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'Money going begging' for ferry

'There is enough money going begging in the budget to pay the NI Office's share of the ferry for five years.' - Alan Reid MP

WHETHER or not Campbeltown and Ballycastle get their ferry connection back all boils down to hard cash and the ballot box.

The MP for Argyll and Bute believes that there is enough money there to re-float the ferry but the political will is lacking in the current climate.

Elections

The one big hope hangs on the elections held on Wednesday in Northern Ireland; if these lead to a new assembly then the Northern Ireland politicians seem to agree on one thing: the ferry service would be a good thing.

Alan Reid MP for Argyll and Bute has called on Ministers to look again at funding a ferry route between Campbeltown and Ballycastle.

He was speaking during the Northern Ireland Grand Committee where MPs were discussing the draft Northern Ireland Budget; Mr Reid is a Liberal Democrat Shadow spokesman on Northern Ireland.

'Tremendous boost'

Mr Reid said: 'Restarting the ferry service from Campbeltown to Ballycastle would be a tremendous boost to tourism in both Kintyre and Northern Ireland.'

'Last year when the Scottish Executive produced the proposal to restart the Campbeltown to Ballycastle ferry service, it was prepared to pay £700,000 a year.'

'According to previous agreements with the Northern Ireland Executive (when it was in existence) the Northern Ireland Office's share

was to be £300,000.

'I was very disappointed when the Northern Ireland Office refused to pay its £300,000 share.'

'I note that according to that budget line there has been a cut in expenditure of £1.64 million. Clearly, there would have been plenty of money from which to pay that £300,000.'

Disagreed

Northern Ireland Finance Minister David Hanson MP disagreed with the LibDem MP's view of the situation.

He replied: 'The challenge for us [the Government] in the current financial climate is whether we put £1.5 million, plus inflation, into subsidising that ferry for the next five years at a time when there are other demands on the public purse.'

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Netta and Dugald on their diamond wedding day. c10dai02

Diamond day for a holiday romance

WHOEVER believes that holiday romances don't last has never met Dugald and Netta Macdonald, who celebrated 60 years of marriage on Monday.

The couple met as teenagers when Netta came to Campbeltown from Glasgow for her summer holidays.

Their friendship survived Dugald, 86, being held as a prisoner of war in Germany for four-and-a-half years during the Second World War; Netta, 82, wrote to him via the Red Cross. When they met again after the war they began courting and were married on March 5 1947.

The couple's home on Crosshill Avenue, Campbeltown, was packed on Saturday with friends and well

wishers. The couple's children Neil, Margaret, Janice, Billy and Elizabeth were all there; Margaret and Billy flew home from America where they now live. The couple have seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

There was a telegram from HM the Queen and flowers for Netta and whisky for Dugald from the Convener of Argyll and Bute Council presented by Councillor Donald Kelly and Elizabeth Kelly who was office junior when Netta worked for the council as a shorthand typist. Dugald served for 27 years as a lighthouse keeper on the Daavar light. Before that he was well known as 'Dougie Lipton', driving mobile shops.



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Ferry budget cash



Alan Reid MP: government should stump up cash.

From front page
‘The decision of the current Administration is, no, we can’t ...’

This did not impress Mr Reid, speaking to the press afterwards he said: ‘I cannot understand why the Government can use the current financial climate as the excuse when there is enough money going begging in the ferry services, air and sea ports budget to pay the NI Office’s share of the ferry for five years.’

He added that he hoped that the elections to the NI Assembly would lead to a new NI Executive being formed.

‘I will then keep up the campaign to persuade them to stump up their share of the cash,’ said Mr Reid.

Support for the ferry service in Ballycastle is just as strong as it is in Campbeltown and the hope is that Stormont-based politicians would free up cash for the Northern Ireland contribution to the costs of the ferry.

The people of Northern Ireland went to the polls on Wednesday to elect their representatives and on March 26 a new power-sharing executive is due to be formed. If there is no agreement the government has said it will close the Stormont assembly and stop the politicians’ salaries and allowances.

Coals to Newcastle and turbines to Kintyre



A container full of blades for the turbines is unloaded but bad weather stopped worked on Monday. c10quy01

Tangy buys Spanish

WORK has begun on extending Tangy Wind Farm with the arrival in Campbeltown harbour of a shipment of turbines from Spain, even though the Vestas Celtic wind turbine factory is within miles of the site.

The cargo of seven wind turbines arrived from Spain and a 300 tonne crane was brought in from Manchester to unload it.

Sharon Miller-Mackenzie, communications spokeswoman for Scottish and Southern Energy defended the company’s decision to buy abroad.

Investment

‘We are investing £125 million in this wind farm,’ she said.

‘The contract went out to tender and another company secured the contract,’ adding, ‘we try to work with local suppliers wherever possible.’

The wind farm currently has an installed capacity of 13MW and Argyll and Bute Council granted permission for the development of an additional 6MW, taking the total capacity to 19MW.

The contract for unloading the cargo of

seven complete turbines has gone to Campbeltown-based company McFadyen’s Transport.

Director of the firm Charles McFadyen spoke of the challenges of unload such a massive cargo and transporting it to the hilltop location a team of five men is involved.

‘It is going to take four days just to discharge the cargo; we had to stop on Monday afternoon because of the high winds,’ said Mr McFadyen.

Then we expect it to take seven to 10 days to deliver it all to the site, depending once again on the weather.’

A 300-tonne crane is lifting the cargo from the ship and onto the five-axle extending trailers that McFadyen’s use for this type of work.

Each lorry load has two escort vehicles, one in front, one behind.

It can take upwards of half-an-hour to get each lorry from the A83 up the lane to the wind farm.

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ARGYLL and Bute Council had to close the pool at Aqualibrium on February 13 to the public for a short while in the morning due to an overlap in two schools’ swimming lessons.

A spokeswoman for the council said: ‘We realise that this was done with very little notice and we sincerely apologise for this one off incident and the inconvenience it has caused to our members and regular users.’



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Police files

Extra town patrols

POLICE at Campbeltown say that more patrols will be carried out in the Lady Mary Row and Parliament Place areas of the town after reports of groups of youths causing a nuisance.

Drinking

A MAN was arrested outside a public house in Campbeltown on Sunday morning when he was found drinking alcohol outside on the pavement, in contravention of bye laws.

Breach of the peace

FOLLOWING an incident on Longrow late on Saturday night a man was arrested for allegedly committing a breach of the peace.

Tree trouble

DURING this week's stormy weather police received a number of reports of trees blown down on the B842 near Carradale.

Wait till you get home

THIS week police have charged four men on different occasions in the centre of Campbeltown after they were found urinating in public places.

Moving on

VESTAS-Celtic is saying goodbye to its towers division factory director David Canning, who is off to America in April 2007.

David has been at the wind turbine manufacturer's Kintyre operation since 2001 rising to the post of factory director towers manager and is moving to work for Vestas Americas.

Erik Frahm, who is coming to Kintyre from Denmark as factory director, is taking David's place. With this handover day-to-day business at the Kintyre factory will continue as usual.

Kent Vinkel, vice president, tower production, Vestas Towers A/S, confirmed Mr Frahm's appointment this week.

Quick thinking and a spare pair of socks save a life



Derek Wilson, Gary McMillan and John Ironside, area manager for Argyll and Bute after Saturday's presentation.

Life saving action honoured by service

THE CAMPBELTOWN firefighter who saved the life of a colleague on Christmas Eve has been presented with the Chief Officer's Certificate of commendation for actions 'in the best traditions of the fire service'.

The quick thinking of Crew Manager Gary McMillan and his prompt first aid saved the life of fellow firefighter Derek Wilson after he came off his bicycle when he collided with a parked car and was catapulted through its rear window, cutting his jugular vein.

Both men were making their way to the fire station after their emergency call-out paggers went off just after 6.15am.

Gary fought to stem the flow of blood; literally stuffing a spare pair of socks he had in his pocket into the gaping wound in Derek's throat.

His commendation reads: 'This prompt action by Crew Manager McMillan undoubtedly saved the life of his col-

league, Firefighter Wilson. Crew Manager McMillan's quick thinking won precious time for the health care professionals to deal successfully with Firefighter Wilson's injuries.'

When members of the Campbeltown crew attended a training weekend in Oban on Saturday the evening get-together, dinner and ceilidh was used to present Gary with his honour, to the cheers of Argyll's firefighters.

Deputy Chief Officer Eileen Baird presented the commendation to Gary.

In his speech afterwards Gary said: 'It was the worst day of my life and the best day of my life. I don't want the award, I just want my socks back.'

Gary said that he was never so glad to see an ambulance. He was exhausted, applying pressure to Derek's neck with the socks and thought the ambulance crew would take over, but they told him to keep pressing as he and Derek got into the am-

bulance and went to the hospital.

Shares the award

He said that he shares the award with the ambulance crew, the staff of the hospital at Campbeltown, particularly Dr Lazarus who took over the task of applying pressure for several hours, and the staff of the Western Infirmary in Glasgow with praise in particular for area manager John Ironside who travelled to Campbeltown on that day to meet the family.

Witness appeal as man dies after A83 accident

POLICE are appealing for witnesses to come forward after an accident on the A83 on Friday evening.

The driver of one of the vehicles, 22-year-old Gordon McMillan of Campbeltown, a well-known and popular young man, later died as a result of his injuries.

The accident happened at 7pm near to Dalkeith Farm at Glenbar when a black-coloured Vauxhall Corsa travelling north and an articulated cattle float collided.

Two fire appliances

from Campbeltown attended and, working alongside paramedics, used cutting equipment to free Mr McMillan from the driver's seat.

He was taken to Campbeltown Hospital and after treatment was flown to the Southern General Hospital in Glasgow.

The car's front seat passenger, a 21-year-old man and the rear seat passenger a 27-year-old man were said by the police to have suffered minor injuries and were discharged from hospital after treatment.

The 49-year-old driver of the lorry was uninjured but in shock.

The A83 was closed until the early hours of the following morning,

with traffic diverted via Carradale.

Fire fighters also helped to get sheep from the cattle float into fields.

Police officers carried out an investigation of the crash scene and their inquiries as described as 'on-going'.

'We would like to hear from witnesses prior to the accident on that road,' said Sergeant Stevenson of the Road Policing Unit at Lochgilphead. 'No matter how trivial people might think their information may be, if they were there we would like to hear from them.'

The reporting officer is Constable Gordon MacLennan, telephone 01546702225

Rurals back post offices

THE Scottish Women's Rural Institute has backed the campaign against the closure of rural post offices.

Alison Bayley, chairwoman of the SWRI said: 'Closures will create various problems, particularly for those with restricted mobility such as older residents and mothers with young children, who will need to go further to cash and basic groceries.'

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Election roadshow comes to town

ELECTION roadshows will take place throughout Argyll and Bute next month to provide people with information about the Scottish Parliament and Local Government elections to be held on May 3. The roadshows will be hosted by Argyll and Bute Council staff. Returning Officer, Nigel Stewart said: 'The roadshows will be a good way for people to find out information about the elections and the new voting system for the local government elections, Single Transferable Vote.'

'It is hoped that the roadshows will target as many people as possible so if you have any questions or queries about the elections please come along to your nearest venue where the roadshow staff will be able to answer any questions you may have.'

For more information about the elections you can log on to the Argyll and Bute Elections website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/elections or e-mail the Election Team at elections@argyll-bute.gov.uk

The roadshow will visit Campbeltown's Tesco store on March 24 between 11am and 3pm.



THE SNP team for Kintyre, Jim Mather MSP, right, and prospective council candidates Anne Horn and John Semple met local people in the White Hart Hotel Campbeltown to discuss the main issues and opportunities facing Kintyre. In preparation for the Parliament and council elections on May 3.

Argyll and Bute SNP has surveyed thousands of homes across Argyll in order to ensure that the policies being developed for running Argyll and Bute Council and the Scottish Executive fit with the aspirations of people in Argyll. Jim Mather said: 'We have identified that the economic sustainability and job security are the biggest issue for people in Kintyre and look forward to projecting a positive message over the coming weeks on how we can address these.'

Solidarity for Deirdre

SOUTHEND woman Deirdre Henderson has confirmed her intention to stand as a Solidarity candidate in the council elections.

Ms Henderson is a qualified community education worker with an Argyll and Bute wide voluntary organisation and prior to this she was employed by Argyll and Bute Council.

She is very active in the community and currently chairs the Kintyre Cultural Forum and organises for the Fairtrade steering group. Deirdre is also involved with the Southend Youth Club, the Kintyre Maternity Users' Group, and the new economic development organisation, Opportunity Kintyre.

Deirdre said: 'Solidarity is about fairness and justice. We only live on one planet and it is important to care not only for the environment but also for the people living in it. Solidarity campaigns against environmental destruction,



Deirdre Henderson

poverty, low pay and discrimination.'

Deirdre is not new to the world of politics as her father was as a SNP Member of Parliament.

A graduate of Edinburgh University, she is married with a nine-year-old daughter and a 14-month-old son.

Deirdre highlights that she has a good understanding of the rural issues that impact on the lives of people throughout the Kintyre area and would be active in improving local services and be a voice for ordinary people.

Volunteer for the Electoral Commission

THE ELECTORAL Commission is calling for local volunteers in Campbeltown to monitor activity during the forthcoming Scottish Parliamentary and local government elections on May 3.

The Commission hopes to recruit at least one person for each of Scotland's 73 constituencies who will then report back on their experiences as a voter.

The aim of the project is to find out more

about the level of contact people have with politicians and election authorities as part of wider research on participation in elections.

Andy O'Neill, head of the Electoral Commission's office in Scotland, said: 'There has been a lot of debate about the level of direct contact people have with parties and candidates during an election campaign. This will help us understand

how people experience an election and how this can be affected by factors such as socio-economic status and whether people are living in marginal constituencies.' People interested in participating should contact the Electoral Commission on 0131 225 0200 or email infoscotland@electoralcommission.org.uk. You can also write to: The Electoral Commission, 28 Thistle Street, Edinburgh, EH2 1EN.

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14:00 José Manuel Bernalles, CEO, Landcatch Chile

14:30 REFRESHMENTS & EXHIBITION

15:00 Donal Maguire, Aquaculture Development Manager, BIM
15:30 Dr Kim Jauncey, Senior Lecturer, Institute of Aquaculture, University of Stirling
16:00 Questions & Answers

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Rotarians' sale success

THE ROTARY Club of Campbeltown has held another very successful Sale of the Century in the Victoria hall.

A good number of people were in the hall from 9am, taking the opportunity to view the items for sale before the auction started at 10.30am.

As usual business was brisk at the bric-a-brac stall all day and many people took advantage of the fact that the stall was also open from 9am, an hour-and-a-half before the start of the main auction sale.

Resident auctioneers Cecil Finn and John Kerr had to work hard during the day to generate any enthusiasm in bidding, although it was brisk for a few of the better quality lots.

Many items were still sold at ridiculously low bargain prices.

Amazingly, all the small prices still added up to a very creditable total of more than £3,000.

Business continued steadily all day and although there were many real bargains, one of two items realised good prices. Throughout the day, ladies from the Inner Wheel



David Gardiner, tinkles the ivories, with fellow Rotarians John Mactaggart, Anne Gallagher, president, John Bakes and Alan Minshaw. c10sal01

Club kept Rotarians and the public supplied with tea, coffee, biscuits and filled rolls and all were most grateful for this service, for without it some Rotarians felt they surely would have perished.

The Rotary Club wished to thank the public for continuing generosity and support, which enables the club to go on helping others.

The club is also grateful for the help given by the Inner Wheel club and various 'boys' of all ages who collected furniture the day before the sale and helped to deliver it to buyers afterwards. At the end of the day many Rotarians took their sore feet home to hot baths, but hopefully all will have recovered in time for the next sale.

Ordination and induction of Kirsty-Ann

THE KIRK Session of Lorne and Lowland Parish Church in Campbeltown have agreed to appoint Dr Kirsty-Ann Burroughs as an auxiliary minister at the church.

The role of auxiliary minister is an unpaid, part-time one and supports the work of the parish minister. Kirsty-Ann is the wife of Rev. Philip Burroughs, minister at Lorne and Lowland Parish.

This appointment is a new ecumenical development in that Kirsty-Ann will be ordained to the ministry of Word and Sacrament by the United Reformed Church and will be introduced into this Church of Scotland post by the Presbytery of Argyll. Both denominations have separately agreed to the appointment and are excited by this new initiative. The service of ordination and introduction of Kirsty-Ann will take place in Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, Campbeltown on Saturday, March 10 at 2pm. Refreshments and a time of fellowship will follow the service.

All round the Rurals

Largieside

THE MONTHLY meeting of the Largieside SWRI met at Tayinloan Village Hall on Thursday February 15. The speaker for the evening was George Bradley of Campbeltown RNLI who gave a very inter-

esting talk on the work of the RNLI with many anecdotes on local events.

A video was then shown on the work done nationally by the lifeboats.

This was followed by a quiz, which proved easy for some members

but not so easy for others; it was a most enjoyable and informative evening.

Competitions: Jar of lemon curd was won by Helen Steel; caption competition was won by Mary McDonald.

Southend

SOUTHEND SWRI met on February 5 in Dunaverty Hall.

President, Josephine Milligan welcomed 23 members to the meeting at which the guest speaker was Pam Francis.

Pam showed slides and spoke about her travels to Nepal to help the children of prisoners in Kathmandu, giving us an insight into the work of the Nepalese Children's Trust Home. Children under the age of eight go into prison with a parent if there is no one to look after them, once they are eight they are put out onto the streets to fend for themselves.

The workers at the home try to rescue as many of these children as possible, where they are then cared for at the home.

Together with three other friends, Pam helped to set up a library for the children, which has proved to be a great success and has given much joy to

the children. Pam also bought along with her some crafts made by the Nepalese people, which she sold to raise funds for the home.

President, Josephine Milligan gave a hearty vote of thanks to Pam for such a fascinating and informative talk; it was an excellent, much-enjoyed evening.

February's competition results were: Photography, shopping scene: Josephine Milligan and Linda Smith, red. Poem, Welcome to Rural Scotland: Catriona McLeod, Janette Dreghorn, silver. Cartoon Character in pencil: Margaret Bateman, gold; Linda Smith, silver; Trish Pearson, red.

Stewarton

STEWARTON SWRI members had a visit to the Campbeltown Fire station for their February meeting.

There they met Station Officer Ronnie Souden who showed them round and answered many questions before members left to enjoy a lovely meal provided by the Cean Loch diner.

Bellochantuy

LOIS Fell, president of Bellochantuy SWRI welcomed everyone to a well attended February meeting at Glenbarr Hall.

The speaker for the evening was Pam Francis, and her subject was a children's home in Nepal.

Pam told how she and friends had helped orphans for a number of years and how amidst poor housing, squalid conditions and basic food rations there could be found happy smiling children and dedicated helpers who needed more support.

A variety of craft items were on sale in aid of the home.

All present agreed it had been a most enlightening evening and were full of admiration for the speaker.

Pam was then asked to judge the evening's competitions.

Three meringue nests: Margaret Campbell, Susan Turner, gold; Elizabeth Young, silver; Rosanne Goodwins, red. Two crochet coasters: Judith MacRae, gold; Rosanne Goodwins, silver. Embroidered picture: Judith MacRae, gold; Jean Miller, silver; Mary McIsaac, red. A favourite bracelet: Rosanne Goodwin, Elizabeth Young, gold; Betty Maguire, Judith MacRae, silver; Libby Kerr, Jean Miller, Nettie Semple, red; Cynthia Butter, Margaret Campbell, Barbara Young, blue;

Janet Hamilton, Mary McIsaac, green.

Carpet bowls

THE SWRI Carpet Bowls competition was held in the Masonic House, Campbeltown and was eagerly con-

tested by 12 pairs from Largieside, Bellochantuy, Stewarton and Southend institutes.

The winners were from Southend when Jane McCorkindale and Elsie Ronald defeated Elizabeth Milloy and Sheena Ward of Stewarton in the final.

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Scheme cash a priority for rep

ARGYLL'S new representative on the National Farmers Union of Scotland's (NFUS) board is to press the area's case for a bigger chunk of the Less Favoured Area (LFA) scheme.

Bert Leitch of Lagaulva Farm, Mull, is the new Argyll and Islands Regional Board chairman, replacing Angus MacFadyen of Bragleenmore Farm, Kilninver.

Bert said the allocation of money from the £60 million a-year LFA scheme is the most pressing issue locally.

He said: 'We are looking to get a fair share of the LFA because of our extra haulage costs, the rough and poor ground, heavy rainfall, the cost of getting animals to markets and buying foodstuffs. Everyone from the different areas [in Scotland] has to fight their own corner.'

Mr Leitch also believes there is scope for farming and crofting to be promoted better in the area.



Shona Anderson, Catriona Wilson, Linda Anderson, Karyn Robertson and Christina Ferguson.

Mid Argyll's Young farmers go north

MID ARGYLL YFC attended the Scottish Association of Young Farmers Clubs 'National Winter Competitions Weekend' in Thurso on February 23 - 25.

Competitions at the event included Country Cooks, Member of the Year, Speechmaking, Five-aside Football and a quiz.

As well as a Welcome Disco on Friday night, there was a Member of the Year dance on Saturday night.

Mid-Argyll competed in the Ten-Pin Bowling finals, which were held at the All Starr Factory in Thurso.

The Club was represented by Douglas Anderson, Catriona Wilson, Shona Anderson, Stuart Geddes, Dianne Smith, Christina Ferguson, Linda Anderson and Karyn Robertson.

The next event for the Mid-Argyll Club is the AGM, which is being held on Wednesday March 14 in the Argyll Arms Hotel, Ardrishaig at 7.30pm.

The club also hopes to support the West Area Talent Spot at the Clyde Auditorium on March 17. A very busy summer schedule is currently being produced for the club.

Holstein breeders 25th AGM

THE KINTYRE Holstein Breeders Club held its 25th annual general meeting and the guest speaker for the evening was Hugh Pocock, head of Cogent Genetics, for the past six years, based in Cheshire. Alison Millar, UK marketing manager for Cogent, accompanied him.

Hugh gave a very interesting account of his Grosvenor Farms enterprise and of his work with the semen company Cogent.

The meeting also elected office bearers as follows: J Ralston, chairman; J Wallace, vice chairman; T Ralston, secretary, A Graham, treasurer.

This year's winner of the Club cup for the most points in the year was S and J Pirie, Machrihanish.

Wood you believe the future of fuel?

WOODFUEL advisors from Forestry Commission

Scotland, Scottish Agricultural

College and ALI Energy will be present at a one-day workshop on Wednesday March 14 in Lochgilphead to promote the benefits and opportunities of using woodchip for woodfuel in Argyll.

Using wood for fuel is hardly a new idea and with the drive for re-

newable energy in the UK there is a renewed interest in woodfuel as providing an economical alternative to fossil fuels.

Importantly for farmers it gives them a possible economic use for timber from previously under-managed farm woods. It can often also provide the opportunity to utilise the timber resource at a local level,

thereby reducing transport costs.

This one-day training course, held in the Community Centre in Lochgilphead will give people an introduction to the overall benefits of woodfuel and is aimed at anyone wanting to find out more about the potential of wood as fuel.

The workshop will highlight woodfuel markets, sustainable management for woodfuel, and how you can become a woodfuel supplier.

Information on modern burners, boilers and woodfuel products, and the comparative cost-effectiveness of using

wood as fuel, will also be covered. Rebecca Carr, Woodfuel Information Officer for Forestry Commission Scotland said: 'The intention of the workshop is to demonstrate to farmers and woodland owners how they can use their woods - either by using woodfuel themselves or by becoming a woodchip supplier.'

Steven Watson of ALI Energy said: 'A local market for clean, green heat is now a real option to save money and provide local jobs. I hope everyone coming along will be encouraged by what they hear and consider how they can be involved.'

The workshop will run by Lucy Sumsion, of the

Farming & Wildlife Advisory Group (FWAG), and will start at 10am and finish at 4pm. In the afternoon there will be site visits to woodfuel installations already operating in Lochgilphead followed by a demonstration of a wood chipper.

The workshop has been organised by the Argyll and Bute Agricultural Forum in partnership with ALI Energy.

The workshop is free (lunch and light refreshments provided) and is open to anyone involved in the land-based industries in Argyll. Funding has been received from Forestry Commission Scotland and the Highlands and Islands Partnership Programme through SAC.

Places on the workshop are limited and anyone wishing to attend the workshop should contact Fergus Younger, the Argyll Area Agricultural Strategy Development Manager at fergus.younger@sac.co.uk or telephone 01546603611.

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Happy Mothers Day

MOTHERHOOD has always been revered and in pagan times motherhood was even considered sacred. With the arrival of Christianity the Mother of Christ took pride of place and a day dedicated to her was called Mothering Sunday. The day was considered very special in society right up to the 19th century. Servants were given time off to return to their birth homes carrying

gifts for their mothers. They were also expected to visit the church in which they were baptised - their 'Mother Church'. The gifts they brought to their mothers included wild flowers, small items of hand embroidery and a simnel cake. Mothering Sunday fell on the fourth Sunday in Lent when most 'good people' were fasting but special dispensation was given for the eating of this simnel cake

By the beginning of the 20th century Mothering Sunday had become less important in the church calendar and certainly less important to the populace in general. The celebration of Mother's Day as we know it came to Britain in the 1940s on the heels of American forces sent to join in the war. Celebrating one's mother may be carried out in two ways, by giving her a gift and by taking her

out for a special meal. Traditional gifts follow on those gifts of earlier times though the flowers chosen now would seldom be wild. Small pieces of embroidery are perhaps rare and in their place are small, exquisite pieces of jewellery. She may prefer some delicious chocolates, hand-made sweets or even that traditional simnel cake. A little thought is all you really need. Going out for a family

meal in her honour is the other popular way of celebrating the day. For the family it's a way of showing their appreciation for all she has done for them. For the mother, and grandmother too, it's an opportunity to enjoy a meal she has not had to prepare, cook or clear away afterwards. Choosing the venue is important. It should be somewhere special, preferably special to the mother concerned.

A nice touch is to have a beautiful bouquet delivered to the table as she arrives or have a small gift placed by her plate as a surprise. Your mother is a very special person in your life and it doesn't hurt to tell her so. Celebrate her special day in a special way and make it a day to remember - until next year anyway. But remember, it is a popular day so do book your table early.

Simnel Cake

This cake has now become an Easter cake but originally servant girls gave it to their mothers when they went home on Mothering Sunday.

Ingredients
 225g Butter softened (8 oz)
 225g Light muscovado sugar (8 oz)
 4 Eggs
 225g Self-raising flour (8 oz)
 225g Sultanas (8 oz)
 110g Currants (4 oz)
 110g Glace cherries, quartered (4 oz)
 50g Chopped candied peel (2 oz)
 2 Lemons, zest only
 2 Teaspoon Mixed spice
 --- Filling and topping ---
 450g Almond paste (1 lb)
 2 Tablespoon Apricot jam
 1 Egg, beaten, to glaze

Method
 Pre-heat oven to 150°C / 300°F / Gas 2. Butter and line the base and sides of a 20 cm (8 inch) deep round cake tin with buttered greaseproof paper. Place all the cake ingredients in a large bowl and beat well until completely blended. Place half the mixture in the prepared tin and level the surface. Take one-third of the almond paste and roll it out into a circle the size of the tin. Place it on top of the cake mixture. Spoon the remaining cake mixture over and smooth the surface. Bake for about two-and-a-half hours until well risen and firm to the touch. Cover with foil after 1 hour if the top is browning too quickly. Allow the cake to cool in the tin for 10 minutes before turning

out onto a wire rack to cool completely. When the cake has cooled, brush the top with a little warmed apricot jam and roll out half the remaining almond paste to fit the top. Press firmly on the top and crimp the edges to decorate. Mark a criss-cross pattern on the almond paste with a sharp knife. Form the remaining almond paste into 11 balls to represent the 11 apostles (not counting Judas). Brush the almond paste with beaten egg and arrange the balls around the outside. Brush the tops of the balls with egg as well. Place the cake under a hot grill to turn the almond paste golden. Decorate with crystallised flowers such as violets, primroses and jonquils, if liked.

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Thought for the week

IT'S amazing what you discover in the newspapers.

Today I read that women are much more inclined to worry if they get into debt than men who seem able to shrug it off. The article also pointed

out that men are better at making financial provision for the future. Apparently a higher proportion of men than women contribute to pension plans and save on a regular basis.

A few pages further on there was an article on the subject of tea being good for you – so long as you take it without sugar or milk.

And on the following page was an article about the benefits for men of eating tomatoes regularly.

What was much more difficult to find among all these lifestyle articles in the newspaper was the news!

In order to redress the balance, I thought I would bring some news to readers of Thought for the Week. It's not new news, but it is good news, the very best news of all. Jesus says, 'For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.' Is that news to you?

Irene Howat

ASBOs are a no-no

Sir

With regard's to the article about ASBOS and Campbeltown possibly being the first town in Argyll to have them.

Whoever is thinking of going along these line's should be thinking in a different direction to address the problem.

ASBOS are not a deterrent and certainly not a cure. They won't change anything, they



Back row: Ian Craig, Callum Renton, Stephen Nealy, Paul McGougan, James MacVicar, Stephen Drew, Za Mitchell, (Ian Pollock sitting on wall). Middle row: Paul Craig, Michelle Hunter, Morna Irvine, Caroline McNaught, Johnny McConnachie, Alan Hutchinson, Richard Pollock, Johnny Togneri, Iona Irvine, Gordon Nealy, Robbie Sharp, Andrew Bonn. Front row: Darren Nealy, Iona Campbell, Alastair Drew, Alistair Hunter, Gordon Evans, Stephen Craig, Katrina Robertson, Barbara Mactaggart, Rowena Meyrick, Moira Graham.

Down Memory Lane

THIS is a picture of Campbeltown Brass at the Royal Albert Hall, when they qualified for the National Brass Band Finals of Great Britain in 1985.

The band have only ever qualified twice for the National Finals in their history, here in 1985 and again in 1996, (where the finals were in Cardiff that year).

They are now held every year in Harrogate now, so this is a one-off appearance for Campbeltown Brass at the Albert Hall, one that won't be repeated again, and of which all the band's past and current members are very proud of.

Ever since forming in 1983, Campbeltown Brass (with an average of 16) have competed against older adult bands throughout the year, and this was

a tremendous result in the band's history, considering they had only been competing for their second year.

Gordon Evans was also awarded Campbeltown's Citizen of the Year in 1985, after his efforts in taking Campbeltown Brass to this National level in Brass Banding.

The band has managed to keep building their contest record since then, climbing to the 2nd section in late 80's and also in the late 90's. Despite losing players every year who have had to move away to university, the band remains strong with a current membership of around 60, and with promising young players joining and coming through all the time.

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can do without and would ask them to reconsider.

Adam Boyd, Kirk Street, Campbeltown.

Age of your anchor

Sirs,

I am writing in response to your very fine article, Will your anchor hold for the BBs in Campbeltown.

As a BB officer with the 130 company based in Broomhill church, Glasgow, I am very saddened to learn of their difficulties and I sincerely wish and pray for a successful response to their appeal featured in *The*

Courier. As Chaplain SCC (sea Cadet Corps) the Campbeltown Unit and District Chaplain to Clyde North District, I feel it is my duty to correct a small discrepancy where you said that the Boys Brigade is the oldest youth organisation in the world.

The Sea Cadet Corps in fact beats this by 29 years being founded in 1854 as the Naval Lads Brigade in the port of Whitstable. By 1900 the organisation had spread nationwide, leading to the Navy league Sea Cadets Corps in 1919, the precursor of the modern Sea cadets we know today. As one

who is privileged to be called to serve in both the above organisations, both, incidentally serving under the patronage of HM the Queen, I would emphasise that no criticism is intended.

Suffice to say that both these very fine organisations have been around for over a century offering boys and girls exceptional opportunities to acquire life skills and experience through their respective agendas. That takes some beating.

David Eynon, Church House, Broomhill Church, Glasgow and Millknowe, Campbeltown.

Those Were The Days

The Campbeltown Courier, March 6 1997

Kintyre father and son's doo success

TWO KINTYRE men are celebrating after a home grown champion pigeon scooped a national ward.

Father and son team David and John McKillop, who breed and show birds as partners, achieved their best result at any show during the British Homing World Show of the Year 1997 in Blackpool.

David and John, who took a total of 30 birds to the show, picked up three trophies with the one young mealy cock which is certainly proving to have start qualities. It is a one-year-old bird bred from their own stock.

The show attracted competitors from throughout the UK and there were 3,872 bird entries.

The first stage of the young cock's success came when he picked up the first in class title against 90 other birds. He ended up winning trophies for Best Opposite Sex Show Racer out of an entry of 2,122 birds and Best Opposite Sex Young Bird. The father and son duo also won the Most Points trophy with nine prize cards at the show overall.

David, of 17 Burnside Cottages, Stewarton, has been breeding and showing pigeons since he was a boy. John also took a fancy for pigeons as a young boy and even though they entered competitions individually for many years, it was only last year they became partners.

David said it was hard to say what made this pigeon such a success but the win was extra special because it was a home grown bird. 'It makes a difference when you breed yourself and there is more pleasure in the winning,' he said.



Harbour Master on tides

Sir,

With reference to your Down Memory Lane picture of Campbeltown Harbour.

There have been two such floodings in the harbour.

The first one was on Saturday January 5, 1991.

The tide on that occasion reached a height of 4.5m. due to very strong SW winds, very low atmospheric pressure (28.2") and Spring tides. All three combining to cause the exceptionally high tide. I understand that Woolworth's basement was flooded and

Campbeltown Motor Co premises in Kinloch Road, now Nickel & Dime, was also flooded

The second occasion was on Sunday January 10, 1993.

The tide reached a height of 4.2m, again due to very strong SW winds, low atmospheric pressure (28.3") and Spring tides.

All three combining yet again to cause the flooding of the town's piers. On this occasion the flooding was not as severe as in 1991.

Willie MacDonald, Harbour Master, Campbeltown.

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□ We're midway through Fairtrade fortnight in Kintyre, have you joined in?

Fair's fair for trade

Across Campbeltown and Kintyre churches, schools and businesses have all been joining in Fairtrade fortnight, to show their support for disadvantaged producers across the globe.



This year, as part of the Fairtrade fortnight there was the official launch of the Kintyre Fairtrade steering group at the Argyll and Bute volunteer Centre. The plan is to work towards Fairtrade status for the area. Left to right: Maggie Young, Marilyn Shedden, Deirdre Henderson and Fiona Fox. c10c10trd01



Castlehill pupils have had Fairtrade fruit at lunchtimes. Dinner lady Linda Harvey is seen here with Robie McSporran, Darren Souden, Ailsa Smith and Julia McGeachy with a selection of exotic fruit including mangos and pineapples. c10cas01



Alex Geyer, right, with Deirdre Henderson at the Fairtrade produce stall at Campbeltown's Co-ope store. c10trd02



Fairtrade is yummy, just ask sisters Becky and Caitie Wilkieson of Gigha. The girls, aged seven and six were with their parents at Sunday morning service at Killean and Kilchenzie Church, A'Chleit. Afterwards in the church hall church members could enjoy Fairtrade tea and coffee and buy a selection of goods from the Fairtrade stall, like these chocolate Easter eggs. c10ach01



THE Fairtrade mark is an independent consumer label which appears on products as a guarantee that disadvantaged producers are getting a better deal.

Today, more than five million people - farmers, workers and their families - across 58 developing countries benefit from the international Fairtrade system.

UK SALES of Fairtrade products are running at £300m per year

MORE than 2,500 products in the retail and catering sectors now carry the Fairtrade mark. In 2003 there were around 150

THE Fairtrade Foundation's message for Fairtrade Fortnight 2007 is that, whilst sales of Fairtrade products continue to soar, change is still not happening quickly enough for millions of the world's poorest farmers who remain trapped in 'trade poverty'.

The Foundation believes that 2007 will be the year when people define themselves by their attitude to fairness in society.

The foundation expects a surge of support for real values, such as those enshrined in Fairtrade, which will create a momentum allowing significant change to become possible.

THE number of towns, cities and villages awarded Fairtrade status is set to reach 250 during Fairtrade Fortnight

INCREASING numbers of workplaces are switching their hot drinks to Fairtrade following the lead of Co-operative Financial Services, Edinburgh Zoo and British Telecom.

MORE than five million people in Africa, Asia and Latin America benefit from Fairtrade, they are farmers, workers and their families

THE BRITISH public drinks more than 6.2million Fairtrade hot drinks every day. We munch through more than one million Fairtrade bananas daily.

The Co-op is set to double its Fairtrade banana sales by extending them to all of its stores nationwide.

If Oban can do it, so can we

CAMPBELTOWN and Kintyre are well on the way on the way to earning Fairtrade town status.

Elsewhere in Argyll and Bute Oban and district and Dunoon have achieved this award, which shows that communities here in Scotland care about the plight of producers in the developing world.

To gain Fairtrade town status a number of actions have to take place and many of these have now been done.

Resolution

The local council must pass a resolution supporting Fairtrade and serve Fairtrade coffee and tea at its meetings and in offices and canteens; this has already taken place.

A range of Fairtrade products must be readily available in the areas shops and served in local cafes and catering establishments; the actual number of which is set in relation to the size of an area's population.

Marilyn Shedden from the newly launched

Kintyre steering committee said: 'We have had tremendous support, all the shops in West Kintyre, at Clachan, Tayinloan, Muasdale and Glenbarr stock Fairtrade products.

This year both the Co-op and Tesco in Campbeltown have had stalls promoting their Fairtrade goods.

Fairtrade products must also be used by a number of local work places and community organisations.

Fiona Fox, Traidcraft key worker in Kintyre said: 'When it first started years ago the coffee was pretty poor, to be polite. They have been developing and improving the coffee and now when we serve it mornings and other events people are surprised at how good it is. The tea is very popular too.'

A Fairtrade steering group has to be convened and media coverage take place; we can now tick both those boxes, so next year will we be able to celebrate Fairtrade Fortnight with Fairtrade town status?



Lucy Cunningham, centre left, back, runs the fairtrade stall at St Kieran's Church, Campbeltown, and she's seen here with some of the stall's supporters after Mass on Sunday. It sells a wide range of Fairtrade produce and merchandise from Traidcraft.

Always a welcome from the accordion and fiddle club

THE INVERARAY and District Accordion and Fiddle Club held its monthly meeting as usual in the Argyll Hotel on February 14.

Since the Club last met in January, Hamish

Menzies from Bridge of Orchy, a stalwart and loyal supporter of the Club since its inception, had passed away after a long illness. Hamish much enjoyed the music and friendship

of the Club and rarely missed a night until latterly, when ill health prevented him from doing so. Also, Alex John MacLeod, fiddler with Fyne Folk, and his wife Mairi, suffered a tragic

blow with the accidental drowning of their son, Douglas. To both families, the Club has extended their deepest sympathy.

Supporting artistes for the evening were Fyne Folk with Janette Gibson on accordion, Duncan Crawford and Sally Hall on fiddle - again joined by Calum Satchel from Dunoon - and Allan McIntosh on keyboard. Allan was standing in for Agnes Liddell, who was celebrating the birth of her granddaughter the day before, so to Agnes, and to Marie and Ian Lockhart, many congratulations. Also on accordion were Allan McIntosh, Ryan McGlynn, Archie John MacVicar, Margaret Kemp, from Edinburgh, and John

Weeks from Glasgow. Margaret Campbell was also on keyboard with Jim Thomson and Sandy MacDonald on drums. They made up various line-ups from duos to quartets and all their contributions were much enjoyed.

Guests

Guest artistes were the well-kent and ever popular duo, Fraser and Kevin McGlynn, and they did a spot to end the first half to whet the appetite of the audience and played more or less non-stop for the whole of the second half, apart from some very humorous stories from Fraser and banter with chairman, Niall Iain MacLean. Fraser and Kevin were in top form and the audience were treated to a marvellous



Kevin and Fraser McGlynn entertained the masses at Inveraray and District Accordion and Fiddle Club.

Piping hot in Renton

FIONA Mitchell of Kintyre Schools Pipe Band won both the March Strathspey and Reel event, and the Hornpipe and Jig event at the Dumbarton and District Juvenile Piping Competition held at Renton on Saturday March 3.

Playing for the first

time in the 15 to 18 years section, Fiona impressed the judges with a couple of faultless performances and was presented with the Jag Building Engineering Services Cup and the McCrady Memorial Shield.

A total of 13 young

pipers from Campbeltown made the trip to the Dumbarton competition, accompanied by Pipe Major Ian McKerral.

In the Novice March event all three entrants from Kintyre did well to get onto the prize list, with Craig Barbour placed Second, Campbell McFadyen Fourth, and Frank Rochford sixth.

Mark McCormick did well to be placed second in the 15 to 18 years Hornpipe and Jig.

In other events Keith Cowie picked up two sixth places in both the under-15-years March Strathspey and Reel and the Hornpipe and Jig. Ross Ferguson came sixth in the under-15-years piobaireachd.

In the Chanter events David McFadyen was placed third in the 11-to-14-years Section and Donnie McKerral was placed Sixth in the 10-years-and-under section.



Fiona Mitchell with her trophies at the end of the contest.

programme, with a few requests thrown in at the end, one of them being The Jacqueline Waltz, with an encore demanded before anyone moved!

The chairman thanked Fraser and Kevin and

all the supporting players for a quite superb night and the Club looks forward to welcoming Deoch 'n Dorus, a very popular trio in Highland haunts in Glasgow, but paying their first visit to Inveraray next week.



A weight and a smoke off your mind

We are well into March and for many their New year's resolutions have crumbled. If you foreswore to lay off the chocs and the ciggies did your will power succeed?

For a very good number of people in Campbeltown and Kintyre 2007 has been the year that's made the difference because they decided not to go it alone but seek expert help.

Take the members of Sue Brown's Slimming World class for example.

In the first seven weeks of this year they have lost a whopping 50 stone and three pounds in weight between them. The Courier featured Jill Denton, the Kintyre smoking cessation advisor and members of the group she runs in Campbeltown in our first edition of 2007 and Jill has had 40 new people join her this year. Later this month she is holding a buffet at the Argyll Hotel for everyone who joined her groups and has quit smoking. Think about it; have you ever considered having Easter resolutions?

THE PICTURE HOUSE
 Saturday 10 March for 6 days
Charlotte's Web (U)
 Featuring the vocal talents of
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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE
Charlotte's Web (U) Wilbur the pig is scared of the end of the season, because he knows that come that time, he will end up on the dinner table. He hatches a plan with Charlotte, a spider that lives in his pen, to ensure that this will never happen.

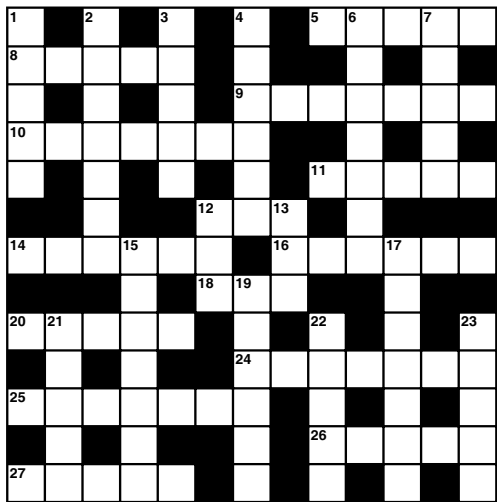
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LODGE ST. JOHN'S CAMPBELTOWN NO. 141 ANNUAL SENIOR CITIZENS' EVENING
 The above will be held this year on **Friday 16th March at 7.30 pm**
 Tickets may be obtained at the **Recreation Club**
TOMORROW (Saturday 10th March) Between 11.00 am and Noon

Campbeltown Grammar School presents
 The CGS Drama Group in William Shakespeare's
"Twelfth Night"
 and Tarbert Academy Drama Group in
"Macbeth"
Thursday 15 March - 7.30 pm
 Admission £3 (no advance booking - pay at door)

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THE THINKER

ACROSS

- 5 Theatre work takes an age for Peter Grimes (5)
- 8 Criticize the Spanish board (5)
- 9 Stole stock - made little noise (7)
- 10 Put rare artwork on display, causing delight (7)
- 11 Licourice flavour in bean is elusive (5)
- 12 You and I need energy to exercise (3)
- 14 News source to reflect on (6)
- 16 Not bothering to find the way through a year (6)
- 18 Seed forms half a fixing device (3)
- 20 Fumble for line after getting started (5)
- 24 Tell story of election uncertainty (7)
- 25 I see pod explode - one of a series (7)
- 26 Not very warm - initially poor diet caused it (5)
- 27 Dread tripping over this (5)

DOWN

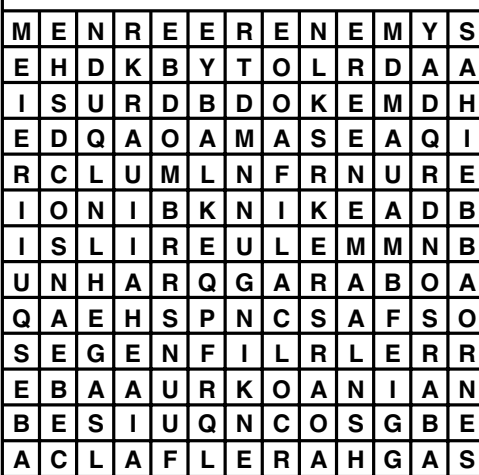
- 1 Troops returned - nothing lost during recreation (5)
- 2 Fish photographer (7)
- 3 Hit the nail (5)
- 4 Pressure to wear clothing round university (6)
- 6 Tie up an unusual flower (7)
- 7 Examines text, we're told, in the grass (5)
- 12 Container for some flour needed (3)
- 13 Enjoy carnivore's diet and bite off the head (3)
- 15 Poster I designed got a response (7)
- 17 MP I hurt during great victory (7)
- 19 Disquiet among peacekeepers and the others (6)
- 21 Speedy pair changed direction first (5)
- 22 Serious injury - taken into A & E (5)
- 23 Room for the boss? Yes (5)

SOLUTION FOR LAST WEEK

ACROSS: 1.Antic 4.Smack 7.Ohm 9.Coward 10.Umpire 11.Apt 13.False 14.Mimic 15.Proposition 18.Worth 19.Cable 20.Ape 22.Salaam 23.Veiled 24.Ire 25.Field 26.Rinse
DOWN: 2.Transport cafe 3.Coda 4.Smut 5.Amplification 6.Scoff 8.Ketch 12.Parsnip 16.Swish 17.Bendy 20.Amid 21.Ever

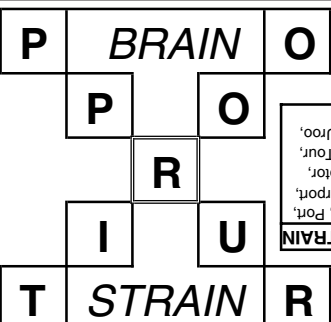
FIND THE WORDS

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Find the words: Up, down, forwards, backwards, straight or diagonal. This week: 20 Titles: Sir, Sahib, Earl, Dan, Calif, Queen, Lord Abbe, San, Senor, King, Lady, Duke, Agha, Meneer, Esquire, Sama, Baron, Don, Prince

BRAIN STRAIN



How many words of four letters or more can you make? No plurals, proper names or foreign words. All must include the centre letter. Good: 18 Maestro: 22+

Pick the primroses for a perfect night out

THIS weekend The Primrose Piano Quartet is touring Argyll, opening in Rothesay before playing tomorrow night Saturday March 10 at 8pm in Ardrishaig for Mid Argyll Arts Association.

On Sunday they are in Dunoon, Monday they are in Oban and then finish their tour in Campbeltown on Tuesday March 13 at 7.30pm for Kintyre Music Club.

The tour was organized by Argyll and Bute Concert Tours. The Primrose Piano Quartet is named in honour of William Primrose CBE (1904-82), one of the finest violinists of the twentieth century.

It was formed in 2004 by four of Britain's leading chamber musicians who had played together in different ensembles on many occasions at international and national festivals, concerts in Britain's premier concert halls and recording sessions.

The members of the Quartet all give regular master classes.

The Quartet was appointed Quartet-in-Residence at the London College of Music and Media in 2004, as well as being selected for the Making Music Concert Promoters' Network. Future plans include the premiere of a new 20-minute work by Sir Peter Maxwell Davies

at the 2007 Cheltenham International Music Festival. This record is a fine recognition of their excellence in performance but personally I am even more impressed by a comment in the *Strad Magazine*: 'The playing is selflessly beautiful, as the four friends seem bent on projecting the music rather than their own egos...everything seems to be just right.' That is how music playing should be.

The programme for this tour opens with Mozart's Piano Quartet No 2 written in 1786 when he was at the height of his genius and only five years before his untimely death.

This is followed by Faure's Piano Quartet No 1 written in 1879 when he was well into his thirties but considered as early in his musical career and still showing his leanings to romantic styles with some innovative harmonies, which he was to develop further in his long life as a composer.

The programme closes with Richard Strauss's *Piano Quartet in C minor* written in 1884 at the age of 20 when he was still at university and using traditional forms of composition but moving towards his development of Symphonic poems like *Macbeth* and *Don Juan*. Mar-



The Primrose Piano Quartet.

velous music performed by an excellent ensemble. Who could ask for anything more?

Mid Argyll Arts Association season continues through April and onto their Gala Concert in

May. However, this is the end of the season for Kintyre Music Club and what a lovely finale to finish on. It is good to end on a high note, don't miss it. JK

Rotary young musician of the year

LOCHGILPHEAD Rotary Club is once again searching for the most promising young musician of the year.

The current holder of the award is talented singer, pianist and clarinetist Sarah Dickie from Lochgilphead, who was selected by a specialist musical panel last year.

The winner of this year's award will receive a trophy and cash prize donated by the Rotary Club at an event on May 4. A similar competition run by the Rotary Club in Campbeltown for Kintyre young musicians is now well established.

To enter the competition, you can be an instrumentalist, vocalist, composer etc. All that is required is to fill in and submit a simple form, where you can state in your own

words your past and present musical activity, what it is that attracts you to music and what your plans might be in the future.

Entrants must live in Mid Argyll and be aged between 11 and 18 years old on May 1 this year.

Local schools and music teachers have the relevant Rotary form and the closing date for applications is Saturday, April 7.

The strong entries submitted last year gave an indication of how music flourishes in the area and how much talent there is, and this will of course be very much in evidence at the Mid Argyll Music Festival which is now just over two weeks away from March 17 to 24.

Community Noticeboard

Astronomy in the Forest

Friday 16th March
7pm - 8.30pm: Family Stargazing
Saturday 17th March
12pm - 5pm: Starlab sessions, Comet making demonstrations, Meteorite handling, Space wear
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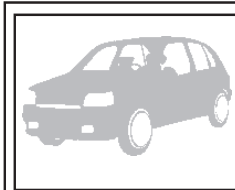


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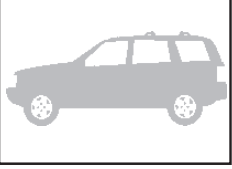


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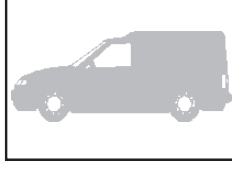
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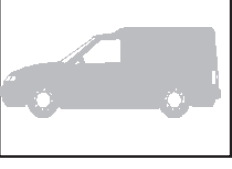
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Harry & May Horner would like to sincerely thank the Campbeltown & Carradale Firemen, for their efficient & prompt action in saving their property from the serious fire on Thursday 1st March. They were truly magnificent. Thanks also to the two members of the Campbeltown Police for their help & support, & to Councillor Rory Colville & his wife Mary. Family friends & neighbours were also truly supportive. No words can truly express our gratitude.

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Love James

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Love Emma and the boys

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JEFF 'Double Celebration'



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May and Jim West on the occasion of their Golden Wedding would like to thank family and friends for their lovely cards, flowers, presents and their generous donations for Campbeltown Hospital, the sum raised was £430. Also to Maureen and Margaret for the beautiful cake. Thank you all very much

LAURA Happy 21st



From Granny XXX

HAPPY 30TH RONALD




LOVE ALL THE FAMILY XXX

Retirement
I would like to thank all friends who made my Retirement and Birthday a memorable one.
Thank You Eddie

CHRISTINE
Would like to thank all her family and friends for the lovely cards, flowers and gifts received on her 50th Birthday. Special thanks to all who helped arrange this wonderful surprise

On behalf of Netta & Dugald MacDonald the family would like to thank everyone who joined them to celebrate their Diamond Wedding Anniversary and for all the beautiful cards and presents they received


HAPPY 21ST LAURA



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Oban
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Oban
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Ref: CSE40560.
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Variable hours

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Locality Manager

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Ref: 07ab/043

An opportunity has arisen for an experienced NHS Manager to provide maternity cover to the Oban, Lorn and the Isles Locality of Argyll and Bute Community Health Partnership for an 18 month period.

The post entails leading and managing all services within the locality including primary care, community health, Dunarros Community Hospital on Mull and Lorn and Islands District General Hospital in Oban. You will direct and support the achievement of NHS Highland and Argyll and Bute CHP priorities and targets, ensuring effective performance management against clinical, staff and financial governance standards. You will also take a CHP lead for Cancer Waiting Times.

We are looking for someone with proven NHS management experience with an insight into rural health care. You must have the personal skills and confidence to function as an effective leader and manager. You should be educated to degree level and have a relevant post graduate management qualification or be able to demonstrate an equivalent level of experience.

Oban is situated on the west coast of Scotland in an area of outstanding natural beauty. There is ample opportunity to enjoy the outdoors with sailing, walking mountaineering and canoeing being popular local pursuits.

For an informal discussion about the post please contact Moira Newiss, current postholder – Tel: 01631 788942 or Fiona Ritchie, CHP General Manager – Tel: 01546 605646.

Application packs are available from HR Department, NHS Highland, Argyll & Bute CHP, Lorn & Islands District General Hospital, Oban, Argyll PA34 4HH – Tel: 01631 789008 quoting the relevant reference number.

Closing date for completed applications: Friday 23 March 2007.

Campbeltown Hospital

Clerical Officer – A&C Grade 2/3 (2 posts)

**25 hours per week (Mon - Fri, 8.30am - 1.30pm)
21 hours per week (Mon - Thu, 12.30pm - 5.00pm & Fri 1.00pm - 4.00pm)
*£11,787 - £14,602 pro rata**

Ref: 07ab/018

Ref: 07ab/019

You will have Standard Grades or equivalent in English, Maths and Administration. Experience in reception work/dealing with the public and switchboard is essential.

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For an informal discussion about the post please contact Kirsteen Graham, Support Services Manager – Tel: 01586 555807.

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PLANNING

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997, RELATED LEGISLATION PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

Take notice that the applications in the following schedule may be inspected during normal office hours at the location given below. Anyone wishing to make representations should do so in writing to the undersigned within 14 or 21 days of the appearance of this notice, whichever is applicable as indicated below. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence.

SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PLANS

- **Ref No: 07/00371/COU**
Applicant: David Adam And Jean Bell
Proposal: Change of use of dwelling house to guest house
Site Address: 26 Shore Street Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6BS
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
Development in Conservation Area 21 Days
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Site Address: 26 Shore Street Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6BS
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
S60 Setting of Listed Bldg Ad - 21 Days
- **Ref No: 07/00291/DET**
Applicant: G McMillan
Proposal: Repainting of shop front
Site Address: 22 Main Street Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6AE
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
S60 Setting of Listed Bldg Ad - 21 Days
- **Ref No: 07/00291/DET**
Applicant: G McMillan
Proposal: Repainting of shop front
Site Address: 22 Main Street Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6AE
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
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- **Ref No: 07/00295/DET**
Applicant: All Sorts
Proposal: Erection of canopies
Site Address: 51 Longrow Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6ER
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
S60 Setting of Listed Bldg Ad - 21 Days
- **Ref No: 07/00072/DET**
Applicant: Esso Petroleum Company Ltd
Proposal: Demolition of existing filling station shop and erection of new filling station shop, canopy and 3 no. pumps and tanks and car parking and alteration to access
Site Address: Fyneside Service Station Paterson Street Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8JP
Location of Plans: Lochgilphead Area Office
Section 34 and Article 9 Advert 14 Days
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S60 Setting of Listed Bldg Ad - 21 Days
- **Ref No: 07/00300/OUT**
Applicant: Christine Doogan
Proposal: Site for erection of dwellinghouse
Site Address: Land North Of East Trodigidal Farm Machrihanish Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6PT
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days
- **Ref No: 07/00347/OUT**
Applicant: Mr And Mrs B. Mundell
Proposal: Site for erection of 2 dwelling houses
Site Address: Land West Of Millbrae Plantation Whitehouse By Tarbert Argyll
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert
Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days

Area Team Leader Development Control, Planning Services, 67 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig, PA30 8DX

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT CONTRARY TO DEVELOPMENT PLAN) (SCOTLAND) DIRECTION 1996

The following planning applications have been lodged for determination with Argyll and Bute Council and are available for inspection during normal working hours at the local area office/Post Office identified below. The proposals contained in the application are considered to be a departure or potential departure from the Development Plan for the area concerned.

Anyone wishing to make representations about any of the applications identified below should do so in writing within 21 days from the date of publication of this notice to the Area Team Leader Development Control at the address below.

Please quote the reference number in any correspondence.

SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PLANS

- **Ref No: 07/00322/DET**
Applicant: Ormsary Farmers
Proposal: Erection of 8 dwellinghouses and installation of shared biological treatment plant - amended proposal - Policies contravened - Mid Argyll Local Plan Policy HO10 and Policy RUR2
Site Address: Land Around Football Pitch Achahoish Ormsary Argyll And Bute PA31 8PE
Location of Plans: Lochgilphead Area Office
A18 Local Plan Departure Adv (21)
- **Ref No: 07/00159/OUT**
Applicant: Mr H Service
Proposal: Site for erection of dwelling house and garage and installation of sewage treatment plant - Policies contravened - Mid Argyll Local Plan Policies RUR1 and RUR2
Site Address: Corranbeg Ardfern Argyll And Bute
Location of Plans: Lochgilphead Area Office
A18 Local Plan Departure Adv (21)
- **Ref No: 07/00160/OUT**
Applicant: Mr H Service
Proposal: Site for erection of dwelling house and garage - Policies contravened - Mid Argyll Local Plan HO11, RUR1 and RUR2
Site Address: Land West Of Corranmor Ardfern Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8BN
Location of Plans: Lochgilphead Area Office
A18 Local Plan Departure Adv (21)
- **Ref No: 06/02659/DET**
Applicant: Mr And Mrs Gordon Blair
Proposal: Erection of dwelling house and garage and installation of bio disk treatment plant - Policies contravened - Mid Argyll Local Plan Policy HO11
Site Address: Land North East Of Tigh Na Glaic Crinan Argyll And Bute PA31 8SW
Location of Plans: Lochgilphead Area Office
A18 Local Plan Departure Adv (21)
- **Ref No: 07/00323/DET**
Applicant: Ormsary Farmers
Proposal: Erection of 6 dwelling houses and installation of shared biological treatment plant - Policies contravened - Mid Argyll Local Plan - Policy HO10 and Policy RUR2
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Badminton's young stars

ARGYLL and Bute Primary School Badminton Championships were held in the Mid-Argyll Sports Centre on Sunday.

In total nearly 50 children from 10 primary schools participated in a singles and doubles round-robin competition.

The standard of play increased throughout the day and there were some very good and closely fought finals, particularly the three-setter in the Boys Singles and another three-setter in the Boys Doubles.

Lori McLatchie of Dalintober Primary School was runner up in the girls' singles and Neils Anderson and Calum Hooper of Castlehill Primary were runners up in the boys' doubles.

The winners will go through to Perth to represent their school, competing in the Scottish Schools National Finals in April.

Sharon MacKechnie, area representative for Argyll and Bute schools badminton said: 'The excellent behaviour and sportsmanship from the children were a credit to their school and many thanks to all parents and teachers who helped run the event.'

LEFT: The medal winners at Sunday's contest

Week two of marathon and 10k training schedule

Did you survive the first week of the training to get you ready for the Mull of Kintyre Half Marathon and 10K?

Here's what the running doctors at the MOK run prescribe for week two. Beginners 10K: 11 weeks to go from Monday March 12

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REST; Sunday, 12 minutes.

Half marathon: Tuesday 13th: 4 miles slow run/walk 12:00 pace; approx 50 mins.

Thursday 15th, 3 miles faster run/walk, 11:00 pace, approx 35 mins.

Sunday 18th, 6 miles easy run/walk, 12:30 pace a p - prox 75 mins. Total for week of 13 miles and 2hrs 40

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Boost for sports council appeal



SOUTH Kintyre Sports Council's mini bus appeal received a massive boost to its campaign recently when they received just under £10,000 towards its much needed project.

Following disappointing news in December that South Kintyre Sports Council's application for £10,000 to the Rural Community Transport Initiative failed the local group were thrilled to find out they had been awarded £3000 from the Campbeltown Common Good Fund.

Within days of receiving the good news a further £6,460 was pledged from Campbeltown's allocation of the Community Regeneration Fund (through Communities Scotland).

A spokesman for the Sports Council said: 'We are all absolutely thrilled with the recent pledges to our appeal. This fills a massive gap that was earmarked with the application to the Rural Community Transport Initiative and puts our appeal firmly back on track. We cannot thank the local Councillors

enough for their support with this project and in particular Councillor Rory Colville who alerted the Community Regeneration Fund to our project.'

He added 'We now have just under £15,000 in the bank with recent additional donations of £400 from the Campbeltown Tartan Army's St Andrew's Dance and £641.18 from the Christmas Quiz and Bonus Ball.

'An application has been sent off to the Big Lottery Fund and we will hear back from this in June 2007. In the meantime we have a number of events earmarked to raise further funds for the appeal.'

Support

The Sports Council issued letters to its member clubs asking for support.

As a result Argyll Bowling Club is holding a Prize Bingo at its clubhouse on the evening of Thursday March 15. Dunaverty Golf Club has also shown its support by organising an Open on Saturday June 30, while Machrihanish Golf Club has donated a round of golf as a raffle prize. Both Campbeltown Pupils AFC and Boys AFC have also pledged support to the appeal.

To find out about this and the Sports Council in general please logon to their website at www.southkintyresportscouncil.com

Annual Famous Grouse rinks



ABOVE: The winning Campbeltown Bowling Club rink: Bobby Dalzeil Jnr, Peter McEachran, organiser; Gary Anderson, Alan Goddard, Robert Coffield, and vice president Hugh Wilson. c10bwl

THE ANNUAL Famous Grouse Rinks were held at St John's 141 Recreation Club, Campbeltown.

With a very good turn out and the bowls of a very high standard the semi-finals were fought between the rink of Argyll Bowling Club's Bobby Mathieson, John McLachlan Jnr, Gavin McLachlan and Paul Grumoli and the Lorne and Lowland Rink of Colin Lane, Lawrence Robertson, Murray McCallum and John Gallacher.

The second semi-final was between the rinks of Campbeltown Bowling Club: Bobby Dalzeil Jnr, Gary Anderson, Alan Goddard and Robert Coffield and the rink of 141: John Morrison, Mary Shaw, Donnie Mclean and Peter McEachran.

The final was fought out between the rink from Argyll Bowling club and Campbeltown Bowling Club with the rink from Campbeltown coming out victorious.

The president of 141 Recreational Club, Hugh Wilson Jnr, presented the prizes.



ABOVE: Runners up Argyll Bowling Club: Bobby Mathieson, John McLachlan Jnr, Gavin McLachlan and Paul Grumoli. c10bwl

League and cup games pile up for Pupils

THE PUPILS' game with Sandiefield Star last Saturday was postponed after heavy rain overnight.

The Pupils had started the journey to Glasgow and were at Whitehouse when they got the call to turn back and head home. With still 15 leagues games to play, they are also still in the

Jimmy Marshall Trophy they are fast running out of Saturdays to complete their fixtures. Tomorrow, Saturday, they are home to Kilbowie Union in a Premier division one match. The clubs drew 3-3 earlier in the season and another close game is expected.

Pupils Multi Club Winners: Satur-

day February 17: Johnny McLean, £50; Roy Mitchell, £20; Majorie Blue, £10. Saturday February 24: Rab Wilson, £50; Christine Mitchell, £20; Paul Grumoli Jnr, £10.

Saturday March 3: Stuart Anderson Jnr, £50; Elaine Glover, £20; Archie Mitchell, £10.



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