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# Independent minds

## Grammar pupils deliver a resounding 'Yes' following debate

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IT was a result to gladden the heart of Alex Salmond...the youth of Campbeltown voting heavily in favour of independence.

However, it may have been down to the Donald MacPherson effect.

The 16-year-old from Southend more than held his own as he gave his views in a Campbeltown Grammar School debate last week alongside MP Alan Reid and MSP Michael Russell.

Donald, a fifth-year pupil, who spoke pas-

sionately and eloquently in favour of independence, hopes to go on to university to study politics and history.

He told the Courier before the debate in front of 146 senior pupils: 'I am not a nationalist, I'm a socialist. The SNP is the only credible party fighting for the left.'

Donald, a young ambassador for the Yes campaign, told the audience that independence allowed Scotland to take its future into its own hands.

He said young people like him had always been driven around in cars by others - 'now we have the opportunity to drive for ourselves'.

'I want to drive the car, and decide where it goes,' he said, urging his peers not to buy into the 'scare project' of the No campaign.

Alan Reid, Argyll and Bute's LibDem MP, warned on behalf of the No campaign of the uncertainties on a whole range of matters which he felt independence would bring.

He maintained Scotland's interests were

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Pretty Penny Jones' picture is being spread far and wide - and so are those of the four-year-old's brothers, Dougal, 7, Fred, 6, and Charlie, 3. The Bellochantuy youngsters are all being featured on the labelling of Kintyre Eggs run by their parents Will and Hannah Jones. The Joneses are also using their packaging to promote Kintyre as a place to visit. See page 24 for the full story. 20\_c11eggs04

### Death of Major McMillan

MAJOR Duncan McMillan, the last remaining survivor of a key World War Two battle, has died aged 94.

After his military service, he started up an upholstery business in Campbeltown which is still being run by his family today.

Full story on page 5.

### Demand grows to help dialysis patients

ANGER is growing over the lack of local treatment for dialysis patients in Campbeltown.

This week, a Scottish campaigner for the National Kidney Foundation challenged NHS Highland bosses to accompany patients on their journeys to and from Vale of Leven Hospital and also sit in a dialysis chair for up to five hours to fully appreciate the ordeal they face three times a week.

See story on page 15 and Facebook comments on page 7.

### Drama and happy endings

IT was all late drama and happy endings for Campbeltown Pupils and Carradale AFC in their matches last weekend.

See pages 26 and 28.

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# Campbeltown Grammar School pupils deliver a resounding 'Yes' following referendum debate



Donald MacPherson presents his case for independence. Also, from left, are MP Alan Reid, rector Catriona Hood and MSP Mike Russell.

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best served as part of a strong UK, and insisted it enjoyed the best of both worlds in having its own parliament.

Mike Russell, Argyll and Bute's SNP MSP, said 100 countries around the world had become independent since 1945 and none had regretted it.

He said past general elections had seen Scotland get a UK Government it did not vote for. 'We have one Tory MP in Scotland - that means Scotland has more pandas than Tory MPs,' he said.

## Opportunities

'Young people have the chance to open up an enormous set of opportunities,' he added.

A question and answer session followed the speeches, with the school's rector Catriona Hood

taking the questions from pupils.

Questions asked included the implications of independence for farmers, university fees and the UK's military assets.

## Fascinated

However, the audience was probably most fascinated by an animated to and fro between Mr Reid and Mr Russell over the 'bedroom tax' and welfare cuts.

An independence ballot immediately afterwards brought the following result: 51 percent in favour, 28 percent against, 19 percent don't know and 2 percent spoilt papers.

Ms Hood told the Courier: 'This was a very successful event. I appreciated the time and preparation that both our MP and MSP gave to it and I was particularly proud of Donald MacPherson's excellent speech and overall contribution. The standard of debate was very good - and the pupils certainly enjoyed the sparks which flew occasionally between both sides.

'Questions from the floor were perceptive and thought provoking. It can be challenging for young people to speak out in an audience of this size and I was pleased with all their questions and comments.

## Encourage

'Above all, I trust that taking part in this debate will encourage our young people who have the vote to use it.

'My thanks to all involved, including my colleagues Ron Wilson and George Baxter, for all the hard work which made for such a good afternoon of debate.'

# More movies on the way

MORE films as well as live theatre and rock performances are set to be shown at Campbeltown's Picture House.

It follows the appointment of hugely-experienced cinema operator Rob Arthur, who will also assist with the preparations for the £2 million restoration and redevelopment of the A-listed building.

Mr Arthur aims to operate the cinema seven days a week and offer several performances each day.

## Regular

A spokesman for Campbeltown Community Business, which runs the cinema, said: 'Making use of the digital projection equipment installed last year, Mr Arthur will offer three to five films each week as well as a regular programme of live performances from companies such as the National Theatre, The Royal Opera, the Royal Shakespeare Company, the Berliner Philharmonic, English National Opera, the British Museum, rock concerts by artists including Elton John (from Las Ve-



It is all looking up for The Picture House in Hall Street, Campbeltown. 08\_07picture02

gas) and musicals from Broadway.'

A new web site ([www.campbeltownpicturehouse.co.uk](http://www.campbeltownpicturehouse.co.uk)) is also being developed along with on-line advance ticket purchasing facilities.

Mr Arthur will be recruiting additional staff immediately and details will be available at The Picture House and on the cinema's Facebook site.

In 2012, he re-opened and established a digital cinema in Thurso.

He was formerly managing director of Apollo Cinemas, overseeing an estate of 14 cinemas and 83 screens until its sale in 2012.

Over the past year Rob has been the director of operations at Curzon Cinemas, London's leading independent and

arthouse cinema group.

Jane Mayo, chairman of Campbeltown Community Business, said: 'We are extremely fortunate to have attracted the services of someone with the experience and connections of Rob Arthur.

'He is committed to the training and employment of local people, which will strengthen our community business.

'After spending more than half of his working life with The Picture House, Russell Carroll will be leaving us next week.

'We would like to thank him for his long and diligent service, culminating in overseeing the vital switch over to digital projection. We also remember the very successful Gala Cente-

nary evening, which he put together so thoughtfully.'

Mr Arthur said: 'I want the cinema to be at the heart of Kintyre's communities.

'We aim to bring an exciting programme of movies from the latest blockbusters to art-house and family entertainment at affordable prices.

## World class

'We will extend our opening times and hours to offer more choice and we will shortly announce a full world class programme of live cultural and entertainment performances.'

The Centenary Project aims to breathe new life into the 100-year-old building.

The unique interior will not only be restored to its former glory but also modernised.

Exhibition areas will also be created to tell stories of Campbeltown's interesting history.

A second cinema auditorium may also be added.

Funding has already been promised by both Historic Scotland and Creative Scotland, carried over from the first attempt to gain Heritage Lottery funding.

## Cruach Brenfield Wind Farm

### Community Consultation Days



Please join EDF Energy Renewables at our public consultation days to view and comment on plans for an 18 turbine wind farm to the west of Ardrishaig, near Loch Gilp in Argyll and Bute.

We are keen to continue our engagement with the local community, and would like to invite local residents or anyone else who might have an interest in these plans to attend one of our Community Consultation Days:

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# Billy clings to Indian bail hopes

## Former Campbeltown man could be released from prison

FORMER Campbeltown man Billy Irving was clinging to the hope this week that he will finally be released from an Indian prison.

He and five other British former soldiers have been held on weapons charges since last October and their families had hoped they would finally be given bail at a hearing last Friday.

However, that judgement was delayed and was due yesterday (Thursday) or today.

This week the families of the men also learned they no longer had UK lawyers working on the case.

Yvonne MacHugh, 25, Billy's girlfriend, told

the Courier that US-based AdvanFort, which owns the anti-piracy ship he was working on, had dismissed their British lawyers. This means lawyers in India alone will handle the case.

She said that because of the setback, she and the other men's families had set up a fund through maritime charity The Mission to Seafarers.

**Medical provisions**  
The money will provide clean food and water for the men, as well as medical provisions.

On Tuesday, Yvonne and Billy's brother Colin, as well as relatives of the other British men, visited 10 Downing

Street to hand over a petition which has gained nearly 145,000 signatures.

It calls for the men to be released and asks for the UK government's backing.

They were accompanied by Argyll and Bute MP Alan Reid and Ian Lavery, MP for Wansbeck, where three of the men reside.

Billy, 33, of Connel, was working on an anti-piracy vessel when he and 35 other crew members were arrested.

Indian authorities claim the boat entered their waters illegally with weapons on board despite AdvanFort insisting the ship had the



Billy Irving and girlfriend Yvonne McHugh pictured last year before he was imprisoned in India.

correct papers.

Rev Canon Ken Peters, director of justice and public affairs for The Mission to Seafarers, said: 'We are working with the families and our contacts in India to provide prison visiting and counselling support, and I have held meetings with the UK government at the highest level to ensure that the

case remains a high priority.' Yvonne described her recent trip to India to visit Billy as 'the most emotional trip I have ever had to make', adding: 'This has been a truly harrowing time for all families here and abroad.'

She added: 'If the British Government gives its assurances he could be free and I could vis-

it him outwith the prison walls. I'm hoping the next time I hear from Billy he is out.'

Residents in Campbeltown, where Billy grew up, have rallied round since his arrest to raise money for his legal costs. A prize draw last month raised £3,000.

A Foreign Office spokesman said: 'This is a difficult and important case, which the prime minister has raised with Indian ministers, as has the foreign secretary.'

'The high commissioner has also raised it with the Indian authorities in India.'

'Consular staff continue to provide full assistance to all those British nationals detained.'

'They are visiting them regularly, and have also provided assistance to visiting families.'

To donate money to help Billy and his fellow crew members, visit [justgiving.com/yvonne-machugh](http://justgiving.com/yvonne-machugh)

### Drink driver banned for six years

A SADDLELL man who drove at more than double the legal alcohol limit has been banned from driving for six years.

David Baxter, 37, of 7 Millers Park, was also fined £300 at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week when he admitted committing the offence in High Street, Campbeltown on October 14 of last year. The court heard that Baxter was receiving medical help for mental health difficulties.

### Grammar school to host jobs fair

A CAREERS and jobs fair is to take place on March 27 at Campbeltown Grammar School.

The job fair runs from 10am until 1pm and any businesses wishing to exhibit should contact Marie-Claire Docherty on 01369702011 or email [elizabeth.macbrayne@dwp.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:elizabeth.macbrayne@dwp.gsi.gov.uk) by today (Friday).

## Peninver Juniors miss out on drama final place

A PACKED audience cheered on youth drama club Peninver Juniors last Saturday as they took part in the Western Divisional final of a national drama competition.

Held at Campbeltown Grammar School, six teams of talented youngsters thrilled the audience while adjudicator Paul Dougall had the impossible task of choosing a winning team.

'You are all winners,' he said, and the audience heartily agreed.

**Narrowest**  
First place went to Birchvale from Stewartry District for a wonderful production of The Edge, by Ron Nicol.

Second, by the narrowest of margins, were Kirkintilloch Youth with John Godber's comedy, Teechers.

The prize for stage setting went to the fairytale garden in Nursery Crimes, written by the producer of Stranraer

Youth, Emma Akiens. Peninver Juniors, Kintyre's representatives, rounded off the festival with a comedy play within a play, Dobby Dom, to the biggest cheers of the night.

**Represent**  
Birchvale will now represent the Western Division at the Scottish Youth Final in Nairn on June 21.

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# Pupils' history project will be broadcast

'The youngsters now share this knowledge with others'

PRIMARY 7 pupils from Castlehill Primary have told of their enjoyment at working on a project about Campbeltown Backpackers.

They worked with the Townscape Heritage Initiative (THI) and Inspiralba to create a radio programme on the history of the building, including its time as a school.

The programme will be broadcast on Argyll FM tomorrow (Saturday) at 8pm and repeated on Tuesday at 4pm.

As part of the project, pupils interviewed locals about the building.

They said they found the transformation to the backpackers made a huge improvement, add-

ing that anyone would be lucky to stay there.

The pupils said: 'Our visit to the bunkhouse was a very enjoyable one because there was lots of information to learn, for example, why the pillars had to be left in the middle of the kitchen.'

#### Interesting

'We found this project very interesting and we would like to learn more about the historic buildings in Campbeltown.'

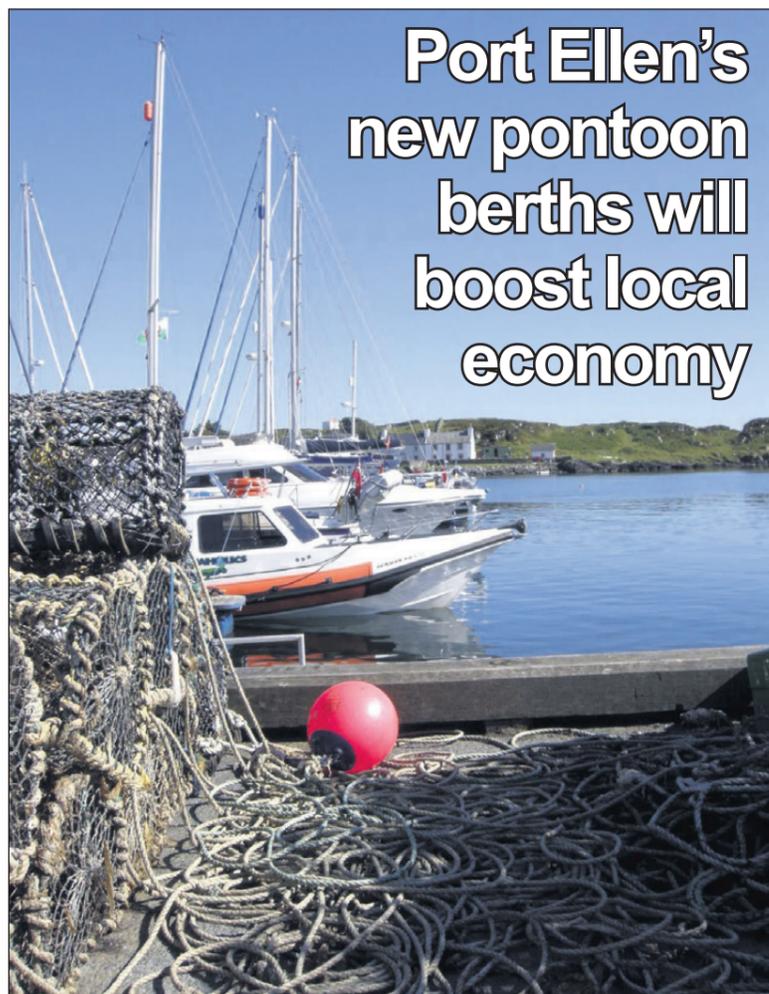
Fiona Watson, their teacher, said: 'This was a great activity for the youngsters to get involved with. Many of them had previously walked past the bunkhouse, barely noticing its existence. Now, thanks to the work they

did with Inspiralba and THI, they know about the history of the building, the development of it over the years and its use now as a bunkhouse.

'The youngsters now share this knowledge with others and take a great interest in the building's future.'

'The project has also made them more aware of similar historic buildings in the town.'

'P7 would like to thank James Lafferty, George McMillan, Sheena McAlister, Barry Colville, Alan Millstead, Kenny Johnstone and Francis Hunter for their help and guidance while doing research for the project.'



## Port Ellen's new pontoon berths will boost local economy

Port Ellen harbour is to be expanded after receiving a grant of more than £345,000.

TWENTY-two new berths are to be created at Port Ellen harbour thanks to a £345,173 grant from the Coastal Communities Fund.

This will increase the capacity of the harbour by 40 per cent and allow boats of up to 15 metres to use the pontoons.

Port Ellen Harbour Association reckons the new pontoons will open the area to a new market of boat users.

Statistics from Tourism Intelligence Scotland and local account figures show the existing visitor pontoons contributes £166,000 annually to the local economy. The existing visitor

pontoons will be shifted further into the protection of Port Ellen's Leodanus Bay to protect the older structure from the elements and preserve its lifespan.

The new pontoons are to be placed where the existing visitor pontoons are.

A new walkway is also to be built and the funding allows for dredging in the area as well as the creation of two part-time harbour master positions.

The new staff will be in charge of overseeing the project, marketing and the day-to-day running of the facility.

## Woman admits stealing money

A WOMAN has admitted stealing £10 from a vulnerable woman.

Mary Macdonald, 58, of MacLean Place, Campbeltown, pled guilty to the offence, which took place on October 15 last year, when she appeared at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last Tuesday.

The court heard that Macdonald visited the woman three days in a row at her home address, despite not knowing her previously.

On her third visit, Macdonald took the money from the woman's purse while she was in the bathroom, before leaving in a rush.

Sentencing of Macdonald was deferred for background reports until April 10.

## Youth fired air rifle at boy

A YOUTH fired pellets from an air rifle at a 13-year-old boy and struck him on the head and body to his injury.

At Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week, Kieran McAllister, 16, of 76 Crosshill Avenue, Campbeltown pled guilty to committing the offence in the town's Saddell Street on September 1 of last year.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC remitted McAllister to the Children's Reporter. 'I think this young man needs some guidance and protection,' she said.

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## GRADUATIONS



NADYNE BROWN

graduated from Glasgow Caledonian University with a BN (Adult). Nadyne is the daughter of Anke and the late Graeme Brown, Ardrishaig and the granddaughter of the late Neil and Irene Brown, Lochgilphead. She is a former pupil of Lochgilphead High School and is now working in Sunderland Hospital in ICU as a Staff Nurse.



KIRSTY MACNAB

graduated on the 29th November 2013 from St Andrew's University and was formally admitted to the Degree of Masters of Letters In Museum and Gallery Studies with Distinction.

Kirsty is the elder daughter of Bruce and Fiona MacNab and attended Ardrishaig Primary and Lochgilphead Secondary School. Kirsty firstly studied at Aberdeen University and graduated with an MA in History of Art in July 2010. Kirsty is now working as a Curatorial Assistant in the McManus Art Gallery & Museum, Dundee.

# Major Duncan McMillan dies

## Major McMillan took part in the Battle of Longstop Hill in Tunisia aged just 23

THE LAST remaining survivor of a key battle of World War Two has died aged 94.

Major Duncan McMillan MM TD of Campbeltown, who was a member of the 8th Battalion Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, passed away peacefully in his sleep at the weekend.

His family said he had fallen ill around Christmas time and had to spend a number of weeks in Southern General Hospital in Glasgow before being allowed to return home.

His daughter, Fiona MacKinnon, said her father was 'very proud' of his military background.

Major McMillan, who shared a birthday with Robert Burns, took part in the Battle of Long-

stop Hill in Tunisia aged just 23.

It claimed the lives of more than 100 members of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, but was decisive in allowing the allies to break through German defences and reach occupied Tunis.

Last year Major McMillan was present for the Campbeltown unveiling of a painting commissioned for the 70th anniversary of the battle.

He told of the 'pandemonium' at Longstop Hill, expressing how lucky he felt to have survived the war.

After his military service, Major McMillan, of Dolsach, Low Askomil, started an upholstery business, first in Saddell Street in 1955, and later on Longrow, working

well past his retirement. His family still runs the business today.

Major McMillan is survived by his wife May, his children James, William and Fiona, and three grandsons.

Mrs MacKinnon said: 'We would like to thank everyone for all their messages of support and kindness.'

The funeral will take place today (Friday) at Lorne and Lowland Church at 1pm.

**Major Duncan McMillan, who died at the weekend aged 94, pictured at the unveiling of a painting depicting the Battle of Longstop Hill last year at Campbeltown Library.** 08\_c19battle01



## Fisherman thrown into harbour feared he would drown

A MAN thrown into the icy waters of Tarbert Harbour by another fisherman feared he was going to drown, a court heard last week.

Fiscal Eoin McGinty told Campbeltown Sheriff Court how the man, wearing full fishing gear and wellingtons, struggled as he tried to stop his footwear from dragging him under the water.

'He struggled frantically to kick off his boots. He actually went under the water on a number of occasions,' said Mr McGinty.

### Feared

'He was eventually helped back on board a boat but said later he feared he was going to die.'

The fiscal said the fisherman had ended up in the water after being grabbed and thrown overboard by Francis Simpson, 20, crew mem-

ber on another boat.

Simpson's boat had returned to Tarbert after experiencing difficulty with equipment while at sea.

According to the fiscal, crew on that boat felt it had been interfered with - exposing them to serious danger.

### Scuffle

'Rumblings' about this had led to Simpson throwing the fisherman overboard following a scuffle.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC wondered why Simpson was not charged with attempted murder instead of assault.

Simpson, of 6 Craeg Glas, Cairnbaan, Lochgilphead pled guilty to committing the assault on December 2 of last year.

Sentence was deferred on him until July 2 pending the outcome of another case.

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## Poor treatment

**HOT** on the heels of NHS Highland's poor handling of its controversial plans to establish a Methadone service in Campbeltown, it is in danger of rubbing the area's residents up the wrong way again. This time it is over its reluctance to establish dialysis treatment in Campbeltown - leaving seriously-ill people to undergo torturous, three-hour-plus return road trips to Vale of Leven or Glasgow three times a week either side of up to five hours on dialysis.

Not surprisingly, people are now asking why NHS Highland bosses feel required to provide a Methadone service in Campbeltown to save a handful of hard drug users a bus trip to Dumbarton once a fortnight but are not showing a similar sense of obligation towards the area's dialysis patients.

Especially when a Government initiative says patients should not travel any more than 40 minutes for dialysis and the transport costs from Campbeltown to Vale of Leven are running at an estimated £100,000 a year.

NHS Highland may be justified in flagging up competing priorities for its 'very limited financial resources', but can it really put a Methadone service - which Campbeltown has long argued it does not need - before the obvious demands of those who require dialysis to replicate the functions of failed kidneys? That may be simplistic, but that is how the public, which NHS Highland is there to represent, sees it.

Campbeltown does not have dialysis and neither does Oban nor Lochgilphead. Surely, an obvious compromise to minimise travelling would be to set up a facility in Lochgilphead, keeping maximum journeys to around the hour mark.

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### Alex is a superb choice

Sir  
Firstly, congratulations to Alex McKinven as Campbeltown's Citizen of the Year, what a superb choice. Alex also has many friends here in Rothesay and they will be delighted to hear the news. What a great run the Pupils had in the Scottish Amateur Cup, a competition incidentally which has more entries than any other domestic tournament in Europe.

I also enjoyed Alex's tribute to the late great Douglas Smith, and as Alex said 'a man whose contribution to Scottish football is second to none'. I knew Douglas very well through a family friend and visited him often at his home near Cardross and many a happy time we had discussing his 'camps' at Peninver and the friendly games against Campbeltown Selects at Kinloch Park. A few years ago Douglas called me to say he was bringing his beloved Drumchapel Amateurs over to Bute to play Rothesay Brandanes. I met him and we talked throughout the game, his sole topic was Ardnacross, Peninver and the boys from Campbeltown who had played for his team (Alex will know who they are).

Finally, great to see Oban Saints still flying the flag for amateur football in Argyll and Bute.

Rothesay Brandanes as usual were eliminated in the 1st Round.

**Kenneth Pursell**  
**Colville**  
**Lorne Lodge**  
**Craigmore**  
**Isle of Bute.**

### Road being turned into obstacle course

Sir,  
On Monday travellers on the B842 were again subjected to a road closure. The council was clearing ditches north of Carradale, trees were being felled at Brackley and SSE was doing its best to turn the road into a cross between an obstacle course and a proving ground for off-road vehicles.

To make matters worse, the contractor responsible for taking the timber out of Brackley chose to take the timber north through Grogport and after four fully loaded trucks had passed through, one got stuck on Grogport Hill, closing the road. Residents of Grogport have been told in the past that only empty timber lorries would go through the hamlet and loaded ones would use the forestry 'haul road'. Clearly the contractor had other ideas.

The B842 is a narrow fragile road as are its bridges and culverts. It would only take a bridge to fail to make the road impassable and that would involve significant detours for people trying to get to Campbeltown or Tarbert. I do not think it is too much to ask of the contractors involved to think of the needs of the residents along the B842 before the road disappears altogether.

**Cameron McNair,**  
**Grogport.**

### Thank you to medical staff

Sir,  
Two months ago I had an operation on my foot and suffered some side effects which

necessitated frequent visits to the Southend Medical Practice for treatment.

I would like to pay tribute to the medical team at Southend. To Dr Ireland, Dr Kornfeld, Dr McGovern, nurses Fiona McPhee and Kitty Miller my most sincere thanks for the care and attention with which they treated me during the past two months.

Nothing was too much trouble for them. The office staff were also most helpful during this period.

We are very lucky to have such a dedicated team in Southend. My thanks to all.

**Bill Brannigan**  
**Southend.**

### Status quo offers best of both worlds

Sir,  
In his letter in last week's Courier, Ron Wilson decried the Better Together campaign for 'concocting scare stories'.

But then he proceeded to 'scaremonger' about how things would never get better if we vote 'No'.

Such campaigners do their causes no favours when they criticise a particular behaviour, and then promptly do it themselves. Other readers must have spotted that wholly contradictory stance.

It is a legal duty under the 1998 Scotland Act to balance the Scottish budget. This has been done every year since the inception of the Scottish Parliament. First by Labour finance ministers and now by John Swinney. So Mr Wilson's praise for Mr Swinney's book-balancing achievement is totally overdone considering he's doing what every one of his predecessors did,

namely sticking to the law of the land.

Where I do agree with Mr Wilson is on the importance of currency. Our pensions, savings, mortgages and insurance policies are paid in pounds. The vast majority of people in Scotland want to keep it that way, having seen how quickly the Euro currency union unravelled.

There is only one way to guarantee we keep the GB pound, and that's to vote No. For the best of both worlds; having a powerful Scottish Parliament within a strong UK.

**Mary Galbraith**  
**Argyll and Bute**  
**Labour general**  
**election candidate.**

### Independence would help tourism

Sir,  
A poll carried out by Dunira Strategy surveyed 1,834 adults across the British Isles and found that 85 percent of respondents said Scottish independence 'would make no difference'. Of the 15 percent who said it would make a difference, a large proportion, 43 percent, said that independence would make them 'want to visit even more'.

Tourism in Scotland would also receive a further boost after a Yes vote through the Scottish Government's plans to half the level of air passenger duty (APD) in the first parliament - as backed by key figures in the airline industry. The UK has one of the highest levels of APD in the world - estimated to cost Scotland more than £200m in lost tourism spend. When the public

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finances allow, the Scottish Government would abolish APD entirely.

These results are a welcome confirmation that Scotland is an attractive destination for tourists – and will be even more so after a Yes vote.

After independence, the Scottish Government will cut air passenger duty by half to further support our tourism industry, and will eventually abolish it – and Scotland's airports support transferring control of APD from Westminster to Scotland.

Scotland's international image will only be enhanced after a Yes vote – and combined with a cut in APD will see our tourism industry continue to go from strength to strength.

**Mike MacKenzie**  
Highlands and Islands MSP.

## Fishing for votes

Sir,  
Is it me or has anyone else noticed that the main two people trying to break up the union of Great Britain are Alex Salmond and Nicola Sturgeon. It all seems far too fishy and smelly to me.

**Keith Abendroth,**  
6 Loch View Avenue,  
Campbeltown.

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In last week's Courier we revealed how dialysis patients in Campbeltown are faced with torturous journeys to and from Vale of Leven Hospital three times a week because they cannot get treatment any closer. We asked our Facebook readers for their views.

**Gayle Barrett:** It is not just Dumbar-ton they are having to travel to – it is also the centre of Glasgow. My dad was one of them. He sadly passed away four weeks ago. Not only was he having di-

alysis, there were other illnesses he had and he was having to travel more than 300 miles a day for treatment that eventually took its toll on him. It is disgusting that the drug users are better thought of than sick people that have not abused themselves. I for one will help as much as I can to get the dialysis unit to Campbeltown. I am sure my dad would not want others going through what he did. I hope the NHS bigwigs are proud of themselves for not standing up for people who are really sick.

**Christine Gilchrist Palmer:** Yes it's pretty damn sad. I understand they opened a Methadone clinic in the town – I think the money would have been better spent helping locals like her dad.

**Janice McDougall:** My mum is doing this journey three days a week. I can't tell you how tired and frustrated she gets. Not only is the journey long, when their dialysis is finished at 5pm they are not issued a hot meal before they leave. If there is a problem on the road this will have an effect on when she eats. So that's three hours travelling, transport stops, straight onto dialysis, about four hours sitting, straight into transport home without a meal. Forty-five minutes is the average time a dialysis patient should travel before and after treatment. We are setting up a support group to raise awareness and funding for a unit to be set up in Campbeltown.

**Angela Binnie:** It is mind boggling how the NHS prioritises things. Saying that, a FB friend in America has just posted that she is ill but cannot afford the insurance, so cannot visit a doctor. There are many things wrong with the NHS but at least people can be treated. I hope

Campbeltown soon gets its priorities right.

**Elizabeth Sharkie:** Is there a petition, or some fundraising activities that we can help with, to get some dialysis facilities in Campbeltown? I know at least three people who would benefit immediately, as they have to travel to Glasgow three times every week.

These people need dialysis to stay alive, and their quality of life is severely impacted by the lack of facilities. It is outrageous priorities are directed elsewhere.

**Lisa Ross:** My 15-year-old son has chronic kidney disease, and thankfully he has not yet reached the stage where he needs dialysis (although he will). Luckily we only have to travel to Glasgow once every six weeks for bloods and tests. I find this a struggle, as it leaves him so tired, so I really feel for the people that have travel to on a regular basis.

**Teeny MacForshaw:** Sometimes with road closures the patients don't get home till midnight. It's disgust-

ing they have to travel so far for life-saving treatment. Something isn't right in the NHS if people who abuse themselves get priority over people who just want to live. We need treatments for dialysis closer than a four-hour car ride. No quality of life for patients.

**Bobby Munro:** I think it is a joke they built that new hospital – what for? When you get ill they can do nothing for people but send them to Glasgow.

As reported in last

week's Courier, the Old Military Road – with vehicles led in convoy – was used as an alternative route following the closure of the A83 at Rest and Be Thankful due to landslip. We asked what you thought of this as a long-term solution.

**Sue Fortune:** Given this is the main route into Argyll, we need to look at solutions applied in alpine and Nordic countries to similar problems. Landslips will continue to occur, and we are lucky that no one

has been badly hurt, or worse, yet. Do we have to wait for a fatality before the situation is taken seriously?

**Andy Colls:** If it was a mountain region in Europe they would have built a concrete tunnel so that any landslip would have just landed on top, however this is the UK and presumably the calculation of the cost of driving a significant overnight detour and laying on staff for day-time escorts every few months is far cheaper.

## Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



I THINK it caught the imagination of us all as we witnessed first hand from our TVs, the life of the astronauts aboard the International Space Station.

The concept of space travel has fascinated human beings since Neil Armstrong first took that famous walk on the moon.

We wonder about life out there in space. Is there life on other planets?

If so will there be any resemblance to life as we know it?

Meanwhile, technology allows us a glimpse of the wonders of the universe, and it takes our breath away.

When we see our spinning planet Earth from space we are filled with wonder at its beauty.

The International Space Station completes a lap of the world in 90 minutes and travels at 17,500 miles per hour.

It is a remarkable triumph of science.

We saw it once on Iona as it glided through a starry sky.

Now we are invited by the crew to spend a day in the capsule with them. We are invited to see just what life is like outside our earthly home.

We witness how they cope with no gravity, how they have to train to overcome the physiological changes that being in space will bring, and how they cope emotionally.

The journey into space is something very few of us will ever undertake, but we can learn so much from those who do.

There are now wonderful images of our solar system; there are amazing photographs of the birth of stars and the death of stars.

The scientists reckon that our own sun will burn out and die too, but not for about five billion years.

So, as we watch the universe from the comfort of our own homes, maybe we too will cry aloud with the psalmist, 'the heavens are telling the glory of God and the firmament proclaims his handiwork'.

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### Still spaces for Sunday's Sport Relief Mile

RUNNERS, joggers and walkers have got their trainers at the ready as they prepare to take on the Campbeltown Sport Relief Mile on Sunday.

Across the country on Sunday thousands of people will be turning out to take part in one mile, three-mile or six-mile runs to raise money for Sport Relief.

The Campbeltown event, organised by jogscotland, opens at 10am, with participants set to head off at 11am.

Those doing the one mile distance will be running around Campbeltown Loch, while the three and six mile routes take in Davaar Island.

There are still spaces left for people to get involved and raise money for charity which will help young people at home and abroad.

In other parts of the world, the money raised will help children into education and provide communities with fresh water and life-saving vaccines.

A mass warm up will take place at the rear of the Aqualibrium before Sunday's event starts.

# The View set to rock MOK Fest



Dundee rock band The View will be headlining this year's Mull of Kintyre Music Festival, taking place from August 20 to 24.

DUNDEE rockers The View will headline this year's Mull of Kintyre Music Festival on August 23.

Award-winning group Breabach will be headlining the traditional concert on the same night at Campbeltown Heritage Centre, while The View will be playing at the all-standing concert in the Victoria Hall.

This year's festival, which runs from August 20 to 24, also features Breton guitarist Soig Siberil at the Mitchells Glengyle Dalriada Connections Concert on August 24. He will also tutor

a special guitar workshop over the weekend. Campbeltown supergroup Slainte Davaar Allstars will close the weekend as headliners of Survivors Night.

It has also been confirmed Kintyre Schools Pipe Band will make a welcome return, in their first appearance since 2009.

Firm festival favourites like Young Folk Night, Festival Parade, Doon the Green, Saturday Sessions, music workshops and cultural walks will all take place, so there is something for everyone.

Plans are in place to introduce a new Gaelic concert which would extend the festival by an extra day. Iain Johnston, event manager from J.I.G Events, said: 'We are really excited about this year's event and we are delighted to have secured such top headline acts.'

'The View are a truly top class band and it will be great to hear hits such as 'Same Jeans' and 'Wasted little DJs' played in the Victoria Hall.

'We are also delighted to get Scots Trad Music Awards Folk Band of the Year 2012, Breabach, to headline the Traditional Concert. Breton guitarist Soig Siberil, who was

a founding member of bands Gwertz, Den and latterly the Celtic Fiddle Festival, makes a rare appearance in Scotland at the Dalriada Connections Concert.

'We hope to have news on the bands for the festival ceilidh as well as the support acts for the Saturday night concerts soon.'

Machrihanish Dunes Sound of Kintyre Pipe Band and Campbeltown Brass will also perform over the weekend, while children's entertainment will be in the form of the Funky Chicken.

For more information visit [mokfest.com](http://mokfest.com), [facebook.com/mokfest](https://www.facebook.com/mokfest) or email [mokfest@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mokfest@hotmail.co.uk).



Folk and roots group Breabach are to headline the Traditional Concert at the Mull of Kintyre Music Festival in Campbeltown Heritage Centre.

### Baton relay to miss Campbeltown

CAMPBELTOWN will not receive a visit from the Commonwealth Games baton as it makes its way around Scotland this summer.

Prior to the start of the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow, the baton will travel throughout the country, visiting hundreds of towns on its journey.

The closest the baton will come to Kintyre is Lochgilphead when it makes its way through Argyll on July 13.

The Queen's Baton Relay will visit Appin, Benderloch, Dunbeg, Oban and Lochgilphead before going to Furnace, Inveraray, Strachur, Sandbank and finally Dunoon.

During the torch relay for the London Olympics in 2012, Kintyre residents had to travel as far as Tarbet to catch a glimpse of the Olympic flame.

When it arrives in Scotland in June, the baton will have been on a 248-day journey through the 69 other nations and territories in the Commonwealth.

The Commonwealth Games start on July 23.



IONA Renton, aged 7, made her debut playing the organ at St Kieran's Scottish Episcopal Church recently. Iona played all the voluntaries (four Gaelic tunes) at the service and accompanied two of the hymns. Iona was first attracted to the sound of the organ after hearing a recital in Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum in Glasgow. She only started taking piano lessons 15 months ago. The congregation gave her generous applause at the end of the service.

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Max. 4 per team - £10 per team  
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Inner Wheel Club of Campbeltown is holding a **COFFEE MORNING** in the Red Cross Hall on Saturday 22nd March 10am - 12 noon in aid of THE HUB Youth Centre  
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# School pupils unite to clean up Dalintober Beach



Primary school pupils and others to pitched in to clean up Dalintober beach last Friday.

## Many hands make light work

MANY hands made light work during the first clean-up of the year at Dalintober Beach in Campbeltown.

Pupils from Dalintober and Castlehill primary schools as well as GRAB Trust members who run a beaches and marine litter project were joined last Friday afternoon by members of the Dalintober Beach Restoration Group, formed last year to restore the beach to its former glory.

The beach restoration group, formed by concerned Campbeltown residents, plans carrying out regular clean ups of the shore.



Hard at work - many hands focused on removing litter from Dalintober Beach.

## Rotary Club of Campbeltown holds annual quiz



From left, winning team members Maggie McArthur and Ken Greig with vice-president Sue Morgan, and fellow winning team members John Biggins and Iain McKinnon.

IT WAS a close contest at the annual quiz run by the Rotary Club of Campbeltown in the Argyll Hotel.

Vice president Sue Morgan welcomed the contestants, then handed over to the question-master for the evening, Agnes Stewart.

Thirteen teams of four took part. Competition was keen, and everyone seemed to enjoy the evening with questions set by John Kerr.

At the end of the contest, a team from the Rotary Club comprising

John Biggins, Ken Greig, Maggie McArthur and Iain MacKinnon, were declared the winners by two points, followed by a five-way tie for second place.

The five runners up were the sailing club, CGS staff, MandJ+2, Inner Wheel Club and Rotary Club.

Sue Morgan presented the shield to Ken Greig from the winning team and after the raffle had been drawn, the company adjourned to the hotel dining room for a well-deserved supper.

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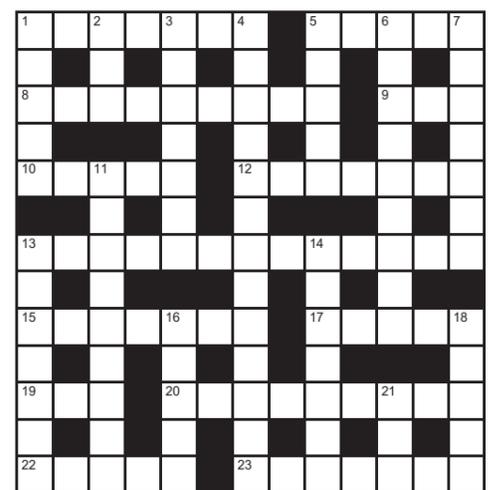
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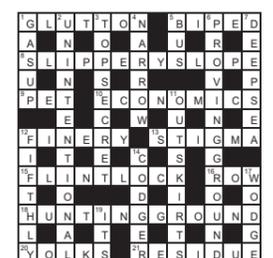
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Last week's solution



## Argyll featured in Scarlett's new film

UNDER the Skin, a British American sci-fi thriller starring Scarlett Johansson and filmed in Argyll went on general release last Friday.

The film is adapted from a 2000 novel of the same name about an alien sent to Earth by a rich corporation to prey on unwary hitchhikers.

A Jonathan Glazer film, it is about seeing the world through alien eyes.

Produced by Film4 and the British Film Institute, in association with Creative Scotland, scenes were filmed in Argyll for 15 days at Lochgoilhead, Loch Eck and the A82 at Tulla Bridge.

It is the latest in a long line of projects to be filmed in Argyll, with major motion pictures like Max Manus, television productions such as Downton Abbey and commercials for Sainsbury's Finance and the Bank of Scotland among recent projects.

# Ex-soldier completes his round-Britain trek

## His aim was to highlight how many former military personnel end up homeless after completing their service

A FORMER soldier who walked around the Kintyre coast during a charity trek has completed his 8,000-mile journey.

Christian Nock, 39, from Blackpool, was welcomed back to the northern seaside town last Saturday after raising more than £170,000 for Help for Heroes.

In August 2012, Christian set off from his home town and trekked anti-clockwise around the British coastline.

His aim was to highlight how many former military personnel end up homeless after completing their service.

He slept rough throughout the 19-month jour-

ney, only accepting offers of hot meals and showers.

Around Christmas he arrived in Kintyre where he received a warm welcome.

At the time, Norma Grogan, who read his blog, told the Courier: 'This was one of my most humbling experiences in meeting such a genuine legend... he has melted the hearts of so many in Kintyre.'

Christian went through 14 pairs of walking boots during his walk and suffered from blisters, sickness bugs and colds while battling freezing and rainy conditions.



Christian Nock, left, with Robert Strang, Karen Willet and Norma Grogan with her daughter Freya and Karen's children Conner and Solana McMurphy at Carradale Fire Station last December.

## Rogue emails warning

A SCAM email has been causing distress by telling people they may have cancer.

Deirdre Henderson, Macmillan Cancer information and support service manager, told the Courier: 'We understand that there is a very upsetting email going around suggesting that the recipient might have cancer.'

'If anyone is upset by this they can drop into our service at Campbeltown Library between 11am and 1pm and 2pm to 3.30pm.'

'They can also call the free Macmillan helpline on 0808 80800.'

The phoney emails claim to be from health watchdog National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) and warn readers that 'test results' indicate there is a 'suspicion' of the disease.

Recipients are advised to delete the email without opening and urged not to click on any of the links it contains.

## Breach of the peace

A MAN was arrested on Longrow, Campbeltown on Monday for breach of the peace.

He appeared at Campbeltown Sheriff Court from custody on Tuesday.

## Weapon arrest

A MAN was arrested in Campbeltown on Monday for possessing an offensive weapon.

He appeared in Campbeltown Sheriff Court from custody on Tuesday.

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## Gigha to feature on BBC Alba

GIGHA is to feature in a BBC programme airing tonight (Friday) on BBC Alba.

Nationwide an Alba: Na h-Eileanan/Islands is part of a three-episode series showing footage from the popular series Nationwide.

It was a long-running news and current affairs programme transmitted on BBC One from 1969 to 1983.

The show covered regional stories throughout the UK and BBC

Alba is offering viewers the chance to see some of its Scottish content.

Tonight's programme will look at the compelling stories of that time from the islands of Scotland.

Included is the story of Seamus McSparran, sub-postmaster on Gigha who holds down 14 jobs. These include running a bed and breakfast and lavatory attendance as well as being the island's special constable for six years.

The programme airs at 9pm on BBC Alba.



Special constable Seamus McSparran, who features in a programme on BBC Alba tonight (Friday).

## Misheard remark sparked rumours of attempted child abduction

A MISHEARD remark between a woman and a Campbeltown Grammar School pupil on Tuesday afternoon led to false allegations of a child abduction attempt flying around on social media.

### Satisfied

However, police who fully investigated the original incident say they are satisfied there is nothing to be concerned about.

Campbeltown Police Inspector

Tom Harper told the Courier: 'A woman driving a car spoke to a 14-year-old boy at the school's bus turning circle around 2pm.'

'He was so concerned about what he thought he heard her say that he told the school.'

'As well as contacting us, the school put out a general alert to parents for them to remind their children not to speak to people they didn't know.'

'We traced the female driver of the car and her passengers and we are fully satisfied that there has been no criminality and it was simply a misunderstanding between all the parties involved.'

### Serious

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# Courier farming

## Farmer fined for failing to bury sheep carcasses

A FARMER who left ewe and lamb carcasses to decompose on his Clachan farmland for several weeks has been fined £2,000.

Appearing at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last Wednesday, Ewan Campbell, 66, of Shaw of Touch Farm, Stirling pled guilty to having possession or control of the carcasses of a number of sheep and lambs and failing to have material collected, transported and identified, with carcasses remaining in situ up to several days and in piles up to three weeks at Stewartfield Farm, Clachan on May 8, 2012.

The court heard how animal welfare inspectors attended the farm following a number of phone calls, and were 'immediately aware of a strong smell of rotting carcasses'.

### Decomposing

While investigating the main yard of the farm, owned by Campbell, they found three piles of ewe and lamb carcasses decomposing under black tarpaulin. Other carcasses were lying out in the open.

The inspectors believed some of the 30 animals had been dead for three weeks, with bones exposed having been scavenged and fox faeces lying near the re-

mains. Legislation for the removal of sheep carcasses states they should be taken away without undue delay to a landfill or incinerator. In Argyll and Bute they can also be buried to a certain depth depending on the water table.

Campbell said he had taken the dead animals down from the hill to a 'secure area', but he could only carry one sheep at a time on his ATV. He planned to bury them himself, but his excavator had been in need of repair, causing the delay.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC said it was a 'serious breach of the regulations'.

## Farmers seek wild geese management plan

NFU Scotland welcomed more than 40 people to a two-day national conference in Islay which focused on producing a long-term

management plan for wild geese throughout the country.

### Damage

Site visits took place to island farms to see

damage caused by the birds.

The group also visited the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) Nature Reserve at Loch Gruinart to see the work to conserve the geese populations and to hear how they are working with local farmers to bring geese to the reserve instead of on to nearby farmland.

### Competition thanks

CAMPBELTOWN Young Farmers have thanked everyone who entered its annual silage competition. Thanks also went to Harbro and to Simon Dodds for all his help. Congratulations were given to the top three: 1 East Drumlembie, 2 Gartvaigh, 3 Kilkivan.



New equipment has been installed at Campbeltown Creamery, turning whey into a product for the food chain. 08\_c46creamery01

## New equipment installed at Campbeltown Creamery

NEW equipment has been installed at Campbeltown Creamery turning waste into a product for the food chain.

In its sustainability report for 2013, First Milk, which owns the creamery, revealed that it can now turn whey - a waste product - into an edible ingredient using the new machinery.

The company also revealed it has achieved its target of send-

ing zero process and packaging waste to landfill.

First Milk is the UK's largest dairy co-operative with 1,600 farmers. It has also arranged joint haulage and milk swap initiatives to reduce transport by 422,000 miles and 75 per cent of its tankers are fitted with recycled rubber tyres. This saves 68 litres of oil per new tyre.

Kate Allum, First Milk chief

executive, said: 'We look constantly to improve the economic, environmental and ethical sustainability of our supply chain - learning from best practice in dairy around the world and in other industries.'

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It's important to arrange your launch date with the boatyard first and then prepare your work list prioritising on the important jobs. Be prepared with the right tools for the work in hand – rags, silicone and normal grease, petroleum jelly, lubricating and penetrating oils, degreaser, rolls of tape, engine spares and treatments for your water and fuel tanks.

If not doing your own preparation engage the professionals as soon as possible, remembering this is their busy time of year and you may have to wait!

**Hull**

It's important to remove as much old anti-fouling from the hull as possible to ensure a good surface for re-application and it may be necessary if there's a big build up to remove it all. Be guided by your chandler on choice of anti-fouling. This will be dictated by use of the boat and the area where the boat is kept. A wide range of anti-fouling is available from specialist racing finishes to cruiser and powerboat coatings. Apply according to instructions with a stronger build-up in high impact areas - leading edges, such as fin and skeg and keel to hull joints. Remember to anti-foul support points before the boat takes to the water.

**Keel and Rudder**

Before anti-fouling inspect the keel for signs of rusting, pitting and wear at the keel to hull joint – check for athwartships play and stress fractures and get a professional to look at any problems. Check keelbolts, inspect the rudder and skeg fitments as well as the propeller and grease the shaft well. Check for any play in bearings, stock or quadrant. There should be minimal movement. Grease steering cables. Note if the anode is doing its work and replace if necessary. At this stage it's good to look at the paddle wheel on the log and smear silicone grease on the blades to spin freely – if not then it needs to be taken apart and greased. Better now than when the boat is in the water.

**Topsides**

Topsides should be cleaned of winter dirt and any damage repaired. Apply a protective wax and polish well - an extensive range of products is available and your local chandler will advise. This will keep your boat looking pristine and protected throughout the season.

**Powerhouse**

Service inboards and outboards. Change oil if this wasn't done at lay up, filters, internal anodes and top up gear box oil if required. Check engine belt tension and engine mounts are secure and inspect the underside of the shaft log and have it re-bedded if there is any sign of leakage. In saildrives the oil level and integrity of the gaiter seal must be checked. Bonding wires from the anode and earthing wires from the starter motor need looked at as well as the seacocks. Clean the terminals and smear them with petroleum jelly. Check bilge pump impellers and gaskets, grease and replace if necessary. With automatic bilge pumps, check float switches work and the strumbox is clear. Manual strum boxes should be pumped through to see hose is clear of blockages. Look for wear on hoses and electrical connections as well as servicing seacocks. Dry the bilge thoroughly, so if water appears after launching you know there's a problem.

Inspect the gas system thoroughly – and any alarms that need to be working and ensure it conforms to current gas regulations. A manufacture or replacement date will be printed on it and replace if it's five years old. Check hose clips and tighten.

Batteries should have been on trickle charge over lay-up but if not re-charge now and check electrolyte levels if not sealed. Ensure the battery tray is dry tighten securing straps and see all gassing vents are clear. Clean terminals and coat with petroleum jelly.

Fuel tanks should be full from laying up. If not, drain water off and treat with a diesel biocide.

**Deck**

Before re-stepping mast, check sheaves for wear, any cracking at rigging terminals, swages for broken strands and tape split pins and bottlescrews once after rigged. Check masthead lights, instrumentation and VHF radio are working. Inspect stanchion bases for play and remove plastic lifeline sheathing to check for corrosion. Inspect anchors, chain and connections for corrosion, replacing anything suspect. Clean a manual windlass, check for wear and grease. Remove the gypsy in powered versions, grease the drum, look at the foot switch for wear, clean and grease electrical connections. Overhaul winches - strip down to check for wear, soak components in degreaser and regrease. Springs and pawls need a light oil. Check over furling gear to make sure of smooth operation. Varnish any wood on deck, touch up paintwork and polish bright work. Overhaul warps and sheets and replace as required.

**Interior/ Safety equipment**

Clean the interior thoroughly. Pump fresh water through the water tank, fill and add purifier. Run washing-up liquid into the heads and pump out several times. Re-install VHF, navigation and other equipment etc removed for winter storage. Thoroughly check safety equipment - fire extinguishers, flares, life-rafts, life-jackets, rubber dinghies and repair or replace. Inflate lifejackets using the mouth piece looking for wear and damage and leave inflated overnight to check for leaks. If automatic, check the firing head is still primed, unscrew the canister and look for wear, smear silicone grease on the firing cap and replace. Invert MOB lights to check they still work and change bulb and batteries if not squirting WD40 on the copper contact strip inside. Silicone grease should be used on rubber seals

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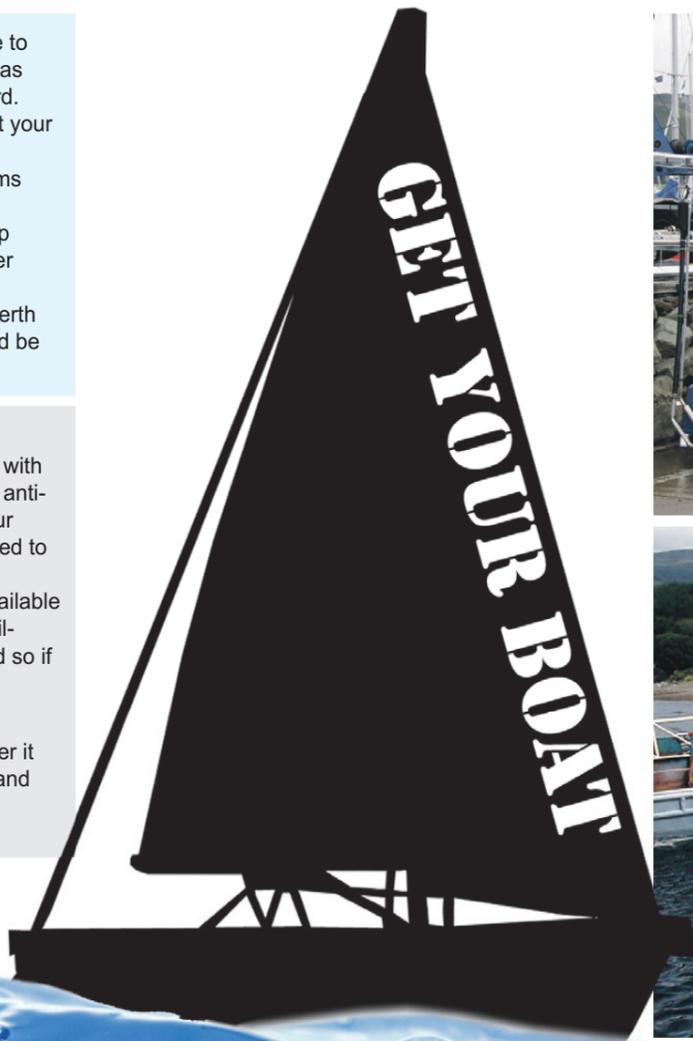
If sails were not checked for wear at laying up do so now and get advice from your sailmaker as required – stitching may need replaced, repair patching carried out. Similarly clean berth cushions before replacing - the interior should be fresh and inviting for the start your season.

**Expert advice**

If you launch the boat yourself get organised with tools and a selection of split pins, tape, extra anti-fouling and a brush. Otherwise liaise with your boatyard over launching and whether you need to be there.

Don't forget professional advice is always available from your boatyard manager, chandler, or sailmaker - these people are experts in their field so if in doubt about anything - ask.

After all the hard work, thoughts can turn to planning your activities on the water – whether it be cruising, fishing or racing to enjoy a safe and successful 2014 season.



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# ACHA to build more than 100 affordable homes

'These houses will provide much-needed attractive homes for local people'

EIGHT homes in Tarbert and 20 in Islay make up more than 100 new homes for affordable rent which Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA) will build this year.

Other developments are in Oban (40 units), Inveraray (12), Helensburgh (12), Connel (eight) and Bonawe (two).

#### Capital value

The total capital value of the projects is £13,654,367, made up of contributions from the Scottish Government of £5,583,789, ACHA £5,554,371 and Argyll and Bute Council £2,516,207.

The work on site will provide 162 construction jobs.

Alastair MacGregor, ACHA's chief executive, said: 'In these difficult times, these seven new housing developments will not only provide 102 desperately-needed homes but will provide much-needed jobs in the housing construction sector until next summer.'

Michael Russell, MSP for Argyll and Bute, said: 'ACHA goes from strength to strength and I strongly support the ambition it shows to provide more housing in every part of Argyll.'

'These houses will provide much-needed attractive homes for local people and as they are being built they will provide jobs for local people too. That is a win-

win which we should all applaud.'

#### Ensure

Councillor Robin Currie, Argyll and Bute Council's policy lead for strategic housing, said: 'We need to ensure that people have access to sufficient, affordable, suitable housing in Argyll and Bute.'

'The council has ensured that ACHA are financially supported to deliver this widespread affordable new build programme.'

The waiting list demand for affordable housing is around 3,500, with particular pressure points in Oban, Islay, Mid Argyll and Helensburgh.



Some of the new ACHA houses being built in Oban.

## Campbeltown Sheriff Court

### Man admits assaulting ex-partner

AN ELECTRICIAN changed his plea during a trial and admitted assaulting his former partner.

At Campbeltown Sheriff Court last Wednesday, William Smith, 28, of Davaar Avenue, Campbeltown, initially pled not guilty to seizing his former partner by her body, striking her on her body with his knee and repeatedly pushing her on her body on December 8 last year at his home address.

#### Shouting

He also denied shouting and swearing, demanding his former partner clean food up he had poured on the walls, as well as repeatedly shouting and swearing and banging on a car when

she, her sister and a child were inside, causing fear and alarm and damage to the vehicle all on the same date.

Part way through Smith's ex-partner's evidence, Smith changed his plea to guilty to the charges.

#### Bad mood

The court heard that Smith had been in a bad mood during the day before going to the pub in the evening.

When he returned, he insulted his partner about her appearance and taunted her about their personal lives.

She then slapped him twice, before 'it all exploded'.

After Smith attacked the wom-

an, her sister arrived and she tried to leave in her car.

Smith followed them, shouting and swearing, before banging on the vehicle and bending the door backwards, causing £466 worth of damage.

Defence agent Christian Kane said that other than this incident there had been no other police intervention during their relationship.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC said it was clear from the woman's evidence there had been a long history of 'this kind of intimidating behaviour'.

Sentence was deferred for background reports until April 10.

### Woman hit man with piece of wood

A WOMAN has admitted hitting a man on his head and body with a piece of wood.

Tatjana Belova, 29, of Longrow, Campbeltown, pled guilty to the assault, which took place on October 23 last year, when she appeared at the town's sheriff court last Tuesday.

The court heard how Belova had been sitting in a flat on Kirk Street drinking with two men when an argument broke out between her and one of the men.

After what procurator fiscal Eoin McGinty described as 'a degree of provocation', Belova left the living room and returned with a piece of wood.

She hit the man with it several times, leaving him with facial injuries.

Defence agent David

Watt said the man started the incident.

Sentencing was deferred until next month.

### Man to pay compensation for spitting

A MAN has been ordered to pay £150 compensation to a van driver he spat on.

Appearing at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last Wednesday, John Irwin, 41, of Albyn Avenue, Campbeltown denied spitting at the man on June 24 this year at Millknowe.

The court heard how Irwin had been crossing the road while walking with his bike when a white van turned left onto the road. As Irwin walked past the open driver's window he spat into it, his spittle hitting the driver on the arm, causing the van to swerve slightly.

Irwin, who works at Kintyre Recycling and

was representing himself, said the van driver had shouted abuse at him.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC described Irwin's behaviour as 'disgusting' and 'totally uncalled for'.

He was also ordered to pay a £100 fine.

### Woman ordered to pay compensation to attack victim

A YOUNG woman has been ordered to pay £250 to her victim after pulling her hair and kicking her on the head during a night out.

Kirsten Parker, 17, of Glenside, Campbeltown appeared at the town's sheriff court on Tuesday where she admitted assaulting the woman at Whisky Mac's on September 8 last year.

The court heard how the victim had been out celebrating her 40th

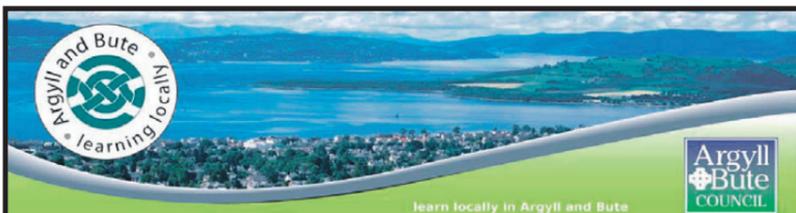
birthday in the bar with a group of friends when a scuffle broke out on the dance floor between two groups of women.

The woman, who had been standing at the bar, was approached by Parker who 'grabbed her by the hair and pulled her down to waist level. She then kicked her on her head causing her to fall on the floor.'

Procurator fiscal Eoin McGinty told the court the woman complained only of tenderness to her head when she was subsequently taken to hospital.

However, she has since been seeing a physiotherapist because of pain in her neck and shoulder. Defence agent Christian Kane said Parker had seen her sister being struck during the scuffle on the dance floor and decided to attack the woman.

Parker was also ordered to pay a £100 fine.



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# NHS bosses challenged to face dialysis patients' ordeal

A CHALLENGE was thrown out to NHS bosses this week over the lack of a local treatment facility for Campbeltown's dialysis patients.

Despite their debilitating condition, the patients face thrice weekly journeys to Vale of Leven Hospital, Alexandria, for dialysis, which replicates many of the kidney's functions.

Most days this means leaving their homes at 8.30am and not returning until 8.30pm or 9pm.

'If conditions are poor, or roads are closed, as with the recent landslips, this journey is even longer,' said Ewen MacLean, advocacy officer for Scotland with the National Kidney Foundation.

'This is intolerable, inhumane and life-limiting and I urge the NHS Highland decision-makers to act immediately to provide localised dialysis services.'

Mr MacLean said he challenges 'any senior NHS Highland staff member, to make the journey with the patients, sit in a dialysis chair for up to five hours and then make the long journey home'.

He added: 'On dialysis days these patients are not even provided with a hot meal.'

'What makes me so cross is that there is a simple solution.'

'There is space in Campbeltown Hospital and with new dialysis technology, there could be a room set up within days which would end this horrific journey for local patients, saving more than £100,000 per year in transport costs, not to mention the costs in human suffering.'

### Not good enough

'The NHS plan is to look at this situation again in two years. That is not good enough and could cost lives.'

'Action is needed now and I urge local people to get behind the campaign to see dialysis treatment provided in Campbeltown.'

A NHS Highland spokesman said: 'We completely accept that the journey to Glasgow which dialysis patients make three times a week is very onerous and tiring for the individuals concerned and we have met with Mr MacLean to discuss this issue and we are more than happy to do so again.'

'We are investigating the alternatives available for dialysis patients but there are a range of competing priorities for service developments and as financial resources are very limited then we need to look at each development very carefully.'

'The new type of dialysis Mr MacLean mentioned would not be suitable for all patients and is still under clinical trial.'

'Until it has been clinically endorsed as a safe method of dialysis which can be delivered in a rural area then we would be unable to look at implementing it.'

Kintyre councillor Donald Kelly and MSP Jamie McGrigor have been pressing NHS Highland to provide a dialysis unit in Argyll and Bute.

Last week, Mr McGrigor was told by Alex Neil, the cabinet secretary for health, that NHS Highland looked into the viability of providing a low level dialysis in Oban and was 'committed to revisiting the findings in that report in 2015-16'.

However, Oban would still involve a 90-mile journey each way from



## Dalintober primary launches healthy eating initiative

**PUPILS at Dalintober Primary School have launched a new initiative to encourage healthy eating. The Tasty Tuck Team, members of the school's pupil council, recently sold some healthy snacks, including fruit, pitta breads and crackers. It is hoped that with the success of their sale, more children will bring in healthy snacks for playtimes and the healthy eating message will continue to be promoted. The Tasty Tuck Team thanks Trudy Kennedy, of Tesco Campbeltown, for the kind donation made by the store.**

Campbeltown.

This week, Councillor Kelly said: 'Given Mr Neil's response, I will now be campaigning for a dedicated unit in Campbeltown.'

'NHS Highland has in this financial year, due to an underspend, transferred £1.3 million from the Argyll and Bute budget to support Raigmore Hospital in Inverness.'

'I feel that from a financial perspective, a dialysis unit in Campbeltown can be fully justified.'

## Taxi fare increase approved

TAXI drivers in Argyll have welcomed a fare increase - the first in six years.

Argyll and Bute Council rubber-stamped the maximum fare rise from £2.70 to £3 during the day and from £3.20 to £3.60 after 10pm. The increase was agreed by the council's licensing committee following concerns expressed by taxi drivers over high fuel and insurance costs and increasing competition.

However, some drivers fears Argyll residents will not be able to afford it.

Companies will not be forced

to set the maximum fare that will come into affect on June 6.

The decision comes after a consultation was carried out by Argyll and Bute Council's taxi firms. All agreed the increase was needed, but four Oban firms expressed fears the market could not handle it.

### Remain the same

At a licensing board meeting, Councillor Robin Currie asked for the fares to remain the same, stating: 'If the taxi firms did not charge so much more people would use the taxis.'

'A taxi journey could cost you

£15 to £16 compared to £2 for a bus.' He added: 'Compared with Highland Council, Argyll and Bute is already expensive.'

However, Councillor Roddy McCuish said: 'Taxi firms do not have to set this increase. What we are saying here is this is the maximum increase.'

\* What do you think? How much cheaper would fares have to be for you to use taxis more? Write to editor, Campbeltown Courier, Main and Longrow South, Campbeltown, PA28 6AE, or email editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk with your views.

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**Man who assaulted police given community service**

A FORMER Gigha man who assaulted two police officers has been ordered to carry out 100 hours' community service.

Gary McBrearty, 41, now of 71 Carlisle Road, Blackwood, Lanarkshire was also given a community payback order for 18 months with a supervision order.

McBrearty appeared at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week for sentence having previously pled guilty to behaving in a threatening manner, shouting and swearing and throwing household objects in his former home in Burnside, Isle of Gigha on October 19 last year.

He also admitted shouting and swearing and gesticulating in a threatening manner in Gigha Hotel

the same day; assaulting a policeman by kicking him on the head and repeatedly kicking a policewoman on her body and attempting to head butt her in his Burnside home the same day.

He also uttered threats of personal violence against the families of the police officers.

The court heard that McBrearty, an engineer, had mental health problems as a result of his alcohol abuse.

McBrearty told the court he had been under a lot of stress at the time of the incidents but acknowledged his behaviour had been 'intolerable'.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC told him: 'Your behaviour was appalling. What you said to police was disgusting.'

She added that a supervision order would be aimed at helping him with alcoholism, monitoring his health and giving him coping strategies.

CLACHAN



The pupils learn how to cook their Viking meal over an open fire at Kilmartin Museum.

**Clachan pupils cook up Norse feast**

VIKING stew was on the menu for Clachan Primary School pupils as they rustled up a historical feast during a visit to Kilmartin Museum.

The children visited the museum last week as part of their

study on the Vikings.

They prepared a meal fit for a Norseman using fresh ingredients and cooked it over an open fire.

After building up a big appetite the pupils ate everything - lamb

stew, vegetables, herbs and flatbreads with fruit.

Headteacher Catherine Black said: 'Many thanks to the staff of Kilmartin Museum for an interesting and informative learning experience.'

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ISLAY

**Drink driver banned for 18 months**

A MAN who drove while over the legal alcohol limit on Islay has been banned from driving for 18 months and fined £500.

Stonemason Noel Malone, 46, of 6 Pansport Place, Elgin pleaded guilty at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week to committing the offence on the island's B8016 road on June 21 of last year.

The court heard Malone had come to the police's attention following a road collision.

However, he did not report the accident and was subsequently stopped by police between Tarbert and Lochgilphead having come off the Islay ferry.

He was tested then and found to be over the legal drink-drive limit.

Defence agent Christian Kane said: 'He had worked on Islay and consumed too much to drink.'

**Islay to hold bake-off**

ISLAY residents are being invited to dig out their mixing bowls and dust off their spatulas for the Great Islay Bake-Off on Saturday, March 29.

Organised by the Keills Primary School Parent Council, the bake-off aims to raise funds for the school.

Everyone from across the island is invited to show off their baking, pie making and bread kneading skills.

There will be various categories for both adults and under 14s, which are: best cake (any type), best decorated (cakes, biscuits and other products), best savoury cake, best scones, best biscuits, best bread.

The event starts with contestants bringing their baked goods to Ballygrant Hall by 1.45pm on the day, before the hall is open for everyone to taste and vote from 2pm. Winners will be announced at around 3.30pm.

Tea and coffee will also be supplied.

TAYINLOAN

**Tayinloan man starts repaying benefits money**

A FISHERMAN who claimed £2,620 in jobseekers' allowance, housing benefit and council tax benefit he was not entitled to has started to repay the money.

Last November, sentence was deferred on Robert Coffield, 40, of 1 Cara View, Tayinloan after admitting at Campbeltown Sheriff Court to committing the offences between May and September 2012.

The court heard last week that Coffield was back working as a fisherman and doing maintenance work for others and had repaid £700 so far.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC further deferred sentence on Coffield until September 25 of this year to continue to repay the money which had been wrongly claimed.

**Former rector tells Tayinloan audience why he is saying Yes**

A YES campaign meeting open to the public in Tayinloan last Friday evening heard former Campbeltown Grammar rector Bill Crossan, pictured right with MSP Michael Russell, give an enthralling account of his journey to 'Yes'.

He reminded the audience that this was his first political platform



since being elected to the town council more than 40 years ago.

Topics ranged from the EU, bias in the national media, currency, the monarchy and the future of young people.



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Ref No	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
14/00501/PP	Erection of 70 metres high anemometer mast for a period of 5 years	Land North East of Lergchoniebeg Kilmelford Argyll and Bute	Sub Post Office Ardfern
14/00537/PP	Erection of 70 metres high meteorological mast for a period of three years	Land North West of Garvachy Farm Minard Inveraray Argyll and Bute PA32 8YF	Ardrishaig Area Office
14/00555/PP	Erection of dwellinghouse, installation of septic tank and formation of vehicular access	Land East Of Brookfield Tayinloan Argyll and Bute	Sub Post Office Tayinloan
14/00596/PP	Renewal of planning permission reference 08/01091/DET (Erection of 13 dwelling houses (6 terraced, 4 semi-detached and 3 detached and 2 detached garages), formation of access and landscaping)	Phase II Land South of Victoria Park Minard Argyll and Bute	Ardrishaig Area Office
14/00668/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse	Plot C Land West of Corranmor Farm Ardfern Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute	Sub Post Office Ardfern
14/00669/PPP	Site for the erection of a dwellinghouse - Renewal of planning permission in principle 11/00138/PPP	Plot A Land West of Corranmor Farm Ardfern Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8QN	Sub Post Office Ardfern

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The high-value additions to the five-seat pick-up continue inside. Automatic climate control and premium black leather seats – which have been factory upgraded for 2014 and are heated in the front – will cosset Blade occupants. Customers of the new Blade will also benefit from DAB digital radio via a state-of-the-art Pioneer AVIC-F950 6.1-inch touchscreen navigation system, complete with integrated rear safety camera. The Pioneer system offers an enhanced audio experience and convenience over the already class leading 'surround' system found in Yukon and Utah models.

The Isuzu D-Max Blade is matched to the powerful-yet-efficient 2.5-litre twin-turbo diesel engine, producing 163 PS and 400 Nm of torque, while still returning a segment best fuel economy of 38.2 mpg (combined). The running gear has also been carried over by Isuzu, meaning customers benefit from a towing capacity of 3.5-tonnes and 1-tonne payload.

William Brown, General Manager at Isuzu UK, said: 'The new Isuzu D-Max Blade is a high-value, high-quality proposition that we hope will widen the appeal of the D-Max further and take us into new market segments. It's been designed to appeal to urban tradespeople as well as

recreational lifestyle users looking for a pick-up that stands out from the crowd. The Blade meets the growing demand for a stylish pick-up that doubles up as an everyday workhorse for those who need it.'

Isuzu UK enjoyed its best-ever sales in the UK in 2013 and continues to be the biggest market in Europe for the Japanese Brand by a considerable margin. Isuzu has ambitious growth plans in the UK, and the new Blade forms an important part of its push into new business areas. In addition to product developments, Isuzu is aiming to strengthen its 100 dealer strong network throughout 2014 with new dealer appointments in key areas.

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Penny Jones, aged 4, sits at the farm shop with the new egg boxes. 20\_c11eggs03

## Egging on more people to come to Kintyre

A KINTYRE business has introduced new 'exciting' labels to promoting the peninsula as a place to visit.

Hannah Jones and her husband, Will, of Kintyre Eggs started off with 500 hens at High Bellochantuy Farm four years ago.

Initially they feared they had too many birds, but after a month they discovered they had too few - with demand growing from further afield.

Hannah Jones said: 'We felt we should market our eggs better and when the guy doing our labelling in Yorkshire asked what Kintyre was like we thought it would

be good to promote the area.'

The new boxes include the Explore Campbeltown logo on the inside and a message about the area.

It says: 'Scotland's mainland island, enchanting Kintyre, has a beautiful secret. Down a long and winding road, on a cliff top farm, stay the hens who lay the golden eggs.'

The boxes are light blue, which Hannah thinks is 'like the sea and the sky in Kintyre'.

There is a box for each size of egg produced, and each of these has a picture of one of Hannah's children: Dougal, 7, Fred, 6, Penny, 4,

and Charlie, 3. Kintyre Eggs has started using the new boxes and has already been praised by the Egg Marketing Inspectorate in Edinburgh, which checks all egg labelling.

Hannah said: 'The woman from the inspectorate was excited about the boxes. She said it's the kind of thing tourists would want to take home with them as a souvenir.'

Kintyre Eggs has expanded recently, with customers from as far afield as Glasgow and Mull buying the eggs.

The farm now has 1,600 free range family hens laying up to 1,400 eggs a day.

Last year they produced and sold 34,000 dozen eggs, of which 12,000 were sold outside Kintyre.

Hannah said: 'Local support has been huge.' The hens are so free range that warm, freshly-laid eggs have been found in the family's car and behind the television.

They hope to have 3,000 hens by 2015, adding two henhouses to the existing three.

Much of the electricity for the egg production comes from a turbine on the farm.

Neil Clapperton from Explore Campbeltown said Kintyre Eggs' packaging could 'really

boost the area's tourism prospects'.

He added: 'Think of the impact if all our members did that when creating new labelling.'

Gary Davies, of Design Farm Studio, North Yorkshire, designed the egg boxes.

He said: 'It's great how the Explore Campbeltown initiative is working to bring welcome promotion to the fantastic and varied community around Kintyre.'

**Right: Dougal Jones appears on the box for the very large eggs.**

## Plan right and be fully prepared

ONE of the fundamental tasks for any new business is creating a robust plan.

Business Gateway Argyll and Bute adviser Donald Melville said 'A new business will benefit from sensible planning.'

'There is a lot more to a good business than just a good idea. You might need to think things through to maximise the chance of success. Are you the right person with the right experience to run the business? Will customers like and buy your product or service?'

'The plan then brings the project together, turning your idea into a business, while showing you how you are going to achieve your objectives and overcome obstacles.'

'The document also proves that your business start-up idea has been thought through, researched and is available to support any applications you may have for support or funding.'

'The business plan will help you record goals and help define strategy to link to the market, projected market share and ultimately, your potential income. It will identify financial and practical support required to help you through the start-up process.'

'Remember to keep your plan simple and to the point, using clear language.'

'The level of detail for each section of the plan will depend on how complex the business idea is, however keep it grounded in reality and professional in presentation.'

'The creation of a professional business plan will enable you to start up with greater confidence and create belief in your idea which will give you a greater prospect of success.'

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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).

**DEATHS**

**LIVINGSTONE** - Peacefully, at Lorn and Islands Hospital, Oban, on March 18, 2014, Alastair Livingstone, of 2 Croft View, North Connel and formerly of Ederline Farm, Ford, beloved husband of the late Mary, loving father of Douglas and father-in-law of Kate. Funeral service will be held in Ardchattan Church, North Connel, on Monday, March 24, 2014 at 1.00pm, thereafter to Achnaba Cemetery. All friends are respectfully invited to attend.

**MCGAVIN** - Peacefully, at the Lorne and Islands Hospital, Oban, on March 13, 2014, Jean, formerly of Crinan, in her 84th year, beloved wife of the late John, loving mother, grandmother and sister.

**MCMILLAN** - Peacefully at home, Dolsach, Low Askomil, Campbeltown, on March 15, 2014, Major Duncan McPhee McMillan, MM TD 8th Bn, A&SH, in his 95th year, dearly beloved husband of May Walker Watterson, much loved father of James, William and Fiona and a loving and much loved grandfather. Service in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, on Friday, March 21, 2014 at 1.00 p.m., funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in the church in aid of the Erskine Hospital.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**CRAWFORD** - Catherine, Joanne, Cara and family would like to thank all family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues for the many flowers, cards, phone calls, words of comfort and kind expressions of sympathy received following the sad loss of John. Grateful thanks to doctors and nursing staff at the Mid Argyll and Golden Jubilee hospitals, and also to the paramedics for their efforts. Our thanks to Rev Roddy MacLeod for a comforting and uplifting service; to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for considerate and professional services and to the Stag hotel for excellent purvey. Finally, thank you to all who attended at church and graveside to pay their respects. The retiral collection has raised over £620 to date, for Macmillan Nurses and Mid Argyll Hospital.

**FLOYD** - The family of the late Morag Floyd would like to thank all relatives, friends, and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy received following their recent sad loss. Heartfelt thanks to doctors and nursing staff of Mid Argyll Hospital, and to Marie Curie and district nursing teams for their kind care and attention to Morag

during her illness. Thanks also to Rev Tommy Bryson for comforting services at Ardrishaig and Cardoss, and to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for efficient and caring services. Finally, our thanks to all who attended at church and crematorium to pay their respects. The retiral collection raised £200 for Marie Curie Cancer Care.

**KIRK** - Jim and the family of the late Betty Kirk would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy, flowers, phone calls and visits received following their recent sad loss. Special thanks to the Renal Unit, Western Infirmary for their care and attention, to both Betty and the family, also to the social work and home help teams for their care, and to Betty's friends from the rotary and church for their kindness and support too. Thank you to Rev Hilda Smith for comforting services at both Clydebank and Lochgilphead; to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for caring and efficient services and to the Stag Hotel and West Park Hotel for fine purvey. Finally, to all who attended at crematorium and church to pay their respects, your attendance was greatly appreciated by us all. The collection for Diabetes UK has raised £350.

**MACKELLAR** - The MacKellar family would like to thank everyone most sincerely for the many kind expressions of sympathy received in their recent sad loss. Special thanks to the Tarbert ambulancemen for their care and kindness, to Rev Thomas Bryson for his tribute and comforting service, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, Tarbert Hotel for catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. The collection for Tarbert Parish Church raised in the region of £500.

**STALKER** - Alison, Malcolm, Gary and families would like to thank most sincerely all relatives, friends, colleagues and neighbours for their support and expressions of sympathy following the sad loss of their mum, Jean. Thanks to all the doctors and nursing staff for their exceptional care and understanding over the years. A special thanks to the staff at Auchinlee Care Home for their care and support, without whose help over the last few weeks we could not have coped, Mairi Brown, thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Grateful thanks to Agnes Stewart for her comforting and thoughtful service, Ardshiel Hotel for their hospitality and to Kenneth and Alasdair Blair for excellent funeral arrangements. Final thanks to the many family and friends who attended the church and graveside services. A retiral collection of £808.60 was raised, which will go to Auchinlee Care Home.

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Ae Fond Kiss.  
- Leslie.

**MCGEACHY** - In loving memory of Margaret McGeachy, who died March 18, 2010.

In our hearts your memory lingers

Sweetly tender, fond and true

There is not a day, dear Mum

That we don't think of you.

- Debbie, Gary, Hollie and Connor, and Leslie, Lesley, Lewis and Logan.

**SMITH** - In loving memory of Duncan, died March 17, 2012, beloved brother and uncle.

Sadly missed.  
- Jean and family.

**CHURCH NOTICES**



**CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Sunday 23rd March 11.00 am  
Visiting speaker  
Deans Buchanan  
Sunday school  
Refreshments after the service

Baby & Toddler Group  
Every Thursday 10.00 - 11.45 am

We meet at the Guide Hall, Kinloch Road  
www.campbeltowncommunitychurch.co.uk

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**Saturday 22nd March**  
Whole Life Discipleship Day 11.30am - 3.30pm  
Led by Lt. Col. Bob McIntyre (Please bring lunch to share)

**Sunday Services**  
10.30am Morning Worship  
Army Kidz  
6.30pm Evening Worship  
Both meetings led by Lt. Col. Bob McIntyre

**Tuesday**  
12.15pm Lunch Club  
1.30pm Home League

**Wednesday**  
7.00pm The Make & Munch Mob  
**Thursday**  
7.30pm Bible Study & Prayer  
Lt. Mark Scouling



**George Street, Campbeltown**  
Sunday 23rd March 11.00am Sunday School  
12.45pm Worship Service  
Rev Prof John Angus MacLeod

**Thursday 27th March**  
12 noon Prayer and Bible Study  
All Welcome  
Scottish Charity Number: SC009980



**75 Longrow, Campbeltown**  
Sunday 23rd March 2014  
11.15am Family Communion with crèche  
Pastor Ross Ferguson  
Coffee from 10.45am

**Wednesday 26th March 2014**  
10.00am Jellytots Toddler Group  
7.30pm Prayer and Bible Study  
For details and other enquiries contact Pastor Ross Ferguson 01586 551200  
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Sunday 23rd March 11.15am Mr W Crossan  
Sunday School in church

**Tuesday 25th March**  
Badminton  
**Saturday 29th March**  
2.00pm Spring Tea  
**Sunday 30th March**  
12.15pm Church Business Meeting  
Everyone very welcome

**LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH**  
Scottish Charity Number SC011686  
**Saturday 22nd March**  
Elder's Lunch  
New Hall 12.30pm  
**Sunday 23rd March**  
Morning Worship 11.15am  
Creche, Triple C, Next Generation  
Rev. P Wallace  
Followed by Church AGM  
**Tuesday 25th March**  
Parents and Toddlers 9.45am  
BB Anchor Boys 6.00 - 7.00pm  
BB Junior Section 7.15 - 8.30pm  
**Thursday 27th March**  
Choir practice 7.30pm  
**Friday 28th March**  
Lunch Club 12.00 noon



**Argyll Street, Campbeltown**  
St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown  
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**Sunday 23rd March**  
Third Sunday of Lent  
10.45am Holy Communion  
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Charity No. SC016097  
Morning Service in Cumlodden Church at 10 am  
Glenaray and Inveraray  
Charity No. SC016665  
Morning Service in Inveraray Church at 11.30 am  
Table Quiz  
Minard Hall Saturday 22nd March 7.30 pm

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH**  
All Welcome  
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson  
Sunday 23rd March 2014 11.00am Service  
At Lochgilphead Community Centre, Manse Brae  
Mainly Music  
Tuesday 25th March At 10.00am  
Lochgilphead Parish Church Hall  
Scottish Charity SC015187

**ST MARGARET'S R.C. CHURCH LOCHGILPHEAD**  
Holy Mass Sunday 10am  
ALL SAINTS, INVERARAY  
Holy Mass Sunday 12.30pm  
Fr. David Connor  
01546 602380  
All Welcome  
(SC0002876)

**TARBERT LOCHFYNESIDE AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND**  
Sunday 23rd March 2014  
Tarbert Service 11.45am  
to be held in Tarbert Free Church  
Kilberry Service 2pm  
Rev. Tommy Bryson  
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SUNDAY 23RD MARCH 2014  
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## Kintyre junior golf league comes to a close

JUNIOR golfers will be playing under the cover of darkness next Saturday, March 22, as the winter league comes to a close.

Everyone from beginners, league players and parents are invited to a fun night at Dunaverty Golf Club from 6pm. There will be a quiz for everyone and a light snack before 'scramble' teams are organised for the night golf.

Teams comprising a mixture of beginners, experienced juniors and parents will then go out into the darkness and play five holes.

Flashing golf balls will be used, played towards flags marked with glow sticks.

After the golf there will be a prize giving for golf Olympics, winter league, quiz and night golf.

## Two winners in Dunaverty lottery

THERE were not one, but two winners in this week's Dunaverty Golf Club three number lottery on March 16.

Southend ladies Jane McCorkindale and Moira Paterson both successfully chose the winning numbers six, 11 and 13.

As the jackpot for the draw was sitting at £800, both ladies will receive a cheque for £400.

The next draw will take place on Sunday March 30 with a jackpot of £100.

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

## Clarification

IN last week's Courier report on football's late Douglas Smith it was said he regularly brought youngsters to a summer camp at Ardnacraig Farm, Peninver; in fact it was Ardnacross Farm.

## Islay Golf Club

ISLAY Golf Club Foreland Trophy, March 16: 1 R. MacIntyre 79-5=74, 2 R. Quail 88-11=77, 3 C. Stroud 89-12=77. CSS 69.

# High drama in Thomson Cup has a happy ending

**Cardross** 7  
**Carradale** 7  
**Thomson Trophy - 1st Round**

(Carradale won 5-4 on penalties)

## Carradale finally come out on top in incredible cup encounter

THIS is a game Carradale players and management will never forget.

And it will always be with a warm feeling and a satisfied smile.

So much drama was packed into two hours of football that the game could have merited its own Oscar presentations afterwards.

Best goal, best move, best save, most nail-biting moment, most unexpected, you name it, and not least of all - the happiest ending after two hours of suspense.

'I have never experienced a game quite like it in all my life,' said Carradale manager Non-

nie MacAlister.

'Playing a Premier League, being reduced to 10 men, only one substitute, missing a penalty and still going through on penalties after equalising with the last move of the game. And that was only part of the story.

'Even the other team said we deserved it.'

On a heavy, grass pitch which cut up as the game progressed, Carradale elected to play with the wind and the slope.

The McFadyen Transport sponsored side got the early advantage they sought with first a deflected goal after 19 minutes and then Ryan

McConnachie seizing on a long ball from his keeper Reid Anderson by nipping between an opposition defender and the Cardross keeper before sliding the ball into the goal.

However, Cardross replied to make it 2-1 at half time and promptly took advantage of defensive errors on the muddy pitch to score three more goals before an hour was played to go 4-2 up.

A spirited Carradale immediately bounced back with two goals in five minutes.

Willie Dott made it 4-3 after McConnachie set him up with a cross from the right.

David Johnstone then set the stage for a bit of special effects from Cammy Maguire, sending through a lovely ball for the striker to lob the centre half before rounding him and scoring with a shot from 17 yards.

But the plot quickly took another twist when Maguire was sent off a few minutes later for a second yellow card.

Was the hero suddenly the bad guy? No, Carradale intends appealing what they feel was an unfair decision.

Down to 10 men at 4-4, Carradale resisted enormous pressure for the last 20 minutes and were guaranteed extra time thanks to an unbelievable fingertip save by Anderson.

Seven minutes into extra time, Ewan McIlroy blasted Carradale into a 5-4 lead with a shot from 15 yards, and when Cardross got two quick goals to go 6-5 up Carradale responded immediately.

Straight from the kick off, McConnachie and Johnstone cut through the Cardross defence with neat one-twoes be-



**Man of the match David Johnstone who scored the winning penalty after extra time.**

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fore McConnachie beat two men and crossed for Johnstone to head into the net. A beautifully constructed goal.

At the start of the second period of extra time, the same players again scythed through the defence before McConnachie was brought down and was awarded a penalty which the keeper saved.

Five minutes from the end, Cardross thought they had scored the winner on making it 7-6 but there was a final twist. In the very last move, a

long throw-in from substitute Willie Livingstone found Mark Gillies who headed the ball home for the equaliser.

With Carradale scoring their first four penalties and Reid saving one of Cardross' efforts, man of the match David Johnstone stepped up to tuck away the winner and not surprisingly spark jubilant celebrations among his teammates and supporters.

Tomorrow (Saturday), Carradale are away in the league to Govan side Point Media.



**Goalkeeper Reid Anderson pulled off a magnificent save to keep Carradale in the match.**

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## Scottish Amateur Football League results and fixtures

LAST Saturday's results: West of Scotland Cup, 4th round - Giffnock North 2, Oban Saints 2. Giffnock win 3-2 on penalties after extra time. Premier Division One - Campbeltown Pupils 2, Eaglesham 1; Hillington 2, v Dunoon 2; Premier Division Two - Lochgilphead Red Star 4, Jamestown 3; Division 1A - Inverkip Thistle 1, Tarbert 2.

Saturday's fixtures: Premier Division - Oban Saints v Castlemilk; Premier Division One - Paisley v Campbeltown Pupils; Premier Division 2 - Port Glasgow United v Dunoon Athletic; Division 1A - Tarbert v Bothwell and Uddingston Albion.

Sunday - Jimmy Marshall Trophy 2nd Round - Lochgilphead Red Star v Oban Saints.

## Easy does it and a relaxed chat

IN WEEK three of the beginners' training plan for the MOKrun 10k in May it is time just to go just a little bit further - but the effort remains easy.

This week's tip: running distances always passes quicker and easier if you have someone to blather to along the way, someone of a similar fitness who can fit in with your routine.

Blether? Yes. If you are unable to chat freely as you run then you are not truly running 'easy' which is simply the aim at the moment.

The most common mistake for most novice runners is that they think they have to be straining and huffing and puffing for it to be doing them any good. Not true, in fact that approach does more harm than good in time, and where is the enjoyment?

Your body will progress very well in its own good time. Do not force anything.

10 weeks to go: Tuesday - run 20min easy; Thursday - run 20min easy, walk 5min briskly, 5min walk; Saturday - run 30min easy.

You do not have to stick to those days, but it would be preferable to give yourself rest days between the active ones.



**Andrew Dott in an attacking move for Campbeltown's under 13s in a cup match on Sunday which they lost at home to Ardencaple.**

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# Valdemar recovers well to take third place



Valdemar Hundebøll pictured playing in a tournament in Arizona in February.

**MACHRIHANISH** Golf Club's Valdemar Hundebøll combined a ClubGolf performance session this weekend in Glasgow with playing a junior nine-hole tournament in the Stephen Gallacher Foundation at North Berwick.

Perhaps the tiredness from the previous five hours training contributed to Valdemar's bad start, with the very first tee-shot out of bounds and a string of three-putt bogeys to follow.

However, he composed himself on the last five holes, and ended tied for third with a gross 34 for the nine holes.

The tournament was won with a score of 32 by Mikey Shepherd from East Lothian.

Valdemar was afterwards invited by the Stephen Gallacher Foundation to take part in an event at the Scottish Golf Show on March 29 when the Scottish Hydro professionals are challenged by the best juniors from the SGA foundation.

Being just nine years old, Valdemar will take a two-month break from travelling to junior events, and instead focus on training for the International Junior Championship at Gullane in May, (54 holes).

# Good away win for the Dookers

## Tarbert in determined mood at a wet and windy Greenock

Inverkip Thistle	1
Tarbert	2
SAFL Division 1A	

TARBERT travelled through to a wet and windy Greenock to take on Inverkip Thistle and they were in a determined mood to take all three points.

Playing on a 3G surface, the home team almost took the lead straight from the kick off as the Tarbert defence let a forward get a shot away from 10 yards which keeper John Martin somehow managed to tip around the post.

This was a wake up call for Tarbert and they quickly got on top of their opponents and used the good playing surface to play some nice passing football.

Tarbert won several corners from which they hit the bar and had a

number of shots narrowly miss the target.

The Dookers took the lead after 25 minutes when a corner kick was only cleared as far as Jamie Stuart on the 18-yard line and his volley found the back of the net despite taking a deflection off Nikki MacDougall.

The home team equalised from what was a poor goal from Tarbert's point of view when the ball was easily headed into the net from six yards.

Five minutes before half time Tarbert regained the lead when an excellent through ball from Mark McCormick found MacDougall running in on goal and he made no mistake by fir-

ing across the goalkeeper into the far right-hand corner.

The second half saw Tarbert facing the strong wind but this never affected their performance as their ability on the ball and strong tackling meant that chances were created.

In almost one-way traffic Tarbert could and should have increased their lead with an Iain Johnson header hitting the bar, Malcolm Maccler and MacDougall both hitting the post and the Inverkip goalkeeper having several excellent saves.

Man of the match was MacDougall on his return to the team with all Tarbert's attacking play going through the striker.

This weekend, Tarbert are at home in the league to Bothwell and Uddingston Albion.



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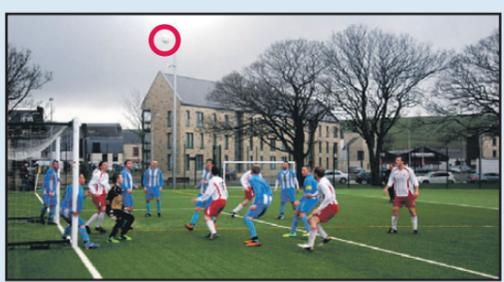
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# Late show clinches key win for Pupils

Second-half substitutions unlock determined Eaglesham defence

<b>Campbeltown Pupils</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Eaglesham</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>SAFL Premier Division One</b>	

YOU simply could not make it up. Plodding towards an uninspiring goalless draw, the most important game of the season sprang to life in the final 12 minutes and finished in electrifying fashion.

It was a finale which left the home side celebrating a late winner to keep hopes of league honours alive.

For most of this match the McFadyen sponsored Campbeltown Pupils had 'huffed and puffed' their way through a match that was completely devoid of football, a strong cross-field wind making things im-

possible for both teams. Eaglesham, however, declared their intentions from the outset, defending in depth in search of a precious single point which would make the Pupils' league aspirations almost impossible.

However, fortune favours the brave, and a number of important second half substitutions gave the home side more possession in the crucial midfield area.

#### Face of the post

In a first half short on goalmouth action, a fine delivery from the attacking left was turned onto the face of the post by John McCallum, the



Martin McCallum's direct free-kick from the edge of the box beat the keeper for the opening goal. 08\_c12pupils04

only real action in a lacklustre period in which the home side made all of the running.

Eaglesham were content to soak up the pressure, and, with the home side unable to play the creative pass, the weather continued to aid the visitors' limited ambitions.

The second half produced more of the same, with Eaglesham defending and threatening occasionally with counter attacks from the back.

On one occasion the home team held its breath as the ball deflected from the framework of the Pupils goal.

#### Lung-bursting

Meanwhile, any worthwhile possession for the home side came from the long lung-bursting runs of John McCallum, however, with time on the ebb, the game suddenly changed its complexion after a raft of home substitutions.

With 12 minutes remaining, Martin McCallum was brought down on the edge of the box

for a direct free kick. He decided to take the kick himself, and stepped forward confidently to steer the ball wide of the defensive wall into the bottom corner of the net.

A great controlled strike that belied the young striker's tender years.

With four minutes remaining the home side's ecstasy turned to agony. Winning a free kick just inside the home side's half, the Eaglesham centre half launched the ball into the heart of the Pupils defence, where it took an almighty deflection and landed in the back of the net for the equaliser.

The visitors now had their perfect result, but there was still a few minutes left on the clock.

As time melted away, a beautiful reverse pass by Stuart Crossan released fellow substitute Martin McCallum, who steadied himself before turning an inch-perfect ball across the face of goal. The ball found Pupils



The Eaglesham keeper dives for the ball before it can reach Pupils' Gregor McFadyen. 08\_c12pupils01

captain, Paul Grumoli, making a lung-bursting run, and the home side's irrepressible stalwart bulleted a header beyond the goalkeeper for a magnificent last-minute winner.

It was not the greatest of games, but no one was complaining as the home side racked up another three points.

Special mention this week goes to Stuart Crossan and Martin McCallum, proof indeed

that substitutes can have a big influence on a result.

Tomorrow, (Saturday), the Pupils travel to play Paisley, and with their two nearest rivals, Ea-

glesham and Hillington, meeting the same day it is imperative the Kintyre side is at its best for what could be a crucial weekend in the league race.



Stuart Crossan had a big influence on the match after coming on as a substitute in the second half. 08\_c12pupils03

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