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Cuts cripple blood donation service

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CLAIMS by a Scottish blood transfusion chief about the termination of Campbeltown donor collections were rubbished at the community council.

More than 100 blood donors in Campbeltown were sent a letter last week by Dr Moira Carter, an associate director of donor and transport services at the Scottish National Blood Transfusion Services (SNBTS).

It stated that the demand for blood has reduced in the past six years. In addition, blood has to reach a processing centre within 22 hours from the time of the first collection at a donor session.

Dr Carter stated: 'When the distances are long and the logis-

tics complex, with a risk of unpredictable adverse weather conditions, this can be challenging and with an increased likelihood of losing donations due to the time restrictions.

'It is, therefore, with regret that I write to inform you that, due to our reduced blood collection programme and the risks of losing donations associated with logistics, we are not planning any further sessions in Campbeltown at this time.'

In a Freedom of Information disclosure, in 2015, just 0.10 per cent of all donations, representing 195, 462ml units, was damaged due to transportation or during handling. That year Campbeltown donated at least 250 units.

This decision also seems to fly in the face of previous SNBTS



Iain Campbell last September donated his 100th pint since 1978 but will have to travel 50 miles to Lochgilphead if he wants to donate again.
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press releases and an appeal on its Facebook page this Monday for donors with O- and O+ blood types as supplies are running short.

At a meeting on Tuesday evening, community council member Archie Martin said: 'This is just a cost-cutting issue. They have lots of staff, including nurses at the collections in Victoria Hall - they never use local nurses.'

Another member, Ann Gallacher, said that when an SNBTS donor team comes to Campbeltown its staff are put up at a hotel in Ardrishaig, 38 miles away and that the cost must be high.

Earlier on Tuesday, the *Courier* spoke to Lynne Willdigg, the SNBTS head of donor services west, who claimed that it was

nothing to do with staff accommodation.

Ms Willdigg added: 'In the past six years the demand for blood has reduced by more than 20 per cent due to continued improvements in transfusion practice and supply chain management.'

'The main component of blood has a shelf life of only 35 days so it is important that we make the best use of the donors' gift.'

'As a result, SNBTS has reduced the amount of blood collected in order to avoid outdate of components.'

'The need for new blood donors, however, is ongoing as existing donors retire from donation and the need to recruit new younger donors is important to the long-term sustainability of the blood collection programme.'

Mach 1 revs up

RALLY-racing rubber-burners will scorch round Machrihanish this weekend.

About 110 teams, including the leading competitors in the Blackwood Plant Hire Scottish Tarmac Rally Championship (STRC), will drive 88 miles in 12 stages, during the series' fifth round and the second promoted by Dunfermline Car Club.

This halfway point of the championship is sure to be the turning point for many of the leading drivers.

STRC leader Alan Kirkaldy needs maximum points at Mach 1 and, given previous bad luck at Kintyre, hopes for a change. Last year's winner, John Marshall, starts at car one and has his mind on two in a row.

Organiser David Hat-trick said: 'With the seeding completed and one of the healthiest top 25 cars I have seen in a long time, anybody going to predict the winners is a better man than me.'

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POLICE FILES

Abusive behaviour

A teenage woman was arrested, and later charged, last Wednesday morning, after behaving in an abusive manner in a Longrow South flat.

Assaults

A woman aged 37 attacked another woman at Ardminish on the Isle of Gigha last Thursday. Following the incident, at about 9pm, she was charged with assault.

At 2am last Sunday, in Main Street, Campbeltown, a 26-year-old man assaulted another man. He was arrested and charged.

Defective brakes

A woman driver aged 52 and the 59-year-old male owner of a vehicle were charged with having a defective braking system. The car was stopped in a routine check on the A83 at Campbeltown at 12.25pm last Wednesday.

Drunk driver

A woman aged 46 was arrested at 3.55pm last Saturday on the B842 near Stewarton for alleged drink driving. A report was submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Vehicles damaged

The driver of a black car failed to stop after hitting a Ford Focus on the B842 near Saddell and damaging the wing mirror.

The incident happened at about 1pm last Thursday and police are appealing for witnesses.

In a separate incident, at 12.05am the same day and at 7pm last Sunday, in a field near Carradale, a white Fiat Scudo van, was damaged by having the bodywork dented and windows smashed. Police are investigating.

Bicycle theft

A purple and white mountain bike with a 'Matrix' logo was stolen sometime between June 19 and 28 from the garden of a house in Meadows Avenue, Campbeltown.

Cable theft

About 40 metres of electrical cable was stolen, between 5pm last Sunday and 7.30am on Monday, from a building site near Tayinloan.

■ Anyone with information about these incidents is asked to call police on 101 or through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Whisky tasting lift for patients

A SPIRITED Springbank donation will help elevate Campbeltown hospital patients.

Nearly £3,000 raised during Springbank malt tasting sessions last year in Germany has helped Campbeltown hospital buy Hovermatt and HT-Rollers to help them lift, transfer or turn patients.

Less strenuous

These inflatable devices will make these processes less strenuous for both the patients and the staff.

The idea came from Peter Greve, who works for Springbank importer Hanseatische, and held a charity tasting using bottles from



Springbank staff went to see a demonstration of the inflatable mattress. From the left, they were: Findlay Ross, Alison McGregor, Ranald Watson, Roberta Conley, Mairi Paterson, Catriona Watt and Nicole Napier.

his own personal collection, while Springbank happily donated some special bottles

to also help raise money. Mr Greve wanted to donate to Campbeltown hospital specifi-

cally, looking to support a good cause that will benefit everyone within the community.

Saw Doctors cut a dash in Wee Toon

IRISH cult band the Saw Doctors made their debut to a sell-out Victoria Hall concert audience at 2012's MOKFest.

The Gilchristians also debuted on the Saturday night main stage as the support act.

Return

The Tannahill Weavers made a very welcome return to the festival at the trad concert, five years ago, having performed at the second MOK Fest in 1994.

Eilean Mo Ghoil, music of

Arran collective, played support with Linzi Murphy opening the concert in Campbeltown Heritage Centre.

Fergie MacDonald, The Moonshiners, Hannah Fisher, Sorren McLean and the Kintyre Schools Pipe Band performed at the festival ceilidh with Kay Johnston as MC.

Ex-Bothy Band vocalist Triona Ni Dhomhnaill headlined the Mitchell's Glengyle Dalriada Connections concerts which

also featured Gillian Frame and Pdraig O'Neil with Ali Hutton along with a host of local and visiting musicians.

Debut

Campbeltown's own supergroup Slainte Davaar Allstars made their debut as headliners at the Survivors Night with Violent Echo, Sound of Kintyre Pipe Band, Medium High, Gullion, Il Brasso, Session A83 and Adam Fortune also on the bill.

Sponsors still sought

CAMPBELTOWN Picture House (CPH) should flick into action again in September.

A further £70,000 was pledged by Highlands and Islands Enterprise as it increased its project funding to £371,388 last week and Campbeltown Community Business Ltd (CCB) chairman Jane Mayo said this week she hopes there will be a soft opening in September.

Mrs Mayo added: 'CCB celebrates its 30th anniversary in September.

'The community has looked after this building since 1987 and saved it from the knacker's yard on many occasions.'

There are 100 seats left to sponsor and Mrs Mayo said that the honours board of those who have bought a seat is being prepared at present.

CPH is in the running to be one of Scotland's Dig It 2017 Hidden Gems.

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The 2012 poster.

Woman is arrested after Main Street mayhem

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REPORTS of a possible stabbing in the early hours of Wednesday saw police race to a Cross Street address.

At about 12.35am, the ambulance service attended an incident in Cross Street, Campbel-

town, where a man had been hurt.

Police attended and a man with a chest laceration was taken to hospital where his injury was found to be not serious.

In a second incident the same morning, at about 3.45am,

a 26-year-old woman was arrested in a flat in Main Street, Campbeltown, for allegedly recklessly throwing items out of the flat window and abusive conduct.

Officers, assisted by detectives, continued to investigate both in-

cidents but as the *Courier* went to press no-one had been arrested or charged in relation to the man being injured.

A close next to McKellars was sealed off with police tape early on Wednesday morning.



A police officer was left to secure the Main Street flat, on Wednesday afternoon, when detectives concluded their investigation. 25_c28police02

Boris vows an end to Billy's plight

FOREIGN Secretary Boris Johnson said in parliament: 'We will leave no stone unturned' to bring the six ex-army men, dubbed the Chennai six and held in an Indian prison, back to Britain.

Mr Johnson spoke after it was revealed that Prime Minister Theresa May raised the plight of Campbeltown-

educated ex-paratrooper Billy Irving with the Indian premier Narendra Modi at last weekend's G20 summit.

Billy's fiancée, Yvonne MacHugh said: 'I just want this nightmare to be over. I want to marry the man I love. I want my son to have a father. I want all 35 families to be reunited and I want justice to prevail.'

The men have been held since they were arrested, in October 2013, while heavily armed, on anti-piracy operations, on board MV Seaman Guard Ohio, in Indian territorial waters. Illegal weapons charges were initially dropped but, following an appeal by the Indian authorities, the men were convicted and jailed.

Kintyre bird's North Wales flights

AS MIST clamped in on Machrihanish Seabird Observatory its warden ended his vigil for this year's first twite.

Eddie Maguire said: 'Since 2014, a colour-ringed twite has travelled from Machrihanish to Flintshire in North Wales and back three times.

'A single journey to Connah's Quay in Flintshire is 185.16 miles. The six single journeys completed by this bird amounts to 1,111.01 miles.'

Last Sunday afternoon, Mr Maguire, 71, who first learned the scientific Latin names of birds in his school-days, said that he was waiting for this year's first twite, *Carduelis flavirostris*, to return from the islands.

Since 2010, when the observatory joined the UK twite study project, Mr Maguire, who designed his own trap three years ago, has caught and colouring more than

2,000 of this declining species.

Mr Maguire added: 'The main threats to the species are loss of habitats in both breeding and wintering areas.

'Recoveries of our ringed birds reveal that the main wintering area for flocks that

pass through Machrihanish in the autumn is

NW England, particularly Lancashire.



A twite photographed by Mr Maguire at Machrihanish.



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Campbeltown lifeboat crewman James Arbuckle with an armful of localised teddies. 20_c28rnlio

Campbeltown's life-saving teddies

CAMPBELTOWN town lifeboat station's newest recruits, James Arbuckle, 19, took a break from his training to cuddle up to some of the shop's fluffy new additions for the *Courier's* photographer.

The RNLI shop, on the Old Quay, has received a consignment of cuddly teddy bears wearing t-shirts specially designed for Campbeltown.

One of Campbel-

town lifeboat station's newest recruits, James Arbuckle, 19, took a break from his training to cuddle up to some of the shop's fluffy new additions for the *Courier's* photographer.

To buy one and help save lives at sea, visit the RNLI shop.

Wartime pilot's church mission

A KINTYRE man of the cloth and son of the manse was remembered at a presbytery meeting in Dunkeld and Meikle.

Reverend A J Brennan made the following tribute to Kenneth MacVicar, the fifth of seven children of the minister of Southend, Angus John MacVicar and his wife Marjorie.

Rev Brennan said: 'I have to admit that I am at a severe disadvantage – Kenneth himself was one of the ablest communicators I have met, and could tell a story much better than I can.

'I'm also presented with an impossible task – to summarise Kenneth's 96 years of life and 67 years of ministry. Kenneth was educated at Campbeltown Grammar, before studying pure science at Edinburgh, but by that time war had broken out and he joined the university air squadron.

'Within a couple of years he was award-

ed his wings, commissioned as an officer and posted to the Imphal front in Burma with the 28th army cooperation squadron.

'He flew over India and Burma, earning the DFC and at one point having to evade capture behind enemy lines. When the war ended, he returned to Southend where there was a dawning realisation, partly due to his war experiences, that he was being called to follow in his father's footsteps.

'In September 1946 he married Isobel Mackay, who had been an army nurse during the war, and they moved to St Andrews where Kenneth studied for an arts degree, and trained for the ministry.

'After assisting Rev Strachan in Kinlochard, he preached in Weem for a minister who was interim moderator at Kenmore, and within a fortnight was a candidate for the vacant charge.

'In 1950 he was ordained, though the induction to Kenmore had to be delayed a little till the manse was ready.

'It was a parish on its own and his visitations were by bicycle. Later, when Lawers was linked to Kenmore, someone provided a car for the extra travelling.

'Just before his retirement, Kenmore and Lawers became a united parish, and linked with Fortingall and Glenlyon.

'For much of his ministry, Kenneth preached three times on a Sunday – Kenmore, Acharn and Ardtalnaig, or Kenmore, Fearnan and Lawers, and on top of that was Sunday school at 10.30am and bible class in the evening.

'During the week there were other activities - Boys Brigade, youth club, badminton and table tennis. Kenneth, a Celtic fan also enjoyed golf and was a member at Taymouth Castle.

'Kenmore had a beadle at that time whose practice it was to escort the minister to the door. On the Sunday after an Old Firm match, if Celtic won, the beadle would bow to Kenneth, but if they lost, Kenneth would bow to the beadle, who was an avid Rangers fan.

'Kenneth was well known and well respected as a pastor as well as a preacher.

'Often when visiting people in many different places or at a meeting, as soon as people realised that I came from Kenmore, the first question I would be asked was 'And how is Kenneth MacVicar?' And I can testify to the affection with which he was held by those he had counselled, married, served beside, encountered in any way.

'He was involved in the whole life of the parish, the coffee mornings, the sales of work, an irreplaceable commentator at

Kenmore Highland Games, he wrote plays and pantomimes and produced the church Christmas card.

'In the wider church, Kenneth convened the General Assembly's committee on HM forces, was vice convener of the Unions and Readjustments committee, became a Queen's Chaplain, and served presbytery first as moderator, and then as clerk.

'In addition to the church work, he served as an independent councillor on the Kenmore district council and on various committees.

'He was an author, writing of his own early experiences in *On the Wings of the Morning* and had a great interest in the history of the parish.

'He contributed to the production of a booklet celebrating the 400th anniversary of the church and parish.'

'Kenneth and Isobel had a partnership which sustained their ministry across the decades.

'Isobel brought up their four children – Angus, Kenny, Cameron and Jean – but she also hosted garden parties in the Manse garden, was the long serving president, and honorary president of the Guild, made cups of tea, used her nursing skills and experience in pastoral situations and provided love, moral support, and occasionally protection for her husband.

'Later Kenneth and his son Kenny cared for Isobel through a long period of illness before her death. Kenneth's passing leaves a huge hole in the family, and the parish. He was weel kent, weel lo'ed and weel respected.'



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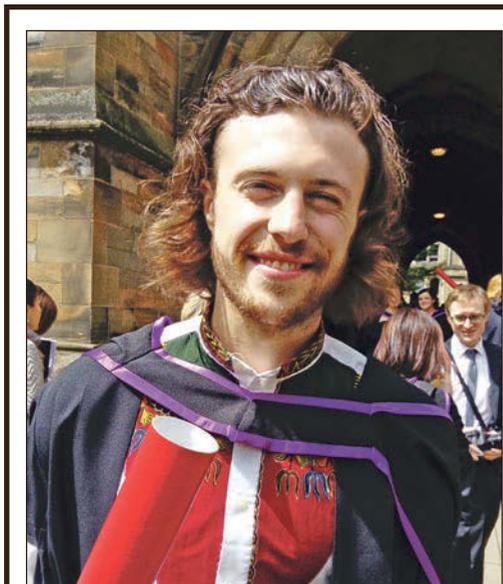
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Son of Alison (nee Johnston) and Alistair McGuigan, and grandson of Ria Johnston, graduated from University of Glasgow with a degree in History and Politics (Upper Second).



THOMAS CHARLES JORDAN

Graduated on June 26, 2017, from Strathclyde University in Scots Law with a Bachelors of Laws degree with Second Class Honours, Upper Division. Thomas is the son of Vince Jordan, Campbeltown, and Maureen Logan, Mount Vernon, Glasgow.

Kintyre father and son's colossal charity march

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A KINTYRE grandfather and his son trekked nearly 100 miles across some of Scotland's most challenging hills and glens to raise £1,450 for the Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Society (SANDS).

John Brooks, 66, who lives near Clachan, and his son Luke Brooks, 36, from Hastings, camped and stayed in bunkhouses and youth hostels throughout the six-day, 96-mile West Highland Way journey from Milngavie, near Glasgow, to Gordon

Square in Fort William.

John, who works in the construction industry, has walked the arduous route one and a half times before, and said: 'I wasn't sure if I'd make it this time – the last time I completed it was nearly 20 years ago, for muscular dystrophy, which my father suffered from.'

This time he chose to raise awareness and money for the charity SANDS after Luke and his wife, Suzanne, lost their baby daughter, Evelyn, 40 weeks into Suzanne's pregnancy.

When John suggested

the sponsored walk to Luke, he was enthusiastic straight away.

'I knew it would be challenging,' said John, 'but it was good to do something together. The low point had to be coming across Rannoch Moor, the weather was really bad and I had sore calves, I struggled there a bit.'

'The last couple of days I said to myself: 'I'm never doing this again.' But a few days after the walk was finished, I said: 'Never say never!'

The pair met several other inspiring people



Luke, left, and John Brooks resting at the end of the arduous West Highland Way.

along the way, including a man with cerebral palsy who was walking 20 miles a day.

John said: 'He was an amazing man. People we met on the journey would sponsor us when they noticed our SANDS t-shirts. Meeting such lovely people made it worthwhile.'

John said the highlight of the trip had to be at the end, when Luke's wife Suzanne came to meet them at the finish line with the couple's sons Ted, five, and Jim, 10 months.

'It was very emotional, Suzanne and the children were waiting

for us with balloons. They also met us at Tyndrum, on the way.

'My cousin Andrew Large surprised us on the route too, just as we were coming off Rannoch Moor – he told us before we started that he'd jump out on us at some point!'

Luke and John want to thank everyone who donated via the sponsor sheets and online fundraising page.

John said: 'Thank you, especially those from Mid Argyll and Kintyre, who have given us a lot of support. It meant a lot to me to do this with my son.'



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Editorial

Rubbish bins make mess

IN 2015, to much fanfare from Argyll and Bute Council, the new marina pontoons were opened. It is a shame the nearest street litter bin was not made seagull proof.

On Wednesday morning food waste, wine bottles, a sunscreen package and even a juice cartoon named Escape were strewn across the pavement at the entrance to the old quay. It is hard to be certain but it certainly looked like it was from a yacht.

It is not the crew's fault, but with the knowledge that visitors will sail into Campbeltown and want to deposit waste, perhaps this bin should be replaced, so the scavenging seagulls do not gain a free meal.

Recently Campbeltown Community Council, as part of its £12,000 Esplanade improvement plan, funded with Tesco Bags of Help money, has bought one seagull-proof bin.

At the community council meeting on Tuesday, it was also revealed that the tidiness of Dalintober pier and the areas round the foreshore are the harbour master's responsibility.

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Wild flowers flourish on Esplanade

Sir,

I read with great interest today both the editorial: 'Lay off the Weedkiller' and Judy Martin's fine letter on the same subject.

It might interest readers who do not read the magazine of Kintyre Antiquarian and Natural History Society that some years ago, I wrote about *Erinus alpinus*, Fairy foxglove, discussing the spread of the plant in Kintyre.

If anyone wants to read that article it is in magazine number 55 on page 22. It might also be of interest that on Christmas Day 2016, I saw a couple of flowers of this very attractive wee plant on a wall at the east end of Argyll and a Christmas Fairy foxglove is certainly a first in my botanical life.

Further to Mrs Martin's letter, I hope most sincerely that the breast wall along the Esplanade will not be sprayed with weedkiller for among the so-called weeds there are some interesting plants for people who are willing to look.

Some years ago, my friend Ian Teesdale discovered a fine show of Black medick, *Medicago lupulino* there and this year, I was pleased to see that this plant colony had spread considerably.

Also along the breast wall



A fine crop of wild flowers on Campbeltown Esplanade.
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Down memory lane



A worker in the former Jaeger factory some time before 2001 when it pulled out of Campbeltown. Can anyone identify this young tailor?

EARLIER this year (2001) the *Courier* reported on knitwear firm Jaeger's demise and the loss of 209 jobs.

It is in administration

but still has shops trading across Scotland. It has been reported that unsecured creditors, led by César Araújo of the Portuguese clothing man-

ufacturer Calvelex, apparently owed millions, are persuing its former owner Better Capital, run by Guernsey based Jon Moulton.

there are two substantial plants of Sea beet, *Beta vulgaris ssp maritima*.

Neither of the two plants mentioned is particularly rare, but neither is particularly common in Kintyre.

Mrs Martin wrote about the Buddleia which grows there being attractive to bees and butterflies, and the same can be said of the Sea radish, *Raphanus raphanistrum ssp maritimum*.

This plant is very common on all our shores but the in-

sects love it and these same insects are not only attractive, but are necessary for our continued survival.

Truly we must lay off the weedkiller.

**Agnes R Stewart,
 7 Ramsay Place,
 Campbeltown.**

Unkempt foreshore may attract rats

Sir,

Visitors such as yacht sailors approaching Campbeltown across the loch see an unkempt foreshore with weeds and litter.

If that is their first impression of the town they may think the whole place is untidy. Rubbish gets tangled up with the weeds on the Esplanade foreshore and attracts rats.

If people are concerned about the wild flowers amongst the weeds perhaps they should organise a cleaning group.

**Charlie McLean,
 Callie Catering,
 Campbeltown.**

Memorandum of misunderstanding

Sir,

On your front page report, you state that Burcote Wind had a memorandum of understanding with CS Wind, the implication being that because of that, their proposal should have been approved rather than the RES one. Local opinion is that neither of these proposals is suitable for a scenic lowland glen like Barr Glen. Both were strongly opposed by local residents, but, as usual, the Scottish government ministers paid no heed to their opinions.

In granting permission for Blary Hill, they chose the less obtrusive one, which is how the decision should be reached, with no heed being paid to memorandums of understanding. Just because we have a wind tower manufacturer in Kintyre, it does not mean they have to be erected on the peninsula.

Kintyre relies heavily on tourism, by reason of its outstanding scenic natural beauty.

When it becomes an industrial wind farm landscape, as is well on the way to happening, tourists will not come. What then becomes of the many local businesses reliant on tourism for their survival?

In the editorial column, on page six, it is stated: 'There is an economic benefit where generation occurs.' The main economic benefits from wind farms are reaped by the developers and landlords, often absentees, as in the case of Blary Hill, who ride roughshod over local residents in their pursuit of huge profits.

Those residents would be much happier to be allowed to retain the quality of their living environment.

**Christine O'Hanlon,
 Beacharr,
 Tayinloan**

Motorbike menace at Westport beach

Sir,

This weekend my walk was ruined by a motorbike, which appeared to be unregistered and was without a licence plate, whizzing up and down and around on Westport beach.

I called the police who only attended the car park.

The rider was supported by people in two cars, who left when the police arrived.

When I filmed the biker he turned into the dunes and disappeared. Probably to Machrihanish as I saw tracks there later in the day.

I have a video of the biker and pictures of the tracks in the sand. I didn't dare let the dog off the lead. It is a disgrace and something needs to be done about it. I could not believe this would happen, and on a Sunday.

**Susan Berrington,
 Davaar Avenue,
 Campbeltown.**



Motorcycle tyre tracks at Westport beach.

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Dragons' Den bids for cash

A GROUP of social entrepreneurs bid for cash in front of their peers at a Dragons' Den-style event.

The workshop was co-ordinated by charity Inspiralba and supported by UnLtd Scotland.

Study visits to MACC business park and South Kintyre Development Trust on day one highlighted benefits from securing assets of land and premises for communities.

Entertainment was provided by social enterprises that have formed over the past two years via the Vital Spark programme,



Study visit delegates at MACC with Malcolm McMillan.

from Homesong and Triple Aspect Theatre.

Cultural Connections provided a fusion of food with a Scottish and Bangladeshi flair.

The main event on the second day attracted 50 people from across Argyll plus a

live stream, supported by students Paul and Andy from Argyll College.

The social enterprise sector in Argyll contributes £40.7 million to the economy, based on a 2015 audit.

UnLtd Scotland has agreed to work with

partners in Argyll and Bute for the next five years and committed £100,000 and staff resources.

At the end of the conference, pitches included Inspired by Autism, Keeping It Local, Shopperaide, 3b Design, E Tyler Biochar, K Clark Snack Shack.

Prizes included £3,500 business support from Inspiralba, £1,000 and business support from Argyll and Bute Council, and business support and scope for a further £7,000 from UnLtd Scotland.

A newsletter is available from info@inspiralba.org.uk.

Brendan O'Hara MP: *The View from Westminster*

THERE is a ridiculous irony to Theresa May's call for political opponents to unite, across the party divide to deliver a Brexit that works for everyone.

Her call for unity is a consequence of her own arrogance and hubris in calling an unnecessary general election, in which she went from a comfortable majority, to buying off the DUP with £1.5 billion of public money to save her government.

The irony is that just a few months ago, the Scottish Government approached the Tories with exactly such a proposal; one in which we could all work together and the view of Scottish people, who overwhelm-

ingly voted to remain in the EU, could be accommodated.

The proposals, in the document *Scotland's Place in Europe*, stated the two governments should work to protect Scotland's place in the single market and ensure that key industries, including farming and aquaculture, are safeguarded post-Brexit.

Theresa May had a parliamentary majority and the proposals were given short shrift.

With her future career prospects looking pretty desperate and the minority government clinging to power, suddenly the prime minister is in listening mode for cross-party consensus.

I welcome that fact



Brendan O'Hara.

that the Tories are now prepared to work with others because Scotland needs a bespoke solution to the enormous problems Brexit will bring.

We need a Brexit that recognises that 85 per cent of Scottish agricultural land is classified by the EU as a less-favoured area.

I welcome the fact that, albeit belatedly, the prime minister wants to talk. I just hope she wants to listen too.

ADVERTORIAL

Argyll College UHI scoops prestigious annual awards

Two of the top accolades in the Highlands and Islands Students' Association's (HISA) annual awards scheme have been won by Argyll College UHI representatives.

Mo McKenna and Judi Worthington, who run the College's Arran Centre, were named 'Best Support Staff' and Dunoon student Scott Anderson won the 'Best Engagement with the Student Voice - Student' category.

A further three staff members were Highly Commended in this year's honours, which are open to nominations from all 13 different Colleges and research institutions which make up the University of the Highlands and Islands.

The announcement was welcomed by Argyll College UHI Principal Fraser Durie, who was very impressed by both the number and standard of nominations from across the area.

"It is wonderful that our students felt strongly enough about the fantastic job many of our staff and student representatives do that they took the time to nominate them for these prestigious awards," he added.

"The Argyll College UHI nominees were up against high quality competition from an area stretching from Shetland to Elgin to Perth, so to come out with two awards and three commendations is brilliant.

"I'd like to take this opportunity to congratulate our winners in particular, but also all other nominees and other staff

who together work so hard to ensure Argyll College UHI provides the best educational experience it possibly can."

Mo and Judi, the Arran centre manager and assistant centre manager respectively, were nominated by a student who said although there were only two of them, they 'provide the support, encouragement and advice of a team of 100'.

"They are always so happy, enthusiastic and positive and work together so hard as a team to make our lives at college as smooth as possible," the student added.

"The pair of them are true stars and it's fantastic that they've been recognised for all they have done for me and every other Arran student. They truly deserve it."

Mo said she and Judi were both 'stunned and absolutely delighted' to have received the award.

"Supporting students through good times and bad can be one of the most challenging, but also the most rewarding, parts of our job. I know how hard all staff in University of the Highlands and Islands work to support students, so to win this is just amazing," she added.

Scott Anderson, won the Best Engagement with the Student Voice category, and is no stranger to awards last year having won the Best Class Representative accolade in the same scheme.

Scott spent 20 years in the catering industry before embarking on life as a student, and now

juggles his studies with helping to look after his three children.

The student who nominated him states he has "worked tirelessly always trying to engage with students across our network. He has made every effort to hear what students are saying and to act on their feedback. He has gone above and beyond in his role and his dedication should not go unnoticed."

Scott said: "I am genuinely shocked, honoured and humbled that people went out of their way to nominate me again! I'm really grateful to the students of Argyll College UHI and to HISA for giving me these opportunities and experiences that I have enjoyed so much over the last year."

The three Argyll College UHI nominees who were Highly Commended were Campbeltown's Kerry McGeachy in the Most Inspiring Lecturer category, and Morag Nimmo from Dunoon and Dawn Miller from Campbeltown, both in the Most Engaging Video Conference Tutor category.

The University of the Highlands and Islands was one of the first UK institutions to introduce student-led teaching awards. The initiative, now in its eighth year, recognises excellence in 14 categories, with winners coming from around the university partnership.

Dr Iain Morrison, dean of students at the university, said: "You cannot fool a student: they know high quality learning and teaching and great student sup-

port when they see it. The fact that there was a record number of nominations, covering every part of the university, suggests that our staff continue to provide excellent teaching and support for the people whose feedback they care about most, their students. The student testimony from these awards is genuinely moving at times and anyone considering studying with us can be assured they will be in good hands."

Holly Scrimgeour, president of the Highlands and Islands Students' Association, said: "The HISA Awards are an excellent opportunity for our students to celebrate the people who have supported them throughout their studies and reward them for their efforts and contributions to university life.

"Our lecturers and support staff are vital to the student experience during study and these awards allow us an insight into who is going above and beyond to positively benefit our student population.

"The nominations are a delight to read. The HISA Awards also acknowledge our class representatives and clubs and societies ensuring that we celebrate those students who give their time and support to their classmates. It is an honour to give these awards."

For more information on Argyll College UHI, an academic partner of the University of the Highlands and Islands, go to <https://www.argyll.uhi.ac.uk/>



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Carradale Church Guild's summer spectacular

CARRADALE Guild welcomed the first female moderator of Argyll presbytery to officially open their summer fair.

Marilyn Shedden was welcomed to the event by Guild member Una Semple, after which she gave a short speech.

Before the crowds started buying up all the stalls, Zoe Macalister Hall presented Ms Shedden with a basket of flowers.

For more on the summer fair, see page 16.



Zoe Macalister Hall, left, with the evening's guest, Marilyn Shedden. 20_c28carradale05

GIGHA



Competitors in the 2014 raft race.

Gigha raft race returns

PADDLERS on homemade rafts will splash across Gigha's Boathouse bay after a three-year break.

Gigha raft race returns this year, on July 29, organised by the Boathouse bar and restaurant's new owners, Sharon and James Clark.

Mr and Mrs Clark, who visited the island for years before they moved there and bought the restaurant and had attended previous raft races themselves, were keen to get the event up and running again.

Mr Clark said: 'We know of some local

children and children from Point Sands Holiday Park are planning on entering, so we're hoping for a good family day out.'

This year, there will be adult and junior categories, the first of which sets sail at 2.30pm, although there will be entertainment and food served at the restaurant from 10am.

There are some rules for those who wish to take part: all rafts must be built for the event, although there is no restriction on the materials used; rafts are to be paddled, there can be no sails, windsurfers or engines; only 16-year-

olds and younger can race in the junior section and all must wear life-jackets; and the starter will have the final say in whether or not rafts qualify for the race.

Each crew will kick off from the jetty at the Boathouse, and race across the bay, with prizes for all the winners.

The proceeds from the raffle and raft entries will go to Gigha primary school.

Fancy dress is welcomed and there will be a bouncy castle and face-painting, so it's set to be fun-filled afternoon.

Act Hubs helps Achamore gardens

A PROJECT to help enhance visitor experiences across Argyll has put down roots at Gigha's Achamore gardens.

Argyll and the Isles Coast and Countryside Trust (ACT), has created Act Hubs, funded by the Scottish government and the European Community Argyll and the Islands Leader 2014-2020 programme.

ACT will help the Achamore Gardens Trust volunteer programme.

Amy Wilson of Achamore Gardens said 'The Achamore Gardens Trust exists to lead its restoration.

'Our mandate from the Gardens' community is not only to invite people to celebrate the wild beauty of Achamore but also to facilitate participation, engagement and regeneration.

'With the assistance of ACT Hubs, we will be able to facilitate the creation of new participant focused opportunities, built around their passions, skills and ambitions.'

ACT trustee Ross Lilley said: 'This project gives the trust an opportunity to help Argyll residents and visitors get more out of the countryside surrounding our communities.

For more information, contact: Elaine Cameron, ACT Hubs project officer at elaine@act-now.org.uk or phone: 07824 833001



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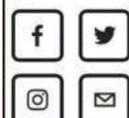
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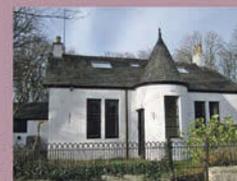
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Heavyweight sponsors have thrown their muscle behind Southend's annual highland games.

And there is still plenty of space, in the field, for trade or craft stalls at the event, which in the past has attracted up to 1500 competitors and spectators combined.

Games secretary John Galbraith said: 'We are very pleased to have the highland dancing competition back this year with all the traditional classes. After being a demonstration highland dancing event last year.

'In addition this year, for the first time, a Ladies Open Carskey Cup, for the lady with most points in track and field events will be awarded thanks to Tom Helm of Carskey Estate.

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Others including: vet J Hooper, Campbeltown Motor Company, County Garage, Glenside Tractors and Roy's Taxis have helped sponsor this feature in the Courier.

The night starts and finishes with a marching performance by Kintyre Schools Pipe Band.

Senior events include: ladies broom tossing, an open tyre tossing competition, hammer, shot putt, throwing the 28lb weight, high jump, weight over the bar and tossing the caber.

There are separate half mile races for boys and girls

aged from 14 to 16 and for senior ladies and men, as well as a senior mens and ladies mile race.

The winner of the men's mile will be presented with the Kevin Scally cup.

Prizes for senior track and field events, the mile and 100 yard sprints are: 1 £20, 2 £15 and 3 £10. Prizes for the junior heavy field events are: 1 £10, 2 £8 and 3 £5. Prizes for childrens track events are: 1 £1, 2 70p and 3 50p. There is a special fund for the three legged race with the following prizes: 1 £2, 2 £1.40 and 3 £1.

The committee's decision is final in any disputes that arise and all competitors are reminded that they are required to have their own insurance.

For more information about trade or craft stalls call John Galbraith on 01586 830235

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were treated to tea, coffee, soup and cakes, as well as a tombola.

Results: 1 M Magnusson, Murphy 93; 2 J Casey, Dan 90; 3 C Cropper, Fly 90; 4 J McKillop, Joe 88; 5 C Toner, Spot 86;

6 C Davidson, Cap 86; 7 A Carnegie, Rook 85; 8 M Magnusson, Nap 83; 9 N McVicar, Mist 83; 10 J Casey, Shep 81. Confin'd class: 1 K McCullough, 2 K McCullough, 3 C Stewart.

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Results: autumn herds: 1 Dippen, 2 Uigle, 3 Strathnafanaig, 4 Lagan. Best cow: Uigle. Best team of cows: Dippen. Best team of calves: Dippen. Best calf: 1 Dippen, 2 Uigle, 3 Strathnafanaig.

Spring herds: 1 Killacraw, 2 Low Dunashery, 3 Killegruer, 4 Kilwhipnash. Best cow: Killacraw. Best team of cows: Killacraw. Best team of calves: Killacraw. Best calf: 1 Low Dunashery, 2 Killegruer, 3 Killacraw.

Overall prizes: Team of cows: Killacraw. Langa salver, best cow: Uigle. Parker cup, best calf: Low Dunashery. David Henderson cup, best team of calves: Dippen. John H Warnock cup, best herd overall: Killacraw.

Tiree prepares for annual agricultural show

THE community on Tiree is gearing up for its annual agricultural show next Friday, July 21.

And there will be something for everyone, with a packed line-up of activities, culminating in a dance in the evening. What is new for 2017? To be judged in pens – cow with her calf and ewe with her twin lambs.

There will also be classes for veteran horses, decorated harness, a baking demonstration and a special children's corner. Choose from more than 200 classes from poultry, pets, horses and ponies, tractors, Clydesdales, cattle and sheep, covering all breeds of livestock on Tiree. All entries are welcomed. This year also sees an all ladies line-up of judges. Show schedules are all available at the website www.tireeshow.co.uk, with copies at the rural centre.

classes in the home industries section for baking, creating, knitting, painting and growing, with categories for all ages and visitors.

A highlight will be the recycled materials scarecrow competition.

The ever-popular Mark Wylie and his Drakes of Hazard will be performing twice during the day.

Following the champion of champions, the day will round off with the presentation of cups followed by the grand show raffle and tossing the sheaf.

And to round it all off is the not-to-be missed show dance with Gunna Sound in An Talla at 9.30pm. Tickets are £10 at the door.

Entry to the show is priced at £5 for adults, £2 for children five to 16 and free for under-fives.

As well as livestock, there are

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Mach 1 rally racers set for rip-roaring weekend

PETROLHEADS are set to pour into Kintyre from today as the fourth Mach 1 rally revs up for action.

Support teams and organisers have been working at full throttle since Monday to prepare the venue at the former airbase.

In addition, they have completed jobs such as placing green signs on lampposts to route spectators through the town.

Tonight, by popular demand, about seven crews and their vehicles are expected at the ferry terminal from

about 6pm to 7.30pm. It is a great chance to meet the drivers and navigators and last year many youngsters enjoyed sitting in a real rally car.

Springbank Distillery is supporting this year's rally and, together with Campbel-



Pit crews work on Murray Coulthard's Citroën at last year's Mach 1 rally. 25_c28machrally02



A spot of rain makes for tricky driving conditions. 25_c28machrally04

town Motor Company, has sponsored this page.

Teams travelling from across Britain will find Argyll Bakeries serving hot and cold food from lunchtime at the base especially for crews at scrutineering.

This year's spectator entry will cost £5 per person on Saturday, which includes free entry on Sunday, on the back of feedback from 2016.

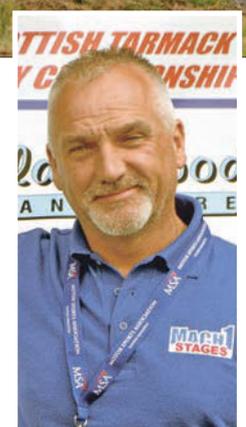
Access will be via the West Park Fergus gate, and spectators are to follow the green arrows which will be positioned at key points to direct the traffic throughout the town. Spectator viewing will be similar to previous years. However, routes have been amended to ensure the spectators see more of the action.

Splits, merges, the start and finish all

within easy view of the spectator area which should provide some great action for all.

It is not all about racing: Argyll Bakeries and Coast Coffee will have a full range of refreshments available.

The Saturday evening social in the officers' mess will have a canteen and bar supplied by Argyll Bakeries with the same price of £7.50 as last year 2016 from 6pm till late.



David Hatrick, the motorsport maverick, who organises the Mach 1 rally and set the cars rolling back in 2014. 25_c28machrally05

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The Campbeltown Motor Company-sponsored Peugeot 205 lifts a wheel during cornering last year. 25_c28machrally03

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The directors and staff of Springbank Distillery have the greatest pleasure in wishing everyone involved in the 2017 MACH 1 the best of luck.

From takeaway to taking time to savour food



Gillian Brodrick with waitresses Zoe Pompili, 17, and her daughter Rosie, 17. 25_c28Foodforthought01

A SANDWICH shop supremo hopes to tickle fresh palates with his Food for Thought fine dining concept.

In addition, the town's latest eatery has created eight jobs and will soon have a vacancy for a chef de partie.

Just 21 months ago, chef Billy Brodrick, 46, supported by his wife Gillian, began cooking up treats at his Burnside Street takeaway, styled as Food for Thought.

It was never going to be enough for the food

maestro, who had already won a raft of awards at Tarbert's Anchor Hotel and worked on the television show *The Cook's Tour*.

Mr Brodrick harboured ambitions to bring fine dining to Campbeltown and, at 10 Longrow, in a recently refurbished unit, once occupied by Number 10 Bistro, he has opened the Wee Toon's first dedicated top-end modern restaurant which is not a hotel.

Mr Brodrick said: 'Everything on the menu is made from scratch, nothing is bought in.'

'I begin boiling bones for stock on a Tuesday.

'I have always worked at country house-style restaurants and won ro-

settes for my cooking. We are already curing our own salmon.'

Mrs Brodrick, who runs the front of house operation, said: 'This building has lain derelict for years. Many customers have come and said how great it is to see Longrow South looking good again.'

It is a truly family operation as the Brodricks are helped by Gillian's parents, daughters and a nephew in the kitchen.

Despite aiming for the discerning evening diner, the Brodricks are just as happy to sell teas and cakes in the afternoon and it is all made as fresh as possible.

Mr Brodrick's first night, last week, was for a private party.

He had to push the start date a little bit early, as Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC was determined to celebrate her retirement in grand style.



The trio of bands are ready to roll.

Ska, trad and indie rockers set for MOK Fest

HIGH-OCTANE Celtic dance kings The Peatbog Faeries, Scotland's nine-man, Ska juggernaut Bombskare and Cal-Mac Culture winners Start Static all feature on MOK Fest's top bill next month.

As MOK Fest celebrates its silver anniversary in style the three great bands' performances promise something for everyone at the Saturday night Victoria Hall concert on August 19.

Hailing from the Isle of Skye, The Peatbog Faeries are the figurehead trailblazers of the Celtic dance music renaissance.

Drawing upon a dazzling myriad of influences from traditional jigs and reels through jazz, hip hop, reggae and more,

they take traditional Scottish music and bring it fresh-faced and breathless into the 21st century.

They have twice been voted best live band at the Scottish Traditional Music Awards and they have made a number of high-profile live appearances, including Glastonbury and Womad.

Describing their sound as: 'Ferocious ska with a Scottish death reggae twist - like the Blues Brothers on speed, crossed with Madness on Prozac,' Bombskare have been firm favourites on Scottish live music scene for years.

Renowned for their technical prowess as much as their infectious ska anthems, they com-

bine lush, three-part harmonies with choppy guitar attacks and an explosive horn section to truly blow the audience away.

Glasgow indie rockers Start Static bring their infectious mix of choruses and tunes to the festival and will open the concert.

This year's concert will be partially seated with tables and chairs and doors opening at 9.30pm.

Tickets for this event and all the concerts are available from A P Taylors, Main Street, Campbeltown, and online from Ticketweb at www.ticketweb.co.uk or call 08444 771 000.

For updates go to www.mok-fest.com or email mokfest@hotmail.co.uk.

Finlay picks Cancer Research raffle winners

THE KINTYRE committee of Cancer Research UK called on the services of a two-year-old to pick winners at its grand raffle.

Wee Finlay McAlinden, from Stonehaven, who was visiting his granny, was allowed to pick the first ticket last Saturday, but seemed more interested in the paper's folds than the details of the winner.

One group of friends were disappointed not

to win on the raffle but took home consolation prizes from the bottle stall. Judy Skilbeck won some moisturising cream, her friend Fiona Mason collected apple juice but her mum Sheena MacDonald eclipsed the pair with a bottle of whisky.

The committee's next big event, the Relay for Life, is a sponsored walk from Westport to Machrihanish on Sunday July 30. Forms are

available from Jake Saunders at Tesco.

As the *Courier* went

to press, a final fundraising figure had not been agreed.



Gillian holds a special bottle of Springbank whisky bottled for the opening. 25_c28Foodforthought0



Catherine Ralston watches as Finlay McAlinden, two, held by his granny, Elise Glendinning, picked the first raffle ticket. 25_c26crukcoffee01

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Wee Toon Tumblers frozen weekend

A SNOW princess and her snowman buddy added sparkle to a play group's big weekend.

Last Saturday and Sunday, Keryn McPhee starred as Elsa assisted by snowman Olaf (Catriona Lawrie), from Disney's

classic *Frozen*, to bring a touch of Hollywood glamour to the Wee Toon Tumblers event.

The community education centre was packed as parents and children sampled the party atmosphere.

As well as the regular soft play area, a bouncy castle was set up and Funky Monkey's Lori Silvan was kept busy painting faces.

Organiser Gillian McMillan said: 'The weekend is not only about having fun, we

also hope to showcase what we have to offer and promote our summer offer of two hours of soft play for the price of one.

'The offer extends until August 15 at the Kintyre Community Centre in Stewart Road, at £2 per child.'

Back middle Keryn McPhee as Elsa and Catriona Lawrie as the snowman with a group of children in the soft play area. 25_c28tumblers02



Mum Kelsey Brown holds son Kian Green, three months, with Megan Marshall and Jordan Docherty, six months, Josie McGeachy and Ivana Mati, eight, and Ceris McTaggart, six. 25_c28tumblers03



Robot Reece Thompson, 10, and cartoon dog Ruby Soper, nine. 25_c28tumblers05



Lori Silvan of Funky Monkey turns Tristram Hartshorn-Grant, 10, into Halloween. 25_c28tumblers04



Pink sparkly tiger Eva McKinven, four, and Cara McKinven, with rainbow facepaint, also wore their Elsa outfits bought to go to Disney on Ice. Rosie Paterson, five, was a ballerina and Jack Barr, four, joined them. 25_c28tumblers06

What's on in Campbeltown

TOMORROW is a busy day for fundraisers with at least six events planned for Campbeltown.

Before lunch there is a choice of two coffee mornings: at the Salvation Army hall in Burnside Street from 10am to noon and at the same time the MS group is at the town hall with baking, bottles and a raffle.

Into the afternoon and from 1pm to 4pm, to replace the cancelled harbour day, there is a flag and open day at the lifeboat station. There will be teas and burgers and hot-dogs from the Rotary barbecue on the quay.

Across at Stronvar Bowling Club the annual fete opens its doors at 2pm with games on the green. At the same time in Kirk Street hall Highland Parish Church has a sale of work.

At Killegruer shore,

from 2pm, by the caravan site, there is a fun day organised by Killean and Kilchenzie church, with races, stalls and teas. If the weather is inclement,

this event will be held on Sunday.

Next week, on Saturday July 22, there is a senior citizens social club tea dance in the Masonic Hall from

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Saturday 22nd July
Gala Day

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 Pier Square to North Car Park for a 1.15pm start
 Stalls & games on the Front Green,
 Amusements, burger van, vintage bus display,
 Teas, coffees and home baking in the North Hall.

Gala Day Dance
 Ardrishaig public hall 8pm - late
 Crackin Craic, Licensed Bar
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 Available at Rumblin Tums and Ferguson Butcher

A fun family weekend - hope to see you there!

Airport Oscar winner crashed out

AN ACADEMY Award-winning film including a jumbo jet crash at Machrihanish was a notable omission from a recent *Courier* feature, according to a South Kintyre councillor.

White Nights, a 1985, American produced film mixing ballet and a Cold War defection, which won an Oscar for Lionel Ritchie's song: *Say You Say Me*, was filmed in Kintyre, Finland, Portugal, The Soviet Union and Austria.

The History, Heritage and Archaeology supplement published on Friday June 30, included a list of west Highland film success but excluded this film which bombed with critics but grossed \$42 million.

Councillor John Armour wrote on the *Courier* Facebook page: 'I would have thought that when mentioning the movies, filmed on the west coast, on page 26, that the 1985 Oscar winner

White Nights would be mentioned.

'It was partly filmed at Machrihanish air-base with many locals taking part as extras.'

The plot was, that a Soviet ballet dancer, played by Mikhail Baryshnikov, who had defected from the Soviet Union, is in a plane crash in Siberia on the way to Tokyo and is recognised by a KGB officer.

Sequence

The movie's initial plane crash sequence, of a touch-and-go landing at RAF Machrihanish, was filmed using a re-badged Aer Lingus 747.

Usually, due to the high cost of wrecking a jet, models would be used for the actual crash. It was staged, at the airport, with a real Boeing 707, bought from South America and remodelled to look like a jumbo jet.

Kintyre was chosen for its remoteness and because of the airport's extra long 1.8 mile runway

Carradale guild's great summer fair

PEOPLE queued in the drizzle to get into Carradale Guild's annual summer fair, which was held in the village hall.

Inside was a range of traditional coffee evening treats, including a raffle, a tombola, guess the number of sweets in the jar, guess the weight of the cake, a treasure hunt, a bottle stall, a plant sale, a bric-a-brac table, and a baking stall that was so crowded the *Courier's* reporter couldn't even get a look!

The event was opened by guest of honour Marilyn Shedden, who was introduced on stage by Guild member Una Semple, who said: 'To my knowledge, Marilyn was the first lady moderator of the presbytery of Argyll, and she has done a lot of work in that capacity.'

Ms Shedden, who finished her post as moderator in June, said: 'I was privileged to serve in that role. I met a lot of people and got to visit a lot of churches - and in that time, I've never been on a stage with a spotlight!'

'It's lovely to be here, to support a very worthy cause. I can't wait to get down and spend my money.'

After she officially opened events, Marilyn was presented with a beautiful basket of flowers by Zoe Macalister Hall.



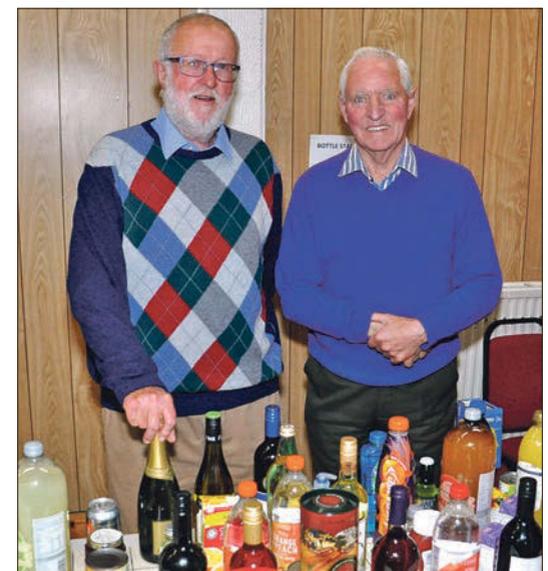
Joy Bidmead was in charge of the 'Guess the weight of the cake' stall. 20_c28carradale02



Mary Macalister Hall, Carole Abernethy and Sylvia Irvine worked hard in the kitchen. 20_c28carradale01



Marilyn Shedden is presented with a basket of flowers on stage by Zoe Macalister Hall. 20_c28carradale04



Tony Leighton and William Semple took control of the bottle stall. 20_c28carradale03



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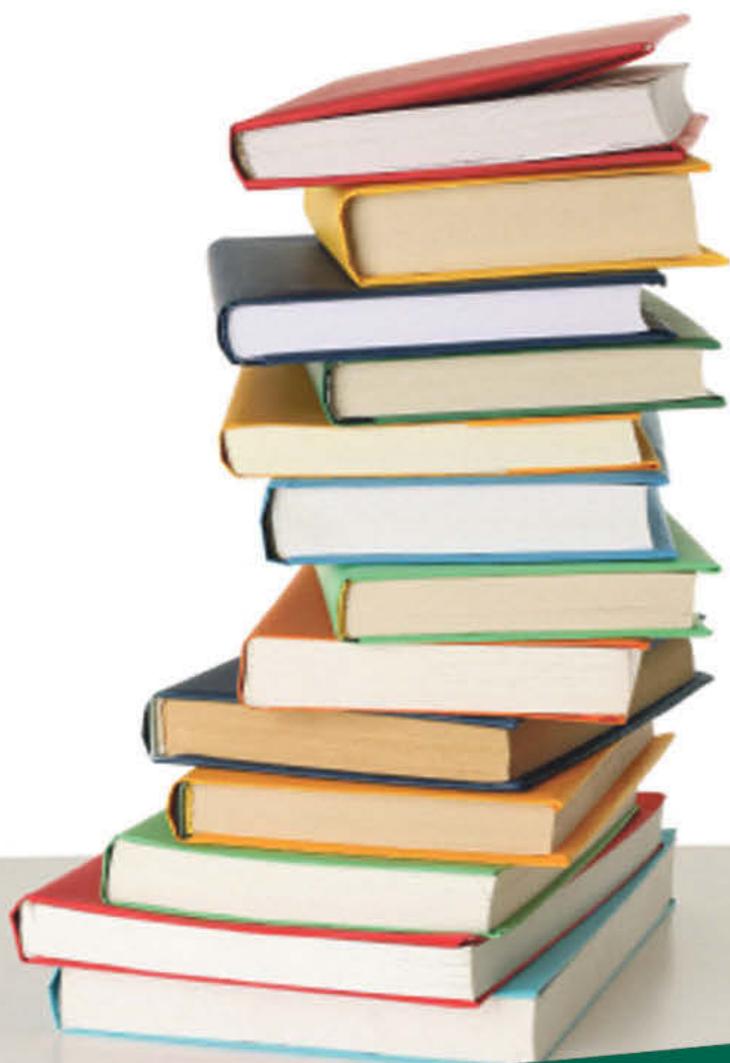
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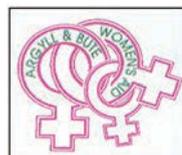
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The nursery's morning pupils with their certificates.

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FIFTY YEARS AGO Thursday July 20, 1967

Hector retires at 89

'I'VE HAD a lovely life,' said veteran professional golfer Hector Thomson at Machrihanish on Thursday.

Hector, who has recently retired from full-time golf coaching, is looking forward to his 90th birthday on September 1.

He is believed to have been the oldest practising professional in the world.

As he stood on his front lawn with one of his home-made golf clubs, the tall, upright figure of Hector Thomson,

who has played professional golf for 41 years, gazed over Machrihanish Links – his life-long club.

'It has never been as prosperous as it is now,' he said.

Asked if it was usual for professional golfers to make their own clubs, Hector replied: 'Very few pros do that nowadays.'

He went on to tell a reporter that he was very keen on football as a youngster before taking up caddying.

Though he never entered the really big competitions, Hector earned himself a good reputation among golfers far and near.

With him on the front lawn at his Machrihanish home, Swallowholme, was his grandson Peter, who, at the age of 14 and a half, has a handicap of only 18.

Hector likes his Machrihanish home so much that he hasn't been away on holiday for 10 years.

Asked if he had any special tips for retaining one's youth, the man who doesn't look a minute over 60 quipped: 'The first thing you do is lead a clean life.'

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO Saturday July 14, 1917

Happy celebration at Glenbreckerie

ARGYLL'S Highlands include many a stretch of country to be described as 'of the glens, the bens, and the brave.' And on Thursday last, July 5, one of the many 'brave' who hail from its 'glens and bens,' Second Lieutenant John Galbraith, of the A. and S. H., son of Mr Hector Galbraith, Polliwilline, was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Hardie, fourth daughter of the late Rev. Andrew McLaren Young, Southend, and of Mrs Young, now of the school house, Glenbreckerie.

As befitted a time when restriction is the order of the day even as to the most legitimate festivities of social life, the wedding was celebrated in the quietest fashion, at Glenbreckerie.

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Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



AS I WRITE this I have just finished watching the Nadal v Muller tennis match. It was riveting and the standard of tennis was superb.

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Inevitably there was, but in this game no-one deserved to be a loser.

However one thing that began to irritate me was the constant commentary on every stroke, every expression, every move and every piece of history about each player.

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In scripture we are invited to be still to connect with God, and we recall the familiar words, 'Be still and know that I am God'.

People often say that God doesn't speak to people today, but I think the answer is to ask: 'Where are you listening?'

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus said, 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep' (John 10:11).

BIRTHS



HOGG

Lewis and Lucy (née Colville) are happy to announce the birth of Harris Campbell, at home in Kirriemuir, on July 4, 2017. A second grandson for Elspeth Colville and Fraser Hogg.



MCMILLAN

David and Nancy (née Reid) are delighted to announce the safe arrival of their daughter Cate Sarah on June 27, 2017 at R.A.H. Paisley. A lovely little sister for Ben and Connor.

MARRIAGES



CARGILL - McAULAY

On July 1, 2017 at the Village Hotel, Glasgow, by Rev. Gary McIntyre, Julie Fiona, elder daughter of Duncan and Malina to Andrew, son of the late Andy and Fern Cargill. Fantastic day had by all.



CONLEY - RONALD

At the Highland Parish Church, Campbeltown, on June 24, 2017, Sandra, youngest daughter of William and Elizabeth to Archie, only son of John and the late Isobel Ronald. A fantastic day was had by all.

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DIAMOND WEDDING

YOUNG - MCARTHUR

- At the Highland Parish Church, Campbeltown, on July 11, 1957, by the Rev. G Stewart Cameron, Tommy to Barbara. Present address: Oakbank, Stronvaar, Campbeltown.

DEATHS

ANDERSON

- Peacefully at the home of her daughter, Gowanlea, Argyll Street, Campbeltown, surrounded by her family, on July 8, 2017, Mary Galbraith MacMillan (Rena) in her 83rd year, 43 Davaar Avenue, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late John Anderson (Kynamp) much loved mum of Mari, Shaun and the late Georgia, mother-in-law of Barry and Heather, loving granny of Campbell, Shaun, Lewis, Calla and Georgia and beloved great granny of Josh.

BYRDSON - Peacefully at home, 9 Albyn Avenue, Campbeltown, on July 11, 2017, Allan Brydson, in his 88th year, dearly beloved husband of the late Alice Brydson, much loved father of Lucy, June and Margaret and a loving papa and great papa. Together again. Funeral Private.

COPE - Peacefully at home, Mill House, Muasdale, on June 29, 2017, Douglas Cope (Doug) in his 69th year, a beloved husband and son, loving father and grampa, much loved brother, dear uncle and good friend to many. Service in A'Chleit Church on Tuesday July 18, 2017 at 1.00 p.m. Funeral thereafter to Patchan Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of The Acute Ward, Campbeltown Hospital, the Macmillan Nurses and District Nurses, Kintyre Locality.

MACPHERSON

- Suddenly at home, 11 Witchburn Road, Campbeltown, on July 9, 2017, Elizabeth Sinclair MacKinnon (Elsie), in her 85th year, dearly beloved wife of the late Archibald Cameron Macpherson, much loved sister of Catherine, Malcolm and the late Alister and Ian and a loving aunt and great aunt. Funeral in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, Campbeltown on Friday July 14, at 1.00p.m. 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 Lorne and Lowland Parish Church.

MATHESON - Very suddenly in her home on Sunday July 9, 2017, Catherine (Kitty), née Johnston, aged 87 years, of 24 Harald Drive, Thurso, formerly of Kilberry. Beloved wife of the late George (bus driver), dearly loved mum of Donald, loving sister of Agnes and George, a dear sister-in-law, aunty and friend to many. At rest.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

DUNCAN - Karen, Brian, Lilian and all the family wish to thank everyone for the flowers, cards and messages of sympathy following the sad loss of Betty. To the Rev. William Crossan for a touching and comforting service, to Fiona and Roddy for their compassionate and professional service and to Morna for the beautiful flowers. Our most sincere thanks and gratitude to all the carers and district nurses who looked after mum so well over the last few months, and to Macmillan and Marie Curie nurses. You all do an amazing job - thank you.

McKINLAY - Diana, Isabel and the family of the late Morag McKinlay, would like to thank everyone for the many kind expressions of sympathy, phonecalls, cards, visits and flowers received following their recent sad loss. Special thanks to the staff of Glenaray Ward, District Nurses and Marie Curie Nurses, for their care and compassion shown to Mum. Our thanks are also extended to Rev. Cliff Acklam for an uplifting and comforting service, to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for caring and compassionate arrangements, to the Cairnbaan Hotel for excellent purvey and to Corrinna at The Flower Shop for beautiful flowers. Finally, our thanks to all who attended at church and graveside to pay their respects, it was greatly appreciated. The retiral collection raised £250 for Marie Curie.

MORANS - The family and friends of the late Catherine (Katie) Morans, would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours, for the many kind expressions of sympathy received in their recent bereavement. Special thanks to doctors and nursing staff at Tarbert Surgery, Mid Argyll Hospital Lochgilphead, Lorn and Islands Hospital Oban and local district nurses for all the kind care and attention received. Special thanks also to

Rev Robert MacLeod for his friendship, visits, tribute and comforting service, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, West Loch Hotel for excellent catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. Donations for Tarbert Free Church totalled £716.30.

IN MEMORIAMs

MCINTYRE - In loving memory of a dear husband, George, died July 17, 2014. Sadly missed. - Cathy

McINTYRE - In loving memory of a dear father, father-in-law and granda, George, who passed away July 17, 2014. Loved and remembered always - Charles, Mary, Clare and Amy.

MCLELLAN - Treasured memories of our dear dad and pop, William, who was taken from us on July 17, 1979. It's 38 years since you were taken away, Dad, you are loved and remembered every day. - Daughters, Margaret and Sandra and families.

SELFRIDGE - Mary. In loving memory of my mum. May the winds of heaven blow softly and whisper in your ear How much we love and miss you and wish you were here. - Leona, Gary, Megan, Keira and Aimee x

TAYLOR - In loving memory of my dear mum, Jane Brown Bell, died July 14, 1985. Although it's many years since you passed away, I still love and miss you every day. - Love Norma, Jim and family.

WHELTON - Inserted in loving memory of my beloved mother, Agnes Morrison McEachran Stewart (Nana), who died July 14, 1996. Along the road of memories That leads me back to you Are thoughts of us together And the happy times we knew And every day that passes I seem to find a way To wander back to meet you On the road to yesterday. Sadly missed. - Johnnie.

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CHURCH NOTICES

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE

Sunday 16th July 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 16th July 2017

Skipness Service 10am
Tarbert Service 11.30am
Margaret Anderson
For all church enquiries and pastoral care
Contact Rev. Hilda Smith, Interim Moderator on 07826 235735
Everyone very welcome
Tarbert & Kilberry SC002622
Skipness SC004280

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH

Charity Number SC001002
Sunday 16 July
Tayvallich Church 10 am
Mr James McLellan
Saturday 15 July
Achnamara Hall 10.30am
Café Connect
Monday 17 July
Tayvallich Church 10.30am
Prayer Time
All welcome
Enquiries 01546 606926
www.northknappdale.org

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN

Sunday 16th July
Service at 11 a.m
Speaker this week - Graham McLean
"The change that Jesus makes"
Light meal to follow
ALL WELCOME

ST. KIERAN R.C. CHURCH ST JOHN ST, CAMPBELTOWN

SC002876
All Welcome
Rev. Tony Wood, 01586 552160
VIGIL MASS
Saturday 6pm (except the 1st Saturday of the month)
HOLY MASS
every Sunday 10am

ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES

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

SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCHES

Christ Church Bishopton Road, Lochgilphead (SC013787)

Sunday 11.00am
Eucharist & Coffee
Service of Healing
St Columba's, Poltalloch (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)

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH

16th July 2017
Sunday Worship
Ford 11.45am
Mr. James McLellan
All welcome
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Argyll Street, Campbeltown

St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown
Scottish Charity No SC023277

Sunday 16th July
Pentecost 6
Holy Communion 10.45am
Enquiries Tel: 01586 551141
The Scottish Episcopal Church is a Province of the Worldwide Anglican Communion

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH

75 Longrow, Campbeltown

Sunday 16 July 2017
Family Communion Service at 11.00am
Pastor Steve Davies.
All welcome

Wednesday 19 July
12.30pm at the Free Church
Joining with Campbeltown Free Church for Prayer and Bible Study
7pm in Springbank Church Bible Study and Prayer
Enquiries 01586 551200
www.springbankchurch.co.uk
SC014646

Highland Parish Church



SC002493
Sunday 16th July 2017
The service will be conducted by Mrs Elizabeth Kennedy and will be held in the church at 11.15am
All Welcome

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH

Scottish Charity Number SC011686

Sunday 16th July
10.00am Informal Service New Hall
11.15am Traditional Service
Creche
Rev P Wallace

Monday 17th July
Congregational Board Meeting
7.30pm New Hall
Followed by a Session Meeting

Tuesday 18th July
Tiny Tots New Hall



Campbeltown Corps
Church and Community Centre
Registered Charity No. 214779 and in Scotland SC009399
Burnside Street, Campbeltown
01586 552046

Saturday 15th July
Coffee Morning
10am - 12noon
Sunday Services
10.30am Morning Worship
6.30pm Evening Worship
Majors Ben & Ruth Russell
All welcome

CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH

Family Service
Sunday 11.00 am
followed by refreshments
Youth Fellowship
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



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George Street, Campbeltown
Sunday 16th July
11.15am Worship Service
Rev David Parker
Wednesday 19th July
12.30pm Bible Study and Prayer
All Welcome
www.campbeltownfreechurch.co.uk
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Mighty hitter Iain Johnstone Jnr sets the early pace

MIXED weekend weather on Glenralloch's great greens gave challenging conditions for the first round of the Tarbert club championship.

Conditions were deceptive on a bright Saturday with a strong breeze making play interesting.

Iain Johnstone Jnr, a mighty hitter of the golf ball, set the early pace with a 74-14 for a net 60, and was joined on 74 by playing partner Iain Macalister.

Roddy MacDonald, making his first outing of the season, finished on 73 with defending champion Bruce MacNab slipping into first place on 67. Steve Bleasby took second net on the day with 65 and Duncan Johnstone third on 67.

Sunday was the complete opposite with continuous rain throughout the day's play. However, the course held up well thanks to the excellent work of Graeme Prentice and Jim Brownlie.

Bruce MacNab kept up his good form of the previous day with halves of 32+33 for a one-under-par 65.

Iain Macalister moved into second place with a fine 70 in the most difficult of the weather.

Both Kenny MacFarlane and John MacNab played much more like themselves with a pair of 72s, with Chris Smyth slightly further back on 75.

The final two rounds take place this weekend with the senior championship also taking place over the final two rounds.

Club Championship: Bruce MacNab 132, Net Cup: Bruce MacNab 122, Iain Macalister 144, Iain Johnstone Jnr 127, John MacNab 152, Iain Macalister 132.

Peninver Sands match gets off to a wet start

A BOWLER in his ninth decade proved to be an evergreen as he gave a match-winner a scare at Campbeltown Bowling Club.

Back in 2013, Robert MacCallum won the Peninver Sands Holiday Park-sponsored mixed singles competition and, in the recent event, he nearly repeated the feat.

Rain

Players started in conditions that were less than perfect due to rain during the morning.

A drier afternoon saw the round-robin field whittled down to semi-finals between Archie Johnston and Jimmy Anderson and Robert MacCallum and Alex Black that produced a repeat of the 2013 final between Jimmy and Robert.

It was almost a déjà vu event as Jimmy stormed into a six shots to nil lead only for Robert to pull it back to peels playing the final end.

In 2013, it was Robert who pulled out the

winning bowl and the octogenarian almost achieved the double with his last bowl but it proved to be Jimmy's second bowl was the winner by a couple of millimetres.

Presented

President Gavin McLachlan and Robert's grandson Liam MacCallum presented the prizes on behalf of the sponsors.

Next week the Doon the Watter pairs open competition, specially targeted at holiday-makers and sponsored



Gavin McLachlan, Archie Johnston, Jimmy Anderson, Liam MacCallum, Robert MacCallum and Alex Black.

by Alistair Blair, rolls onto the green from Monday to Friday.

Organisers claim it has the best prize fund in Argyll and that if players have not brought bowls, they and even a partner if

necessary, can be supplied.

Names of prospective competitors must be with the club by tomorrow. There is a live band and barbecue following the final next Friday.

Runners race in midge heaven



Rachel McGeachy in action in the SKSC series in 2016. 25_c29skschandicap02

A BRAVE cohort of 31 athletes took on millions of midges in the third round of the South Kintyre Sports Council (SKSC) 5k handicap race.

Except for the pesky blighters, conditions were ideal for running on an undulating course at Ballochgair. For marshals and timekeepers, it was a different affair as they endured an aerial bombardment.

A spokesperson said: 'Campbeltown Running Club would like to thank

everyone who attended this evening.

'Special thanks to our timekeepers, marshals and bakers who provided post race treats which were very much appreciated. Without their help, this event couldn't take place.'

The race positions will be kept secret and will be announced at the SKSC Race Series prize-giving in the autumn.

The following is a list of the real times for each runner: Stuart McGeachy 16:58, Dom Sharkey 19:06, Darren Renton 20:06, Alasdair O'May 20:28, Thom-

as Cameron 20:28, Stewart Ireland 20:32, Johnny Girvan 20:50, Sandy Mclean 20:53, Jennifer Reid 20:54, James Murdoch 21:19, Hazel Barr 21:24, Sam Ferguson 21:34, Euan Charwood 21:48, Andrew Renton 22:02, John Galbraith 22:51, Neil John MacPhail 22:56, Elaine Cameron 22:56, Jocelyn Richard 23:50, Susan Turner 23:53, William McLean 24:22:00, Lorraine McDonald 24:45:00, David Leishman 25:21:00, Eilidh Girvan 25:42:00, Campbell Read 26:06:00, Rachel McGeachy 26:13:00, Maryann Wylie 28:29:00, Margaret Sinclair 29:01:00, Annette McMillan 32:43:00, Nancy Hope 32:44:00, Val Hope 33:38:00, Gerri McAnemry 41:28:00.

Triathlon seeks sprint distance athletes

IT IS less than a month until triathletes swim, saddle up and sprint for victory in the fourth MOKTri.

The triathlon event, organised by the members of Campbeltown Running Club, centered on the Aquilibrium and Kinloch Green, bursts into action on Saturday August 6 at 10.30am.

The race includes 30 laps of the 25m pool, followed by a hilly

21km out and back cycle along the east coast of Kintyre with, if the weather is fine, superb views across to Arran and Ailsa Craig.

The last discipline is a 5km run out and back along the seafront of Campbeltown Loch.

There are prizes for male and female first, second and third, as well as a prize for the first team home.

Prizes are sourced from Kintyre crafts

people, and, although MOKTri focuses on taking part, the winners' prizes are as unique as they are beautiful. Race medals and goody bags with technical T-shirts will be awarded to all finishers.

There will also be the opportunity for snacks and refreshments at the prize-giving ceremony.

A spokesperson said: 'As with any event, it would be near impossi-

ble to host without the assistance of our sponsors at West Coast Motors. We are grateful to them, our marshals, and the competitors.'

For race updates and more information, visit www.facebook.com/moktri or email: moktri@outlook.com.



A swimming competitor in the 2015 event. 25_c28moktri20

Carradale join Greater Glasgow AFL

A FOOTBALL league with 38 clubs has scored another success by adding Carradale AFC.

From next season, which kicks off on Saturday August 19, the East Kintyre side will join 38 other teams split into three divisions.

As newcomers 'Dale will start in division three but are sure to climb the rankings.

'Dale's first match, on the MOK Fest weekend, will be at home in the President's Cup against either Third Lanark, Baillieston or Renfrew Thistle. Each team plays each other once with the top two going through to the next round.

This weekend 'Dale welcome SAFL side Tarbert to the village for a pre-season friendly, to be refereed by Peter McCallum, kicking off at 2.15pm.

Tarbert hope to host a return match on Friday evening July 21 but, as players will be celebrating Joey Boyd's marriage in Tarbert the following day, the date has not been confirmed.

On July 29 there will be an early kick-off, at 1pm, when overseas team Brodick voyage from Arran. The following Saturday, August 5, Cardross, who have joined the SAFL, will play a friendly in Carradale, kicking off at 2pm.

Accies win Oban tourney

HAMILTON Accies won the annual D & K Cup tournament organised by Oban Saints last weekend.

The side from New Douglas Park were in sparkling form, winning all their games. Dundee United were second with Oban Saints in third place.

Player of the tournament was Lewis Ferguson, son of former Rangers star Derek.

Senior Open at Dunaverly

NEARLY 100 golfers teed off at Dunaverly for the golf club's senior open.

A day of sunshine and light winds was a fine incentive for the 72 men and 22 ladies who played.

The general sentiment among the competitors was that it was 'a wonderful course', the credit for which goes to greenkeepers David Scullion and

Willy MacMillan, who have worked tirelessly throughout the year to have the course in such magnificent condition.

Early starter Alan Baker set the target for the handicap section with a blistering net score of 56 and this was never equalled, although the men's and ladies' age group categories were keenly contested.

The scratch winner,

with a gross 64, was Alan G O'Neill, five strokes clear of Archie Black.

The ladies' handicap winner, Jennifer Gilchrist, recorded a net 64, two ahead of the next four who were all on 66.

Jennifer Mack reigned supreme in the ladies' scratch with an excellent 75. No player could win a prize in either the handicap or scratch categories.

There were spot prizes for the nearest-the-pin at the par three 16th and the ladies' and men's longest drives at the 17th.

Club captain John McDowall paid tribute to the greenkeepers and to Alex Arkell, who put in a 12-hour day running the event. He also thanked club

steward Will Anderson and his staff for the quality of the catering throughout the day.

A special thanks went to Elizabeth Marrison, Kate McKerral, Elsie Ronald and Jane McCorkindale for looking after the raffle.

Spot prize results: Nearest-the-pin at 16th: Robert McCallum 4' 4". Ladies' longest drive: Jennifer Mack. Men's longest drive: Eric Dunlea.

Men's age groups: A, Roy McKinven 81-18-63, B, John McDowall 78-15-63, C, Bill Brannigan 76-12-64.

Ladies' age groups: D, Evelyn Shaw 89-23-66, E, Jana MacPherson 98-28-70, F, Hilary Oman 97-24-73.

Ladies' scratch: 1 Jennifer Mack 75, 2 Elizabeth Marrison 82(bih), 3 Eleanor Hawkins 83. Ladies' handicap: 1 Jennifer Gilchrist 91-27-64, 2 Linda Wallace 82-16-66(bih), 3 Margaret Barr 92-26-66.

Men's handicap: 1 Alan Baker 71-15-56, 2 Archie Black 69-9-60, Ian McKinnon 75-14-61.

Men's scratch: 1 Alan G O'Neil 64, 2 Jim Carruthers 73, 3 David Irwin 74.



The winners and runners-up with Councillor Donnie McMillan.

Badminton aces served up a smashing show

CAMPBELTOWN Primary badminton players netted prizes at an inter-Argyll and Bute competition in Lochgilphead.

The Primary Schools Badminton Championships saw more than 90 players gather at the town's joint campus.

Players represented schools from Campbeltown, Oban, Mull, Strachur and Lochgilphead.

The following awards, in the order winners and runners-up were presented by Councillor Donnie Mc-

Millan. Girls' singles: Anneloes Hutton, Dervaig, Lois Norrie, Dalintober. Boys' singles: Morgan Gemmell, Park, Josh Arkell, Dalintober. Girls' doubles: Lois Norrie, Dalintober and Aimee MacPhail, Castlehill, Ava Ferguson and Ruby Hewitt, Dervaig. Boys' doubles: Morgan Gemmell and Innes McCullum, Park, Calum Scott and Ewan O'May, Castlehill. Mixed doubles: Annabel Semple and Ryan Shields, Dalintober, Aimee MacPhail and Calum Scott, Castlehill.



Pictured left to right are Alan Baker, Jennifer Gilchrist, club captain John McDowall, Jennifer Mack and Alan G O'Neil.

SPOT THE BALL

THIS WEEK'S JACKPOT £350

LAST WEEK'S BALL WAS HERE...



This week's nearest the ball winners, who each receive £25 are:

N MacKenzie
Monemore
Killin

B Young
Kintyre Gardens
Campbeltown

All you have to do

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.

To win the jackpot, the centre of your cross must be in the exact centre of the ball.

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.

Easy to enter

Cut out your completed coupon and put your entry plus £1 per 10 attempts into a sealed envelope and post it to reach "Spot the Ball" Competition, The Campbeltown Courier, Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown, Argyll PA28 6AE by 4pm on Tuesday. No refunds will be given for entries received after the deadline. You may hand it into The Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown by the same time. Otherwise all entries must be posted.

Competition Rules

No responsibility will be accepted for entries which are delayed, mislaid or lost, and proof of posting cannot be accepted as proof of delivery.

The company's decision will be final on all matters relating to the competition and no correspondence will be entered into. The final decision rests with the Company.

In the event of more than one correct entry, the jackpot will be shared equally between all winning entries. Any decision regarding the awarding of a prize is entirely at the discretion of the Company.

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SPORT



INSIDE THIS WEEK:
Senior Open at
Dunaverty



Ref Archie Mitchell seems gobsmacked as Blair heads for goal. 25_c289pupils03

Pupils' striker's fab four in friendly feast of goals

Pre-season friendly
Campbeltown Pupils 6
Blantyre 3

PUPILS definitely had the upper hand on a scorching Kintyre Park for the first of some pre-season friendlies.

Campbeltown son Donald McCallum's guest appearance, four goals from the semi-pro talents of Sary

Rahma and some ever-green Pupils' performances battered Blantyre SA's team.

McCallum, still only 20, fresh from a season on loan and with a medal from Ladbrokes League Two winners Arbroath, proved a great benefit linking the midfield to the strikers.

Ryan McConnachie,

in the six-yard box, poked a cross in from Keith Mitchell for an early goal and showed that the Pupils meant business before they let Blantyre back in with an equaliser.

Paul Grumoli, into his 30s, still has fine form and buoyed the Pupils. A team spokesman said that Grumoli's fitness may come from his roofing work with McKinven and Colville.

In contrast, just before the end, a paunchy-looking Grant Grant left the field saying it was definitely his last Pupils appearance but the same spokesman said: 'Never say never.'

It was also a day for youngsters. Scott Souden always looked comfortable and was in the thick of the action but failed to score.

U-15 players warmed up on the sidelines and one 14-year-old play-

er, even had the chance to take a free kick from just outside the box, but failed to produce one of his looping winners.

Rahma, who moved to the Wee Toon in the spring, always seemed to be in the right place. The Blantyre keeper never really had a chance when he struck a smart header from a corner to score his second goal.

Rahma reckoned his third, off the left foot, from just inside the 18-yard box, was his best. In contrast to Rahma's slight frame, Rhys Blair is all muscle and was determined to show what he could do after a season at Carradale.

Blair's blunderbuss of a goal punched past the keeper at speed. It amazed ref Archie Mitchell, who had to be on his toes as Blair, known for his fieriness,



A partisan crowd enjoyed seeing Campbeltown star Donald McCallum in action. 25_c289pupils01

turned on the Blantyre player who had wittlessly been trying to hold him back.

In all it was a great start to the Pupils' campaign, for next season, but it remains to be seen what can be done without stars such as McCallum.

He is currently on trial at Scottish league one outfit Stranraer and hopes to sign a contract.

Young sports star aced by ageing coach

ALL-ROUNDER Sary Rahma scored four goals for the Pupils on Saturday but Carradale's 52-year-old coach gave him a tennis lesson on Monday.

In a thriller to rival anything at Wimbledon, Hector McMurchy, about 30 years older than Rahma, took the young player to 6-6 in their first ever set and won the tiebreak with a beautiful backhand lob.

McMurchy took the second set too before lack of light stopped play and left Rahma saying he needs to work on his forehand



Sary Rahma celebrates his fourth goal with Ross Souden. 25_c289pupils02

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