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Wind band takes gold in London

by RUTH McCLEAN
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KINTYRE continues to impress at a national level, and this time a local junior band has taken gold in London.

It was the first time in 23 years that an Argyll band qualified for the National Concert Band Festival and the Kintyre Schools Junior Band certainly did the area proud.

This is the first time the junior band has made it to the national finals, with the senior band being the last ones to make it, taking gold in 1989. The wind band received the gold award at the regional finals in October, and got to work to raise the much-needed funds to allow the band to travel to London to compete.

The young band made up of children from primary six to S2, played at the Dukes Hall at the Royal Academy of Music and impressed the judges.

They were playing in the Junior Band Contest for children under the age of 14 and excelled themselves; the band also boasts members from Lochgilphead.

Many of the other bands in the national final were from private schools with renowned music departments, so this is yet another accolade they can add to their belt.

Conductor

Conductor Katy Welch runs the band with help from Jamie MacVic-ar who is the conductor of Campbeltown Brass, and once played in the junior band himself.

'I'm hugely proud of them all. They are all amazing and a credit to their parents and schools,' said Katy.

Thanks to the efforts of the band, and generosity of the local community and businesses, the band managed to raise £5,000 in just over eight weeks,



Young Farmers in a one night stand

FOR the first time in 14 years Campbeltown Young Farmers put on a sell-out concert in the town's Victoria Hall on Saturday evening.

Sixteen members of the club put together the concert *a one night stand* with the help of well-known local farmer and drama enthusiast John Armour, who was previously a young farmer.

An audience of 450 enjoyed the lively, and at

to enable them to compete and travel to London.

'It is just amazing, we still can't believe it. I don't think the children realised when we were in London of their

achievement, it's fantastic. We would like to thank everyone who helped us raise the funds to allow us to go, including Bradan Ltd, Campbeltown Rotary, Campbeltown Common Good

sometimes somewhat close to the bone, performance.

As well as comedy sketches they also danced and sang, proving months of time and effort had paid off with the audience left amused and buzzing from the evening.

For more photographs from the evening see page four. 20_c14yf01

Fund, Numero Dix, Jenny Black and the Co-Operative.'

Katy told *The Courier* the band plans to keep practising and entering competitions and work towards the regional

qualifiers again in October.

'Most of the kids hadn't been to London let alone competed in a national competition. What an achievement for them,' said Katy.

Accent Players win top award at the Lorn Drama festival held in Oban

A LOCAL drama club did the area proud when they took the top awards at Lorn Drama Festival.

Accent Players took first place and also won the award for the highest marks for dramatic production for their performance of *Some Mother's Son*.

The play, by Mark Rees, had the large audience spellbound.

This powerful drama set in a field hospital in the First World War was a challenge for actors, director and technical staff.

'I am delighted that all the team's hard work paid off,' said producer Kenny Johnson. 'It is always enjoyable to compete in this festival.'

Ten teams from across Argyll competed in the Corran Halls last week, and adjudicator Nat Little said the whole festival was of a particularly high standard.

Carradale Drama Club delighted the audience with its black comedy, *The Beach Hut* and won the Stage Manager's Award.

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£125,000 water project complete

by RUTH McCLEAN
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AN IMPORTANT project helping to provide greater security of the water supply in the Tarbert area has been completed.

Scottish Water finished the £125,000-project involving the rehabilitation of a key stretch of the water main and a reduction in the risk of bursts, which can lead to disruption to the water supply.

About 2,000 people in the area are now benefit-

ing from the investment on a 400 metre-long stretch of main which runs from the south of Tarbert into the village to the car park beside the health centre.

Mr Simon Harrison, Scottish Water's water operations manager, said: 'We are delighted to have completed this important project in the Tarbert area.'

'Scottish Water is committed to providing a first-class serv-

ice to all of our customers throughout Scotland, from the biggest cities and towns to the smallest, most remote communities.'

The Tarbert area has been affected by bursts and freezing of this section of the pipe because the main was an old cast-iron one, laid at a shallow depth.

Scottish Water's contractors, Araon JV, employed contractors Donald McLean, from Campbeltown, to undertake the work, which started in mid-February. It involved excavations along the route of the A83.

The cast-iron main was replaced with a length of heavy-duty plastic pipe, which is less susceptible to bursts.

Andy Barnett, the project manager, said: 'We did everything we could to ensure this project was completed as quickly and efficiently as possible and that we minimised any inconvenience.'

Yoga to be convenient

YOGA classes will be combined with a convenience store if the business plan of a Sound of Kintyre man comes off.

Ian Henry, who moved to Kintyre from London a year and a half ago, told *The Courier* he wants to run the convenience store with yoga classes next door in the evening.

He is hoping to develop a building with an adjacent hall at the former Machrihanish Airbase.

Ian said he was encouraged by a community survey he had done, with 50 of the 100 surveys he sent out to Sound of Kintyre residents coming back, almost all with positive responses to the idea.

Ian said: 'I'd be very open to any private investors who want to get involved'.



The mothers, who have breastfed their own children and will be passing on their skills and experience to benefit others, with midwife Isobel Cook of Campbeltown Hospital, centre. 20_c14brst01

Breastfeeding support now available

MOTHERS looking to breast feed their babies now have new support available for them.

A team of local ladies have stepped forward to form a breastfeeding support group.

Effective

They will help to deliver effective breastfeeding for local woman, including providing peer support to both antenatal and postnatal women and will work in partnership with local health professionals.

The group will share their experience and knowledge around the prac-

tical aspects of breastfeeding no matter how old the baby is.

They will also offer reassurance and confidence to continue breastfeeding for as long as the mother wishes.

The support scheme has stages one and two of the Unicef Baby Friendly Accreditation, and working towards stages three which local midwife Isobel Cook hopes to have in May.

Isobel is leading the ladies through the course and will be providing encouragement and advice throughout.

For more information contact the local maternity unit on 01586 555827.

Prestigious award for water scheme

THE company behind Campbeltown's new waste water scheme, which was recently completed, has received a prestigious award.

Black and Veatch Ltd which carried out the works on behalf of Scottish Water, have been awarded the Gold Award from the Considerate Constructors Scheme.

This recognised the high level of consideration for the area during the construction, which saw a complete redesign

of part of the works to reduce the overall size, and to minimise the visual impact the new system had when seen from the bay.

A further redesign was undertaken for the town's sewer paths to avoid causing traffic congestion.

To ensure that the access for diverted traffic was suitable for purpose, the team tested it with a fully-loaded forestry lorry, and in the process of some town

centre excavations, unrecorded buried services were mapped, colour coded and passed on to the local authority.

The annual awards, run by the Considerate Constructors Scheme, recognise the highest levels of consideration and care shown by construction sites throughout the UK towards their local neighbourhood and the general public, site staff and the environment. Only 88 UK sites achieved the gold standard this year from over 8500, making this site's achievement particularly significant.

Industry mascot Ivor Goodsite visited the local primary school and the winning entries from a poster competition were displayed on site hoardings.

Shipping news from Campbeltown Harbour

YESTERDAY (Thursday) 3,000 tonnes of timber was due to be exported from Campbeltown Harbour.

The *Nordic Diana* was due in to load the timber.

Last week 2,000 tonnes of sheet steel was offloaded at Campbeltown for the wind tower factory at Machrihanish.

Harbour master Stephen Scally, reported they were still busy with one pier operating due to the works at the New Quay.

He said as well as sheet steel now coming back into Campbeltown, wind tower sections may be due to be exported in the coming months.

He said there had been a spell of Irish fishing boats docking in Campbeltown overnight with 25 boats in each night last week, with some good catches.

RIB takes part in military exercise

A LOCAL sea tours fast RIB took part in a military exercise last Friday with two Navy ships.

Mull of Kintyre Seatours regularly helps the Navy out by taking part in exercises.

Skipper Mike Taylor travelled out to Ailsa Craig, near Campbeltown Loch, to carry out the exercise and transfer a crewman to shore from one of the ships.

March rainfall in Campbeltown

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Major military exercise for Kintyre

CAMPBELTOWN will be the centre of the largest military exercise in Europe at the end of this month.

Operating

Exercise Joint Warrior will take place from April 16 to 26 with many of the naval and air units operating in the seas and skies

around the peninsula.

Units from the UK, Europe, Canada and America will all contribute.

The aim of the exercise is to provide the highest quality training for all three armed services and the numerous visiting forces from allied nations.

To achieve this Joint Warrior features a wide-ranging exercise scenario, which brings into play every possible situation experienced in complex, modern conflicts.

It involves three sovereign nations, some disputed territory, drug

smuggling, piracy, state sponsored terrorism and counter insurgency.

Tension

The scenario develops over the two-weeks of the exercise, beginning with a period of military and political tension and evolving into simulated war fighting and poten-

tial state on state hostilities.

The tri-service and multinational exercise is conducted in the spring and autumn of each year.

The upcoming Joint Warrior is set to be bigger than ever with 32 separate naval units

from eight different countries taking part, as well as a considerable military air presence and multiple land forces.

Royal Navy Flagship, *HMS Bulwark*, is hosting The Commander United Kingdom Task Group and Commander

Standing NATO Maritime Group 1.

Deploy

Meanwhile the UK's Joint Force HQ will deploy to practice its command function both afloat on the High Readiness Helicopter and Commando Carrier, *HMS Illustrious*.

Easter egg hunt at Rhunahaorine

RHUNAHAORINE Primary School hosted an Easter egg hunt last week.

Children from Clachan Primary also joined them as they tracked down the eggs, whilst parents enjoyed teas and coffees.



Teigan Green and Eilidh Norris were very happy to find their Easter eggs. 20_c14egg01

Inner harbour slipway to be closed for use

BOAT owners may be inconvenienced as the slipway in the inner harbour in Campbeltown is to be closed for use.

Due to the works being carried out to the New Quay, the slip, which is

to be re-piled, will be closed from Tuesday, April 10 for the foreseeable future.

The harbour authority apologised for any inconvenience this may cause.



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Young Farmers' sell out concert



Left to right: Nichola Kerr, James Young, Robert McKinnon and Susan Houston go for a meal, with waiter Stuart McCConnachie in *The Treat*. 20_c14yfc05



Nichola Kerr, and Robert McKinnon, right, give 'son' John Armour, a warning of no parties whilst they are away in *Hey Dude, Where's My Combine?*. Needless to say he didn't listen. 20_c14yfc04



Stuart McCConnachie and Thomas Cameron take a bath and discuss the day's gossip. 20_c14yfc02

CAMPBELTOWN Young Farmers are being praised left, right and centre for a sell-out concert they put together on Saturday night.

Filling the Victoria Hall, Campbeltown, *A One Night Stand* is the first time a concert has been put on since the 1990s.

John Armour, who is an ex-member of the young farmers and has been donning the stage for local drama productions,

and involved behind the scenes for 35 years, praised the group.



Jock and Jimmy's *Bootiful Outcome* featuring Kelsey Brown, left, James Young and Fiona McArthur, as well as Thomas Cameron and Karen Semple. 20_c14yfc10

John went out his way to help the young people put on the concert, and

has been working with them since the end of October.

'Considering most of the cast have never really performed on stage before and they were absolutely fantastic,' John told *The Courier*.

'All their hard work they have done since October has paid off. I was greatly surprised, like them, at the number of people that came to see it. We are all absolutely delighted and hope everyone enjoyed it.'

The young farmers hope this will now be an annual event and thanked everyone who supported them and came to see the show, including those businesses and individuals that sponsored the programme.



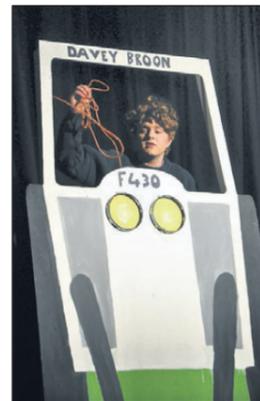
John Pirie and Kelsey Brown in *To Let!*. 20_c14yfc06



Where's the Book Face Gone? featuring Thomas Ralston and Fiona McArthur, as well as James Young as the grandson. 20_c14yfc08



Karen Semple and Lindsay Ronald sang a selection of songs. 20_c14yfc09



Thomas Irwin, dressed as James May from *Top Gear*, test-drives the Davey Broon F430 in *First Gear*. 20_c14yfc03



Yo Valley, left to right: Thomas Cameron, Robert McKinnon, John Martin and Stuart McCConnachie. 20_c14yfc07

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- Event held at The Network Centre Carradale
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- Warm clothing and outdoor footwear - No booking required. All activities free!
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Impact of windfarms on birds

THE impact windfarms have on birds was the topic of a conferencing event organised by Scottish Natural Heritage this week in Perthshire.

Developers, consultants and planners involved in windfarm development attended the gathering, hearing industry and science delegates give their findings from monitoring windfarm impacts after construction.

The purpose of the event was to provide information, 'ensuring bird populations are appropriately protected while new developments are not unduly constrained.'

The event focused on the work of the Scottish Windfarm Bird Steering Group, which collects data from different sites across Scotland.

First sightings of bluebells

A NATIONAL database of bluebell woods is seeking information about first sightings of the spring flowers.

The Woodland Trust aims to collect data on its website showing the presence of bluebells across the UK.

At the time of going to press, no 2012 sightings had been registered for Kintyre, though the website does show a number of bluebell woods for the area.

Beinn Ghuilean, East Lussa, Homeston, Dalbaie and Dalsmirren are amongst the woods where bluebells should be found.

The website offers users the opportunity to upload their own photos from visits to the woods.

Conservatory plans approved

THE erection of a conservatory has been approved planning permission for a house in Campbeltown.

Corrylach Farmhouse was approved planning consent by Argyll and Bute Council last week.

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DALINTOBER Primary School pupils completed their Sport Relief Mile recently. The P6 and P7 children had a great time raising money for the cause, and had been doing circuit training with Active Schools co-ordinator Robbie Kupris to build up their stamina.

Isles Coast and Countryside Trust public consultation

by **TONY GARNER**
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A PUBLIC consultation is being held to consider forming a new trust to promote tourism and conservation in Argyll and Bute.

A consultation and feasibility study has been set up to consider creating an Argyll and the Isles Coast and Countryside Trust.

The consultation and study is a result of Argyll and Bute Council working with Scottish Natural Heritage, the Forestry Commission Scotland, Argyll and Bute Social Enterprise Network and Argyll and Bute Social Services Initiative.

A series of public meetings have been arranged, including one for the Kintyre area in Tarbert on April 25, where anyone can go and express their views.

Lesley Campbell from Small Town and Rural Development Group (STAR) development,

which is running the consultation, said plans were very much at an early stage. She said: 'We need to find out if there is public support and if there is, what are the most useful things this trust can do.'

A key interested party in Kintyre would be the Kintyre Way, which received initial public and grant funding to set up in 2005, but recently

has been struggling for funds.

Kintyre Way chairman, John Bakes, who will be attending the meeting in Tarbert, said: 'I agree with the new trust in principal but unless there's funding available I think it will collapse.'

Stressing that potential funding models were still at the consideration stage, Lesley told *The Courier*: 'Looking at other trusts, they will need to have a bit of

priming of council money but, what they always aim to do is gear that up with other sources of funding.

'But we need to be aware that other smaller community trusts exist and we wouldn't want to swallow up money from them.'

Details of the times and places of the consultation meetings, as well as information on how to respond online can be found on the council's website.

New committee for Christmas Lights Switch On

IT'S all change for this year's Christmas Lights Switch On.

Not only has a new committee been handed the reigns, but the night has also been changed from a Thursday to a Friday evening.

Marjorie Brown and Marie Kennedy have handed over the running and organising of the event after years of be-

ing involved.

They felt it was a good time for the strong committee to go it alone.

The event has been planned for Friday November 30, a change of date, which the new committee hopes will satisfy a number of people not just in Campbeltown but also encourage others from farther afield too.



Marjorie and Marie, front, officially handed over the reigns to, left to right, Raymond Harvey, chairman, Lorraine Gillespie, treasurer, Caroline Armour, vice secretary, and Will Anderson, vice chairman. Mandy Robertson, missing from the photograph is secretary.

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Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



'ENTER at your own risk' is not the sign we usually expect at the door of a church.

Sadly however, this is the notice outside that splendid church at Tarbert.

The church was very badly damaged in the January storms and is now in a dangerous state.

There is a risk of falling masonry and so people are warned that it is unsafe to enter the sanctuary at present.

I thought about this and how sad it is for the congregation to be kept out of the church they love so much.

Last Sunday was Palm Sunday when Jesus made a spectacular entry into Jerusalem and an even more spectacular entry into the temple.

He was outraged by the exploitation of the poor by the traders and money changers in the temple.

Overturning the tables and scattering their goods - and their sins, he threw out all the wheelers and dealers, leaving them in no doubt about his opinion of them.

'Enter at your own risk' may well have been the warning for those who offended God by cheating and putting profit before people.

This was an affront to God then and still is today.

Jesus made it clear that God has different values, and will not tolerate exploitation or theft in any of its respectable disguises.

'Enter at your own risk,' because the God whose opinions we *think* we know may just surprise us.

Jesus told the arrogant and intolerant leaders of his day that the people they least expected would be in heaven before them.

'Enter at your own risk' may be a good reminder to leave all our prejudices at the foot of the cross.

On Sunday we will celebrate the joy of the resurrection as we come to the empty tomb.

'Take a risk', enter, and meet the one who loves you beyond measure.



Down Memory Lane

LAST month the Free Church of Campbeltown celebrated its centenary with a special service.

Over the last eight months work has been undertaken to restore the church on the corner of the town's North Shore Street and George Street.

Large congregation

It is built on the site of the former Greenfield House and a large congregation turned out on March 18, 1912 for its opening, with an article in *The Camp-*

beltown Courier on March 23, 2012 reporting that £252 was collected at its opening.

The church cost £2,300 to build and was designed by Ronald Carsewell, an architect from Lochgilphead.

This photograph was taken during the building of the church of the men involved.

Do you recognise anyone? If so, please get in touch.

Distaste and grotesque irony

Sir,
I felt at reading your headline about a developer from Lanarkshire branding folk from Kintyre as for not submitting tamely to his dispersed windfarm ploy, distaste and grotesque irony.

It is of course not selfish for a developer to try and erect 26 windfarm sized turbines at key visual locations across Kintyre by stealth, circumventing the strict planning requirements that protect our community and environment by pretending 26 single gigantic turbines differ from 26 gigantic turbines in a group.

Lanarkshire is not noted for its beauty or ecology based tourism, so Mr 'we have to make money' Wilson probably values neither.

If he did he would submit 40 applications for

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totally discreet 18m turbines instead of erecting 46m tall turbines in very sensitive locations, but there is less profit and more effort in that.

His claims of jobs are risible - the only people to benefit will be himself, his Mercedes dealership and the landowners who have agreed to be his Trojan horses.

Sadly they have put the prospect of £20k a year income above social and community responsibility.

The Courier should publish a map showing where these leviathans will be erected so the selfish people of Kintyre can see the impact on the views from Beinn Ghuilean, the entrance to Campbeltown Loch

at the Dhorlin and the road through the glen to Southend.

Finally our benefactor Mr Wilson should remember that through its hosting of windfarms at Tangy and Beinn an Tuirc and numerous non industrial scale farm turbines, that Kintyre is already a net exporting of power without having to sacrifice more of its unspoilt views to satisfy his selfless greed.

**Bob Miller,
129 Sound of Kintyre,
Campbeltown.**

Get-rich-quick scheme

Sir
Mark Wilson's defence of his get-rich-quick scheme can't go unre-

marked.

Mr Wilson has made hundreds of planning applications for single wind turbines all over Scotland, 26 of them in this area.

Mr Wilson's website states: 'My slogan is 'creating true wealth through land Investment' and 'feed-in tariffs offer landowners a fantastic opportunity to generate energy and share in the profits this will accrue. We at ILI (Renewable Energy) would like to offer all landowners an opportunity to enter an agreement to develop single wind turbines on their land and take advantage of this superb prospect.'

What is this superb prospect? Perhaps the

answer lies in something deleted from the website, but which I copied from it back in February: 'This is an opportunity like no other for landowners to benefit from a government set subsidy.'

No mention of renewable energy, just renewable money.

Your report states: 'individuals who build turbines can receive returns far above the market value of the electricity produced.' Here's the nub of the issue. The money Mr Wilson wants to get his hands on isn't the government's. It comes from ordinary householders through their electricity bills.

Experts calculate that, to meet renewable energy targets, electricity bills will have to rise by 58 per cent.

I can't afford 58 per cent on top of what I already pay, and why should I have to, just to let Mr Wilson and his investors 'take advantage of this superb prospect'?

**William Crossan,
Gowanbank,
Campbeltown.**

Campbeltown like Havana

Sir,
On flicking through the pages of last week's *Campbeltown Courier*; I came across a letter written by a visitor to the town who was looking to settle 'somewhere quiet...for retirement'.

The writer of the letter proceeds to present us with a list of reasons (based entirely on reports from the pages of the newspaper) as to why they would not want to move to Campbeltown and then suggests that what the town needs is a 'small jail'.

As a first time visitor to the town myself, I would like to counter this letter by telling you that Campbeltown reminds me of Havana, Cuba, where I lived a few years ago.

It's laid back, it's down to earth and it's by the sea. And the sun came out as I wrote that.

I thoroughly enjoyed my time in the town and was left impressed by how friendly the people are.

I look forward to coming back to spend more time in this lovely town.

**Helen Pope,
London**

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CGS pupils contribute to the community

by **TONY GARNER**
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SENIOR Campbeltown Grammar School pupils are on their way to becoming the next generation of leaders – and possibly even teachers.



Two of the young leaders: Kathryn Howell and Craig Lamont. 12_c13grammar5

Through their involvement in the Sports Leaders programme, around a dozen fifth and sixth years are going out to deliver sports sessions to children in primary schools.

Training them up for this has been the Active Schools programme for the area. Robbie Kupris, the current Active Schools co-ordinator, explained how the Leaders programme works: 'The pupils sign up and over the course of a year they will do a number of national governing body certificates as well as the Sports Leader Award.

Certificates

'Then they can apply these skills practically, for example we have had them delivering sport sessions to the primary schools using the skills they have learned over the year.

While the Sport Leaders programme is for seniors, younger pupils aged 9-13 can also gain leadership skills through the Young Leaders scheme.



Senior pupils Stuart MacBrayne and Ruth Semple take a session at Southend Primary School 20_c14leaders1

'They are getting experience of sports coaching and it can help them with their university applications if they have voluntary experience.

'It's also an opportunity for young people to contribute positively to the local community.'

Fifth year pupil Stuart MacBrayne, one of those who have been doing the programme, said: 'It's enjoyable and you get a lot of knowledge. You have to know what you are telling the primary children and be clear with them, it's different from talking to people your own age.'

Without gaining formal qualifications from governing bodies, the children still receive leadership training, allowing them to lead groups of their younger peers.

Robbie explained: 'For example you can have a primary seven pupil who at lunchtime would do half an hour of dance with younger girls in primary four.'

'She would maybe be setting up the music or co-ordinating the dances. A teacher wouldn't have to be there, she would do it on her own.'

'It's a great way for the pupils to learn new skills and interact with people of all ages.'

Royal Mail announce increase in cost of stamps

THE PRICE of stamps is set to soar following an increase announced by Royal Mail last week.

From April 30 first class stamps will rise from 46p to 60p whilst second class will increase by the same amount from 36p to 50p.

The cost of posting large letters will increase from 75p to 90p for first class and 58p to 69p for second class.

The increases followed a decision by regulator Ofcom to give Royal Mail the freedom to set its own prices.

Concessionary travel cardholders funding increased

CONCESSIONARY travel cardholders in the area will continue to benefit from free bus travel, with increased funding confirmed for next year.

Transport Minister Keith Brown confirmed bus travel for people in Argyll and Bute is a priority for his department.

He said £187m funding has been set aside for concessionary travel for the coming year, up around four per cent from last year. This will protect the concessionary travel scheme and ensure it remains sustainable for the years to come.

Mr Brown said: 'The Scottish Government is absolutely committed to the National Concessionary Travel scheme and to ensuring that pensioners in Argyll and Bute are able to use free local and long distance bus travel at any time of day, on any routes, for any number of journeys.'

'Bus services are a vital part of our transport network and play an important part in linking up our communities, both in our towns and cities and in more rural areas.'

'There has been some unfortunate speculation in recent weeks about concessionary travel but I want to reassure all those who use it that concessionary travel is here to stay.'

THIS MONTH IN SCOTTISH FIELD...

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Token four will be printed April 13.

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Exclusive to readers of The Campbeltown Courier, Abbey House Hotel is offering bed and breakfast for only £75 per night based on two people sharing a double or twin room, subject to availability. The offer ends on September, 30, 2012. Please quote reference code OT when booking. For further information go to www.abbeyhousehotel.com or telephone 08448262095.



PENINVER Drama Club Juniors trod the boards at the National Community Drama Association festival in Kilmarnock last weekend. The group, pictured here on the way to Saturday's technical rehearsal, did themselves proud. While they did not win the hotly contested Western Division prize, their performance was highly praised and will give them a lot of confidence going forward into new productions.

Kintyre Youth Café

AFTER years of time and effort Kintyre Youth Café opened its doors on Saturday.

Visitors got to see what the former Kintyre Healthy Living has been turned into, as well as the services on offer.

It has been named 'The Hub' and will be somewhere for young people to go and for them to learn new skills and meet new people in a safe environment.

The project incorporates the young carers group in the area and has received help from Kintyre Alcohol and Drugs Advisory Serv-

ice and the children and families department at the social work.

Funding has been received from the Voluntary Action Fund, the local alcohol and drugs partnership and the public health network.

The group is looking for further funding to provide a variety of different things for the children to do and to help expand skills that can be learnt at the café.

Sam McPhee and Ellis Robertson playing pool in one of the new revamped rooms at The Hub. 20_c14youth02



Kintyre Chorale fundraising concert

NEXT weekend the latest fundraising concert by Kintyre Chorale will take place.

At Lorne and Lowland Church, the Spring Concert in aid of the Friends of the Beatson and Beatson Oncology Centre Fund will feature guests Susan Fairbairn, Ashley McLean and Robert McNair.

Over the last three years the chorale group has raised more than £3,000 for local charities and would like to thank everyone who has supported them and helped to raise the money.

The concert will be starting at 8pm on Friday April 13.

The group is led by conductor Paula McLean and entry is by donation.

Coffee morning

BAKING and souvenirs will be amongst some of the items available at tomorrow's (Saturday) Royal National Lifeboat Institute's coffee morning.

The local fundraising branch's Easter coffee morning will be taking place from 10am to noon in the Red Cross Hall.

Westport beach clean

PRIMARY 4 children from Dalintober School took part in a beach clean at Westport last month. They gathered 14 bags of rubbish from the beach during the event, which was organised by Julie Fairbass from the GRAB Trust.



Argyll Drama Festival

**Ardrihaig Public Hall
18-20 April**

Curtain up 7.15pm

Adult £6 Conc £4.50

Child £3 Season £15

Tickets: Book Centre,

Lochgilphead or at door on the



Community Noticeboard

Campbeltown and Kintyre Support Group of Parkinson's UK
PARKINSON'S UK CHANGE ATTITUDES. FIND A CURE. JOIN US.
COFFEE MORNING
 Saturday 14th April
 Red Cross Hall, Kirk Street, 10 am to 12 noon
 Admission £1
 Raffle, Baking and Parkinson's information.
 Charity No. SC037554

Campbeltown Lifeboat Fundraising Branch
EASTER COFFEE MORNING
 In the Red Cross Hall
 Saturday 7th April 2012
 10am - 12 noon
 Bottle stall • Baking • Souvenirs Grand Raffle Draw
 All welcome
 All donations gratefully received.

Kintyre Chorale SPRING CONCERT
 Friday 13th April at 8pm
 Lorne and Lowland Church
 Guests:- Susan Fairbairn, Ashley McLean & Robert McNair
 Entry by donation
 In aid of Friends of the Beatson & Beatson Oncology Centre Fund.

Scarecrow Sunday
Come along to Southend
See the Scarecrows & Judge
 2.00pm, Sunday 8th April
 St Bloys Hall
 Teas: Adult £2.00 Children 50p
 Stalls
 Baking • Raffle
 Tombola • Books etc
 See hall plans

Campbeltown Young Farmers Invites interested new members, between the age of 14 & 26 to their...
GAMES NIGHT
 Thursday 12th April, 7:30 pm, Argyll Hotel
 Young Farmer activities include: sports, games, quizzes, farming skill, fundraising, trips & most recently an annual variety concert!
For more information please contact us on 07768 017 126 or Facebook

Mid Argyll and Kintyre Ramblers
 If you like to walk and are interested in exploring the secret parts of Mid Argyll and Kintyre
 We are putting together a walks programme for Spring/summer.
7:30 pm Thursday 12th April
 Community Centre Lochgilphead
 So if you would like to input some ideas, please come and join us.
 It would be good to see you there.

Campbeltown Nursery Centre
EASTER FAMILY FÊTE
Saturday 7th April
 Victoria Hall, 1pm to 4pm
 Bouncy Castle, Easter Biscuit Decorating, Baking and Bottle Stalls and much more...
 Adults £1.50 Children 50p
 (includes tea/coffee/juice & biscuits)
 All donations gratefully received.

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S.I.R.
 Fri 6th - Mon 9th
 April
 10am - 4pm

Samba Sene & Diwan
Senegalese rhythms!
 Craignish Village Hall, Ardfern
 Friday 6th April
 Doors 7.30pm
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 Licensed Bar

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ORMSARY HALL
MONDAY 9th APRIL 2012
12 noon till 4pm
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Junior Coaching commences 6pm on 17th April.
 To book a place contact Ele on 01546 602381
 Clubs can be provided if required

Tarbert Loch Fyne Church of Scotland
EASTER HAT PARADE
 Saturday 7th April, 10am till 1pm in the Templar's Hall
 Bring along your hats and join us for tea/coffee and home baking only £2.50
 Also raffle, guess the weight of the cake etc....
 Children's workshop 10-11am Saturday
 (Hats supplied to decorate £2 or decorate your own hat £1 charge)
 In aid of church restoration fund
 Also join us for Fundraising Easter breakfast rolls on Sunday morning from 10.30am

FYNE FAMILIES EASTER EGG HUNT
Saturday 7th April
 1 - 3pm
 Blarbuie Woods
 £1.50 per child, egg and juice included.
 Face painting.
 (Proceeds to Elfs, After School Club and Duncholgan Family Centre)

Daffodil Tea
 in Red Cross Hall
 Lochgilphead
 on Easter Sunday
 2 - 4pm
 In aid of British Heart Foundation
 £5 entry
 Raffle for Hamper £1

Inveraray & District
Accordion & Fiddle Club
Argyll Hotel, Inveraray
Wednesday 11th April
 at 8.00pm
 Guest Artistes
 From Edinburgh
 Iain MacPhail & his SDB
 Supporting players most welcome

Easter Craft Fair
 Kilmartin Hotel,
 Easter Saturday 7th April,
 11.00am till 3.30pm.
 Varied crafts including Ethnic crafts, glassware, silks, jewellery and more.
 All proceeds to go into Kilmartin Pensioners fund.

EASTER DANCE
 in Skipness Village Hall
on Saturday 7th April
at 8.30pm
 Donnie & Diane's Ceilidh Band
 Adults £6, Under 18 £3, Under 12 Free
 Tea & raffle
More info: John Hunt - 01880 820272



Alexandrina was piped into her 100th birthday party last week by Campbeltonian John Morrans.

100 years young

AN AVID reader of *The Campbeltown Courier* celebrated her 100th last week in style. Alexandrina Guiver featured in a Down Memory Lane feature in *The Courier* last year when she spoke about her memories of staying and growing up at the town's Dalaruan Terrace.

Alexandrina was piped into her 100th birthday by Campbeltonian John Morrans, who also lived at Dalaruan and has strong connections to the town.

Her maiden name was Smith and met her husband Derek Guiver in 1940 when he was one of the Naval officers who

went to establish the ASDIC training School in Campbeltown. This was NIMROD 1.

Derek and Alexandrina were married in 1944 and had three children, Margaret, Frances and Ian.

Alexandrina has six grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. Frances and some of her family came from South Africa for the occasion.

Numerous friends from Campbeltown sent her greetings cards which delighted her so much and along with John, James Graham came together with Christine McCallum (Wylie) and her husband Eric.

Fun and games at 'messy' church

CHILDREN and adults gathered together to get 'messy' and have fun as part of Messy Church.

The event provides a way of taking the church to the people, when the people are not keen or able, for whatever reason to come to church.

Messy Church is a mid-week form of church based on the style of the very first believers who met together to share a meal and conversation with one another.

The churches of Kil-

lean and Kilchenzie linked with Kilcalmoneil invited the children from three local schools and their parents, and anyone else who wanted to join in, to come along for a special Easter event.

They met in Tayinloan Hall on Monday March 26, just as the children finished their school day, and enjoyed a meal together of burgers, tatties and baked beans followed by Angel Delight.

There were 23 chil-

dren and 22 adults who worked together, played together and prayed together.

They discovered artistic abilities they didn't know they had and listened to, and participated in, the Easter story.

It was a wonderful time of sharing and caring and the churches hope that Messy Church will continue to grow and be a place where people of all ages will feel welcome and valued for the gifts they bring.

Parkinson's UK Awareness Week

PARKINSON'S UK Awareness Week takes place this month. The event will begin on Monday April 16, running until Sunday April 22.

The Campbeltown and Kintyre Support Group of Parkinson's UK will be holding a coffee morning on Saturday April 14 in the Red Cross Hall.

There will be a raffle, baking and information on Parkinson's available from 10am to noon.

Cadbury Easter Egg Trails

The National Trust for Scotland has teamed up with Cadbury again to bring Easter Trails to 44 places across Scotland.



Follow the trail, collect the clues, solve the puzzle and win a Cadbury Egghead!

Each of the 44 trails is different – a great excuse to try your hand at more than one!

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10am-4.15pm
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Arduaine Garden
Oban
Fri 6 to Mon 9 Apr,
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THE PICTURE HOUSE
Saturday 7 April for 6 days at 8pm
THIS MEANS WAR (12A)
It's SPY against SPY. Reese Witherspoon, Chris Pine, Tom Hardy and Til Schweiger.
Please note children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult of 18 years or over
Coming Next: Saturday 14 April
The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (12A)
Jean Dujardin, Bérénice Bejo, John Goodman, James Cromwell
Please note children under the age of 9 must be accompanied by an adult of 18 years or over
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Visit the wee pictures website for more what's on and coming soon.

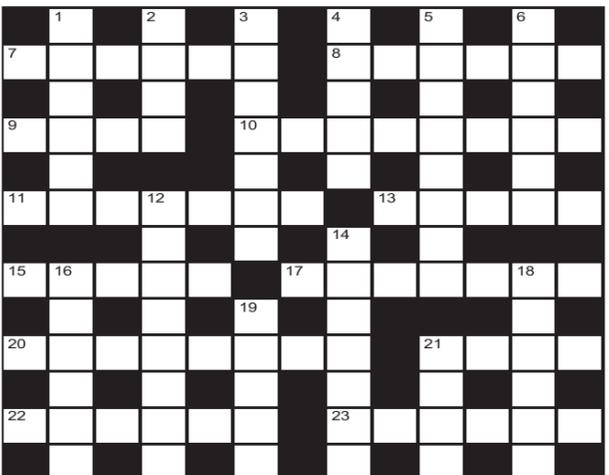
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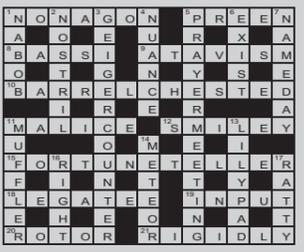
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- Clergyman (6)
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- How grain is sold (7)
- Brothers' keeper? (5)
- Acclamation (5)
- Expire (7)
- Not inland (8)
- Mountain pool (4)
- A great distance from (3,3)
- Lengthen (6)

Down

- Tropical plant from America (6)
- Drift (4)
- Malleable silver-white metallic element (7)
- Fairy tale character (5)
- Jot down rubbish (8)
- Small jacket (6)
- Backpack (8)
- One who interferes if something isn't right (7)
- Beach robe (6)
- Released (6)
- Cylindrical being with tentacles (5)
- So long for now (2-2)



Last week's solution



SOUTHEND

Community council meeting

SOUTHEND Community Council had a productive meeting in the Argyll Hotel in the village last Wednesday.

Concerns over road surface

CONCERNS were expressed over the stretch of the B842 at Keil. Part of the road surface is covered with sand and pedestrians are forced into the often pot-holed verge to avoid passing cars.

The meeting heard one local woman had fallen and injured herself as a result.

An Argyll and Bute councillor present said he would ensure this section of road is prioritised for improvement.

Scarecrows

SCARECROWS should be up by now in the Southend area. Judging of the Scarecrow Challenge will take place on Easter Sunday, and there will be a barbeque and stalls afterwards.

Playpark sign

THE sign for the playpark is finally ready and should be delivered

soon. It was decided to locate it on the site of the village hall. A new bin for the same site will also be requested from Argyll and Bute Council, after litter problems were reported.

Flagstones

AROUND 20 flagstones are to be ordered for the Columba's Trail footpath. The meeting heard an earlier suggestion to use gravel from the beach had been discouraged, and it was decided the community council would invest in the flags.

Southend in Bloom

SOUTHEND in Bloom judging will be put back from July 1 to August 1 to coincide better with the bedding plant season.

Notice board

THE new community notice board will be put up in the entrance to the Argyll Hotel. This should provide a single focal point for community news and upcoming events.

200 Club

WINNERS in the 200 Club were drawn for the month. First was Duncan McIsaac, second Sarah Bateman and third Mary Barbour.

STEWARTON

Hall committee make appeal

STEWARTON Village Hall committee is appealing for more people to make use of the hall.



Youngsters from Southend Primary have done their bit to tidy up the local area by taking part in a cleanup at Dunaverty Beach. On a bright, dry day pupils from P4-P7 took to the beach armed with bin bags, litter picks and gloves and collected a variety of objects from toothbrushes to plastic toys, as well as around 50 cotton buds. The cleanup was part of the Group for Recycling in Argyll and Bute's (GRAB) Beaches and Litter project. 20_c13beach01

CARRADALE



PUPILS at Carradale Primary raised £190 for Mary's Meals with a tea and coffee morning at the school last Friday. As well as the refreshments, there was also a baking stall with homemade baked goods.

Kintyre Way Geobash

THE first ever Kintyre Way Geobash is taking place over Easter weekend in the Carradale area.

Geocaching is a kind of treasure hunt that involves tracking down hidden 'caches' using navigational skills and following clues.

Entrants who discover a cache have to leave something of equal or greater value for the next person.

Organisers of the Carradale event told The Courier there would be 20 geocaches hidden around the village.

The event will take place over the whole weekend, starting tomorrow, April 7 at

10am at the Network Centre in Carradale.

GPS devices and maps are available for hire, and mountain bikers will also have the opportunity to try geocaching on two wheels. A ceilidh and barbecue will take place on Saturday evening.

Prizes will be awarded to whoever finds all 20 caches.

Current weekly activities are Highland dancing on a Monday, lunch club for pensioners on a Wednesday, and carpet bowls on Fridays.

The committee would like to hear from anybody who is interested in setting up any new classes or clubs, whether they be arts, crafts or sports-related.

There is also the opportunity for the hall to be hired for birthday parties or special events.

Anyone who wants to find out more about us-

ing the hall should contact Willie Durance on 01586 554 453.

CLACHAN

Children go beaver hunting

PUPILS from Clachan Primary went beaver-hunting recently when they visited the Scottish Beaver Trial site at Knapdale Forrest.

Field officer Rob Needham showed the children around the site, answering any questions

they had for him.

Although the children did not see any beavers, they managed to photograph toads and ducks as a result of the beaver dams, which create ponds and wetlands increasing the amount of wildlife in the area.

There was also an opportunity to see gnawed trees and to examine a beaver pelt.

Head teacher Catherine Black said: 'We walked the whole way around the two hour trail and thoroughly enjoyed

the spring sunshine and the glorious landscape.'

BELLOCHANTUY

SWRI hold bulb show

BELLOCHANTUY SWRI held its annual bulb show at Glenbarr Hall on March 12, with Largieside providing the judges.

Results as follows: Most points in bulb section: 1 Margaret Campbell, 2 Nettie Semple, 3 Angie Smith; Best bulb in show: Nettie Semple; Most points in pot plants: 1 Nettie Semple, 2 Alice McLean, 3 Margaret Campbell; Best pot plant in show: Janet Hamilton; Most points in flower arrangement: Jean Teasdale; Most points in baking: 1 Elizabeth Young, 2 Susan Turner, 3 Alice McLean; Most points in preserves: 1 Jean Teasdale, 2 joint Alice McLean and Janet Hamilton; Most points in knitting: 1 Susan Turner, 2 Margaret Park, 3 Jean Teasdale; Most points in crochet: 1 Susan Turner, 2 Mary Barbour, 3 Ann Boulton; Most points in embroidery: Judith McRae; Most points in photography: 1 Margaret McKinnon; Most points in design: 1 Margaret McKinnon, 2 Elaine Hemmings; Most points in literature: Tricia Fair; Best Exhibit in show: Susan Turner; Most points in show: 1 Margaret McKinnon, joint second Nettie Semple and Susan Turner.

President Elaine Hemmings congratulated the winners and thanked all the participants.

ISLAY

Working with wool and flax on Islay

THERE IS some local interest in recording the history of working with wool and flax in Islay's homes in the past, either using a spinning wheel to make yarns or knitting the stitches or patterns which were used in hand-knitting garments or household items in the past.

If anyone has any information they'd like to share on the history of domestic spinning and knitting in Islay, get in touch by emailing sc_islay@hotmail.com or phone 01496 850 215.

DRUMLEMBLE



DRUMLEMBLE Primary School had its Easter service with an Easter egg competition, followed by a coffee morning for Mary's Meals. The school raised more than £130 for the Argyll-based charity at the event last Wednesday. As well as the coffee morning there was also a baking stall and a 'Guess the Weight of the Dumpling' competition. Top left: The winners of the Easter egg competition.



Argyll Voluntary Action

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Argyll Community Health Partnership

Celebrating Voluntary Action in Argyll and Bute

Annual Volunteer Awards 2012 nominations are now open - this is your opportunity to reward an individual or group you value for their voluntary work.

- Categories for nomination
- Individual Volunteer of the Year
- Young Volunteer of the Year
- Voluntary organisation of the year
- Local Timebank Heroes
- This year 2 new categories!

Social Enterprise of the Year sponsored by Argyll and Bute Social Enterprise Network
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Budget announcements summary on Business Gateway website

MANY of the announcements in the recent budget affect businesses and Business Gateway has provided a summary on its website.

Key announcements include: the top rate of income tax will be reduced from 50 per cent to 45 per cent in April 2013, and individuals' income tax personal allowance will increase at the same time by a further £1,100, taking it to £9,205 in total.

The main rate of corporation tax will be reduced by an additional one per cent, so that the rate will reduce from 26 per cent to 24 per cent in April 2012, to 23 per cent in April 2013 and will come down to 22 per cent by April 2014.

Consult

Following the Office of Tax Simplification review of small business taxation, the government will consult on introducing a voluntary cash basis for unincorporated businesses up to the Val-

ued Added Tax (VAT) registration threshold; a simplified expenses system for business use of cars, motorcycles and home; and the possibility of a disincorporation relief.

From April 1, 2012, the VAT taxable turnover threshold, which determines whether a person must be registered for VAT, and the registration and deregistration threshold for relevant acquisitions from other EU member states, will be increased from £73,000 to £77,000.

The taxable turnover threshold which determines whether a person may apply for deregistration will be increased from £71,000 to £75,000.

The simplified reporting requirement, three line accounts, for the income tax Self Assessment return will continue to be aligned with the VAT registration threshold.

Corporation tax reliefs

will be introduced from April 2013 for the video games, animation and high-end television industries, subject to state aid approval and following consultation.

A cap will be introduced on all unlimited income tax reliefs, of £50,000 or 25 per cent of income, whichever is higher.

Below inflation

The government accepts the Low Pay Commission's recommendation for a below inflation increase in the National Minimum Wage to support employers and help protect jobs.

The Enterprise Management Incentive scheme, which helps SMEs recruit and retain talent, will provide additional support to help start-ups access the scheme and more than double the grant limit to £250,000, subject to State Aid approval.

Full details are available at www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/budget2012.



Carol MacIver, Mairi McKillop and Gayle McPhee.

Numero Dix in regional final

A CAMPBELTOWN hair salon has stood out from the rest of the UK by making the regional final of a prestigious national competition.

Staff from Numero Dix Hair Salon in the town have been working hard to perfect their colouring technique and style and will be heading for Glasgow next week to compete against some of the top salons in the business.

Demonstrate

Carol MacIver, Mairi McKillop and Gayle McPhee shook off more than 900 UK salon entrants in the first round where they entered a model photograph to demonstrate their fashion awareness.

The salon will now join 65 salons from across the region to compete in the L'Oréal Professionnal Colour Trophy; this is

the world's longest running and most fashion led hair competition.

The girls will have just 45 minutes to create a model look that reflects both their advanced hairdressing skills and knowledge of key catwalk trends taken straight from the autumn/winter 2012 runway collections.

The salon is ecstatic at the chance to now demonstrate their live

hairdressing skills to the group of highly acclaimed judges.

'We are all so excited to be up there with the top guns, even to get this far means so much to us, we can't wait,' they told *The Courier*. The team now have to impress the judging panel for them to reach one of the hairdressing industries' most fashion led events in May in London.

Extra support for 18 to 24 year olds

MONDAY saw the official launch of Youth Contract, which will see 18 to 24 year olds receive extra support.

Argyll and Bute's Jobcentres were amongst the 700 across the UK which were due to hold launch days during this week to allow local businesses to find out how they can benefit from being involved.

The new £1billion government scheme will create greater opportunities for young people to take part in things like voluntary work experience and apprenticeships.

Businesses can now also get a payment of up to £2,275 for any young adult they employ, currently taking part in the Work Programme.

Employers can register their interest online at www.dwp.gov.uk/youth-contract, phone an adviser on 0845 601 2001, or call in at their nearest Jobcentre Plus office.

No 'back bills' say Scottish and Southern Energy

SCOTTISH and Southern Energy (SSE) has announced it will not 'back bill' any small businesses that were mistakenly undercharged for their energy.

The move followed research by energy regulator Ofgem which found businesses considered underbilling to be the supplier's responsibility.

SSE said the policy was being introduced on April 2 'with immediate effect' and would affect its 200,000 micro business customers.

It said it believes it has a duty of care to provide businesses with clear and accurate bills.

Kevin Greenhorn, SSE Director of Business Supply, said: 'Should a situation occur where a micro-business has been incorrectly underbilled and it is an error on our part, we will not 'back bill' for more than a 12 month period.'

Apprentice numbers on the increase

THERE has been an increase in the number of people taking up apprenticeships.

According to new statistics revealed by the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills, 256,500 people started apprenticeships in the first half of the 2011/2012 academic year, from August 2011 to January 2012.

This included 79,100 young people, aged under 19, 77,100 19 to 24 year olds and 100,300 adults aged 25 or over.

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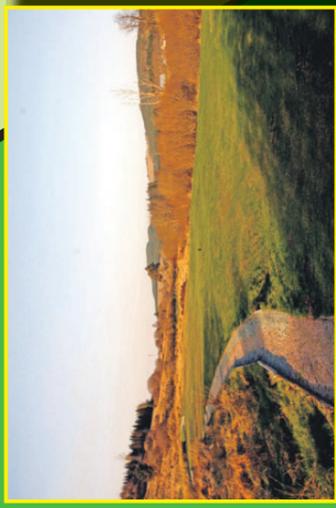
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Par 3



Winner of the Lochgilphead Golf Club winter league in the club's 50th year Ross Sinclair (centre), Ross received his trophy from club members David Sinclair and Andy Law. at 3_winterleague2no

GOLFERS in Lochgilphead are this year celebrating 50 years of golfing on the greens at Blarbuie; the home of Lochgilphead Golf Club since 1962.

Reflecting on a fun and eventful 50 years, members of the club have been highlighting heroes of the green, club captains and outstanding performances from the ladies.

The course was first set up under the auspice of Argyll and Bute Hospital superintendent Dr Ian MacCammond, who would go on to become the club president for eight years.

Mr P Wragg became the first ever winner of the genis' championship at the new ground in 1963, followed by Nicol Sinclair in 1966.

John Blair was the first multiple winner in the men's competition, triumphing three times between 1968 and 1970. Robert White was to beat this by winning four consecutive titles between 1976 and 1979; he in turn was beaten by Jimmy Lister who won eight-in-a-row between 1996 and 2004.

The most impressive win of titles, however went to a female champion – Elsie Sinclair, who won the ladies' championship an incredible 12 times; her first win was in 1976. The female captaincy at Lochgilphead began in the same year

and saw Ishy MacDonald take the reins for the first time.

More recently Lucy After has been dominating the green in the ladies competitions, winning the ladies title six times between 1999-2004.

The building of the clubhouse at Blarbuie in 1974 was a major landmark for the growing club. The clubhouse, built by Donald MacDonald Joiners and Builders, saw the club become more of a golf and social club. Many stories and characters were formed over the years such as Bimbo, Scratchman, Wee Sport, The Bookie, The Bird and Broon. Those characters and many more would regale their stories long after the golf had finished.

Reflecting on the club's rich history club captain Stewart Lister said: 'There have been few changes over the years, equipment has changed, swings have changed, genis' waistlines have certainly changed, but the constant has been folk heading up the hill to tackle the challenge that is Lochgilphead Golf Course.'

Urging locals to take up the sport at a club where they will always receive a warm welcome, Stewart added: 'The course continues to develop, while retaining its originality, and the current committee is keen to carry the club forward, looking ahead to another exciting 50 years.'

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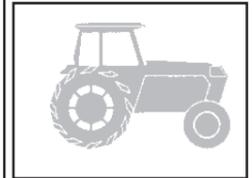
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Susan completes crofting course

by Alan Kent
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A CAMPBELTOWN woman was one of 10 students celebrating completion of their crofting course during a presentation at Kilmartin Museum recently.

Susan Maxwell completed the entry-level induction course in crofting, which is the first time the course has been held in Argyll and Bute since 2008.

Susan said: 'We learned very useful skills and it's really good for me in

Campbeltown to know people because there's not a lot of crofting going on in Kintyre.

'I have now applied for crofting status on a piece of land; I'm hoping to run a woodland croft growing local food.'

She and her nine classmates received their completion certificates from Mike Russell, MSP for Argyll and Bute; a further two who did not complete the course were given attendance



Students celebrate the completion of the crofting course with MSP Mike Russell. 08_a14crofting01

certificates. Mr Russell said: 'As minister for education I have an interest in developing skills and as MSP for Argyll and Bute I have an interest in devel-

oping rural skills. 'The land is an asset and unless it is used well then we are letting down future generations.' The crofting induction course is run by the Scot-

tish Crofting Federation. The course teaches on a number of aspects of crofting, including laws and regulations, animal welfare and business planning.

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Tractor drive in aid of RSABI

LEAVING Campbeltown next Thursday morning, April 11, a young woman will drive in her vintage tractor across the country to Fife in aid of charity.

Eilidh Greive, who currently works for the RSABI, a charity which helps people who depend on the land, will drive her 1963 Super Dexta New

Performance Model, up the west coast to Oban, to stop overnight and then make her way across central Scotland to Crail, Fife.

The tractor has a top speed of 22 miles per hour and no cab or power steering.

Eilidh hopes to complete the challenge in three days, depending on any breakdowns or problems she comes across.

RSABI, which will benefit from the money raised from the event, supports people who worked on the land in Scotland, and who, due to illness, low income, disability or crisis find themselves unable to cope.

You can donate to Eilidh's tractor challenge by visiting the RSABI website or texting TRACTOR to 70300 to donate £3 to RSABI.

Top prices paid at Stirling

KINTYRE farmers received some of the top prices for their herds at the Stirling mart last week.

Beachmeanach in Tayinloan, Ifferdale, Saddell and Carra View at Tayinloan sold their beasts for good averages at the sale.

Caledonian Marts sold 618 store cattle at its Native Breed show and sale kindly sponsored by Wm Morrison Supermarket.

Auctioneer John Kyle commented it was great to see an excellent entry of stock forward at Stirling's original native breed sale from many parts of Scotland, all classes sold ahead of expectations and many more could have been sold to a large ringside of buyers.

The judge on the day was George McFadzean, Woodhead of Mailer, Perth and

the following were his awards.

Overall Champion: a Hereford Bullock from R Philpott, Newbigging, Auchterarder scaled 550kgs, realised £1240 to W Glazebrook, Laigh Crewburn, Strathaven.

Reserve Champion: a Luig Bullock from R McNe, Woodend, Armadale, 445kgs, £980 to D Findlay, Pimhall, Stirling.

Single Aberdeen Angus Bullock: 1 Aitken Bros, Riccarton, Linlithgow, 480kgs, £1,050 to W Glazebrook; 2 Mrs L Poet, Harviestoun, Tillicoultry, 480kgs, £1,000 to J Brown, Gairdyhead, Airdrie; 3 Balnabroich Farms, Bridge of Cally, 470kgs, £1,030 to J Brown.

Single Aberdeen Angus Heifer: 1 Mrs Morgan, Shortrigg, Slamannan, 470kgs, £930 to J Brown; 2 A Gemmill, Ifferdale, Campbeltown, £900 to J Gilvear, Auchinbowie, Stirling.

Pen of 4 Aberdeen Angus Heifers: 1 Aitken Bros, 405kgs, £880 to J Gilvear; 2 Balnabroich Farms, 400kgs, £920 to W Glazebrook; 3 A Gemmill, 610kgs, £1,250 to W Glazebrook.

Pen of four Aberdeen Angus Heifers: 1 A Gemmill, 505kgs £1,100 to W Glazebrook; 2 Mrs G Headspeath, Stylemouth, Blairgowrie, 385kgs, £830 to A Taylor, Southholm, Lanark; 3 R Paterston, Watsonhead, Wishaw, 460kgs, £840 to R Witherspoon, Holybush, Slamannan.

Single Luig Bullock: 1 and reserve champion, R McNe; 2 R McNe, £980 to D Findlay; 3 R Storie, Netherwood, Bathgate, 570kgs, £1,150 to E Buchan, Glenisla, Torphins.

Pen of four Luig Bullocks: 1 R McNe, 485kgs, £1,140 to J Brown; 2 D McKenzie, Ardgate, Gartocham, 365kgs, £890 to A Taylor.

Single Beef Shorthorn: 1 WAN Thomson, Woodneuk, Barhead, 600kgs, £1,200 to E Buchan; 2 and 3 W Taylor, Pirleyhill, Falkirk, 420kgs, £870 to A Taylor.

Pen of four Shorthorn Bullocks: 1 and 2 J & D Goodard & Sons, Gall, Lockerbie, 395kgs, £830 to R & E Kyle, Inch of Leckie, Kippen and 385kgs, £800 to A Ingram, East Comaleggy, Huntly; 3 Mrs G Headspeath, 395kgs, £790 to A Taylor.

Single Whitebred Shorthorn: 1 and 2 R Philpott, 440kgs, £920 to J Brown.

Single Galloway Bullock: 1 J Maxwell, Jaw, Fintry, 300kgs, £600 to G McFadzean; 2 and 3 K Howman, Borland, Blairgowrie, 330kgs, £635 to N Retson, Maidencots, Abington.

Single Galloway Heifer: 1 and 2 J Maxwell, 550kgs, £1,030 & 420kgs, £770 to J Brown & E Buchan.

Single Highland Heifer: 1 and 2 Mrs Farquharson, Horn, Errol.

Pen of four Highland Bullocks: 1 and 2 (36 month old) M McDonald, Beachmenach, Tayinloan, 475kgs & 460kgs, £780 & £770 to G Carnegie & Giral Farms, Stirling; 3 McDonald Contracts, The Croft, Carmyllie (22 months old) 380kgs, £640 to R Phillip, Green Farm, Skipton; 3 E McKay, Main Street, Killcarron.

Breed Averages: 135 Aberdeen Angus Bullocks sold to 257p per kilo for a 225kg from Gray & Dale, Ethie Mains, Inverkeillor, Arbroath and to £1,310 (gross) for a 650kg from Ladylands, Kippen to average £801.12 or 220p per kilo.

125 Aberdeen Angus Heifers sold to 236p per kilo for seven 265kg from Beachmenach, Tayinloan and to £1,100 gross for four 505kgs from Ifferdale, Campbeltown to average £707.15 or 212p per kilo.

74 Luig Bullocks sold to 256p per kilo for a 230kg from Heads, Strathaven and to £1150 gross for 570kgs from Netherwood, Bathgate to average £758 or 221p per kilo.

48 Beef Shorthorn Bullocks sold to 218p per kilo for two 285kgs from Fifthpart, Uplawmoor and to £1200 for a 600kg from Woodneuk, Barhead to average £745.96 or 209p per kilo.

Eight Beef Shorthorn Heifers sold to 212p per kilo for six 250kgs from Fifthpart, Uplawmoor and to £650 for a 300kg from Carra View, Tayinloan to average £550 or 207p per kilo.

105 Highland Bullocks sold to 231p per kilo for two 295kgs from Broomrigg, Lochmaben and to £1050 for a 550kg from Pollock Park, Glasgow to average £576.13 or 165p per kilo (60% were 30 months to 60 months).

46 Highland Heifers sold to 251p per kilo for a 175kg from 30 Miller Crescent, Bo'ness and to £780 for a 500kg from Horn, Errol to average £450.69 or 140p per kilo.

Nine Galloway Bullocks sold to 240p per kilo for a 150kg from Jaw, Fintry and to £635 for two Belted Galloway's, 325kgs from Borland, Blairgowrie to average £503.

Five Galloway Heifers sold to 200p per kilo for a 200kg from Jaw and to £1030 for a 550kg from Jaw to average £606 or 209p per kilo.

18 Hereford Bullocks sold to 228p per kilo for a 250kg from Mid Forrest, Cumbernauld and to £1240 for a 550kg from Newbigging, Auchterarder to average £868 or 218p per kilo.

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Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
12/00437/AMSC	Approval of conditions 1 to 11 relative to permission 08/00782/OUT for the erection of a dwellinghouse	Land 373 Metres South West of Ashfield Cottage Achnamara Argyll and Bute	Ardrishaig Area Office
12/00445/PP	Erection of 2 dwellinghouses, installation of sewage treatment plant, formation of vehicular accesses and upgrade of existing access	Land At North Crubasdale Farm Muasdale Tarbert Argyll and Bute	Sub Post Office Tayinloan
12/00668/PP	Erection of extension and veranda	Leacroft Cottage Minard Inveraray Argyll and Bute PA32 8YB	Ardrishaig Area Office

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (AS AMENDED), RELATED PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

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12/00623/PP	Installation of replacement windows	Dalhirach Big Brae Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6UO	Sub Post Office Tarbert
12/00669/PP	Erection of detached garage and separate log store.	Glenussa Crinan Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8SW	Ardrishaig Area Office

Argyll and Bute council encourages planning applications to be made on-line through The Scottish Government website: <https://eplanning.scotland.gov.uk>

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A weekly list of applications can be viewed at the above address and at all Council Libraries.

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For further information and recruitment pack please contact Fiona McCallum, Depute Clerk, Argyll and Bute Children's Panel, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8RT Tel: 01546 604392.

Closing date for Applications Friday 11 May 2012

KINTYRE RENEWABLES HUB – MARINE WORKS

Works at Campbeltown New Quay

Argyll & Bute Council awarded the above contract to BAM Nuttall Ltd in December 2011. The works taking place at the New Quay in Campbeltown will allow larger, deeper vessels to use the inner berth of the New Quay by lowering the seabed level by 3m and will improve the infrastructure for the delivery of larger wind turbine components to the New Quay.

The New Quay will be expanded by installing a new steel sheet and tubular combination 'combi' pile wall of approximately 140m in length directly in front of the existing solid and open quay structures. The seabed at the inner berth will be lowered by the dredging of approximately 50,000 tonnes of material. Scour protection mattresses will be installed below water adjacent to the slipway and at the Old Quay. The new pile wall will be tied back into the existing structure and fill will be placed in the void between the old and new pile walls. Ground anchors will be provided to strengthen parts of the existing quay. Ladders, fenders, bollards and cathodic corrosion protection will be installed. The existing reinforced concrete open deck will be widened and partially overlaid and new reinforced concrete capping beams and quay deck ground slabs will be provided as well as area lighting, water points, gates and fencing. The reclamation works at the Old Quay will require infill of approximately 500m² of the harbour and partial realignment of the upper sections of the adjacent masonry harbour wall. The reclamation will be protected from the sea by a sloped precast concrete block revetment. These works will include realigned roadway, paved over steer areas, footpath, drainage, services, and road markings.

To facilitate these works there will be the need to close the footpath and the slipway along the esplanade on Hall Street. These will be notified in due course. The construction period is Feb 2012 till Sep 2012 and Argyll & Bute Council would like to apologise in advance for any inconvenience caused by these works.

The Harbour Authority would like to give notification of the closure of the slipway on Hall Street, Campbeltown, from April 10, 2012 until further notice.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

'Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures for ever' (Psalm 107:1).

BIRTHS

GRAHAM – Caelyn Jane. April Blair and Steven Graham are delighted to announce the safe arrival of their beautiful baby girl, Caelyn, who was born on Tuesday, March 13, 2012.

FERGUSON – Robert and Kerry are delighted to announce the arrival of Jessica Margaret, at Campbeltown Maternity Unit, on March 7, 2012. A sister for Daniel, Thomas and Matthew. Special thanks to all midwives for their care.

RAWSON – John and Lesley Cowan of Oatfield House, Campbeltown, are delighted to announce the birth of their first grandchild, Fergus Gilmour Rawson, on March 19, 2012. First child of Tom and Emma (née Cowan) Rawson, Dunbar.

WOOD – Gillian and Steven are proud to announce the arrival of their beautiful little girl, Amelia Mai, born March 18, 2012 at Campbeltown Hospital. Special thanks to all the midwives.

DEATHS

BERRY – Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on April 1, 2012, Alan John Berry, in his 78th year, A'Mullach, Knockscalbert Way, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of the late Mary Rose Couper. Funeral private.

BRUCE – Peacefully at the Mid Argyll Hospital, on March 31, 2012, John Malcolm Bruce, in his 75th year, of 17 Brae Road, Ardrishaig, much loved brother and brother-in-law of Mary and Chubby Ferguson, and a dear uncle and great uncle to all the family. A good neighbour and friend to many. Funeral service was held in Ardrishaig Parish Church on Thursday, April 5, followed by interment at Carsaig Cemetery, Tayvallich. Forever in our thoughts.

HENDERSON – Ian, died March 31, 2012 at Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley, surrounded by his family, a loving husband of Marion, dad of Ian, Kenneth, Douglas, Rhona, Alison and Marion, also a loving father-in-law and grandfather. Service to be held at Cardross Crematorium at 9.30am on April 7, 2012.

MCGUGAN – On March 24, 2012, peacefully at home, Ray McGugan, née Crawford, in her 96th year, beloved wife of the late Cpt John McGugan, a dearly loved aunt of the family and a dear friend to many. Funeral service was held at Tarbert Free Church, on March 30, interment thereafter at Tarbert Cemetery. The family wish to thank most sincerely, all friends and neighbours for their support, over the last few years. Thanks also to all the nursing staff, who so willingly supported both Ray and ourselves, over the last few weeks. Special thanks to Rev Donald Morrison for a comforting service, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for efficient arrangements, Tarbert Hotel for catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. The collection for Marie Curie raised £275.

REDMAN – Suddenly, at his home, on April 2, 2012, Frank J Redman, aged 53 years, of Invershuna, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, beloved husband of Bernie, and much loved dad of Adele, Joe and Francis. A dear brother, brother-in-law, uncle and cousin to all the family. A good neighbour and friend to many. Funeral service will be held in St Margaret's Church, Lochgilphead on Wednesday, April 11, 2012, at 10.30am, thereafter to Achabreac Cemetery. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to Mid Argyll Chemotherapy Unit.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

MACDONALD – The family of the late Betty MacDonald thank everyone for their kind support, expressions of sympathy, cards, letters and flowers following their recent sad bereavement. Thanks to doctors and staff at Campbeltown Hospital, ambulance service and Kintyre Care Centre, Rev Philip Burroughs for his comforting service, Alasdair and Kenneth for funeral arrangements, Seaford Hotel for catering and all who paid their respects at church and graveside. The retiral collection raised £402.35 for Chest Heart and Stroke, Campbeltown Locality. Thank you all.

IN MEMORIAM

BROCK – Treasured memories of my dear husband, Ian, who died April 11, 2006. Always in my thoughts. - Flora x.

BROCK – In memory of Ian, a dear brother-in-law, died April 11, 2006. Simply the best. - May and Dick.

GLEN – Patricia. Time it is a precious thing Precious time we shared Time won't erase our memories Or the way we loved and cared These are the things that make our time So good, with family and friends We'll make the most of time we have Enjoy time, till time ends. - Alistair, Alistair, Alan and Catherine Ann.

GLEN – In loving memory of my daughter, Patricia, died April 5, 2002. I watched you getting tired A cure was not to be God put his arms around you And whispered come to me With tearful eyes I watched you And saw you pass away Although I loved you dearly I couldn't make you stay. I hold you close within my heart And there you shall remain To walk with me throughout my life Until we meet again. - Love Mum xx.

GLEN – Treasured memories of Trisha, taken April 5, 2002, aged 43 years. Those we love don't go away But walk beside us every day. - Sister Catherine xx. Unseen, unheard, but always near Still loved and missed and very dear. - Brother-in-law Davie xx. Too much loved to be forgotten Miss and love you always. - Your wee princess, Karen xx.

HOULDSWORTH – In loving memory of a loving husband, dad and papa, Peter, who died April 5, 2005. As time unfolds another year, Memories keep you ever near, Silent thoughts of times together, Hold memories that will last forever. - Eleanor, Amanda and Linda. Love you always Papa, - Ashley and Lewis.

LIDDELL – In loving memory of our dear mum, Elizabeth, died April 2, 1990. They say in time, you do forget To some that may be true No morning dawns, no night returns Without a thought of you. Loved and remembered every day Missed more than words can say. - Evelyn and Hamish, Elaine, Robert, Grant and Stephanie.

MACGREGOR – In loving memory of a dear mum and nanny (Mary Orr), who died April 8, 1982. Also a dear dad and pappy (Charlie), who died December 18, 1999. Sadly missed. - From all the family.

MACKINLAY – In loving memory of our dear parents, Isabella, who died April 5, 1993, and Peter, who died April 30, 1988. To all of you that have parents Cherish them with care Because you never miss their value Till you see their vacant chairs. Simply the best. - Angus and Margaret.

MACKINNON – In loving memory of our dear dad, Alasdair, who passed away on April 9, 2007. Those we love don't go away, They walk beside us every day, Unseen, unheard, but always near,

Still loved, still missed and very dear. Forever in our hearts.

- Lynda, George, Marie and Jim. Love and miss you, Papa. - Lyndsay, Claire, Amy and Andrew.

MARTIN – In loving memory of a dear partner, dad and grandad, James, who died April 11, 1998. Forever in our thoughts. - Alice and family.

SMITH – With love we remember a special husband, father and seanair, Iain (Smit), who very suddenly and unexpectedly died on April 5, 2011. Death leaves a heartache no one can heal Love leaves a memory no one can steal. Forever in our hearts and minds.

SMITH – Smit. In everlasting memory of Iain, my son-in-law, a much loved brother-in-law and uncle, who died suddenly on April 5, 2011. A kind and caring heart stopped beating. Two hard working hands are still, You left a void in all our lives, That we can never fill. - Cathy and family, Tarbert, Glasgow and Mull.

WILLIAMSON – In memory of George (Geordie), who died April 6, 2011. Much loved and sadly missed. - Sylvia, Simon, Malcolm, Ross, Aimee and Lynne.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES**ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES**

Good Friday

Vigil

Christchurch (Lochgilphead)

12noon till 3pm

An Evening Reflection

Ardrishaig Church

at 6:30pm

Easter Sunday

Services in

Achahoish at 9:45am

Ardrishaig at 11:00am

and

Baptist Church (Lochgilphead)

at 6:30pm

Scottish Charity Numbers (SC010713 & SC010782)

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND KILBERRY LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE PARISH CHURCH

Easter Services

Tarbert Good Friday Service

6pm

Easter Sunday Service 11.30am

Sunday School 11.20am

Easter Breakfast Sunday

10.30am

All in Tarbert Arts & Leisure Centre

Kilberry Easter Sunday Service

2pm

Rev. Tommy Bryson

For all church enquiries and pastoral care

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Everyone very welcome

SC002622

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH

75 Longrow, Campbeltown

Easter Sunday 8th April

10.00am Breaking of Bread

Mr Ian Clark

10.50am Coffee

11.15am

Family Service with Sunday School

Easter Family Service with Crèche

Mr Gordon Cosgrove

No youth Group this week

Wednesday 11th April

10.00am Jellytots – Parent and

Toddler Group

No Bible Study this week

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Friday 6th April 2012

Good Friday

10.45am Devotional Sunday

Sunday 8th April 2012

Easter Day

10.45am Family Communion

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WEST LOCHFYNESIDE Church Services 6-8 April - all welcome!

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Lochfyne and Lochgair

Charity No. SC016097

Good Friday Service

Lochgair 6 April at

6.30pm

Easter Sunday Service

Lochfyne (Minard) 8

April at 10am

Gaelic Easter Sunday

Service Lochgair 8 April

at 3pm

Glenaray

and Inveraray

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Good Friday Service

Inveraray 6 April at 8pm

Easter Sunday Service

Inveraray 8 April at

11.30am

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN

Resurrection

Sunday 8 April 2012

11.00am

Service for all ages

followed by light lunch

Speaker: Graham McLean

"He is Risen"

Thursday 12 April 2012

7.30pm

Praise, prayer & sharing

All Welcome

LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

All Welcome

Pastor Rev Derek Gibson

Sunday 8th April 2012

Easter Sunday

9.00am meeting at Kilmory Car

Park for an Egg rolling event

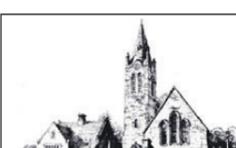
9.30pm back to church for

breakfast

10.00am Family Service

6.30pm Easter Celebration

Scottish Charity SC015187



LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH

EASTER SUNDAY 8th April

11.00 am Family Service

(Youth Group participating)

6.30 pm United Service in the

Baptist Church

TUESDAY 10th April

7.30 pm Discussion Group

to meet at the Manse

TUESDAY 10th April

7.30 pm Knit and Natter

Group

Rev. Hilda Smith

All Welcome

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THE SALVATION ARMY Burnside Street, Campbeltown

7.00pm Good Friday

Worship

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

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Sunday 8th April

12.45pm

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All Welcome

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Charity Number SC001002

Friday 6 April

Bellanoch Church 7 pm

Good Friday Meditations

Sunday 8 April

Keills Chapel 9 am

Early Easter Service

followed by breakfast

in Tayvallich Hall

Tayvallich Church 11:30 am

Easter Celebration

retiring offering for CHAS

Worship led by

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All Welcome

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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH

Sunday, 8th April 2012

Easter Sunday Communion

Glassary 10a.m.

Rev. Cliff Acklam

SC002121

Highland Parish Church

SC002493

Please note:

all services

in Kirk St Hall

Good Friday: 6th April

Dookers left stunned by Aikenhead's late winner

SAFL Division One Tarbert 2 Aikenhead Thistle 3
TARBERT welcomed Aikenhead 'B' to Cil Andreis on Saturday in an SAFL Division one league match. Both teams are in with a chance to win the title, and it showed in a keenly contested game

It was the visitors who started brighter and had chances before they made the breakthrough after some confusion in the Tarbert defence. Indecision gave the Aikenhead number seven space in the box and

he found the top corner. Moments later the away side had doubled their lead - a poor kick-out handing the striker a one on one with the keeper which he tucked away.

The Dookers were stunned and straight from the kick off they pulled a goal back.

Beat the keeper
Ronald found Johnson in the box and he turned and beat the keeper.

More Tarbert pressure in the second half finally paid as they won a free kick 30 yards from goal. Prentice stepped up and

hit a fantastic shot in to the roof of the net.

Tarbert were now pushing for the winner at every opportunity, but Aikenhead were always dangerous on the break and in the final minute they found a way past the home defence and keeper to send the away fans wild.

It was a desperately disappointing sting in the tail for the home side who now must look to regroup and finish the season strongly to have any chance of winning the division one title for the second time.



Semifinalists D McMillan, C McEachran, J Hall and J McCorkindale.

Indoor season come to an end

CAMPBELTOWN Bowling Club's ladies' section brought the curtain down on the indoor season last week with the open singles in the Stronvaar clubhouse.

The semi finals were contested by Janie Hall and Doreen McMillan; and Catherine McEachran and Jane McCorkindale, producing a final between Catherine and Janie.

The final almost produced the same déjà vu ending as the previous week's Mary Meenan final: Catherine tied the final end with three shots to force

an extra end. But unlike the previous week, Janie prevailed to win an excellent contest by a single shot. The recent spell of warm and dry weather has helped the green keepers enormously as they ready the green for the start of the outdoor season on Saturday April 14.

The club has several vacancies for new members and would welcome anyone who wants to try the game of lawn bowls for the first time in the hope that they too will catch the 'bools bug'.

Barrglen Fun Day held in glorious weather

BARRGLEN Equestrian Centre held its first fun day of the year - and what a glorious sunny day they had for it.

There was a good turnout with even three new members: Shannon MacDonald, Chloe MacDonald and Erin Smith, all from Tarbert.

All the children decided they wanted to have a day of jumping and pole work.

Novices did the pole work while it was jumping for the three more experienced riders.

To finish the day the girls split into teams for an Easter egg hunt, with team leaders being Sara McDougall, Keira O'Brien and Elaine Ferguson.

The next pony club will be on this Saturday April 7 from 10.30am-4.00pm.

Season gets underway at MGC

COMPETITIVE play commenced at Machrihanish Golf Club at the weekend, following two weeks of cancelled fixtures.

The course remained on winter greens to allow further recovery after the severe winter conditions took their toll.

Challenging
Conditions were otherwise good for the Peace Cup fixture and despite the challenging putting

surfaces, the 57 competitors made 19 birdies and an eagle over the day's play.

Walter Crichton recorded his first win with an 88-21=67 following a steady round of pars and bogeys. NJ McCaillum secured second place over Bobby Miller by virtue of the better inward half with 88-11=69.

Bobby was going well on the outward before a triple bogey at the par

four ninth, and finished on 79-10=69 for third place.

Scratch prize
In the other categories, S Gilmour took the scratch prize with a 75, K Abendroth was the senior winner (94-22=74). Andrew Wallace was the junior winner with 84-11=73.

Members are reminded that the AGM will be held tonight (Friday) at the clubhouse.

Children should come along and try a 'Tri for 10' triathlon

DISPELLING the idea that triathlons are for the 'elite', newly qualified triathlon coach Fiona Irwin is bringing the event to local eight to 12-year-olds with a 'sport really is fun' approach.

Non-competitive
Aqua Tri Stars Easter block is non-competitive and will focus on 'Tri for 10'.

This consists of 10 minutes of swimming or treading water, 10 min-

utes on the indoor Shokk bikes and 10 minutes of fun running games.

This will be the base for people to build on, all will succeed at different levels, with the focus being on an 'all succeed' basis.

Those that sign up only

build on their own personal bests.

Chance
With only 10 spaces this really gives the children a chance to build on their skills.

Pre-booking is essential and contact Aqualibrium to book a place.

Dunaverty ladies Winter League



Heather Dryden, winner of Dunaverty Ladies Winter League.

HEATHER Dryden displayed her considerable match-play skills to become the worthy winner of the Dunaverty Ladies Winter League 2011-2012. She collected an impressive 28.5 points of the 36 points available to lift the trophy for the first time.

Former winner Margaret Macfarlane played some fine golf to take second place from Ann MacKinnon who was playing in her first winter league.

Full results: 1 Heather Dryden 28 1/2 points; 2 Margaret Macfarlane 21 points; 3 Ann MacKinnon 20 1/2 points.

Dunaverty Golf Club March Medal

THE CLOSELY-fought March Medal competition at Dunaverty Golf Club was won by Alex Souden last Saturday.

B Brannigan and H Taylor matched Souden's score of 64, but a better inward six holes gave him the win.

B Brannigan's round of 73 gave him the win in the scratch competition from I MacKinnon and A Souden who scored 75.

Dunaverty Golf Club is holding it's annual Am Am (four person team) tomorrow (Saturday).

Results from Islay Golf Club

MRS MacIntyre Trophy: 1 David Livingstone 3up; 2 Colin Robertson 2up; 3 Robert Shaw 1up.

April Medal: 1 Iain MacCuaig 76 less 7 net 69; 2 David Livingstone 77 less 8 net 69; 3 Arthur Holyoake 75 less 5 net 70. CSS 71.

SAFL results

PREMIER Division: Thorn Athletic 1, Oban Saints 1. Premier Division 2: Gourock Thistle 3, Campbeltown Pupils 1; Auldhouse 2, Dunoon 1. Division One: Tarbert 2, Aikenhead Thistle 'B' 3.

There are no league or cup fixtures scheduled for Easter Saturday.

Training schedules for MOK Run in June

THERE are only eight weeks to go until this year's Mull of Kintyre half marathon and 10k events on June 3.

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 training 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.

For more information visit www.mokrun.com.

10K schedule	
Weeks to Go = 8	
from Monday April 9	
Mon	25 minutes
Tue	10 minutes
Wed	15 minutes
Thu	20 minutes
Fri	10 minutes
Sat	REST
Sun	15 minutes

Time approx 60 mins
approx 44 mins
target: 1 hr 40mins
3hrs 25mins

Half marathon training schedule

Start Date: Tuesday April 10, 2012

Weeks to go:	8		
Day	Session	Distance	Pace min/mile
Tue 10/4	Slow run/walk	5Miles	12:00
Thu 12/4	Faster run/walk	4Miles	11:00
Sun 15/4	Easy run/walk	8 miles	12:30
Total		17Miles	

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Kids enjoy an active Easter

PRIMARY one to three children enjoyed mini sports sessions in the hall at Campbeltown Grammar School each morning from Monday to Thursday this week.

Easter activities

The two-hour daily sessions were part of the Easter activities run by Active Schools co-ordinator Robbie Kupris, with help from Campbeltown Grammar

School senior pupils doing the 'sports leaders' programme (see page seven).

Energy and fun levels were high in a number of games including 'Cowboys and Indians' - a variation on the classic dodgeball where 'Indians' ran the gauntlet of the 'cowboys' throwing bouncing balls.

Also on the Easter activities list this week

was tennis on Wednesday and Thursday, and water polo at Aqualibrium on Thursday - both for older primary aged children.

Continue

Various sporting sessions will continue next week including the Scottish Football Association's 'mini-kickers' course run by development officer Martin Rae.



'Indians' try to avoid being hit by balls as they run the length of the gym at Campbeltown Grammar School 20_c14mini1

Kintyre Swimmers bring home the medals from graded meet at Johnstone

KINTYRE'S Emma Lazarus dominated the 11 to 12-year-old breaststroke events at the REN96 graded meet held in Johnstone Pool last weekend.

She began her winning run on Saturday finishing third in the 100m breaststroke from a field of 30 swimmers which included no less than five Kintyre girls. She then had an excellent swim to take gold in the 200m breaststroke in a time of 3:23.21, a new personal best. On Sunday she returned to win the 50m breaststroke in 44.90 ahead of Robyn Hill from Hamilton Baths. Emma also enjoyed success in the

50m freestyle, taking silver in an event with 47 swimmers.

Not to be outdone Kintyre's Andrew Kay also won gold in the boys 11-12 100m breaststroke in 1:38.46 and silver in the 50m breaststroke in 44.55 just behind Nathan Duffy from the host club, REN96.

This year's entry saw swimmers from seventeen clubs competing from as far afield as the Kintyre peninsula in the west, Haddington in the east and Dumfries and Galloway in the south. Eight swimmers representing Kintyre travelled to Johnstone for the two-day event. On Saturday Becky Dott

showed excellent determination in the 400m freestyle finishing this



Emma Lazarus, who struck gold in the breaststroke events.

16 length race in 5:34.64 and on Sunday she took silver in the 50m backstroke, 0.12 seconds behind the winner.

Kirsten McLean just missed out on third place in both the 50m and 100m butterfly where she recorded a new PB of 1:25.34. Kintyre's Caitlin Campbell had three top six finishes which included an excellent fourth place in the girls' 11-12 years 100m Individual Medley.

Head coach, Stuart McQuaker said: 'This was a fantastic achievement for Emma who has shown excellent determination recently at training. All our swimmers did really well considering Aqualibrium pool had been closed for two weeks in the run-up to this event.'

Pupils still have it all to play for despite defeat

Scottish AFL Premier Division Two

Gourock Thistle 3

Campbeltown Pupils 1

THE McFadyen-sponsored Campbeltown Pupils lost their second match of this season's league campaign against a very useful side, however, this end-to-end encounter could have gone either way.

The visitors grabbed the lead in the 30th minute from a free-kick on the edge of the box. Paul Grumoli shaped for a strike at goal, but subtly deceived the home defence with a slide-rule pass to Fraser Wylie who drove the ball past a bewildered goalkeeper for the opener.

There were chances at both ends in a very open match, but the visitors were left cursing their luck when another Wylie effort was brilliantly saved by the home goalkeeper. Instead of two ahead, in the space of five minutes the game cruelly swung in favour of the home side.

The Pupils' defence failed to clear its lines, and, in pin-ball fashion the ball deflected kindly for the incoming forward to score with ease at the far post. Min-

utes later a hotly disputed penalty-kick gave the home side the lead with seconds of the half remaining. Wylie was once more in the thick of things; and, his follow-through from a hooked clearance caught the unsuspected forward with minimal contact. Gourock scored via the underside of the cross-bar to take a 2-1 half-time lead.

The appearance of substitute Dougie Guy al-

lowed Paul Grumoli to lead the attack in search of an equaliser. But it was Gourock that stuck again - a fine breakaway move clinching the result with 15 minutes remaining.

Although disappointed, Pupils still have all to play for with six games remaining, four of which will be played at Kintyre Park.

There will be no game this weekend because of Easter.

Burnside take league title

WITH one week left to go the Burnside have won the Campbeltown District Darts Association league ahead of Fiddlers in second place.

The two teams play one other on Monday in the Burnside and although the league is won a very competitive match is expected.

Burnside will aim to emulate Arsene Wenger's Arsenal side of 2003-4 and go the whole season undefeated, while the Fiddlers will play for the pride of puncturing that record. A game not to be missed.

Campbeltown District Darts Association Week 17 results: Fiddlers B 0 Burnside 10; Kilbrannan 3 Argyll Bowling Club 7; Kinloch 5 Commercial 5; Ailsa 1 Fiddlers 9; White Hart v Southend Postponed. Billy Bratton scored 180 for Fiddlers B.



Winners Bobby Matheson and Pauline Baines with Agnes' sons Allan, left, Randall, centre, and daughter Natalie, right.

Goddard Memorial Doubles

THE Agnes Goddard Memorial Mixed Doubles was held in the Argyll Bowling Club last Friday.

A fine turnout of 26 pairs went up to the oche to try to win this popular charity tournament, raising £500.

At the end of a long night with thousands of arrows thrown, the triumphant pair was Pauline Baines and Bobby Mathieson, who just edged out Julie Shields and Gregor MacGregor in the final.

Pauline and Bobby received a specially printed bottle of Springbank, with Julie and Gregor taking home a smaller version of the same.

Thanks to Springbank for donating the prizes and to Argyll Bowling Club for providing the venue. Thanks also to all those who donated raffle prizes, on what was a superb night of darts for a good cause.

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