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School milk scheme is a whole lotta bottle

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THE first farmers in Argyll this century to supply pasteurised milk straight from the farm are keen to get it on the menu at a Kintyre primary school.

Emma Rennie Dennis and her husband Don who run The Wee Isle Dairy on Gigha, recently installed equipment costing more than £180,000, including a state of the art pasteurising machine.

Last year they began supplying artisan ice-cream in six different flavours from their Tarbert Farm, and this year expanded into milk using half and full litre recyclable glass bottles.

The dairy is currently filling more than 1,000 bottles of whole milk per week and supplying it to a wide range of

retailers in Argyll and Bute - but not Gigha's primary school.

Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell has written to the deputy first minister John Swinney, who is also cabinet secretary for education and skills, in a bid to allow the Wee Isle Dairy to supply schools in the county, beginning with Gigha, where the couple's son Mark, 5, is a pupil.

Mr Russell wrote: 'The (Wee Isle Dairy) initiative is one which is most welcome and very positive given the difficulties that the milk sector - and the island - has experienced in the last couple of years.'

I have been pleased to support Don and Emma whenever I could, but on a visit last week I discovered that

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Primary ensemble winners, Campbeltown Brass A. 20_c24musicfest20

CAMPBELTOWN Brass A blew away their competition to win the primary ensemble class at the Kintyre Music Festival.

Hannah McCaig teamed up with twins Jack and Rona

Campbell and another set of twins Jamie and Andrew Colville, to win the top prize in their category, continuing on from their success at the Mid Argyll Music Festival where the group won the primary in-

strumental ensemble. They joined the other competition winners for a cup-winners' concert in the Lorne and Lowland church last Saturday.

For more, see pages 18 and 19.

Danish coins
in town

LOOK out for Danish krone in your purse.

A number of people in Campbeltown have discovered that what they assumed was a £1 coin in their change is actually a 10 krone coin, which is equivalent to just over £1.

There is speculation that the proliferation of foreign coins could be down to the number of overseas tourists that were in town recently for the Campbeltown Malts Festival.

Bin bother

COULD a reduction in Campbeltown's bins encourage litter louts?

That is the fear of some of the town's residents and visitors, who say that there has been a noticeable reduction in litter bins on the streets.

One woman, who did not want to be named, told the *Courier* that she had to carry her rubbish the entire length of Longrow until she could access a bin on Main Street.

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POLICE FILES**Charged over alleged drugs and car tax offences**

A 26-year-old man was charged after a car was stopped and searched at about 5.45pm on Tuesday June 6, on the A83 in Campbeltown.

He was allegedly found to be in possession of cannabis and the vehicle did not have any excise licence.

Fighting and theft

POLICE have identified two men who were fighting in Main Street, Campbeltown, at about 12.30pm on Friday June 9, and once traced, the two men, aged 27 and 47, will be charged.

One of the men also allegedly stole an item from the other.

Drug search

A HOUSE in the town, was searched by police at about 8.30pm

last Friday and a small quantity of cannabis was found. The 27-year-old male occupant of the property was not present but will be charged.

Vehicle damaged

A RED Peugeot 207 car was damaged in Tesco car park, Campbeltown, between 10.30am and 11am, on Monday June 12, when its rear bumper was struck by a silver car which allegedly failed to stop.

Door damaged

THE DOOR to a flat in Burnbank Street, Campbeltown, was damaged between 6.20am and 9.45pm last Friday.

The door was forced open but nothing was stolen from the flat.

Scratched

BETWEEN noon and 7pm last Saturday, the paintwork on a black Audi Q5 car was scratched at Millknowe, Campbeltown.

Gold award for eco evangelists

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UNIQUE holiday accommodation buried below a turf roof in a Kintyre hillside has harvested a gold green tourism award.

Former bed and breakfast host Linda Peacock and her IT consultant husband Mike first came up with their eco house concept in 2006 but it took nearly eight years before they were able to welcome the first guests, initially gaining a five-star rating from Visit Scotland.

Linda who ran her B&B for 22 years said: 'Criteria for the gold award included the building's insulation, recycling, use of LED lighting, water usage and whether local people were used

in the build. To offset people's travel miles, we make a donation from every stay to the Woodland Trust which spends the money on preserving a piece of ancient Caledonian forest.'

'McFadyens did the groundwork, IK Joiners and Angus Brown were involved in the initial work.'

Hamper

'In addition, every guest receives a hamper, and while we cannot use Kintyre Champagne, it includes plenty of local produce.'

'Fuel for the wood burner is recycled off-cuts from the sawmill at Auchencorvie.'

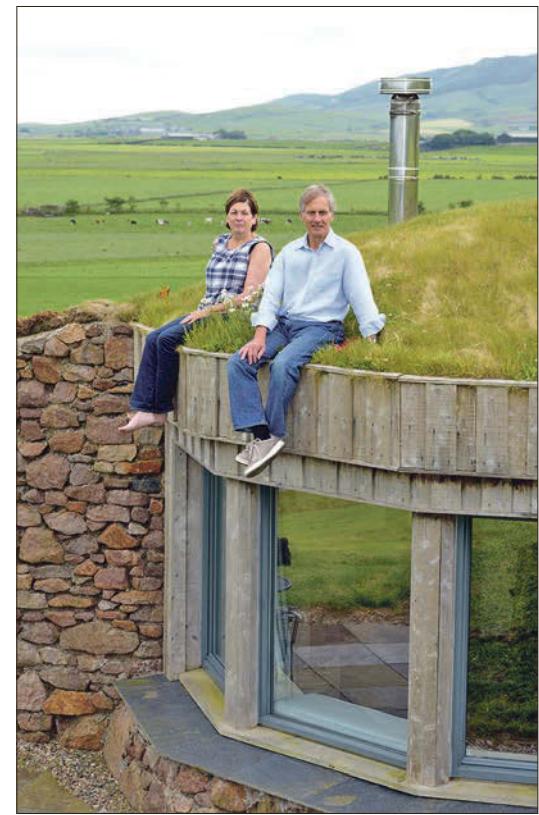
'We promote walks which we enjoy and using buses to get into town, the distilleries,

golf and visits to the islands, such as Gigha.'

After initial construction hitches Mr Peacock drew the plans. It was when Angus Brown designed and installed the Glulam laminated roof beams that the project took shape.

Mr Peacock said: 'It was such a leap in the dark. We were advised that people who ran similar properties on the Isle of Harris were letting all year round, but we could not see beyond it being seasonal. Now we have bookings for 85 per cent of the year.'

One unusual problem the couple have to watch out for is with the turf roof and keeping an eye out for bunnies trying to burrow a warm warren.'



Linda and Mike Peacock sit on the roof of their eco house. 25_c24goldtourism01

Wee Isle Dairy's school milk scheme

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– it appears to be contrary to Scottish government regulations.

'These regulations recommend that only semi-skimmed milk is provided by schools and Argyll and Bute

council has indicated that this prevents the school being supplied by Don and Emma.

'Having researched the subject, Don and Emma contend that there is evidence which shows that full fat milk is not harmful but in fact could be better for growing children.'

'In addition, the milk would be much fresher than that brought on to the island and it is supplied in recyclable bottles.'

'The refusal to use the local supplier also flies in the face of encouragement the government has given to local food industries and to local procurement.'

Mr Dennis added: 'Our milk is pasteurised at between 63°C and 65°C for half an hour but most milk in the UK is flashed at 72°C for 15 seconds which impacts the taste and the structures of the milk proteins.'



The bottling plant in operation.
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Emma Rennie and Don Dennis bottling the milk for last Friday's delivery. 25_c24weeisledairy03

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£6m wrasse factory row reignited

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A RECENTLY co-opted member of Campbeltown Community Council was at odds with members in a vocal protest about plans for a hatchery at Lossit Point.

At a meeting in the Red Cross hall on Tuesday evening, Valerie Nimmo said: 'It has recently come to my attention that Marine Harvest (MH) has gone ahead and put in a planning application to build its wrasse hatchery.'

'The land is zoned countryside, has

mosaic rock formations and is the site of the Fessenden mast.

'The value to the

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'Since I came to Campbeltown in 1969 the one consistent employment has been tourism.'

Valerie Nimmo
Campbeltown
Community Council

community of the scheme is minimal because there are only 10 jobs.'

When MH first held public consultations about its plans last year, there was considerable opposition. This included the fact that the view was one painted by arguably Scotland's finest landscape painter, William McTaggart.

For four months from the middle of March, the debate about the pre-planning exercise was played out in the pages of the *Courier*.

Alternative sites for the £6 million devel-



The existing wrasse hatchery. 25_c12wrasse01

opment, which follows more than 20 years of research at the existing facility, have been suggested such as on the former airbase.

MH held two public days of exhibitions, one in Machrihanish and the other in Campbeltown town hall and claims that 83 per cent of the 73 people who attended

and completed a feedback form support the plan. MH's application statement lodged, as part of the planning process, with Argyll and Bute Council on Monday is 72 pages long.

It was explained, to this week's meeting, that the community council that should be consulted on the plans is Laggan as the fac-

tory will be built in its area. Community council chairman Alan Baker said: 'I think, (last year) that it was our opinion that we would be happy with the jobs but we did not put that opinion forward to Argyll and Bute Council.'

Community council member Catherine Dobbie added: 'I never see many tourists

walking at the Gauldrons and I would welcome 10 new jobs.'

Mrs Nimmo disagreed and added: 'Since I came to Campbeltown in 1969 the one consistent employment has been tourism.'

Comments on the plans should be made through Argyll and Bute's website or by letter before July 7.

Mitigation measures begin at the Rest

LANDSLIDE mitigation works on the A83 at the Rest and Be Thankful are underway.

Construction teams are preparing the site for the £1.84 million project by creating safe areas and access for the teams to carry out the works.

The main task will involve the excavation of three debris flow catch-pits at the bottom of the slope next to the A83.

This first phase of catch-pit installations is designed to stop debris from a landslide on the channels above each pit location reaching the road, helping keep the A83 open if there is a landslide.

For the safety of road-workers and motorists, temporary traffic lights will be in place during the preliminary works, from 7am to 6pm, Mondays to Saturdays. The work began last week and is expected to take up to a further three weeks to complete.

Seasports still seeks £20k council support

A BID for £20,000 of CHORD money towards the Kintyre Seasports project will float again at Argyll and Bute Council.

The area planning committee's recommendation of support for the scheme's initial business case, to build a £1.8m state-of-the-art facility, will be on the policy and resources agenda on June 29.

Seasports spokesman Campbell Fox said: 'Subject to any conditions that may apply, the proposed award would raise our existing pipeline to approximately £31,000.'

Match-funding

'It would establish a strong match-funding case to take to LEADER and other potential short-term sources.'

'The council's position is important in terms of perceptions as well as cash.'

'If they don't back the project, it will be hard to explain why to Sportscotland and

the other institutional funders, such as the Big Lottery, and the Robertson Trust, who seek their opinion on grant applications.'

Sportscotland has made it clear that raising local participation levels will enhance the attractions of our bid for capital funding.'

Last weekend the Kintyre Youth Cafe, Active Schools and Campbeltown Sailing Club's paddleboarding project started and in August the Sailing Club's Awards-for-All dinghy training initiative aims to begin with input from the Canoe Club and the Sea Cadets.

Mr Fox added: 'Both projects are grounded on training local instructors so that growth is self-sustaining for years to come.'

'This is the heart of what Seasports is about – community organisations working together to create opportunities, improve

life chances and attract tourism.'

'In Campbeltown Loch, we already have an outstanding natural resource that could have been designed for the project.'

'With the council's support, we can build something that will make a real and lasting difference to South Kintyre.'

Last week the Seasports' SCIO constitution was formally adopted at the inaugural board meeting.

Alastair Cousin, Don Hardman and Campbell Fox were confirmed as the founding trustees, and Margaret Wallace was co-opted as a trustee and elected as treasurer.

Mr Hardman was elected as secretary and Mr Fox as chairman and a bank account was opened.

Mr Fox added: 'As the overall workload is substantial and only likely to increase, any additional help would be most welcome.'

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SWI member passes away

MEMBERS of Bellochantuy SWI were sorry to hear of the death of Jean Teesdale.

Jean joined the institute when she came to live in the area 17 years ago.

She was an enthusiastic competitor, winning many prizes, especially in needlework of all kinds, and willing to demonstrate her skills. Her baking was also awarded stars.

She enjoyed meeting people and getting to know them.

Ill health prevented Jean from attending last season, but she maintained an interest, and will be missed.

A grand donation

MEADOWS under-fives nursery netted £1,000, which was raised at a charity football match.

A cheque was presented to the nursery children last week by members of Campbeltown Loyal Rangers Supporters Club.

Dick McFadzean, Greg Sargent and Gavin Mathieson. The supporters' club held a charity foot-

ball match the previous weekend, and invited ex-Rangers players Alex Rae and Marvin Andrews to head up the two teams of club members.

The money raised by the annual Jimmy Taylor memorial match is donated to local causes, and this year Meadows under-fives was chosen.

A spokesperson from the nursery said: 'A

huge thank you to all involved. The children will love choosing new resources.'

Meadows under-fives youngsters accept the cheque from Greg Sargent, Dick McFadzean and Gavin Mathieson of Campbeltown Loyal Rangers Supporters Club. 20_c24loyal01



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Farming pillar was truly good man

THE DEATH of John Smith, Drumalea.

The recent passing of John Smith of Drumalea Farm, affectionately known as Father John, has undoubtedly resulted in a profound loss to our community of a truly good man.

Born on October 9, 1925, the son of Donald and Catherine (Millar) Smith, he attended Kilchenzie Primary School, when sports days with neighbouring schools enabled lifelong friendships to be formed, albeit with a few bruised ankles as souvenirs.

His secondary education included time at Keil School, which was based in Balinakill House, Clachan, in that period.

John was almost unique in farming in

that he had the ability to not only be at the forefront of the latest agricultural advances but had an inbuilt energy and vibrancy that flowed over into the community he loved.

Thrust into farming on his own, he quickly raised the bar when, in the 1950s, he doubled his milking herd from the then accepted practice of approximately 30 cows to more than 75 animals, something that was unheard of at the time and attracted national coverage.

Becoming a founder member of Largieside Young Farmers, which he went on to lead, set the tone for all the other organisations he was involved with in the Kintyre area.

These included the

Agricultural Society, Friesian Breeders, Farmers' Co-op, and NFU branch.

Further afield there were spells on the Arbiters' and Valuers' Panel along with SMMB selection committee duties.

Even his non-farming endeavours received the full Father John treatment as he became president of the Rotary Club of Campbeltown and took his turn being in charge of the Bridge Club.

Following the closure of Lochend church, he was at the forefront of ensuring the proceeds resulted in a lasting legacy in the form of a Medical Trust Fund.

John Knox wrote: 'A man with God is always in the majority' and it was perhaps as

an ordained Church of Scotland elder that John's true vocation lay.

But, oh, he was no angel, especially in his time in the Home Guard with bayonets fixed. However, we will say no more of that, or of his annoying habit of gently whistling while playing bridge.

No matter the ventures John undertook, and there are too many to list, there was only total commitment.

It was perhaps fitting that on the day we laid him to rest, others were seeking election to high office; I like to think John now has a seat at the table of a much higher authority.

The farming community in Kintyre has lost one of its pillars.

Wrong sport

IN LAST week's Down memory lane photograph, submitted by Morag McKinven, the dapper sports men and women pictured were incorrectly identified as tennis players when, in fact, they were badminton buffs.

The Courier still does not know the date the photo was taken so if any of our readers know, please tell us.

Kintyre Christian Fellowship welcomes speaker from Wales

A GUEST speaker from Wales will make a pilgrimage to Kintyre to share a spiritual message.

Kintyre Christian Fellowship will welcome Paul Crowe from Newport, Gwent, to their meeting in the Salvation Army Hall in Burnside Square next Friday, June 23.

Mr Crowe will be in Scotland to

attend the Edinburgh Connection and has agreed to return to Campbeltown, where he has spoken before.

Welcomes

The fellowship is looking forward to his message this time around, and welcomes everyone, whether regular church attendees or not, to the meeting at 7.30pm.

Troubled waters for Campbeltown ferry

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A TECHNICAL fault has left the Campbeltown to Ardrossan ferry high and dry and unable to sail until the middle of the coming week, at least.

As she departed from Brodick at 3.23pm on Wednesday of last week, the MV Isle of Arran developed a technical fault which resulted in significant damage to her bow thruster engine.

The engine failure resulted in large quantities of black smoke, a video of which was shared on social media, although there was no sign of fire.

After all passengers and



The MV Isle of Arran, leaving Campbeltown Loch on a previous journey.

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vehicles were disembarked back at Brodick, the vessel was moved to the Garvel dock in Greenock, where an engineering team worked throughout the night to assess the damage.

With substantial repairs required, and with the

parts for the rebuild being sourced from across the UK and Europe, it may take some time to fix.

A spokesperson from CalMac, which operates the service, said: 'Unfortunately, given the scale of the damage and the time re-

quired to bring the spares to the Clyde, it is unlikely the vessel will be able to return to service before the middle of next week.'

'Services to Campbeltown have therefore been cancelled for this week.'

Passenger Heather Wal-

lace said: 'I was going to take my mum home on the ferry, took Friday off work and had the weekend organised.'

'We had our plans upturned and in the end I bought my mum a flight for the Friday, which is quite costly, but it was the upheaval more than the cost.'

'When will the people of Campbeltown have a ferry they can rely on, as it is CalMacs contract with us?'

South Kintyre Councillor John Armour said: 'It highlights the need for extra ferries. They are being built but at the moment CalMac tells us there is no spare capacity.'

See page six, letters, for more on this story.

Sunk car caused chaos for ferries

A FORMER tourism chief found his car underwater at Portavadie slip after going to get a cuppa.

Ex-high ranking civil servant Peter McKinlay, a one-time chief of Scottish prisons and head of the Scottish Tourist Board in the year 2000, was travelling to a 60th anniversary school reunion in Campbeltown.

Mr McKinlay, 77, from Edinburgh, had planned to take three ferries, including one from Portavadie to Tarbert, to cut his driving distance.

Arriving at Portavadie, he parked on the slip with the handbrake applied but possibly the tide was out. He went to buy a coffee but returned to find his car half underwater.

He rushed to get help but on his return found it fully submerged. Ferries were cancelled until 6pm when the vehicle was removed.

Childcare courses at Argyll College

As one of the fastest-growing employment sectors in Scotland, Childcare professionals are going to be in increasing demand over the next few years.

If you fancy making the most of the situation and opting for working with children in some capacity as a career, the great news is that you can do your studying right here in Argyll.

Argyll College UHI offers five levels of courses in Childcare, ranging from Childhood Studies: An Introduction right up to BA (Hons) in Childhood Practice or BA (Hons) in Child and Youth Studies.

At present all three and four year olds in Scotland, and eligible two year olds, are entitled to 600 hours a year of free early learning and childcare.

The Scottish Government intends to nearly double this figure to 1140 hours by 2020, which will see a corre-



sponding increase in demand for qualified childcare workers.

Rena MacDonald, Argyll College UHI's Health and Wellbeing Curriculum Manager, urged anyone interested in pursuing Childcare as a career to check out what's on offer at their local College centre.

"The additional investment in this sector will have a significant knock on effect on the numbers of trained staff required, so we're likely to see a big expansion of career opportunities in Childcare over the next few years," she added.

"Whether you're new to Childcare and higher education or whether you'd like to boost existing qualifications, Argyll College UHI will have a course to suit you so come in and have a chat, pick up a copy of our prospectus or look at our website. It might prove the best thing you ever did."

Think that's an exaggeration? Ask Campbeltown man Ciaran Norris, who took Childcare as a taster course at school and is now well on his way to realising his dream of becoming a primary teacher.

Ciaran, 19, said: "I've

loved it from Day One, and the fact I can potentially go from zero to qualified early years teacher without ever leaving my home town is fantastic.

"I knew I'd probably be the only male in the class, but it didn't worry me and I couldn't have asked for a more positive reaction from everyone I've come across - my fellow students, tutors, staff in my placements and also the parents of the kids I've been involved with."

"I'm so thankful I opted for Childcare, because I've discovered a real passion for it. I can't recommend it strongly enough. If you're even slightly interested, go and find out more about the options open to you. That's what I did, and I've never looked back."

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Editorial

Bottling drinks is best

AS THE tide of waste plastic grows ever larger in the world's oceans, surely the time has come to scrap plastic bottles and return to glass.

This week the *Courier* features the Wee Isle Dairy which has rapidly built up a market for its milk in recyclable glass. It has also become apparent that milk from plastic tastes different to milk from glass, which should be another plus.

Initially the proprietors thought they would not be able to reuse the single-use bottles but customers were happy to wash and return them. This has led to the installation of an automatic washing machine capable of taking the one-litre bottles.

Young champion

The emotional picture of proud dad David, embracing his 19-year-old son Andrew Wallace, on this week's back page has moved many.

It was a tough battle to take the Machrihanish Open trophy, including storm force winds and rain and a great achievement for Mr Wallace junior.

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Tory goes 'back to the day job'

Sir,

I would like to thank the near 16,000 people who voted Conservative and for me last week as we came from third in 2015 to within 1,300 votes of the winning seat.

My congratulations to Brendan O'Hara on his victory and best wishes for what will be an 'interesting' parliament. Commissions to Alan Reid and Michael Kelly.

My campaign team, led by John McMurtrie was unbelievable and I don't think I have laughed so much as we travelled across the area meeting some fantastic folk along the way.

For me, it's back to the day job and the family I love.

Gary Mulvaney.

Rocky ride for ferry

Sir,

I corresponded with the *Courier* some time ago, when there was a picture of myself and my elderly mum using the Campbeltown ferry.

I explained that the ferry is a lifeline for me in visiting my mum. Last weekend the ferry did not go due to technical problems.

I was going to take my mum home on the ferry, took Friday off work and had the weekend organised. We had our plans upturned and in the end I bought my mum a flight for the Friday, which is quite costly, but it was the upheaval more than the cost.

The ferry will apparently be off including next Thursday, which I suggest is a no-hoper week again, as it becomes too late in the week to leave plans till Thursday.

What is going on with the ferry and how does CalMac plan to recompense for this lost week in our very short season?

Lastly, when will the people of Campbeltown have a ferry they can rely on as it is CalMac's contract with us?

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Down memory lane



THIS week the *Courier* features a set of school pupils who left the grammar school in the 1950s.

The precise date of this photograph is not known. According to Helen Togneri (née Martindale), it could be a third-year group from 1954.

Mrs Togneri brought the photograph to a reunion, in the Ardshiel last Friday, when 21 pupils from that era swapped anecdotes.

For more on this story and a current photo of some of the school friends, see page 22.

LibDem candidate's thanks

Sir,

I write to thank everyone who voted for me in the general election, all those who worked for my campaign and all who helped run the election.

I congratulate Brendan O'Hara on being re-elected as our MP and wish him all the best in his job of representing Argyll and Bute in the House of Commons.

Alan Reid,
136 Fairhaven,
Dunoon.

Possible Carradale music festival

Sir,

The popularity of music festivals on the West Coast of Scotland is soaring. Niall Gemmill and I, are in the early stages of organising a new festival, in Carradale. The proposal is to run the event in September or October 2018.

This would be a non-prof-

itable event, with all proceeds going to local charities.

But, to enable us to proceed, we need to gauge who would support, both financially, in the way of sponsorship, and help us promote this event.

In April, of this year, we held an event – Carradale Ceilidh – which was a roaring success and have received great feedback since the event, which has made us realise the creation of a festival could be possible.

We look forward to hearing people's views and any offers of support.

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Deadlines loom for tourist awards

Sir,

Businesses and individuals should register nominations and entries for the Highlands and Islands Tourism Awards with the deadlines just days away.

The annual tourism Oscars, which were launched in March, will celebrate and honour the best places to stay, eat and drink and enjoy the area's sporting and musical culture.

This year 16 awards will be presented, with an additional category added, Best Heritage Tourism Experience, to mark Scotland's themed year of history, heritage and archaeology.

Friday June 23 is the closing date for nominations in three categories – Tourism and Hospitality Hero, Highland Rising Star and Highland Ambassador. The deadline for entries in all categories is Friday June 30.

To nominate a deserving business or individual, or enter your own business visit the HITA website www.highland-tourism-awards.co.uk.

John Ross,
HITA awards.

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Re-elected MP attends Armed Forces Day

ARGYLL and Bute's SNP MP Brendan O'Hara trooped to Lochgilphead for his first engagement since he retained his Westminster seat at the general election.

Mr O'Hara attended Armed Forces Day in Lochgilphead last Saturday, and took part in the inspection of the veterans, serving personnel and cadets.

After the event, Mr O'Hara said: 'This is the third year running

that I have attended and is a firm fixture in my diary. I wouldn't miss it.'

Mr O'Hara was re-elected as Argyll and Bute's MP as the SNP's total national poll dropped below a million, losing 21 seats including Alex Salmond's Gordon constituency to Conservative Colin Clark by 2,607 votes.

The margin in Argyll and Bute was even tighter with Mr O'Hara

polling 17,304, winning by 1,328 over Conservative, Gary Mulvaney, who amassed 15,976.

Speaking moments after returning officer Cleland Sneddon declared the result, Mr O'Hara said: 'In 2015, I promised the people of Argyll and Bute that I would be the hardest working MP that I possibly could.'

'And I believe that the result tonight is a justification that I have kept that promise.'

Earlier this week, Mr O'Hara added: 'Brexit negotiations begin next week and I fear the UK is now severely compromised ahead of those discussions and I remain fearful of the outcome for Scotland.'

'The SNP has said from the outset we want a seat at the Brexit negotiating table to protect Scotland from Theresa May's hard-Brexit stance.'



One of the ballot boxes is emptied before the counting begins.



The serious business of counting continues.



Brendan O'Hara, supported by his wife Catherine, daughters Niamh and Charlotte, and supporters, raise a cheer in Lochgilphead in the early hours of the morning.



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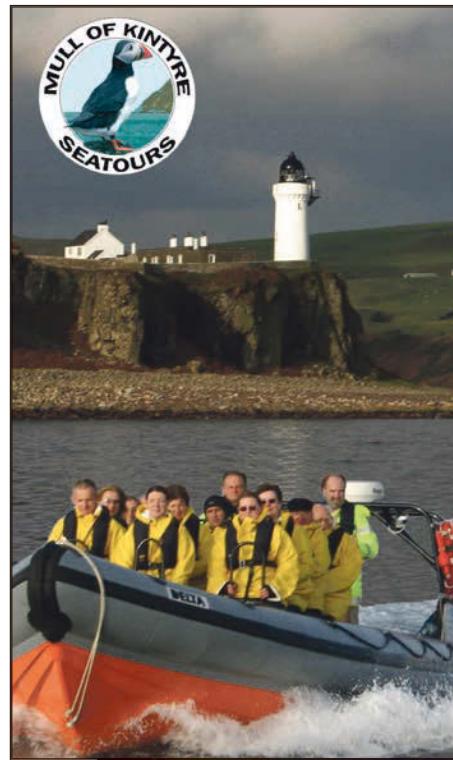
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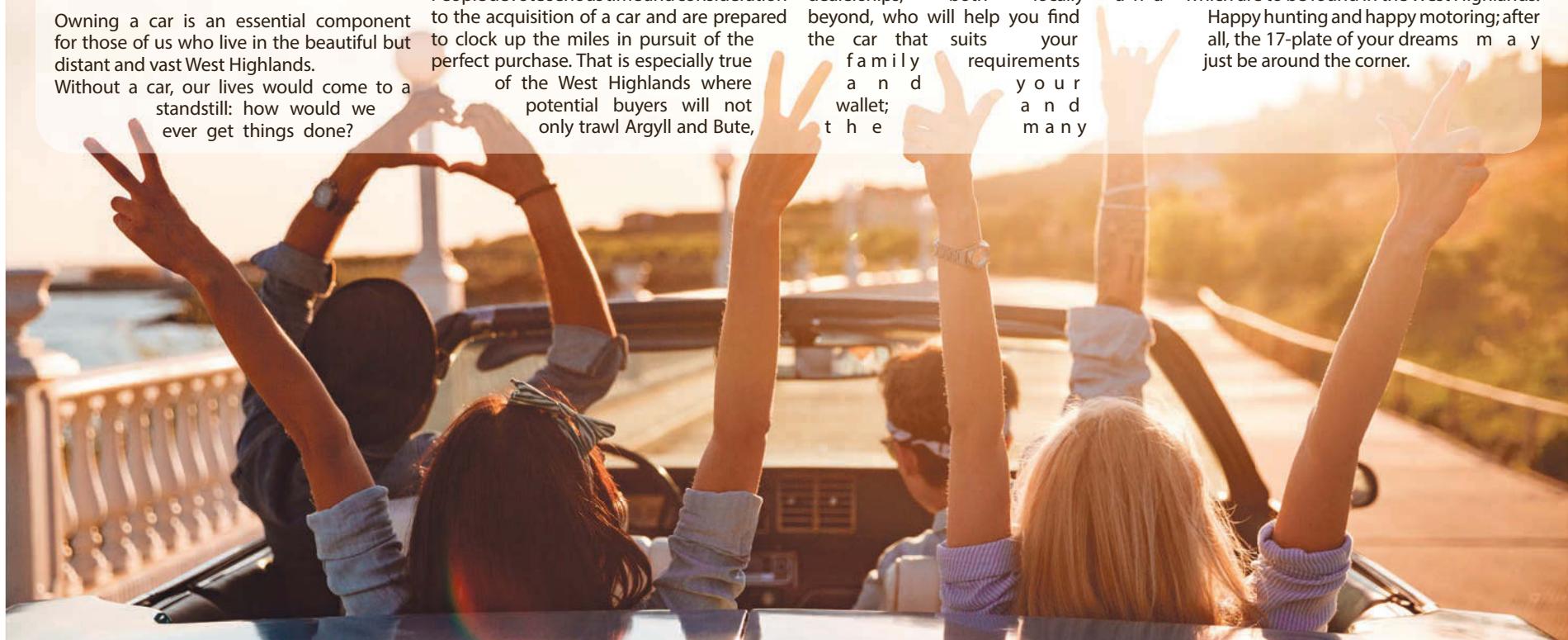
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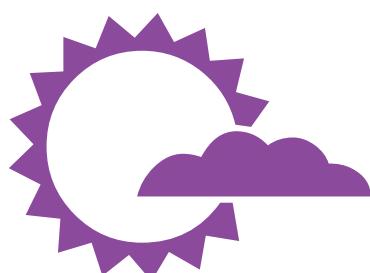
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1. Always use the 'Inch Test' and the 'Pinch Test'. Pinch the car seat strap near the child's shoulder; if you can pinch a wrinkle in the fabric, tighten the strap until it is snug. For the 'Inch Test', grab the car seat from the back and bottom and tug from side to side and front to back. If the seat moves more than an inch in either direction, tighten it.

2. Never add towels or extra layers between the seat and your child. Car seats can get hot in summer weather, but don't pile up towels in your child's seat to keep them cool. Extra material could interfere with the seat's ability to restrain the child in the event of a crash, so it is important only to use accessories and products specifically approved for use by the seat's manufacturer.

3. Take time to cool off; then buckle up. If the car seat is hot because of high summer temperatures, take some extra time to cool the car down before placing your child in the seat. Test buckles to ensure they are not hot, and if they are, open the windows or turn on the air conditioner before buckling children in. Never leave children alone in the car, especially in the summer, when temperatures can escalate dangerously in a matter of minutes.

incorrectly installed. This is so alarming because motor vehicle crashes are one of the leading causes of death among children. The good news is that a properly installed car seat can help dramatically reduce injury and prevent death. So we are sharing the following tips, just in time for the busy summer road trip season.

4. Don't rent a car seat. If you are renting a car this summer, use your own car seat. When you rent a seat, you don't know important facts about its history that could affect its ability to protect your child (eg, expiration date, crash history). The good news is that most airlines allow you to check your car seat for free.

5. Secure loose items in the car. Make sure all loose items – including summer travel essentials such as beach chairs, coolers, umbrellas and suitcases – are tightly secured in your vehicle. These objects could become projectiles in the event of a crash.

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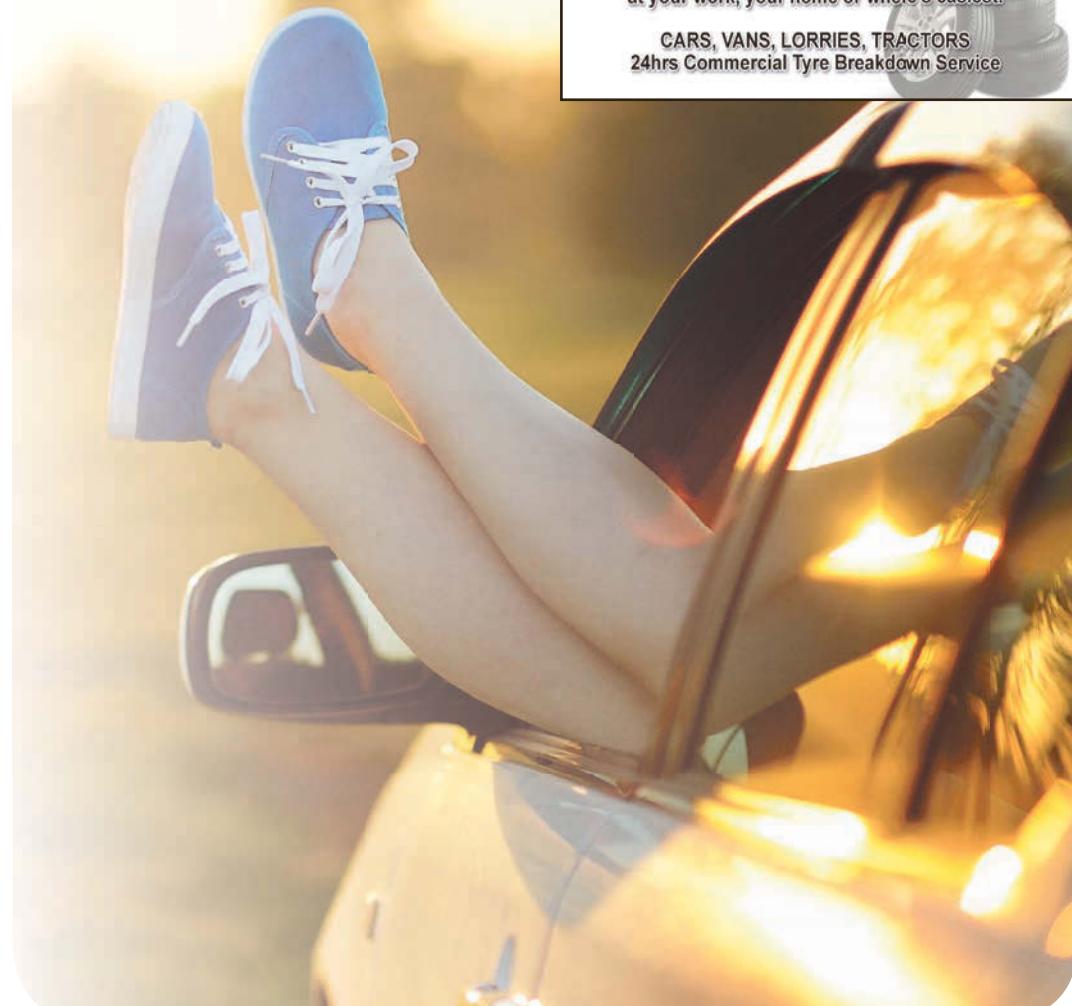
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AFTER a seven-week break in the 2017 MCE British Superbike Championship, Honda Racing and its riders Dan Linfoot and Jason O'Halloran are ready for round four this weekend (16-18 June), as the championship heads North of the border to Knockhill, Scotland.

Last week during an official test at Snetterton in Norfolk, O'Halloran topped the timesheets (1:48.297) aboard the all-new Fireblade, setting the pace ahead of this weekend. The Norfolk circuit holds happy memories for The O>Show as he claimed his maiden BSB win there last year. Back in early May O'Halloran secured a podium finish and with the result from last week, he hopes to be able to carry this form to Knockhill this weekend.

Meanwhile team-mate Linfoot secured the eighth fastest time at the test last week and is looking forward to returning to Knockhill, where last year he scored a double podium. Both riders are looking forward to returning to racing after a long break in the series.

Live timing of round three will be available from britishsuperbike.com/live-timing

To get all the latest news on the Honda Racing team over the weekend follow @HondaRacingBSB on Twitter.

2017 MCE British Superbike Championship, round four Knockhill, Scotland Event schedule:

FRIDAY 16 JUNE:

1100 – 1145 – FP1 1520 – 1605

- FP2

SATURDAY 17 JUNE:

1020 – 1105 – FP3 1402 – 1420

- Q1

1427 – 1439 – Q2 1446 – 1454

- Q3

SUNDAY 18 JUNE:

0920 - 0935 – Warm up

1330 – Race 1 (30 laps, 39 miles)

1630 – Race 2 (30 laps, 39 miles)

I'm looking forward to getting the main part of the season going, it's been a long break between rounds and it will be good to get plenty of racing in over the next few weeks. We had a one day test at Knockhill in the rain and a one day test at Snetterton in the dry, where I managed to top the timesheets, which has given us confidence heading into to the weekend. We need to keep working hard to improve and keep pushing towards the front, when we arrive at tracks like Snetterton I can ride in a good way, using the strengths of the Fireblade because the nature of the circuit allows us to, we still need to improve in some key areas when we arrive back at circuits that are more undulating and wheelie prone but for now I'm ready to go racing, I will be pushing and I'm confident of some strong results this weekend.

Jason O'Halloran

/ #22

Going into the fourth round this weekend I'm looking forward to moving forward with the bike. In the latest test,

Jason was fastest so it's good to see the improvements and I'm looking to be going in the same direction. Last year I was on the podium both times at Knockhill so I'm hoping for another strong weekend there. Previously, I've not enjoyed the Knockhill circuit but after the success last year I'm really psyched to be going there. It's the type of track that we don't really get to ride often with such a small lap, the weather can play havoc and qualifying can be difficult with so many riders out, but it's great! Plus it's nice to be in the main bulk of the season and to be riding the bike regularly.

Dan Linfoot / #4

Well it seems like forever that Jason had his podium at Oulton Park and even though the team has been busy prepping the bikes and also testing, I know that everyone is keen to get going again this weekend. I'm really happy with how both Jason and Dan are progressing and if last week's test is anything to go by, with Jason heading up the timesheets, I think this weekend we'll be in for some good racing! It was great to see Honda Racing at the top of the sheets during the test last week and I know it's given everyone a real boost going into the weekend. I hope the Scottish weather is kind to us and just can't wait to get back out there again.

Havier Beltran - Honda Racing team manager



Are you and your car ready for summer?

SUMMER is fast approaching and motorists need to ensure that along with the more pleasant weather, their cars, and their attitudes on the road, also need to be in tip-top shape. Drivers need to make sure their cars are in good condition, especially if they are looking at taking advantage of the warmer weather to make longer journeys.

If you are going on holiday, even if it is a long weekend, or if you will be using your car more now than in winter, it is important to ensure it is ready for the change in the weather. Driving in summer months is different to driving in winter, especially inland, and there are a few things people must check before it is too late.

Among the important items that motorists should check are their windscreens, wipers and tyres. It is also important that vehicles be visible at all times, including at night. For this reason, owners should ensure their lights (front and back) and indicators are also working properly.

Any cracks on windscreens need to be repaired and it is vital that tyres are checked to ensure they are in good, roadworthy condition. Too often, motorists ignore the condition

of their tyres, which are a critical component to safe driving. Consider that during the summer months small pools of water may accumulate on the road, and worn tyres may lead to aquaplaning; this occurs when the tread on the tyres is no longer able to channel water away, and the tyre lifts off the road surface, and starts to skim across the water like a speedboat.

As the seasons change, so too will the demands on your vehicle. It is important that motorists have their vehicles checked and serviced, and that they are confident that each and every aspect of the car is working properly.

In addition, the AA again urged all drivers to ensure that their attitudes are positive on the road at all times. This includes not speeding, not using any electronic devices while driving and always wearing seatbelts.

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Fabulous festival line-up

WHAT may be Scotland's smallest music festival is tuning up for its 15th instalment.

The Isle of Gigha music festival, the biggest event on the island's calendar, is set to rock on June 30 and

July 1. The festival's intimate atmosphere and warm welcome attracts top class acts, with 2017 being no exception.

The headliners often swap Gigha for Glastonbury when the event is over, and regular-

ly play Celtic Connections, and this year's Friday night headliners, Tide Lines and Elephant Sessions, already get rave reviews for their live shows.

Saturday night hosts festival favourite Fred Morrison, who will

open the double header concert sets with Sharon Shannon, one of Ireland's best musicians, who is set to shine with her sparkling and lively show.

Carradale-born piper Lorne MacDougall is almost a festival fixture, having only missed two of the previous celebrations, and playing an integral role in the record-breaking 10th year, piping non-stop for 65 minutes while 50 people danced the Orcadian Strip the Willow. This year, he will lead Saturday night's ceilidh set.

Camping will be



Festival favourite Fred Morrison.

available for those who really want to get into the festival spirit, and Gigha Hotel and the Boathouse will be dishing up festi-

val food alongside live music, while handmade pizzas, cooked in a wood oven, will be on offer at the gigs. With a capacity of

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CLACHAN

Flower festival blossoms

THE BIENNIAL Kilcalmonell church flower festival is set to make Clachan bloom this weekend.

Taking place from Friday to Sunday, flower arrangers from Campbeltown to Tarbert will put on a range of floral displays based on the theme of 'TV Times'.

The titles which will be on show are Call the Midwife, the Great British Bake Off, Poldark, Top

Gear, Casualty, Wrestling and many more.

A flower festival spokesperson said: 'Over the years people who never thought of themselves as flower arrangers have developed a lot of skill and imagination in making exhibits.'

Admission is £2, and teas in the hall will be £3.50, with all proceeds going to church funds.

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Head south around Ardmish Bay to the

Boathouse; the Michelin-recommended and multi award-winning restaurant. The quaint building sits in front of a beautiful white sandy bay with outside decking and serves simply delicious fresh local food - a heavenly dining experience.

The Boathouse campsite sits alongside the restaurant which is an idyllic spot to enjoy the peacefulness of the island with all the necessary amenities on site.

Carrying on up the main road on Gigha brings you to Ardmish Stores, the only shop on the island which stocks a variety of hyper-local produce as well as more exotic and eccentric supplies. This is the only place

on the island where you can buy smoked Gigha Halibut, a true delicacy, which recently scooped the Golden Fork Award for the Best Scottish Product of the Year.

Directly across from the shop you will find the Gigha Church and the Manse Bible Garden, where visitors are more than welcome.

It is impossible to walk or cycle around the island without bumping into one of its many characters, including the personable John Martin, a joiner who moved to the island in 1971 after falling in love with it and his future wife, and has never once wished to move away.

John and several other locals are always

happy to stop to tell visitors the incredible history of the island, which became community owned after a buy-out in 2002.

John says: 'We now have a say in our future, we are all working together and as a team and it is totally democratic. I am delighted to be alive to witness what is happening here right now.'

The Gigha Hotel sits around the corner from the shop and is the island's main accommodation hub. Having recently re-opened last year thanks to the loving care of Leicestershire man Ken and his wife Angela, the hotel is now thriving again with self-catering cottages, a bar and a new bistro cafe.

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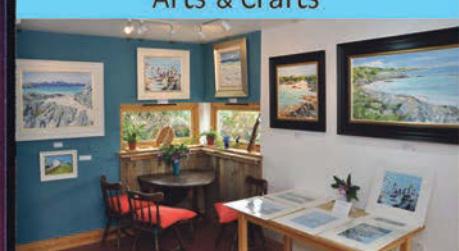
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Next to the hotel lies Gigha Gallery, run by art aficionado Henri Macaulay, who last year celebrated her tenth anniversary and her 50th exhibition on the island.

The gallery is a beautiful open space, with excellent exhibitions adorning the walls with views across the bay onto the sailing boats moored at the pontoon.

Henri says: 'Art should be uplifting, so I choose to have exhibits here which have that effect on visitors.'

We have a lot of events here: Gaelic weekends, film nights, music sessions, ceilidhs. It's a wonderful space where art is really important.'

The gallery sits next to a craft shop, which sells a wide variety of all-natural and Gigha-produced skincare and beauty products, along with a number of other arty items produced by the local people of Gigha. Everything from homemade preserves to knitted cardigans. The Pottery Tearoom, serves tea, coffee and a delightful array of home baking. The cafe is run by Henri and her daughter, a local lass and successful musician Catriona Rose.

As usual to coincide with the music festival on June 30 and July 1 Henri has a new show opening which features modern, quirky and serene musical art from Jo Powell who special-

ises in pictures of musicians.

In addition Henri has run a series of Gaelic weekends over the winter and is about to run her first ever totally immersive course.

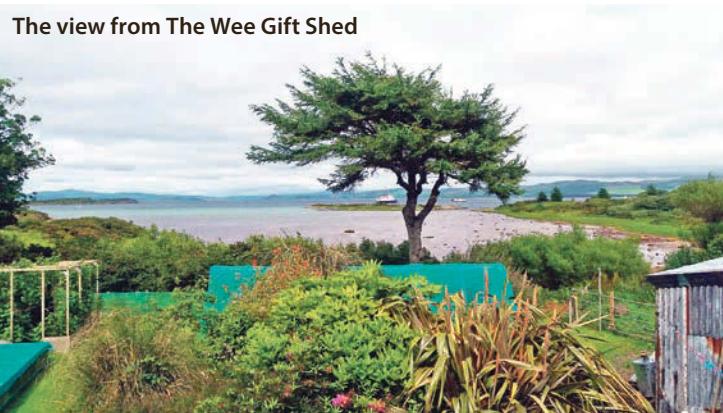
Henri said: 'After four or five days only using Gaelic there is a click into thinking in the language.'

'To gain fluency you need to switch your brain off completely from English and only use Gaelic.'

'Our total immersion course from July 10 to 15 is fully booked with 20 people due to attend.'

'Tutors include Mary Ann Kennedy from Tiree and the voice coach from the Amazon prime series Outlander.'

The Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust is also alongside the Gallery, whose doors are always open to help shed light on the island and its history.



Jacqui Smith, administration assistant, explains: 'We recently improved the pontoon to increase the yacht capacity, as well as making it a safer and more welcoming environment.'

'We have a number of self-catering cottages, many of which look onto beaches, and there really is something for everyone looking for a quiet, tranquil getaway.'

'The community takeover really encapsulates the spirit of Gigha - there is teamwork across all businesses and across our wee society. Everyone looks after everyone else.'

Heading towards the south of the island do not forget to buy a wee bag of homemade Gigha tablet which sits on a stall on the single track road, a true delight.

As you carry on towards the south of the island you reach the world-re-

nowned Achamore Gardens, known as the 'jewel in the crown' offers a sensory experience with a wonderful walk through rare rhododendrons before reaching the two acre walled garden and a breathtaking viewpoint across to the Isles of Islay and Jura.

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Amanda and Alistair of Gigha Halibut



cluding: chocolate, mocha, vanilla, strawberry, raspberry and the bramble and whisky.

It is available at Gigha hotel, the Boathouse restaurant and Ardmishn stores.

In addition the pair have this year added whole milk to the dairy's offer. A visit to Gigha gives a great chance to taste milk as it used to be just minutes from the cows.

Not far from the gardens, down a track road, look out for the sign posts for 'The Wee Gift Shed.' It is exactly what it says on the tin: a wee shed full of beautiful and unusual handmade gifts, an absolute must see.

Heading back towards the north end of the island, you will come across Gigha Golf Course: a nine-hole course with some testing par 3's and 4's. £15 will see you have as many

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As you continue up the north end of the island, the iconic white sandy twin beaches which makes the perfect picnic stop.

There is a depth of history and heritage to Gigha, from standing stones and archaeological sites to chapel ruins and shipwrecks, not to mention the abundance of wildlife.

Seven miles long and one mile

wide, Gigha serves as a great getaway for those who love to walk and explore. There are 12 designated off-road walks, with some covering a range of terrain; sandy beaches, rocky shores, bramble covered hillsides and woodland. Walk highlights include the Spouting Cave, ancient standing stones, sheltered beaches, the Fisherman's Cave and many more.

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open the double header concert sets with Sharon Shannon, one of Ireland's best musicians, who is set to shine with her sparkling and lively show.

So take a long weekend, book yourself into some of Gigha's wonderful accommodation, be it a B&B, the hotel, the yurt or the campsite, and enjoy a few days break on this wonderful, peaceful, safe and welcoming little island. It is the perfect getaway for an individual, couple, family, wildlife enthusiasts, art enthusiasts, walkers and cyclists.

In one way or another, whether it is the beautiful beaches, the stunning food, the crystal clear waters or the history and heritage, this island will take your breath away, and for that reason alone, it is absolutely worth a visit. How lucky we are that it is right on our doorstep?



Flower club's floral favourites

Words and photographs
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MEMBERS of Campbeltown Flower Club put their green fingers to the test as they put on a blooming marvellous display of the things they love most.

At a coffee morning in the Red Cross hall last Saturday, which raised £435, each member constructed a floral display

representing their favourite thing.

Topics ranged from handbags, candles and knitting to whisky, line dancing and Winston Churchill, and all were beautifully arranged.

Each table in the hall was complete with its own colourful centre-piece and as the tea and coffee flowed, everyone appreciated the floral exhibits around the room.



Handbags by Liz Young. 20_c24flowers03



Karen Kendrick stands beside her boot scootin' line dancing display. 20_c24flowers01



Granny's old sewing machine by Margaret McKendrick. 20_c24flowers05



Winston Churchill by Barbara Rubin. 20_c24flowers02



Lace making by Linda Bryce. 20_c24flowers07



Knitting, watermelon and whisky by Alyson Grant. 20_c24flowers10



My 60th birthday present by Pauline Simson. 20_c24flowers11



Some of the intricate details on the lace making display. 20_c24flowers08



Iona Renton won the P6 and P7 vocal solo and the classroom recorder competitions.
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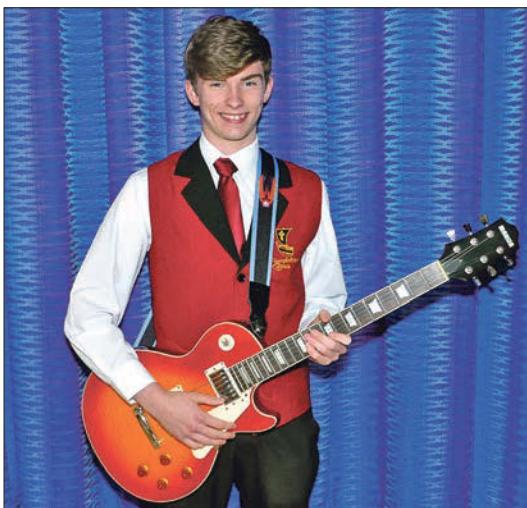
Grade 6-8 keyboard competition winner, Suen Yee Walker. 20_c24musicfest08



The winning band, Campbeltown Brass, with conductor, Gordon Evans. 20_c24musicfest15



Grade 1-5 keyboard winner, Grace McTaggart. 20_c24musicfest02



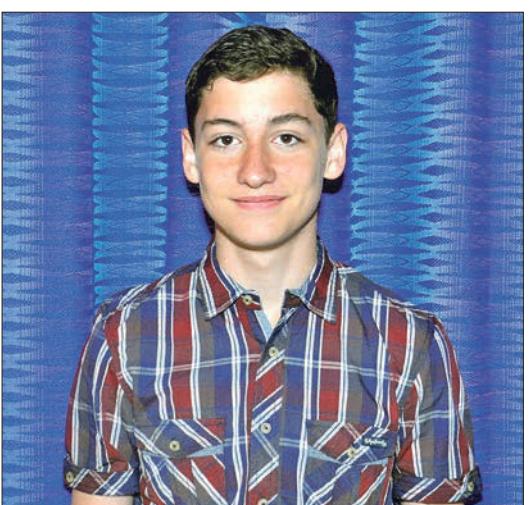
Electric guitar winner, Owen Pickering.
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Grace McTaggart and Iona Renton, winners of the piano duet competition. 20_c24musicfest03



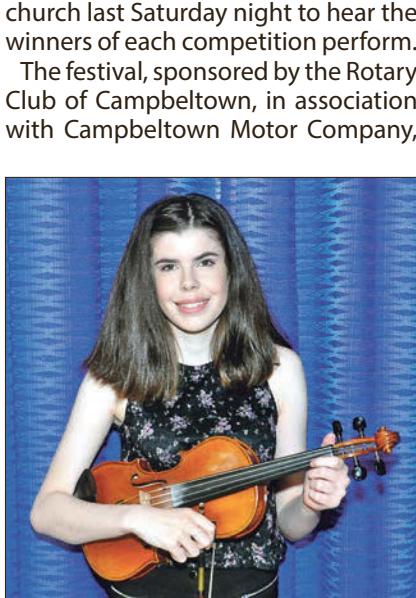
Primary brass champion, Andrew Colville.
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S1-3 vocal soloist, Ruairidh Wallace.
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Brass soloist, Amy Paterson. 20_c24musicfest16



Violin soloist, Amy Paterson.
20_c24musicfest09



P5 and under vocal soloist, Hannah Millar. 20_c24musicfest13



Primary folk music winners, Castlehill Primary School.



Secondary ensemble group winners
20_c24musicfest15

Music festival hits

KINTYRE'S young musicians pulled out all the stops and delivered a spectacular cup-winners' concert following a week of competitions, writes *Hannah O'Hanlon*.

Family and friends of the Kintyre Music Festival entrants, as well as coaches, conductors and teachers, gathered in the Lorne and Lowland church last Saturday night to hear the winners of each competition perform.

The festival, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Campbeltown, in association with Campbeltown Motor Company,

M Carmichael, CS Wind UK, Kintyre Motors, R Grant Logan, J Martin Supplies, D McNair and Son, Mull of Kintyre Seatours, Stewart Balfour and Sutherland, Westwards Veterinary Practice and Wyvex Media, took place during the week prior to the concert.

Dazzled

The children, aged from playgroup to S6, dazzled in various woodwind, brass, string, percussion and vocal contests, across multiple venues.

The winners of each section performed once again at the cup-win-



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Town primary choir winners, Castlehill Primary School. 20_c24musicfest17



Vocal duets champions, Amy Ross and Iona Renton. 20_c24musicfest05

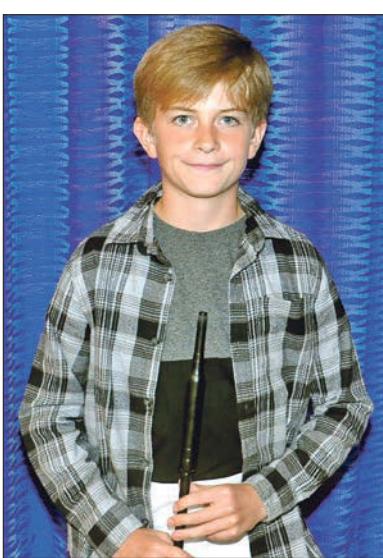
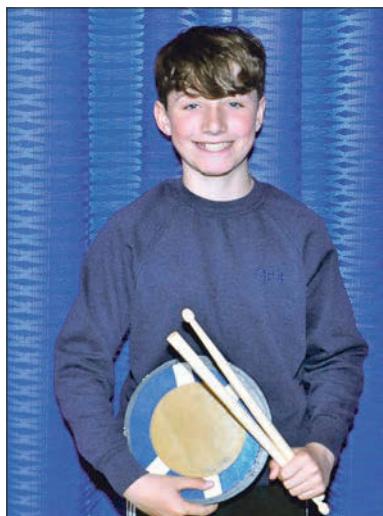


Vocal recital and S4-6 vocal solo victor, Bethany Kelly. 20_c24musicfest19

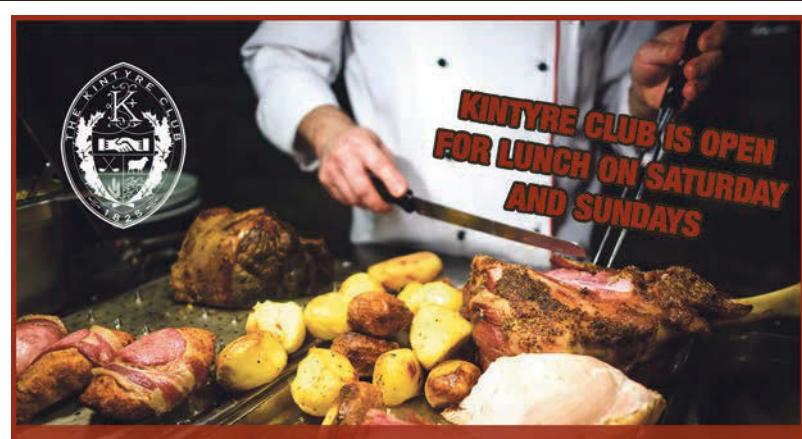
**Rural choir
champions,
Drumlembie
Primary School,
with conductor,
Raibert MacCallum.**
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Folk Four. 20_c24musicfest11

Above: Primary chanter
champion, Ewan O'May.
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who won the primary
woodwind, competition
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Top prizes on offer at MOK Fest's Carni-West

TICKETS for this year's 25th Mull of Kintyre Music Festival (MOK Fest) are now on sale.

The event, which is held on August 16-20, has concerts featuring acts including Peat-bog Faeries, Bomb-skare, The Shee, Heron Valley, Arty McGlynn and Nollaig Casey, Norman MacKinnon, Twisted Melons and The Kintyre Schools Pipe Band.

The weekend is packed full of open-air events, including the parade which this year will be rebranded as Carni-West.

More acts

Doon the Green will feature Cabin Fever, Treble Trouble, Footnotes and Funky Chicken, with more acts to be confirmed.

Also on Saturday August 19, the event

will launch the new Festival Club with the CalMac Culture stage in Campbeltown Town Hall with a huge music session and CalMac Culture winners Eriska.

There will also be food and a licensed bar at this event, which runs from 1pm-5.30pm.

The festival organisers would like to invite individuals, community groups and businesses who wish to get involved in Carni-West to email mokfest@hotmail.co.uk or phone 07873 280 003.

The aim is to create a real carnival atmosphere this year and prizes will be given out to the most entertaining entry as well as the best motor vehicle winners, who will be presented with

the Festival Cup and Phoenix Shield after the event.

MOK Fest starts on Wednesday August 16 with the Gaelic concert in Ceol Campbeltown and continues with the young folk night on Thursday August 17.

Music tuition workshops will be held in Campbeltown Grammar School on Friday August 18.

As usual, there will be live music inside and outside many bars and hotels across the town.

Tickets for all concerts are available locally from AP Taylors, Main Street, Campbeltown, online at www.ticketweb.com or call 08444 771 000. The festival's email is at mokfest@hotmail.co.uk.

School leavers' diamond anniversary

A SARCASTIC citizen, taximan and dustman were reunited at a Campbeltown hotel 60 years after starring in *Pygmalion*.

Back in 1957, Robin McArthur, James White and Ronald Togneri had acted in the George Bernard Shaw play, staged by the senior drama group at Campbeltown Grammar School (CGS).

The reunion, organised by Una Adams (née McGown), included seven actors, the other four being Peter McKinlay, Ian Morrison, Margaret McIsaac (née Wotherspoon) and Jacquie Grantham (née Somerville) and 14 other 1950s leavers. Mrs Adams first proposed the event, which included a dinner, last Friday, at the Ardshiel, in a letter to the *Courier*, printed on May 13 last year.



In no particular order in the *Courier*'s photo are: Una Adams, Charlie Campbell, Isobel Dott (née McKenzie), Jacquie Grantham, Sandra Mills (who changed her name to Mervyn Key), Judy McAllister (née Allan), Robin McArthur, Alison McDermid (née Cameron), Duncan McIsaac, Margaret McIsaac, Peter McKinlay, Ian Morrison, Gloria Cooper (née Muray), Duncan Renton, Margaret Robertson (née McKechnie), Helen Togneri (née Martin-dale), Ronald Togneri, Jack Wallace and Billy Wareham. 25_c24arshielcgsreunion01

Although her parents a retired teacher, said: Schools and I met him had left Kintyre for 'At the time, CGS had Corby in 1958, Mrs a very charismatic English teacher, Andrew Chirnside, who produced the play.

'He went on to become a chief of Her Majesty's Inspectors of

a retired teacher, said: Schools and I met him at a conference and was able to thank him for giving me a lifelong interest in drama.

I think it shows how good education depends on having talented teachers.'

Former Del Amitri star rocked Victoria Hall

THE LEAD singer of Scottish rock band Del Amitri brought his band to Campbeltown to play at the 16th installment of MOK Fest.

In 2008, the MOK Fest headlined with the Justin Currie Band playing in the Victoria Hall and Capercaillie playing in Campbeltown Picture House.

Skipinnish headlined at the festival ceilidh night, with Jarlath Henderson and Innes Watson as lead act at the Mitchell's Glengyle Dalriada Connections concert.

Survivors Night featured U2 tribute band Joshua U2 with the Wee Toon Tellers and Kintyre Schools Pipe Band also performing that night.



MOK Fest's punk rock memories in 2007

TEN YEARS ago at MOK Fest, punk rock giants The Stranglers rocked the Victoria Hall, supported by 'teuch rock band' Box O' Bananas.

The traditional concert in Campbeltown Picture House was headlined by Dougie MacLean with Scooter Muse, Ed Millar, Jil Chambliss and Archie McAllister playing support.

Skerryvore performed at the festival ceilidh with their new six-piece line-up, while Moishe's Bagel, Sylvia Barnes and Kintyre Schools Pipe Band also entertained.

The Dalriada Connections concert was headlined by Cathal Hayden and Gerry Thompson with Canterbury and Rachel Hair also playing.



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Red Cross Hall, Kirk Street, Campbeltown
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Council Headquarters, Kilmory, Lochgilphead; Manse Brae, Lochgilphead; Hill Street, Dunoon; Burnet Building, Campbeltown; Municipal Buildings, Albany Street, Oban; Eaglesham House, Mount Pleasant Road, Rothesay; Jamieson Street, Bowmore; Breadalbane Street, Tobermory; Crossapol, Tiree (restricted hours); Helensburgh and Lomond Civic Centre, East Clyde Street, Helensburgh.

A copy of the Unaudited Annual Accounts will also be available on the following website: www.argyll-bute.gov.uk

The Unaudited Annual Accounts will be open to Public Inspection during business hours from Monday 3rd July 2017 until Friday 21st July 2017 inclusive.

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Cleland Sneddon, Chief Executive

15 June 2017

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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT

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
17/01492/PP	Renewal of planning permission reference 14/01304/PP (erection of dwellinghouse)	Land North Of Victoria Hotel Barmore Road Tarbert Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Harbour Street Tarbert
17/01268/PP	Demolition of derelict dwellinghouse, erection of replacement dwellinghouse and installation of septic tank	Derelict Buildings At Gortonronach Lochgair Argyll And Bute	Mid Argyll Area Office
17/01474/PPP	Renewal of planning permission in principle 14/01448/PPP (Site for the erection of dwellinghouse and installation of septic tank)	Land North East Of Skernish Glenbarr Tarbert Argyll And Bute	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
17/01122/PP	Erection of telecommunications equipment compound with 30 metre high lattice tower and associated works	Land East Of Achironan Bellanoch By Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute	Mid Argyll Area Office
17/01511/PPP	Renewal of planning permission in principle reference 13/01153/PPP (Site for the erection of dwellinghouse and installation of septic tank.)	Plot 2 Barr-Na-Criche Estate Dunmore Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6YA	Sub Post Office Harbour Street Tarbert
17/00642/PP	Erection of buildings to form fish hatchery including formation of access, car parking and associated bunding	Marine Environmental Research Laboratory University Of Stirling Lossit Point Machrihanish Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6PZ	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
17/01030/PP	Change of use of storage building to form dwellinghouse, including alterations and extension	Storage Building At The Stables School Road Achnamara Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8PX	Mid Argyll Area Office
17/01390/PP	Erection of residential annexe and detached garage	Tigh Na Croit Tayvallich Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8PJ	Mid Argyll Area Office
17/01459/PP	Erection of dwellinghouse, formation of vehicular access and installation of private sewage system	Land West Of Red Gate Lodge Kilmichael Glen Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute	Mid Argyll Area Office
17/01494/LIB	Erection of brass plaque and non-illuminated poster display box sign	Campbeltown Town Hall 54 Main Street Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6AB	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

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Christina West, Chief Officer

15 June 2017

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SALES of sheep and cattle went 'very well' at United Auctions' first Oban mart on Tuesday, its 'delighted' director said, and farmers hope it will keep the standard up.

United Auctions (UA) replaced Caledonian Marts as the operator of Oban Livestock Centre, after a shake-up by shareholders at their AGM on May 30, following complaints of low stock numbers and high commission rates.

UA's first sale at Oban Livestock Centre (OLC) on Monday (June 13) was conducted by auctioneer Raymond Kennedy.

UA's managing director George Purves said: 'The sales have gone very well for both sheep and cattle. It's

been well supported by buyers and sellers. The prices are very good and the numbers are up on the same time last year, and we hope to build on that.'

Donald Young, UA's north of Scotland managing director, added: 'We are pleased to be here. There are a lot of people from all over the country, from Aberdeenshire right down to the Borders. The quality of stock in Oban has always been known, and they are willing to come far for it. There is a good turnout of stock for the time of year. Prices will be well up on the year.'

One lamb and beef buyer from Lerags, Katherine Macdonald of Duntarrin Foods, agreed.

She said: 'The prices have been very good for the seller. The auctioneer is very good. It is busier, but this is only the second sale of the year. We will have to wait until the season is over.'

A sheep seller, Angus MacLarty of Ardfern, was pleased fat lambs were fetching 45p per kilo more

than the same time last year, adding: 'I came here because it would be the best sale here in the past two to three years.'

OLC chairman Duncan Buchanan reflected: 'Today has been good. There is a good ringside of buyers and sellers. It is early days. If [UA] keep this standard up, it is a good decision.'

Oban's next sale is set for the start of the lamb season on August 15.



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Around the markets

OBAN – United Auctions had a catalogued entry of 115 store cattle, 20 cows and calves, 10 cast cows, 112 ewes and lambs and 452 grazing hogs and ewes at their opening sale at Oban Livestock Centre on Tuesday June 1. A large turnout of buyers resulted in a buoyant trade throughout and sellers returned home satisfied with their day's trading.

Bullocks sold to a top of £1,080 for Limousin crosses from Achnaba and to 326 pence per kilo, also for Limousin crosses from Glencraran Estate. Heifers sold to £1180 for Simmental crosses from Ardencale and to 347 pence per kilo for British Blue cross from Tiree. Breeding cattle sold to £1220 for cows with heifer calf from Ardmay, Tiree. Hogs from Barguillean sold to £101. Gimmers with lamb at foot from Tiree sold to £180, whilst the same home sold ewes with lambs at £162. Principal lots and prices.

Top prices per head

Bullocks

AAx: £890(3) – Poltalloch.

LIMx: £1080(2), £1020 and £960 –

Achnaba : £830 – Ardchatten HF.

LUING: £970(2) – Slaterich.

SIMx: £870(2) - Scammadale : £860

- Ardencale : £820 – Muckairn

: £810(5) – Ardencale : £800 –

Achnacreemore.

Heifers

BRBx: £750 – Tiree.

CHARx: £970 & £960 - Creagan,

Benderloch.

LIMx: £770 – Ardchatten HF : £740

- Ledcharrie : £700(3) – Poltalloch.

LUING: £690 – Ardchatten HF.

SHx: £690 – Lochnell HF

SIMx: £840 – Ardencale : £760(5)

& £720 – Scammadale.

Bulling heifers

SIMx: £1180(2) – Ardencale :

£1140(2) – Scammadale : £920(2) –

Ardencale.

Cows with heifer calves

£1220 and £1000 – Ardmay, Tiree

: £920 – Slaterich : £900 – Lochnell

HF & Ardmay.

Cows with bull calves

£1180 – Lochnell HF : £1180 & £1120

- Tiree : £1000, £950 & £920(2) –

Lochnell HF.

Prices per kilo

Bullocks

AAx: 267p and 235p – Poltalloch.

LIMx: 327p – Glencraran

Estate : 323p – Aird Farm :

305p – Glencraran Estate : 296p

- Antuim : £290p(2) – Achnaba

: 287p – Strongorm : 285p &

282p – Achnaba : 267p – Poltalloch :

261p – Ardchatten HF.

LUING: 271p(2) – Slaterich.

SHx: 297p – Glencraran Estate.

SIMx: 284p & 274p – Scammadale

: 272p – Muckairn : 253p, 252p(5)

& 248p – Ardencale : 244p(2) &

243p(2) – Scammadale : 237p –

Achnacreemore.

Heifers

BRBx: 347p – Tiree.

CHARx: 225p – Creagan, Benderloch.

LIMx: 316p – Aird Farm : 301p(2)

- Glencraran Estate : 284p(3) – Ledcharrie : 265p – Antuim : 263p – 1 Knockvologan : 261p & 260p – Aird Farm : 254p(3) – Poltalloch : 253p & 250p – Ardchatten HF : 250p – Antuim.

SHx: 238p – Lochnell HF.

SIMx: 323p(2) – Ardencale :

295p(3) & 284p – Scammadale

: 262p – Tiree : 257p(2) – Scam-

madale.

Sheep

Gimmers with lambs at foot

£180 & £140 – Tiree

Ewes with lambs at foot

SUFFx: £162 & £125 – Tiree

TEXx: £152 & £128 – Tiree : £115 –

Balliemore : £108 – Birchfield.

BF £90 – Balliemore.

CROSS: £135 – 56 Tangasdale,

Barra : £111 – Brae Rd, Ardrishaig :

£98 – 56 Tangasdale, Barra.

Hoggs

SUFFx: £80 – Homestead : £77 –

Strongorm : £74 – Upper Largie :

£73 – Glenshellach.

BFLx: £70 – Homestead.

BELx: £70 & £68 – Crinan.

TEXx: £85 – Ardachy : £69 –

Strongorm.

CHEVx: £71 – Strongorm.

CROSS: £86 – Strongorm : £82 –

Portcastle.

MULE: £101 – Barguillean : £76 –

Balligarve.

BF: £74 – Gorteneorn : £64 –

Turnnault : £63 – Upper Largie.

Cast ewes.

SUFFx: £88 – Tiree : £74 – 56

Tangasdale, Barra : £69 – Ballimack-

illchan.

BFLx: £78 – Barguillean.

TEXx: £93 – Tiree : £80 – Bal-

liemore : £74 – Strongorm.

CHEVx: £73 – Croic Ur : £63 –

Barguillean.

CROSS: £93 – 56 Tangasdale, Barra

: £87 – Portcastle : £85 – Glenshel-

lach.

MULE: £75 – Balnagown : £72 –

Tiree.

BF: £72 – Balliemore : £70 – Loch-

nell HF : £70 – Birchfield.

Cast rams

SUFF: £80 – Tiree

BFL: £72 – Achallic

TEX: £96 – Achnabreac Croft :

£96 – Ellary Farms : £86 – Tiree.

BF: £82 – Achallic.

SWAL: £62 – Achallic.

Wedders:

CHEVx: £61 – Ellary Farms.

CROSS: £88 – 56 Tangasdale, Barra.

BF: £89 – Achallic.

ISLAY – United Auctions sold 289

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pence per kilo or £761.25 per head

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Ardnave sold to £1,120 and heifers

from the same home sold to £1,030.

Ardnave again led the prices per kilo for bullocks at 331 pence as well as M/s Wood, Octofad and heifers from Ardnave sold to 284 pence per kilo. Principal lots and prices.

Top prices per head

Bullocks

AAx: £880(2) and £860(3) –

Keppols.

BRBx: £800(3) – Octofad.

BAx: £1120, £1090(2), £1060 and

£1050 – Ardnave.

CHARx: £1090(5), £1060, £1030 –

Ardnave : £1010(3) – Tallant : £1000

– Ardnave and Tallant : £990(3)

– Octofad : £960 – Ardnave(2),

Tallant(3) & Octofad : £940(2) –

Tallant : £930(3) – Ardnave : £920

– Blackrock.

LIMx: £1060 & £1050(2) – Ardnave

: £1050(8) – Balaclava : £1040(2)

– Ardnave : £1020(6) – Balaclava

: £1000 – Tallant and Ardnave(6)

: £990 & £950(2) – Octofad :

£950 – Gartmain(5) & Balaclava(3) :

£940(7) – Octofad.

SIMx: £960 and £920(2) – Gartmain.

Heifers

AAx: £960 – Gartmain.

BAx: £930 and 810(3) – Ardnave.

CHARx: £1030(5) & £1000 –

Ardnave : £950(2) – Tallant :

£940(4) & Octofad : £910 – Blackrock

: £900(2) – Ardnave.

LIMx: £1020 – Ardnave : £1000

– Starchmill : £970(3) – Ardnave :

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Closing date for applications is noon on **Monday 3rd July 2017** and interviews will be held on **Wednesday 12th July 2017**.

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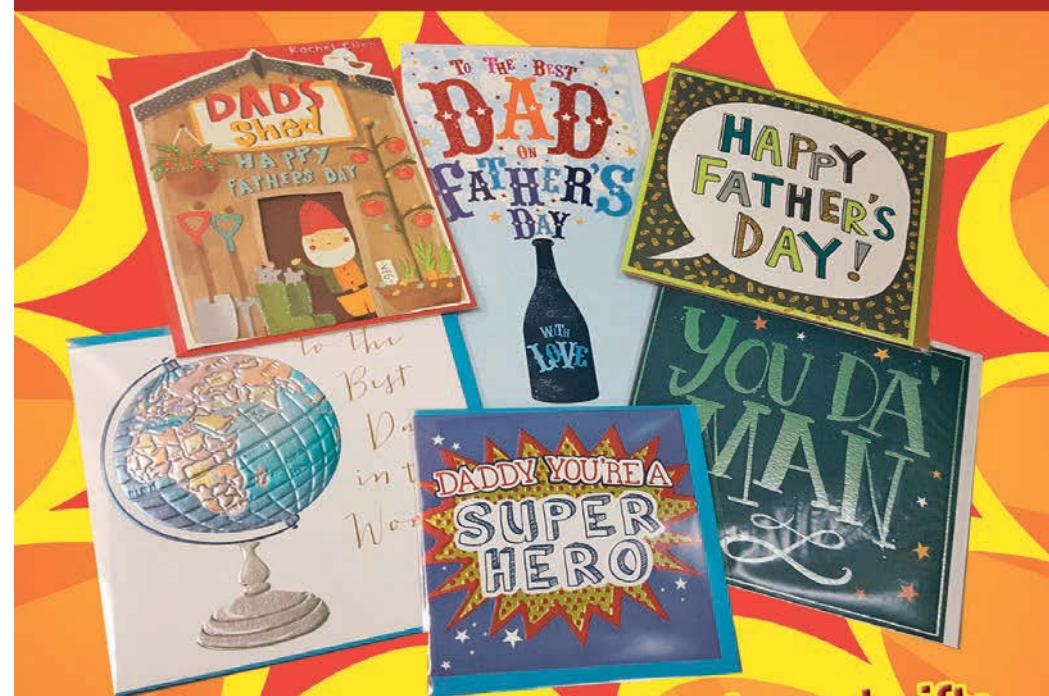
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Sandy Wilkie, sales and marketing director for Wiseman's Dairies, presents the keys of the Sunshine Coach to Bill Crossan, rector of Campbeltown Grammar School.

TEN YEARS AGO FRIDAY JUNE 15, 2007

New Sunshine Coach

CHILDREN and staff of Campbeltown Grammar School have no excuse for not getting out and about this summer.

Thanks to the generosity of milk company Wiseman's Dairies, a new Sunshine Coach arrived at the school last Friday in perfect condition.

however, as Mr Stimson claims he was wrongly advised by the planning department at the district council.

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'Naturally the residents are objecting – they think I'm going to sell fish and chips instead of tea and coffee.'

'Now the application has been amended to "hot beverages",' he added, 'but the damage has been done.'

FIFTY YEARS AGO THURSDAY JUNE 22, 1967

One-way street plan turned down

CAMPBELTOWN Town Council has turned down Councillor W S Craig's plan to make Longrow and Longrow South into one-way streets.

Though Councillor Craig felt that his scheme would assist shopkeepers, another member argued that it would in fact hurt them.

Introducing his plan, Councillor Craig explained that it was designed to remove two grievances caused by the new

parking restrictions. These were complaints from traders that trade was suffering due to cars not being allowed to wait and from motorists who found the restrictions both confusing and irritating.

His scheme would mean that traffic entering the town would be diverted via Saddell Street and Kinloch Road.

They must accept as genuine the fact that shops in Longrow South were being affected and he was sure no councillor present would wish this to continue.

He understood that even though the town's two fishmonger shops were in Longrow South, they also were encountering a falling-off in sales due to the fact that cars could not call there.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO SATURDAY JUNE 16, 1917

Kintyre Club bursary competition

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The result is highly credible to the rector and teaching staff of the grammar school, as well as to the winner of the bursary himself.

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedd



I'VE JUST been given a new Kindle Fire tablet and I'm thrilled with it.

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I was dreading the change over and hoped I would remember all my relevant usernames and passwords.

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I thought of how God has all the information on each one of us stored away.

He doesn't need a computer to find out about us from Google, for he has known each one of us since we were babes in our mothers' wombs.

He has followed our every footprint, every heartbeat, every breath and has our names written on the palm of his hand.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus taught us to pray, saying, 'Our Father in heaven, hallowed by your name' (Matthew 6:9).

DEATHS

FLAWS - Peacefully, at the Kintyre Care Centre, Campbeltown, on June 13, 2017, Catherine McMillan McCaig (Katie), in her 85th year, formerly of Meadowpark, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Charlie Flaws, much loved mother of Bobby, loving grandmother of Julie, Greig and Jacqueline and great grandmother of Charlie. Funeral in the Highland Parish Church, Campbeltown, today Friday, June 16 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Kintyre Care Centre, Campbeltown.

MACAULAY - Agnes Stewart. Suddenly, at home in Lewis, on June 5, 2017, Nan (MacIntyre), formerly of Lochgilphead, much loved mum and gran. Sadly missed by all the family.

MCARLTHUR - In memory of Duncan Ralston McArthur, died June 19, 2007. His memory is as dear today, As in the hour he passed away.

- Love always, from Diane, Morris, Hannah and Gemma.

MACPHAIL - Suddenly, at Campbeltown Hospital, on June 7, 2017, David MacPhail (Davie), in his 52nd year, Garcal-Fra, No 3 The Moy, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband and best friend of Christine, loving father of Garry, Callum and Fraser, father-in-law of Lynsey, much loved son of Davie and Jessie MacPhail and a loving son-in-law, brother and uncle.

M C M I L L A N - Peacefully, at Campbeltown Hospital, on June 10, 2017, Janet Mary McMillan (Jane), aged 55 years, Machair Uinnein, Lossit Road, Machrihanish, dearly beloved daughter of Charles and Jen McMillan.

IN MEMORIAMS

DOCHERTY - Cherished memories of my beloved husband, Malcolm, who died June 19, 2013.

- Barbara and family.

VIOLA - In loving memory of my husband, John, who died June 16, 2011. Loving memories of you are easy to recall, Living life without you is the hardest part of all.

- Love, Ann and family.

MCLELLAN - In loving memory of our dear dad, Neil, who passed away on June 20, 1980. Always in our thoughts.

- Neil, Margaret and families.

NAIRN - Jimbo, RIP, June 14, 2016. I hide my tears when I say your name, But the pain in my heart is still the same, Though I smile and seem carefree,

There's no one who misses you more than me.

- Love always, Jean x.

RAMSAY

Remembering our dear husband, dad and grampa, John, passed away June 17, 2007.

You had a smile for everyone, You had a heart of gold, You left the sweetest memories, This world could ever hold.

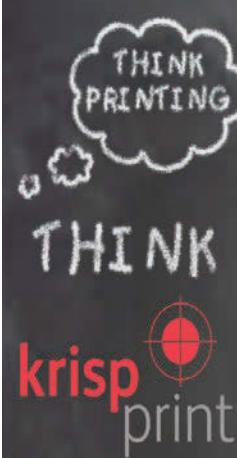
- Love from Betty, Carol, Heather and families.

VIOLA - In loving memory of my husband, John, who died June 16, 2011.

Loving memories of you are easy to recall, Living life without you is the hardest part of all.

- Love, Ann and family.

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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH

18th June 2017
Joint Service with
North Knapdale
Kilmartin 11.00am
Rev. C R Acklam
All welcome
SCO 02121

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN

Sunday 18th June
Service at 11 am
Speaker this week -
Graham McLean
"Dwelling in the Secret Place"
Light meal to follow
ALL WELCOME

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE

Sunday 18th June 2017
SPECIAL SERVICE
FOR
THE KIRKING OF
THE COUNCIL

in
Inveraray Parish
Church
at 11 am
Conducted by
Rev. Dugald Cameron
(Moderator of the
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All Welcome

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Summer Songs of Praise
Hymns ancient and modern

Sunday 18th June

7.00pm

In Springbank
Evangelical Church
Led by Pastor Steve
Davies

All welcome
Offering in aid of the
Scottish Bible Society

KINTYRE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

meeting to be held on
Friday 23rd June

at 7.30pm in
Salvation Army Hall,
Burnside Square,
Campbeltown

Guest speaker: Mr Paul
Crowe from Newport,
Gwent in Wales
Tea/coffee served after
the meeting

Everyone most
welcome.



George Street, Campbeltown

Sunday 18th June

11.15am Worship Service
led by Mark MacLeod

Wednesday 21st June

12.30pm Bible Study
and Prayer

2.00pm Water of Life Café

All Welcome

www.campbeltownfreechurch.co.uk

Scottish Charity Number: SC046745

Highland Parish Church



SCO02493

Sunday 18th June 2017

The service will be conducted by
Rev William Crossan
And will be held in the church at
11.15am

Saturday 17th June

Elders Training Day in Tarbert
Village Hall 1.00pm - 5.00pm
All Welcome

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Scottish Charity Number
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Sunday 18th June

Morning Service 11.15am
All Age Service
Book Giving Day
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Rev P Wallace

Tuesday 20th June

Tiny Tots 9.45am
New Hall



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COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday Service

18th June 2017, 11.00am

Visiting Speaker - Doug Inglis
with Sunday School
followed by refreshments

Youth Fellowship

6.30 pm – 8.00 pm

Every Sunday (term time only)

Mainly Music

10.00 – 11.30 am

every Thursday (term time only)

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at 11.00am
Pastor Steve Davies.
All welcome

Wednesday 21 June

12.30pm at the Free Church
Joining with Campbeltown Free
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Prayer and Bible Study
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Bible Study and Prayer

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Charity Number SC001002

Sunday 18 June

Kilmartin Church 11 am

Morning Worship - United Service

Rev. C. Acklam

Tayvallich Church 6.30pm

Informal Communion

Rev. C. Acklam

Saturday 17 June

Tayvallich Hall

Strawberry Teas 2-4pm

Monday 19 June

Tayvallich Church

Prayer Time 10:30 am

Tuesday 20 June

Tayvallich Church 7.30pm

Kirk Session

All welcome

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ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KНАPDALE PARISHES

Sunday 18th June

"Worship the Lord
in the Beauty of Holiness"
Services in
Achafoish at 9:45am
and Ardrishaig at 11:00am

Stalwart bags four clubs for simple show

SOME people play better with fewer clubs and Bill Brannigan proved this by using a driver, six iron, pitching wedge and putter to carve his way to a net 62.

Facing strong winds, Brannigan finished four shots clear of runner-up John Brown at last weekend's Dunaverty four-club competition.

However, the round of the day belonged to Fraser MacBrayne, 14, who used a driver, seven iron, pitching wedge and putter to finish in third place despite having two triple bogies and double figures at one hole.

Brannigan also had the best scratch score of 73. As this was a non-qualifying event, there was no CSS.

Result: 1 Bill Brannigan 73-11-62, 2 John Brown 79-13-66, 3 Fraser MacBrayne 89-18-71.

Fifth major for Glenralloch gents

PAST members David Lamont and Allan MacKenzie swing in on their annual pilgrimage to the hallowed turf at Tarbert Golf Club.

The pair will be there to host the Lamont-MacKenzie 'fifth' major popular stableford competition at Glenralloch this Saturday.

Members are asked to be in attendance for 10.30am with a bell start scheduled for 11am.

Islay golf club

SUMMER league played Wednesday June 7, 1 I Shaw 43. 2 D Muir 42. 3 R Shaw 39. CSS 69

Islay open played June 10 and 11: Gross scores: 1 D Muir 75+71= 146, 2 M Wilson 81+71=152, 3 SJohnston 80+75=155. Net scores: 1 D Muir 74+70=144. 2 B Davies 75 +70 = 145. 3 I Marshall 69+77=146.

Dunaverty lotto

THE DRAW for Dunaverty's three number lotto took place on June 11. The winning numbers were 13, 18 and 20.

There were no winners and the next draw for a jackpot of £800 will be held on June 25.

Young golfer storms to take title

THE WIND was not quite force 10 as 21 golfers swung out on day four of Machrihanish's 2017 open competition.

A lack of rain offered some bonus but in the cool conditions the heat was on for the leaders Watson and Wallace with MacMillan and O'Neill still on their tails.

O'Neill, playing in the second last group, was troubled by his injured leg but determination saw him complete the fourth round with a creditable 80.

Wallace made the best start in the top group with very solid pars at the first three holes. Watson dropped two shots in the opening three holes so the lead was tied with Wallace.

MacMillan started badly with a triple bogey seven at the first which put him seven shots back and gave him a mountain to climb to pull it back on the front two. Conditions were still very tricky and Wallace bogeyed the short par three fourth hole to give Watson a one-shot advantage but the defining moment of the round came at the fifth

hole. Watson struggled to a double bogey six while Wallace shot himself back into the lead with a terrific birdie three.

Wallace followed that birdie up with another at the difficult par four seventh to go two shots in front.

Watson was not finished, though, and a birdie three at the eighth hole pulled him back to within a shot of the young leader. Another birdie for Wallace at the ninth, allied to Watson's bogey five, gave Wallace a cushion for the first time in the tournament and he was not to look back from there.

MacMillan himself birdied the sixth and ninth holes and reached the turn in 39 after his bad start, the same front nine score as Watson.

Wallace, though, was out in two-under-par 33, terrific golf from the student, especially given the occasion.

Wallace continued to pour on the style with another birdie, a wonderful four at the par-five 10th.

A double bogey for Watson at the same hole and the destination of the 2017 championship became very clear.

A run of bogeys at 14, 15 and 16 for Wallace was never going to be an issue and he sealed a tremendous maiden victory with a fabulous birdie three at the last hole.

Unfortunately for Watson, it was just not to be his day as his round unravelled on the way back in and he finished tied for fourth place with Alan O'Neill.

There is no doubt that Watson will one day follow in his father's footsteps and get his hands on the trophy.

His first three rounds were terrific, particularly to level par 70 on day three and he has to be proud of his performance over the four rounds.

Six-time champion MacMillan again played a solid back nine, coming home in level par 35 for a four over par 74 finishing on 295 for the competition, which would be good enough for runner-up position – again a good podium finish for him another good performance all round.

Third place in the championship went to Robbie Chrystie, who came from further down the field with



Club captain Iain McGougan with Andrew Wallace, Robbie Chrystie and George MacMillan.

an excellent three over par 73 on day four to propel himself up the leader board at the end of play.

Alan O'Neill had an excellent championship all in, taking the senior title which is played over the first two rounds of the main event with rounds of 73 and 71 for 144.

David Campbell was runner-up with a pair of 75s for 150.

The handicap championships, the Jim Scally for rounds one and two, was taken by Andrew Wallace with a pair on net 69s for 138; runner-up was Alan O'Neill.

The handicap championship for the third and fourth rounds was won by Fer-

gus Walker with net 75 and 73 for 148; runner-up was Graham Gilchrist.

The final 2017 championship scoreboard is: 1 Andrew Wallace 286, 2 George MacMillan 295, 3 Robbie Chrystie 301, 4 = Alan O'Neill 302 and Greg Watson 302, 5 Steven Gilmour 304, 6 Lee Mathieson 308, 7 = Donald Johnson and Stuart Campbell 309, 8 David Irwin 314, 9 David Gilmour 318, 10 Fergus Walker 319, 11 Stephen Kelly 320, 12 Jamie Robertson 324, 13= Eric Capocci and Thomas Martin 327, 14= Kevan Gilchrist and Murray Howat 331, 15 John Shaw 332, 16 Gavin Brown 345 and 17 Graham Gilchrist 346.



Winners and runners-up with the president D McCrimmon and sponsor Charles McFadyen.

Bowling for McFadyen triples victory

ARGYLL Bowling club trio W Durance, D Allen and M Maguire won this year's Edith McFadyen Triples.

Commiserations to the runners-up, at the recent event sponsored by McFadyens Transport Ltd: N Ruesgen, M Macdougall,

G Grumoli and to all other players.

Players had a good day of friendly competition in kind weather.

Carradale golfers scramble for Kilbrannan shield

TEAM Campbell held its lead from earlier in the day to win the open Texas scramble Kilbrannan shield.

A Carradale golf spokesperson said: 'A great event was had by all and while it remained dry for most of the play the windy early conditions and later heavy downpours proved somewhat challenging.'

'Well done to all who took part and especially to the following golfers tak-

ing the 2017 top positions.'

Full results: 1 Team Campbell (54.4) Jamie Campbell, Lorna Campbell, Alan Robertson and Lynsay McGeachy. 2 Team Walker (55.3) Alan Walker, Marlene Walker, Stuart Walker and Ranald Rixson.

3 Team Tavis Taxis (55.8) Richard Tavendale, Charlie Robertson, Stuart Gillespie and Stuart Wylie. Longest drive: Stuart Gillespie, Nearest the pin: Lindsay Ramsay.

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Stronvaar's hopes dashed

CAMPBELTOWN Bowling Club's attempt to reach its first national Inter-County Top Ten rolled to a stop at the semi-final stage.

Last Sunday on a green more suited to rolling Easter eggs than bowls, and in poor overhead conditions with squally showers and a blustery wind, the players

gave their all against Northern representatives Bon Accord.

They only lost out for qualification on accumulated shots.

The match was tied at two games apiece with wins for the pair of Jimmy Anderson and John McLean, and the triple of Gavin McLachlan, Bobby Dalziel and Gary Anderson but that was

unable to compensate for heavy losses by Archie Johnston in the singles and the four of Steven Dickson, John McCormick, Dugald Graham and Alan McCormick.

Final deficit

Even a magnificent seven conjured up by Gavin in the last end only served to reduce the final deficit.

The weather condi-

tions in the afternoon deteriorated to such an extent that the team and Wellington Park from Renfrewshire agreed to share third place.

The final between the favourites, Carrick Knowe, Edinburgh, and Bon Accord went ahead in atrocious conditions and this, as expected, was won by Carrick Knowe.



The team with Argyll and Bute officials at the opening ceremony.



P4-P5 virtual games winners, Team DAB.

Virtual games victory

KINTYRE'S P4 and P5 pupils have been put through their paces by the continued success of the virtual games competition rolled out by Active Schools.

The competition included six fitness/skill stations where the pupils had to score against the clock.

Fourteen teams from across Kintyre entered, with Castlehill Primary School picking up both the win-

ners and runner-up shields. The winners were Team DAB and the runners-up were the Fantastic Four.

An Active Schools spokesperson said: 'A big thank you to all pupils, teachers and volunteers who helped make this competition happen.'

P6 and P7 pupils will have the opportunity to test themselves in the virtual games competition when it kicks off at the end of May.

SPOT THE BALL THIS WEEK'S JACKPOT £650

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We have removed the football from the photograph opposite. Now look carefully at the position of the players and use your skill and judgement to place a cross at the exact point where you think the centre of the ball was. You may have a maximum of 10 attempts on this coupon at a cost of £1. If you wish to have more attempts, you must enter on separate coupons. The game starts with a jackpot of £250 and will increase by £50 per week until it is won outright.

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Entry will be void if crosses overlap. Prizes will be shared between those submitting correct entries.

If no correct entry is received, two 'near miss' prizes of £25 will be awarded. When the jackpot is won, no other prizes will be awarded that week.

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INSIDE THIS WEEK:
Young golfer storms to take title

Student wins with fabulous birdie putt at final hole

A KINTYRE teenager walked off with Machrihanish golf club's biggest title in front of his caddying dad, David.

Andrew Wallace, 19, scored a superb maiden open victory after going six shots ahead in the final round with eight holes remaining.

A club spokesperson said: 'Machrihanish golf course can be a tough old track, especially when the wind blows, and round three conditions, last Saturday, were as tough as they come with high winds and heavy squalls of rain.'

'The greens were running true but with the wind and rain, scoring was predictably high in round three with only seven of the 23 starters breaking 80.'

Greg Watson, whose father Duncan Watson III is a past champion, started the day in third place, just a shot behind round two leaders, young Wallace and the slightly older Alan O'Neill.

Watson shot the round of the day with a truly tremendous level par 70 to thrust himself into a two-shot lead over Wallace going into the final round.

Four birdies

A two-over-par 37 on the way out was a steady start but Watson put the foot down on the way in, coming back in two-under-par 33, including birdies at the 12th, 13th, 15th and 18th.

Wallace had an excellent three-over-par 73, the second best round of the day after Watson's sensational effort. Having reached the turn at three over par, Wallace fired back to back birdies at 12 and 13 to haul himself back into contention and back into Watson's slipstream for the final round.

Moving into third place was George MacMillan, six times champion and a man who is never far away from the big prizes.

George shot a good five-over-par 75 to leave him six adrift of Watson going in to the final round.

He suffered from another tough start to the round, dropping four shots in the first holes. But having got to the turn in 40, he had nine solid pars on the way in for an excellent 75 and just about main-

tained his chances of taking another title on the Sunday.

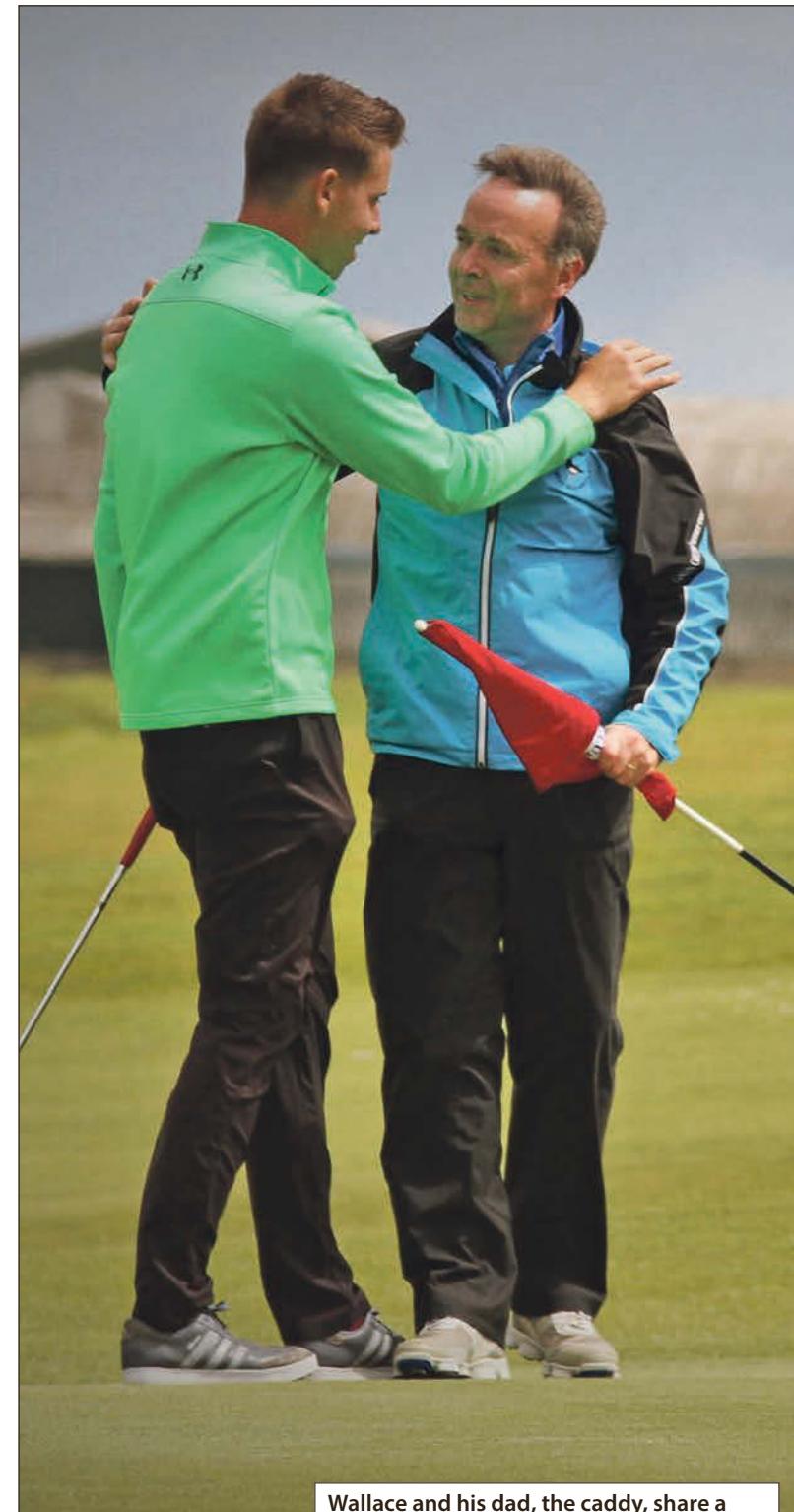
Only one other man could claim to have any chance of lifting the title in the last round, Alan O'Neill.

O'Neill injured his leg during the week and was clearly struggling to get round the course, never mind play golf in such difficult conditions.

However, his third round 78 kept him in touch with the leaders just seven behind Watson going in to the last day.

The leaderboard going in to round four was: 1 Greg Watson 215, 2 Andrew Wallace 217, 3 George MacMillan 221 and 4 Alan O'Neill 222.

For more open action see inside page 34.



Wallace and his dad, the caddy, share a moment on the last after the winning putt is holed. Photo: West Coast Photography

Carradale golf club's ladies record smashed



Fiona Rattray at Carradale golf club with the ladies' open trophy.

A GLASGOW golfer had a spectacular doon the watter match, winning the Carradale 2017 ladies' open and breaking the record.

At the recent event Fiona Rattray returned a 64 (net 58) setting a new course record.

The top three results are as follows. Handicap: 1 Fiona Rattray (Douglas Park) net 58 *(course record 64), 2 Jennifer Owen (Old Ranfurly) net 64 and 3 Ele Hunter (Lochgilphead) net 65. Scratch: 1 Laura McGeachy (Haggs Castle) 67,

2 Mairi Pollock (Craigmillar Park) 76 (BIH) and 3 Ann May (Brodick) 76.

With 45 entries and CSS 65 the prize-winners were as follows: Sponsored prizes: Nearest the line 4th/13th (Springbank Whisky): Jennifer Owen (Old Ranfurly). Nearest the pin 8th/16th (A&J Brown): Alice Anderson (Shiskine). Silver nearest the pin in two 6th/15th (Jewellery Casting Scotland): Fiona Henderson (Shiskine). Silver longest drive 9th/18th (Campbeltown Creamery):

Laura McGeachy (Haggs Castle). Bronze nearest the pin in two 3rd/12th (Kintyre Smokehouse): Margaret McFarlane (Dunaverty). Bronze longest drive 5th/14th (Glen Bar & Restaurant): Donna McKellar (Lochgilphead). Magic 2s: Laura McGeachy 1st, Margaret McFarlane 1st, Ann May 8th and Alice Anderson 17th.

A Carradale ladies' spokesperson said: 'Many thanks to all who took part and who helped the club have another very successful ladies' open day.'

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