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Teenager killed in car crash

Scott was a 'kind, gentle and warm-hearted young man'

A YOUNG Campbeltown man who died in a car accident at the weekend has been described by friends as being 'one in a million' and 'so popular'.

Tributes poured in for Scott Morrison who died following a crash on the B842 Campbeltown to Stewarton road on Saturday night.

Police were called to the scene at Moy after a report of a one vehicle crash at 10.55pm.

The 19-year-old died at the scene, while a male passenger in the car, also 19, was taken to Campbeltown Hospital where he was treated for minor injuries.

It is understood that Scott's car had been travelling towards Stewarton.

Police are continuing their enquiries into the accident and asking anyone with any information to call 101.

Scott worked at Wind

Towers (Scotland) Ltd, Machrihanish where the company flag was flown at half mast this week.

Dedicated

He was a dedicated member of Campbeltown Young Firefighters.

Campbeltown Grammar School, where he was a former pupil, left a message on its website extending condolences to his family and friends.

It said: 'Pupils and staff in Campbeltown Grammar School are much saddened to learn of the death in a road traffic accident of our former pupil, Scott Morrison.'

'Our sincere sympathy is with Scott's family and friends and with Campbeltown Young Firefighters to whom Scott was so committed.'

'Scott was a kind, gentle and warm-hearted

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One of the many tributes left at the scene of the accident. 08_c21crash01

Flowers and football shirts have been placed at the scene. Inset: Scott Morrison

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Questions asked over whether methadone clinic is 'right service' for Campbeltown

THE CONVENOR of Campbeltown Community Council does not think NHS Highland has the 'right service' for users of the proposed methadone prescription service.

Andrew Hemmings, speaking at Monday night's meeting of the community council, explained he felt the methadone service was a 'fait accompli' and that members, previously

opposed to it, needed to support the Kintyre Alcohol and Drug Addiction Service (KADAS) to get service users what they need.

Attended

Nona Ruesgen, of KADAS, who attended the meeting, said they are currently working with nine service users, but believe there could be as many as 20 to 30 people in need of methadone in Kintyre.

She also expressed worries over whether the NHS' programme would be able to give service users the kind of support they need.

She explained: 'We have to listen to what service users say works for them.'

'We have to be strict, we have got to be structured. We have really regular contact with them.'

'A drug treatment and

testing order is a voluntary agreement between a person and the court. They have to be tested randomly and frequently and there needs to be regular progress made.'

If no progress is made they're taken off the programme.

She added that nurses and doctors are needed as methadone is a very dangerous drug, but the social side, which KADAS provides, is also very important as they can work on the issues behind drug use.

NHS Highland said the new service plan was developed jointly with KADAS and service user representatives as part of a working group.

A spokeswoman added: 'Substitute prescribing is merely one small part of the package of support provided by Argyll and Bute Addictions Team and KADAS to address the problems presented by substance misusers. The staff are trained to help people to identify the root causes of their addiction and to offer various strategies to help them recover from addiction.'

'When implemented the service offered in Kintyre will be comprehensive, structured and evidence based.'



Author Lori Don enjoying a captive audience at Castlehill Primary School last week. 08_c20author01

Children's author visits Kintyre

VISITS from a children's author left dozens of young school pupils gripped and hanging on for more.

Entranced by a reading by Lori Don, the youngsters were also delighted at being challenged by her to come up with a 'cliffhanger' of their own.

Ms Don read from Maze Running, the fourth and final book in her series of adventure stories 'set in the magic of the Scottish landscape'.

Ancient history

Maze Running features Dunnad, near Kilmartin, an area steeped in ancient history.

Kate Moody, education officer with Kilmartin Museum, which arranged the author's visits to Castlehill and Dalintober primary schools, said: 'She was so inspiring when she did an outdoor session at Dunnad last year that

we thought we would have to bring her back.'

Ms Don, a full-time writer from Moray but now based in Edinburgh, said: 'Talking to children is as much as part of my job as writing and I love doing it.'

'It is fantastic to see their imaginations fired up.'

The author spoke to children from Castlehill, Dalintober, Drumlemble and Southend schools last week.

Yvonne Graham, 11, of Castlehill, said: 'She told us how to make up a cliffhanger and then we were given the chance to imagine our own. It was really exciting.'

Schoolmate Jade Graham, 11, said: 'I thought she would be here just to talk about her books, but she included us in everything.'

Mussell Ebb Bistro to close

THE MUSSELL Ebb Bistro in the Aqualibrium will close this summer, according to Argyll and Bute Council, but the future of its staff is still unknown.

Marked

The café was marked for closure as part of the council's budget cuts in February and discussions for what will happen to the space it uses is still unknown.

A spokeswoman for the

council told the *Courier* the council is still going through the consultation period with staff.

In the budget pack there are suggestions staff could either be made redundant or moved elsewhere. It also suggests offering the facility to a private company, but if this proves impossible the space may instead have vending machines and more gym equipment.

A council spokeswoman said: 'Looking for somebody else would be the best option but that depends on whether someone else comes forward.'

Consult

'The important thing is that we consult with staff at the moment.'

An exact date for the café's closure is unknown, but the council has stated it will be some time this summer.



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young man. Everyone liked him.

'We are a school family and there will be support for any pupil upset by this tragic event - please let any member of staff know whenever this is needed.'

Attracted

A Facebook page set up for friends and family of Scott has already

attracted a huge number of responses.

One message said: 'You were always smiling. Pretty sure everyone will miss seeing you around the town and seeing your cheeky wee smile, sleep tight.'

Extensive tributes, including flowers and football jerseys, have also been left at the scene of the accident.

Tenants face massive heating bills

HOUSING association properties in Tarbert are lying damp and empty because coal fires were removed, it is being claimed.

Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA) tenants are also reportedly facing massive heating bills of £70-£80 a week with replacement systems.

One couple, Laura and Bruce Walker, have been in a lengthy stand-off with ACHA, which is insisting on changing the heating in their home at 11 Oakfield.

'We are happy with our multi-burner which heats our water and radiators for £150 a month,' said Mrs Walker.

'ACHA wants to switch us to wet electric which we know is costing people double that and causing damp.'

'Now it has cancelled our rewiring because we won't co-operate over the fire.'

ACHA chief executive Alastair MacGregor said: 'We intend to meet with Mr and Mrs Walker to go through the options for heating systems. This may involve an electric system with the option of keeping

an open fire with the tenant being responsible for upkeep of the second system.'

Councillor John McAlpine, from Tarbert, has asked ACHA on 'numerous occasions' for coal fires to be retained as a cheaper heating option and because of dampness concerns.

He told the *Courier*: 'We have five or six houses in the village void because the tenants have been decanted until dampness and repairs can be sorted.'

'Some are facing real financial hardship because of heating bills. Others are suffering the damp because the only place they can be decanted to now is Lochgilphead.'

'Tenants in Tayinloan are also set to lose their fires.'

Mr MacGregor added: 'For technical reasons, it is not always possible to retain solid fuel central heating systems.'

'The association board has agreed tenants in Cara View, Tayinloan who have solid fuel central heating can retain an open fire as long as a mandate is signed for any future flue renewals.'



Laura Walker with her daughter, Chloe and the multi-burner fire the family are determined to hang on to. 20_c21fire01



Catherine Gibb shows one of the many areas of damp in her home in Church Terrace, Tarbert. 08_c21fire02

Tenant told to open her windows more

CATHERINE Gibb says all three bedrooms in her ACHA home at 7d Church Terrace, Tarbert, have serious damp.

However, she said she was told by housing staff to open her windows more.

'That is not going to happen when the wet electric ACHA put in is costing us up to £80 a week in winter,' she said.

'We are really struggling with that cost and I've walls black with damp.'

Catherine, 52, and husband Jim, 58, share their home with son, Craig, 18, daughter Kelly, 21, and Kelly's 21-month-old son, Fraser.

'I'm sure Craig's asth-

ma has also got worse since we were given the new heating three years ago,' said Catherine.

'I want my coal fire back, like about a dozen others in the village.'

'I was told by ACHA that would cost us £2,500. We can't afford that, and why should we pay it? We didn't ask for the change.'

'We could get moved to Lochgilphead, but this is where we work.'

Condensation
ACHA chief executive Alastair MacGregor said: 'It is the association's belief that the issues at Mrs and Mrs Gibb's property are related to condensation and not dampness.'

'Advice has been giv-

en on proper use of the heating systems and how to alleviate condensation.

'If a tenant wishes to

change their heating type and we can approve it on technical grounds then the tenant would have to pay for that.'

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Wee Pictures celebrates 100 years

'The point is to try and be sustainable'

'CINEMA Paradiso on the Kintyre peninsula' is how Peter Irvine, a writer for *Scotland the Best*, described Campbeltown's Picture House Cinema.

As the building celebrates its 100th year with fireworks and a special film screening, it is easy to forget just how unique the Wee

Pictures is. Jane Mayo, chairwoman of the cinema's board of directors, said: 'People don't realise its importance nationally or internationally.'

Not only is it the oldest purpose built cinema in Scotland which is still showing films, but also one of the oldest

continuously running cinemas in the world.

The Picture House opened on May 26 1913, after businessmen travelling up and down to Glasgow on the steamer saw the first early cinemas in the city and decided Campbeltown needed one.

It was built by cinema architect AV Gardener and seated 640 people. Much like today, it was supported by its community.

'At the beginning, 41 local people supported it. In a way, it's always been a community venture owned by the town,' explained Jane, 'In terms of community businesses it's probably unique. How many community businesses have lasted that long?'

'Way ahead'

According to Dr Gordon Barr, an expert on Scottish cinemas, Campbeltown is 'way ahead of the trend' in this respect.

He said: 'The latest thing is the renaissance of communities clubbing together to run cinemas as community businesses.'

Campbeltown Community Business Association took over in 1988.

Gordon added: 'It's quite special and quite



Campbeltown's Picture House Cinema, which is set to celebrate its 100th birthday this weekend. 20_c21cinema01



The two houses inside the cinema, which are a feature of atmospheric architecture, giving the impression the audience is sitting outside.

unusual. This is due to the fact that the cinema is also one of the only surviving buildings using atmospheric architecture, demonstrated by the two small houses which sit on either side of the screen.

'It was a trend from the USA. It gives the impression that actually you're sitting outside in some Mediterranean country watching the film under the stars. However,

it was a short-lived fad.'

As for the cinema's future, after a very difficult period, the board of directors feel they can keep it going and at the same time, take it back to its heyday.

Sustainable

Jane explained: 'The point is to try and be sustainable.'

'We will do a complete refurbishment to make it a modern, up to date, cinema going experience to ensure

another 100 years of life.'

This overhaul will include using an installed satellite to show live performances of the opera in the National Theatre, allowing a wider audience to enjoy their local cinema.

With its future hopefully secure, audiences can continue to enjoy new films while sitting under the painted stars.

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Campbeltown dementia sufferers now have a nursing champion

DEMENTIA sufferers in the Campbeltown area now have a nurse appointed to fight their corner.

Hilary Lawrie, a staff nurse at Campbeltown Hospital's acute ward, was among the first 22 from NHS Highland to graduate last week as dementia champions – front-line members of staff who will help ensure those with the con-

dition get the care and support they need.

Ms Lawrie graduated after a six-month training programme in which topics included screening and assessment, the hospital environment, communication and planning for discharge.

Three of NHS Highland's other dementia champions – dementia nurse practitioner Caroline Parr and vio-

lence, aggression and prevention advisors Angela Caruana and Lilia Coyne – work across the health board's area.

Funded

The network of dementia champions is being developed across Scottish hospitals through a programme funded by the Scottish Government and delivered by the charity Alzheimer Scotland and

the University of the West of Scotland.

In Highland, the champions are being supported by Ruth Mantle, appointed last year as the area's first Alzheimer Scotland dementia nurse consultant.

She said: 'It is important these patients get the dignified care they deserve, and our new dementia champions will help ensure they do.'



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Ready to run 'a-MOK' again

HE IS raring to go again for this year's MOK run 10k on Sunday, even though he is pretty sure he will be last.

'Well, I was last year and I was fitter then,' laughed 82-year-old Ian Teesdale, of Askomil Road, Campbeltown, the event's oldest competitor.

'I'm certainly not as frisky as I used to be. I ran all the way last year but some ladies who were walking still pulled away from me.

'I've also been way-laid by the garden recently and not running at all.'

A regular MOK participant, the retired naval lieutenant commander will be accompanied on the course this year by daughters Diana and Elizabeth and granddaughters Sally and Amilia.



MOK's oldest participant Ian Teesdale.
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and 10k race organiser Elaine McGeachy hopes Campbeltown residents will again turn out in their droves to cheer on the Teesdales and all the weekend's competitors. Elaine is also grateful to those giving their support as race helpers and marshalls, and says more volunteers would be welcome - 'just turn up at the Victoria Hall at 9.30am'.

Entries are now full for the children's races starting at 2pm on the

Saturday, with registration from 1pm.

Elaine reminded runners for Sunday's races that they can pick up their numbers, timing chips and tickets from Aqualibrium on the Saturday between 1pm and 5pm, as well as from 8.30am on the Sunday.

The race expo, Saturday 1pm-8pm, will feature numerous attractions including free massages, face painting, and presentations by Campbeltown Running Club, JogScotland, Triathlon Scotland and chi running expert Nick Constantine.

A ticket for the Pasta Party, in Aqualibrium's Mussel Ebb, 6pm - 8pm Saturday, is offering more than ever, with a main course, buffet salad, refreshment, dessert and teas and coffees.

The races begin at 10.30am.



Pupils and staff of Dalintober PS spent a very comfortable day in their 'onesies' to raise funds for The Sunday Mail's National Onesie Day last Friday. A grand total of £183.43 was raised for various charities including Breast Cancer Care, Mary's Meals, Childline, CHAS and many more.

Window smashed

POLICE at Campbeltown are appealing for information after a window was found smashed at an office of the town's Highland Parish Church.

It is believed the vandalism occurred before last Friday.

Planning applications

AN application for planning permission has been lodged with Argyll and Bute Council to build three houses on ground between The Carradale Hotel and Lochpark, Carradale.

Applications have also been received for: the removal of an existing polytunnel and erection of a research building at Machrihanish by the Marine Environment Research Laboratory, University of Stirling; two 20-metre high turbines at 10 Moy, Campbeltown; a wind turbine on land south of Crosshill Farm, Tomaig Road.

Thieves target unoccupied buildings

POLICE warn that thieves may have been targeting unoccupied properties in Kintyre.

It follows the report of a theft in the Crossaig area and the subsequent recovery of stolen property from a house in Carradale.

A Campbeltown Police spokesman said: 'We think that items have been taken from a number of unoccupied properties.'

A man and woman have been charged in connection with a number of thefts.

Correction

IN our leader column two weeks' ago we wrongly referred to Major Duncan McMillan as Duncan McCallum. Our apologies to him and members of his family.

The previous week, the *Courier* also wrongly described the Argyll Arms in Southend as a pub when in fact, as owner Lynn Crawford pointed out, it is a hotel.

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Kintyre Ayrshire Breeders are just 'supreme'

IF a cattle judge had been involved to hand out rosettes, the good farmers of Kintyre may well have been awarded 'Supreme Champions' last weekend for their efforts. For, if the repeated praise and plaudits were anything to go by, it would appear that the members of Kintyre and District Ayrshire Breeders Club oversaw the best AGM and conference in the Ayrshire Cattle Society's long and venerable history.

For three days, hundreds of delegates, farmers and agricultural representatives from all over the UK and Ireland were shown the best hospitality Kintyre had to offer and they lapped it all up - the scenery, the great accommodation with amazing views, the farm visits, the varied entertainment and the wonderful food.

Farmers generally pick their words carefully and have usually acquired a keen eye for detail. So when highly respected members of the Ayrshire Cattle Society gave fulsome praise of the Campbeltown conference, as they did last week, we can assume it was not done lightly.

East Sussex farmer David Heasman, an 81-year-old veteran of many conferences around the country, declared unequivocally that Kintyre had organised the best event ever. It was a sentiment echoed by the new society president, Colin Christophers, from Cornwall, who told dinner guests on the final night that he would not even pretend to match the Kintyre conference when it was his turn to host the AGM next year.

The conference was three years in the preparing amid the busy working lives of the Kintyre organising committee and its members certainly put the area on the map and did it proud in so many ways. They should take a well-earned bow.

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Shocked and angered

Sir,
I was both shocked and angered by the comments quoted from Cath Cakebread in last week's *Courier*, where she likens heroin addiction to diabetes. I have a niece who has been on insulin for type 1 diabetes since she was 18 months old. In the early years this caused a great deal of anxiety for all family members.

She later developed coeliac disease, adding to the stresses and strains of every day life. Even now, as a teenager, problems can arise quite frequently with these two life threatening illnesses.

My niece has been an inspiration to a lot of people who have known her, and unlike a heroin addict, she injects several times a day to stop her getting 'high'. I would suggest that Cath Cakebread is unsuited for her role, since she is clearly ignorant of basic medical facts.

Iain McKerral
Campbeltown

Greed at the root of the council's woes

Sir,
I write to you in response to the comments attributed to Councillor Iain MacDonald and Councillor Donald Kelly in last week's *Campbeltown Courier* and also the *Oban Times* under the headline 'Greed at the root of the councils woes'.

This might be their belief and indeed it is always populist to malign politicians as greedy, but it is not my experi-

ence. I have seen at first hand the volume of work done, in spite of unprecedented levels of anonymous abuse and pressure heaped upon many fellow councillors and their families, and particularly on Roddy McCuish and James Robb.

I'm sure it would be with a sigh of relief that James resigned, but it will not be without regret because both James and Roddy are truly committed to service of the people, not only to the people who elected them but to the whole of Argyll and Bute.

I look forward to Iain MacDonald and Donald Kelly matching their example and pace in order to deliver greater value for money for the people of Argyll and Bute.

Councillor John Semple.

State of the roads on Islay

Sir,
A third of Scotland's roads are in ruins - forcing councils to pay £1.2million in compensation last year to drivers of damaged vehicles.

A report by Audit Scotland revealed there are more potholes per mile on routes north of the border than anywhere else in Britain.

However, despite their shocking state, spending on road repairs has been slashed from almost £500million in 2009 to £400million in 2011.

Nowhere more can we see this than on Islay, an island that contributes hundreds of millions of pounds in tax per year from our whisky revenue alone.

The little funds we do receive are squandered. Take for example the Bridgend to

Port-Ellen high road on Islay, where a vast quantity of new (and no doubt expensive) metal passing place signs have been installed, most of which are placed less than 25 metres apart thereby marking already clearly visible passing places. Argyll and Bute Council has ample money to waste on embarrassing quantities of signs where they are not needed but no funds to fix the actual roads. It would seem that this is not just a question of lack of funding but also a question over effective management.

All this is happening against the back drop of a chaotic collapse of Argyll and Bute's ruling administration, publicly broadcast childish e-mail fights between the administration's councillors on May 10 and the attempts to form a rainbow coalition derailed by the SNP national leadership thus resulting in the forced resignation of the council leader.

The quality of leadership of the council appears to have a lot in common with the condition of our roads and frankly the people of Islay and the rest of Argyll and Bute deserve better.

Alistair Redman
Portnahaven
Islay

Red Cross Humanitarian Citizen Awards

Sir,
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Started in 2005, the awards are a celebration of our young people and the amazing things that they do. You can help your local heroes gain the recognition they deserve by nominating them for a Humanitarian Citizen Award. They don't need to have any connection with the Red Cross.

I am sure you know young people, aged 25 or under, who have made a difference to someone's life or to the lives of the whole community. Show your pride by nominating them for the Red Cross Humanitarian Citizen Awards 2013.

There are four categories within the awards - first aid, fundraising, community action and volunteering.

It's easy to nominate your young heroes. Simply go to redcross.org.uk/theaward, click on the 'Make a nomination' button and follow the instructions on screen. Nominations are open till 14 July, and the awards ceremony will be on 5 October 2013.

A couple of minutes of your time is all it takes to show them how much they are appreciated.

Sir Nick Young,
chief executive,
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Motorists urged to watch for horses on Kintyre's roads

WITH an average of 16 riders killed on UK roads each year, warnings have been sounded to Kintyre motorists to be aware of horses on the road.

Most of the collisions involving vehicles and horses happen on minor roads.

In a country of three million horse owners, there is also an average of eight road accidents every day.

'I don't think enough drivers are fully aware of their responsibilities around horses,' said Lee Bastow, of Clachan, who has two animals, Daisy and Carrie.

'Drivers need to slow

right down and show proper consideration for the animals.

Consideration

'We are now getting to the time of year when riders are taking their horses out more, so I would urge motorists to show us proper consideration.

'Would they also have time to slow down properly if they turned a corner and came across a horse?'

Last year one young driver in Kintyre was issued with an anti social behaviour order for driving too fast near a horse.

Mrs Bastow, secretary of West Kintyre Com-

munity Council, said she felt there was also a lack of understanding among landowners about where horses can go.

Access

'Like pedestrians and cyclists, the Scottish Outdoor Access Code

allows horse riders to go pretty much anywhere providing you do not cause any damage,' she added.

'That also means that access should be allowed and gates not locked.'



Lee Bastow, right, from Clachan, and Julie Sloan from Sound of Kintyre take the horses, Daisy and Carrie, for a walk on the quiet roads of Gigha. 08_c19horse01

Kintyre Club seek applications

THE Kintyre Club is seeking applications for its next round of donations to be considered by directors next month.

To apply for a grant, please contact The Kintyre Club, c/o The Ugadale Hotel, Machrihanish or email Keith Martin at keith@machdunes.com by June 1.

The primary goal of the recently re-established club is to follow in the charitable tradition of the original Kintyre Club, which was in existence from 1825 until 1981. Accordingly, all member dues are used to fund worthy causes in the Kintyre region.

Priority for donations is given to organisations recognised by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator and/or benefiting children in the Kintyre Peninsula.



A QUIZ held in aid of kids' football in south Kintyre raised £684 towards their funds. Some of the youngsters from primary one are pictured receiving goods donated by Campbeltown's Co-op which helped towards the evening.

Campbeltown and District Juvenile Football Association would like to thank Helen Gilchrist for all her efforts in hosting the evening at Stronvaar Bowling Club, which was attended by 35 teams and more than 100 people.

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Gala evening celebrates 100 years of the Wee Pictures

Three paintings will be auctioned to raise funds

ON SUNDAY evening, people from across Kintyre will be gathering for a Gala Evening to celebrate 100 years of Campbeltown's cinema.

Tickets for the event have been available since the beginning of the month



Local artist Ronald Togneri donated this painting for auction.



A watercolour by the late Fen Sutherland.

and are free, with entry by donation on Sunday night.

Doors will open at 7pm, with Campbeltown Brass performing live music from 7.30pm.

Centenary Project Patron, Liz Lochhead, will say a few words, before a short review of film over the past 100 years will take place. The main feature will be Baz Luhrmann's *The Great Gatsby*.

Immediately after the performance there will be fireworks for 20 minutes on the waterfront.

As the cinema continues to need funds, it is currently auctioning three paintings of the building, with sealed bids to be handed in to The Picture House or emailed to info@weepictures.co.uk by tomorrow.



This painting, also up for auction, was produced by an American who visited the town.



The Kintyre Piping Society Junior Piping and Drumming Competitions. Back row: Willie McCallum, Calum McKillop, Christina McFadyen, Amy Paterson, Commander John Wilson. Front row: Ross Conner and Scot McLachlan.

New pipe band season kicks off with the British Championships

THE NEW pipe band season is kicking off again this weekend with the British Pipe Band Championships in Bathgate.

Kintyre Schools Pipe Band are set to perform in the juvenile grade at 12.14pm in Meadow Park, Bathgate, where they will be competing against seven other bands.

Improve

They hope to improve on their fourth place from last year's championships in Annan.

'Most of us are a bit busy with Standard Grades and Highers at the moment,' said piper Donnie McKerral, 'And some of us will not be competing at Bathgate because of exams on Monday. However, we have been working hard all winter and are hoping for a clean run with no mistakes.'

The novice band, now in its second competitive season, was due to compete on May 12 at Gourrock Highland Games but unfortunat-

ly the Games were cancelled due to bad weather.

Disappointed

Pipe Major Peter Ferguson explained: 'My pipers and drummers were very disappointed. This is the second year in a row that we've had to cancel our trip to Gourrock.'

'They too have been working hard for this season and are now looking forward to a good strong performance at the Bearsden Highland Games on June 8.'

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Rising stars to perform at Kintyre Songwriters Festival

THIS weekend sees a number of rising music stars descend on Campbeltown to perform at the annual Kintyre Songwriters Festival.

Now in its sixth year, the festival has become the place to see the musical stars of tomorrow, after beginning as a tribute to local singer songwriter, the late Kenneth Gilchrist.

The festival kicks off tonight with rock night at Whisky Macs. There will be nine local bands performing original material, including A New Hope, The Twisted Melons and Violent Echo.

The Twisted Melons are comprised of the three Johnson brothers and have a sound which mixes psychedelic hard rock, folk, pop, funk, fusion and electronica.

Meanwhile, Violent Echo, formed in 2002, consists of Jamie Leask, drums Iain Maclean, lead guitar and backing vocals, Andrew Martin, lead vocals and rhythm

guitar and David Wood, bass guitar and backing vocals.

They have played at numerous large events both as headline and supporting acts.

Tomorrow afternoon, an acoustic open stage will take place, which will involve several of the festival's artists.



Emma's Imagination will be playing on Sunday evening.

That evening, the Saturday showcase at the White Hart will start from 7pm, featuring headliner Rachel Sermanni, who appeared on

the BBC's Hogmanay Live 2012. Rachel has also supported Mumford and Sons on tour, as well as John Grant and Newton Faulkner. She has recently travelled to India to write, record and perform with Indian musicians Papon and Bikram Gosh.

She will be joined by Kenyan-born, Glasgow based singer songwriter Genesee, who won the Danny Kyle Award in 2013.

Also taking to the stage is Kerri Watt, who has toured in Los Angeles and is set to launch her debut EP later this year.

Local artists Davy Robertson and Alex McAllister, Fuji above the Lightning, The Gilchristians and The Wild Sarachs will also be performing.

On Sunday evening, artist Emma's Imagination, winner of Sky 1's Must Be The Music, will be performing. Emma released her debut solo album in 2011 after



Rachel Sermanni, 21, will be headlining the festival tomorrow night.

spending several years busking in Glasgow and honing her skills performing in New York.

Also appearing is Colin Train, formerly of Follow That Camel, who is a regular at Celtic Connections.

Local artists on Sunday evening include Adam Fortune, Gullion, Colin Campbell and Rhiann Middleton. Tales from Space will close the festival with their traditional sing along.



Local band Violent Echo are once again taking part in the festival this year.

Glasgow Gaelic Musical Association comes to town

THE well-known Glasgow Gaelic Musical Association will be performing in Campbeltown's Lorne and Lowland Church on Saturday, June 1 at 7.30pm.

The oldest Gaelic choir in existence, it is celebrating its 120th anniversary this year.

It has been placed in the top three in the National Mod's prestigious Lovat and Tullibardine competition for the past 12 years and won in 2007 and 2010.

Celebrate

This year sees Kenneth Thomson of Campbeltown celebrate 30

years as conductor, during which time he has arranged more than 60 songs for choral singing.

This year the town performance will raise funds for Auchinlee cancer care home.

The concert will also feature Mod gold medallists.

Kintyre Piping Society Junior Piping and Drumming competitions

ONLY two chanter, one piping and the stick and pad drumming competition took place at this year's Kintyre Piping Society Junior Piping and Drumming Competitions.

This was mainly due to lack of entries in the older age group. However, this did not detract from an excellent day's play to a packed crowd on April 27 at the Ardshiel Hotel.

Judged

The chanter and piping were judged by Commander John Wilson and the drumming by Allan MacDonald.

The Society will run the competition next year and hopes the event will attract a higher number of entries.

Results: Chanter 10 and under: 1 Ross Conner, 2 Josh Barbour, 3 Kian Parker; Chanter 11-14: 1 Amy Paterson, 2 Conner Brown, 3 Emily Grace McLean; Novice Pipes: 1 Christina McFadyen, 2 Jamie McKerral, 3 Iain Wylie; Stick and Pad: 1 Scot McLachlan, 2 Jake Morrison, 3 Emma Miller. Calum McKillop won the Friends of Ireland Trophy for most promising player not on the prize list.

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GIGHA

Missionaries pay a visit to Gigha

MISSIONARIES Elizabeth and Daniel Moore visited Gigha Primary School for the day earlier this month.

Elizabeth was an ex-pupil of Mrs MacAlister in 1981 when she lived on Achamore Farm on Gigha.

Elizabeth and Daniel have been missionaries in Papua New Guinea in the Rainforest for 10 years and have brought up their six children in the jungle.

Head teacher Lorna MacAlister said: 'They gave a fascinating presentation about their life and work and all they accomplished in the primitive village they work in.'

'They brought lots of artefacts and instru-

ments for the children to see and play with.

'It brought the school's tropical rainforest study to life.'

They particularly enjoyed learning about the life of the children and hopefully appreciated their own lifestyle a bit more. No iPads in Papua New Guinea for the children.

The previous week, the school's pupils and staff travelled to Amazonia in Strathclyde Park as part of their project on the tropical rainforest.

Some enjoyed holding snakes and other creatures, while others viewed them from a distance. They had an unexpected treat at the end of the day when they were taken ten pin bowling.



Some pupils were happy to handle the snakes at Amazonia.

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ISLAY



The art exhibition at the Columba Centre, Islay.

Unusual art exhibition in the Columba Centre

THERE is some highly unusual art on display in the Whisky for Girls art exhibition in the Columba Centre, Islay.

Ernie Button from Phoenix, Arizona, takes the last vestiges of your dram and turns it into artwork that resembles planets floating in space.

Meanwhile, Dietmar Finger from Germany, who designed James Bond's motorbike from Tomorrow Never Dies, is displaying his paintings of Islay distilleries.

Also featured is Jane Taylor who has

made images of all the Islay distilleries in a new way.

Features

The exhibition, arranged by the Whisky for Girls website, features six great artists, including photographers and glass workers, from Islay, Jura, Germany and the USA and is open until June 8.

It is part of the Feis Ile - The Islay Festival of Music and Malt which takes place during the last week of May every year.

Annual festival

ISLAY'S annual festival kicks off today (Friday) with an opening concert in Bowmore Village Hall and the comedy stylings of a whisky comedian at Ardbeg.

The programme of events for this year sees a range of different activities catering to all ages and tastes.

Tomorrow will see the Cloutie Dumpling Ceilidh taking place at Portnaven Hall, featuring Flockhart Band and local artists.

On Sunday, there will be an evening event at Laphroaig and stories at Kilnoughton, as well as the Open Bowling Competition at Bridgend Bowling Club in the afternoon.

The rest of the week sees a whisky nosing night, a folk night, magic show and a putting competition take place.

Blar, the massed community event inspired by an old Gaelic poem about the Battle of Gruinart will take place at Bowmore Hall on Thursday, and feature performances by as many of the island's musical groups as possible.

There will also be a number of events taking place throughout the week at each of Islay's distilleries.

For more information on this year's Feis Ile, visit www.theislayfestival.co.uk.

Scottish Power wins top award

PLANS by Scottish Power Renewables to install tidal power turbines in the Sound of Islay have earned the company one of the world's most prestigious environmental awards.

The company has been awarded an Energy Globe Award, which was founded in 1999 and whose goal is to showcase innovative sustainable projects to a global audience.

Barry Carruthers, tidal power development manager at Scottish Power Renewables, said: 'We are delighted that our plans for a pioneering tidal power project in Scotland have received international recognition, and we were very pleased to receive an Energy Globe Award.'

'Tidal power has tremendous potential to

make a significant contribution to Scotland's energy needs. Projects like Islay will be critical in allowing the whole industry to have a greater understanding of the challenges involved in generating electricity from the tides, before larger projects are deployed in other locations around Scotland and across the world.'

£10,000 grant for toy library

A TOY library serving Islay and Jura will be sustained and expanded thanks to a grant worth nearly £10,000.

Islay and Jura Toy Library, based in Bowmore, will continue to run its stay and play services for under 8s after it was successful in securing £9,876 from the Communities and Family Fund, backed by the Scottish Government and Big Lottery.

The group transports its quality toys to different centres, and experienced play leaders/

volunteers instigate fun family activities, encouraging parents to get involved.

This group runs weekly sessions at Port Charlotte, fortnightly sessions at Jura Toddlers group, monthly sessions at Port Ellen Toddlers group and supports a local Gaelic class.

It will also now accommodate babies with suitable toys, train staff to support disabled children and hold two celebratory events marking the service's 10th birthday.

Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell said: 'I would like to congratulate Mrs Kirsten Rachel MacLellan and all involved with the Islay and Jura Toy Library.'

'Play is such an important part of learning and this project is almost unique in its diversity, encouraging that learning experience in a number of areas as well as supporting happy childhoods which is what we all wish for our children.'

CARRADALE



The pupils with their finished slices of terror - also known as pizza.

Themed lunch held at Carradale Primay School

UNDERGROUND worm hole, fried bones and dandruff quiche were just some of the dishes on the lunch menu at Carradale Primary School last week.

Children in primaries five to seven were tasked with making a themed lunch as part of their book study on *Billionaire Boy* by David Walliams.

In the book, the school cook makes horrible lunches for the children, such as gerbils on toast.

The pupils created main meals as well as items for the salad bar, such as blood bombs, frog eyes and puke poi-

sonous pasta.

Pupils Elliot, Harry and Niamh explained: 'We went to work at 9.30am. First we made the ginger fingers and then the sauce for the pizza (Slice of Terror). Next it was the lasagne (Underground Worm Hole) and the toffee sauce (Snot Sauce). We had to put icing on the fingers and make the sides. There were lots of links to maths through the weighing of ingredients and making sure we had enough for everyone. Finally we had to set the table and the serve the lunch. It was the best lunch!'

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Robin parades two-year-old heifer Calderglen Silverbell 11 to potential buyers at the Ugadale Hotel, Machrihanish last Thursday. 08_c20cow01

Robin will wait before making a decision on his future

HIS heart is with the family farm - but his mind says 'wait and see'.

Young Robin Barr, has watched his father maintain a very successful business at the 560-acre Clochkeil Farm, Machrihanish.

And the 21-year-old has been heavily involved in top show successes in recent years.

Clochkeil produced a Royal Highland Show champion in 2011, and had the supreme champion, Calderglen Rafia EX 90, the previous year.

Robin also saw Robin senior become president of the Ayrshire Cattle Society last year, a role which brought the honour of hosting the society's annual conference and AGM, in Campbeltown last weekend.

Could the younger man follow his father who followed his father, John, before him at Clochkeil?

'I would like to; however when the time comes to make a choice it will probably come down to farm gate price for milk,' he told the *Courier* last week.

'It has not moved for the past decade, while so many costs have gone up.'

Encouraged by his mother, Iona, to be able to look beyond farming if necessary, Robin went to Strathclyde University four years ago to study structural engineering.

'Next year, I will do my masters and then probably look to Aberdeen and the oil and gas industry for a number of years,' he said.

'Long-term I would like to come back to the farm.'

Robin was at the Ugadale Hotel, Machrihanish last Thursday parading the two-year-old heifer Calderglen Silverbell 11 which was auctioned the following evening during the Ayrshire Cattle Society's 135th AGM and conference.

Calderglen Silverbell 11, a daughter of the 2011 Royal Highland Show champion Calderglen Silverbell 7 EX 91, and sired by the home-bred Calderglen Senator, went under the hammer for £3,000.

Heifers sell to £4,400

CALEDONIAN Marts (Stirling) Ltd held a show and sale of breeding cattle at Stirling on Monday when 164 breeding cattle and 16 bulls were sold.

The day's top price was £4,400 for a Limousin cross heifer with Limousin heifer calf at foot from West Thomaston, Banknock.

Show champion was a Limousin cross heifer with Limousin bull calf at foot, also from West Thomaston and selling at £3,900 to I Michie, Ballechin Farms.

Reserve champion was a Limousin cross heifer with Limousin heifer calf at foot also from West Thomaston, this time selling to £3,200 to the judge James Thomson, Hilton of Beath Farm, Kelty.

Cows with calf at foot sold to £1,750 for a Charolais cross from Redhouse and £1,600 for a Limousin from Cairnbog.

In-calf heifers sold to £1,400 and £1,300 for Simmental crosses while in-calf cows sold to £1,080 for a Limousin

Calf bought for £5,000

A PHONE bidder from South Africa paid £5,000 to secure a young calf at an auction which provided part of the entertainment for Ayrshire Cattle Society guests last Friday evening.

The large audience was fascinated as bids climbed relentlessly to the final offer for Heydale Dream Bronora.

Born in January, she is sired by Nexus Dreamer out of Brons Shady Elaine EX 90,

while her third dam is the highest lifetime producer in the USA, Hawksfield Bronara EX 94.

It was the first time a Bronora female had been offered for sale in Europe.

Embryos

The sale of four grade A embryos for £720 each to East Sussex farmer David Heasman produced another fascinating story.

He said: 'We brought the embryos out of a cow, Pylon Easled

EX 95 LP100, that we sold at a society conference sale in Gatwick in 1997.

Milking

'She is still milking at over 21 years of age, and we paid double for the embryos that we got for the cow at the sale.'

Three other embryo packages fetched £620 each, £540 each and £480 each. Four lots of semen, with five straws each, went for £58, £42 twice, and £40 a straw.

NFUS to fund school visits to Scottish farms

AS PART of The National Farmers Union Scotland (NFUS) centenary year celebrations is to get as many school children as possible to visit a farm.

In addition, NFUS hope to be able to provide facilities to bring the farm into schools and fund events that educate everyone about farming and crofting.

The Union launched a Centenary Trust earlier this year to ensure celebrations in 2013 leave a legacy for the next 100 years. With this aim in mind chairman of the Centenary Trust and

NFUS treasurer George Lawrie said: 'In its first year, the Trust will be supporting three causes - arranging farm visits for school children, improving on-farm health and safety and providing agricultural apprenticeships.'

'We will work closely with other organisations to try and get as many children as possible onto Scottish farms in 2013 to show them the contribution we make to their food and the countryside in which they live.'

Giving children the opportunity to learn at first

hand - to see, smell, hear and touch the beautiful landscape, farm animals and wildlife that makes up the countryside can be hugely beneficial.

The NFUS say farm visit can bring reality, context and understanding to work carried out in the classroom and can provide challenges which are simply not available anywhere else - a chance to feed an animal, or see a sheepdog working or hear a tractor up close for example.

A school visit to a farm or croft in Argyll will re-

ally bring alive a project on the countryside and turn it into something special for children, it adds.

Any schools in Argyll who would be interested in finding out more about an on-farm visit can contact Lucy Summison, NFUS regional manager in Argyll on 01499 600154.

Alternatively if a school already has an idea for a farm visit and would like help in paying for transport, for example, they can apply to the Centenary Trust.

Further information

and an application form are available from www.nfus.co.uk - look up Centenary Trust.

In order to raise funds for the Centenary Trust, plus two other local charities (ABCD and Macmillan Cancer Care), the Union has organised a charity ceilidh to be held on Friday June 7 in the Argyllshire Gathering Halls, Oban doors open 7.30pm, with the ceilidh band Trail West performing.

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Robin pays tribute to his wife and hard-working committee for success of AGM and conference

WHEN Robin Barr, of Clochkeil Farm, Macrihanish was named junior vice-president of the Ayrshire Cattle Society three years ago, it began the countdown for Kintyre to host the annual AGM and conference.

Traditionally, the junior vice president will

become the vice president the following year and the president the year after that.

Then, at the end of that final term, the president's area hosts the society's biggest event of the year.

The Barrs and their local organising com-

mittee more than did the area proud, as visitors constantly paid tribute to the work that had gone into making this year's conference such a wonderful, all-round experience.

Robin Barr said: 'It went really well, we've had tremendous feedback. It's all credit to a wonderful committee who have worked for three years to make these three days possible.'

'I am also grateful to them for their wonderful friendship.'

Tireless role

Robin, however, repeatedly singled one person out for his deepest gratitude - his wife Iona, for her support and tireless role in leading all the organisation in planning accommodation, transport, farm visits, entertainment and hospitality for hundreds of people

That admiration for the scale of commitment and incredible attention to detail shown by Iona Barr was echoed many times by others throughout the weekend.



Robin and Iona Barr at the conference's final evening dinner dance. 08_c21farmbarrs01



Anne and Bob Stewart from Machrihanish, friends of Robin and Iona Barr. 08_c21guests05



Martin and Jane Parkes who have Highway Ayrshires at their Keyes Farm in Malvern, Worcestershire. 08_c21guests04



Members of Kintyre and District Ayrshire Breeders Club committee who received many plaudits for organising such an enjoyable and memorable conference in Campbeltown. 08_c21farmgroup01

Ayrshire Cattle Society p

KINTYRE was praised fulsomely last week for its beauty, hospitality and cattle herds when Campbeltown welcomed the Ayrshire Cattle Society for its annual AGM and conference.

Descended

Hundreds of delegates, farmers and agricultural representatives from all over the UK and Ireland descended on the town last week for the three-day event.

It was the culmination of three

years' preparation by the local organising committee, and the visitors made it clear it had been well worth the effort as they lapped up farm visits and the generous hospitality and entertainment.

For many, the conference took the rosette for being the best ever.

East Sussex farmer David Heasman, 81, a veteran of numerous society conferences around the country, told the *Courier*: 'I have never seen one as well done as this. It's

been amazing, an incredible credit to the organisers.'

The positive experience was helped by warm sunshine for the first two days which showed the Kintyre countryside at its best.

Stunning views

Colin Christophers, from Cornwall, who succeeded Robin Barr, of Clochkeil Farm, Machrihanish as the society president, declared: 'I'd never been to Campbeltown before, and didn't realise how much



William, left, and Ellen Armour, with Uddingston farmer Robert Millar. Before retiring 10 years ago, The Armours farmed at West Trodugal, Machrihanish which is now run by their son, William, and his wife, Izzy. 08_c21guests06



Richard and Nettie Semple. Before retiring, Richard farmed all his working life at Corputechan Farm, Bellochantuy, first with dairy cattle and then beef and sheep. 08_c21guests02



Colin and Jenny Christophers, who were among nine people who travelled to Kintyre all the way from Cornwall. Last weekend, Colin succeeded Robin Barr as president of the Ayrshire Cattle Society. 08_c21guests07

raises Kintyre hospitality

high ground there was with stunning views.

'We saw some super cows, and the hospitality has been fantastic. We have been made so welcome.

'Kintyre has set an example for the whole of our Ayrshire Cattle Society community, with its togetherness, humour and immense talent. It has been a brilliant weekend.'

Colin and wife Jenny were among 120 delegates staying at Ugadale Hotel in Machrihanish and the Roy-

al Hotel in Campbeltown.

Colin added: 'The views across to the islands from the Ugadale were stunning.'

Beautiful

David Heasman added: 'I was surprised at just how beautiful the area is.

'Everywhere you look, there is a picture waiting to be painted.'

Farmers Martin and Jane Parkes, from Malvern, Worcestershire, were also deeply impressed.

'It was well worth the long drive for the marvellous scenery,' said Martin.

Jane said: 'Our view over the harbour from the Royal is the best we've enjoyed at a hotel.'

Friendly

She added: 'Can we also say thank you to the town through your paper. We were struck by how friendly the people are. They made us so welcome. It has been a tremendous experience.'



Colin and Elizabeth Brown from Stranraer. Colin is a depot manager with Bibby Distribution, while Elizabeth is regional manager for the Cattle Information Service which records and tests milk and where she has worked for the past 42 years. 08_c21guests01



Ian and Caroline Urquhart from Drumnadrochit. Ian now works full-time as business manager with MSD Animal Health, which sponsored last Friday's dinner, and Caroline runs the family farm. Ian said: 'It is a lovely industry to work in, all the farmers are so friendly'. 08_c21guests03

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FARMERS across the north of Scotland are gearing up for Scotland's newest sheep event, to be held in Dingwall at the end of the month.

The inaugural Highlandsheep event, organised by NSA Scotland, is being hosted by Dingwall and Highland Marts Ltd on Thursday May 30.

The new event is being held in an attempt to reverse the decline of sheep flocks in the Highlands and islands by bringing the latest genetic, husbandry and technical information to the area and highlighting the marketing opportunities which exist for Scotch lamb both at home and abroad.

Scotland's biennial sheep event, Scotsheep, has not been held in the Highland area for some years and NSA Scotland is keen to give Highland sheep farmers a

major event without having to travel further south.

NSA chairwoman, Sybil McPherson, of Dal-mally, said: 'It is very difficult, particularly over the last few years, to get Scotsheep to move up north.'

'This will be a new event running opposite years to Scotsheep to try and deliver for people in the north and Western Isles, and Orkney and Shetland, as they tend to get neglected.'

The event will be opened by Lady Claire Macdonald from Sleat, one of Scotland's leading restaurateurs, food writers, cookery demonstrator and champion of the Scottish food industry.

The one-day event is being arranged by a local committee under the chairmanship of Rod McKenzie, of Munloch, and will

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He said: 'The sheep industry has reached an important crossroads and we are looking to NSA Highlandsheep to inspire a new level of confidence and optimism among Highland sheep farmers.'

'This will be a must attend event for all sheep farmers throughout the Highlands and islands and further afield. It will give sheep farmers a great opportunity of meeting up with their fellow sheep farmers and catching up with all the latest developments in the sheep industry.'

He added: 'Lady Claire is an iconic figure in the Scottish food and farming industry and a tremendous ambassador for Scottish food, including Scotch lamb.'

'We look forward to welcoming Lady Claire to NSA Highlandsheep and honoured that she has found time in her busy schedule to join us for this important event for sheep farmers in the Highlands and islands.'

The major sponsor of the event is animal feed manufacturer Harbro and sales director Chris Baxter said: 'We are very pleased to act as major sponsor for NSA Highlandsheep and support the commercial and pedigree sheep farmers who will benefit from this important event.'

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Hospital beds meeting was a 'waste of time'

MSP writes to cabinet secretary calling on him to prevent the bed cuts

LAST week's meeting discussing the reduction of beds at Campbeltown Hospital has been described as a 'waste of time' by those attending.

The meeting, which took place at the Victoria Hall and was organised by Campbeltown Community Council, discussed the reduction of continuing care beds at the hospital as well as the methadone service.

Several of the 170 members of the public attending the meeting shouted out 'waste of time' as it came to a close.

Members of the NHS in attendance, including Argyll and Bute director of operations Derek Leslie, evaded sever-

al questions put to them and told those who had anecdotal evidence of difficulties getting a bed in the hospital to speak to them after the meeting.

NHS Highland gave two presentations, explaining why the changes were taking place due to government policy and the need for more care of the elderly to be done in the home.

One audience member asked Mr Leslie what would be done with the space left by removing the beds.

He responded: 'We don't know what we're going to do with the ward.'

He added further discussion would take place.

MSP Jamie McGrigor, who has written to cabinet secretary Alex Neil calling on him to prevent the bed cuts, also attended the meeting.

Speaking afterwards, he said: 'A population of 7000 people in an outlying district like Campbeltown needs a proper hospital service and further cuts in the number of beds puts out the wrong message for a town that is trying to encourage expansion and investment in local businesses.'

'In 2004 both myself and Donald Kelly were assured that there would be no further cuts in bed numbers at the hospital but it appears that the goal posts have been shifted once again.'



These pupils, barely recognisable, clearly had a muddy marvellous time.

Mud Walk proves a popular event at primary schools fun day

'Well, didn't we have a muddy great time!'

A 'Mud Walk' proved a very popular feature of a fun day for pupils from Southend, Drumlembie, Dalintober, Castlehill, Carradale, Glenbarr and Rhunahaorine primary schools who were accompanied by staff from Campbeltown Grammar School in their Transi-

tion Weekend to Castle Toward Outdoor Activity Centre in Dunoon. The weekend gave pupils the chance to meet and make friends with their peers from all the primary schools going to Campbeltown Grammar School in August.

The aim of the Transition Programme is to make the changeover

from primary to secondary as smooth as possible.

Enthusiasm

Aunice Murray, transition teacher for Campbeltown Grammar, said: 'Although the weather was a bit damp, the enthusiasm of the pupils wasn't.

'The addition of a 'Mud Walk' and some

fast flowing gorge walking involving 'over the wellies' water saw the youngsters really letting their hair down. In some cases it was difficult to see their hair for the mud! 'Staff at Castle Toward commented on how well the children participated, behaved and got on with each other through out the weekend.'

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Dangers of playing on building sites

POLICE in Campbeltown have warned about the dangers of playing in building sites after a number of youths were spotted on scaffolding in the town's Glenside on Wednesday evening, May 15.

WEDDING



Stuart Hurley and Gayle McAloon were married on November 10, 2012, at St Francis Church, Port Glasgow. Gayle is the daughter of Margaret and Charlie McAloon and is the granddaughter of the late Anna and James Robertson, Campbeltown.

Court appearance over an alleged domestic incident

A MAN has appeared at Campbeltown Sheriff Court following an alleged domestic incident in the town's New Parliament Place at 10.30pm on Wednesday, May 15.

He was released on bail pending an appearance at a later date.

Another man also appeared in court and released on bail follow-

ing an alleged domestic incident in John Street, Campbeltown in the early hours of last Thursday.

Incident

Police say they were also called to a further domestic incident in Meadowburn, Campbeltown on Sunday afternoon which resulted in a man being taken into custody.

Charged with dangerous driving

A YOUNG man has been charged with dangerous driving in Burnbank Street, Campbeltown at around 1.30am on Wednesday, May 15.



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Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
13/00468/PP	Removal of existing polytunnel and erection of research building.	Marine Environmental Research Laboratory University of Stirling Machrihanish Campbeltown	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
13/00799/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse, detached garage, outbuildings, installation of septic tank and formation of new access	Land Opposite SSE Ballure Sub Station Tayinloan Argyll and Bute	Sub Post Office Tayinloan
13/00988/MIN	Construction of borrow pit and associated works	Land Approximately 150 metres north of Kilduskland Reservoir Ardrishaig Argyll and Bute	Ardrishaig Area Office

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13/00497/PP	Erection of alternative substation, control, operations and maintenance facility with associated underground cable works	Land At A'Cruch Kilmichael Forest West of Minard Argyll and Bute	Whitegates Offices Whitegates Road, Lochgilphead
13/00498/PP	Formation of access track and bridge crossing	Land At A'Cruch Kilmichael Forest West of Minard Argyll and Bute	Whitegates Offices Whitegates Road, Lochgilphead

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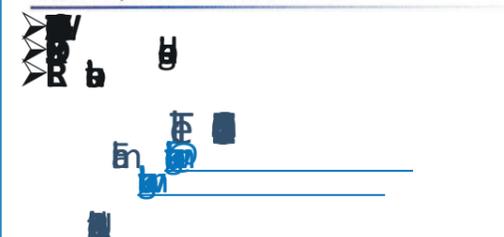
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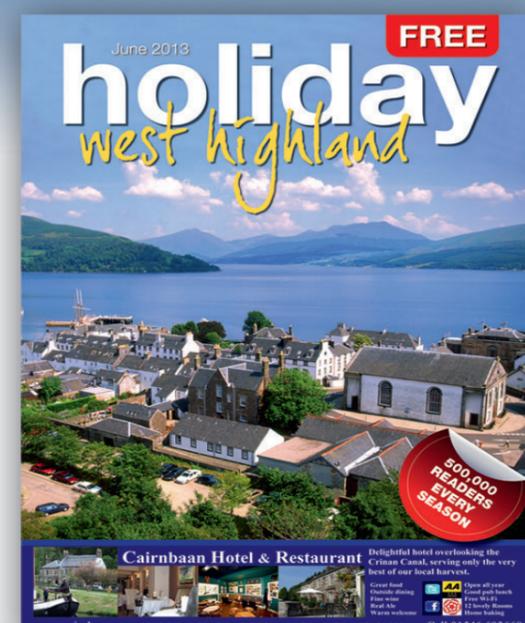
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Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



AT last there are signs of spring. As I drove through Inveraray in the morning sunshine, the fresh buds had finally appeared on the trees. I approached Crae Garden and a carpet of bluebells issued a tantalising invitation to the beauty beyond. I glimpsed rhododendrons and azaleas of the most glorious pink and red, white and yellow. But I didn't have time to look within and reluctantly I hammered on my way. I was aware that I was rushing – aware that I was missing out on some glorious scenery, but I had to get on. Further round the loch I saw them. There were about 20, and they had a great stream of traffic behind them. Vintage cars are quite amazing yet they look so out of date in this age of technology. They don't have all our modern gadgets the car owner of today finds essential. There is no in-car entertainment, no sat-nav, no bluetooth, no heated seats or rear parking assistance. I watched as these ancient queens of the road reminded me of times gone by when life wasn't quite so frenetic. The occupants were clad with caps and headscarves and were clearly enjoying their leisurely meander on a spring morning. I thought how much more they were enjoying the journey than most of us and I decided to take my foot off the accelerator and cruise for a while. I could feel my whole being relax as I was able to watch the colour and beauty unfold around me. I thought of just how much we rush these days, and how little time we take to look at what is important. We hear often in the gospels that Jesus took himself away to lonely places to pray. Maybe we also need to stop rushing and find that quiet place where peace comes to soothe us.

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Primaries 1 and 2 show off their pirate outfits. 20_c21pirates01

A pirate's life for Dalintober darlings

AT Dalintober Primary School last Tuesday it was a day of shivering timbers and walking the plank, as pupils dressed up as pirates for the day. The primary one class organised the event as part of their recent topic and invited the pre-five and primary two class to also take part. Both pupils and teachers dressed up in their pirate finery, played a number of games and did the pirate dance while also saying chosen pirate catchphrases throughout the day.



The pre-five class spent their day in pirate clothing and playing games. 20_c21pirates02

Kintyre company shortlisted for food excellence award

KINTYRE'S MacMillan Foods has been shortlisted in the Scotland Food and Drink Excellence Awards. Representing the region, the company has been nominated in the export fish and seafood category for their Kintyre Smokehouse launch range as well as

in the marketing category. The awards, dubbed the Scottish food and drinks Oscars, take place on Thursday at a large ceremony at Edinburgh's Assembly Rooms. Businesses of all shapes, ages and sizes have been nominated

in the awards, which are organised by Scotland Food and Drink in partnership with The Royal Highland and Agricultural Society. **Scotland's best** Chief executive of Scotland Food and Drink, James Withers, said: 'The Scotland Food and Drink Excel-

lence Awards recognise Scotland's best products, businesses, outstanding individuals and industry achievement. 'Our 50 finalists illustrate the tremendous quality of products and strength of our companies in fields ranging from skills to research, sustainability and ex-

ports. 'It is these companies who contribute to and build our reputation of Scotland as a land of food and drink. 'We wish all our finalists good luck and look forward to revealing the winners at the awards ceremony which sold out in record time.'

Floral art takes centre stage

AN AFTERNOON of floral art and afternoon teas is to take place tomorrow in Lorne and Lowland Church Hall in aid of the Scottish Bible Society. Gill Stewart of Flowerscape will be demonstrating how, by using different vases and

few flowers, anyone can make an impressive display. **Expensive** She said: 'Flower design does not need to be expensive. 'A few flowers mixed with greenery from your garden, combined with unusual containers can

look very effective. Tomorrow I hope to show people that they can do it.' A small number of paintings will also be on the display, together with delicious home baking. The event starts at 2pm.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK
 God said of the Lord Jesus, 'This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased' (Matthew 3:17).

DEATHS
CAMPBELL - Peacefully, in the Campbeltown Hospital, on May 19, 2013, Marjorie Lochhead, in her 79th year, Rockieburn, Kilkerran Road, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Gordon Campbell, much loved mother of Hugh, Margaret, Sandy and the late Izzy and a loving granny of Marie and Paul. Service in the Highland Parish Church, Campbeltown, on Friday, May 24, 2013 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Macmillan Nurses, Kintyre Locality.

MACMASTER - Peacefully, in Edinburgh, on May 12, 2013, Annie Rebecca Keith, in her 88th year, formerly of Achnaglach and 5 Glenbarr Cottages, dearly beloved wife of the late Neil MacMaster, much loved sister, mother of Neil, Jean, Violet, Hugh and Angus and a loving grandmother. Service was held in A'Chleit Church on Friday, May 17, 2013 at 1.00pm, the funeral thereafter was at Patchan Cemetery, which all friends and family attended.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS
BAIN - Ann, Colin and family would like to thank all family and friends for flowers, cards and messages of sympathy following the sad loss of Mum, Jessie Bain. Our grateful thanks to Tarbert doctors, nurses, home helps and neighbours for their care and support and to all staff at Eader Glinn, Oban for the wonderful care and kindness to Mum.

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LESLIE - Sylvia and the friends of the late Margaret Leslie would like to thank everyone who attended the service in the Lorne and Lowland Church. Thanks also to Dr Bhimani and the nursing staff in Campbeltown Hospital, Rev Burroughs for his kind services and the Argyll Hotel for the afternoon tea.

TRELA - Lorraine Crawford and family would like to thank all relatives and friends for their genuine sympathy, flowers, cards and calls, received following the recent sad passing of Adam. Special thanks to St Margaret of Scotland Hospice, Clydebank for their care and support. Our thanks to all who attended at Clydebank Crematorium to pay their respects. The retiral collection has raised £250 for the hospice.

IN MEMORIAM

GILCHRIST - In loving memory of Malcolm, a dear brother-in-law and uncle, who died May 20, 2012.

Forever in our hearts.
 - Gloria and family.

MACINNES - In loving memory of my wife, Christine, who passed away on May 28, 2012.

My heart is full of memories,

With pride I speak your name,
 Though life goes on without you,
 It will never be the same.

- Your loving husband,
 Duncan xx.

MCDUGALL - In loving memory of our beloved mother and granny, Mary McDougall, who passed away May 27, 2010.

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 Scottish Bible Society
 Kintyre Action Group
 Afternoon Teas and Floral Art Demonstration (in Church hall) from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Sunday, 26th May
 Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m. (Crèche, Triple C and Next Generation) Rev. Philip Burroughs
Monday, 27th May
 Congregational Board Meeting - 7:30 p.m. (in the New Hall)
Tuesday, 28th May
 Mothers and Toddlers - 9:45 a.m.
 Boys' Brigade Anchor Boys - 6:00 p.m.
 Boys' Brigade Junior Section - 7:15 p.m.
Thursday, 30th May
 Prayer Meeting - 4:00 p.m.
Friday, 31st May
 Lunch Club - 12:00 noon

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 11:00 am with Sunday school
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 6.30pm Evening Worship
Tuesday
 12.15pm Lunch Club (Over 60s)
 1.30pm Home League
Thursday
 7.30pm Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN
Sunday 26 May 2013
 11.00 am
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 Speaker: Mrs. Rosanne Semple
 "Learning to meditate on the precious Word of God"
Thursday 30 May 2013
 7.30pm
 Speaker: Waqas Moazzam from Pakistan
Saturday 1 June 2013
 Quarterly Prayer Breakfast
 Breakfast: 8.00 - 8.30 am
 Praise & Prayer: 9.00am
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NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
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 Mr R H Craig
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 11.15am Family Service with Crèche
 Mr Ivar Moller, St Andrews with Springbank Youth Group
 4.00pm Service at Lorne Campbell Court
 7.00pm Youth Group
Wednesday 29th May 2013
 10.00am Parent and Toddler Group
 7.30pm Church Annual General Meeting
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Thursday 30th May
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Boys bring cup to Argyll

Campbeltown footballers play their part in Red Star win

TWO Campbeltown boys played key roles in Lochgilphead Red Star Under-16s lifting the DFDL Cup.

As captain of the team, Ryan Deans had the honour of lifting the cup alongside teammate Cameron Wylie, who also stays in Campbeltown, after their side beat Kilpatrick YFC 2-1 in a thrilling final at the Bet Butler Stadium in Dumbarton.

Travel

Both boys travel from Campbeltown on a weekly basis to train in Lochgilphead and play home and away for Red Star in the Dunbartonshire Football Development League.

The league boasts teams from Oban and Helensburgh in Argyll and sides from both East and West Dunbartonshire.

Due to the lack of competitive football for the youth age in Campbeltown the boys choose to play for Red Star to ensure they enjoy regular weekly football with this Ryan's third season and Cameron's second.



Ryan Deans, right, and Cameron Wylie with the DFDL Cup.

Both attended the local Soccer Centre as children and still attend Campbeltown and District Juvenile Football Association (CD-

JFA) sessions. The club's goalkeeping coach, Arthur McCulloch, hails from Campbeltown.

Arthur played youth football in Campbeltown before playing amateur between the sticks for Campbeltown Boys AFC.

Arthur's son, Ewan, plays for Lochgilphead.

Proud

Hughie Lindsay, another of the Red Star coaches, formerly played at centre half and in the goal for Campbeltown Pupils AFC and was extremely proud of the team's achievements having been involved in football in Mid Argyll for a number of years.

Fergus Galbraith who also plays in the side stays in Tarbert and is the son of Carradale man Archie Galbraith.

Following the victory, the Under 16s side enjoyed a champions' reception at the Stag Hotel in Lochgilphead where family and friends joined the team, coaches and committee to celebrate.

Machrihanish Charity Open results

THE Charity Open at Machrihanish Golf Club was played on May 11 in strong winds which made scoring very difficult.

An excellent turnout on the day of 120 players resulted in the local branches of the Children 1st and MacMillan Cancer Support charities, both receiving a cheque for £500.

Results: Gents, CSS 74, handicap: 1 Robert Bishop 88-16=72 (BIH), 2 Hector Thomson 79-7=72, 3 Ranald Watson 85-11=74 (BIH), 4 Andrew Dalziel 85-11=74; scratch: 1 David Gillie 75 (BL3), 2 Bobby Willan 75, 3 A Wylie 79, 4 Derek Gillie 80; senior: K Abendroth 117-18=99; junior: Thomas Jordan 90-11=79.

Ladies, CSS 72, handicap: 1 Ann Gallacher 79-10=69; scratch - Laura McGeachy 89; nearest pin 4th: L McGeachy 28 inches; longest drive (gents) Fergus Walker, (ladies) Ann Gallacher.

Gents' competition results: George Duran 1st round, May 15, CSS 72, played 76, handicap: 1 D Mitchell 86-16=70, 2 S Kelly 74-3=71 (BIH), 3 J Shaw 76-5=71 (BIH); scratch: B Willan Snr 73; junior: T Jordan 90-11=79. George Duran 2nd round, May 16, CSS 71, played 59, handicap: 1 R J Watson 77-10=67 (BIH), 2 A Armour 79-12=67, 3 R Robertson 74-6=68 (BIH); scratch: G MacMillan 72; junior: T Jordan 84-11=73.

Combined totals (36 holes) handicap: 1 A Armour 72+67=139, 2 D Mitchell

70+70=140; scratch: 1 G MacMillan 76+72=148, 2 S Kelly 74+77=151.

Texas Scramble, May 17: 1 D Rankin, S Kelly, S A Campbell and J McLean 54, 2 R McCallum, J McCallum, A McCallum and N Johnstone 55.9, 3 R Gilchrist, C Robertson, R Tavendale and J Robertson 56.3.

A special mention for Alan Walker who had a hole in one at the fourth, holing out with an 8 iron.

Ladies' competition results:

March medal, CSS 71: 1 L Armour 30pts, 2 J MacGregor 28pts; April Medal, CSS 68, 1 M Smith 36pts, 2 L Wallace 33pts.

International Match Fund, April 10, CSS 68: 1 H Oman 88-23=65, 2 L Armour 93-26=67.

International Match Fund, April 13, CSS 71 (reductions only): 1 N Macneil 85-12=73, 2 M Campbell 91-16=75. Overall winner - H Oman.

Carty Cups, April 27, scratch winners: M McIntyre and J MacGregor 85; handicap: H Oman and A Brown 86-24=62.

Playing Fields Shield, May 1, CSS 71: 1 H Scally 100-29=71, 2 M McIntyre 90-18=72.

Playing Fields Shield, May 4, CSS 70: 1 H Scally 99-29=70, 2 H Oman 94-22=72 (BIH). Overall winner H Scally. George Duran, May 15, 1st round, 18-hole course, CSS 75 (reductions only): 1 H Oman 111-22=89.

George Duran, May 16, 2nd round, 18 hole course, CSS 75 (reductions only): A Gallacher 93-9=84.

Combined 36 holes, scratch: A Gallacher; handicap: 1 M MacArthur.

Newest club member wins Campbeltown's pairs trophy

AN exciting finish saw Bobby Dalziel and the club's newest member Steven McCallum clinch the Famous Grouse Pairs at Campbeltown Bowling Club's Stronvaar green on Sunday.

On the first day of decent bowling weather Bobby and Steven took on Simon Rochford and Joe Brown, who was seeking his second trophy in a week. Played over six ends, the match hinged on the third end

when Bobby, trying to save a heavy deficit, managed to trail the jack for seven shots to win his only end of the match. Single shot winning ends proved to be Simon and Joe's downfall although Simon did have a difficult chance with his last bowl to score a winner but ended with a 7-5 deficit.

The Famous Grouse shield was presented by presidents Robert MacCallum and Jean Miller.



Pairs winners Bobby Dalziel and Steven McCallum are pictured left with runners-up Simon Rochford and Joe Brown.



Prize winners from Tarbert Gun Club's annual charity shoot. Duncan Murray, Bob McColl, John Weir and Ally MacDonnell.

Argyll's top guns meet at Tarbert for last competition

SHOOTERS from across Argyll, Glasgow and further afield joined Tarbert Gun Club for its last competition of the season, the annual charity shoot.

The visitors, however found the competition tough as the local shooters were on top form despite the horrendous wet and windy weather.

The shoot, held at the club's Barmore Shooting Ground, saw John Weir main-

tain his good form of late and tie with Bob McColl to win the overall high gun competition. John also won the two man flush when he paired up with Duncan Murray.

New target

The club set up a new target for the pool trap - a bolting fox. This clay appears below the shooter and quickly disappears into the vegetation. The shoot saw 137 competitors enter the competition to hit six targets.

Ally MacDonnell was the only shooter to achieve the maximum.

Tarbert Gun Club would like to thank shooters and businesses, especially Archie Currie, for supporting the charity event which raised funds for the MS Centre in Lochgilphead.

The final total raised has reached £800 and that will be presented to the MS Centre.



Football fun at first p1-3 'away day'

Some Campbeltown youngsters enjoyed their first 'away' match last Saturday when p1-3 age groups of Campbeltown and District Juvenile Football Association (CDJFA) travelled for a fun four festival on the astroturf at Oban High where they played against teams from Oban, Fort William and Lochgilhead. Picture courtesy of David Paterson

Carradale supporters suffer cup final heartache

SWFA Cup Final The Horseshoe 2 Carradale AFC 1

CARRADALE AFC saw their SWFA Cup hopes dashed in the final despite taking an early lead against Clackmannan side, The Horseshoe, who were reduced to 10 men.

The Meridian Salmon Group-sponsored team took

upwards of 80 people to Recreation Park, home of Alloa Athletic FC, and the attendance of 350 created a good atmosphere.

Carradale opened the scoring at 18 minutes with a penalty after Craig Morris was pulled back by the Clackmannan goalkeeper, who was instantly dismissed. Daz An-

erson converted the penalty. Despite having only 10 men, The Horseshoe held their own. Both teams had chances during the rest of the first half, one of which was a header which came off the crossbar from Reese Blair in the 40th minute.

The Horseshoe were awarded a penalty in the 51st minute

when McGarrigle brought down Armour in the box.

Their number seven converted the spot kick to draw level and the Kintyre side never seemed to get going again. The Horseshoe had the better possession and control of the game. In the 73rd minute The Horseshoe took the lead from a corner which was knocked

to the back post and failed to be cleared by the Carradale defence before going into the net from close range.

Carradale put great effort into the last 15 minutes but The Horseshoe had control of the game.

Carradale manager Donald MacAlister said: 'It was a great occasion. We will prob-

ably look back on the day saying it was one of the best chances we had in a final but it wasn't to be.

'We would like to thank anyone who has supported the team during this season, including Yvonne and Mick at the Ailsa Bar who donated towards the bus and Boyd Sneddon at Rolland Butter.'



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inside this week:

Carradale supporters suffer cup final heartache

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We are the champions!



Campbeltown Pupils' Scottish Amateur Football League Premier Division Two champions are pictured before their last match of the season at Kintyre Park on Saturday. Back row, from left: Stuart Crossan, Craig Lang, John McCallum, Sorley McKinven, Craig Lamont, Lorne Robertson, Jamie Burns, Kenneth Galbraith, Stuart MacBrayne and Douglas Guy. Front, from left: Liam Renton, Keith Mitchell, Fraser Wylie, Gary Grumoli, Grant Grant, Paul Grumoli, Lewis McFadyen, Gareth Croll, Gregor McFadyen and Martin McCallum. Missing from the photograph were Ryan Gilchrist and Robin Barr. 08_c21teampic01

Pupils maintain their unbeaten league record

SAFL Premier Division Two
Campbeltown Pupils 1
Paisley 1

THEY are real heart-breakers these Campbeltown boys.

However, they are also extremely proud and determined.

That was why, when they had already clinched the SAFL Premier Two title, they worked tire-

lessly till the final whistle to deny Paisley a vital win that would have secured them promotion as well.

A dramatic late goal - moments after the Paisley keeper pulled off what seemed a wonderful match-winning save - saw the McFadyen sponsored Campbeltown Pupils AFC remain unbeaten across

the full SAFL Premier Two league programme. It was a record breaking achievement which marked the club's 35th season in SAFL football.

Magnificent effort

It was also a fitting end to a magnificent effort from the players and management team, and the bandwagon rolls on to the next level with

every confidence in a young squad.

However, only the heartless could not feel desperately sorry for a Paisley side who played so well to gain and protect a 1-0 lead at Kintyre Park.

Their eight-hour round trip to Campbeltown appeared justified - only to have victory seized from them in the final attack of the match.

Gary Grumoli 'opened the scoring' for the home side when the striker's firm header found the net from inside the six-yard box. However, the goal was disallowed after Sorley McKinven was penalised for an infringement.

Although the surface was extremely slippery after a morning of incessant rain, both teams handled the conditions admirably and tried to play possession football throughout.

Paisley scored a fine

goal from almost their first real attack. Driving forward from midfield, Chris Gillies let loose from 30 yards and the ball picking up speed to deceive Craig Lamont low to his right.

Paisley, always neat and tidy on the ball, decided to sit deep in the second half and pin their hopes on the counter attack. They went close several times as the home side pursued an equaliser.

With the clock running down, Liam Renton tested the visitor's keeper at his near post, before Fraser Wylie saw his netbound strike saved in spectacular fashion with five minutes remaining.

A Jamie Burns header then struck the crossbar before being scrambled to safety, however, with seconds remaining a speculative cross was volleyed home by Grant Grant to send the home team into raptures.

David and Ken in Lombard regional final

A DREAM final at the 2014 Ryder Cup venue Gleneagles is up for grabs for amateur David Wallace and his Machrihanish PGA professional Ken Campbell in Europe's biggest pro-am competition - The Lombard Trophy. Wallace teed up a chance to tread the fairways of the PGA Centenary course at the famous Scottish resort between September 3-4 when he won his club qualifying competition with a nett score of 68.

He and Campbell now advance to the regional final at Crieff Golf Club on Monday, July 8, where they will play one round of better-ball medal play with the chance to secure one of 16 spots available for the 36-hole grand final.

The PGA National Pro-Am Championship has a total prize fund of £80,000, with the winning professional at the grand final taking home a cheque for £12,000.

David Wallace is a chartered surveyor from Campbeltown, plays off a handicap of six.

Ken Campbell, 48, has been a professional at Machrihanish for 25 years.



The Paisley keeper pulls off what appeared to be a match and promotion-winning save for his side only minutes from the end. 08_c21pupils02

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