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Railwayman rescues 1951 sunken lifeboat

‘Everything is in working order so now it’s about upgrading her’

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A 66-YEAR-OLD former lifeboat which saved numerous lives and once rested on the bottom of the Crinan Canal now floats in Campbeltown harbour.

Campbeltown man Sean McCallum, 43, who works as a road rail operator, has spent the past four years painstakingly restoring Bassett Green to its former glory and, last weekend, it came ‘home’ to Campbeltown. The Liverpool-class, twin-screw boat, built by Groves and Gutteridge

in 1951, originally served Padstow until 1962 as the number two lifeboat, where she was launched 13 times and saved six lives, before being sent to Poole between 1962 and 1969, where she was launched 17 times, saving nine lives.

More recently, however, the boat now berthed in Argyll, was in a more dire situation when a huge hole in the hull meant it languished at the bottom of the Crinan Canal.

It was when its owner decided to sell it, that

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Boys’ Brigade’s special guest



1st Campbeltown Boys’ Brigade were joined by Argyll and Bute’s Lord Lieutenant Patrick Stewart MBE for its prize-giving ceremony. For more on this story, see page 15.

Kintyre comfort for fire victims

THREE Kintyre churches have made a comforting gesture to the victims of the Grenfell Tower fire in London.

Kilcalmonell, Killean and Kilchenzie, and Gigha and Cara kirks have a joint prayer shawl ministry, making blankets and knitted items for those in need of comfort, and decided that those in London affected by the fire fit the criteria exactly.

They sent two large parcels of knitted and crocheted items to St Clement’s Church in Kensington.

They received word from someone called Charlie, who works at the church, with a photo of the goods being unpacked.

Charlie said: ‘We really appreciate your lovely thoughtful donation and they are already being handed out.’

The prayer shawl group meets at A’Chleit church hall on the first Wednesday morning of every month.

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Rescued lifeboat to be used for leisure pursuits

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Mr McCallum, who has no previous experience with boats, saw the advert in the *Courier*.

'I was sitting across from Davaar when I saw the advert and I thought, "Why not?", and before I knew it I had a boat,' Mr McCallum explained.

And so began Mr McCallum's painstaking project, made even harder by the fact that he lives in Campbeltown, works all round the country and the boat was moved to a mooring at Achnamara.

Mr McCallum took every chance he could to work on his first boat, and over the years he fixed the hole, building up layer upon layer, extended the wheelhouse, making the roof slope, replaced the oak trims, painted it royal blue and white with red piping, and a touch of green, in line with its moniker, made new, personalised wooden signs for the front and much more.

And, once she was completely seaworthy, it was time for Bassett Green to make the perilous voyage round the Mull of Kintyre to Campbeltown, trav-

elling with the tide. 'I left on Saturday and travelled to Gigha. The worst bit of the journey was coming out of Loch Sween, around the MacCormaig Islands - my tools were flying off the shelves,' Mr McCallum said. 'And leaving Gigha on Sunday heading for the Mull, I couldn't see 100 feet in front of me with the fog, but it was nice and calm.'

Mr McCallum, who plans to use the boat for pleasure pursuits, stopped off in Southend bay for a play about before continuing round into Campbeltown.

'There's still a lot of work to do,' added Mr McCallum. 'I think I'll be working on her all over winter, but it is a lot easier now that she's berthed in town.'

'Everything is in working order so now it's about upgrading her.'

Mr McCallum plans to use Bassett Green for fishing trips, sailing around Campbeltown Loch and visits to other places, like Portavadie and Arran.

Sean McCallum with Bassett Green in Campbeltown marina.

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Caught speeding, with no insurance or MOT

A 30-YEAR-OLD man was stopped for exceeding the speed limit at about 9.20am on Monday June 12, on the A83 in Campbeltown, and was driving without insurance or a valid MOT.

A report will be sent to the procurator fiscal.

Abusive behaviour

A 32-YEAR-OLD man was arrested after police received a report on Tuesday June 13 about a man behaving in an abusive manner towards a woman in a house in Davaar Avenue, Campbeltown, on June 6.

He was charged with the offence.

Vehicle damaged

A SILVER Vauxhall Zafira car was damaged when its driver's side was struck by another vehicle which failed to stop between 10.45am and 11.55am, on Tuesday June 13, in Crosshill Avenue, Campbeltown.

Police are investigating the inci-

dent and are appealing for any witnesses or anyone with information to contact them on 101.

Assault in flat

POLICE arrested and charged a 25-year-old man with assault after he punched and injured another man at about 2.15am, last Sunday, in a flat in Longrow, Campbeltown.

He was held for court and a report was submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Fence damaged

A CHAIN-LINK fence at a house in Tomaig Road, Campbeltown, was damaged between May 27 and June 17.

Police are investigating the incident and are appealing for any witnesses or anyone with information to contact them on 101.

Fire-raising

A BLACK Audi A4 car was reported to be on fire at about 2.30am, last Monday, in Tomaig Road, Campbeltown.

The fire service attended and extinguished the fire and police are investigating the incident and are appealing for any witnesses or anyone with information to contact them on 101.

Agricultural choir combines in Wee Toon

FARMERS and farmers' wives will dig up some long-forgotten tunes during a charity concert.

The programme at the event, in aid of Cancer Research UK, in Lorne and Lowland Church on July 1, will include songs from the shows, modern, mediaeval and traditional Scots - in short, something for everyone.

Entry is by donation with all money going to the world's largest cancer charity dedicated to saving lives through research.

In the 1970s, just one in four patients in the UK survived their disease; today that figure has doubled.

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Water firm's sewer pipe denials

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A FORTNIGHT ago a member of Kintyre Amenity Trust (KAT) reported what seemed to be a leaking pipe in Big Kiln.

On Tuesday, fed up that Scottish Water did not seem serious about

stinking effluent flowing down the road, KAT member Liz Kelly attempted to remove what she thought was blocking the pipe.

In addition, Mrs Kelly called the *Courier* and by Wednesday morning traffic lights had appeared in the road

outside the Heritage Centre although there were no men at work.

When the *Courier* photographed Mrs Kelly and some noxious fluid coming from the pipe, a loose grating, with the embossed word sewer was lying on the tarmac.

Repair

The *Courier* contacted Scottish Water and was told: 'This is a burst water pipe. We plan to repair it in the next few days.'

Even after sending Scottish Water a picture of the grating a spokesman insisted it was a water main.

He said: 'It is simply the wrong cover that's on it and it will be replaced.'

Mrs Kelly said: 'We phoned Scottish Water on Tuesday and I said I could not understand why no-one has been out to fix it.'

'With another person, I scraped the muck out, including a plastic bag which had been pushed down the hole, but the stream kept flowing.'

Mrs Kelly added that this was just one in a long list of problems making the town look and smell disgusting as the summer season begins.



The drain cover.
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Mrs Kelly stands above the broken pipe.
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Campbeltown Open at Mach Dunes

MACH Dunes will put a buzz into Kintyre this weekend with the Campbeltown Open golf championships.

And for a Saturday night fill up, golfers should head to the Kintyre Club's barbecue steak buffet from 6.30pm to 8.30pm with music from the Wee Toon Tellers to 11.30pm.

Additionally, on Sunday at 2pm the club hosts its annual drive, chip and putt junior skills challenge.

The tournament concludes with a prize-giving on Sunday afternoon while the children's event continues.

There will be a children's medal ceremony at about 4.30pm.

Billy's starvation shows solidarity

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FORMER paratrooper Billy Irving is staging a hunger strike in his Indian jail cell.

The drastic action is designed to show solidarity with his friends and family who held a peaceful protest in London last Friday.

Campbeltown-educated Billy, 38, was arrested in 2013 for possession of illegal weapons while working as an anti-piracy guard on the ship MV Seaman Ohio, off the Indian coast.

He is currently serving a five-year sentence in Puzhal Prison, near Chennai, with five other British ex-servicemen, as well as 14 Estonians, three Ukrainian and 12 Indian nationals who were also working onboard the ship.

The former British soldiers, now known as the Chennai Six, insist that they had the weapons legally and are being wrongfully detained in horrific conditions.

The men lodged an

appeal against their conviction but are awaiting the verdict.

Billy began his hunger strike, the only way he is able to peacefully protest, last week, in a bid to support the hundreds of protesters who marched through London's streets last Friday.

Speaking of his son's refusal to eat, Billy's dad, Jim Irving, posted on Facebook: 'As you will no doubt be aware Billy, John Armstrong and Nick Simpson, along with all the Estonian and Ukrainian men, are staging a hunger strike.'

'The men are so appreciative of the actions taken by others on their behalf, and those taking part in the hunger strike feel it is the only protest they can make to show their support.'

Supporters of the Chennai Six trooped to the Indian High Commission to show their opposition to the men's incarceration, hoping to put pressure on the British government to push for a decision on the



Billy Irving is imprisoned in awful conditions in Puzhal prison in Chennai.

men's appeal. A Chennai Six spokesperson said: 'We are so thankful to everyone who has supported us, sent postcards to the Indian embassy and Downing Street, attended the protest and sent us well wishes for the day.'

The group's lawyer, Stephen Askins, said: 'The Chennai Six are at the wrong end of poor judgement and a miscarriage of justice.'

'The Indians have made their point - it is now time for the men to come home.'

Phone sunk in harbour

A TOURIST firm boss lost mobile reception when his phone sank in Campbeltown harbour.

Unfortunately, it was wireless and could not be pulled to the surface but in no time, on Tuesday afternoon, a frogman, with full aqualung, had re-connected the owner and his squelchy device.

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Springbank's ace tennis donation

TENNIS club committee members have received a smashing cheque for £2,500 from Springbank Distillers.

The funds come as the club has almost reached its £60,000 target to reconstruct the clubhouse.

The new clubhouse will be slightly bigger than the current one with a large so-

cial area, two changing rooms and two toilets, one of which will be wheelchair accessible. Entrances to both the clubhouse and courts will be improved with the aim being to make the courts accessible for all.

Money has been raised both in Kintyre and nationally with contributions from Tesco, Machrihanish

Holiday Park, Sport Scotland, Tennis Scotland and Rotary funds.

Springbank regional sales manager and keen tennis player Melanie Stanger hands the cheque to Campbeltown tennis club secretary Catherine Dobbie surrounded by primary pupils from Castlehill, Dalintober and Drumlemble.



SWI's 100th birthday tea party

SWI LADIES' own version of tea in the park marks 100 years since the organisation's founding in 1917.

In Kintyre, a tea party has been organised at the Argyll Hotel, Bellochauty, from 3pm to 5pm next Saturday, July 1.

Originally known as the Scottish Women's Rural Institute, the group was started by a suffragette, East Lothi-

an farmer's wife, Catherine Blair, a year before women – over the age of 30 – were given the right to vote.

Mrs Blair recognised a need for women living in rural areas to gain the benefits of education and training in home skills, family welfare and citizenship.

An eryngium sea holly plant has been cultivated in Kirkcud-

bright and named after SWI founder Catherine Blair for the centenary year.

In the next century the network spread across the country and there are currently 16,000 members attending 716 institutes in 32 federation areas.

As well as cake decorating, embroidery techniques and floral art, meetings are just as likely to feature gin

tasting, life-drawing, upcycling and ukulele playing.

Also taking place this year is ceremonial tree planting and the creation of craft banners with squares contributed from every federation area.

For details, visit www.theswi.org.uk or its Facebook pages at <https://www.facebook.com/ScottishWomensInstitutes>.

Baskets are blooming marvellous

GREEN-FINGERED staff at South Kintyre Development Trust (SKDT) have created floral displays to brighten the town.



SKDT, in partnership with the community garden, has hung baskets at charity shops including Zero Waste Heroes, KYES, TSI, Shopper Aide and the community shop.

An SKDT spokesperson said: 'We know how difficult it can be for local organisations to find extra cash to brighten up the place, so this year we have donated the floral baskets to add some cheer.'

'Contractors who have been specially helpful include: Jamie - from AJG Civils, Pavel of Signs of Scotland and Gordon at Argyll Signs.'

'Special mention should go to our suppliers, many of whom donated items or provided special discounted prices.'

'Particular thanks to the chandlers, windfarm, Buildbase, CalMac, Glenbarr Nursery and West Coast Plant Hire for their generosity.'

Community shop staff Alan Roache, Morag McMillan and Liz Croft with the basket.

Restyling Argyll

STYLING gurus from Kintyre have further designs on stopping reusable items heading for landfill.

Last Friday Kintyre Recycling Ltd, Zero Waste Scotland, the GRAB Trust and Fyne Futures launch their Restyle Argyll web hub to transform the scale and economic impact of re-use shopping in Scotland.

ReStyle Argyll will be the third re-use and repair hub to open in Scotland, following the launch of Blythswood Care's Highlands hub and the Edinburgh Remakery. For more information, see: www.fynefutures.org.uk/who-are-fyne-futures/our-projects-201617/restyle-argyll.





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Saddling up for new cycling club



THE WHEELS are in motion for a new cycling club in Campbeltown.

All interested cyclists are encouraged to attend a meeting in the Keeping It Local building in Burnbank Street next Wednesday, June 28, at 7.30pm to kickstart the club.

The meeting aims to give an overview of the potential activities that a club would undertake, form a committee and prepare a constitution in order to affiliate with Scottish Cycling.

Robbie Semple first suggested the idea of creating a club to promote safe cycling and hold organised runs and rides, competitively and for fun, in May and, with a lot of interest in the idea, he set up the meeting.

Kintyre has a lot to offer cyclists, with the gruelling 73-mile Kintyre Way Ultra Cycle event and the Mull of Kintyre Sprint Triathlon, which includes a hilly 21km cycle along the east coast of Kintyre, already on the calendar.

A speedy cyclist in action during the 2017 Kintyre Way Ultra Cycle. 25_c19ultra02

Kintyre Red Cross helps fire victims

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MONEY from Kintyre Red Cross may help the victims of London's destructive high-rise blaze. During Red Cross Week in May, members of the fundraising committee raised £4,624.50 by serving lunches in exchange for donations.

The British Red Cross, which created the London Fire Relief Fund in the aftermath of the Grenfell Tower tragedy, will donate cash to those affected, including those who have lost everything, to buy the things they most need at

this difficult time. Some 33 British Red Cross volunteers have supported more than 400 residents at rest centres since the fire, providing practical and emotional support and helping to distribute clothing, food and water donated by the public. Centre organiser Anne Cousin thanked the people of Kintyre for their support and said: 'The British Red Cross has really never been more needed. Recently in the Manchester and London terror attacks, and in the Grenfell high-rise disaster, we have seen terrible events.'

Raising the standard

FORMER service personnel will join thousands across Britain when they raise the flag to make Armed Forces' Day. Campbeltown's Royal British Legion Scotland chairman Richard Cameron will lead the town's commemoration at 9am sharp by the flagpole on the quay tomorrow (Saturday).



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Editorial

A wheely good idea

SINCE Bradley Wiggins's 2012 victory in the Tour de France and Olympic triumphs the same year, cycling has been on a roll.

Combined with the push for healthy lifestyles, many have rediscovered the joy and sense of freedom to be found on two wheels.

Runner Robbie Semple is a recent convert to life on a saddle and had never ridden a bike off road until he entered the Kintyre Ultra. Bitten by the bug, he is now leading the peloton to set up a Kintyre cycling club. Let's hope he racks up a few like-minded souls.

Best bib and tucker

It is more than a decade, possibly two, since the *Courier* featured a picture of school prom pupils.

Young reporter Hannah O'Hanlon clearly remembers being in the class of 2009 and often thought the formal picture should feature in the paper.

This year she put her idea into reality and secured a deal with Longrow photographer Stuart Andrew.

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'I was very moved by the honesty'

Sir,
 Last night we hosted Tarbert Poetry Group in Clachan.

Each of the 10 members reads a poem related to the chosen subject, and a second unrelated poem is read. We enjoyed something of a feast before the final round of poems.

This time I had bought a lot of lovely cheeses from Campbeltown Co-op, as well as other goodies and bought other bargains so was overloaded when I went to the car.

It was not until the evening that I discovered that the bag of food for the poetry group was missing.

After trying what is actually an old number for the Co-op, I finally rang Tarbert Co-op. When I returned from the guild rally, I found out that the shopping had been handed in and put in the cold store, and my daughter had agreed to pick it up the next day.

I was very moved by the honesty of whoever handed in the bag, and by the caring way that it was located and followed up in Tarbert and Campbeltown.

A very big thank you to all concerned.

**Pauline Simson,
 Clachan.**

Wifi in Campbeltown hospital

Sir,
 Recently the *Courier* wrote of the fantastic progress which has been made installing wifi to Campbeltown hospital, undoubtedly enhancing the in-patient experience.

We would like to record the heartfelt thanks from staff to patients, families and friends who actively supported this project and eventually brought it to fruition. Thank you so much to all involved.

**Maggie Wilkieson,
 Macmillan Nurse,
 Campbeltown hospital.**

Down memory lane

AS THE future of Auchinlee care home hangs in the balance, its former matron, Eva MacDonald MBE, has given the *Courier* some archive photos.

The Church of Scotland's charitable op-

erator CrossReach has given the High Askomil home a year's reprieve until March 2018.

Mrs MacDonald's photos recall a happier era.



In this picture, from the 1970s, Margaret Mitchell, at the front, was celebrating, possibly her 100th birthday. Behind are George McMillan, Reverend Andrew Thomson, tourist officer Lachlan McKinnon, Jim Allan, Eva MacDonald, convener of the Auchinlee local committee Archie Clark, Chris MacDonald, Eva's late husband and superintendent of Auchinlee, an unknown minister and John McCorkindale.

Town's friendly workaday atmosphere

Sir,

In early June I returned to Campbeltown for the first time in 25 years, since editing the *Courier* for a six-month period in the summer of 1992.

I was made very welcome at the *Courier* office and really enjoyed seeing the Wee Toon again.

My impression of Campbeltown after all this time was the minimal amount of change apparent. The town retains its friendly workaday atmosphere in a beautiful lochside setting.

One noticeable absence was the lack of trawler manufacturing, which was on-going in my time and the *Courier* must have featured one of the last trawler launches.

I was delighted to see the car ferry and managed to get across on the speedboat to Ballycastle in Ireland which was not running 25 years ago and

nearly not last week due to the weather.

The new leisure centre was impressive and I understand Campbeltown School – which my daughter Alice attended – is being renewed. It was good to see the distilleries attracting plenty of tourists – there were very few 25 years ago.

The town hall refurbishments were impressive and will enhance the many events planned there and the Royal also is stunning, I felt sad to see many other buildings in need of some TLC but sure they will catch up in time.

From a tourist's point of view, it would be great to have some cycles to hire, including those designed for ladies. I was having serious difficulties getting around due to a back problem.

I picked a quiet midweek slot – next time my visit it will be during the music festival – also new to me.

Thanks for helping bring back some old memories.

**Jan Porter,
 Lee.**

Why was there such a strong Tory vote?

Sir,

Almost 16,000 electors in Argyll and Bute voted for the Conservative and Unionist candidate. Why?

The normal answer would be that they wanted Theresa May to continue as Prime Minister and were happy with her policies; if so, they were out of step with the rest of the UK.

Not that the Scottish branch office of the party made much play of Mrs May's policies: it kept quiet about them.

That lovely, bubbly, cuddly Ruth Davidson only had one policy: say no to a second referendum, and shared this with the other two Unionist parties. I'm discounting UKIP as a party of course. It backfired on every possible count. Had the election been a referendum, which is how they treated it, then independence won hands down; even after losing seats, the SNP

won more than all the Unionist parties together.

Further, in casting their votes in these terms, a section of the Scottish electorate returned 13 Conservative MPs, enabling Mrs May to stay in power with the support of the rational and thoughtful DUP.

Why are Unionists so petrified of a second referendum? Could it be that they are afraid of losing it?

They hate the thought of Scottish independence so much they'll keep in office the most inept PM and cabinet in history? They want May, Johnson, Davis, Hunt, Fallon and Gove to continue to govern us?

It is not a union of equal nations, as is claimed – it is not a union at all in any normal sense.

The English conquered Wales and Ireland and bought Scotland from 'a parcel of rogues'. It is the festering remnants of the English empire.

I'm sometimes accused of hating the English but would point out that, apart from the first two years of primary in Dunstaffnage, my whole education was in England, my whole working life was in England, one of my grandparents is English, my wife is English, my children and grandchildren are English; so, no.

I don't hate the English, I simply don't want to be governed by them.

**Tony Williams,
 Muasdale.**

Foreshore weeds need killing

Sir,

Many people walk and drive past the Esplanade, to see all the overgrown weeds on the shore side and also at Dalintober pier. Surely it won't take much weed killer to kill them off.

Also the overgrown grass by the Princes Street empty houses. Many visitors to the town pass these sites. It's a shocking site.

**Charles McCormick,
 18 Princes Street,
 Campbeltown.**

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Sun sets on Willie and Pats

AFTER 30 years, it is all change at Lochgilphead store Willie and Pats.

This is no failing operation cutting and running. Willie and Pat Ward plan to sell the shop as a going concern, believing that demand is strong for their range of goods and clothing.

The couple know their business inside out. It all began with a market stall in Castleford, West Yorkshire,

in the early 1970s. They moved to Tarbert, where Willie has strong family connections, in 1981 and began selling a variety of goods including clothing and bedding in public halls across the region in Campbeltown, Tarbert, Islay and Lochgilphead.

They set up shop in Lochgilphead, and an Argyll Street fixture was born.

Willie explained: 'I'm turning 70 next year, so it's the right time to step back a bit.'

Younger

'Computers are becoming more important, and we don't really do computers,' added Pat. 'We would like a bit of time to ourselves, and we think the shop could be even better with somebody younger to take it online and into the future.'

So, now is the time to



Pat and Willie Ward are looking to sell their shop business as a going concern. 06_a24WilliePats01

move on – but such is the following the couple, along with daughter Lisa and son-in-law Jamie, have built over the years that they are reluctant to see the shop's services disappear altogether.

Pat said: 'We have worked hard over the years to offer quality goods at affordable prices, and we would be happy to share that

knowledge with new owners.'

'I want to thank all our customers, old and new, and we are grateful for all your support over the 30 years we have been in Lochgilphead.'

Miller Stewart is dealing with the sale, and any inquiries can be directed there.

For more business news see page 14.



Alex MacKinnon entertains the residents, while staff keep the tea and coffee flowing. 20_c25carehome03

Kintyre Care Home's great open day get-together

A WARM welcome met all friends and family who popped into Kintyre Care Home for a fun-filled open day last week.

The HC-One-run home joined in with the Eden Project's Big Lunch movement, which encourages as many people as pos-

sible across the UK to share lunch with their neighbours.

This year the care home, which is celebrating its 20th birthday, had an open day theme of friendship,

so residents celebrated theirs with a barbecue, refreshments, fun activities and games,

music and entertainment, and various stalls, inviting everyone to join them.

When the *Courier* popped in, the residents were being entertained by Alex MacKinnon with his accordion, while the smell of sausages was hard to resist.



I'm turning 70 next year, so it's the right time to step back a bit

Willie Ward

Letters extra

Hatchery plans seem unchanged

Sir,
A year ago there was considerable local dismay at Marine Harvest's (MH) draft plans to ride roughshod over the local development plan and site a gigantic fish hatchery on the Gauldrons.

Sadly, they have decided to ignore local sentiment and recently submitted their full planning application for the same.

The plans are unchanged. They are the same threadbare half-truths that say this is

the only viable site in Argyll and that MACC, or any other place, is not suitable.

The same destruction of the Fessenden site, which Historic Environment Scotland has recorded as nationally significant.

The same denial of any environmental impact 'given the lack of ecological features on the site, no ecology study has been performed', despite the fact even a base search of environmental records shows more than 400 species here, which we all see every time we walk there.

The same denial that the unspoiled beauty

of this entire bay from green sward to rocky bluffs will be ruined forever. But that's okay because they will heap up some earth around it and make a path to let us by.

The same threat to pull out of the existing facility.

The same utter lack of understanding that this wild place has been used for recreation of visitors and locals for generations, which is why our elected members designated it 'sensitive countryside' following a large public consultation.

If MH succeed in the industrialisation of the

Gauldrons, then no part of our coastline is safe.

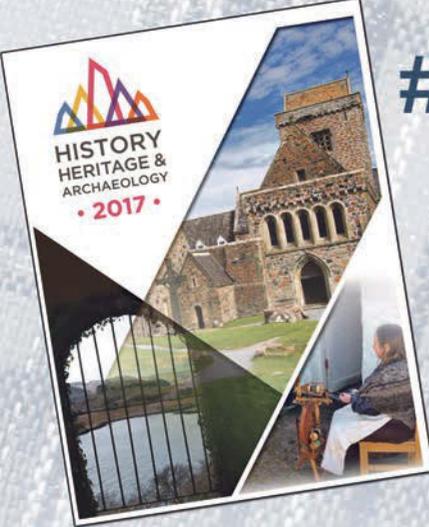
MH wants the Gauldrons because it is convenient and saves it the cost of building in a socially responsible location.

If you want to stop this profit-driven destruction of the Gauldrons, email planning.hq@argyll-bute.gov.uk and let the decision-makers know how precious this place is to our community and the wildlife we share it with.

Time is running out. Please help save the Gauldrons.

**Bob Miller,
Sound of Kintyre.**

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GIVE

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GIVE -

“Get Inspired through Volunteering and Engagement”

Our Summer Holiday GIVE Programme is for people going into S1 and up to 18 years old.

It involves young people doing community project days in return for FREE trips away and local activity days.

For example - Working in a community garden or for a local charity in return for a go karting trip or a day spent doing ropes courses and ten pin bowling.

For information on the GIVE programme in your local area contact your local Youth Services staff

Oban - Scott Douglas: Tel 01631 567977 or 0791 755 7279 or Email - scott.douglas@argyll-bute.gov.uk

Campbeltown - Dawn Wallace: Tel 01586 555288 or 07768904201 or Email Dawn.Wallace@argyll-bute.gov.uk

Children attending camp must be in primary group they attend before summer holidays.



Summer Programme 2017

SUMMER CAMPS 2017

P4 - P7

3 July - 9 August. Monday - Friday (last week Monday to Wednesday)
Full Day: 9am - 4pm. Half Day: 9am - 12pm or 1pm - 4pm
Full Day Camp Cost: £72.00 per camp. £14.40 per day
Half Day Camp Cost: £36.00 per camp. £7.20 per half day

This is a multi-sport activity camp where children will have the chance to experience varied sports and games.

JUNIOR MULTI-SPORT SESSIONS

P1 - P3

3 July - 9 August. Monday - Friday (last week Monday to Wednesday)
10am - 12pm

Cost: £31.00 per week. £6.20 per day

This is a multi-sport activity camp where children will have the chance to experience varied sports and games.

PRE-SCHOOL SESSIONS

3-5 years not yet in P1

4 July to 8 August. Every Tuesday and Thursday.
12.15pm - 1pm

Cost: £3.10 per session

Pre-school games and pre-school football.

POOL INFLATABLE FUN SESSIONS

3 July to 11 August. Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday.
11.15am - 12pm

Cost: £3.20 per session

In the main pool. must be 8+ and able to swim 50m.

SUMMER SENSATIONS 2017

P6 - P7

Thursday 10 August. 9am-4.30pm Atlantis Leisure. Friday 11 August. 9am - 4.00pm Oban High School.

2-day activity programme open to all P6 & P7 pupils (during the 2016/2017 academic year) that will be moving to Oban High School. The programme supports existing transition programmes and offers the opportunity for children to get to know each other, familiarise themselves with Oban High School, try new activities, and build confidence before starting high school. The cost for the 2-day programme is £30 per child. This includes all activities, snacks & BBQ. (For families with 2 children in attendance the cost is £50 in total).

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Book your child's place at Reception

SOON school will be out and echoes of 'Mum, I'm bored!' will resound throughout the house. Keeping the kids happy over the summer holidays can be daunting for parents, especially those on a budget. But with the help of our advertisers, families can keep the wee ones entertained, and if they learn something in the bargain, well, that makes everyone happy. In our 'School's out for summer' feature, we will share tips and ideas to have a fun holiday for the whole family.

Get out and about. There are lots of events and activities on offer for kids through the summer, so check the newspaper, local websites and the bulletin board at the library for story times, arts and crafts days, classes and special interest groups. Many community activities such as this are free or very affordable, so

they won't break the bank.

Get culture. Museums and galleries often have special exhibitions aimed at kids in summer, and usually have free or reduced entrance for children.

Get cooking. This is a great activity for a rainy day. Pick a recipe with the kids, go shopping for ingredients and cook something together. It doesn't need to be fancy or complicated- a special sandwich or cookies that the kids can help put together will mean a lot to them.

Get looking. Organise a treasure hunt with clues and prizes- inside if it's rainy or in the garden if it's dry. The whole neighbourhood could get involved and hide things up and down the street.

Get creative. Set up an arts and crafts day with canvas, paints or even crayons. Frame the resulting masterpieces- it



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P1 to P7

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Mallaig, harbour area	30 June - 1 July
Eigg, the pier	2 July
Dornie, Village Hall	4 July
Lochcarron, Battery Park	5 July
Torriford, Torriford Inn	6 July
Gairloch, High School	7 - 8 July
Ullapool, Leisure Centre	10 - 11 July
Lochinver, harbour area	12 - 13 July
Kinlochbervie, High School	14 July
Durness, the Square	15 July
Bettyhill, opp Bettyhill Hotel	17 - 18 July
Lairg, Community Centre	19 July - 20 July
Tomintoul, main car park	21 July
Newtonmore, Newtonmore Grill	22 - 23 July
Fort Augustus, main car park	24 - 25 July
Kinlochleven, by Ice Factor	26 - 27 July
Lochaline, West Pier	28 - 29 July
Tobermory, Ledaig car park	30 July - 1 August
Bunessan, car park	2 August
Lochgilphead, Resource Centre	3 - 5 August
Inveraray, main car park	7 August
Tarbert Loch Fyne, Campbeltown Rd	8 - 9 August
Portavadie, Spa & Leisure car park	10 August
Port Ellen, opp Ramsay Hall	11 - 13 August
Gigha, ferry car park	15 August
Broddick, Auchrannie Hotel	16 - 19 August

Book at: www.screenmachine.co.uk. Tickets also at the cinema 30 mins before screenings. Cash only, no cards. £7.50 Adults. Concessions £5.50.






makes great art for the children's rooms or the kitchen.

Get outdoors. Dry days are great for picnics, ball games, a campout or a walk, even if it's in your own backyard. Have a family mini-Olympics with sack races, tug of war and foot races. Let the kids make 'medals' and celebrate the event with a picnic. Summer is the ideal time for a family camping trip, and with a wide variety of campsites for every taste, from roughing it to glamping, you don't have to go far.

Remember that it's not necessary to fill the kid's schedules every minute of the summer. By letting children play on their own in their rooms or in the garden, they will develop imagination and independence. And it gives mum and dad a much needed break!

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Mon 10th July	Depart: 11.00	Arrive back: 20.15	£38/36
CRUISE SOUND OF SLEAT			
Tue 11th July	Depart: 10.00	Arrive back: 20.45	£38/36
CRUISE TO ISLE OF IONA [time ashore]			
Wed 12th July	Depart: 11.00	Arrive back: 20.00	£40/38
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Thur 13th July	Depart: 09.30	Arrive back: 20.00	£35/33

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TARBERT is the place to be for festival fun these days.

The Loch Fyne village has, however long been better known for fishing.

The two are about to be brought together in stunning style as the Tarbert Seafood Festival is held over the weekend of July 1-2, the latest event in a packed festival calendar around the village.

The feast of music, food and fun at the seafood festival gives visitors the opportunity to sample Tarbert's culinary delights.

For many years the seafood festival has been offering visitors the opportunity to sample the culinary delights to be created from local produce direct from

the crystal clear waters of Loch Fyne. The harbour will be lined with a variety of stalls operated by local businesses and hotels,

showcasing the many local delicacies on offer. Cookery demonstrations using the local seafood on offer will be held in the fisherman's market throughout the day.

And the festival is pleased to welcome back chef Mike Leslie from the Coachman Hotel in Kilsyth on festival Saturday. But this is not just a celebration of our local produce. There is plenty of entertainment over the weekend for both locals and visitors alike.

One of the highlights will be the crowning of the Tarbert Seafood Festival Queen Jacquelyn Clark as she is accompanied by her princesses, Beth Johnstone and Robyn MacFie.

This will be followed by a festival procession through the village led by Mid Argyll Pipe Band, with this year's parade theme being 'nursery rhymes'.

The festival this year welcomes back the Clan Stunt Team, and look out for fun and nonsense with the Absurdist Pipe Band. And there will be Highland dancers all the way from Campbeltown to offer some delightful entertainment.

Providing some cracking music, Ceilidh's Homet will be performing on the Saturday, with popular local band The Democrats back

again for Sunday. A girl-band special from Mania, also on festival Sunday, is sure to have people dancing at this tasty two-day family festival by Loch Fyne.

One of the main festival organisers is Margaret MacNeill, who said: 'We are looking forward to a great weekend of festival food and entertainment. 'We're delighted to welcome some new attractions along with a few familiar faces including renowned chef Mike Leslie, the Clan Stunt Riders with their stunt bikes and the colourful Absurdist Pipe Band. There is so much to enjoy, so we hope people will come along in their droves and experience Tarbert Seafood Festival.'



Whisky West Coast

'Whisky West Coast is situated on Harbour Street in Tarbert and is the only Malt Whisky Retailer in the area promoting all the wonderful distilleries we have here including, Arran, Glen Scotia, Springbank, Jura and all the distilleries on Islay.

We are lucky to have two recognised regional areas, with (Campbeltown) being one Springbank, Glen Scotia, Glengyle in its own rite and the other being the world recognised Islay (Island) which has eight working distilleries at the moment.

The idea behind this shop can be traced back to my 10+ years of working in the local pub which gave me the opportunity

to meet people from all over the world who would stop off for a night on their way to Islay for the Malt Whisky Festival (Whisky Olympics).

There is definitely something about Argyll and the Isles that makes its whisky so special. Maybe it's the water or the skills that have been passed down through the generations. What is certain is that this area known as The Whisky Coast is a whisky-lover heaven, with 14 world-class distilleries.

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Craft businesses to pitch for success at Inveraray

CRAFT businesses could win a free trade stand at Inveraray Castle's Best of the West festival in September.

Business Gateway Argyll and Bute will give the region's craft businesses the opportunity to showcase and sell their products at the popular Best of the West festival.

Now in its fourth year, the competition invites local businesses to pitch for a free trade stand within the Business Gateway-sponsored craft tent. The pitch should include what is special about their venture and why their products would be a good fit at the festival.

The annual Best of

the West festival will be held at Inveraray Castle on Saturday and Sunday, September 9 and 10, with music on the evening of Friday September 8.

More than 5,000 visitors are expected to attend the festival during the weekend and this competition allows up to six local crafters the chance to raise the profile of their business.

Last year, the competition attracted a strong response from across the area, with all six winners proving popular with festival goers.

One of last year's winners, artist Ruth Slater, said: 'It was fantastic to win the competition and sell my products in the craft tent. It was a huge

success and gave me the chance to meet and show dozens of new customers displays of my work.'

The winners will be selected by a panel of judges, including festival host the Duchess of Argyll, Fergus Murray, Argyll and Bute Council's head of economic development and strategic transportation, and Councillor Aileen Morton, Argyll and Bute Council's policy lead for economic development.

Eleanor Argyll, Duchess of Argyll said: 'We are very excited to be running the competition with Business Gateway again. There have been a fantastic range of businesses over the years and each



Ruth Slater and her husband at BoWfest 2016. 06_a39Bowfestwinner02

winner has been hugely popular with the Best of the West visitors. I'm really looking forward to seeing this year's entries.'

Councillor Morton added: 'This competition helps showcase

the wealth of creative businesses that we have right here in Argyll and Bute, as well as aiding the overall development of local businesses.'

To enter, craft businesses are invited to

describe in no more than 250 words why their business and the products it sells represent the 'best in the west'.

Also included must be a link to relevant websites or social

media to support the entry and up to five photographs of the products and a film clip of no more than three minutes.

Entry is via email to business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk. The closing date is 5pm on July 12, 2017.

Competition terms and conditions are available at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/business-and-trade/business-gateway-service.

For more information on the festival and to buy tickets, visit www.bowfest.co.uk. To find out more about how Business Gateway can help set up and develop a business call 01546 604 555 or visit www.bgateway.com/argyll-and-bute.

Dunoon architect sustains growth plans

BUSINESS Gateway support is just one of the building blocks for a Dunoon architect's sustainable design practice. Architeco has recently expanded, moving into larger offices and taking on additional staff.

The firm, which was founded by Colin Potter in 2011, has also launched its own range of standard houses – Caber House – which aim to provide zero-carbon kit houses for self-builders across Scotland.

And with support from Business Gate-



Colin Potter and his team.

way Argyll and Bute, the company has now invested in cutting-edge technology to ensure it remains at the forefront of sustainable design.

Colin said: 'I set up Architeco in 2011 as

a sole practitioner after I became one of the first architects in Scotland to be certified as a Passivhaus Designer and gaining accreditation in sustainable design from the Royal Institute of Architects

in Scotland. My dream was to run a practice with sustainability at the fore and by bringing a fresh approach and solid eco credentials to the market, I was able to launch Architeco.

'In the past six years, we have continued to grow, working on projects across the country, until demand meant we had to move into larger offices in Dunoon town centre to accommodate our growing team. We are now a team of five architectural and two support staff.'

So far, the feedback

on Architeco's Caber House has been extremely positive with the houses soon to be seen in the Outer Hebrides, Cowal and Aberdeenshire.

Architeco has recently been awarded a Business Gateway Local Growth Accelerator programme grant, supported by the European Regional Development Fund, which will allow Colin to invest in Building Information Modelling (BIM) software.

BIM allows projects to be modelled, rather than drawn, and in-

cludes detailed energy modelling that can accurately predict a building's performance.

Colin added: 'This is a huge investment for a small business and Business Gateway was essential in helping us access the funding to purchase additional licences and hardware.'

'Our adviser, Donald Melville, has been incredibly helpful and we are now looking at other opportunities to explore, such as staff training which will bring new skills to our practice.'

Mr Meville said: 'As a growing business, we have assisted Colin with one-to-one advice along with our knowledge of funding avenues, which are helping him develop Architeco.'

For more information, visit www.architeco.net.

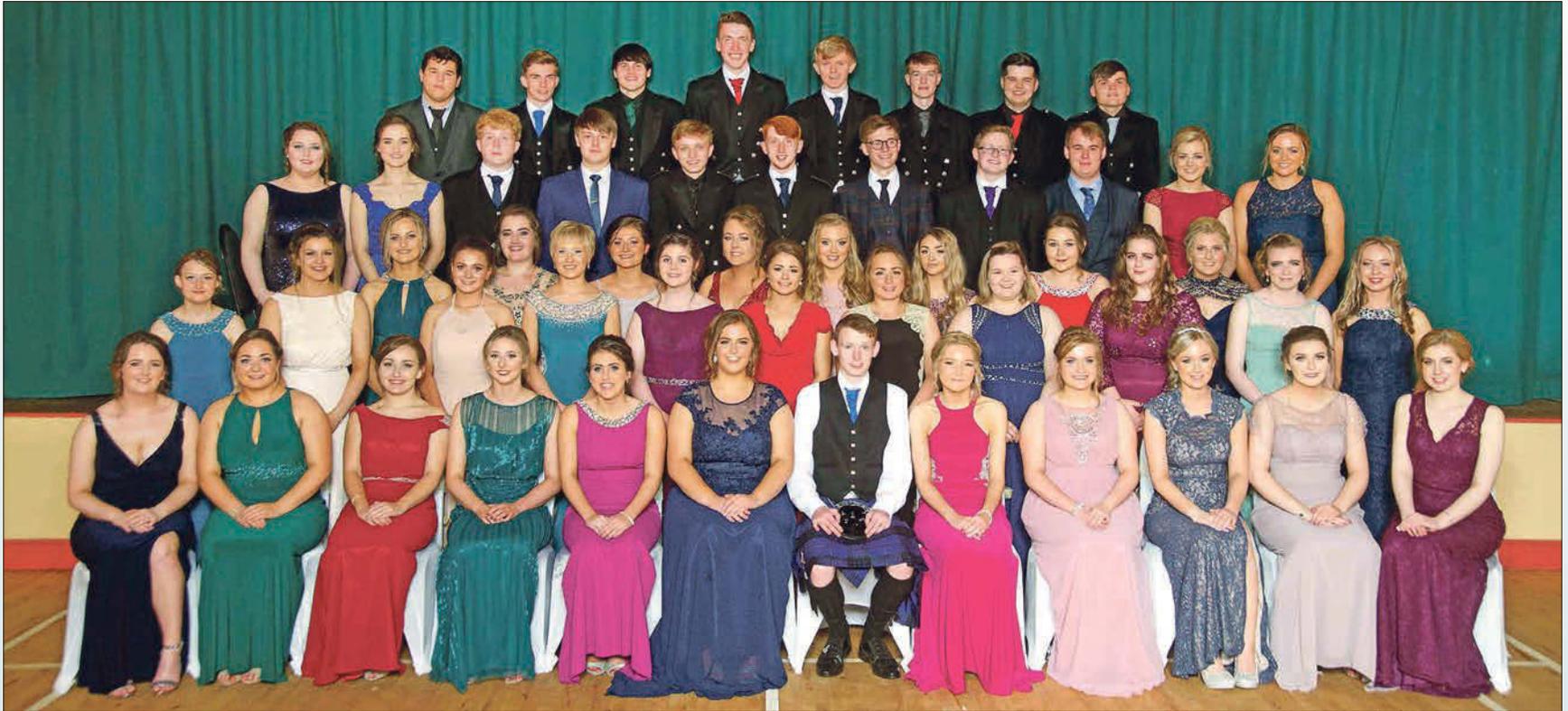
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Fashionistas' formal finery



Campbeltown Grammar School's class of 2017 celebrated the end of their secondary education in style by donning their best dresses, suits and kilts and dancing the night away. As is tradition, a large crowd gathered at the bus terminal to wave off the school leavers as they headed to their formal dinner dance in Peninver Hall last Saturday. Before the merriment kicked off, the graduates posed in their dazzling finery for a photo by Kintyre Photography's Stuart Andrew. Copies of this and other photos from the formal can be viewed and purchased for £5 for a 6x9 print, in a folder, from Mr Andrew's shop in Mafeking Place.

Boys' Brigade marches for Lord Lieutenant

Members of a Campbeltown youth organisation entertained Argyll and Bute's Lord Lieutenant with some of their regular activities.

Last Friday, Boys' Brigade leader Alister Nimmo, the man who re-formed the 1st Campbeltown Company about five years ago, welcomed Patrick Stewart MBE who, as Lord Lieutenant, represents the Queen, the patron of the organisation.

The occasion also



The Junior Section centenary cake.

marked the beginning of the Junior Section's centenary year as it was formed in 1917.

The boys and girls

performed a full schedule of displays, in the Lorne and Lowland Church Hall, for their distinguished guest, his wife Mary-Anne, the Reverend Philip Wallace, Jean Durnan and Irene Millar.

Some such as figure marching, the band performance, raising and lowering the Union flag and the end-of-year blessing were quite formal while others were boisterous games such as the mat run.

After the boys and girls had risked all in bag the bean bag, which consisted of

running to collect bags and dump them in a bucket, a parents' team was formed and one enthusiastic mum fell headlong and required first aid for a cut chin.

Before presenting the prizes, the Lord Lieutenant said: 'It was a magnificent display tonight, not just technically but with great enthusiasm.'

'I will be in touch with the International Olympic Committee about the mat record to see if there should be a re-run.'

'It is clear that you enjoy being here, it is good for you and very good for us all.'

Mr Nimmo thanked the following for support and help: Lorne and Lowland Church Guild, Howdens, TSI, Caitlyn Spree, Heather Spree, Catriona Lawrie, Nathan Armstrong, Margaret Nimmo, David Lavery, Gordon Evans and Ronnie Graham for help with the hall.



Boys demonstrate ball in the basket.

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The prizes were awarded as follows: One year's service badges: Stewart Stevens, Charley Gilchrist, Harry Reid, Liam Brodie, James McLean, Aidrian Docherty and Rhys Thompson.

Two years' service: Ryan Johnston, Charlie Colville, Frank Stacey, Evan Cook, Aiden Carey, Lewis Russell, Charlie Lavery, Jim Ewart and Finn MacCallum.

Five years' service: Oliver Reid, James Reid and Ross Gorman. WW1 badges: Stewart Stevens, Charley Gilchrist, Harry Reid, Liam Brodie, James McLean, Flint Barrett and Rhys Thompson.

Shields: Best anchor team: Four Light, Scottish team 762: Liam Brodie, Lewis Russell, Charl Lavery and Stewart Stevens, Scarey Foxes 754, The Trees and monkeys 752, Best junior team: Three Dark, Team One 826: Oliver Reid, Rhys Thomson and Finn MacCallum, Team Two 820.

Best boy: Anchor: One Light: Liam Brodie. Best boy: Junior: One Dark: Finn MacCallum.

Perfect attendance: Charl Lavery, Charlie Gilchrist and Ross Gorman. Regular attendance: Ryan Johnston, Frank Stacey (abs), Evan Cook, Harry Reid, Finn MacCallum, Oliver Reid and Liam Brodie.

Anchor to Junior certificates: Ryan Johnston, Charlie Colville, Evan Cook, Stewart Stevens, Aidrian Docherty and Charl Lavery.

Junior to Company section certificates: Oliver Reid and Ross Gorman. Company section: James Reid: Stage one skills and Stage one community.



Emily Johnstone in the bean bag race before her tumble. 25_c25boysbrigade02



Come Dine with me by Lori Silvan. 25_c25tvtimes03



The flamingo flamingoes of Pauline and Peter Simson's The Big Painting Challenge. 25_c25tvtimes18

Telly addicts bloomed

Green-fingered Clachan florists inspired by their favourite TV shows created a riot of colour at Kilcalmonell Church flower festival.

The three-day show blossomed in the village from last Friday to Sunday and included a special church service led by James McLellan. The £2 admission fee and special teas at £3.50 helped to boost funds for the village hall restoration.

There were no prizes for the stunning creations.



Gaia Silvan's Portrait Artist of the Year. 25_c25tvtimes04



Glynis Lewis's The Great British Bake-off. 25_c25tvtimes08



Bonanza by Karen Kendrick. 25_c25tvtimes17



Clachan School's Casualty. 25_c25tvtimes10



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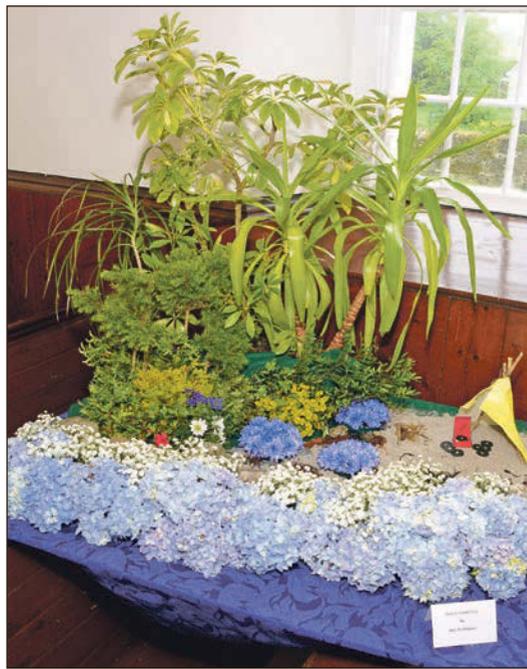
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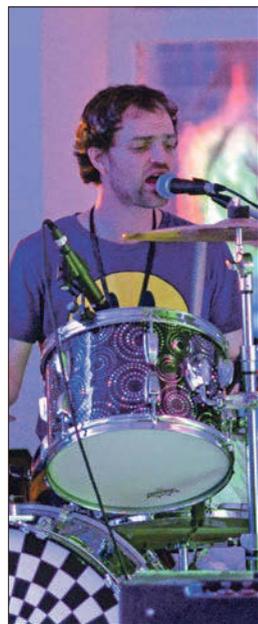
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Bands have a blast at MidFest



Mark Johnson in action at MidFest. 25_c25midfest01

Mark Davey
editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk

THE LATEST festival to rock into Campbeltown boosted beer and ice-cream sales last Saturday.

The free afternoon show on Shore Street attracted a crowd of young and old who were treated to bands including Rhuvaal.

It was not all good news, though, as, despite vigorous efforts to sell tickets and performances from a great selection of Scotland's up and coming bands, audiences stayed away from the town hall headline event.

They missed a treat as a select crowd danced and pogoed to music including trad folk, punk and electronica.

Undersmoke opened the evening's show, followed by Livingston



Declan Welsh and the Decadent West. 25_c25midfest09

folk outfit 5 Strings, with a mix of what they called 'depressing tunes about dying'.

The beat was ramped up as Declan Welsh and the Decadent West, fresh from last month's BBC 6 music festival, imported its brand of punk often compared to the Clash.

Declan Welsh told the audience he was from East Kilbride which he described as a 'paragon of mediocrity'.

Mediocre is not a word that should be associated with the Decadent West. The band is in demand across the big cities and has some infectious riffs that were good enough to see them make Glastonbury's longlist for emerging talent.

It was nearing the witching hour when the Kintyre Songwriters' Festival 2015 discovery, Be Charlotte, featuring the haunting

vocals of Charlotte Brimmer, set up her background on stage.

Charlotte was just 16 when she last appeared in Campbeltown, and has moved on in leaps and bounds in the past two years.

Her energetic drum solo, supported by the Twisted Melons' Mark Johnson, was definitely something different.

MC Kenny Johnson, father of Twisted

Melons' trio Paul, Mark and Stephen, who added their stadium sound to the mix, said: 'At this first MidFest we have heard music from bands that do not normally get here.'

'Lewis Nelson's concept is a great thing for Campbeltown, as new music is very important.'

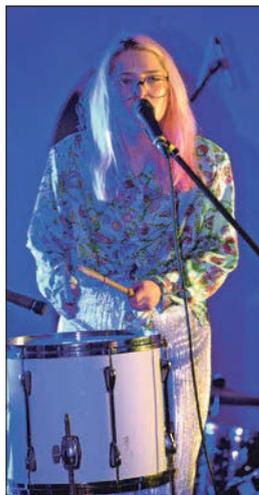
'People in Campbeltown are very wary of new things but MidFest will grow.'

Bands borrow bangin' drummer

A KINTYRE drummer found his percussive talent in great demand at MidFest.

Twisted Melons' Mark Johnson was praised by Be Charlotte's Charlie Brimmer after he learned her repertoire in a week, for the up and coming Dundonian's Saturday night show.

As if that wasn't enough, Johnson played a set with his own band. Later he joined the Glastonbury emerging talent shortlisted, East Kilbride punk rocker, Declan Welsh and the Decadent West.



Charlotte Brimmer on the drums. 25_c25midfest07

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The poster for MOK Fest in 2009.

Red Hot Chilli Pipers sell out headline show at 17th MOK Fest

A PIPING hot rock band sold out Campbeltown's 17th MOK Fest main event.

The Red Hot Chilli Pipers played to a sold-out Victoria Hall audience in 2009, supported by Survivors' Night headliners Hoots Heppnin, a collection of local artists who came together to form their own traditional/rock super-group.

Dervish headlined the trad concert in the Picture House, sup-

ported by Fribo, with the Friday night ceilidh featuring Fergie MacDonald's Ceilidh Band, Hot Seats from Virginia USA, Susan Houston and Kintyre Schools Pipe Band.

The Mitchell's Glen-gyle Dalriada Connections concert on Sunday afternoon featured Brian Finnegan from Flook, the Wild Sarrachs as well as the usual mix of local and visiting Pan Celtic artists.



Islay's Kerry Baker and Campbeltonian Caitlin Cameron promoted MidFest and worked hard to sell tickets. 25_c25midfest05

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Farm payment fiasco

THE SYSTEM set up to provide financial support to rural workers still has serious cost and operational issues, and is unlikely to deliver value for money, according to a report by Audit Scotland.

The problematic £178 million Common Agricultural Policy's future farm support computer system could also cost the Scottish Government up to £60 million in fines, the independent body claims.

At the moment, the IT system struggles to make payments to farmers on time and,

according to Audit Scotland, it will be at least 2018 before this will be remedied, with no back-up in place in the event of a complete system breakdown.

Stabilise

The report by the independent body, set up to review the progress in resolving the serious issues, acknowledged that significant changes in leadership over the past year have brought about a renewed effort to stabilise the programme, but, to date, it has not delivered value for money or the expected benefits for applicants.

The findings come as

no surprise to NFUS president Andrew McCornick, who said: 'For three years, we have been highlighting the problems of the IT system.'

'Several loan schemes have been won by NFUS and put in place to bypass the IT system and deliver much-needed funding to farms and crofts. But we know that the loans don't work for everyone.'

'I am on record as saying that if this IT system had been a tractor that I had bought, then it would have been returned to the dealer years ago with

demands for a full refund.'

Mr McCornick added that the lack of this money was 'leaving a hole in the Scottish rural economy'.

Richard Lochhead stepped down as rural affairs secretary after months of condemnation. His successor, Fergus Ewing, said: 'Clearly there is more for us to do and I recognise that we are not there yet, but I welcome that this updated

report from Audit Scotland recognises a range of improvements that have been made and reinforces the actions we have taken since last May.'

'We will consider the findings carefully in the context of the significant improvement activity already under way.'

'However, it is disappointing that overall the key points do not fully reflect all the progress made.'

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First Milk's new operations chief

ADAIRY co-operative with a Campbeltown cheese factory has appointed a new operations director.

Mark Robertson, who has more than 30 years of experience in the dairy sector, has replaced Kenny Bain as the head of First Milk's operations.

Mr Robertson has held senior executive positions with Milk Link, Glanbia and latterly with Arla Foods, where he was responsible for 12 cheddar and mozzarella manufacturing and packing sites across the UK and Denmark.

First Milk chief executive Shelagh Hancock commented: 'I am delighted to have been able to bring on board someone of Mark Robertson's calibre and proven track record to lead this process at our manufacturing sites.'

'He not only has a wealth of experience and knowledge of cheese and whey manufacturing, but also has considerable leadership qualities and a



New First Milk operations director Mark Robertson.

'will to win' mentality that he has used to consistently deliver results.'

Mr Robertson added: 'I am excited about the opportunity to lead the operations team at this time and by working together I know there is a real opportunity for us to deliver for the business and for our farmer members.'

Mid Argyll Business Group Meeting

Date Thursday 29th June
Time 7pm
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Young skippers after the sponsored event.

School's sponsored skip

PUPILS at Drumble Primary did not miss a beat during a sponsored British Heart Foundation skip.

The youngsters' skipping lessons are all part of the BHF's healthy heart campaign and recently children from P1 to P7 took part in an event called Jump Off.

Its aim was to raise money to help fund BHF research into preventing, predicting and trying to cure heart disease.

The charity relies on the generosity of sponsors to help it continue this lifesaving work.

The children raised £383, Campbeltown Co-op donated plenty of

bottles of water and fresh fruit to keep them going, and the school will share 20 per cent of the funds raised.

As well as the skipping event, the children have been taking part in the BHF's heart start programme and have learned how to deal with an unconscious person, recognise a heart attack and a cardiac arrest, perform CPR, deal with choking and respond to serious bleeding.

A BHF spokesperson said: 'The BHF is determined to transform the UK into a nation of lifesavers – a country where everyone knows how to save a life.'

CARRADALE

Community first responders

A GROUP of volunteer first responders are on call to deal with Carradale emergencies.

The village's first responder scheme has eight fully trained members and recently Mark Smith from the Scottish Ambulance Service handed over the uniforms, badges, mobile phones and two responder bags allowing them to go live.

The Carradale Community First Responders is a sub group of Carradale Community Trust.

A group spokesperson said: 'The group is very appreciative of £5,106 funding from East Kintyre Windfarm Trust to purchase two defibrillators and

necessary training equipment.'

First responder teams are being used more and more by the ambulance service to provide a speedier response than can be provided by ambulance crews, especially in remote and rural areas.

They are an adjunct to the paramedics, activated by ambulance control in response to a 999 call, and are trained to be first at the scene and to support the patient until the ambulance crew arrive.

Normally they are not despatched to trauma situations or to young children because these situations need a great deal more training.

Monthly evening training sessions take place at Carradale fire station. Training includes use of defibrillators, CPR, support of medical conditions, use of oxygen and suction equipment and basic first aid.

In an emergency, ambulance control sends a message to the on-call pair. Responders attend the location as

soon as possible and will remain until support arrives by ambulance or helicopter.

Membership of the group is open to anyone resident in Carradale village.

Anyone interested in being a first responder or join the group, should call Dr Malcolm Elder, at Carradale Surgery on 01583 431376.



Carradale Community First Responders are: Back row: Mark Smith, Robert Strang, Stephen Redwood, Kenneth Semple, Malcolm Elder. Front row: Caroline Tauchauer, Fiona Lavery-Jones and Catriona Trott. Gregor Semple was absent.

Carradale to hold a fun day

IT IS hoped firefighters will give Carradale Primary a leg up with its school fun day tomorrow (Saturday).

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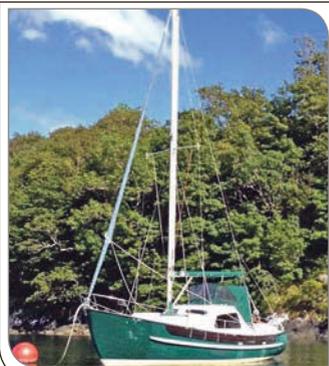
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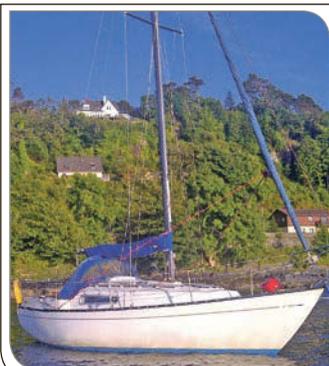


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View of Blenheim Palace from across the south lawn.

SSANGYONG Motor UK has been announced as the title sponsor of Blenheim Palace International Horse Trials for the next three years.

Blenheim Palace International Horse Trials, the event owned by the sport's governing body, British Eventing, takes place in Oxfordshire from September 13-17, 2017. With the stunning backdrop of Blenheim Place, a UNESCO World Heritage Centre, home of the Duke of Marlborough and birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill, it has one of the most beautiful settings of any sporting event in the country.

'Blenheim is one of the top international horse trials held in the UK, and perfectly complements the SsangYong brand focus on four-wheel drive and SUVs, vehicles particularly suited to those living in the country or who tow a horse box, caravan

or trailer,' said Paul Williams, CEO of SsangYong Motor UK Ltd.

'As we prepare to launch our all-new Rexton 4x4 later this year, the timing couldn't be better. Blenheim will feature prominently in our launch plans,' added Paul.

Mandy Hervieu, Blenheim's event director, said: 'SsangYong joining us as title sponsor is brilliant news. We will be increasing the prize-money and enhancing our facilities for competitors, owners and visitors.'

There are three international classes this year at the SsangYong Blenheim Palace International Horse Trials: the CCI3, the prestigious CIC3 for eight- and nine-year-old horses, and the final of the exciting Event Rider Masters series, also held at CIC3 level.

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UK AUTOMOTIVE CALLS FOR 'BUSINESS AS USUAL' INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS TO AVOID THE CLIFF EDGE



- UK GOVERNMENT must secure interim arrangements to safeguard future of UK motor industry and avoid a cliff edge.
- Industry body believes a final agreement on a new relationship with the EU that benefits the UK automotive industry will not be achieved by March 2019.
- UK must maintain single market and customs union membership until a final agreement on a new relationship with the EU has been agreed and implemented.

Tuesday June 20: The UK automotive industry has today called on the government to seek an interim arrangement with the EU that would maintain membership of the single market and customs union until a final agreement on a new relationship with the EU is negotiated and implemented.

The sector accepts that the UK will leave the EU and fully supports a bespoke and comprehensive agreement on a new relationship with the EU. However,

a final agreement would be hugely complex and it does not believe such a comprehensive agreement can be reached by March 2019 – just over 20 months away. Without agreed interim arrangements, businesses would be faced with the 'cliff edge' and forced to trade under the World Trade Organisation rules – the worst foreseeable outcome for the sector, its employees and the British economy.

Speaking today as the sector announced its annual performance figures, the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT) said it was time to be pragmatic about what can be achieved in the time available and what the consequences would be if the UK left without a deal. The UK and EU automotive sectors are highly integrated and any new relationship will need to address tariff and non-tariff barriers, regulatory and labour issues, all of which will take time to negotiate.

Mike Hawes, SMMT chief executive, said: 'We accept that we are leaving the European Union and we share the desire for that departure to be a success. But our biggest fear is that, in two years, we fall off a cliff edge – no deal, outside the single market and customs

union, and trading on inferior WTO terms. This would undermine our competitiveness and our ability to attract the investment that is critical to future growth.

'That's why we have to be honest with ourselves. If the UK cannot secure – and implement – a bespoke and comprehensive new relationship with the EU in two years, we need a back-up plan. Having looked at all the alternatives, we need government to seek an interim arrangement whereby we stay within the single market and customs union until that new relationship is implemented.'

The UK automotive industry has always maintained the importance of the EU to its prosperity. The EU is by far the UK's biggest automotive export market, taking over half our finished vehicles, four times as many as our next biggest market. The sector already exports to more than 160 different global markets and has a consistent approach to free trade. It needs that trade to be tariff-free, as frictionless as possible to support the 'just in time' manufacturing process and with consistent regulation.



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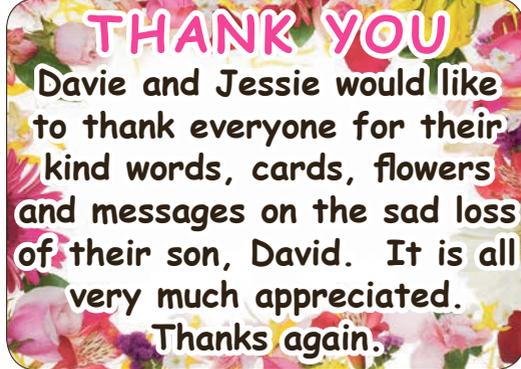
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AN ASSOCIATION of hill sheep farmers has been formed in south Argyll, the aim of which is to improve the marketing of store lambs.

The action taken by this association is along the lines of the NFU sponsored MacEwan Report on the marketing of store stock.

The association and Speedie Brothers (Dalmally Market) have both received assistance in this project from the Agricultural Market Development Executive Committee (AMDEC).

It is understood to be the first venture of its kind in Britain.

The association, West-Weighed Quality Stores, came into being during the winter of 1966/1967.

It developed from a meeting of black-faced sheep breeders held in Campbeltown last July.

At the meeting, an action group was formed.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO SATURDAY JUNE 23, 1917

Performances at Carradale

ON THE evenings of Friday and Saturday, June 15 and 16, performances of the patriotic operetta entitled *The Birth of the Union Jack* were given in the Mission Hall, Carradale, by pupils of Carradale School, who had been trained to the acting of their various parts by Mrs Robertson, one of their teachers.

The idea of the operetta is as follows: in the first part, Britannia calls her court together to consider designs for a flag that will jointly represent the three nations of England, Scotland and Ireland, instead of their having three separate ensigns.

St Andrew of Scotland, St Patrick of Ireland and St George of England enter the conference, and a flag (the Union Jack) is decided on.

The second part of the operetta is staged at the close of the 19th century, when Britannia calls for a report of the progress made in the past century.

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



CHRISTMAS came to our house in June this year.

I am a devoted fan of Christmas and I have always loved that special season.

I love it when children visit the house to see the decorations and fill it with their laughter.

I have to be restrained not to put the decorations up until at least November.

I expect you are wondering why on earth I'm talking about Christmas in June.

Well, the reason is that I had a very special birthday recently and a very special friend gave me a very special present.

It is a wonderful, all singing, all dancing, Christmas house and I love it.

However, even I can't display this in mid-summer.

For everything there is a season.

God had Christmas planned for a very long time indeed and the time had to be just right to send his son into the world.

I wonder if he had to hold back his excitement before giving us this amazing gift.

We know from the Bible that God prepared the way for this gift. He gave us plenty of notice through the scriptures and the prophets.

And at Christmas he gave the world the gift of his son to show us the human face of God.

Yet when the gift came in the person of Jesus, people were surprised and some didn't realise just how wonderful this was.

So in this mid-summer week which is far removed from Christmas, I look at my gift, and because it's a gift of love, it is in season for any time and every time.

God's timing is always right and although his gift came at Christmas, it is also for every moment of every single day.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

'Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures for ever' (Psalm 107:1).

BIRTHS

MCGOUGAN - MCINTYRE - On May 12, 2017, at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow, to Tony and Hayley, a son, Arran Archie. A brother for Lyle.



WATSON

Anna is delighted to announce the safe arrival of her wee sister, Robyn Mary, at Campbeltown Maternity Unit, on Saturday, June 17, 2017. A second daughter for Randal and Lea, Campbeltown, second granddaughter for Randal and Mary, and fifth grandchild for Brian and Karen, Dumfries.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

FLETCHER - John to Margaret (née Murray), on June 21, 1967, in Tarbert Parish Church, by the Rev W Eadie.

DEATHS

MCKAY - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on June 19, 2017, Edna Joyce McKay, in her 63rd year, 41 Mill Street, Campbeltown, beloved daughter of the late Catherine Brodie and Edward McKay, much loved mum of Michelle, Andrew, Ryan and Christopher, loving nannie of Christopher, Brian and Karis, great grandmother of Finlay, Jace and Callen and a much loved sister of Fiona, Sandra, Ann and the late Catherine, and a loving aunt. Funeral in the Salvation Army Citadel, Campbeltown, on Friday, June 23 at 1.00pm, 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 Salvation Army Citadel, Campbeltown.

PATRICK - Suddenly, after a short illness, on June 14, 2017, at the Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead, Alan Patrick (Big Al), aged 63 years, of 16 Argyll Street, Lochgilphead, former Technician at Lochgilphead High School, beloved son of the late Henry and Edna Patrick, much loved brother of Sue and Christine, a dear uncle

and great uncle, and a good friend to many. In line with Alan's request, a private cremation service will be held. A memorial service to celebrate Alan's life was held on Thursday, June 22, 2017. Sadly missed.

TOWNSLEY - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on June 18, 2017,

Alexander McDonald Townsley (Sandy), in his 87th year, Greenwood, Campbeltown, dearly beloved son of the late Mary and Willie Townsley and a much loved brother, uncle and friend.

YOUNG - Peacefully, on June 17, 2017, at home with her family by her side, Kathleen (MacFarlane), in her 75th year, loving wife of Jimmy, devoted mum to Brian, Margaret and Mark and loving sister to Mary, Sandy, Donnie, Sheena and the late Jim, Angus and Elizabeth. Funeral Service on Monday, June 26, at Cardross Crematorium at 2.15pm.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

FLAWS - The family of the late Catherine (Katie) Flaws would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for cards and phone calls following their sad loss of Katie. Grateful thanks to Kintyre Care Centre for their care and attention over the last three years. We would also like to thank Rev W Crossan for a comforting and uplifting service, David McEwan for appropriate music, Kenneth Blair for his professionalism and guidance, and the staff of the Argyll Hotel. Lastly, thanks to all who paid their respects at church and graveside, and gave generously to the collection for Kintyre Care Centre, which raised £140.

MCMILLAN - Charlie and Jen McMillan would like to thank all who attended the service at the Lorne and Lowland Church for their beloved daughter, Jane, on June 15, 2017, and for all the cards and flowers received. Thanks also to the Rev Steve Fulcher for his spiritual help and uplifting service, to David McEwan for his beautiful music, to Lee Holland on the flute, to Alison and Maureen for their tribute to Jane, and to our friend, George Sharp, for his excellent piping. Our thanks to the nursing staff who cared for Jane at the Campbeltown Hospital, who are beyond praise, to the Argyll Hotel, Campbeltown for their first class service and food, and to T A Blair for their caring and professional service. Finally, our thanks to all who contributed to the retiral collection for Macmillan Nurses, Kintyre Locality and the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, which raised £1,309.22.

SMITH - Angie would like to sincerely thank family, friends and neighbours for all the flowers, cards, letters and visits following the sad loss of John, a beloved husband, father and granddad. Grateful thanks for the wonderful care he received in Glasgow and Campbeltown Hospital, also to T A Blair, Funeral Directors, the Ardsheel Hotel, the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, organist, David Gardner, and the Rev William Crossan, for a lovely service.

IN MEMORIAM

BROWNING - Treasured memories of Dave, died June 21, 2007. 'May the winds of love blow softly And whisper for you to hear

That we'll always love and miss you And wish that you were here.'

- Jan and your girls x.
HORN - In loving memory of a beloved daughter and sister, Amanda, died June 21, 2001. Precious memories. - Mum and Dad xx. Night, night, Mandy. - Love you always, from Vivien, Russell, Joanna and Eilidh xx.

MACLENNAN - Precious memories of our big brother, Kevin, died June 21, 2010. In our hearts a memory is kept,

For a big brother we love and will never forget. Simply the best. - Love always, Lorne, Leone, Darren and Laurene x.

MACLENNAN - Special memories of our Uncle Kevin. Forever our shooting star. - Love, your nieces and nephews x.

MCFARLANE - In loving memory of our son and brother, Gordon, who fell asleep on June 23, 2012.

We treasure every memory, with tears we speak your name, We will always love and miss you in a world that's not the same. - Mum, Dad, Liz, Gordon and boys.

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

CHURCH NOTICES

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE
Sunday 25th June 2017
Morning Service in Cumlodden Church
Charity No. SC016097 at 10.00 am
Morning Service in Inveraray Church
Charity No. SC016665 at 11.30 am
Preacher: Margaret Sinclair
All Welcome

SKIPNESS LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
Sunday 25th June 2017
Skipness Service 10am
Tarbert Service with Kilberry 11.30am
Rev Margaret Anderson
For all church enquiries and pastoral care
Contact Rev. Hilda Smith, Interim Moderator on 07826 235735
Everyone very welcome
Tarbert & Kilberry SCO02622
Skipness SCO04280

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN
Sunday 25th June
Service at 11 a.m
Speaker this week - Graham McLean
"Eagle Saints Arise!"
Light meal to follow
ALL WELCOME

SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCHES
Christ Church Bishopton Road, Lochgilphead (SC013787)
Sunday 11.00am
Eucharist & Coffee
St Columba's, Pottalloch (SC031391)
1st Sunday of the month 9.00am Holy Communion
3rd Sunday of the month 6.00pm Evensong
Father Simon Mackenzie 01546 602315

ST MARGARET'S R.C. CHURCH LOCHGILPHEAD
Holy Mass Sunday 10am
All Saints, Inveraray
Holy Mass Sunday 12.30pm
Fr. David Connor 01546 602380
All Welcome (SC0002876)

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
Charity Number SC001002
Sunday 25 June
Bellanoch Church 10 am
Rev. C. Acklam
Saturday 24 June
Achnamara Hall 10.30am
Café Connect
Monday 26 June
Tayvallich Church 10.30am
Prayer Time
All welcome
Enquiries 01546 606926
www.northknapdale.org

COURIER ANNOUNCEMENTS

free church of scotland
George Street, Campbeltown
Sunday 25th June
11.15am Worship Service
Rev Robert Walker
Wednesday 28th June
12.30pm Bible Study and Prayer
2.00pm Water of Life Café
With music from Rodger Gillespie and Kate Bradley.
This will be the last Café until after the summer.
All Welcome
www.campbeltownfreechurch.co.uk
Scottish Charity Number: SC046745

CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday Service
25th June 2017, 11.00am
Visiting Speaker - Fiona Merriweather 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)
Registration required
Pastor Chris Holden
We meet at the Guide Hall, Kinloch Road
www.campbeltowncommunitychurch.co.uk
SC043322

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Saturday 6pm (except the 1st Saturday of the month)
HOLY MASS
every Sunday 10am

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.

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH
25th June 2017
Sunday Worship
Ford 11.45am
Rev. C R Acklam
All welcome
SC0 02121

Highland Parish Church
SCO02493
Sunday 25th June 2017
The service will be conducted by Rev William Crossan
And will be held in the church at 11.15am
All Welcome

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH
Scottish Charity Number SC011686
Sunday 25th June
Morning Service 11.15am
Creche
Rev P Wallace
Tuesday 27th June
Tiny Tots 9.45am
New Hall

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Wednesday
Lunch Club 12.15pm
1.30pm C.A.M.E.O.
Thursday
7.30pm Bible Study
Majors Ben & Ruth Russell
All welcome

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
75 Longrow, Campbeltown
Sunday 25 June 2017
Family Communion Service at 11.00am
Pastor Steve Davies.
All welcome
Wednesday 28 June
12.30pm at the Free Church
Joining with Campbeltown Free Church for Prayer and Bible Study
7.00pm in Springbank Church
Bible Study and Prayer
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www.springbankchurch.co.uk
SCO14646

St. Kieran's Scottish Episcopal Church
Argyll Street, Campbeltown
St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown
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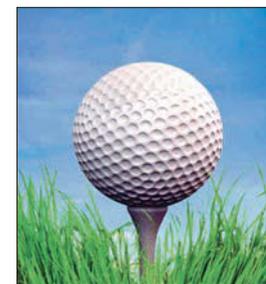
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Bruce MacNab bags MacKenzie-Lamont



HOSTS Allan MacKenzie and David Lamont played consistent golf to finish well up the order in the Mackenzie-Lamont Fifth Major trophy.

But with full handicap allowance in this stableford event, none could beat Bruce MacNab, with 42 points. He had halves of 34+31 for a one-under 65, his round including four birdies.

Despite the heavy rain-fall of last week, 20 players set out in quest of the coveted prize on a Glenralloch in fine condition thanks

to greenkeepers Graham Prentice and Jim Brownlie's dedication to work.

Host Allan MacKenzie was playing well and his one-under-par front nine gave him 21 points. A further 17 on the back nine gave him a total of 38 points and fifth place.

Steve Bleasby has been playing some decent golf of late and a storming back nine of 21 points put him into fourth place also on 38 points but by virtue of a better inward half.

Joint host David 'Del Boy' Lamont was his usual

model of consistency and had five birdies in his round and with an inward nine of 31 shots took third place with a total of 38 points.

Newly crowned player/manager of Tarbert AAFC, David Ronald took second place on 39 points, but for two sixes on the back nine David could easily have had a better score.

A club spokesman said: 'So another successful day at Tarbert Golf Club with the members as always grateful to Allan and David for their continued support.'



Winner Bruce MacNab with players at the clubhouse.

Show jumpers dazzle at Tayinloan

MARIJE Terpstra on Mini showed a clean set of hooves at Argyll Riding Club's annual show to take the champion's prize.

The recent show saw 45 competitors participate across numerous classes at Ferry Farm, Tayinloan, by kind permission of Lorraine and Alasdair Aitken.

Range

There was a range of rider ages, abilities and horse types from the smallest of Shetland ponies to the impressive size of the Clydesdale cross.

Ridden and in-hand showing classes were run in the morning, followed by jumping classes in the afternoon.

Working hunter classes demonstrat-

ed the ridden horses' paces and jumping style while, in the showjumping, classes winners were determined through a combination of accuracy and speed.

A spokesperson said: 'The day proved to be a huge success with even the weather staying bright and dry for most of the day with the slightest of breezes to keep the midges away.'

'The day would not have been possible without the help of the riding club committee and volunteers and many thanks go to the judges, who were Rhoda Munro, Eilidh McCrone and Susan Wood.'

'Special thanks also need to go to the many sponsors who contributed

towards the cost of the fabulous ribbons and gift bags given to the prize winners'.

Although the day is predominantly about fun and inclusion for all levels of equestrian, there are of course winners.

Champions

The champions were – veteran: Willow Ryan with Ryan; working hunter: Jadie Bailie with Cruise; mountain and moorland trophy winner: Nicola Grey Stephens with Corran; utility: Maaia Taylor Smith with Charlie; ridden horse: Kirsty Robb with Callie; open show: Kirsty Robb with Callie and riding club champion: Marije Terpstra with Mini.



Marije Terpstra and Mini.

Mini Meadows rugby festival

P1 TO P7 rugby players touched down for a mini



A great day of rugby was enjoyed by all the children who took part.

rugby festival at the Meadows in Campbeltown.

Youngsters from Kintyre were joined by oval ball experts from Mid-Argyll and Lochgilphead for a celebration of everything which goes over the sticks.

Medals

The day was organised by John Foster, supported by sponsors including Councillor Donald Kelly representing the Common Good Fund, the Royal Hotel for tackle bags, Alasdair MacPhail from the community council and the wind farm trust, which donated medals.



All the players and some of the officials at Saturday's event. 25_c25minirugby0029



A selection of players in action at the festival. 25_c25minirugby0014, 25_c25minirugby0026.



Nominate an unsung star

THE STARTING gun has been fired to find Argyll and Bute's true sporting heroes. The council is inviting nominations for the Argyll and Bute Sports Awards 2017, which aim to celebrate and reward the success and achievements of athletes, coaches and volunteers.

Nominations for the awards' seven categories, which are run in partnership with SportsScotland, are open at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/sportsawards until Friday August 25.

Winners will be announced on Friday September 8 and awards will be given to winners at their own clubs.

Swimmer's sensational freestyle win

SWIMMERS from Kintyre Amateur Swimming Club made a splash in 'the best and noisiest gala'. An outstanding swim saw Claudia Graham's 33.39 take the 10-year-old girls' 50m freestyle win at the Clyde Coast mini league B final recently.

would probably have won this event in the A final. The atmosphere in the Citadel Leisure Centre in Ayr was electric and certainly lived up to its reputation. Kintyre, up against teams from Renfrew Baths, Kilmarnock, North Ayrshire, Kingston and Dum-

fries, made a steady start in the medley relays, picking up a valuable five points in both the girls' and boys' 11 years events and found themselves sitting in sixth equal place at this early stage.

In the individual events, Hannah Millar, eight, swam an excellent 25m freestyle in 20.89, finishing second, followed by 11-year-old Anna Gemmill, who also took second for Kintyre in the 100m breaststroke in 1:39.87. The Kintyre club was sitting in sixth place overall at this stage.

First place finishes for Kintyre's Euan Charlwood in the 11-year-old boys' 100m breaststroke in 1:31.79, and Max Graham in the

nine-year-old boys' 25m backstroke saw Kintyre's points total rise.

Kintyre had moved up to fourth place, only three points behind Kilmarnock with 27 events still to be swum.

The youngsters from Kintyre continued to show strong swims with Josh MacDonald, eight, winning the boys' 25m backstroke and an excellent 100m freestyle by Anna Gemmill in a time of 1:13.77, more than five seconds ahead of her nearest rival from Dumfries.

Niamh Quinn took the 25m breaststroke and Claudia Graham the 10-year-old girls' 50m breaststroke in 46.24, with Iona Renton finishing first in the 11-year-old girls'



Kintyre Amateur Swimming Club by the pool, in the Citadel, Ayr.

100m backstroke in a time of 1:27.90.

Through event 37 Kintyre had closed the gap on Kilmarnock and was sitting in joint third place on 133 points.

In the later stages of the competition, Kintyre girls Claudia Graham, Anna Gemmill, Lara McGeachy and Iona Renton finished first in the 11-year-old girls' 4 x 50m freestyle relay in a superb time of 2:22.22.

Kintyre finished the

mini league final in fourth place on 153 points, ahead of Dumfries and Renfrew Baths, who were fifth equal on 143. The final was won by Kingston on 207 points, with North Ayrshire in second place on 186, and Kilmarnock in third with 165.

Stuart McQuaker, Kintyre's head coach, was delighted with the team's performance, and said: 'Our progress over recent years in the

mini league has been very pleasing, with us narrowly missing out in the B final in 2016.

'To finally get here and compete so well with a slightly depleted squad is testament to the hard work our coaches and swimmers put in each week.'

Swimmers, coaches and parents will gather to celebrate the year's achievements on Thursday June 29 at the Argyll Hotel with the awards night.



Euan Charlwood and Anna Gemmill, both 11, collecting the swimming club's award for fourth place.

SPOT THE BALL

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SPORT



INSIDE THIS WEEK:
Swimmer's sensational freestyle win



Young pupils prize-winners.

Top under-15 footballers honoured at prize-giving

CAMPBELTOWN Pupils 2002s' (U15s) top goalscorer netted the player of the year award at the annual prize-giving.

Pride

At the event, last Friday in the Ardshiel Hotel, management team Willie Renton, Darren Renton and Liam Renton talked of their pride in the team last season

for the effort shown but could not deny a bit of disappointment.

But for a couple of poor performances, where the team hit a bit of bad form, they were capable of winning the league. However, the team had the spirit to come through the period to finish the campaign on better form.

There were some funny mo-

ments from throughout the season shared, not to mention the more embarrassing moments which brought some laughter and, of course, some embarrassment to some of the players.

Thanked

Parents and helpers were all thanked for their support throughout the season. Stephen

Lang thanked the coaches on behalf of the players and parents for the time and commitment they have given to the team through the season.

Prizes and awards were: top scorer: Ross Souden; most assists: Fraser McBrayne; goal of the season: Matthew Lamont; miss of the season: Andrew Renton; I'm a star: Matthew

Lang; golden gloves: Archie McKellar; training award: Alasdair Ferguson; cheerleads: Archie Cook and Calum McKillop; helpers: Alison Thomson, Suzy Ferguson, Stephen Lang and Ian Reid; fair play: Aaron McCallum; clubman: Andrew Renton; break-out player: Calum Cook; player of the year awards – parents': Archie McKellar; players': Archie McKellar; player of the year: Ross Souden.

Parents scrum down in mini rugby fest

PRIMARY rugby stars' parents could not pass up the chance to show their children how to play.

At a Campbeltown mini rugby festival on the Meadows last Saturday, parents relived their glory days, at the end of the afternoon, watched and filmed by the younger players.

For more pictures, see page 30.



Lindsay Colville was a bit nervous at first but soon learned to offload the ball quickly. 25_c25minirugby01



Lindsay Garrett, Ailie MacBrayne and Mairi MacMillan with their silverware, presented by ladies' captain Jana Macpherson, second from the right.

Magic MacBrayne's ladies' title

DUNAVERTY golfer Ailie MacBrayne swung into action to win the club's ladies' championship.

Varied weather

The competition was played over three rounds of varied weather on May 28, June 3 and June 10.

MacBrayne took an early lead af-

ter the first round with a gross 72 and managed to maintain this to win the championship with a total of 229 (72+76+81).

Runner-up was Lindsay Garrett with 240 (77+81+82).

The winner of the handicap trophy was Mairi MacMillan with a net 205 over the three rounds. (61+66+78).

Argyll and Bute Cup draw

THE DRAW for the Argyll and Bute Cup tournament, hosted by Lochgilphead Red Star to be held on Saturday August 5, is: Group A – Oban Saints, Rothesay Brandane, Dunoon and Neilston. Group B – Lochgilphead Red Star, Tarbert, Glasgow Islay and South Lochaber Thistle.

Lotto numbers

WINNING numbers in the Machrihanish Golf Club lottery drawn on Monday June 19 were: 11, 14 and 18.

There were no winners and the jackpot next Monday will be £500.

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