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Jubilee added to busy June weekend

by **TONY GARNER**
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IT WILL be a busy weekend in Campbeltown at the start of June, as the Queen's Diamond Jubilee has been added to the local events calendar.

The local celebrations have been agreed to take place on Saturday June 2, the same weekend as the Mull of Kintyre (MOK) Run and also the Kintyre Songwriters Festival.

No jubilee plans had been put in place until Monday's meeting of Campbeltown Community Council, when community councillors heard time was running out to organise an event.

George Rahman, from the Campbeltown Branch of Royal Brit-

ish Legion, said they would be happy to arrange a parade involving sea and army cadets, but only if the community wanted one.

Community councillors rallied behind the idea, with David Mayo suggesting it would be 'a disgrace' not to mark the jubilee.

Debate

In other towns celebrations are taking place at different times across the week leading up to the jubilee; after some debate it was decided to go for Saturday June 2 in Campbeltown.

The feeling was a celebration could create a good atmosphere for the large numbers of people

coming to the town for the MOK run.

Mr Rahman told the meeting he thought the best time for a parade would be around 11am.

He informed the meeting some money would be needed for various accessories including bunting and various other items.

Following discussion the community council agreed to provide money from its own funds.

Mr Rahman added that the legion also intends to present several veterans with the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal on the day of the celebration.

Several community council members volunteered to go on a sub-committee to organise the event.



DONNA McCrimmon was presented with a basket of flowers from **Fallon Dunlop** after she threw the first jack to mark the opening of **Argyll Bowling Club's** green for the new season on Saturday. **Donna**, the daughter of president **Donny McCrimmon**, had the honour of throwing the jack. **Stronvaar Bowling Club** was also opened on Saturday afternoon by its lady captain in the absence of the president's wife due to other commitments. For more photographs and details of winners see sports pages. 20_c16bowl02

Better all weather pitch

A BETTER all weather pitch than what was first planned is in the works for Campbeltown.

Construction is underway for the new pitch on Kinloch Green, Campbeltown, after locals have worked for years to get one.

At a meeting on Tuesday evening at Aquilibrium, Guy Walters, consultant and partner in Sterry-Walters, said that they have come out with a better pitch than they thought they could afford, including a thicker carpet.

He said the project was a couple of days behind programme, but this should be picked up in the next few weeks.

He warned that there will be a number of loads coming through Campbeltown over the next four weeks, including cement coming on a regular basis, and on May 1, the stone will start to arrive.

'The first turf is scheduled to go down on June 20.

Trees, originally planned to shelter the war memorial, have been changed to go along the alignment of the existing pathway, after concerns were expressed.



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Kirsty Cairns was interviewed on Radio Clyde recently about her volunteering and being a finalist in the Young Scot Awards.

Kirsty in final for top award

by RUTH McCLEAN
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VOLUNTEERING has paid off for a young girl from Campbeltown as she goes up against others in her field for a top award.

Kirsty Cairns has been volunteering in the town since she was 15 and left school at 16 to help others and gain qualifications and skills she could pass on.

She is now making a career for herself, and has just been employed by Kintyre Youth Enquiry Service as its promotion and organisation executive.

The 20-year-old is one of three finalists in the *Sunday Mail's* Young Scot Awards and will

be heading for Glasgow this Thursday, April 26.

'Before I started volunteering I never experienced working with someone who was different to me. Through this I have met and worked with various people from different backgrounds and different abilities; it has taught me a lot.

'I plan to sit a course to help disabled children to read and write. I have been helping to run life skills classes for 16 to 25-year-olds aimed at people who are homeless, live on benefits, or live themselves to help them budget for food and manage their money

efficiently.

'I want to be a youth worker which I am working towards, and due to go on other courses soon,' said Kirsty.

'As well as volunteering I have done fundraising for various charities before, including Children in Need and Parkinsons, raising more than £1,500 for local charities.'

Kirsty told *The Courier* she got involved with volunteering as a teenager to stop her getting into trouble.

'Volunteering saved me getting into trouble. I know now I can't get into trouble, I couldn't jeopardise the position I've now got, and sacrifice all the work I've put in to get this far.'

Writers Circle travel to Lochgilphead

MEMBERS of Kintyre Writers Circle will travel up the length of the peninsula tomorrow (Saturday) to meet their counterparts in Lochgilphead.

This follows a previous visit to link up with the Mid Argyll group about six weeks ago.

Founder member of the circle Elizabeth McTaggart said the writers would benefit from exchanging ideas and hearing the work of people outside their usual coterie.

Having recently been awarded a £465 third sector grant from Argyll and Bute Council, the Kintyre writers hope to use some of the money to produce an affordable pamphlet showcasing their work later in the year.

Man ordered to pay £50 fine

A 42-YEAR-old man staying in Tayinloan was ordered to pay a £50 fine for acting in a disorderly manner in the village shop.

Barry Slattery, of Ferry Cottage, Ferry Road, admitted conducting himself in a disorderly manner, shouting, swearing, placing customers and members of staff in a state of fear and alarm and committing a breach of the peace at Tayinloan Village Shop on August 10. After having his sentence deferred from January to save up money, Slattery was ordered to pay a £50 fine at the town's sheriff court last week.

Plans approved

THE erection of a replacement dwellinghouse has been approved planning permission at North Carriane Farm, Southend.

The application also includes the installation of a septic tank, and was permitted by Argyll and Bute Council last week.

Retrospective planning permission has been approved for a farm in Saddell. The planning application was for the erection of an agricultural shed at Ifferdale Farm, in the village.

It was permitted by Argyll and Bute Council last week.

Easter video now online

VIDEOS from different events which took place across South Kintyre over Easter weekend are now available to view online.

You can see footage and interviews from Southend Scarecrow Challenge, Kintyre Craft Fair, and the inaugural Great Kintyre

Way Geobash, by visiting *The Courier's* website at www.campbeltowncourier.co.uk or going to our Facebook page.

Losing sight in an eye results in two years in jail

SEVERELY injuring a man, resulting in him losing sight in one eye, saw a young man sent to prison for two years.

Sean Pattison, Flat 0/1, 31 Cambuslang Road, Rutherglen, Glasgow, pleaded guilty to the of-

fence on March 28 last year.

Repeatedly

Pattison admitted the assault on the man and to repeatedly punching and kicking him to the head and body, all to his severe injury and per-

manent disfigurement at an address on Longrow, Campbeltown.

His defence agent Laura Anne Radcliffe told the town's sheriff court last week that his behaviour was 'impulsive' as he had reacted to his partner claiming she had been assaulted by the complainer.

'He had reacted in the genuine belief that she [his partner] had been assaulted,' said Ms Radcliffe.

'It is certainly not an excuse to behave in the violent manner that he did.

Unacceptable

'He accepts full responsibility for his actions and that his response was wholly unacceptable.'

She said having spoken to him he has shown genuine remorse.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC told Pattison before sentencing him to two years imprisonment: 'As far as I am concerned this was a brutal assault on a man at his own front door which resulted in him attending hospital on numerous occasions and permanent impairment with his sight.'



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Police Files:

Fixed penalties: THREE fixed penalties fines were issued for incidents in the town centre over the weekend. Two were given to men for consuming alcohol in Argyll Street, Campbeltown and one to a man for urinating in public in Kirk Street.

Tumbler thrown: POLICE attended after a glass tumbler was allegedly thrown during an altercation in a pub in the town centre in the early hours of Sunday morning. A 20 year-old man was later arrested on Main Street, Campbeltown in connection with the incident.

Be vigilant: VIGILANCE is advised in the event of unannounced knocks on the door.

Police were alerted that a man had knocked at an address in Parliament Place, Campbeltown, asking for a glass of water in the early hours of Sunday.

While in this case he was refused entry, similar methods have in the past been used as a distraction technique for thefts, and residents should be on their guard across the area.

Unpaid fines: UNPAID fines resulted in the arrests of two men, aged 24 and 53, in separate incidents last Friday.

Both were taken into custody and appeared in Campbeltown Sheriff Court for failing to pay the fines.

Knife crime: POLICE operated a feroguard metal detector at the entrance to a town centre bar on Saturday as part of the continuing aim of deterring knife crime. The detector is similar to the type used at airport security.

Tommy Millar Travel Counsellor

will be at the MS Centre, Campbell Street, Lochgilphead on Friday 27th April from 10:00 until 14:30. For an appointment, please phone 01586 810324 or email tommymillar@travelcounsellors.com



IONA MacVicar helped out on Saturday at a coffee morning held by the local branch of Parkinson's. Thanks to the help of local people, and their generosity, £506.68 was raised at the event held in the Red Cross Hall, Campbeltown. A friendly buzz, a large raffle and baking stall as well as teas and coffees attracted a large amount of people through the doors. 20_c16park01

Strong views on 'paddling pool' playpark relocation

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PROPOSALS to relocate the old 'paddling pool' playpark from Kilkerran Road to Quarry Green continue to generate strong views.

A meeting of Campbeltown Community Council on Monday saw heated debate about the proposal to move the park, which is currently open to public consultation.

The proposal was originally made at the start of March by a group

of concerned parents who formed the Quarry Green Playpark Group.

They said the Kilkerran Park's rusting equipment, shady location, and lack of nearby toilets were the main reasons for the move, with contamination from old oil tanks also a factor.

Jim Martin, community convenor, asked whether the Kilkerran ground could not be covered over at lower cost than creating a new park at Quarry Green.

Shame

Other community councillors said it would be a shame if the attractive seafront location of the playpark were to be lost.

However Clare Mead, chairman of the Quarry Green group, told *The*

Courier the cost of covering the ground was too high for Argyll and Bute Council to consider. She said: 'We don't want to emphasise the contamination, it's more about the actual equipment and location.'

'The contamination is not a health concern, but it is the reason why the option of renovating the Kilkerran Park would be very expensive.'

'We don't want to entirely dismiss the old site though. There is a basketball hoop there now and one thing we're considering is turning it into a court where older kids could play.'

Anyone wishing to make their views known on the playpark's future is urged to contact Clare Mead on mead.clare@yahoo.co.uk by the end of May.

Campbeltown Sheriff Court

Smashed glass panel in door

A YOUNG Campbeltown man was ordered to pay £65 compensation after smashing a glass panel of a door.

Adam Graham, aged 20, of 19D Shore Street, admitted that on April 17 last year at a flat on the town's Main Street, he assaulted a man and repeatedly punched him on the head to his injury. At Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week, Graham was ordered to pay the compensation for

smashing a glass panel of a door during the incident.

Threatening and verbal abuse

A FORMER Tarbert resident admitted threatening a woman and later verbally abusing her child when he appeared at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week.

Sean McGregor, 24, pled guilty to threatening violence towards a woman at a Tarbert address on January 29, further admitting verbally abusing her and her

child at another Tarbert address on March 18.

Defending McGregor, now of 101 Main Street, Symington, Biggar, agent Christian Kane said: 'In a nutshell he's aware he behaves appallingly when he has a drink.'

However, pointing to McGregor's previous convictions, Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC, said: 'This is a pattern. This is a man who cannot behave properly to his partners.'

Sentence was deferred for four weeks for background reports.

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Community centres review

A REVIEW of the working arrangements at community centres across the area has seen a reduction in staff.

In Campbeltown, two members of the janitorial and cleaning services took voluntary redundancy and one member has been redeployed at the centre at Stewart Road, Campbeltown.

An Argyll and Bute Council spokeswoman told *The Courier* this review was carried out in full cooperation with all centre councils across the area.

'There are no further reviews planned and we will be monitoring the new arrangements in place,' said the spokeswoman.

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Campbeltown drink driver three times over the legal limit

A CAMPBELTOWN man caught three times over the legal drink drive limit has been disqualified from driving for three years.

Andrew Townsley of flat 1, Dalintober House, North Shore Street, admitted driving on the town's High Street, on December 12 whilst having 250 milligrammes of alcohol in 100 millilitres of blood; the legal limit is 80 milligrammes.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC disqualified the 49-year-old from driving for three years and fined him £200 at the town's sheriff court last week.

Planning application withdrawn

A PLANNING application for a dwellinghouse with integral garage on a plot at Gallowhill Farm, Campbeltown has been withdrawn.

The application, which includes the formation of an access road, was for land south west of 91 The Roading, Campbeltown.

Beacon could be lit for Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations

THE beacon at the New Quay, Campbeltown could be lit for the first time in 12 years at the town's diamond jubilee celebrations on June 2.

Lighting the beacon was one of the ideas for marking the Queen's Diamond Jubilee suggested at a meeting of Campbeltown Community Council on Monday evening in Campbeltown Town Hall.

At previous meetings questions were raised as to whether the beacon still worked or whether

repairs would need to be carried out.

A spokeswoman for Argyll and Bute Council said: 'The council owns the beacon but it is gas and hasn't been used for around 12 years so we will need to check if it still works.'

Celebrations

The meeting also spoke about celebrations which should be taking place in Campbeltown for the jubilee at Monday night's meeting.

See page one for more details.

Sentence deferred on Carradale assault man

A YOUNG Carradale man, who hit another so hard he fell to the floor, had his sentence deferred for good behaviour.

At the town's sheriff court last week, Charles Charlwood, of 35 Tormhor, Carradale, admitted the assault, by seizing him by his clothes, and the neck, and punching him on the head causing him to fall to the ground, all to his injury at a hotel in the centre of Campbeltown on January 7.

Sentence was deferred for six months for him to be of good behaviour until October 25.



RUNNERS from the town donned their kilts to take part in a half marathon in Edinburgh on Sunday. Taking their theme from the Bay City Rollers, the Wee Toon runners from Jog Scotland, survived the undulating route around Arthur's foot and Edinburgh centre for the Rock and Roll half marathon. First time half marathoners Linn Morran and Liz McKillop were joined by Alison McGeachy, Agnes Stewart, Joan Bissett, Gail Williams, Moira McLellan, Karen Cox and Fiona Irwin for the occasion.

New post created in Campbeltown for Alzheimers Scotland
Need identified by local drop-in group

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SCOTLAND'S leading dementia charity is to step up its presence in South Kintyre.

Alzheimers Scotland is currently interviewing for the newly created role of dementia link worker for Argyll and Islay, to be based in Campbeltown.

Jean Armitage, post diagnostic services manager for the charity, said it considered the appointment of an extra link worker the best way of improving the help available to dementia sufferers and their carers in the South Kintyre area. She said: 'We are looking for someone to be in post by mid-May.'

'Following the appointment one of my ambitions is to create a resource centre in the

community. At the moment we're keeping our eyes and ears open for somewhere this could be.

'The rising number of people with dementia means we need to look at how communities can support people.'

Identified

Jean said the need for a Campbeltown link worker had been identified following the success of monthly drop-in sessions for carers and sufferers of dementia at Campbeltown Library.

Christine MacDonald, dementia link worker in the social work department of Argyll and Bute Council, who currently comes from Lochgilphead to run these sessions with Maggie MacLaren from

DOCHAS, said she was pleased they have proved there is a need in the area for extra support. She said: 'The sessions are a chance for carers and sufferers to drop in and meet other people in a relaxed environment. It gives them quality time for themselves, which as carers they don't often get.'

'We started off with about four or five but grew in size, and if everybody was to come we would have maybe 10 or 12, which was almost too many for the room.'

The library group will continue to run as before, alongside any other initiatives the new Alzheimers Scotland link worker decides

Left without water

A NUMBER of properties in Campbeltown were left without water for a number of hours last week.

This was caused by a burst water main in the High Street area of the town which affected around 30 to 40 properties.

Whilst some experienced low water pressure, many had a temporary loss of water.

A Scottish Water spokesman said engineers attended as quickly as possible last Thursday morning. They repaired and recharged the main the same day.

'We apologise for any inconvenience caused and thank affected customers for their patience and understanding,' said the spokesman.

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Kildalloig Farm's innovative hydropower scheme is now generating electricity

'This would be enough to power our house and farm'

AN INNOVATIVE hydropower scheme at Kildalloig Farm, Campbeltown has been completed, allowing farmers Mary and Joe Turner to generate their own electricity.

It was back in September 2009 that the Turners commissioned a feasibility study into using the New Orleans burn for a hydroscheme.

Following a positive

outcome to that, and after going through the design, planning and SEPA license process, contractors MAM Contracting from Crieff were appointed last year.

Over a kilometre of piping was laid to take water out of the burn, to the Gilkes turbine, before being discharged back into the burn lower down.

Showing *The Courier* round the various parts of the scheme, Mary Turner explained that the turbine should produce about 45kw of electricity when the weather is wet. She said: 'This would be enough to power our house and farm. When there is not enough rain there is a reduction in output but of course it does rain a lot in Kintyre.'



Mary Turner on top of the header tank where water from the burn collects before being piped to the turbine 20_c15mary02



The Gilkes Turbine generates up to 45 kilowatts per hour 20_c15mary03

Campbeltown Sheriff Court:

Fined and banned for drink driving

HAVING a few drinks after his work cost a chef from Southend his driving license.

William Russell, of 1 Coastguard Houses, Southend, admitted driving with 73 milligrammes in 100 millilitres of breath on the B842 at Southend on March 11 this year; the legal limit is 35.

At Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC disqualified him from driving for 18 months and fined him £300.

Campbeltown man twice the legal limit

A YOUNG man from Campbeltown lost his license for driving nearly twice over the legal limit.

David Johnstone, aged 20, of 6 Millers Park admitted driving on March 4 at Millknowe, Campbeltown whilst having

64 milligrammes of alcohol in 100 millilitres of breath; the legal limit is 35.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC disqualified him from driving for 15 months and fined him £200 at the town's sheriff court last week.

Pensioner sent to prison for four years for causing death by dangerous driving

A PENSIONER convicted of causing death by dangerous driving on the A816 in Argyll has been sentenced to four years in prison.

Clifford Dickson, from Whitehouse, near Tarbert, claimed he was distracted by a buzzard after a road accident in 2010 which killed one woman and seriously injured two others.

Junction

The 68-year-old was travelling on the A816 Lochgilphead to Oban road on August 12 2010 when his Kia 4x4 hit a red Subaru south of

the Scammadale junction, near the village of Kilniver.

Christine Beard, from Nottinghamshire, was seriously injured in the crash and died weeks later. Her daughter Laura Rose and husband Paul were also severely injured.

Appearing before Glasgow High Court last Tuesday, Lord McEwan told Dickson a prison sentence was the only option.

Dickson's lawyer, Peter Gray QC, had argued for a non-custodial sentence on the grounds

that the retired stonemason is a carer for his disabled son. But banning Dickson from driving for the next seven years, Judge Lord McEwan said: 'I think you ignoring the double white lines and facing a blind dip is a very serious piece of driving.'

Buzzard

During the trial last month, Dickson claimed he had pulled out of his lane in a bid to avoid the buzzard rising up towards his windscreen. But the jury rejected his explanation and found him guilty by majority verdict.

Renewable energy jobs

PROGRESS is ongoing towards helping people from Argyll and Bute into jobs in the region's growing renewable energy sector.

Argyll and Bute Renewables Alliance (ABRA) is looking at starting a skills demand mapping exercise, giving a clear picture of what roles the new sector will require to be filled.

Lisa Hardie from ABRA told a meeting of Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islands Area Committee that ABRA would continue to develop its relationship with Argyll College, to maximise the chances of future students moving into jobs in the industry.

Jura passenger ferry launches into new season

Two-year security is a weight lifted from the shoulders of Jura Development Trust members who run the service

by EUAN PATERSON
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THE NEXT two years could make or break the Jura Passenger Ferry service but its operators say they are looking forward to the pressure that comes with proving its worth.

Funding for the ferry service, which runs between Tayvallich and Craighouse on Jura in under one hour, was secured for two years in March, after Argyll and Bute Council and the Scottish Government announced late funding packages.

Weight lifted

The two-year security is a weight lifted from the shoulders of Jura Development Trust (JDT)

members, who run the service.

Last Thursday, the first sailing of the ferry's fifth season, there was a sense of optimism about the success of the project.

Marketing

JDT member Rob Tigeir said: 'We are building on previous years by marketing the service better and the two-year funding package allows us to plan that more effectively.'

'Whereas last year there was a relief that the service had been saved, we now have that security to move ahead.'

But the optimism for the ferry service extends

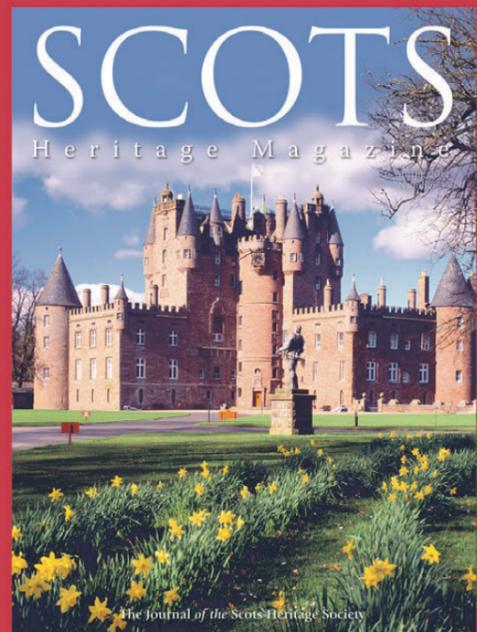
beyond the people running it.

Jura Distillery has revamped its visitor centre, Jura Hotel has refurbished its bedrooms and dining room in expectation of a busy season and Sharon Hoverty has taken on the lease at the community-owned Antlers Restaurant with the expectation of a passenger ferry boom.

A previous study into the effect of the passenger ferry, which, unlike the Port Askaig ferry, brings passengers directly into the main settlement of Craighouse, suggested the service generated £3.50 for every £1 spent on it. Last year, Jura Distillery saw an increase of around 1,000 visitors.

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Donald Kelly
Scottish Conservatives
Ward 1 – South Kintyre

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I will continue to work with the same commitment and work ethic which I have applied over the past ten years – standing up and fighting for the community at every turn.

Some of the important key issues that require to be addressed are:- the continued

regeneration of Kintyre; continue with the A83 campaign until there is a firm plan of action in place to address the issues; improve transport links to Kintyre; restore democracy to Argyll and Bute Council and decision making to local councillors.

For a positive and steadfast approach to future challenges – VOTE KELLY No 1.

Anne Baird
SNP
Ward 1 – South Kintyre

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Our council has been nursing decline for many years and it's time that stopped. The threat to 26 rural schools was a wake-up call. If we decimate small communities, we'll kill the towns that sustain them. I will work, with an SNP team at all levels of government, to

reverse that trend.

The experience I've gained as a member of the Commission for the Delivery of Rural Education convinces me that a stable future is attainable and progress, even in difficult times, can be made. Partnership with the talented and committed people of Argyll and Bute is crucial to that.

Robert Graham
Independent
Ward 1 – South Kintyre

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Born and raised in Campbeltown, the area lies strongly in my heart. Campbeltown is being left behind and we have to do something about it now to secure its future.

I want more information to be made available to the public, to make the council

aware who it is working for and who it represents.

Sort out unfair transport for elderly and disabled for South Kintyre and implement a planning sub-office to speed up the planning process. Just some of the things I hope to implement. If you really care about where you live and work vote Graham, No1 Independent.

George Rahman
Independent
Ward 1 – South Kintyre

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The decision to stand as an independent councillor for South Kintyre was an easy one as change is needed.

I cannot promise to sort out the problems with the roads in Kintyre. I cannot promise a new ferry service from Campbeltown to Ayrshire. Too many

promises have been made in the past but never fulfilled.

What I can promise is to devote 100 per cent of my time and effort in addressing any issues that I am given by the voters of South Kintyre.

This IS the time for change. Vote George Rahman No.1 so we CAN make changes together.

Rory Colville
Scottish Lib Dems
Ward 1 – South Kintyre

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My family and I have lived and worked in South Kintyre for generations. I understand your priorities and have done and will continue to do all in my power to deliver them.

Much has already been achieved: Aqualibrium; the all weather pitch; protect the Ring'n'Ride service; funding for a

new Grammar School; increased roads spending.

My pledge for the future: to protect Council services, especially those delivered to the most vulnerable; to continue the purge on potholes; to deliver a town centre car park; to improve transport links serving Kintyre.

I welcome the opportunity to once again represent South Kintyre.

Deirdre Henderson
Independent
Ward 1 – South Kintyre

WARD
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I am standing as an independent candidate to promote unbiased Independent thinking not party politics.

I am a freelance Community Development Worker, passionate about using my training and experience to bring people in the community together to meet needs, raise issues and

to develop communities into better places to live.

I have worked for the Council and charities in Kintyre. I have helped set up community groups, volunteering over 3,000 hours in ten years to help improve the area. I will donate 15 per cent of my salary to charities.

Find out about me on Facebook 'Vote for Deirdre Henderson'.

John Semple
SNP
Ward 1 – South Kintyre

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It has been my privilege to represent the people of South Kintyre for the last five years.

During this time I have listened carefully to you and done everything within my powers to champion your concerns and interests.

The most important lesson I have learned is, to be effective, a councillor must be able to work co-operatively with fellow councillors and the Scottish Government. Teamwork is vital.

I believe that our team can demonstrate professionalism and integrity in every walk of life and I have no doubt that together we can lead a new refreshed council to deliver for you.

Thursday 3 May, 2012

Ward 2 - Kintyre and the Islands



Anne Horn
SNP
Ward 2 – Kintyre and the Islands

WARD 2



Regeneration of Argyll and Bute depends on agencies working together to provide jobs and housing in communities for young people. We must work to make local schools sustainable and an integral part of their community.

Efficient transport systems and reliable ferry links are essential for providing a lifeline service for residents and encouraging tourists to visit the fabulous area of Kintyre and the Islands.

If I am elected on May 3 I will continue to work full time as a Councillor committed to representing the people of Kintyre and the Islands with respect.

QUESTIONS about rural schools, jobs, housing and care for the elderly all need answered – by the people who aim to represent you for the next five years.

Many big issues are being raised by candidates and voters in the run up to the local government elections taking place across the country and on these two pages we give the candidates – your potential councillors – the opportunity to tell you exactly what their intentions are for Argyll and Bute.

The Campbeltown Courier contacted all of those standing in wards 1 to 5.

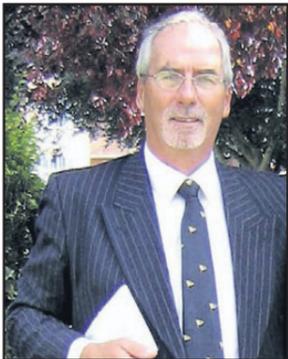
However, Ed Tyler, standing for the Scottish Greens in Ward 2 – Kintyre and the Islands, Charlotte Hanbury, standing for the Scottish Conservatives in Ward 3 – Mid Argyll and Michael Hawke, standing for the Scottish Conservatives in Ward 4 – Oban South and the Isles did not respond to our request for candidate profiles.

The polls will open at 7am and close at 10pm on Thursday May 3. You can find your nearest polling station on the Argyll and Bute Council website.

Results are expected the following morning with three councillors being elected for each of wards 1 to 3 and four councillors elected for both wards 4 and 5.

Bob Chicken
Scottish Labour
Ward 2 – Kintyre and the Islands

WARD 2



Johann Lamont has challenged the Scottish Labour Party to be worthy of the people of Scotland by sticking with our principles and finding innovative solutions to the problems of these tough times.

This is particularly important here in Argyll and Bute where open, accountable govern-

ance, progressive policies and sound, strategic thinking seem as rare as hen's teeth.

We need forward thinking councillors with new ideas – councillors prepared to work with others to improve the lives of the people of Argyll and Bute.

My backgrounds in business and as a community campaigner give me the skills to fit that job description.

John McAlpine
Independent
Ward 2- Kintyre and the Islands

WARD 2



I am passionate about rural services, in particular schools; maintaining rural schools is essential in retaining young families in the area.

We desperately need more rented accommodation, especially three-bedroom homes and housing associations must be given finance to provide such

facilities.

Care for the elderly has always been a priority of mine and if changes are made to the service they must be in the best interest of families and carers.

Local councillors should be more involved in the planning process, which is not currently the case.

The current administration needs change; hopefully with your help this can be achieved.

Arthur McFarlane
Independent
Ward 2 – Kintyre and the Islands

WARD 2



I consider that the council has, through incompetence and unethical practices, squandered the resources and blighted the lives of Argyll people for a hundred years.

I am standing for election to play a part in replacing the council with something we

can actually take pride in.

My priorities will be to limit the Council's activities to what it can do well, to set up a 'jury of residents' empowered to investigate any aspect of the council which causes concern, open up the council's relationship with the police and freemasonry and squeeze every penny's-worth of value out of the taxpayer's pound.

Robin Currie
Scottish Lib Dems
Ward 2 - Kintyre and the Islands

WARD 2



Being a councillor for Kintyre and the Islands for the past five years has been a great privilege. During this time I have worked closely with individuals, communities and voluntary groups to try and get the best for our communities.

I have a proud record of action and I am well known for being a strong voice for Kintyre and the Islands and I promise more of that for the future.

It is my intention that the priorities of the different communities in Ward 2 will be my priorities for the coming years. Working together we can make a difference.

Alastair Redman
Scottish Conservatives
Ward 2 - Kintyre and the Islands

WARD 2



I am a local resident on Islay, having attended Islay High School and am now the Post Master and storeowner in Portnahaven. I want to work for my community, as Argyll & Bute is a vast area that needs strong voices to stand up for local residents.

I feel I have the skills

necessary to stand up for the people in Kintyre and the Islands on the council. There is much to do in this area and I hope you will put your trust in me on May 3, by giving me your first preference vote.



Thought for the Week with Marilyn Shedden



I was browsing through an old bible the other day when I found it.

It was a lovely wee flower I had put between the pages many years ago.

Now it was very dry and flat and lifeless. Its colour was dimmed and all vibrancy had left it long ago.

It had been lovely in its time, but was now just a shadow of what it once had been.

It had stayed within the pages of the bible and had not moved for years.

I wonder if this is sometimes like our spiritual lives.

While it's good to be rooted in the scriptures, we are sometimes reluctant to move forward and embrace new ways to worship God.

We are suspicious of new hymns and new ideas, little realising that God may just be encouraging us to be fresh in our faith and dynamic in our worship.

Throughout scripture we read of God encouraging his people to go forward with him.

He encouraged Abraham to move on, he led Moses through the desert of doubt and he took Ruth to a new land and a new experience.

God is the one who said: 'Behold I make all things new'.

Do we give to God the same worship we've given for centuries or do we give God the worship that is ours and is relevant for today?

Yes, God is the same yesterday, today and forever, but he is also a God who calls us on a journey. He is a God who is the God of our future as well as our past.

He is a God who challenges us to sing a new song.

As I look at my wee flower I think how lovely it was in its time, but I realise that there are also many new buds, full of new life, just waiting to blossom.



Down Memory Lane

This old photograph will bring back memories for many people in the area. It was taken in 1978 and is of the Glasgow Hebridean Choir at Dornach. Raibert McCallum was the choirmaster at the time. The photograph was handed in by Carradale's Rachel Grant who is on the middle row on the left hand side. The only other names Rachel can recall are Cathie Shaw in the front row, first left, and George Gavin who is in the back row in the middle. Do you know the names of others in the photograph? If so, please get in touch.

Parkinson's Awareness Week

Sir,
This week is Parkinson's Awareness Week, and I'd like to tell your readers about this debilitating, incurable disease which affects around 120,000 people in the UK.

Parkinson's is a progressive disease of the nervous system that inhibits the way the brain controls movements such as walking, talking and writing.

It has affected such famous figures as Muhammad Ali, Michael J Fox, Pope John Paul II and Salvador Dali.

People with Parkinson's or other disabilities often find it extremely costly and difficult to organise a break away from their difficult daily routine because of their complex medical and care arrangements.

As a result, a huge

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number of people with disabilities and their carers give up on the possibility of ever getting any respite, due to the enormous physical or financial barriers they face. But there is support out there.

I work for Vitalise, a national charity providing essential respite breaks at accessible centres around the UK.

Each year we welcome thousands of people with disabilities and carers to enjoy desperately-needed breaks with us – breaks which often mean the difference between coping and despair.

If your readers would like more information about our breaks or

would like to support our vital work, please call us on 0303 303 0145 or visit www.vitalise.org.uk.

**Colin Brook,
Vitalise**

Campbeltown Triathlon

Sir,
Re your recent article about a triathlon being organised in Campbeltown.

Campbeltown used to run a triathlon in the last few years before the swimming pool closed/had to be pulled down and it moved up the road to Lochgilphead.

It was where I did my first triathlon in 1999 - I returned the next year

again to be well and truly beaten by the Robertson twins - Commonwealth Games medalists in judo who come from Campbeltown.

It is time I returned really. I hope reviving the race and doing more in this part of the world goes well - I shall be trying to return this year if I can make a weekend of it, Edinburgh is quite a trek but I'm sure it would be worth it!

**Fiona Schaefer,
Edinburgh**

Managing Tinnitus

Sir,
As a coroner criticises 'shameful' delays in treatment of a man who

stabbed himself to death while waiting to be treated for tinnitus, it is clear people are not getting the support they need and still do not know where to turn when this debilitating condition makes life unbearable.

The tragic case of Robert McIndoe is just the latest high profile suicide by a tinnitus sufferer and a stark reminder of the seriousness of the condition. Our heartfelt sympathy goes to his family for their awful loss. Deafness Research UK wants to assure people they are not alone and we are here to offer help, guidance and support.

Our new leaflet 'Managing Tinnitus' is free. Please visit our website at deafnessresearch.org.uk for more information.

**Vivienne Michael,
Deafness Research UK**

From our Facebook page this week

Daniel Boyce said on Monday:

Wow, Campbeltown still looks the same as it did 25 years ago when I left it. It looks like time stood still looking down Longrow.

I can see the flats where Dave and Joanne Wilson used to live, the building where Kevin Via used to live looks like it's being remodelled, and the Argyll Arms Hotel still looks the same. Amazing.

Re our post about geocaching, **Fiona Macdonald McCasland** posted:

Geocache, been doing it for years here in the states, did a few in Campbeltown, Carradale while on holiday. Great for families, kids love it.

Brett Tucker posted: I do miss out Wee Toon a lot and to all our friends there. Hi and we miss you all.

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Correction

WE have been asked to point out that last week's Down Memory Lane was handed in by Stewart Blue and not Craig Anderson, apologies for any confusion.

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Obituaries: Nancie and John McGlynn

NANCIE SMITH McGLYNN

August 13, 1945 – December 20, 2011

NANCIE Smith McGlynn was a teacher and community activist who embedded herself in the work and life of Campbeltown.

Born in High Bellochantuy Farm, Nancie was the first born to Margaret and Sandy Blair, followed by Alasdair four years later. Sandy was on a WW2 tugboat and Nancie was 11 months old when they first met.

Nancie spent her child-

hood at Meadows Avenue, Campbeltown and she became a champion runner for the County of Argyll.

Nancie completed her teacher training at Jordanhill, Glasgow, returning to Campbeltown to teach initially at Drumlembie Primary followed by Dalintober where she retired as depute head teacher in 2005.

Respect

A fierce advocate of justice, with a contagious energy for life and learning gained her the well-earned respect and

admiration of pupils, parents and colleagues.

Nancie married the late Mike Smith and had two daughters Alison and Susie; she was a much loved and enthusiastic granny to their five children, never failing to amuse and entertain with stories, games and baking.

She went on to marry John McGlynn in 2007 and gained an extended step-family.

Nancie joined Campbeltown Community Council in the 1970s and was a lifelong member. She was chairwoman

for over 10 years and latterly became secretary.

Nancie championed local causes with an indefatigable spirit and attention to detail and for many in the community she was the first person they turned to for help.

Whether it was support with a housing issue, fundraising, help to resolve a dispute or simply a word of advice, she never said no.

Nancie particularly rose to the challenge of supporting the 'underdog' or someone whose voice went unheard.

Through the community council, Nancie convened Campbeltown Festival Week which ran from 1983 to 1993. The parade and festival Queen contest are fondly remembered by locals and activities helped occupy many a wet Glasgow Fair holiday.

Other causes

Nancie's other causes included Dalintober and Millknowe Tenants and Residents Association, the Crime Prevention Panel, 'Old Folks' Week, Campbeltown Town Hall, the SNP, the Inner Wheel, Campbeltown Art Show and the Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research Committee of which she was a founder member following the death of a

close friend and colleague.

Nancie was awarded Campbeltown Citizen of the Year in 1993.

Nancie's love of Campbeltown extended to promoting the town across the world. This started in the 1980s with links to schools in Canada and France. Then in the 1990s a longstanding relationship was forged with Kummersbruck in Bavaria.

What began simply with penpals ended in cultural links and lifelong friendships across the whole community and a generation of young people were given the opportunity to visit Germany or host German visitors.

Nancie embraced language and culture, yet none so passionately as that of her hometown where she was often heard to inquire 'Hoots heppnin?' and reply 'Nathin!'

In recent years Nancie immersed herself in *HMS Campbeltown* and the partnership between the Royal Navy and Campbeltown, Pennsylvania.

Nancie was proud to visit Campbeltown on two occasions, the second time just last summer following the decommissioning of the ship to repatriate the bell from the original *HMS Campbeltown* lost in the raid on St Nazaire.

Nancie's zest for life will never be forgotten.

JOHN McGLYNN

September 26, 1947 – January 30, 2012

BORN in Cleland, Lanarkshire to Tom and Mary, John grew up with three sisters Isobel, Mary and Margaret in nearby Newarthill.

This was good practice for when he had his own three girls, and he was resigned to the fact that he was never able to get a word in edgeways.

John's lifelong love of the great outdoors grew from the time he spent exploring the surrounding countryside with friends.

Horse riding in the wilds of Lanarkshire, releasing frogs in a pub, searching for birds' eggs, running away from home with friends and being brought home by the police, being given money from his mum to get his hair cut but pocketing it and getting Isobel to snip it instead; only some of the tales from his youth.

After a year spent at Glasgow School of Art, John completed his teacher training at Hamilton Bell College. But his love of art stayed with him and featured heavily in his career.

He met Pat at college and they married and settled in Oban, where Fiona, Katherine and Shona were born in quick succession.

The family moved to Southend in 1982 when John secured the headship at St Kieran's at the relatively young age of 34.

John loved shinty and was an active member of Kintyre Camanachd, and also played rugby on occasion.



Nancie and John took part in the 10k Mull of Kintyre Run in aid of the local branch for Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research.

John and Pat did not like the idea of package holidays, and the girls were taken off to a cold caravan near Aviemore at Easter time.

They spent hours crouching in an osprey hide watching an empty nest when they were wishing they were ice-skating instead.

John also loved the social side to teaching, namely with teachers. It was fair to say that he didn't enjoy the content of meetings, but he certainly enjoyed socialising after them.

John was much loved and respected by school colleagues, not just in Kintyre but also through-

out Argyll and Bute. His common sense, no nonsense attitude and great sense of humour lit up many a professional debate and social occasion.

He took early retirement through ill health and threw his energies into running the Machrihanish Bird Observatory with his good friend Eddie Maguire.

They would spend hours conducting bird counts and making constant improvements to the hide.

Over the last decade or so, John shared his life with, and eventually married, Nancie Smith.

They shared many

happy times travelling extensively throughout Europe and across to America. They enjoyed spending time with their nine grandchildren, who also loved them to bits.

When he tragically died just six weeks before John did, he impressed everyone with his strength and ability to cope.

John touched so many lives throughout his life. The fact that he fell ill so suddenly without being aware or being in pain gives his family much comfort.

His family respected his wishes and his organs have been used to help others.

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Right: Young farmers Lorne McMurphy, Kelsey Brown and chairwoman Fiona McArthur with Eilidh. 20_c16tractor01

Grazing cattle sale

UNITED Auctions held its Annual April Sale of Grazing Cattle at Islay Auction Mart on Saturday 14 April when they had a catalogued entry of 1290 head. A good attendance of mainland buyers including several new customers ensured a steady trade for all classes prevailed.

The Bulls sold to £1185 for Aberdeen Angus Crosses from Rockside and to 355pence per

kilo for Limousin Crosses from Balaclava.

Limousin Cross Heifers from Lossit lead the top in this section at £1260 whilst the same home lead the top priced heifers per kilo at 341pence, also Limousin Crosses.

The Bulls sold to average £793 per head and 227pence per kilo against £706 or 189pence last year. Heifers levelled out at £692 per head and 212pence against £599 or 176pence at the corresponding sale last year.

PRINCIPAL LOTS & PRICES TOP PRICES PER HEAD BULLOCKS

AAx: £1185(2), £995, £970(12) - Rockside: £935(6), £930(10), £895(10) - Craigs: £885(14) - Rockside: £865(8) - Craigs: £855(5) - Rockside: £820 - Octomore(18) & Craigs(10).

CHARx: £1090 - Gartacharra: £1045 - Carrabus: £1035(2) & £925(7) - Craigs: £910 - Gartacharra: £905 - Carrabus(6) & Craigfad(7): £895(8) - Ballimartin: £880(3) - Gartacharra: £860(2) - Craigfad: £845(2) - Tallant.

LIMx: £1165 - Kilchiaran: £1145(2) & £1135 - Lossit: £1125 - Uiskentuie: £1100 - Balaclava: £1085(8) - Lossit: £1055 - Mulindry: £1045 - Ballychattrigan & Balaclava: £1035(5) - Lossit: £1005 - Uiskentuie, Kilchiaran & Lossit(3):

£985(3) - Lossit: £945(6) - Kilbride: £940 - Ballychattrigan(2) & Gartacharra: £915 - Kilchiaran(6) & Kilbride(5): £910(2) - Gartacharra: £905 & £900 - Craigfad: £895 - Kilchiaran(2), Cladville & Balaclava(3): £890 - Sunderland: £885 - Tallant(4) & Balaclava(2): £875(2) - Balaclava: £860(6) - Craigfad: £855 - Kilbride(11) & Craigfad(4): £850(2) - Ballychattrigan: £845(3) - Balaclava.

LUINGx: £780(11) - Duich. SHx: £875(2) & £865 - Kilchiaran.

SIMx: £990(2) - Coillabus: £965(7) - Corry: £915(3) - Island: £900 - Corry: £895 & £875(3) - Cladville: £850 - Coillabus.

HEIFERS AAx: £950(2) - Craigs: £935 - Rockside: £825(4) - Craigs.

CHARx: £1125 - Ballimartin: £955 - Carrabus: £865(3) - Tallant: £845 - Uiskentuie: £840(8) - Ballimartin: £830(6) - Craigs: £810(9) - Craigfad.

LIMx: £1260 - Lossit: £1075 - Ballimartin: £1045 & £1025(7) - Lossit: £945 - Kilchiaran: £930 - 9 Mansefield Rd: £925(2) & £885 - Uiskentuie: £865(4) - Kilchiaran: £845(3) - Uiskentuie: £840(2) - Sunderland: £835 - Ballychattrigan: £825 - Tallant(2) & Uiskentuie(2): £810 - Craigfad: £800(2) - Sunderland.

LUINGx: £755(11) - Duich. SIMx: £925 - Coillabus: £890(5) - Corry: £865 - Uiskentuie: £860 - Coillabus: £835(2) - Corry: £800(2) - Coillabus.

TOP PRICES PER KILO BULLOCKS

AAx: 257p(14) & 245p(9) - Rockside: 234p - Ardmenish: 233p - Ar-

dtalla Estate: 231p(18) - Octomore: 230p(2) - Rockside: 229p - Octomore(3) & Craigs(10): 228p(10) - Craigs: 227p(13) - Keppols: 225p - Rockside(12) & Craigs(10).

CHARx: 270p - Gartacharra: 269p(5) - Ballinaby: 264p - Carrabus: 262p(2) - Ardtalla: 259p(2) - Carrabus: 247p - 14 Mansefield(2) & Craigfad(3): 244p - Ballimartin(3) & Ballinaby(4): 243p - Carrabus: 240p(2) - Brybrich: 239p(7) - Craigfad: 237p(5) - Gartacharra: 236p(2) - Tallant: 235p(8) - Ballimartin: 234p - Ballinaby: 232p - Gartacharra: 230p - Craigfad(2) & Craigs(9): 226p(3) - Gartacharra: 220p - Carrabus.

HIGH 229p - RSPB Kinnabus. LIMx:

355p - Balaclava: 275p(3) - Lossit: 274p - Balaclava: 270p(2) - Gartacharra: 268p - Carrabus: 266p - RSPB Kinnabus: 259p(3) - Ballimartin: 256p - Mulindry: 256p(2) & 255p(12) - Tallant: 254p - Lower Cragabus (J Porter): 254p(8) - Lossit: 253p(2) - Balaclava: 250p(4) - Lossit: 248p(5) - Duich: 247p(5) - Ballimartin: 246p - Lossit: 245p - Uiskentuie & Balaclava(5): 244p - Bayview: 243p(7) - Carrabus: 242p(6) - Tallant: 240p - Carrabus(3) & Lossit: 239p - Craigfad: 237p - Kilchiaran & Gartacharra(2): 236p(4) - Carrabus: 235p - Island(4) & Duich(15): 233p - Ballychattrigan(5), Tallant(4), Sunderland & Ardtalla Estate: 232p - Mulindry(8) & Tallant(11): 231p - Ballychattrigan, Uiskentuie, Ballimartin(5) & Lossit(3): 230p - Tallant(9), Island(3) & Craigfad(6): 229p - Mulindry(2), Carrabus(5), Tallant(3), Island(5) & Kilbride(6): 228p - Carrabus(8), Craigfad & Balaclava(3): 227p(3) - Balaclava: 226p - Cladville(4) & Kilbride(11): 225p - Island(5) & Lossit.

LUINGx: 225p(12) - Duich. SHx: 231p(2) - Octomore. SIMx: 251p(5) - Corry: 242p - RSPB Kinnabus(3) & Corry(7): 231p - Tormisdale Croft: 230p - Island.

HEIFERS AAx: 227p(6) - Ardmeanish. CHARx: 279p - Carrabus: 247p(3) - Tallant: 231p(2) - Ardtalla Estate: 222p(9) - Craigfad: 221p(3) - Ballinaby.

LIMx: 341p - Lossit: 302p - Lower Cragabus (J Porter): 270p(7) & 252p - Lossit: 251p(7) & 247p - Tallant: 242p - Bayview: 240p(4) - Duich: 238p - 9 Mansefield Rd: 237p(4) - Island: 234p - Uiskentuie(6) & Ballimartin: 233p - Sunderland: 230p(3) - Carrabus: 229p(8) - Duich: 228p(7) & 223p(12) - Tallant: 222p - Carrabus(2), Tallant(4), Ballimartin(3), Lossit(6), Balaclava & Craigfad.

LUINGx: 243p(3) - Duich. SIMx: 260p(5) - Corry: 222p(2) - Uiskentuie.



Eilidh completes 250 mile vintage tractor drive

LEAVING Campbeltown and making her way 250 miles north then east to Fife, saw Eilidh Grieve successfully fulfill her mission.

Eilidh, development officer for farming charity RSABI, left the town on her 1963 Super Dexta New Performance Model, with her support vehicle, in tow, on her Coast to Coast Challenge.

She was headed for Oban, and arrived around teatime after a rather cold journey.

Eilidh met with Argyll FM's John Armour, who hosts a farming show every Thursday evening

with John Galbraith, and also for dinner with members of Campbeltown Young Farmers.

On the Thursday some of the young farmers were at the start line to present Eilidh with a cheque towards her fundraising and to wish her well.

Boosting

She made her way to Oban for the Thursday evening where a Tractor Rendezvous was held to assist in boosting her funds.

On Friday Eilidh left Oban to head for Perth, near to where she lives, for the Final Fling.

On Saturday they left

Moneydie early, to head through to Crail in Fife to complete her challenge.

Eilidh would like to thank everyone who supported the event, including organising fundraising events, donations, sponsorship, and patient drivers who encountered her and her tractor, but mainly to her Dad Willie, for driving the support vehicle for 250 miles at 20 miles per hour.

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TARBERT

Concern over wind turbine planning applications

THE LONG-standing issue of wind turbines came up again at last Thursday's Tarbert and Skipness Community Council meeting.

Community councillor Peter Bates expressed concern at the large number of planning applications to build turbines in the area.

He said: 'I'm totally against it; it seems to me like pyramid selling of wind turbines to anyone with a bit of land.'

'If it was one turbine then great, but the whole place could end up being covered in these things.'

There are between 20 and 30 planning applications pending in the Kintyre area, and concerns persist that the local community was not consulted before submissions were made to Argyll and Bute Council.

A spokesperson from Genesis Energy, who have applied to build a single turbine in Skipness, recently addressed the community council apologising for not consulting locals before making an application, and offered 50,000 shares to individuals living nearby and the Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust (TSCT).

Last week, the *Campbeltown Courier* reported that the TSCT were set to make a planning application to build a wind turbine by the end of the year.

Flashing 30mph speed limit lights

FLASHING 30mph speed limit signs have still not been installed in Tarbert despite claims they were promised several years ago.

The issue of the road signs was debated at last Thursday's Tarbert and Skipness Community Council meeting.

The signs are considered an important part of the fight against speeding drivers in the village, and the community council has made requests to Argyll and Bute Council to get them installed.

SKIPNESS



Skipness and Clachan Primary Schools recently completed a mile for Sport Relief to Skipness Castle and back. They raised £191. Thank you to everyone who sponsored them all.



Skipness Primary held a coffee afternoon in aid of Mary's Meals. There was baking and bottle stalls as well as 'Guess how many sweets in the jar' and 'Guess the Easter Bunny's birthday'. They raised £120.70 for this charity.



SKIPNESS Village Hall was the venue for a lively and enjoyable ceilidh of members from Tarbert and Ardrishaig also performing.

Successful event
A total of £280 was raised for the village hall fund on what was a very successful event in the Skipness social calendar. 20_c15ceilidh01

Community councillor Ian Macintyre said: 'About three years ago we were promised these signs, and since then they have been put in umpteen places but not ours; why?'

A number of ideas were thrown around, including installing their own signs, and setting up an event to raise funds for the signs.

However, community council chairman Brian Mearns was not convinced by the fundraising idea.

He said: 'I have concerns about spending money on something that is someone else's responsibility.'

It was also suggested the community council

campaign for road signs which tell drivers their speed although some members were worried it might 'encourage boy racers to carry out time trials' in the area.

Tarbert library location grant

A FIVE thousand pound grant to assess future locations for a new library for Tarbert was described as 'ludicrous' at last Thursday's Tarbert and Skipness Community Council meeting.

The claim was made amid suggestions the money would be better spent by Argyll and Bute Council refurbishing the existing library.

The future of the li-

brary has been under consideration for over a year after its current location on Barmore Road was found to be in poor condition.

Aside refurbishing the current premises, locations being considered for a new library include Argyll House, Tarbert Academy and Templars Hall.

ISLAY

New skiff launch

ISLAY Rowing Club will launch its newly built racing skiff at Portnahaven on Saturday April 21. The new boat will be the third skiff recently made on Islay, and will join the other rowing boats, two Port Ellen-

based Isis skiffs, in competitions during 2012.

This latest boat has been built by Jack Glover and friends in Portnahaven, to an internationally recognised design, the 'St Ayles Skiff', and Jack is hoping to build another boat to the same specification. The cost of constructing these boats is about £3,000, and many Islay people and those with local connections have contributed 'shares' of £100 towards the project.

A fundraising barbecue will be held in Portnahaven on launch day, to which the island community and visitors are all invited.

Islay's history

THE SCOTTISH Society for Northern Studies held its 2012 Northern Studies Conference in Islay with a series of talks and discussions from April 12 - 15.

The society was founded in 1968 to explore the relationships between Scandinavian, Celtic and Scottish cultures. This year's theme was 'Islay: From Gall to Gael and Gallowglass'.

While the main focus was on settlements and society in Islay during the Middle Ages, the lectures also covered archaeology, history and folklore in the Hebrides and the surrounding areas ranging from prehistory through to more recent times.

The public introductory evening session was held in the Round Church in Bowmore on Thursday, April 12, when Dr. Malcolm Ogilvie lectured on 'Landscape and Natural History', followed by John Barber on 'Prehistoric Settlement Patterns'; and Dr Margaret Storrie on 'Settlement and Society over the Past 300 Years'.

The conference ceilidh was held in Ballygrant Hall on Saturday, April 14.

Tour of arts

ISLAY'S arts enthusiasts have performances by touring companies from major Scottish arts organisations to look forward to later this year, which have been organised by Islay Arts Association.

In autumn, the darkening evenings with be brightened by comedian Mark Steel, and other forthcoming events are

in preparation including theatre, classical and traditional music performances. Dates for Lagavulin Islay Jazz Festival are confirmed for September 14 to 16.

Scottish Ballet will come to the island in November for a four-day visit which will include public performances and educational work across the island.

Following after their visit, Scottish Opera will arrive to feature a programme of opera highlights in what will be the opera company's 50th anniversary year.

Drumlemble, Southend, Carradale and Glenbarr, on an educational trip to central Scotland.

They will stay in Stirling from Tuesday to Friday in a four day trip that will also take in visits to Edinburgh, on Wednesday, and Glasgow, on Thursday.

In Edinburgh the children will visit the Dynamic Earth attraction, learning about the pre-history of the planet, while in Glasgow they will go to the Science Centre.

SOUTHEND

Schoolchildren get planting

GROWING is underway at Southend Primary as the children took advantage of the good weather recently and prepared the soil and got planting.

The wormery was emptied and the lovely worms were added to the vegetable patches.

The children had collected peas from last year's crop so they were picked over and the best ones kept for sowing in a few weeks. Potatoes were planted in the deep troughs, carrots and lettuce were sown and strawberry plants divided from last year and re-potted to produce lots of new healthy plants.

RHUNAHORINE

Busy time for primary school

IT'S a busy time at Rhunahaorine Primary School with various activities going on.

Today (Friday), sees a visit from Michael Russell, Argyll and Bute MSP and education minister, who will give a talk to the children.

Then it's on to Dalintober Primary for a quiz organised by the Rotary Club, where the primary seven pupils will be putting their knowledge to the test.

Next week, primary six and seven children from Rhunahaorine will join pupils from other primary schools including

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Clachan garden open to public

NEXT month locals and visitors will get the chance to see the efforts put in over a number of years to a Clachan garden. As part of Scotland's Gardens event on May 5 and 6, the Alder-

sons will be opening up their garden, Stratholm, as part of the event which will see others across Argyll opened to the general public.

The house and garden which well-known Kintyre lady, the late Jeanie McCallum, used to have, has been built up even more over the last six years since the Aldersons took over.

There are many and varied mature camellias, azaleas, rhododendrons and other shrubs planted by the first owner, Jeanie.

Over the last few years pergolas with roses, clematis, honeysuckle, herbaceous beds, a gravel area with hostas and ferns, pools and watercourse, a greenhouse, fruit trees, soft fruits and vegetable beds, have all been added.

Forty per cent of the process will go to Clachan Village Hall with the rest going to Scottish Garden Beneficiaries.

The garden will be open over the weekend of Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 5pm.



LESLEY and Mairi Cowan ran a raffle at last Saturday's fundraiser for the RNLI in the Red Cross Hall in Kirk Street, Campbeltown.

Jane Stewart, secretary of Campbeltown Lifeboat fundraising branch, said the event was to launch fundraising efforts over the summer season.

An excellent attendance packed out the hall, buying a variety of items and enjoying teas, coffees and home baking.

Easter craft fair

KINTYRE Crafters' Group held a very successful craft fair over Easter weekend in the Argyll Hotel.

A range of products was on display made by some of the area's most talented crafters.



A variety of crafts were on sale from paintings and drawings to cushions and candles.



Pat McPherson recently won silver in the artisan class at the World Original Marmalade Awards in Cumbria

Weekly Gaelic classes in Kintyre

WEEKLY Gaelic classes will start in Kintyre from the end of the month.

The classes which are being run by Argyll and Bute Council, in partnership with Ionad Chaluim Chille Ile will be taught using the highly successful Ulpan model.

Classes are for beginners and will also offer a class from unit 13 for those who have completed the first 12 units.

It has yet to be decided when and where the classes will take place. This will be decided once it is clear how many people want to take part.

If you live in any of these areas and are interested in going to Gaelic classes or if you would like to find out more, then please register your interest with Ionad Chaluim Chille Ile at the following e-mail address info@islay-gaelic.net and visit www.islay-gaelic.net.

Bowling club prize bingo

NEXT week a prize bingo night will be held in Argyll Bowling Club in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support.

On Thursday, April 26, eyes down will take place at 7.30pm.

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Argyll and Bute Council, in partnership with Ionad Chaluim Chille Ile will offer Gaelic classes in Kintyre from May 2012.

Classes will run on a weekly basis subject to demand.
The classes will be delivered using the highly successful Ulpan model.
If you live in the Kintyre area and are interested in attending a Gaelic class or want to find out more about the proposed classes, then please register interest with Ionad Chaluim Chille Ile at the following email address info@islay-gaelic.net and visit www.islay-gaelic.net.
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Annual Kintyre Forum seminar

AS PART of the annual seminar for the Kintyre Forum on Community Care (KFCC) there will be a presentation from the Scottish Ambulance Service.

The seminar will look back at what was discussed during 2011 and evaluate the changes that have occurred from then.

Taking place on Wednesday April 25, the annual general meeting for KFCC will be held afterwards.

Presentation

The Scottish Ambulance Service will give a presentation to update the group on how the service is run.

Like many groups and organisations KFCC welcomes new members, especially on the committee.

The commitment is minimal and the group has funding to enable the bulk of the work to be done without a major input from committee members.

Without KFCC, there would be no representation from a number of groups, forums and committees to provide a voice for the more vulnerable groups in our community.

Review

The seminar begins at noon, with the review at 12.40pm, presentation at 2pm and the AGM at 3.15pm.

For further information contact Susan Paterson on 01586 830335.



LOCAL pipers took prizes at the weekend at the annual Inveraray competition. Results: scale and part of a tune: 1 Josh Barbour, 2 Calum McKillop, 4 Ryan McGrory. March 14 and under: 1 Iain Wylie, 3 Christina McFadyen, 4 Jack Ferguson, 5 Amy Patterson. Strathspey and Reel, 14 and under: 1 Iain Wylie, 3 Christina McFadyen. Novice March On Bagpipe: 1 Ryan McLachlan.

Music in Hospitals at Auchinlee

AUCHINLEE played host to some professional musicians on Monday evening.

This was part of the event organised for the benefit of charity Music in Hospitals and sees musicians regularly touring Argyll.

Residents at the care home in Campbeltown had the privilege of hearing Ciaran Dorris and Heather Innes including well-known ceilidh favourites and folk music.

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Kintyre Cultural Forum will give out 250 free books in Campbeltown

FREE books will be given out across Campbeltown next week as part of a national event.

The Kintyre Cultural Forum has around 250 free books to be given out as part of World Book Night.

The event will start at Campbeltown Grammar School on Monday

in conjunction with *The Campbeltown Courier* and Skills Development Scotland.

Different

There will be 10 different titles up for grabs as part of the event to be given out at various locations across Campbeltown over Monday, April 23.

Junior piping championships

TOMORROW (Saturday) the annual junior piping championships run by the Kintyre Piping Society will be held.

Taking place in Castlehill Primary School, the event starts

at 9.30am.

Young pipers will descend from all over Scotland for the event and although the numbers are down slightly, the committee hopes to see a high standard of play throughout the day.

Auchinlee tickets still available

THERE are still tickets available for tonight's (Friday) concert in aid of Auchinlee Sensory Garden.

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Across

- 1 Stroke when hurling (4)
- 3 Legitimate (4,4)
- 9 In such respect (7)
- 10 Adjust (5)
- 11 Dark overhead (12)
- 14 Short overcoat? (3)
- 16 Her trousers (5)
- 17 Also (3)
- 18 Occuring at different times (12)
- 21 As it were (5)
- 22 Loudly (7)
- 23 Boa (8)
- 24 Lump of earth (4)

Down

- 1 Between lessons (8)
- 2 Large rodent (5)
- 4 Due to (3)
- 5 Cattle disease (12)
- 6 Put into care of another (7)
- 7 Husband of a Countess (4)
- 8 Brazilian seaport (3,2,7)
- 12 A fish or sail (5)
- 13 Cross looks seen by one in charge? (4-4)
- 15 Buckthorn (7)
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rival of a costly nightmare – but while it may be easy to measure the plus or minus of financial implications, how do you put a figure on the warm glow of self-satisfaction if your dream home becomes reality.

Along with the land, bricks and mortar, you will need large volumes of dedication, commitment

and patience throughout the entire project. It will take longer than you thought. It will probably extend both deadlines and budgets so make a list in large lettering of the top three reasons of why you are constructing your own home – read it regularly, and put it in a prominent position that keeps you focused, especially when the

going gets tough.

Remember that undertaking this self-build is to achieve the home of your dreams.

You will need to inspire others to have the level of enthusiasm for your project as you have. Having the right attitude will fundamentally affect your self-build plan in a positive way.

There are many ways in which you will locate your ideal plot of land. Estate agents, advertisements in newspapers and word of mouth are probably the most common.

Land may also become available via auctions or on-line auction sites. These may appear as a cheap option. And they can be. But they come with their own complications.

Plots being auctioned are often the result of bankruptcy or other problems that make a quick sale desirable for the seller. They are traded on a 'sold as seen' basis. It is up to the bidder to ensure that the details being presented are accurate, suitable to the intended purpose and not without 'hidden' dangers.

If possible, visit any site for sale via an auction and make your own assessment – or better still pay an expert to survey the property or plot on your behalf. It may cost a little, but could save you a lot.

Whatever your chosen route to a piece of land, there are four basic areas to consider before embarking on a plot purchase – ground conditions, planning permission, utilities and services, and any legal considerations.

Ground conditions

Ground conditions are important as it forms the foundations of your dream home. It may be necessary to employ a specialist to ensure that the plot of land is ideally suited for your project. Simple things like a high water table, while not insurmountable, need to be identified, as do more serious issues with potential flooding, industrial or agricultur-



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Something as simple as the incline of the proposed plot should also be noted as this may add extensively to the cost of ground-work prior to the first stages of construction.

When viewing a plot, bear in mind that the overall dimensions should not only be capable of containing the house but that planning authorities may want evidence of sufficient space for parking, garages, or turning vehicles and other amenities in relation to the size of said home.

It is your responsibility to ensure that the dimensions of the land for sale is as stated.

It would also be advisable at this stage to come back from the site and, if possible, view it from a distance.

Planning
Planning is often the biggest single obstacle that a self-builder has to negotiate.

Learn from other people's errors and experiences, and seek help from experts who do these often complex communications with local authorities on a daily basis.

Plots with outline planning permission already granted will cost in the region of 500 per cent more than land without. Obtaining planning from scratch may be time consuming and is not without its pitfalls, but it can also be rewarding if approached correctly.

There are also areas that come under the category of 'designated' – these are subject to complex planning and are probably best avoided by the inexperienced. Designated areas include Green Belts, which are not as the term

suggests open green field sites, they will most likely have strict restrictions on sizes and styles of house building.

Utilities and services
All plots will require utilities and services at some stage.

Plots adjacent to other houses or existing buildings are often easier to get through the planning maze simply because water and power supplies may already be on-hand.

Rural and isolated locations are a very different proposal, with the cost of installing utilities becoming a major cost factor in negotiating the original purchase price of the land.

Legal considerations
Before agreeing to buy building land ask your solicitor to a pre-purchase check for any title issues, the legality of the boundaries, rights of access through, or indeed, on and off the site – there is little point in buying a site that you cannot then gain entry to.

This is particularly relevant if the plot is in a rural or remote location where access is via neighbouring land. Old or verbal agreements between previous landowners/ friends/ neighbours mean nothing and must not be regarded as automatically transferable.

This is also true of shared access, which can sometimes be a very grey area that needs to be clearly defined in writing and map before money changes hands.

Shared access normally also means shared liability in relation to maintenance costs and shared liability for incidents or accidents that happen on that piece of shared land. Sometimes, in order to get planning permission, you will be asked to sign a legal obligation, also known as a planning agreement and in Scotland commonly called a Section 50 Agreement. This can restrict how land is used or make the applicant bear the cost of off-site works

before building work can go ahead.

You will also have to find out if there are any agreements relating to the plot that may have already been signed. As the purchaser, you are legally bound by any agreement that comes with the purchase. It's up to you to find it if it exists.

Also, there may be verbal agreements made with the vendor with regard to building or reinstating walls, fences, drains or even to the extent of getting the vendor's permission before extending, altering or even selling your property – these should be discussed at length with a solicitor before entered into.

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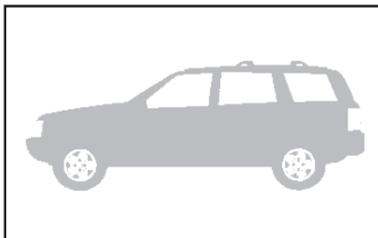
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 would like to thank all her family and friends for their cards, flowers and good wishes following her stay in hospital. Also many thanks to the staff of the Golden Jubilee and Mid Argyll hospitals for their care and attention.



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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

'The Lord ... will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no-one can fathom' (Isaiah 40:28).

BIRTHS



MCQUAKER

Stuart and Fiona are delighted to announce the birth of Kyle Zac, born on April 4, 2012. First grandchild for Donald and Margaret Anderson, Campbeltown and sixth grandchild for Iain and Sheila McQuaker, Irvine. Special thanks to midwives in both Southern General Hospital and Campbeltown, especially Isabel.

ENGAGEMENTS



WELCH - CAMERON

David and Karen (Ardrishaig) are delighted to announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Kathryn Emma (Katy), to Duncan, youngest son of Susan and Sandy (Ardrishaig).

DEATHS

CARRIER - Peacefully at Ninewells Hospital, Dundee, on April 12, 2012, Muriel Gertrude Fleming Morton, in her 97th year, Calasith, Portrigh, Carradale, dearly beloved wife of the late Ken Carrier, much loved mother of Denise, Mike, Gavin and the late Jill and a loving and much loved gran and great gran. Service in Saddell and Carradale Parish Church, on Saturday, April 21 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Brackley Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only and no letters or cards please.

DAY - Peacefully, at the Western Infirmary, Glasgow, on April 10, 2012, James Sydney Day, in his 88th year, Kilirvan Cottage, Southend, dearly beloved husband of the late Margaret, much loved father of Pauline and a much loved and loving grandfather. Service in Southend Parish Church, on Friday, April 20 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Keil Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Macmillan Nurses, Kintyre Locality.

FERGUSON - Peacefully, at the Kintyre Care Centre, Campbeltown, on April 13, 2012, Sarah Irwin Elkin, in her 96th year, Kirknowe, Campbeltown, formerly of Beach Hill, dearly beloved wife of the late Hugh Ferguson, much loved mother of Heather and the late Barbara, stepmother

of Nick and a loving and much loved grandmother and great grandmother. Service in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, on Monday, April 23 at 2.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of Medical Research.

HENLEY PRICE - Very peacefully, at home in Machrihanish, on April 15, 2012, Marjorie Joyce, dearly loved wife of Nick, for 45 years, and a much loved sister, sister-in-law, aunt and great aunt. A funeral and thanksgiving service, to which all friends are invited, will be held at St Kieran Episcopal Church, Argyll Street, Campbeltown, on April 27 at 12.00 noon, and thereafter to Patchan Cemetery. No flowers please. A retiral collection will be held in the church in aid of Campbeltown Community Nursing Team or donations can be sent to the Charity Account in the Clydesdale Bank, Longrow, Campbeltown, PA28 6ER.

MALOY - Peacefully, at the Mid Argyll Hospital, on April 12, 2012, Mary Maloy (née Brooks), aged 87 years, of 7 Tigh-Na-Creige, West Bank Road, Ardrishaig, beloved wife of the late David Robertson Maloy, and loving mother of Ann, Margaret, Andrew and Stephen. Much loved mother-in-law, gran and great gran. A dear neighbour and friend to many. Funeral service was held at Cardross Crematorium on Wednesday, April 18, 2012, followed by a memorial service in Ardrishaig Parish Church. Sadly missed.

MCCOLL - The funeral of the late Flora McColl will take place at Tarbert Free Church, on Wednesday, April 25, at 12 noon, interment thereafter at Carrick Cemetery, to which all family and friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers only please, retiring collection if desired, for Tarbert Parish Church Restoration Fund and Tarbert Senior Citizen's Annual Dinner.

MCSPORRAN - Suddenly at home, Ornum, High Askomil, Campbeltown, on April 17, 2012, Alistair McSporran, in his 58th year, dearly beloved husband of Ann, much loved father of Karen and loving papa of Alex and Jamie. Service in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, on Tuesday, April 24 at 2.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Freeman Hospital Transplant Unit, Newcastle.

ROWLAND - Peacefully at home, Cnoc Araich, Southend, on April 16, 2012, after a long illness, Margaret Rowland, in her 78th year, dearly beloved wife of Roger Rowland,

much loved mother of Kevin and Fiona and a loving and much loved grandmother. Service in Southend Parish Church, on Wednesday, April 25 at 12 noon, funeral thereafter to Keil Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the church.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

TOMISON - Mamie. A Thanksgiving Service will take place for Mamie in Kilmelford Church on Tuesday, April 24, at 2.00pm.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

DEANS - Muriel and family would like to thank, most sincerely, all relatives, friends, neighbours and former work colleagues for their kind expressions of sympathy, flowers, cards and phone calls following the sudden loss of Willie. Thanks to Dr Norrie, Dr Overton, ambulance crew and Rev Philip Burroughs for his comforting service and to all who attended church to pay their respects. Special thanks to Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for carrying out Willie's final wishes at Cardross Crematorium.

WATT - On behalf of Derek, Katie and Ross, Margaret, Fraser and John would like to thank most sincerely everyone for all the support given to them following the sudden death of their beloved daughter, Karen. Heartfelt thanks also to all who travelled from Campbeltown and Carradale to Greenock Crematorium, where again we were overwhelmed by the massive amount of people who came to show their respects for Karen.

IN MEMORIAMS

BLACK - In loving memory of Jean, died April 24, 2011. A precious wife, mother, nana, great nana and sister. Loved and remembered always. - From all the family.

GRAHAM - Treasured memories of my dear wife, Jean McLean, who died April 21, 2007. A loving wife, mother, gran and great gran. 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. - Angus and family, Corby and Fife.

KERR - Steve, died April 24, 1984, aged 16. A wonderful son and brother. Dearly loved and sorely missed always. - Love Mum, Craig and Barrie x.

SMITH - In loving memory of a dear mother and grandmother, Flora Smith, who died April 19, 2010. Always in our thoughts. - The family in Kilmichael Glassary.

STEWART - James. In loving memory of my dear husband, who passed April 21, 2010. A loving father and granda. Gone, but will never be forgotten. God bless you, Granda. Remembered with a smile. - Rachel and family.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH
Sunday, 22nd April, 2012
Ford 10a.m.
Rev. Cliff Acklam
SC002121

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN
Sunday 22 April 2012
11.00am
Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch
Speaker: Graham McLean
"Lord open our eyes!"
Thursday 26 April 2012
7.30pm
Praise, prayer & sharing
All Welcome

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH
Scottish Charity Number SC011686
Sunday, 22nd April
Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m.
(Crèche, Triple C and Bible Class)
Rev. Philip Burroughs
Tuesday, 24th April
Mothers and Toddlers - 9:45 a.m.
Thursday, 26th April
Choir Practice - 7:30 p.m.
Friday, 27th April
Lunch Club - 12:00 noon

WEST LOCHFYNESIDE Church Services
22nd April - all welcome!
Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair
Charity No. SC016097
Morning Service in Lochfyneside (Minard) at 10 am

Glenaray and Inveraray
Charity No. SC016665
Morning Service at 11.30am
Sunday Club Starts again at 11.30am - all children are welcome to join

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND KILBERRY LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 22nd April 2012
Tarbert Service 11.30am
Sunday School 11.20am
Tarbert Arts & Leisure Centre
Rev. Tommy Bryson
Stated Annual Meeting of the Congregation
Thursday 26th April 7.30pm
Tarbert Arts & Leisure Centre
For all church enquiries and pastoral care
Telephone 01880 821012
Everyone very welcome
SC002622

LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
All Welcome
Sunday 22nd April 2012
11.00am Morning Service with communion
Jumpstart Group
Friday 10.00 - 11.30am
Scottish Charity SC015187

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
75 Longrow, Campbeltown
Sunday 22nd April
10.00am Breaking of Bread
Mr Gordon Cosgrove
10.50am Coffee
11.15am Family Service with Sunday School and Creche
Mr R H Craig
7.00pm Youth Group
Wednesday 25th April
10.00am Jellytots - Parent and Toddler Group
7.30pm Bible Study and Prayer
For details & other enquiries contact The Church Secretary
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St. Kieran's Scottish Episcopal Church
Argyll Street, Campbeltown
St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown
Scottish Charity No SC023277
Sunday 22nd April 2012
Third Sunday of Easter
10.45am Family Communion
Details of services are on the church door
Enquiries Tel: 01586 551141
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Burnside Street, Campbeltown
Sunday Services
10.30am Morning Worship
5.45pm Prayer Meeting
6.30pm Evening Worship
Tuesday
12.15pm Over 60's Luncheon Club
1.30pm Adult Home League
Wednesday
7.00pm House Group
Thursday
11.30am Meet 'n' Eat Café
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in
Achoish at 9:45am and
Ardrishaig at 11:00am
Scottish Charity Numbers (SC010713 & SC010782)

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
Charity Number SC001002
Sunday 22 April
Tayvallich Church 11:30 am
Morning worship
Tayvallich Jubilee Green
Sailing Service at 1:00 pm followed by refreshments
Worship led by Rev. Cliff Acklam
All Welcome
Enquiries 01546 606926
www.argyllcommunities.org/NKNAPDALECOFS

FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
George Street Campbeltown
Sunday 22nd April
12.15pm Prayer Meeting
12.45pm Worship Service
Speaker: Mr Calum Ferguson
All Welcome
Scottish Charity Number: SC003847

Highland Parish Church
SC002493
Please note: all services in Kirk St Hall
Sunday 22nd April 2012
11.15am
Morning Service
FunDay Club (3yrs - P5) JaM (P6+)
12.10pm Prayer time
Tuesday 24th April 7.00pm
Campbeltown Churches Together
Lorne and Lowland New Hall 7.30pm
Scottish Bible Society
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Kid's outdoor football season gets underway

MORE than 80 children of primary and secondary school age braved the weather on Monday evening for the start of the Campbeltown and District Juvenile Football Association's (CDJFA) outdoor football season.

Taking place on the Meadows Millennium Playing Field in Campbeltown every Monday night during term time, any boy or girl in these age groups with an interest in playing football in Kintyre to come along and take part.

Primary one to seven age groups start at 6pm

for one hour with secondary school, S1-S4, starting 30 minutes later and finishing at 8pm.

The focus of the Monday night sessions are purely to play football with four-a-side and seven-a-side games organised.

It's an ideal time to introduce children of primary one age group to the game of football as the organisers are able to split the groups based on age

The association is also keen to encourage secondary school kids with a view to starting a sev-

en-a-side league at this age level.

CDJFA coach Willie Renton said: 'The turn out for the start of the new season was great considering the evening we had.'

'All the kids were keen to get out there and play and we look forward to seeing them again next Monday and anyone else with an interest in playing football.'

The season runs from April until October, except school summer holidays, with annual registration forms available on the night.



Left to right: Ken Bryce, John MacDougall, Lorne Clark, Edith Williams, Iain McArthur, Jessie MacDougall, Duncan Johnstone, Margaret Sinclair, Archie Graham and John McCallum.

Tayinloan season comes to an end with a dinner and prizegiving

THE winter season at Tayinloan Bowling Club was brought to a close recently with an excellent dinner at Bellochantuy.

This was followed by the prize giving where the following prizes were presented: Ladies Section: Knockout Cup winner Margaret Sinclair, runner up Jessie McDougall, League Champion Enid Williams, League runner up Margaret Sinclair. Mixed Doubles: winners Archie Graham and Betty McCormick.

Gent's section: Christmas pairs John McDougall and John McCallum; Doubles winners Lorne Clark and Ken Bryce; singles Knockout cup winner Robert Currie, runner up Ken Bryce. League champion Duncan Johnstone and runner up Robert Currie.

Missing from the photo of prize winners are Robert Currie and this season's star octogenarian Betty McCormick who also won SWRI pairs competition partnered by Enid Williams.



Steven wins McKerral Singles

STEVEN Jordan won the Alex McKerral Singles on Monday night, with Ian Smith coming as runner up.

Held in the Argyll Arms Hotel, Southend, Steven played some fantastic darts all night.

There were 180 scores by Steven Jordan and Kenny Docherty. A total of £50 was raised on the night, which will be donated to charity.

Thanks to Lynn and Malcolm for donating the prizes and the use of the venue. This Monday, April 23, is another charity event with Roy's competition in the Fiddlers.



Lynn Crawford and Malcolm Maguire, right, with winner Steve Jordan, centre.



Left to right, back row: Coach Fiona Irwin, Imogen Houston, Hannah Oman, Ruth Turner, Eilidh Johnstone and Abbie Mathieson; front row: Cameron Reid and Josh McSporran.

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Junior triathlon training starts

SEVEN young people completed the first block of junior triathlon training over the Easter break.

The children, aged from 10 to 11, took part in the Aqua Tri Star training and were put through their paces for swimming, cycling and running.

The block of training finished with a 'Tri for 10' triathlon challenge at which they all excelled.

Coach Fiona Irwin told *The Courier*: 'I am very proud of all my triathletes, they all threw themselves into their training all week then tried hard for and achieved their personal best on the day.'

All the children managed to set personal bests to chase and had a week of fun exercise.

The next step will be to organise the level two courses and details on this will be confirmed shortly.

Texas Scramble at Carradale

CARRADALE Golf Club recently held a very successful Easter Texas Scramble which is now to be known as 'The Cordiner Cup' and will be held annually. The competition has been sponsored by Dr Carolyn Cordiner and family in memory of her late husband Dr Jim

Cordiner, who was an ardent supporter and member of the club.

Competition
Fourteen teams of four players took part in the nine-hole competition and the winners of The Cordiner Cup were Stuart Walker, Jack Hally, Laura McGeachy and Murray Headrick.

Training schedules for MOK Run in June

PLACES are still available for the junior races at this year's Mull of Kintyre run on June 3.

There will be a two-km race for 11 to 14 year olds and a 1km race for six to 10 year olds.

For those adults running the 10k or half marathon there are only six weeks to go until race day.

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 informa-

tion visit www.mokrun.com.

10K schedule	
Weeks to Go = 6	
from Monday April 23	
Mon	30 minutes
Tue	20 minutes
Wed	15 minutes
Thu	25 minutes
Fri	20 minutes
Sat	REST
Sun	20 minutes

Half marathon training schedule

Start Date: Tuesday April 24, 2012

Weeks to go: 6

Day	Session	Distance	Pace min/mile	Time
Tue 24/4	Slow run/walk	5miles	12:00	approx 60 mins
Thu 26/4	Faster run/walk	3miles	10:30	approx 32mins
Sun 29/4	Easy run/walk	10miles	12:30	approx 2 hrs 5mins
Total		18miles		3hrs 35mins

Soccer Centre starts up again

CAMPBELTOWN Soccer Centre starts again tonight (Friday) on the Meadows at 6pm.

These sessions are aimed at kids from Primary 1 to Secondary 2 and focuses on developing skills along with other aspects.

With coaches attending recent SFA courses, Campbeltown and District Juvenile Football Association would encourage children to attend and develop their football talent.

Forms are available from McKellar's Grocery Store, Main Street, Campbeltown or at the first session with the block running for 10 weeks.

Sessions last one hour for primary 1, 2 and 3 who finish at 7pm and an extra 30 minutes for P4 to S2 who will finish at 7.30pm. Please remember to bring your child along 10 minutes before the start of each session to allow the coaches to prepare based on numbers.

Football trip to Lochgilphead

TOMORROW (Saturday), Campbeltown and District Juvenile Football Association will travel to Lochgilphead tomorrow to take part in organised four and seven-a-side games with Lochgilphead Soccer Centre.

Details of the trip will be handed out to children tonight, Friday, at the Soccer Centre sessions, if not received on Monday.

Three number lottery

DUNAVERTY'S three-number lottery has rolled over to a jackpot of £500. There were no winners in the previous draw and the numbers were 8, 14 and 15.

The next draw will take place this Sunday, April 29.

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

Peter in charge

CAMPBELTOWN referee Peter McCallum, who had an excellent match, took charge of the game between Oban Saints and Rolls Royce EK last Saturday.

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First jacks of the season

DONNA McCrimmon, the president's daughter, throw the first jack on Saturday at Argyll Bowling Club to mark the opening of the green.

President, Donny McCrimmon, welcomed all to the opening and a minute's silence was then observed for all previous members who have passed away this year; the silence was ended by a solo piper, John McGeachy.

Great grand daughter of Neil and Pat McCallum, Fallon Dunlop presented Donna with a basket of flowers.

The bowling green was in tremendous condition and 12 teams took to the green in the annual president's team versus vice president's team.

The overall score was a closely fought contest with the vice president, Bill Brannigan's team just beating Donny's 99 - 96.

Highest up rink for the president was Ricky Cameron, Neil McCallum and skip Matt McPhee who stormed away into a lead with Neil's first two bowls of the season being 'touchers'.

Highest up rink for

the vice president was Stephen McCallum, Sean Grumoli and skip Bill Brannigan.

The day's events were followed by a very welcome and enjoyable buffet.

The indoor carpet season prize giving was held after the opening of the green. Liz McCrimmon, the president's wife presented the following prizes.

Club Triples: winners Janette Thomson, Jamie McLean and Davie Reid (s), runners-up Marcia Ball, Neil McPhail and Antony Fox (s); Two Bowl Pairs winners Marcia Ball and Davie Reid, runners-up Lee Allan and Kathleen McGougan; Ladies Championship winner Kathleen McGougan, runner up Janette Thomson; Gents Championship winner John McLachlan, runner up Bobby Mathieson.



Prize winners with president Donny McCrimmon, his wife Liz and vice president Bill Brannigan.

runner-up Gary Grumoli; Vice President's Shield winner Calum Black, runner up Davie Reid; President's Cup winner Bobby Mathieson, runner up Grant Grant; Junior Championship winner Gary Grumoli, runner up Gavin McLachlan; Senior Championship winner Andrew Ronald snr, runner up Kathleen McGougan; Ladies Championship winner Kathleen McGougan, runner up Janette Thomson; Gents Championship winner John McLachlan, runner up Bobby Mathieson.



Donna McCrimmon threw the jack to mark the opening of the green. 20_c16bowl01



MOIRA Wareham, ladies' president at Stronvaar Bowling Club threw the jack at the club on Saturday to mark the green opening. Hannah Gilchrist presented her with flowers in front of the members of the club after a minute's silence was held in honour of club members who had passed away during the year. 20_c16str01

Pupils lose out to league leaders

SAFL Premier Division Two
Alba Thistle 4

Campbeltown Pupils 2
THE McFadyen-sponsored Campbeltown Pupils will be disappointed to have come away empty handed from a game where they had the bulk of possession and chances.

Early misses came back to haunt Pupils as the home side gained the lead from a free kick on the left flank. A simple delivery was flicked to the back post where the incoming forward scored with ease.

The home side went further ahead when a strong run and cross was turned into his own net by the diving Lamont, an unfortunate goal to lose at a crucial stage of the match.

Credit to them, the Pupils didn't let their heads drop and began the second half brightly. They soon reduced the arrears when a neat interchange released Gary Grumoli, who scored with a fine drive into the bottom corner.

But almost immediately, that good work was undone. Another free

kick was left unchallenged leaving Alba's forward to nip in and convert a third off the inside of a post.

Again the visitors fought back, and were awarded a penalty kick when Grumoli was up-ended in the box. His brother Paul stepped up and sent the keeper the wrong way.

Yet again though, things went wrong, as Paul was dismissed for a second booking with half an hour remaining.

Ten-man Pupils went forward in search of an equaliser, but it was the

home side that scored again. Final score 4-2.

Verdict on the Pupils performance - good possession and team spirit, but defending, as a unit must improve in the short-term.

The team is at home to Dunoon tomorrow, kick off at 2pm.

Football course a winner with youngsters

A FIVE-day Easter football course has been hailed a great success as local children took to the Meadows Playing Field for coaching sessions.

Some as young as three took part during the Easter holidays, and Argyll and Bute Council's Football Development Officer, Martin Rae, said the numbers attending were the highest throughout Argyll and Bute, once again.

There were 13 pre school age children enjoyed the 45-minute mini kickers course, held for the first time, taking part each day.

Martin said this was followed by 28 children attending four hours each day.

'The attendance numbers at our courses in 2012 here in Campbeltown have been just brilliant and the feedback is all very positive,' Martin told *The Courier*.

'We have a one-day course coming up in May followed by our five-day football camp during the school holidays in July and we look forward to delivering new materials at these.'

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