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Firefighters Jamie Conley, left, and Graham Paterson, second from right, receiving their Certificates of Congratulations for Bravery from Strathclyde Fire Board Convener Joe Lowe and Chief Officer Brian Sweeney, extreme right.

Bravery rewarded after serious crash

HEROICALLY saving the lives of a family involved in a serious car crash in Campbeltown has seen a passer by and a firefighter commended for their bravery.

Jamie Conley and Graham Paterson were on Monday presented with Strathclyde Fire and Rescue's Chief Officer's Congratulations for Bravery after dashing to the aid of two girls - aged three and five - and a 13-year-old boy, who all sustained

by **PAMELA PATERSON**
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significant injuries when the car they were in was involved in a major collision in Lochend Street last May.

Jamie was passing by when the crash occurred and dashed to the aid of three children, joined

shortly afterwards by serving firefighter Graham Paterson.

Jamie - who has since become a retained firefighter in Campbeltown - acted immediately to provide the 13 year-old boy with emergency first aid, saving his life.

Graham, meanwhile, came on the scene with the Campbeltown fire crew and tended to a three-year-old child.

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Alan Walker, chairman of Network Carradale, welcomes Ian and Moira. The all terrain electric buggies will be hired out to enable elderly and disabled members of the community or visitors to access the forestry tracks around Carradale.

Carradale welcomes new bikes and buggies man

Venture will run all summer

NETWORK Carradale welcomed the man who will be the face of the venture's new bikes and buggies centre when it opens in Easter.

Ian Brodie will move to Carradale from Hamilton to become the face of the new hire facility. Not only will he be serving customers, he'll

be maintaining the bikes and electric buggies the activity centre will offer.

He was joined by his wife Moira in being welcomed at a social gathering at the Network Centre last week.

Alan Walker, chairman of Network Carradale, said: 'We are delight-

ed to welcome Ian and Moira to Carradale and look forward to working with Ian in developing this exciting new community business venture.'

The position will run all summer before a further decision is taken on the facility's long-term future.

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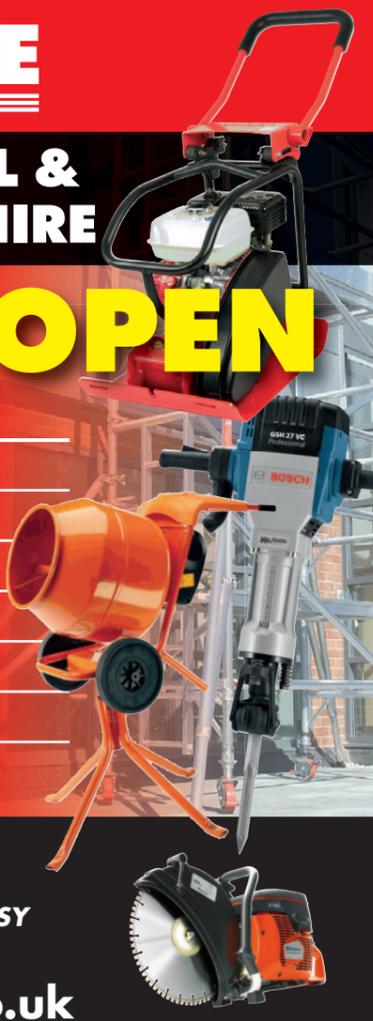
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Saddell speedster lucky to be alive

A SHERIFF has told a young Saddell man he is lucky to be alive after a late night race with a friend nearly led to a head-on collision with a police car.

Sandy Black, 20, was banned from driving for a year after admitted driving dangerously on roads near his home Lephinmore Farm by overtaking on a bend at 11.20pm on October 24.

Fining Black £500, Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC

said: 'We know these things happen - it's late at night on a country road. They often end up with people dead. Thankfully Mr Black is going to lose his licence and not his life.'

Swerve

A police car travelling the opposite direction had to swerve into a roadside ditch to avoid crashing into Black's car, Campbeltown Sheriff Court heard.

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Man found with cocaine

A MAN who warned police about a possible drink driver was later found to have cocaine.

Gary Shields, of 17 Princes Street, approached officers on Union Street on February 9 but soon became aggressive, shouting and swearing at them.

He was taken to the police station and searched, where officers found 0.1 grams of the class-A drug.

Shields, 27, pled guilty when he appeared at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week.

Sentence on Shields was deferred until March 14 for reports.

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Drop in airport passenger numbers

FEWER aircraft movements has been blamed for a near fifth drop in passenger numbers moving through Campbeltown airport.

New figures from Highlands and Islands Airports Ltd (HIAL) showed an overall 9.1 per cent increase in its passenger numbers in January compared to the same month the previous year.

However, the lack of weekend flights and schedule changes has been identified as a key reason for a 19.1 per cent drop in numbers for Campbeltown.

Islay man denies indecent images charge

AN ISLAY man is to stand trial in front of a jury charged with offences relating to indecent images of children.

James Sutherland, of 12 Mansefield Terrace, Port Ellen denies taking or permitting to be taken a quantity of indecent photos at his house between March 7, 2009 and April 4, 2011.

The 62 year-old is due to stand trial at Campbeltown Sheriff Court on February 26.

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Respite care charges criticised



Margaret Ralston with her Uncle Sam who will be 99 in June, and their bill from the Scottish Ambulance Service. 20_c08respite01

Eight months jail for threatening man who had given evidence against him

A CAMPBELTOWN man has been sent to prison for eight months for threatening a man who had previously given evidence against his brother and cousin.

Kevin Shields approached the man and his girlfriend in a Chinese restaurant on Longrow and made a throat cutting gesture on December 1.

Fiscal Eoin McGinty said the man had appeared as a witness in previous trials involving Shields' family shortly before the incident.

Sentencing, Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC said Shields had an extensive record of previous convictions, including spending time in jail.

She said: 'We've tried everything and he keeps offending. People like Mr Shields are a scourge on society.'

Shields, of 17 Princes Street, had denied making the gesture.

The 23 year-old fisherman was also ordered to serve three months in prison to run concurrent

to the eight month sentence, after previously admitting throwing an unopened can of juice at a group of people on Longrow South before making racist comments to a man at Campbeltown Police Office.

These incidents occurred on September 16.

'Quite astounded' when she received the bill

A CARER who looks after her 99-year-old uncle has criticised charges which would see her pay £224.58 for transport to respite care just four miles away.

Margaret Ralston discovered the charges by accident when she was billed £112.29 after Samuel Binnie was transported from Kintyre Care Home to her home at the Sound of Kintyre.

Cancelled

Others have already cancelled respite care due to the charges from the Scottish Ambulance Service, with those travelling from Carradale hit with a bill of over £400 for a return trip.

In the past, Samuel's transfers to the care home - which gives Margaret and her family time out from caring for him 24 hours a day - were paid for by the council. However, due to cuts, families who use the Scottish Ambulance Service to place their relatives in respite care must pay.

How much

Margaret said: 'His health care worker had said at the end of the year there would be a charge but nobody knew how much or when.'

Margaret added she was 'quite astounded' when she received the bill.

Local councillor Rory Colville said the charges were 'ridiculous', adding:

'Ultimately the responsibility for respite care lies with the council. I have contacted the relevant officers and asked that a solution be found.'

Always charged

A spokesman for the Scottish Ambulance Service said: 'The Patient Transport Service has always charged for transfers to private care homes as they are not NHS care facilities.'

'These transfers have historically been funded by Social Services, who we are due to meet with to discuss the current situation.'

Argyll and Bute Council was investigating the comments but was unable to comment at the time of going to press.

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Six months in jail for man who attempted to punch woman

A MACHRIHANISH man who tried to punch a woman at a Tarbert hotel after she barred him has been jailed for six months.

John Dickinson, 22, admitted shouting and swearing at staff after being ejected from the premises.

He returned shortly later and grabbed the woman by her clothing, scratching her neck, before trying to punch her on the head. The woman ducked and avoided the blow.

Dickinson, of 11 Isleview, pled guilty to assaulting the woman to her injury.

Calling Dickinson's behaviour 'disgusting', Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC said she was jailing him due to his record of previous convictions.



Firefighters move to Oban

Local retained firefighters Derek Wilson, left, and Gareth Strang are heading for new postings in Oban after celebrating their graduation. Both former Campbeltown Grammar pupils, Derek, 40, and 26 year old Gareth celebrated their graduation on Friday and have moved to take up their new roles. Originally from Carradale, Gareth initially joined the service locally before joining and Derek as a retained firefighter in Campbeltown, where they remained until their graduation.

£120,000 cut to non-grant Gaelic funding

This move would 'severely' impact on training and career development for staff

NEWS of a reduction in funding to Gaelic language schemes in Argyll and Bute was described as a cut to 'the life-support' of the language.

Last week's approved budget will see £120,000 a year cut to non-grant Gaelic funding – 17 per cent of the overall funding allocated within the education budget.

Shadow lead councillor for the language, Islay councillor Robin Currie, described the move as 'disgraceful'.

Criticising the SNP-alliance administration for the move, Mr Currie said: 'This is the birthplace of our national language, yet we're cutting £120,000 from the Gaelic specific non-grant funding. That's the life-support of Gaelic.'

Referring to a statement made by Argyll and Bute's SNP MSP in 2011, Mr Currie added: 'When a language is an expression of identity, a carrier of the past, a hope for our future and the greatest of cultural vehicles is in the emergency ward, it would not only be cruel, but wrong, to call for the

life support machine to be switched off.

'These are the words of Michael Russell – we should not be supporting these cuts to Gaelic.'

In its proposal, passed by majority vote on Thursday, the administration said the move would 'reduce the capacity for discretionary spend in Gaelic activities' but added mainstream costs would be funded from Gaelic grant funding.

This move would also 'severely' impact on training and career development for staff.

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Redundancy on the cards after 'Valentine's Day Massacre' budget

430 full time equivalent salaries likely to be scrapped between April 2013 and 2020

by **STEVEN FLANAGAN**
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NEARLY 100 people will lose their jobs over the next financial year after Argyll and Bute Council approved the budget dubbed the 'Valentine's Day Massacre'. Some 65 full time equivalent posts will be axed under the deep-cut budget proposed by new council leader James Robb, with £5.8million trimmed away in each of the next seven years.

could see 670 jobs affected, with 430 full time equivalent salaries likely to be scrapped between April and 2020, with roads and Streetscene bearing the brunt of the initial jobs cull. Unpopular cuts to adult care, roads, leisure services and school meal budgets will lead to increased charges and lower quality services across the county.

independent alliance - dubbed by some the Fragile Alliance - suffered a few dents in passing its budget, with Donald Kelly the only councillor to abstain in the majority 19/16 vote. In doing so, the council rejected an alternative budget proposed by the opposition on the day, with leader Dick Walsh saying the ruling alliance had miscalculated the funding gap. Proposing savings of £3.929million per year, Mr Walsh told members 'there is a choice'.

However, the council did not adjourn to consider the alternative budget and Helensburgh councillor Vivian Dance accused one member of the administration of 'appearing to be asleep' when it was submitted. Despite the opposition's warnings that the alliance budget was 'cruel and unnecessary', James Robb insisted the right approach had been adopted. He added: 'This budget has required some very tough decisions for all of us.'

Milk removed from paid-for school meals

POORER primary school pupils could be 'singled out' by the council's plans to remove milk from paid for school meals. Under plans approved by Argyll and Bute Council last week, from April 1 children who buy their lunches will no longer have a drink of milk included in the price. Those who get free school meals, however, will continue to receive milk with their food if they want it. Speaking at the meeting, Helensburgh Conservative councillor Gary Mulvaney said he'd be worried about anything that singled

out poorer children. He said: 'We're basically flagging up children who are poor, that's a major concern.' John Dickie, head of the Child Poverty Action Group in Scotland, said: 'Anything that means children will be treated differently will reinforce any feeling of being different or left out'. Mary Jean Devon, lead councillor for children for families and children's champion said: 'Effectively nothing has changed for the pupils that get free dinners. 'We maybe do need to find a way so children who receive these meals remain anonymous.'

Library book stock budget cut

LIBRARIES have suffered a 32 per cent cut to their book stock budget as councillors moved to slash their fund by £24,000. To be spread across all areas, the council said the move would impact on service 'at a time when Argyll and Bute libraries are less accessible than most authorities as a result of lesser opening hours caused by low staff costs'.

Oban councillor steps down as leader of the the council

COUNCILLORS were asked to 'respect the wishes' of Oban councillor Roddy McCuish after he decided to step down as leader at last week's full council meeting.

The call, from new council leader James Robb, came as opposition members accused the ruling administration of being distracted from the budget by the change in the top that sees Mr McCuish step down to deputy leader.

Revealed exclusively by *the Courier* ahead of the meeting, Mr McCuish was brief when the move was confirmed in a late report to the authority last Thursday.

He said: 'The report is self explanatory and needs no comment from me.'

Mr Robb, a Helensburgh councillor, added: 'I hope members will respect this is very much a personal decision by the council leader.'

Mr Robb remains



Helensburgh councillor James Robb, who has taken over from Oban's Roddy McCuish as the leader of the council.

lead councillor for finance at the authority, while Mr McCuish takes on the new role as lead councillor for European affairs.

Campbeltown councillor John Semple has ceded the deputy leader position, but will remain as lead councillor for environment, development and infrastructure.

Mr Semple said: 'I look forward to concentrating my efforts now on my ward and my portfolio.'



Campbeltown councillor John Semple will remain as lead councillor for environment, development and infrastructure

Freeze prevents 8 per cent rise

HOUSEHOLDS in Argyll and Bute could have faced at least an eight per cent hike in council tax if the council decided to withdraw from the Scottish Government's agreed freeze.

The authority receives a grant and is able to access £39million in grant funds in exchange for the freeze, but critics of the scheme say residents would prefer to pay a little more coun-

cil tax than see services eroded.

Bruce West, head of strategic finance, told last week's budget meeting that: 'It would take an eight per cent increase in council tax to stand still on overall funding.'

The council tax freeze was introduced by the Scottish Government in 2007 but critics say it forces councils into difficult positions and costs jobs.



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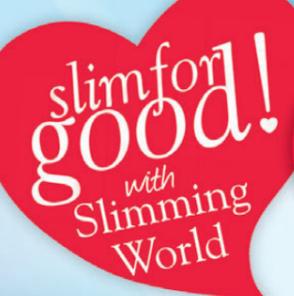
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Budget - enough to make you grumble!

SOME things in life are bad, they can really make you mad – or at least so the song goes. Rather than purse your lips and whistle, someone has to start asking how we make the best of a bad situation.

Last week's council budget was enough to make even Eric Idle grumble, with every department sharing a slice of the cuts that will see jobs go and service levels drop across the board.

Rather than pining for the fjords, isn't it about time someone at the council took the bull by the horns and started to look at alternative ways to meet budget shortfalls instead of once again making the same old cuts from the same old places?

Businesses will once again have to fork out more, with commercial waste charges and service fees rising. With jobs also going from the council, there will be fewer paying customers able to spend money with local business.

It has now gotten to the stage where any cuts can only be wafer thin, else we risk sliding into a state of decline very difficult to reverse.

We must look for something completely different and not run away from these challenges. It would be bold, but sometimes bold – and brave – decisions are what's required in the face of adversity.

There is no question, Argyll and Bute has assets - we now have to look at how we start best using them in order to generate additional income and interest not just for our businesses but for our local authority's coffers as well.

Then, maybe soon, we can start looking on the bright side of life again.

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Tip of a huge financial iceberg?

Sir,

I was recently contacted by a constituent who had been charged £120 to move an elderly wheelchair bound relative into respite care.

In the past NHS provided two beds locally for this service. These are now provided in private care homes after Argyll and Bute Council purchased two beds there. Unfortunately, when this arrangement was put in place no allowance for transport costs was agreed.

I am really concerned to learn that Argyll and Bute Council, despite being aware that the Scottish Ambulance Service now charge for such transport, have not put in place the necessary financial arrangements, something I am pursuing with officers of the Council.

What really concerns me is that I believe this could be the tip of a huge financial iceberg following the budget decisions of the SNP led administration of Argyll and Bute Council.

Among the many drastic cuts to service, which I voted against, was £257,000 reduction in home care, and a £600,000 reduction in Care Home placements part of a total reduction of £1,377,000 across adult services.

As the only local councillor to vote against these cuts, (our alternative budget proposed less than half these cuts) can I assure your readers that I will do all in my power to monitor these

unnecessary cuts, and seek solutions to the many unforeseen consequences as highlighted above.

Yours sincerely,

Rory Colville
Ward 1: South Kintyre
Shadow Spokesperson
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Might as well be in the Victorian period

Sir,

I begin by referring to last week's edition of Friday February 25. Here we are in the year 2013 - it might as well be in the Victorian period.

Printed on the various pages of the *Campbeltown Courier* last week highlighted just what a legacy has been left to us by corrupt bankers, Westminster politicians - some of whom diddled expenses - placing the country into austerity and jeopardising our children's and grandchildren's future.

What are we, as a community, left with? Hospital beds cut with no proper care in the community. They wonder why no one wants to take up a carer job?

Well the answer is in temporary contracts. It equals temporary job prospects, no pension rights, no sick or holiday pay, or redundancy pay if it came to it. Even more shocking, and it should shock the whole community of Argyll and Bute, is the announcement of giving water or sugary desserts instead of milk to children, important for healthy development.

What about all the health warnings? Was a children's

health advisor consulted? Of course, the cuts started in Westminster and it filters down to the devolved parliament, down to local authorities. It all started with Alistair Darling's refusal to properly regulate the banks.

Thank goodness we will all have an important referendum vote next year when we can elect our own true parliament to make our own decisions in Scotland. It certainly cannot be any worse than what has been done to our country! At least we would not spend billions on weapons of mass destruction when our elderly struggle to feed and heat themselves or our children are deprived of the basics.

Yours sincerely,

Thomas H Brown,
Machrihanish

Horrified at the scale of cuts in the budget

Sir,

I am horrified at the scale of the cuts the SNP have made in the Argyll and Bute Council Budget. These cuts are not necessary.

No other council in Scotland is cutting on this scale. The only reason I can think of for these cuts is to build up a 'war chest' for the SNP to use to cut the Council Tax just before the next election.

The SNP, led by Helensburgh councillor James Robb, is sacking hundreds of workers and slashing the budgets for care of the elderly, roads maintenance and keeping our towns and villages tidy.

They're even taking milk away from school children. Instead of 'Margaret Thatcher - Milk Snatcher', the new pro-

test cry will be 'Milk Robber'.

These cuts are unnecessary as the opposition budget showed. The council officials warned the SNP that their budget would see about £12million spent on redundancy payments. This money could be better spent on council services.

The officials also warned the SNP that their cuts to homecare for the elderly would see elderly people 'living in deteriorating conditions which may then result in future emergency action at higher cost'.

This SNP budget is horrific. I appeal to them to think again.

Yours sincerely

Alan Reid MP

Cigarettes should be sold in plain packs

Sir,

As a reader and volunteer ambassador for Cancer Research UK, I'd like to rally other readers in Argyll and Bute to a cause that is very close to my heart.

I am asking everyone to email their MP to campaign for cigarettes to be sold in plain standard packs rather than in the glitzy branding that makes cigarettes so alluring to young people.

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Yours sincerely,

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HMS Argyll leaves Portsmouth on its seven-month deployment across the Atlantic.

HMS Argyll on narcotics duty in West Africa

by EUAN PATERSON
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THE ROYAL Navy frigate HMS Argyll left Plymouth on Monday on its latest deployment, conducting counter-narcotics operations across the Atlantic.

Families and friends bid farewell in Devonport dockyard, on Devil's Point and the Hoe with the traditional flags and good luck banners to wave off their loved ones on the ship's departure this afternoon.

Pipers from the City of Plymouth Pipe Band embarked on the ship and

played onboard for the passage down the Hamoaze and the Sound.

HMS Argyll is due to undertake a range of tasks across the Atlantic in support of British interests worldwide on its seven-month deployment. Its tasking will be on counter-narcotics effort in the West Africa region, as well as providing reassurance to UK territories and partners worldwide.

On completion of her tasking in the Atlantic, the ship will undertake a number of high profile regional engagement visits in the Caribbean before returning to its base-port of Devonport home later this year.

Bravery rewarded after crash

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 old girl with suspected serious spinal injuries

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Receiving their awards on Monday, Jamie and Graham were told their efforts were crucial to 'preventing death or life-long injury'.

Prevented

Area Commander Jim Scott, the senior officer for Argyll and Bute, said: 'There is no doubt

Graham and Jamie's actions prevented a tragedy that night.

Incidents

'Fire Service personnel are often called to life and death incidents, but in communities like Campbeltown they do so in their own communities - usually where

people they know are involved.

'This incident was all the more difficult because three children were among the casualties. Fortunately, as doctors have said, the victims immediately received excellent trauma care.'

Council ask for ferry to be postponed for a year

A FORMAL request will be made to the Scottish minister for transport this week calling for the postponement of the Campbeltown to Ardrossan ferry service.

Argyll and Bute Council approved Kintyre councillors' plans to ask the Scottish Government for permission to postpone the service for a year at last week's full council budget meeting at Kilmory.

The route was due to run from April.

The letter will highlight local members' concerns, about the proposal, among them that a service via Arran would be of little benefit as opposed to a direct link to Ayrshire.

Councillors also felt the operating plans put forward by ferry operator CalMac were poor, including a timetable that saw ferries leaving Campbeltown at 5.05am.

Flood action plan

AN ACTION plan has been devised by Argyll and Bute Council in a bid to deal with any repeat of January's extensive flooding throughout Campbeltown.

Emergency plan

Lead councillor for infrastructure, Campbeltown's John Semple, confirmed this week that an emergency plan was devised in the wake of the flooding that saw Millknowe Road inundated with up to three feet of water, with the flooding spreading to

Mill Street and Lady Mary Row.

The flooding was traced back to the Mill Dam overflowing.

Meanwhile discussions are underway between the authority, SEPA and Scottish Water to find a long-term solution, Mr Semple said.

Images of January's storms uploaded to the Courier Facebook page attracted hundreds of likes, with many saying the flooding was the worst they had ever seen.

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The Kintyre Schools Junior Wind Band, who will travel to Birmingham this Spring for the National Concert Band final. 21_c08band01

Rotary Club raise £3,000 at Sale of the Century

THE ROTARY Club of Campbeltown has managed to raise in excess of £3,000 at its first sale of 2013.

Despite fewer lots than usual in the auction, the club raised the impressive sum through its auction and bric a brac stall last Friday and Saturday.

More than £700 is being donated to Water Aid, the Rotary's chosen charity, which helps to provide clean water.

This amount was raised by the raffle and sale of a specially donated Harrods hamper.

The Inner Wheel Club of Campbeltown also raised some funds by providing tea, coffee, biscuits and filled rolls.

Agnes Stewart from the Rotary Club said Rotarians are very grateful for the help given by members of the public. She said: 'Thanks are due to Jim Martin for providing a lorry and driver to take goods to the hall on Friday, and to James Young, Drum, and Matthew Ralston, Rhoin for providing vehicles and drivers for the delivery service.'



Yvonne Graham, 11, front left, and Krystal Allen, 9, both of Campbeltown, enjoyed browsing the selection of cuddly toys on offer at Campbeltown Rotary Club's Sale of the Century. Helping them choose their favourites were James Macpherson, back left, and David Baxter. c08sale3

Coffee morning in aid of junior wind band funds

KINTYRE Schools Junior Wind Band this weekend starts raising the £3,000 it needs to take it to the National Concert Band Festival in Birmingham this April.

The Campbeltown band picked up gold at Paisley Town Hall last year as it triumphed in the Scottish regional finals and is one of only two groups to qualify for the under 14 section at the flagship event this spring.

It is the second year

running they've qualified for the national finals – last year they won the gold award at the national finals in London.

The group will hold its first fundraiser with a coffee morning at Campbeltown Bowling Club this Saturday from 2pm till 4pm.

Comprising children from Castlehill, Dalintober, Southend and Campbeltown Grammar, they will also put on a series of performances to entertain the audience.

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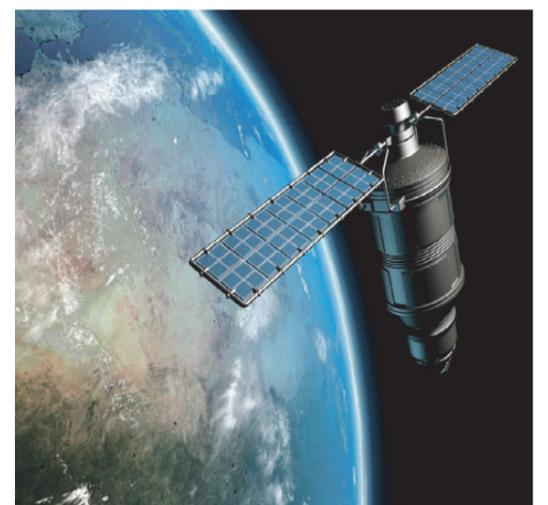
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Brass Diversions turn on the style



KINTYRE Music Club enjoyed a marvellous concert last Friday, when three outstanding musicians demonstrated amply why they're so highly thought of.

The members of Brass Diversions - made up of Tom Poulson on trumpet, Christopher Baxter on piano and Antonio Jimenez Marin on trombone - met at the Royal Scottish Conservatoire in Glasgow but have already established international successes in performance and competitions throughout Europe and the Far East.

This concert was part of a tour arranged by Argyll and Bute Concert Tours with performances in Campbeltown, Ardrishaig, Oban and Rothesay.

They introduced their first piece: *Trio Sonata* [529] by Bach, humorously. Originally written for organ then divided between trumpet for the right hand, trombone for the left hand and piano for the pedals. The glorious interweaving of Bach's familiar melodic lines, sometimes contrasting, sometimes developing, sometimes harmonising, was superb. This was no simplification.

The tonguing, pitching and articulation called for the highest skills and the whole was a delight for the audience.

The programme continued with a smooth modern Pastoral by an American composer; a humorous concoction of short melodies and loud rude noises on the trombone; two movements *Winter* and *Spring* from Piazzolla's *Four Seasons in Buenos Aires* which painted lovely pictures, all in tango colours. A second humorous piece by Hogberg was more a dual than a duet between Tom Poulson on trumpet and Antonio Martin on trombone.

In fact it was a *Shoot Out* in costume and in vivid sound. The pianist gave two beautiful solos- Debussy's *La soiree dans Grenade* and Adam's *China Gates*.

The concert finished with a return to familiar classical notes with their own arrangements of some of the glorious Arias and Duets from Mozart and Rossini Operas along with an operatic encore of Rossini's *Cats Duet*.

The evening was sometimes beautiful, sometimes glorious, always superbly performed and always enjoyable.

Brass Diversions' Tom Poulson contributed to a thrilling night when the band played at Kintyre Music Club.

Local piping talent take part in recital

Pipers from the Kintyre area are set to take part in a recital presented by the Kintyre Piping Society.

It will be a chance for people to hear the local piping talent and for youngsters to hear some of the older players demonstrate their skills.

Iain McKerral, John Brown, Peter Ferguson, Julie Blue, Sarah Muir and Fiona Mitchell are all taking part, as well as the Mini Band Kintyre Schools Juveniles.

The event takes place in the Masonic Hall in Campbeltown tomorrow (Saturday) at 8pm.

Fun for the very young at the Campbeltown library

PRE-SCHOOLERS are being invited to Campbeltown library for an event called 'Fun for the very young'.

Several organisations from Campbeltown will be showcasing their services for small children.

The event is open to all and takes place on Monday between 1pm and 3pm.

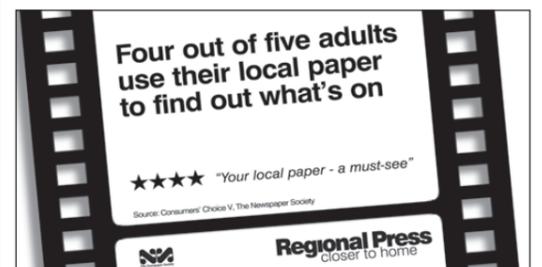
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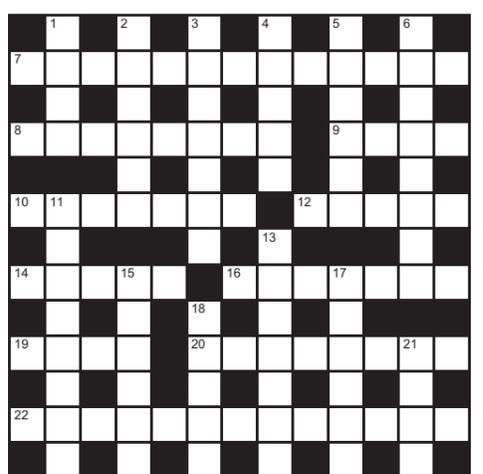
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SOUTHEND

Next meeting of Southend Community Council

SOUTHEND Community Council will hold its next meeting on Thursday February 27.

The meeting will be held in the Argyll Arms from 8pm.

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Joy Dunlop at Carradale Hall

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most famous voices Joy Dunlop will be performing in Carradale Hall on Saturday March 2.

Ms Dunlop will be performing a number of traditional Argyll songs, accompanied by her brother Andrew, Lorne MacDougal and Sorren Maclean.

RHUNAHORINE

Clothes wanted

RHUNAHORINE Primary is looking for locals to bring any old clothing to the school for their rag bag collection.

The clothes will be collected from the school on Tuesday.

DALINTOBER



Ryan Malone and Chris Holden of Campbeltown Community Organic Garden, Barry Colville chair of the parent council, head teacher Caroline Armour, Margaret McSporrán, Eco-Schools co-ordinator, and Randal Watson sales and marketing manager at Springbank Distillers with pupils from Dalintober's Eco-Committee and Eco-Group.

Second Eco-Schools Scotland Green Flag for Dalintober Primary

ECO FRIENDLY pupils at Dalintober Primary School have earned their school a second Green Flag from Eco-Schools Scotland.

They were awarded the flag due to their work on sustainable education and making eco links within the community.

The school has been granted an allotment site in New Parliament Place by ACHA. The Eco Group and committee have spent a lot of time work-

ing in it and growing their own produce.

They have been helped out by Chris Holden and Ryan Malone from Campbeltown Community Organic Garden, while Springbank Distillery donated £3,650 to the allotment.

Charity bottle

The money was raised through a charity bottle auction.

Caroline Armour, head teacher of Dalintober Primary School, said: 'We were

both overwhelmed and delighted that Springbank Distillers Limited felt that our community allotment was a worthy beneficiary of the total of £3,650 raised by their bottle auction.

'Our second Green Flag is a great achievement for the school. Our thanks go to our pupils, staff, parents and wider community for supporting all our eco projects with such commitment.'

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Youngsters at Dalintober Primary got to taste some home made bannocks during their recent Burns recital competition. Pupils from P6 learned some verses of 'To A Mouse' and recited them before their class and an invited judge. After the competition the prize-winners were presented with Burns World Federation certificates.



PlayTalkRead Bus visits Campbeltown

AMBER Meharry, Cara Macpherson and Aimee Macpherson were just some of the youngsters who visited the PlayTalkRead Bus when it visited Campbeltown this week. Linsey Mullen (pictured) works on the bus, which features a range of activities to help children get the most of playing, talking and reading. The bus visited Campbeltown on Monday and Tuesday, before heading to Islay on Wednesday and Tarbert yesterday. 20_c08bookbus01

How to use the town hall

PUPILS at Dalintober Primary School were tasked with coming up with ideas on how to use the town hall when refurbishments are completed.

The visit was arranged by the South Kintyre Development Trust (SKDT) as part of a class project on Campbeltown Town Hall.

Not only did pupils get a chance to find out why the hall needed refurbished and made more accessible but they got a chance to show off the artwork they created as part of their project.

The pupils will be working on an oral history project with Argyll FM, Inspiralba and SKDT, funded by the Campbeltown Town-

scape Heritage Initiative to learn skills in planning and recording oral history to produce a series of radio shows to be aired on Argyll FM.

Information The first will be about Campbeltown Town Hall.

Information gathered will be part of the ongoing development of an archive of the town hall.

Chocolate Box closure 'was never taken lightly'

THE OWNERS of Campbeltown favourite, The Chocolate Box, have said the decision to close the shop 'was never taken lightly'.

Scott and Jacqueline Miller were keen to thank the town for its support as well as their regular customers, after closing the shop's doors for the final time last week.

Huge decision

Scott said: 'It was a huge decision to make. We mulled over it for a long time.

'I want to thank the customers and the staff past and present. The girls were absolutely brilliant.'

Unpaid work

A CARRADALE man caught with a pair of scissors in the Campbeltown has been ordered to complete 100 hours unpaid work

Michael Andrew Gruber, 38, of 21 Tormhor, Carradale East, was previously found guilty of being in possession of the scissors without reasonable excuse on Main Street on September 20 last year.

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Catriona Newman, Niamh Baxter and Anna Gemmill from the Carradale Juniors, who were second to perform on Monday. 20_c08drama05



Ruth Morrison, Sandra Staniland and Lis Fraser of Lochgilphead Drama Club. 20_c08drama01

Comedy, colour and characters at festival

COLOURFUL characters and comedy was to be had at Campbeltown Grammar School this week when this year's Campbeltown Drama Festival got under way.

On what was a lively opening night on Monday, Lochgilphead Drama Club opened proceedings, having won last year's event. Per-

forming *The Witching Hour*, a comedy by prolific playwright Philip Johnson, they set the tone for what was an enjoyable night.

Carradale Juniors were next on the stage for their version of *Jack and the Giant*, a fairytale by Philip Johnson, before the Peninver Players performed *The Offence*, a mix-

ture of comedy and suspense as penned by Diana Raffle.

The actors, both young and old, in a mixture of sombre and wildly colourful costumes, performed to a packed audience at the school.

For more pictures and results of the competition, see next week's *Courier*.



Carradale Juniors Isaac Baxter, Elliot Gemmill, Harry Gemmill and Cameron McMillan. 20_c08drama06

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Above: Maureen Johnson, Martha Rennie and Elise Glendinning ensured a cheery welcome as they sold tickets at the door. 20_c08drama04

Right: Zara Shaw and Linsey Cairns were on hand to sell raffle tickets and programmes on Monday night, later performing as part of Peninver Youth on Tuesday. 20_c08drama03



Above: The Peninver Players, who were last to perform during the Drama Festival's opening evening on Monday night. 20_c08drama07

Left: Sarah Nicolson, Aimee Weir and Marion Maclean - the younger members of Lochgilhead Drama Club. 20_c08drama02



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DEMANDS on the modern farmer and a need for greater efficiency within both the cereal and livestock sectors means multi-purpose agricultural machinery is now more essential than ever.

The basic workhorse may now be a tractor, even this has evolved over the many years to replace working animals on even the smallest of farms, while the range and complexity of today's machinery ensures this rate of change has reached a pace where even the most modern of farms find it a challenge to stay in touch with developing technology.

As input costs rapidly rise in tandem with this technology, many farmers have turned to second hand machinery for much of their everyday requirements. This in turn has increased the importance and therefore the demand for regular

and specialist maintenance from highly skilled agricultural mechanics. Throughout the country, numerous firms have developed to sell, maintain and advise on what is both available and affordable to the crofting and farming community.

This important service industry, much of which specializes in the ATV and small tractor market, has increased to the extent that outlets are available within easy reach of most west coast mainland and island farms – this in turn means that these service providers must remain both competitive and trained to a high standard if they are to retain business.

Livestock farming remains dominant on the west coast, while the majority of cereal production is targeted at winter feed for stock. Because of this, there is not the same degree of investment in the very large and heavy machinery that

has revolutionised cereal production in other areas. Nor has there been the environmental problems that accompany the extremes of ever-bigger machines.

A 2011 report claimed that Scotland's soils support agricultural businesses worth £700million to the Scottish economy however the report also highlighted that the use of increasingly heavy farm machinery and how they compact soils posed a potential threat that was not fully understood in Scotland.

Some machines used for harvesting crops can weigh up to 40 tonnes and those used in forest

ry up to 20 tonnes, the report said.

Citing research from Germany and Denmark, the study also said heavy equipment was compacting soils at increasingly deeper levels.

The report, The State of Scotland's Soils, which was put together from research by the British Geological Survey, Centre for Ecology and Hydrology, Macaulay Institute, Scottish Agricultural College and University of Glasgow, has also highlighted that some earths have a 'strong regional identity' and were culturally and historically important - such as the machair of the Western Isles.

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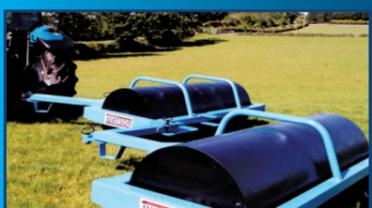


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MSP signs up to be a 'species champion'

Plantlife Scotland asked MSPs to adopt some of the lesser-known and lesser-loved endangered beasts in Scotland

LOVE is in the air for MSP Jamie McGrigor after he adopted an endangered species as

part of a Valentine's day campaign by a conservation charity. Mr McGrigor has

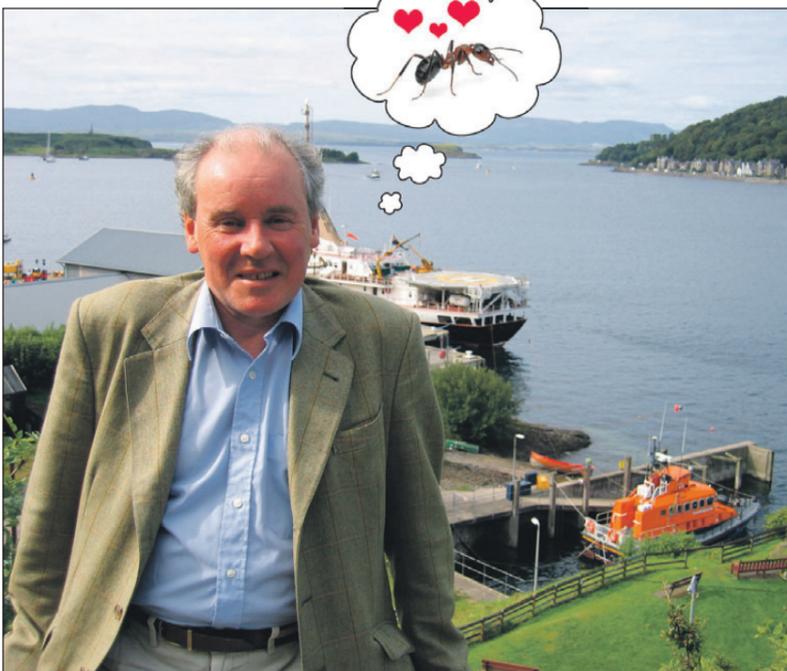
signed up to be a 'species champion' and was match-made with the narrow-headed ant.

Plantlife Scotland asked MSPs to adopt some of the lesser-known and lesser-loved endangered beasts in Scotland.

The ant used to be widespread across the UK, but is now almost entirely restricted to the Highlands.

Deborah Long from Plantlife Scotland said: 'Cute and cuddly animals often receive the most public attention, but we hope to play political matchmaker for some lesser-known, sometimes quite uncuddly, but equally important species.'

'The Species Champion initiative is an opportunity for our generation of Scotland's politicians to develop intimate knowledge and a collective expertise to address the challenges facing the flora and fauna of our country.'



Jamie McGrigor MSP has thrown his support behind the threatened narrow-headed ant.



The project aims to keep tourists in Campbeltown and the surrounding area for longer. 20_03tourism01

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Improving leadership skills event

A NEW programme is being launched aimed at improving leadership skills of young people in Campbeltown.

The 12-day Growth Through Leadership event starts on February 28 and is open to anyone aged 16-25 who wants to grow in confidence and progress their careers.

The course involves group challenges, outdoor activities and practical visits to social enterprises, and will cover skills such as self-leadership, emotional intelligence, motivation, communication and teamwork.

Manager David Bryan said: 'Young people tell us it's nothing like anything they have ever come across at school or college, and they really enjoy it'.

Visit www.theacademy-ssea.org or call Kate on 01463 238088.

'Currently there is no other site

THREE KINTYRE businesses have joined forces to launch a website designed to encourage tourists to spend more time and money in the peninsula.

Online directory

Campbeltown's Springbank Distillery, the Ardshiel Hotel and the Machrihanish Holiday Park plan to launch an online directory which will list goods and services available in the Campbeltown area.

Ranald Watson from Springbank said the aim was to encourage day-trippers to stay at least one night in Kintyre by seeing what else is on offer.

Letters promoting explorecampbeltown.com have been sent to local businesses, and it is hoped to include every shop, hotel, visitor attraction and service from across Kintyre.

Mr Watson said the project was 'simple and cost-effective'.

Campbeltown Sheriff Court:-

100 hours community work

A MAN found with a pair of scissors in his rucksack in the centre of Campbeltown has been ordered to carry out 100 hours of unpaid work in the community.

Michael Gruber, aged 38, of 21 Tormhor, Caradale, previously pled guilty to having a bladed instrument outside the White Hart Hotel in the early hours of September 20.

Stamping on man's head

A MAN has admitted stamping on another man's head during an attack in Campbeltown town centre.

Alasdair MacIndeor, of 1 Drumore Gardens, pled guilty to assaulting the man by repeatedly punching and kicking him causing him to fall to the ground, and stamping on his head and body all to his injury at Longrow on November 8.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson deferred sentencing the 21 year-old until March 14.

£240 fine for punching friend on the face

A CAMPBELTOWN man seen on police CCTV punching his friend on the face has been fined £240.

Malcolm McAllister, of Lochhead Cottage, Saddell Street pled guilty to assaulting the man at Longrow in the early



offering this type of information'

He said: 'The intention is to include each and every business in the area to emphasise exactly what we have to offer as a community.'

Showcase

'Currently there is no other site offering this type of information and it is felt that there is a real need to showcase all that we have available here to encourage people to come to this beautiful part of the world.'

The cost of setting up, designing

and hosting the website will be met by Springbank and they will be printing the web address on every carton of whisky, gin and rum they sell.

An open meeting will be held soon to present the project to any interested businesses.

No fixed date has been set for the website to go live, but Springbank said they hoped it would be 'as soon as practically possible'.

hours of October 7.

Representing himself, the 27 year-old told Campbeltown Sheriff Court he had just been 'mucking about'..

Woman slapped her boyfriend during argument

A LOCHGILPHEAD woman who slapped her boyfriend during an argument has been ordered to be of good behaviour for six months.

Theresa Townsley, 31,

of 3 Peddie Bank, admitted the assault at a cafe on Tarbert's Harbour Street on October 15.

Man admits stealing £21,000 of copper wire

A MAN has admitted stealing £21,000 worth of copper wire from a depot in Campbeltown.

Raymond Carlton, of 80 Wellington Road North, Hounslow, pled guilty by letter to breaking into the Scottish and Southern

Energy depot on Glebe Street and stealing a quantity of copper wire.

Campbeltown Sheriff Court heard the 32 year-old acted with other people to carry out the theft, which occurred on June 16 or 17.

But fiscal Eoin McGinty said police had not yet been able to confirm their identities.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson deferred sentencing until March 14 for Carlton to make a personal appearance.

Drunken fight over queue skipping in chip shop

Man left unconscious on floor

A MAN was left unconscious on the floor of a Campbeltown chip shop after a late night drunken fight with two men over queue skipping.

Charles Ward and Thomas McDonagh, both of The Glen, Stewartstown Road, Coalisland, Northern Ireland both pled guilty to assaulting the man to his injury at around 1.20am on November 18.

The pair, who run a builders firm which operates in Kintyre, got into an argument with the man after pushing into a queue in the Crew Fish and Chip Shop, procurator fiscal Eoin McGinty told Campbel-

town Sheriff Court.

He said: 'The man took off his glasses and handed them to his girlfriend, and a fight broke out between him and Thomas McDonagh.'

'Mr McDonagh punched the man several times on the head. They fell to the floor where they continued to grapple.'

Kicked him

McDonagh stood up and as the man lay on the floor Ward walked over and kicked him once in the face, knocking him unconscious.

The victim was bleeding from his face and was unconscious for several minutes. He

was taken to Campbeltown Hospital where he received treatment for bruising and swelling to his eyes and cheekbones.

Representing McDonagh, Ruben Murdanigum said the defendants were both apologetic, and said McDonagh was 'disgusted with himself' after the incident.

Mr Murdanigum also said the victim had made harsh comments about the pair's Irish background, which had partly fuelled the incident.

Ward, aged 33, was ordered to pay £500 compensation to the man, while McDonagh, aged 34, was fined £400.

MP asks about mobile phone coverage in Argyll

THE ISSUE of improving mobile phone coverage in Kintyre was raised in the House of Commons last week by local MP Alan Reid.

Mr Reid asked Communications Minister Ed Vaizey MP for an update on the government's mobile infrastructure project – which aims to improve coverage to communities who currently have none.

Mr Reid asked when a supplier for the project would be appointed and was told it had gone out to tender, with a decision expected in spring.

Craft Fair in Gigha Hotel

GIGHA Hotel will host a craft fair on Sunday March 3 – just in time for Mother's Day.

Among the items on sale will be sweets, knitted items, home baking and hand made jewellery.

Stovies, soup and sandwiches will be on sale and a raffle will be held on the day.

Elderly health care meeting

THE GROUP aiming to improve local elderly health care in Carradale is to hold its first public meeting in Carradale Village Hall next Thursday at 7pm.

Carradale Community Care members will discuss way to gain funding to allow them to employ a full time project officer, with help from Argyll Voluntary Action.

The new worker's task will be to help the community interest company deliver additional support services, such as home care and create local jobs by providing local services.

Any profits made by the new group will be put back into the community.

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Horsemeat scandal 'frustrates' farmers



NFU Scotland president Nigel Miller says the horsemeat scandal shouldn't taint the reputation of Scotch beef.

SCOTTISH farmers have been left 'frustrated' by the scandal that has seen horsemeat found in supermarket ready-meals, says the president of the National Farmers Union Scotland (NFU).

Nigel Miller says standards at Scotland's beef and lamb farms remain among the highest in the world and says consumers can justifiably keep faith with the integrity of Scottish produce.

He insists NFU Scotland and its members are adamant catastrophic failures within parts of the food chain around labelling, traceability and sourcing of meat will not derail the huge

amount of time and effort building Scotland's reputation for quality red meat.

He said: 'The ongoing scandal on horsemeat is becoming increasingly frustrating for Scottish farmers who believe their hard work and reputation for quality is being undermined by po-

tential illegality in some supply chains, wildly inaccurate labelling of processed products and a developing mistrust within the food supply chain.

'The Scotch label means the animal has been born, bred, reared, slaughtered and processed in Scotland with

every step of the chain subject to assurance and audit. Every pack of Scotch meat carries codings that can trace it back through the chain to the farms of origin.

'Farmers in Scotland and throughout the UK comply with robust identification and traceability measures, stringent farm assurance programmes and are subject to very high levels of inspection. All of these have over the years rightly contributed to high levels of consumer confidence in purchasing a Scottish or British produced product.

'That is being undermined, however, by illegal actions elsewhere within the chain.'

Annual ploughing match to take place on Saturday

THE ANNUAL Kintyre Agricultural Society ploughing competition has been rescheduled for tomorrow (Saturday) at 9.30am.

The event at Tonrioch Farm has been postponed due to weather conditions twice already, so organisers are hopeful of a dry weekend.

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Sheep nutrition talk by Ewen Campbell

SHEEP nutrition is one of the topics up for discussion at an open meeting sponsored by the Scottish Agricultural College (SAC) and Mid Argyll Branch of National Farmers Un-

ion Scotland. The main speaker at the event is Ewen Campbell, farm manager at the SAC Farm in Kirkton.

He will be giving an update on the work being done at Kirton and

Auchertyre as well as a presentation on sheep nutrition.

Farmers will be welcome to discuss problems in relation to those at Kirkton. The meeting will take

place in the Argyll Hotel, Ardrishaig next Tuesday at 7.30pm.

To confirm attendance, contact the SAC Campbeltown Office on 01586552502 as soon as possible.

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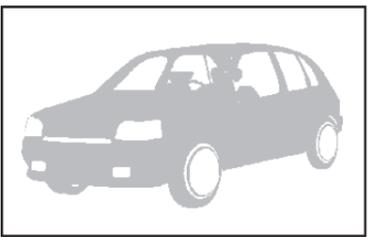


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Jura Stores Community Interest Company is looking for a friendly, engaging manager with retail experience to run the island's only shop and Post Office. The successful candidate will lead and motivate staff and be expected to provide excellent customer service; engaging with residents to develop this exciting business. Eligibility to hold a personal alcohol licence is essential as is an appreciation of life in a small, isolated, rural community. Full time, £24,000pa. Closing Date: 9th March. To apply email juracommunitystore@gmail.com or write to Jura Stores CIC, Service Point, Craighouse, Isle of Jura, PA60 7XG.

Project Administrative Officer

Kilmartin Museum is seeking to appoint a Project Administrative Officer to help the team take forward exciting plans to re-develop the Museum and to strengthen business led operations. This is currently a one year full time project funded contract with the possibility of further extension - subject to funding. The salary is in the region of £20,000 per annum. For more information and an application pack please email admin@kilmartin.org or phone Anne on 01546 510 278. The closing date for applications is 1st March 2013.



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Presbytery Clerk for the Church of Scotland, Presbytery of Argyll. SCO 001424

Applicants are invited for the salaried post of Presbytery Clerk, with the anticipated retirement of the present Clerk, Mr Ian MacLagan in June.

The prospective candidate is expected to be familiar with the normal practice and procedures within the Church of Scotland. While knowledge of Church law is desirable, further training in this could be offered if required. Candidates must have good administrative and communication skills, be flexible and show ability and discretion in all aspects of presbytery business. Further details can be obtained from Rev Liz Gibson, Convenor of Presbytery Business Committee, e-mail: lizgibson@phonecoop.coop or from the Presbytery website: www.argyllpresbytery.org.uk
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Applications should be sent to Jacqueline MacLeod
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PLANNING

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

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
13/00225/PP	Erection of single storey side extension to form store room	Redesdale House Skipness Tarbert Argyll and Bute PA29 6YG	Sub Post Office Tarbert
13/00252/PP	Erection of extension to dwellinghouse.	2 Grizedale Cairnbaan Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8SP	Ardrishaig Area Office
13/00274/PP	Alterations, extension and installation of sewage treatment plant	Ruadh Sgeir Carsaig Tayvallich Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8PN	Ardrishaig Area Office
13/00276/PP	Improvements to existing vehicular access	Glencraigs Cottages Campbeltown Argyll and Bute PA28 6NS	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

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

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
13/00143/LIB	External/internal alterations and change of use from storage/shop (class 1) to mixed use shop/cafe (class 1 and 3)	House No 2 Front Street Inveraray Argyll And Bute PA32 8UY	Sub Post Office Inveraray
13/00149/PP	Alterations and change of use from storage/shop (class 1) to mixed use shop/ cafe (class 3)	House No 2 Front Street Inveraray Argyll And Bute PA32 8UY	Sub Post Office Inveraray
13/00201/PP	Installation of replacement windows and door	Unit 1 Argyll House Harbour Street Tarbert Argyll and Bute PA29 6UA	Sub Post Office Tarbert

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, Whitegates Office Whitegates Road Lochgilphead PA31 8SY.

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

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

COUNCIL TAX 2013/2014

As required by Section 96 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, notice is hereby given that the Council Tax has been set by Argyll and Bute Council in terms of Section 93 of that Act and the amounts payable in respect of chargeable dwellings in each valuation band are as follows:-

Valuation Band	Property Values	Council Tax
A	Up to £27,000	785.33
B	£27,001 to £35,000	916.22
C	£35,001 to £45,000	1047.11
D	£45,001 to £58,000	1178.00
E	£58,001 to £80,000	1439.78
F	£80,001 to £106,000	1701.56
G	£106,001 to £212,000	1963.33
H	Over £212,000	2356.00

SALLY LOUDON, Chief Executive, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, Argyll PA31 8RT
February 2013

COUNCILLORS SURGERIES

Councillor John Semple (Ward 1 South Kintyre) will be holding a surgery in the ARGYLL ARMS HOTEL, SOUTHEND on WEDNESDAY 27TH FEBRUARY from 6.30pm - 7.30pm.
Councillor Semple can also be contacted by e mail - john.semple@argyll-bute.gov.uk or by phone - 01586 553765

Councillor Donald Kelly (Ward 1 South Kintyre)
Councillor Kelly can be contacted on Tel: 01586 810193/07977 327 751 or by email donald.kelly2@argyll-bute.gov.uk
Councillor Kelly will be happy to arrange meetings to suit constituents.

Councillor Rory Colville (Ward 1 South Kintyre)
Councillor Colville can be contacted on Tel: 01586 820209/07900 512 558 or by e mail - rory.colville@argyll-bute.gov.uk

**WATER ENVIRONMENT AND WATER SERVICES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003
WATER ENVIRONMENT (CONTROLLED ACTIVITIES) (SCOTLAND)
REGULATIONS 2011**

**APPLICATION FOR AUTHORISATION
KAMES HYDRO SCHEME**

An application has been made to the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) by Kames Hydro LLP for authorisation to carry on controlled activities at, near or in connection with Kames Hydro scheme, namely:

Description of controlled activity	Waters affected	National grid reference
Construction and/or operation of impounding works approx 2.8m in height.	Kames River	NM 9945 1023
Abstraction of 58 320 m3 per day of water	Kames River	NM 9945 1023
Return of abstracted water approximately 1.6km away from abstraction point	Kames River	NM 9813 1045

SEPA considers that the above controlled activities may have an impact on the water environment and on the interests of other users of the water environment.

A copy of the application and accompanying information may be inspected free of charge, at the SEPA Registry below, between 9:30am and 4:30pm Monday to Friday (except local and national holidays) and by prior arrangement at SEPA, Strathearn House, Broxden Business Park, Lamberkine Drive, Perth, PH1 1RX telephone number 01738 627989. Alternatively, the application may be viewed on SEPA's website at: www.sepa.org.uk/water/water_regulation/advertised_applications.aspx

Any person affected or likely to be affected by, or having an interest in, the application may make representations to SEPA in writing within 28 days beginning with the date of this advertisement, at the following address, quoting reference number CAR/L/1107257

Registry Department, SEPA, Graesser House, Fodderty Way, Dingwall Business Park, Dingwall, IV15 9XB.

Written representations received by SEPA within 28 days of this advertisement will be taken into consideration in determining whether or not to grant the application.

Before determining the application, SEPA will:-

- assess the risk to the water environment posed by the carrying on of the activity or activities;
- assess the indirect effects of that impact on any other aspects of the environment likely to be significantly affected;
- consider any likely adverse social and economic effects of that impact and of any indirect environmental effects that have been identified;
- consider the likely environmental, social and economic benefits of the activity;
- assess the impact of the controlled activity or activities on the interests of other users of the water environment;
- assess what steps may be taken to ensure efficient and sustainable water use; and
- apply and have regard to relevant legislation.

SEPA will then either grant or refuse to grant the application.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus said, 'Peace be with you' (John 20:21).

BIRTHS



KELLY - STEWART

Lucille and Ewan are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Kasper Cillian, on January 17, 2013. Thanks to everyone for their generous gifts. Thanks also to midwives at Mid Argyll and Royal Alexandra Hospital for all their help and support.

ENGAGEMENTS

HOGG - COLVILLE - Lewis Fraser Hogg of Badachro, West Muir, Brechin and Lucy Emma Colville of Auchmar, Fort Argyll Road, Campbeltown are very happy to announce their engagement. Both families delighted.

DEATHS

COLVILLE - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on February 14, 2013, Robert Colville, in his 89th year, 142 Davaar Avenue, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of the late Jean McLean, much loved father of the late Jimmy and a dearly loved uncle and great uncle.

HOLLAND - Kenneth Hugh (Ken), in his 93rd year, died peacefully on February 13, 2013, at Knapdale Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead, formerly of Sea Whins, Fort Argyll Road, Campbeltown. Husband of the late Betty Strachan, father of Susan and Simon, grandad of Lee Imogen, Kirk and Alex, friend, cousin and father-in-law. Dearly loved. Ken was formerly Surveyor of Customs and Excise for Campbeltown, Jura and Oban. He was Hon Life Vice-President of the Kintyre Antiquarian Society. Ken bequeathed his body to medical science so there will be no immediate funeral.

MACCALLUM - On February 19, 2013, peacefully at home, Robert (Bob) MacCallum, in his 77th year, beloved husband of Betty and much loved father of Iain and Gail, dear father-in-law of Gary and dearly loved poppy of Megan, Caitlin and Callum. Sorely missed by all. Funeral service at Cardross Crematorium, on Saturday, February 23 at 10.30am, to which all family and friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers only please.

MATHEWSON - On February 16, 2013, peacefully at home, Margaret (Peggy) Mathewson, née Robertson, in her 101st year, beloved wife of the late Lindsay Mathewson, much loved mother of Gordon, mother-in-law of Jean and a dear aunt of all the family. Funeral service was held at Cardross Crematorium, on February 21, 2013.

ROBINSON - Suddenly after a short illness, at the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley, on January 30, 2013, Terence G Robinson (El Tel), aged 62 years, of 4 Poltalloch Street, Lochgilphead. Funeral service will take place from Lochgilphead Parish Church

today, Friday, February 22, 2013, at 12.00 noon, thereafter to Achabreac Cemetery. Flowers or donations, if desired, to Marie Curie Cancer Care. All friends are respectfully invited to attend.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

CAMERON - The family of the late May Cameron, would like to thank everyone most sincerely for the many kind expressions of sympathy received, in their recent sad loss. Special thanks to all staff at Ardfenaig Care Home, Tarbert Surgery, district nurses and home carers at Lochgilphead and Tarbert, for their kind care and attention, to Rev Thomas Bryson for his comforting services, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, Coach House Inn for excellent catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and crematorium. The joint collection for the church and Ardfenaig raised £400.

HOULDSWORTH - Jimmy, Dianne and Sandra, would like to thank everyone for the many kind expressions of sympathy received in their recent sad loss. Special thanks to district nurses, Macmillan nurse and doctors and staff at Glenaray Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital for all the kind care and attention received, thanks also to Humanist Celebrant, Sheena Johnstone, for a very fitting ceremony, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, Coach House Inn for an excellent purvey and to all who paid their last respects at Cardross Crematorium. The sum of £250 was raised for the Fishermen's Mission.

MCLELLAN - James and Elizabeth, and the family of the late Cathie McLellan, would like to thank friends and neighbours for the many expressions of sympathy, flowers, cards and gifts of baking received following their recent sad loss. The love and support you have given us is valued and appreciated. Sincere thanks to the doctors and nurses who cared for Cathie over the last few months and in particular to the Community Nursing Team who enabled Cathie to continue to live at home and with her family. We are grateful to the Rev Cliff Acklam for his visits to Cathie and for his conduct of a comforting service of thanksgiving for her long and full life. The service was also enriched by the musical accompaniment of John Summers. Thanks to Donald MacDonald, Funeral Directors for their efficient and professional arrangements and for their sympathetic, friendly and helpful guidance. Our appreciation to the Flower Shop, Lochgilphead for the lovely flowers and to the Stag Hotel for the purvey. Finally, we wish to thank all those who paid their last respects at the church and the graveside, your presence was a great source of comfort to the family and your generosity raised in excess of £600 for the Mid Argyll Chemo Unit.

WYLIE - Bobby, Sandra, Gemma and family would like to express their sincerest thanks to everyone for the kindness and sympathy shown to them during the recent sad loss of their mum, Sandra. Many thanks to the doctors and staff of Campbeltown Hospital for their care and attention of Sandra, to Kenneth Blair for friendly and professional arrangements, to Tony Barnett for conducting the service and

the Argyll Hotel for catering. Sincere and heartfelt thanks to Kitty Millar of Macmillan Nurses for support, comfort and friendship throughout. Thanks also to all who attended the service and who contributed to the retiral collection, which raised £263.63 in aid of Macmillan Nurses Kintyre Locality and the Sunshine Room at Campbeltown Hospital.

IN MEMORIAMS

BROWN - Janet Nicholson MacLean. In loving memory of a dear mum, who died February 28, 2011.

We never ask for miracles But today just one would do To see our front door open

And our dearest mum walk through.

- Love from Janet and Denis.

BROWN - In loving memory of Janet Nicolson MacLean, died February 28, 2011.

Your name is often mentioned

Our thoughts are with you still You have never been forgotten

And you never will.

- Love from Peter Marshall.

CLARK - In loving memory of John, a dear dad and grandpa, who died February 24, 1977. Also Margaret (Peggy), a dear mum and gran, who died March 28, 1993.

Always in our thoughts.

- Family, home and away.

MCGOWN - Treasured memories of John, who we lost on February 25, 2012.

Always in our thoughts.

- Cathie and Wallace.

MCKINLAY - Cherished memories of Tommy, much loved husband, father, father-in-law, grandpa and great grandpa, who died February 22, 2010.

We love and miss you every day.

- Morag and family xx.

MORRANS - In loving memory of our mother, Sarah Soudan Morrans, who died February 24, 1999.

Loved and remembered always.

- The family.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES



LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH

SUNDAY 24th FEBRUARY 2013
11.00 am Worship Service
Rev. Hilda Smith
All Welcome
Further information (01546) 606218
www.lpchurch.co.uk
Lochgilphead (Church of Scotland) SC016311

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN

Sunday 24 February 2013
11.00am
Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch
Speaker: Stan Holloway
"2 Cor. ch. 3 (Part 2)"
Thursday 28 February 2013
7.30pm
Praise, prayer & sharing
All Welcome

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH

Charity Number SC001002
Sunday 24 February
Kilmartin Church 11 am
Souper Sunday Joint Service
Thursday 28 February
Messy Church 4 - 6 pm
Tayvallich Hall
Rev. Cliff Acklam
All welcome
Enquiries
01546 606926
www.argyllcommunities.org/nknapdalecofs

FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

George Street, Campbeltown
Sunday 24th February
12.45pm Worship Service
Calum Ferguson
11.30am Sunday School
Thursday 28th February
12 noon Bible Study and Prayer
All welcome
Scottish Charity Number: SC009980

Highland Parish Church



SCO02493
Sunday 24th February 2013
11.15am Morning Service
Rev. Catriona Hood
No Fun Day Club or JAM this week
Tuesday 26th February 2013
Badminton Club Kirk Street Hall
Primary 1 - 5 6pm - 7pm
Primary 6 & 7 7pm - 8pm
Wednesday 27th February 2013
Bible Study fellowship group
Ballwilline Farm 7.30pm
Everyone very welcome

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH

Scottish Charity Number SC011686
Saturday, 23rd February
Holiday Club - 10:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.
Sunday, 24th February
Family Service - 11:15 a.m. (Crèche)
Rev. Philip Burroughs
Tuesday, 26th February
Mothers & Toddlers - 9:45 a.m.
Thursday, 28th February
Choir Practice - 7:30 p.m.
Friday, 1st March
Lunch Club - 12:00 noon.

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH

75 Longrow, Campbeltown
Sunday 24th February 2013
10am Breaking of Bread
Mr R H Craig
10.50 Coffee
11.15
Family Service with Crèche
Mr Gordon Cosgrove
4pm Service in Lorne Campbell court

Monday 25th February 2013
7.30pm Congregational Forum
7pm Youth Group
Wednesday 27th February 2013
10am Parents and Toddlers Group
7.30pm Bible Study and Prayer

Friday 1st March
At the Salvation Army
7pm World Day of Prayer
"I was a stranger and you welcomed me"
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www.springbankchurch.co.uk
For Furniture Recycling Project call 01586 551547
SCO14646

THE SALVATION ARMY
Burnside Street, Campbeltown

Saturday 23rd February
10.00am - 12.00 noon
Coffee Morning
Sunday Services
10.30am Morning Worship (Army Kidz)
6.30pm Evening Worship
Tuesday
12.15pm Lunch Club (Over 60s)
1.30pm Home League
Wednesday
House Group 7pm
Thursday
7.30pm Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

GROWING IN GRACE

is an informal christian meeting held at 7.15pm every Thursday in the Meadows Pavilion Sports Hall, behind the creamery. Planting the roots of our lives into the fertile soil of the Gods amazing grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ is the ground for real spiritual growth and fruitfulness. 2 Peter 3v18. All are welcome. If interested just turn up and for more information contact 01586 830215.



Argyll Street, Campbeltown
St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown
Scottish Charity No SC023277
Sunday 24th February 2013
Second Sunday of Lent
10.45am Family Communion
Details of services are on the church door
Enquiries Tel: 01586 551141
The Scottish Episcopal Church is a Province of the Worldwide Anglican Communion

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES

"Taste and see that the Lord is good"
Sunday Services
Ardrishaig at 11:00am
Achahoish at 12:30pm
Registered Scottish Charities SC010713 and SC010782

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Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair
Charity No. SC016097
Morning Service in Lochfyneside Church (Minard) at 10 am
Informal Service / Music Evening in Furnace Hall at 6.30 pm
Glenaray and Inveraray
Charity No. SC016665
Morning Service with Baptism in Inveraray Church at 11.30 am

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH

SOUPER Sunday, 24th February, 2013
Joint service with North Knapdale at Kilmartin 11a.m.
Soup etc in Church Hall after the service.
All welcome
SC002121

LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

All Welcome
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson
Sunday 24th February 2013
11am Morning Service
Jumpstart Group
Friday 10.00 - 11.30am
Scottish Charity SC015187

TARBERT LOCHFYNE AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Sunday 24th February 2013
Tarbert Service 11.45am
Sunday School 11.45am
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Agony and ecstasy at winter league

IT WAS a case of agony and ecstasy in the Saturday Winter League at Machrihanish Golf Club on Saturday.

With season long leaders Stephen Kelly and David Wallace having wrapped up the league with weeks to spare the boys could afford a week off and leave the cup final to take the limelight.

The final was a class affair between the Beetles boys - Jock McPhee

and Lawrence Ferguson - and Norman 'the Mighty' Gwynne with the international man of mystery Nick Mills.

The later pairing, one up at the time, went out of bounds at the 18th throwing a lifeline to their opponents

Distraught

Four fiercely fought extra holes later, big Jock and Lawrence did their mentor proud and emerged victorious to

leave Norman and Nick distraught. There has to be winners and losers in everything, as Calum Fraser and Iain Keyte know only too well, the boys now having another wooden spoon to go with the one from 2005/06.

Next Saturday, March 2, sees the league Texas scramble and dinner commencing at the usual time, protective clothing recommended.



Perfect 10 for young Pupils team

Craig Barr of Campbeltown Pupils Youth shows off the skills which helped his team win 10-2 against Kilbrannan. The two teams were playing in a friendly on Sunday.

Sports Hall Athletics final in Oban

QUALIFIERS from the Kintyre Athletics Competition will be heading to Oban tomorrow (Saturday) to take part in the Argyll Sports Hall Athletics Final.

The competition is being held in the large games hall at Atlantis Leisure, starting at 1pm.

Young athletes from all over Argyll will be taking part in various running, jumping and throwing events after qualifying from local events held earlier in the winter.

As many as 120 athletes between seven and 16 years will be participating in the competition.

Athletes should register between 12pm and 1pm tomorrow, with the first events starting at 1pm.

Trophies

There will be trophies for 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall in each age group and each competitor taking part will be given a medal.

For more information on the Argyll final please phone 01546 602664.



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Entry will be void if crosses overlap. Prizes will be shared between those submitting correct entries.

If no correct entry is received, two 'near miss' prizes of £25 will be awarded. When the jackpot is won, no other prizes will be awarded that week.

Easy to enter

Cut out your completed coupon and put your entry plus £1 per 10 attempts into a sealed envelope and post it to reach "Spot the Ball" Competition, The Campbeltown Courier, Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown,

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Midnight League gets underway



TEENAGERS in Kintyre have been offered the chance to take part in free football every Friday evening up until the Easter holidays.

Supported

The Midnight League is sponsored by the Bank of Scotland and supported by

Argyll and Bute Council, Active Schools, Kintyre Youth Cafe, Campbeltown and District Juvenile Football Association and Strathclyde Police.

The initiative takes place every Friday from 8.45pm until 10pm and is open to all 12-16-year-olds.

Some of the S1-S2 age group at last Friday's Midnight League, with CDJFA coach Gary Anderson (left) and Alan Wallace of Strathclyde Police (right) who gave up their time to help out.

Dunoon pay the penalty

Continued from page 28 to G Croll and J Burns, something they could well have done without at this stage of the season.

Tomorrow, (Saturday) the Pupils travel to play Carlton YMCA, with every tie crucial in an attempt to gain promotion to Premier One.

SAFL results and fixtures

LAST Saturday's results: Scottish Amateur Cup, 6th round - Oban Saints 3, Cambusbarron Rovers 1; Division 1A - Strathaven Dynamo 8, Tarbert 0; Division 1B - Kings Park Rangers 'B' 2, Lochgilphead Red Star 2.

Saturday's fixtures: West of Scotland Cup, 3rd round - Oban Saints v Pollok; Division 1A - Port Glasgow United v Tarbert; Division 1B - Lochgilphead Red Star v Bothwell and Uddingston Albion.

Fiddlers retain 301 darts trophy



Fiddlers were the winning team at Monday night's Campbeltown District Darts Association's 301 cup held at the Argyll Arms in Southend.

THE FIDDLERS retained the trophy at Campbeltown District Darts Association's 301 Cup on Monday.

The match was held in the Argyll Arms Hotel in Southend on Monday, attracting eight teams of five players.

The final was contested between last year's winners the Fiddlers and

the Burnside. After four games the Fiddlers only needed two legs to win the trophy.

Retained

The last two players up were Vince Jordan for the Fiddlers and Gary Grumoli for the Burnside. Vince won the two legs required and the Fiddlers retained the trophy.

Jamie reaches board final

CAMPBELTOWN darts player Jamie McGougan threw his way to the board final at the Scottish Open on Saturday.

After reaching the board final Jamie was defeated by Welsh International captain, Martin Phillips.

He also made it to the board final in the doubles and once again met professional opposition, which included Gary Robson, who then went on to win the doubles competition.

Carradale crash out of league cup

CARRADALE AFC were knocked out of the league cup by Yoker Boys Football Club in last Saturday's match which ended 5-0.

The away side could have no complaints with the result as the home team dominated the game from start to finish with three ex-juniors in their ranks who ran the show playing possession football.

What was most disappointing for the Meridian Salmon sponsored team was that only six players were available from the 16 that played the previous week.

Away game

Carradale are due to play Yoker Boys again in the next few weeks - away and then home in the league - with the first of these matches taking place tomorrow (Saturday).

Dunaverty Golf Club lottery

ONCE again there were no winners this week in Dunaverty Golf Club's three number lottery.

The winning numbers were 3, 9 and 12. The next draw on March 3 will be for a jackpot of £900.

Tickets are available from the clubhouse, committee members, Commercial Inn and Muneroy Stores.

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Dunoon pay the penalty

SAFL Premier Division Two **Campbeltown Pupils 4 Dunoon Amateurs 0**

THE MCFADYEN sponsored Campbeltown Pupils eventually won this derby fixture without hitting top form, a game full of endeavour, but little else in the way of free-flowing football.

The home side had a let-off as early as the 3rd minute: a mix up in the heart of defence presenting the visitors with a golden opportunity to take the lead, however, the incoming forward blasted the ball wide with the goal at his mercy.

Dunoon seemed content to play the ball across the back four, a tactic which almost backfired when Paul Grumoli intercepted and drove a vicious shot into the side-netting.

Nevertheless, the first goal was only delayed, and a surging run and cutback by John McCallum saw Kenny Galbraith 'rifle' the ball into the roof of the net from the edge of the box.

The game was strangely lacklustre, with the home dominating possession, but never changing gear on a park ready made for possession football.

Robin Barr was very effective on the left of midfield, and his powerful running gave Dunoon all sorts of trouble, but the pace of the cross continually eluded the incoming strikers, a natural trait of an extremely fast artificial surface.

With fifteen minutes of the half remaining, the Pupils were awarded a 'stone-wall' penalty kick, and Paul Grumoli grabbed the opportunity to extend his goal scoring exploits when he sent the goalkeeper the wrong way.

Two ahead at the interval, the game was over as a contest when the home side extended its lead on the hour mark.

The Dunoon defence had struggled throughout to contain the pace of the Pupils' attack, and when the ball deflected into the path of Kenny Galbraith, he dispatched the ball in clinical fashion past the stranded goalkeeper.

Minutes later, a driving run by John McCallum took him past the last defender, only to be floored by a late challenge on the edge of the box. The referee had no hesitation awarding a second penalty kick, a decision followed by a red card for the luckless defender. Gary Grumoli 'stepped up to the plate' and drove the Pupils into an unassailable lead.

The home side made a number of changes in the closing 30 minutes, with Croll, McBrayne, Grant and Guy slotting in seamlessly to a side in control of the fixture. There was no further score, but the game ended badly for the home side with injuries

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Pupils John McCallum squeezes off a shot after marauding into the Dunoon's box. c08pupils1

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