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Airbase: It's ours at long last!

A NEW chapter in the history of Kintyre has begun with the confirmation that the community buyout of the former Machrihanish Airbase has been successful.

For the independently-valued price of £1, Machrihanish Airbase Community Company (MACC) can now buy the base, which stretches to more than 1,000 acres and is home to Campbeltown Airport and the Skykon factory.

Ian Wardrop, chairman of MACC said: 'This is arguably the largest and most complex buy-out ever. The first time that a second ballot was required, all with an amazing 94 per cent support of the community members who voted and the many organisations and individuals who gave their time, effort and financial support to achieve this unprecedented result.'

Roseanna Cunningham, then Environment Minister, formally granted the company the right to buy the former RAF base last Thursday.

'This is arguably the largest and most complex buy-out ever'

'This has been a long and difficult journey for the community company and I am delighted to see their efforts coming to fruition,' she said.

'Considerable work remains to be done in tackling the liabilities on this site but I am confident that, with support

from various public and private organisations, the site will be put right and the community will be able to reap rewards for its efforts.'

The valuation of £1 reflects the liabilities attached to the site, not the least the poor state of the water supply and sewerage system, which apart from the base, serves both the factory, farms and the neighbouring Sound of Kintyre housing estate.

'The next step is to set up the organisation to buy and run the airfield for the benefit of the whole community,' said Mr Wardrop. 'Remember that if you live in the PA28 6 area you will be a part owner and have an opportunity to influence the future use and development of this vast asset.'

'We will be holding meetings to give the public more information soon.'



The Festival's first first for Ryan

Congratulations to 11-year-old Ryan McLachlan of Campbeltown who was the first winner of the 2011 Mid Argyll Music Festival, winning first place in the chanter competition. There are more pictures of young pipers at the festival inside on page 8 06_a12music03

Cash boost - but not for schools

ARGYLL and Bute Council has got another £2.455 million from the Scottish Government, bringing its budget back into line with the rest of the country.

There was uproar last year when the Scottish Government announced that Argyll and Bute Council's grant would be cut by £5.6 million, the biggest cut in Scotland; a campaign was mounted and the grant cut was reduced to £4.3 million.

This latest announcement reduces that cut to £1.8 million, which is the Scottish average cut for 2011-12.

But the money flowing back into the authority won't be spent on saving the 12 schools currently facing closure.

The council's spokeswoman on education

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Islay man fined for smashing up car

AN ISLAY man who smashed up a car belonging to one of the island's policemen was fined £250 when he appeared before Campbeltown Sheriff Court.

Colin Malcolm Campbell, aged 35, of 3 Bruach Gorm, Port Charlotte, had previously pleaded guilty to wilfully or recklessly destroying or damaging the car by using a metal wrench on January 27.

Campbell, who was representing himself, told the court on Wednesday last week that he wanted to change

his plea to not guilty but Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC did not accept this.

Procurator Fiscal John Service told the court: 'Because of the extent of the damage the car was written off by the insurance company.'

Loss
The police officer incurred an uninsured loss of £350.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson told Campbell he must pay this sum as compensation and a fine of £250.

'We have been here before and your behaviour has really got to stop,' the sheriff told Campbell.

Action group to disband

WITH the news that Kintyre Offshore Wind Farm is not only dead but also the government has nailed the coffin tightly shut, Kintyre Offshore Wind Farm Action Group is to disband.

Kintyre, Solway Firth and Wigtown Bay were dropped by the Scottish Government from its plan for offshore wind energy projects in Scottish territorial waters because the Strategic Environmental Assessment 'raised particular issues'.

In Kintyre the government took note when making its decision that the developer, Scottish and Southern Energy, had also withdrawn. The Kintyre Offshore

Wind Farm Action Group said this week it was delighted.

'There is now no possibility of a wind farm being developed just offshore from Machrihanish,' a spokesman said, adding that the group would like to thank everyone who gave their support, both financial and moral, and to all those who signed the petition which played such an important part in the campaign against the proposed wind farm.

A Special General Meeting is to be held on April 26 in Machrihanish Village Hall to dissolve the group and agree on the distribution of remaining funds to local charities.



Owen with all his schoolmates at Drumlemble. 0_c12da101

Drumlemble pupil Owen comes out top with *Address to Irn Bru* poem

DRUMLEMBLE Primary pupil Owen Pickering is now a nationally published poet!

Owen won a competition organised by Kerry Dickson of Numero Dix Hair Salon, Campbeltown, who wanted to encourage the children to learn about Burns and create their own interpretation of Burns poetry. A total of 71 entries were received and Owen was awarded first place for his poem *Address to Irn Bru*.

JG Barr plc the

manufacturers of the famous drink heard about Owen's poem and it has been published in their own staff magazine, The Quencher, which is sent in its thousands to employees and the trade. And as a thank you they sent a 'goodie bag' full of Irn Bru products to Kerry and she presented this to Owen at the school on Wednesday.

The number and standard of entries surprised Kerry who said she would definitely think about running the competition again.



Owen and Kerry Dickson. 0_c12da102

Hotel closure a mystery

A WELL-KNOWN Kintyre hotel has closed and been left boarded up, but you can still book a room online.

The Hunting Lodge Hotel, Putechan, still featured on a number of hotel review and booking websites.

The Courier has not been able

to trace the owners and the estate agents handling the sale declined to comment.

All windows and doors on the ground floor at the hotel building and its cottages were boarded up by a company working on behalf of Strathclyde Police.

Campbeltown Police confirmed

that the hotel had been broken into, fittings had been taken and inquiries were on going.

A notice, dated March 17, on the boarded up door, said that anyone wishing to remove personal belongings had 14 days to do so before all property would be disposed of.

All-weather pitch a step closer

A UNANIMOUS agreement by Argyll and Bute Council's planning committee means Campbeltown is one step closer to securing an all-weather pitch.

At a meeting last week councillors and officials agreed to approve the application for the 3G pitch on Kinloch Green, Campbeltown, and planning officer Richard Kerr said there

were 18 letters of support for the application.

He said there was just one adverse comment relating to the planting of trees at the war memorial.

Space

A comment was made that the tree planting would reduce the amount of space in the park that can be used.

Mr Kerr added there were no

objections from the statutory consultees. South Kintyre Sports Council now awaits approval of its Stage 2 funding application to sportscotland.

Argyll and Bute Council allocated £480,000 of funding to the project at a recent meeting of the Executive as part of the next phase of Kinloch Road Regeneration Project.

Cash boost is not for schools

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tion has said that the additional funding has nothing to do with the schools estate, much to the disgust of parents.

A deal was brokered last Thursday at a high-level meeting between leading councillors and officers from Argyll and Bute and Scottish cabinet ministers.

But the news that none of the cash will help rural primary schools under threat came as a blow in Kintyre where Rhunahaorine and Clachan both face the axe.

Kenny McInnes, who jointly chairs the Rhunahaorine Parents Council said: 'With an half-a-million, surely they could have found something, scraped something together, to save the schools; the damage that will be done by closing them is not best value for the council.'

Rhunahaorine parents were meeting last night (Thursday) to discuss their campaign.

Owen Paisley, chairman of the Clachan parents, said: 'I don't know where this money is coming from, or why, but if the council has some more money I don't think it is an unreasonable request for some of it going on schools.'

'This council seems hell bent on a second Highland clearance leaving us with no primary schools in North Kintyre and the countryside full of retirement and holiday homes.'

Shipping news

A TANKER is due into Campbeltown harbour this week to load fuel from the storage depot; the *CPO Korea* is 80m long and has a gross tonnage of 39,000 tonnes.

Timber will be shipped from the port again this week with the *Red Duchess* due into Campbeltown.

The Harbour Master's office also reports that wind turbine towers will start shipping out again in May for the Clyde Project.



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Police Files

Drugs:

A MAN has been arrested for the alleged possession of drugs, following an incident in Campbeltown town centre on Thursday last week. The matter has been reported to the procurator fiscal.

Hit and run:

POLICE are appealing for information to help them track down a driver who hit and run on Tuesday last week.

They are looking for a blue car that will have been damaged.

A black-coloured Honda Civic car was damaged while parked on Smith Drive, Campbeltown, whoever caused the damage did not stop and leave details or report the matter.

Traces of blue paint were left on the damaged Honda.

If you can help the police call with their investigation, please call Campbeltown Police Station on 01586 862200.

Assault:

A REPORT is on its way to the procurator fiscal after a man was arrested after an alleged assault took place on Burnbank Street, Campbeltown, early on Saturday morning.

Revving up:

REVVING a car engine too loudly led to one Campbeltown driver being given a fixed penalty ticket in the town on Saturday, the town's police reported this week.

Fixed penalties:

CAMPBETOWN police issued three fixed penalty tickets to people over the weekend in the town centre for instances of anti-social behaviour.

Breach:

TWO men were arrested for allegedly breaching the peace outside licensed premises in Campbeltown town centre early on Sunday morning.



Margaret Anne Green, Mary Margaret Hanna, Isobel Grant and Jean McLachlan, signing their support for Resilient Scotland and lobbying candidates at the Campbeltown Red Cross shop. 0-c12red01

Red Cross will lobby political parties

THE Red Cross is lobbying all political parties in the forthcoming Scottish elections as part of its Resilient Scotland campaign.

Resilient

By agreeing to what the charity calls 'three simple changes' the newly-elected Scottish Government, whatever political

persuasion it turns out to be, would make the nation stronger and more resilient.

These are: a national 'Preparedness week' to help everyone prepare for an emergency such as severe weather; that all asylum seekers should be able to lodge their application for asylum

in Scotland rather than travel unaided, more than 400 miles to Croydon and the protection of the Scottish Government's £9 million international development budget.

Despatched

Post cards were signed in the Campbeltown Red Cross shop and despatched this week.

Assurances sought after threat of bus withdrawal

REASSURANCES are being sought this week that the elderly, sick and housebound will not be left stranded with the withdrawal of any of the Red Cross bus services.

The feared threats to the service come in the face of cut backs in the Argyll and Bute Council budget, with many local groups worried that the service will be curtailed.

Mary Margaret Hanna told *The Courier*: 'The Stroke Club members rely on the Red Cross bus service, so does the Wednesday night club.'

The service is also used to get elderly or infirm patients to see their doctors at the GP services in Muasdale and Carradale. The Stewarton lunch club members also worry that they will have members stuck at home and unable to get out for their weekly 'soup and social'.

A spokesman for the British Red Cross said: 'This is a local authority funded service operated by the Red Cross. Due to funding cuts, Argyll and Bute Council, like other local authorities in Scotland, is

examining its budget commitments. The council is not expected to make a final decision on the continued funding of the Red Cross transport service until the end of April or the beginning of May.

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The Main street, Campbeltown, branch of Boots the Chemist held a Red Nose Day pyjama party in the shop on Friday, collecting and selling home-baking. Thanks to the generosity of customers the team raised £613 for Comic Relief.

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Teenager gets 14 months after four offences in eight weeks

A TEENAGER who committed four offences within the space of eight weeks in Campbeltown whilst on bail was sentenced to 14 months in a young offenders institute.

Mark Jordan Gillies, of 18 Glenside, Campbeltown, admitted that on January 1 this year at Bolgam Street, to assaulting a 14-year-old boy and pushing him on the body and butting him on the head.

He also pleaded guilty that on January 3 this year, at an address at Hillside, Campbeltown to behaving in a threatening or abusive manner likely to cause fear or alarm and did enter an address uninvited, shout,

swear and utter threats of violence.

On January 14, on Main Street Campbeltown, the 18-year-old admitted

He is an 18-year-old with a drink problem, he is not a lost cause

behaving in a threatening manner likely to cause fear or alarm, and possessing a weapon,

namely a wooden stick.

On February 26, this year, he pleaded guilty that at an address on Burnside Street, Campbeltown to conducting himself in a disorderly manner, repeatedly banging on a door of a house at the address and demanding entry.

All of the incidents were committed whilst he was on bail.

Defence agent Christian Kane said: 'He is an 18 year old with a drink problem, he is not a lost cause.'

Sheriff Ruth Anderson said she found no viable alternative to custody and ordered him to carry out a total of 14 months in a young offenders institute.

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No bidder

THE future of the empty Argyll and Bute offices and the adjoining park are still undecided, after Kirkland on Dell Road, Campbeltown, failed to find a bidder who reached the council's asking price.

Argyll and Bute Council has said that the property will be remarketed shortly, probably by the end of April.

The small piece of parkland has a footpath running through it and Campbeltown Community Council wants to see the park remain in public use.



Johnathan Forshaw, Amanda Card and Ewan Lee with Kintyre Recycling biodiesel plant. 0_c12bio02

Last batch of biodiesel made from cooking oil

by JOANNE SIMMS
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KINTYRE Recycling has made its last batch of biodiesel from cooking oil, after finding it was unable to compete with the big boys in the recycling business.

And with the end of this project two people will be out for work.

But in the time they were running the process, Ewan Lee and Johnathan Forshaw produced 5,181 litres of fuel and saved 12,825.65 kg of CO₂.

Amanda Card, general manager of Kintyre Recycling told *The Courier* how frustrating it was that they could not get enough used oil to recy-

cle to make the operation viable once the two-years' grant money from the Climate Challenge Fund came to an end.

‘We just couldn't get enough waste oil’

‘We were in the main using old oil from Gigha, where we collect all their recyclates, and from REJIG on Islay’.

The large commercial recyclers of oil based in the central belt do not bother with cost of

collecting fuel from the islands; so places like Fyne Futures on Bute have been able to keep their biodiesel schemes going.

Kintyre Recycling bought equipment with grant money, and is now looking to give the plant to a similar organisation; this cannot be sold as they were given the grant money, but Amanda hopes that they might receive some bio diesel in return.

The first stage of the process was to store the oil for as long as it took the animal fats from the cooking process to separate out; the remaining vegetable oil was siphoned off to the processed and the animal fat sent to SEPA for disposal.

The fuel was of a very high quality and had they been able to continue, Kintyre Recycling would have been able to get the product certified that it met the European standard, but it was not worth going to the expense of submitting the bio diesel for testing.

‘We just couldn't get enough waste oil,’ said Amanda, ‘it is a big disappointment.’



The truck which was run on the biodiesel, with Donald Stewart, Iain Martin, Johnathan Forsahw and Mary MacMillan. 0_c12bio04

The company runs 30 community recycling banks

KINTYRE Recycling is a not-for-profit company and registered charity and it operates a fortnightly kerbside collection. It also runs 30 community recycling banks at different sites, including schools.

All the materials collected are hand sorted, baled and sold at market; by producing such high quality recycled products Kintyre Recycling receives

the best possible prices, to fund employment in the local community. Amongst its staff are people with special needs and learning difficulties.

The business also offers a secure shredding service with collection and certificates of destruction.

Kintyre Recycling also provides weekend and relief manning at the amenity site in Campbeltown.

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ACHA granted building extension

ARGYLL Community Housing Association (ACHA) has been granted permission to build two semi-detached townhouses in Longrow, Campbeltown.

The association will build the homes as an extension to the already existing flats, which were left standing on the block after other old, former coun-

cil housing was demolished.

Members of Planning, Protective Services and Licensing committee granted permission last Wednesday.

Purpose

Planning officer Richard Kerr said the purpose of the application was to provide extra accommodation but to also improve the appearance of the block of flats.

Applications for flats on part of the remaining land on the block are due soon.

The question of the flats was raised at Campbeltown Community Council last week, when one member, Nancie Smith said she felt that flats were unsuitable and that more family homes are needed in Campbeltown.

Gaelic service at St Kieran's

ST KIARAN'S Church, Campbeltown played host to a second church service in Gaelic on Sunday.

People came from across Kintyre, and some even as far away as Glasgow, for the event at the Episcopal Church on Argyll Street, which has proved to be so popular that another is being planned for

the summer. The musical arrangements were by David O McEwan, with Megan Hill returning from her studies in Glasgow especially to play the church organ for the event.

Iain Henderson translated the Thanksgiving Prayer and vocal items into Gaelic and also read.

The other readers were

Morag Patton and Rev Charles Henderson.

The singers for the service were AnnMarie, Chelsea and Krystal McLean.

The service had opportunities for the congregation to participate in Gaelic and help was given with pronunciation before the service began so that all could join in.



David McEwan, Rev Charles Henderson, Megan Hill, Morag Patton, Krystal McLean, Iain Henderson, AnnMarie McLean and Chelsea McLean. 0_c12gael01

Campbeltown crime figures

POLICE dealt with 32 reported crimes in Campbeltown during February, Inspector Tom Harper said this week.

He added, in his report to the town's community council that of these 13 had been solved, giving a detection rate of 47 per cent.

There was one case of serious assault and eight 'simple' cases of assault.

Two drug crimes were reported and five thefts.

Fined and disqualified for drink driving

A 64-YEAR-old man was fined £200 and disqualified from driving for 18 months for drink driving, when he appeared before Campbeltown Sheriff Court.

Peter Thomson, of 11 Albyn Avenue, Campbeltown, admitted the offence in Campbeltown town centre on August 30 last year.

The court heard that an anonymous phone call alerted the police that Thomson was driving under the influence on

August 30 last year.

After failing a breath test he was taken to Campbeltown Police Station where the breath test machine failed and he had to give a sample of blood; the reading was 157 mg in 100 ml of blood and the legal limit is 80.

Thomson's defence agent told Sheriff Ruth Anderson that Thomson had only had two drinks that day but had been out for a drink the night before.

Dangerous driving charge found not proven

A FATHER-of-two was found not proven of driving dangerously by causing a police vehicle to make an emergency stop.

Peter Clark, aged 53, of 19 Millpark Terrace, Soroba Road, Oban, denied fully crossing the dividing white line into the opposing lane and into the path of an oncoming police vehicle on September 16 last year, on the A83 approximately one mile south of Stronachullin Cottage, Tarbert.

At Campbeltown Sheriff Court last Thursday a police witness said he had to carry out an emer-

gency stop and came to an almost complete halt; he and a colleague were driving from Tarbert to Lochgilphead when they saw a vehicle driving towards them on the wrong side of the road.

Recalled

Clark said he recalled seeing a police car passing him and said he remembered 'nothing extraordinary' about that experience.

A defence witness said he was behind the car in his van and he hadn't seen Clark overtaking.

After hearing all the evidence Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC found the case not proven.

Peninver woman found not guilty of driving dangerously

A 65-YEAR-old Peninver woman was found not guilty of driving dangerously at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last Thursday.

Sandra Hampton of 14 Sealand, denied dangerously overtaking a car on a blind summit causing a vehicle she was overtaking and an oncoming vehicle to take evasive action on August 27, on B842 near to Fort Argyll, close to High Askomil, Campbeltown.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson said she was not satisfied beyond reasonable doubt and found her not guilty.

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Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



THE islands had disappeared completely and the mist gathered land and sea into one. There was no horizon and no tide line.

All the way down Loch Fyne the little boats looked as if they were suspended by an invisible thread with nowhere to sail.

If I hadn't been familiar with the road I would not have known there was anything beyond the mist at all. Everything was grey.

At Minard, vehicles with headlights on loomed out of the mist and headed into the unknown. I travelled on to Arrochar and along the banks of Loch Long where a hunched grey heron merged morosely into the scene.

Then the top of The Cobbler suddenly appeared in a patch of blue sky and I watched as in minutes the sun banished the mist and left everything in glorious Technicolor.

Behind the mist all the beauty and grandeur was still there just waiting to be unveiled.

At this time of Lent we are on a journey. We are following the journey of Jesus to the cross. This journey has familiar landmarks, but often they are obscured by the mist of our own doubt.

Sometimes we just can't see the horizon of our faith when we are struggling to find the way. Sometimes we sit rooted to our own rock unable to take flight like the heron or hang motionless like the wee boats.

Then it just takes a shaft of sunlight, a word from someone, a verse of scripture, a song of praise, to transform our path and dissipate the mist.

Then the landmarks of our faith appear again - as solid as the Arrochar Alps or the paps of Jura and we come over to the rest promised by our God, truly thankful and ready for the next part of the journey.

Down Memory Lane



A very old photograph from the days of glass plate negatives when a long exposure was needed; the chap in the front moved and is just a blur. It was found in a house in Tayinloan. See letter below.

Do you know who they are?

Sir,
I was wondering whether any of your readers would be able to identify any of the soldiers in this photograph?

They are dressed in the uniform of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, possibly the 7th battalion, a Territorial Force (now TA), formed in 1914.

The photograph was found in the house of my wife's late grandmother, Catherine Anderson nee McFarlane, in Tayinloan. My wife's great grandfather, Alexander Anderson, who served in the 7th Battalion, may be in the picture but no other photo of him is known.

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What is a veteran?

Sir,
During preparations for the Lochgilhead

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Armed Forces Day on June 18, it has become apparent that many ex-service personnel do not think of themselves as veterans.

A veteran is anyone who has served their country and has a service number; the length of service and age of person is immaterial.

If any veteran does not have a veterans badge then please can they contact me and I can arrange for a form to be forwarded to them.

Betty Rhodick, Cruachan, 2 Bank Park, Lochgilhead.

Speech therapy cuts

Sir,
Further to the letter recently it is very disappointing that the speech therapy service should be reduced by 50 per cent by Argyll and Bute Council.

This is staggeringly

disproportionate to the cuts required by the Council across most departments.

Children who need this service require this at key stages that enable them to progress with social, psychological, and educational development phases that can affect them throughout life if not met. This cut would appear to conflict with the council's commitment to the Curriculum for Excellence and Getting It Right For Every Child (GIRFEC).

I hope that the council will reconsider the level of cuts to this service, and how this might impact on children, now and in the future.

Deirdre Henderson, Crocken Cottage, Southend.

Kintyre horse breeders

Sir,
Having attended the 150th National Stallion

Show run by the Glasgow Agricultural Society, I was pleased to see that the Kintyre horse breeders still support this event.

The society came into being in 1857 and held its first Stallion Show in 1860, although there is evidence of shows in Glasgow as early as 1844.

It seems that Blackleg, a horse bred in Kintyre was the best in country in 1858.

Fortunately, I received information from the late Robert R Mungall in 1985 about this event, copied from a handwritten note on the back of an original oil painting of the horse.

'Blackleg, bred by Robert Clark, Skeroblin, Kintyre, took first class prizes at circa 11 exhibitions at Campbeltown, Ayr, Maryhill, Drymen, Glasgow, Stirling, Aberdeen, the latter two being Highland and ag-

ricultural shows.

He took silver medal as the horse of greatest merit of any age at Glasgow Show, June 1858. Mr Crawford sold him to Mr Fraser for £500 the highest figure given for a Clydesdale horse.

Blackleg left for Australia and there carried everything before him. After a year or two he was burned to death in his stable, throughout envy.'

Thomas Brown, Chleit, Muirhouse, Carnwath, Lanark.

Helicopter crash in 1970

Sir,
In the late evening of August 12, 1970 a Royal Navy Wasp helicopter from the frigate *HMS Dido*, piloted by Lieutenant Commander David M Carr, Royal Navy crashed on the Mull of Kintyre in a position (from naval records and in naval parlance) 120 degrees Mull of Kintyre Light 2.5 nautical miles.

The ship had lost all contact with the helicopter in the darkness of the late evening during a night flying exercise; it had crashed.

David Carr tragically did not survive the night but fortunately his navigator was still alive when rescuers arrived in the morning.

HMS Dido was at the time escorting HM Yacht *Britannia* on her way north with HM The Queen and family embarked.

David Carr left a wife, Margo and their three young children.

After so many years and having read Susan Phoenix's book *Out of the Shadows*, relating to the death of her husband in the RAF Chinook crash on the Mull of Kintyre in 1994 and how she came to terms with it, Margo (my wife of many years) now feels she is ready to visit David's crash site and we are set to visit Campbeltown and the area in April.

Ideally we would like to make contact with someone local who might remember the event and could identify on the ground the precise crash site.

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Special needs support group still going strong

THE SPECIAL Educational Needs Parents Support Group began in Campbeltown in 1991 and is still going strong.

The group is made up of parents, professionals and other interested parties who give support and advice to anyone who needs it.

The group assists children and young people from birth up to 25-years-old and includes children who not only have a Record of Needs but also children who have behavioural or learning difficulties, long or short term.

'We give support to parents and children,' said chairwoman Susan Lewis. 'This can take many forms, from giving moral support at meetings with officials, helping people get benefits, form filling and making parents aware of their rights. We also provide holidays, day trips and outings.'

The group is a registered charity and fund raises throughout the year; it also receives donations from the local community and other organisations.

'We also apply for grants to help with holidays as there is very little respite care locally. Many families find an organised holiday an invaluable service,' said Susan.

In recent years the group has been involved in a number of issues; fighting proposed cuts in education, the closure of Drumlembie School, social inclusion and the lack of respite care in Argyll and Bute.

The group continues steadfastly in its aim to continue to help children and their families and meets every two months.

Look out for the group's leaflets or contact Susan Lewis chairwoman, 01586 810224.



Suzanne Gillies with her classmates and Virginia Sumsion of Loch Fyne Oysters.

Placemat design winner celebrates

CASTLEHILL Primary School, Campbeltown, is one of three winners in Loch Fyne Oysters' 'Finn the Loch Fyne Fish' competition.

A design by Suzanne Gillies, aged seven, will now feature as a restaurant placemat exclusively for the world-renowned Oyster Bar at Cairndow.

Suzanne said: 'I'm proud to have my design on a placemat at the Loch Fyne Oyster Bar.'

Suzanne she also won £150 for her school and a hamper of presents.

'Finn the Fish' competitions are part of Loch Fyne Oysters' support of the Scottish Government Eat More Fish initiative; children visiting the Loch Fyne Oyster Bar can see

Suzanne's Finn the Fish placemat.

Anne Littleleson, head teacher at Castlehill said: 'We were delighted that Suzanne was a winner in this national competition and are also very grateful to Loch Fyne Oysters for their gift of £150 to the school.'

'We plan to use the money to fund a visit from 'Zoolab'. Suzanne and her class will take part in this workshop and get the opportunity to study small animals normally only seen in zoos.'

Placemats designed by Suzanne and the two other winners Scott Parker and Emma Carragher are available now for all children visiting Loch Fyne Oyster Bar at Cairndow.

ANCHOR HOTEL

Tarbert



The Anchor Hotel, Tarbert, Loch Fyne, has undergone extensive refurbishment. We are delighted to announce the hotel will re-open on 2nd April 2011.

Serving bar snacks, afternoon teas, lunches, dinners daily. Why not make a night or a weekend of it and stay over?

We also have a fully refurbished function room suitable for all your event needs.

THE Anchor hotel, in Tarbert, is this week being brought back to life as a new management team prepares to provide a warm welcome to Loch Fyne folk. The hotel, which remains the same in name only, has undergone a complete renovation – providing

luxurious spaces for accommodation, dining and socialising. With the class touch of distinguished interior designers the hotel's bedrooms add a modern touch to the charm and intimacy of the listed building. The comfortable combination of modern amenities

within a romantic setting continues throughout the hotel with the public bar and restaurant creating a fine dining experience within a warm and friendly atmosphere. Utilising the abundance of seafood landed daily by Tarbert fishermen, the Anchor's new menu features

dishes packed with locally sourced, seasonal food. Managing the transformed hotel is Alastair Borland. Having moved to Tarbert just a few weeks ago, the hospitality manager hopes to welcome people to the hotel with the warmth that Dookers are so well known for.

Alastair said: 'As the hotel opens next week, myself and the team hope to create a haven where people can call in to enjoy a glass of fine wine or a dram in a warm and friendly atmosphere. 'Sited on Harbour Street with views of the loch I hope locals and visitors

alike will enjoy relaxing with us in this beautiful part of the world.' There has been an Anchor Hotel, in Tarbert, for decades and this new, inspired incarnation of an old friend is sure to delight customers old and new. The hotel will officially open on April 2.

To make your reservation or to enquire, call us on 01880 820577, or email us at anchor-hotel@btconnect.com

Piping success at Mid Argyll Festival

A contingent from the Kintyre Schools Pipe Band travelled up to Lochgilphead on Saturday to compete in the Mid Argyll Music Festival.



Right: Campbeltown's Michael McKinlay was the first to take to the stage in the piping competition.

Left: Jamie McKerral, aged 10, from Castlehill Primary School won second place in the chanter.



Kintyre Schools' Pipe Band trio of Calum Cowie, Bruce Cowie and Donnie McKerral all competed in the Bank of Scotland Cup.

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happy mothers day



MOTHERING Sunday plays a huge part in family life across the country, with a modern interpretation resting on giving 'Mum' a day off from the daily household chores. Mothering Sunday has been celebrated in the UK on the fourth

Sunday in Lent since at least the 16th century. Traditionally, it was a day when children, mainly daughters, who had gone to work as domestic servants were given a day off to visit their mother and family. Today it is an occasion

for children to give presents, flowers, and homemade cards to their mothers. There are plenty of ideas to treat your mother, whether it is giving her breakfast in bed or buying or picking some flowers and a card, or splashing out on a lunch or dinner. There are plenty of places in the area to get something within your budget, and either way your Mum will be appreciative of the gesture. Remember to book your table early as many restaurants and cafes do offer a special Mother's Day menu with a special price. This is also a busy time for florists so don't leave it to late, otherwise you might miss out. Your mother is a very special person in your life and it doesn't hurt to tell her so.

Happy Mother's Day! Treat your mum to something special this mother's day. 3 course meal and a glass of sparkling rose wine for £18.95

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Community Noticeboard

Tarbert Music Centre
Do you want to learn an instrument?
Then we can help!
Open night for all young people from P5 - S6 from Mid Argyll and Kintyre and Kintyre schools.
Thursday 31st March
4.30pm - 8.30pm at Tarbert Academy

Come and see what Tarbert Music Centre can do for you.

Tayvallich Village Hall - Saturday 2nd April
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"Thrilling and Wild!" *The Scotsman*
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PRESENTED BY
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Students from S1 - S6
Thursday 31 March 2011
7.30pm
CGS Main Hall

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on Saturday 9th April at 2.00pm
Followed by f/buffet, presentation and dance
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Heritage Centre Campbeltown
Saturday 2nd April
10am to 1pm
CAR BOOT SALE
Space with table supplied £8
To book phone 01583 431243
Or just turn up
On sale Tea/Coffee and Home Baking
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Saturday March 26th
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Bring all the family for a great day out!
Entry - £2 (includes refreshments).
Details - 01852 500689

Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning
Saturday 26th March 2011
10am - 12pm. Red Cross Hall, Kirk Street, Campbeltown. Entry - £1
Usual Stalls - Raffle, Baking, Tombola
For more info please contact Sheena Ramsay on 01583 431 381
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COFFEE MORNING
Run by St Margaret's for Mary's Meals in Parish Church Hall, Lochgilphead
on Sat 26th March
10am - 12pm
All welcome!

Kintyre Antiquarian & Natural History Society "Researching the Lady"
An illustrated talk by Margaret Macaulay
Wednesday 30th March at 7.30pm
in Argyll Arms Hotel, Campbeltown
(Non-members £2.50 at door)

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Lottery grant for puppets at museum

KILMARTIN House Museum is delighted to announce that it has been given a grant from the Big Lottery Fund to run an Outdoor Education programme aimed at pre school children and those in primaries 1 to 4.

Kate Moody, outdoor education officer, at the museum has planned an exciting programme of

events to teach children about their natural heritage.

This programme will take place in May and June 2011 and will begin with a Forest Creatures theatre project performed by a company called The Puppet Lab. There will be 18 performances during the first fortnight in May reaching over 600 chil-

dren from Kintyre and Mid Argyll.

Kate Moody said: 'We wish to thank the Big Lottery Fund, Scottish Natural Heritage and the Forestry Commission for their support with this project. This is an innovative and exciting initiative to teach local children about the very special natural heritage of Argyll and Kintyre.'

Argyll and Bute sign up for Earth Hour 2011

ARGYLL and Bute Council has signed up for the World Wide Fund for Nature's (WWF) Earth Hour 2011, at 8.30pm tomorrow (Saturday).

People are asked to switch lights off for Earth Hour to show their support for people and wildlife across the globe affected by climate change. Last year millions of people in 128 countries took part in Earth Hour and WWF is aiming to make this year's event even bigger.

The council has signed up and is also asking local residents, schools, businesses and other organisations to do the same and register at www.wwfscotland.org.uk/earthhour to show their support.

RNLI Gala Day raft race

WHEN it comes to the RNLI gala day it's never too early to start building and getting into training for the raft race.

Campbeltown coxswain, David Cox says for people to telephone him on 01586 554626 or 552414 to register their interest.

This year it is the 150th anniversary of the lifeboat in Campbeltown so this year's gala day is going to be something special.

Scottish Reed Trio in Kintyre

KINTYRE Music Club welcomed the Scottish Reed Trio earlier this week.

On Tuesday evening, the three talented and enthusiastic young ladies stopped off in Kintyre for one of its six-concert tours of Argyll and Bute.

The main feature of the evening by Heather Kent, bassoon, Frances Pybus, clarinet and Catherine Earnshaw, oboe was the world premiere of *Dalriada*, a specially commissioned musical suite for Argyll and Bute by composer, Dr Oliver Searle, who announced his new composition.

The six movements represented Dr Searle's experience of various places in, or aspects of, Argyll.

The large range of colours and accessibility of *Dalriada* will ensure this suite a place in the chamber music repertoire, and the large audience gave the music and composer a warm reception.

The trio also performed in Mid Argyll on Saturday night.



Florence and David McEwan with Isla Campbell at Saturday's sale of work at Highland Parish Church. 12_e12kirk02

Highland Parish Church sale of work

HIGHLAND Parish Church's sale of work on Saturday was well attended as ever with the town turning out in force

to give its support.

This year the event was opened by David McEwan and six-year-old Isla Campbell then

presented him with a thank-you gift on behalf of the congregation.

The sale of home bak-

ing, handicrafts and produce and afternoon teas raised a staggering £1,938 on Saturday and there were more donations to come.

Winter refurbishment for the Waverley

OVER the winter months refurbishment work has been carried out on the world's last seagoing paddle steamer.

The Waverley, which is due to visit Campbeltown next month, had repairs to its deck lounges as well as to its

furnishings and electrical equipment in that area.

It was essential for the work to be carried

out to protect the ship from further damaged, with the completion costs mounting to £50,000.

THE PICTURE HOUSE

Saturday 26 March for 6 days at 8.00pm
Black Swan (15)
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Black Swan: Black Swan follows the story of Nina (Portman), a ballerina in a New York City ballet company whose life, like all those in her profession, is completely consumed with dance. She lives with her retired ballerina mother Erica (Barbara Hershey) who zealously supports her daughter's professional ambition. When artistic director Thomas Leroy (Vincent Cassel) decides to replace prima ballerina Beth MacIntyre (Winona Ryder) for the opening production of their new season, Swan Lake, Nina is his first choice. But Nina has competition: a new dancer, Lily (Kunis), who impresses Leroy as well. Swan Lake requires a dancer who can play both the White Swan with innocence and grace, and the Black Swan, who represents guile and sensuality. Nina fits the White Swan role perfectly but Lily is the personification of the Black Swan. As the two young dancers expand their rivalry into a twisted friendship, Nina begins to get more in touch with her dark side with a recklessness that threatens to destroy her.

Visit the wee pictures website for more what's on and coming soon.

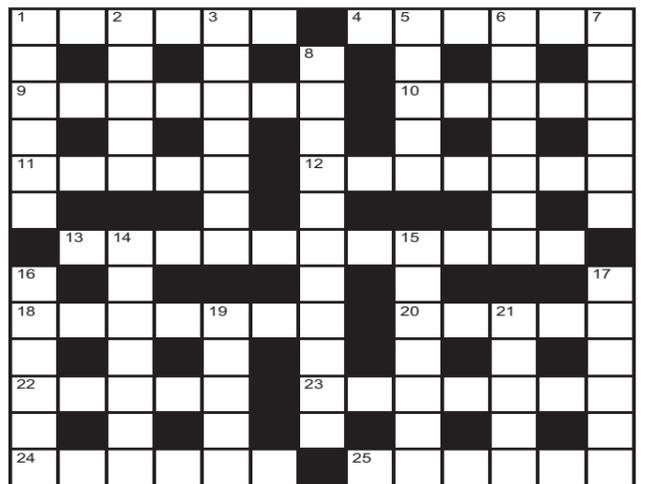
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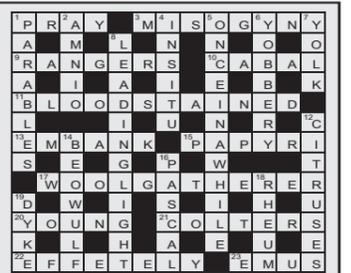
- 1 The odds are probably against this person (6)
- 4 Spicy sausage (6)
- 9 As a preferred alternative (7)
- 10 White wader (5)
- 11 Exotic fruit (5)
- 12 Problem (3-4)
- 13 Responsible for (11)
- 18 Loving (7)
- 20 Pear (5)
- 22 Disturbed (5)
- 23 Not looked forward to (7)
- 24 French film director, of 'Weekend' (6)
- 25 Dash (6)

Down

- 1 Span (6)
- 2 Croatian inventor, Nikola (5)
- 3 Mint family member (7)
- 5 Wide awake (5)
- 6 Sent by plane (7)
- 7 Amount eaten (6)
- 8 Bric a brac (4,3,4)
- 14 Wonky (7)
- 15 An institution for advancement in literature (7)
- 16 Nosey insect? (6)
- 17 Without warning (6)
- 19 One who has (5)
- 21 Fourth son of Jacob (5)



Last Week's Solution



TARBERT

Big Green Day

SATURDAY was Big Green Day in Tarbert.

It was the celebration of the culmination of the two-year Big Green Tarbert Project, funded by the Climate Challenge Fund.

During this time Tarbert has been getting the community to act together to reduce carbon emissions.

A total of 130 households made pledges to do this.

Many of the different organisations involved in, or linked to the aims of Big Green Tarbert had stalls in a marquee on the quay side and inside the Templars' Hall there was more information on show, highlighting the work that Big Green Tarbert has done and the research it has produced during its two-year mission.

Sign boards

A PLANNING application for five non-illuminated sign boards at the Harbour Master's Office in Tarbert has been permitted.

The erection of the signboards received planning permission by Argyll and Bute Council this week for the office on Garval Road.



Video of this available online CAMPBELTOWNCOURIER.CO.UK

Audrey Baird, co-ordinator Mid Argyll Public Health Network; Neil Donaldson, Big Green Tarbert; Eleanor Sloan, Home-Start MAJIK; Nick Heath, Changeworks; Ed Tyler, Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust; Tracy Preece, Choose Life; Jim Paterson, Big Green Tarbert and Myra Hunter, Tarbert Healing Garden. 12_c12big05



Heather Goodchild was helping the Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust. 12_c12big02



Valerie Marshall of Bedheads and Nosh was running the free barbecue. 12_c12big01



Heather Bellshaw of Tarbert Youth Group was introducing people to the variety of non-alcoholic beers on offer. 12_c12big04

ISLAY

Planning approval

A PLANNING application for a dwellinghouse on Islay has been approved.

The application is for the house for a site Rockside Farm, Kilchoman, Islay and approved by Argyll and Bute Council's planning department.

BELLOCHANTUY

SWRI hold annual bulb show

THE Bellochantuy SWRI members held their annual bulb show in Glenbarr Hall and the judges were from Largieside WRI.

President Elaine Hemmings congratulated the prize winners and thanked the members for their efforts.

Tea was served and a raffle was held.

Results
 Most points in bulb section: 1 Annie Smith, 2 Margaret Campbell, 3 Nettie Semple.
 Best exhibit: Angie Smith.
 Best pot plant: Nettie Semple.
 Most points in baking: 1 Elizabeth Young, 2 Alice Mclean, 3 Margaret Campbell.
 Most points in preserves: 1 Margaret Campbell and Alice McLean, 3 Margaret McKinnon.
 Most points in confectionery: 1 Susan Turner, 2 Mary Barbour, 3 Elizabeth Young.
 Most points in photography: 1 Margaret McKinnon, 2 Margaret

Campbell and Alice McLean.
 Most points in knitting: 1 Susan Turner, 2 Margaret park and Jean Teasdale.
 Most points in embroidery: Libby Kerr.
 Most points in Design: 1 Elaine Hemmings.
 Most points in sewing: 1 Tricia Fair, 2 Libby Kerr.
 Most points in show: 1 Margaret Campbell, 2 Alice McLean, 3 Margaret McKinnon.

CARRADALE

Abbeyfield Week

ABBEYFIELD House in Carradale is planning to take part in the Abbeyfield Week this summer from June 10 - 17, when Abbeyfield homes across the UK will all take part in fund raising and letting the general public see what the work of Abbeyfield involves.

Planning

ARGYLL and Bute Council's planning department has permitted an application for four houses to be built in Carradale.

The application is for permission in principal and could see the dwellinghouses built on the land south of Caoruinn, Carradale.

TAYINLOAN

Ferry berth

WORK on the Tayinloan ferry berth should be completed by early 2012, according to an

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Clachan SWRI host annual rural

THIS year it was the turn of the members of Clachan SWRI to host the rural bulb show for the three institutes of Clachan, Largieside and Whitehouse.

Mary Semple and Anne McArthur from the Ormsary SWRI were the judges for the evening and they said they were very pleased and impressed by the standard of prizes. This year Largieside won on points.



Linda Hutchinson of Tayinloan, a member of Largieside SWRI won the prize for best in show with her bowl of dwarf Pimpernel tulips.

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RESULTS
 Clachan, Largieside and Whitehouse SWRI bulb show

Results
 Bulbs
 Three Hyacinths: Denise McKeown, gold; Jane Griffiths, Linda Hutchison, Adrienne Bradley, silver; Linda Wyatt, blue; Enid Williams green.
 Bowl of Daffodils: Denise McKeown, gold; Margaret Pratt, Linda Hutchison, silver; Jane Griffiths, blue.
 Bowl of Tulips: Linda Hutchison, gold; Jane Griffiths, Denise McKeown silver. Any Spring Bulbs: Jane Griffiths, Cathy McKinlay, gold; Linda Hutchison, Denise McKeown, red; Jane McCallum, blue.
 Plants
 Pot Plant in Flower: Gill Francis, gold; Margaret Pratt, Maureen Small, silver; Denise McKeown, Enid Williams, red; Linda Hutchison, Patricia Johnstone, blue.
 Pot Plant Foilage Only: Glynis Lewin, Sarah McDonald, Pauline Simson, gold; Denise McKeown, silver; Maureen Small, Margaret Pratt, Adrienne Bradley, Helen Steel, Patricia Johnstone, red; Enid Williams, blue;
 Linda Hutchison, green.
 Cacti Plant: Glynis Lewin, gold; Dorothy O'Donnell, Denise McKeown, silver; Linda Hutchison, red; Helen Steel, blue.
 Floral art
 Small Arrangement in an Egg Cup: Jenny Sinclair, Anne Clark, Mary McDonald, gold;

Jane Griffiths, Pauline Simson, Denise McKeown, silver; Linda Hutchison, Helen Steel, red; Margaret Pratt, Adrienne Bradley, blue; Christine Dickson, Patricia Johnstone, green.
 Large Arrangement in a Basket: Pauline Simson, Anne Clark, gold; Adrienne Bradley, silver; Linda Hutchison, Helen Steel, Denise McKeown, red; Christine Dickson, Margaret Semple, blue; Maureen Small, green.
 Baking
 Victoria Sandwich: Pam Caley, gold; Pauline Simson, Helen Steel, Jenny Sinclair, silver; Glynis Lewin, Jane McCallum, Linda Wyatt, Maureen Small, Sarah McDonald, Mary McDonald, Enid Williams, Patricia Johnstone, red; Jane Griffiths, Paddy Alderson, Linda Hutchison, Anne Clark, blue.
 Brown Loaf: Jane McCallum, Mary McDonald, gold; Jenny Sinclair, Pauline Simson, Margaret Pratt, Pam Caley, red; Jane Griffiths, Linda Hutchison, blue.
 Three Empire Biscuits: Jane McCallum, Jenny Sinclair, gold; Helen Steel, Enid Williams, silver; Pauline Simson, Linda Hutchison, red; Glynis Lewin, Anne Clark, Patricia Johnstone, blue.
 Sundryies
 Savoury Pastie: Jane McCallum, gold; Jenny Sinclair, silver; Pauline Simson, Helen Steel, Pam Caley, red; Linda Hutchison, Anne Clark, Enid Williams, blue.
 Bramble Jelly: Jane Griffiths, Glynis Lewin, Linda Wyatt, Pauline Simson, gold; Margaret Pratt, Anne Clark, Jenny Sinclair,

silver; Jane McCallum, red; Christine Dickson, Helen Steel, Pam Caley, blue; Linda Hutchison, Green.
 Tomato Chutney: Helen Steel, gold; Jane McCallum, Anne Clark, silver; Enid Williams, red; Glynis Lewin, Christine Inglis, Margaret Semple, blue; Pauline Simson, Dorothy O'Donnell, Sarah McDonald, Pam Caley green.
 Hand knitting
 Scarf: Margaret Pratt, Dorothy O'Donnell, Mary Elder, Denise McKeown, gold; Jane Griffiths, Maureen Small, silver; Adrienne Bradley, Linda Hutchison, Barbara Bell, Patricia Johnstone red; Sarah McDonald, green.
 Shrug: Barbara Bell, gold; Linda Hutchison, red.
 Crochet
 Article in Fine Crochet: Barbara Bell, gold; Mary McDonald silver.
 Bag: Barbara Bell, gold.
 Sewing
 Patchwork Cushion Cover: Jane Griffiths, Barbara Bell, gold; Enid Williams, silver; Sarah McDonald, blue.
 Waistcoat: Dorothy O'Donnell, Barbara Bell, gold.
 A Cross Stitch Item: Barbara Bell gold; Sarah McDonald, Mary McDonald, silver; Margaret Pratt, Linda Hutchison, Enid Williams, red.
 Design
 Decorated Egg: Jane Griffiths, Pauline Simson, gold; Glynis Lewin, Paddy Alderson, silver; Linda Hutchison, Enid Williams, red; Margaret Semple, Patricia Johnstone, blue.
 Jam Jar Label: Jane Griffiths,

Argyll and Bute Council spokeswoman.

She told *The Courier* that negotiations are continuing between the council and the landowners, and it expects to tender for the work in the spring.

'The council has now received proposals from a land owner affected by the works which are being reviewed,' said the spokeswoman. 'It is hoped that we will be able to reach agreement with the landowners in the very near future, which will clear the way for the tender to be issued.'

The breakwater and land bridge are to be fixed at the berth so they will be fully compatible with the proposed ferry

WHITEHOUSE

Electricity supply

REFURBISHMENT works to the electricity supply in North Kintyre have been completed.

The latest high-tech electrical equipment was being installed as part of a wider multi-million pound investment programme by Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution (SHEPD).

The £700,000 investment in the North Kintyre area alone will ensure a safe and reliable supply of electricity.

Samantha O'Connor, a spokeswoman for SHEPD, told *The Courier*, that this would

help ensure supplies are restored as quickly as possible in the event of power failures. She said in 2010/2011 the company plans to invest around £210million in its distribution networks.

STEWARTON

Designer knitwear sale

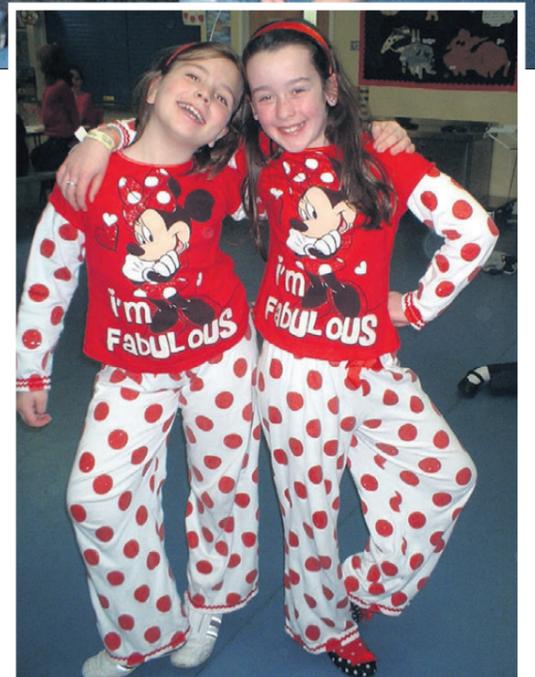
THE village hall at Stewarton is hosting a three-day sale of designer knitwear starting today (Friday).

The letting of the hall for commercial sales like this is a major source of income for the running and upkeep of the hall and a number of different events are held throughout the year.



Above: Southend Primary School pupils all wore something red at their Red Nose Day afternoon at school on Friday. They collected £71.14 to send off to the charity.

Right: Rebecca Semple, left, and Caylin McTaggart are both P6 pupils.



GLENBARR



MEMBERS of Glenbarr Junior Badminton Club have made good progress in their games throughout the weekly meetings over the winter months. The children have done very well in two local competitions recently. Left to right: Iona Reid, Nicola Wareham, Cameron Campbell, Alistair Sneddon and Neil Littleton.

SOUTHEND

Scarecrow challenge will be judged on April 10

DON'T forget that the Southend Scarecrow Challenge will be on Sunday April 10 this year.

Everyone is invited to make a scarecrow and display it around the village for people to come along and see and then be judged in the community competition.

Your scarecrow must be registered by March 31.

institute bulb show

Mary Elder, Pauline Simson, gold; Margaret Pratt, Barbara Bell, silver; Enid Williams, red; Glynis Lewin, Pam Caley, blue.

Poster for the Kintyre Way: Mary Elder, gold; Enid Williams, silver; Glynis Lewin, red.

Literature

Verse for a Greetings Card: Patricia Johnstone, gold; Mary McDonald, silver; Paddy Alderson, Pauline Simson, Mary Elder, red; Enid Williams, blue.

'A funny thing happened on the way': Paddy Alderson, gold; Enid Williams, Patricia Johnstone, silver; Pauline Simson, red.

Art

Kintyre Way Scene: Pauline Simson, gold; Mary Elder, Enid

Williams, silver.

Photography

Sea View: Adrienne Bradley, Patricia Johnstone, Denise McKeown, gold; Mary Elder, Pauline Simson, silver; Glynis Lewin, Linda Hutchison, Helen Steel, Margaret Semple, Barbara Bell, Enid Williams, Anne Clark, red; Christine Dickson, Margaret Pratt, Pam Caley, Maureen Small, blue.

Garden Scene: Helen Steel, Margaret Semple, Denise McKeown, Barbara Bell, gold; Glynis Lewin, Mary Elder, Pauline Simson, Enid Williams, silver; Christine Dickson, Pam Caley, red; Linda Hutchison, Adrienne Bradley, Mary McDonald, blue.

Children's competition: 1 Gaia

Silvan, 2 Isaac Stanesby, 3 Joanna Weir.

Floral Cup: Denise McKeown, 35 points; Linda Hutchison, runner up, 28 points.

Baking Cup: Jane McCallum, 25 points; Jenny Sinclair, runner up, 20 points.

Liz Dale Trophy for Arts and Handicrafts: Barbara Bell, 45 points;

Enid Williams, runner up, 34 points.

MacGregor Smith Trophy for Best Exhibit in Show: Linda Hutchison, Bowl of Tulips.

Institute point scores

Largieside, 315 points; Clachan, 269 points; Whitehouse, 155 points.



Mary Semple, left, and Anne McArthur from Ormsary SWRI, judges, with Pauline Simson, centre, the president of Clachan SWRI whose turn it was to host the event. 0-c12bulb02

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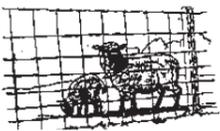
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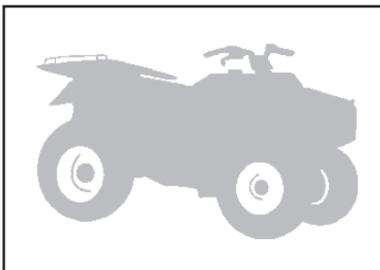
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THE Scottish Association of Meat Wholesalers and NFU Scotland have prepared outline proposals for the setting up of a separate meat inspection system for Scotland jointly.

A paper detailing plans for a 'Meat Inspection System fit for a modern Scotland' has been sent to the four main political parties contesting the Scottish elections.

It carries the stark warning that the current UK-based service places Scotland at a disadvantage.

Kintyre shows them how it's done

Neil has won this trophy five times in the last six years

ONCE again Kintyre ploughmen were successful at the Lorn Vintage Ploughing Match.

Neil MacPhail from Skernish, Glenbarr, assisted by Michael Mayberry of Bellochantuy took the trophy for the horse-ploughing champion.

Neil has won this trophy five times in the past six years.

Horses Ceilidh and Jeannie were fighting fit and ploughed the lea field on a dry but cold day on Saturday March 19 at Connell near Oban.

Stephen Jones, assisted by Stephen Livingstone from Brecklate came third.

And Willie Reid, Campbeltown, was third in the 10-inch mounted plough section.

The ground was stony but all the horses made a good job and everyone thoroughly enjoyed their day.

This year at the Lorn event Gregor MacCormick, of Annat Farm, Appin, took top honours for the second time and continued a family tradition of success in this competition.

The win was very much a family affair with Gregor's father, Gregor senior, acting as guide and his son, Euan, also helping out on the day.

The largest number of

participants for many years came to Kilmornaig for this year's competition, with entrants coming from as far as Perth, Ayr, Roy Bridge and Scotlandwell.

There were a total of 37 entries this year and the organisers were pleased to see three pairs of horses competing.

As well as winning the overall prize, Gregor won the eight-inch mounted plough section and was judged to have had the straightest and most level plot.

A delighted Gregor said: 'My brother John won it last year but I hadn't won it since 2003, so it was nice to get the title back, especially as the competition was so tough. It was a bit of a surprise to win it.'

The trailing plough category was won by Rab Birrel, Perth, and the 10-inch mounted plough was won by David Veich, Scotlandwell.

A total of £700 was raised, through donations and the raffle, for Argyll Beats Cardiovascular Disease (ABCD).

There will be a break from ploughing matches now until the Largie ploughing match on the last Saturday in July, the 30th when the organisers are hoping for a good dry day and lots of competitors.



A victorious Neil MacPhail and Michael Mayberry with the trophy. c12pl001
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Neil MacPhail ploughing. c12pl003



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Store sheep meet rising trade at Stirling

CALEDONIAN Marts (Stirling) Ltd sold 719 store cattle plus 23 young bulls and 787 hoggets and breeding sheep at Stirling on Monday when store sheep continued to rise in trade on the week.

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Bullocks averaged 173p and sold to 215p per kg for a 230kg Limousin from Wester Whin, Slamannan and £1025 for a 550kg Simmental from Blairgorts, Buchlyvie.

Heifers averaged 171p (+1p) and sold to 198p per kg for three 530kg Charolais from Burnhead, Kilsyth and £1050 for three 530kg Charolais from Burnhead, Kilsyth.

In calf heifers sold to £1,400 for a Limousin from Over Hillhouse, Armadale.

Over Hillhouse sold in calf British Blue heifers to £1,350, Simmentals heifers to £1,050 and Limousin cross cows with calves at foot to £1,020.

Stolen heating oil rockets

INSURERS NFU Mutual warn homeowners and businesses to protect their fuel after claims for stolen heating oil rocketed by 264 per cent in January alone.

The average cost of a claim for stolen heating oil is £1,033.

The insurance company has seen a dramatic increase in claims for domestic heating oil since the cost surged at the end of last year.

The advice is to protect your fuel supply as thieves prey on rural areas. A number of farms in Kintyre have been hit, especially in the Clachan area. 'Oil has to be paid for upfront and if you add to this the cost and inconvenience of having that fuel stolen and the possible issue of contamination following a theft, fuel poverty in rural areas becomes a very real issue,' said Nicki Whittaker, of NFU Mutual. 'Rural homes, with no access to a mains gas supply, have no choice but to struggle with rising oil prices.'



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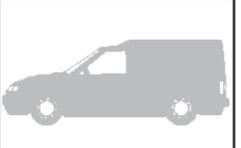
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Applicant: Christine Doogan
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 Site Address: Land North Of East Trodighal Farm Machrihanish Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6PT
 Location of Plans: Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (AS AMENDED), RELATED 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 67/ 69 Chalmers Street Ardrishaig PA30 8DX, at the location detailed below and by logging on to the Council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk and clicking on Online Planning Applications. Anyone wishing to make representations should do so in writing to 67/ 69 Chalmers Street Ardrishaig PA30 8DX within 21 days of the appearance of this notice. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence.

SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION PLANS

● **Ref No: 11/00350/PP**

Applicant: Alison Young
 Proposal: Demolition of chimney.
 Site Address: 31-33 Lochnell Street Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8JL
 Location of Plans: Area Office Ardrishaig

● **Ref No: 11/00404/PP**

Applicant: Argyll Community Housing Association
 Proposal: Replacement roof covering, replacement of 4 rooflights, render repairs and repainting
 Site Address: 57-61 Lochnell Street Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8JN
 Location of Plans: Area Office Ardrishaig

● **Ref No: 11/00412/PP**

Applicant: Hire A Joiner
 Proposal: Formation of builders storage yard with 3 storage containers.
 Site Address: Plot Opposite McGilps Smithy Lane Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8TA
 Location of Plans: Area Office Ardrishaig

● **Ref No: 11/00413/PP**

Applicant: Mr David And Mrs Gina Kent
 Proposal: Erection of dwellinghouse
 Site Address: The Studio Ardrishaig Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6YA
 Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert

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ADCP 2: C	55 15.050N	05 37.320W
ADCP 2: D	55 15.050N	05 37.220W
ADCP 2: CENTRE	55 15.100N	05 37.270W
ADCP 3: A	55 17.050N	05 37.550W
ADCP 3: B	05 17.050N	05 37.450W
ADCP 3: C	55 16.995N	05 37.550W
ADCP 3: D	55 16.995N	05 37.450W
ADCP 3: CENTRE	55 17.000N	05 37.500W
ADCP 4: A	55 18.050N	05 34.050W
ADCP 4: B	55 18.050N	05 33.995W
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ADCP 4: D	55 17.995N	05 33.995W
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**THE MACHRIHANISH GOLF CLUB
 Machrihanish, Campbeltown, Argyll**

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of The Machrihanish Golf Club will be held in the Clubhouse on **Friday 1st April 2011 at 8.00pm.**

All members are respectfully invited to attend.

A. Anderson
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**Foresters
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 Meeting
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 Campbeltown
 on Tuesday 5th April
 2011
 7.00pm
 All Member Welcome**

**Kintyre U3A
 AGM
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The main duties will include the following:-

- To provide advice, support and training to farm staff on best practice with regard to the health and welfare of the fish.
- To supervise the use of medicines and support the development of new medicines and health initiatives.
- To provide a monitoring and diagnostic service to the site for rapid detection of health challenges.
- To collate data on fish health and produce regular reports for the Lochs Area Manager and Freshwater Health Manager.
- To support the Freshwater Health Manager in wider projects and visits to other sites.

Candidates should be able to demonstrate a high degree of commitment to the job, be able to work independently as well as being a strong team player, be computer literate, and have previous experience of working in a similar role or have fish health qualifications.

If you are interested in applying for this post, please submit a CV with a supporting letter to: Vicky Ferguson, Human Resources Manager, Marine Harvest (Scotland) Ltd, Business Resource Centre, Blar Mhor Industrial Estate, Fort William, PH33 7PT.

The closing date for the receipt of applications is Friday 15th April 2011.



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Applicants will preferably have a minimum of 1 years' experience in a Training/Health & Safety role and ideally possess a Train the Trainer qualification and NEBOSH General Certificate, or other industry recognised qualification. In addition applicants must possess excellent verbal and written communication skills, excellent presentation skills, a good knowledge of computer packages and industry related Health and Safety legislation and regulations. The post is based in Fort William with regular travel to the company's sites throughout the West Coast and Outer Isles.

In return, Marine Harvest offers a competitive salary and benefits package along with excellent opportunities for personal growth and development.

If you have the drive, commitment and enthusiastic personality that is required for this role, coupled with experience, please apply in writing stating your reasons for applying and your relevant skills and experience to: Vicky Ferguson, Human Resources Manager, Marine Harvest (Scotland) Ltd, Business Resource Centre, Blar Mhor Industrial Estate, Fort William, PH33 7PT by closing date of 8th April 2011.

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To work in their office Part-time (20 hours per week)

The Candidate will require strong administration and Book-keeping Skills. A knowledge of Microsoft Office Suite is essential. A knowledge of Pegasus Suite would be advantageous but not essential as training will be given.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

'... Commit yourself to the Lord and serve him only, and he will deliver you ...'
(1 Samuel 7:3).

BIRTHS



COLBY

Douglas and Shona are delighted to announce the arrival of their daughter, Mia Fay, on March 11, 2011. A wee sister for Adam.

COOPER - CAMERON - Niki and Louisa are delighted to announce the safe arrival of Callan Anderson on March 16, 2011. Little brother for Declan and second grandchild for both families. Thanks to midwives at Royal Alexandra Hospital and Mid Argyll Hospital.

GRIFFIN - To Bobby and Anita on March 3, 2011, a son, Sachin, born in Cairns, Australia. First grandchild to Elizabeth Blair and step grandchild to Chris Blair. Third grandson for Dr and Mrs Ashok, Khasgiwale, Stourbridge. A true gift from God.

MCCUAIG - Gordon and Claire and families are delighted to announce the safe arrival on March 15, 2011 of their beautiful daughter, Kali Elizabeth. Special thanks to the midwives at the Mid Argyll and Royal Alexandra hospitals.

ENGAGEMENTS

MCWHIRTER - MCDADE - Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Paul, son of David and Caroline, Campbeltown, to Christina, daughter of Joe and Frances, Paisley.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

MAUHLIN - COLVILLE - At Castlehill Church on March 24, 1961 by Rev J R H Cormack, Duncan to Jane, 41 Meadows Avenue.

DEATHS

DURNAN - Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on March 16, 2011, Isabela Elder (Isobel), in her 56th year, 96 Ralston Road, Campbeltown, dearly beloved mother of Hazel, Adele and Duncan, a loving and much loved granny of John, Aidan, Kayleigh, Joshua, Poppy and Rebecca and dear sister of Alexander.

EDWARD - Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on March 21, 2011, George Edward in his 95th year, Loch View, Knockscalbert Way, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Jean, much loved father of Jeanette and Alex, loving and much loved papa of Kirsty, Alexander, Mark, George and great

grandfather of Jayden and Aileigh. Service in the Lorne and Lowland Church, on Friday, March 25, at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Keil Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Bengullion Ward.

MCARTHUR - Suddenly after a short illness, at the Inverclyde Royal Hospital, Greenock, on March 17, 2011, Mary McArthur, aged 86 years of Ardnahein Hotel for the Elderly, Dunoon and formerly of Kilmory Home Farm, Lochgilphead. Beloved daughter of the late Archibald and Margaret McArthur and much loved sister of Neil and the late Archibald, Hugh, John, Donald and Dugald. Dear sister-in-law of Avril and Peggy. A much respected aunt and great aunt to all the family. A good friend and former work colleague to many. Funeral service was held in Lochgilphead Parish Church on Wednesday, March 23, 2011, followed by interment at Ach-na-breac Cemetery.

MCMILLAN - Son of the late Archie and Nancy (née Gilchrist), Ian, aged 75 years, passed away March 15, 2011 in Coventry with his loving sons Paul and Stuart at his side. Sadly missed by all the family.

PARFITT - Peacefully at his home, The Cleft, St Clair Road, Ardrishaig, with his family by his side, on March 18, 2011, Ken Parfitt, aged 88 years. Formerly of Kent and Fort William. Beloved husband of Margaret and loving father of David, father-in-law of Jacqui and grandad to Daniel. A good neighbour and dear friend to many. Funeral service was held in Lochgilphead Baptist Church on Thursday, March 24, 2011, followed by a private cremation service.

WILSON - Dr Robert Blue Wilson (formerly of Campbeltown), much loved father of Kenneth, Elaine and Campbell, died peacefully after a long illness at Sherwood Court Care Home, Preston, Lancashire on Saturday, March 19, 2011. Funeral Service to take place at Carleton Crematorium nr Poulton-le-Fylde, Lancashire on Monday March 28 at 3.00pm.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

MCGREGOR - Bet's family wish to thank family, friends and neighbours for the kind expressions of sympathy, cards and flowers. They also wish to thank all the staff at Glenaray Ward and the Marie Curie Nurses for the care and compassion shown to all during her short illness. Thanks to Rev Roddy MacLeod for an uplifting and comforting service and to Donald MacDonalds for efficient arrangements. The collection for Marie Curie raised over £350.

IN MEMORIAM

CURRIE - Treasured memories of a much loved husband, Donald, who died March 25, 2000. Time won't heal the heartache.

- Moira.
CURRIE - In memory of my dad, Donald, who died March 25, 2000. Always in my thoughts.

- Iain.
CURRIE - Dad, March 25, 2000. Your presence we miss Your memory we treasure Remembering you always Forgetting you never.

- Elspeth and Jim.
FORD - Norman Ernest. Treasured memories of my husband and dad, who passed away March 29, 2010, aged 88.

Love always, Helen née Clark, Jackie, Stuart and Flora. Also remembered as a father-in-law, granddad and great granddad.
ROBERTSON - Precious memories of our much loved father, father-in-law and grandfather, Ian (Rufus), who passed away on March 27, 2007.

Your presence we miss Your memory we treasure Loving you always Forgetting you never.
- Love Morven, Ian, Jamie and family xxxx.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES



Argyll Street, Campbeltown
St Kieran Episcopal Church:
Campbeltown
Scottish Charity No SC023277
Sunday 27th March 2011
Third Sunday of Lent
10.45am Family Communion
Details of services are on the church door
Enquiries Tel: 01586 551141
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CUMLODDEN LOCHFYNESIDE AND LOCHGAIR (Church of Scotland)
Scottish Charity Number SC016097
Sunday 27th March 2011
UNITED SERVICE (incorporating Annual Business Meeting)
Cumlodden Church (Furnace) 10.30 am (Tea to follow)
Rev. Roddy MacLeod
Ceud mìle fáilte
All Welcome

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND KILBERRY LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 27th March 2011
Tarbert Church 11.30am
Sunday School 11.20am
Kilberry Church 2.00pm
Margaret Sinclair
Interim Moderator
For all church inquiries and pastoral care
Telephone 01499 500633
Everyone very welcome

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 27th March 2011
Glassary 11.30am
At this service we shall be joined by a church worship band known as Taco
Rev Cliff Acklam
All welcome
SC002121

LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
All Welcome
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson
Sunday 27th March 2011
11.00am Morning Service with communion
Jumpstart Group
Friday 10.00 - 11.30am
Tonight
"The Edge"
P1 - P7
6.30 - 7.45
Scottish Charity SC015187

Church of Scotland NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
Morning Worship
Sunday 27th March 2011
Bellanoch Church 10.00am.
Worship led by Rev. Cliff Acklam
All Welcome
MINISTER: Rev. Cliff Acklam
SC001002
01546 606926
www.argyllcommunities.org/NKNAPDALECOFS

THE SALVATION ARMY Burnside Street, Campbeltown
Sunday Services
10.30am Morning Worship
5.45pm Prayer Meeting
6.30pm Evening Worship
Tuesday
12.15pm Over 60's Luncheon Club
1.30pm Adult Home League
Wednesday
7.00pm House Group
Thursday
11.30am Meet 'n' Eat Café
New to you Stall
7.00pm Bible Study
Major Dolores Thomson

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
75 Longrow, Campbeltown
Sunday
10.00 a.m. Breaking of Bread
10.45 a.m. Coffee
11.15 a.m. Family Service with Sunday Club
Wednesday
10.00 a.m.
Jelly Tots Parent & Toddlers
8.00 p.m.
Bible Discussion & Prayer
For details & other enquiries contact The Church Office
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Pastor: **Chris Holden**
For Furniture Recycling Project call **01586 551547**
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LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH
Scottish Charity Number SC011686
Sunday, 27th March
Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m. (Creche, Triple C & Bible Class)
Tuesday, 29th March
Mothers and Toddlers - 9:45 a.m.
Congregational Annual General Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, 31st March
Choir Practice - 7:30 p.m.
Friday, 1st April
Lunch Club - 12:00 noon

Highland Parish Church

SC002493
Sunday 27th March
11.15am Morning Service
Creche 0 - 3yrs: Church FunDay Club (3yrs - P5): Kirk St Hall
12.10pm Stated Annual Meeting
Tuesday 29th March
Badminton Club
6.30pm - 7.45pm: P1 - P4
7.30pm - 9.00pm: P5 - P7
Wednesday 30th March
7.15pm - please note earlier time
Bible Study Fellowship - Manse
DVD: *Jesus - Man, Messiah, or More?*
Rev Michael J Lind
Everyone always welcome

LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH SUNDAY 27th MARCH 2011
11.00 am Worship Service
Rev. Hilda Smith
All Welcome
7.30 pm Youth Fellowship, in The Manse S1-S6 Welcome
SATURDAY 2nd APRIL 2011
Coffee Morning, in the Church Hall 10.00am - Midday
Further information (01546) 606218
www.lpchurch.co.uk
Lochgilphead (Church of Scotland) SC016311

THE CHURCH THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE
"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!"
Sunday Services
Ardrishaig at 11:00am
Achahoish at 12:30pm
Registered Scottish Charities SC010713 and SC010782

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN
Sunday 27 March 2011
11.00am
Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch
Speaker: Stan Holloway
"Knock, Knock"
All welcome

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Make it 100 miles for Macmillan

MACMILLAN Cancer Support hopes at least 50 people from Argyll and Bute will take part in the West Highland Way walk from Milngavie to Fort William and add five miles to make it 100 miles for Macmillan in its centenary year.

This is one of a string of walks for Macmillan as part of its Miles for Macmillan walking programme, launched in partnership with Boots UK. Elsie Riley, Macmillan's fundraising manager in Argyll and Bute, says that all the money raised through Miles for Macmillan will help Macmillan provide medical, financial, practical and emotional support; locally Macmillan has already funded services including eight Macmillan nurses at the Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre and five other medical professionals.



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Town centre manager Aileen MacLennan presents a cheque to Kintyre Six Circle. 12_c12chq01



Chairman of Campbeltown Young Farmers James Young receives a cheque from town centre manager Aileen MacLennan and Active Schools co-ordinator Lindsay Ramsay. 12_c12chq02

Santa Dash runners step in with £180 for local charities

PEOPLE who took part in a Santa Dash in Campbeltown earlier this year helped to raise £180 for local charities. The Santa Dash, previously scheduled for December, was delayed due to the weather and re-scheduled for January.

Town centre manager Aileen MacLennan, the Wee Toon Runners and Lindsay Owen

from Argyll and Bute Council's Active Schools team joined forces to organise the event, which saw the Santas take part in a 3k fun run in aid of Campbeltown Young Farmers and Kintyre Six Circle. The young farmers received £50 whilst the Kintyre Six Circle was given a donation of £130.

Charity darts night success

THE AGNES Goddard Memorial Trophy was held in Argyll Bowling Club on Friday March 18 and the winners were Gary Howells and Natalie Goddard with Robert and Rosemary Todd taking the runners up prize.

This was a well-attended darts charity competition run by Agnes' family and all money raised will be donated to charity.

Special congratulations go to Natalie Goddard for winning her mother's memorial trophy. Natalie is seen here with Gary Howells and her grandmother, Margaret Robertson.

Vince wins singles title

THE CAMPBELTOWN District Darts Association league singles was held jointly in the Burnside and the Commercial on Monday night, March 21, and after some great games the winner was Vince Jordan with Gary Howells taking the runner-up spot.

There was some high finishing on the night by Donald Stewart 177 and 156, Gary Howells 155, Micky Marshall 122 and Kenny Docherty 101. There was a 180 score by Mickey Marshall.

The association would like to thank the Burnside and the Commercial for providing the venues and donating the prizes.

Just nine weeks to go

THERE are only nine weeks to go until this year's Mull of Kintyre half marathon and 10k events on May 29.

The half marathon schedule is suitable for a beginner who aims to run a half marathon in just under 2hours

30minutes. If you find the schedule difficult it may be better to adopt a more gradual one, or move onto the 10k one.

As a guide, 11minutes 20 seconds per mile pace will result in a 2h 28min half marathon. The beginner's train-

ing schedule is aimed at beginners who wish to complete the 10k event comfortably.

All running should be at a steady, even pace, and you should consult your GP before embarking on any training schedule.

10K schedule
Weeks to go: 9
from Monday
March 28

Mon	25 minutes
Tue	10 minutes
Wed	REST
Thu	20 minutes
Fri	15 minutes
Sat	REST
Sun	15 minutes

Half marathon training schedule

At the end of this week, you can test yourself over 10k (6.2M). This should be run quicker than the 10K in week one and certainly inside your goal half-marathon.

Start Date: Tuesday March 29 2011

Weeks to go: 9

Day	Session	Distance	Pace min/mile	Time
Tue 29/3	Slow run/walk	4Miles	12:00	approx 48 mins
Thu 31/3	Faster run/walk	3Miles	11:00	approx 33 mins
Sun 3/4	Test run 10K	6.2Miles(10k) (plus one mile warm-up/one mile cool-down)	11:00	target: 68mins (plus 25mins jog)
Total		15Miles		2hrs 55mins



League singles winner Vince Jordan with Mary Ross who presented the prizes.

Is your sport here? Contact Ruth McClean on 01586 554646

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Gigha Challenge

IT'S THAT time again for the Gigha Challenge when walkers, runners and cyclists flock to the island to take part in the annual 11.2 mile event.

Taking place on Saturday April 9, the event starts and finishes at the craft units, with various starting times for walkers, runners and cyclists. All proceeds from registration and sponsorship go to the Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust. For more information email gighachallenge@btinternet.com or phone 07881426616.

Mary wins

MARY McKinnon won Dunaverty Golf Club's ladies' March medal, with the weather affecting play on the day.

Mary's steady round saw her take first place with 96-24=72 on March 12. SSS 65 CSS 68.

Islay golf

THE results of the Islay Golf Club Foreland Trophy: 1 Norman MacDonald, 74 less 3 net 71, 2 John Campbell, 81 less 9 net 72, 3 Place Neil Johnston, 83 less 11 net 72. CSS 71. Magic twos, David Johnston.

Dunaverty Lottery

IN THE Dunaverty Lottery, Bill Branningan reports that Grant Edmondson drew the following numbers on March 20: 1, 6 and 17. No winner, so the rollover for £200 is to be drawn on April 3.

Home and away

TOMORROW (Saturday March 26) Pupils 'B' play Uddingston at home with the first team XI away to Kilbowie Union.

Janie clinches title in final end



From left: Moira Wareham, Susan Gilchrist, Janie Hall, Jana MacPherson and Catherine McEachran.

YOU know that the long winter nights are ending and the opening of the bowling green grows inexorably closer when Campbeltown Bowling Club's ladies host their Open Singles competition.

A good entry competed last week on a knockout basis that saw semi finals between Catherine McEachran and Jana MacPherson and Susan Gilchrist and Janie Hall, all from the home club, decided by the narrowest of margins to produce a final between Jana and Janie.

This proved to be yet another close encounter with no quarter given until Janie emerged victorious in the final end.

Newly elected president of the ladies' section, Moira Wareham, presented the prizes and paid tribute to the contestants on

the standard of play and the sportsmanship that prevailed throughout. As long as winter does not return with a vengeance, the green keepers are confident that the green will be more than ready for opening on April 9 with a very busy early schedule.

It includes the Leishman Fours, a Scottish Counties match between Argyll and Bute and Glasgow, and a Scottish Top Ten tie between the Stronvaar club and Pathhead from Midlothian whose team includes former World Indoor Bowls Council champion, Colin Walker who plays in their pairs. The club currently has a few vacancies in the playing membership, which it is keen to fill with either new, or experienced players. Interested parties should inquire at the club.



Campbeltown Pupils 'B' fought hard against Aikenhead. 12_c12pup01

Pupils 'B' flag in second half

HALL Cup finalists Aikenhead was given a run for its money in a match that was much closer than the final score suggests.

The Pupils' young reserve team XI, bolstered by a couple of experienced defenders, fought tooth and nail in a first-half that was anything but reflective of the 2-0 score at the break.

A number of chances went begging as they fought bravely to match their more senior opponents; the loss of a second goal on the stroke of half-time was cruel luck.

A goal down after only seven minutes, the home side knuckled down and were most unfortunate not to equalise.

A bad bounce on the rutted surface

Campbeltown Pupils 'B' 0 Aikenhead 3

cost the home side a priceless equaliser. Minutes later, a big shout for a penalty was waved away by the referee; the defender was adjudged to have taken the ball cleanly as the Pupils' fullback Wylie shaped to score a certain goal.

Ryan Gilchrist was presented with an opportunity but the ball caught under his studs and the chance was lost.

A good first-half went immediately downhill. Coffield dived to his left to get his hands to

the ball, but the strength of the shot carried the ball into the net. The early play in the second half was contained in the home half as Aikenhead gained control for the first time. The visitors' composure had returned after a torrid spell in the first-half when they should have yielded goal0s.

A third from their centre forward put the tie beyond doubt and give the visitors a place in the quarter-finals.

You can read the full report and analysis, available on the Campbeltown Pupils' website.



Campbeltown's Zumbathon gets underway. 12_c12zum03

Zumbathon raises £347 for Comic Relief

CAMPBELTOWN'S first Zumbathon raised £347 for Comic Relief.

Held in the Victoria Hall on Friday night, three new instructors were introduced with new dance routines unveiled. Organiser Fiona Irwin thanked everyone who came along and

said this is just the start of Zumbathon events, with more planned for the future in aid of different charities.

New Zumba classes will be offered from April, and anyone who would like more information should contact Aqualibrium, Campbeltown.

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