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# Town now proud owner of airbase

No radioactive material found  
on site during survey  
— Minister for Environment

by RUTH McCLEAN  
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AT LAST after four years of hard work, Machrihanish Airbase is now owned by the community of Campbeltown.

In the largest and most complicated community buyout seen to date, Machrihanish Airbase Community Company (MACC) finally secured the deal from the Ministry of Defence (MoD) for just £1.

And reassurances were given this week, in an exclusive interview to *The Courier*, that there is no radioactive contamination at the former RAF site.

The site boasts more

than 200 buildings, one of the Europe's longest runways, and 1,025 acres of land.

There is around 14 miles of road on the site, with leisure facilities including tennis and squash courts, as well as a shooting range.

The buyout has been completed with support and financial assistance from the Scottish Government, Highlands and Islands Enterprise, Scottish Water and the MoD.

Over the last four years the community has been waiting in anticipation about developments with the base, with ne-

gotiations going on behind the scenes to come to a conclusion.

Chairman of MACC, Ian Wardrop, said the next steps were to fully inform the community of the plans for the future.

A public meeting will take place on June 14 to show the community what they have for their money.

'This will be something the community has for generations,' he explained. 'We will build on what we've got, and the money made will remain in the community.'

He said initially money, which is made will be invested into the base, and thereafter

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Environment minister Stewart Stevenson visited Machrihanish Airbase earlier this week, and met with chairman of the airbase group Ian Wardrop, as well as board members and directors. 20\_c22mac04

## Busy weekend in store for Campbeltown

TODAY (Friday) will see the start of a busy weekend for Campbeltown.

The Kintyre Songwriters' Festival starts this evening, and will take place at various venues over the weekend with the cream of local talent taking to the stage.

There will also be Diamond Jubilee celebrations across Kintyre over the next few days.

A parade leaving from Castlehill Primary School will start at 11am tomorrow (Saturday) with a variety of groups taking part.

It will go down Main Street and along the front to Quarry Green where Machrihanish Dunes Sound of Kintyre Pipe Band will be playing as will the local brass band.

There will be a tug of war competition, a beer tent and rescue helicopter 177 is also due to land.

Adding to this a football festival attracting a number of teams from across the area tomorrow (Saturday) and the seventh Mull of Kintyre Run taking place, it is hoped the town will turn out in force to support the events.

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# Buyout is a positive step

SOUTH Kintyre councillor Donald Kelly told *The Courier* the buyout is a very positive step for the local community.

'For Kintyre and the wider area, this will mean an excellent opportunity to actually develop the base. We're at a difficult time but I still feel there is ample opportunity to invest in the area.'

'We need Highlands and Islands Enterprise, Scottish Government

and Argyll and Bute Council to play their part if this is going to become a reality.

### Benefit

'It will take time but as things move forward, it will benefit the community in a number of ways by securing transportation links via the airport and also give the local community an opportunity to utilise some of the buildings and assets here and hopefully in the longer term provide sustainable jobs.'



Environment minister Stewart Stevenson pictured with directors and members of Machrihanish Airbase Community Company. 20\_c22macc03

## Town now proud owner of airbase

Continued from page 1 profit will be fed back into the community.

On Monday, environment minister Stewart Stevenson visited the base and met with directors and board members of MACC.

Mr Stevenson reassured the community there is no radioactive contamination on the site, and confirmed a survey was carried out.

'If the buyout company finds there are problems in the future, the MoD has agreed to take responsibility as well as the company that carried out the inspection,' said Mr Stevenson.

### Nine jobs saved

AS A result of the base buyout nine jobs have been saved on the site.

Security staff were threatened with redundancy but their contracts have now been transferred to MACC.

### Modern standard

CONTRACTS have been drawn up for the sewage and water infrastructure to be brought up to a modern standard at the site.

This will substantially benefit the residents of the Sound of Kintyre as well as the various companies leasing premises on the base at present, including Wind Towers Limited.

### Congratulated

ALAN Reid MP for Argyll and Bute was also at the base on Monday, and congratulated MACC and Ian Wardrop.

'This has been a long campaign to persuade the Ministry of Defence and the Scottish Government to come up with the money required to upgrade the base infrastructure and so enable MACC to take it over,' he said.



Environment minister Stewart Stevenson on the open top bus tour of the base on Monday. 20\_c22macc01

# Environment minister tours the airbase

ENVIRONMENT minister Stewart Stevenson met with directors and board members of Machrihanish Airbase Community Company (MACC) on Monday.

He was given a tour round the base on an open top bus, around the 1,025 acres of land.

### Potential

As well as seeing work being carried out on the runway, one of Europe's longest, he heard about the potential the various buildings and land has.

As well as MACC, local councillor Donald Kelly, Argyll and Bute MP Alan Reid and deputy lead councillor for Energy, Development, Infrastructure and Tourism Louise Glen Lee all met with Mr Stevenson.

'I came as luck would have it on a day when weather is magnificent,' he told *The Courier*.

'That illustrates the attraction there is to this area, why people should come here and see for themselves what it has to offer.'

'With major investment of the new ho-

tel facilities in the area and I've been hearing of charters bringing golfers into the landing strip here, we can see the beginnings of a really good future for tourism in Kintyre.'



Chairman Ian Wardrop of the Machrihanish Airbase Community Company. 20\_c22macc02

## Celebrating Voluntary Action in Argyll & Bute



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**Police files**

**Stand-up Fight:**

TWO men, one local, were arrested at Mafeking Place in the early hours of Sunday morning for engaging in a stand up fight.

Both men were issued with a fixed penalty ticket for breaching the peace and released from custody when sober.

**Arrested:**

A MAN who was shouting, swearing and challenging passers-by to a fight in the early hours of Sunday morning was arrested by police.

**Domestic:**

FOLLOWING a domestic incident in the town on May 24, a woman was arrested.

She was due to appear at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last Friday.

**Skinny dipping:**

POLICE received a complaint of two people skinny dipping in the Dalintober area of Campbeltown last Thursday.

A man and woman were subsequently issued with fixed penalty tickets.

**Assault:**

LAST Wednesday evening two local men were arrested for an alleged assault on a third man at Burnside Square, Campbeltown.

The incident happened following a funeral, and the two men were charged and are due to appear at Campbeltown Sheriff Court later this month.

**Witnesses:**

POLICE are appealing for witnesses after a vehicle was damaged in Saddell Street, Campbeltown.

It was damaged sometime between last Thursday and Friday morning with a type of liquid sprayed onto the bonnet, damaging the paintwork.



**PRIMARY** one pupil, Ross Gorman during the beanbag race at Dalintober Primary School's sports day. Boys and girls from across all age groups took part in a variety of races. For more photographs see next week's *Campbeltown Courier*. 20\_c22sports01

# Rural Scotland report a 'double edged sword'

by RUTH McCLEAN  
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A REPORT, claiming Campbeltown is one of the 'most vulnerable rural places in Scotland to a downturn', has been criticised.

Released to the public on Monday, the Scottish Agricultural College (SAC) ranked 90 Scottish locations according to factors associated with economic and social change.

Published in the SAC Rural Policy Centre's new report Rural Scotland in Focus 2012, Campbeltown and Du-

noon indexed as the most vulnerable towns, followed by Girvan. South Kintyre councillor and depute council leader John Semple, told *The Courier*, these reports are a double edged sword.

'It is important to be able to identify communities which are vulnerable because that in-

formation is crucial to make best use of funding to meet the needs of these communities,' he said.

'However, when released to the national media they can do more harm than good, that is what has happened here.

'I am disappointed at the SAC for the way they have handled this, national newspapers had a copy of this report weeks before it became public.

'The SAC report is a statistical report based on historical trends, not on the evidence on the ground,' he said. 'I believe it misrepresents us.'

A number of people contacted *The Courier* this week about the way the report was featured in Sunday newspapers portrayed Campbeltown in a bad light.

Some used photographs of old buildings which local people are fighting to get renovated.

Kenny Farquharson, deputy editor of Scotland on Sunday, said the reaction to this story shows just how much pride the people of Campbeltown take in their town, and how fiercely protective they are of its reputation.

'There is no escaping the hard facts highlighted in the Rural Scotland in Focus report, nor the hard truths described by our reporter on her visit. But the passionate belief in Campbeltown that these stories have elicited is a great vote of confidence in the town's future,' he said.

## 30 or 40mph - you can have your say

THE public will have their say on whether a 40-mile per hour speed limit should be introduced on the A83 going out of Campbeltown.

In recent weeks the 30 limit has been extended due to the passing places currently being created at Drumore, and a spokeswoman from Argyll and Bute Council said when this work was finished, one option would be to have a 40 limit in this zone. In that scenario the 30 limit would start closer to Snipefield Industrial Estate.

'A full traffic regulation consultation or-

der is being undertaken which will give people the opportunity to have their say,' the spokeswoman added.

A 40 zone is likely to be welcomed in some quarters, as a recent meeting of Campbeltown Community Council heard views, led by convenor Jim Martin, that the 30 limit was too extensive even before the passing place extension.

## Death at Jura Fell Race

A MAN attending the Jura Fell Race at the weekend suddenly died.

The mountain rescue team on the island reported the 68-year-old man from Cheshire had collapsed and had stopped breathing at around 11am on Saturday.

He was flown out to the Southern General Hospital in Glasgow and pronounced dead around 1pm.

It is understood he was marshalling at the race.

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# Wind turbines discussed at special meeting

'Working together as a community we can share the burden'

SHARING resources and expertise is the best way for West Kintyre to oppose unpopular wind turbines.

That was the conclusion of a special meeting for West Kintyre residents held at Glenbarr Village Hall last week.

The reason for this is objections using the criteria of the planning process will be given much more weight than emotive statements.

'Rather than just saying; 'there are too many', it's going to be really useful if you say the reason why there are too many,' Mark Lodge, head of planning and development at Argyll and Bute Council, told the meeting.

Robin Nolan, from Muasdale, who the

meeting elected to chair a new opposition group, summarised: 'Working together as a community, we can share the burden for those who can't or don't have the time to get their head around it.'

Five different wind farm or individual turbine proposals were up for discussion. They are for Auchadaduie, Blary Hill, and Creggans - all near Glenbarr; North Beachmore near Muasdale; and Loch Freasdail, near Whitehouse.

As well as being at different stages, each of these proposals are of different size and scope. Several people at the meeting stressed their objections to some proposals but not to others rather than opposing all wind turbines in a blan-

ket fashion.

From a show of hands the most unpopular proposal is the Creggans Wind Farm, which is still at the pre-planning application stage and will be composed of 26 turbines of 125 metres to tip.

From around 40 people at the meeting, 32 said they objected to Creggans, with nobody in favour.

Opinion was much more divided on the three turbines at Auchadaduie, now under consideration by planners, which had 18 opposing and 10 not opposing.

The first meeting of the new opposition group will be on Monday June 11 at 7.30pm in Glenbarr Village Hall, with all welcome to attend.



The pupils with Margaret Rankin of Macmillan Cancer Support.

## Three mile run for cancer charity

FIVE pupils from Castlehill Primary School in Campbeltown raised £100 for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Playground

Primary six pupils, Nicola McKer-

ral, Millar Irwin and Amy Paterson ran three miles round the playground.

Hannah Brown and Louise Nielsen held a hula hoop competition and charged their peers to take part.

## Fundraising committee of the RNLI expresses thanks for donations

THE local fundraising committee of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) has expressed its thanks for all the donations it received during the door to door collection.

Together with funds raised at the Easter coffee morning, Campbeltown and the surrounding area has once again excelled itself in supporting this vital organisation.

'We are ever conscious of the constraints on peoples' purses,' said president Marjorie

Leighton, 'and are enormously grateful for this support. Without it, we could not keep our lifeboats at sea.'

Donations

Ninety-seven per cent of people in the RNLI are volunteers, and the organisation depends entirely upon donations, funds raised at events and proceeds from its shops.

This year, the Campbeltown shop is bringing its longer summer opening hours forward.

From June 18 until the beginning of Septem-

ber, it will be open from 11am to 4pm, Monday to Saturday.

The lifeboat's next event will celebrate RNLI Patron Her Majesty the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

Tomorrow (Saturday), the fundraising branch will host a Jubilee Cream Tea, from 1pm - 4pm at the lifeboat station on the Old Quay.

Crews will also be offering tours of the Ernest and Mary Shaw, if they are not 'out on a shout' and the shop will also be open.

## Play it safe around rivers, reservoirs and lochs

LOCALS and visitors are being reminded to play it safe in and around rivers, reservoirs and lochs across Argyll and Bute during the hot and sunny weather.

Scottish Water is concerned people might take unnecessary risks around water and its

communications manager Jane McKenzie said: 'Whilst it's important that people enjoy the good weather and take pleasure in the country's beautiful lochs, rivers and reservoirs, it's also vital they stay safe.

'We don't want to spoil anyone's fun, but we are

reminding parents to keep their children safe, and asking adults to act responsibly around watercourses.'

That's a message which is being reiterated by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents.

Other hidden dangers found at reservoirs include deep cold water (even on a hot day), underwater plant life and steep banks.

For these reasons, and in the interests of our customers' health and safety, Scottish Water does not encourage swimming or diving in any of its reservoirs.

## Southend Scouts meet Bear Grylls

SCOUTS from 4th Argyll (Southend) group had an exciting day at Lochgoilhead Adventure Centre recently.

They enjoyed abseiling, bushcraft, and sailing.

The highlight of the day was when Bear

Grylls flew in by helicopter and talked to them about fire lighting.

The Southend group meets every Tuesday during term-time at 6pm in St Blaas's Hall. Contact Scout leader John Ives on 01586 830207 for more details.

## Airport firefighters part of trial programme

FIREFIGHTERS from Campbeltown Airport are part of a trial programme, which will ultimately save costs as training could be brought in house.

Highlands and Islands Airport Limited (HIAL) has claimed UK aviation first after pioneering this new way of training.

The HIAL group has applied to the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) to become a tier three approved training provider for aviation firefighters, which would make it the first airport group in the UK to provide in house, on site fire training.

Until now, fire personnel at the group's 11 airports have attended centralised, external residential courses.

The new status will ensure that new recruits receive a more rounded training programme relevant to the locations in which they will be operating, and ultimately result in cost savings for the company, and the taxpayer, as training is brought in house.

## Take care on the roads after the long dry and sunny spell

DRIVERS are being urged to take care on the roads after the long dry and sunny spell.

Lead Councillor for Roads and Amenity Services, Donald Kelly said: 'I would like to remind people to exercise extreme caution on the roads of Argyll and Bute. 'During dry periods tyre rubber can build up on the road surface causing the road to be slippery when rain eventually falls.

'The first few hours of rainfall can be the most dangerous but the rubber will be washed away after some time.'

A police spokesman said after a dry spell you should at least double the space between you and the car in front, treat the roads as if they were icy and avoid harsh braking or braking while going round a bend.

# GENESIS ENERGY

**Public exhibition in Whitehouse village hall on Wednesday 6th June to discuss the community benefits of the proposed Whitehouse Burn turbine.**

Drop in anytime between 6.00 pm - 9.30 pm.  
Site visit to turbine location at 5 pm.  
Meet at entrance to forest on north side of B8001, 2 km east of junction with A83.

- Wind energy is clean, safe power for Kintyre and Scotland
- Enhances UK energy security
- Whitehouse Burn turbine could generate electricity to meet the needs of 450 households\*
- Community fund which would go direct to local projects
- Possibility of part-community ownership

Genesis Energy are working to bring the financial benefits of renewable energy to Kintyre and are working in partnership with the Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust.

More information and updates can be found at [www.genesis-energy.co.uk](http://www.genesis-energy.co.uk) or from [jonathan.waxman@genesis-energy.co.uk](mailto:jonathan.waxman@genesis-energy.co.uk)

\* Based on the average Scottish annual electricity consumption of 5300 KWh per household

# Major grass fire at Westport Beach

by **TONY GARNER**  
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PEOPLE are being warned against leaving rubbish at beaches after a fire broke out on sand dunes at Westport Beach on Saturday. With the temperature high in the twenties,

the beach was crowded and several sunbathers called the fire service when they saw a large section of grass burst into flames.

A team of firefight-

ers from Campbeltown Fire Station was quickly on the scene and put the fire out.

Watch commander, Ronnie Souden said: 'We were told someone had been burning rubbish beside the beach, and it caught fire then spread very quickly.'

'There was a 100-metre fire front and because of the long grass, flames were shooting far into the air. We were lucky the wind was blowing out to sea rather than inland to the grassland.'

'We would like to remind people if they come to the beach not to dispose of rubbish in this way.'



Smoke and flames from the grass fire at Westport Beach.



Firefighters beat down the burnt grass at Westport on Saturday.  
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## Ambulance fleet to get new vehicles over the next four years

THE area's ambulance fleet could benefit from a £34.3million allocation by the Scottish Government.

The money will see the Scottish Ambulance Service's 570 vehicles replaced over the next four years.

This will be made up of 326 new accident and emergency vehicles - comprising of traditional ambulances and paramedic response units - 98 patient transport vehicles and 151 support vehicles.

Health Secretary Nicola Sturgeon said: 'Our hardworking ambulance staff do a fantastic job and are out 365 days a year saving lives.'

'They cannot do this without modern, up to date mix of vehicles that allow them to provide the very best patient care to the people of Scotland.'

Pauline Howie, chief executive, Scottish Ambulance Service, said: 'The funding for our vehicle fleet ensures that care continues to be delivered in ambulances that are fit for purpose and specifically designed to meet modern healthcare standards.'

## Mental health public event in Campbeltown Town Hall

ONGOING developments with mental health services in Kintyre will be the topic of discussion at a meeting this month.

The public event on June 13 will inform staff, service users and the general public about the latest development of mental health modernisation in the area.

### Key implementation

John Dreghorn, NHS Highland Project Director for Mental Health Modernisation in Argyll and Bute said: 'The mental health modernisation project in Argyll and Bute is entering a key implementation stage. We want to ensure that staff, service users and the general public are well in-

formed on the latest developments within the project.

'During May and June there will be a series of public drop in events across Argyll and Bute, where there will be displays and staff available to answer questions.'

'The local event for Campbeltown will take place on Wednesday June 13 in the town hall from 3pm to 7pm.'

'There will be a short presentation at 4pm and 6pm followed by a question and answer session.'

'We look forward to meeting members of the public and answering any questions they have regarding the new mental health services.'

## Courier giving away free car sticker in Kintyre Way promotional competition

COURIER readers are being asked to be ambassadors for the area and help promote Kintyre.

The Kintyre Way, the peninsula's long distance walk, has launched a competition to try to attract more people to come and enjoy the peninsula.

This week *The Courier* is giving away a free car sticker, as part of the Kintyre Way's new competition.

A prize will be given each month for people sending in a photograph of their car sticker, at the

furthest away point.

Entries can be sent with contact details to info@kintyreway.com.

Businesses are also being asked to display the sticker too.

The Kintyre Way is an 87-mile walk encompassing the whole of Kintyre and brings much needed income to all types of businesses.

It captures the beauty of the Kintyre peninsula from Tarbert to the Mull of Kintyre with views over to Arran Islay and Ireland and visiting local villages with their unique histories.

## Lifeboat called out to RHIB

CAMPBELTOWN Lifeboat was part of a rescue operation after a report was received of four people on board a RHIB that was sinking.

Clyde Coastguard received the call on May 27 and tasked the lifeboats from Tighnabruaich and Campbeltown to attend the incident off Pirmill, Arran at 7.30pm.

Rescue helicopter 177 was also requested, and arrived on scene first.

They confirmed the vessel was in no imminent danger of sinking, and was towed to Pirmill by Tighnabruaich Lifeboat.

## WIN TICKETS to Belladrum Festival

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Belladrum Tartan Heart Festival, also known as Bella, is simply the friendliest, wackiest, most inclusive festival in Scotland that attracts 15,000 people over two days. This year, Scots indie stars Travis and Liverpool band The Wombats will headline the 9th year of Bella. As well as music, the Beauy based festival offers the very best in debate, comedy, literature, drama, theatre, burlesque, green crafts, mind and body treatments, children's entertainment and a ceilidh on August 2. For the full line up visit [www.tartanheartfestival.co.uk](http://www.tartanheartfestival.co.uk).



The Campbeltown Courier is giving two lucky readers the chance to win a pair of weekend tickets with camping to this year's Belladrum Tartan Heart Festival. Each ticket is worth £95.

To enter, simply collect two tokens - here is token one. Token two will be printed next week, June 7. Full details on how to send in your tokens in next week's Courier.



Terms and conditions: The prize is as stated. No cash alternative. The Editor's decision is final. Photocopied entries will not be accepted. One entry per purchased copy. The winner may be asked to take part in publicity and may appear in a Wyvex Media publication and website. This competition is not open to Wyvex Media and associated company employees and their families. This competition is open to readers of other Wyvex Media publications.

## Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



THE pink shorts were wonderful, and the whole reason why Emma wanted to come to church.

This may seem a strange theology, but how good that a youngster wants to come to church whatever the reason.

There are many reasons why people come to church and many reasons why they do not.

Some folk come to church because they hunger for answers; some come because they like the friendship they find there; some come because they have always done so; some come because they want to grow closer to God.

Some folk don't come to church because they have no need of God; some don't come because they cannot believe in God; some don't come because they find the church irrelevant; some don't come because an experience has made them lose faith.

God's love is unconditional and all are welcomed; whether we come with faith or doubt; whether we come often or seldom; whether we come singing or sighing; whether we come in youth or in old age – all are welcome. God's love is unconditional.

Sometimes the church doesn't convince people of this unconditional love, and so some turn their backs on God as well as the church.

People feel they don't fit in if they're not wearing the right clothes or saying the right words, or if they don't know what to do at the right time.

They feel there is a pattern to follow and are embarrassed if they are unfamiliar with the procedure.

This worry can distract them from God.

This is why I love Emma's shorts. They tell us to come before God just as we are, and to know that he loves us and accepts us totally.

So I rejoice that Emma wants to come to church and I think God will smile indulgently at the pink shorts!



## Down Memory Lane

**ONE of our readers, Ronnie Gay, who now lives in Dunoon got in touch to share this old photograph. It shows Campbeltown Grammar School's Concert Band on their return to Campbeltown from London in 1986 after winning a national competition. 'I believe they took part to gain experience,' Ronnie told *The Courier*. 'The band leader, music teacher and conductor was Gordon Evans. 'The only band member I know is by daughter Samantha who is in a black jacket, front row, third from the right and mother of two of my grandsons. – how time flies! 'Maybe some of those in the photograph will be able to put names to all the faces?'**

### 'The answer is Plain' campaign

Sir,  
I am urging everyone in Campbeltown and the surrounding area to back Cancer Research UK's 'The Answer is Plain' campaign, which calls for all branding to be removed from tobacco packaging.

Glitzy packets are one of the last ways the tobacco industry can still market its lethal products and research shows that the striking logos and distinctive designs make cigarettes appealing to children.

So as the government consults on whether to put all tobacco in standardised 'plain' packs of uniform size, shape and design, I'm asking people in Campbeltown and the surrounding area to show their support for this vital measure by

## Letters to the Editor

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signing The Answer is Plain petition.

This is not about 'the nanny state' and it's not about curbing the freedoms of adult smokers. It's about giving children one less reason to take up a deadly and addictive habit which kills half of all its long term users.

The big tobacco companies are doing everything they can to stop this - but we've got to stand up to them and protect our children.

You can help Cancer Research UK to stub out tobacco marketing to children by signing the petition at [www.theanswerisplain.org](http://www.theanswerisplain.org)

**Becky Stokes**  
Cancer Research UK

### Councillor's thanks

Sir,  
I would like to thank most sincerely everyone who supported me at the recent Argyll and Bute Council election.

To be re-elected is very gratifying and humbling and I look forward to continuing to work in a positive and constructive manner for our community.

For the first time in my council career I have been given the opportunity to become part of the new council's administration and have taken on the role as Lead Councillor for Roads and Amenity services.

This to many will be seen as a poisoned chalice but I intend to give it my best shot in an effort to improve our ever degenerating roads network

**Councillor**  
**Donald Kelly**

### Undeserved bad name for Campbeltown

Sir,  
May I draw attention to the sort of behaviour that gives Campbeltown an otherwise undeserved bad name.

My partner and I were camping out overnight during this glorious spell of weather on the shore close to the old shipyard

in Campbeltown Loch.

We decided to walk to Tescos for some groceries and thoroughly enjoyed the stroll on a lovely morning.

To our dismay, on our return we found that some light-fingered person or persons had removed our tent, groundsheet, some cooking foil and some cans and bottles we were going to recycle.

It quite spoilt an otherwise enjoyable visit to your lovely town.

**E Rigby,**  
**35 Cutlins Roads,**  
**Edinburgh**

### South Kintyre Young Carers group to hold a launch event and open day

Sir,  
The South Kintyre Young Carers Group is a community based group for young carers aged between five and 25 and their families based in Kintyre, including Tarbert.

We were formed in 2010 and received charitable status in August of that year.

The group aims to provide practical and emotional support for young people who take on a substantial unpaid caring role within their family due to illness, disability, mental health or substance misuse issues.

We hope to provide social, leisure educational and employment opportunities to young carers who are restricted by their role in looking after others.

South Kintyre Young Carers Group is working with Kintyre Youth Cafe, Kintyre Youth Inquiry Service, KADAS and local schools to raise our profile and to identify young people who may benefit from our services.

Our current base in Campbeltown is The Hub on Kinloch Road, a site we are sharing with the youth café.

To further highlight our activities we are having a launch event on June 7 at noon and an open day on Saturday June 9, both of which people are more than welcome to attend.

**Steven Shields,**  
**South Kintyre**  
**Young Carers.**

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Steven Shields, secretary, South Kintyre Young Carers, Iain McLean, chairman, Elizabeth McCrimmon and Isobel Dalziel.

## Welcome boost for young carers after bingo night

A LOCAL group for young carers has received a welcome boost thanks to a fundraising bingo night.

Bingo organisers Elizabeth McCrimmon and Isobel Dalziel presented the cheque for £552 to Iain McLean, chairman of South Kintyre young carers.

The ladies are well-known for helping local groups with similar events, and Iain said the Young Carers would benefit greatly from the money as they try to make best use of the town's new youth venue, the Hub on Kinloch Road. He said: 'It's very significant for the development of the Hub and

will allow us to put on more activities and trips for the young carers.

'These are young people aged between five and 25 who often don't have the opportunities others get because they are at home caring for someone in their family.'

Isobel said the bingo night, held at Campbeltown's Argyll Bowling Club, was well attended, with a number of the young people who use the Hub amongst the helpers giving out prizes.

'We would also like to thank the shops which kindly donated prizes,' she said. □ See letters page.

## Up to date mental health information

MENTAL health service users across the peninsula are now able to access up to date information about solicitors in their area.

Thanks to a comprehensive new guide, published by Lomond and Argyll Advocacy Service, offering information about representation in the mental health field.

The advocacy service operates across West Dunbartonshire and Argyll and Bute, providing a free, confidential and independent advocacy service for older people over 65, adults with learning disabilities and adults who use mental health services.

Advocacy manager, Scott Rorison, explained: 'Our free listing provides details of those solicitors and legal firms who responded to our invitation for a listing in the booklet.

Copies of the booklet can be obtained from Lomond and Argyll Advocacy Service, telephone 0845 6023 292.

## Static holiday caravans will now only pay five per cent VAT

ARGYLL and Bute MP Alan Reid presented a petition to the House of Commons on Tuesday opposing government plans to introduce 20 per cent VAT on the sale of static holiday caravans.

He welcomed the government's decision to reduce the VAT to five per cent instead of 20 per cent.

Mr Reid was one of 30 Westminster MPs who presented petitions protesting at the plans, announced in the coalition

Government's recent Budget.

Mr Reid's petition attracted 346 signatures and has been supported by a number of caravan park operators in Argyll and Bute.

### Money

Speaking after the petition was presented, Mr Reid said: 'Owners of static holiday caravans bring a lot of money to Argyll and Bute.'

'The announcement that VAT on caravans would be reduced to five

per cent has come as a huge relief to our industry. Thank you for all you did to help make this change happen. 'It is very encouraging to see the government taking notice and revising their decision when they are presented with a robust case.'

Mr Reid said he was pleased for all the holiday parks in Argyll and Bute that the government listened to the case put forward by the industry.

## SNH launch photo competition to capture nature and wildlife

A PHOTO contest to celebrate Scotland's amazing biodiversity has been launched.

### Capturing

As part of Scottish Biodiversity Week festivities, Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH) is encouraging those in Kintyre to enjoy nature by capturing their favourite natural places and wildlife.

The sixth annual Na-

ture Photography Competition is open to both amateur and professional photographers.

Keen photographers have plenty of time to get snapping, with a deadline of July 31 to get their photos to SNH.

First prize is a one-to-one tutorial with one of Scotland's leading professional nature photographers, Lorne Gill; second prize is a Nikon

D5100 Digital SLR camera with a tripod; and third prize is a Panasonic Lumix LX5 Digital Camera and a tripod.

This contest is part of Scottish Biodiversity Week, which includes 120 events across Scotland taking place from May 19 to 27.

### Information

For more information see [www.snh.gov.uk/biodiversityweek](http://www.snh.gov.uk/biodiversityweek).

# Wind turbine plans despite opposition

by EDEL KENEALY

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A RENEWABLE energy expert has revealed this week he will pursue plans to build an 84-metre wind turbine on the Skipness road, despite opposition in the area.

Jonathan Waxman of Genesis Energy said he would not withdraw his application to build an 800 kW wind turbine 1.2 km north of the B8001 Skipness road.

In a heated debate at a public meeting in Tarbert Mr Waxman was inundated with criticism about his proposal.

But the green energy businessman said the meeting did not truly reflect public opinion on the turbine.

Speaking to *The Courier*, Mr Waxman said: 'People were in favour of it, they just didn't speak out at the meeting; that happens a lot in

local communities, people feel if their views are going to be unpopular they keep their own counsel.'

Explaining people in Tarbert would be in support of a project that would generate funds that could help tackle local issues such as affordable housing Mr Waxman added: 'If you poll around Tarbert I bet the majority of people would poll in favour but until I do that it is tough to say.'

To date 35 letters of objection about the proposed wind turbine have been submitted to Argyll and Bute Council, with one letter in favour.

Whitehouse resident Graham Terry said that was a better reflection of public opinion. He said people were concerned about the visual impact of the turbine and its impact on hen harriers in the area.

'Local people just don't want the turbine,' Mr Terry said.

Mr Waxman has offered 50 per cent of the company shares to the

local community – to be divided between Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust and local individuals.

Explaining locals were concerned that the initial plan did not involve the community, Mr Waxman said: 'One of the objections was that it had no benefit to the local community so I have addressed that.'

Remaining committed to green energy, Mr Waxman added: 'This is the mission of our generation. We have to do this; the future of the earth lies in our hands.'

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# Fundraising for Home-Start

A FAMILY support charity in South Kintyre has re-started a fundraising scheme.

Home-Start Mid Argyll, Jura, Islay and Kintyre (MAJIK), now has its own 100 club.

It is a simple way of giving money to a local charity, with the chance of winning some money

back too.

Those who wish to take part pay an annual fee of £15, and every month a draw takes place, with prizes of £30, £20 and £10.

### Draw

The first draw took place in May, and saw Margaret Sinclair, Cathi Bertin, and Alison

Woodrow, win first, second and third, respectively.

If you would like to be included in future 100 club draws please contact Eleanor for an application form on 07917285154 or 01586 551140 or eleanor@homestartmajik.eclipse.co.uk.



Pam Francis at the coffee morning with helpers Margaret Thomson, Ann Thomson and Ann Boulton. 20\_c22nep01

## Coffee morning for Nepalese Children's Trust

NEPALESE children will benefit from a coffee morning and sale held in Campbeltown's Red Cross Hall at the weekend.

### Amazed

Pam Francis formed the Nepalese Children's Trust with friends in 2003 and since moving to Kintyre

six years ago she has been amazed how much the community has embraced it.

As well as supplying books and others essentials to a village in Nepal, the trust has paid for one young Nepalese man to study medicine at university in the UK.



Kintyre Action Group committee members: back row, Isobel McLean, Elizabeth Irwin and Reverend Michael Lind; front row, Mary Anderson, Sadie Colville and Flora Gillespie. 20\_c22bib01

## Bible society hold table top sale and jubilee tea and coffee morning

THE Kintyre Action Group of the Scottish Bible Society continued their tradition of holding table top sales at the weekend.

Lorne and Lowland church was the venue for the sale, with a jubilee-themed tea and coffee morning in the adjacent hall.

The funds raised will go towards sending bibles abroad and translating the bible, with a current project being to send them to China.

## Chaplaincy service talk to Free Church members

THE Free Church in Campbeltown welcomed two speakers to its congregation on Sunday. Finlay Mackenzie and his wife Christine deliver a chaplaincy service to the international students at Glasgow's three universities.

Coming to the town by motorbike, they spoke about their work, which has brought them into contact with a great variety of people from all over the world.



Calum Ferguson, Finlay Mackenzie, Christine Mackenzie, Lily Morrison and Liz Ferguson. 20\_c22free01

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**Machrihanish Airbase Community Company Ltd** will hold a **Public Meeting on Thursday, June 14, 2012 in the Victoria Hall from 7.30pm – 9pm** to discuss the recent buyout and plans for the future development of the airbase. All welcome.

RNLI Campbeltown Branch **"BREW FOR THE CREW"** Jubilee Tea Party on Saturday 2nd June 1pm – 4pm. Upstairs in the Lifeboat Station. Teas, coffees, soft drinks & home baking. The Lifeboat Shop will be open 11am – 4pm.

Kintyre Schools Novice Pipe Band **STREET PERFORMANCE** In Main Street, Campbeltown **Saturday 2 June 2012 at 7.30pm**. All welcome (Weather permitting).

Fyne Families **FABULOUS 50's PARTY** for pre-school and primary children £3 per child. Friday 1st June 2012, 6pm - 8pm. **Lochgilphead Community Centre**. Come & Play, 1950's food, Prize for best 50's outfit.

**Smallholders Gathering Clachan Village Hall, Sat. 2nd June** 1.00 - 4pm: Plants, Produce, Crafts, Face-Painting, Weaving, Style Argyll Haircuts, Therapies, Paintings, Gurning contest & Kintyre Beer/Winemakers Co-operative launch. 7.30- 12.00pm. **Celtic Dance from Clachanach + Local Musicians** Guest acts: 0791 950 8062. Springbank prize for Beer/Winemakers contest. Raffle Dinner for 2 prize from Putechan Hotel. Tickets £6 & £3 at door.

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**Moving ON – Mid Argyll MO-MA COFFEE MORNING** Baptist Church, Lochgilphead **Saturday - 2 June 2012 10.00-12.00**. MO-MA is a partnership of local churches working to support the homeless in Mid Argyll.

**Tarbert Golf Club** The Scottish Salmon Company **Companaidh Bhradan na h-Alba GENTS OPEN** Sunday 3rd June 2012. Handicap and scratch prizes of: £60, £40, £30, £20. Tee off times: 8am - 9am, 11am - 12noon, 2pm - 3pm. Entry Fee £10 (Includes meal). **To book tee off time telephone 01880 820565**

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# Bags of Rock are a big hit in Campbeltown

by **TONY GARNER**  
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BAGS of Rock came to Campbeltown on Saturday, and did exactly what they said on the tin.

Blending a hard rock vibe with the traditional sound of the pipes, they proved a huge hit with the audience in

the Victoria Hall. Providing support were well-known local act, Medium High, who did acoustic and electric sets, and the Kintyre Schools Pipe Band.



Bags of Rock. 20\_c22bor01



David McNaughton, Andrew Henderson, Gregor McFadyen, Fraser McFadyen and Lyle Gillespie. 20\_c22soc04



Above: Locals Pam McFadyen, Julie Ferguson and Mhairi Renton, with friend Alison Nimmo from North Lanarkshire. 20\_c22soc06



Kintyre Schools Pipe Band in action. 20\_c22bor04



Maureen Johnson, Catherine Black, Danny Black, Robert Black and Kenny Johnson. 20\_c22soc03



Right: Gemma Downie, Stephanie Brodie and Margaret Robertson. 20\_c22soc05

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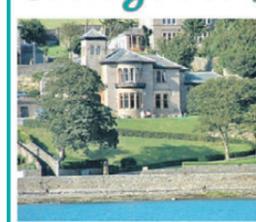


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You could even take the opportunity to relax in the sunshine with a glass of wine, enjoying a light lunch on a weekend, or your day off, helping you to relax and unwind after a hectic week.

With many having separate menus for childrens and specials, boasting delicious and fresh food, it is ideal for providing a special night out, or just to spend time with the family to get you out of the kitchen.

If you don't feel like going out and trying your local hotels and restaurants, why not create a summer dish for you and yours, using local produce.

Visit your local fishmonger or butcher to get some ideas on trying something different.

Look for the fruit and vegetables that are in season to get the most out of your meals.

For June, strawberries, gooseberries, broad beans, cherries and blackcurrants are all in season.

So are redcurrants, rhubarb, asparagus, broccoli, turnips, beetroot and radishes.

Using produce that is in season, will help you reduce costs, as these are normally cheaper, and are fresher as they are normally grown in the country rather than being imported.

What about creating a nice chicken and asparagus pie, using local organic free-range chicken and in season asparagus? And a rhubarb crumble, or strawberry cheesecake.

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## Firms facing stiff opposition when bidding for contracts

LOCAL firms are facing stiff competition when it comes to bidding for contracts.

Tom Millar of McFadyen Contractors, explained that the construction industry in the area is booming at the moment.

He said it takes a lot of scope for local companies here to bid for works.

'The way the capital expenditure is being procured by government bodies is a concern,' he said.

'We have tried to highlight the design of some projects, which stop us bidding for the contract.'

Claire Gibb of HIE said it is not just McFadyens that are having problems with this.

'Centrally somebody makes a decision and it's the cheaper option they go for,' she said.

'We would like to see some sustainability built into the tender process. We are doing really well out of the construction just now.'

The feeling was echoed by Barry Colville of McKinven and Colville.

'Now, if we are tendering for contracts we will take in the likes of Du-noon, Helensburgh, Mid Argyll and Oban.'

### Big picture

'We used to be able to just do Campbeltown and Tarbert, we've got to take in the big picture.'

'From a small company point of view it takes a lot of time and effort to fill out the contract details.'

David Smart of HIE said they recognised the importance of construction in Argyll.

'We would like to talk to construction teams about this,' he said.



Highlands and Islands Enterprise representatives with local business people after the breakfast last Thursday. 20\_c22hie01

## Kintyre businesses hold get together

by RUTH McCLEAN  
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BUSINESSES from South Kintyre got together to discuss various topics, and how the market in Campbeltown is growing.

Organised by Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE), the business breakfast at the Ardshiel Hotel, Campbeltown, saw various organisations and businesses represented.

Key points were drawn from the meeting, which HIE will now feed back to colleagues across the organisation. Key points and themes will be shared with the Scottish Government.

'Feedback from the Campbeltown event has been positive and will be extremely useful in shaping how we engage with and support the local business community in the future,' said Claire Gibb of HIE.

The objective of the breakfast was to gain insights from individuals involved in enterprise on the current

economic situation, the opportunities they see for the future and the barriers they face to realise these.

The demand for a chamber of commerce for Campbeltown was discussed, with Ian Wardrop, chairman of Machrihanish Airbase Community Company explaining: 'There are a lot of things happening in this area. I think working together we can push this even further,' he told the meeting.

'There is a big demand now for a type of chamber of commerce in the area here, to get together and try and help each other.'

Marion MacKinnon of the Ardshiel Hotel said they are now at a point where Kintyre needs to be pushed as a tourist destination.

'We have been steadily growing since we came here,' she explained. 'We need to look at different ways of marketing the area, and a chamber of commerce may be the way forward.'

## Shortage of skilled workers a problem for Wind Towers

A SHORTAGE of skilled workers in Kintyre is a problem facing Wind Towers Limited.

Iona Dott of Wind Towers Limited, based at Machrihanish, said although they can take more orders, their difficulty is getting the skilled workforce.

'From our point of view it is an exciting time for Wind Towers Limited. Next year, if we have the facilities and demand, we will look to feed into the off-shore market.'

'In the Skykon days they didn't have the orders. Our difficulty is in getting the skills to get the factory skilled enough to make the orders,' explained Iona.

David Smart of High-

lands and Islands Enterprise (HIE), said from a South Kintyre and Campbeltown view the feeling he got was it was more positive and better than it has previously been.

### Optimistic

Kevin Lewis from Machrihanish Dunes said they are very optimistic about the future but transportation needs to be addressed.

'There is much more than just golf to be offered here,' he told the meeting. 'We need to work on the transportation issue.'

'We are working on the ideas of people travelling in Northern Ireland and continuing their journey onto Scotland.'

## Fears over shop closures

OVER the last few months a number of shops have closed in Campbeltown, and the meeting was told there is fear that more could follow.

James Lafferty of Campbeltown Townscape Heritage Initiative said around seven or eight small shops in the town centre have closed.

'I think it's been quite quiet in the town and some of them had to close the doors. My fear is there could be more to follow,' explained James.

Alex Russell of Argyll Bakeries said he thought the trend was set when the idea of a big Tesco was floated.

'It was ready to decimate the whole town,' he said. 'Hopefully someone will see there is still life in the town.'

Issues were raised about local shop owners being urged to spend substantial money that many didn't have, on their properties and buildings.

James explained this is due to years of under investment in the town centre.

He said they wanted people to work together on a solution.

## Kintyre Express attract families

FAMILIES are the biggest group of travellers the Kintyre Express has been attracting.

Colin Craig, managing director of West Coast Motors, which runs the service, said a ferry to Troon, from a tourism point, has a lot of competition from other companies.

'Ireland is a something a bit different, the biggest demand has been to Kintyre more than to Ireland for us,' he explained.

He said it does take a long time to get established in the tourism market, as operators are already booking up for 2014.

In terms of the infrastructure in the area, Mr Craig said: 'It's got a long way to go.'

'There has to be a change of mindset when talking about a ferry from Campbeltown. It doesn't need to be something like the Clansman.'

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Some of the pupils from Tarbert's winning team: Cara Kemp Smith, Stacey Casci, Josh Barker and Tabitha James. a22shar01no

## Tarbert academy in profit again

A GROUP of Tarbert Academy pupils are doing what investors the world over are currently struggling to pull off.

The six fifth years taking part in the Shares 4 Schools competition have made a profit on the stock market.

### Top school

Once could be lucky, but this is the third year running the school has

ended up in profit and been the top Scottish school entered.

Out of the 54 schools taking part from the UK and beyond, Tarbert ended 13th in the league table, with only the top 14 in profit.

Their profit margin was small, with only an 0.5 per cent return on the £1,500 invested, but in the words of dep-

uty head John Welsh: 'they did as well as the banks would do.' He explained: 'One period a fortnight a local businessman, Philip Connor, comes in to advise the pupils.'

### Invested

'The £1,500 they invested was real money, which came from their fundraising and sponsorship from Philip Connor. The prof-

its will come back to the school funds and the rest will ensure that another team can take part next year without having to worry about raising more money.'

As a reward for their success, four of the team will now have an all expenses paid trip to London on July 27, where they will enjoy a ride on the London Eye.



Kennacraig Ferry Terminal's phase two upgrade is awaiting the go ahead from the UK Government it was prepared to release capital budget.

# 'No more excuses' for ignoring government's calls for capital investment

THERE are 'no more excuses' for ignoring the Scottish Government's calls for capital investment, according to Highlands and Islands MSP Mike MacKenzie, which could see the next phase of the Kennacraig Terminal upgrade go ahead.

This came following reports the UK Coalition Government are planning a change in its economic policy to in-

crease state-backed investment in housing and infrastructure.

The Scottish Government has already provided the UK Government with details of 'shovel ready' projects that are there for the taking if the Treasury were prepared to release capital budget.

Two such projects are: Kennacraig Terminal Upgrade Phase 2 and Gourrock to Du-

noon Pontoons. These would support employment and investment in the local economy and could get underway now if the UK Government gives Scotland the green light.

#### Repeatedly

Mr MacKenzie said: 'We have been saying repeatedly that the cuts agenda of the UK Government is not the best way to get our economy back on track.'

'Investment in infrastructure to protect employment and improve conditions for investment is absolutely vital.'

He said there has to be the right balance between reducing day-to-day expenditure whilst also investing in capital projects.

'The Scottish Government has paved the way for that with 'shovel ready' projects that

we can roll out with very quickly and the UK Government must now take a more positive view of the need for investment,' he explained.

'A Plan B must be embraced if we are to continue increasing employment and improving investment conditions both here in the Highlands and Islands and right across Scotland.'

## Legal obligations when employing seasonal staff

IN THE tourism industry especially, many employers take on temporary workers over the summer season.

Employers do need to be aware of the issues of employing seasonal staff and their legal obligations.

Argyll and Bute Council's Business Gateway is on hand to help local businesses understand their obligations, by providing support from business advisers and a range of interactive online tools.

Pre-employment checks on all employees are required and this can be time consuming if a large number of seasonal staff needs to be taken on.

Some checks are optional but advisable, whilst others are a legal requirement.

The moment an applicant unconditionally accepts a job offer a contract of employment comes into existence.

The terms of the contract can be oral, written, implied or a mixture of all three. Even if a written contract is not issued, employers have a legal duty to provide most employees with a written statement of main employment particulars within two months of the start of their employment.

Temporary workers have the same rights as other employees and are entitled to a rest break of at least 20 minutes if working more than six hours.

Workers who are over the minimum school-leaving age but under 18 must not work for more than eight hours a day or 40 hours a week.

These hours worked cannot be averaged out and there is no opt-out available.

Employees in this age group are entitled to a break of 30 minutes every four-and-a-half hours worked, a rest period of 12 hours between each working day and two days off a week.

Business Gateway can provide additional guidance on any of these subjects and a range of useful policy templates and pro formas to help small businesses meet these obligations.

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## Eight chase every vacancy

LATEST figures revealed over eight unemployed people are chasing every vacant job in Argyll and Bute.

#### Registered

The latest figures, for last month, show there are 1,836 people out of work whilst there are

212 registered job vacancies.

Highlands and Islands Labour MSP Rhoda Grant said the lack of growth in the Argyll and Bute economy must be tackled by action to counter economic hardship.

## Newly refurbished Ardshiel Hotel up for top licensed trade award

A HOTEL, which has recently been refurbished, is up for a top honour in its industry.

The Ardshiel Hotel, in Campbeltown, has been put forward for this year's annual DRAM Scottish Licensed Trade Awards.

They are up for the Bowmore Whisky Bar of the Year Award, and judges will be out in force over the next few weeks visiting all the premises that have been nominated.

The awards, dubbed the licensed trade 'Oscars,' are organised by licensed trade magazine, DRAM.

Now in their 17th year, they are the longest-established awards of their kind in Scotland, recognising excellence in Scotland's bar, restaurant and hospitality industries.

Event organiser and DRAM publisher Susan Young said: 'The awards just get bigger and better

with the passing of each year, as does the standard of entry. This year, the level of entry in each category has been nothing short of excellent, and we've been inun-

dated with entry forms from all over Scotland.

'I look forward to joining my fellow judges and seeing the venues in person, and meeting the people behind them.'

## Search for top apprentice

A SEARCH for Scotland's top modern apprentice was launched last week by Argyll and Bute MSP and Scottish Education Secretary Michael Russell.

Nominations were officially opened for the award as part of Scottish Apprenticeship Week 2012.

More information can be found at [www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk](http://www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk).

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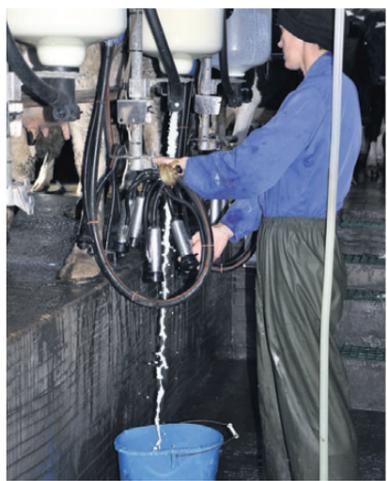
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# Securing the future of dairy farming in Kintyre



Mark Rennie and sister Emma, right, with Megan Durnan, centre, who is helping out on the farm.



Emma empties some of the milk into a bucket which can be fed to the calves.

INSTALLING a more efficient milking parlour has allowed a Gigha farm, just off the Kintyre peninsula, to secure its future and to help ensure milk still comes from the island for the foreseeable.

Over the last year Tarbert Farm, owned by the Rennie family has undergone some important changes which will benefit it and the island.

They bought and installed a second hand parlour, helping to cut their milking time of their 65 dairy cows.

The Rennie family moved to Gigha and took over Tarbert Farm in 1968.

Emma Dennis, née Rennie, took over in 2002 and now with brother Mark, runs the farm at the island's north end.

Last year they got rid of their sheep to allow them to rear more dairy cattle to increase their milking.

'We need to keep the amount of milk coming from the island up, so we decided to get rid of the sheep and bring in more cattle,' said Emma.

'We used to just have summer calving, but our aim is to now calve all year round.'

The 5-a-side Fullwood parlour, allows them to monitor how much milk each cow is producing, effectively lowering costs as they are using less cake to feed the beasts.

'Using this new system means we don't use as much cake, as it's an automatic feeder,' explained Emma who took over running the farm from her father in 2002.

'We can see exactly how much milk each cow is producing so can feed them according to that.'

'Before the milk went into a centralised tank

so we couldn't see how much there was from each individual cow.'

It took the family around nine months to install the parlour, using just half of the parlour to milk during that time, using a bio with a pipeline to the tank.

With the milk tanker now only coming every second day to the island to collect milk from the three farms, Tarbert Farm has had to also ex-

tend its storage and cooling tank.

'We have had to accommodate the cut First Milk made. It was getting too expensive to bring the tanker over every day,' Emma told *The Courier*.

She said the tanker collects 1,600 litres every second day from them.

'As long as we produce one million litres a year First Milk is quite happy with that,' she said.

## Plans are being finalised for revamped creamery

WORK is on going to progress and finalise plans for the redevelopment and investment in Campbeltown Creamery, Kintyre.

First Milk, which owns the creamery, is liaising with the local farming community to create a brand new cheese-making facility at its current site of Witchburn Road, Campbeltown.

Once complete the revamped creamery will secure the future of 38 dairy farms and 100 jobs on the peninsula.

Over the last few years, First Milk had progressed plans to sell its existing Campbeltown site to Tesco and backed by grant funding from the Scottish Government, relocate to a new location in the town.

However, it was revealed in January, Tesco now indicated it no longer wished to purchase the site in order to build a larger store in the town; as a result the creamery will remain at its current location.

The new factory will allow for increased production and provide processing efficiencies, which cannot be achieved at the current plant.

The new facility will be funded by two sources: up to £2 million from the Scottish Government and funds from First Milk, the UK's leading dairy farmer co-operative.

A First Milk spokesman said: 'Whilst we are not in a position to share any finalised plans at this time, the shape and direction of our plans are focused on creating a modernised creamery that can service the current and future growth of our brands, and business.'

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## Organisations commit to drive forward Scotland's dairy industry

FIVE Scottish organisations have given a clear signal of commitment to drive forward Scotland's dairy industry and place it firmly on the international map.

The group – including representatives from the Scottish Government, Scottish Development International (SDI), Scotland Food and Drink and Dairy UK – met at NFU Scotland headquarters at Inglishton on Tuesday to plot out its strategy.

SDI representation included people from its offices in China and Japan. The Scottish dairy strategy working group has set itself the following aims: to establish new opportunities – both domestically and internationally for Scottish

milk and dairy products; to establish how we support these opportunities; to instil confidence and drive ambition throughout the whole Scottish dairy supply chain; to create a strong Scottish brand for milk and dairy products; understanding where Scottish products can fit into the European and global dairy market and to look at scope for inward investment in the dairy sector

Research work is already underway through SDI to understand global markets and research opportunities and look at international benchmarking. The group will meet again in early August by when the international research will have been completed.

# Monitor farm meetings helped with soil problems

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OVER the last year held by Quality Meat Scotland, have helped a Kintyre farmer to solve his soil problems.

Through the monitor farm programme, Duncan Macalister of Glenbarr Farms, has learned a lot about soil on his land.

'The main key point I

have taken out of the last 12 months is about the different soils across the farm,' he said. 'I thought I had subsoil issues, but I actually have a surface compact soil one.'

'My soils are also sand based, rather than clay. There was also a calcium magnesium imbalance which caused a stickiness through ex-



Duncan wanted to have a hybrid in his stock so bought a Hereford bull to cross with an Aberdeen Angus. Known as a Black Baldy, this will allow Duncan to have a cross bred cow instead of pure bred one. He said he was looking for a cow of low maintenance that would produce a calves that feed well. This calf is the latest of his stock to be bred as a cross. 20\_c22cow01



One of the key points Glenbarr Farms has picked up on over the last year is the different soils across the farm which boasts 1,730 acres of land. 20\_c22cow02

cessive use of magnesium lime. We rectified this by using dolomitic lime.

'A detailed soil analysis was carried out by soil specialist James Bretherton.

'Soil is the engine of the farm; you've got to build it from the ground up. Improving my soil structure will in turn improve my grass pasture.'

He explained aerating the grass would also allow him to use less fertilisers and less bought in

feed, effectively reducing costs.

'We are making better use of what we've got,' said Duncan.

### Profitable

The idea behind the three-year monitor farm programme is to make Glenbarr Farms more profitable and efficient.

For the second year, the farmers will be looking more at the livestock side of things.

The next meeting is to take place on June 13 at 11am and the focus then

will be on all aspects of sheep.

In July a further meeting will take place, which will concentrate on pasture rejuvenation and precision farming.

Alan Boulton, Linda McLean and Duncan, facilitators for the project, would like to thank the management group for their work and continued support, the farmers that turn out at the meetings and the sponsors who support the project throughout the year.

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### Stirling Mart

CALEDONIAN Marts (Stirling) Ltd had forward 825 store and breeding sheep on Monday when ewes with lambs at foot sold to £196.

The top price was paid for Beltex cross ewes with twins at foot from M Kennedy, Lurgan. Mules with twins from Innieshewan sold to £185, with Texel ewes with twins from Mid Forrest selling to £184.

Texel ewes with singles at foot from Munieston sold to £160, with Mules with singles from Innieshewan to £136 =

Feeding ewes sold to £54 for Cheviots from Urrard Estates.

## Local farmers and land managers urged to make their contribution to agricultural forum survey

FARMERS and land managers across Argyll and the Isles are being urged to make their contribution to a survey being carried out by the local agricultural forum.

The survey will be distributed by Scottish Agricultural College (SAC) in the next 10 days and will help form a new strategy giving the forum a clearer view on the key issues to address.

This last happened nine

years ago and development manager for Argyll and the Island Agricultural Forum, Fergus Younger knows a lot has happened since then.

### factors

'Many factors have altered the way in which the farming industry manages the countryside,' he said.

'The impact of EU policy, global trade issues, the supply chain balance of power and climate change targets are

all having an impact on individual rural businesses. Livestock prices are very different today, but so too are the costs of fuel, fertiliser and feed.'

The previous survey moulded the forum's 2005 strategy document. It identified key issues affecting agriculture in the area and helped develop themes and actions needed to move the industry forward.

The survey will be sent

out within the next few days.

Financial support for this work has come from Argyll and Bute Council, Scottish Natural Heritage and National Farmers Union Scotland.

Recipients are urged to complete it and return as soon as possible.

Their valued contribution to the process will help mould how the forum proceeds and influence future work.

**ISLAY**

**Jim completes Edinburgh Marathon**

PORT Ellen man Jim Lutomski is celebrating after completing the Edinburgh Marathon to raise vital funds for the British Heart Foundation (BHF).

Jim, aged 56, completed the route, from Edinburgh to Musselburgh, in very warm conditions, in 3 hours, 21 minutes.

He was motivated to become a Heart Runner because his family has been affected by heart disease, and sadly he lost his mother and uncle.

The artist, who also runs a bike hire and repair business in Port Ellen, said: 'Running the Edinburgh Marathon was a massive challenge and an incredible experience.'

'The atmosphere on the day was brilliant and I'm proud to have been part of the BHF Heart Runners team. Knowing I was running for such a great cause really kept me going.'



Jim Lutomski

**Disruption to ferries**

CALEDONIAN MacBrayne (CalMac) has been questioned about disruption to ferries on Islay during busy festival week.

Alan Reid, MP for Argyll and Bute contacted managing director of CalMac Martin Dorchester this week.

CalMac had taken the Hebridean Isles from the Islay route to the Oban-Coll-Tiree service because of 'technical problems' on that route.

'Before the construction of MV Finlaggan, CalMac always promised that, after it came into service, an Islay vessel would not be withdrawn if an addition-

al vessel were required elsewhere on the network, because the Isle of Arran would act as the back-up vessel,' said Mr Reid. 'I have demanded that new CalMac managing director Martin Dorchester explains why the Isle of Arran wasn't used as the back-up vessel for Oban-Tiree-Coll on this occasion. 'What's the point of a back-up vessel if it's not used when required?'

**Biomass boiler at the high school**

ISLAY High School is on course to install a biomass boiler heating system in an effort to reduce its heating bill.

Argyll and Bute Council's new planning and licensing committee was due to meet on Wednesday to decide on the school's planning application to install a biomass boiler, including plant room and woodchip store. The application is recommended for approval, subject to conditions.

The Bowmore-based school has also applied to erect security fencing, new retaining walls and pipework, alterations to access and the relocation of existing gates and fencing.

**Fèis Ìle**

AS PART of the Fèis Ìle Music and Malt celebrations, Martine Nouet and Francois Bernier were due to host two 'Cooking With Whisky' classes in Islay High School kitchens.

On Tuesday their class and meal featured mussels steamed with Laphroaig whisky, while yesterday Kilchoman Distillery will be showcased, as the chefs cook venison with their spirit.

**Isis skiff**

DATES for this year's Isis skiff rowing races in Islay have been set: Sunday, June 3 in Port Ellen; Sunday, July 8; Sunday, July 22; Sunday, August 5; Sunday, August 19; Sunday, September 2.

Although times and locations are yet to be confirmed it is hoped that at least one race will take place within Loch Indaal this year.

For those new to the club, there are two rowing skiffs; Isis and Isis 2, crewed by four rowers and a helm. Races vary in distance from short



The Kintyre and Mid Argyll Beekeeping Association has started up at Clachan.

**Beekeeping classes held at Clachan Primary School**

BEEKEEPING classes are being run in the local area aimed at those in Kintyre and Mid Argyll.

The Kintyre and Mid Argyll Beekeeping Association is a newly formed association to promote beekeeping and training in the local area.

It is running the classes for new and experienced beekeepers using

a small colony of bees at Clachan Primary the association is trying to nurture.

**Apiary**

They are trying to set up a training apiary using the school's bees as a start, and would welcome any donation of bees or unused equipment to help start the apiary.

The association is planning to run a pro-

gramme of beekeeping classes in the summer and a monthly meeting addressing various beekeeping topics in the winter.

Anybody interested in joining, whether they have bees or not are welcome to come along.

For more information or to register interest, phone 01880 740 637, 01880 730 262 or 01880 740 647.

**CLACHAN**

**Skipathon for heart foundation**

CLACHAN Primary School held a skipathon last week.

The pupils were doing skipping over a number of weeks in preparation for the event which was held to raise funds for

the British Heart Foundation.

Each of the pupils timed how long they could skip for, and tried to improve on it throughout last Tuesday. 20\_c22skip02



**Zumba class**

The popular dance/keep fit exercise will be held on Tuesdays from 7 to 8pm in the village hall. More information can be found by searching for Argyll Zumba on facebook.

**SOUND OF KINTYRE**

**Homeowner's association**

THE Sound of Kintyre Homeowner's Association held its May meeting.

The following issues were discussed:

Weed killing to the common areas had been completed.

Following the recent problems with vandalism the bench by the fountain had been repaired.

All present were pleased that since these incidents had been reported and the police had been involved, the situation had calmed down and people were making use of the field next to the demolished shop to play football.

The damaged kerbstones at the phase one car park had been re-converted.

**TAYINLOAN**

**Yacht required assistance**

A 16-FOOT yacht required the assistance from the local ferry at Tayinloan after it broke down.

The Orkney contacted Clyde Coastguard at 2pm on May 26 to report the boat, with three people on board, was drifting towards the Island of Cara.

The MV Lochranza proceeded to the casualty and took it under tow to Tayinloan.



**Work progressing at Tayinloan Pier**

THE walkway down to the ferry has now been extended with a footpath to make it safer for foot passengers.

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**Big Lunch**

THE location for the Jubilee Big Lunch in Tarbert will be on the north side of the harbour, next to the outdoor gym equipment.

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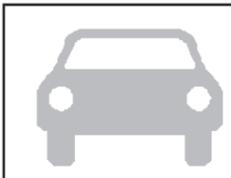
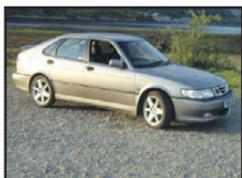
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**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2008 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT**

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location Of Plans
12/01025/PP	Erection of single storey side extension.	Auchavae Claonaig Skipness Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6YG	Sub Post Office Tarbert
12/01042/PP	Installation of micro hydro scheme	Tigh Na Choille Achnamara Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8PT	Ardrishaig Area Office
12/01056/PP	Alterations to entrance doorway and associated windows	Balinakill Farm Cottage Clachan Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6XL	Sub Post Office Tarbert
12/01099/PP	Erection of replacement porch	Carrick House Tayvallich Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8PL	Ardrishaig Area Office

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

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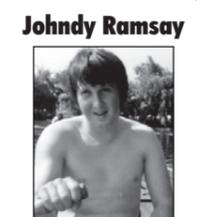
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xxxx

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**TEXT FOR THE WEEK**

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**MANCHESTER**

Neil and Debbie are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Matilda Barbara Rose (Tilly), on Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at the Mid Argyll Community Hospital. A beautiful sister for Michael and Freddie. Many thanks to all the midwives.

**ENGAGEMENTS****WATSON - GIBSON**

Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Ranald, son of Ranald and Mary, to Lea, daughter of Brian and Karen, on May 19, 2012.

**DEATHS**

**KELLY** - Vera, May 26, 2012, peacefully, aged 86 years, dearly loved wife of the late Peter Kelly, formerly of Millknowe, beloved mother of Lynne, Avril and the late Vivien, mother-in-law and devoted nana of Emma and much loved sister-in-law. The funeral will be held on Thursday, June 7 at Guiseley Methodist Church. Any enquiries to Denisons Funeral Service, Guiseley, Nr Leeds. Tel: 01943 872619.

**MACINNES** - Peacefully, at Cowal Community Hospital, on Monday, May 28, 2012, Christine, beloved wife of Duncan, loving mum of John and Lisa, adored granny of Amy-Beth, Heather-Rose, Ryan and Iylah. Sadly missed by all family and friends. The funeral service will be held on Friday, June 1 at Greenock Crematorium at 2.00pm, to which all are respectfully invited.

**MCILCHERE** - Peacefully, after a long illness, borne with humour and courage, at home, Heathfield, High Askomil, Campbeltown, on May 27, 2012, Robert Lang McIlchere (Robin), in his 68th year, dearly beloved husband of Irene, devoted father of Jilly, Louise and Jane and a much loved brother and uncle.

**MCPHEE** - Peacefully, at home, Bell-Na-Mara, High Askomil, Campbeltown, on May 25, 2012, Kathleen Mary McDougall, in her 87th year, dearly beloved wife of the late Duncan McPhee and a much loved mother, granny and great granny.

**MUIR** - Peacefully, at the Kintyre Care Centre, Campbeltown, on May 25, 2012, Helen McMaster (Ella), in her 80th year, Smith Drive and formerly of Ralston Road, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late James Muir, much loved mother of Flora, Norman, Alasdair and Alan, and a much loved grandmother and great grandmother.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**GILCHRIST** - Jean, Scott, Carol, Campbell and family would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy, flowers, cards, phone calls and visits following the sad loss of Malcolm. A special thanks go to all the doctors, especially Dr Anderson and all staff at Campbeltown Hospital. Thanks to Rev Burroughs for the lovely service and to Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for funeral arrangements and Argyll Hotel for refreshments. A special thanks go to Maggie and Lindsay for all their support, kindness and help and Peter and Eddie for their uplifting visits to Malcolm each week. The collection for Parkinsons Kintyre Locality and Acute Ward raised £705.

**JOHNSON** - Margaret and all the family, would like to thank, most sincerely, all relatives, friends and neighbours, for phone calls, letters, cards, flowers and baking received after the sad loss of Dan. Special thanks to Dr Spink, Practice Nurse, Cathanna Smith and the district nurses at Tarbert Medical Centre, and ambulance crew for their care of Dan. Also doctors and nursing staff at Glenaray Ward for their excellent care. Thanks also to all my friends who transported me to the hospital visits, to family and friends who supported me during Dan's last two days in life, and not forgetting Beth Johnson for the lovely letters she wrote to Dan during his stay in hospital, Rev Tom Bryson for a very comforting service, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, Tarbert Hotel for an excellent purvey, and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. The shared collection for Tarbert Parish Church Restoration Fund and Glenaray Ward raised £350.

**MCALLISTER** - Eileen and family would like to thank all family, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy, lovely flowers, cards, phone calls, baking and visits received following the recent passing of Duncan. Sincere thanks to Rev Michael J Lind for the lovely service, all who attended the church and graveside and organist, David McEwan. Special thanks to the doctors, nurses and staff at the Kintyre Care Centre, Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for funeral arrangements and the Seaford Hotel for catering. The collection for the Highland Parish Church and Kintyre Care Centre raised £835.90.

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**FLEMING** - Mary, née Galbraith. In loving memory of a dear mum and mother-in-law, who sadly passed away on June 5, 2011.

A year ago you passed away,

But you are loved and missed every day.

- With all our love, Josephine and Alex.

**LANG** - In loving memory of my husband, Campbell, who died June 4, 2004.

Loved and remembered every day.

- Helen.

**MCMURCHY** - Iain. In memory of my dear husband, who died June 2, 2011, a loving father and granda.

"Silent thoughts of times together

Hold memories that last forever".

- Love Cissie.

God bless, love you, Granda.

- Conner and Solana.

**MITCHELL** - In loving memory of a beloved son, brother and uncle, Robert, tragically killed on June 1, 1987, aged 16, a beloved granddaughter, daughter, niece and sister, Amelia Hope, May 5, 2010, aged 27 days, and a loving husband, father and granda, Robert, May 3, 2012.

Too good to die

Too precious to lose

It was God's will

We could not choose.

- Isobel, Stephen, Andrew, Paul, Anthea and family.

**MORRANS** - Precious memories of our mum and nana, Nan, who passed June 6, 2011.

Age will not dim your loving face and sparkling eyes

You fell asleep and left us sad

We will not forget the mother we had.

- Love always, Vivian and Ian.

Sorely missed every day, Nana.

- Love from Nicola, Steven and Leighanne.

**MORRANS** - In loving memory of Nan.

The happy hours we once enjoyed

How sweet their memory's still

But losing you has left a space

This world can never fill.

- Your loving partner, Alex.

**MUNRO** - Isabella McArthur, died June 4, 1989. In memory of a much loved mother and granny.

Always in our thoughts.

- Margaret, Paul and family, Truro, Cornwall.

**PALMER** - In happy memory of a dear friend and neighbour, Nancy, who died June 3, 2011, a day which ended in deep sorrow and heartache.

- Morag.

**TAYLOR** - In loving memory of our precious brother and uncle, Teddy, who fell asleep on June 7, 2011.

Of all the many blessings

However great or small

To have had you for a brother

Was the greatest one of all.

The family chain is broken now

And nothing seems the same

Bus as God takes us one by one

The chain will link again.

We miss you more each day.

- Love always, Amanda and Steven.

There is a special angel in heaven

That is part of me

When I look into the sky I see

Him shining bright

So I send this heartfelt message

To the heaven up above

Please take care of my uncle Teddy

And send him all my love

- Brooke xxx.

**TAYLOR** - In loving memory of a dear brother and uncle, Teddy, who passed away on June 7, 2011.

It broke our hearts to lose you,

But you did not go alone,

For part of us went with you,

The day God called you home.

Loved and missed so very much.

- From Rhona, Alan, Louisa and Alan.

**TAYLOR** - Teddy.

Not a day goes by when I don't think of you

I'm always asking why this crazy world had to lose such a ray of light.

Gone too soon.

- Miss you Bro, Colly x.

**ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES****ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES**

**Sunday 3rd June**  
Achahoish at 9:45am  
Ardrishaig at 11:00am  
"Celebrating a Diamond Jubilee"  
**Saturday 2nd June**  
**Coffee Morning**  
hosted by  
Moving On - Mid Argyll  
in  
Lochgilphead Baptist Church  
from 10:00 till 12noon  
Scottish Charity Numbers  
(SC010713 & SC010782)

**WEST LOCHFYNESIDE Church Services Sunday Church Services 3 June - all welcome!**

**Cumlodden Lochfynside and Lochgair**  
Charity No. SC016097  
Morning Service in **Lochgair Church** at 11.30am  
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**Glenaray and Inveraray**  
Charity No. SC016665  
Morning Service in **Inveraray Church** at 11.30am  
Sunday Club meet

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH**

**Sunday, 3rd June 2012**  
Ford 10a.m.  
Rev. Cliff Acklam  
All welcome  
SC002121

**LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH**

All Welcome  
**Sunday 3rd June 2012**  
11.00am Morning Service followed by shared lunch  
**Jumpstart Group**  
Friday 10.00 - 11.30am  
Scottish Charity SC015187

**LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH**

**SUNDAY 3rd JUNE 2012**  
11.00 am Worship Service  
Rev. Hilda Smith  
1200 Midday (immediately following the service)  
"Church Jubilee Picnic"  
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**FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND**

George Street  
Campbeltown  
**Sunday 3rd June**  
12.45pm  
Communion Service  
5.00pm  
Thanksgiving Service  
Speaker:  
Rev Prof John Angus MacLeod  
All Welcome  
Scottish Charity Number: SC003847

**LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN**

**Saturday 2 June 2012**  
Quarterly Prayer Breakfast  
Breakfast: 8.00-8.30am  
Praise & Prayer: 9.00am  
**Sunday 3 June 2012**  
11.00am  
Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch  
Speaker: Graham McLean  
"Then you shall see and flow together"  
**Thursday 7 June 2012**  
7.30pm  
Praise, prayer & sharing  
All Welcome

**NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH**

Charity Number SC001002  
**Sunday 3 June**  
Tayvallich Church 11:30 am  
Morning worship  
Worship led by  
Rev. Cliff Acklam  
**Saturday 2 June**  
The Big Lunch 11am - 3 pm  
Tayvallich Hall  
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(SC0002876)

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**Sunday 3rd June 2012**  
Tarbert Service 11.45am  
to be held in Tarbert Free Church  
Afternoon Open Air Service to be held at Tarbert Harbour Side 3pm  
Rev. Tommy Bryson  
For all church enquiries and pastoral care  
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**THE SALVATION ARMY Burnside Street, Campbeltown**

**Sunday Services**  
10.30am  
Morning Worship  
5.45pm Prayer Meeting  
6.30pm Evening Worship  
**Tuesday**  
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**Wednesday**  
7.00pm House Group  
**Thursday**  
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Jim Campbell  
**Friday, 8th June**  
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11.15am  
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**Mr James McLellan, Kilmichael Glassary**  
7.00pm Youth Group  
**Wednesday 6th June**  
10.00am Jellytots - Parent and Toddler Group  
7.30pm Bible Study  
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**Highland Parish Church**

**Sunday 3rd June 2012**  
11.15am  
Morning Service  
FunDay Club (3yrs - P5)  
JaM (P6+)  
Service followed by Jubilee Teas  
**Wednesday 6th June**  
7.15pm  
Bible Study Fellowship - Manse  
Ephesians with Book by Book DVD  
Rev Michael J Lind  
Everyone very welcome

**CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH**

**Sunday Service**  
11:00 am  
with Sunday School.  
Tea & coffee after the service.  
Baby & Toddler Group  
Every Thursday (term-time)  
10:00 - 11:45 am  
All Welcome  
We meet in the Guide Hall, Kinloch Road.  
For more information please visit our website  
www.campbeltowncommunitychurch.co.uk

**For Funeral Directors Blair, MacDonald and Lupton please turn to page 24.**



Learning the basics of a good swing. 20\_c22lad01

## Ladies' taster session at Machrihanish

THE sun shone on a ladies' taster session at Machrihanish Golf Club on Sunday.

With nine of the 10 ladies already members of the club, this was about encouraging them to use their membership more.

Club professional Ken Campbell was on hand to give them tips on the basics to a good swing.

The session was organised by more experi-

enced ladies at the club, including Lindsay Ramsay and Ann Gallacher. Ann said: 'As well as improving their swing the hope is the ladies will also meet other people here who they can then play with. It can be much more fun playing with someone of a similar level to yourself, which is not always easy to find if you are quite new to the game.'



All the ladies that took part with organisers, and Ken Campbell, professional at Machrihanish Golf Club. 20\_c22lad02

### Argyll Select take on Scottish Select in Oban on Saturday

THE annual Joe Paterson Memorial Trophy match between an Argyll Select and a Scottish Amateur League Select will take place at Glencruitten Park, Oban on Saturday with a 2pm kick-off.

The Argyll squad is Robert Docherty, Chris Broderick and Gregor Peacock Lochgilphead Red Star; Iain Johnson, Mark McCormick and James Prentice, Tarbert; Paul Grumoli, Shaun Grumoli and Keith Mitchell, Campbeltown Pupils; Graham Douglas, Marc MacCallum, Willie Gemmell, Myles McAuley and Donald Campbell, Oban Saints.

### Carradale ladies win Tarrarra Cup

THREE teams from Carradale and Tarbert golf clubs competed in a close and exciting match for the annual Tarrarra Cup.

On this occasion the Carradale ladies came out on top winning two matches to one.

This cup has been played annually since 2007 and this is the second time that the local ladies have been the victors.

Given the wonderful weather, a course in tip-top condition, thanks to the hard work by greenkeeper, Robert Strang, a pre-match tea and a meal in Carradale Hotel afterwards.

Many thanks to the ladies who provided the food and to Marcus and the hotel staff for their excellent service.

# Kintyre athletes head for Lochgilphead

ATHLETES from Kintyre are being welcomed to take part in the annual sports day held by Mid Argyll Athletics Club next Sunday.

The competition, which will be held on the Astroturf surface, will include various running, jumping and throwing events for boys and girls in six age groups starting at under seven up to under 17.

A limited number of events will also be available to young adults who are too old for the under

17 age category.

Entries are welcomed from all parts of Argyll and clubs in Kintyre, Oban and Mull have already indicated that they will be supporting the event.

Medals will be awarded to first, second and third in every event and trophies will be awarded to the overall winners in each age category.

The annual sports day is the only opportunity for Argyll's young athletic talent to come together and compete

outdoors against each other.

Events start at noon on June 10 and all entries are on the day from 11.30am.

#### Maximum

Competitors are allowed to enter up to a maximum of five events with an entry fee of £2 per competitor.

The organisers are hoping for favourable weather and look forward to using the new all-weather surface for the fifth successive year.

This will be the 28th

year the local club have promoted this annual event with the blaze pitch at the old high school being the venue from 1985 up to 2007.

Young athletes are reminded that they do not have to be a member of an athletic club to take part. The competition is also an ideal opportunity for boys and girls to try athletics for the first time.

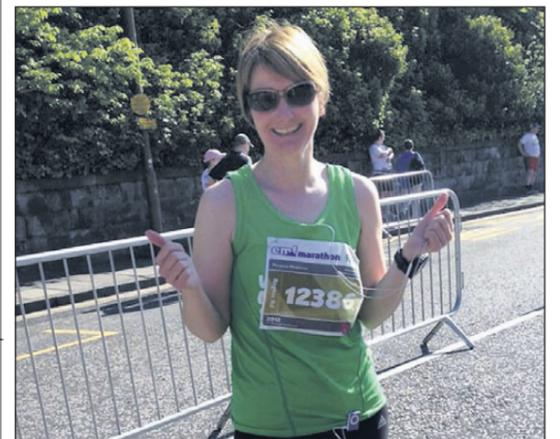
For more information on this annual competition at Lochgilphead phone 01546 602664.

## Margaret raises £500 for Macmillan Cancer Support

A LOCAL woman has raised more than £500 for Macmillan Cancer Support by running the Edinburgh Marathon.

Margaret McSporran, is thought to be the only person from Campbeltown to run the marathon on Sunday.

She managed it in four hours 36 minutes and would like to thank everyone for their donations and support.



Margaret McSporran.

## Dunaverty Heidbangers travel over to Gigha

TWELVE of Dunaverty's Heidbangers made the trip to Gigha on a glorious sun drenched day to play 27 holes of golf.

The first nine had local resident Alastair Brown and John Dickenson joint leaders on 17 points with Sandy Watson one point adrift.

#### Posting

Alastair added 18 for the second nine but John outdid him by posting another 20 to his total to give him a total of 37.

Sandy also added 20 to sneak into second place with 36 followed by Alastair on 35 and Stan

Uttley took fourth spot with 35.

A break for a meal in the Gigha Hotel was followed by another nine holes played in teams of three, which were only drawn when all cards were returned.

The winning team of Hamish Taylor, Archie Mathieson and Bill Brannigan scored an impressive total of 47 points well clear of the rest of the field.

Many thanks to Stan and Alastair for arranging transport to and from the ferry and the volunteers who prepared the course for the party.



Campbeltown Loyal, sponsored by the Burnside Bar. 20\_c22loy01

## Kintyre Amateur League gets under way

THE Kintyre Amateur Football League got its summer season under way last Friday at the Meadows Park.

In the first match, debutants Campbeltown Loyal were on the wrong of a 4-0 scoreline against Meadows.

Despite good commitment from Loyal, the result showed work will need to be done if they are to climb the table.

The league is composed of five teams with Kintyre Select, Kilbrannan and Southend making up the rest.

#### Twice

Teams will play each other twice with games on Fridays and Sundays.

Archie Mitchell, who refereed the game and is one of the league's organisers, said there are also plans for two cup competitions.

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## Macmillan Cancer Trophy

LADIES from Dunaverty, Machrihanish and Dalmally golf clubs competed for the Macmillan Cancer Trophy at Dunaverty Golf Club on Tuesday May 22.

The event was won by Margaret Macfarlane with a fine net 63 with Ailie MacBrayne collecting the scratch prize with a score of 74.

Results in full: 1 Margaret Macfarlane 92 - 29 = 63, 2 Elizabeth Marrison 78 - 11 = 67 (BIH), 3 Heather Dryden 86 - 19 = 67; Scratch prize Ailie MacBrayne 74. SSS 65 CSS 65.



Margaret Macfarlane.

## Centenary Trophy

DUNAVERTY Ladies contested the highly prized Centenary Trophy, donated to the club by Belle Robertson.

The competition took place on Saturday in glorious sunshine but with a tricky easterly wind which resulted in high scoring and a tight finish.

Results in full: 1 Denise Fawcett 92 - 24 = 68, 2 Lindsay Garrett 86 - 17 = 69 (BIH); scratch trophy: Elizabeth Marrison 81. SSS 65 CSS 67.

## Football festival

TEAMS from Islay, Tarbert, Lochgilhead and Oban will be travelling to Campbeltown tomorrow (Saturday).

They will be competing in a football festival at the Meadows Playing Fields with the local football association also putting forward local teams.



Action from Saturday's match.

# Pupils fall short at last hurdle

## SAFL Premier Two Campbeltown Pupils 2 Alba Thistle 5

ON A blistering hot day on Saturday, the McFadyen sponsored Campbeltown Pupils failed to clear the final hurdle against reigning champions Alba from Paisley.

Although picking the most important game to have possibly their worst performance of the season, over the piece it was a tremendous year for a young squad of boys who will only get better with maturity.

The big difference between the sides was teamwork; the champions were better in this department because of being together for many years.

Given the conditions, it also worked in their favour, as it was a day for moving the ball and not for exertion.

A goal mid-way through the first half settled the Paisley side's nerves, a deflection in the box presenting the opportunity to score from close range.

The Pupils almost replied immediately, but with the goalkeeper beaten the ball was blasted over the top.

### Distance

A second goal before half-time put distance between the sides, a nice through ball being dispatched across the goalkeeper into the bottom corner of the net.

It obviously wasn't going to be the home side's day, as a shot-come-cross landed in the back of the net for a fortunate third goal. However, this triggered a comeback that only just failed when the home team was unluckily reduced to 10 men.

Lewis McFadyen vol-

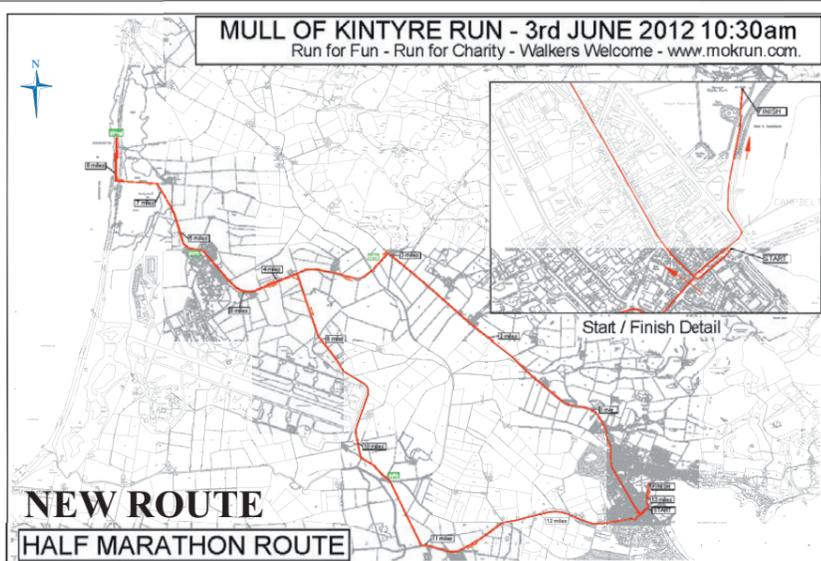
leyed home from 10 yards to make it 3-1, then Sorley McKiven steered the ball beyond the goalkeeper to bring the deficit to one goal.

An earlier save from the visitor's goalkeeper denied what could have been an equaliser, the ball turned over the top in spectacular style from a Craig Lang strike.

The end game was in sight when Robin Barr was taken to hospital suffering from concussion, the home side, having used all their substitutes, were now down to 10 men.

Alba used this advantage to score twice in the closing minutes, and finished the game like the worthy champions they most certainly are.

The Pupils' missed promotion on goal difference, but it was an outstanding season from a very young squad.



THIS Sunday the much-anticipated Mull of Kintyre half marathon and 10k will take place.

Organisers are urgently appealing for marshals to help out throughout

the day. If you are interested in marshalling contact events@mokrun.com or turn up at the Victoria Hall, Campbeltown at 9.30am on Sunday.

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## Kintyre, Islay and Jura in the swim

KINTYRE Amateur Swimming Club held a friendly competition with the Islay and Jura club on Saturday.

With 25, 50 and 100 metre races in the gala at Aqualibrium in Campbeltown, it was a good opportunity for swimmers to put times on the board or improve existing PBs.

The islands' club is celebrating its twentieth anniversary this year and brought most of its 48 swimmers for the day.



Kintyre's Fiona Kay swimming to victory in the girls' 10-11 years 50m backstroke. 20\_c22swim01



A hotly contested boys 12-13 years 100m breaststroke. 20\_c22swim04



Perfect entries from the girls in the 12-13 years 100m breaststroke. 20\_c22swim03

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