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Jobs training academy boost

Wind Towers' plan strengthened by new agreement

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PLANS to set up a training academy in the Campbeltown area for real manufacturing and engineering jobs have taken a massive step forward.

It follows Machrihanish-based Wind Towers (Scotland) Ltd and a top renewable energy developer agreeing to work together to develop an apprenticeship/training scheme.

Burcote Wind has reconfirmed its 'memorandum of understanding' with Wind Towers

Scotland after the Kintyre manufacturing facility - which has a staff of 130 - was restructured and the company rebranded earlier this year.

Agreement

The agreement commits both parties to 'uniting to support jobs and skills in the renewable energy sector in Kintyre and across Scotland'.

It will also give Wind Tower (Scotland) the chance to supply all of Burcote's developments

and provide technical, operational and commercial support.

A delighted Dennis Breugelmanns, managing director of Wind Towers (Scotland), said: 'Agreements such as these give us the confidence to invest in developing our workforce for the future.'

'Burcote Wind's support will also help us to turn our plans for a training academy in Campbeltown into a reality, offering people from the community long-term career opportunities here in Kintyre.'

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Delight at a job well done

Delighted Campbeltown mum Fiona Megson and two of her children, Denise, 11, and Mark, 8, are pictured towards the end of a community clean-up of Dalintober Beach last Saturday which saw more than five tons of rubbish cleared. See full story and pictures on pages 4-5. 08_c34beach04

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Thieves raided third premises

A THIRD Kintyre premises was hit by thieves two Sundays ago, the *Courier* can reveal.

Up to £400 worth of scrap copper was taken from Andrew Smith and Son, agricultural engineers, welders and fabricators in Snipefield Industrial Estate, Campbeltown.

Four men and a silver Vauxhall Astra and dark Volkswagen Passat were filmed on CCTV around 9.30pm on Sunday, August 11.

They were also using the white Iveco van stolen earlier in the evening along with property valued at more than £10,000 from premises in the Clachan area.

Mr Smith, who has passed the CCTV onto police, said it was the first time his Snipefield premises had been targeted.

A Campbeltown police spokesman said their inquiries were continuing.

NHS chairman told of methadone clinic concerns

PUBLIC concerns over plans for a methadone prescription clinic in Campbeltown have been expressed to the chairman of NHS Highland, Garry Coutts.

In a meeting with Mr Coutts last week, Andrew Hemmings, chairman of the town's community council, and Kintyre councillor Donald Kelly also told of him of worries over recent cuts to continuing care beds at Campbeltown Hospital.

Mr Hemmings said: 'I think the meeting was constructive. We did make it clear our concerns and the concerns of the community.'

He added that Mr Coutts had explained the reasoning behind es-

tablishing a methadone service in the town, saying it was easier for people who have 'chaotic lifestyles' to deal with their problems if the service was delivered locally.

Needle exchange

Mr Hemmings also revealed to the *Courier* that the needle exchange figures reported last month will be 'further examined' by the NHS and the results released before the Scottish Parliament's summer cabinet meeting in Campbeltown next week.

Many Campbeltown residents fear that a clinic and the available housing in the town will attract drug users from outside of Kintyre. Councillor Donald Kel-



Andrew Hemmings, left, and Councillor Donald Kelly before their meeting with Garry Coutts, chairman of the board at NHS Highland. 08_c34methadone01

ly said: 'The meeting was positive but created more questions than answers.'

'They could not justify the need for a methadone clinic in Campbeltown in terms of the number of people requiring the service.'

'Mr Coutts was left in no doubt regarding the public opinion on this proposal.'

'He said that he fully understood the concerns of the community and would relay this to his board for consideration.'

Still time to quiz government ministers

THERE is still an opportunity for Campbeltown residents to quiz ministers when they arrive in the town next week.

Courier readers are being encouraged to sign up for a public discussion with Scottish government ministers, with around 50 people already registered for the questions and answers session.

First Minister Alex Salmond is taking the Scottish cabinet around the country this summer to meet people and find out more about what matters to them.

A public discussion event, with Mr Salmond and his cabinet secretaries, will be held next Wednesday in Campbeltown's Victoria Hall from 12.45pm to 2.30pm.

Ministers will also chat informally to audience members over tea

and coffee at the end of the event. Attendance is free but spaces are limited, so the Scottish Government has asked that those who wish to attend register by calling 0131 244 2262 or emailing visitsandevents@scotland.gsi.gov.uk

Officially opened

The 32-new Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA) properties at Park Terrace, between Kinloch Road, Aqualibrium Avenue and Longrow, will be officially opened at 2.45pm on Tuesday by Mr Salmond.

They were built for ACHA by MacLeod Construction Ltd of Lochgilphead which was also responsible for the creation of six new business units at the town's former Jaeger premises, and they will also be officially opened by Mr Salmond.

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Wind Towers jobs training academy boost

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'Wind Towers (Scotland) is committed to sourcing its growing workforce from the Kintyre community.'

Dunfermline-based Burcote Wind has an extensive pipeline of onshore wind farm development sites throughout Scotland, including the Creggan wind farm proposal site 20 miles north of Machrihanish.

The new agreement reconfirms Burcote Wind's commitment to keep as much of the £1 billion investment behind its project pipeline as possible in Scotland, supporting Scottish jobs and skills.

Under the terms of the new memorandum, Burcote Wind agrees to offer Wind Towers (Scotland) the chance to supply wind towers for its projects in the UK and Ireland where technically and commercially possible.

The parties will also

work together to develop an apprenticeship/training scheme 'in order to create lasting manufacturing and engineering jobs in Scotland'.

Graham Brown, chairman of Burcote Wind, said: 'It is exciting to see the ambition the new Wind Towers management has for the plant.'

'It's particularly encouraging to see plans for local skills develop-

ment really beginning to take shape.'

'Burcote Wind is committed to making a substantial contribution to the success of Wind Towers (Scotland).'

'We can do by creating the opportunity of a pipeline of orders from our onshore wind farm developments to bolster the facility's order book and by channelling community benefit funding

from proposed developments towards supporting skills development in Kintyre.'

Wind Towers has established itself as a specialist supplier of high quality wind turbine towers to markets across Europe.

By far the largest single private sector employer in the Campbeltown area, the firm has the potential to double its manufacturing capacity.



Dennis Breugelmanns, left, and Graham Brown on a tour of Wind Towers Scotland facility at Machrihanish.

Television show will recall 'miraculous' fishing rescue

TWO fishermen's dramatic rescue of a fellow crewman is to be highlighted in a television campaign to find Scotland's unsung heroes.

A film crew from STV visited Tayinloan on Monday to speak to Mark Sheldrick, 55, and Darroch 'Daz' Fulton, 24, as part of a television series which could see them named Scotland's Real Heroes.

In January, 2011 Mark and Daz rescued fellow crewmember Sean Taylor when he was pulled overboard by an automatic creel shooter near Gigha.

The Blue Angel had been fishing for brown crab when Sean was dragged into the water feet first to a depth of 43m, but Mark's quick thinking saw him cut the rope and winch him back to the surface.

Hospital

Sean was underwater for four and a half minutes, so Mark and Daz carried out resuscitation procedures and called the coastguard, which took him to hospital in a helicopter.

Mark, from Tayinloan, explained there had been two creel at the end of the rope which meant Sean remained attached when they pulled him up. He said: 'It wasn't until I got home that night that I realised a miracle had taken place.'

Accident

'The coastguard said no man has ever survived this accident before.'

Sean, now 24, from Tarbert, said: 'I've got no way I can repay them for what they did. I saw Scotland's Real Heroes on TV and it's one way of paying something back to them. 'If it wasn't for what they did I wouldn't be here today; I now get to see my daughter grow up.'

'My last memory is New Year 2011, between then and January 20 things are a bit of a blur. I think it's a good thing as I wouldn't be back at the fishing if I could remember it.' Mark and Sean still fish together, while Daz, from Clachan, now works as a diver. After the accident he



From left: fishermen Mark Sheldrick, Sean Taylor and Darroch Fulton, who will be featured in a programme for STV in the autumn. 20_c34fish02

decided not to return to fishing.

STV will be showing a series of pro-

grammes on community heroes in Scotland from next month, in which the public can

vote for the winners. An awards ceremony will be held later in the year.

Fraser Shaw - not Frazer Sharp

IN last week's Courier, we reported about a 17-year-old from Campbeltown who had his conviction quashed by the High Court in Edinburgh over the firing of an air rifle in a Southend caravan park.

We would like to point out he was wrongly named in that story as Frazer Sharp when in fact his name is Fraser Shaw.

Gaelic church service

SAINT Kieran's Scottish Episcopal Church in Argyll Street, Campbeltown is holding a Gaelic church service on Sunday from 10.30am.

There will be guest singers, readers and organist as well as opportunities for the congregation to participate in the Gaelic language with help given for pronunciation.

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TANGY III WIND FARM PUBLIC EXHIBITIONS **SSE Renewables**

SSE Renewables, the renewable energy development division of SSE, is in the early stages of exploring a potential redevelopment and extension of the existing wind farm at Tangy, Argyll and Bute on behalf of SSE Generation Limited.

The purpose of these public consultation exhibitions is to provide local communities and interested parties the opportunity to come along and meet with the project team, learn more about the proposals and raise any questions or concerns. The exhibitions will be held as follows:

VENUE	DATE	TIME
Machrihanish Village Hall	Tuesday, 27 August 2013	10.00am – 2.00pm
Campbeltown Town Hall	Tuesday, 27 August 2013	4.00pm – 8.00pm

Comment Forms will be made available at the exhibitions and can be completed and handed in on the day, posted at a later date or sent electronically to the Project Liaison Manager (contact details below). Comments made to SSE Renewables are not representations to the consenting authority. Once any application is submitted, there will be an opportunity to make formal representations during the statutory consultation period.

Further information on the proposal can be obtained from our website or by contacting our Project Liaison Manager:-

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SSE, 7th Floor, 1 Waterloo Street, Glasgow, G2 6AY
DD: 0141 224 7192, E: pauline.allison@sse.com
www.sse.com/TangyIII



Many hands make quick work of loading a trailer with rubbish.

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Community councillor Cathie Duncan brings the last bag of rubbish from the beach.

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Beach campaign

'You can't fault Campbeltown folk when it comes to rallying around'

THEY certainly cleaned up.

Five and a half tons of rubbish off Campbeltown's Dalintober's Beach, to be exact.

Plastic and glass bottles, crisp packets, weeds, rotten seaweed and, sadly, even a discarded needle.

It was a marvellous community effort to begin restoring the town's main beach to its former glory days.

More than 20 adults, dozens of children, members of Campbeltown's Young Firefighters and a small team of Wind Towers (Scotland) workers all donned gloves and rolled up their sleeves for hours last Saturday.

Argyll and Bute councillor John Semple also mucked in, as did community councillor Cathie Duncan.

Free ice cream

Charlie McLean was there with his burger van, cooking burgers and sausages provided by the Coop for the workers while Theresa Herod also showed up with her van and gave out free ice creams.

Water, juice and food were also provided free by Tesco, Kinloch Diner, Argyll Bakery and the Factory Shop.

'The response has been brilliant in so many ways,' said Catriona McSporrán, one of the town's residents who have decided it is time to reclaim the beach to make it a safe and attractive place again, particularly for youngsters.

'You can't fault Campbeltown when

it comes to rallying around something like this.

'When the needle was found on the quay being cleared of weeds by the young firefighters, we halted that work for safety reasons.

'I took the needle to the police station.'

Cathie Duncan said: 'I'm very proud of everyone involved in this work. It is a great thing for them take up.'

'I would love to see the beach back to the beautiful, shining place I took my kids to 30 years ago.'

'It's a disgrace the way it has been neglected. This is as important as any part of the town.'

'Bins are needed, and I'd like to see toilets down here as well.'

Jamie MacLean, of Peninver's riding school, provided a tractor and trailer to take the rubbish to a local amenity tip.

He said: 'It was a great turnout, we could not have asked for better.'

Ms McSporrán and Mr MacLean said the community clean-ups would be a regular occurrence and they hoped to see Argyll and Bute Council restore Dalintober Quay and return to the days of putting fresh sand on the beach on an annual basis.

In the short term, a meeting is planned for Campbeltown Community Centre on September 16 with the aim of forming a committee which will pursue improvements for the beach.



Some of the workers who removed five and a half tons of rubbish from Dalintober Beach last Saturday.

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GRADUATIONS



Kirsten Paterson graduated on 5th July 2013 from the University of Edinburgh with a B Ed (Hons) Primary. Kirsten is the elder daughter of John and Anne Paterson, Minard and will begin her probationary year at Ardrishaig Primary School.



Tony Whyte graduated with a BSc (First Class) Honours Degree in Networking and Systems Support from Glasgow Caledonian University. Tony is the younger son of Norma and Alex Whyte, Kilmichael and grandson of the late Norman and Isabel MacLellan of Lochgilphead.

rs get tons of help



Dalintober Quay, now largely cleared of weeds, produced a disturbing find of a discarded needle. 08_c34beach07 Inset: Just some of the rubbish collected from Dalintober Beach. 08_c34beach06

‘Think first’ and help save the lives of seabirds and other marine wildlife

WEST Coast marine wildlife is at risk of being killed or injured by litter, say charities.

The Scottish Seabird Centre has been joined by the national environmental charity Keep Scotland Beautiful in calling for people to ‘think first’ to save the lives of seabirds and other marine wildlife.

The Marine Conservation Society has also added its backing to a Scotland-wide zero-tolerance campaign on beach and marine litter, which can kill the country’s seabirds and other marine wildlife such as dolphins, seals and turtles.

‘Marine litter can be fatal to seabirds and other marine wildlife,’ said Tom Brock, chief executive of Keep Scotland Beautiful, which runs the anti-litter ‘Clean-up Scotland’ campaign.

Ingested

‘Plastic and polystyrene can be broken down into small bits in the sea, and these can then be ingested by birds and cause digestive problems which will kill them.’

‘Plastic bags can cause animals to become entangled and can be mistaken for jellyfish and other food by dolphins and turtles.’

Globally, an estimated

one million seabirds and 100,000 other marine animals die after becoming entangled in or eating plastic materials.

Mr Brock added: ‘The west coast is fortunate to have a rich variety of seabirds and other marine wildlife - now a key part of our tourism industry - on a magnificent stretch from Campbeltown up to Ullapool.’

Tragic

‘Seemingly harmless actions can have tragic consequences. Plastic bags are a particular problem.’

‘We are appealing to everyone - before you throw it away, think of

the consequences. Please reduce, reuse and recycle.’

Awarded beaches

Keep Scotland Beautiful, in addition to Clean Up Scotland, also runs the Scottish Seaside Awards programme, with four awarded beaches up the west coast including Macrihanish.

Its chief executive Derek Robertson said: ‘Litter is also damaging tourism and costs taxpayers millions of pounds annually to clean up.’

‘There are almost 1,700 items of litter on every kilometre of Scotland’s coastline. That is a shocking statistic.’




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Awesome achievements

THEY are equally inspiring stories - a group of Campbeltown mums who decide to begin restoring the town's beach at Dalintober to its former glory and a minister approaching retirement compelled to embark on two-year task of transforming an overgrown manse garden on Gigha (see pages 14-15).

Rev Anne McIvor's undertaking would have daunted a specialist hit squad from the Beechgrove Garden. It was most certainly not just pulling out a few weeds, levelling the ground and planting it up. Far from it. The Gigha manse now boasts a fascinating bible garden with numerous detailed features which endeavour to 'tell the story of Jesus'. Rev McIvor, who was assisted by islanders among others, hopes it will be used by schools and you can understand why. 'A Galilean Journey' offers a marvellous way of assisting a teacher in explaining key episodes in the story of Jesus Christ.

Not on the shores of Galilea but on the shores of Campbeltown another minor miracle took place at the weekend. What began as a mere thought, an idea, manifested into an intention, a determination and then action. Within weeks, dozens of people found themselves on Dalintober Beach and removing no less than five and a half tons of rubbish. Should they be pleased? Too right they should. They have witnessed the remarkable effect of an idea that has found its time and brings people together to make something genuinely worthwhile happen.

Sometimes, we cannot really explain the amazing things that occur in this world - and we are probably not meant to try. Awe and gratitude are enough.

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High cost of turbines

Sir,

Two 47-metre wind turbines (larger than the ones on Gigha) are proposed at Balloch Farm. Wind power generation certainly has its place in Kintyre, but these?

In terms of benefits, there will be a huge benefit to the landowners - literally hundreds of thousands of pounds worth of subsidy, paid out of the pockets of tax and electricity bill payers. This subsidy at a far higher rate per Kw than for the bigger wind farms.

There is also, perhaps, a small benefit to the planet in terms of a small, relatively inefficient, notional carbon saving.

But that is it. There will be no benefits to nearby residents or to Kintyre. The proposed turbines are Norwin 225s - Danish.

In terms of cost, however, the picture is very different.

The landowners stay over a mile away from the proposed site. But hen harriers, whooper swans, white-fronted geese, an important scheduled ancient monument hill fort and two grade-B listed buildings are all within around half a mile of the site and all would be directly affected.

Likewise, the nearby residents, some as close as 300 metres, will suffer massive personal costs in terms of amenity loss and increased stress and loss of health, plus noise, shadow flicker and a substantial drop in property values.

For Kintyre as a whole, this would be the first step in increased cumulative impact

and turbine proliferation towards the Mull. The Laggan already has Tanga and Beinn an Tuirc Wind Farms to the north. These proposed 47.02 metre turbines would be huge in the southern landscape, constantly moving and drawing the eye. Immense industrial machines, highlighted in white, against the dark backdrop of Balloch Hill and the very sensitive countryside beyond.

John Cowan
Oatfield House
Campbeltown

Wind turbines at Feochaig - 1

Sir,

I am writing with reference to the planning application for two 36-metre high wind turbines to be located on the wild and beautiful landscape at Feochaig on the east coast of the Mull of Kintyre.

Large scale wind farms (like Beinn an Tuirc) are undoubtedly helping Scotland to meet its renewable energy targets. However the lure of 'easy profits' for landowners (in this instance an absentee landowner with an address near Paisley) and developers who propose siting one or two turbines wherever they own some otherwise relatively unprofitable land has the potential to wreak havoc on our natural environment.

The primary focus of this type of development is not the production of green energy, it is the pursuit of profits obtainable through the various government-sanctioned financial incentives available.

Argyll and Bute Council have already recognised the negative environmental impact of this type of develop-

ment in their detailed paper 'Landscape Wind Energy Capacity Study' - March 2012. I hope that they will follow their own guidance and recent decisions and decline permission for this development. Any readers who wish to add their voice to mine can object on the Argyll and Bute Council website reference planning application number 13/01544/PP.

Matthew Willis
Southend

Wind turbines at Feochaig - 2

Sir,

The proposed wind turbines at Feochaig, on the Le-arside road, no longer a farm as stated in the planning application, will be four-fifths the height of those on Gigha.

The proposed site is a hollow on the coast formed by grazing fields with surrounding hills and is open towards the south of Arran, the Ayrshire coast, Ailsa Craig, and the Mull of Galloway. There are four residential properties nearby.

Walking, cycling or driving along the road from either direction, the view out to sea would be dominated by the turbines approximately 200 metres away. Looking down on the field, two hard standing areas would support the turbines and associated meter housings with access roads.

In the summer visitors regularly stop to admire and photograph the views and many locals enjoy a Sunday drive along the coast.

Electricity generated would be fed into the grid for the benefit of the energy company and the absentee land owner.

Tourism in this area is being promoted using our landscape and seascape as major attractions - please oppose this application by writing to the planning office, Angus Gilmore, 67 Chalmers St, Ardrishaig, PA30 8DX or email planning.hq@argyll-bute.gov.uk

Sophia Blair
Eriskay
Southend

Campbeltown - a royal burgh or not?

Sir,

I refer to your article in the Courier last week in which you report that the Facebook website has been amended to put Campbeltown back in Scotland where it belongs.

However, there is another inaccuracy that should be rectified.

The website refers to Campbeltown as 'a former royal burgh', but I am not aware that the act which established the regional and district councils in 1975 contained any clause which removed the title of royal burgh conferred by King William in 1700.

Therefore, to refer to Campbeltown as a former royal burgh is incorrect and the website needs to be amended again.

I would be interested if any of your readers have any thoughts on the matter.

George McMillan
Campbeltown

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Anger over turbines plan for Kintyre beauty spots

THREE neighbouring Kintyre households fear an area of 'stunning beauty' will be ruined if planning permission is granted for two 36-metre high wind turbines.

Sophia and David Blair, who live at Norvig, halfway along the Le'arside between Campbeltown and Southend, are 'deeply concerned' about a proposal to establish the turbines and a meter house near the water's edge a few hundred yards from their home.

'This is a stunningly beautiful part of the coast,' Mrs Blair told the Courier this week.

'People will often stop in their cars to take pictures of the outstanding views across to Ailsa Craig, Arran and the Ayrshire Coast all the way towards the Mull of Galloway.



A mock-up provided by the applicant of how the two turbines would look at Feochaig. c34view02no

'It is an incredible panorama, and one we feel should remain unspoilt.'

Planning has been sought by VG Energy, of Galston, for the two turbines on behalf of the landowner John McIntyre at 'Feochaig Farm'.

'Our outlook - the reason why we chose to retire here five years ago - will be badly affected, but we feel that others may want to object on the grounds that it will

detract from the beauty of the spot,' said Mr Blair.

'Contrary to the wording in the planning application, this is not an application for a farmer for a couple of turbines up a hill.

'This is from an absentee landowner who lives near Glasgow for structures by the shore.

'Feochaig Farm is now a collection of three residential houses, and the

application offers no benefits for the community.

'Buzzards, sparrowhawks and bats could also be affected by the turbines.

'The Kintyre Way may also be extended along this road.'

Near neighbour Alan Moffitt said: 'This application is ludicrous. It would ruin one of the most scenic views on the peninsula.'

Neighbours John and Helen Brittle are also 'very unhappy'.

Mr Brittle said: 'We are objecting. This is an area of outstanding, natural beauty. It is not just the turbines, it's the other buildings and access road as well. We are not against wind power - this is just completely the wrong location.'

A Kintyre Way spokeswoman said: 'We are looking at extending the

Kintyre Way along the Le'arside but we are not in a position to comment on any wind turbine proposal in this area at this time.'

Views on the application must be lodged with Argyll and Bute Council by Friday, August 30.

More than 20 objections have also been made so far against a bid for two 47-metre turbines at Balloch Farm, below Tirfergus Hill be-

tween Campbeltown and Machrihanish.

Objector John Cowan, of Oatfield House, said: 'This is close to the Balloch hill fort, a scheduled ancient monument. It's the wrong place for these structures.'

* Is there something in your area you are concerned about? Contact the Courier reporters, tel 01586-554646, or email editor@campbeltown-courier.co.uk

Delight for Kintyre Schools in World Pipe Band Championships at Glasgow Green



The juvenile band line up waiting to march into the Grade One Arena to play their set.

KINTYRE Schools Pipe Bands, sponsored by Campbeltown Motor Company, were placed 10th in novice and fifth in juvenile grade at the famous World Pipe Band Championships at Glasgow Green last Sunday.

There was a huge turnout of supporters from Kintyre to cheer on both bands as they competed in a mixture of sunshine and showers on Glasgow Green.

Led onto the Grade One Arena by Pipe Major Ian McKerral, the juvenile band pulled off a confident performance that they were very pleased with which was broadcast live throughout the world via the internet. Pipe Sergeant Bruce Cowie said: 'There were a few small mistakes which we put down to nerves as it was our first time in the Grade One Arena being filmed by the BBC. We were happy with fifth place and hope that next week at Cowal we can finish off the season with a good strong performance.'

The novice juvenile band also put in an excellent performance and was overjoyed to qualify for the final after being placed fourth in their qualifying heat.

They went on to compete in the final and were placed 10th overall out of the 29 bands competing in their grade. Pipe Major Peter Ferguson said: 'After qualifying for the final our aim was to get into the top 10 bands, so we are delighted that we managed to achieve that.'

Kintyre Schools Pipe Band would again like to thank their sponsor Campbeltown Motor Company for their support at this year's Worlds. Community support is crucial to the band and they rely heavily on sponsorship from local businesses such as Campbeltown Motor Company to enable them to take part in major championship competitions.

Kintyre Schools Pipe Band will be at the fore at the music festival this coming weekend. On Thursday a mini band will be at the Heritage Centre Concert. Today (Friday) the novice band will be performing in Main Street, Campbeltown at 7.30pm then the juvenile band will perform at the Festival Ceilidh in the Victoria Hall at 8pm.

Tomorrow (Saturday) both the novice and juvenile bands will lead the festival parade and will then play the opening slot 'Doon the Green'.

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Music fans will be able to see the Fratellis tomorrow (Saturday) night at the main concert in the Victoria Hall. c34fratellis01no

Ready for festival feast

A 'FEAST of music across Campbeltown' is in store for audiences this weekend, according to MOK Fest organisers.

The festival, which attracts a global audience every year, has something for everyone whether it is open air concerts, standing and all seated concerts or music sessions and bands across various bars and hotels in Campbeltown.

For those wishing to learn to play music to join in next year, there are fiddle and guitar workshops in the Kirk Street Hall from 4.30pm today (Friday) with Frank Rochford and Sam Hales. The family fun begins with the Festival Ceilidh in the Victoria Hall with Skipinnish and guest fiddler Archie McAllister.

Tomorrow (Saturday) after-

noon begins with the Grand Parade at 12.30pm, then onto Doon the Green featuring Violent Echo, Lush Puppies and Medium High.

Event manager Iain Johnston of J.I.G Events, said: 'Watch out for a special performance by Footnotes and children's entertainment by the Funky Chicken and the Urbane Circus.'

'The night-time all seated concert in the Heritage Centre featuring Rura and Fiona Hunter will have limited tickets available at the door but please come early if you are with a group and want to sit together. Next up is the hugely anticipated Fratellis concert featuring local rockers Violent Echo as support.'

Sunday afternoon starts with the Mitchells Glengyle Dalria-

da Connections Concert featuring Manx trio Barrule and Joy Dunlop as headliners. Survivors Night with nine local pop, rock, folk, pipe and brass bands brings the weekend of music to a suitable finale.

Mr Johnston added: 'Demand for tickets for the Fratellis concert has been incredible, I am sure the band will not disappoint their fans.'

'It's great for the festival to have such a high profile band headlining in only their third appearance in Scotland this year.'

Tickets for Survivors, Festival Ceilidh, Rura and the Dalriada Connections concerts can still be obtained at AP Taylors, Main Street and, if available, at the doors of the concerts.

Peak form and a lesson in teamwork

A GROUP of teachers from Campbeltown Grammar School defied aching muscles, blisters and night-time rain to conquer the UK's three highest peaks in just over 24 hours.

The 11-strong group took on the Three Peaks Challenge to raise money for the school's CGS-

4Gambia campaign, which saw them climb Ben Nevis, Scafell Pike in England and Snowdon in Wales. They walked a total of 26 miles, including 9,800 feet of ascent.

Leader Matthew Osborne said: 'What a team! Easy words to say, but I really mean

it. This group climbed the three highest mountains in our land in one single push despite the heat, cold, wind, rain, darkness, blisters and aching muscles. 'The minibus drivers had an even harder shift coping with smelly feet, over-ripe smelly cheese in lunchboxes, snor-

ing from the exhausted walkers and a sat-nav that took us on a scenic tour of the Lake District. 'All the walkers have been on a high since we returned, extremely chuffed with their achievement.' Matthew thanked Agnes Stewart for organising the event and the whole team for enduring the physical hardship required for it.

The team were raising money for an excursion to Gambia next February with Argyll charity Firstaid4Gambia where they will volunteer in a school in Kalagi. It is still possible to sponsor any member of the CGS4Gambia staff or donate to their paypal account using reference CGS4Gambia@yahoo.co.uk.



The team ready for the off at the bottom of Ben Nevis. c34cgs4gambia01no



Frank McHardy receives his gift from Neil Clapperton. 08_c34mchady01

Springbank staff mark Frank's retirement

FRANK McHardy, left, the newly-retired director of production at Springbank Distillery, is pictured receiving a retirement gift, a handmade Swiss watch, from Springbank managing director Neil Clapperton on behalf of

all the distillery staff. Staff members gathered for a meal at Ardshiel Hotel, Campbeltown last Friday to wish Frank all the best in a 'retirement' which will actually see him maintain strong links with the distillery.

New part-time roles will take advantage of his lifetime's knowledge and skills in whisky making. These include conducting special tours and being involved in Springbank's whisky schools.

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

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The ladies gathered at Machrihanish Golf Club for their play in pink night.

Pink night fun raises £556 for cancer charity

MACHRIHANISH Ladies Golf Club turned out in force to support the Beatson last week, raising £556 in the process.

The ladies, along with Tarbert Golf Club, took part in 'play in pink night' at the course last Monday with all funds raised going to the cancer charity.

Results: 1 Morag McLean and Helen Bapty 55-36-19, 2 L Armour and L Armour 41-20.5-20.5, 3 G Dickson and S Ferguson 50-29-21, 4 C Dobbie and J McCurcheon 47-24.5-22.5.

Pinkest pair

Booby prize: H Oman and M Spierings. Pinkest pair: S McDougall and M Campbell.



In the pink, from left: Sally McDougall, Ann Gallacher, Margaret Campbell and organiser Margaret Robertson.



TV chefs Paul Rankin, left, with Nick Nairn who are travelling around Campbeltown, Tarbert and Islay as part of a new cooking programme on STV.

New slant on fast food

CAMPBELTOWN will be appearing on television screens across Scotland next month as part of a new cooking series.

STV's new culinary programme, Paul and Nick's Big Food Trip will follow chefs Paul Rankin and Nick Nairn as they travel around the coasts of Scotland and Northern Ireland.

They will sail to

Campbeltown and Tarbert as well as Islay and Arran as part of the programme, before heading to east Donegal, Derry and Ballywalter in Northern Ireland.

The eight-part series of 30-minute programmes will air from September 2, where the pair will have one day to create, prepare and serve a three-course meal using local produce against

the clock.

Nick Nairn said: 'It's been such a treat making this series with my best mate Paul. What could be better than hanging out with your pal, cooking up some of the best produce to be found round the coasts of Scotland and Northern Ireland, and meeting some great people along the way? Not much, I reckon.'

Artmap Argyll holds Open Studios event

A PENINVER artist will have her work on show this weekend as part of Artmap Argyll's Open Studios event.

Christine Russell is the southernmost member of Artmap band and says the 'beautiful Kintyre peninsula and its big skies and ever-changing weather and the many moods of the sea inspire' her oil paintings.

Paintings

She will have 45 paintings on show in her gallery at The Smiddy, Peninver from today (Friday) until Monday, 10am to 5pm.

Visitors will also be able to enjoy tea and coffee at the five-acre

An Ceardach garden belonging to Christine and husband, Livingston, with all proceeds going to the Old Picture House, Campbeltown.

Directions to The Smiddy are three miles north of Campbeltown on the B842 Carradale Road pass a 40mph sign, 200 yards further on, down a steep hill, take the entrance on the right following the tarred driveway where there is parking for six cars.

Also taking part in Open Studios, Friday to Monday, 10am to 5pm, is Karen Beauchamp at Glenreisdale House, Whitehouse.

She 'is fascinated by the dynamic shapes and

colours of the Argyll landscape' and 'prefers the visible structure of the winter which she interprets in oil paint and gouache'.

Gatehouse

Visitors travelling from Campbeltown road

should turn left at the sign for The Old School and keep to the left through Glenreisdale Farm before following the lane up the hill to the gatehouse on the right. Then turn right through the gate and continue to

the entrance under the tower.

Forty-four artists throughout Argyll are involved in the weekend, and Artmap red dot trail leaflets are available at Campbeltown tourist information office.



Across Ardmish Bay, Gigha by Christine Russell.

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SYNOPSIS

Synopsis: The Worlds End
20 years after attempting an epic pub crawl, five childhood friends reunite when one of them becomes hell bent on trying the drinking marathon again. They are convinced to stage an encore by mate Gary King, a 40-year old man trapped at the cigarette end of his teens, who drags his reluctant pals to their home town and once again attempts to reach the fabled pub, The World's End. As they attempt to reconcile the past and present, they realize the real struggle is for the future, not just theirs but humankind's. Reaching The World's End is the least of their worries.

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Last week's solution

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TARBERT

Visitors flock to Clachan Art Show

CLACHAN'S annual art show last weekend featured a variety of different artistic mediums including wood turning, fabric painting and floral art. This year the annual event, which has taken place in the village for more than 40 years, included artists from Oban, Kilchrenan and Campbeltown among others. During the three days of the show there were plenty of visitors to the village hall, both tourists and locals. Children also had the chance to create their own pictures which will be exhibited at next year's show.



Visitors from Kintyre and further afield visited Clachan during its three day art show to view the various pieces on display.



From left: head gardener at Achamore Gardens Malcolm MacLachlan with garden staff Barney Higgins, Helen McBrearty, Leone Shaw-Tulloch and Gemma Donaldson and their four star visitor attraction sign.

Gardens are a star attraction

ACHAMORE Gardens on Gigha have been designated as a four-star visitor attraction by Visit Scotland.

Garden staff received the news this week, which means customer care and the range of facilities on offer at the site are of an excellent standard.

These stars help visitors understand the what kind of service and facilities to expect when they visit an es-

tablishment. The gardens team and the island as a whole are delighted with the award and feel it reflects the hard work put in by staff while also signalling a return to normality after several years of renovation and recovery from storm damage, which the team are keen to continue under the leadership of recently appointed head gardener Malcolm MacLachlan.

GIGHA

TAYINLOAN

Good day for Libby and Lucy

LIBBY MacArthur was one of the many locals who turned out for Tayinloan's recent Funday.

She took part in the pet show with her dog Lucy, who won third prize.

Those attending enjoyed burgers, baking, a bottle stall, guess the sweets in the jar competition, a raffle, kids races, tug of war and beat the goalie.



Libby and Lucy

TARBERT

Fraser celebrates being in the soup

TARBERT Soup Group celebrated the birthday of its youngest member and mascot at a party last week. Fraser Gibb, who turned two last Monday, was given a cake as part of the celebrations for his special day.

Heather Bellshaw, who is project co-ordinator at Tarbert Youth Group as well as the soup group, said: 'The girls and Fraser had a truly lovely day. It just brings it all home how special it is to bring generations together.'



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GRADUATIONS



Megan Laura Eileen Hill graduated on July 2nd, 2013 from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland and University of Glasgow, with a Bachelor of Education in Music with First Class Honours. Megan is the daughter of John and Elizabeth.



Ewan John Bannatyne recently graduated from the University of Strathclyde with a Master of Engineering degree in Chemical Engineering with distinction. Ewan is the elder son of Malcolm and Margaret, Campbeltown and grandson of John and the late Catherine Bannatyne and Maggie and the late Willie Ralston. He is a former pupil of Castlehill Primary and Campbeltown Grammar School and will shortly commence a career in Aberdeen.

ISLAY

Islay's population drops 200 in a decade

GIGHA and Jura have seen a rise in population over the past decade, while Islay has seen a decrease, according to statistics from the 2011 census.

Information from the most recent census about island populations has been released, with an overall rise in the number of people living on islands throughout Scotland.

Gigha has seen 53

more people become 'usual residents' on the island, with 163 recorded as living there in 2011.

On Jura, 196 people now live on the island, compared to 188 a decade earlier.

Meanwhile, Islay, which had a population of 3,457, has seen a drop of more than 200 people and now has 3,228 usual residents.

This comes as the

population of Argyll and Bute as a whole in 2012 decreased by 2.3 per cent from the previous year.

In 2011 there were 88,930 people living in the region, according to the National Records for Scotland, but in 2012 this decreased to 86,900.

This trend is opposite to the rest of Scotland, where the population has risen over the last few years.

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Argument for electronic identification

ELECTRONIC identification of cattle, along with the opportunities it offers to enhance herd management, was the main discussion topic at the recent Kintyre monitor farm meeting.

Duncan Macalister, who owns Glenbar Farms, which has a herd of 140 spring calving Aberdeen Angus cross cows, is considering investing in a cattle electronic identification system, for accurate individual animal record keeping and as a management tool to help identify superior and poorer performing individuals or breeding lines.

'We've been trying for some time to keep accurate records for a variety of criteria, with the intention of using the information as a guide for replacement heifer selection,' explained Duncan.

'But, I'll be the first to

admit that sometimes ear tag numbers have been misread or written down wrongly. Also weight recording hasn't been totally reliable, thanks to human error. Sometimes the transfer of information from note books or scraps of paper to computer has also got a bit mixed up.'

At the recent meeting, the group viewed the first progeny of the Hereford bull he introduced in 2011 as well as a batch of home-bred Black Baldie yearling heifers, running with an Aberdeen-Angus bull.

He added: 'I'm keen to establish for myself just how well the Black Baldies, plus all the other breeding females, perform every step of the way. This includes from how quickly they take the bull, ease of calving, mothering ability, weaning weight of calves, health issues, ease of management, plus the

daily liveweight gain, carcase yield, grade, and number of days to slaughter of finished progeny.

'Currently replacement heifers are selected on size, by eye and then reference to the dam's history. I hope EID will help me make more informed heifer selection, particularly as once all the historic information is correctly fed in, at the touch of a button, I should be able to access the historic performance of particular dam and sire lines. Also, importantly, it will help to ensure bulls are kept away from daughters and grand-daughters.'

A demonstration of a handheld stock recorder which is capable of reading any EID tag with a chip was given by Hazel Strachan from Shearwell Data Ltd at the meeting. The next Kintyre monitor farm meeting will be in October.



Tommy Ralston, of Dhurrie Farm, with his Jersey champion at this year's Kintyre Agricultural Show which was also the reserve dairy interbreed champion.

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Ewe condition going into winter

EVERYONE will remember the devastating effects the winter of 2012 and 2013 had on the sheep industry in Argyll.

The message for everyone to take away from this Wednesday's Ewe Condition Going into Winter workshop is, how fit are your ewes? What should you be implementing now going forward into this winter?

The speakers will discuss fodder reserves and quality, variations in silage qualities this season and what this means for ration formulations and economics, and an understanding of bought-in feeds. The prospect for the sheep industry will also be a topic for discussion and healthy debate.

The event is being held at Ederline Estate, Ford, Lochgilphead and is funded by the

Scottish Government as part of its public good veterinary and advisory service.

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Market reports:

CALEDONIAN Marts (Stirling) Ltd sold 300 store cattle on Monday.

Beef bred bullocks (158) averaged 228p per kg to 282p per kg for three 320kg Limousins from Willie and Robert Walker, Camreggan, Girvan and to £1,140 for a 545kg Charolais from Davie McKenzie, Ardgate, Gartocharn.

Beef bred heifers (82) averaged 223p per kg to 250p per kg for a 295kg Charolais from Wilson Cook, Balcachie, Girvan and to £1,150 for a 485kg Limousin from Hume of Overton Farm Ltd, Denny.

Black and white bullocks (60) averaged 161p per kg to 185p per

kg for six 440kgs from R. Hamilton, Coldwakening, Strathaven and to £815 for the same pen.

Leading prices: bullocks per head: 251-300kgs - £720 Balcachie; 301-350kgs - £900 Camreggan; 351-400kgs - £1,020 Camreggan; 401-450kgs - £1,060 Camreggan; 451-500kgs - £1,130 Reivoch; 501-550kgs - £1,140 Ardgate.

Heifers per head: 0-250kgs - £560 Blackthird; 251-300kgs - £835 Balcachie; 301-350kgs - £950 Martnaham Mains; 351-400kgs - £970 Martnaham Mains; 401-450kgs - £1,150 Overton.

Bullocks per kg: 251-300kgs - 244p Balcachie; 301-350kgs - 282p Camreggan; 351-400kgs - 262p Camreggan; 401-450kgs

- 242p Camreggan; 451-500kgs - 226p Reivoch; 501-550kgs - 210p Ardgate.

Heifers per kg: 0-250kgs - 215p Blackthird; 251-300kgs - 250 Balcachie; 301-400kgs - 248p Martnaham Mains; 401-450kgs - 237p Martnaham Mains; 451-500kgs - 237p Overton.

CALEDONIAN Marts (Stirling) Ltd sold 2,327 store lambs and feeding ewes.

Store lambs (2122) averaged £58.57 (+£1.34 on the week) to £86 for Texel from Miss Jennifer Gilvear, Giral.

Feeding ewes (205) averaged £37.11 (-£6 on the week) to £60 for mules from Clonaig.

Averages: Suffolk lambs (790) to £71.50, averaged £64.72 (+£0.16 on the week); Texel lambs (997) to £86, averaged £59.40 (-£2.56 on the week); cross lambs (215) to £55, averaged £52.14 (-£1 on the week).

Leading prices: lambs: Tex - £79.50 & £79 Drumbroider; Tex x - £76.50 Craigannet; Beltex x - £84 Giral; Beltex - £82 Leadmachany; Suff - £71.50 and £68 Luss Estates; Suff x - £65.50 Ballabeg; Chev - £65 Droystone; mule - £55 Shankhead; Hampshire Down - £64 Droystone; BF - £50 and £46 East Tandlemuir.

Ewes: mule - £54 Clo-

naig; cross - £48 South Halls; Chev - £45 Clonaig; BF - £44 Clonaig.

Kintyre Agricultural Society

Annual Breeding sheep Sale
In conjunction with C & D Marts. Longtown
Friday 27th September at Anderston park Campbeltown at 1pm
Pens of Ewes and Ewe lambs limited to pens of 25 per consignor

Members of the Kintyre Agricultural Society have first refusal on entries and shall have intimated them by Friday 6th September, when after, the entries shall be open to all others until 15th September.

Entries to the secretary John Armour 01586 810231 (day) 552404 (evening) Or e-mail: john-armour@tiscali.co.uk Before 15th September



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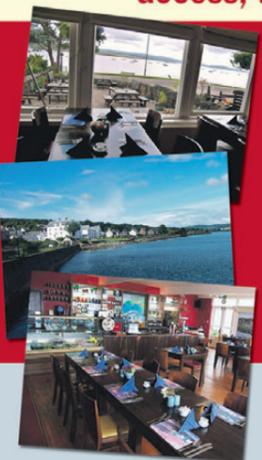
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Anne Shaw with Alex Shaw, 10, and Lauren Coule, 9, who were among children involved in making this mosaic of loaves and fishes. 08_c34garden02



Islanders Mary Allan, left, Sheila Mohr and Chris McNeill enjoying a relaxing seat in the garden. 08_c34garden06



Rev McIvor with her friends and supporters who gathered last week to celebrate the completion of the

Gigha minister says amen to dream garden

IT is called 'A Galilean Journey' - and it certainly was a journey for its main creator, Rev Anne McIvor of Gigha and Cara Parish Church.

The bible garden in the grounds of the Gigha manse was two years in the making from what was a mass of weeds up to 10ft high.

It took belief, faith and determination and has proved an impressive farewell gift to the island from Rev McIvor who retires tomorrow (Saturday).

'I believe I was guided to do it, from its conception to completion, I really do,' she told the Courier.

'It was the last thing on my mind when I took up the part-time position on the island five years ago.'

Last week, Rev McIvor, who was interim moderator on Islay before arriving in Gigha, took the opportunity to thank the people who helped her fulfil her vision.

These included many islanders, the Anchor Trust which provided funding for flowers, volunteers from Campbeltown's Springbank Church, and Ann Gallacher and her Employability Team from Campbeltown which took a month to cut down and clear the site.

From there, Rev McIvor could begin the process of 'telling the story of Jesus in an artistic way' through the garden's many different features such as the wilderness area and the resurrection garden.

She said: 'I could not have got started without Ann and her team.'

'It has been enormous work, but very exciting, a wonderful experience.'

'I was determined to finish it before I went, though.'

'It is a place where people can come for a seat and find some peace.'

'I also hope schools will make use of it.'

Ann Gallacher said: 'It's remarkable what Anne has achieved, and so much of it herself, considering the incredibly overgrown ground facing her two years ago.'

'It was a lot of work to just to clear that site, and it would have been hard to imagine it being transformed into the garden it is today.'

Alasdair McNeill, church session clerk for the past 25 years, said of the retiring minister: 'She will be sorely missed when she goes back to her Campbeltown roots.'

'She has been a great ambassador for this island, and she has brought more members to the church - which is no small feat these days.'

Looking across at the friends gathered to celebrate the new garden last week, Rev McIvor said: 'They are a grand bunch of people - very loving. I will miss them terribly.'

She added that she hopes to return regularly to the island to continue working on the larger garden.

With a huge orchard largely overgrown and a well which has been rediscovered but requires restoration work, it remains a work in progress.

All it needs is the same belief, faith and determination.



Rev McIvor shows some of the grown orchard. 08_c34garden04



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'Breakfast on the Beach' - one of the many features telling the story of Jesus. 08_c34garden07



st week's guests the over-



This remarkable figure of a fisherman casting his net on the Sea of Galilea was made by Claire McNiven from Ardfern out of scraps of old rope collected off beaches. The striking metal cormorant, like fish and a heron also in the garden, was made by artists in Zambia. 08_c34garden08



den well which requires



Rev Ann McIvor, left, and Ann Gallacher discuss the garden's incredible transformation from weeds to a biblical wonderland in the past two years. 08_c34garden09



Guests enjoying the garden. 08_c34garden10



The sign at the entrance to the garden. 08_c34garden01

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Man in black takes the hard way to arrive in Kintyre

SOME time, in the next few days, a man in black will emerge from the sea off the Kintyre coast.

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In fact, he will have arrived via Ballycastle.

Full-time 'extreme adventurer' Sean Conway, 32, is in the middle of an epic 1,000-mile swim from Land's End to John O'Groats via Ireland.

Challenge

In a challenge never attempted before, he is swimming the equivalent of the English Channel each day, up to 20 miles, in sessions of up to seven hours and sometimes at night to make the most of tidal conditions.

The right swimming gear and loading up on a high protein and fat diet are vital.

Before making the difficult

crossing from Ballycastle to the Mull of Kintyre, Conway told the Courier: 'Besides the cold water and unusually large quantity of jellyfish, it is amazing to explore the coastline of Great Britain and Ireland from this unique vantage point. I have been overwhelmed by the public's support and I'm really looking forward to the rest of my journey north towards the Inner Hebrides.'

Conway will take up to three months to finish - though he is actually speeding up.

He is supported by a crew of three in a yacht and kayak and sleeps in the yacht or camps on the coastline.

Crossing from Wales to Ireland left him up to 30 miles from the nearest coast and negotiating the dangers of shipping routes and cross winds.

He hopes to inspire others to get fit through swimming by speaking at schools, colleges and swimming clubs en route.

Conway is also raising funds and awareness for the War Child International charity which supports vulnerable children whose homes, families and communities are torn apart by conflict.

Cold weather

His equipment includes four wetsuits, 10 pairs of goggles, 15 swimming caps and a neoprene balaclava for cold weather, all provided by his sponsor Speedo.

Last year Conway took part in the World Cycle Race, completing 16,000 miles in 116 days. On target for the world record, he was knocked off his bike in America by a fast car. He carried on for another 12,000 miles with a fractured spine.

Trio are well prepared for Loch Lomond challenge

THEY have braved icy sea and loch waters for months - now they are set, albeit a bit nervous, for the big day.

A trio of friends from Campbeltown will plunge into the chilly waters of Loch Lomond tomorrow (Saturday) and hopefully help raise more than £2,000 for a cancer charity.

Mother-of-two Lesley Black, 40, and her friend Leanne Thomson and her partner Craig Barrett have been preparing for

the Great Scottish Swim - expected to attract up to 2,000 participants completing a half-mile loop - since winter.

'We trained regularly at the Aqualibrium pool to begin with,' explained Lesley.

Various waters

'Then over the summer we tackled various waters around Kintyre, including at Gigha, Bellochantuy, Peninver, Torrisdale and Loch Lussa.

'Machrihanish was

particularly cold - even with wet suits on.

'Loch Lussa's water was very dark, you could not see anything, and the sea was extremely rough in Gigha Bay.'

Lesley revealed that the Campbeltown team members were being joined in their fundraising efforts by a three-man team from Airdrie and Coatbridge, led by former Campbeltown Grammar pupil David Skillen, whose mother still lives in the town.

David, a friend of Lesley's at school, came up with the fundraising swim idea to mark the first anniversary of the death, from pancreatic cancer, of his older sister, Louise, who was a doctor.

He will be joined by Louise's husband, Colin, and son, Jamie, 13.

The money raised will go to Louise's favourite charity, Cancer Active, which supported and helped her through her illness.

Quite nervous

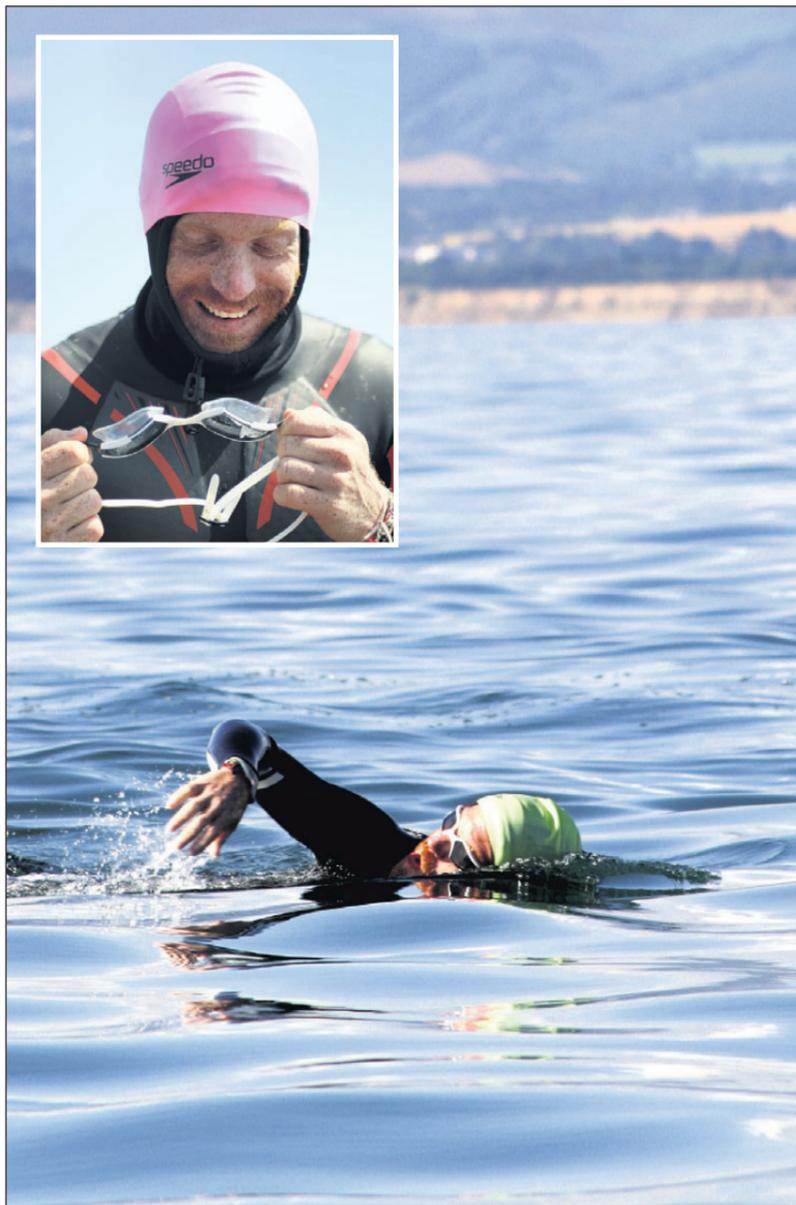
Lesley added: 'We think we have prepared for all possible conditions, but we are all still quite nervous.'

'Anyone wishing to sponsor or donate would be very much appreciated and can do so directly via www.justgiving.com/teams/Easy-doctor'

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Lesley Black, left, and Leanne Thomson training in Lussa Loch.



Sean Conway during his epic swim around Britain. Inset: The right swimming gear is essential for Sean.

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Ref No	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
13/01171/PP	Installation of run-of-river hydro scheme including construction of intake weir and powerhouse	Land West Of Drimlee Inveraray Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Inveraray
13/01327/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse, installation of septic tank and formation of new access	Plot 2 South West Of Grassfield Farm Whitehouse Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Tarbert
13/01328/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse, installation of septic tank and formation of new access	Plot 1 274M South West Of Grassfield Farm Whitehouse Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Tarbert
13/01329/PPP	Site for the erection of boathouse (incorporating basic residential accommodation within), installation of septic tank and formation of new access	Plot 3 Land 788M South West Of Grassfield Farm Whitehouse Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Tarbert
13/01348/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse and formation of vehicular access	Land North East Of Ballochroy Tayinloan Tarbert Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Tayinloan
13/01582/PP	Erection of dwellinghouse, installation of septic tank and formation of vehicular access	Land South Of Castleton House Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute	Ardrishaig Area Office
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WATER ENVIRONMENT AND WATER SERVICES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003

WATER ENVIRONMENT (CONTROLLED ACTIVITIES) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2011 APPLICATION FOR AUTHORISATION

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An application has been made to the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) by DHG Hydro Limited for authorisation to carry on controlled activities at, near or in connection with the Leacann Water Hydroelectricity Scheme, namely:

Description of controlled activity	Waters affected	National grid reference
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Construction and/or operation of impounding works 0.7m in height	Unnamed tributary of Leacann Water	NN 0182 0390
Construction and/or operation of impounding works 1.2m in height	Unnamed tributary of Leacann Water	NN 0205 0399
Abstraction of 34 560m ³ per day of water	Leacann Water	NN 0130 0366
Abstraction of 2 592m ³ per day of water	Unnamed tributary of Leacann Water	NN 0182 0390
Abstraction of 15 552m ³ per day of water	Unnamed tributary of Leacann Water	NN 0205 0399
Return of abstracted water approximately 2.7 km (in total) away from abstraction points	Leacann Water	NN 0220 0234

SEPA considers that the above controlled activities may have an impact on the interests of other users of the water environment. Other activities are included in the application that are considered not likely to have such an impact and are not listed here. Details of all the activities applied for can be seen in the application.

A copy of the application and any accompanying information may be inspected free of charge, at the SEPA Registry below, between 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. Monday to Friday (except local and national holidays). Alternatively, the application may be viewed on SEPA's website at: www.sepa.org.uk/water/water_regulation/advertised_applications.aspx

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Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



THERE is always something different at the Clachan Art Show and an abundance of talent was on display in the village hall.

From paintings to photographs, sketches to woodwork, it all looked wonderful.

It would be lovely to see the artists actually creating their work, but we only see the finished product and that is enough.

In the wonders of our created world however, we do actually get to see creation in progress. In every birth, in every new flower, in every night sky, in every new dawn we catch a glimpse of the beauty evolving around us and we look to a power greater than we can imagine.

Creativity is ongoing, not only through the works of God, but also through the skills of the God-given talents within so many.

I think God has made us all mini creators as we are made in his image, and we must rejoice in the skills that we have each been given – whether it be with paints or with words, with a rolling pin or a needle, with a hammer or with a plough – we each have our own gifts.

Back at the art show amid all the lovely contributions, I noticed the most unusual little crafts.

They were small tea light holders and round them was a circle of match-stick people holding hands. They were made very skilfully from fine wire, and they seemed to me as if they were dancing.

I wonder what Isaac was thinking when he created them, but for me they will represent people coming together to take part in the dance of life.

I like to think of these people representing hands across the world coming together in peace to celebrate our common humanity.

I like to look at the candle flickering within the circle and think that there is light and hope in our midst.

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Some parents and pupils from Southend Primary with Stewart Twynham's painted school sign.

School sign success for Southend parents

A CAMPAIGN by parents at Southend Primary School to reinstate signs warning traffic of the school has met with success - thanks to the Courier.

For more than 12 months flashing signs outside the school have not been working and in June this year the signs were turned around, removing any indication the school exists.

Stewart Twynham, who has two children attending the school, contacted Argyll and Bute Council to complain about the signs and ask that temporary signs be put in place until the flashing ones were fixed. At the beginning of last week, he took matters into his own hands and painted his own sign to warn drivers to slow down for the school which sits at the side of the road.

However, after he contacted the Courier the flashing signs have been moved back as a temporary measure with assurances new signs will be put in place within the next week.

Mr Twynham said: 'It is great news.'

'After almost two and a half years, we're all delighted that something is finally being done about it - all thanks to the involvement of the Courier.'

Dangers

He had earlier warned the council of the dangers of having children return to school without the signs, with no form of protection while traffic passes up to 60mph a few feet away.

He added it was especially dangerous during the holiday season where a 'large proportion of the motorists have no local knowl-

edge to inform them of the dangers'.

A council spokeswoman for the council told the Courier on Monday: 'New signs were ordered some time ago. When these are delivered, they will be installed by specialist contractors as part of an Argyll and Bute wide assessment of the maintenance, repair and replacement of school signage.'

Councillor Donald Kelly said: 'Being the prime mover in requesting that the initial safety signage was installed at all Kintyre schools, naturally I am extremely disappointed at the time it has taken to resolve such issues. 'I would like to reassure all parents that the programme to replace all the faulty school lights is already underway and will be completed soon.'

Kintyre Christian Fellowship

KINTYRE Christian Fellowship will meet at Springbank Evangelical Church, Campbeltown next Friday, August 30 when the guest speaker will be John Miller from the Mustard Seed Gospel Hall in Glenrothes.

By popular request John has accepted our invitation to come back this year and take the meeting for us.

Everyone is most welcome whether or not they are a church member.

The meeting begins at 7.30pm.

Breaches of the peace

A WOMAN was arrested for breach of the peace in Pensioners Row, Campbeltown at 2.48am on Tuesday.

On Saturday at 9.30pm a man was arrested for behaving in a threatening or abusive manner and causing fear or alarm.

Drink driver caught

A MAN was caught drink driving by police on Hutcheon Road, Campbeltown at 4.40pm on Monday. A report has been sent to the procurator fiscal.

Domestic incident

A MAN was arrested for a domestic incident in Pensioners Row just before 10pm on Monday. A report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Rain fails to dampen the spirits at Tarbert harbour centenary

WIND and heavy rain failed to dampen the spirits of Kintyre residents who turned out in force to celebrate the 100th centenary of Tarbert Harbour last Saturday.

The weather at the weekend meant the event was moved

from the shore side to the village hall, but there was still plenty to keep everyone entertained.

The community barbecue proved a huge hit with hungry locals who gathered to watch an afternoon of entertainment, which included arts, craft, games and knife throwing from street performers.

The morning started with the first Tarbert 10k and 5K

run, which saw 200 runners pass some of the village's most beautiful views.

To finish the day's event Tarbert band Eirich took to the stage to perform in front of its home crowd.

Scott Woods, from the Tarbert Harbour Trust, said: 'We have still had quite a good turn out despite the weather and everyone seems to be enjoying themselves which is the most important thing.'



Tarbert's Alan Moore was named best dressed man at the centenary celebration. 06_a34tarbert08

TEXT FOR THE WEEK

'Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares'. (Hebrews 13:2)

ENGAGEMENTS

CAMERON - WATSON - Both families have pleasure in announcing the engagement of Allan, son of Graham and Margaret Cameron, Acharacle, to Laura, daughter of Eric and Fiona Watson, Muasdale.



WYLIE - NICOLL

Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Fraser, elder son of Finlay and Margaret, to Grace Morven, only daughter of Yvonne and Phil, on July 26, 2013, while on holiday in Gran Canaria.

DEATHS

CAMPBELL - Peacefully at the Southern General Hospital, Glasgow, on August 20, 2013, John Campbell (Jock), in his 78th year, 6 Craigowan Park, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Beth, much loved father of Iona and Ian and loving papa of Heather, Gavin and Duncan. Service in the Highland Parish Church, Campbeltown, on Monday, August 26 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of ICU, Southern General Hospital, Glasgow.

DILLON - Peacefully, in Perth Royal Infirmary, on Thursday, August 15, 2013, Alexander (Matt), beloved husband of Kirsteen, devoted father of the late Karen, precious brother to Margaret and good friend to many. Funeral service will be held today at Perth Crematorium.

ACKNOWLEDGE-MENTS

LAMONT - Robert and Bella wish to thank all family, friends and neighbours for kind expressions of sympathy and cards following their recent sad loss. A special thanks to Rev Burroughs for a comforting service, Argyll Hotel, Campbeltown for fine purvey, Alasdair Blair for professional funeral arrangements and to all who attended the church and graveside.

MCDONELL - Ally and Iain would like to thank everyone most sincerely, for the many kind expressions of sympathy and support received in their recent bereavement. Special thanks to all medical staff and to Glenaray Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital for kind care and attention. Thanks also to Rev Thomas Bryson

for a comforting service, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, Tarbert Hotel for excellent catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. The collection for Tarbert Nursing Aid raised £170.

IN MEMORIAM

CLARK - In loving memory of our dear daughter, Tasha, died August 21, 2012.

Sad are the hearts that loved you, Sad are the tears that fall, But living our lives without you,

Is the saddest part of all. - Love Dad, Brenda, Ben and John.

CLARK - In loving memory of Tasha.

Love is a smile, a tear and a touch,

Love says little, but means so much, Love is forever and we give it to you

From Nana and Papa, who thought the world of you.

CLARK - Cherished memories of our Tasha.

Your photo stands in pride of place,

A lovely smile lights up your face,

You always seem to be so near,

How I wish, Tasha, you were still here.

- Love, Auntie Tracy and Skye.

CLARK - Fond memories of my dear cousin, Tasha.

We little knew that morning,

God was going to call your name,

In life we loved you dearly,

In death we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you,

You did not go alone, For part of us went with you,

The day God called you home. You left us beautiful memories,

Your love is still our guide,

And though we cannot see you,

You are always by our side. Our family chain is broken,

And nothing seems the same, But as God calls us one by one,

The chain will link again. - Love, Connor.

HAMILTON - Gone too soon, Kathleen Anne, August 23, 2010.

Always loved and will never be forgotten.

- Her loving husband, Angus and daughter, Nicola.

HUNTER - Bill, August 22, 2002. Our deeply loved husband, dad and papa.

Remembering you always, with a smile.

Love you forever. - Nancy, Kevin,

Christopher, Karen and Jumbo xxx.

MCCGILLIVRAY - Precious memories of you, Jessie, who died August 21, 2007.

You left a place no one can fill

I miss you now and always will. - Husband, Ian.

MCCALLUM - In loving memory of my dearly loved husband, Archie, died August 21, 2009.

If tears could build a stairway, memories a lane I'd walk to heaven and bring you home again.

I loved you and miss you so

I will always love you. - Loving wife, Nan.

MCCALLUM - Precious memories of a loving husband, dad and grandpa, Colin, who died on August 22, 2011.

We love and miss you every day, In our hearts you will always stay.

- Love, Amy, Colin, Edward, Katie and grandchildren xxx.

MCKERRAL - Neil, a loving and much loved son, brother and uncle, who died August 28, 2008.

Missed every day. - Mum, Iain, Marie and Phil.

Miss you lots, Uncle Neil xx.

- Hannah and Liam.

MCKERRAL - Neil, August 28, 2008.

Always on my mind. - Love forever, Marjorie.

MCNEILL - My beautiful wife, May, my lover, my friend who died August 24, 2012.

Sweet memories. When the fiddle plays at Patchan

You'll be in my arms again. I did it all with you. - Don x.

MCNEILL - In loving memory of my beautiful mum and best friend.

So miss you each and every day. - Much love and hugs, your loving daughter, Caroline and husband, John xx.

ORR - In loving memory of Uncle Archie, who died on August 26, 2003.

Resting where no shadows fall. - From all the family.

ROBERTSON - In loving memory of my dear mum, Margaret Gilchrist McLellan, died August 25, 1979.

I loved you dearly, more dearly than a spoken word can tell

Mum, I will always love you. - Loving daughter, Nan.

SCALLY - In loving memory of our dad and grandfather, David, died August 25, 2011.

A beautiful heart dearer than gold

Of a father whose worth could never be told. There's a place in my heart no one can fill

I miss you, Dad, and always will. - Your loving family at home and away.

WAGGETT - Raymond, a year ago today you left me,

I loved you then, I love you now, I will love you forever and a day.

Sleep peacefully, miss and love you always. - Jenny xxx.

WAGGETT - In memory of Raymond, a much loved and much missed brother-in-law, uncle and friend.

- From Michael, Danny, Gail and families.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES

ST MARGARET'S R.C. CHURCH

LOCHGILPHEAD
Holy Mass Sunday 10am
Vigil Mass Saturdays 6pm July & August

ALL SAINTS, INVERARAY
Holy Mass Sunday 12.30pm

Fr. David Connor 01546 602380

All Welcome (SCO002876)

FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

George Street, Campbeltown

Sunday 25th August
12.45pm Worship Service
Rev Colin Rogerson

11.30am Sunday School

Thursday 29th August
12 Noon Prayer & Bible Study

All welcome
Scottish Charity Number: SCO09980

Highland Parish Church

SCO02493

Sunday 25th August
11.15am Rev C Hood

Everyone very welcome

KINTYRE FELLOWSHIP MEETING

Friday 30th August
at 7.30pm in Springbank Evangelical Church, Campbeltown

Guest speaker:- Mr John Miller from The Mustard Seed Gospel Hall, Glenrothes

Musical items
Tea/coffee served after the meeting

Everyone most welcome.

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH

Scottish Charity Number SCO11686

Sunday, 25th August
Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m. (Crèche, Triple C, Next Generation)

Rev P Burroughs
Churches Together Service with Brass Band - 3pm

Pier Head, weather permitting (in Lorne & Lorne Church Hall if wet)

Tuesday, 27th August
Parents and Toddlers - 9.45am in New Hall

Thursday, 29th August
Prayer Meeting - 4:00 p.m.

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH

Charity Number SC001002

Sunday 25 August
Tayallich Church
Morning Worship 10 am
Rev. Cliff Acklam

Tuesday 27 August
Congregational Board
Tayvallich Church 7:30 pm

All welcome
Enquiries 01546 606926
www.argyllcommunities.org/nknapdalecofs

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN

Sunday 25 August 2013
11.00am

Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch
Speaker: Mrs. Luette Roberts

Thursday 29 August 2013
7.30pm

Praise, prayer & sharing
All Welcome

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH

75 Longrow, Campbeltown

Sunday 25 August 2013
11.15am Family Communion and Baptism Service

Mr Gordon Cosgrove
4.00pm Service at Lorne Campbell Court

7.00pm Youth Group

Wednesday 28 August 2013
10am Toddler Group
7.30pm Bible Study

Friday 30 August
7.30pm Kintyre Christian Fellowship
Mr John Miller, Glenrothes

For details & other enquiries contact The Church Secretary

01586 551237
www.springbankchurch.co.uk
SCO14646

St. Kieran's Scottish Episcopal Church

Argyll Street, Campbeltown

St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown

Scottish Charity No SC023277

Sunday 25th August
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10.30am Gaelic Service - All Welcome

Details of services are on the church door

Enquiries Tel: 01586 551141

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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES

"It is good to sing praises to our God"

Achahoish at 9:45am
Ardrishaig at 11:00am

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH

Sunday, 25th August, 2013
Glassary, 11.30a.m.

Rev. Cliff Acklam
Sacrament of Holy Communion

All welcome
Kirk Session will meet in Kilmartin Hall

on Thursday 29th August at 7.30p.m.

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LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

All Welcome

Pastor Rev Derek Gibson

Sunday 25th August 2013
11.00am Morning Service

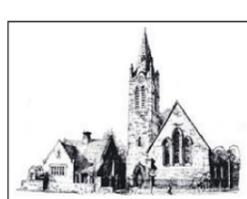
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But look out for Mainly Music coming soon

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THE SALVATION ARMY Burnside Street, Campbeltown

Sunday Services
10.30am Morning Worship (Army Kidz)

6.30pm Evening Worship



LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH

SUNDAY 25TH AUGUST 2013
11am Worship Service

Rev. Hilda Smith
All Welcome

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CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday Service
11:00 am

with Sunday school
Tea & coffee after the service

Baby & Toddler Group
10.00 - 11.45 am
Every Thursday

Pastor Chris Holden

Member of the Baptist Union of Scotland

We meet in the Guide Hall, Kinloch Road

For more information please visit our website

www.campbeltowncommunitychurch.co.uk
SC043322

TARBERT LOCHFYNE AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Sunday 25th August, 2013
Tarbert Service 11.45am

to be held in Tarbert Free Church
Rev Walter Ritchie

Kilberry Songs of Praise Service
Kilberry Church 6.30pm

Mr James McLellan

For all church enquiries and pastoral care

Telephone 01880 821012

Everyone very welcome
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WEST LOCHFYNESIDE Church Services 25 August - all welcome!

Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair

Charity No. SC016097

Morning Service Cumlodden Church at 10am

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Keith's new watch is ace

A HOLE in one by a Machrihanish golfer has been rewarded with a limited-edition BOSS watch. Keith Millar, 55, from Campbeltown, scored his ace on his club's 198-yard, par-three 11th.

BOSS, the luxury German brand, has pledged to reward club golfers with a limited edition watch for every hole-in-one recorded during a club competition between April 15 and October 31 of this year.

The scheme is open to any golfer whose club uses HowDidiDo - a free-to-use, web-based social network for golfers - and anybody playing in official club competitions is eligible. More than 1,800 clubs use the website.

Stephen Brydon, of MGS Distribution, the UK distributor for BOSS Watches, said: 'It adds a frisson of extra excitement to club competitions for golfers. Every time they stand on the tee on a par-three, they are just one shot away from winning a stunning timepiece.'

Carradale's five-goal flyer in league cup section game

Point Media	1
Carradale	5
West of Scotland AFL League Cup	

CARRADALE got off to a strong start in their first sectional game of a five-team group.

They could have taken an early lead but Brendan Wilson failed to connect from five yards out after Ryan McConnachie set up the chance.

Carradale took the lead through a 14th minute Cammy Maguire penalty after he was brought down.

Point Media equalised after 37 minutes and after a stern talking to at half time the Kintyre side came out with

a different attitude and scored twice in eight minutes.

A free kick from Ewan McIlroy was heading for David Anderson until the home side's centre half wrongly headed into his own net.

David Johnstone and McConnachie then carved open the Point's defence with a nice one-two and Johnstone's shot with his outside of his foot from 16 yards nestled in the corner of the net.

Carradale increased their lead in the 65th

minute, Maguire finding space in the opposition's box and blasting the ball home from 10 yards.

Johnstone, pulling the strings in midfield, sent a defence-splitting pass through for Johnnie McCormick who ran 20 yards before scoring from 14 yards to finish the scoring.

Carradale's man of the match was David Johnstone followed closely by the hard-working Brendan Wilson.

Carradale, due to play at Furnace on Wednesday night against Lochfyneside in a league match, will be at home tomorrow (Saturday) in a league cup game at home against last year's champions Niaroo.



The children who took part in the Dunaverty children's competition with their prizes.

Children in the swing at Dunaverty Golf Club

A GROUP of children showed off their golf swings at Dunaverty Golf Club's children's competition recently.

Those taking part were treated to glorious weather and a lot of fun as they played a variety of activities including a putting and chipping competition for all ages.

They also played a nine or five hole competition depending on ages and the smaller children played a fun flag competition.

All the children received refreshments in the clubhouse shortly before

the prizegiving. The organisers would like to thank all members and parents who assisted on the day.

Prizes: Boys nine holes: 1 Fraser MacBrayne, 2 Andrew Renton, 3 Archie McKellar and Cameron Grant. Boys 5 holes: 1 Ryan Findlay, 2 Thomas Dalgleish. Boys flag event: 1 Josh Arkell, 2 Matthew McKerral, 3 Jake MacMillan and Daniel McEachran. Girls flag event: 1 Jane Scott, 2 Melissa Chambers, 3 Emma Barbour. Best chipping: Aaron Chambers; Best putting: Melissa Chambers.

Wallace conquers junior opponents

MEMBERS of the junior section of Machrihanish Golf Club took part in a fiercely contested Bert Millar trophy.

Andrew Wallace was declared the winner of the 18-hole competition on the Pans course, with a stableford score of 33 points.

Runner up was Mitch Graham with 32 points.

In the scratch section, Harry McLean took the honours with a score of 98, with Daniel Kane finishing second on 100.

A stableford, held for the juvenile section and



Machrihanish Golf Club's vice captain David Ranking, left, with winner Andrew Wallace.

played over nine holes on the Pans, was won by Valdemar Hundeboll with 44. Fraser MacBrayne was second on 37 points.

New team gains quick result in memorial triples event

THE newly-formed team of Neil Maguire, Hugh MacDonald and George Allan won the Catherine Bannatyne Memorial Triples at Campbeltown Bowling Club's Stronvaar Green on Sunday.

The event, sponsored by the Bannatyne family, once again proved to be very popular.

The round robin sections produced two well contested semis from which emerged the triples of John McCormick, Malcolm Bannatyne and John MacMillan, and Maguire, MacDonald and Allan.

As had happened for most of the day, George Allan peppered the jack with his lead bowls putting constant pressure on his opponents and allowing the rest of his team to draw to the head with ease.

A five-shot tally in the first end was quickly followed by a couple of twos that effectively sealed a well deserved win for the Maguire, MacDonald and Allan trio.

The prizes and trophy were presented by President Robert MacCallum and Margaret Bannatyne.

The club has signed up with its parent body, Bowls Scotland, in its initiative to promote the game and in common with many other clubs in Scotland is offering temporary membership until the end of the season for anyone wanting to give bowls a go.

Coaching

Four development coaching sessions will be held under the auspices of the club's top players with the first session starting next Saturday, August 31 at 2pm.

Those participating will also have access to other club events.



From left, front row: the winning team of George Allan, Neil Maguire and Hugh MacDonald with finalists Malcolm Bannatyne, John MacMillan and John McCormick behind them. The losing semi finalists and Bannatyne family stand at the back.

Tarbert Golf Club
 AM - AM OPEN
 (Sponsored by Tarbert Hotel)
 Saturday 31st August 2013

Team Prizes:
 1st Prize £240, 2nd Prize £160, 3rd Prize £120

Tee Off Times
 8am - 9am, 11am - 12noon, 2pm - 3pm

Entry Fee: £40 per team
 Maximum handicaps
 Gents 18, Ladies 24
 To book Tee Off time:
 Tel 01880 820565



Owens are AM-AM winners

A FIELD of 23 teams of four made up Carradale Golf Club's annual AM-

AM competition, with three teams travelling from Arran.

The winners were Team Owen, comprising Bob Owen, Ross Owen, Lindsay Ramsay and Jennifer Owen with a score of 51.

Runner up was a team from Machrihanish with D Rankin, D Ir-

win, G Fox and L Ferguson scoring 53 BIH. A close third was AGT Walker, MC Walker, TST Walker and RDC Walker from Carradale with a score of 53.

The golf club extended its thanks to Carradale Hotel for its continued sponsorship of the event.

From left: winners of Carradale's AM-AM, Team Owen - Jennifer Owen, Ross Owen, Lindsay Ramsay and father Bob Owen.

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The tough get going at Tarbert 10k

A MEMORABLE run for sure. Tarbert's inaugural 10k run will certainly stick in participants' minds for a long time to come.



Runners stream away from the start in the 10k. 08_c34run06

'Oh, that was tough - really hilly,' gasped numerous finishers.

Challenging as it was, there was still plenty of smiles from those who rose to the task - not least of all from Campbeltown Running Club's Kenny Campbell, who was a runaway victor in 36 minutes 39 seconds.

This year's MOK half marathon and Gigha Challenge winner, the 38-year-old fisherman from Southend consolidated his reputation as Kintyre's top distance runner.

'I knew there were going to be hills, but I was surprised how long and steep they were,' he admitted. 'The off road sections were also tricky underfoot.'

And that is from an athlete who clocks up most of his miles on very hilly forest trails.

Almost 200 runners of all ages took part in



Starters line up for the 5k race. Number 51 is 11-year-old Cameron Campbell from Glenbarr who finished third. 08_c34run02

the 10k and the much flatter 5k which saw an extremely impressive 21mins 21secs time recorded by Glenbarr 11-year-old Cameron Campbell in third place.

Other notable local performances came from Tarbert's David Carey, a member of Mid Argyll Triathlon, who was third in the 10k in 40.18, and Campbeltown's Fiona Graham, second woman behind Shona McManus (46.32) from Glasgow's Kelvin Runners Club.

Jessica Little, co-organiser of the runs with her Tarbert JogScotland friend Lorraine Mac-

Donald, was delighted with the day.

She said: 'We will do it again next year, and hopefully allow more entries.'

'We are happy that the 5k offers a flat, faster run for those that don't want to tackle the 10k's hills. There is something for everybody.'



Right: Winner Kenny Campbell, number 075, goes straight to the front at the start of the 10k. 08_c34run07



WIN £1700 JACKPOT

All you have to do

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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.

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.

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This week's nearest the ball winners who each receive £25 are: S Lovell, The Walk, Campbeltown and K MacKay, Hillfoot Terrace, Tarbert

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Pupils open with good away victory

Centre East Kilbride 0
Campbeltown Pupils 2
SAFL Premier Division One

CAMPBELTOWN Pupils climbed the first rung on what is hoped is the ladder to Premier League football next season with an away win.

A strong following breeze made possession play difficult during the opening exchanges, but the visitors proved the hungrier and nearly scored when Martin McCallum whipped the ball off the crossbar after 14 minutes.

Such was the intensity of the Pupils' midfield play that ex-Ranger Alan Davidson found little room to weave his usual magic for the East Kilbride side - the closing of space a joy to watch as the visitors claimed most of the first half possession.

As the visitors 'tightened the screw', Lorne Robertson was next to see an effort rebound from the post, but Pupils' goalkeeper Craig Lamont had to look lively as Centre tried to steal the initiative.

Sweeping move

The opening moments of the second half saw the visitors' take the game by the scruff of the neck through a sweeping move which should have produced a better result.

A fine passage of play released Martin McCallum in front of goal, but the young striker was unbalanced and his parting shot pulled wide of the mark.

Time and again the Pupils exposed the home side with pace and power, and Craig Lang be-

came the latest player to find the post instead of the net.

The long-awaited breakthrough was worth the wait.

Substitute Gregor Croll turned provider with a perfect delivery to the near post, where Paul Grumoli timed his run to send a diving header raging into the net on the stroke of the hour.

Fine save

Craig Lamont was again called into action with another fine save with 15 minutes remaining.

Substitute Gregor McFadyen then stuck the post with a vicious drive within moments of coming on.

The match was secured with seven minutes remaining, a quickly worked corner ending with a Gregor Croll volley into the roof of the net, a fine goal and just reward for a splendid second-half team performance.

Ryan Gilchrist produced another five-star performance in midfield, but the management will be pleased with the overall team commitment, especially across a solid back four.

Best wishes go to Douglas Guy and Fraser Wylie who are moving to pastures new through work commitments, although the club is welcoming Darren Anderson and Chris Thomson to the fold for the new season.

The Pupils are at home tomorrow (Saturday) to Rolls Royce at Kintyre Park, 2pm kick-off.



Smiles better at Tarbert 10k

The inaugural Tarbert 10k race last Saturday presented participants with a very challenging course, but you would never guess it by the smiling face of Glenbarr's Sarah Campbell as she runs through the centre of the village past half distance. Full story and pictures on page 27.

Ian clinches Dunaverly medal

IAN Docherty defied wet and windy conditions to come out on top in the Dunaverly August medal when scores were higher than usual.

Ian Docherty returned a net score of 62 to edge out Hamish Taylor who posted a 63.

Results: 1 Ian Docherty 79-17-62,

2 Hamish Taylor 77-14-63, 3 Robert Millar 75-11-64, 4 Alex Arkell 79-13-66, 5 John Brown 81-15-66, 6 Mark Eagers 76-10-66.

Lowest gross - Robert Millar 75. CSS 63.

Tomorrow (Saturday) is the autumn meeting.

Aqualibrium to host swimming championships

KINTYRE Amateur Swimming Club will host the Argyll and Bute championships at Campbeltown's Aqualibrium pool on Saturday and Sunday, September 6-7.

Hundreds of youngsters between the ages of six and 18 from Campbeltown, Dunoon, Helensburgh, Oban and the Isle of Jura are expected to take part.

The championships will be from 11am to 5pm on the Saturday and from 9am to noon the following day.

Dunaverly Golf club lottery

A JACKPOT of £300 is now up for grabs at Dunaverly Golf Club's three number lottery after there were no winners last Sunday.

The winning numbers were 10, 12 and 19. The next draw will take place on September 1 and tickets are available from the clubhouse, committee members, Commercial Inn and Muneroy Stores.

Results from Islay Golf Club

ISLAY Golf Club held their August Medal competition on Saturday with Charles Holyoake finishing top of the leaderboard.

Results: 1 Charles Holyoake 78 less six, net 72; 2 Angus MacAllister 91 less 18, net 73; 3 Brian O'Neil 85 less 12, net 73. CSS 72.

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