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Long service paramedics have the 'best job in town'

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THREE home-grown Campbeltown heroes have received long service medals for a combined 70 years of employment with the Scottish Ambulance Service.

Paramedics Robert Black, 49, and James Stevenson, 43, and specialist paramedic Scott Ramsay, 47, received Ambulance Service (Emergency Duties) Long Service and Good Conduct medals at a black tie reception in Glasgow City Chambers on March 14.

Robert has served for 25 years, James for 23 years and Scott for 22 years.

They were among 39 paramedics from the west of Scotland who received awards at the event, attended by the Scottish Ambulance

Service's chief executive, Pauline Howie, and the regional director, Gary Fraser, and a bailie in place of the Lord Provost of Glasgow City Council.

When the *Courier* spoke to the men at the station at the Roading after they received their awards, they agreed that they had the 'best job in town'.

They all started their careers in Campbeltown and have ended up back here, with Robert and Scott working stints in other Argyll areas.

Robert's brother was a paramedic which inspired him to take up the profession, and it was a conversation with Robert that inspired James to apply for a position in Campbeltown.

Scott said his motivation was a desire to help people.

The men have been involved with fires, road traffic collisions and major traumas.

But they insist it's 'not all doom and gloom'. Robert said: 'I've been involved in the process of delivering five babies.'

'We deal with people from birth to death,' Scott said.

'And all the carry-on in between,' added James.

The men have seen a lot of changes since they first took up the job.

Robert said: 'When I started out, I took calls in my house.'

'Once the caller gave me the address of the emergency, I had to phone my colleague and arrange to pick them up.'

Scott said: 'Nowadays it's like being on call. We do a 12-hour shift at the station, then



Scott Ramsay, Robert Black and James Stevenson with their long service medals outside the ambulance station at the Roading. 50_c12paramedics01

we are on call for the next 12 hours, so it's like a 24-hour shift.

'The role is always developing and chang-

ing. We have more clinical knowledge now, more education, and there are more specialist paramedics.'

The men will play a key part in the Scottish Ambulance Service's strategic plan to keep patients at home for

longer by 2020, while improving access to healthcare and enhancing care-givers' clinical skills.



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Movie window displays reel in wandering walkers

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A former window display artist was inspired by Campbeltown Picture House to turn Longrow's community charity shop into a Harry Potter wizarding world.

Jan Silver, who volunteers in the shop, pulled out all the stops for her 'Hoot's heppenin over at Harry Potter's hoose?' display, even penning a

Campbeltown concoction to cure 'the ailments of modern life'.

The remedy's ingredients are sea air and scenery, local colour, smokehouse salmon, Campbeltown creamery cheddar (as much as will sit comfortably on an oatcake) and Springbank uisge beatha (one glassful, repeated as necessary).

Ms Silver, a retired English and media studies teacher,

suggests seasoning the ingredients with laughter and applying liberally, at least twice a year, preferably during the Mull of Kintyre Music Festival.

Ms Silver has designed stage sets in the past and was involved in the Campbeltown Picture House archiving project with Rob-in Patel.

The Window Wonderland project, organised by the cinema to take place last weekend, inspired not only Ms Silver but many shops and homes around Campbeltown, with more than 50 taking inspiration from movies to decorate their windows.

The displays showed a wealth of creativity and featured scenes from many Disney movies, as well as Av-



Jan Silver outside the community charity shop's Harry Potter display.

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The Kintyre Shoe Company's take on The Devil Wears Prada. 50_c12winterwonderland02

atar, IT, Star Wars, the Greatest Showman and Ghostbusters.

There were some topical entries from shops including a Hairspray feature at Numero Dix and a take on The Devil Wears Prada with the Kintyre Shoe Company's The Devil Wears Marco Tossi, a brand sold in the Campbeltown shop.

The displays gave walkers wandering

around the centre of Campbeltown plenty to look at and admire.

Audience development and engagement consultant at Campbeltown Picture House, Ailsa Mackenzie, said: 'The Wee Toon did us proud with all kinds of film-related delights created by people of all ages.'

'It was great to see wanderers out view-

ing the displays over the weekend, and thanks to support from Tesco Bags of Help we were able to give out free hot chocolate and cookies to everyone who came out.

'We'd love to run another Window Wonderland in future and we've already heard from some people who are thinking about their display for next year!'

POLICE FILES

Racial abuse

Two men behaved abusively and racial remarks were made in a common close in Longrow, Campbeltown, at about 7pm on Wednesday March 14.

Window smashed

A window at a flat on Hillside Road, Campbeltown, was smashed sometime between 2pm and 8pm on Wednesday March 14.

Police are looking into both of the above incidents and appealing for witnesses to call 101 or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Abusive behaviour

Two women, aged 26 and 27, were traced and issued with recorded police warnings at about 3.40pm on Thursday March 15, following a report of a row in Stewart Road, Campbeltown.

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A and E staff better than national target

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In January 363 people came to A and E and 97 per cent were seen, treated and discharged or admitted within four hours beating the national target of 95 per cent.

Catriona Watt local area manager said: 'It is excellent news that our A and E hospital staff have surpassed

the national target of 95 per cent. Our staff consistently work hard providing a full range of health and social care services, including a 24-hour accident and emergency department for Kintyre.'

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Atlantis Leisure to host Argyll athletics final

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Up to 120 youngsters compete, in what is billed to be an enthralling competition, and should register between 11am and noon on the day.

Shopper-Aide's vital support for the elderly

AS THE numbers of elderly people increase and the aged hit the headlines one Kintyre charity group is drawing young and old together.

Elderberries, supported and staffed through Shopper-Aide, is a twice weekly social club for those aged

60 plus, held on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 12 and 4pm, 50 weeks of the year, in the Free Church hall.

Shopper-Aide's Joan Stewart said: 'On an average afternoon 20 to 30 members enjoy activities or just having a cup of tea and a blether at Elderberries.'

'It is a very social club and includes members from Woodlands and Kintyre Care Home. Pre-school children from Dalintober Early Learning Centre attend.

'This Tuesday Elderberries' members created an Easter egg hunt and later sang nursery rhymes as the children painted boiled eggs.

'The numbers of older people needing support are only going to increase but Shopper-Aide does not rely on the local authority for funding.

'We are there to help people and hate having to say no. We do need to persuade more volunteers to help.'



Up to their arms in the sink, Campbeltown Grammar School volunteers, 17-year-olds Cameron Smith and Danny Hughes, have been making a difference at Elderberries for more than a year. 25_c12elderberries02

See page six for details of Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care

Partnership plans to shut care homes in Argyll and Bute.



Elderberries Anna Viola, left, and Flora Edwards with children from the ELC. 25_c12elderberries01

Gigha trust changes

IN THE last two weeks the chairman and manager of the Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust (IGHT) have resigned.

IGHT chairman Ian Pinniger resigned from the trust on March 12 for undisclosed reasons. He remains on the board of Gigha Green Power Limited.

The trust's manager, Elaine Morrison, the sixth in the 16 years since Gigha's community buy-out, started on July 1 last year. She resigned on March 7 and will leave her post on April 7.

a great deal to the running of the trust.'

Mr Pinniger, who also has a house on Jersey and splits his time between his different homes, was appointed to the board on October 22 2015.

The news comes in the week that the Scottish government has backed another community buy-out, of the island of Ulva, with funding of £4.4 million.

In a BBC Radio Four broadcast in February Alasdair McNeill, who has been appointed as interim IGHT chairman, said: 'I personally would rather have a benevolent dictator than this so-called democracy we have.'

As the Courier went to press IGHT had not replied to a request for a comment. For more about the BBC broadcast see page 26.

Campbeltown's waterside clean-up

CAMPBELTOWN harbour authority staff have tidied the shore-front by picking-up plastic waste and other rubbish.

Greg Scally and Ian Mcsporrantook advantage of Tuesday's sunny afternoon to collect rubbish along the Esplanade waterside.

Ian Mcsporrant holds a huge hank of rope washed up by the tide 25_c12ianmcsporrant01



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Jimmy parks his cart and brush

ONE of the Wee Toon's heroes retired, aged 70, on Friday.

Jimmy Graham has been keeping the town rubbish free for decades. He says he is not quite sure himself when he started working for 'the council'.

But he does know that it was long before the days of Argyll and Bute Council, Argyll and Bute District Council and Srathclyde Regional Council. He goes right back to the days of the town council, when there was a depot near Barochan right in the middle of town.

After school at Dalintober and the gram-

mar, he went to work on farms; Jimmy has always enjoyed working out of doors.

'Even when I was still at school I was helping on farms as a boy, working with the cows, driving the tractor and helping with the harvest.'

Then he got work with the council.

He is probably best known for his hats, which are defiantly not council issue, but legendary.

'Someone gave me a badge, a pin, and I stuck it in my cap and from there it just grew. People would just walk up to me in the street and give me them. I

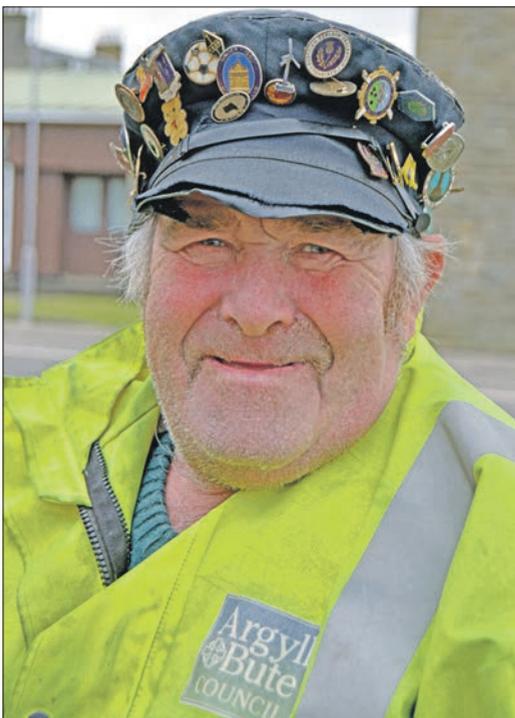
even had Japanese tourists stopping me and giving me them,' said Jimmy.

He now has three hats full of his collection of more than 200 pins.

Now he has parked his cart and hung up his brushes, he will – in true heroic style – ride off into the sunset after cleaning up the town.

He has always owned and loved motorcycles and he plans to go for some good long rides and tours.

Jimmy Graham and his cart have been a part of the Campbeltown street scene for years and he will be missed by all his friends.



Security operations leave passengers out in the cold

CHANGES to security operations are leaving passengers from Campbeltown out in the cold and wet when they get to Glasgow Airport.

This includes many frail or elderly people who are on flights to the big city for health appointments.

Steve Byrne raised the issue at the March meeting of Campbeltown Community Council.

Since January last year security checks have been carried out at Glasgow; the rules about sharp objects and liquids over 100ml still apply on the Campbeltown flight. Once at Glasgow anyone catching an onward flight goes through security and the others are diverted to the bag-

gage claim and exit.

The problem seems to arise, Mr Byrne said, when someone is waiting for a wheelchair: 'Everyone has to go through together and so people have to wait by the aircraft. Security does not even let them shelter in the building until it is time to move.'

Mr Byrne was with a member of his family, who is visually impaired, and he could help them shelter under an umbrella, but he has heard of other cases where people have been left out in the rain.

John Lamont, manager of Campbeltown Airport was at the community council meeting and he said he would investigate the matter.

Community council round-up

THERE needs to be firmer ground in the field where emergency helicopters land by Campbeltown Hospital, the town's community council has been told.

The helicopter landings are not being hindered, but on occasion the land has been too soft for ambulances to get right alongside.

How drainage at the Argyll and Bute Council-owned field can be improved is now being considered.

PEOPLE in Campbeltown are still being plagued by nuisance and scam telephone calls.

As previously reported in the *Courier* police have warned people to be on their guard and the message is still being stressed.

At the latest meeting of Campbeltown Community Council Police Constable Alan Wardrop heard from members of scam calls they or family and friends have received.

'Be careful and never reveal any details,' he said. 'Come and speak to us.'

THE latest monthly crime figures for Campbeltown show that from mid-February a total of 81 incidents were reported from which 17 crime reports were generated; eight of these

have been detected and the remaining are ongoing at the moment.

COUNCILLOR John Armour reported to the council that that the Argyll and Bute Council 'jet patcher' used to repair pot holes, will be working in the Campbeltown area soon.

ALAN Baker, who chairs the community council, asked Councillor John Armour to see if Argyll and Bute Council could carry out white line marking within the town.

There are places, Mr Baker said, that the lines had become so faint at junctions that it was confusing motorists. He especially highlighted the New Quay area of town.

WOULD a mobile speed detection and notification sign be a good way to slow motorists down in Campbeltown?

The town's community council has been sent information about the signs, which give a reading from passing cars.

There are many permanently-sited versions of these signs on A-roads throughout Argyll and Bute, mainly on trunk roads.

One idea would be for a number of community councils to buy a mobile sign and share

the use, moving it to locations when needed.

'The Fort Argyll area, where people come into the town is particularly bad,' said Catherine Dobbie.

THERE used to be an old boat, used as a flowerbed and planted up on the verge near to the Dellwood Hotel, Campbeltown, and the community councillors would like to see one there again they decided at their March meeting.

CAMPBELTOWN Community Council has considered the idea of a transport forum being set up for the area, where bus, ferry, taxi operators and airport staff could all meet on a regular basis to discuss issues and keep each other informed of issues.

THE AGM of Campbeltown Community Council will be held on Tuesday April 10.

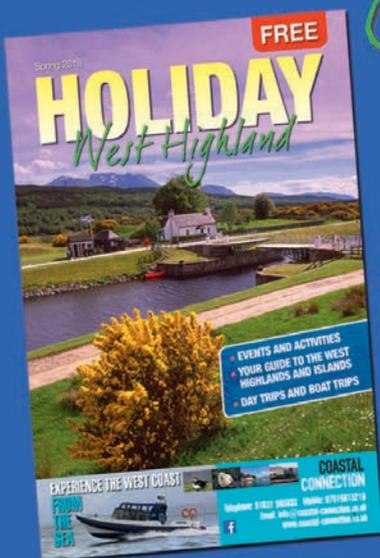
The chairman's annual report will be given, along with the annual balance sheet.

No office bearers will be elected for the coming year as the community council elections will be held on April 26 and there will be a new council in place for the May meeting.

The council can have up to 16 members.

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Marina has the wind in its sails

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CAMPBELTOWN Marina, which opened in June 2015, is steadily increasing in popularity and the 2018 season looks set to be a good one.

Marina operator Calum Lawson said: 'Our first full year was 2016 and we were pleased that we saw a total of 5,307 people on overnight visiting boats. We saw good growth in 2017 with 5,847 visitors in spite of much unfavourable weather and are optimistic that business will be even better this year.'

Calum explained: 'We don't take advance bookings so it's 'first come first served' but we do encourage advance notice so that we have an idea of numbers, especially if sailing clubs or flotillas are coming.'

He explained, large motor yachts need more space so it helped to know in advance when they planned to visit.

He said: 'July and August are busiest and we have at times been full to capacity. We have had up to 140 people in on some nights. We are trying to encourage more visitors in quieter months too.'

The Sailing Club of Ireland, the Sailing & Cruising Scotland Club and the Royal Scottish Motor Yacht Club have already supplied the dates they plan to visit Campbeltown this year and the annual racing event between Campbeltown and Cushendall will see the Cushendall boats in Campbeltown on Saturday June 23.

'We keep a number of berths for visitors but also supply berths, some all year round, for local boats. We have a waiting list for this at present,' he said.

Calum also explained that the nearby golf



Campbeltown Marina. Photo: Raymond Hosie

courses, cycling and walking routes, the Aqualibrium and newly refurbished Picture House meant that there were plenty of activities on offer and that visitors were pleased that the town centre shops, cafes, bars and restaurants were with-

in easy walking distance.

'It makes Campbeltown the perfect 'get-away' destination with plenty to offer the whole family,' he said.

He continued: 'We like to welcome visitors by assisting boats coming in. Some sail-

ors, especially those not so experienced appreciate a bit of help.

'The marina's facilities are important too,' he added. 'We have toilets, showers, shore power and bike hire, and locally there is a slipway, fuel berth, gas, petrol and

diesel, repair facilities, a chandlery, a harbour office and free car parking.'

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Editorial

Helping the aged

Everyone ages, it is one of the inescapable facts of life, and solutions to care for the elderly seem to become ever more complicated.

For many it is unthinkable to leave their house and enter a care home, for some it is unavoidable.

Government and councils expect the private or charitable sector to look after the elderly. Council clients' costs are often subsidised through private patients, when things go wrong it is the public sector which steps in.

A 'secret' plan by Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) to close all its care homes was revealed by health union UNISON last week and is the subject of a letter on this page.

In addition, the HSCP intends to force home-care staff to leave their NHS posts and become workers for private agencies.

This is not new and is the way home care already works in Helensburgh and Dunoon.

It seems to be about saving money. Sooner rather than later there needs to be good provision for elderly care homes in the public sector.

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Strone Point A83 road closures

Sir,

We write to inform you of the progress at the improvement works on the A83 at Strone Point, 2.5 miles east of Inveraray, and to advise of upcoming traffic management requirements.

A £1.6million investment from Transport Scotland will pay for improvements to this part of the A83. These include realignment of approximately 360m of existing carriageway and associated drainage, earthworks, surfacing, signing and road markings.

This scheme is to address the accident history at this location. It will improve the radius of the bend and widen the carriageway.

Works started last December with the principle contractor, John Paul Construction, establishing its site compound and implementing a number of environmental exclusion zones and mitigation measures.

Works have progressed well since re-commencing in January 2018 with just under 70 per cent of soil nails now being installed.

Further overnight road closures are needed due to the constrained nature of the site and the size of plant required for excavation works.

This period of road closures is the second of three phases of road closures envisaged to be required over the duration of this 28-week project.

This second phase of road closures will be from next Monday March 26, 9pm to 5am, for three nights to allow the use of a long reach excavator to excavate the higher areas of the slope.

Road users will be diverted via the A819, A85 and the A82. Access will be maintained at all times for emergency vehicles.

Transport Scotland and BEAR Scotland wish to thank the local community and all road users in advance for their patience and

Down memory lane

AT LEAST one of a bunch of Campbeltown Grammar boys who gained higher science in 1936 made a career from his qualification.

According to Facebook correspondents on the Old Campbeltown and Surrounding Area page 'Fen' Sutherland became a vet.

Sadly another boy, Tom Norman, was only destined to live another two years before perishing in a swimming accident aged 19.

His nephew, also Tom Norman, from Hartlepool, sent a cutting about the accident which also claimed the life of Stanley Noal.

Mr Norman said: 'Amazing picture. The Tom Norman is or would have been my uncle. I was named after him.'

'This is the first time I have seen a picture of him as an adult.'

In a message to the *Courier* Mr Norman added: 'The oral history I was told was that when Tommy drowned it was the first time his mother, Bella, a widow, had ever left the boys to go to Glasgow.'

'She was on her way back to Campbel-



The teacher, pictured front, centre is James Stewart. The boys from back left: Willie Andrews (?), John Galbraith and Tom Norman, Iain Martin and Findlay Sutherland.

town when it happened and her brother, Dan Fraser, had to go down and meet the steamer and break the news.

'When I was born my father, Hugh Norman, thought it would please his mother to christen me Tom.'

'However, it must still have been too raw because she would only ever call me 'Wee Hugh'. She died when I was nine months old.'

cooperation during these improvement works.

To discuss the works further, please do not hesitate to contact ourselves by email at A83StronePoint@bearsotland.co.uk

Ian Stewart,
Design manager,
BEAR.

IJB cuts are crisis management

Sir,

On March 28 the Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership Integrated Joint Board is due to meet and discuss its Quality and Finance Plan for 2018/19 and beyond and determine a budget.

It is our understanding consideration is being given to a massive range of cuts and privatisation. This will be met with outright opposition by UNISON.

Apparently some of the deliberation is to be conducted in private so the public is prevented from scrutinising decisions about its services.

UNISON knows only too

well the impact of austerity on our public services and has been at the forefront of campaigning for a change in economic approach at Westminster and Holyrood.

Thirty thousand jobs have gone in Scottish local government alone since the crash.

Our members deal daily with the effects of the cuts – keeping overstretched services going as demand rises and the workforce declines.

All while their own standard of living has been reduced by year on year pay cuts. UNISON has never known so many applications to its own welfare fund from members struggling to make ends meet.

The union recognises the financial pressure on the IJB and the budget shortfall but we will not stand by and let this be paid for by jobs and services.

In the last year and a half there have been failings in the voluntary and private sector in Argyll and Bute: CrossReach pulling out of Auchinlee after very significant failure of care to el-

derly residents; MandJ Care going bust; Mears handing back contracts; a crisis in private and voluntary sector home care in Oban; the closure of the Craigard private care home on Bute due to safety fears.

On every occasion it has been the public sector that has stepped in to pick up the pieces and resolve the issues.

As the collapse of Carillion shows, the public sector is the ultimate guarantor of public services.

In such a climate what is needed in Argyll and Bute is more of a mixed economy; far more care at home services should be delivered by staff directly employed by the IJB.

Instead the IJB is to be asked to privatise all remaining in-house home care services. Resulting in decent public sector jobs being lost in vulnerable rural communities, storing up problems for years to come.

Workers will be left in retirement poverty through lack of access to secure public sector pension schemes.

Terms and conditions of employment for care workers are less in the private and voluntary sector than those in the public sector.

UNISON's Ethical Care Charter sets out minimum standards for care and base level employment rights for workers.

So far NHS Highland and Argyll and Bute Council have failed to join the many other public sector organisations that have signed up to the charter.

Cutting care homes, learning disability day centres and closing wards are not the actions of a credible public service and is crisis management.

UNISON calls on the IJB to stop these devastating cuts including 400 jobs and huge service withdrawals.

UNISON has shown repeatedly in the past that it will engage constructively with the public sector to achieve changes; it did through the council's service choices exercise and helped in the establishment of the IJB itself.

There is another way, let's work together to achieve it.

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Inspiralba keeps on inspiring

SCOTTISH Apprenticeship Week has been a great success this month and one person who has first-hand experience of the event is Campbeltown's Rachel MacPhail.

Skills Development Scotland organised Scottish Apprenticeship Week to encourage many more em-

ployers to take on apprentices across Scotland.

Around 12,000 organisations already employ Modern Apprentices across Scotland.

One Kintyre business which has recently employed an apprentice for 2018 is Inspiralba, a social enterprise

that provides business support to community-based organisations to assist them to deliver social and/or environmental benefits through enterprise across Argyll and Bute.

Rachel MacPhail, 20, was employed in March and given an opportunity not only to gain employment in her local community but also achieve a Modern Apprenticeship in Business and Administration Level 3 – SCQF Level 6 at Argyll college.

She told the *Courier*: 'As a young person I wanted to stay in Campbeltown, unlike a lot of my peers who leave for the city for either jobs or further education.

'You simply have



Ailsa Clark, Michael Russell, MSP for Argyll and Bute and Rachel MacPhail, at a reception at Holyrood to mark Scottish Apprenticeship Week.

to be willing to work and push yourself to be flexible due to the opportunities on offer. I am very lucky that Ailsa Clark, development manager and her team have seen this is me and I have already been seen as an important valued member of the team.'

And Ailsa added: 'We are delighted to welcome Rachael to the Inspiralba team and like many social en-

terprises have a strong commitment to employment and training opportunities. We are also happy to support Rachel's other role as a retained firefighter, recognising the value of multi-tasking and volunteering for our rural communities.'

During apprenticeship week Rachael met Michael Russell, MSP for Argyll and Bute, at an event at the Scottish Parliament to cel-

brate the Vital Spark social enterprise start-up project.

The event also saw the launch of 'Inspiring Stories of Life and Work in Argyll' a short film competition for young people to show some of the incredible opportunities to live and work in the area. There are some great prizes, for the short films. For more information contact rmacp-gail@inspiralba.org.uk

Inspiring stories on film

AS PART of Scotland's Year of Young People, Inspiralba asked for people to capture inspiring stories of life and work in Argyll.

The short films needed to highlight what makes this an amazing place to live and show examples of the kind of work and career opportunities that are available in the communities.

Inspiralba also provided workshops and support on film making and editing to help participants.

Some people even used their smart phones to make the films.

Just like the BAFTAs the ILWAs - Inspiring Life and Work in Argyll - had categories and these included: social enterprise, tourism short film, food and drink industry; best footage of landscape, most inspiring job and overall most inspiring film.



A still from the film, 'Inspiring Stories of Life and Work in Argyll' made by Krystal Allen about her dad Gordon Allen (both seen here) and his social enterprise, Wee Toon Environmental Solutions.

Helping communities since 2009

INSPIRALBA was established in 2009 as a charitable enterprise to assist community-based organisations to turn their ideas and aspirations into sustainable business activities.

Profits generated are reinvested, either through in-kind support or

match-funding for business development or project activities.

'There is a huge amount of passion, energy and determination within rural communities to address needs and issues,' said Ailsa Clark, development manager for Inspiralba, turning ideas into reality and

taking business growth forward can be challenging, with organisations often working flat out to ensure sustainability.'

To this end, Inspiralba provides a range of services to assist organisations to build resilience and income which in turn delivers a range of en-

vironmental, social and economic benefits for communities across Argyll and Bute.

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Organiser Cheryl Brown with her daughter, three-year-old Lexie-Lou.

Tiny ravers r... for Youth Im...

By Hannah O'Hanlon

A CAMPBELTOWN beauty salon owner used ultraviolet face paints to transform tots into tiny ravers for charity.

Cheryl Brown, 28, put her fundraising talents to good use this month to raise money to help with the set-up of a new Campbeltown group, Youth Impact.

The glow-in-the-dark event in the community centre was open to youngsters aged from birth to primary seven and, as well as neon face paints, there were disco bouncy castles and fluorescent crafts, with Catrona Lang offering her services as a DJ.

Cheryl said: 'I decided to hold an event for children because Youth Impact is a new service for young people and is in need of donations to get it up and running.'

'Thank you to everyone who helped me on the day and everyone who came along, and also to Tesco and the Co-op, which donated some of the snacks.'

£357 was raised at the event, which will help set-up the group offering services for young people.

The brainchild of former Kintyre Youth Enquiries Service staff Lesley Renton and Phil Edwards, Youth Impact aims to offer a base for young people



Pals Robbie Marrison and Billy Gilchrist.



Lexie-Lou Lang, three, strikes a pose.



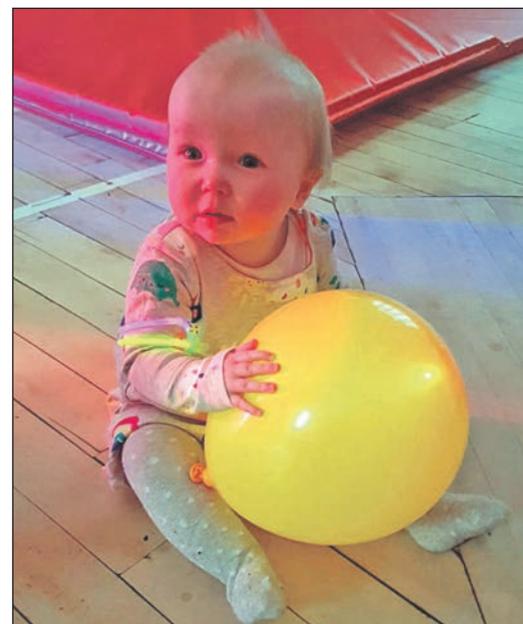
Glow-in-the-dark crafts were on offer.



Three-year-old Emma Ramsay tries out the disco bouncy castle.



Chloe Baines paints three-year-old looks on.



Even the tiniest ravers got involved.



Lillyannah Burnfield, six, shows off her face paints.

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raise the roof Impact project

to engage in positive, informal and educational activities, where they can receive advice and support, and encouragement to gain, develop and effectively use their skills to get into employment or training.

Encouraged

Empowered youngsters will be encouraged to work together to improve their life skills and prevent social exclusion.

Lesley and Phil told the *Courier*: 'Youth Impact would like to thank Cheryl Brown for this very generous donation from the glow-in-the-dark party.'

'Thanks to all the little ravers, Youth Impact is

another step forward in its journey to opening the much needed youth project in Campbeltown to provide a drop-in service to young people aged 12-25.

'Please like our Facebook page to find out more and to keep up to date with our opening night on Tuesday April 3 - this is sooner than we planned due to this funding boost so a huge thank you again to Cheryl, all the helpers and of course all the kiddies with the best dance moves.'

Further donations to the project can be made by visiting the group's JustGiving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/youth-impact>



Halle Gilchrist with her mum, Pauline.



Cheryl's sister Kelsey dances with her 11-month-old son, Kian Green.



Three-year-old John Mackenzie with his mum, Diana.



Three-year-old Khloe McMillan enjoyed the dance.



Quinn Anderson, three, wore a bright outfit to the rave.



Catrona Lang offered her DJing services.

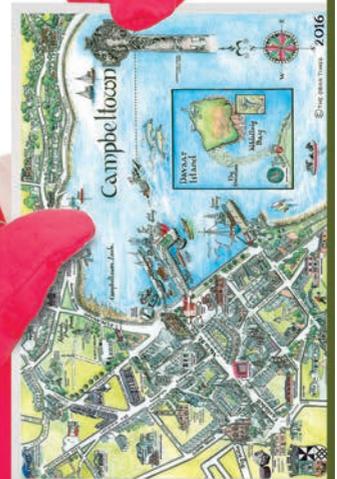


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Countdown begins for Royal Highland Show

PREPARATIONS for the 178th Royal Highland Show, which will be held on June 21-24, are well under way - and it promises to offer the best of Scotland's farming, food and rural life.

Supported by the Royal Bank of Scotland and staged at the Royal Highland Centre, at Ingliston, the four-day event will see more than 6,000 farm animals and horses, rural crafts, a dedicated forestry area, award-winning farmers' display, a busy countryside arena with

a wide variety of exciting displays and any number of big tractors



- as well as the biggest food festival in Scotland.

Entertainment plays a big part with a variety of live music across two stages, and shopping in the 13th Avenue Arcade includes fashion, artwork and furniture for home and garden.

Children aged 15 and under go free with an accompanying adult, and the RHET discovery centre is a must visit for curious youngsters looking to discover more about the countryside and where their food comes from.

Scotland's Larder Live is a must-see part of the show with the



Magnificent Clydesdale horses will be a major attraction at the show.

food and drink on display as well as top chefs cooking delicious dishes.

'There is real customer loyalty to our show,' said David Jackson, show manager, 'with almost two thirds having attended five times or more, which I think is testament to just how exciting, different and authentic a day at the show is for everyone. However, what is equally exciting is the number of people attending for the first time.'

'The show continues to expand in size and popularity. In 2017, we welcomed a record-breaking 190,000 visitors and generated £65 million for the economy.'

'The show is a truly unique event offering a day packed full day of entertainment and enjoyment for under £50 for a family of four.'

The show's biggest attraction is, without

doubt, the exhibition of world class livestock - with more than 6,000 of the finest cattle, sheep, goats, horses and poultry heading for the Ingliston showground.

The RHET (Royal Highland Education Trust) Discovery Centre is a must-visit for families, with more than 30,000 young people welcomed last year for free.

Rural skills

With a focus on showcasing rural skills, the forge and the sheep shearing arena bring to life the work undertaken in the countryside, while the forestry area and the hugely popular pole climbing are back again for the 2018 show.

The Scottish Women's Institute hand-crafts competition, staged in the hand-crafts pavilion, has some of the best examples of rural crafts from across Scotland

and attracts competition entries from other parts of the world.

Scotland's Larder Live, the country's biggest exhibition of food and drink, is another destination for visitors and offers everyone a great opportunity to taste new and exciting foods from Scotland.

It also gives farmers and producers a great opportunity to meet consumers for feedback and gives consumers the chance to learn how food is produced and the process involved.

In the cookery theatre, Scotland's chefs demonstrate how incredible meals can be created using quality ingredients from Scotland.

The wide range of shopping outlets brings together a range of retailers, from fashion to home wear, jewellery to furniture, pet accessories to arts and craft, many of which

will see their biggest sales event of the year.

Working alongside all the onsite caterers, the show has devised a strict food charter that all food-to-go outlets must adhere to, ensuring top quality food, be it chips and a burger or something a little more exotic.

Locally produced

There is a wide selection to choose from and the food charter requires that only ingredients that have been locally produced, wherever possible, and ethically sourced can be served.

This means that not only is quality high but also Scottish farmers and growers are supported. To ensure that highest quality is maintained, all onsite caterers are independently assessed every year.

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Ronnie receives NFU's recognition

A MULL crofter's half century of dedication to the NFU has been recognised with a coveted award.

Ronnie Campbell was presented with the NFU Scotland Argyll and the Islands Stalwart award last week at his branch meeting.

The award is presented to either a member who has given their time and effort to the work of the union in Argyll and

the islands or someone who has made a significant contribution to agriculture in the area.

Presenting the trophy to Ronnie were regional board chairman John Dickson from Bute, Mull branch chairman Tom Corbett and Mull Regional Board representative Jim Corbett.

Ronnie, who runs a croft at Uisken with Sheila, has given 50 years' service to NFU Scot-

land, continuously representing Mull and crofters on the union's Crofting Highlands and Islands Committee and a past vice chairman of the group.

He also represented NFU Scotland on the industry's liaison group with Caledonian MacBrayne ferries as well as being a Crofting Commission assessor, a special constable and a forestry commission ranger and stalker.



From left: John Dickson, Tom Corbett, Ronnie and Sheila Campbell, receiving the trophy and Jim Corbett.

Dogs seized as police investigate sheep attacks

TEN HUSKY dogs have been seized by the police after two were involved in a sheep worrying incident in Inveraray last Sunday.

Two of the dogs, described by police as

'husky-types', were seen in fields behind Inveraray Police Station at 5.20pm, alleged to be 'at large and worrying sheep'. The two dogs were caught and checks revealed that at least three sheep suf-

fered leg injuries,' said Sergeant Iain MacNiccol.

A 55-year-old man,

who is said to own the dogs, attended the scene and police report that a further eight dogs in his ownership were seized.

Police and the Argyll and Bute Council dog control warden are investigating the Sunday incident which is being linked to another sheep attack incident discovered on March 4 in Inveraray.

When police enquiries are completed, police say a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.



A sign warning dog owners to keep their pets on leads.

Aird bullocks top Dalmally kilo prices

UNITED Auctions held its annual March sale of 209 all classes of cattle and 218 sheep at Dalmally Auction Mart on Tuesday March 13.

With the combination of Oban and Dalmally sales held on the same day, a good turnout of buyers ensured all stock sold at satisfactory levels.

Bullocks sold to 310.2 pence per kilo for Limousin crosses from Aird Farm and to average at 240.15 pence per kilo.

Limousin heifers from Feorline sold to 278.8 pence per kilo and levelled out at 229.7 pence per kilo. Sheep sold to levels in keeping with current values.

Principal lots and prices:

Top prices per head:
Bullocks:
CHARx: £1020 - Ardmaleish:
£900 and £870(4) - Barnakill.
LIMx: £1020(2) - Lurignish: £970

- Stroneskar: £910 - Clachan Farm.
SHx: £810 - Barnakill.
SIMx: £1100 - Pitcastle Estate: £940(2) and £920(4) - Achnacone Farm.
Heifers:
CHARx: £840 - Auchlyne Farm: £800(5) - Ardmaleish.
LIMx: £1000 and £960(2) - Lurignish: £840(3) - Achnacone Farm: £800(3) - Dall Farm.
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CHARx: 252p(2) and 247p(2) - Barnakill.
LIMx: 310p(4) - Aird Farm: 281p - Tullochcan: 280p(3) - Aird Farm: 265p - Feorline: 261p - Aird Farm: 257p(2) - Ellary Farm: 256p(2) - Boreland Farms.
SALx: 270p - Brenchoille Farm.
SHx: 258p - Ellary Farms.
SIMx: 263p - Achnacone Farm: 258p(3) - Ellary Farms: 252p - Barnakill Farm.
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Community council urges: report road defects

WEST road drivers are being urged to report specific defects on the life-line route through the area to the company responsible for its upkeep.

BEAR Scotland started £650,000 of resurfacing repair for the A83 in February.

But at a meeting of West Kintyre Community Council members said potholes were still damaging vehi-

cles, particularly those between Whitehouse and Muasdale, along Patchen straight and at Westport.

Tourist season

Zofia Sloan said that not enough had been done: 'We're coming into the tourist season and it's not good enough.'

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Books brought to life

GLENBARR pupils celebrated world Book Day, March 1, by dressing up as their favourite book characters and making clay beetles, compiling beetle top trump cards and looking at insects, inspired by M G Leonard's 'Beetle Boy'.



Schools and libraries all over the UK and Ireland use World Book Day to encourage children to explore the pleasures of books and reading.

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Prestigious award for Portavadie

PORTAVADIE Loch Fyne has been crowned the best in Scotland at the 25th Scottish Thistle Awards National Final – Scottish tourism's equivalent of the Oscars.

The hotel, spa and leisure complex picked up the prestigious Best Accommodation Provider.

Judges praised Portavadie Loch Fyne on its collaborative work with schools, universities and the local golf club.

Iain Jurgensen, Portavadie general manager, said: 'We are overwhelmed to receive this award on behalf of the team who are the life and soul of Portavadie and the true winners of this award.'

Privilege

'It is just so amazing and a real privilege to be recognised by the industry.'

VisitScotland regional director David Adams-McGilp said: 'I would like to say a heartfelt

congratulations to Portavadie on being crowned the best in Scottish tourism.

'These awards recognise the drive and passion the industry has for creating an unforgettable experience for visitors and I'm delighted that the team at Portavadie's hard work and passion has been recognised.'

This year marked the Scottish Thistle Awards' silver anniversary and saw a record-breaking 750 entries to the competition.

KINTYRE

Volunteers sought for emergency asset register

KINTYRE residents are being encouraged to join the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service's Community Asset Register.

The register is a database of communi-

ty volunteers willing to protect and support their communities during emergencies, like the recent heavy snow which affected large parts of Scotland.

Volunteers' assets

could include 4x4 vehicles, boats, generators, diggers, or specialised skills including rope or water rescue qualifications.

Individuals or groups with these skills or

equipment are asked to email sfrs.communityassetregister@firescotland.gov.uk to register or find out more about the Fire and Rescue Service's Asset Register.

GIGHA

Composting project for Gigha primary

GIGHA Primary School will partner FyneHEAT in its latest project.

The school would like to recycle its food, paper and cardboard waste by turning it into compost. The school has also 'adopted' an area of shoreline to keep tidy and free of rubbish.

After doing regular beach cleaning, it highlighted the need to reduce/reuse the amount of plastics washed up on the beach but with no recycling facilities on the island the school children want to find a solution for this global problem.

Using the FyneHEAT pp, which has been developed by Kiswebs, the project hopes to increase its use of social media, with information and advice on Twitter and Facebook.

FyneHEAT project manager Karen Hilton said: 'I am really excited about the project on Gigha; the children have come up with some great ideas on how they can reduce food waste and how to recycle beach plastics, a problem that is constantly hitting the headlines around the world, so I can't wait to see what their solutions are for this global problem.'



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Please contact Letty on mobile
07980955849.

WANTED

Young person or student to help at lambing and general farm work in West Perthshire, to start as soon as possible for up to two months, possibly longer. Accommodation available.

Telephone 01567 820627.

Argyll and Bute Council

DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

(MAIN STREET, CAMPBELTOWN)
(NO STOPPING EXCEPT TAXIS) ORDER 2018

On Monday 19th March 2018, Argyll and Bute Council made the above named Order in terms of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended. The Order, which comes into operation on Monday 7th May 2018, formalises the existing parking places for taxis. There will be two permanent parking areas on Main Street designated for taxis at the following locations; 1) on the north-west side adjacent to the Town Hall and 2) on the south-east side between Shore Street and Old Quay Head, adjacent to the Factory Shop. A copy of the Order and plan relative thereto can be inspected by logging on to the Council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/trafficorders or viewed during normal office hours at:-

(i) Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Burnet Building, St John Street, Campbeltown;

(ii) Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Kilmory, Lochgilphead.

Any person, who wishes to question the validity of the Order or any provision contained in it on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or on the grounds that any requirement of that Act or any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order may, within six weeks from Friday the 23rd March 2018, apply to the Court of Session for this purpose.

Jim Smith, Head of Roads & Amenity Services,
1A Manse Brae Lochgilphead, PA31 8RD.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES

Ashfield Primary School
We are seeking your views on the future of the
Ashfield Primary School.

An open meeting will be held in Ashfield Primary School on:
Thursday 29th of March
2.30pm to 7pm

A range of information will be available and your opinions welcomed. Following this meeting an option appraisals report will be collated.

This meeting has been organised by Argyll and Bute Council for pre-consultation under the terms of the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010.

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Argyll Talking Newspapers

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Friday 6th April
12 noon
North Hall
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Campbeltown Community Council

AGM

Tuesday 10th April
7.30pm
Red Cross Hall,
Kirk Street,
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Mid Argyll Coastal Rowing Club

AGM

Weds 28th March
2018, 7pm
Lochgilphead High
School
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PLANNING

These applications listed below together with other related documents may be inspected between 09:00-12:30 -13:30-16:00 hrs Monday to Friday at 1A Manse Brae Lochgilphead PA31 8RD, at the alternative locations detailed below during their normal opening times or by logging on to the Council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND)
REGULATIONS 2013 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (AS AMENDED), RELATED PLANNING
(LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

Ref. No.	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
18/00063/PP	Installation of 5 replacement windows from timber single glazed to timber double glazed sash and case windows and 1 replacement timber door of the same style and finish.	2 Arkland Inveraray Argyll And Bute PA32 8UD	Sub Post Office Inveraray
18/00062/LIB	Installation of 5 replacement windows from timber single glazed to timber double glazed sash and case windows and 1 replacement timber door of the same style and finish.	2 Arkland Inveraray Argyll And Bute PA32 8UD	Sub Post Office Inveraray
18/00415/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse	Land North East Of Lephimore Saddell Campbeltown Argyll And Bute	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
18/00352/PP	Removal of existing signage and ATM	The Royal Bank Of Scotland Plc 11 Castlehill Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6AN	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
18/00032/PP	Erection of building to be used in conjunction with existing shellfish processing business, re-opening of window and door opening within existing building, installation of condensers and associated works	Factory East Pier Pier Road Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6UF	Sub Post Office Harbour Street Tarbert
18/00586/PP	Change of use from builder's yard to private car park and associated works, including new fencing and rebuilding of wall	Yard 28 Glebe Street Campbeltown Argyll And Bute	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

Written comments can be made to the above address or submitted online <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/find-and-comment-planning-applications> within 21 days of this advert. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence. Any letter of representation the Council receives is considered a public document and will be published on our website. Anonymous or marked confidential correspondence will not be considered. A weekly list of all applications can be viewed at all Area Offices, Council Libraries and on the Councils website.

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WATER ENVIRONMENT AND WATER SERVICES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003 WATER ENVIRONMENT (CONTROLLED ACTIVITIES) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2011 APPLICATION FOR AUTHORISATION – BARGUILLEAN FARM HYDRO SCHEME

An application had been made to the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) by Barguillean Farm Hydro Ltd for authorisation to carry on controlled activities at, near or in connection with Barguillean Farm Hydro Scheme, namely:

Description of controlled activity	Waters affected	National grid ref.
Construction and/or operation of impounding works 1m in height	AlltNathais	NM 9823 2823
Abstraction of 8986 m3 per day of water	AlltNathais	NM 9823 2823
Return of abstracted water approximately 500m away from abstraction point	AlltNathais	NM 9806 2888

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

A copy of the application and any accompanying information may be inspected free of charge, at the SEPA Registry below, between 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. Monday to Friday (except local and national holidays) and by prior arrangement at SEPA's Lochgilphead Office, Kilbrandon House, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, PA31 8QX, by telephoning 01546 602876. Alternatively, the application may be viewed on SEPA's website at: <http://www.sepa.org.uk/regulations/consultations/advertised-applications-under-car/>

Any person affected or likely to be affected by, or having an interest in, the application may make representations to SEPA in writing within 28 days beginning with the date of this advertisement, either by email to registry@sepa.org.uk or to the following address, quoting reference number CAR/L/1165124 Registry Department, SEPA, Graesser House, Fodderty Way, Dingwall Business Park, Dingwall, IV15 9XB

Written representations received by SEPA within 28 days of this advertisement will be taken into consideration in determining the application. Any such representations will be placed in a public register unless the person making them requests that they should not be. Where such a request is made SEPA will include a statement in the register indicating that representations have been made which have been the subject of such a request.

Before determining the application, SEPA will:

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

To advertise in the Argyllshire Advertiser
or Campbeltown Courier call
01546 602345 or 01586 554646

IN ASSOCIATION WITH HIJOBS RECRUITMENT



An excellent opportunity has arisen for an IT Support Technician based in our Oban office but travelling to Campbeltown, Lochgilphead, Edinburgh, Arran and Fort William as required.

Reporting to the IT Manager you will work with every department throughout Wyvex Media providing support, troubleshooting, repairs, advice, training and development.

You will require:-

An HNC/HND in computers or related suitable technical subject.

At least 3 years experience in an IT Support Helpdesk or similar, Cpanel, Wordpress, Apache, Microsoft Office (2000 to latest version Word/Excel/Powerpoint), ISDN and IP Telephone systems (AVAYA preferred), Phone cabling/wiring/Broadband configuration. Server 2009 – 2016. Windows 7 – 10 (Some legacy OS systems and a thorough understanding of CLI or Powershell).

A sound knowledge of networking, switches, testing routers, configuring and maintaining VPN and IP configuration/troubleshooting is essential.

Knowledge of Survey Monkey/Wufoo./Mailchimp, building and maintaining Wordpress Websites an advantage as would some experience of Adobe Products (Indesign, Photoshop), experience with Digital SLR cameras and video equipment/editing with Adobe Premiere or similar.

A keen interest in legacy, existing and emerging technology.

Ability to troubleshoot and make diagnosis and repair quickly.

Ability to work under pressure.

Ordered working methods – and the ability to work on your own initiative when required.

An excellent telephone manner and ability to convey technical issues clearly to members of staff, customers and 3rd party suppliers/contractors as well as clear and concise report writing.

The right candidate will be able to help shape the use of technology and systems moving forwards within Wyvex Media in the future.

In addition to salary we offer group personal pension plan, life and medical insurance.

A current full, clean driving licence is essential for travel to other sites, on a regular and “as required” basis.

Please send your CV and a letter of application to Alison Arden,
Wyvex Media, Crannog Lane, Oban, Argyll, PA34 4HB
or email ali@wyvexmedia.co.uk

CARERS CENTRE MANAGER



Dochas Centre

LOCHGILPHEAD £29,841 – £33,573 p.a.

In this wide and varied role, you will be primarily responsible for leading, co-ordinating and managing the day to day delivery of the services to Carers in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Isles. Your proven experience in developing, delivering and managing projects, as well as managing and supervising a team of people are key to this role.

You will require a good understanding of the issues and challenges facing carers: hence your experience and excellent interpersonal skills would be an essential attribute in managing the centre's services and raising awareness of our work.

For further information and application pack please contact 01546 600 022 or email wanida@dochasfund.org.uk

Closing date for applications 6th April 2018



Marine Husbandry Staff

Scallastle, Sound of Mull

Scottish Sea Farms are an internationally recognised farmer of superior quality Scottish salmon. We pride ourselves in providing industry leading and highly personal development paths which build into fulfilling, professional careers. If you are committed to developing our industry and are driven to put your strengths to work, we would very much like to hear from you.

We are currently recruiting for Husbandry staff to join our dedicated team at Scallastle on the Sound of Mull.

Experienced Husbandry Staff

Earnings Potential for this Role: £26,250 + Bonus

Applicants should have at least 1.5 years' practical salmon farming experience with a specific interest in Fish Health or Feed Performance. You should be able to demonstrate competence across a wide range of farming disciplines including: fish health monitoring, stock appetite assessment, boat handling skills, whilst being proactive in health and safety.

Above all you should have the drive and ambition to further your career through training and development. A formal boat qualification would be desirable.

Trainee Husbandry Staff

Earnings Potential for this Role: £23,750 + Bonus after 6 months

Applications are also invited by candidates looking to begin their career in the Aquaculture Industry. We are looking for ambitious individuals who are team players, proactive in health and safety and who have high expectations for themselves and of their employer.

In return, we will provide you with a Mentor who will guide you through your first months of employment and a detailed training plan that will enable you to kick start your fish farming career.

Scottish Sea Farms will offer an attractive salary dependant on experience along with additional payments on completion of specific training, crop bonus, discretionary company bonus, pension scheme, life cover, occupational health support, subsidised gym membership and cycle to work scheme.

A current driving licence is essential.

We are an equal opportunities employer and we welcome applications from all suitably qualified persons.

To find out more please contact Angela Hand, Recruitment & HR Co-ordinator on 01786 445521 or e-mail angela.hand@scottishseafarms.com for an application pack.

Closing date for applications: Friday 30th March 2018.

Assistant Stockman Required

We have a vacancy for an Assistant Stockman at Ormsary Estate, near Lochgilphead, Argyll. The successful candidate will report to the Farm Manager. You will have a positive and enthusiastic manner, and be able to work in a small multi-skilled team with a flexible hands-on approach to stock farming and estate work. You will preferably have a recognised qualification and experience in all aspects of cattle and sheep husbandry, as well as general farm and machinery work. For the right candidate additional training will be given where required. The successful candidate will also possess a full driving licence, and be prepared to make their home at Ormsary. Ormsary Farmers offers an excellent employment package, including pension and family housing in a vibrant and scenic rural community, with a modern local primary school.

If you are confident that you can fulfil this role, please apply in writing by sending your CV to James Lithgow, Ormsary Farmers, Ormsary, Lochgilphead PA31 8PE, or by email to enquiries@ormsary.co.uk



THE COMMISSIONERS OF NORTHERN LIGHTHOUSES

The Northern Lighthouse Board – www.nlb.org.uk – is the General Lighthouse Authority for Scotland and the Isle of Man, established by statute to provide, maintain and inspect marine aids to navigation throughout its waters.

MECHANICAL TECHNICIAN (OBAN)

Based in Oban and travelling to any of the lighthouses within the NLB estate, the successful candidate will work as part of a team carrying out maintenance, repair and installation work on aids to navigation and associated equipment.

This will involve working on a wide range of mechanical plant and equipment including installing mechanical and control equipment to ensure equipment functions reliably and to specification. Configure, commission, fault-find, calibrate and test installations to ensure that the equipment functions reliably and to specification. Training will be provided where required.

Preference will be given to those who can successfully work as part of a team and have relevant mechanical qualifications and experience. There is a requirement to travel to and stay at remote locations (for up to 12 days at a time), often at short notice.

A salary of up to £29,976 plus a consolidated overtime allowance of up to £5,244 will be offered to the successful candidate, dependent upon qualifications and experience. Also included is a generous career average occupational pension scheme.

For further details and an application pack please email jobs@nlb.org.uk or download an application from our website: www.nlb.org.uk/InformationCentre/WorkingForUs/Vacancies/
Closing date: 30th March 2018.

The Northern Lighthouse Board is an equal opportunities employer and positively encourages applications from all suitably qualified people regardless of sex, race or disability.



Head of Maintenance – Perle Oban

Do you like the satisfaction of a job well done? Due to a retirement in our team, we are looking for a new member to look after our facilities. As a maintenance professional, you will be responsible for the upkeep of a beautiful hotel.

You will have a basic knowledge of some or all of the following: plumbing, electrical, joinery, and painting decorating. You will also be expected to liaise with contractors, arrange with suppliers to price and deliver materials. As part of your responsibilities will also be fault finding and statutory testing, such as fire and water systems. You must be organised and willing to work quite independently. As part of a team, you will be key to keeping the property looking its best by following up issues raised in a timely manner.

You will have pride in knowing that the general upkeep inside and outside the premises was your job well done. It is important that your work is accurate and of a high quality.

The hotel is part of a small group looking to provide a fabulous experience for our guests. The hotel has been newly refurbished and is looking to you to keep it at its best. You are looking after our guests and your team, so we will look after you. Of course, we will invest in training for you. We offer top salary and benefits, including a bonus scheme. Salary £20k+ bonus dependent upon experience.

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LOCHFYN LANGOUSTINES require a **FINANCE ASSISTANT**

Full time position, book keeping experience essential. For more information or to submit your CV, please email: lochfynlangoustines@hotmail.co.uk

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Dedicated and reliable person required to clean and prepare our two holiday properties in Ormsary.

Cleaning experience is preferred but not essential. Guaranteed minimum 12 hours per week. Flexible days. £8 per hour.

Contact Fee on 07786391238 or housekeeper@ormsary.co.uk



Housing Services Officer, Kintyre
35 hrs £27,575 - £32,441
Interviews for the above post will be held on 26th April 2018 in Campbeltown.

Lettings Assistant, Mid Argyll
17.5 hrs £9,858 - £11,598
Interviews for the above post will be held on 27th April 2018 in Lochgilphead.

For more information on both posts, contact Sarah Campbell on 01546 605881 or email Sarah.Campbell@acha.co.uk.

HR Modern Apprentice, Lochgilphead
£10,886 to £16,151 per annum depending on age
35 hours per week
Interviews for the above post will be held in Lochgilphead on Wednesday 18th April 2018

For more information on the MA post, please contact Marina Macarthur on 01546 605860 or email marina.macarthur@acha.co.uk

Closing Date for all posts: 12 noon on Friday 6th April 2018.
For further details and to apply visit the recruitment section of our website www.acha.co.uk. CVs are not accepted. If you are unable to access the website contact the Recruitment Team: Tel 01546 605917 or email recruitment@acha.co.uk

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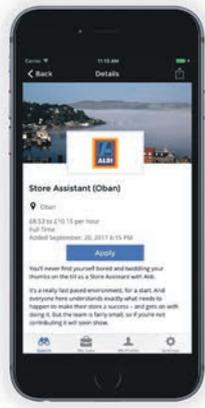
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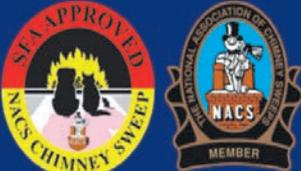
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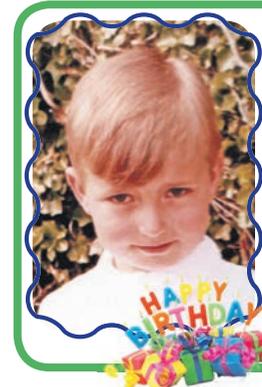


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FROM OUR FILES

TEN YEARS AGO

Friday March 21, 2008

Top class brass again triumphant

THIS year is one for the history books for Campbeltown Brass.

The band has won a magnificent victory in the Scottish Brass Band Championships and also celebrates its silver anniversary.

The band won the third section competition last year and went to the championships in Glenrothes expecting no more than to hold their own and get a good placing amidst stiff competition.

But they came first by two clear points and soprano cornet player Hannah McSporran gained the award for best instrumentalist.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Friday March 26, 1993

Whisky given a livener

THE SCOTCH whisky industry may have been saved from 'disaster' thanks to the freezing of sobering excise duty.

The budget decision to freeze tax on spirits has been hailed as a 'step in the right direction'.

Referring to the large number of job losses in the Scotch whisky industry this year, manager of Morrison (Bowmore) distillery on Islay, Mr James McEwan, said: 'Had there been a further increase in duty of Scotch whisky, it would have been disastrous for the industry.'

'It is definitely a step in the right direction, but there is still a ladder to be climbed.'

Mr Gordon Knight, managing director at Springbank distillery, said: 'This was certainly welcome news, but there is



Campbeltown Brass will celebrate its 25th anniversary over the weekend of June 20-22 with a reunion, gala concert and exhibition.

still a glaring disparity between the duty on spirits and that on wine. This seems to be a case of the government having its cake and eating it.'

FIFTY YEARS AGO

Thursday March 21, 1968

Burying the past

A WELL, believed to be 130 years old, was uncovered in Campbeltown's Main Street on Thursday. Workmen engaged in improving the street discovered the well just beneath the road surface.

More than 30 feet deep, the well is circular and has a diameter of around eight feet. It was full to the brim with water.

Crowds of inquisitive townsfolk gathered round the dry-stane-built structure as pumping operations were being carried out.

The shaft's discovery has presented problems to the contractors, Messrs D & J Carmichael, of Lochgilphhead. Work scheduled to be completed by the end of the month has been held back until the well was filled with rubble.

Commented the burgh surveyor, Mr D M Kellock: 'It is questionable whether anybody living in the town can remember a well being there.'

Mr Kellock added that a heavy vehicle could have caused the top surface to cave in. Only 18 inches of wood and tarmacadam separated the top of the well from the road surface.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

Saturday March 23, 1918

National egg collection for the wounded

THE COMMITTEE gratefully acknowledges the following contributions: Tanga and Kilchenzie, 8 dozen and 6 eggs; Southend, 5 dozen and 10; Clachan, 4 dozen; South Carrine, 4 dozen; Carskey, 3 dozen; Low Ugadale, 3 dozen; Drumlemble, 2 dozen and 6; Gartivaigh, 2 dozen; Rockbank, 2 dozen; Lochsanish, 2 dozen; Kilkivan, 2 dozen; Caliburn, 1 dozen and 6; Burnbank, 1 dozen; Miss McMurchy, 1 dozen, and a further 6 dozen from Parkfergus.

A special appeal has been received asking each collecting centre to try and make an effort to send in a good supply of eggs, so that as many men as possible may have an egg on Easter Sunday.

The committee therefore hopes that there will be a good response to this appeal next Monday at the Town Hall.

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



I WAS pleased to hear that Rory McIlroy won a golf tournament after a time in the desert of nearly two years.

I like this young Irishman and I wondered why he had gone off his game.

However, those of us who challenge that wee white ball know what it is like to be totally humiliated by it, and feel a slight sense of justice when even the best are beaten by it.

Rory said that all that was required to improve his game, was a few 'tweaks' from his coach.

Do we just need a few 'tweaks' from our coach to make us better players in the game of life?

Who is our coach in this important game? Those of us who follow the Christian way would say it was Jesus.

Sunday is Palm Sunday when we remember Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a donkey as he begins his final journey to the cross.

However, in that week, he has time to 'tweak' the ideas of his disciples. He shares a final meal with them and tells them to remember him.

He tells them again about his vision for a new way of living which is based on love.

He talks about a new kingdom which is completely inclusive.

He draws a new picture of God - a God of compassion who will be the father who searches for every lost son, a God who will be the mother hen who tenderly gathers us under her wings.

He came to 'tweak' our ideas of God and bring us to the one who fashioned us in our mother's womb, the one who is the maker and keeper of our days, the one who calls us by name.

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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

ALLEN - Suddenly, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on March 14, 2018, Gordon James Allen, in his 64th year, 53b Longrow, Campbeltown, dearly beloved father of Andrew, Helen, Gordon, Alexander and Jamie, a loving granda and much loved brother of David and Lorna.

FINN - Peacefully, at the Kintyre Care Centre, Campbeltown, on March 17, 2018, Jane Nicholson Finn, in her 92nd year, formerly of Burnbank Street, Campbeltown, dearly beloved daughter of the late James and Jane Finn and a much loved sister and aunt.

GARNHAM - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on March 17, 2018, Alec William Garnham, in his 69th year, 60 Crosshill Avenue, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Lorna Mason and a much loved father, grandfather, brother and uncle. A service will be held in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, today Friday, March 23 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Scottish Air Ambulance.

HENDERSON - Peacefully, at the Kintyre Care Centre, Campbeltown, on March 15, 2018, Maureen Sinclair, in her 86th year, formerly of Barochan Place, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Michael Henderson, much loved mum of Lorna, mother-in-law of Campbell, loving granny of Lorne and Greg and great granny of Rogan.

MACKENZIE - Suddenly, but peacefully at his home, on March 14, 2018, Colin James Mackenzie, aged 70 years, of 36 Dun Mor Avenue, Lochgilphead, (late of ACHA and Argyll and Bute Council), beloved husband of Fay Macpherson, much loved and loving father of Roddie, Colin and Stuart, a much respected father-in-law and adored grandpa of Annalise, Heidi, Finn, Luke, Ross, Alec, Ben and the late Little Roddie. Loyal brother, uncle and cousin to all the family and a good neighbour, dear friend and former work colleague to many. Funeral service was held in Lochgilphead Parish Church, on Tuesday, March 20, 2018, followed by interment at Achnabreac Cemetery. Sadly missed.

MACKINNON - Peacefully, at the Mid Argyll Community Hospital, Lochgilphead, on March, 16, 2018, in her 85th year, Margaret MacKinnon, beloved wife of the late Alistair MacKinnon, dear mother of Ali, Dougie, James and Neil, mother-in-law of Sheena, Jane and Connie, much loved grandmother and great grandmother. Sadly missed by all. A private service will be held.

MACVICAR - In loving memory of my dear wife, Peggy, died March 16, 2015. Lonely is my home without you, Life to me is not the same, All this world would be like Heaven, Just to have you back again. - Love, Robbie xx.

MACVICAR - In loving memory of our dear mum. There's a corner in our hearts, Mum, You visit every day, It gives us this warm feeling, That you're never far away. - Love from all the family xxx.

MCDUGALL - In loving memory of Iain McDougall, who died on March 27, 2016. 'Precious memories.' - From Anne, Grant, Morna and family, home and away.

IN MEMORIAM

CLARK - In loving memory of Peggy, our dear mother and granny, who died March 28, 1993. Also John, a dear dad and grandpa, who died February 24, 1977. Remembered with love always.

- Janette and Ian and family, at home and away.

DOTT - In loving memory of Charlie, died March 28, 2017, loving husband, dad, granda and great granda. Missed and loved every day. - Isobel and family xxxx.

DOTT - In loving memory of Charlie, a dear brother, brother-in-law and uncle, died March 28, 2017. Sadly missed. - Irene, Neil and family.

GILMOUR - In loving memory of Sheena, died March 25, 2015. Loved and remembered every day.

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Argyll Street, Campbeltown
St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown
Scottish Charity No SC023277
Sunday 25th March Palm Sunday
Holy Communion 10.45 am
Friday 30th March Good Friday
Devotional Service 10.30am
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Highland Parish Church
SCO02493
Sunday 25 March 2018
PALM SUNDAY
"So they took branches of palm trees and went to meet him, shouting Praise God"
The service will be conducted by Mr Kelvin Moller and will be held in the church at 11.15am
All welcome.



The first beach most visitors see on arrival on Gigha. 25_c12gighabeach01

BBC Open Country investigated Gigha

IS LIFE on the Isle of Gigha a dream or nightmare? That was the premise of a BBC Radio 4 reporter who voyaged to God's Isle last month.

Open Country's Ian Marchant had always longed to visit the Inner Hebridean island.

While there he interviewed islanders including: Tony Philpin of the Coast and Countryside group; Don Dennis; Alasdair McNeill, whose family were once lairds of the island; island shop-keeper Joe Teale and Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust (IGHT) manager Elaine Morrison.

In the blurb for Mr Marchant's 24-minute investigation his producer, Mary Ward-Lowery wrote: 'For a writer and hippie like Ian, it sounds like a dream: an is-

land owned and run by its own community of fewer than 170 people.

'No more exploitative or neglectful landlords; everyone has a say in how things are done and they all live happily ever after. But also, no more wealthy and benevolent landlords, no more cash injections when things get tough.

'It's a dream - or a nightmare - that has come true on the Scottish island of Gigha.

'In 2001 the islanders took their destiny into their own hands and made a successful bid to buy the island.'

Two of Mr Marchant's interviewees, Mr McNeill and Mr Teale, hold differing views about the wisdom of the buy-out which has been held up as a model of community ownership.

Mr McNeill, the current

IGHT interim chairman, told the nation that the islanders should not have completed the buy-out.

He said: 'We never had any real bad landlords. I personally would rather have a benevolent dictator than this so-called democracy we have.

'I voted against [the buy-out]. Not that I didn't want the island, I wanted it very much. But I knew that it would be difficult, there would be great difficulty in running the place. We still have a lot to pay back yet. It's not utopia.'

'I've lived all over the world and there's nowhere better than Gigha on a summer's day. People come and think 'Ah, I want to live here'.

'But then the winter comes and the gales come and the

rain comes and they can't get off the island, or they can't get back on. And this is where their idea of utopia changes and they get bitter.

'I would try and bring in young people. Without children we have nothing.

'We need children so we have teachers and people get educated, and then come back and get some good business going.

'The people that come into the island... we need them to have jobs.'

Mr Teale, who owns Ardminish Stores, says that the buyout has been a success.

'Without question, the buyout has been a good thing,' he said, 'We've got B and Bs that can flourish, we've got a restaurant, we've got more kids in our school.

'People are able to buy

and own their own houses for the first time.

'We've spent about £4m improving, insulating and upgrading the homes that the IGHT owns.

'You can't say that private ownership of land is exclusively bad, because it isn't.

'But there was a sustained period of under-investment in the fabric of this island.

'Is it perfect? Absolutely not.

'Without doubt there's more squabbling, more infighting, perhaps more cliquey aspects to living here than there was prior to the formation of the trust. But you've got to take the rough with the smooth.'

The programme broadcast last month is available as a podcast at: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b09qh-bt6>

SWI's blooming glorious bulb show

SOUTHEND'S SWI group had a blooming great time last week at its annual bulb show.

There were many entries to the three sections of the competition: bulbs, baking and handcrafts, with the bulbs being described as 'glorious'.

An SWI spokesperson said: 'The first thing you noticed walking into the hall was the amazing smell.'

The entries were judged by Marjory McKinven from Carradale and Elspeth McAllister from Campbetown, with special prizes for each of the categories.

After judging, Marjory McKinven talked about her passion for quilting.

She showed the ladies quilts that she had previously made and displayed, which were described as 'quite amazing'.

The type of quilting that Marjory does incorporates machine embroidery and starts with a precise planning process.

The spokesperson said: 'If anyone gets the chance to see these quilts in reality they are in for a treat.'

Mrs McKinven is currently involved in trying to promote crafting in Carradale.

Full results are as follows: Bulbs: 1 Jen Ronald, 2 Fiona Rowland, 3 Inez Ronald. Baking: 1 equal Jen Ronald and Inez Ronald, 3 Alison Eynon. Handcrafts: 1 Christine Jardine, 2 Alison Eynon, 3 Moyra Jane Paterson. Special prize in bulbs: Inez Ronald. Special prize in baking: Jen Ronald. Special prize in handcrafts: Christine Jardine. Most points in show: 1 Jen Ronald, 2 Alison Eynon, 3 Fiona Rowland.

Tavendale trophy triumph

THE WALTER Tavendale Mixed Doubles darts trophy was won at the Kilbrannan by Kenny Docherty/Mary Ross.

The final, last Friday, was a close match be-

tween Charles Robertson/Sammy-Jo Shields and Kenny Docherty/Mary Ross.

Thanked

The event also raised £500 for charity which the Tavendale fami-

ly donated to the Nancy Glen fund. A darts spokesperson thanked Elaine and James of the Kilbrannan for donating bottle prizes and also for providing a 'fantastic buffet'.



From left at the trophy presentation: Mary Ross, Cathy Tavendale and Kenny Docherty.



From left: Maureen MacInnes, Susan Gilchrist, Catherine McEachran and Jean Miller.

Bowls president is singles champ

LITTLE would Campbeltown Bowling Club's new ladies' president Susan Gilchrist have thought that her first official duty would be to present herself with the Ladies' Open Singles cup.

This was the case last week when she defeated Catherine

McEachran in the final to lift the trophy for the second consecutive year.

The finalists and losing semi-finalists Maureen MacInnes and Jean Miller were presented with their prizes by past president Lorraine Brodie.

Burnside darts team league winners

DARTS players from the Burnside were on top of the board after winning this season's league.

In week 17 matches, Jamie McGougan scored 180 for Kilbrannan A, Charles Robertson 180 and a 15-dart leg for the Burnside, Robert Todd a 117 finish and Scott Shields a 104 finish both for the Ailsa.

Full week 17 results are: Burnside 8 Kinloch A 0; Whisky Macs 1 Kilbrannan C 7; Kinloch B 1 Southend 7; Kilbrannan A 6 Ailsa 2; Fiddlers bye.

Scottish AFL fixtures

THIS Saturday's fixtures: Premier Division - Oban Saints v Hillington; Premier Division One - Rosehill Star v Campbeltown Pupils; Premier Division Two - Lochgilphead Red Star v Castlemilk; Tarbert v FC Argyll.

Campbeltown Pupils 2005s play Oban Saints on Sunday

FURTHER falls of snow, as the so-called 'mini beast' hit West Dunbartonshire, last Sunday, saw the cancellation of the Pupils 2005s' tie with Dumbarton River-side.

This Sunday, top of the table Campbeltown Pupils

Youth 2005s welcome Oban Saints 2005s to Campbeltown in their eagerly awaited Dunbartonshire Football Development League Argyll derby.

It is a 1pm kick off at the 3G AWP on Kinloch Green with evergreen referee Ar-

chie Mitchell in charge.

The Pupils 2005s are riding high with 39 points from 13 wins in 15 games.

Games in hand

The top four teams have all played 14 or 15 matches but fifth placed Oban 2005s, on 27 points, have played

just 10 games, winning nine and losing one, with five games in hand.

Oban also look uncatchable by the teams lower in the league.

Sixth placed Ardencaple FC 2005s has amassed 27 points from nine wins in

18 games. The latest league positions can be viewed at: <http://ddl.leaguerepublic.com/1/standingsForDate/631158708/2/-1/-1.html>

The Pupils 2005s have just three games to go in the season.

SPOT THE BALL

THIS WEEK'S JACKPOT £2100

LAST WEEK'S BALL WAS HERE...



This week's nearest the ball winners, who each receive £25 are:

F Brodie
Meadows Avenue
Campbeltown

R Mitchell
Muasdale Cottages
Muasdale

All you have to do

We have removed the football from the photograph opposite. Now look carefully at the position of the players and use your skill and judgement to place a cross at the exact point where you think the centre of the ball was. You may have a maximum of 10 attempts on this coupon at a cost of £1. If you wish to have more attempts, you must enter on separate coupons. The game starts with a jackpot of £250 and will increase by £50 per week until it is won outright.

To win the jackpot, the centre of your cross must be in the exact centre of the ball. **Entry will be void if crosses overlap.** Prizes will be shared between those submitting correct entries. If no correct entry is received, two 'near miss' prizes of £25 will be awarded. When the jackpot is won, no other prizes will be awarded that week.

Easy to enter

Cut out your completed coupon and put your entry plus £1 per 10 attempts into a sealed envelope and post it to reach "Spot the Ball" Competition, The Campbeltown Courier, Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown, Argyll PA28 6AE by 4pm on Tuesday. No refunds will be given for entries received after the deadline. You may hand it into The Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown by the same time. Otherwise all entries must be posted.

Competition Rules

No responsibility will be accepted for entries which are delayed, mislaid or lost, and proof of posting cannot be accepted as proof of delivery.

The company's decision will be final on all matters relating to the competition and no correspondence will be entered into. The final decision rests with the Company.

In the event of more than one correct entry, the jackpot will be shared equally between all winning entries. Any decision regarding the awarding of a prize is entirely at the discretion of the Company.

The Company reserves the right to declare the competition null and void at any time, subject to its discretion and to make full refund of the price of the coupon to any person who has entered the competition at that time.

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Name

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SPORT



INSIDE THIS WEEK:
Tavendale trophy triumph

Donnie in pole position after angling's opener

Story and pictures Hannah O'Hanlon

KINTYRE Angling Club's fishing season got off to a flying start at the opening day competition.

It was so cold, on Saturday, that the eyes of the fishing rods began to freeze over, but that didn't stop the club's hardiest members from wading into Lussa Loch's icy water when the competition began at 2pm.

Some cast from the banks or shoreline, while others took shelter inside the group's lochside clubhouse.

The loch was restocked with brown and rainbow trout on March 13, a couple of weeks later than

planned, after the delivery from Belhaven Trout Company Ltd, in Dunbar, was delayed due to the snowy weather.

The fish were lively, despite the bitter easterly wind, and it paid off for those who braved the elements.

Reeled in

After three hours, president Donnie Lawson had reeled in the most, catching five rainbow trout, weighing in collectively at 6lbs 6oz, to win the first of the season's nine competitions.

John McCallum came second, Archie McCallum, who caught the biggest rainbow, at 2lb, going into first place in the competi-

tion for biggest of each fish caught in the season, was third, and Reid Anderson placed fourth.

Catches from each competition are weighed and added up and the person with the highest total at the end of the season wins the championship.

Donnie was last year's winner and it looks like he's off to a good start again this year.

The 2018 season lasts from March 15 to October 6 and those who want to get hooked on the fishing fun can buy day tickets or memberships from the clubhouse in Shore Street or from Kenny Craig in the Hardware Store.



The club members who braved the elements to compete in the opening day competition.

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Waves lap James MacPhee's legs as he casts into the water.

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Some members spent more of their time inside the clubhouse.

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The lines blew in the bitter breeze.

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Reid Anderson fishes alongside James MacPhee.

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Graham Paterson casts into Lussa Loch.

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