moved to Kintyre from Gloucestershire, said: 'When we took the farm on about a decade ago if someone had told me one day you will be opening fanmail for a pig I would not have believed them.'

'That is exactly what has happened as just after the piglets' birth congratulation cards addressed to Big Pig started arriving.

'She has won the hearts of Kintyre and visitors from afar.'

Originally the stall opened about a year ago as an outlet for produce including eggs, from the farm where Mrs Jones

and her husband Will have built up from 500 hens to about 3,000.

The Stall, alongside the A83, is a true co-operative with a wide range including home grown potatoes, rolled and pinhead oatmeal and through sharing with Grant's Butchers in Taynuilt swap eggs for haggis.

Big Pig, who was bought from Islay, through an advertisement in *The Courier*, at first lived at the farm but last year, due to her friendly nature, became a 'petting' pig for children and some adults in a run alongside the stall.

This is the first litter which has been on display since her celebrity status was confirmed.

Big Pig is mostly fed on rolled oats from the farm although while she has piglets 'sow rolls' are given as a supple-



Charlie Jones, 5, feeds three of the piglets. 25\_c07piglets01



Tamworth sow named Big Pig the mother of the eight piglets. 25\_c07bigpig01

ment to ensure good milk supply, although her young are already happily munching their way through greens such as brussel sprout tops.

Mrs Jones is building a further shed where she hopes to have small animals such as guinea pigs and rabbits with a sand pit for rainy days to entertain children.

'Due to Big Pig's popularity she is likely to be joined by a very tame rare white Highland steer called Bunree who

is quite cuddly looking,' added Mrs Jones, 'We saved Bunree from the abattoir through a Facebook post where we said we would buy him if we got 100 likes.'

People are welcome to visit Big Pig and her piglets but are warned that sows can be very protective of their young and have sharp teeth. In addition only food bought at the stall should be fed to the pigs as crisps and food which has been through a kitchen is banned by law.

## Politicians face under-pressure farmers at NFU Scotland AGM

DELAYED payments, poor prices and political decisions are high on the agenda at NFU Scotland's AGM, held yesterday and today (Friday)

Ahead of the meeting at St Andrews, Scotland's farming union slammed the Scottish Government's failure to deliver support payments to the majority of Scottish farmers. This, coupled with poor commodity prices and the wettest winter on record has made for a bleak start to 2016 for the nation's farmers and crofters.

Speaking at the meeting, Scottish Cabinet Secretary, Richard Lochhead and Defra Minister, George Eustice, are expected to be

pressed for clarity on when support payments will arrive and when the promised Westminster review of the 'convergence dividend' from Europe will take place.

Land reform was also on the agenda, with a debate on the impact of the proposed Land Reform Bill, currently passing through the Scottish Parliament.

### Payment worries

Speaking ahead of the AGM, NFU Scotland president, Allan Bowie, said: 'While longer term there remains much to be positive about for Scottish food and farming, the short-term pressures on farm businesses from poor prices, payment worries and bad weather are relentless.'

'That means finding a way to ride out the year ahead will drive decision-making at farm level. It is essential that, whatever decisions farmers are forced to make, we retain our capacity to produce food.'

'The farming community and the supply trade will be desperate to hear from Richard Lochhead and his plans to address the fact that two-thirds of Scottish farmers and crofters are yet to receive a single penny of their support payment. That ongoing delay has generated a cash flow crisis on Scottish farms that is building by the day and causing genuine hardship in some cases.'

Mr Bowie added: 'While public support



NFUS president, Allan Bowie: 'pressures are relentless' on farming. 06\_a07allanbowie01

remains a crucial element of farm incomes, the desire remains to secure more from the marketplace for our produce. This AGM will also hear about the opportunities that exist for our food and drink sectors, while also looking at the relationship farmers can have with our biggest customer - the UK retailers.'

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Reverend Catriona Hood.

## Grammar school leavers buck national trend

CAMPBELTOWN school leavers finding positive destinations after leaving full time education exceeded the national total by 2.1 per cent.

Last year 95 per cent of 101 school leavers exiting the grammar school were recorded as finding a positive destination compared to a figure of 92.9 per cent nationally.

The figures were revealed by the school head, Reverend Catriona Hood, at a meeting of Argyll and Bute Council's Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the

Isles area committee on Wednesday of last week.

Most pupils, 33.7 per cent, chose to continue into higher education with a further 29.7 per cent going onto further education.

### Attractive option

The number of former pupils entering employment, 31.7 per cent, was down on 2014 when 44.3 per cent found work an attractive option. Just five per cent were listed as being unemployed and seeking work.



## Does the government support our fishermen?

Sir,  
Having attended the Rural Affairs Committee meeting at Scottish Parliament, can I first of all congratulate all of the fishermen who turned out to oppose the Marine Protected Area's being considered in our coastal waters.

The debate itself, which took place within the parliament building, was disappointing.

There was no support from Marine Scotland, our MSP Michael Russell and the cabinet secretary Richard Lochhead. The economic impact and the damage this will cause to our rural communities was totally ignored. Decisions had already been made prior to this meeting.

Clearly the public has not been listened to.

Mr Russell was likened to a Rottweiler by his colleagues when he was first elected, but his display of support for the fishing industries and the families, who depend on fishing, lacked any bark.

Mr Russell claimed that he would not support any future restriction orders affecting fishing. His reasons for

his decision were because of the way the proposal of the MPAs had been handled.

If he was unhappy at the way things had been handled he should have opted to continue the consultation and take account of the strong public opinion, which is out there.

The question has to be asked of our government - do you support our fishing industry and our fishermen?

**Councillor John McAlpine, Tarbert.**

## Amazon handouts short change Scottish taxpayers

Sir,  
Why did the Scottish Government give Amazon a massive hand out of £1 million pounds from taxpayers money in 2015?

This notoriously low wage company boasts that it pays a wage of £7.20 an hour, i.e. below the living wage.

Amazon pays minimal amount of tax, despite having two large depots in Scotland in Gourrock and Dunfermline.

The depot in Dunfermline is the largest in the UK and covers an area of 14 football pitches and was funded by the Scottish Government to the tune of al-

most £9 million. The Scottish government only gives a quarter of a million to the Poverty Alliance Group, which is the agency which tries to oversee companies and encourages them to pay at least the living wage.

It seems to me that Scottish tax payers are being short changed in this topsy turvey method of handouts to large companies which rip off their employees.

I am quite sure Argyll and Bute Council would be delighted to receive at least £1 million towards its services which employ staff at more than the living wage.

**Margaret Horrell, Helensburgh.**

## Legislation needed on police use of facial recognition

Sir,  
I never thought that my face was so interesting that anyone would like to keep a record of it.

But now I am not so sure. I read that Police Scotland retain more than 335,000 people's images on unregulated facial recognition technology.

Without adequate legal safeguards there is nothing to stop the police from using technology

for mass surveillance.

It could be used to identify protesters at political events or football fans, stifling freedom of speech. Innocent people could be compromised and they could be exposed to the risk of false identification.

Scottish Liberal Democrat justice spokesperson Alison McInnes, used freedom of information requests to draw the Scottish Government's attention to the potential threat to civil liberties of unregulated use of facial recognition technology. A recent report to the Scottish Government concluded McInnes was right and concluded that there is: 'A need for improved legislation and better independent oversight around the police use of biometrics in Scotland.'

When in coalition government in Westminster the Lib Dems established a statutory code of practice governing such technology in England and Wales in 2012. It is time for the Scottish Government to catch up. Just as occurred with stop and search, armed police and corroboration, the report's findings show that only Scottish Liberal Democrats can be trusted to protect your liberties.

**J Craig, Cove.**

## Local projects share in Lottery millions

CAMPBELTOWN community projects were boosted thanks to National Lottery funding last year.

Shopper-Aide and

Campbeltown's Sea Cadets both received thousands of pounds when 57 groups in Argyll and Bute shared a jackpot of more than £4 million in

2015. Shopper-Aide received £10,000 to help recruit, train and support new volunteers, while the Sea Cadets No 480 Unit were given £7,000 to fund a new Wayfarer Trainer dinghy.

The groups, as well as any other organisation that has ever received National Lottery funding, now have the possibility of gaining nationwide acclaim by entering The National Lottery Awards 2016.

National Lottery Awards winners will receive a £3,000 cash prize and national recognition at a glittering ceremony broadcast on

BBC One in October.

John Barrowman, actor and presenter of last year's National Lottery Awards show, said: 'The National Lottery Awards offer an unmissable opportunity to give outstanding projects their time to shine.'

'If you can think of a great Lottery-funded project, please nominate them for an Award.'

National Lottery Awards are given across seven categories; Sport, Heritage, Arts, Environment, Health, Education and Voluntary/Charity, to reflect the range of funding that the Lottery gives out.

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# Star Wars movie heroes beam into Campbeltown

AN ENTHRALLING line-up of Oscar and BAFTA-nominated movies comes to Campbeltown this weekend, including the long-awaited Star Wars sequel.

February's screening weekend also includes the astonishing 'In the Heart of the Sea,' based on the story which inspired Moby Dick; Eddie Redmayne in 'The Danish Girl'; Golden Globe winner Jennifer Lawrence in 'Joy'; 'Snoopy and Charlie Brown: The Peanuts Movie' and Quentin Tarantino's epic 'The Hateful Eight.'

The eagerly anticipated continuation of the epic saga created by George Lucas, 'Star Wars: The Force Awakens' has become a massive global hit and been enthusiastically welcomed by Star Wars fans.

Robustly entertain-

ing while carrying the weight of impossible audience expectations, J. J. Abrams's reboot is a fascinating mixture of rollicking mythmaking and fan service which has been nominated for five Oscars.

Thirty years after defeating the Galactic Empire, Han Solo and his allies face a new threat from the evil Kylo Ren and his army of Stormtroopers. Newcomers Oscar Isaac, John Boyega and Daisy Ridley are joined by the original cast of Harrison Ford, Mark Hamill and Carrie Fisher.

Charlie Brown, Snoopy, Lucy, Linus and the rest of the beloved 'Peanuts' gang make their big-screen debut in The Peanuts Movie.

The world's most beloved underdog Charlie Brown embarks upon an epic and heroic quest, while his best friend, the lovable beagle Snoopy,

takes to the skies to pursue his arch-nemesis, the Red Baron.

From the imagination of Charles M. Schulz and the creators of the Ice Age films, The Peanuts Movie proves that every underdog has his day.

Ron Howard's highly impressive 'In the Heart of the Sea' stars Chris Hemsworth, Ben Wishaw, Tom Holland, Brendan Gleeson, Benjamin Walker and Cillian Murphy.

In the winter of 1820, the New England whaling ship Essex was assaulted by something no one could believe: a whale of mammoth size and will and an almost human sense of vengeance.

The real-life maritime disaster would inspire Herman Melville's Moby Dick, but that told only half the story.

Braving storms, starvation, panic and de-



Evil returns in Star Wars: The Force Awakens.

spair, the men will call into question their deepest beliefs as their captain searches for direction on the open sea as his first mate seeks to bring the great whale down.

'The Danish Girl' is the remarkable love story inspired by the lives of Lili Elbe and Gerda Wegener (portrayed by Eddie Redmayne and Alicia Vikander), whose marriage and work evolve as they navigate Lili's ground-breaking journey as a transgender pioneer.

Directed by Academy Award winner Tom Hooper (The King's Speech, Les Misérables) the film has been nominated for five BAFTA awards and four Oscars including Best Actor and Best Actress.

Set a few years after the Civil War, a stagecoach hurtles through the wintry Wyoming landscape in Quentin Tarantino's epic The Hateful Eight.

The passengers seek refuge at Minnie's Haberdashery, a stagecoach stopover on a mountain pass. When they arrive at Minnie's, they are greeted not by the proprietor but by four unfamiliar faces.

As the storm escalates, our eight travellers come to learn they may not make it to Red Rock after all. Stars Samuel L. Jackson, Kurt Russell, Jennifer Jason, Tim Roth, Bruce Dern and

Channing Tatum with a score by Ennio Morricone.

Jennifer Lawrence, Robert De Niro and Bradley Cooper star in David O Russell's (American Hustle, Silver Linings Playbook) Joy, based on the true story of Joy Mangano, whose invention, the Miracle Mop, offered her an escape route

from suburbia. A charming comedy-drama about betrayal, treachery and the loss of innocence both inside and outside the family, Jennifer Lawrence won the Golden Globe Best Actress Award for her dazzling performance.

A free loyalty card scheme has recently been introduced by CCB, which gives cin-

emagoers one complimentary ticket for every five they buy. Ticket prices are £6.50 for adults and £5 for concessions, while a family of four ticket is £20. Book by card in advance online (50p per ticket booking fee for online bookings), or cash only on the door.

For full times see listing on page nine.



Samuel L Jackson features in Tarantino's latest movie The Hateful Eight.



Jennifer Lawrence stars in the true story Joy.

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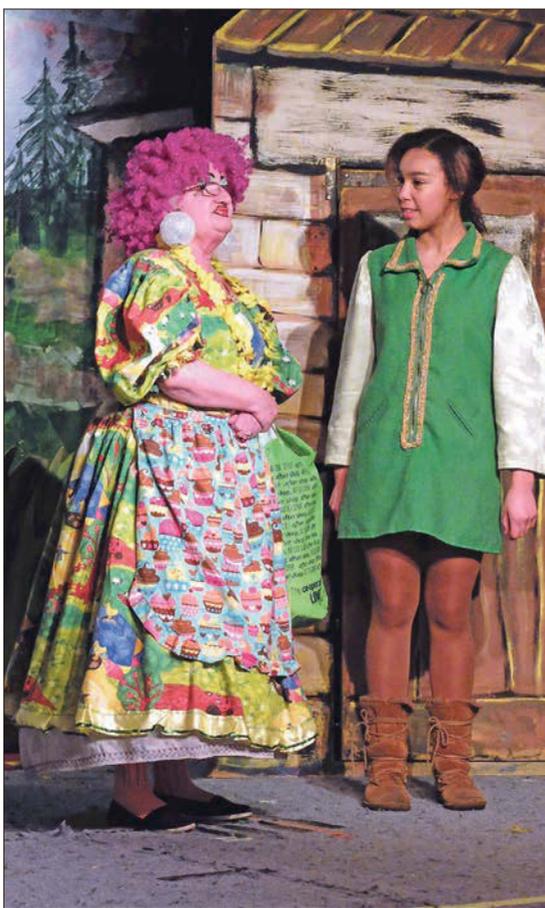
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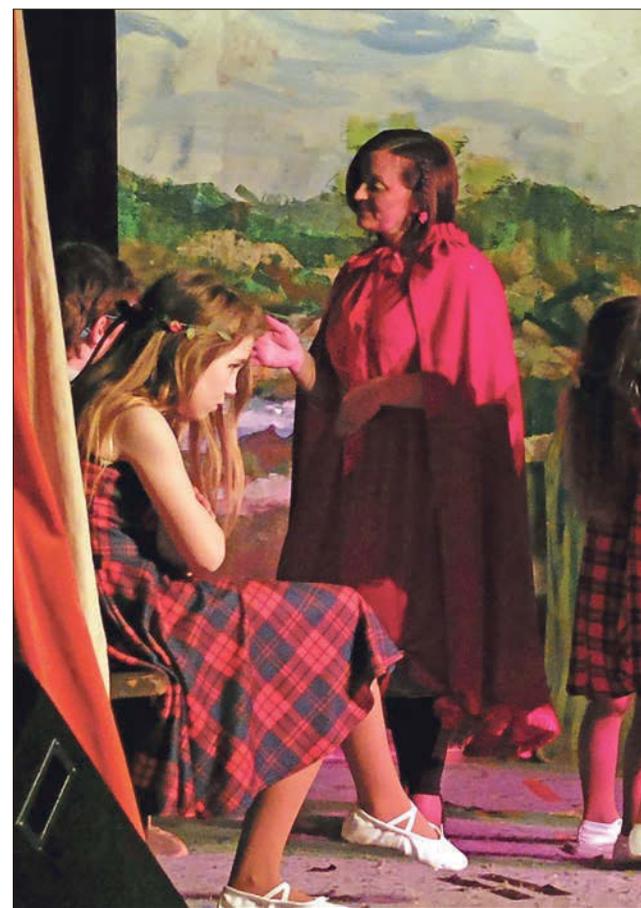
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Trudy and Ali as fairies Blossom and Tiddlytonks. 25\_c07panto02



Dame Dottie and Jack. 25\_c07panto10



The opening chorus line. 25\_c07panto04



Some of the sound and lighting crew. 25\_c07panto45

# Pantomime pranks

by MARK DAVEY  
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Thunderbore and Billy. 25\_c07panto06

MANY a Kintyre farmer may wish for a cow like the star of this year's Clachan Calamities pantomime which produced milk ready-bottled.

The two-person animal also had a tidy line in giving squirry cream ready-packaged.

It was all part of the fun in a two hour 20 minute production of *Jack and the Beanstalk* which played on Friday and Saturday last week with a special preview night on Thursday.

Director Lesley Keen introduced the action by telling the audience: 'If you are looking for trouble you came to the right place.'

Central characters included Margaret Henderson as Dame Dottie Trott who continued the milking theme with the memorable tongue twister: 'If there's one thing that turns Trotty Dotty it's a dirty dairy.'

One of the funniest scenes was a projection of her holiday snaps showing Daisy the cow, who starred as herself being led through the streets of Clachan and into the service station.

None of the stars of the show dominated proceedings and it was clear that everyone had a chance to join in the



Chorus line at the end of the show. 25\_c07panto44

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The Queen of Argyll takes a tumble. 25\_c07panto15

# pack Clachan show



Daisy the cow makes a pint of semi-skimmed. 25\_c07panto19

hilarity including, in good pantomime tradition, plenty of audience participation.

Slapstick abounded, particularly memorable was Viv Watt's fall, in her role as the Queen of Argyll, Queen Davina, which showed plenty of underwear and had the audience in stitches.

In addition to the dairy scenes there were many references to current events including a brief appearance by a David Bowie fashioned starman.

It may not have been intentional to leave radio microphones turned on in the interval but the audience enjoyed hearing a voice say: 'Ok, that's the end of the first half we are getting there.'

The full cast list was as follows: Jack: Gaia Silvan, Billy: Mairarad Henderson, Dame Dottie: Margaret Henderson, Weeyin: Leo Silvan, Jean: Morvern Paisley, Grabbit: Eilidh Norris, Queen Davina: Viv Watt, Thunderbore: Arthur Duff, Ogre: Peter Simson, Kirsti Paisley, Daisy the cow: played by herself, Ghosty: Robyn McPhie, fairies Blossom and Tiddlytonks: Trudy and Ali, Chicken: Kayleigh McNeill.

Chorus: Robyn, Cara, Alasdair, Christopher, Chloe, Lewis, Kayleigh, Grace, Lesley

Writer: Arthur Duff.

The Courier has further photographs which will be on display in our Longrow office on the digital screen.



The magical flying car with a nod to Harry Potter's Ford Anglia. 25\_c07panto30



Jack starts his journey up the beanstalk. 25\_c07panto27

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# Argyll entrepreneur has business all sewn up

AN UPHOLSTERER who decided to retrain as a leather technician plans to tan the competition by offering both services.

Lindsay Russell set up L G Upholstery last year after working as an upholsterer for 17 years. He has travelled throughout the region working on people's furniture, chairs, sofas and vehicles.

With support from Business Gateway Argyll and Bute, Lindsay, who is based in Lochgilphead, also offers a made-to-order service which includes sofas, chairs and cushions.

Lindsay said: 'I learned how to upholster as an apprentice with a local company and I was with it for 17 years.'

'After working as a truck driver for a year I decided to complete a course in leather doctoring, a skill I always wanted to learn.'

'Once I had my certifications I felt it was the right time to launch my own business where I could offer both services.

es. 'Since setting up the business in April last year I have steadily built up customers through word-of-mouth, my website and Facebook.'

'I am hoping to carry out more work in areas like Campbeltown and continue to grow and expand both in customer base and geographically.'

Planning to secure long-term work for his made-to-order service, and increase the amount of his standard upholstery and leather jobs, Lindsay is confident in the future.

#### Response

He added: 'So far the response has been great and I have also had bigger jobs like recovering the whole of a local pub so I am hopeful that this type of work will increase also.'

'Many people do not realise that leather can be fixed, whether it's a rip, faded colour or cleaning, so I want to let them know that they do not need to throw out their sofas, jackets or



A reupholstered chair in the L G Upholstery studio.

always need to get car seats recovered; I can assess the damage and offer a solution.'

#### Support

'Although I'm experienced and skilled in my work, I needed sup-

port in setting up on my own. Business Gateway offered me various types of advice which has helped me not only set up the business but puts me in a good position to grow.'

Donald Melville, business adviser for Business Gateway, said: 'Lindsay has a wealth of experience in this industry but he came to us for business advice. As well as one-to-one sup-

port we have signposted Lindsay to potential funding avenues which would help him take his business to the next level.'

#### Develop

For more information

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

## Online and craft businesses focus of gateway workshops

WORKSHOPS to help boost online and small craft business success in cyberspace may help grow profits.

Brand new workshops have been added to the Argyll and Bute range with many existing workshops being refreshed.

The 'Better Business Websites' workshop, led by Garry Ennis, in Inveraray on February 23 is aimed at businesses already live online.

A website is no guarantee of online success but the 'right' website, designed and managed to match business objectives will set it apart from competition and help deliver real measurable results.

Gary is the founder of NS Design, an award-winning digital agency in Glasgow, providing services and consultancy to more than 10,000 businesses worldwide for the last 16 years.

Since 2009, Gary has given hundreds of Business Gateway workshops on digital topics.

#### Accessibility

This workshop examines how to make an existing website better through best practice design, content, usability, accessibility and Search Engine Optimisation.

A one-day workshop, by Redpath Marketing, in Oban on March 3 will help small craft businesses

develop and reach more customers profitably.

It will help them to increase the scale of their business and widen their markets. It covers understanding the market and competitors, pricing, choosing where to sell, using social media, making an impact at craft fairs, building networks and collaborating with other craft businesses.

Jack Redpath has 30 years' experience of working with small businesses, including crafters, focusing on helping create suitable marketing strategies to develop and grow.

Campbeltown will host the ever-popular one-and-a-half day busi-

ness start-up workshop on March 2 and 3.

Designed for those moving into self-employment, this workshop will help turn ideas into a practical and effective plan to start a business. It covers three key areas: marketing, business planning and finance. Getting the marketing right for a business is crucial to its success. The workshop will help people to understand their competitors, identify their customers and how to reach them effectively.

The workshop will also help potential businesses learn how to manage a profit and loss account, produce a cashflow statement, un-

derstand their working capital requirements and identify their main sources of finance.

Oban workshops include 'Get your Business Noticed - PR on a Budget' on March 9 and 'Improve Your Selling Skills' on March 15.

Inveraray workshops with some places available include the 'Build your Business Website' on March 23, 'Introduction to Social Media' on March 30 and 'More from Social Media' on March 31.

To book a place or to find out more about the full range of workshops, contact the Business Gateway team on 01546 604555 or email [business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk).

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Notice under Section 18 (1) (c) of the Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006 and under Section 16 (2) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005.

Argyll and Bute Council has revised the Environmental Report (Strategic Environmental Assessment) that accompanies the adopted Local Development Plan, to include an additional appendix (Appendix 6) relating to the following draft Supplementary Guidance: SG LDP – Coastal Development; SG LDP – Piers and Harbours; SG LDP – Aquaculture Development; and SG LDP – Renewable Energy.

The Environmental Report together with the above draft Supplementary Guidance can be viewed at: <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/ldp>

The consultation period on the above documents will run for six weeks until the 25th March 2016.

The documents will also be available to view in the Council run Libraries during their normal opening hours, and at the Council Offices at 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilthead 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday.

Please note responses must be received before 5pm on the 25th March 2016. Responses should be sent to Sheila McKenzie, Development and Infrastructure, 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilthead, Argyll PA31 8RD or by emailing: [ldp@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:ldp@argyll-bute.gov.uk)

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### TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT

Ref No	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
16/00129/PP	Formation of running path (200mm deep x 2m wide x 200m long)	Meadows Playing Field Raiston Road Campbeltown Argyll And Bute	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
16/00261/PP	Siting of storage containers, gas cylinders, plant and machinery and parking for motor vehicles and trailers (retrospective)	Lorne Garage Chalmers Street Ardrihaig Lochgilthead PA30 8EY	Mid Argyll Area Office

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

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16/00238/PP	Installation of new oil-fired boiler with associated oil tank	Christ Church Episcopal Church Bishopston Road Lochgilthead Argyll And Bute	Mid Argyll Area Office
16/00258/PP	Installation of telecommunications cabinet	Land At 10 Barrrow View Kilmartin Argyll And Bute	Mid Argyll Area Office
16/00260/LIB	Demolition of existing rear outbuildings and kitchen extension	Columba Hotel Pier Road Tarbert PA29 6UF	Sub Post Office Harbour Street

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, Central Validation Team, 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilthead PA31 8RD.

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

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## NHBC reports continued house-building growth in 2015

The number of new homes registered to be built in the UK has topped 156,000 in 2015 - a continued increase of 7% on the previous year, new NHBC figures have revealed.

7% year-on-year increase in NHBC new home registrations

156,140 new homes registered - representing 8 year high

75% more new homes registered in 2015 than in 2009

In total, 156,140 new homes were registered by NHBC in 2015 - compared to 146,359 in 2014. The figures show NHBC registered 75% more new homes in 2015 than it did at the time of the housing crash in 2009.

Private sector registrations increased by 7% (118,611 in 2015; 110,674 in 2014), with the public sector increasing by 5%

(37,529 in 2015; 35,685 in 2014). The figures also showed that NHBC registered 75% more new homes in 2015 than it did at the time of the housing crash in 2009.

Continuing the trend from 2014, the number of detached homes registered over the last 12 months (42,173) is the highest for over a decade. Additionally, the number of semi-detached homes registered in 2015 (35,423) is the highest in more than 20 years (36,757 in 1994).

NHBC's latest data also revealed that the majority of UK regions experienced notable growth on 2014 levels, with the Eastern region (+23%), North West (+16%) and Scotland (+15%) leading the way.

The East Midlands (+12%), South West (+9%) and West Midlands (+9%) also enjoyed a positive

year, as did Northern Ireland (+30%) although this was from a relatively low base.

London is still leading the way in the number of new home registrations. Although the 2015 figure of 25,994 registrations is down 9% on the record 2014 total of 28,518, 2015 saw the third highest number of registrations on record. Yorkshire & the Humber is down 13% on 2014 and Wales is down 2% on 2014.

As the leading warranty and insurance provider for new homes in the UK, NHBC's registration statistics are the lead indicator of the health of the country's new homes market. For over 80 years, NHBC has been committed to driving up quality and raising standards in house-building and enjoys an 80% plus market share in UK new

home warranties.

Commenting on the annual statistics, NHBC Chief Executive Mike Quinton, said: "We are pleased to report that 2015 was a year for continued housing growth in the UK. Both the public and private sectors have performed well and we have seen encouraging levels of house-building across most regions of the country.

"The detached home continues its resurgence, with our figures showing that house builders are building the highest number of detached properties for over a decade, with semi-detached homes also at their highest level in more than 20 years.

"There is still a way to go before we are building the levels of new homes that were seen before the economic downturn, but 2015

represents consolidation on the growth seen over the last three years.

"As always, NHBC's mission is to ensure construction quality of the very highest standard in new homes and this emphasis on quality remains unwavering, particularly during such periods of increased activity and production that we have seen over recent years."

NHBC UK statistics for 2015 show that:

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The Assistant Area Manager will be based in Skye. Reporting to the Area Manager, the position would initially entail:

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- Monitoring and maintaining the security and effectiveness of all equipment
- Oversee the prompt and accurate reporting of production figures for all sites within the area
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**Requirements**

The successful candidate will have previous experience within a sea based aquaculture environment. While formal qualifications in relevant subject areas are advantageous they are not a requirement. The successful candidate will be self-motivated, hardworking and a good personnel manager with a strong focus on health and safety.

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Freedom Food Ltd is a wholly owned subsidiary of the RSPCA, set up to administer the Society's farm assurance welfare labelling scheme and is looking for an assessor to undertake salmon and trout assessment work in the Scotland, with an occasional requirement to travel to other parts of the UK and overseas.

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An application form and job description can be requested from: Anna-Louise Sales, Freedom Food Ltd, Wilberforce Way, Southwater, West Sussex, RH13 9RS or [anna-louise.sales@freedomfood.co.uk](mailto:anna-louise.sales@freedomfood.co.uk). We do not accept CVs.

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**The Role**

The Area Manager will be based in Skye. Reporting to the Production Manager, the position would initially entail:

- Prioritising and planning all day to day work on 3 salmon farms in Loch Dunvegan
- Looking after the health and welfare of all fish farm staff and contractors employed within the area
- Monitoring financial and biological performance of the area against budget and identifying and reporting deviations
- Oversee the prompt and accurate reporting of production figures for all sites within the area
- Preparing and submitting operational and capital budgets for the coming year

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**Requirements**

The successful candidate will have several years of experience within a sea based aquaculture environment. They will also have previous experience in a management role. While formal qualifications in relevant subject areas are advantageous, they are not a requirement. The successful candidate will be self-motivated, hardworking and a good personnel manager with a strong focus on health and safety.

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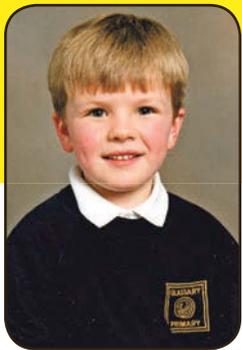
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## Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



I REALLY did not want to comment on the weather, but it seems that it is just so awful that it does warrant a small remark.

Dog walking is a challenge in the extreme, as the gales sweep across the stony remnants of what were beautiful sandy beaches.

The waves crash over our wellies and we do our best to keep our spirits up as horizontal sleet finds even the smallest chink in our armour.

Drying very soggy Rough Collies is a daunting task and bedraggled dogs look very displeased indeed.

To this end, we thought we would invest in doggy coats.

We thought about how the dogs would feel. Would they feel silly or inadequate, or would they be pleased of the comfort these coats would bring.

So we decided to try it and use all our canine psychology to bring confidence.

We put on the coats and waited for a negative reaction.

To our amazement and delight, Jazz responded to the praise heaped on him about how handsome he looked.

Carys wasn't so easily taken in, but did feel that it might just keep her hair in order.

So off we went in the storm.

Both collies seemed happy and we praised and encouraged them.

I thought of how easy it is to give praise, and what a positive impact that can have.

So often in life, we forget to offer encouragement and then people can feel inadequate and insecure.

A few words of praise can lift all our spirits and help us feel better about ourselves.

I just hope that the 'real' dogs out there working 'naked' in all weather, don't make fun of our two.

And even if it's not for them, they can be pleased that their friends are comfortable.

So, please Roy and Ben up on the hills at Beachmenach – not a word.

## From our files:

### TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

February 15 1991

Royal visit for town

THE PRINCESS Royal, Princess Anne, is due to pay a flying visit to Campbeltown on March 1 to open the new extension at the Jaeger Man Tailoring factory in The Roading.

She will fly in to RAF Machrihanish and meet local dignitaries, including the Lord Lieutenant of Argyll, the Marquess of Bute.

He will escort the Princess Royal on her visit and she is due to fly out from Machrihanish again two hours later.

This will be the first official royal visit to Campbeltown in 33 years. HM The Queen and Prince Phillip landed for 45 minutes on a west coast cruise

in the RY Britannia on August 11, 1958.

They landed at the Old Quay and stopped at the Town Hall to make presentations, signed the visitors' book and heard the Gaelic choir sing 'God bless the Prince of Wales' shortly after his investiture.

### FIFTY YEARS AGO

February 17 1966

Plans going forward for first Scottish Week

CAMPBELTOWN will stage its first ever Scottish Week this summer, when its own industrial skills and cultural talents will be put on show.

The event is being sponsored by Campbeltown Publicity Committee, which on Thursday approved a provisional programme for the week drawn up by a special sub-committee. The suggested

date is from Saturday July 2 to Saturday July 9.

Among the activities being planned for are a concert in the Town Hall in the form of a 'Hootenanny', preceded by selections played by Ceannloch Pipe Band in Main Street, and a static exhibition of the social and industrial history of the town in the form of photographs and pictures, also in the Town Hall.

There will also be an exhibition of local products in the Victoria Hall and a concert and Highland Ball in the same venue. To obtain funds for the week, a lottery is to be held.

### ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

February 12 1916

The appointed day

THE Jingle of the moment enquires - 'Will you march too, or wait till March 2?' -

and it is hoped that all whom the query may still concern have determined in favour of the first alternative, or, in other words, decided to present themselves at once for attestation as voluntary members of the Army Reserve under the group system.

March 2 is the 'appointed day' prescribed by the Military Service Act.

On that day the groups will finally be closed, and all eligible men then unaccounted for will, by the terms of the act, be presumed to have automatically enrolled in the Army Reserve, and will become amenable to the compulsory provisions of the measure.

From March 3 onwards these men will be enrolled, according to the year of birth, in 23 'classes,' representing the years 1875-1879 inclusive.



Diana taking part in the heat judging trials for the Scottish Confetti Awards last month.

Photo Terry Boyd Photograph

## Saddell stylist hoping for repeat performance at wedding awards

AN ARGYLL make-up artist has a chance of bagging another national award.

Diana McKenzie has been nominated for the Scottish Wedding Awards for the second year in a row, having won last year in the category of hair and make-up specialist of

the year in the north west.

She has been shortlisted as one of the finalists for the make-up specialist of the year award again, this time in the central category.

The award ceremony will be held on February 29 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Glasgow.

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**TEXT FOR THE WEEK**

'If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!' (2 Corinthians 5:17).

**BIRTHS**



**GRAHAM**

Peter and Louise are delighted to announce the safe arrival of Darroch Alexander Graham, on January 23, 2016 at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney, Australia. A first grandchild for Agnes Graham, Campbeltown and Hendrie Graham, formerly Campbeltown, and first grandson for Irene and the late Robin McIlchere.

**ENGAGEMENTS**

**FRASER - CAMERON** - Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Elaine, daughter of Patty and the late Alasdair, Cleish, Kinross and Thomas, son of Thomas and Mary, Gartvaigh, Southend.

**DEATHS**

**DEANS** - Suddenly at home, 148 Davaar Avenue, Campbeltown, on February 2, 2016, Archibald Paterson Deans, in his 76th year, dearly beloved husband of the late Margaret Martin, dearly beloved father of Archie and a much loved brother and uncle.  
**MCLEAN** - Peacefully, at Ardfenaig Care Home, Ardrishaig, on February 10, 2016, Margaret Elizabeth (Betty), in her

97th year, beloved wife of the late Thomas, dear mother of Graham and mother-in-law of Jean, and a much loved granny, great granny and great great granny. Service will take place at Living Stones Christian Centre, Kilmartin, on Monday, February 15 at 12.00 noon, thereafter to Ach-na-breac Cemetery.

**MCMILLAN** - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on February 9, 2016, Mary McMillan, in her 103rd year, Flemings Land, Campbeltown, dearly beloved daughter of the late Alexander and Isabella McMillan and a dearly loved sister, aunt, great aunt and great, great aunt. Service will take place in the Lorne and Lowland Church, on Thursday, February 18, 2016 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation.

**MCSPORRAN** - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on February 6, 2016, Charles Stalker McSporrán, in his 77th year, 1 Killlean Place, George Street, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Elizabeth MacMaster and a much loved father, grandfather and great grandfather.

**SELFRIDGE** - On February 3, 2016, suddenly but peacefully, at the Golden Jubilee Hospital, Clydebank, David (Davy) Simpson Selfridge, aged 68 years, beloved husband of Angela, much loved father of Laura, Claire and David, a dearly loved grandfather of Kali and Jasmine and a dear brother and uncle. Funeral service was held at Ardrishaig Parish Church, on February 11, interment thereafter at Ach-na-breac Cemetery.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**CAMERON** - The family of the late Isobel Cameron would like to thank all relatives, friends, neighbours and colleagues for their kind expressions of sympathy and support given at this sad time. Particular thanks to the staff of Glenaray Ward for the wonderful care that our mum received. Thanks also to Rev David Carruthers for a lovely service, to Roddy and Fiona of Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for their guidance throughout the whole process, and to the Grey Gull Inn for excellent purvey. Finally, our thanks to all who attended at church and graveside to pay their respects.

**NAPIER** - The family of the late Willie Napier would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy, flowers, cards and letters following their sad loss. They would especially like to thank Ann Parkhouse for her help and kindness to Anne during Willie's illness, and for her continued support. Thanks also to Dr Ireland and the district and Macmillan nurses for their help during Willie's time at home and to the nursing teams at the Mid Argyll and Royal hospitals. A special thanks to Catriona Hood for her very touching service, which was appreciated by the family. The retiral collection on behalf of the Macmillan Nurses, Kintyre Locality amounted to £410.

**IN MEMORIAMS**

**BROWN** - In loving memory of our dear daughter and sister, Sharon Fiona, died February 12, 1993. Forever and always in our thoughts.  
 - Mum, Dad, sister and brothers.

**CAMPBELL** - Bunty, passed away February 14, 2009.

Sadly missed but not forgotten.  
 - Ivor, Christine, Shauna, Robert and great grandchildren.

**COLVILLE** - Fond memories of Robert, who died February 14, 2013.

- Doreen, Jean, Betty, Lynsey, Lorraine and families.

**DAVIES** - Robert. In memory of a loving husband, dad, father-in-law and granddad, died February 13, 2015. We miss you lots.

- From Ivy and family.

**SCOTT** - A note of remembrance for Gavin, who recently would have turned sixty. Sadly he passed away in the summertime. He left us far too soon. He loved Ardrishaig and his ashes are scattered at a favourite spot in Mid Argyll. Happy Birthday Dad, we're all thinking of you.

**SHAW** - In loving memory of my dear mother (Chrisy), who died February 17, 2011.

Deeply missed, Loved and remembered every day.  
 - John.

**THOMPSON** - Tommy, went to sleep February 15, 2007. A much loved husband, dad and grandad. Too dearly loved to ever be forgotten.

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 Morning Service 11am with communion  
 mainly music  
 Tuesdays at 10.15am  
**Jumpstart**  
 Fridays from 10am  
 Scottish Charity SC015187



Argyll Street, Campbeltown  
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**CHURCH NOTICES**

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

"It is good to sing praises to our God"  
 Sunday 14th February  
 Services in Ardrishaig at 11:00am Achahaish at 12:30pm

**Scottish Episcopal Churches Everyone Welcome**

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 9.00am Holy Communion  
**3rd Sunday of the month**  
 3.30pm Evensong  
 Father Simon Mackenzie 01546 602315

**LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN**

**Sunday 14th February 2016 11.00am**  
 Worship Service for all ages followed by a light lunch  
**SPEAKER: George Stewart**  
 'With healing in His wings'  
**THURSDAY 18th February 2016 7.30pm**  
 (Please note change of time)  
 Prayer, Word and Sharing  
 All Welcome

*Highland Parish Church*



SC002493  
**Sunday 14th February 2016**  
 The service will be held in the cur church at 11.15 am and will be conducted by Rev Chris Fulcher

**Tuesday 16th February**  
 There will be no Badminton Club on.  
**Wednesday 17th February**  
 Board and Session Meeting in the church at 7.00pm

**SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH**



75 Longrow, Campbeltown  
**Sunday 14 February 2016**  
 11.00am Family Communion Service  
 Mr Gordon Cosgrove  
**Tuesday 16th February**  
 10am - 12 noon  
 Coffe Morning restarts  
 All welcome  
**Wednesday**  
 12.30pm at the Free Church  
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**LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH**  
**Sunday 14th February 2016**  
 11.00 am WORSHIP SERVICE  
 Rev. Hilda Smith  
 All Welcome  
**Every Tuesday**  
 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.  
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**Every Wednesday**  
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 More info. at www.lpchurch.co.uk

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**Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair**  
 Charity No. SC016097  
 Minister:  
 Rev. Dr. Roderick D. M. Campbell  
 Morning Service in Cumlodden Church at 10 am  
**Glenaray and Inveraray**  
 Charity No. SC016665  
 Morning Service in Inveraray Church at 11.30 am  
 Seirbheis Ghàidhlig  
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 7.30pm Bible Study  
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 Community Psalm Singing  
**Wednesday 17th February**  
 12.30pm  
 Bible Study and Prayer  
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**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND**  
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 Skipness Service 10.00am  
 Mr Tom MacKay  
 Tarbert Service 11.30am  
 Kilberry Service 2pm  
 Rev Chris Brett  
 Kirk Session  
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 Tarbert Church 7.30pm  
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**Everyone very welcome**  
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**NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH**

Charity Number SC001002  
**Sunday 14 February**  
 Inverlussa Church  
 Prayer meeting 10:30 am  
 Holy Communion 11:30 am  
**Monday 15 February**  
 Tayvallich Church  
 Prayer meeting 10 am  
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Scottish Charity Number SC011686  
**Sunday 14th February**  
 Service 11.15am  
 Next Generation Triple C Creche  
 Rev P Wallace

**Monday 15th February**  
 Guild New Hall 7.30pm  
 Kirk Session Meeting  
 Session Room 7.30pm

**Tuesday 16th February**  
 Tiny Tots New Hall 9.45am  
 Boys' Brigade  
 Anchor Boys 6.00pm  
 Junior Section 7.15pm  
 Church Hall

**Thursday 18th February**  
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**Friday 19th February**  
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# Carradale concede eight against Oak Thistle in Glasgow goal-fest

DALE'S debutant goalie took a battering last weekend as they went down to Old Oak Thistle 8 - 4.

On a rain-drenched day, Carradale arrived late into Stepps in Glasgow's East End with a severely weakened side and could not fit in a warm up before kick off.

This was to prove costly, as Dale shipped two goals in the first three minutes, with goalkeeper, 16-year-old Declan Wilson, a last minute call up, getting a harsh introduction to the team.

'Dale got back into the game in the 11th minute

<b>Oak Thistle</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Carradale</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>West of Scotland AFL</b>	

when a Cammy Maguire cross was headed downwards by David Johnstone.

In the next 20 minutes the Andrew Smith and Sons sponsored side created many chances and managed to keep Thistle out of the goal.

In the 19th minute another great effort from David Johnstone, on the inside right channel, saw him slip a ball to his namesake Calum whose left-footed shot was just

tipped over the bar by the Thistle goalie.

Five minutes later, Johnstone had another great chance through a long ball from Euan McIlroy, the keeper missed the resulting shot, but a desperate save saw a Thistle defender injure himself when he collided with the post.

The visitors conceded two corners in the 34th and 37th minute to go 4-1 down and just be-

fore the break Thistle scored a fifth.

Carradale pulled one back in the 51st minute from a penalty coolly despatched by Ryan McConnachie but within three minutes the home side had scored a sixth and collected a further two in the 63rd and 69th minute.

In the last 15 minutes Carradale seemed to come back a bit and Maguire touched a ball in after a free kick from 22 yards out. Six minutes later Gregor Croll crossed to Maguire who scored his second of the match.

Cammy Maguire was named man of the match.

A spokesman said: 'Oak Thistle had a good side and recently beat Red Star 6-2 in the West of Scotland Cup at Lochgilphead.

'On home turf with a strong side we would give them a good run.'

The result leaves Carradale in fourth place in the league.

Their next fixture is a home league game this weekend against third-placed Duntocher Hibs at 2pm on the all weather pitch in Campbeltown.



Cammy Maguire notched twice for Carradale. 20\_c40carra04

## Young badminton aces have a smashing time in Campbeltown

A FURTHER selection of pictures from last Saturday's Argyll and Bute

Primary Badminton championship's held at Campbeltown's Victoria Hall.



Euan Dott in action in the mixed doubles with Jennifer McMurchy. 25\_c07badminton14



Serving in the boys' doubles. 25\_c07badminton01



Sophie Durnin serving. 25\_c07badminton12



Badminton winners with Tommy McPherson who presented the prizes. 25\_c07badminton03



Above: Competitors in the girls' doubles. 25\_c07badminton04



Right: Jane Scott and Sonny Scott with their eyes on the shuttlecock during the mixed doubles. 25\_c07badminton15

# Mach Dunes' luxury helicopter service to Open Championship

A KINTYRE Golf Club is offering a golfing experience like no other this summer.

When Royal Troon in Ayrshire hosts the 145th Open Championship in July, Machrihanish Dunes is offering the opportunity to fly into the course by heli-

copter, just as many celebrities and professional players will.

The luxurious package deal, priced at a mouth watering £4,920 per person, offers guests the chance to play the renowned Argyllshire course, enjoy on-site amenities in Machrihanish including spa treatments, as well as chartered flights to and from Troon.

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Pairs competition bowlers met at the annual match.

## Tayinloan no match for Argyll Bowling Club

TEAMS from Tarbert, Tayinloan and both Campbeltown bowling clubs battled it out at Argyll Bowling Club's annual open pairs competition.

The R and D Transport-sponsored event, held between February 2 to 5, was played on a round robin basis, with the winners from each night, plus the highest runner-up, going through to the semi-finals on Friday night which was played over nine ends.

The first semi-final saw John Mc-

Callum and Stuart Currie beat Malcolm Maguire and Hamish Taylor 13-10.

### Semi-final

The second semi-final saw David Reid and Gavin McLachlan jnr beat Paul Grumoli snr and Gavin McLachlan snr 10-6.

The final, which was played over 11 ends and with a lot of excellent bowls being delivered, saw the Argyll Bowling Club team of David and Gavin defeat John and Stuart from Tayinloan 13-8.

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# Primary pupils serve to win at badminton championships

A CAMPBELTOWN junior badminton player had a smashing time when she won the Argyll and Bute Primary Championships for the second year running.

Jane Scott beat fellow Campbeltown player Jennifer McMurchy in the final to clinch her win, while Arrochar boy Logan Moffatt won the boys' title for the first time.

Almost 40 competitors from primary schools across Argyll and Bute took part in this year's tournament last Saturday in Victoria Hall, Campbeltown.

Pupils had travelled from Arrochar and Oban to participate against local players.

Jane Scott went on to win the girls' doubles with her partner Jennif-

er McMurchy, having been runners-up last year.

Logan Moffatt partnered Sonny Scott from Glenbarr in the boys' doubles winning a close match against Jordan Todd from Campbeltown and Euan Dott from Peninver.

#### Partnered

Euan Dott partnered Jennifer McMurchy to win the mixed doubles for the first time narrowly defeating Jane Scott and Sonny Scott in the final.

Many of the games were keenly contested and at the end of the exciting day, the former Campbeltown badminton player, Tommy MacPherson, presented the following prizes: Girls' singles: winner Jane Scott (Campbel-

town); runner-up - Jennifer McMurchy (Campbeltown); Boys' singles: winner: Logan Moffatt (Arrochar); runner-up - Euan Dott (Campbeltown); Girls' doubles: winners - Jane Scott and Jennifer McMurchy (Campbeltown); runners-up - Sophie Durnin and Christina McTaggart (Campbeltown); Boys' Doubles: winners - Logan Moffatt (Arrochar) and Sonny Scott (Glenbarr); runners-up - Jordan Todd and Euan Dott (Campbeltown); Mixed Doubles: winners - Jennifer McMurchy and Euan Dott (Campbeltown); runners-up - Jane Scott (Campbeltown) and Sonny Scott (Glenbarr).

For more pictures see inside page 26.



Sonny Scott from Glenbarr finds the net in a round of the boys' doubles. 25\_c07badminton05



Boys' singles runner-up Euan Dott from Campbeltown. 25\_c07badminton06



Logan Moffatt in action in the boys' doubles. 25\_c07badminton07



Logan Moffatt from Arrochar on his way to winning the boys' singles. 25\_c07badminton11



Girls' singles winner Jane Scott in action. 25\_c07badminton13

## £1,000 winner in Machrihanish

A LUCKY player scooped a grand in Machrihanish Golf Club's weekly lottery drawn on Monday.

Heather Parkhouse's winning combination was 2, 6 and 12. There will be a £100 jackpot for the next draw on Monday February 15.

## Dunaverty roll over

THERE were no winners in Dunaverty Golf Club's three number lottery on Sunday February 7.

The winning numbers were 1, 8 and 16. The next draw will take place on Sunday February 21 with a jackpot of £800.

Tickets are available from the clubhouse, committee members, Muneroy Stores and Burnside Bar.

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