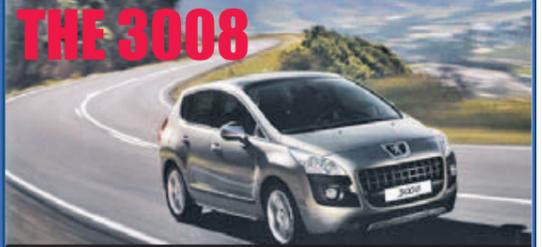


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# Machrihanish Dunes opens in some style

**'It has been a long and winding road'**

HISTORY was made this week with the official opening of the new Machrihanish Dunes Golf Course.

The long-awaited opening was celebrated in style with a large marquee at the half way house on the course.

Wind and rain greeted the players, including a number of the world's media, as they took to the links course for the first time.

Managing company Southworth Development LLC, which took over the controlling interest of the company earlier this year, saw first hand the work coming into fruition.

Those behind the project including course architect David McLay Kidd,

**By Ruth McClean**

Brian Keating, who has been involved since the planning stage in 2003, and David Southworth, chief executive of Southworth Development, gave speeches.

Machrihanish Dunes is a course that mirrors David McLay Kidd's love of the land and his ability to take the fullest reward from its potential.

This the first golf course to be built on land now classed as a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) since the days of Old Tom Morris.

'Old Tom Morris' also made an appearance at the opening, giving an enthusiastic talk to the



Machrihanish Dunes has been developed on land owned by Messrs J & R Barr. Left to right: Mark McCormick, Jim Mather MSP, Robin Barr, Margaret Barr, James Barr, Iona Barr, and Robin Barr jnr. Mark and Robin jnr piped guests into the marquee where the official ceremony took place.

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large audience and being piped into the marquee by two local pipers to officially open the ceremony.

David Southworth and

business partner Joe Deitch told *The Courier*: 'We are so happy that the people of Campbeltown and Machrihanish communities have been so

supportive and appreciative of the development.'

**Mature**

Brian Keating said: 'It has been a long and winding road, a bit like

a child; you see it grow and mature but it is rewarding to see the finished product.'

See page 6 for more photos

**Waverley pays a visit**

THE *Waverley* visited Campbeltown on Sunday on her last voyage of the summer to the area.

She travelled from Glasgow and was delayed when picking passengers up from Fairlie, arriving at 3pm instead of 2.30pm.

A total of 250 passengers came ashore to enjoy Campbeltown with 252 people going aboard for a voyage round the Mull of Kintyre and Sanda.

**Tall Ships could stop off**

CAMPBELTOWN could be a stop-off point for the Shetland Tall Ship race in 2011.

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### Dawn Tartan Walk raises £1500

SO FAR over £1,500 has been raised from this year's Dawn Tartan Walk held in Carradale at the end of June.

There is still more money coming in from the event, which saw two of its youngest entrants, nine-year-old Shanna and Shauna completing the walk in just over two hours.

With a 5am start a good number turned up to take part in the event with refreshments donated by Cheryl Strang for the end of the walk and tea and toast in The Network Centre.

### Door kicked in

POLICE are appealing for any information after the door of 44 Main Street was kicked in causing damage on July 11.

### Speeding motorists

TRAFFIC checks in the Westport area saw police issuing three conditional speeding tickets and another four drivers receiving warnings on Sunday.

### Two-car accident

A ROAD was blocked in Port Charlotte, Islay on Sunday after a two-car road accident at 7.50am.

No one was injured in the collision.

### Theft in Carradale

TWO cans of Red Bull energy drink were stolen from a store in Carradale.

A local resident reported the incident, which happened on July 12.

# Young drivers get their eyes opened



Young drivers got a first hand experience of a road traffic collision when one passenger 'died' and another had to be cut out of the car which was staged at Snipefield Industrial Estate. 04\_c26car01

ALONG with changing a tyre and learning about car maintenance six young drivers from Campbeltown have had their eyes opened to the real impact of dangerous and inexperienced driving.

The Young Drivers Project began in May and over the last few months the group who volunteered to take part have been involved in a number of activities all aimed at making them better drivers.

The programme is run by Strathclyde Police and works with all the other emergency services in the area.

The group visited the Strathclyde Police train-

ing and recruitment centre in Jackton on May 31 and had demonstrations from West Coast Motors' mechanics on how to change a tyre and general car maintenance.

The highlight of the Young Drivers course was the staging of a road accident exercise in which two cars collided; one person was badly injured and had to be cut free and another 'died'.

All the emergency services took part and as the young drivers looked on they were talked through each stage of the incident by representatives of each service, from the first 999 call to the treatment and removal

of the casualty from the car. The scenario ended with the chilling image of the 'passenger' from the car being placed in a body bag. Campbeltown fire fighters, an ambulance crew and doctor all took part alongside the police.

The entire event was filmed by Strathclyde Fire and Rescue for use on other courses and as a way of showing the kind of work the Young Drivers Project comprises so that the organisers can apply for more funding to finance future projects.

Group commander David Penman from Strathclyde Fire and Rescue was also present.



The car roof is taken off by fire fighters to allow the injured driver to be taken out of the car more easily. 04\_c26car02



The young drivers who completed the course with their certificates and the police officers from the area who helped improve their driving. 04\_c27yng01

## Burst water main

A BURST water main at Machrihanish on Saturday caused problems for residents and businesses in the area. The repair had to be carried out on the B843 road next to East Trodugal Farm and because of the rising water level on the road the main water supply was shut off.

A spokeswoman for Scottish Water which was carrying out the repair told *The Courier*: 'We take health and safety very seriously so the water supply was shut off and the repair carried out as a matter of urgency. The local radio station was informed to ensure the public were kept aware of the situation. The repair was completed by midday.'

However problems arose again and another water main burst slightly further along the road.

'Bottled water was distributed to the local golf course, campsite and two housing schemes in the village and water supplies restored by 7pm.'

## Greetings from Campbeltown to Campbelltown

GREETINGS from Campbeltown will be taken across the Atlantic next month to Campbelltown, Pennsylvania by community councillor Nancie Smith.

Campbelltown is celebrating the 250th anniversary of its Founding on August 6 1759. John Campbell, a Scottish farmer emigrated to Pennsylvania settling in the area known as Derry Township, Lancaster County. He obtained a warrant for 100 acres

from Thomas and Richard Penn and so the town of Campbelltown was founded.

Nancie Smith will represent Campbeltown Community Council at the ceremony and will carry a proclamation from the community council honouring the links between the two towns as well as gifts from the Provost of Argyll and Bute, William Petrie.

A special link between the two communities

lies with the Royal Navy and the part played by a brave ship during World War 2.

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## Raw sewage coming up through drain 'not an emergency'

A CARRADALE man was shocked to discover that raw sewage and waste percolating up through the drain into his garden was not 'an emergency'.

### Blocked

Raymond Gosling, of 14 Tormhor, was on the phone first thing Monday morning, when he

woke to find excrement, sanitary towels, tampons and disposable nappies from a sewer that had blocked elsewhere and was backing up into his garden.

He called his landlord Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA) and they sent someone out.

'They said the job needed specialist equipment,' said Mr Gosling, 'so Scottish Water was called.'

It wasn't until Tuesday that Scottish Water arrived.

### Superb Job

'Don't get me wrong, when they came they did a superb job, cleared

it all up everything,' he said. But I was told it wasn't an emergency; inside the house it would have been but outside, no.'

And he added: 'The stench was terrible, and I had to ban my grandchild from coming over; they couldn't have gone in the garden. I can't

believe something as disgusting as that was not classed as an emergency.'

### Contacted

A Scottish Water spokesman told *The Courier*: 'We understand that the local authority was initially contacted and a contractor, who was not employed by

Scottish Water, attended. When Scottish Water was later contacted, we attended as quickly as possible, cleared the blockage and cleaned up afterwards.'

'Scottish Water dealt with this issue as quickly and efficiently as possible as soon as we were contacted.'

# Royal Mail fail to deliver

## 'Royal Mail is extremely sorry for the distress and upset caused'

AN ELDERLY lady trying to help out her grandson got herself into a pickle after her parcel went missing in the post.

Mrs Barclay, aged 83, was trying to send £1,000 cash to her grandson David McDowall in Peninver after he received a large electricity bill.

She thought she was doing a good deed and sent the money on March 19 of this year in confidence and by recorded delivery with Royal Mail.

However, David never received the money and he later found out it had never left the Glasgow depot by contacting local postman Jamie Girvan.

This week the family received confirmation that they would get the sum of £1,000 and a full apology from Royal Mail.

Mrs Barclay's daughter Margaret, who lives in Southend, has been in correspondence on her behalf over the

last few months with Royal Mail. She said: 'When I contacted Royal Mail at the start they told me that they could not help me and that I needed proof that the money was sent. My mother had a receipt which stated the amount on it but still they refused. We seemed to be going in circles.'

David's mother-in-law suggested to Margaret that she should write to the Judge in *The Sunday Post*, so she did.

When the Royal Mail were told that the story would be appearing in the national press they immediately agreed to put it right.

A Royal Mail spokeswoman said: 'Royal Mail is extremely sorry for the distress and upset caused to Mrs Barclay and we apologise profusely. Royal Mail will be reimbursing Mrs Barclay in full and measures have now been put in place to ensure this never happens again.'



Margaret McDowall with her son David outside their home in Southend after receiving confirmation that the £1,000 lost by Royal Mail four months ago would be refunded. 04\_c30mail01

## New bus service

BUS users in Skipness will be able to take advantage of a new Saturday service to Lochgilphead which is due to start this weekend.

Service 448 previously ran between Skipness and Lochgilphead from Monday to Friday, but on a Saturday only ran between Skipness and Tarbert.

One of the Saturday journeys has now been extended to and from Lochgilphead, which also calls at Kennacraig, Tarbert and Claonaig.

It will leave Skipness at 8.44am and return from Lochgilphead's Mid Argyll hospital at 11.17am.

In addition, the 400/444 route between Campbeltown and Southend will benefit from an additional service that started earlier this week. This service departs Campbeltown Bus Terminus at 3pm and returns from Southend at 3.30pm.

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## Roadworks behind schedule

A £2MILLION road improvement project on the A83 between Lochgair and Port Ann is due to be completed this weekend, almost two weeks behind schedule.

A spokesman for Scotland TranServ said: 'The ten day overrun is due to unexpected difficult conditions encountered on site.' He said this included the weather and extra ditch-digging.

## Small ferries review

A STUDY into the next generation of small ferries serving short routes has been launched by Caledonian Assets Maritime Ltd.

Among the routes being examined is Tarbert to Portavadie and Tayinloan to Gigha. However, the secretary of Tarbert and Skipness Community Council, Wilma Watts, said the community was not given enough time to forward their views. She said they received a survey on July 4 and only had until July 10 to respond.

## Tarbert Fair

THIS year's Tarbert Fair will be held next week, from July 29 until August 2. The 300-year-old fair will have rides and side shows suitable for all the family.

# Drunk truck driver gets a two-year ban

'I cannot say that I think he has convinced me that there was no likelihood of him driving'

A TIMBER truck driver found by police slumped over his steering wheel in Lochgilphead's Lorne Street car park on Easter Sunday has been banned from driving for two years.

Andrew Ronald, formerly of Campbeltown but now living at 26E Gillies Street, Troon, pleaded not guilty to being drunk in charge of a motor vehicle.

But two police officers told Dunoon Sheriff Court's Lochgilphead Annexe last week that they had found the 42-year-old in the driver's seat of an HGV, with the engine running and lights on at 1.30am on April 12. They feared

he was unwell, but on opening the cab door, smelt alcohol. A breath test later found he had 88 mg of alcohol in 100ml of breath (more than twice the legal limit).

However Ronald said he planned only to sleep in the lorry before he was due to start a new job in Lochgilphead on the Monday morning and had no intention of driving it.

After an evening of drinking with friends, he said returned to the vehicle and 'put on the side lights in case anything had been damaged or stolen off the lorry'.

Ronald added he could not get the cab's heater to work: 'I started the

engine solely for heat, that was all.' He said he was reading the *Campbeltown Courier* in the driver's seat when he dropped off and was then discovered by police.

Finding Ronald guilty, Sheriff MacMillan said: 'I cannot say that I think he has convinced me that there was no likelihood of his driving.'

'Mr Ronald, you have a previous conviction for drink driving. For a professional driver that is an appalling situation to be in, to be responsible for lorries travelling around these roads.'

As well as disqualifying Ronald, he fined him £400.



## Walking Waverley wins the prize

THE *WAVERLEY* is back in Tarbert. And this time the famous paddle steamer is travelling down the road!

Cerys and Evie Baird, Calum, Finlay and Holly Guy, Aonghas and Matthew Peden and Finn and Mirren Scott all

worked on the fabulous *Waverley* costume, complete with lifebelts, funnels, flags and an interesting bunch of passengers. It won first prize in the Tarbert Seafood Festival Parade earlier this month.

## New business and advice service

NEW and growing businesses in Argyll and Bute will now be able to take advantage of a new advice and support service.

A team of advisors who are experienced business mentors provide advice through Business Gateway which is based in Lochgilphead.

The service, which is part of Argyll and Bute Council's Development Services team, can be used by people across the area and officially became operational last week.

The first visitors to the new premises was Argyll and Bute MSP Jim Mather and Argyll and Bute Council Leader Dick Walsh who said that the six-strong Lochgilphead-based team will provide an invaluable local resource.

'We have to create the right atmosphere and environment for business to succeed, and the Business Gateway service is a key part of that,' he said. 'Business Gateway offers a one door approach to free and impartial advice for anyone who is considering starting up or growing a business in Argyll and Bute.'

The Business Gateway service will be officially launched across the Highlands and Islands area later in the year.

For more information on the new Business Gateway and the support it can offer, contact the Lochgilphead office at the Enterprise Centre in Kilmory Industrial Estate by phone on 01546 605459 or by email at [business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk).

## Tarbert ceilidh in village hall

LAST Friday saw a ceilidh hosted in the new Tarbert Village Hall.

The audience was treated to a wonderful evening of music, song stories and dance, which lasted until well after midnight.

### Magnificent

John Carmichael on accordion and Mod medalist Paul McCalum provided a magnificent mix

of music that kept the audience enthralled.

Tarbert's Barber Shop group also took part and gave performances that showed their undoubted talent.

John Carmichael's stories had the audience in stitches and, as the evening proved such a success another ceilidh is planned for later in the year.

## TranServ has failed to see the light

THE installation of new streetlights for Tarbert got under way last week, as contractors for Scotland TranServ, which is responsible for the A83 through the village, moved on site.

Balfour Beatty Utility Solutions will be working for four weeks to fit new lights and cabling, replacing existing lampposts and addressing a fault which sees lights go on during the day.

In a letter to residents, a Balfour Beatty representative said: 'Although every care will be taken to minimise disruption and noise, we apologise in advance for any inconvenience caused.' He warned that doorways and driveways may be obstructed for short periods and parking restrictions and temporary traffic management would be needed. One Tarbert shopkeeper has expressed his dismay at the timing of the work. Ian MacIntyre told the Argyllshire Advertiser: 'Any hold-up in traffic is going to be disruptive. It is the busiest four weeks of the year they have chosen.'

## Crash driver reported

THE driver of a car, which crashed on the A83 near Tarbert on Saturday morning, has been reported to the procurator fiscal.

The four passengers travelling in the car managed to get out but the driver was left trapped.

Police and ambulance crews attended and called for back up from Lochgilphead and Tarbert fire crews to help free the driver.

All occupants of the car were taken to Mid Argyll Hospital.

One appliance from Campbeltown Fire Station went to Tarbert on stand-by whilst its crews were attending the road traffic collision.

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# Castlehill Primary prize-giving



Children who received perfect attendance certificates from Castlehill. 04\_c27cas01

CASTLEHILL Primary School finished off their last few days of the school term with its annual prize-giving.

Prize winners from Castlehill Primary School: Maths Challenge Achievement Certificates Silver Award: Kyle Barrie; Achievement award Stuart O'May, Campbell O'May, Eryn Fee, Calum Hooper, Tanya McDonald, Ben Holden, Scott Johnson and Aimee Spence.

Perfect Attendance Certificates: P1 Chloe McPhee, P2 Erin McLellan, P3 Suen Yee Walker, P4 Eilidh Johnstone, Abbie Mathieson, Jamie McKerral, Rhona O'May,

Jennifer Wylie, P5 Emma Bannatyne, Kyra Lamont, Declan Wilson, P6 Christopher Arkell, Kyle Barrie, Jamie Field, Kelan Griffiths, Kaitlin Jordan, Alan Lawrie, Lynzi McGougan, Tayler Paterson, Ross Sloey, Murdo Watson, Maryann Wylie, P7 Clare Anderson, Ben Holden, Robert McDonald, Calum McPhee, Andrew Wallace.

Rotary Art awards: P5/6 Gillian McGrory, P6 Callum MacSporran, P6/7 Liam Savory, P7 Sam Ferguson.

Sports Awards: Infants runner up Caitlin Patrick 14 points; Crime Prevention Panel trophy winner Teigan Robertson 16 points; junior runner-up Isla

MacKinnon 15 points; Junior quaiich winner Lynzi Cameron 16 points, Senior runner up Clare Anderson 18 points; Senior shield winner Ashleigh Conner 24 points.

Baldy Cup Winning Team: Andrew Wallace, Ryan Deans, David Conley, Sam Ferguson, Niels Andersen, Ellis Robertson, Alan Glendinning and Jack Anderson. Edinburgh Diary Award: Donnie McKerral; Uniform Award: Primary 6; The Jack Barrett Shield for Citizenship: Alan Glendinning and Mark Nelson.

The Kathleen MacLeod Trophy for choir member of the year: Shannon Baikie.



Prizewinners who either received Maths Challenge achievement certificates, Rotary Art awards, Edinburgh Diary Award, the uniform award, The Jack Barrett Shield for Citizenship and The Kathleen MacLeod Trophy for choir member of the year. 04\_c27cas02



Sports award winners including the Baldy Cup winning team. 04\_c27cas03



Prize-winners from Dalintober Primary School. c28da101

## Prizewinners at Dalintober

P7 MERIT Prize Boys: Cameron Paterson, runner up Matthew Armour; P7 Merit Prize Girls Amy Shaw, runner up Aimilia Chute;

P7 French Prize Robert Hendrie; Hector MacNeill Memorial Quaiich for Story Writing Jamie Robertson, runner up Aimilia Chute, commended Kelly Drum;

Jenny Ralston Memorial Trophy for Creative Skills Anna Colville and Alison McGuire;

Alexander Colville Citizenship Trophy: Holly Duncan and Michael McKinlay.

Hunter Cup P4 Nicole Thomson, runner pp Jacques Huysamer;

Winner P3 Louise Dott, runner up Ryan McGeachy;

SPORTS: P7 Smith Cup for Girls Sports Champion Nicola Blackstock, silver medal Anna Colville, bronze medal Amy Shaw;

P7 McKinlay Cup for Boys Sports Champion Michael McKinlay, silver medal Stefan Cox, bronze medal Declan Crooks;

P6 John Meenan Memorial Trophy for Girls Sports Champion Nicole McKinlay, silver medal Marnie McCallum, bronze medal Molly Semple;

P6 McGlynn Sports Trophy for Boys Sports Champion Ciaran Norris, silver medal Alexander Boylan, bronze medal Owen Lang;

P5 Jack Barrett Shield Sports Champion Andrew Kay, silver medal Eilidh Anderson, bronze

medal Emma Lazarus;

P4 Crime Prevention Panel Trophy Sports Champion Jason Ronald, silver medal Lucy Thomson, bronze medal Andrew Duncan;

P1-3 Bell Cup for Infants Sports Champion Alan McMurchy, silver medal Louise Dott, bronze medal Jake Morrison.

## Eco-schools flag for Carradale

CARRDALE Primary school pupils are celebrating after achieving their first Eco-Schools flag.

The Eco-Schools Programme focuses on nine key environmental topics which has also seen the school build their own organic garden.

The different areas they are expected to cover include water, energy, healthy living, litter and transport.

The programme involves the school choosing an action team, which consists of elected pupils from different year groups and a member of staff.

## Garden party

GUESTS donned their best dresses for Clachan Primary School's royal garden party to mark the last day of term.

As well as performing songs for their guests the children also made food and showed the visitors from the village around their school.

## End of term at Carradale

THE prize-giving and concert of Carradale Primary School had a different look this year.

Between the presentation of prizes, the children sang, played chanter, bagpipes, flutes or sang in the Nursery P1/2/3 choir, in a Carradale's Got Talent style event.

The audience were asked to give each performer marks out of five and judges were Mrs Allan, Mrs Conley, Mrs MacDougall and Miss Galbraith.

The first act of the show was the combined nursery and Primary 1, 2, 3 Action Song Going to the Beach and indeed this did prove to be a hard act to follow as they emerged clear winners with 173.5 with Charlotte Semple on the Bagpipes in second place with 166. Bobby Willan, singing Skyscraper Wean was third with 162. The remaining competitors were all very close and of a very high standard.

This year the senior class undertook a personal project. Each pupil carried out their own presentation at the prize-

giving. There were real Scottie dogs, hippies, powerpoint demonstrations, and tunes on chanter and bagpipes.

After much debate the winners were Charlotte Semple and Niall Gemmill with their presentation 'Bagpipes', second was Caitlin Broach with 'Bush Craft' and third Michaela Richards and Lousia West with 'Rainbow Hippies'.

Making this a very special prize-giving was the celebration and appreciation of the years of service to the school from Mrs Allan, Mrs Conley and Mrs MacDougall who are all retiring from their positions of teachers and classroom assistant/janitor this summer.

The school is also saying goodbye to Miss Galbraith, who has successfully completed her probationer teacher year.

The ceremony ended with a very appropriate blessing from Rev Vischer, the presentation of gifts and beautiful bouquets prepared by Hayley Baxter and a super buffet prepared by Mrs Ramsay and enjoyed by all.



Four-year-olds from Campbeltown Nursery learned about how to look after their teeth from watching a DVD.

## Looking after your teeth

CHILDREN from Campbeltown Nursery and Dalintober pre-five unit were just some of those who learned about their teeth during National Smile month.

Oral health educator for Argyll Community Health Partnership Caroline Glen visited the children but also helped to raise awareness by going to the local pharmacies.

Cheryl Sharp picked up the prize of an electric toothbrush from Main Street pharmacy after being picked from those who completed a questionnaire.

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# On the tee at Machrihanish Dunes . . .

●THE construction team at Machrihanish Dunes had their work cut out for them through the restrictions set by Scottish Natural Heritage.

However in a way this also made their lives so much easier. Although at one point they had to move a green to avoid a group of rare orchids, the team only had to work on less than five per cent of the course.

●NOW that the course has officially opened there will be minimal restrictions to players but ecologically sensitive areas will be marked out where golfers are not allowed.

●PLANNING permission was originally rejected by the MOD as they didn't want the course being adjacent to Machrihanish Airbase but Donald Kelly along with a few other local people fought to get the plans approved.

AS MACHRIHANISH revealed to the public. As well as the opening of the new-look, refurbished Old Clubhouse, which opened last Friday, the cottages which

makes up the Village of Machrihanish Dunes had the first guests staying.

Staff have been working hard to ensure perfection for the guests, and will now see the company move onto its other projects – The Udagale Hotel and more cottages being built at Machrihanish to expand the existing project and also the Royal Hotel in Campbeltown.



New Kidd meets Old Kidd – architect David McLay Kidd and Old Tom Morris. 04\_c30mac06



Left to right: Paul Kimber, Joe Deitch, David Southworth, David McLay Kidd, Old Tom Morris, Brian Keating, Jim Mather MSP, Nicos Scholarios, Malcolm Campbell 04\_c30mac09



A large amount of people from all over turned out for the opening including journalists from across the world, and local people who were invited to the occasion. 04\_c30mac10



Along with Jim Mather MSP there were speeches from David Southworth, Joe Deitch, Brian Keating, David McLay Kidd and Old Tom Morris. 04\_c30mac11

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Steve Bleasby and Gordon McCaffery from Tarbert with Brian Keating (centre). 04\_c30mac01



Councillor Donald Kelly, chairman of Campbeltown Community Council Jim Martin, Jim Mather MSP, Billy McFadyen and Ian McGougan. 04\_c30mac03



Left to right: Councillor John Semple, Brian Keating, Ivor Watson, Les Oman and Mike MacKenzie, SNP Prospective Westminster Parliamentary Candidate. c04\_c30mac02



Left to right: Jim Mather MSP, course architect Paul Kimber from DMK Design, Old Tom Morris and David McLay Kidd. 04\_c30mac07



David Southworth with his son, Tommy and wife, Aimee, with Old Tom Morris. 04\_c30mac08

# A penny for your thoughts Irene

## 'We will miss Argyll, but not the midges'

A PARTNERSHIP that has lasted nearly 20 years sadly comes to an end next month when Irene Howat stops writing for us.

For 19 or so years the readers of *The Campbeltown Courier* and *The Argyllshire Advertiser* have welcomed Irene's words of wisdom in her 'Thought for the Week'.

And, OK we admit it – some time back someone had the bright idea of bringing the column to a close.

We bowed to the uproar that ensued and our Irene was soon back in the paper.

Irene is the wife of Angus Howat, Free Church Minister for Campbeltown, Tarbert and Islay.

The couple and their children came to Argyll in 1990 and until 1996 lived in Campbeltown, before moving to Tarbert, from where they will leave to

retire to Ayrshire where their roots are.

Irene is an established Christian writer with a loyal following and over 40 books to her name.

When the Howats use the word retire they don't mean it in its strictest sense – Angus will still be working for the church in an administrative capacity and Irene will continue to write books.

'We will miss Argyll,' said Irene, but not the midges!

'But we'll miss the people the most, the people of Argyll are splendid.'

A whole generation of Argyll youngsters in Kintyre have grown up with the advantage of having Irene as their Sunday school teacher.

The couple are due to leave in mid August and have the joy of their first grandchild on the way as they begin their retirement.



Irene Howat. 06\_a30how01

## Ardrishaig Gala Day

A WHOLE weekend of events for Ardrishaig Gala Day kicks off today with the Waterways Trust Football Tournament at King George IV Park at 6pm this evening, Friday.

Tomorrow, Saturday, the highlights include the Gala Parade from the Clocktower at 12noon, boat races and trips, stalls, games and inflatable fun. The day finishes with a dance in the village hall at 8pm.

There is also the chance to re-live all the festivities with video highlights at the Argyll Arms Hotel on Sunday at 7.30pm.



## MV Glen Tarsan runs aground

IT'S a spot that has caught many a skipper by surprise before now and will continue to do so in the future and the spit off Barn Brae at Inveraray had the MV

Glen Tarsan run around on Monday afternoon.

The beautiful ship and her sister Glen Massan of The Majestic Line regularly visit Inveraray as part of their Inlets and

Islands cruises of South Argyll.

She floated free, unharmed around 7pm.

The ships can be seen regularly round Argyll waters from April to

Autumn and as a first this October will have a 'Taste of Argyll' cruise which visits leading food and drink producers.

Photograph courtesy of Stuart Kidd.

## Starring at Kilberry Inn



FROM hairy bikers to house experts, the Kilberry Inn is getting used to playing host to television celebrities.

While on location filming in Argyll, top property expert Phil Spencer enjoyed lunch at the award-winning Kilberry Inn, near Tarbert.

David Wilson, co-owner, said: 'It's been quite a year for us at Kilberry since winning the Scottish Restaurant of the Year Award in January.'

'We had *The Hairy Bikers* here a few months ago, which was great fun, and this week, we were delighted to welcome Phil Spencer from Channel 4's *Relocation*, *Relocation* programme.'

## Women's Fund for Scotland

THE Scottish Community Foundation, which administers the Women's Fund for Scotland, is urging women's groups and charities to apply for a share of the £135,000 it has available to projects that support disadvantaged women and girls living in Scotland.

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to registered charities and constituted community groups that provide support, services and activities aimed at women and girls.

Groups can contact the Scottish Community Foundation on 0141 225 6670

## Inveraray Raft Race

A CHARITY raft race will be taking place from the Front Green in Inveraray tomorrow, Saturday at 2pm.

Community police officers David Scott and Greig Jamison have organised the race and they hope it will become an annual event.

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## Thought for the week

with  
**Irene Howat**

MY very first thought for the week appeared on November 2 1990, that's nearly 19 years ago now ... and that's a lot of thoughts!

Sadly my last thought for the week will appear on August 7, for Angus is retiring from the ministry and we are moving away from lovely Argyll and setting up home near Ayr. Over the weeks between now and then I want to do three things.

This week I want to say a very public thank you the Oban Times Group for accepting my articles over all these years. I have never taken it for granted that Thought for the Week and the Bible verse on the back page would continue to be published by *The Campbeltown Courier* and *The Argyllshire Advertiser*, and I am most grateful.

It has been a privilege, and an even greater honour to be approached in the street or the Co-op by people who have been moved by what's been written. That would not have happened but for the generosity of the newspaper owners.

And I also want to thank the *Courier* and *Advertiser* staff. They've been great! The Bible says, 'Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!' (See Philippians 4:4).



## The Courier at Niagara Falls

**THIS week's Down Memory Lane is something a bit different and is of the highland dancers and their parents and helpers at Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada with a *Campbeltown Courier*. The large group from James McCorkindale School of Dance spent a few weeks in Canada competing in competitions and sightseeing. We would like readers to send in flashback photographs of days gone by and photographs of *The Campbeltown Courier* being read in far flung places. Please send prints to *The Campbeltown Courier*, Main and Longrow South, Campbeltown, PA28 6AE, or email [editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk](mailto:editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk).**

## Weakest and most vulnerable

Sir,  
Argyll and Bute Housing Association (ACHA) was formed with the promise that it would improve on the lamentable efforts of Argyll and Bute Council's housing department.

It did not take the new organisation long to pick on the weakest and most vulnerable people they were supposed to be serving.

Unbelievably, ACHA were allowed to do away with wardens in sheltered housing. They blamed the Council and the Council blamed

## Letters to the Editor

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them for deliberately leaving the elderly terrified in the darkness. With such a milling herd of bureaucrats it was impossible to pin the blame on any of the cowards.

Emboldened by this success, ACHA now intends creating further misery by charging at least an extra £400 per household per year for those who choose to be deliberately old and in need of accommodation in their own country.

The blame game has already started. The MP blames the MSPs and the Council. They in turn blame ACHA.

Meanwhile our old folk exist more in fear of living than dying.

There are currently more than 29,000 politicians and their advisers on the UK payroll - 10 times more than 30 years ago. The 570,000 extra state jobs have been created in the last 10 years.

The drones have well and truly taken over the hive and keeping all the honey for themselves.

**Duncan Graham,  
Eilean Mor,  
Oakfield Road,  
Ardrishaig.**

## Sincere thanks

Sir,  
We would like to pass on our sincere thanks to all of our family and friends and the people of Arran who offered their support for our charity cycle from Lamlash to Campbeltown last weekend. Special thanks to Nancy and Dan Bremner, from Whiting Bay for their help putting everything together, to my dad Maurice McAllister for his invaluable contribution in the 'broom wagon' on the day.

Thanks also to the kindness of passengers on both ferries for their donations and to the farmer outside Campbeltown who made a donation after one of the cyclists stopped to repair a puncture!

The event was a great success and most of the cyclists did make it to Campbeltown.

My husband Sean did require a little 'assistance' on the way back due to a knee injury which landed him in Lamlash hospital the following day. Thank you to Nicola who helped out

that day!

We have been overwhelmed by people's generosity and have raised over £3,500 for the West of Scotland deaf's children society.

The charity has helped our 4-year-old son tremendously and it has been a great pleasure to pay something back.

Again, many thanks to the people of Arran and Campbeltown for their support. We look forward to doing something similar next year although I do believe it will be the ladies turn.

**Claire Caulfield  
[claracaulfield@hotmail.com](mailto:claracaulfield@hotmail.com)**

## Pipe dream abandoned

Sir,  
Having ploughed through the detailed and self-congratulatory piece on Scottish Water's future plans regarding the disposal of the town's sewage, carried in *The Courier* of July 10, I was certainly pleased to learn that Scottish Water's initial pipe-dream (or rather nightmare) of laying a pipe along Low Askomil has well and truly been abandoned.

## Those Were The Days

Campbeltown Courier  
Friday 27 July, 1983

### Calling all extras

APPLICATIONS are now being sought from all those who would like to be extras on a feature film that is to be partly shot at Machrihanish.

The film, *White Nights*, is being made by Columbia Pictures and will star Baryshnikov as a ballet dancer.

Unfortunately there are to be less women in the plot than there might be and the quota of extras to be plucked from the ranks of dramatic talent on Campbeltown's streets will only contain 30 ladies and 80 men.

The women are to be male attachments for the most part - wives and daughters - although some will be business women.

Children will come into play as the offspring of the couples, and with 10-15 children called for the ratio of travellers on this aeroplane that is to 'crash' out at the base would appear to be heavily weighted toward the independent businessman with a few couples and still fewer families travelling.

The gentlemen are requested to audition in official garb and ladies must look suitably married.

### Helicopter rescues six

A THRILLING air/sea rescue featuring Campbeltown lifeboat and a Canadian helicopter took place near the Mull of Kintyre coastline, when the lifeboat received a call to go to the assistance of the yacht *Raith* reported to be in distress south of Sanda Island, near Campbeltown.

The lifeboat left Campbeltown Harbour at 2.55 and a Canadian helicopter from Machrihanish was in the vicinity and proceeded to the scene of the casualty.

The helicopter winched off six people, including a child, from the stricken yacht and took all the rescued yachts people to the nearby RAF station at Machrihanish near Campbeltown.

### Festival week finale

FESTIVAL Week was brought to a close by the Round Table, who hosted a country fair and grand dance in the evening to make sure that the week ended with a bang, not a whimper.

The way to the fairground by Kintyre Park was led by a noisy and colourful procession of floats made and manned by many organisations in the town.

The festival awarded a prize to the best float, and it was won this year by the Brownies with their teddy bears picnic. Second was the Mull of Kintyre, CB Club with *Showboat* - this float was awarded a special prize by the tourist board for the carnival atmosphere they generated.

Jaeger came third with their float depicting space age things in the year 2000.

There still remains Scottish Water's continued intention to discharge into the tidal waters of Campbeltown Loch at Slaty Farlan. Why has that not also been firmly hit on the head? Our Community Council has already objected to SEPA, on the grounds of the detrimental effect this will have on recreational water-sports, and on shell-fish harvesting. I intend to do the same and hope others have also done so. 'Campbeltown Loch I wish you weren't sewage' is hardly a song likely to attract tourists to the town.

**Margaret Macaulay,  
20 Deanburn,  
Penicuik,  
Midlothian**

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# Inveraray Games in focus



Matthew and Gary Turner had a good day at the games. t30inv11



Jim Brown MBE was the commentator. t30inv14



Donald Clark of The George Hotel, Inveraray. t30inv31



Heavyweight competitors from all over the world gathered for the World Caber Tossing Championship at Inveraray games. 07\_t30inv03



Keeping dry in the downpour Highland dancer Sophie and her mum Angela Durrant. t30inv18



Lorraine Brodie and Susan Gilchrist from Kintyre Schools Pipe band. t30inv25



Hornpipe for 16 and 17-years: Mark Smith, Robyn Wilson and Robyn Horsburgh. t30inv28



Rachael O'May, left, and Craig and Hazel Scally. t30inv29



Pipers lead the march from the church to the games field. 07\_t30inv01

## Your summer guide to dining out in Argyll

The Lochgair Hotel has a recipe that proves a winner with their customers every time: local chef Isobel Shackleton sources the finest produce Argyll has to offer which she and her kitchen team use to create an extensive and varied menu from which to dine. This provides an exciting opportunity to sample ingredients which you may have seen at the Argyll Country Market, along with fresh seafood sourced directly from Tarbert.

The meals are then served in warm, welcoming surroundings in either the dining room or bar of this family run hotel by friendly and attentive staff. Proprietor Bryan Greenock has created a wonderful ambience throughout the hotel which offers 10 en-suite bedrooms, large and small function rooms, games room and the popular bar and restaurant. The bar provides ale from the Loch Fyne brewery on tap along with a comprehensive wine list. The hotel's whisky bar boasts more than 150 whiskies from the rare to old favourites ensuring there is something for everyone.

All of these features combined have enabled The Lochgair Hotel to build up a loyal clientele and help to give visitors to the area a reason to come back.

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## Coffee for Maggies

A COFFEE morning in aid of Maggies will be held tomorrow (Saturday).

The event will aim to raise money for the charity which has a facility next to the Beatson Unit in Glasgow and is used by a lot of people across Kintyre and Mid Argyll.

Campbeltown's Jennifer Meenan has taken on a new role within Maggie's Centre in Glasgow as community fundraiser and will be attending the coffee morning to show her support.

The centre can be used by people who have problems, small or large associated with cancer.

## July Craft Fair

THIS weekend Campbeltown Heritage Centre will be full of visitors for the July Craft Fair. It will take place on Saturday and Sunday and will see an amazing selection of handmade crafts, and the tearoom will be open for teas and coffees and home baking.

# Fyne Art Exhibition in Lochgilphead

THE Fyne Art Club of Mid Argyll is holding its Tenth Anniversary Exhibition next week in the Community Centre, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, from Monday July 27 to Saturday August 1.

This entirely self-funded open exhibition displays between 200 and 300 original works of art in both two and three-dimensional media annually.

In addition to the club's membership, the show is open to all artists - a democratic mix of amateur and professional, local and from further afield - a diversity that always guarantees a dynamic and eclectic exhibition.

Artists wishing to submit works should do so

at the Community Centre between 10am and 4pm tomorrow (Saturday).

The exhibition showcases the academic studies of its flagship life drawing classes, which are run in the Community Centre from Autumn to Spring by professional artist and tutor Fraser MacIver, and also from the fortnightly painting days held in Minard throughout the year.

As always, admission for all visitors is free and, in a period of economic restraint, the Fyne Art Club offers the opportunity for visitors to view and purchase original and locally produced works of art to suit every budget and taste in the knowledge that they are directly supporting

the ongoing success of this well-established local event celebrating the completion of its first decade.

The Fyne Art Club is entirely self-funding and has again produced a greetings card - the featured painting being on display at the exhibition.

Funds raised through the sale of the cards are used to purchase equipment for the club just as the money raised during the week of the exhibition supports the club's activities.

This year's card depicts the painting entitled The Ironclad Icon, Vital Spark, passing Crinan Bridge - Crinan Canal Winter by Fraser MacIver.

The Fyne Art Club's Summer exhibition has proved to be a popular and inspirational event in previous years and 2009 is sure to be no exception - especially in this year of Highland. The Fyne Art Club enjoys supporting and encouraging the area's artists and also appreciates the support it receives from members of the public.

## Picture House visit

A LARGE crowd who came to Campbeltown on the Waverley on Sunday stopped in at the Picture House. Members hailed from all over the UK to view and tour the A listed building and on arrival were greeted and welcomed by a member of the board of directors.

They watched two silent films and then toured the cinema building and small museum at the rear of the Picture House before boarding the paddle steamer for their journey home.



A float from last year which took part in the parade; the was musicals.

## Homecoming MOK floats

THIS year's Grand Parade for the Mull of Kintyre Music Festival promises to have a Scottish feel, using 'Homecoming' as a theme.

Taking place on Saturday August 22 local groups, organisations and individuals are being encouraged to participate.

An extended Doon The Green concert will follow on in the afternoon featuring a mix of local and visiting bands with children's entertainment provided by the Funky Chicken.

Expect the usual stalls and exhibition stands which can be booked in advance by contacting 01586 551037.

Food, beverages and music will be on offer in a relaxed atmosphere at the Festival Club in the Town Hall.

This venue has become more and more popular every year and has provided a great showcase for local and visiting musicians, if you want to book a slot at the Club please contact 01586 830335.

Music tuition workshops will also be held in the Kirk Street Hall on August 20.

For more information please visit the MOK Fest website at [www.mok-fest.com](http://www.mok-fest.com) or email [mokfest@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mokfest@hotmail.co.uk).

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## Summer Art Exhibition

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Saturday 10am - 4pm

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### Raising money for church funds

HIGHLAND Parish Church Guild held a coffee morning recently to help raise funds for the church. Helping make the event such a success were, left to right: Jenny MacMillan, Emily MacDonald, Agnes Robertson, Rita Rawson, Mary Scally, Isobel McIntyre. 04\_c29gld01



### Cancer Research coffee morning

Norma McNair and Alison Brown were hard at work selling raffle tickets at the Cancer Research coffee morning held at the Red Cross Hall, Kirk Street, Campbeltown, recently. 04\_c28can01



### Craft Fair funds for Guide Hall

Jackie Berryman and Valerie Livingstone were some of the stallholders at the Craft Fair held in the Guide Hall. The money raised at this year's craft fairs will go towards the Guide Hall funds as well as South Kintyre Riding for the Disabled. 04\_c30mry01

### Family dance at Carradale

A HOMECOMING family dance at Carradale Village Hall went down a storm last weekend when Fraser McGlynn's Scottish Country Dance Band entertained the audience.

There was a good representation to the event by visitors but also by local families.

The theme for the evening was naturally of a Scottish nature and one aspect of this was reflected in the refreshments.

The ladies surpassed themselves with an array of sandwiches and cakes which were in abundance and while answers to a Scottish quiz were being considered they were being enjoyed by the audience.

A tie between two families resulted in one final question to determine the winner. The McAllester-Halls took first prize, the Curries being runners up.

The summer quiz will be the next event on the Carradale Village Hall calendar on July 25.

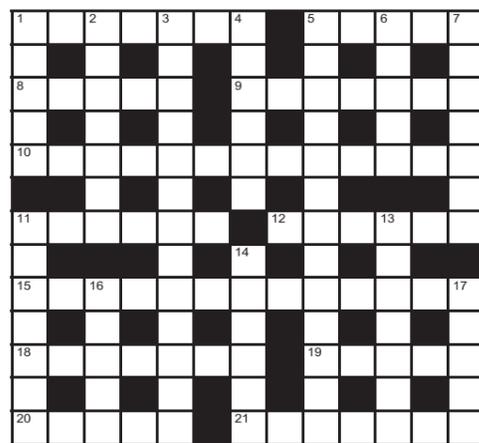
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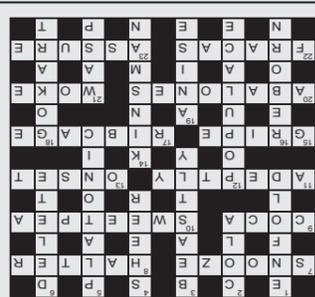
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  - Something collected by many later in life (3-3,7) (3-3,7)
  - Healing fluid (6)
  - Mover (6)
  - Fruit from bees, early in the morning? (8,5) (8,5)
  - Freed from stress (7)
  - A presiding spirit (5)
  - Article of faith (5)
  - Rank (7)
- Down**
- Greeting (5)
  - What...?! A grasshopper (7)
  - Somewhere to go to in a hurry (9,4) (9,4)
  - Band (6)
  - Twelve to chose from (8,5) (8,5)
  - Female organs (5)
  - Light lager (7)
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 The battle for Earth has ended but the battle for the universe has just begun. After returning to Cybertron, Starscream assumes command of the Decepticons, and has decided to return to Earth with force. The Autobots believing that peace was possible finds out that Megatron's dead body has been stolen from the US Military by Skorpinox and revives him using his own spark. Now Megatron is back seeking revenge and with Starscream and more Decepticon reinforcements on the way, the Autobots with reinforcements of their own, may have more to deal with then meets the eye.

## Prime lambs to 174p per kilo at Stirling Mart

UNITED Auctions sold 3,045 prime sheep including 2,153 lambs and 892 ewes and rams at Stirling last Thursday when trade followed current market trends and was back on the week.

Texel lambs from Northfield and Suffolks from Benthead sold to £77 with Texels from Wester Middleton selling to 174p per kilo. Blackface lambs from Dalma-hoy sold to £51.50 and 140p per kilo.

Prime ewes sold to £95 for Texels from Dyke and to £88 for Suffolks from Carrat.

Blackface ewes from Auchnasavil sold to £52.50.



Some of the farmers who turned up to the event which toured farms around South Kintyre last Thursday and Friday. 04\_c30ho101



The winning Holstein at West Darlochan. 04\_c30ho103



Left to right: chairman J Wallace, J Smith, W Ralston, H McCorkindale, judge H Neilson.

## Kintyre Holstein Breeders Club

IN perfect weather conditions the local Holstein Cattle Breeders Club held its Annual Herds Competition last Thursday and Friday.

The company of 27 enjoyed an excellent dinner in the Ardshiel Hotel on Friday evening.

Judging over the two days was carried out by Hugh Neilson, East Brackenridge,

Strathaven who made the following placement out of the 12 teams competing:

### Excellent

Small Herds: 1 Kenny Robison, Ardlamy, 2 Gavin Semple, Kilkeddan, 3 William Ralston, West Darlochan; Large Herds 1 John Smith, Drumalea, 2 Tommy Ralston, Dhurrie, 3 Dugald Graham,

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Best Herd Overall: Kenny Robison, Ardlamy; Individual: 1 Hugh McCorkindale, Eden, 2 Kenny Robison, Ardlamy, 3 Willie Armour, West Trodigan.

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The company now accounts for 80 percent of all halibut produced in Scotland and is powered by a community-owned wind farm.

Alistair Barge, owner of Gigha Halibut, would like to encourage more

visitors to the island to try his halibut and plans to extend into oyster and lobster farming should he be crowned food producer of the year.

Now in its second year, the Made in Britain Awards promote and celebrate British producers, farmers and growers making the heritage foods of tomorrow. The winner of the Made in Britain Awards will be announced at the Royal County of Berkshire Show, held at the Newbury Showground in September. The winners and finalists will appear in a special *Country Living* Magazine supplement published with the October 2009 issue.

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## Concessions on sheep ID legislation welcomed

SCOTTISH Crofting Foundation (SCF) chairman Neil MacLeod has given a guarded welcome to the small but significant concessions gained by the Scottish Government in Europe over the problematic proposed legislation for sheep identification.

At a meeting of the Standing Committee for Food Chain and Animal Health (SCoFAH) in Brussels, the following amendments were made to the regulations:

- \* electronic reading of ear tags can take place at critical control points such as markets and slaughter houses instead of at each single farm;
- \* a simplified procedure for electronically tagging purchased store animals that live beyond 12 months; and
- \* reduced information for the annual inventory.

Neil MacLeod said: 'This concession will go some way to making this bitter pill easier to swallow. There is still a long way to go to make these rules work properly, especially for the small producer.'

Alan Reid, MP for Ar-

gyll and Bute, also welcomed the concessions: 'I have been calling on agriculture ministers to put up a fight in Brussels to get the impractical European proposals for sheep ID changed, so I welcome these concessions. However, despite these improvements, the scheme will



Scottish Crofting Foundation chairman Neil MacLeod

still be very costly and bureaucratic to operate on Scottish hill farms, and I will keep supporting Scotland's sheep farmers in their efforts to persuade the Commission to change these proposed regulations to make them workable,' he said.

Argyll and Bute MSP Jim Mather said: 'Rules for electronic tagging and the individual identification of sheep are

due to come into force in early 2010 by order of the European Commission. These proposals have been bitterly opposed by the Scottish sheep industry as unworkable and expensive and likely in their present form to force a good number of Scottish hill sheep producers out of business. One successful amendment has been the acceptance that the electronic tags on animals can be scanned at central points like markets and abattoirs rather than on farms and crofts. This will reduce the need for small scale producers being required to purchase their own tag readers.'

Mr Mather added that the Scottish Government will continue to seek concessions that will recognise that the methodology used in upland sheep production in Scotland is very different from procedures followed in most of continental Europe and that it is important that legislation, no matter how worthy the reasons, takes account of that difference.

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# More from the Kintyre Music Festival

The festival produced a host of winners from Kintyre's primary and secondary school musicians.



Lindsay Cairns, winner of the primary 5 and under vocal class.



Campbeltown Grammar School Concert Wind Band won the band competition.



The junior keyboard prize went to Caitlin Millar.



The folk music for primary schools prize went to The Drumbeats.



David Conley was the primary school pipe band drumming winner.



Beth Ronald won the primary 6 and 7 vocal class and the primary woodwind competition.



Emma Bannatyne shared the classroom recorder prize.



Aimilea Chute, won the primary competition for brass.



Robbie McDougall, won the woodwind secondary prize.



Sarah Muir won the Highland bagpipe competition, which was open to secondary school pupils only and also the Tommy and Betty Finn Trophy.



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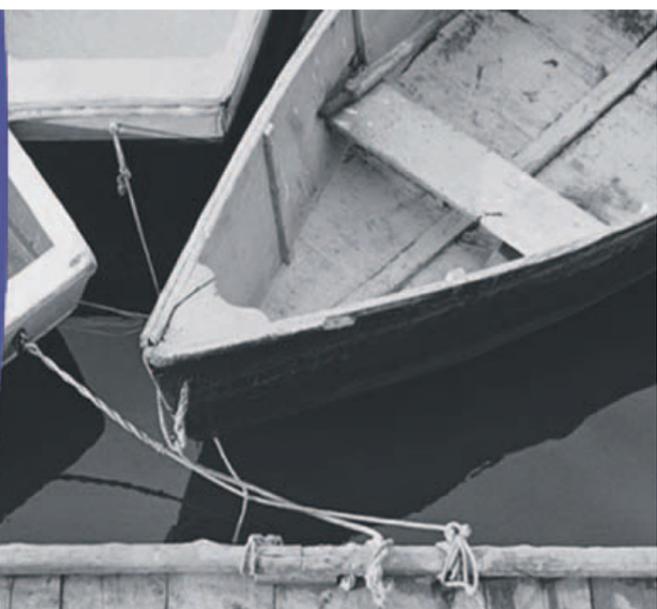
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## PLANNING

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

Take notice that the applications in the following schedule may be inspected during normal office hours at the location given below, at 67 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig and by logging on to the Council's Website at [www.argyll-bute.gov.uk](http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk) and clicking on Online Planning Applications. Anyone wishing to make representations should do so in writing to the undersigned within 14 or 21 days of the appearance of this notice, whichever is applicable as indicated below. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence.

#### SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PLANS

● Ref No: 09/00912/DET

Applicant: Mr Duncan MacGregor  
Proposal: Erection of two 1 and a half story detached dwellinghouses and upgrade of access  
Site Address: Premises Baluachrach, Tarbert, Argyll and Bute PA29 6TF  
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert  
Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days

● Ref No: 09/01006/DET

Applicant: AJC Civils Ltd  
Proposal: Erection of 2 semi-detached dwellinghouses  
Site Address: Plot East Of Kilkerran Farm, Kilkerran, Campbeltown, Argyll  
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office  
Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days

● Ref No: 09/01003/OUT

Applicant: M and K McLeod Ltd  
Proposal: Erection of Hotel Complex  
Site Address: Land Between Badden and Badden Farm Nursery, Lochgilphead  
Location of Plans: Lochgilphead Area Office  
Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days

● Ref No: 09/01000/DET

Applicant: Steven Wilson  
Proposal: Erection of single storey dental access centre with associated car park and relocation of existing hospital storage portacabin  
Site Address: Campbeltown Hospital, Ralston Road, Campbeltown, Argyll and Bute PA28 6LE  
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office  
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● Ref No: 09/00751/COU

Applicant: Operational Services  
Proposal: Change of use of land to Burial Ground  
Site Address: Land North Of Kilvoree Burial Ground Craignish Argyll and Bute  
Location of Plans: Lochgilphead Area Office  
Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days

● Ref No: 09/01012/DET

Applicant: Mr and Mrs John Rushton  
Proposal: Demolition of 2 chimneys and re-roofing of dwellinghouse  
Site Address: Dalhirach Big Brae, Tarbert, Argyll and Bute PA29 6UQ  
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert  
Development in Conservation Area 21 Days

Area Team Leader Development Control, Planning Services  
67 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig, PA30 8DX

### TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT CONTRARY TO DEVELOPMENT PLAN) (SCOTLAND) DIRECTION 1996

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Anyone wishing to make representations about any of the applications identified below should do so in writing within 21 days from the date of publication of this notice to the Area Team Leader Development Control at the address below.

Please quote the reference number in any correspondence.

#### SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PLANS

● Ref No: 09/01003/OUT

Applicant: M and K McLeod Ltd  
Proposal: Erection of Hotel Complex - Policies Contravened STRAT DC 2 of the 'Argyll and Bute Structure Plan' 2002 and LP Tour 1 of the 'Argyll and Bute Local Plan'.  
Site Address: Land Between Badden and Badden Farm Nursery Lochgilphead  
Location of Plans: Lochgilphead Area Office  
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Area Team Leader Development Control, Planning Services  
67 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig, PA30 8DX

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## OPERATIONAL SERVICES

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On Monday 20th July 2009, Argyll and Bute Council made the above named Order under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, which will make it unlawful for any person to wait, drive or cause or permit to be driven any vehicle, on any of the roads in a manner contravening the Schedules to this Order, and will be effective when and where indicated by signs on the dates and at the times indicated.

Exemptions to the road closure restriction will apply to vehicles engaged in the works, emergency services and for access to affected properties by arrangement.

#### SCHEDULE 1

##### PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC

Name of Road within Campbeltown	Extent of Restriction
1. Between 0001 hours 3rd August to 2359 hours 3rd September 2009	
Meadows Avenue	Extending from its junction with Range Road in a westerly direction to its junction with Tomaig Road, a distance of 242 metres or thereby.
2. Between 0001 hours on 21st August to 2359 hours on 30th September 2009	
Tomaig Road	Extending from its junction with Meadows Avenue to its junction with Ralston Road, a distance of 142 metres or thereby.
Crosshill Avenue	Extending from its junction with Tomaig Road in an easterly direction for a distance of 51 metres or thereby.
3. Between 0001 hours on 17th September to 2359 hours on 20th October 2009	
Crosshill Avenue	Extending from its junction with Range Road in an easterly direction for a distance of 59 metres or thereby and in a westerly direction from its junction with Range Road for a distance of 136 metres or thereby.
Range Road	At its junction with Crosshill Avenue.
4. Between 0001 hours on 7th October to 2359 hours on 29th October 2009	
Ralston Road	Extending from a point 180 metres or thereby west of Range Road in a westerly direction for a distance of 50 metres or thereby.

#### SCHEDULE 2

##### NO WAITING AT ANY TIME

Name of Road within Campbeltown	Extent of Restriction
Between 0001 hours on 3rd August to 2359 hours on 29th October 2009	
Crosshill Avenue	Extending from its junction with Range Road in a westerly direction to its junction with Tomaig Road, a distance of 264 metres or thereby.
One side only when indicated by traffic cones.	

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Andrew R Law, Director of Operational Services, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8RD

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'I cry aloud to the Lord; I lift up my voice to the Lord for mercy' (Psalm 142:1)

**BIRTHS**

**BURNS - CAMPBELL** - Melanie and Bruce are delighted to announce the safe arrival of a beautiful baby daughter, Ayla Aimee Campbell, on July 15, 2009. A first grandchild for Gail and Fiona. Thanking all at Campbeltown Maternity and Anne MacMillan, Acute Ward.



Fiona and John are delighted to announce the safe arrival of their son Dawson Grant Kennedy, on June 30, 2009. First grandchild for Hamish and Ina Dawson, Oban, and Ronnie and Gillian Kennedy, Lochgilphead. Many thanks to all for the beautiful cards, gifts and warm wishes received, special thanks to my very caring midwives.



Mark and Lynn are delighted to announce the arrival of their beautiful daughter, Sadie Lynn Johnstone, born July 10, 2009. First grandchild to Bill and Christine, Susan and Duncan and Mark and Ann. Heartfelt thanks to all the fantastic midwives and good friends.

**ROBINSON - FYFE** - Lynsey and Ross are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter, Millie Jane, born July 15, 2009, at the Mid Argyll Hospital. Thanks to all midwives involved.

**ENGAGEMENTS**

**TAIT - BENNETT** - John is delighted to announce the engagement of his mummy and daddy. Carole and Anthony got engaged on the bonnie banks of Loch Lomond on July 6, 2009 and a lovely day was had by all.

**MARRIAGES**

**BIGGINS - ARMSTRONG** - At the Western House in Ayr on July 12, 2009 by the Rev D Ness, Lynne, the only daughter of John and Dorothy, Campbeltown, to Scott, the elder son of Jim and Jackie, Renfrew.

**CHISHOLM - RYAN** - Both families are delighted to announce the marriage of Catriona and Stephen on June 19, 2009 in Stirling.



**MORRANS - ELLIOTT**

On July 10, 2009 at Lenzie Old Parish Church, Jamie, son of Irene and Jim, Lenzie, grandson of Agnes Morrans (Campbeltown) to Catriona, daughter of Maureen and David, Lenzie. With love and best wishes from both families.

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**SILVER WEDDING**

**MUSTARDE - SCALLY** - At the Lorne and Lowland Church on July 27, 1984, Donald to Arlene by the late Reverend John R H Cormack, present address 1 Pinewood Court, Dumbarton.

**RUBY WEDDING**

**CAMPBELL - COLVILLE** - At the Castlehill Church on July 23, 1969 by the Rev J R H McCormack, Donald to Hilda, Nanthida, Smith Drive.

**DEATHS**

**CONLEY** - Suddenly at home, 12 Ralston Road, Campbeltown, on July 17, 2009, William McLellan Conley in his 81st year, dearly beloved husband of the late Maimie McSpornan and much loved brother, uncle and great-uncle.

**GILLIES** - Henrietta (Nettie), aged 92 years, of 13 Jubilee Terrace, Lochgilphead passed away peacefully following a short illness, at Glenaray Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital, on July 17, 2009. Beloved mother of Christine, Ann and Ian. A much loved granny and great granny and a dear sister to Cathie. Funeral service was held in Lochgilphead Parish Church on Tuesday, July 21, 2009, followed by interment at Achnabreac Cemetery. Sadly missed.

**MORTON** - Suddenly at Walsgrave Hospital, Coventry on July 12, 2009, Mary Bannatyne, beloved wife of Denis, much loved mother of John, Helen and Clifford and a loving grandmother. Strone, Lutterworth Road, Pailton, Rugby.

**SCRAGG** - Suddenly at the Campbeltown Hospital, on July 16, 2009, Janet Blair (Jenny), in her 86th year, 34 Barochan Place, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Edward Scragg, dearly loved mother of Catherine and Marilyn and loving nana of Alan, Fiona, Morven and Kathryn.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**CAMERON** - Gordon and the family would like to thank all our friends from Whitehouse, Tarbert, Clachan and Lochgilphead for expressions of sympathy received at their sad loss of Jenny (Jan). Special thanks to Ward B4 at the Beatson for all their help, to staff and GPs at Tarbert Medical Centre, to all the district nurses, (especially Mother Goose), to the ICT team, to the Crossroads team, to MacMillan nursing, to Marie Curie nurses, who provided evening care, these teams were outstanding, without all their efforts I would not have been able to care for Jenny at home. Many thanks to our Parish Minister, Martin Grashoff for a most comforting service, to Mr Bill Murdoch for his church service music, to Anne Paterson for the beautiful church flowers, to Stan Lupton for his professional services. A final thank you to everyone who attended the service at Clachan Parish Church.

**COOK** - The family of the late William Cook would like to thank all those who showed kindness in many ways, both before and after his death. Special thanks to the Rev Michael Lind and the Rev Catriona Hood for their care and guidance and also to David McEwan for the beautiful music. Grateful thanks also to the medical and nursing staff who cared for Willie with compassion in his final days and to those who attended the funeral and donated generously to the two charities. Finally, thank you to Alasdair Blair for his professionalism and to the Ardshiel Hotel for catering.

**LEWIS** - Jessie, Dorothy, Mildred, Robert and families would like to thank everyone for the kind messages of condolence received after their sad loss. Many thanks to Rev Philip Burroughs for his comforting words at the house and at the

grave. Thanks also to the Campbeltown Hospital Acute and Bengullion wards staff for their excellent care and attention to Ted, Alasdair Blair for very efficient funeral arrangements and Ardshiel Hotel for their catering.

**MACCALLUM** - The family of the late Mary MacCallum (May) would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for their many kind expressions of sympathy received following their recent sad loss. Special thanks to Rev Philip Burroughs for a most comforting service, Alasdair Blair for caring and efficient funeral arrangements and Ardshiel Hotel for excellent catering. Thanks to Dr Hall for his care over the years and Kintyre Care Home for their kindness and care of May during her stay with them. A final thank you to all who attended the church and graveside. The collection raised £213.25 for the residents of Kintyre Care Home.

**MACDOUGALL** - The family of Mary MacDougall (Molly) would like to express their sincere thanks to all family and friends for expressions of sympathy and who attended her funeral. Thanks to the Reverend Phillip Burroughs for his thoughtful and comforting address. The generous retiring collection amounted to £324, which will be forwarded to Auchinlee Care Home. The family would also like to express their gratitude to all those friends, neighbours, and medical and care staff who supported Molly in her later years. The sensitivity and efficiency of Blair Funeral Directors was greatly appreciated.

**McKERRAL** - Jennifer would like to thank all family and friends for their sympathy and support. To Dr Lazarus and the staff at Campbeltown Hospital for their understanding, the staff at Auchinlee for their care of John and the Rev Philip Burroughs and Mr Alasdair Blair for their dignified and caring arrangements.

**ROBERTSON** - Joan, May, Fiona and family, would like to sincerely thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the extremely kind expressions of sympathy, floral tributes, phone calls and cards received following the recent sad passing of Harry. Special thanks to Dr Simpson and doctors and staff of Mid Argyll, Oban and Royal Alexandra Hospitals, for their kind care and attention to Harry, grateful thanks to Rev Roddy MacLeod for a comforting service, to Hughie MacLean for his personal tribute, to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for all arrangements handled with care and efficiency, and to the Argyll Arms for catering. Finally, our heartfelt thanks to the overwhelming amount of people who attended at church and graveside to pay their respects. The retreat collection has raised in excess of £760, which will be shared between RNLI and Ardrishaig Church Funds.

**SHUTTLEWOOD** - Jen and the family of the late Frederick Shuttlewood wish to thank all friends and neighbours for the cards, calls and kind messages of sympathy received in their recent loss. Special thanks to Drs Mackie, Simpson and Ward for their devoted attention over the number of years, the Integrated Care Team and the staff of Glenaray Ward for making Fred's last days so precious and comfortable. To Stan Lupton for all his help and comfort

to Jen regarding the funeral arrangements, to Rev Alistair Dunlop for his friendship, visits and care during the last few weeks, to John Holt for music in the church and to Ian Campbell for piping at the church and graveside. To Val Willis and Glassary Church and to everyone who attended the funeral service at which donations to Glenaray Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital raised £276, our grateful thanks.

**IN MEMORIAM**

**MACFARLANE** - In loving memory of my husband, Ian, who died July 23, 2002. A loving dad and devoted seanair.

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We think about you every day And in our hearts you will always stay.

Cathy and all the family, Tarbert, Glasgow, Mull.

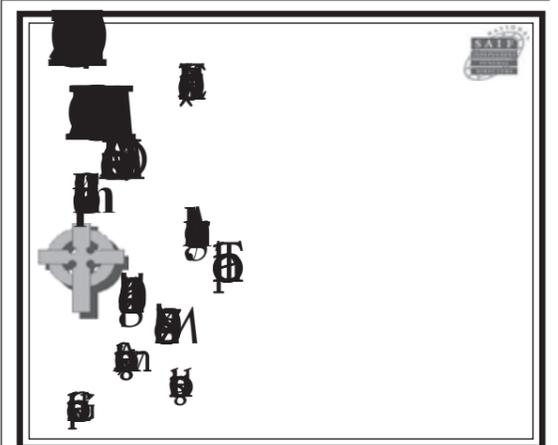
**McMILLAN** - Malcolm McMillan (Millars Park), who died on July 17, 2006. Not forgotten.

- Sons Andrew Junior and Malcolm.

**MILLER** - In loving memory of a much loved husband, dad, father-in-law and granddad, Tommy, who died July 24, 2008.

Loved and remembered every day.

- Patsy, Maureen, Simon, Emma and Rachel.



**ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES**

**ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES**

"Come and worship the Lord" in Achahoish at 9:45am and Ardrishaig at 11:00am

**CUMLODDEN LOCHFYNESIDE AND LOCHGAIR (Church of Scotland)**

Scottish Charity Number SC016097 Sunday 26th July MONTHLY UNITED SERVICE LOCHGAIR CHURCH 10.30 am NOTE VENUE (Tea to follow) Rev. Roddy MacLeod Ceud mile fàilte ALL WELCOME

**GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH**

SUNDAY 26TH JULY 2009 Glassary 11.30am Rev Alistair Dunlop All most welcome



**LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH**

Sunday 26th July 2009 Worship Service 11am Rev Douglas Bell Songs of praise 6.30pm All welcome Guild Coffee Morning 24th and 25th July 2009 10am - 12noon All welcome Scottish Charity SC015187



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**Highland Parish Church**



Sunday 26th July 2009 11.15am Morning Service Rev Catriona Hood Creche at church (0-3yrs) Rev Michael J Lind Everyone very welcome

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All Welcome Pastor Rev Derek Gibson Sunday 26th July 2009 11.00am Morning Service with communion Scottish Charity SC015187

**LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH**

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**THE SALVATION ARMY**

Burnside Street, Campbeltown Sunday Services 10.30am and 6.30pm. Tuesday Over 60's Luncheon Club -12.30pm Ladies Home League - 1.30pm Thursday 11.30am Meat n' Eat Café New to you Stall Bible Study 7pm Major Dolores Thomson

**LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN**

Sunday 26 July 2009 11.00am Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch Speaker: Graham McLean "A More Excellent Way" Thursday 30 July 2009 7.30pm Praise, prayer & sharing by Waqas Moazzam from Okara, Pakistan All Welcome "Come and see"

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND KILBERRY LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE PARISH CHURCH**

Sunday 26th July 2009 Kilberry Church 10am Tarbert Church 11.30am Margaret Sinclair Interim Moderator For all church inquiries and pastoral care Telephone 01499 500633 Everyone very welcome

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# Ian opens summer fete

ONE OF Stronvaar Bowling Club's oldest playing members and stalwart supporter Ian McConnachie opened the club's summer fete at the weekend. Although the visitor numbers seemed to be down this year, the nu-



President John McLean with Ian McConnachie at the summer fete on Saturday.

merous stalls returned a very creditable and much appreciated £1,000.

The previous Saturday, the club's ladies section almost sent a full squad to the Argyll and Bute County Knockout finals on Bute which were held on the Craigmore and Rothesay Bowling Greens.

A 50 per cent success rate was enjoyed by the ladies although it was disappointing that defeats for Shirley Bannatyne in the singles and the senior fours for Janie Hall, Elma McLean, Rena Cleugh and Elizabeth Nicolson put a wee damper on the day.

Those who returned with the silverware were the triple of Jessie Andrew, Maureen MacInnes and Jean Miller and the four of Lorraine Brodie, Marion Reid, Mairi MacDonald and Ria Johnston.



Triples who won silverware in Rothesay recently. Left to right: J Andrew, J Miller, M MacInnes.



R Johnston, L Brodie, M Reid and M MacDonald brought silverware back to Campbeltown Bowling Club after competing at Rothesay.

## Wee Bobby misses out on finals

CARRADALE golfer Wee Bobby Willan has just returned from the Wee Wonders Regional Finals.

Despite having a few bad rounds and failing to qualify Wee Bobby enjoyed playing the course and was invited to take part in the Scottish Junior Golf Tour.

The HSBC sponsored competition at Strathmore Golf Course in Perthshire saw Bobby

get off to a bad start with some poor tee shots but he battled back to give himself a chance of qualifying for the final at St Andrews.

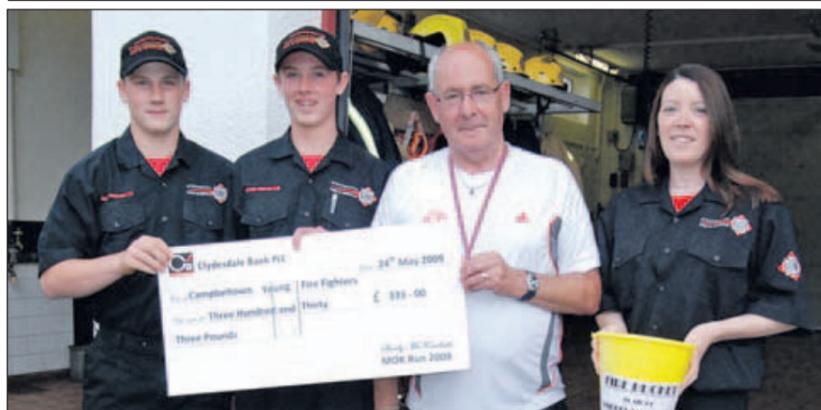
### Errors

Errors on his last two holes saw him finish fourth, two shots back with the top two making it through to the final.

Wee Bobby received an invite to the Scottish Junior Golf Tour by professional golfer Dean

Robertson who runs the tour for talented golfers up to age 14.

The days involved Wee Bobby developing his skills at Troon and taking part in tournaments at various courses. Bobby's Dad said: 'Getting asked to all these things is great for Bobby but living where we do means lots of miles. You've just got to go for it and travel to where it is.'



## Sandy donates money to firefighters

A MAN who narrowly escaped death from a fire which destroyed his home almost 15 years ago has donated money to Campbeltown Young Fire Fighters.

Sandy McKendrick raised the money by running the MOKrun 10k in May and collecting donations by putting a bucket round the local pubs.

Sandy was found by fire fighters behind a door unconscious and escaped the fire with severe burns, spending

many months in hospital as a result. He said: 'I'm ecstatic that I was able to complete the event and give money to a local organisation. I would like to thank everyone who generously gave money.'

He raised £335 which was presented to watch commander Ian McAulay and crew commander Jamie Conley, as well as instructor Katherine McGlynn recently. 04\_c306f01

## Record number of pupils try their hand at golf

A RECORD number of primary 5 pupils across the area have been introduced to golf for the first time this year.

Through the government-funded clubgolf initiative, which launched in 2003, 580 children in 37 Argyll and Bute schools received an introduction to golf this year.

### Announced

First minister Alex Salmond announced the figures last week at the Open Championship in Turnberry.

Colin Bell, clubgolf's

Regional Manager for Argyll and Dunbartonshire: 'It has been encouraging to see first-clubgolf being delivered in an increasing number of primary schools within each of the three local authorities within the Argyll and Dunbartonshire clubgolf Region and we are already working with Active School teams to further increase the number of schools next year.'

'There has also been significant increase in the number of local golf clubs coming on board

with the programme to offer clubgolf Stage One coaching in 2009 and we're looking forward to more positive progress over the coming months, offering more children the opportunity to get involved in golf.'

### Introduction

'In particular 2009 sees the introduction of clubgolf junior coaching programmes on Colonsay and Islay, to accompany the already established programmes on the islands of Mull, Gigha and Bute.'

## Pony club holds annual camp

ARGYLL (South) Branch of the Pony Club held their annual camp at Killinonoch Hill from July 5 to July 10.

A show at the end of the camping week took place with lessons also taken by experienced chief instructor Shirley Ann Varney and visiting instructors Laura Campbell and Liz Nairn.

The winner of the Dagleish Cup was Alexis Stewart, the Kilbride Cup was won by Gemma Ray, and the Pollock

Cup winner for citizenship went to Lewis MacKinnon who tirelessly helped all week. The winner of the MacGillivray Cup was Sara MacDougall.

Several members achieved their D standard and were awarded their certificates and green felt at the end of the day. The Pony Club would like to thank Robin and Antonia Stewart, Shirleyann Varney Melissa James and Diane Ralston, Lau-

ra Campbell, Carol and Jackie Lamond, Lewis MacKinnon, Anne Paterson and Kathy MacLachlan, Liz Nairn, Mary Lou Aitchison, Lu Boase, Mike, Caroline and Ben Carter, Anne Pascoe, Robert and Anne Dixon, and Sheila MacCallum

In last week's Courier it was reported that Tabby James won the overall trophy for the club's Skipness Funday, this was in fact won by Maggie Richmond.

## Islay July Medal

THE Islay Golf Club July Medal was played on Sunday July 5.

Results: Tom Dunn 84-13=71, 2 Angus MacAulay 86-15=71, 3 Alistair Livingstone 78-6=72, CSS 72.

SP Morrison Trophy: 1 John MacLellan 68+69=137, 2 Iain MacCuaig 72+71=143, 3 John Ferguson 72+71=143, Round 1 CSS 71, Round 2 CSS 72.

Order of Merit 2009: 1 Charles Holyoake 120 points, 2 Jim Rosa 118 points, 3 Arthur Holyoake 117 points. Sponsored by Islay Buildbase.

Ladies Medal: M McCall 103-26=77, D Brown 89-11=78, R Johnston 105-26=79.

LifeBoat Spoon: L Gray 34pts (28), R Johnston 30 pts (26), D Brown 28pts (11).

## Tarbert take on Saints

TARBERT continue their build up for the new season with a game against last year's Scottish Amateur Cup quarter finalists Oban Saints. The match will be played at Glencruitten Park, Oban, on Thursday 30th July, kicking off at 7.30pm.

## Sorry Ella

IN LAST week's Courier we reported that Ella McPherson completed 54 miles for the Slimming World challenge 40 miles for SMILES campaign. It was in fact Ella McKiven who completed the challenge.

Apologies for any embarrassment or confusion caused by this error.

## JW Trophy

THE J W Memorial Trophy was won on Saturday July 11 by F Walker, who took an impressive nett 66 at Machrihanish Golf Club.

Runner up was C McLean with 71 (BIH), third was Ian McGougan also with 71.

The scratch prize went to D Johnson 75 (Best last six holes).

Tommy Newlands took the senior prize with nett 70 and Graham McKillop was best junior with nett 76.

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## Scores from Machrihanish Golf Club

**D McKinley Cup**  
ON A beautiful sunny day on Wednesday July 15 the D McKinley Cup took place at Machrihanish Golf Club.

Only five clubs were allowed to be used for the competition.

Soren Hunderball was out early and with one birdie on the front nine was out in 39, although not quite as steady into the wind, one more birdie gave him a nett 67.

Next year he will take a sand wedge not a gap wedge to get the extra five yards onto the green.

Graham McKillop went even better in the junior section and came home with a nett 65.

Results: winner S Hunderboll 67, runner up S Martin 68, 3 Ian Mackinnon 69; scratch prize C McLean 76, senior prize W Wareham 72; junior prize G McKillop 65.

### July Open

KEENLY contested on Saturday was the July Open with Brian Finlay edging out David Graham.

Brian had one bogey and eight pars on the front nine and three bogies and six pars on the back nine to claim the trophy.

Results: winner Brian Finlay 67, runner up David Graham 68, 3 C McIntyre 70 (BIH), 4 S E Gillespie 70 (BIH), 5 J McV McPhee 70; scratch winner M Kean 70, runner up A G O'Neil 71, 3 N Paterson 74, 4 G A McMillan 75 (NIH), I McLennan Jnr 75; Ladies Handicap winner N MacNeil 75, runner up F Roger 80; Ladies scratch winner J Mack 81, runner up J Scott 84; Junior winner John Shaw nett 66.

# Pupils dump the Dookers

## Two early goals kill off any hopes the newly promoted Tarbert side had

### Pre-Season friendly Campbeltown Pupils 3 Tarbert 1

IN A friendly match against newly promoted Tarbert on Saturday at Kintyre Park, Campbeltown Pupils scored a 3-1 victory.

Two goals in the first five minutes effectively finished the game before it had a chance to get going.

A penalty was awarded for a handball in the second minute of the game, an opportunity for Paul

Grumoli to send the Tarbert goalkeeper the wrong way to open the scoring.

Brother Gary Grumoli netted the second in the fifth minute as Tarbert's dream of keeping things tight dissolved before they had even settled into the game.

### Much Worse

Things could have been much worse for the Loch Fyne side.

Sticking to their task, Tarbert eventually had some attacking joy when

they scored against the run of play.

A fine cross to the front post was headed into the bottom corner by the incoming forward, a reminder to the Pupils that the game was far from over.

The second period was almost one-way traffic, and it was unbelievable that the home side did not take the opportunity to add a few more goals.

A third goal in the 65th minute finished



Action from the Pupils v Tarbert match. 04\_c30pup01

the game as a contest, another Gary Grumoli strike doing the damage as the Pupils claimed victory.

A very good workout for both sides but the Pupils, sponsored by

McFadyen Contractors proved quicker to the ball in all departments, a game in which certain individuals excelled.

The Pupils sharpness to the 50-50 ball was the most noticeable point of

the afternoon, although they unfortunately picked up a number of injuries that could affect team selection for the forthcoming match against the national team tomorrow (Saturday).

## Tarbert hosts Topper Series

TARBERT Loch Fyne Yacht Club hosted round six of the 2009 Scottish Topper Traveller dinghy racing series on Saturday and Sunday.

Competitors, whose ages ranged from 10 to 15 years, travelled from as far away as Dumfries and Galloway and Glencoe to race in challenging conditions between East Loch Tarbert and Portavadie.

With Saturday's wind speeds gusting 28 knots, and with the wind on Sunday forecast to exceed that, visiting Principal Race Officer from Loch Tummel Sailing Club Graham Foster opted to run four of the weekend's six races on day one.

As a result, Saturday late afternoon saw a tired but exhilarated fleet return to shore to be greeted with a well-earned dinner, featuring locally caught seafood and the local butcher's premium grade beef burgers at the hosts' Pier Road clubhouse.

Owing to the sociable

nature of the Topper Traveller circuit in Scotland, the visitors were able to share a pleasant evening with their friends from the Tarbert club.



Under sail at Tarbert

Overnight leader in the more experienced Main Fleet was 14-year-old Angus Gray-Stephens, who sails with Tarbert Loch Fyne YC and also Mid-Argyll Sailing Club.

Tarbert's own Niall Morrison, with three wins, led the Development Fleet overnight.

Sunday morning turned out sunny, with the breeze less fierce than predicted. These con-

ditions made for a more inclusive day's racing, creating opportunities for the younger or less experienced sailors to improve their placing.

Eventually, the battle for overall top spot came down to the last race of the weekend, and, after three laps of close racing, Jamie Noyes of East Lothian Yacht Club pipped Angus Gray-Stephens to the post to win the Tarbert Topper Traveller Trophy.

Third place in the Main Fleet went to Alexander 'Chucky' Still of Royal Gourock Yacht Club.

The Bellanoch Trophy, for the best-placed Tarbert junior sailor went to Niall Morrison, who also took first place in the Development Fleet.

Thanks to the enthusiasm with which visiting parents, members of Mid-Argyll Sailing Club, and local businesses gave their time and effort to help the club members ensure that the event ran smoothly, the weekend was a great success.

## Carradale lose close game

CARRADALE Cricket Club visited Uddingston on Sunday and had a great game on a beautiful wicket at Bothwell Castle.

Uddingston batted first and scored an impressive 194-8. The best Carradale bowling figures were from Aidan Keogh with four wickets and Luke (an Aussie guest) with three and one run out.

The fielding was sharp throughout and is one of the greatest improvements this season.

Carradale made a great effort to get to the home side's formidable total, but fell a little short with 167-9 at the end of their 40 overs.

The captain, Aidan, after his fine haul with the ball, scored a magnificent 61 and was well supported by Andrew Leach, George McIndoe and Aussie Luke. Next Sunday's match is against Sannox at Carradale.

## Southend reach Dalriada final

KILMARTIN made the long journey to Southend on Sunday to fulfil the semi-final fixture for the Dalriada Cup competition in the Campbeltown and District AFL.

It was the home team who dominated first in a wind assisted half.

Currie with a low right foot drive into the goalkeeper's right hand corner after good play down the wing by Galbraith.

A second was added shortly after, McConnachie with a fine left foot volley from 25 yards.

Substitute Gilchrist made it three nil just before half-time bundling the ball home with his first touch from all of two feet following good work by McKerral.

During the break Southend's manager Sa-

noy Ronald was forced to make several changes and this saw the away team get more possession in midfield.

As a result of this Kilmartin pulled a goal back, a fine lob over goalkeeper Hardie by Jones from just inside the penalty area.

Despite this Southend soaked up the pressure and McConnachie added his second and the deciding fourth goal late on to send the South Kintyre team into this weekend's final.

They will take on Carradale who beat Kinloch 7-1 to go through to the final, which will kick off at Kinloch Park at 2.30pm on Sunday. The officials for the game will be P Laing, A Mitchell and Stanley Irwin.

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