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## Parents 'hopeful'

PARENTS at Rhunahaorine Primary School, which is facing closure, say they are more hopeful it will be saved after a meeting on Tuesday night.

Kenny McInnes, who jointly chairs the parent council told *The Courier*: 'I think we were able to demonstrate there is no educational benefit in closing Rhunahaorine and sending everyone to Glenbarr and that's the only reason why the council can close the school.'

Members of the parent council and the community met with councillors. The fate of the threatened rural primary schools next goes before the council on April 19.

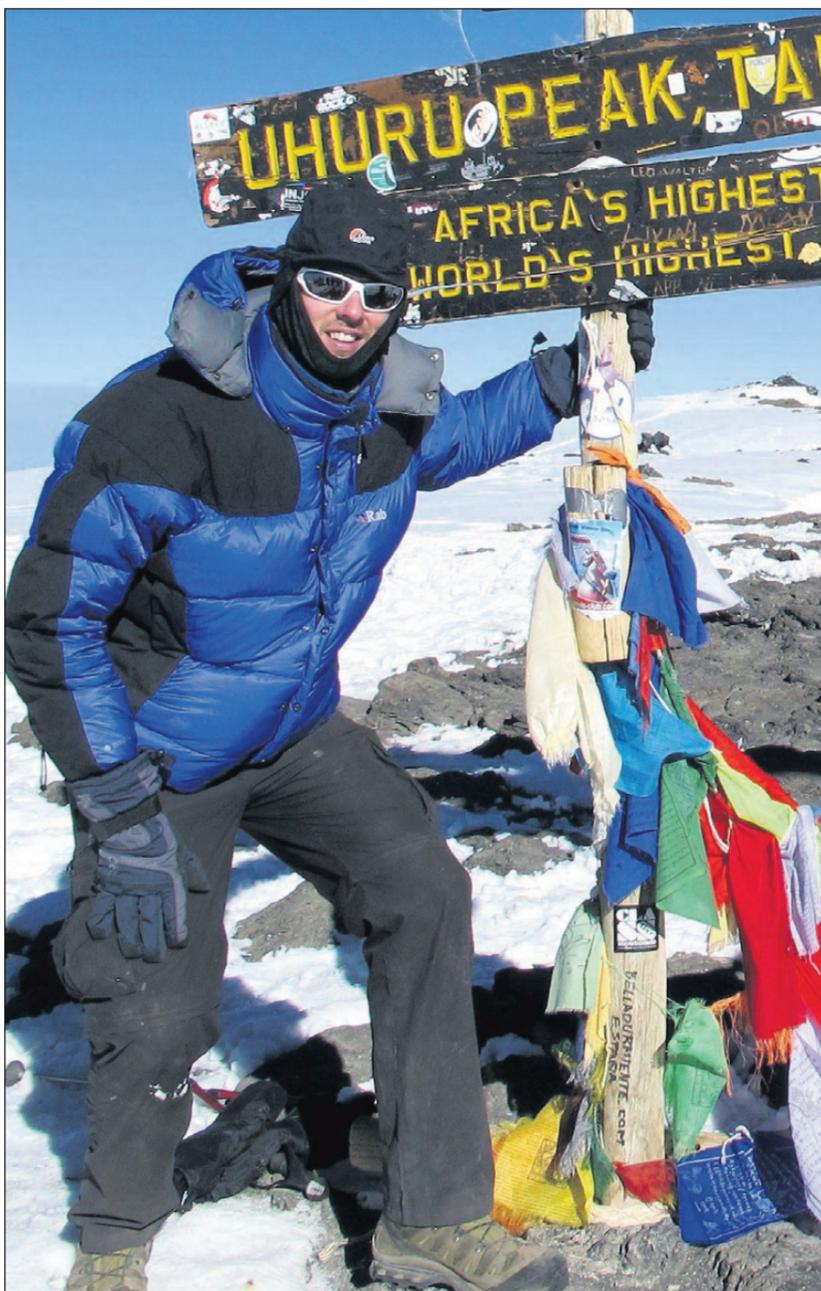
## Two held after raids

POLICE armed with search warrants raided two homes in the Campbeltown area on Wednesday last week and discovered illegal drugs at both addresses.

'Both searches proved positive,' confirmed a spokesman at Campbeltown Police Station, who said they had been acting on information received and the houses were raided simultaneously.

Two people were reported for possession charges under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 and reports are now being sent to the procurator fiscal.

# Peter scales the heights for charity



On top of the world: Peter Graham at the Uhuru peak of Mount Kilimanjaro, at a height of 5,895m.

by RUTH McCLEAN  
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'BEING drunk whilst having the flu' is how one Campbeltown adventurer described being at the top of the world's highest freestanding mountain.

Well-known local man Peter Graham put all his efforts into raising a total of £6,494 for Marie Curie Cancer Care before he left on the trip to the peak of Mount Kilimanjaro.

He completed a trek to the top of the African mountain, a height of 5,895 metres at its peak, and told *The Courier* that along the way he faced challenges outwith his comfort zone and battled the physical effects that high altitude has on an already battered body.

Peter began to feel the effects of the altitude a few hundred metres from the top of the mountain and said it was 'like being drunk whilst having the flu'.

'I couldn't walk or think straight; I had lost all my energy, had a blinding headache and the combination undoubtedly had an effect on my mood. I genuinely began to think that I could not make it,' said Peter.

'It is the hardest thing I have ever done but an absolutely fantastic experience from start-to-finish,' he said. 'I enjoyed every minute - even the fundraising and training added to the experience.'

Despite having such a good experience Peter said he is unsure if his body is cut out for being so far up in the clouds, and if he takes on a challenge in the future he will look to do something closer to sea level.

'It has certainly given me an appetite to do something that pushes me to the limit.'

'I couldn't walk or think straight. I had lost all my energy and had a blinding headache. It is the hardest thing I have ever done but I enjoyed every minute.'

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# Warden warns dog owners over fouling

by RUTH McCLEAN

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DOG owners are being targeted once again in Campbeltown as yet another has been given a fixed penalty ticket for failing to pick up after their pet.

Environmental warden Steve Woods contacted *The Courier* this week to tell us another person had been issued with the penalty in the Kinloch Green area.

He said that what is more disconcerting is the

number of dog owners he has spoken to who have not had bags with them.

'We always encourage people to pick up dog waste immediately.

'It is difficult to catch people, but people have been telling us they're just going to the car, or even going home to get a bag.

'They are still liable to be issued with a fixed penalty if it is not picked up immediately.'

He also said that they are finding more instances of dog fouling in the Hillside Road play park area.

'People have been picking up after their dogs but putting the bags down next to the litter bin.

'With so many children running about it is disgusting,' said Steve.

He also said that there is a lot of dog faeces being discovered around the perimeter of the park.

## Yacht's lucky escape after running aground off Gigha

A YACHT had a lucky escape after it ran aground near to Gigha on Sunday.

The *Fairmaid's* two passengers alerted Clyde Coastguard at 12.54pm on March 27 after she hit something.

Those on board weren't sure what it was or how much damage had been caused.

Fishing vessel *Capella* which was in the vicinity had divers on board and after *Fairmaid* came off the grounding and made her way into Ardminish Bay, Gigha, one of the divers went down to have a look.

Thankfully there was no damage to her hull but she stayed in the bay overnight.

Gigha Coastguard was alerted to the call and kept an eye on the boat as she came into the bay.

Islay Coastguard was also alerted just after the boat had come off the ground as the passengers were unsure whether they would go to Ardminish Bay, but decided to remain in Ardminish.

## Support continues for earthquake orphans

KINTYRE rallied round and gave donations and help to an orphanage in Haiti after an earthquake struck the islands.

The contact was originally through Rev Martin Grashof and even though he has moved on to a new ministry the work is continuing, through Lori Silvan, of Clachan.

Lori told *The Courier* she would like to thank the Church of Scotland at Ronachan House, for donating the laptops and

to Humandynamicsystems, for reconditioning the laptops free of charge.

'I would also like to say a huge thank-you to those who donated money for the laptops to be sent overseas, in particular to Jeff Parkhouse.

'It is much appreciated, and they will be well used. I will continue to support the Matthew 28 charity, and receive regular updates from the orphanage,' said Lori.

## Tourism summit

BUSINESSES from Argyll and Bute gathered in Oban yesterday (Thursday) for a Tourism Summit.

The first of its kind, the summit aimed to bring the public, private and

voluntary sector together to shape the future of tourism in Argyll.

The businesses took part in a series of workshops designed to raise their profiles and awareness of the area.



Ben and Ailie Clark helps to pot herbs in the polytunnel. 0\_c13ccog01

## Airline launches airport gateway

IF you're catching the plane, look out for a change of departure gates at Glasgow.

Loganair now has a 'Gateway' to the Highlands and Islands at

Glasgow Airport.

To date, passengers on flights to Barra, Campbeltown and Tiree have regularly used Gates 18 and 20. But from Monday March 28 all of the

Flybe franchise carrier's flights depart from Gates 1, 2 and 3 at the airport, consolidating the Loganair operation in one area for the first time.

## Red Cross 'thank-you' to volunteers



THE Kintyre branch of the British Red Cross gave an afternoon tea party at its newly refurbished centre on Kirk Street, Campbeltown, on Monday afternoon to say thank you to its volunteers. More than 60 people went along and whilst there picked up their collection tins, ready for Red Cross Appeal Week, which takes place on May 1 to 8 this year. Also on display during the afternoon was a selection of photographs and memorabilia from the branch archives. 0\_c13red01

## Going potty for CCOG volunteer day

A TOTAL of 400 raspberry canes were planted at the weekend at Campbeltown Community Organic Garden (CCOG).

The market garden, behind CCOG, is being revamped, with hundreds of tomatoes and herb plants in six packs also planted during a volunteer day on Saturday.

For once the weather was on the organiser's side and lots of work was carried out, ready for the produce to be sold at the community garden and farmer's market.

The group also pushed ahead with one of its most difficult tasks, putting up its large polytunnel in the market garden.

A new drop off point has been created at the top of the garden for cars, and with a fence also erected around the perimeter of the garden.

Another volunteer's day will be held at the end of April.

## Fuelling up for Denmark

DURING the last week two tankers have taken 80,000 tonnes of fuel from the NATO Jetty for Copenhagen.

On Monday morning the first tanker arrived, and was due to set sail on Tuesday or Wednesday. A second tanker, *CPO Korea*, was due in yesterday (Thursday) to take another 40,000 tonnes of fuel.

On Monday night the *Hebridean Princess* was due in for her last visit until November.

The *Red Baroness* was also due in on Monday night to export 1,000 tonnes of timber for Londonderry.

## Green light for woodland

A WOODLAND management scheme will be set up in the Kildalloig area of Campbeltown after a planning application was approved.

The scheme will also include the creation of woodland and was permitted by Argyll and Bute Council planners.

**Police Files**

**Warrant:**

FAILING to pay fines on time resulted in police officers at the door for one Islay resident on Thursday last week. Police said officers served a means inquiry warrant for non payment of fines at an address in Bowmore.

**Arrested:**

A MAN was arrested during the early hours of Saturday morning after an alleged indecent assault occurred in Campbeltown town centre. A police spokesman said: 'A crime report has been raised and a report will be sent to the procurator fiscal.'

**BT probe:**

POLICE are investigating whether a piece of BT equipment in Campbeltown has been vandalised or hit by a car driver who did not stop and report the collision. The badly damaged BT substation box at The Roding was discovered last Monday and police inquiries are on going.

**Warning:**

TRADERS should be on the alert for forged notes. Police are warning business people in and around Kintyre to be on their guard after one shopkeeper reported that someone had passed counterfeit notes in their premises this week.

**Tools taken:**

POLICE report tools were taken from a work site at the Killean Estate, Tayinloan on Monday last week. Inquiries are on going.

**Bitten:**

POLICE inquiries are on going after a woman reported that she had been bitten by a dog in Campbeltown on

**Owl couple off to pastures new**

AFTER six successful tourist seasons, Rod and Niccy Angus, of the Scottish Owl Centre, Campbeltown, are moving to pastures new.

Due to family and business reasons the family will be selling up and moving their unique business to Polkemmet Country Park, West Lothian.

The couple have lived in Campbeltown for the last 25 years with their family growing up here. Rod grew up in the town and went to Campbeltown Grammar School after his family settled here when he was 14.

Boasting about 60 owls, the centre was set up in 2005 and been rated as a four-star rated VisitScotland wildlife experience.

The centre is home to the largest collection of owls in Scotland with birds from all over the world.

The family would like to thank everyone who has supported them through visits, parties and owl adoptions over the last seven years and look forward to seeing some familiar faces visiting them when they plan to open up their centre in the country park.



Rod Angus (left), holding Lofty, and wife Niccy, have lived in Campbeltown for 25 years. They started up the Scottish Owl Centre seven years ago and will be leaving the area to move to West Lothian in the next few months. 12\_c13ow101

**We're off to a flying start!**

by RUTH McCLEAN  
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THE tourist season 2011 in Kintyre has got off to a fantastic start with two new hotels and two new ferries, something few UK communities could dream of in the present economic climate.

March has been a historic month for Kintyre's tourism industry with massive investments.

Work has begun at long last on two of Kintyre's historic hotels and a new passenger ferry services to Ireland and Ayrshire starting up.

The long-awaited renovation of the Ugadale Hotel and Royal Hotel started last week as part

of Southworth Development's investment in Kintyre.

Graham Construction, the contractor, has carried out preliminary work on the Royal Hotel on Campbeltown's seafront as well as the Ugadale Hotel, at Machrihanish.

The two hotels will be part of the Machrihanish Dunes Golf Club complex, which also boasts the Ugadale Golf Cottages, and the Old Clubhouse.

The Ugadale Hotel is being renovated to bring it back to its former glory and upon comple-

tion it is planned to feature 23 guest rooms and suites, alongside a steak house and malt whisky bar.

The Royal Hotel will also boast 23 guest rooms and suites, with plans for an open-air seafood restaurant with an oyster bar and up-market pub.

Kintyre Express, a division of West Coast Motors formally launched its fast ferry services from Campbeltown to Troon and Ballycastle last week, and the acquisition of a second boat to begin the Irish run in May generated a large amount of national media interest along the way. (See page 7)

**Six to face the voters**

SIX candidates will contest the Argyll and Bute seat in the Scottish Parliamentary elections to be held on May 5.

The candidates are: George Doyle, 41 Ellenabeich, Easdale, Independent; Alison Hay, Seaview, Minard, Argyll Scottish Liberal Democrats; Jamie McGrigor, Ardchonnell, by

Dalmally, Argyll Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party; Mick Rice, Duncreggan House, Blairmore, Dunoan, Argyll Scottish Labour Party; Michael William Russell, Feorlean, Colintrave, Argyll Scottish National Party (SNP) and George Alexander White, 8 Jacobs Drive, Gourrock, The Liberal Party.

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## Foggy ferries

FERRY services to Gigha from Tayinloan were disrupted last Thursday after heavy fog descended on Kintyre.

The Caledonian Mac-Brayne service from Tarbert to Portavadie was also suspended because of the weather.

## Extension

ARGYLL and Bute Council's planning department approved the application for an extension to Craiganrioch Cottage, Kilkerran Road, Campbeltown, last week.

## Mission man Dan pays a visit home

A MEMBER of a well-known Kintyre fishing family is now the chief executive officer of the Fishermen's Mission.

And Dan Conley OBE MBA RN paid a visit home last week to tour the area, meet people and see the work the mission carries out in Kintyre through the auspices of Matthew Ramsay, the Royal National Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen's superintendent.

Mr Conley is the son of John and grandson of Daniel and his cousin Alan still lives in Carradale.

He began his education at Millknowe Primary and 'the Wee Grammar' before his family moved from the area.

He went to sea with the Royal Navy rather than the fishing, and ended his active service captaining nuclear submarines.

He told *The Courier*: 'The mission is changing to meet the needs of the industry, the old style missions are being replaced with mini centres and auxiliary superintendents and volunteers.'

He added: 'Matthew works part-time but part-time means being on duty or providing cover 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year.'

Mr Conley added: 'We work closely with the RNLi and Coastguard.'

'But when they bring a rescued fisherman ashore that's where their work ends and ours begins.'

'People can be left with no clothes, possessions or money and need to get home either here in the UK or overseas.'

'We have a lot of people in Scotland who do not take up grants or benefits available to them; it's the nature of fishing folk, they're proud. We are here to help,' said Mr Conley.



Dan Conley and Matthew Ramsay. 0\_c12Dan01.

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## Kintyre Way funding to end

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MORE people are using the Kintyre Way but as its funding runs out later this year, the company behind it is looking at more ways to promote the 87-mile route.

As well as continuing to improve pathways after a few complaints about some areas being boggy and too much walking on the road, the Long and Winding Way Ltd is looking to carry out more improvements.

It has started to move more of the pathway off the road from Carradale to Saddell which involves building a bridge.

The group is also talking to Sustrans, to see if

the Kintyre Way can be included in its national cycle network.

A new section of path is being built in the Clachan area, with materials for that section gifted by a local landowner.

### Spending

Last year, around 2,000 people came down the way, spending on average £300 to £450, with most staying in bed and breakfasts along the route and using local people who have set up companies to move their luggage around the peninsula.

As well as this, the Kintyre Way hopes to work with the Kintyre Express and use its link to Ireland to connect up

the route to the Ulster Way when it starts up in the summer, and not only promote its route but Kintyre as a whole.

Owen Paisley, route manager of the Kintyre Way told *The Courier* that the whole point of the Kintyre Way is to improve the Kintyre economy.

'We get no financial support from the council and our current funding runs out at the end of this year. Although around 2,000 people used the route last year, none of the money comes back to the Kintyre Way. We need to find a way to survive and grow for the future.'

'We have a lot to do to improve the route but we have started to market Kintyre as a whole.'

## Donation boosts Kintyre Recycling

KINTYRE Recycling has been boosted thanks to a donation from the contractors carrying out work locally for Scottish Water.

Black & Veatch, which is working on the improvements to Campbeltown's waste-water network, has made the donation after achieving recognition for its environmental awareness in the town.

The company was recently highly commended in a UK-wide company award for sustainability and were awarded £100 to donate to a charity of its choice.

The site team chose

Kintyre Recycling, a not-for-profit company and registered charity based in Campbeltown, which offers a range of recycling services in the community and aims to promote, manage, improve and develop

facilities for waste minimisation.

Black & Veatch is progressing with the fifth and final phase of Scottish Water's improvements to Campbeltown's wastewater network.



Members of Kintyre Recycling receive a cheque from Black & Veatch. 12\_c12rec01

## Energy officer helped cut carbon footprint

KINTYRE'S carbon footprint has been reduced thanks to the efforts of local power-down officer Malcolm McMillan.

Malcolm, who is originally from Campbeltown, took up the post through South Kintyre Development Trust (SKDT) in 2009.

His post was on a two-year basis and finished on March 31 as SKDT wasn't awarded funding in a new round of Climate Challenge Funding. During his time in his post he has helped to arrange 354 home energy checks, as well as 479 verbal advice interviews, effectively saving 156.2 tonnes of carbon over the two years; this amounts to 1,094 tonnes over a lifetime.

Malcolm also helped homeowners to get grants and subsidies



Malcolm McMillan.

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to help insulate their homes with 19 people being referred.

Amongst the many projects Malcolm helped through SKDT was a feasibility study for a tidal energy scheme.

A total of £25,000 of funding was secured in November 2009 from the Climate Challenge Fund to complete the study and Ocean Flow Energy is taking forward the project.

# Kilchattan turbine proposals rejected

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KILCHATTAN wind farm has been thrown out by Argyll and Bute Council.

The planning committee held a special meeting at the church hall, Southend, because of so much interest in the plans, which would have seen the community benefit financially.

The 16 wind turbines proposed reached to 81 metres to the blade tip and would have had access tracks, a wind monitoring mast, a switchgear building and a temporary construction compound.

But the plans were rejected.

'We abide by the decision but are very disappointed with the result,' said John Bakes of Southend Community Council.

The wind farm site was 3km north east of Southend, on Todd Hill and the un-named hill to the north-east in the South Kintyre Area of Panoramic Quality (APQ) and affected also the adjacent Sanda Island APQ.

It was a contentious application and provoked plenty of responses; in all 515 representations were submitted to the council, 293 in support, and 222 against.

Scottish Natural Heritage objected to the proposal saying it would 'give rise to significant adverse impacts on landscape which is considered to be of national interest and that the developers have not provided an adequate assessment of the impact upon hen harriers'.

### Refuted

Kilchattan Wind Farm Ltd strongly refuted this and brought in its own expert landscape and ornithological consultants.

Councillors were told by their planning officers that landscape and ornithology were the principal issues.

And the planners felt: 'There is no justifiable

reason for a departure to be made from the provisions of the Development Plan in this case.'

### Asset

A report told councillors: 'Argyll and Bute's landscapes and townscapes are a major economic asset for the tourism industry.'

'Visitors and residents value Kintyre for its beaches and panoramic coastal views to surrounding islands and mountains and the sense of seclusion.'

Councillors heard Kilchattan Wind Farm would have been visible from as far away as the A83 near Kilchenzie and prominent from both the B842 and the east coast road to Campbeltown.

## Islay set for power milestone

ISLAY is on course to generate enough electricity for the island's own use, and then some, with the approval for a £40 million tidal power array of 10 turbines on the seabed.

It will be the first array of its kind in the world, developed by Scottish Power Renewables.

The array is likely to be installed in 2013 if tests in the waters off Orkney prove successful for the turbines, which have been developed by a Norwegian firm.

The plans were approved by Marine Scotland in March.

Islay Energy Trust is behind the plans and as well as clean electricity the island will reap the rewards of jobs and a share of profits from the turbines to be reinvested in community projects.

## Pupils urged to show off their skills

PUPILS from across the area are being asked to invent devices of the future as part of Skills Development Scotland's Junior Saltire Awards.

P5-P7 pupils and S1-S3 secondary pupils are being invited to enter the competition by inventing a marine renewable energy device of the future.

This has been funded by the Scottish Government and delivered in partnership with the Scottish Council for Development and Industry (SCDI).

The aim of the awards is to promote interest and awareness in renewable energy.

Kintyre schools are being asked to create a description of their device, produce a blueprint and build a model from recycled household materials.

Full details of how to enter the competition are available at [www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk](http://www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk).

## Green group's first meeting 'a success'

ABRA is going to be VG for REAP but, acronyms apart, the Argyll and Bute Renewable Energy Alliance (ABRA), met last week for the first time and this was hailed as a success by all taking part.

ABRA's job is to bring together parties such as Argyll and Bute Council, the Scottish Government, Highlands and Islands Enterprise, Scottish Power Renewables, Marine Scotland, Scottish and Southern

Energy, Crown Estate Commission and Skills Development Scotland so that together they can implement Argyll and Bute's Renewable Energy Action Plan (REAP).

ABRA chairman, Councillor Dick Walsh, said: 'I am confident that ABRA will build positively on the proactive approach already established within Argyll and Bute, through the development of the Renewable Energy Action Plan.'

### GRADUATION



Recently graduated at Stirling University in BSC Adult Nursing. Eilidh is the daughter of Andrew and Helen Harrison, granddaughter of Andy and Sandra Harrison and the late Malcolm and Catherine Harvey. Eilidh is currently working as a Community Staff Nurse in Campbeltown.

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## Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



WHAT a treat it is on a Friday evening to take a wee trip to Barra.

I just love the TV programme, *Island Parish* and delight in all the stories around the beautiful Hebridean islands of Barra and the Uists.

Father John Paul is trying to settle in to the small community and is being given lots of advice from the neighbouring priests. There is much humour in the learning, and Father Roddy is always ready with unlimited encouragement for his new colleague. He has experience on many issues, including golf, sheep (he has a flock of the four-legged variety too), bagpipes and chicken breeding!

Father Roddy's pride and joy is a magnificent cockerel called Clarence and he certainly looks like the champion the priest longs for him to be.

The time came for eggs to hatch, and who knows what potential champion might lie within any of the fragile shells. Father Roddy glowed with excitement and anticipation, but it was what he said that intrigued me as he looked at the first chick trying to peck its way from the shell to the world beyond.

The chick was struggling with just a tiny beak for a tool and the temptation was to help him on his way.

However Father Roddy said that it was the struggle that would make him strong. If we were to help him from the shell his wings would be weakened and his future flight would be impaired.

It was the struggle that would ensure he would be fit for the toughness that life ahead might bring.

Often when we struggle we wish someone would release us from our own particular shell and just make life easier.

But often it is the struggle that makes us strong and allows us to find strength and freedom for our life ahead.

# Down Memory Lane



West Coast Motors has launched its first fast ferry services to Troon and Ballycastle with an arm of the company, Kintyre Express. The company motto is 'Bringing people together since 1923' and the Craig family owns and runs the business to this day. The company has just bought a new boat to add to an existing one and here is an earlier purchase back in June 1926, an Albion PJ26 bought to start a new route for the company.

(Photograph courtesy of Stenlake Publishing Ltd, Ayrshire, publishers of *Wheels Around Kintyre*, by Robert Grieves).

## Gigha's school population

Sir,

I was pleased to read in the march 18 edition of *The Courier* about the 'remarkable improvement' and 50 per cent increase in the population of Gigha.

I wonder if the population would have seen such a dramatic increase if Argyll and Bute Council had decided to shut the Gigha primary school in 2004 when it only had six pupils or in any of the years before, when pupil numbers were low. Today it has a thriving school population. I urge the councillors who voted for the pre consultation to think again and not to condemn other rural communities by voting to shut rural schools with low pupil rolls.

**Maïke Staneby, Clachan.**

## Is no one listening?

Sir,  
In The Courier Council-

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lor John Semple asked people to 'speak out over roads' and pinpoint the exact location of potholes.

The roads in general are in a scandalous condition and are riddled with potholes.

In a letter to Argyll and Bute Council at Kilmory on February 17 I did identify potentially dangerous potholes at 10 locations in a three-mile stretch of the Machrihanish to Campbeltown road and reminded the council that as Highway Authority they were failing in their duty to properly maintain the road in a safe condition.

I have not received the courtesy of a reply and potholes remain.

This situation brings into question why 'speak out' if no one listens?

**J C Angus, Machrihanish House, Machrihanish.**

## Apprenticeships: 'hugely welcome'

Sir,

The announcement that 30 new apprenticeships will be created in traditional building skills is hugely welcome.

Historic buildings are a key asset to the Scottish economy and a particularly crucial part of the infrastructure contributing to a successful Scottish tourist industry. They require ongoing care, maintenance and sensitive upgrading to preserve them for the benefit of generations to come.

We need to foster the traditional building skills needed to safeguard our historic built environment and investment in apprenticeship opportunities is a crucial way of achieving this, giving a fresh new generation of

people the opportunity to hone their skills in the traditional craft trades.

Far from being old-fashioned or uneconomic, promotion of traditional building skills will make an important contribution to sustainable economic growth, ensuring our historic built environment continues



JESSIE Graham of John Street, Campbeltown, paid a call to The Courier office this week to tell us the names of the people who were featured in the Down Memory Lane photograph of the British Road Services depot.

to make a positive contribution to maintaining the vibrancy of Scottish tourism and culture.

**Jacqui Hepburn, director, Alliance of Sector Skills Councils in Scotland, Edinburgh.**

## Apprenticeships: 'bolster workload'

Sir,

I note the announcement by the Chancellor that additional cash will be prioritised for the creation of 50,000 new apprenticeships in England and Wales but in Scotland, even more ambitious proposals are being banded about.

However, such announcements mean very little if more isn't done to bolster the workloads of those industries providing the employment opportunities for apprentices. From a construction industry point of view, the more important aspect of this week's budget is the commitment of £250 million to help first-time buyers get on the housing ladder. Poor availability of mortgages for first time buyers is one key reason behind this collapse and this new initiative is helpful. By helping rebuild output from the sector, it will enable more private house-builders to offer employment opportunities to the thousands of new apprentices being proposed.

**Michael Levack, chief Executive, Scottish Building Federation.**

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Front: Neil Downie, Mr McDougall, John Colville, Mamie Armour and Mr Wilson.

# New ferry service sets sail to Troon and Ballycastle

by JOANNE SIMMS  
editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk

CAMPBELTOWN has ferries once again with the launch of passenger services to Troon and Ballycastle by Kintyre Express, a division of West Coast Motors.

It is more than 12 years since the last car ferry service, run by Sea Containers, ended and the people of Kintyre have been campaigning long and hard for a return.

Things were looking hopeful by 2006 with the Scottish and Northern Ireland governments signing an accord but not even the offer of a subsidy could attract an operator and in the present economic climate in these circumstances Holyrood has said the service can no longer be a priority.

But Kintyre Express has shown there is a demand and hopes to grow the business.

Colin Craig, managing director, says the firm has been encouraged by the interest shown already and eventually hopes to have a triangular route linking

Troon with Ballycastle as well.

‘When we went public with our plans to re-introduce, and I suppose re-invent, a service between Campbeltown and Ballycastle one or two eye brows were raised, comments were passed about the nature of the North Channel but the one view everyone shares is the suitability of the boat we have chosen for the service,’ Mr Craig said when the second addition to the Kintyre Express fleet was named last week.

‘The 11m Redbay boats here today are the most fantastic sea going boats I have been on and I am very grateful to Tom McLaughlin and his team at Redbay for delivering ahead of schedule.’

## Return journeys

Kintyre Express will offer eight return journeys to Ballycastle in County Antrim weekly in a summer season of May-September.

Bookings are now being taken; including



Jennifer Craig names *Kintyre Express II* with the liberal application of champagne. 0\_c13kin15

plenty of motor sport fans using the route to get to the Northwest 200 race week.

The Irish ferry will run Friday to Monday and the Troon ferry service begins today, Friday April 1, and on demand service Wednesday Friday and Sunday.

Outwith these times both boats will be available for private charter work.

The boats are both 11m Stormforce Redbay boats, equipped to carry 12 passengers in comfort in full enclosed and heated cabins.

Kintyre Express employs six people; two skippers, two crew and stand-by skippers and crew. Kintyre Express also has support staff at

West Coast Motors for engineering, marketing, administration and accounting.

At 90 minutes to Ballycastle and 70 minutes to Troon, with a link into the railway service the routes provide a fast and economical solution for getting to and from Glasgow and Northern Ireland.

To celebrate the launch of the new boat, Kintyre Express held a celebration lunch at Portavadie

Marina on Thursday. *Kintyre Express I* set sail from Troon and the newly acquired *Kintyre Express II* from Campbeltown, bringing guests.

They rendezvoused off Tarbert, when piper Lorne MacDougall came on board *Kintyre Express II* and then they sailed on and she entered Portavadie, dressed overall and pipes playing, to be officially named by Jennifer Craig.



Keith Wright, relief skipper, William Craig, chairman West Coast Motors, and Haydn Chambers, skipper *Kintyre Express II* 0\_c13kin03



Colin Craig at the naming ceremony. 0\_c13kin13



*Kintyre Express II*. 0\_c13kin09

## Endless opportunities at Machrihanish base

THE announcement of the approval to buy the Machrihanish Airbase has led to a flurry of activity by the Machrihanish Airbase Community Company (MACC).

The right to buy under the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003 expires on April 6 and the decision as to whether to buy or not must be made before this time.

Negotiations have been continuing on an almost daily basis between MACC and the Ministry of Defence and the Scottish Government as when the possible transfer of the vast and complex base will take place.

MACC is confident of success but there are many decisions to be made by other organisations, regarding the legal, financial and political matters outwith their control.

MACC did have a ‘very fruitful’ meeting with the Highlands and Islands Enterprise Board on March 17, chairman Ian Wardrop revealed this week.

He added: ‘Now is the time for the community to start planning to create a new business, expand their existing business or exercise their entrepreneurial skills.’

‘The opportunities here are endless.’

## Pubs’ poor toilet access for disabled

NOT enough of Campbeltown’s pubs and bars have easy access for disabled people to use their lavatories, one family believes.

A father, who did not wish to be named, said that while many places had wheelchair access, the lavatory provision was poor making it difficult for his disabled child, who is an adult, to go out.

And he knows of other families who face the same problems.

Because of this, the number of places that a disabled person can go out and have a drink and enjoy themselves is limited, he said. ‘The best place in town for facilities has to be the White Hart. Some of the others are very poor indeed.’

## THIS MONTH IN SCOTTISH FIELD... ON SALE

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# Kintyre youngsters come home with the silverware

A WHOLE host of talented young kids from Kintyre went to the Mid Argyll Music Festival and returned home with lots of the trophies.

The Grammar School Choir won the cup for the highest marks; woodwind players won

the overall cup Iona McVicar and Catriona Lawrie won the Dunadd cup for instrumental duets and Treble Trouble Archie McVicar, Innes Roy and Owen Pickering won the cup for best junior ensemble. Well done kids!



Archie McVicar (left) from Castlehill Primary School, Owen Pickering (centre) and Innes Roy from Drumlembie Primary School, of Treble Trouble, won The Cairnbaan Trophy in the Instrumental Ensemble (Primary) class. 06\_a12music50



Catriona Lawrie, left, and Iona McVicar from Castlehill Primary School won The Dunadd Trophy in the Instrumental Duet (Primary) class. The girls, both members of Campbeltown Brass Band, played *This Old Man*. 06\_a12music43



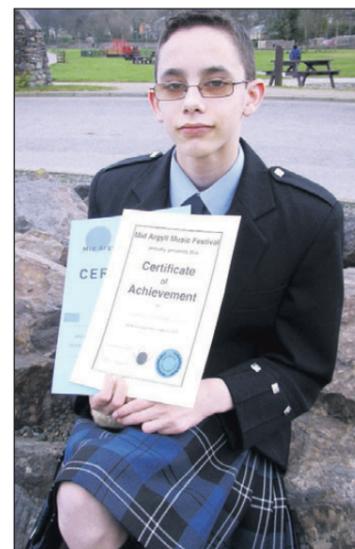
Grammar pupils and some from primary schools, including the Grammar School Choir, posed for *The Courier* with their trophies. 0\_c13cups01



Beth Ronald, from Southend, won the Woodwind Solo class (secondary 1-3). The S1 Campbeltown Grammar pupil took home The Dunaverty Cup. Beth also shares the Highland Year of Culture 2007 Award with Erin Andrews from Tarbert Academy for the highest mark in Solo Woodwind. 06\_a12music42



Campbeltown Grammar School student Maria Cairns, 13, won The John Wilson Trophy in the Scots folk song for secondary pupils in years one to three. 06\_a12music30



Jason Cordell came second in the under 14s march, strathspey and reel competition at Mid Argyll Music Festival. The 13-year-old plays with Kintyre Schools Pipe Band. 0\_c13jason01

## Community Noticeboard

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## Jamie's digital visit home

CAMPBELTOWN'S own Jamie McIvor of BBC Scotland was home this week to help support the digital TV switchover campaign telling people all they need to know about the big switchover from the analogue TV signal to the new stronger digital one. Digital UK brought its road show to town on Tuesday and people could pop along to discuss the big switch. There was also advice on the switchover help scheme to provide older and disabled people with everything they need to switch their TV to digital including a specially

low-priced package if eligible. The big switch for most people in Kintyre will be in May and a few in June, depending on from which transmitter their TV signal comes.



Paul Hughes national manager Digital UK, Jamie McIvor, and digital advisors Stuart and Gaynor McIndoe and Ruby McColl. 0\_c13digi01

# Local groups appear at the Lorn festival

DRAMA groups from Kintyre travelled to the Corran Halls in Oban last week for the Lorn Drama Festival

In all 11 groups took part in the one act play competition, which ran over four nights. **Comedies** This year all the plays were comedies and Ac-

cent Juniors took home the honours this year with their production of *The Strawberry Tea*, produced by Jackie Westerman.



Carradale Drama Group opened the Lorn Drama Festival on its first night last Tuesday with their production of *A Little Box of Oblivion*. 15\_t12drama1



## Coffee morning raises £682

MACMILLAN Cancer Support raised £682 during its coffee morning in the Red Cross Hall, Kirk Street, Campbeltown on Saturday. Locals turned out to support the charity, with Margaret Rankin, Margaret Thomson and Moira Wareham just some of the ladies who helped out on the day. 0\_c13mem01



The Accent Players took the runners up prize for *The Atkinson Affair* by Iain Mordey, one of the players. The group also won the prizes for best stage setting and best moment of comedy theatre. 16\_t13accent1



*The Strawberry Tea*, performed by Accent Juniors, won the top junior prize at Lorn Drama Festival.



Jackie Westerman of the Accent Juniors group, which won the top prize with their performance of *The Strawberry Tea*. 16\_t13accentjuniors2

## Annual concert

THERE was something for everyone last Thursday night, March 24, when Tarbert Music Centre members held its annual concert.

Tarbert Music Centre Co-ordinator Paula Mclean said: 'Tonight was a night of mixed emotions for me. I am incredibly proud of the hard work and dedication that both tutors and pupils have put in to get them to this stage. Saying that, it is still very hard for me to say goodbye to these pupils but I think that this concert really let them see just how much we've loved teaching them.'

Tarbert Music Centre is held in Tarbert Academy every Thursday evening in term time from 3.30pm to 8.30pm.

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**Synopsis: Never Let Me Go**  
Never Let Me Go is a poignant love story, adapted from Kazuo Ishiguro's bestselling, Booker Prize short listed novel of the same name. As children, Ruth (Keira Knightley), Kathy (Carey Mulligan) and Tommy (Andrew Garfield), spend their childhood at a seemingly idyllic English boarding school. As they grow into young adults, they find that they have to come to terms with the strength of the love they feel for each other, while preparing themselves for the haunting reality that awaits them.

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

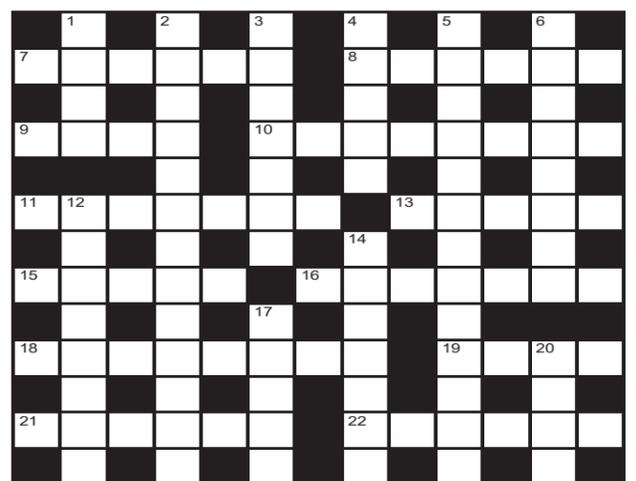
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### Across

- 7 News office (6)
- 8 Chewy sweet (6)
- 9 Strengthen (up) beast? (4)
- 10 Decision on your preference (8)
- 11 Defamatory statement (7)
- 13 Mineral (5)
- 15 Iron (5)
- 16 Citrus fruit (7)
- 18 An early French settler (8)
- 19 Willingly (4)
- 21 Ballroom dance (6)
- 22 Pulse (6)

### Down

- 1 Square of a square (4)
- 2 Aware of one (4-9)
- 3 Pleasing to the ear (7)
- 4 Bury (5)
- 5 Endocrine (8,5)
- 6 Severe attack (8)
- 12 Primitive (8)
- 14 Feeling (7)
- 17 Butter up? (5)
- 20 Give off, as light (4)



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### Jobless total rises

UNEMPLOYMENT in the Campbeltown area has risen by 11.8 per cent over the last month with an extra 25 people out of work.

The latest unemployment figures for the Campbeltown area show 236 people out of work, 160 men and 76 women.

In Argyll and Bute as a whole a total of 2,023 people are out of work; 1,388 men and 635 women, a total of 3.6 per cent of the workforce.

The Highlands and Islands is divided into 20 travel-to-work areas and in the last month unemployment rose in 19 out of 20 of them. The figure dropped in only one location, Lochgilhead, and one of the highest rises in job losses, by 27 per cent, was in the Argyll islands area when an extra 27 people lost their work.

### Busy month at airport

THE good news for Campbeltown Airport is that the passenger numbers are up by 38.4 per cent in January compared to the same month last year.

A total of 606 passengers used the airport in January 2011 the latest statistics from Highlands and Islands Airports shows, and this was the greatest increase amongst the 10 HIA airports.



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Alistair Sharp, Michael Lafferty and Marie McKerral at Campbeltown's branch of The Original Factory shop. 0\_c13fact01

### 'Growing' retailer bags top award

THE Original Factory Shop, which owns a store in Campbeltown, is celebrating after winning the most-coveted title of 'Growing Retailer of the Year' at the recent Retail Week Awards.

The Original Factory Shop beat off stiff competition on the way to glory.

The award recognises businesses that have carved out a niche for themselves in the highly competitive UK retail market. Judges included Andy Clarke, CEO of the Asda Group, Simon Fox of HMV, Hugh Harvey from Comet and Stephen Sunnucks, president of Gap Europe.

Michael Lafferty, of the Campbeltown store, said: 'We feel very proud to have been named Growing Retailer of the Year. It is dedicated to all the

colleagues at the store, and to our local customers who have been behind us from day one.'

Angela Spindler, CEO of The Original Factory Shop said it is a concept which works in every part of the UK.

Stores are mainly located in small market towns and domestic tourist destinations; she believes that having an Original Factory Shop in a town brings a vibrancy and extra footfall that also benefits other existing retailers.

The company's sales strategy is a mix of well-known high street brands at heavily discounted prices, together with an extensive range of products made for big name retailers as well as own-brand products.

## Businesses' delight at support services

FOLLOWING the launch of Argyll and Bute Council's Business Gateway service across the whole of the area two years ago, entrepreneurs have been able to benefit from free practical advice and support to help their business develop.

The range of support includes experienced business advisers, business skills workshops, a national helpline and a

website providing comprehensive information.

Since its launch in 2009, the Business Gateway team has supported more than 275 start-up businesses across Argyll and Bute, delivered more than 150 workshops and assisted more than 500 existing businesses.

In the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay area this year, local business advisers Mary Kennedy

and Barbara Halliday have supported 20 new start-ups and over 125 existing businesses.

'Business Gateway has helped an increasing number of new and existing businesses in its second year,' said Councillor Neil Mackay, Argyll and Bute Council's spokesman for Enterprise.

'The feedback from those who have received support shows that busi-

nesses appreciate the help on offer. I would urge any business owner looking for help to start, grow or survive to get in touch.'

Research shows that 86 per cent of those receiving Business Gateway support locally are satisfied with the service they received.

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## Businessmen unveil new-look Anchor Hotel

TWO Scottish businessmen enjoyed the Anchor Hotel, Tarbert, so much during their yachting trips they've bought the place.

Derek Whyte and Scott McLachlan have completely renovated and refurbished their old friend and tomorrow (Saturday) the Anchor Hotel opens to the public.

The pair have a long association with sailing West Highland waters and the Scottish series.

Alastair Borland is managing the Anchor, which boasts a bar, restaurant and 12 letting

bedrooms, along with his partner Beverley Smith.

They will be employing up to 20 people at their height of the season.

Head chef is a Tarbert man Billy Brodrick who has had an impressive career since leaving Tarbert Academy.

It is Billy's intention to bring red rosette award dining to the hotel using plenty of Tarbert-landed fish and other locally sourced produce.

He has brought with him two chefs from Stornoway and Glasgow to complete the team.



One of the designers' plans for the interior of the hotel which has been completely renovated.

## Multi-million pound upgrade for distillery

DIAGEO is to spend £3.5 million upgrading the Caol Ila distillery, Islay.

It is hoped the money, to be spent on upgrading and replacing equipment at Islay's largest distillery will increase its production of Scotch by 700,000 litres a year.

Founded in 1846, the distillery currently produces 5.7 million litres of whisky every year, most of which is used in Diageo's blended whisky brands.

The work is expected to take six months.

The company said this would be a 'major boost' to local firms and generate a knock-on financial benefit to the local

economy from contractors who will have to be brought on to the island to carry out aspects of the work.

Kevin Sutherland, Diageo's senior manager on Islay, said: 'An investment of this scale is fantastic for the local economy and it signals Diageo's deep-rooted commitment to the Islay whisky industry.'

'Caol Ila is a wonderful distillery of which we are very proud and I am delighted we are going to be able to produce even more fantastic single malt as well as contributing to the growth of Johnnie Walker and Diageo's other leading global Scotch brands.'

## £191 million university boost for economy

THE University of the Highlands and Islands (UHI) contributes £191m every year to the Scottish economy and supports 3,300 full-time jobs, according to a new independent economic impact assessment.

Scotland's newest university, with its links with Argyll College, also helps to sustain a further contribution of £202m every year and 2,700 jobs through the

further education provision of the 13 academic partners and research institutions in the partnership.

### Impact

The report, titled Economic impact of the University of the Highlands and Islands and its academic partners, showed that for every £1 invested in UHI, the university put back nearly £4 into the Scottish economy.

# New monitor farm meeting at Glenbarr

KINTYRE'S new monitor farm welcomed a huge turnout of local farmers to its first meeting.

Duncan Macalister, of Glenbarr Farms, was recently announced as the new monitor farm for Quality Meat Scotland and around 60 local farmers, including one from Islay, attended the meeting.

Duncan gave a detailed history of when he took over the family farm in October 1993.

The latter half of the 1990s brought major challenges to the Glen-

barr cattle enterprise, starting in 1996, with the peak of the BSE crisis.

'In 1997 we bought in BVD (Bovine Viral Diarrhoea) and lost 35 calves the first year, with another 25 the next,' he said. All cows are now routinely vaccinated for BVD.

### Available

Between then and 2011, Duncan has sold and bought land, as suitable nearby land has come available, built a shed, bought out family members and extended the family home. 'I am constantly aiming to im-

prove the asset value of the farm,' said Duncan. 'With the land I am trying to break up the soil pan as well as lift the pH. The trees, although not currently providing cash flow, should mature when I'm in my late 60s, and the house extension has increased the house's value by much more than the building work cost.'

During the three year term as a monitor farm, part of Quality Meat Scotland's national programme, Duncan hopes the group will help him increase production and

the asset value of his farm. He gave some specifics at the first meeting: 'I want to find an ideal crossing cow which will out-winter, stand the weather and produce and rear a good calf every year.'

Another project for the group is to get rid of the dockens. He said there are far too many of them and the only effective spray takes the clover as well.

'If this is the Golden Age of farming, let's see just what this west coast of Scotland really can produce!' he added.

# Campbeltown Young Farmers hold AGM

RETIRING chairman James Young took his last meeting of the year for Campbeltown Young

Farmers at its annual general meeting last Friday.

He told a packed meet-

ing of members in the Argyll Arms Hotel, Main Street, Campbeltown, about the various events over the last year including trips away to Dundee and Ayr, and events locally like beach parties and the August Agricultural Show.

The club has been actively raising money for charity and held a prize bingo night in aid of Kintyre Branch of MS Society and raised funds at the Mull of Kintyre Run for the Mersey Ships Charity.

West regional vice chairman Jim Montgomerie and national secretary for the Scottish Association of Young

Farmers Clubs visited Campbeltown for the AGM and congratulated the club on still going strong and wished it well for another year.

New office bearers were elected as follows: chairwoman, Emma Turner; vice chairwoman, Fiona McArthur; secretary, Malcolm McMillan; vice secretary, Susan Houston and treasurer Denise Brolly.

New posts have been created on the committee to help share out the responsibilities, including Ruth McClean elected as communications co-ordinator and Alistair McConnachie as sports co-ordinator.



Retiring chairman James Young hands over to new chairwoman Emma Turner, witnessed by West Regional vice chairman Jim Montgomerie (left) and Penny Laird, national secretary of Scottish Association of Young Farmers. 0\_c13yfe01

# NFUS has new chairman

JOHN Semple, originally of Campbeltown, who understands the plight of local farmers, says he is looking forward to his new role as the National Farmers Union Scotland (NFUS) regional chairman for Argyll and Bute.

With an abundance of enthusiasm and local issues at heart, John wants to do as much as possible for Argyll farmers.

John, who manages Ellary Farms near Achahoish, has worked his way through the NFUS ranks, and prior to taking up his new role last month, he held the post of vice-chairman on the Argyll and Bute board for three years.

Having an appreciation of dairy, beef and sheep farming, John is acutely aware of the problems and challenges facing the area's farmers.

'At this particular moment it's very important because we're right in the middle of trying to get a CAP reform agreed with Europe which should secure funding un-



John Semple, from Campbeltown, has been appointed as the NFUS regional chairman for Argyll and Bute. 06\_a11john01

til 2020,' explained John. 'One of the main priorities is to get Argyll's ideas on the PACK report put forward to the national committee and get a reasonable settlement for all Argyll farmers, it's necessary to do this as we cannot farm profitably in this area as long as returns for our produce remains at the current levels. So to keep people in agriculture in the hills this payment through the SFP scheme is essential to Argyll farmers.'

John is also highlighting the plight of dairy farmers in Campbeltown and Rothesay

He said: 'The cost of

food, fertilisers and fuel has just rocketed and the dairy farmers are just not receiving a sustainable price per litre for their end product.'

'The cost of fuel has to be at the top of our agenda because you just can't farm here without using fuel and the price of diesel and tractor fuel is soaring.'

John, who was born and bred in Campbeltown but moved to Ellary in 1989, will travel to the Royal Highland Centre in Ingleston five times a year as part of his new remit.

John took over his new role in February from long-standing

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GIGHA

## Murder on Gigha - but who did it?

GIGHA was buzzing with activity over the weekend, and with the news of a murder breaking on Saturday night, islanders and visitors were keen to figure out who the culprit was.

All in aid of fun of course as the Walking Theatre Company set up its popular Murder Mystery Tour in the island's hotel.

With a James Bond theme, some of those taking part dressed up for the occasion getting into character with the drama of the night starting at a dinner.



The Walking Theatre Company, based in Glendaruel, Argyll, travelled to the island to give islanders and visitors some drama. 0\_c13mrd01



Brandon and Amanda Clements dressed up for the Murder Mystery Tour. 0\_c13mrd02

## Snowball yet to be won

BINGO regularly takes place at Gigha Hotel with the snowball yet to be won.

Locals and visitors will be taking part in the bingo next, on April 2.

## Youngsters raise £212

YOUNG firefighters on Gigha raised £212 for its funds through a car wash on the island recently.

The unit of 16 young people on the island has been up and running for two years now and has been kept busy.



Liam Calgie of the Walking Theatre Company during the tour. 0\_c13mrd04

Community constable Jonathon Bruce from Campbeltown visited the unit recently to talk to the children about Internet and phone safety

as well as drugs. They have had frequent visits from Strathclyde Fire and Rescue's group commanders to see how the group is



Kirsten Black and Mark Rennie. 0\_c13mrd03

progressing. A new intake will take place after the unit finishes up for summer, bringing the total number of children to 20.

## Volunteer firefighters

THERE are currently a total of seven volunteer firefighters at Gigha Fire Station.

As well as attending training once a week, the station is currently carrying out home fire safety visits to properties on the island.

Station commander Andy Clements told *The Courier* that they have been trying to involve the young fire fighters from the station as much as possible.

He said the children have been coming out with a fire fighter to the homes to see how the visits are carried out.

'A lot of visits have been done; our aim is to cover the whole island,' said Andy

Contact the fire station if you would like more information on a home fire safety visit.

## Newsletter

A NEWSLETTER to inform islanders of what Gigha's young firefighters have been up has been created.

The March newsletter has just been published with the ongoing of the unit, and includes photographs and information of the Gigha Kayak race, and Remembrance Sunday parade.

# Judges very impressed with exhibits

THE Southend SWRI Annual Bulb Show was held in St Blaas's Hall.

The judges for the evening were Helen Steel, Mary McDonald and Ann Clarke from the Largside SWRI, they were very impressed with the turnout of flowers, baking and handicrafts.

Margaret Bakes and Trish Pearson filled in the evening with a talk and show of photographs from Campbeltown Community organic Garden with a before and after photograph.

Bowl of three hyacinths: Jen Ronald, gold; Fiona Rowland, silver; Mary Cameron, red.

Bowl of five hyacinths: Jen Ronald, gold; Mary Cameron, silver.

Bowl of Daffodils any variety: Mary Cameron, gold; Jen Ronald, silver.

Bowl of narcissus, five buds: Marion Warnock, gold; Jen Ronald, Mary Cameron, silver, Margaret Bateman, red.

Bowl of tulips: Mary Cameron, red.

Bowl of small spring bulbs: Jen Ronald, gold; Trisha Pearson, silver.

Large flower alcove: Josephine Milligan, gold; Eve Taylor, silver; Marion Warnock, green; Inez Ronald, red.

Small flowers arrangement: Eve Taylor, gold; Josephine Milligan, green; Jen Ronald, blue; Margaret Mclean, red.

Green pot plant: Jen Ronald, gold.

Floral pot plant: Jean Ives, gold; Margaret Bakes.

Baking Savoury cheesecake: Marion Warnock, gold; Betty McPhee, silver; Fiona Rowland, Mar-

garet McLean, green; Margaret Bakes, red; Jen Ronald, Jean Ives, Inez Ronald, blue.

Empire biscuits: Jen Ronald, gold; Ishbel MacKinnon, Janet Ferguson, silver; Elizabeth Semple, Margaret Mclean, Kathleen Martin, Marion Warnock, Betty McPhee, Inez Ronald, red; Fiona Rowland, Josephine Milligan, green; Mary Cameron, blue.

Marble cake: Jen Ronald, gold; Marion Warnock, silver; Fiona Roland, Margaret McLean, Jean Ives, Inez Ronald, Josephine Milligan, blue. Margaret Bateman, green; Kathleen Martin, red.

Six marshmallows: Inez Ronald, gold; Jen Ronald, silver; Eve Taylor, red.

Two Bounty bars: Jean

Ives, gold; Inez Ronald, Mary Cameron, Josephine Milligan, silver; Elizabeth Semple, Kathleen martin, Jen Ronald, red.

Red tomato chutney: Josephine Milligan, gold; Jen Roland, blue; Marion Warnock, green.

Handicrafts Poem: Jean Ives, gold. Sewing slippers: Janet Ferguson, gold; Jen Ronald, silver.

Baby jacket: Janet Ferguson, Jen Ronald, silver.

Embroidery spectacle case: Fiona Rowland, Jen Ronald, silver.

Crochet pram cover: Ishbel MacKinnon, gold; Margaret Bateman, red.

Menu by hand: Marion Warnock, red.

Paper flowers: Jen Ronald, gold.

Computer-designed jam label: Fiona Row-

land, silver; Jen Ronald, red.

Easter bonnet: Jen Ronald, gold; Marion Warnock, silver.

Photography Stormy seas: Jean Ives, gold; Jen Ronald, Fiona Rowland, red.

Wild birds: Margaret Bakes, gold; Eve Taylor, Fiona Rowland, Trish Pearson, silver.

Special prizes Bulbs, Jen Ronald; handicrafts, Ishbel MacKinnon; baking, Jen Ronald.

Baking: 1 Jen Ronald, 2 Josephine Milligan, 3 Marion Warnock.

Handicrafts: 1 Jen Ronald, 2 Fiona Rowland, 3 Jean Ives.

Bulbs: 1 Jen Ronald, 2 Mary Cameron, 3 Eve Taylor. Most points overall: Jen Ronald.

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**ISLAY AND JURA**

**Voluntary Services meeting**

AT A meeting to be held today (Friday) at ICCI, Islay and Jura Council of Voluntary Services (CVS) will propose changing from being simply a CVS to becoming a community-owned organisation, provisionally called 'Islay Initiative'.

The new organisation will still undertake existing CVS roles and will also have additional scope to develop new social enterprises, generating income for redistribution back into Islay and Jura communities.

IJCVS has already secured feasibility study funding for a community bakery, and this will also be discussed on the day. This event will provide further information and collect your views on whether this is a productive way forward for the communities, and answer questions. More information can be found on [www.islay-initiative.org.uk](http://www.islay-initiative.org.uk).

If this new organisation goes ahead, it will continue to deliver core CVS functions.

**Future of recycling**

FOLLOWING a request for signed letters of support from people in the communities of Islay and Jura ReJIG says it has been amazed by the response.

A spokesperson for the group said: 'Re-JIG is very much business as usual and will remain that way; nothing has changed. We are currently in detailed discussions with Argyll and Bute Council about the future of recycling on the islands and as soon as an agreement is reached we will keep you all informed.'

'Please continue to support us by using the Red Bag scheme or bringing items for reuse to the shop and by buying items as well.'

The Beach Clean Project is also very much in operation and Polly and Hannah from ReJIG have been hard at work collecting rubbish washed up on the beaches during the winter.

If your group wants to organise a larger-scale

area clean up, please get in touch on 810880. If you'd like to get involved with ReJIG in other ways, don't hesitate; volunteers are always welcome.

**ISLAY**

**Parent council says thanks**

KEILLS Primary School's Parent Council would like to thank everyone connected with the school and community, who have helped by showing their support over the last few very testing months.

Keills is now in a great position to move forwards, with lots of plans for improving the school for Kilmeny children attending Keills Primary now and in the future.

Plans include the imminent erection of the new polytunnel, updating the playground with community help on a 'Day of Action', investigating replacement of draughty windows and insulating the loft space.

**Venison supper**

THE Finlaggan Venison Supper 2011 prepares the way for the re-opening of the historic site in April, which will soon be with us. The venison supper has been held yearly since 1989.

This year guests were welcomed to a hall softly lit by candles, red and white table settings and vases of just opening daffodils. A complimentary dram courtesy of Diageo or glass of Finlaggan Ale from the Islay Brewery was much appreciated by guests and committee.

Guests declared this year's Supper to be as good as ever; venison donated by Islay Estates was prepared by Billy MacFarlane and cooked to perfection by Donald Bell, the fresh vegetables were from Angus Ferguson, and Catriona McGillivray donated her delicious home made oatcakes. Soup, salads and trifles were prepared by committee and friends.

John Barford ran the bar and Alison, Jennifer, Lesley and Sheena waited the tables.

Andrew MacCowan not only sang but had his first taste of being

MC and did splendidly, both on the night and in gathering such a wealth of talent for the evening. There were also performances by Grahame Allison, Eoin Brown, Bronwen Currie, Iseabail MacTaggart, Fergus Muir, Ellie Macgregor, Libby Morris, Niall Oliver, Scott MacDermott, Becky Williamson and the Hannahs.

If you missed this year's supper, remember to keep the last Saturday in February 2012 free for the next one.

**Chandlery shop**

A STORAGE building has been given permission to be turned into a chandlery shop.

The application for the change to form the ground floor shop and first floor office at Surnaig Farm, Lagavulin, Islay was approved by Argyll and Bute Council's planning department last week.

**Biomass heating**

A NEW biomass heating system will be introduced to heat both Bownmore Primary School and Islay High School.

Argyll and Bute Council agreed to install the system and it is planned that works will be carried out during 2011/2012.

**MACHRIHANISH**

**Beach clean in April**

A BEACH clean at Westport and Machrihanish will take place at the end of this month.

Meeting at the car parks at either end of the beach, the event will raise funds for Home Start.

Taking place on April 30, litter pickers, gloves and bags will be provided.

**MUASDALE**

**Planning permission**

CRUBASDALE Cottage, Muasdale has been granted planning permission for the erection of an extension and garage.

Argyll and Bute Council's planning committee approved the application, as amended, last week.



Organiser Henri Macaulay performs.



Tutor Kevin Rodgers.



Raibert McCallum.

**Music and Gaelic weekend on Gigha**

A MUSIC and Gaelic weekend on Gigha proved popular with visitors travelling to the island for the occasion.

Taught by Kevin Rodgers, the two-day bonanza of song and gaelic music over Saturday and Sunday was a treat for anyone attending.

A get together on Saturday evening took place with a variety of music

played, and was aimed at those who attended during the Saturday.

It gave them a chance to put what they'd learned into practice with everyone joining in with various instruments.

The event added a buzz to the island and is something that will be planned again in the future by organiser Henri Macaulay of Gigha Gallery.

**SADDELL**

**Application withdrawn**

AN APPLICATION for an erection of a house and outbuilding in Saddell, Kintyre has been withdrawn.

The works to the house included roughcast finish, additional window, two additional velux rooflights, removal of solar panels, detailing of underbuildings and additional decking.

The application was for High Pluck, Saddell which was withdrawn at a meeting of Argyll and Bute Council's planning committee last week.

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**Clear, fresh drinking water**

IMPROVEMENTS to Water Treatment Works in Tarbert will provide a greater security of supply of clear, fresh drinking water.

The project is one of three which will involve an investment of £180,000 by Scottish Water.

The filtration processes at the water treatment works in Tarbert is under way and will be completed by the end of April. Tarbert Water Treatment Works serves 1,600 people in Tarbert, Whitehouse and Clachan.

Jimmy Ferguson, Scottish Water's project manager for all three projects, said: 'We are delighted to have started these important projects which will help ensure a continued supply of first-class drinking water to thousands of people'.

**CLACHAN**

**Car boot sale**

AN indoor car boot sale was held on Saturday in Clachan.

Taking place in the village hall from 1pm to 3pm, refreshments were available with many people going along to grab a bargain.

# New bunkhouse to be built on old Free Church School site

A NEW bunkhouse will be built by Christmas as the renovation of another old building in Campbeltown gets underway.

Subject to final grant approvals, McKinven and Colville Building Contractor is due to start work on the Old

Free Church School, at Big Kiln.

Kintyre Amenity Trust (KAT), which runs Campbeltown Heritage Centre and owns the Old Schoolhouse, announced this week that the local contractor has been assigned to the

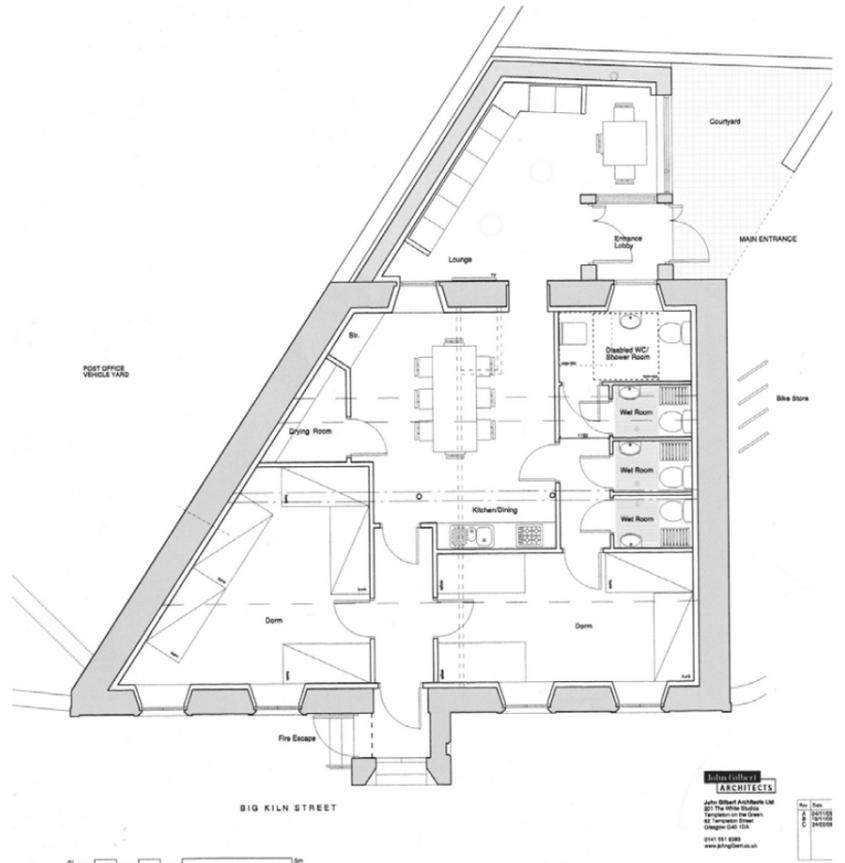
project and its chairman George McMillan said it is good news for Campbeltown.

'We have received a lot of assistance from LEADER, Highlands and Islands Enterprise and Strathclyde Building Preservation Trust

(SBPT) as well as Argyll and Bute Council. By Christmas we will have a new bunkhouse in the town providing accommodation for visitors,' said Mr McMillan.

Sarah MacKinnon of SBPT, who will be project managing the renovation for KAT said: 'It has been a delight working with the people of Campbeltown to get this important repair and reuse project to this stage. Bringing historic buildings back into use is always challenging but we are particularly pleased and excited to be part of this collaborative project.'

The imaginative plans for the bunkhouse would see an extension to the rear of the building. In



Plans for the new bunkhouse.



Plans to turn the old schoolhouse into a bunkhouse will save the listed building which is now in a very poor state of repair.

all the accommodation would provide two dormitories giving a total of 16 bunks with provision for disabled people; a kitchen, communal eating area and a seating area leading out onto

a paved area. The Old School is considered a more important building than the church it is a listed building but the church is C listed.

## Shop front refurbished

THE Kintyre Youth Enquiry Service (KYES) shop front at 2-4 Main Street has been refurbished by a local contractor.

The main reason for the works was the replacement of the existing modern door, which was not only in a poor state of repair, but it was also proving difficult to open.

A traditional timber door was manufactured locally and installed and then the shop front was also redecorated.

Marie-Christeen Croll, KYES said: 'We are delighted with the shop front refurbishment and now have an entrance door that matches its surroundings.'



Work has begun on another building in the centre of Campbeltown, on Main Street.

## Highest ratio of historical and listed buildings in Scotland

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In the past few weeks THI and Campbeltown Area Regeneration Scheme grant funding has been awarded towards the refurbishment costs of two prominent

tenements on Main Street; the target property at 27-31 Main Street and 60 Main Street.

The total project costs are £89,000; and the total grant is £71,000, which includes £35,000 of Private Sector Housing Grant funding.

These two buildings were identified as being in urgent need of restoration, after through public consultation.

The refurbishment of this prominent building 27 to 31 Main Street will make a significant difference to the streetscape.

Work includes the reinstatement of double glazed timber sash and case windows to replicate those which were

originally fitted; extensive render repairs, redecoration of the entire front with high quality mineral paint and replacement of the rainwater goods and external close door.

This building has already been subject to a major shop front improvement via CARS.

At 60 Main Street the THI and Argyll and Bute Council's Private Sector Housing Grant Section are working in partnership with the property owners, five different owners in all, to completely refurbish this 'B' listed tenement. The work is all being carried out by local contractors and includes total re-roofing using most

of the original slates, render repairs, redecoration of entire front elevation, refurbishment of sash and case windows, replacement rainwater goods and replacement ground floor doors and windows.

Even before the scaffolding went up on the front of the building work was well under way on the rear of the property.



Members of Kintyre Amenity Trust inspect the inside of the old building.

## THI project staff discuss aspects of the project

THE Christmas lights switch on in Campbeltown in November has become synonymous with the Campbeltown THI annual update event.

And after the lights had been switched on the THI team held open house on in the Kintyre Youth Enquiry Service (KYES) shop, Main Street, Campbeltown.

KYES staff and volunteers provided hot drinks and mince pies for more than 100 people whilst THI project staff discussed various aspects of the project with members of the public. The display included images of works in progress and recently completed jobs. Copies of the recently published THI newsletter were also available.

James Lafferty, project officer for the scheme, said that he was delighted with the level of interest shown.



KYES played host to the Townscape Heritage Initiative scheme at the Christmas lights switch on.

## Genealogy workshops

THE Townscape Heritage Initiative is not just about the bricks and mortar of Campbeltown; it also celebrates the town's history and its people. As part of this, two 'Introduction to Genealogy' workshops have been held at Argyll Training's training centre in Hazelburn Business Park, in the town.

Ann Baird of Rowan Genealogy ran each of these and both were well attended with everyone taking part saying they were a success and they had enjoyed them.

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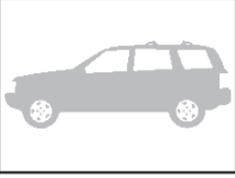
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**Clerk to the Governors, Charles and Barbara Tyre Trust, Loch Awe House, Barmore Road, Tarbert, PA29 6TW**

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The government has announced that from summer 2011, the RHI will support non-domestic users of heat who want to install wood fuel boilers, solar hot water panels or heat pumps. There will also be support for householders.

In April, there are use green heat advice surgeries for businesses and householders looking to install a renewable heating system:

- April 18th** Strachur Memorial Hall, Strachur 4pm to 7.45pm
- April 19th** Stagecoach Inn, Cairndow, 2pm to 7.30pm
- April 20th** Aqualbrium, Campbeltown, 3pm to 8pm
- April 21st** Glencruitten Church Hall, Oban, 3.30pm to 7.45pm

If you are unable to attend a surgery but would like more advice and support call **ALI energy** on 01631 565183 or email: [info@usegreenheat.co.uk](mailto:info@usegreenheat.co.uk)



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### Our contact details are changing!



With effect from **MONDAY 4TH APRIL 2011**, the following telephone numbers should be used to contact staff at the Association's offices:

Office/Address/General Email Address	Telephone Number
<b>Mid Argyll</b> Dalriada House, Lochgilphead, PA31 8ST <a href="mailto:housing.midargyll@acha.co.uk">housing.midargyll@acha.co.uk</a>	<b>01546 605800</b>
<b>Kintyre</b> Old Quay Head, Campbeltown, PA28 6ED <a href="mailto:housing.kintyre@acha.co.uk">housing.kintyre@acha.co.uk</a>	<b>01546 605880</b>
<b>Oban, Lorn &amp; Isles</b> Menzies House, Glenshellach Business Park, Oban, PA34 4RY <a href="mailto:housing.lorn@acha.co.uk">housing.lorn@acha.co.uk</a>	<b>01546 605930</b>
<b>Mull</b> Breadalbane Street, Tobermory, PA75 6PX	<b>01546 605930</b>
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### AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the AREA COMMITTEE FOR MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE & THE ISLANDS WILL BE HELD IN The Members Room, Kilmory, Lochgilphead ON WEDNESDAY 6th April 2011 at 10.00a.m.

Members of the public are welcome to attend and will be invited to have informal discussions with members and officers at the end of the meeting Douglas Hendry, Executive Director - Customer Services

### PLANNING

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

Applications for planning permission listed below together with the plans and other documents submitted with them may be examined at 67/69 Chalmers Street Ardrishaig PA30 8DX and the location detailed below between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday to Friday and by logging to the Council's website at [www.argyll-bute.gov.uk](http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk) and clicking on Online Planning Applications. Written comments for the following list of applications may be made to Planning and Regulatory Services 67/69 Chalmers Street Ardrishaig PA30 8DX by the 22/04/2011

- **Ref No: 10/02098/PPP**  
Applicant: Wilson Forest Products Ltd  
Proposal: Site for the erection of 3 dwellinghouses and formation of vehicular access.  
Site Address: Land At Ferrywood West Loch Tarbert By Tarbert Argyll And Bute  
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert
- **Ref No: 11/00351/PP**  
Applicant: Ms Mette Fabricius  
Proposal: Refurbishment and erection of extensions to dwellinghouse  
Site address: Glenbuie Skipness Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6XT  
Location of plans: Sub Post Office, Tarbert
- **Ref No: 11/00370/PP**  
Applicant: Mr Ken Abernethy  
Proposal: Alterations and extension to dwellinghouse.  
Site Address: Pier House Skipness Pier Road Skipness Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6XT  
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert
- **Ref No: 11/00373/PP**  
Applicant: Thomas Andrew S Russell  
Proposal: Installation of 2800 litre septic tank.  
Site Address: Tigh Na Leven Dunmore Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6XZ  
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert
- **Ref No: 11/00451/PP**  
Applicant: Mr And Mrs A Allen  
Proposal: Erection of extension to garage  
Site Address: Corbiere Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8SG  
Location of Plans: 67/69 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig

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A weekly list of applications can be viewed at Planning and Regulatory Services, Dalriada House, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8ST and Argyll and Bute Council Libraries.

Any letter of representation the council receives about a planning application is considered a public document.

Please therefore note that representations will be made available for public inspection and, under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act, will be copied on request. They will also be published on the council's web site.

The author of such a representation is solely responsible for its content and accuracy.

Anonymous representations will be "shredded" and those marked confidential will be returned to the sender. Neither will be taken into account when the application is being considered.

Details of representations we receive on planning applications can be viewed on the council's website at [www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/publicaccess](http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/publicaccess)

### COAST PROTECTION ACT 1949 SCIENTIFIC SERVEY: SANDA SOUND

Notice is hereby given that Narec has applied to the Scottish Ministers of the Scottish Government, under section 34 of the Coast Protection Act 1949, as amended by section 36 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1988, to deploy Acoustic Doppler Current Profilers (ADCPs) on the seabed in the following 4 locations in the Sanda Sound.

Description	Latitude	Longitude
ADCP 1: A	55 18.220N	05 35.900W
ADCP 1: B	55 18.220N	05 35.800W
ADCP 1: C	55 18.160N	05 35.900W
ADCP 1: D	55 18.160N	05 35.800W
ADCP 1: CENTRE	55 16.190N	05 35.850W
ADCP 2: A	55 15.150N	05 37.320W
ADCP 2: B	55 15.150N	05 37.220W
ADCP 2: C	55 15.050N	05 37.320W
ADCP 2: D	55 15.050N	05 37.220W
ADCP 2: CENTRE	55 15.100N	05 37.270W
ADCP 3: A	55 17.050N	05 37.550W
ADCP 3: B	05 17.050N	05 37.450W
ADCP 3: C	55 16.995N	05 37.550W
ADCP 3: D	55 16.995N	05 37.450W
ADCP 3: CENTRE	55 17.000N	05 37.500W
ADCP 4: A	55 18.050N	05 34.050W
ADCP 4: B	55 18.050N	05 33.995W
ADCP 4: C	55 17.995N	05 34.050W
ADCP 4: D	55 17.995N	05 33.995W
ADCP 4: CENTRE	55 18.000N	05 34.000W

(WGS84)

Plans showing the position of the works may be inspected at Campbeltown's Public Library

Objections relating to safety of navigation in respect of the application should be made in writing to:

Gordon Hastie, The Scottish Government, Ports and Harbours Branch, Area 2G North, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ within 28 days of the date of this notice quoting reference:

**2SPC14/314**

**Narec**  
**Eddie Ferguson House**  
**Ridley Street**  
**Blyth**

### Contract for gardening services at the Forestry Commission Scotland, Whitegates Office, Lochgilphead for 2011/12.

Please register your interest in the contract by telephone on **01546 602518** or by email to [west.argyll.district.office@forestrycommission.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:west.argyll.district.office@forestrycommission.gsi.gov.uk)

### EAST KINTYRE WINDFARM TRUST

Groups wishing to apply for funds from the above Trust, should contact the Secretary for advice, details and application forms.

Grants may be available for Capital or Revenue Funding for projects, groups, halls, charities, & churches within the East Kintyre Community Council area bordered by Grogport in the north and Peninver in the south.

The closing date for completed applications for this year's first disbursement will be Friday 29th April, 2011.

Secretary; Stuart Irvine,  
Heston, Carradale, Campbeltown, Argyll, PA28 6SG. Tel. 01583 431278.  
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27.5 hours per week flexible times.  
£6.35 per hour plus fuel allowance.  
Own transport required.

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Interested parties should apply in writing to the Club Secretary at Glencruitten Golf Club, Glencruitten Road, Oban

Closing date for applicants is Friday 8th of April.

## Quantity Surveyor

We have a full time vacancy for a Quantity Surveyor, preferably with a minimum of 2 years experience, to be based at our office in Campbeltown, Argyll. Consideration will also be given to a Civil Engineering Technician/ Graduate with some measurement experience.

### Duties to include:-

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- on site measurement as required
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### Salary:-

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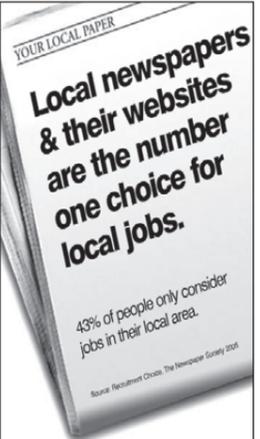
### Applications:-

- in writing providing details of experience and expected salary to contact details given below:-

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Please apply in writing, enclosing a CV to:-  
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[www.feisean.org/obraichean.html](http://www.feisean.org/obraichean.html)

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**Relief Workers required for Lochgilphead & Oban projects**  
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Knowledge of the Argyll Forests and local geography is important, with some practical experience in the forest industry. The ability to communicate well, recognise and find workable solutions to operational problems and in the development of future strategy will be essential.

The work can only be assured at 2 days per week, and this will require flexibility in communicating with others who may be available on a five day basis. Initially the contract will run for twelve months to the end of March 2012, but with the possibility of an extension. Terms and conditions are negotiable.

Interested persons should contact:  
**Ian Arnold**  
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**pam@jmaclachlangroup.co.uk.**  
**Tel 01631 566370 Fax 01631 566758**

## PERSONALS

**Happy 40th**  
**Cia**

Love from all the family.

**Happy 21st**  
**GEO**

**Lots of Love**  
**Mum, Dad & Family**

I would like to thank family and friends for making Saturday such a great success, and for all the cards and gifts.

**Euan.**

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**TEXT FOR THE WEEK**

A prayer, 'Hear from heaven, your dwelling-place, and when you hear, forgive' (1 Kings 8:30).

**BIRTHS**

**WALLACE – BROWN** – Katie and Jeff are pleased to announce the early arrival of Logan Jack Brown on March 7, 2011. First grandchild for Campbell and Louise Wallace and grandchild for John and Moira Brown. Special thanks to Campbeltown maternity staff and staff at Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley, who are doing a great job looking after Logan.

**RUBY WEDDINGS**

**MACVICAR – ROSS** – At Colston Parish Church, Glasgow on April 3, 1971, Alasdair to Mary. Auchendarroch Hotel, Ardrishaig.

**GOLDEN WEDDINGS**

**AITCHESON – CAMPBELL** – On April 1, 1961 at Ardrishaig Parish Church by Rev J J Stanley Whyte, Andy to Anne.

**DEATHS**

**BRONI** – Suddenly at home, 59 Kirk Street, Campbeltown, on March 16, 2011, Peter Paul Broni, in his 74th year, formerly of Mile End, Campbeltown, dearly beloved father of Stephen, David and Margaret and loving grandfather of Virginia Rose Broni.

**CAMPBELL** – Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on March 27, 2011, Alexander McLean Campbell (Alex), in his 85th year, Ardconnel, Hutcheon Court, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Lilian C Wright, much loved father of Fiona and Stuart, father-in-law of John and Mairi and a dearly loved grandpa of Julie, Jennifer, Laura and Lindsey.

**CAMPBELL** – Peacefully after a short illness at Ardfenaig Residential Home, Ardrishaig, on March 26, 2011, Miss Mabel Campbell, in her 92nd year, of 6 Rowan Park, Lochgilphead and formerly of Whitegates, Cossack Street, Lochgilphead. Much loved sister of Christina, and dear aunt of Linda and Campbell. A treasured friend of Cathy Cameron. A good neighbour and dear friend to many. A private funeral service was held at Ardfenaig Residential Home, followed by interment at Achnabreac Cemetery.

**GRAHAM** – Peacefully at the Kintyre Care Centre, Campbeltown on March 22, 2011, Charles McTaggart Graham (Charlie), in his 85th year, 74 Roading, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Nan McDonald, much loved father of Charles, Anne and the late Campbell. A loving papa, great grandad and loved father-in-law.

**MACCALLUM** – Peacefully at the Kintyre Care Centre, Campbeltown on March 24, 2011, Elizabeth Davina Reid McMillan (Vina), in her 84th year, formerly of Ralston Road, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Jack MacCallum, much loved

mother of Lorna, William and John, loving granny of Lauren, Kirsten, Emily and Mhairi and a dearly loved sister.

**MACMILLAN** – Peacefully at Erskine Park Home, on March 27, 2011, Duncan Lang MacMillan, in his 82nd year, (former Provost of Campbeltown) 9 Castleacres, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of the late Ella McFadyen and loving partner of the late Effie McKell, much loved father of Hamish, father-in-law of Morag and loving granda of Duncan and Lauren. Service in the Highland Parish Church, Campbeltown on Friday, April 1 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retirement collection will be held in aid of Erskine Park Home.

**MCGEACHY** – Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on March 25, 2011, Annie Reid McIntyre, in her 89th year, 9 Castlepark, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Samuel McGeachy, much loved mother of Jim and Ailsa, loving granny of Ruth and Leigh and great granny of Brooke and Nyia.

**MCPHAIL** – Peacefully, at Arran View Care Home, Saltcoats, on Thursday, March 24, 2011, Archie, beloved husband of the late Mary McKellar and dear father of Alistair.

**MURDOCH** – On March 26, 2011, suddenly at his home in Whitehouse, Argyll, Bill Murdoch (actor, musician and architect), aged 69 years, darling husband of Caroline, much loved father of Andy and dear grandpa of Isaac and Reuben. Funeral service at Tarbert Parish Church, on Wednesday, April 6, at 11.00am, followed by a celebration of Bill's life and cremation, at Cardross Crematorium, arriving 3.15pm, to which all family and friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers only please, collection if desired, for Tarbert Parish Church.

**SCOTT** – On March 27, 2011, peacefully at Gartnavel General Hospital, Glasgow, with her family by her side, Catherine (Cathy) Scott (née Cameron), aged 59 years, beloved wife of Randolph, much loved mum of Rhona, Lorna and Randolph, loved mother-in-law of Sarah, loving and dearly loved nani of Liam and Rhys and a dear sister and auntie. Funeral service was held at Glassary Parish Church, on March 31, interment thereafter at Achnabreac Cemetery.

**WAREHAM** – Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital on March 27, 2011, Catherine Dugall Morrison Wareham, 16 Castlepark, Campbeltown, dearly beloved sister of Maisie and the late David.

**ACKNOWLEDGE-MENTS**

**EDWARD** – Jean and family wish to thank relations, friends and neighbours for the many expressions of sympathy, cards and flowers after the sad loss of George. Sincere thanks to doctors and all staff at Campbeltown Hospital for their wonderful care, to Rev Philip Burroughs for a comforting and uplifting service, and to Alasdair Blair

for attentive and supportive funeral services. Over £300 was raised for the Bengullion Ward collection.

**FLATT** – Roy's family would like to say a heartfelt thank you to all their friends in the church and the wider community both in Mid Argyll and beyond, to neighbours and to colleagues for the many kind expressions of sympathy, calls, cards, letters and flowers, received during the past few weeks; also to all who attended the church and graveside and to all who helped make the service a fitting farewell to him, sharing tears and laughter and memories of a man who touched many lives.

**MARTHUR** – Neil and family would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy, cards, and phone calls received following the recent sad passing of Mary. Grateful thanks to Margaret Sinclair for a comforting service and to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for efficient arrangements. Finally, our thanks to all who attended at church and graveside. The collection raised £170.00 for 'Talking Newspaper'.

**IN MEMORIAMs**

**CONNER** – In memory of our dear brother and nephew who died April 2, 2010. Always in our thoughts. - Gloria, Archie and Ailsa.

**CONNER** – To a dear friend. Never will be forgotten - Margaret, Bonnie and Glen.

**GLEN** – In loving memory of my daughter, Patricia, April 5, 2002. The awful pain of losing you is still so hard to bear. It's difficult to face the day and know that you're not there. But cherished, special and so loved, you always will remain. God bless you precious daughter until the day we meet again. Love Mum xx.

**GLEN** – In loving memory of my sister, Trisha, died April 5, 2002. The cut is deep, The pain so severe, Nine years on, Still miss you dear. - Catherine and brother-in-law Davie xx. Lorna and Randolph, loved mother-in-law of Sarah, loving and dearly loved nani of Liam and Rhys and a dear sister and auntie. Funeral service was held at Glassary Parish Church, on March 31, interment thereafter at Achnabreac Cemetery.

**HOULDSWORTH** – In loving memory of a loving husband, dad and papa, Peter, who died April 5, 2005. A special person, a special face Someone we love and can't replace Never selfish, always kind These are the memories he left behind. - Eleanor, Amanda and Linda. Love you always Papa. - Ashley and Lewis.

**LIDDELL** – In loving memory of our dear mum, Elizabeth Liddell, died April 2, 1990. To us you were someone special, What more is there to say, Except to wish with all our hearts, That you were here today. Loved and remembered everyday, missed more than words can say. - Evelyn and Hamish, Elaine, Robert, Grant and Stephanie.

**MACAULAY** – With silent memories, no words are needed. We won't ever forget you.

- Mum, Dad, Thomas, Katherine, Alec. For a special Auntie Diane to Donna Marie and Lucy xxx.

**MACAULAY** – In loving memory of our wee sister, special auntie and best friend, Diane. We love and remember you every day. There are no words to say how much we miss you. Always in our hearts. - Love Julie and Chloe xx.

**MCPHAIL** – Mum, Granny, Great Granny, Jean. Still difficult to know you are gone, Our love is still so strong, Missing you so much, And your gentle warming touch. - Shona, Frank, Mark, Denise, Jed, Leanne, Craig, Ava, Flint, and baby Lana xxxxxxxxxx.

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**Sunday Services**  
10.30am Morning Worship  
5.45pm Prayer Meeting  
6.30pm Evening Worship

**Tuesday**  
12.15pm Over 60's Luncheon Club

**1.30pm Adult Home League**

**Wednesday**  
7.00pm House Group

**Thursday**  
11.30am Meet 'n' Eat Café  
New to you Stall

**7.00pm Bible Study**  
Major Dolores Thomson

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**Highland Parish Church**



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**Sunday 3rd April 2011**  
11.15am

Morning Service, Tea & fellowship  
Creche 0 – 3yrs: Church  
FunDay Club(3yrs – P5):  
Kirk St Hall

**Wednesday 6th April**  
7.15pm – Bible Study  
Fellowship – Manse  
DVD: *Jesus – Man, Messiah, or More?*

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Rev Cliff Acklam

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All Welcome  
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Followed by shared lunch

**Monday 4th April**  
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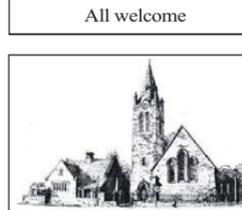
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# New season at Machrihanish

## Torpedo and Thunderer Cups played

THE first two fixtures of the new season got underway at Machrihanish Golf Club recently.

The Torpedo Cup and Thunderer Cup were contested as the winter leagues at the club are just about settled.

Saturday March 19 saw the Torpedo Cup kick start the season in fantastic spring weather which set the day up for some good scores.

It was Michael Morrison who made a great start to his season with a 73-9=64 to secure first

place by three strokes from the nearest challenger.

Robert McCallum took second with the better inward half returning a net 67 along with A Johnstone in third place.

### Good form

Willie Miller, the newly crowned Saturday Winter League champion continued his good form to take the senior prize on the day with a 96-23=73, and the junior winner was D Connor with 87-12=75.

Last week the Thun-

derer Cup went to Ian McLeod with 76-8=68. Four players returned a net 69, however second place went to E Capocci by virtue of the better inward half leaving Terry Mundie with third place and a positive start to reducing his massive handicap.

Willie Colville won the seniors with 87-20=67 and D Connor completed back to back wins in the junior competition.

April fixtures will commence with Peace Cup on Saturday April 2 and members are reminded of the club's Annual General Meeting on Friday evening.



The Argyll and Bute Under 13 regional squad pictured in their new training kit.

## Under 13 regional squad launched

ARGYLL and Bute Council's football service has been running football trials for the first ever Argyll and Bute Select football team at the 13's age group over the last few months.

There were more than 38 players from across Argyll and Bute who attended the trials with a view to be selected for the squad.

The squad was the idea of football development officer Martin Rae who felt there was a need to bridge the gap for football provision and give these players further opportunities to develop in the game.

The players, from Campbeltown, Rothesay, Dunoan, Helensburgh, Oban, Tarbert and Lochgilphead, will be training weekly with their own clubs, then twice a month with the regional squad with

a view to playing games against Scottish Premier League and Scottish Football League youth initiative teams.

It is then hoped the players from Argyll and Bute will get picked up by the senior teams and given the opportunity to progress up the footballing ladder with these teams and this would then give other players from Argyll and Bute the opportunity to fill the gap in the squad left by any players who move on.

The squad have a new playing kit and all the players have been given their own training kit, only to be used when they are training with the regional group.

The squad's first game is planned for the middle of May in Campbeltown.

## Perfect conditions at Dunaverly

PERFECT conditions prevailed for Dunaverly's March Medal when 28 competitors took to the golf course.

Hamish Taylor led the way with a scratch 68 to give him a nett 55 and Gary Howells carded a nett 57.

Terry Fowler and Bill Brannigan were next both returning 59.

Results: 1 Hamish Taylor 68-13-55, 2 Gary Howells 71-14-57, 3 Terry Fowler 74-15-59 (BIH), 4 Bill Brannigan 68-9-59, 5 Robert Millar 70-10 60, 6 Campbell MacBrayne 69-7-62.

Scratch: 1 Hamish Taylor 68 (BIH), 2 Bill Brannigan 68, 3 Campbell MacBrayne 69, 4 Robert Millar 70, 5 Gary Howells 71(BIH), 6 Sandy Watson 71.

Dunaverly's next event is the Am-Am tomorrow (Saturday) and thanks to sponsorship from McFaydens Contractors, Kintyre Vermin and Pest Control, Hillington Park, PJM Plant Hire and Donald Brown there will be several prizes up for grabs including a novel one of the lowest team score at the thirteenth.

## Gigha darts league

A DARTS league has been held in Gigha Hotel since November, with Martin Hannah beating 11 others to take the top spot.

The nerves were going for those involved over the last three weeks with Martin Hannah, Lindsay Sheriff and Joe Teale all potentially in the run for the league title.

A total of 12 players took part in the league, which runs every year from November until March.

The last match was played on March 17 and the winner this year was Martin.

Lindsay and Joe both had the same points and so they have a play off for runner up which will be played soon.

The staff at the hotel would like to thank everyone who took part and the hotel looks forward to seeing you for the next league in November 2011.



The winners of the shinty festival, Southend Primary School.

## Kintyre Shinty Festival

SCHOOLS from across Kintyre took part in a shinty festival earlier this week which saw Southend emerge as winners.

This was Kintyre's first shinty festival organised by Active Schools which took place in the Victoria Hall, Campbeltown on Monday.

Schools have recently had shinty lessons delivered through the Active Schools co-ordinator Lindsay Ramsay.

The kids compete for the ball in the throw-up between Rhunahaorine and Castlehill.

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## Just eight weeks to go

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

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

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

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

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

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

10K schedule  
Weeks to go: 8  
from Monday  
April 4

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

### Half marathon training schedule Start Date: Tuesday April 5 2011

Weeks to go: 8

Day	Session	Distance	Pace min/mile	Time
Tue 5/4	Slow run/walk	5Miles	12:00	approx 60 mins
Thu 7/4	Faster run/walk	4Miles	11:00	approx 44 mins
Sun 10/4	Easy run/walk	8Miles	12:30	approx 1hr 40mins
Total		17Miles		3hrs 25mins

## Mixed fortunes for Pupils' teams



Action from the Pupils 'B' match against Uddingston.

A VICTORY for Campbeltown Pupils B saw them winning 4-2 against Uddingston on home turf on Saturday.

The first team lost 4-0 away to league leaders Kilbowie Union.

Tomorrow (Saturday) the first team play at home to Duncanrig at Kintyre Park, whilst the 'B' team play away to West Coast Thistle at Largs.

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## MOKRun plans well ahead

PLANS are going well for this year's Mull of Kintyre Run in May.

Organisers report that with eight weeks to go until the annual half marathon and 10k event, there are still plenty of spaces left for the kid's fun run.

The event takes place on May 29 and will see more than 600 runners setting off from the centre of Campbeltown after a lively warm-up on Kinloch Green.

There will be a variety of events over the weekend for adults and children including a pasta party and to round off events a ceilidh on Sunday evening.

A children's fun run will also take place on Kinloch Green during Sunday.

For more information go to [www.mokrun.com](http://www.mokrun.com).

## Young golfers wanted

ORGANISERS of an international kids golf championship are putting a rallying call out to all young players in Argyll and Bute.

No young golfers have entered from the region, so organisers are keen for those interested to sign up.

The US Kids Golf European Championship is returning to Scotland this summer, where hundreds of the best young golfers from around the world will battle it out on some of the country's most historic links courses.

The tournament takes place from May 31 to June 2.

For more information or to register for the US Kids Golf European Championships, visit [www.uskidsgolf.com](http://www.uskidsgolf.com).

## Dookers lose out

Scottish Amateur League  
Premier Division Two  
**Haldane 5  
Tarbert 3 AFC**

TARBERT AFC travelled to Balloch on Saturday taking on newly promoted Haldane.

The Dookers were working extremely hard to close down their opponents, but they switched off for a second after 15 minutes, which was enough to allow the home side to go in front.

As the ball was cleared from a corner, Tarbert did not close down the resultant shot which found Martin's bottom right hand corner. Haldane increased its lead after 25 minutes, and from a Tarbert point of view, it was another disappointing one to lose.

Half time: Haldane United 2, Tarbert 0.

Tarbert got back into the game by keeping up its work rate, pulling back a goal early

in the second half. Johnson found Prentice on the right; his low drive could only be parried by the keeper into the path of Nikki MacDougall, who finished for his second goal in two games.

The Dookers needed to keep tight but almost immediately the home side retained its two-goal advantage when a counter attack gave the Haldane number nine ample time to finish.

Haldane then scored number four and there was nothing the away side could do about this one as it was the pick of the bunch.

Despite the scoreline the Dookers did not give up, and pulled a goal back, this time through Prentice.

There was still time for a goal a piece in the final stages of the contest, firstly Haldane were awarded a soft penalty, then Johnson scored with a header from a Ronald throw in.



## Running club's February Frenzy

LOCH Lussa was the scene for the first February Frenzy for Campbeltown Running Club.

The circular 6.5mile handicap race across forest track and road saw 23 members taking part.

As the start and finish were in the same position Donald Campbell set the competitors off in different directions on the route to add more interest to the race.

## Campbeltown Running Club holds first AGM

CAMPBELTOWN Running Club held its first annual general meeting on Friday.

The club has been up and running since August last year, and now has more than 40 active members.

The club meets every Tuesday and Thursday and is following the 10k and half marathon train-

ing schedules in preparation for the Mull of Kintyre Run in May.

### Successful

Nine of its members had a very successful trip for the Balloch to Clydebank half marathon last week with some impressive times.

Five of the club's members are heading to London in a few weeks

for the Virgin London Marathon.

Kenny Campbell, Charlie Dott and Donald Campbell have all completed marathons before whereas Elaine McGeachy and Lisa Hardie are attempting their first one.

They will be raising money for various charities including Help for

Heroes and Samantha Dickson Brain Tumour Trust.

The club is also in training for the Kintyre Way Relay and hopes to enter four teams, with its first team attempting to break the course record.

A trip to the Munich Marathon in October has also been planned.

Results as follows: 1 Ruairidh MacIntyre 8up, 2 Callum Davey 5up, 3 Andrew Bauld 3up. CSS 70.



## Mary Meenan singles

ON Sunday, Campbeltown Bowling Club's ladies held their popular Mary Meenan memorial singles event that attracted the majority of their carpet bowls players and signalled the end of the indoor season.

A good, evenly contested final between Catherine McEachran and Jessie Andrew resulted in a win for Jessie who was presented with her prizes by Ladies' president Moira Wareham. Left to right: Jessie Andrew, Moira Wareham and Catherine McEachran.

## Tarbert pupil selected to Tall Ships Races

A FOURTH year pupil from Tarbert has been selected to take part in the Tall Ship Races this as a sail trainee onboard *Wylde Swan*.

Hamish Duncan, who lives in Tarbert, will join the ship at Lerwick, competing in the third and fourth leg of the race.

He is a pupil at Lochgilphead High School but attends Campbeltown Sea Cadets, and is keen to pursue a career at sea.

Campbeltown is a guest harbour in the Cruise in Company leg of the Tall Ships Race 2011.

Commenting on his

forthcoming voyage, Hamish said: 'Sailing as crew on a Tall Ship will be a new experience for me. I am looking forward to learning new skills such as climbing the yards, setting sails and steering the ship.'

A memorable trip is certainly in store for Hamish, if 2010 Campbeltown sail trainee Alasdair MacPhail's experience is anything to go by. Talking about his very positive leg on *Wylde Swan* last year, Alasdair said: 'I've met many people and made some great friends. It was the chance of a life-time.'

## Wee Toon darts results

CAMPBELTOWN District Darts Association's week 18 results: Fiddlers 9 Argyll A 1, Southend 3 Kinloch 7, Commercial 6 Hunting Lodge 4, Argyll B 1 Ailsa 9.

Jamie McGougan scored 180 for the Fiddlers, Micky Marshall scored 180 for the Ailsa and Alan Duncan had a finish of 126.

## Islay golf

ISLAY Golf Club held its Mrs MacIntyre Trophy on Sunday March 27.

Results as follows: 1 Ruairidh MacIntyre 8up, 2 Callum Davey 5up, 3 Andrew Bauld 3up. CSS 70.



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