

It's game on for Peter as he shares in £20,000 prize - see page 3

Wild behaviour

Beaches task force aims to crack down on campers' damage

by **GRAHAM CRAWFORD**
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ACTION is being stepped up to protect Machrihanish and Westport beaches.

It follows growing concern about the damaged caused, particularly by wild campers, to an area designated as a Site of Special Scientific Interest for its coastal habitat and flowers.

A new task force group, Friends of Westport, is promoting the responsible use of the beaches and cracking down on littering.

The group includes representatives from Argyll and Bute Council, Scottish Natural Heritage, Police Scotland and the Kintyre Crime Prevention Panel.

Utmost respect

Aisa Nebreda, beaches and marine litter project worker with The GRAB Trust, told the Courier: 'This is a very special and beautiful area and it needs to be treated with utmost respect. It is the

largest sand dune system in mainland Argyll. 'Visitors should leave no trace of having been there. However litter, and particularly the mess left by wild campers, is a big problem.

'We have the likes of tents, towels, rucksacks, bottles, cans and other debris being left behind.

Damage

'Open fires can also cause considerable damage. If visitors want to light an open fire they should use the beach rather than the dunes and leave nothing behind.

'We would also like the public to report wild campers immediately.'

Friends of Westport is encouraging the public to report any incidents of irresponsible behaviour to the council, tel 01546 605514, or call 101, the police non-emergency number.

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Wee Toon trio put on best finish of the day

Three Campbeltown runners set the crowd roaring at Sunday's MOK 10k race as they battled all the way down the home straight. Darren Renton, left, Alisdair O'May, centre, and Ryan Sharp may have been contesting 20th position, but they fought it out as if Olympic gold depended on it. See pages 4-5 for more pictures and a report of home glory yet again for record-breaking Matthew Turner. See page 24 for junior races report. 08_c22mok04

Chinook memorial service

A SHORT service will be held on Monday at 5.30pm at the Mull of Kintyre memorial site of the Chinook helicopter crash to mark the 20th anniversary of the accident.

It will be conducted by Rev Steve Fulcher of Southend Parish Church. More details from Rev Fulcher, tel 01586 830504.

£5,250 raised for British Red Cross

A TOTAL of £5,250 was raised by the Kintyre group of British Red Cross from its annual fundraising week, May 6-10.

Coffee, cakes and plants were sold during the week which also saw house-to-house collections.

Anne Cousin, of the local group, said: 'Once again I would like to say a huge 'thank you' to all the people in Kintyre for supporting us.'

BB set for annual display

THE 1st Campbeltown Company Boys' Brigade is holding its annual display and prize giving at the Lorne and Lowland Church Hall next Friday, June 6, from 7.30pm.

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Wild campers have been a problem on the dunes at Machrihanish because of the mess they leave behind.

Beaches task force aims to crack down on wild campers

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Kintyre Crime Prevention Panel is launching a leaflet to increase awareness on responsible use of the outdoors.

The panel's Andrew Hemmings said: 'The Kintyre peninsula is one of the most beautiful areas in the country.

'If we want to encourage visitors, increase tourism and help the local economy, we all have a duty to act responsibly and protect our environ-

ment for future generations so that Kintyre can prosper.

'People should also remember that littering carries fines of up to £200.'

Well maintained

Machrihanish beach has received the Seaside Award since 2004. The award is run by Keep Scotland Beautiful and is given to well maintained beaches that have an excellent water quality record.

As part of the new campaign, The GRAB Trust and Kilmartin Museum are working with Campbeltown Grammar to deliver three outdoor exploring days at Westport in June.

Anyone who would like to get involved in the group and help it look after Westport and Machrihanish should contact The GRAB Trust, on 01546 604226, or email aisa.nebrega@argyll-bute.gov.uk

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Searching for Donkeys to play MOK Fest

INVERNESS-based band Searching for Donkeys has been announced as the support act for The View at this year's Mull of Kintyre Music Festival.

Playing on the night of Saturday, August

23 at the Victoria Hall, Campbeltown, the four-piece indie rock band describes itself as playing: 'Catchy indie rock tunes with a folk vibe and a '90s flavour - supposedly - with influences ranging from Black

Keys and The Stone Roses, to Gomez and Elbow.' In the past year it has supported Simple Minds and played at various festivals including Belladrum, AmaSing and Brew at the Bog.

To listen to the band go to its web site which features many of the band's self-penned tracks.

Tickets for The View concert cost £30 and go on sale at 9am on Thursday, June 19. They will be available locally from AP Taylors, online at www.ticketweb.co.uk or phone 08444 771000. For more details visit www.mokfest.com or email mokfest@hotmail.co.uk



Searching for Donkeys will be playing at this year's MOK Fest.

Anger over delayed population summit

A SNP council group leader has hit out at Argyll and Bute Council's decision to delay an important population summit until later this year.

Cabinet secretary for finance John Swinney was due to be the keynote speaker at the summit in Dunoon, but postponed at a late stage, causing the local authority to postpone the event.

This is the second postponement after last August's population meeting was held back.

Fruitlessly

SNP council group leader Sandy Taylor said: 'This latest postponement means a year will have passed fruit-

lessly in dealing with the issue of population decline in Argyll and Bute.'

Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell offered to stand in for Mr Swinney, but the council decided to postpone the meeting instead.

An Argyll and Bute Council spokesman said: 'Unfortunately Mr Swinney could not be available as he was attending a funeral.

'The council felt it was best to postpone the event in order to bring local and national expertise together.'

He added that the rescheduled summit would take place 'at some point in the autumn'.

Be an orchard and garden volunteer

CAMPBELTOWN Community Orchard and Garden at High Askomil is holding a volunteer day tomorrow (Saturday) from 9am to 3.30pm.

The garden's Tracy Chambers said: 'We hope people will come along and find out about volunteering with us.

'The garden is really rewarding and fun.'

From noon to 2pm, there will also be kids' activities and food available.

Domestic incident in Princes Street

A MAN was arrested following a call to police regarding a domestic incident at a house on Princes Street, Campbeltown around 4pm on Sunday.

He was held in custody to appear at Campbeltown Sheriff Court on Monday.

Substance arrest

A 25-YEAR-old man was arrested for possible drug possession just after midnight on Monday, outside the Victoria Hall, Campbeltown.

A police spokesman said the white substance has been sent off for testing.

Peter hacks into £20,000 prize

Games designer hopes to profit from growing technology sector



Peter McArthur led his team to the first prize of £20,000 at a recent hackathon in Glasgow.

WINNING a £20,000 prize was a walk in the park for Campbeltown man Peter McArthur and his mates.

He was among a team of seven friends who came up with a piece of technology to encourage people to get out walking and enjoy open spaces more, particularly in Glasgow.

The 24-year-old, who studied Games Design at Glasgow Caledonian University, is also the founder of Vivid Source, a company aiming to introduce technology into schools for teenage learners.

The competition, held by Open Glasgow, part of Glasgow City Council, aimed to promote healthy living, and the team designed a ped-

ometer to be used by people in the city on their mobile devices.

Peter, a former Campbeltown Grammar pupil, was delighted to win the award after a lot of hard work.

He said: 'I have always enjoyed games, and during the past year I have put in a lot of long days to make this happen - I had about half an hour's sleep in the 36 hours of the competition. It is really gratifying to win and see the idea come through.'

'There are plenty of free museums and open spaces to enjoy in Glasgow, so I hope it will encourage people to get out there.'

The scheme also encourages people to walk a certain distance in or-

der to obtain a discount on events like gigs and cinema showings.

Glasgow-based Peter, who enjoys Thai boxing as a chance to get a break from his computer screen, feels his company will grow given the increasing role of games in education and public services.

He added: 'It is only recently that the scope for 'serious games' - those with an educational value - has been realised. They will become part of our everyday lives.'

The app, under development, should be available to the public by the end of summer and could possibly generate income for Peter and his winning teammates.

Strong response to rent-free flat offer

A FED-UP landlord said this week that he was optimistic of soon letting out his two-bedroom flat in Campbeltown free.

The Courier revealed last week how Mark Everett was making the unusual offer because he was frustrated by an Argyll and Bute Council demand for double council tax.

He faced the extra charge because he had been unable to let the Burnside Street flat for the past 20 months.

'I have had a lot of enquiries following the Courier story,' he said. 'Hopefully, I will find the right person soon to occupy it.'

The council recently introduced a new ruling to double council tax charges in an effort to reduce the high number of Argyll's unoccupied properties - a problem not associated with Campbeltown.

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Strong Euro vote for SNP in Argyll and Bute

THE SNP came out well on top in Argyll and Bute in the European Parliament election voting last week, with UKIP coming fifth just behind Labour.

The SNP took 7,792

votes with the Conservatives and Lib Dems polling 5,191 and 5,174 respectively.

Turnout in the area was nearly five percent higher than in 2009, with 40.6 percent of the elec-

torate casting their vote.

A total of 27,479 votes were cast from an electorate of 67,668.

Results The results in Argyll and Bute for the Scotland region constituency, which returns six MEPs to the European Parliament, were as follows: Britain First - 312, British National Party - 195, Conservative Par-

ty - 5,191, Labour Party - 3,695, Liberal Democrats - 5,174, NO2EU - 122, Scottish Green Party - 1,912, Scottish National Party (SNP) - 7,792 UK Independence Party (UKIP) - 3,030.

A total of 56 votes were rejected, with 16 voting for more than one party and/or candidate and 40 classed as unmarked or void for certainty.

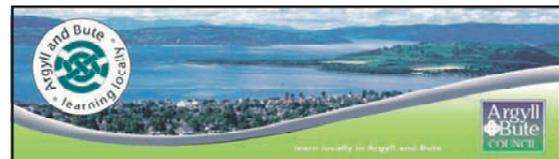
Parking grace period extended

THE grace period for new parking rules in Kintyre has been extended by Argyll and Bute Council until Monday, June 9.

The move comes as the council takes over responsibility for monitoring parking.

During this period first time parking offenders will be issued with a warning notice rather than a penalty charge notice (PCN).

A council spokesman said: 'The extension is to allow people to become acquainted with the changes to parking enforcement in Argyll and Bute.'



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All smiles after finishing fourth, fifth and sixth are Daniel Sheldrick, right, James Murdoch, centre, and Stuart McGeachy. 08_c22mok06



Anne Ralston and Barbara McCormick are two MOK run regulars. 08_c22mok08



This year's 10k and half marathon prizewinners. 08_c22mok10

Record-breaking M turns on the class i

MATTHEW Turner led the way on a day of records at Sunday's Mull of Kintyre 10k and half marathon races.

Matthew, 25, from Tangy, just outside Campbeltown, who is one of Scotland's most promising track runners, was a class apart from his rivals as he defied windy conditions and a dodgy stomach to knock off a couple of seconds from his own course record.

In his fifth win in six

years (he was abroad last year), he clocked 33mins 36secs - more than two minutes ahead of second place Andy Campbell (35.49), a former Campbeltown man now running for Bellahouston Harriers.

Fisherman Daniel Sheldrick, 30, from Tayinloan, finished fourth (36.10) after being clear in second at halfway, but was comfortably ahead of fifth and sixth placers, Stuart McGeachy (36.40) and

James Murdoch (36.57), both from Campbeltown Running Club (CRC).

Tommy Morran (38.10) made it three in the first 10 for the town running club.

New record Shona McManus, from Glasgow, clocked 38.59 to set a new women's 10k record on a day which saw a record 900 entries for the two races.

First local lady was Fiona Graham (42.34), followed by Carly Fergu-

son (44.38) and Jennifer Martin (45.00). CRC's Maryann Wylie was first female junior in 48.06, Johnny McCormick first over 50 male in 43.52.

In the women's half marathon, there was yet another record - set by Lindsey Currie, of Dumbarton, with a time of 1hr 31min 43secs, watched by her proud brother, Campbeltown lawyer Christian Kane and his family.

CRC's Jackie Fulton was first over 60 lady in



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Marjorie Leighton, of Campbeltown is one of only 35 participants who have taken part in all nine MOK runs. 08_c22mok07



The start of the MOK half marathon and 10k races. 08_c22mok09



Matthew Turner 10k

the half in 2.2.14 and Thomas Cameron was first local male in 1.29.50. Best 'race' of the day was the charge to the finish on the 42-minute mark by CRC trio, Darren Renton, Ryan Sharp and Alisdair O'May. Their nip and tuck sprint set the crowd alight and almost required a photo finish. There was a surprise winner in the longer race, 23-year-old Jack Arnold (80min 30secs), from

Glasgow, running his first half marathon. Injury forced last year's winner Kenny Campbell (39), of Southend, to drop out after a few miles while sharing the lead, but older brother Alasdair, 43, now based in Elgin, upheld the family name by finishing a clear second in 83.47 despite still feeling the effects of the London Marathon. CRC's Jennifer Reid was third in the women's race in 97.57.



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Shona McManus sets a new women's 10k record. 08_c22mok03



Nobody said you had to run the whole way. 08_c22mok09



Matthew Turner glances at the clock as he wins the 10k in a record time. 08_c22mok02



Women's half marathon winner Lindsey Currie who broke the course record. 08_c22mok12

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More pride needed

IT IS human nature is it not - when guests are due at our homes we are inclined to tidy the place up. We fear they will think less of us if we live in a mess.

It is also about showing respect, hence the joke that the Queen thinks the world smells of new paint. Wherever she goes on official engagements, buildings have invariably been spruced up.

So, with that in mind, are we really showing maximum respect to Kintyre's many visitors? Are we treating them royally? Are we sending out the message, 'we are glad you came here, please come back'?

The answer, sadly, is no. Litter and fly tipping continues to be a problem here, as it is in other parts of Scotland. As a nation, we embarrass ourselves in the eyes of much of the world.

From last Wednesday and through the long holiday weekend, Campbeltown had visitors from all parts of the UK and abroad for a whisky festival, a songwriters' festival and the Mull of Kintyre half marathon and 10k running races.

They had made substantial journeys by road, plane and ferry to be here. Indeed, talking about boats, we also had a fair number of yachts in the harbour. The town had a lovely buzz about it at times, and it was good to see the street bunting out.

It is a town that is also now enjoying a much smarter looking Esplanade. Things are moving in the right direction. Let us not spoil the party for the want of a bit of pride and care in our streets, buildings, beaches and countryside.

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When No can be a positive

Sir,
G Wallace of Glasgow accuses me of being negative over independence for Scotland. At this time when everyone who urges caution is accused of being negative I would remind critics that to be negative about something which is itself negative is, in reality, to be positive.

To me, rushing into independence in a 'tartan haze' of unfounded optimism is about as negative, irresponsible and downright foolish as we could possibly be.

There are two things which every decent person in the world wants for their country. Those two things are justice and prosperity, in that order.

Also, countries which choose to be independent tend to remain independent for centuries, so if we vote for independence we will be making an enormous decision on behalf of people who are still to be born.

This places an enormous responsibility on each and every one of us. Every one of us who votes for independence, if we are to be responsible, must also accept the obligation to make independence work.

However, months from the independence referendum, the people of Scotland have still not risen to the opportunities and challenges which were presented to us with the founding of the Scottish Parliament. We have stood back and left our country's affairs in the hands of people which we freely admit we cannot trust. So, how can it be

expected that we will behave differently in an independent Scotland?

We can argue over statistics or our short-term financial prospects but how Scotland will stand financially in 100 years' time is a complete unknown. While we may be painfully aware of the RBS and HBOS collapses and can claim that that will never be allowed to happen again we also need to remember that other 'bold leap into the dark', i.e. the Darien Scheme which brought Scotland to its knees and arguably forced it into the Union of 1707. So, that there will almost certainly be real and grave economic pitfalls lying in wait for a small country like an independent Scotland would be needs to be acknowledged now.

Just as the case cannot be made that an independent Scotland will be necessarily a more prosperous one it cannot be made that it will necessarily be a more just one.

We do not need independence to take control of the delivery of justice in Scotland. Justice is presently an almost entirely devolved matter. And has the independent Scots man or woman stood further from justice in the past 100 years? Or have they had less reason to feel secure in their dealings with the Scottish state? I think not.

Therefore, while we cannot give anything remotely like a guarantee of prosperity for an independent Scotland we can go a very long way towards ensuring justice for everyone in Scotland who calls on it.

Arthur McFarlane
Mount Pleasant
Tarbert.

Choice for Scotland is becoming clearer

Sir,
With the results of the European Parliamentary elections now in, it is very disappointing that UKIP has returned an MEP in Scotland, by the narrowest of margins.

However, now that the dust has settled a sense of perspective is required.

In Scotland UKIP came fourth with around a 10 percent share of the vote, while across the UK it topped the polls with almost three times this figure.

In addition, despite being seven years in government the SNP still came out on top, a truly remarkable achievement. There are few who cannot fail to recognise the growing political gulf there clearly is between Scotland and the rest of the UK.

The Westminster parties will now move further to the right to address the UKIP surge, reminiscent of the impact of the grassroots Tea Party in the US. UKIP will also almost certainly capture seats at the next general election, with the potential of a Tory/UKIP coalition government.

The choice for us in Scotland as we approach the referendum on our nation's constitutional future is becoming clearer by the day.

We can stay under the yolk of a Westminster system we have little in connection with or we can take charge of our own affairs, which can only be achieved through independence.

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Please get involved in the Yes campaign

Sir,
I am not Scottish born, though by chance have a sister who is; I first lived here in 1943 and moved back permanently when I retired in 2000. I am Cornish.

I am not a member of the SNP, my only party affiliation is Mebyon Kernow, the Party of Cornwall.

However, I am actively for a Yes vote in the referendum. I traipse the villages of West Kintyre delivering Yes newspapers and leaflets advertising public meetings not in the expectation of personally living many years free of Westminster, not for the sake of my children and grandchildren, who live in north east England, but for yours and for future generations, that they may live in a better, fairer and more prosperous Scotland.

If you feel the same it is not enough just to turn up on September 18 and vote Yes. Yes Scotland is succeeding because it is a grassroots organisation, unlike the 'astroturf', pretend grassroots, organisation of the Naysayers, Vote No Borders, funded by a millionaire Tory donor and run by a Cambridge PR firm.

Get involved, make contact through Ksintyre Yes for Independence on Facebook and we can achieve the four percent swing that the polls suggest is all that is needed for a truly historic victory.

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Litter shame spoils a fine weekend

Sir,
It was great Campbeltown had so many visitors over the past week with the whisky festival, the songwriters' festival and the MOK runs as well as those just enjoying the general holiday weekend.

However, it was a pity that the appearance of the town was tainted by the amount of litter lying around.

To be fair, I think it was litter allowed to spill over - helped by birds - from the Main Street bins, rather than wanton littering.

I know council budgets are under pressure, but not ensuring that bins are emptied sufficiently in busy periods is false economy if we are serious about encouraging people to come and visit Kintyre more than once.

Come on Argyll and Bute Council, smarten up your act.

Name and address supplied and withheld on request.

Shame on ACHA

Sir,
I was shocked by your article three weeks ago on the Campbeltown pensioner who has been forced to leave her home as a result of ongoing problems with the sewerage main under her flat.

Anybody would find this extremely distressing and would want reassurance that the fault has been fixed and not likely to occur again.

I understand that this recent episode is the second that she has experienced and she has not been informed of the cause and therefore cannot be confident that it will not happen again.

The comments of Argyll Community Housing Association demonstrate little understanding of the impact on her individu-

ally; she is an elderly woman in poor health and expecting her to live in a flat that has been twice contaminated with sewage, some of which remains, is callous and well below the standards that you would expect.

She is not choosing to move, she has no option but to consider this as she has had to move out of her flat three times now, the most recent occasion being mainly at her own cost.

It would seem reasonable to expect the housing association to meet both her hotel expenses in full, damages for the loss of possessions in her flat and removal costs should it come to that.

ACHA states on its website a 'commitment to providing high quality services focused on your individual needs' - yet it seems to have made no commitment to this woman's individual needs. Shame on it.

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London.

An emotional case for the Union

Sir,
I was a resident of Campbeltown for the briefest of periods for the first four months of this year working on a creel boat. Part of the reason I wanted to leave my native London and work at the fishing in Scotland was to witness the build up to the historic occasion of the Scottish referendum.

I have read with keen interest the moral, social and economic arguments which have been put forward on either side of the debate. What has struck me is the lack of emotional appeal on behalf of the 'No' campaign.

It is hard as a bystander to tread the line between interested party and disenfranchised citizen - for I will not be a resident of Campbeltown come September

18. Yet this referendum does affect me and all those south of the border who care about this collection of islands and its people and I think there is an emotional case to be made for the union - for nations are not merely made up of numbers.

There seems to be a conscious uncoupling of Scotland and England's history as if nothing since the battle of Bannockburn or the massacre of Glencoe has happened. But in fact there is a prestigious history of England and Scotland; one which we should all be proud of - from abolishing slavery through to the NHS.

One has only to look at the statue outside the Aqualab to realise how entwined our endeavours and successes have been: one of Campbeltown's most famous sons Rennie Mackinnon of the British East African Company looks out of the loch to Davaar Island and beyond. It is symbolic I think of the age and type of Scotland in which he lived - an outward looking and ambitious one.

A week after the referendum I and a friend will be setting out to walk 3,000 miles from one coast of Africa to another to raise money for three charities as we retrace the footsteps of another great Scot, Dr Livingstone. Livingstone's exploration is a prime example of what was and can be achieved through the cooperation of the four home nations.

These past shared endeavours can also take on a more personal form. My grandfather grew up in Helensburgh and in the Second World War he was working with the royal navy in the Mediterranean - around the time my skipper's great grandfather was doing the same.

I hope that their descendants should never

have to be foreigners to each other.

Perhaps through all the clamour of economic and moral arguments over independence the social and emotional bonds of past and present experience will also hold their place in the debate.

Angus Aitken
7 Brookfield Park
Darmouth Park
London.

Thank you for road repairs

Sir,
The East Kintyre Community Council welcomes the work which has been carried out on repairing the B842 road.

It is obviously hoped that this will continue during the long period of time before the SSE project is completed.

The method now being implemented is much more satisfactory than the filling of individual potholes and pressing the tar in with the rear wheel of a lorry.

There was even a suggestion at one stage whereby the B842 could have been closed during the hours of darkness. This would have caused an extra 30-mile round trip.

So a big thank you from the Carradale community.

Stuart Irvine
Convener
East Kintyre
Community Council.

So angry at SSE project

Sir,
How angry would you be?

The first two visitors to our jewellery shop in Carradale today were quite adamant that they will never drive down the back road from Clonaig again.

They were regular visitors to our workshop from Arran, and they were very, very cross people. Now we are.

Last year Scottish and Southern Energy made profits of more than £1.5 billion, and clearly

it was able to run rings round Argyll and Bute Council.

The total disregard for the residents and businesses of Carradale and district is blatant.

This project should be stopped until a proper road is built to service this site all the way down to Carradale.

The infrastructure is dangerously inadequate and needs pulling up to standard immediately.

Mike and Trish
Hurst
Carradale.

Help sought with family research

Sir,
For the past 18 months I have been researching a lost first cousin, once removed, Agnes Hamilton, born April 18, 1867 at the Flush holding just outside Campbeltown.

I am in contact with two of her granddaugh-

ters, one 94 years old and the other 90 years old, who live in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada and have been filling in the Scottish side of the family history.

Agnes married a Donald Mitchell, born 1864 at Achaglass Farm, the ruins of which are situated above High Clach-aig Farm in the Forestry Commission forest at Muasdale.

I have obtained photographs of the ruins and outbuildings and forwarded them to my contacts.

The family emigrated to Canada in 1910 from Corranbeg Farm at Ardfern where Agnes and Donald moved after they were married in Campbeltown on November 26, 1886.

I wish to inquire if anyone in the Campbeltown, Glenbarr and Muasdale area have any old photographs of Achaglass Farm before it was demolished for

the planting of the forest as that would be the final piece of the history of their Scottish side of the family.

I can be contacted at the address below or by email at jock38@hotmail.co.uk

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Young musicians get ready for festival

MORE than 400 young musicians from Kintyre and Mid-Argyll will take part in the Kintyre Music Festival from June 9-14.

The competitions are to be held in the Kirk Street Hall, Victoria Hall and the Argyll Hotel, with the final in Lorne and Lowland Church.

The week of music includes vocal performances as well as woodwind, brass, string, keyboard, piping and drumming instrumentals.

The adjudicators this year are Anne Strachan, Kirsteen Grant, Ian MacPherson (piping) and Alan McDonald (drumming).

The prizegiving will also be held in the Lorne and Lowland on the night of Saturday, June 14, with 25 trophies to be competed for.



Scott Hutchison closed out a fantastic evening. 20_c22songs05

Sell-out crowd for songwriters' festival

CAMPBELTOWN'S White Hart Hotel was packed last Sunday evening as Kintyre Songwriters Festival rounded off its seventh year with a sell-out gig.

After an array of talent from Kintyre and special guests entertained crowds across the weekend, Sunday's line-up proved a similar success.

Campbeltown acts such as Bob Ross Appreciation Society, A New Hope, David Fee and The Twisted Melons were joined by guests such as Clydebank acoustic singer Sophie Rodgers

and Scott Hutchison, of Scottish indie band Frightened Rabbit, whose own material was warmly appreciated.

Amazing success

Kenny Johnson, one of the festival organisers, said: 'Songwriters has been an amazing success. There was a young audience tonight, and quality acts from start to finish.'

'Having Scott play here was a real coup, he was flawless. The other nights were brilliant too, and hopefully it will encourage other acts to visit and enjoy a great atmosphere.'

Rare whisky bottles boost town hall fund

FOUR unique bottles of Springbank whisky were auctioned for a total of £2,170 last Thursday in aid of the Campbeltown Town Hall Fund.

The auction was part of the Campbeltown Malts Festival hosted by Springbank, and two of the bottles were bought by Flora Grant and Marion McKinnon of the Ardsheel Hotel (they are already on display among their vast collection of whiskies), while another went to a buyer in Norway.

Significant sum

Another eight bottles are to be auctioned by scotchwhiskyauctions.com during June, July and August, and with the company kindly not charging any commission it is hoped a significant sum can be raised towards the town hall's renovation.

The town hall fund organisers said it was grateful to Springbank

for its generous donation of unique bottles and for the staff's help at the auction.



Flora Grant, left, and Marion McKinnon were presented with their two bottles by Springbank distillery manager Gavin McLachlan.

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John and Cara McTaggart, Tamzin Reynolds and Grace MacArthur from Tarbert enjoyed their big day out at the Scottish Series yacht races last Saturday, which saw many competing boats stopping in at Tarbert marina. 20_c22series05

Picture House now cheaper on a Friday

THE Picture House cinema in Campbeltown is now offering cheaper admission on Fridays.

'Fiver Fridays' will see a drop in price from £6.45 and £5.95 to £5.

It is among a number of new developments at the cinema.

Tickets can now be purchased at the kiosk using either debit or credit card so there is no need for cash. By the end of this week the new website will go live so that customers can purchase tickets in advance online using their credit or debit card.

There will be a live showing from the National Thea-

tre of Skylight with Carey Mulligan and Bill Nighy on Thursday, July 17 at 7pm.

Andre Rieu's 10th Anniversary 2014 Maastricht concert will be live by satellite on Saturday, July 19 at 7pm.

Monty Python's Last Reunion is the last live show of the Monty Python cast on Sunday, July 20 at 7.30pm. From the O2 area in London, it will be broadcast by satellite to 450 cinemas worldwide. Tickets are £12 and £10 for live performances.

Funds for the Picture House got a very welcome boost when the

Burnside Bar quizzers donated £200. Harvard Davis, vice chairman of Campbeltown Community Business Ltd, which runs the cinema, said:

'A huge thank you to all the quizzers and staff and Morag and James Mclean of the Burnside Bar for this very kind donation.'



Harvard Davis with the cheque for £200 from Burnside Bar quizzers.

Whisky festival proves a big success

CAMPBELTOWN welcomed whisky lovers from Kintyre and across the world as part of the

Campbeltown Malts Festival held last week.

The three-day event, organised by Spring-

bank Distillers, featured an invitational still-room dinner and ceilidh to mark the tenth anniversary of sister distillery Glengyle's reopening, as well as an open day with distillery tours and tastings, with a variety of stalls showcasing Kintyre businesses invited by Explore Campbeltown.

Neil Clapperton, managing director of Springbank Distillers, said: 'This was our most successful year to date with more visitors attending the events than ever. Including Glen Scotia

distillery into the programme meant we could truly celebrate the range of malts produced in Campbeltown.

'We also included more local businesses than ever, including the Ardshiel Hotel and Craigard House Hotel who held special whisky-themed dinners, and Machrihanish Dunes Golf Club which hosted our golf competition on Friday.

We have been overwhelmed by the community's support and positive feedback on the day.'



Barry Colville, Billy McFadyen, Iain Reid, Craig McSparran, Campbell Anderson and Peter Ferguson at Glengyle distillery's tenth anniversary dinner.

Rare glass collection to be sold for charity

A HUGE collection of whisky glasses and decanters is to go up for auction through the Rotary Club of Campbeltown.

More valuable pieces of the collection, stored until now at the old police station on Castlehill, will be sent for auction in Glasgow, while the remainder will be sold at the Heritage Centre in Campbeltown next Saturday, June 7, during the next farmers' market.

The club has donated more than £6,000 since last July to help good causes in Kintyre as well as another £4,000 to groups at a national and international level, such as supporting the Campbeltown Grammar School trip to Gambia in February.

All proceeds from the auction will go to the club's charitable account.

National tapestry features town landmark

A TAPESTRY documenting the history of Scotland contains the Campbeltown Picture House.

The Great Tapestry of Scotland, the world's longest tapestry, charts 12,000 years of Scottish history, and was initiated by author Alexander McCall Smith.

One of the tapestry's 65 panels, dedicated to Scottish film, has a stitching of Scotland's longest-running cinema, built in 1913, alongside famous actors and titles such as Sean Connery and Chariots of Fire. The tapestry will be on show at Coats Mill, Paisley, until Sunday, June 8, before being moved to the Scottish Parliament in July.

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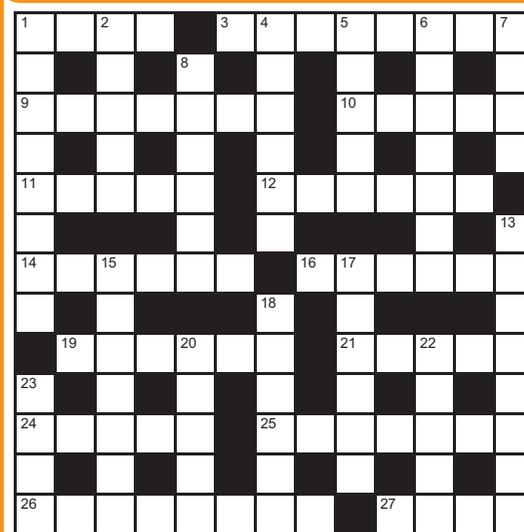
Royal Opera House Live: MANON LESCAUT
- Tuesday 24th June at 18.45

NT Live: Skylight (12A), with Carey Mulligan and Bill Nighy, live from the West End on Thursday 17 July at 19.00

André Rieu's 2014 Maastricht Concert
- Saturday 19th July at 19.00

Monty Python Live (mostly) - Sunday 20th July at 20.00

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So here is a seven point plan to get you started

1. BUDGET - set a realistic budget for the event and for all the other things that you want. At this stage you will realise weddings can be expensive and you will likely need to make some compromises on the way down the aisle. Whatever you do, don't get into thinking that you need everything to be one way or not at all. Marriage is about love - that's something money can't buy but everyone wants to see at a wedding.
2. PLAN - keep a to do list and plan well ahead for what you want. There are people who are there to help you. But you should still keep a to do list in order that you are aware of everything that needs to be done.

3. DIVISION OF TASKS - think about the skills of everyone who is involved in the wedding party and ask them if they would like to be involved in sorting out the wedding with you. And remember, his family might even want to get involved as well. It is a great way to bring people together before the big day and to make friends with each other.

4. MAKE A DATE - but speak to your celebrant first, whether it is the minister or the humanist, or the registrar you must not book anything until you know the person that you want to lead your wedding service is available.

5. KEEP THE DATE -you want all your friends around you. So make sure you give them the date of the wedding and then if at all possible they will keep it free for you.

6. BOOK YOUR VENUE - make sure you get exactly what you want and within your budget. And make a list from the beginning of what you want and when you want it. Make sure you discuss this with your venue and keep records of everything so you can be sure that you know what you are getting.

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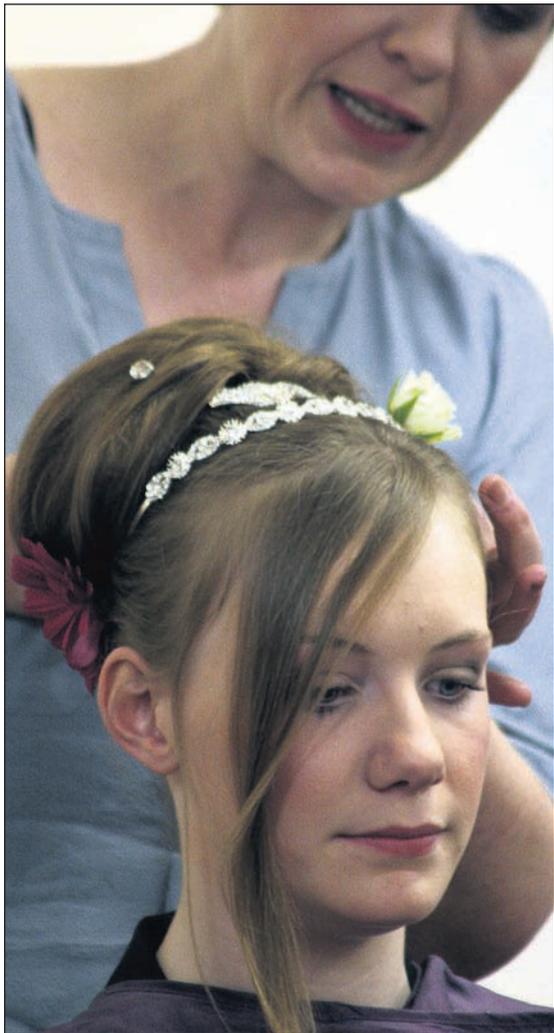
Hair raising, whisky tasting at Machrihanish

A VERY successful whisky tasting and hair demonstration night was held at Machrihanish Village Hall recently. Donald Brown and his team from Springbank conducted a very interesting tasting session, allowing the lucky attendees to sample four different malts, not to mention a nice little gin cocktail and a very more-ish whisky cake.

This was followed by a hair up demonstration by Iona McPhail of Hair by Iona which was informative as well as entertaining.

All this was rounded off with a marvellous spread laid on by the committee. Around £400 raised on the night was split between hall funds and Macmillan Nurses.

Picture courtesy of Gavin Brown.



WEST KINTYRE

Fallen to be remembered in new book

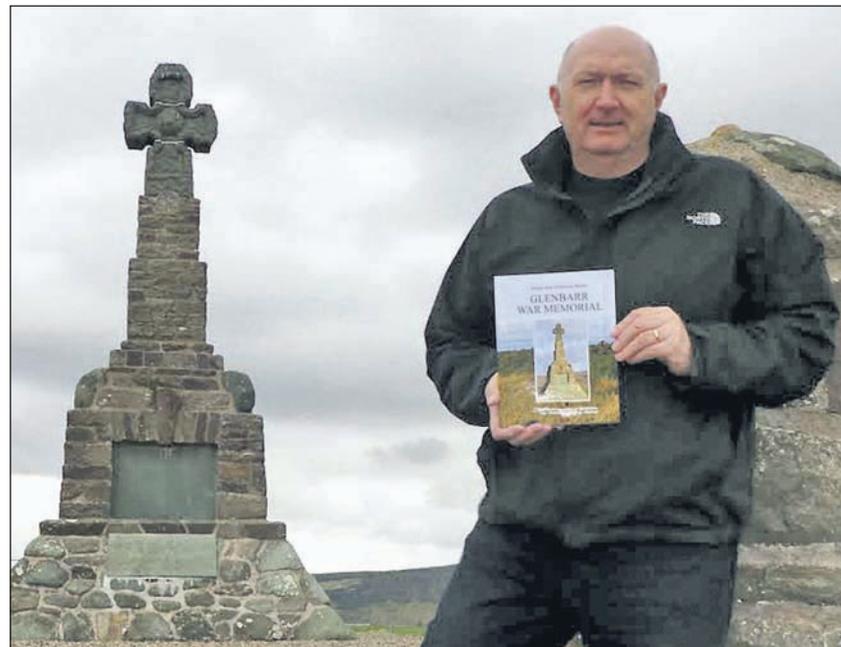
WEST Kintyre will mark the centenary of the start of the First World War on August 4 with a series of commemorative events on Sunday, August 3.

There will be a church service at Chleit Church, followed by an act of remembrance at the Glenbarr war memorial and a book launch at Glenbarr village hall.

The book, collated by Duncan McIsaac and James Daniels, remembers the dead of the two World Wars and records the background to the building of the Glenbarr war memorial and the setting up of the trust that looks after it.

At the launch, Adam K Bergius, sponsor of the book's first edition, intends presenting a copy to a representative of each family of the fallen. Copies will also be available to buy at the event for £15.

The trust is looking to trace a number of de-



James Daniels pictured in front of Glenbarr war memorial with his new book.

scendants, and if you know of a relative of any of the men named below who died in the First World War please contact trust chairman Robert Semple on 01583 421327.

Daniel Martin, Garbhalt Farm, Barr Glen, Glen-

barr. Charles MacMurchy, Rhu-nahaorine. Robert McMillan, Bellochantuy. Peter McKinven, Rhu-nahaorine. Dougald McDougall, Killarow Cottages, Tanga. Archibald McInnes, Easdale Island and later of Tanga. Norman Campbell, Clochkiel Cottage, Kilchenzie.

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GIGHA



Gigha Halibut has been named best food producer in Radio 4's prestigious food and farming award.

Gigha firm gains yet another top food award

GIGHA Halibut has won yet another accolade - this time 'best food producer' category of Radio 4's prestigious Food and Farming award.

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Last November, the smoked fish was named

new product of the year at the Highlands and Islands Food and Drinks Awards.

Earlier in the year, the smoked halibut was named the Seafood Product of the Year at The Crown Estates Scottish Marine Aquaculture Awards.

Menus

Gigha halibut now features on many menus in the UK's top restaurants as well in Europe and America.

Alastair Barge, managing director of Gigha Halibut, said the firm and its staff was now reaping the rewards of 20 years of work.

The company's marine hatchery at Otter Ferry, Loch Fyne employs six people and a further three are employed on Gigha.

CARRADALE

Longest-serving member leaving

ONE of Carradale Guild's longest serving members, Mary McMillan, is leaving Carradale to set up home in Oban.

To show the guild's appreciation of all she brought to the fellowship, she was presented with a basket of flowers at church.

She was also given a framed picture of the church plus CalMac

vouchers from the congregation. Mary will be sorely missed.

Carradale Guild had an enjoyable lunch with the guild from Southend at the end of April in the Ardshiel Hotel, Campbeltown.

Two weeks later the guild members held their annual outing, this year going to Portavadie.

SOUTHEND

Scouts and cubs join for day camp

FOURTEEN members of the 16th Argyll (Campbeltown) Cubs were recently hosted by the 4th Argyll (Southend) Scouts for a day camp at Glenkeran in Southend.

The scouts led the cubs through an orienteering course and after lunch taught some knots and lashing which they then used to help build a raft. The rafts were later tried out on the burn amid a lot of laughter.

The cubs and scouts are pictured at the campfire, led by John Ives of the Southend Scouts, which rounded off an exciting day.



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CAP package must prioritise productive farming, says Miller

NFU Scotland has called on the Scottish Government to adopt a 'can do' attitude on implementing CAP Reform to ensure precious support funding is focused on active farmers.

The union has consistently argued that the CAP package must pri-

oritise productive agriculture, livestock and activity.

The union has demanded that delivery systems must be designed to ensure that those contributing to Scotland's farming sector can benefit.

With a limited budget, Scotland cannot afford

to create a new generation of 'slipper farmers', it says.

Nigel Miller, NFU Scotland president, said: 'Scotland is nearing the deadline for designing its CAP delivery schemes and the time has come for cool heads and tough decisions that

will underpin the rural economy. Given all that is at stake, we need a 'can do' attitude from the Scottish Government to get this sorted.

'The red line issues identified at an early stage in this process by NFU Scotland need to be grasped and addressed. Securing family farming businesses underpins Scotland's ability not only to produce but manage our land resource.

'A clear focus on activity can give all sectors the capacity to respond to a world that increasingly needs food.

'Nailing the delivery of appropriate support to those farming in Scotland's massive rough grazing area is vital.

'From within the proposed €70 million RGR budget, Scotland has the ability to target support so that it delivers close to €30 per ewe to all RGR units, includ-

ing the more favoured hill farms where stocking rates are above one ewe per hectare.

'Targeted support will also open up the potential for an enhanced beef scheme for vulnerable livestock areas in the Highlands and islands.

'That targeting process, the 'Scottish clause' on activity requirements and a robust negative list will free up budget within the RGR pot to deliver these higher rates and also block the route for a new generation of slip-

per farmers to emerge.

'Outwith the RGR, we have consistently argued for grassland and arable payments to match the €240 per hectare available south of the Border on equivalent land.

'A beef calf scheme for producers across Scotland, based on the maximum level of coupling available, has always been a red line issue for us.

'Scottish Government must also put in place rural development measures that complement

agricultural activity. By allocating resources to support precision farming, livestock development, farm-scale drainage and crofting/small farms in the Highlands and Islands, the Scottish Government can deliver a rural development plan that builds resilience into Scottish farming and reduces the exposure to market failure and climate change.

'Decision time is looming and it is time for policymakers to put farming and food first.'



Nigel Miller has a clear view of what he wants from CAP Reform.

MARKET REPORTS

Caledonian Marts (Stirling)

A SUPERB entry of breeding cattle forward at Caledonian Marts (Stirling) Ltd met an excellent demand with a large ringside of buyers from far and wide. Many more could have been sold to advantage.

A total of 184 female breeders were sold along with 20 breeding bulls.

In the bull section a clearance of 83 per cent was achieved. All classes met a steady demand.

Eighty-nine heifers with calves averaged £2,424.64. Forty-one cows with calves averaged £1,488.16 and 22 in-calf heifers averaged £1,011. 32 bulling heifers averaged £928.

Prior to the sale the show of heifers and

calves was judged by Andrew Cullens, Dollarbank, Dollar and the following were his awards.

Champion and reserve went to John McAlister, West Thomaston, Banknock which realised £4,300 and £3,000, purchased by Brian Harper, Greenwells, Falkirk and Andrew Cullens respectively.

The third prize heifer from Craig Malone, Pitcairn, Cardenden realised £3,300 to Ballechin Farms, Pitlochry.

First prize pen of four bulling heifers came from Andrew Kennedy, Seggarsdean, Haddington made £1,200 to Robert Currie, Low Dunasherry, Tayinloan.

Leading Prices: Heifers with heifer calf: £4,300 West Thomaston; £3,300 and £3,100 Pitcairn; £3,000 West Thomaston and The

Ross; £2,900 West Thomaston; £2,800 Pitcairn; £2,400 Nochnary and Pitcairn; £2,150 and £2,100 Dykehead.

Heifers with bull calf: £3,700 West Thomaston; £3,300 Nochnary; £3,100 Pitcairn; £3,000 West Thomaston and St Johns Kirk; £2,900 West Thomaston and Pitcairn; £2,800 West Thomaston; £2,600 St Johns Kirk; £2,300 St Johns Kirk.

Cows with bull calf at foot: BB - £2,800 St Johns Kirk; Sim - £1,800 Hill of Armore; Lim - £1,900 St Johns Kirk; BB - £1,700 Whitemyre; Lim - £1,700 and £1,600 Upper Inchwood; Sim - £1,750 Hill of Armore.

Cow with heifer calf: Sim - £1,600 Meikle Coull Farms; Lim - £1,500 Upper Inchwood; Sim - £1,650 Hill of Armore; Lim - £1,650 Taylorton.

In-calf heifers: £1,350 Langdales; £1,300 Offers Bulling heifers: Lim -

£1,220 and £1,200 Seggarsdean; Sim - £1,100 Priestside; BB - £1,000 Cattlehill.

Prior to the bull sale the show of bulls was judged by David Rattray, West Park, Auchterarder.

Overall champion - John and James Graham, Mains of Burnbank, Blairdrummond with a Lim which realised 3,000gns purchased by J Walker, Pathhead Farm, Dunbar.

Reserve an AA from Willie Brown, Laigh Drumbow, Turnberry made 2,500gns to Willie Adam, Shankhead, Stirling.

Leading prices - bulls: Sim - 3,200gns and 2,600gns East Tarbrax; Lim - 3,000gns Mains of Burnbank; Lim - 2,500gns Harvey Cattle; Lim - 2,300gns Baluskie; Black Lim - 2,400gns Airthrey Kerse; AA - 2,500gns Laigh Drumdown; AA - 2,000gns Haymount; AA - 1,900gns Wester Aldie; Sim - 2,000gns Easter Dullatur.

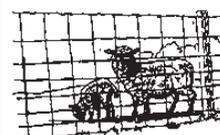
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Fears voiced over the impact on trade and tourism

A CARRADALE couple who own a jewellery shop in the village fear that the increased works traffic on the B842 could impact on the area's business and tourism.

Mike and Trish Hunt, of Wallis Hunter, reveal in a letter in this week's Courier: 'The first two visitors to our jewellery shop in Carradale today were quite adamant they will never drive down the back road from Claonaig again.'

Trish Hunt also told a Courier reporter: 'It is not just the poor state of the road with all the potholes, it is the sheer volume of traffic which is also chasing visitors away.'

'We feel that Scottish and Southern Energy have treated the people of Carradale and the rest of East Kintyre with contempt.'

'There is no doubt that the limitations of this road in its present use will impact on the number of visitors to the area.'

Back on the right road

Maintenance work is stepped up on troubled East Kintyre route

EAST Kintyre's troubled B842 is back on the right road - thanks to the Campbeltown Courier.

Argyll and Bute road bosses and Scottish and Southern Energy have

jumped into action to sort the route's many potholes after the extent of the problem was highlighted by the paper.

The Courier told of East Kintyre residents'

concern for their safety over the state of the life-line road, damaged by heavy traffic related to the electricity substation project at Crossaig.

Locals also directed their dissatisfaction at SSE and Argyll and Bute which had assured them that the route would be properly maintained as work progressed on the substation through to October 2015.

Stuart Irvine, convenor of East Kintyre Community Council, described the road as 'worse than those found in Third World countries'.

However, this week he said: 'Credit where credit is due. Since our complaints were first aired in the Courier, SSE and



Signs on the B842 are now warning the area's residents that they face additional heavy lorry traffic until April 2016.



A newly relaid stretch of the B842 at Grogport.

Argyll and Bute Council have immediately set about fixing the road with a purpose.

'Indeed, instead of sorting potholes on an individual basis, which rarely lasts, they have a big machine relaying whole swathes of road.'

'Work last done in this manner more than a year ago has held up very well, so this is much more positive.'

'Hopefully, this standard of maintenance will continue because the road is going to continue being damaged by lorries for some time to come.'

'I am in no doubt, the adverse publicity in the Courier made all the difference.'

'However, it had to happen. Residents were becoming increasingly concerned about the appalling state of the road, particularly for driving in the dark.'

Two weeks ago, Argyll and Bute Council and SSE gave fresh assurances that steps were being taken to improve road maintenance.

Because of the limitations of the single-track route from Skipness, huge lorries are accessing Crossaig from

Campbeltown and impacting on all the communities en route.

SSE also confirmed to the Courier this week that while the substation work is still scheduled to be complete in October 2015, there may be heavy road traffic at times until April 2016.

'The works beyond October 2015 are the dismantling of the old overhead lines,' said a spokeswoman.

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Public has a role in airbase's future

KINTYRE residents can have their say in the future land use of Machrihanish Airbase at its open day on Saturday, June 7.

Two years since the community buyout of the former military airbase, Machrihanish Airbase Community Company (MACC) is seeking feedback on its plans for the site.

The event will also give people the chance to take a tour around the base and its assets and learn about the latest developments at MACC.

MACC is working on a 'Masterplan Framework' - its vision for the site and the likely commercial uses of the former RAF airbase.

The public will be able to view the proposals on the day, raise any queries about the plan and make comments.

MACC board of directors as well as planning consultants will be available for discussion.

It is the second open event for the public since MACC purchased the airbase for £1 in May 2012 and it is hoping to showcase what it has achieved in the past two years.

Investment and development of infrastructure has been a priority, with the view to leasing the land and property assets.

Following the successful recruitment of a new marketing officer in April, MACC will be looking to promote

these assets on a much larger scale in the coming months and gain the interest of investors from a wide range of industries.

Malcolm McMillan, business manager of MACC Development Ltd, said: 'We are looking forward to hosting the community and hearing the views on the future of the site.'

MACC's assets have a great deal to offer, with 1,000 acres of land, a range of buildings with flexible use and accessi-

ble storage space.

'There is a vast amount of potential.'

'We hope that having a masterplan in place will provide us with the framework to grow and attract new investors from both national and international markets.'

The open day will be between 1pm and 4pm in the officers' mess building.

Refreshments will be served and tours of the site will be available throughout the afternoon.



This aerial photograph of the base gives an idea of the scale of the site.



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You can either complete the survey here, or alternatively you can go online and complete the survey at www.tinyurl.com/scotloc The closing date for entries is midnight, 13th June 2014.

Q1 Which of the following most closely describes the extent to which you are involved in the grocery shopping in your household?

- I do all or most of the shopping I have little or no involvement
 I share the responsibility for the shopping with someone else in the household

Q2 In which of the following supermarkets do you a) do your MAIN grocery shopping, and b) any top up shopping during the week? (please tick all that apply)

	MAIN grocery shopping	Top Up Shopping
Aldi	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Asda	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budgens	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Co-Operative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Costcutter	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Farmfoods	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Iceland	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lidl	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marks & Spencer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Morrisons	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Tesco	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Waitrose	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q3 Please indicate which other shop (s) you use for your MAIN grocery shopping?

Q4 And which other shop(s) do you use for your top up shopping?

Q5 If you were to choose just ONE supermarket, which would you say is your favourite?

- Aldi Costcutter Marks & Spencer Tesco
 Asda Farmfoods Morrisons Waitrose
 Budgens Iceland Sainsburys The Co-Operative
 Lidl Spar

Other (please state)

Q6 Which of the following factors are most likely to influence your choice of supermarket? (please tick all that apply)

- Advertising Location Car Parking Quality of products
 Environmentally friendly Loyalty scheme Past Experience Range of products
 Fresh food counters Online delivery service Habit Other local shops nearby
 Helpfulness of staff Opening Hours Low prices

Other (please specify)

Q7 And which ONE of the following factors would you say is THE most important in deciding which supermarket to shop at? (please tick ONE only)

- Advertising Past Experience
 Stock ethically sourced products Habit
 Fresh food counters Low prices
 Helpfulness of staff Quality of products
 Location Locally sourced products
 Loyalty scheme Range of products
 Online delivery service Ability to use money off coupons
 Opening Hours Other local shops nearby
 Car Parking

Other (please specify)

Q8 In addition to your main grocery shopping, which of the following do you also shop at?

- A local independent grocer Fishmonger Butcher
 Farmers Market Greengrocer Local Market
 Baker

Q9 Would you say that you do the majority of your shopping?

- Online In-Store

We would now like to understand your attitudes towards how your local newspaper(s) influence your decision on where to shop, and any purchasing decisions you make?

Q10 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

	Agree Strongly	Agree Slightly	No opinion	Disagree Slightly	Disagree Strongly
I rely on my local newspaper to keep me up to date with the latest offers from local shops	<input type="checkbox"/>				
I trust what I read in my local newspaper	<input type="checkbox"/>				
I know that if something is advertised in my local newspaper, then it will be available in my area	<input type="checkbox"/>				
I enjoy shopping for groceries	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Online shopping makes my life easier	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Supermarket's own brands are as good as major brands	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Q11 Which of the following have you personally done (when shopping for groceries) as a result of seeing something advertised in your local newspaper? (tick all that apply)

- Decided which supermarket/store to shop at Redeemed a coupon/voucher
 Made a note of a special offer or promotion Talked about something you have seen with friends and family

About you. In order for us to analyse the information, please tell us a little bit about yourself?

Q12 Are you

- Male Female

Q13 And which of the following age groups do you fall into?

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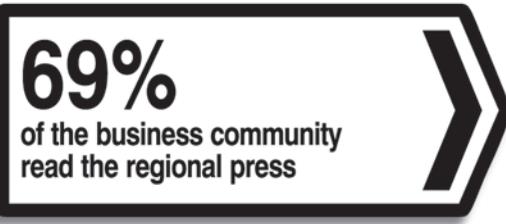
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14/00969/PP	Erection of a single storey, single span steel portal framed building	Glencraigs Farm Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6NS	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
14/01089/PP	Construction of replacement jetty and navigation perch	Gigha Small Boat Jetty Ardminish Bay Isle Of Gigha Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Gigha

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

Ref No	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
14/00769/PP	Installation of replacement doors	19A And 23 Shore Street Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6BS	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
14/00770/PP	Installation of replacement doors	20, 22 And 22A Shore Street Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6BS	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

Argyll and Bute council encourages planning applications to be made on-line through The Scottish Government website: <https://eplanning.scotland.gov.uk>
The Council maintain a Register of planning applications which can be viewed during normal office hours at Planning and Regulatory Services, Central Validation Team, 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilphead PA31 8RD.
A weekly list of applications can be viewed at the above address and at all Council Libraries.
Any letter of representation the Council receives is considered a public document and will be published on our website. Anonymous or marked confidential correspondence will not be considered.

CIVIC GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1982

TAXI FARE REVIEW
Notice is hereby given that Argyll and Bute Council in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 have fixed the maximum fares for taxis operating within the jurisdiction of Argyll and Bute Council. These maximum fares will become effective from 9th June 2014.

Tariff	Description	Rate
Tariff 1	Hirings from ranks or "flag" Hiring between 7am and 10pm	£3.00 20 pence
	Initial charge (860 yards or part thereof) Subsequent charge (each 176 yards or part thereof)	
Tariff 2	Hirings from ranks or "flag" Hiring between 10pm and 7am	£3.60 20 pence
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	Tariff 2 also applies to hirings from ranks or "flag" between 6pm and 10pm December 24th, 6pm and 10pm December 31st and between 7am 2nd January and 7am 3rd January	
Tariff 3	Hiring from ranks or "flag" between 10pm 24th December and 7am 27th December and between 10pm 31st December and 7am 2nd January	£4.20 20 pence
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Soiling Charge - £100 maximum (with permission to display warning signs indicating that there may be an additional charge for any potential loss of earnings suffered as a consequence)
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b) Where Tariff 2 would apply - charge Tariff 3
c) Where Tariff 3 would apply - surcharge £1.00
Fee by negotiation - for all journeys commencing within but finishing outwith Argyll and Bute, in a place of the above charges, such fares may be charged as prior to the acceptance of the hire, were proposed to the hirer and accepted by him/her
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Trees cause over £25 million damage to new homes

Over £25million of damage has been caused to new homes by trees over the last six years, according to figures released by NHBC.



The UK's leading warranty provider and standard setting body for new build homes is so concerned by the scale of the claims that it has today issued guidance to home owners advising them of the best practice when planting trees close to their homes.

planting distance away from houses and where to go to check if the tree is protected.

the foundations have not been designed with trees in mind.

The figures show that over £25million of claims were made by owners of new homes for damage to their property caused by trees between 2008 and 2013. Last year alone, NHBC paid out nearly £4million in claims following structural damage caused by trees.

Richard Tamayo, NHBC's Commercial Director, says: 'New greenery can create a more attractive garden as well as provide privacy and can help in reducing noise from a busy road. But roots and branches can also cause expensive damage to homes as our figures show.'

'If the tree was added or removed before the house was sold by the builder, NHBC's Buildmark warranty may provide protection. However, if the tree was removed or planted by the homeowner subsequently NHBC cannot provide cover and the household insurance may also not cover the damage.'

As summer approaches, an NHBC guide offers practical advice to anyone thinking about planting new trees and shrubs or cutting back existing ones. Tips for homeowners include how to calculate a suitable

'When an established tree is removed or a new one is added, it can affect the moisture content of the surrounding soil. In clay soils, this can cause swelling of the ground or shrinkage. This movement can potentially result in damage to the house foundations due to subsidence or heave, particularly where

'This is an ideal time of year to start planting trees and shrubs ahead of those lazy summer days in the garden. But anyone thinking about planting new trees or shrubs should spare a thought for their home and their neighbours by getting an expert opinion before planting.'

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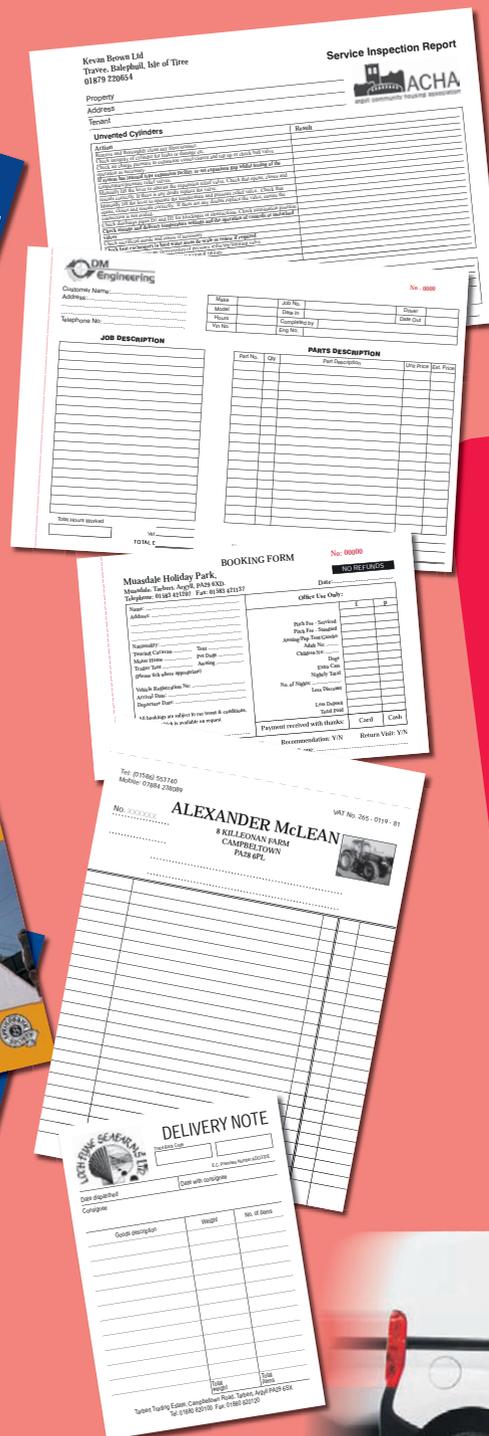
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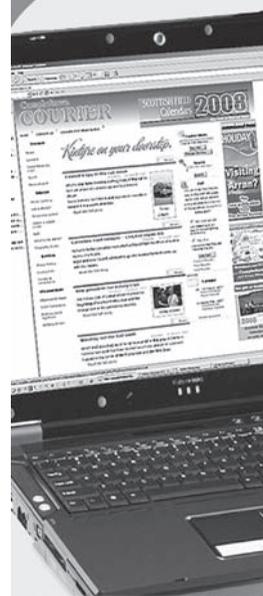
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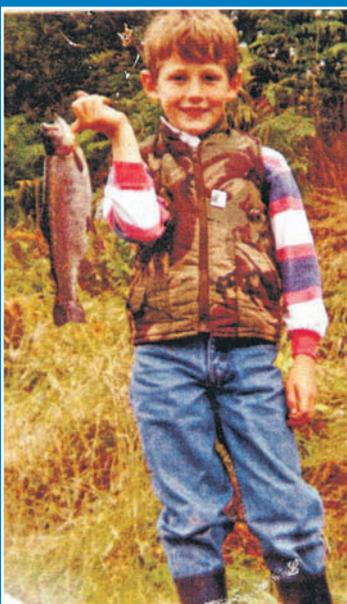
He's also on the golf course in wind and rain and sun

But more often in the 19th hole sinking a beer in one!

This Sunday it's his birthday and we want the world to know

That Mr Darren Kelly will have reached the big 3-0!

With love from all the family xxx



Happy 70th Birthday James McIvor



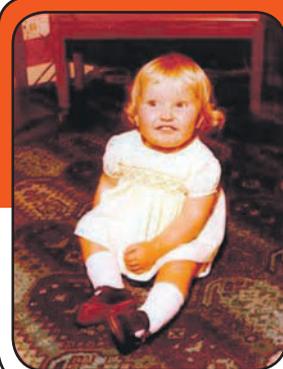
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THANK YOU



Mrs Hazel Whitehead of Kintyre Gardens would like to thank all friends, neighbours and emergency services for their help and support recently when she was suddenly taken ill. She appreciates all the help and support shown to her and would like to thank everyone for their kindness and best wishes.

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Laura Watson

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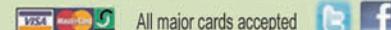
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Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



SEVERAL years ago when we lived in Glasgow, we went to church via the M8 motorway.

What a contrast it is going to worship in this lovely part of the world.

I have the privilege of leading worship in some of the most beautiful rural churches in Argyll, and the contrast of the peace which pervades these wee churches always delights me.

Last Sunday I had the pleasure of taking the service on the lovely island of Gigha.

I have done this several times, and I am still enchanted with the idea of going to church via a ferry.

Sometimes the weather has been kind and the sea calm, as we enjoy a flask of coffee on the crossing.

Other days the weather has thrown all the force of rain and wind at us.

However, regardless of the mood of the elements, the cheery wave from the ferry crew and the warmth of the welcome at the church dissipates any discomfort.

Some churches have a clock facing the pulpit – a gentle and tactful reminder to the preacher not to be too long-winded, and I always try to keep my eye on it.

However Gigha church has no such clock – but they have Charlie.

Charlie is a delightful collie who is part of the welcoming committee at the church.

Politely, Charlie waits outside the church during the service, and occasionally ‘sings’ along with some of the hymns.

He has a great sense of timing, for if the sermon is just taking a wee bit longer than it should, Charlie offers a gentle howl from outside the door.

He always makes me smile as when the doors are opened, Charlie wanders in, tail wagging to greet regulars and visitors alike.

Charlie endorses the words of the hymn, ‘All are welcome in this place’.

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This year's MOK juniors prizewinners with Commonwealth Games mascot Clyde, who made a surprise appearance.

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Crowd roar on youngsters' thrilling finish



Cameron Campbell winning the 11-13 race. 08_c22mokjun03

ANDREW Dott and Elliot Gemmill from Campbeltown and Gregor Campbell from Glenbarr put on a thrilling finish in the 9-11 boys' event in the MOK Run junior races last Saturday.

The trio, together the whole way, had the crowd roaring encouragement as they sprinted down the home straight together, with Andrew just edging out Gregor and Elliot.

Euan Charlwood from Campbeltown was an impressive clear winner in the 6-8 years boys' race, as was Cameron Campbell from Glenbarr in the 12-14 years event.

Results: Boys 6-8 years: 1 Euan Charlwood 1min 41secs, 2 Owen Reid 1.45, 3 Ryan Shields 1.45.89
9-11 years: 1 Andrew Dott 3.26, 2 Gregor Campbell 3.27, 3 Elliot Gemmill 3.27.

12-14 years: 1 Cameron Campbell 7.16, 2 Adam McMillan 7.41, 3 Angus Stuart 7.57.

Girls 6-8 years: 1 Anna Gemmill 1.55, 2 Violet Campbell 2.00, 3 Claudia Graham 2.01.

9-11 years: 1 Skye Stuart 3.47, Katrina Charlton 3.47.2, Emma Broughton 3.51.

12-14 years: Cara Gorman 7.45, 2 Jenny Semple 8.00, 3 Ruth Turner 8.02.



In the most exciting race of the day, Elliot Gemmill leads the 9-11 years event from Gregor Campbell, right, and Andrew Dott, the eventual winner. 08_c22mokjun05



Start of the 6-8 years race. The winner was number 1315, Euan Charnwood, a pupil at Dalintober Primary. 08_c22mokjun08



The start of the 9-11 years race. 08_c22mokjun06



Niamh McSporrان, 7, won the junior Kintyre teddy bear and running vest by correctly guessing its birthday - shared with Niamh's mum, Lindsay. Machrihanish Holiday Park is among the MOK sponsors. 08_c22mokjun09

TEXT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus said, 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God' (Matthew 5:9).

BIRTHS



PHILIPS - SHAW

Kenny and Jenna are proud to announce the safe arrival of their beautiful daughter, Gracie Anna, born May 6, 2014. A little sister for Sophie. Granddaughter to Donald and Morna Shaw, Ardfern and the late Derek and Isa Philips, Ardrishaig. Special thanks to all midwives at the Mid Argyll Maternity Unit and to the Lochgilphead and Tarbert ambulance service for their care.

DEATHS

BRECHIN - Peacefully after a short illness, with her family by her side, at the Mid Argyll Hospital, on May 22, 2014, Margaret Brechin, née Paterson, in her 88th year, of Upper Largie Farm, Kilmartin, beloved wife of Gordon, much loved mother of Marion, Robert and Gordon and cherished grandmother of Sara, Cameron and Sinclair. A much respected mother-in-law of Shona and a dear sister, aunt and cousin to all the family. Funeral service was held in Kilmartin Parish Church, on Wednesday, May 28, 2014, followed by interment at Achnabreac Cemetery. Sadly missed.

CRAWFORD - Peacefully at home, after a long illness, borne bravely, on May 26, 2014, Don Crawford, aged 91 years, of Myrtlecrest, Kilduskland Road, Ardrishaig, beloved husband of Catherine, much loved dad of Archie, Donald and Karen and adored papa of Holly, John, Kelly and Ryan. A much respected father-in-law of Julie and Johnny and a good neighbour and dear friend to many. Funeral service will be held in Ardrishaig Parish Church, today Friday, May 30 at 12.00 noon, thereafter to Achnabreac Cemetery. Flowers or donations, if desired, to Ardrishaig Parish Church. All friends are respectfully invited to attend.

MACCOWAN - Peacefully, at the Western Infirmary, Glasgow, after a long illness, bravely fought, on May 25, 2014, Evan John MacCowan, in his 76th year, 28D Davaar Avenue, Campbeltown, oldest son of the late Roderick and Lily (McGill) MacCowan, formerly of Parliament Square, Campbeltown, and a sadly missed brother and uncle. Service in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, Campbeltown, on Friday, May 30, 2014 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please.

TAYLOR - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on May 27, 2014, Trevor Taylor (Bob), in his 76th year, Kildalton, George Street Walk, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Jen MacMillan, much loved father of Karen and a loving and much loved grandad. Funeral private.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

CAMPBELL - The relatives of the late Jean Campbell would like to thank everyone for the many kind expressions of sympathy received in their recent sad loss. Special thanks to doctors and staff at Glenaray Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital, and all other medical staff involved, for the kind care and attention received. Thanks also to Rev Thomas Bryson for a fitting and appropriate service at Jean's house, to Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, to Tarbert Hotel for catering and to all who paid their last respects at home and graveside.

HUTCHISON - The family of the late Marion Hutchison would like to thank everyone for the very many kind words of sympathy, encouragement and support following her recent sudden passing. The amount of cards and personal messages has been overwhelming and of great comfort to all the family. Sincere thanks to Rev David Carruthers for such a beautiful and poignant service, to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for their highly professional and helpful services, and to all who were able to attend the funeral. Thanks also to The Stag Hotel for refreshments and catering and to The Flower Shop for the beautiful floral tributes. Many thanks to Owen Duff and Malky MacDonald of the ambulance service for their very swift reaction and professionalism, Dr Sloane for attendance and to PC Tom Campbell for all his assistance and comforting words. A special thanks for the work by the staff of Glenaray Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital during her stay earlier in the year and to all the care team who assisted on her return home. Finally, a special thanks to all her friends and neighbours who have been so kind and attentive over the years, and in particular the residents of High Bank Park, who have been immense. A collection was held at the funeral service and donated to Lochgilphead Parish Church Funds.

MACINNES - The family of the late Angus MacInnes, Tralee, Tayvallich, would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions of sympathy received following the sad loss of Angus. Our special thanks to all medical, nursing and care staff for their help, support and care over the period of Angus's illness. Thanks to Rev Cliff Acklam and Dr Roddy MacLeod for a comforting service, to Stan Lupton for funeral arrangements and to the Tayvallich Inn for catering. Thanks to all who paid their last respects at the church and graveside. A collection of £865 has been sent to Marie Curie Cancer Care and Macmillan Cancer Support.

MACLACHLAN - Marina, Niall, Kenny, Ann, Richard and Scott would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy following their sudden and sad loss of Kathy. Our thanks to Rev David Carruthers for his comforting service, Stan Lupton for his efficient, caring and professional funeral arrangements and the Grey Gull Inn for catering. Finally, to all those who travelled from near and far to pay their respects at the church and the graveside, we are eternally grateful. The sum of £850 was raised for the Mid Argyll Cardiac Unit and the Air Ambulance Service.

MACMILLAN - Annabell, Verina, Josie and their families would like to thank all family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues for the many kind expressions of sympathy, flowers, cards, phone calls and visits received following their recent sad loss of Jackie. Special thanks to Rev Roddy MacLeod for a very comforting service; to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for caring and efficient services; to John Summers and Iain Campbell for the music accompaniment; and to the Stag Hotel for a grand purvey. Finally, our thanks to all who attended at the church and the graveside to pay their respects. The retiral collection for Glenaray Ward and the External Community Nursing team raised over £300.

IN MEMORIAM

COFFIELD - Remembering Mary Jane McKenzie, died Wednesday, May 30, 2000. Wednesday was the day you passed away Seems like only yesterday. Sorely missed. - Martin and family. **DAVIDSON** - In loving memory of Billy, who died May 31, 2011. Much loved husband, father and grandpa. Always remembered. - Mary and family. **DOUGLAS** - Treasured memories of Harold, a loving husband and father, died May 31, 2005. We know that you're not too far away, You're in our hearts, that's where you'll stay. - Love always, Claire and David. **MARSHALL (MCSPORRAN)** - In loving memory of our mother and sister, Betty Marshall McSporrان, died June 1, 2012. Two years have passed without you, God closed your eyes to ease your pain, You suffered so much but told so few, You did not deserve what you went through. Loved and sadly missed. - From all the family, home and away. **MCMURCHY** - Precious memories of Iain, died June 2, 2011, a loved husband and a loving dad and granda. A silent thought, a secret tear Always wishing you were here. - Love, Cissie and family x.

MITCHELL - In loving memory of a beloved son, brother and uncle, Robert, tragically killed June 1, 1987, age 16. Also a loving husband, father and grandfather, Robert, died May 3, 2012, and a beloved granddaughter, daughter, sister and niece, Amelia Hope, age 27 days. They still live on in the hearts and minds Of the loving family they left behind. - The Mitchell family at home and away.

CHURCH NOTICES

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES
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"This is eternal life" (John 17:3)
Services in Achahoish at 9:45am (with Holy Communion) and Ardrishaig at 11:00am

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Dookers leave it late to clinch victory

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TARBERT AFC'S late league flourish continued last Saturday with a last-gasp home win against high flying Eaglesham.

The home side were without McCormick and Johnstone, however, captain Callum Elliott returned to lead the team. Striker James Prentice opened the scoring with only minutes played with a low shot past the keeper and into the bottom corner.

Eaglesham equalised after 20 minutes when their striker volleyed a cross past Martin in goal. Tarbert regained the lead when MacDougall's defence-splitting pass found Prentice who finished expertly.

The away team started the second half strongly and were immediately back on level terms when good wing play led to the number eight scoring.

Tarbert hit back with 20 minutes left when Prentice claimed his hat trick thanks to his strong

running which the Eaglesham defence found impossible to contain. Back came Eaglesham again to make it 3-3.

Luckily for Tarbert, Prentice was not finished for the day and he made it 4-3 to the Dookers with eight minutes remaining. A strong run past three defenders finished with an inch-perfect shot.

Unbelievably Eaglesham found the reserves to level and it was a stunning effort. A perfect ball over the Tarbert defence was met by the substitute number 16 who volleyed past Martin first time to make it 4-4.

Tarbert's final attack brought the winner. MacClever found Johnson in midfield who cut inside before beating the outstretched keeper. Man of the match was James Prentice.

The Dookers finish the season away to Millbeg this weekend with fourth place in the league sealed.



Campbeltown Pupils 2001s go on the attack.

Fine win for Young Pupils over Blair Thistle

AN EXCELLENT first-half performance saw Campbeltown Pupils' 2001s beat Blair Thistle last Sunday at the all-weather pitch.

Determined

After a 2-2 draw in their previous meeting,

Campbeltown Pupils	3
Blair Thistle	0
DFDL 2001s	

the young Pupils started in determined fashion and took the lead through Elliott Gem-

mell, before further goals by Andrew Johnstone and Miller Irwin with a penalty.

The second half saw some really good passing football with Blair Thistle having a lot more possession, but Pupils keeper Alastair Ferguson preserved their clean sheet with

a couple of great reflex saves.

Victory

The victory was a deserved one and the performance proved to be one of the best the Pupils 2001s have produced this season.



Football fun for Kintyre youngsters

PUPILS from primary schools across Kintyre arrived at the all-weather pitch on Kinloch last Thursday for a day of football, organised through Active Schools.

Attended

Primary 1-3 children from Carradale, Drumlemble and Southend attended as well as primary 2 pupils from Castlehill and Dalintober.

David Paterson, of Campbeltown and District Juvenile Football Association (CDJFA), said: 'The kids behaved really well and enjoyed their day. It was great to see more than 70 children taking part.'

The pupils are pictured with, from left, David Paterson of CDJFA and Active Schools co-ordinator Callum Imray. 20_c21active01

Florence wins spring meeting

FIFTEEN ladies took part in Dunaverty Golf Club's spring meeting in blustery conditions.

Winner was Florence Chrystie with a nett 65 (83-18) BIH, who won the captain's prize of an umbrella and a supply of golf balls.

Second was Mairi MacMillan with 65 (83-18) and third went to Linda Arkell with a nett 67 (92-25).

Winner of the scratch prize was Elizabeth Morrison with a gross 80 BIH.

Dunaverty and Machrihanish played in mixed conditions in the Florrie Niven on May 6.

First was Mary MacIntyre with a 62 (79-17). Hilary Oman was second with a nett 67 (89-22) and third was Ailie MacBrayne 68 (78-10).

The scratch winner was Elizabeth Morrison with a gross 78 BIH.

Linda Arkell made her hat trick of medal wins, winning the May medal with a winning score of 63 (88-28).

Sports day open to all Argyll youngsters

MID Argyll Athletic Club has been successful in obtaining a Big Lottery Fund Celebrate Award to promote its annual sports day on Sunday, June 15 at Lochgilphead Joint Campus school.

The competition, which will be held on both the astroturf and grass area, will include various running, jumping and throwing events for boys and girls in six age groups starting at Under 7 up to Under 17.

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.

Everyone taking part will receive a special ribbon and medal commemorating Commonwealth Games Year in Scotland and trophies will be awarded to first, second and third overall in each age group.

Gather together The annual sports day is the only opportunity for Argyll's young athletic talent to gather together and compete outdoors against each other.

Events start at noon and all entries are on the day from 11am. Competitors are allowed to enter up to a maximum of five events with an entry fee of £2 per competitor.

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 the sports day phone Bill MacCallum on 01546 602664.



Alan Glendinning and Daniel Docherty, back row second from right, won the DFDL in the 1997 section.

League title for local lads

TWO Campbeltown footballers are celebrating after winning a league title earlier this month.

Alan Glendinning, 16, and Daniel Docherty, 17, were part of the Ardencaple side that won the Dumbartonshire Football Development League (DFDL) in the 1997 age-group.

Ardencaple sealed their league triumph with a 4-1 victory over Lochgilphead, which maintained an unbeaten season for the Helensburgh-based side.

The trophy was presented by former Rangers and Scotland manager Walter Smith.

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Robin is head heidbanger

A WARM, dry and calm day ensured that a party of Dunaverty's Heidbangers enjoyed their annual game on Gigha's nine-hole golf course.

Playing 18 holes in the morning, Robin Finlay took the honours with 41 points. Runner up was John Dickenson with 38.

Fun element After an excellent meal at the Gigha Hotel the

party returned to play another nine holes.

This was to be an individual event with a fun element of a secret team prize which was provided by Alastair Brown.

Fittingly he won the individual prize with 17 points, Sandy Watson was second on 16 followed by Bruce Robertson also on 16 but Sandy had the better last four.

Duncan Watson drew

the teams and the winning team with 45 points, was Alastair Brown, Bruce Robertson and Cristian Ivan.

Most points

A special prize was awarded to Alan Duncan for scoring the most points at one hole over the three rounds. He birdied the 9th, 18th and parred the 9th on the last round for a total of 11 points.



Dunaverty Heidbangers enjoying their annual Gigha outing.



Picture from left are: Andrew Kitson, Marlene Walker, Angus Neilson, Jim Galbraith, Eilidh Neilson, Jean Brown, John Rattray and Margaret Richardson.

Eilidh and Jim lift Neilson Rosebowl

DESPITE contrary weather conditions, 28 golfers played in the annual Neilson Rosebowl nine-hole mixed greensome at Carradale Golf Club.

The competition is open to members and non-members alike and juniors over the age of 13.

Winners of the Handicap trophy, the Neilson Rosebowl, scoring an excellent 25.8 were Eilidh Neilson and Jim Galbraith. Runners-up with 31.9 were Margaret Richardson and John

Rattray. Winners of the scratch game were Marlene Walker and Andrew Kitson scoring

36 and the runners-up with a score of 38 were Jean Brown and Angus Neilson. The condition

of the course, in particular the greens, was excellent, thanks to greenkeeper Robert Strang.

Tarbert win softball tournament

TARBERT Academy students were celebrating after a series of impressive performances at a schools softball tournament saw them run out as winners for the second year in a row.

The S1 and S2 students welcomed competing teams from Lochgilphead, Campbeltown and Islay to their school last week for the latest round of the MAKI (Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay) League.

Few could argue that Tarbert were

worthy winners as they had a perfect record of three wins from three games. Campbeltown finished in second place, with Lochgilphead pipping Islay to third place on points difference.

This was the final competition in the MAKI league series, which has seen the schools compete in football, badminton and volleyball competitions, with each taking a turn to host a different sport.



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Alan progresses to centenary trophy

ALAN Duncan's dedication and steady progress finally bore fruit when he won his first golfing club competition last Saturday, the Dunaverty Centenary Trophy. One of the last players out, Alan played steadily to cover the front nine in 40 strokes and coming back, helped by a birdie chip in at the par 3 16th, he carded a 39 - just enough to pip Donald Brown by one stroke.

Windy conditions helped to keep scores relatively high.

Best scratch scores of 69 were compiled by Donald Taylor, Ross Sinclair and Campbell McCallum. CSS was 64.

Results: 1 Alan Duncan 79-17-62, 2 Donald Brown 82-19-63, 3 Campbell MacBrayne(bih) 72-8-64, 4 Raymond Harvey(bih) 82-18-64, 5 Stuart McLachlan(bih) 77-13-64, 6 Donald Taylor 69-5-64.

Grant lifts £500 jackpot

CONGRATULATIONS to Grant Edmondson who chose the winning numbers in Dunaverty Golf Club's three number lottery on Sunday, scooping the jackpot of £500.

The winning numbers were 11, 15 and 16.

The next draw will take place on Sunday, June 8 with a jackpot of £100. Tickets are available from the clubhouse, committee members, Commercial Inn and Muneroy Stores.

Results from Islay Golf Club

ISLAY Golf Club result, Letters Prize, May 25: 1 R. MacIntyre 74-5=69, 2 A. Gillespie 86-16=70, 3 D. Johnston 77-7=70. CSS 71.

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The winning Springbank team, from right, John McLean, Ranald Watson, Stuart Campbell and Gavin McLachlan are pictured with the The Cruachan Am-Am Cup and Machrihanish Golf Club captain David Rankin, left.

Spring in their step

Sponsor's team charges to great Am-Am victory

THE drinks were well and truly on the Springbank team as they shot an incredible nett score of 54 to win last Saturday's Am-Am at Machrihanish Golf Club by two strokes.

Thirty-nine teams competed for The Cruachan Am-Am Cup which was donated by the late, former captain, Gordon H V Campbell in 2002.



Third placers Andy Robertson, Graham Gilchrist, Kevan Gilchrist and Alan Glendinning with Machrihanish club captain David Rankin and Mairi Campbell.

In a dry but breezy and overcast day, mixed with some late sunshine, the four person better ball team format resulted in the winners in 2007 recapturing the trophy in superb style.

The winning Springbank team consisted of Stuart Campbell, Gavin McLachlan, Ranald Watson and John McLean.

The ever popular Am-Am, in its 13th year, was jointly sponsored by Springbank, The Ardshiel Hotel and Drumore Pine.

The scores produced by the five teams on the prize list were truly excellent.

It really was a case of 'horses-for-courses' with the first four teams having previously won the competition.

Last year's winners, Andrew Robertson, Kevan Gilchrist, Graham Gilchrist and Alan Glendinning put up a valiant effort in defending the trophy with a third place finish.

They only missed out on the runners-up spot on the count back rule to Charles McIntyre, John Lamont, Donald MacKinnon and Fergus Walker.

The 2012 winning team

of Finlay Wylie, David Campbell, Neil McCallum and Ian McGougan were fourth, again by virtue of the count back rule, with fifth place, recording a nett 58, being taken by Willie MacDonald, Duncan MacDonald, Ray Mitchell and John Stewart.

Club captain, David Rankin, thanked the main sponsors for their extremely generous support and also gave a big thanks to the other sponsors who so generously donated prizes played for on all 18 holes.

The prizes were presented by Mairi Campbell, wife of Springbank company secretary and part of the winning team, Stuart Campbell. The raffle for the set of irons was won by Andrew Anderson, son of Machrihanish vice-captain, Graham.



Runners-up John Lamont, left, Charles McIntyre and Donald MacKinnon, with Machrihanish club captain David Rankin and Mairi Campbell.

Callum lifts £200 lotto jackpot

CALLUM Brown from Machrihanish won the £200 prize in Monday's draw of the Machrihanish Golf Club lotto with the winning numbers of 2, 5 and 12.

The previous week's numbers of 16, 17, 18 produced no winners.

The prize is £100 for the next draw on Monday, June 2.

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