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Come dine with me!

First minister cooks up great idea to promote Campbeltown

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FIRST Minister Alex Salmond has offered to promote Campbeltown and its produce to an international audience - at his official Edinburgh residence.

In a wonderful boost for the town, he has promised to host a dinner at Bute House where invited guests will sit

down to a meal cooked by a top chef using Kintyre produce.

Cheese, whisky, seafood, beef, lamb, venison and salmon could all be on the menu.

Impressive

The dream dinner date was revealed last week at an impressive launch of the www.ex-

plorecampbeltown.com website in the town's Seafield Hotel.

Many of the 179 retailers and groups now involved in promoting the town, its businesses, attractions and how to get here were among a packed audience - including the Campbeltown Courier.

From this week, the Courier will carry the www.explorecampbeltown.com at the top of

its letters page - helping to spread a rapidly growing global message.

Ewan MacDonald, owner of Machrihanish Holiday Park and co-founder of explorecampbeltown, said Mr Salmond had suggested hosting the dinner to promote the town.

'He said he wanted to thank Campbeltown for its hospitality during his cabinet's two-day visit to the area last week, and also do something to support the town's determination to thrive and grow,' revealed Mr MacDonald.

'He was really impressed with what he saw here and what we are trying to do with the explorecampbeltown website.

'It is brilliant. We all know our produce is great. Now we have the

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The packed audience at the launch of the explorecampbeltown website. 08_c36explore01



Gina McMurchy, right, and Nicole McKinlay with their runners-up trophies from Cowal Highland Games. 08_c36dancers01

Dancers' silver lining at Cowal

TWO Campbeltown Highland dancers came close seconds at the famous Cowal Highland Games.

Gina McMurchy, 17, was particularly unlucky last weekend. She and her closest rival, Kirsty Barrett, from Rothesay, both won two of the Argyll Championship adult section's four dances, and both also recorded a second place. However, in the deciding dance, Gina was fourth while Kirsty placed third.

It was Gina's best performance at

Cowal to date and she is determined to return next year and hopefully go one better.

British champion Nicole McKinlay, 15, also a member of the James McCorkindale School of Dance in Campbeltown, continued her close rivalry with Katie McPherson from Oban.

She beat Katie earlier in the summer at Inveraray Highland Games, but it was Katie who took top prize at Cowal.

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The first minister with Springbank staff member Caroline McGeachy during his tour of the distillery last week. Picture courtesy of www.explorecampbeltown.com

First minister will host a dinner at Bute House to promote Campbeltown

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first minister promoting it for us.

‘His generosity will be a marvellous boost for the area.’

A Scottish Government spokesman said: ‘The first minister and the rest of the cabinet hugely enjoyed their visit to Campbeltown and the surrounding area, where they were able to hear from the community at first hand on a variety of issues.’

‘Mr Salmond was pleased to visit Springbank Distillery at the conclusion of his visit and hear about the firm’s plans as well as the explorecampbeltown initiative.’

‘He has offered to showcase local produce and the best of what Campbeltown and Kintyre businesses can offer at an event at his official residence.’

Neil Clapperton, managing director of Springbank Distillery, led the launch of the website which begins with,

‘Welcome to South Kintyre, Scotland’s hidden gem’ and also includes history and emergency contact sections and a gallery of pictures taken by Campbeltown Camera Club.

It lists each shop/business, a description and

photograph along with contact details and a link to their own website.

Idea

Mr Clapperton said: ‘We can’t believe how quickly the idea has caught on, and we are all working for each other and the general good.’

MSP Mike Russell told the launch audience: ‘There is a determination in Campbeltown that the town and the area move forward. ‘Governments cannot do everything - and you are making this happen for yourselves.’



Alex Salmond signing a cask of whisky at Springbank Distillery last week. With him, from left, are staff Norman Gwynne and Bobby Dalziel and distillery manager Gavin McLachlan. Picture courtesy of www.explorecampbeltown.com

School estate ‘should be reviewed again’

AN ARGYLL and Bute councillor has given a strong hint that the authority could be preparing a fresh raid on its school estate in order to curb costs.

Councillor James Robb, the school’s lead councillor for finance, said at last Thursday’s meeting of the full council that the school estate in Argyll and Bute should be reviewed again.

The announcement came as Argyll and Bute Council submitted its response to the Scottish Government about proposed changes to the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010.

The consultation suggests a school that survives a closure proposal should face no future threat for five years. Argyll and Bute Council says this should not be made law.

Speaking at a full coun-

cil meeting last Thursday, Mr Robb said: ‘We have to have the power to manage our resources, it is a matter of principle. It is our finances to manage so we should be allowed to do so.’

Mr Robb said later: ‘I have no plans to target schools or a hidden agenda, let’s be clear. The point I am trying to make is that the estate cannot be inviolable.’

Duty bound

Stating the council was duty bound to review the school estate to ensure the correct provision of its resources, Mr Robb said: ‘That does not equate to school closures.’

‘Just because we have legislation coming out; it doesn’t take away our obligation to manage our resources for the best possible outcome.’

Philip Rowlands, of Argyll Rural Schools

Network, which campaigned against previous proposed closures, said: ‘The council’s stance has not changed in the past two or three years and it is concerning that some councillors are still looking at this as a financial exercise. You can’t close schools because they are

too expensive.

‘Our group is very much still active and is here ready and waiting.’

* What’s your view? Write to editor, Campbeltown Courier, Main and Longrow South, Campbeltown, PA28 6AE or email editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk

Boys’ Brigade start up

THE 1st Campbeltown Company Boy’s Brigade will commence its 2013-14 session on Tuesday, September 17 in the Lorne and Lowland Old Church Hall with the anchor section starting at 6pm and finishing at 7pm and the junior section starting at 7.15pm and ending at 8.30pm.

All those in primary 2, 3 and 4 can join the anchor section, and those in primary 5, 6 and 7 can join the junior section.

The company’s Alexander Nimmo said: ‘We welcome back last year’s members and extend a welcome to other boys who wish to join.’

‘I would also appeal for help from any adult, male or female, or young person. Contact me on 01586 820099 or on email alnimmo@hotmail.com’

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ON SALE NOW

Methadone clinic proves to be the big question

WHEN the people of Kintyre had a chance to question the Scottish cabinet in Campbeltown last week, one challenge stood out.

As the only one to spark applause from the audience - it revealed to First Minister Alex Salmond and his ministers the strength of local feeling against plans to establish a Methadone clinic in the town.

A lady asked why a clinic was needed when there was just '11 registered addicts' in the town.

She added: 'Why should Glasgow dump their problems in Campbeltown?'

She was reflecting the concerns of many people that if a Methadone clinic went ahead, based at Campbeltown Hospital as proposed, that it and the town's available, cheap housing would bring other

drug addicts - and their accompanying problems - to Campbeltown.

Michael Mathieson, minister for public health, replied that the Scottish Government was pursuing a policy of 'looking to provide a range of services for people who have a drug dependency'.

He added: 'The health board [NHS Highland] is working in the Campbeltown area to find a way of doing this which is best suited to the community.'

'I'm anxious that there is a feeling of something being imposed on the community.'

'It is important that it is the kind of service the community feels is acceptable to its needs.'

'We have to address these concerns and issues to find the best model for Campbeltown.'

Campbeltown Com-



First Minister Alex Salmond and members of his Scottish cabinet during last Wednesday's public question and answer session at Victoria Hall, Campbeltown. 08_c36questions01

munity Council is opposed to the clinic and says its main function appears to be to save those on the Methadone treatment the fortnightly journey they currently face to Glasgow for new prescriptions.

Andrew Hemmings, the council's chairman who, along with Councillor Donald Kelly, recently highlighted the town's opposition to the clinic to NHS Highland

chairman Garry Coutts, said this week: 'Noises are made that we are being listened to, but I fear it is already decided.'

The Courier put a call to Mr Mathieson's office this week and asked if, in view of the strength of opposition in Campbeltown to the clinic, was he prepared to request the proposal be dropped.

A Scottish Govern-

ment spokesman replied: 'The choice of care and treatment of individuals with addiction problems is a matter for the clinician in dialogue with the person seeking recovery and there is national guidance available on prescribing treatment for heroin addiction.'

'The provision of services is for local agencies to agree together and we hope NHS Highland,

Argyll and Bute Council, Police Scotland, third sector organisations and local groups will continue to work in conjunction with the community for the good of everyone in Campbeltown and the surrounding area.

'We all want to avoid anything being forced upon the community. All agencies, including health boards, should work in cooper-

ation with the community to come to an acceptable position. The Scottish Government has offered a team to help mediate and consider the options that may be best for the local area.'

A spokesman for NHS Highland said: 'We would welcome the chance to work with a Scottish Government advisory team and the community.'

Trouble-free parking - for the time being

WELL, running a yellow line across the car was not an option.

Unfortunately, a lone, penalty-free parking space was not guaranteed when this parked vehicle prevented the renewal and marking of single yellow lines in Campbeltown's Main Street on Tuesday.

Workmen were expected to finish the job later. The single yellow lines mean that shoppers can park in the street for up to an hour between 8am and 6pm Mondays to Saturdays. 08_c36parking01



Electricity cheats caught

POLICE in Campbeltown are on alert following increased instances of electricity meters being bypassed.

There were three incidents two weekends ago involving bypassing meters and police say they will continue to be on the lookout for offenders.

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Road safety will be the focus of new police head

THE new Police Scotland division commander for Argyll and West Dunbartonshire says he plans to focus his attention on increasing safety on roads.

Speaking to the Courier last week, Chief Superintendent Barry McEwan said he would be targeting trunk roads and areas around schools.

Focus

He said: 'Lack of sensible driving brings risks. We will focus on seat belts, use of mobile phones and considering young road users and pedestrians.'

'Accident numbers are not reducing quick enough.'

'Speeding is not just caused by locals, it's also tourists, so I'm aiming to have a bigger road policing presence.'

He added that since Police Scotland was launched in April, he had heard positive comments from councillors and the public.

He said: 'Some elect-



Chief Superintendent Barry McEwan.

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ed members are saying there's better information sharing and better joint working.

'I'm happy if that's true - as long as we are providing the same service at least or an enhanced one.'

The force continues to try to reduce anti-social behaviour in Argyll, while recent statistics have shown violent crime in the division has dropped by half.

The chief superintendent also warned the public to be vigilant for metal theft, which is on the increase.

He added: 'People don't realise the impact that can have on local infrastructure - it can cause power outages.'

'If people see anything suspicious they should either contact the local police office or dial 101.'

Campbeltown Sheriff Court:

Man jailed for kicking new mother in the stomach

A MAN who punched and kicked the mother of his recently-born child has been jailed for 10 months.

Duncan Woodford, 30, of 29C Albyn Terrace, Campbeltown admitted committing the offence on August 22 this year.

At Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week, the court heard how the woman had refused to buy Woodford alcohol earlier that day.

Later on, while walking with her baby, she met Woodford who asked to walk with her.

Procurator fiscal Eoin McGinty said: 'On arrival at the common stairwell of Woodford's address, his demeanour changed dramatically and he became aggressive and violent.'

'Woodford punched her several times to her head and face.'

When she fell, he then punched and kicked her on her body.

Mr McGinty added: 'Having given birth by caesarean section, either a punch or kick to her stomach resulted in a small tear within her stitches.'

Woodford then went to his address and the woman went to her mother, who took her to hospital.

Defence agent Mike Creegan said: 'He is a good father; he is attentive with the baby. Hopefully this has been a warning to him.'

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC said: 'He is just a violent individual. This is really worrying. He is going to end up killing someone some day.'

Knife man jailed

A MAN caught carrying a kitchen knife in a common close on Main Street, Campbeltown, has been jailed for six months.

James Deavy, 24, of 33 Albyn Avenue, Campbeltown, admitted having the knife without reasonable excuse on August 7 of this year.

Campbeltown Sheriff Court heard last week

how police had heard a disturbance at the close where they saw Deavy coming down the stairs with a black-handled knife in his hand.

Defence agent Mike Creegan said Deavy had taken the knife to try to open a door which had jammed.

Pair each jailed for 70 days

TWO Campbeltown

men caught rooting around bins at the site of a former school in the town have been jailed for 70 days each.

Peter Gamble, 23, of 4a Queen Street, and Alan McMaster, 30, of 53G Longrow, admitted being found at St Kieran's Primary in a manner in which it may be inferred they intended to steal.

Nothing was taken from the site.

Former Mod medallist dies

A FORMER Mod gold medallist from Campbeltown, Flora M Campbell, has died aged 89.

Flora won her gold medal at the Dunoon Mod in 1950 and shortly afterwards emigrated to Rhodesia where she taught music and played organ in her local church.

She was married to Alastair Macleod who came from Tong, Isle of Lewis.

After Alastair's death and a 50-year stay in Rhodesia, Flora returned home to Campbeltown.

She died recently, aged 88, in Kintyre Care Home, Campbeltown.



Flora M Campbell.

Man's disgusting texts to ex

A MAN sent 'disgusting' and threatening text messages to his ex-girlfriend on May 18 and 19 of this year. At Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week James Docherty, 37 of 22B Davaar Avenue, pleaded guilty and sentenced was deferred until December for him to be of good behaviour.

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GRADUATION



Lynn McCulloch graduated on July 11, 2013 from Robert Gordon's, Aberdeen with a First Class Honours in LLB Law. Lynn is the daughter of Jim and Catriona McCulloch, Aberdeen and granddaughter of Harry and May McIver, Campbeltown.

Drunken cyclist jailed for five months

A MAN who drunkenly rode a bicycle on the pavement on Longrow, Campbeltown, almost hitting a child, has been jailed for five months.

James Jardine, 24, of 7 Ottawa Road, Annan, Dumfriesshire admitted behaving in a threatening or abusive manner by shouting and swearing, throwing a bicycle in a road while on bail and failing to comply with a curfew.

Campbeltown Sheriff Court heard last Wednesday how he had appeared in court two days earlier on other charges and had been granted bail on condi-

tion he was to adhere to a curfew at his home address in Annan.

Procurator fiscal Eoin McGinty said police who attended the scene said he was clearly under the influence of drink or drugs. He then became belligerent, began to shout and swear and was arrested.

Behaved badly

Defence agent Christian Kane said: 'He accepts that having had a drink he behaved badly, and says he had insufficient funds to travel.'

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC said: 'I don't accept that. He just chose not to go.'



The view from the sea towards Feochaig. The proposed turbines would have been situated on the grassy slope just above the shoreline.

Feochaig turbines bid dropped

A PLANNING bid for two turbines has been withdrawn - days after the Courier questioned claims made in the application.

Wording used to support a bid for the 36-metre high structures had angered nearby residents.

Landowner John McIntyre wanted to place the turbines at Feochaig close to the Le'arside Road halfway between Campbeltown and Southend.

The proposal met immediate opposition because of their planned proximity to the shoreline and the alleged det-

rimental impact on 'an area of stunning views' across to Ailisa Craig, Arran and the Ayrshire Coast.

However, Sophia and David Blair, of nearby Norvig, raised 'serious questions' with the Courier about the environmental report presented by developer VG Energy to Argyll and Bute Council planners on behalf of Mr McIntyre.

It implied that Mr McIntyre is a farmer, and that the turbines would support a farm, however the Blairs insisted there was no farm.

They told the Courier: 'Mr McIntyre is an absentee land-

owner who lives near Paisley. He owns more than 500 acres, most of which is forestry.

'Around 100 acres of farmland are leased out to a tenant farmer.

'Mr McIntyre has no farming business.'

The environmental report claimed that the wind turbines would 'significantly reduce the farm business' carbon footprint while providing an income for the farm independent of the fluctuations in farm prices'.

It also states 'the owner of the turbines, who may be able to use the profits created...

to support his farming business'.

The Blairs also questioned whether the permitted noise level from the turbines would be increased on the basis that 'the occupier of a property has some financial interest in the wind farm or turbine'.

They and their near neighbours insist no one in the vicinity has a financial interest in the application. They include Alan Moffitt who lives at Feochaig Farm which is no longer a working farm.

He said he felt wording in the turbine application had been 'inappropriate and mis-

leading'.

Last Friday, seven days after the Courier sought a response regarding the wording of the environmental report, VG Energy replied: 'Late last night one of our owners confirmed the application is to be withdrawn.'

David and Sophia Blair said this week: 'We are delighted about that, however we are aware that an application could be resubmitted.'

* Do you have a story in your area? Call the Courier on 01586-554646 or email editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk

Drink driver spotted holding himself up against walls

A SCHOOL cleaner caught drink driving has lost his licence for 18 months and fined £300.

Ross McKinnon, 74, of 34B Meadowbank Place, Campbeltown admitted committing the offence at Campbeltown Grammar School on August 19 this year.

Last Thursday Campbeltown Sheriff Court heard how McKinnon had been spotted by colleagues when he got out of his car and appeared to trip as he approached the building.

Inside, he was seen holding himself up against the walls and staggering.

He said he intended to drive home but colleagues removed the keys from his car and called police.

When asked by police if he had consumed alcohol, he said: 'Not in the past 20 minutes.'

Defence agent Robert Ferguson said: 'He had been drinking in his house and he admits matters have been getting to him.'

Spitting and assault woman locked up

A YOUNG woman who spat at, kicked and scratched police officers has been sentenced to nine months in a young offenders institution.

Vicky Gamble, 18, of 2B Queen Street Campbeltown, admitted shouting, swearing, throwing stones and assaulting two police officers on August 1 of this year.

Last Wednesday Campbeltown Sheriff Court heard how Gamble had been involved in a commotion outside the court on Main Street in a highly agitated state.

She kicked a large stone which hit a car at the other side of the street and started to scream and shout.

She was arrested and lashed out to the point that officers had to put a spit mask on her and she continued to be unhelpful at the police office. While items seen to be a danger to her were removed she broke

free and 'scratched one of the officers down the face', on his forehead, nose and cheek.

She then managed to slip the mask off and spat at the same officer and hit him in his mouth.

Procurator fiscal Eoin McGinty added: 'Police said she then intentionally kicked another police officer in the face.'

The officer who received the scratches and was spat at required a tetanus injection.

Defence agent Christian Kane said: 'She accepts this was a disgraceful piece of behaviour.'

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC said: 'It seems to be the best way of dealing with this is a custodial sentence today. I think this is exceptionally serious.'

Gamble's sentence was backdated to August 2 when she was remanded in custody.

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New opportunities

WELL done Alex Salmond for his spontaneous offer to host a dinner at his official residence to promote Campbeltown and Kintyre's produce. His detractors will no doubt mutter he is simply trying to win favour with the area's voters. Like all politicians, he is damned if he does and damned if he doesn't in some jaundiced people's eyes. As for Campbeltown, we should see only a wonderful opportunity to continue the momentum of Explore Campbeltown and other positive changes for the area.

Not surprisingly, the SNP Scottish Government sought plaudits for its announcement last week to trunk the A83 between Kennacraig and Campbeltown. Why not, it made the decision. However, it is only proper that the efforts of the Sign for the A83 Campaign, involving councillors Donald Kelly, John McAlpine and Douglas Philand, which secured 10,000 names on a petition, are fully acknowledged. Without that pressure, would improvements to the road thus far have happened?

So the regeneration of Kintyre continues, but it remains fragile. That is why the proposal to establish a Methadone clinic in Campbeltown has to be fully examined and understood. If there is the possibility that, as feared, it will bring in drug addicts and their associated problems from elsewhere, then a recovering Campbeltown cannot risk that.

The Scottish Government rightly implies the town's residents have to be at ease with the clinic idea. It is time NHS Highland presented real facts and research to back its case. So far there appears to have been a lack of homework in attempts to explain what exactly the clinic aims to achieve, its costs and why it is necessary.

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Real value in investing in affordable homes

Sir,
I was delighted that the first minister Alex Salmond was able to open our new development at Park Terrace, Campbeltown last week and see the real value of investing in affordable homes.

This development is about homes, jobs and the wider regeneration of Campbeltown and we are really proud of this. Last week would not have happened unless Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA), the Scottish Government and Argyll and Bute Council brought their resources together in partnership. What we see now has come through the sum of our parts.

The completion of Park Terrace brings to 120 the number of new and refurbished homes the association has provided in the centre of Campbeltown since 2009. The housing-led regeneration is linked with street improvements and better access to the harbour in Campbeltown.

Alastair MacGregor,
Chief executive of ACHA

Human cost of turbine applications

Sir,
In your story in last week's issue, entitled 'North Beachmore turbine refusal appealed', you stated that the council's planning committee rejected the plans with five councillors voting against and four in favour of the development.

This was, in fact, not the

case. The facts were that five voted to refuse permission and four voted to defer the decision to another meeting.

Your report implied the voting was very close, but that may not have proved to be the case.

However, commonsense and decency prevailed, and last week the appeal was dismissed by the Scottish Government, thereby preserving our beautiful environment as it should be.

I wonder if people realise the untold stress these applications cause to those of us who love our surroundings as they are - the human cost of these interminable proceedings.

For almost two years, the worry and stress of this threat to their environment has hung over the people living at and around North Beachmore, and it is just and fitting that that awful worry and stress has now, finally, been lifted. Perhaps now, normal life can resume for those most closely affected.

The human cost of inappropriate turbine applications must be taken into account, for it is an unacceptably high one.

Name and address supplied and withheld on request.

Gigantic subsidy harvesting devices

Sir,
Imagine 59 towers of steel each soaring 427 feet into the sky, spanning the width of the peninsula and marching south from Saddell and Putechan, swarming either side of Lussa Loch and Tangy Loch. Visible from Arran, Ireland and Islay; an inescapable daily eyesore

for every inhabitant of Kintyre.

This is what SSE and Scottish Power have proposed between them in their two recent 'community consultations' on extensions to their existing Tangy and Beinn an Tuirc windfarms.

These are not proportionate to the landscape, they take no account of the quality of life of the people in the home-steads, villages and town that will live in their vast shadows, nor are in any sense 'environmental' - SSE will rip out and scrap the 22 existing turbines at Tangy barely halfway through their economic life.

They are gigantic subsidy harvesting devices geared to making profits for shareholders who don't know or don't care what is being blighted to line their pockets.

If you love beautiful Kintyre you must awake to these grotesque plans and let our elected representatives and these multinationals that take the name of Scotland know that 59 turbines, 427 feet high is a desperate, insensitive exploitation.

Robert Miller
129 Sound of Kintyre
Machrihanish

A83 trunk road status welcomed

Sir,
I welcome last week's announcement that the A83 between Campbeltown and Kennacraig will become a trunk road in the next year.

Kintyre councillor Donald Kelly and I consistently campaigned for the Campbeltown to Kennacraig section of the A83 to become a trunk road

and therefore I welcome this news. It is something I have called on successive transport ministers to deliver.

I have always argued that the trunking of this section of the A83 is vital in terms of helping to attract further investment to Campbeltown and Kintyre and last week's announcement is a real boost for the local area.

I congratulate Donald Kelly and others who have lobbied hard on this issue and I look forward to this promise being kept within a year. I hope that Ministers will also now respond positively to other key issues affecting the rest of the A83, namely addressing pinch points at Inveraray and between Lochgilphead and Tarbert and ensuring safer crossing points at Ardrishaig and Tarbert.

Jamie McGrigor
Highlands & Islands Conservative MSP

Next step has to be ferry link to Antrim

Sir,
The announcement in Campbeltown last week, by First Minister Alex Salmond, that the A83 from Kennacraig to Campbeltown, will be given trunk road status (albeit belatedly) is to be welcomed.

I was pleased to note his further statement that 'Kintyre is nationally significant within the renewable and tourism sectors'.

We need to continue the improvements to the transport infrastructure, and make the region more accessible for businesses and visitors.

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As a result, can we hope that the promise (given by our former MSP Jim Mather, on behalf of the SNP government) that a Kintyre/Antrim all-year car ferry service would be reintroduced, will now be fulfilled?

An Oban Times report on November 26 2009 claimed that following a meeting between Northern Ireland officials including the enterprise minister, and counterparts from Argyll and Bute Council, it was agreed to seek a joint plan to unlock the full economic potential of the ferry route. Continuing failure to set up a Kintyre/Antrim car ferry service is damaging to the economy of Kintyre and Mid-Argyll, as well as other associated areas.

**Ian Y. Macintyre
Caladh
Tarbert**

Sad day for local democracy

Sir,
I'm just back from a meeting in Portnahaven about the controversial meteorological mast development by SSER. Despite local objections, a 130-plus strong petition and the Islay Community Council siding with the local population in strong opposition to the development, Argyll and Bute Council, by a margin of 5-2, unfortunately voted to approve the application.

This is not only a sad day for local democracy but also yet another example of some of our councillors' weakness and disregard for views of the people that pay and elect them.

Alastair Redman

Crafty day out

Sir,
We would like people to come and see what Kintyre

Crafters Group has to offer in Putechan Hotel on Sunday, September 29, 11am-4pm.

Book an autumn-themed lunch (01583 421232), enjoy the children's snow white treasure hunt, check out the craft stalls and ponder a central table display of ideas for family celebrations or corporate gifts.

Do you make a quality product? Would you like to join Kintyre Crafts Group? email Kintyrecrafters@aol.com or phone 01586 810343 for further information.

Anne Stewart

Looking for an old school friend

Sir,
I hope your readers can help.

I have been trying to locate an old school friend of mine who moved to Campbeltown around 1983-84.

Her mum and mine (Alice Anderson) were great friends

and wrote to each other. My mum passed away and I can't find her letters. I would like to get in contact with the family.

My friend's name (unmarried) is Jane Campbell, her mum is Pat and her Dad is Jack and she also has a brother Darren.

I would be grateful for any information or if you could pass on my details if they are still in the area.

**Debbie Anderson
debidelite@hotmail.com**

Farcical voting procedures in the House of Commons

Sir,
The Syrian Government committed a terrible war crime when they gassed more than 1,000 people.

The United Nations should act to deter such appalling war crimes from happening. That is why I voted in the House of Commons to take

the matter to the UN Security Council. That is the right place to decide the world's response to war crimes, not by other countries intervening without UN approval.

Due to farcical voting procedures in the House of

Commons last week, the outcome of the debate was not to take the issue to the UN despite there being a very large majority of MPs who wanted to do so.

**Alan Reid MP
Argyll and Bute**



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On Dalintober beach clean-up

Debbie Brodie Daniello: So proud of the people of Campbeltown pulling together and the heart of wee Castriona McSparran to have the vision to get it done. Dalintober looks beautiful already, can't wait to see it with new sand.

Diane Wright: I have many fond memories from my childhood. Loved that little beach.



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Two bands entertain at Cowal

P McKERRAL & Co Ltd sponsored Kintyre Schools Pipe Bands

rounded off their competition season at Cowal Highland Gathering

last Saturday.

A massive Kintyre contingent was present

at the Dunoon stadium to cheer on both bands as they compet-

ed in the final major of the season where they faced tough competition from time-served bands in both grades.

The novice band finished off the season placed ninth out of 21 bands. 'We didn't quite make the prize list,' said piper Eilidh Anderson, 'but we weren't

far away and hopefully we can build over the winter and come back stronger next year.'

In the juvenile grade, the senior and more experienced Kintyre Schools Band finished fifth.

Retiring drummer Struan Watson, in his last outing with the

band, said: 'It will be remembered as the season of fifths.'

Pipe Major Ian McKerral, the bands' director of piping, said: 'We'll be consolidating and building over the winter.'

'We aim to be challenging the top bands in both grades in 2014.'



Kintyre Schools Pipe Bands march around the stadium at Cowal Highland Games in Dunoon.

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Carradale visit planned

THE Kintyre Schools Juvenile and Novice Pipe Bands will be descending on Carradale on Saturday, September 28.

'We're planning to have a sponsored walk

and barbecue for band members and parents,' said Mary Ann Gosling, the band's fund raising officer.

'It will then be followed by a performance by

the combined bands to entertain Carradale residents and holiday weekend visitors.

'We'd like to encourage everyone in advance to lend their support.'

Drum major success for Kevan

FOR Kevan Renton, Kintyre Schools drum major, there was cause to celebrate as he secured fourth in the juve-

nile drum major contest.

'I'm pleased with that result,' he said. 'It's good to pull down the curtain on the season

with a place on the prize list. I'd like to thank our sponsor P McKerral & Co Ltd for all its support.'



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Jolomo art winners' work showcased

TWO of Campbeltown's artists are being honoured in an exhibition at Springbank Distillery.

Dawnne McGeachy and Justine Nawrot, who recently won the Jolomo Award and the Jolomo Schools Award respectively, were praised last week by Scottish first minister Alex Salmond and his cabinet during their visit to Campbeltown.

The exhibition, which began last Saturday, is part of the launch of Explore Campbeltown's new website which went

live last Wednesday and aims to showcase what the town can offer.

Dawnne and Justine's winning paintings will be on display as part of Dawnne's Painting the Sea exhibition at the Malt Barns at Springbank Distillery.

Fisherman's daughter Dawnne said: 'Growing up in Campbeltown I was obsessed by the scale of the ocean; its physicality, poetry and my father's voyages on it to catch fish. I loved his tales of the stars on a clear night and their use

in navigation. But with joy there was fear; what the sea gave it could also take.

'My paintings are an exploration of my complex alliance to the sea, interrelation with paint and my journey through their science to understand both.' The exhibition runs until tomorrow (Saturday) from 10am until noon then 2pm until 4pm.

A spokesman for Explore Campbeltown said: 'We are delighted to showcase the artists' work.'



Kintyre Chorale's summer concert raised £755 for medical practice

The Kintyre Chorale, pictured with musical director Paula McLean, far right, front row and musicians Beth Ronald, David O McEwan, front row, right, Ryan McGlynn and Jamie McLafferty, second row, right, performed its summer concert on Saturday night at Lorne and Lowland Church. The concert raised £755 for cardiac equipment for the Campbeltown medical practice. Photograph courtesy of Sarah MacDonald Photography.

Enterprising projects at Dalintober

POSTERS and penny jars are just some of the enterprising projects Dalintober Primary School pupils have been doing since returning to classes last week.

Working closely with marketing organisation Explore Campbeltown, pupils have made posters to go on display around the town and on the ferry to Ardrossan.

Their next enterprise activity will be to decorate penny jars to be placed in local shops to raise funds for Campbeltown Christmas Lights Group and CGS-4Gambia.

Headteacher Caroline Armour said: 'The school is delighted to be linked to this very worthwhile venture.'



Primary 2 pupils show off their posters for Explore Campbeltown.



Dawnne McGeachy shows her work on display at Springbank Distillery to Alex Salmond. Picture courtesy of Explore Campbeltown.



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Amenity trust welcomes culture secretary

Ms Hislop given tour of Campbeltown Heritage Centre

KINTYRE Amenity Trust, which operates the Campbeltown Heritage Centre, welcomed Fiona Hislop, cabinet secretary for culture, to its social history museum last week when the Scottish cabinet met in Campbeltown.

The trustees gave Ms Hislop a quick tour of the building before outlining their plans to catalogue the 4,500 artifacts and to bring in the

upstairs galleries to display collections currently in store.

Ms Hislop offered to get some support towards accreditation and other curatorial advice.

The picture shows Fiona Hislop MSP, centre, flanked, from left by trustees Elizabeth Kelly, Lesley Mitchell, Alan Milstead, David Gariner and Alister Nimmo. Picture courtesy of James Lafferty.



Band coffee morning raises a lot of brass

Before taking a starring role at the Kintyre Music Festival parade, Campbeltown Brass held a coffee morning at Kirk Street Hall.

Between the coffee morning and their stall at Doon the Green, the band

raised an impressive £950.

At the coffee morning, there was the usual raffle, bottle stall and homebaking and the band played some music to the large crowd who had come to the event.

Tea party will mark Grace Darling's bravery

CAMPBELTOWN RNLI fundraising branch is holding a Grace Darling 175th anniversary tea party in her memory tomorrow (Saturday).

On the September 7, 1838, Grace Darling and her father, lighthouse keeper of Longstone lighthouse, rescued nine survivors from the wrecked paddle steamer Forfarshire which had foundered off the Farnes Islands.

Grace and her father William Darling braved heavy seas to row their small boat out to the rocks, rescuing five survivors in the first attempt. Grace left her father on the rocks and

rowed the survivors ashore, before returning for the others.

Campbeltown lifeboat station will be open from 2pm-4.30pm, where volunteers will be serving teas and coffees, and delicious home baking.

There will also be a raffle to raise funds for the Royal National Lifeboat Institution. It is one of many events being held all over the UK to celebrate the first woman to be awarded a medal for gallantry by the RNLI.

Gold medals were also awarded to both Grace and her father from the Royal Humane Society and £50 from Queen Victoria.

Stargazers looking for public help

WEST Kintyre Stargazers is looking for the public to help with a survey aimed at increasing the use of solar energy. A spokesman said: 'It is widely recognised that we all need to make an effort to reduce our carbon footprint and to embrace alternative methods of energy production.'

'West Kintyre Star-

gazers is embarking on a Kintyre-wide project to assist the community in reducing energy consumption and in harnessing solar energy.

'The use of solar energy for electricity and hot water directly reduces carbon production and can reduce fuel poverty by providing on average 30% of your energy free, with all the bene-

fits going directly to the household.

'With the continual rise in energy prices, we all need to look to more efficient use of our resources. Together we can make the changes that will benefit us all.'

'West Kintyre Stargazers is working with The Climate Challenge Fund, part of Keep Scotland Beautiful, to deliver

a project that will directly benefit the households and businesses of Kintyre as well as reducing carbon production for the greater good.

'To help us realise this vital project, please visit www.westkintyrestargazers.org and complete the short survey.'

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The castle, which is the best known jewel in the West Highland crown, provides a stunning venue with the breathtaking scenery and back drop of Loch Fyne.

Festival goers will be in for a treat as more than 70 musicians with music ranging from world-famous bands to local pipe bands, young talent, Gaelic, traditional and modern music are scheduled to take to the stage.

The internationally acclaimed Red Hot Chilli Pipers will headline the festival on the Sunday and Skerryvore will entertain the crowd on the Saturday night.

Away from the stage there will be plenty for families to see and do with a range of food and drink to tickle the taste buds.

The Best of the West Whiskies will pit all 22 West Coast distillers against each other in a light hearted 'people's tasting'.

Fantastic food and drink will be dished up by the Food from Argyll Team, which will provide all the finest local produce for festival goers to eat, sample and take home from local suppliers and award winning brands.

Inverawe Smokehouse, Loch Fyne Oysters and Fyne Ales will all be there and there will be something for everyone to enjoy with everything from oysters to beef, tablet to salmon being dished up.

The event will have plenty to keep the family busy with a children's ticket offering unlimited access to a host of children's entertainment.

A four-sided climbing wall, laser blast arena, bungee trampoline, children's workshop, face painting, supervised play area, storytelling and plenty more

will keep youngsters busy across the weekend. This year, a new adventurous treasure hunt has been introduced to the events list.

Geocaching will lead treasure hunters around the castle grounds searching for hidden treasure using GPS enabled devices.

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CARRADALE

Couple caught stealing from house

A CARRADALE couple have been found guilty of breaking into a house and attempting to steal a box from it.

Eloise Treco and David Young, both of 33 Tormhor, denied breaking into Crossaig House, Skipness on May 15 this year and stealing a quantity of ornaments and furnishings.

Campbeltown Sheriff Court heard last week that the owner of the house, who visits to feed sheep in the garden each day, was alerted that two people had climbed over the fence and gone into the house.

When she arrived was confronted with Treco, 30, and Young, 26, at the back of the house, carrying a large wooden box.

When she asked the couple why they were there, they replied: 'We're just taking this stuff. We thought the house was derelict or for sale.'

Defence agents Christian Kane and David Watt said the couple had been looking for a house for Treco's father who wanted to move to the area and the back door had been open.

The owner insisted she had closed it earlier that day and it needed to be shouldered open because of its shape.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC convicted the couple and deferred sentencing until November 21 for other matters.

MUASDALE

Large turbine bid rejected

A FINAL bid for a 84-metre high turbine at North Beachmore, Muasdale has been lost. The applicant, Paul

MSP opens new Carradale moorings



WHILE in Kintyre with the Scottish cabinet last week, Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell visited Carradale to open the recently installed yacht moorings. The four moorings were supplied by Meridian Salmon (MS) as part of their contribution to the community and are managed by Network Carradale Limited (NCL). These are available for visitors to overnight on while in Kilbrannan Sound for £10 in the honesty box. Mr Russell is pictured, left, aboard Blue Tarn with Alan Milstead (NCL), Warren Harvey of Meridian Salmon, Malcolm Trott (NCL) and Alan Walker (NCL). Picture courtesy of Alasdair Bennett.

Sloan, of Whitehouse, had appealed to the Scottish Government after Argyll and Bute Council had narrowly rejected the proposal.

Planning councillors had agreed by five votes to four that the turbine would be detrimental to the environment and was on sensitive land near several important ancient monuments.

However, last week the appeal was turned down by the Scottish Government.

Dozens of residents from the surrounding area had objected to the proposal.

A member of Kintyre Turbine Watch told the Courier: 'The objectors also secured the backing

of West Kintyre Community Council.

'The turbine would have been so visible from a wide area because of its size, and the vast majority of the community was against it.'

TARBERT

Funding boost for arts and leisure centre

THE Tarbert Arts and Leisure Centre has received £13,100 funding from Creative Scotland.

The award will enable the centre to provide new creative digital media classes and events for young audiences,

new skills learners and arts professionals.

Leonie Bell, acting director of creative development at Creative Scotland, said: 'The improvement of buildings and the purchasing of equipment that these awards will support will enhance the diverse and valued range of work being carried out by these organisations from across Scotland.'

Man's punches left boy, 12, bleeding heavily

A TARBERT man punched a 12-year-old boy on the throat, left eye and nose after accusing him of hitting his

younger brother.

Stephen Cupples, 20, of Lorne Cottage, Garval Road, admitted committing the assault at Tarbert Seafood Festival on May 24 this year.

Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week heard how Cupples had been 'drunk and extremely aggressive' when he grabbed the boy, punching him and causing his nose to bleed heavily.

Defence agent Robert Ferguson said on the day of the incident Cupples' younger brother had spoken to him in tears, telling him the boy had attacked him and been bullying him at school.

Sentencing on Cupples was deferred until September 26 for reports.

ISLAY

Islay man must pay assault victim £250

AN Islay man who punched another man repeatedly on the head to his injury has been ordered to pay £250 in compensation.

Jake Burgess, 21, of 6 Daal Terrace, Port Charlotte admitted the assault last week when he appeared at Campbeltown Sheriff Court.

The court heard that while at the Bowmore Hotel on March 2 of this year the victim had told Burgess to stay away from his younger brother.

When the man was walking home at 1am he was approached by Burgess, who punched him a number of times on his head which caused bruising.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC also fined Burgess £150.

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'Yes, farmers would benefit from independence'

KINTYRE farmers were told last week their industry would be a lot better off if Scotland gained independence.

Richard Lochhead, Scottish minister for rural affairs and the environment, delivered a strong argument in Campbeltown at the town's second Yes for Independence meeting.

He told the audience that Scotland was losing out badly at European Union funding allocations with a UK minister carrying out negotiations.

Not being at 'the top table' with a voice as an independent nation meant that Scotland was languishing at the bottom of the league for funding from both the Common Agricultural

Policy (CAP) budget and money from the rural development fund, he claimed.

'It is incredibly frustrating for me to go to Brussels and repeatedly see UK ministers not bother to make a case that meets Scotland's needs,' said Mr Lochhead.

Support

'If Scotland was independent we would be eligible for up to £850 million CAP funding up to 2020, with which we could support our farming business and benefit the wider rural economy.'

'We have the lowest rural development fund levels in the whole of the EU - just 22.5 per cent of that received by Ireland.'



Richard Lochhead, right, speaking at last week's Yes for Independence meeting in Campbeltown along with Mike Russell, Argyll and Bute MSP, centre, and councillor John Semple. 08_c36yes01

'If we were independent we would be able to negotiate a much better deal.'

Mr Lochhead said he met with the same frustration and barriers when trying to represent and protect the interests of Scottish fishermen.

Scotland with all its fishing waters has no direct say, he stated, yet landlocked countries like Latvia and Lux-

embourg have a say on Scotland's fishing.

* What do you think? Do you disagree with Mr Lochhead? With just a year to go the referendum on independence, what is your view? Tell us. Write to the editor, Campbeltown Courier, Main and Longrow South, Campbeltown, PA28 6AE or email editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk

Show and sale at Islay

UNITED farm auctions held its annual show and sale of suckled calves at Islay Auction Mart last Saturday when 336 head were sold.

An exceptional show of quality calves were on offer and sold to a good ringside of mainland buyers.

Bullocks sold to average £969.59 per head or 243.7 per kilo while heifers sold to average £826.65 or 219.8 per kilo.

The show was ably

judged by regular attendee Mrs Margaret Kingan of Kingan Farms, New Abbey, Dumfries and the following were her awards.

Bullock calf: 1 Ardbeg, British blue cross weighing 564 kilos which sold for £1,320 to Camps Farms, 2 Starchmill. Limousin cross, 488 kilos, and sold for £1,195 to Duncan Low, Pittenkerrie, 3 Neriby. Limousin cross, 470 kilos, sold to M/s Watson, Aberchirder. Heifers: 1 Neriby, Limousin cross, 418 kilos, and sold for £1,050 to Camps Farms, 2 Ardbeg, Limousin cross, 430 kilos, sold for £1,005 to M/s Watson, 3 Carrabus, Charolais cross. Champion calf - Ardbeg, British blue cross bullock. Reserve - Strachmill, Limousin cross bullock.

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Dilapidated building is restored to pristine condition

A C-listed early 19th century tenement has been restored to its former glory - thanks to the vision and perseverance of its owners and the work of Campbel-

town's Townscape Heritage Initiative (THI) team.

Willie and Margaret Livingstone bought the bottom flat years ago at auction in London.

At that point 13-15 Kirk Street was a dilapidated and dangerous building, deteriorating by the year.

Mr Livingstone told the Courier: 'Eventually, af-

ter many years, we were able to buy the top properties off the Crown.

'It took a lot of work to get funding to restore the entire building, but we got a lot of help and assistance from James Lafferty, the THI's project officer.'

After 10 months' work by Campbeltown building contractor Stewart MacAlister, involving taking the property back to its bare shell, it has been brought back into use as four rental flats with the support of Argyll and Bute Council and The Heritage Lottery Fund with the balance being paid for by the Livingstones.

Officially unveiled

The work, using traditional methods and materials, was officially unveiled last week by Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell and councillor John Semple.

Mr Russell said: 'It is great to see the building brought back into use. It will be a nice place for people to live in the centre of the town.'

Councillor Semple said: 'It is particularly ironic that this building appeared in its dilapidated state in the national press as an example of dereliction in our rural towns and now, as a phoenix rising from the flames, it is a metaphor



Mike Russell MSP asked owner Margaret Livingstone to officially open the new flats. 08_c35building02

'Work has now been done on more than 40 buildings in Campbeltown'

for the regeneration we are seeing going on in Campbeltown.

'Work has now been done on more than 40 buildings in Campbeltown with the town hall and 50-52 Main Street/2 Cross Street still earmarked for improvements. It is great to see the culmination of years

of hard work by the THI team and local contractors come to fruition.'

The past six years has seen the THI involved in 75 grants worth a total of £835,000 being offered and work carried out on more than 40 town centre buildings. A total of £4.4 million has been spent on the

buildings, and has seen 17 shop fronts completed, 140 original windows refurbished, 40 local contractors involved.

A total of £676,000 is still to be committed on the town hall and 50-52 Main Street/2 Cross Street. The four Kirk Street flats are now available for rent.



The interior of one of the restored flats. Inset: One of the flats before work began.



The 13-15 Kirk Street building before work began.



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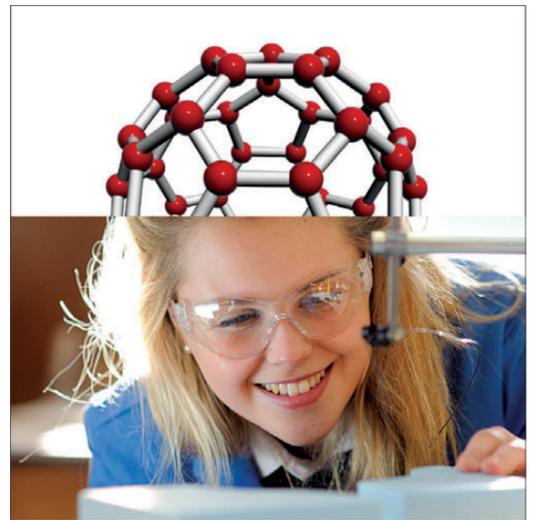
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The Schools' reputation for outstanding pastoral care is legendary. Being the only School in Scotland to have achieved a five grading on every category - and the only full boarding school to have achieved a six - the top grade.

In the centre of the School is a stunning 19th-century country house, accommodating the English Department, Libraries, Theatre, Music Department and heated refurbished swimming pool.

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The diversity of these achievements underpin the Lathallan School ethos that we strongly believe that every child deserves to enjoy the success of their individual abilities in whatever field they lie – on the sports field, in the classroom, in the arts, in personal achievement.

At Lathallan School, our focus is of course, on educational excellence. Our overall size of under 200 pupils, class sizes averaged at 12 pupils, high quality academic staff and unique environment are all contributors to fulfilling the claim that every child has the opportunity to develop to their own full potential. Small class sizes and confidence from a varied curriculum outside of the classroom really do make a difference.

Lathallan School does not have entrance exams; we assess each child on his or her own merit. It is a place in which challenge, industriousness and maximising individual potential is pivotal in our pupils' educational development. Every individual is made to feel an integral and special part of the school.

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The School's sporting programme also plays an extremely important role in daily life with training and competition in over 20 sports. At present, the School boasts internationalists in: rugby, cricket, athletics, cross country, golf, table tennis, modern pentathlon and skiing.

"We are a very nurturing school with the highest standards of pastoral care. We believe firmly in the significance of a boy's academic platform in putting him in a position of choice, but equally, the co-curricular activities teach the boys vital life skills. Essentially, we develop all-rounders with a sense of values." Andrew Hunter, Headmaster

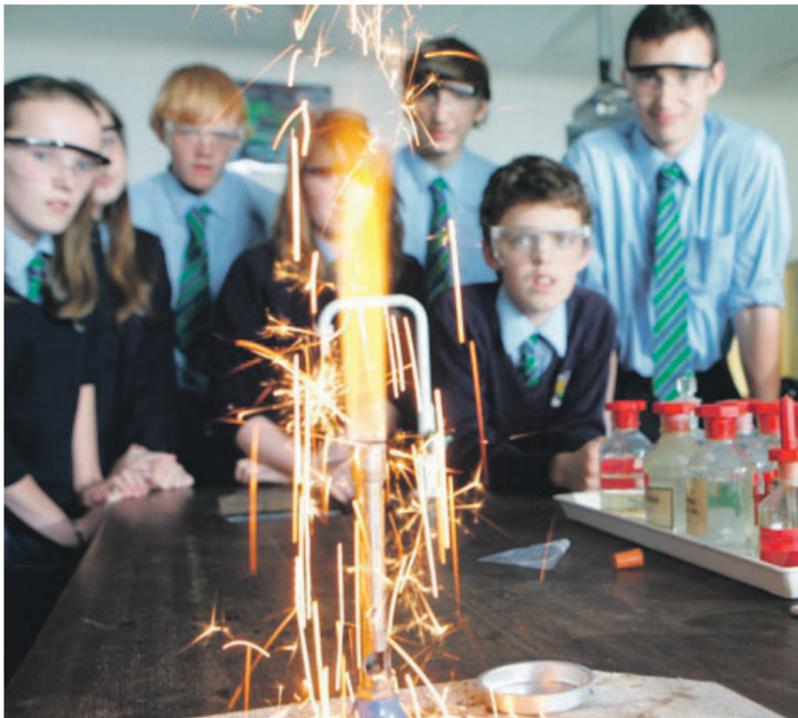
"It is my common experience in life that when I buy something new, after the original excitement of the purchase dies down, I often start finding small faults with it. However, with our children's education at Merchiston it has been exactly the opposite. In every respect - academic, sporting and pastoral - the School has exceeded our expectations, and continues to do so. In particular, the staff appear to have an almost magical ability to maximise the potential of every boy, irrespective of their natural talents. But above all, it is the Merchiston 'end product' that impresses us year after year; the young men who leave the School for university each year are polite, confident gentlemen, that any parent would be proud to call their sons." Parent



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"Pupils enjoyed the sense of belonging - everyone know each other and was very friendly and people got on well together." Care Inspectorate Report

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LOMOND

West of Scotland's only Boarding School announces November Open Evening.

Lomond School is one of Scotland's most modern and progressive independent schools. Situated in Helensburgh on the edge of the Loch Lomond National Park it has excellent road and rail links with the West Highlands and is only 35 minutes from Glasgow airport making it the perfect location for students who are looking for the broad experience boarding school can offer.

Facilities at Lomond School are first class. A notable feature has been extensive investment in ICT and other facilities to enhance the learning environment. An exciting project taking place this term is the deployment of iPad's to all Lomond pupils from T1 to S6. The iPad's will act as an extension of traditional teaching resources and the school believes this innovative step will deliver significant gains ahead in students learning.

The school prides itself on its' extra curricular provision with outstanding opportunities in sport, music/drama and outdoor education. In October 2009 a £3.5 million Sports Facility was opened and is the foundation to which great sporting success has been achieved over the past 4 years.

This year's exam results support the school's claims to deliver academic achievement for students, focusing on maximising the potential of each individual. In S4 67% of grades were at the top two grades, and at S6 71 % were similarly either A or B grades. More than a quarter of pupils taking Higher in S5 gained 4 or more A grades. These are very high level figures from a non-selective school and represent strong added value from small class sizes and individualised teaching. These public examination results are at a level three times higher than the national and county average.

Lomond School Open Evening takes place on 7th November 2013 and the school is also delighted to welcome families to look round the school at a time convenient for them. For more information on Lomond School please contact Head of Admissions, Justine Scullion.

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From September this year, the school will welcome a seven year-old entry (P3 equivalent.)

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Belhaven's inspirational environment and full school days present a wealth of opportunities for all the children whether they be boarders or day children.

To find out more, join us, Innes and Sandy MacAskill, at school for an informal chat: stay for lunch with the children, and let our pupils show you round the campus. Alternatively, we can come and meet with you. School transport available. Telephone 01368 862785 or email secretary@belhavenhill.com, www.belhavenhill.com.



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Wedding insurance is an increasingly popular addition so well worth considering.

Draw up invites and, before you know it, ladies it's time to look for the perfect dress.

If you are planning a honeymoon, now would be a good time to check your passport is valid - many countries will require you

to have six months to run for entry. Now is also a good time to book your transport, music and food.

When it comes to six months before your wedding you must order your bridesmaids dresses. There will need to be subsequent fittings. You should also have your wedding dress ordered by now. If not, get choosing - and remember your accessories!

Looking good is important on your wedding day so don't forget to book a

hairdresser and someone to do your makeup - and have a trial beforehand.

You might also want to think about making a wedding gift list and ordering your wedding cake.

About three months before your wedding it is wise to start thinking about table decorations, favours and place cards.

You should also be arranging fittings for the groom and best man as well as buying the wedding rings. You should choose and or-

der the flowers you want on your day, also start thinking about vows, readings and ceremony music.

Confirm your ceremony details with your minister or registrar about two months beforehand.

Have final fittings about a month beforehand and confirm all of your bookings. Don't forget to find time for your stag or hen parties.

Shortly before your big day, confirm numbers with caterers.

The day before the wed-

ding you should drop off any decorations, table plans, favours and a guest book if you're having one at your venue.

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The programme features a range of support services including:

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A new series of SDP workshops has been planned for the autumn, including workshops aimed at businesses looking to maximise their tender scores and those who are unsure whether supplying the public sector is right for them and want to find out more.

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First Minister Alex Salmond, with Mike Russell MSP, left, and councillor John Semple at the opening last week of what will hopefully be the first phase of the new Mull of Kintyre Industrial Estate. 08_c35busin02

Affordable units at the former Jaeger factory could treble if further backing can be secured

THE number of affordable business units at the former Jaeger factory in Campbeltown could treble - if further backing can be secured.

Six units for rent, snapped up very quickly, were officially opened by an impressed First Minister Alex Salmond last week as part of the Scottish cabinet's two-day visit to the town.

He said he was determined that the Scottish Government would continue to support business development in Kintyre.

That could be put to the test very soon.

MacLeod Construction Ltd,

which put up the first six units, is keen to erect a further 12 business units on surrounding waste ground.

However, Jane MacLeod, a director of the Lochgilphead-based firm which employs around 200 staff, told the Courier this week that the company would require similar backing from Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE) through its 'Scottish Property Support Scheme'.

Waiting list

She said: 'We have a waiting list of nine businesses already for any new units, but the reason they are in such demand is that the first ones car-

ry a rent of just £50 a week plus VAT.

'That price is only possible if we again receive HIE support which was worth almost £100,000 for the first development.'

'We are already lobbying the Scottish Government for the funding so that we can do it again, and the local MSP Mike Russell is on our side along with the Chamber of Commerce.'

'The model could easily be replicated by us elsewhere in Argyll, and there is demand for it, but we would like to finish this new Mull of Kintyre Industrial Estate now that

we have started it.

'Let's get Campbeltown up and running first. If we managed to secure funding it would take a year in total to construct two more blocks of six units.'

Mr Russell said: 'The new units are a tremendous innovation by MacLeod, which is also doing a lot to help young people find work.'

'It's also good that so many local companies are keen to expand.'

John Semple, Argyll and Bute Council's lead councillor for development, infrastructure and the environment, said: 'Here is the

transformation of a site that lay derelict for a long period after 160 people lost their jobs with Jaeger.'

'Large employers are good, but small businesses are just as important.'

Helping

'I would like to see more units built, and the public sector can be at its strongest when it is helping the private sector develop its ideas.'

MacMillan Foods Limited, Livingstone & McEachran Plumbers, Fona Taxis, RTM Contracts, Kintyre Smokehouse and Kenneth Campbell golf professional took up the initial lets.

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Planning Scotland's Seas – Consultation 2013

A series of drop-in events are being held to give local residents the opportunity to find out about Marine Scotland's consultation "Planning Scotland's Seas". The consultation will be seeking your views on a National Marine Plan, Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) and Offshore Renewables.

This is an opportunity to put your views on local or national issues directly to Marine Scotland, Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH) and Joint Nature Conservation Committee (JNCC) staff and help decide how Scotland's seas are managed in the future.

Campbeltown Drop-in Event:

Thursday 17 September
Victoria Hall, Kinloch Road
Marine Scotland: 1-5pm drop in session & 6-8pm Presentations

SNH drop in session focussed on MPAs: 1- 8pm

For more information please visit:

www.scotland.gov.uk/marineconsultation

Information on MPAs, including site specific Management Options Papers, is available at:

www.jncc.gov.uk/scottish-mpa-consultation

www.snh.gov.uk/mpa-consultation

**WATER ENVIRONMENT AND WATER SERVICES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003
WATER ENVIRONMENT (CONTROLLED ACTIVITIES) (SCOTLAND)
REGULATIONS 2011**

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORISATION

DRUIMDRISHAIG HYDROELECTRIC SCHEME

An application has been made to the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) by Ormsary Farmers for authorisation to carry on controlled activities at, near or in connection with Druimdrishaig Hydroelectric Scheme, namely:

Description of controlled activity	Waters affected	National grid reference
Abstraction of 30, 240 m3 per day of water	Loch nan Torran/Tributary of Ormsary Water	NR 76209 69794
Return of abstracted water approximately 3.15km away from abstraction point	Ormsary Water	NR 74194 71776

SEPA considers that the above controlled activities may have an impact on the water environment and on the interests of other users of the water environment.

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) and by prior arrangement at SEPA's Lochgilphead Office, Kilbrandon House, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, PA31 8QX, 01546 602876.

Alternatively, the application may be viewed on SEPA's website at: www.sepa.org.uk/water/water_regulation/advertised_applications.aspx

Any persons affected or likely to be affected by, or having an interest in, the application may make representation to SEPA in writing within 28 days beginning with the date of this advertisement, at the following address, quoting reference number CAR/L/1113861:

Registry Department, SEPA Dingwall office, Graesser House, Fodderty Way, Dingwall, IV15 9XB

Written representations received by SEPA within 28 days of this advertisement will be taken into consideration in determining whether or not to grant the application.

Before determining the application, SEPA will:

- Assess the risk to the water environment posed by the carrying on of the activity or activities;
- Assess the indirect effects of that impact on any other aspect of the environment likely to be significantly affected;
- Consider any likely adverse social and economic effects of that impact and of any indirect environmental effects that have been identified;
- Consider the likely environmental, social and economic benefits of the activity;
- Assess the impact of the controlled activity or activities on the interests of other users of the water environment;
- Assess what steps may be taken to ensure efficient and sustainable water use; and
- Apply and have regard to relevant legislation

SEPA will then either grant or refuse to grant the application.

MID ARGYLL ATHLETIC CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & EGM

Thursday 12 September at 7.30pm

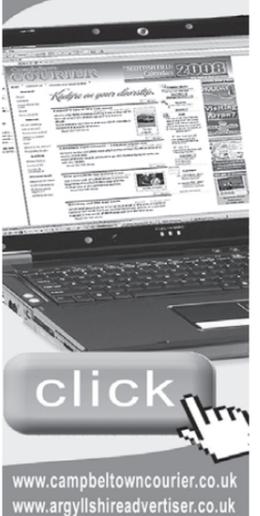
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PLANNING

These applications listed below together with other related documents may be inspected between 09:00 - 17:00hrs Monday to Friday at 67 Chalmers Street Ardrishaig PA30 8DX, at the alternative locations detailed below during their normal opening times or by logging on to the Council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk. Written comments for the following list of applications should be made to the above address within 21 days of this advert. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2008 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
13/01583/PP	Erection of a single storey building to form Pre-5/Early Years Unit, 3 no timber storage sheds, formation of car parking area, new footpaths, installation of access gates and fence.	Tayvallich Primary School Tayvallich Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8PW	Ardrishaig Area Office

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

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
13/01816/PP	Alterations and change of use of commercial premises (originally Comrades Hall) to dwellinghouse	17 Newtown Inveraray Argyll and Bute PA32 8UH	Sub Post Office Inveraray
13/01817/LIB	Alterations (internal and external) and change of use of commercial premises (originally Comrades Hall) to dwellinghouse, installation of boiler house/ oil tank and formation of 4 carparking spaces.	17 Newtown Inveraray Argyll and Bute PA32 8UH	Sub Post Office Inveraray
13/01822/PP	Erection of residential development comprising 10 dwellinghouses (6 affordable), installation of treatment plant and associated accesses	Land South West of Ardfern House Ardfern Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8QN	Sub Post Office Ardfern
13/01845/LIB	Internal alterations and installation of rooflights	Braeface Bellanoch Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8SN	Ardrishaig Area Office

Argyll and Bute council encourages planning applications to be made on-line through The Scottish Government website: <https://eplanning.scotland.gov.uk>

The Council maintain a Register of planning applications which can be viewed during normal office hours at Planning and Regulatory Services, Whitegates Office Whitegates Road Lochgilphead PA31 8SY.

A weekly list of applications can be viewed at the above address and at all Council Libraries.

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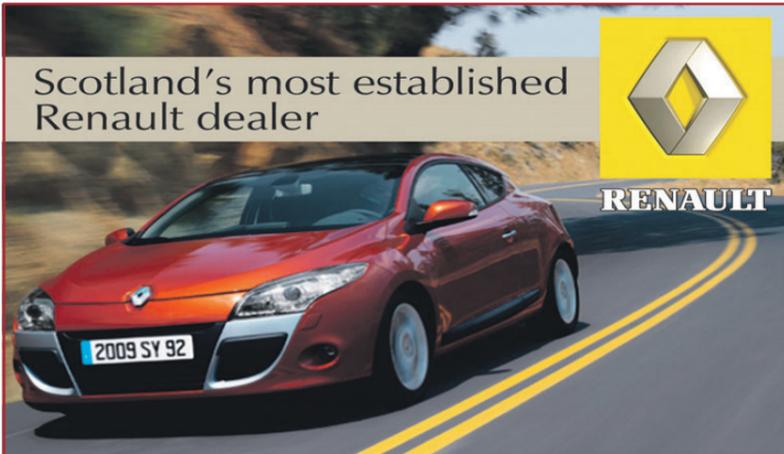
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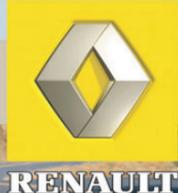
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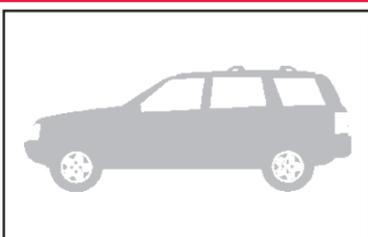
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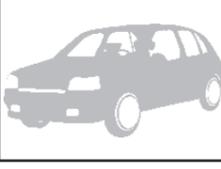
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JR 65



Happy Birthday John Enjoy your retirement - plenty time for snooker and golf, but don't forget the housework!
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THANK YOU

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Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



I DON'T know whether the waves were chasing the pups, or the pups were chasing the waves – but a great game ensued.

Just a few days before, they were scared of the waves, but now Jazz barked with new-found confidence and Carys watched with great admiration.

Rock pools were a great adventure and paddling became a delight.

Every day brings new challenges and experiences, as we see their different personalities developing.

They are just six months old now and I cannot believe how much they have learned in such a short time.

We are now into our new school term and the youngsters in P1 look so small and innocent – though I'm sure the latter is not always true!

How much they will learn in the weeks and months ahead as they will continue to become the people they were fashioned to be.

What will the future hold for them, I wonder.

Parents will dream their dreams and worry about the path of life they will take.

The responsibility of caring and loving can also bring anxiety.

How much freedom do we give them?

When do we let them go it alone?

When do we say a definitive 'No!'

One of my favourite quotes is from Hodding Carter and it says, 'Wise parents give their children just two gifts – roots and wings'.

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Drunken fishermen who ran aground fined £1,950

THREE Northern Irish fishermen drunk in charge of a fishing boat which ran aground near Campbeltown last December have been fined a total of £1,950.

James Thomson, 47, of 10c Seahill Park, Donaghadee, Sidney Thomson, 54, of 19 Springfield Gardens, Portavogie and Thomas McCormick, 39, of 8 Lawson Gardens, Portavogie each admitted to being seamen on duty while

over the legal limit of alcohol on December 21 last year.

Campbeltown Sheriff Court heard last Wednesday that the three men had landed at Campbeltown harbour after finishing fishing for the day and had gone for drinks.

Returned

Procurator fiscal Eoin McGinty explained: 'At 1am McCormick returned to the boat and at 1.30am police officers saw James Thomson

leading Sidney Thomson by the hand as they made their way towards the harbour.

'A short time later the Argent set sail to Northern Ireland.'

The coastguard received a distress signal from the vessel, which was owned by James Thomson, and the lifeboat went out to Macringan's Point to tow the stricken vessel back to Campbeltown.

Defence agent for James

Thomson, Christian Kane, said the incident had been a financial disaster for Thomson.

Settlement

He had paid a settlement of £20,000 to Argyll and Bute Council for harbour dues and recovery of the vessel which broke up in the water over several months.

James Thomson was fined £750 and Sidney Thomson and McCormick £600 each.

Wanted: one caring owner

KENNELS owner Liz Johnson describes spaniel cross Lachie as 'a good old boy' but he desperately needs someone to take care of him.

Narrowfield Kennels in Campbeltown have been looking after the 13-year-old dog since his elderly owner was admitted to hospital several weeks ago.

Reluctantly, the owner who has had Lachie since he was a pup has acknowledged that he will no longer be able to look after him.

'He asked us if we

could find Lachie a good home,' said Liz, 'so we are hoping a Campbeltown Courier reader will come to his aid.

'Lachie is a good old boy, no problem at all. He is house trained and happy to go for easy walks.'

Anyone who thinks they can help, can phone Liz on 01586-553979,

Liz Johnson with Lachie whom she hopes will find a new home with a Courier reader.

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Entrepreneurs can cash in

NEW businesses in Argyll that have the potential to boost sales by £200,000 over the next three years are being urged to enter an entrepreneurial competition with a prize fund of £750,000.

The Scottish EDGE competition is open to small, young businesses in the country and those which demonstrate the most growth potential could win awards of up to £50,000.

The closing date for applications, which can be completed with the assistance of Argyll and Bute Council's Business Gateway team, is 3pm on September 18.

Fuel poverty anger as energy profits soar

ALAN Reid MP has called on the Office of Fair Trading to mount an urgent investigation after energy giant DCC, which sells heating oil under the brands of Scottish Fuels and Brogan, saw its profits rise by 56 per cent.

The Argyll and Bute MP said profits of £111 million for the year, up from £71.2 million, was exploiting those who lived in rural areas.

Excessive profits

Mr Reid said: 'These excessive profits are a complete and utter scandal.

'I am outraged that DDC is boasting it made these profits last year be-

cause of the cold winter. Its huge profits are made at the expense of people struggling to heat their homes.

'The Office of Fair Trading must investigate. I was annoyed when the OFT said before there was nothing wrong with the workings of the heating oil market.

'It's high time they got a grip on the situation and investigated. These massive profits show there is something far wrong. People in rural areas are being exploited.'

Energy giant DCC admitted its 'excellent year' had been driven by

the country's return to freezing weather.

However, rising winter prices pushed hundreds of thousands of Scottish homes into fuel poverty.

Almost half of Scottish households have been pushed into fuel poverty.

Income

According to Scottish Government figures, 684,000 households spend at least 10% of their income on heating.

A DCC spokeswoman said the increase in profits was due to the fact that winter 2012 had been mild and that last winter had been a return to 'normal trading'.

Young woman shouted and swore at police

A YOUNG woman has admitted shouting and swearing at police officers who were trying to help her after she threatened to harm herself.

Linda Hughes of 3A Hillside Road, Campbeltown, appeared at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last Wednesday where she pled guilty to the charge which took place on August 1 this year.

The court heard that police went to her mother's house after concerns were raised about the 18-year-old's well-being.

Defence agent Christian Kane said the offence took place because her partner had been remanded and she had too much to drink.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC deferred sentence for two months for reports and for the accused to be of good behaviour.

Woman was seized by the throat

A MAN who threw two bags of shopping at his partner, before seizing her by the throat and pushing her against a wall, has had his sentence deferred for four months so he can be of good behaviour.

At Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week, John Honest, 45, of 63 Torphin Crescent, Glasgow admitted the assault in Cross Street, Campbeltown on August 12 of this year.

TEXT FOR THE WEEK

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

BIRTHS

GIFFEN - John and Lindsay are delighted to announce the safe arrival of John Andrew Giffen, on June 4, 2013, at Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead. A little brother for Richard.



MACLEAN

Jonathan and Hayley are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Sonny, born on August 29, 2013. First grandchild for Fiona and Don Murray, Tarbert and Cathy and Calum MacLean, Clachan. Special thanks to all the midwives and staff at Southern General, Glasgow and the local midwife.



MORTON

To Shauna and Peter, God's gift of a son, Ethan Ashley, on August 18, 2013.

ENGAGEMENTS



MCMILLAN - HARRISON

Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Stuart, son of Archie and Mhairi, to Jemma, daughter of Margaret and the late John.

RUBY WEDDINGS

MCFARLANE - WOOD - At Alexandria North Parish Church, on September 7, 1973, Tom to Mari.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

BROWN - ROBERTSON - On September 6, 1963 at Minard Parish Church, by the bride's father, Rev Donald Robertson, Jim to Violet.



MITCHELL

Alistair and Mary were married at Castlehill Church, by the Rev J R H Cormack, fifty happy years ago today.

DEATHS

BRODIE - Margaret (Peggy) McIntyre passed away peacefully, on September 3, 2013, beloved wife of the late Maxie, dearly loved mum, gran and great gran. The service will take place on Wednesday, September 11, 2013 at Kilkerran Cemetery for 12.00pm.

DURNIN - Peacefully, at Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley, on September 3, 2013, Charles Durnin, formerly of 37 Calton Avenue, eldest son of the late Mr and Mrs James Durnin and brother of Betty, Janet and the late Angus.

MACLENNAN - Peacefully, at the Glenaray Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead, on September 1, 2013, Murdo (Murdie) MacLennan MBE, aged 73 years, of 8 McCracken Court, Lochgilphead, and formerly of Dewar Avenue. Former Sub-Officer at Lochgilphead Fire Station. Beloved husband of the late Elizabeth, much loved dad of Lorne, Leone, Darren, Laurene, Murray and the late Kevin, adored grandpa and great grandpa, a much respected father-in-law and a dear brother, uncle and cousin to all the family. A good neighbour, dear friend and former work colleague to many. Funeral service will be held in Lochgilphead Parish Church, on Monday, September 9, 2013, at 12.00 noon, thereafter to Achabreac Cemetery. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to Chest, Heart and Stroke Foundation and The Fire Fighters Charity.

MCLARTY - Peacefully, surrounded by her family, after a long illness borne with great courage and dignity, on August 31, 2013, Margaret Ishbel McLarty, née MacFarlane, of Stroma, Glengilp Road, Ardrishaig, dearly beloved wife of the late Captain John McLarty, much loved mum of Donald and Margaret and mother-in-law of Iona and Colin, cherished Granny Mags of Hannah, Eilidh, John, Craig and Lewis. Funeral service will be held in Ardrishaig Parish Church, today, Friday, September 6, at 12.00 noon, thereafter to Achabreac Cemetery.

MORTON - Peacefully, in Ayr Hospital, on Monday, August 26, 2013, after a short illness, Margaret Morton (née Gilchrist), formerly of Crosshill Avenue, dearly beloved wife of John Morton.

INTERMENT OF ASHES

WHALL - A small get together for family and friends will take place at Achabreac, on Saturday, September 7, 2013 at 12 noon, to remember the late Michael and inter his ashes. Family flowers only please.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

CAMPBELL - Beth and family wish to thank family and friends for kind expressions of sympathy and cards following the sad loss of John. Many thanks to Agnes Stewart for a comforting service, Alasdair Blair for his care and attention to funeral arrangements and the Ardshiel Hotel for the funeral tea. Thanks to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. Special thanks to Intensive Care Unit staff at Southern General Hospital, the sum of £480.75 was raised for the unit.

IN MEMORIAM

GILCHRIST - Effie, died September 8, 2012. Precious memories of a dear aunt.

You had a smile for everyone
You had a heart of gold
You left the sweetest memories
The world could ever hold.
- Graham, Mhairi, Kay and family.

GODDARD - Agnes, died September 6, 1999. Miss and love you always.
- Mum, Sandra, Ali and family.
Love and miss you very much.
- Twinkle.

GODDARD - In loving memory of a dear mum. Loved and missed every day.
- Randall, Alan and Natalie.
Night night Granny.
- Love, Myrin, Jodie, Kayleigh and Erin.

GODDARD - Beautiful memories of our darling niece and cousin, Agnes (Robertson), who was taken from us on September 6, 1999.

Agnes, if we could build a stairway
We would build it with loving chains
We would build that stair to heaven
And bring you home again.

- Auntie Sandra, Uncle Andy and Harrison cousins xxxxxxxx.

JACKSON - Edna, slipped away September 6, 2012. Lovingly remembered by all the family.
We sat at your bedside, our hearts were crushed and sore
We cared for you until the end, until we could do no more

In tears we watched you sinking, we watched you fade away
And though our hearts were breaking we knew you could not stay
You left behind some aching hearts, that loved you most sincere
A year on we have never forgotten you, never shall and never will.

MCMURCHY - In loving memory of John, a much loved husband, dad, grandad and great grandad, who died September 3, 2012.
Silent thoughts of times together,
Cherished memories will last forever.
- Alice and family.

CHURCH NOTICES



George Street, Campbeltown

Sunday 8th September
12.45pm
Worship Service
Rev Finlay Mackenzie
11.00am
Sunday School
Thursday 12th September
12 noon
Prayer & Bible Study
All welcome

Scottish Charity Number: SC009980

WEST LOCHFYNESIDE Church Services 8 September - all welcome!

Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair
Charity No. SC016097
Communion Service
Cumlodden Church at 10am
Gaelic Service Lochgair Church at 3pm

Glenaray and Inveraray
Charity No. SC016665
Communion Service Inveraray at 11.30am
Communion in Chalmers Court at 2.30pm



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
We meet in the Guide Hall, Kinloch Road
www.campbeltowncommunitychurch.co.uk



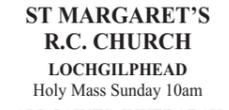
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Highland Parish Church
SCO02493
Sunday 8th September 11.15am Rev. C. Hood
Everyone very welcome



LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
All Welcome
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson
Sunday 8th September 2013
11.00am Morning Service
At Lochgilphead Community Centre, Manse Brae
Scottish Charity SC015187



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

THE SALVATION ARMY Burnside Street, Campbeltown

Sunday Services
10.30am Morning Worship (Army Kidz)
6.30pm Evening Worship
Tuesday
12.15pm Lunch Club
1.30pm Home League
Thursday
7.30pm Bible Study & Prayer
Lt. Mark Scouling



75 Longrow, Campbeltown
Sunday 8th September 2013
11.15am Family Communion with crèche
Springbank Youth Group with Mr R H Craig
Wednesday 11 September 2013
10am Toddler Group
7.30pm Bible Study
For details & other enquiries contact The Church Secretary **01586 551237**
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SC014646



Argyll Street, Campbeltown
St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown
Scottish Charity No SC023277
Sunday 8th September
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
10.45am Family Communion
All Welcome
Details of services are on the church door
Enquiries Tel: **01586 551141**
The Scottish Episcopal Church is a Province of the Worldwide Anglican Communion

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 8th September, 2013
Ford 11.30a.m.
Rev. Cliff Acklam
Family Service
All welcome
SC01212

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH

Scottish Charity Number SC011686
Sunday, 8th September
Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m.
(Crèche, Triple C, Next Generation)
Rev P Burroughs
Monday, 9th September
Messy Church - 3.45pm in New Hall
Tuesday, 10th September
Parents and Toddlers - 9.45am in New Hall
Thursday, 12th September
Prayer Meeting - 4:00 p.m.
ADVANCE NOTICE
Friday, 13th, September
Lunch Club - 12.00 noon in New Hall

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN

Saturday 7 September 2013
Quarterly Prayer breakfast
Breakfast: 8.00 - 8.30am
Praise & prayer: 9.00am
Sunday 8 September 2013
11.00am
Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch
Speaker: Graham McLean "The Way of Holiness"
Thursday 12 September 2013
7.30pm
Praise, prayer & sharing
All Welcome

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH

Charity Number SC001002
Sunday 8 September
Tayvallich Church 10 am
Morning Worship
Rev. Cliff Acklam
Tuesday 10 September
Kirk Session
Tayvallich Church 7:30 pm
All welcome
Enquiries 01546 606926
www.argyllcommunities.org/nknapdalecofs

TARBERT LOCHFYN AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Sunday 8th September, 2013
Tarbert Service 11.45am
Sunday School 11.45am
to be held in Tarbert Free Church
Kilberry Service 2pm
Rev Tommy Bryson
Kirk Session Meeting
Tuesday 10th September, 7.30pm, in Tarbert Free Church.
For all church enquiries and pastoral care
Telephone 01880 821012
Everyone very welcome
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KINTYRE FELLOWSHIP MEETING

Friday 30th August
at 7.30pm in
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Carradale are left gutted in Giffnock

CARRADALE AFC players were left frustrated and kicking their heels with a wasted seven-hour return trip to Glasgow last Saturday.

They arrived for a West of Scotland AFL League Cup match against Giffnock Amateurs, got changed, warmed-up and then waited....and waited for the referee to turn up.

Realising something was up, Giffnock texted and left voicemail messages for the referee but could make no contact.

Eventually, it was too late to find a replacement and Carradale had to return to Kintyre without kicking a ball in earnest.

Manager Nonnie McAllister told the Courier: 'It was doubly frustrating for some of the players.

'Not only did they not get a game, they were also gutted at having taken time off work and losing money so that they could play.

'We don't blame Giffnock, and they gave us hospitality before we made the journey home.'

It turned out that the mobile phone number used for the referee was one digit out.

Now, Carradale are hoping that the rules will see them granted the points for the clash - leaving the Kintyre side needing just a point at home tomorrow (Saturday) to advance to the latter stages of the cup.

Tomorrow's match against Minorities Youth Foundation AFC kicks off at 2.30pm.

Lottery jackpot now £400

THERE were no winners in Dunaverty Golf Club's three number lottery on Sunday. The winning numbers were 2, 6 and 10.

The next draw will take place on Sunday, September 15 with a jackpot of £400.

Islay Golf Club

ISLAY Golf Club September medal played Sunday - 1 D. Livingstone 82-8=74, 2 K. MacDonald 83-7=76, 3 A. Livingstone 88-12=76. CSS 74.



Members of Tarbert Bowling Club and Greenock BC are pictured during the latter's annual trip to Tarbert. On a thoroughly enjoyable day, the home team emerged as victors.

Hooray for O'May at Moray

CAMPBELTOWN Running Club's Alisdair O'May saw his dedicated training of recent months pay off when last weekend he clocked a very respectable three hours 26 minutes in his first marathon, at Moray.

Alisdair, who has only been running a few years, showed there is a lot more to come - once the legs have recovered!

The club's penultimate race

of the 2013 handicap race series took place at Westport beach on Tuesday, August 27, and again there was a large turnout with more than 30 runners competing in the tough beach run.

The weather conditions were far from ideal for fast times with runners heading into a strong wind after the halfway turning point.

On the plus side the underfoot conditions were good as the sand was firm which still made it possible to achieve solid times.

Fastest on the night was again this year's MOK half marathon winner Kenny Campbell with a 17min 22sec clocking.

Stuart McGeachy was next fastest, 19.08, followed by Gary Turner, 19.16.

Other times: Mathew Osbourne 19.40, James Murdoch 20.22, Allan Reid 20.39, David Sinclair 21.25, Tommy Morran 21.29, Johnny Girvan 21.56, Fiona Graham 21.56, Cameron Campbell 22.04, Ralph Hill 23.05, Andrew Dott 23.12, Darren Renton 23.42, Jennifer Reid 23.53, Gregor Campbell 24.00, Sarah McFadzean 24.03, Campbell Reed, 24.06, Susan Turner 24.15, Charlie Anderson 24.21, Ashleigh Conner 25.06, Ron McDonald 25.11, John Galbraith 25.27, Andrew Renton 25.43, Robert Semple 26.15, MaryAnn Wylie 26.58, Margaret Sinclair 28.02, Jackie Fulton 28.47, Paul Crooks 29.07, Allison Millar 31.30, Val Stewart 33.02, Sarah Campbell 33.14, Nancy Stewart 38.59.

Chance to be a qualified referee

A REFEREE'S course is being hosted by Campbeltown and District Community Football Club in the town on October 12 and 13 and CD-CFC are on the look out for anyone who wishes to attend and help the development of young footballers.

The course will be hosted by professional official Charlie Smith from the Glasgow Referees' Association and will run from 10am to 4pm on Saturdays and 10am to 2pm on Sundays with most of the course held in the conference room at Aqualibrium in Campbeltown.

Alex McKinven, CD-CFC chairman, said: 'We've had approaches on several occasions from local referees who are interested in stepping up to being officially recognised by the national football association.

'After a lengthy process we finally managed to get a commitment from the referee's association to host the course here in Campbeltown which is great.

'This will go a long way to supporting organised football in Kintyre.

'With our under 13s now playing in a national league it is imperative that we have officials to support our vision for football.

'Having official SFA-registered referees will help to do that.'

Anyone interested should contact Alex on 07769574239 or secretary David Paterson on 07785937845.

Dookers dumped by Drumchapel

Drumchapel	4
Tarbert	0
SAFL Division 1A	

TARBERT succumbed last Saturday to a first-half onslaught by Glasgow's Drumchapel Amateurs.

Tarbert's defence coped well until the 15th minute when a clearance was held up in the wind and dropped kindly for a Drumchapel forward to fire low into the net from 18 yards.

Tarbert should have been level on 25 min-

utes when a free kick was whipped into the back post and was met by the head of Johnson who 'scored' from six yards.

Much to the visiting team's anger this goal was ruled out by the referee for an unknown reason.

Huge bearing

This decision had a huge bearing in the match and Tarbert strug-

gled for the next 10 minutes as the game was killed off by a talented Drumchapel team.

Free kick

Their second goal was a cracking free kick into the top corner from 30 yards, quickly followed by a free kick finding the right winger at the back post who tapped home.

That was then immediately followed up by a chip over the 'keeper from the right touchline.

The Tarbert Shellfish-sponsored side visit old rivals Eaglesham B tomorrow (Saturday).



Ken MacMillan is congratulated by captain David MacBrayne after his win.

Ken wins captain's prize

DUNAVERTY'S Ken MacMillan put a mediocre season behind him in style when last Saturday he lifted the captain's prize at the autumn meeting.

Despite having a double bogey on the 12th and two more bogeys,

Ken holed out on the 18th for a par and this was good enough to take the top spot by one from Robert Irvine.

Best gross

George MacMillan with eight threes and two twos on his card set the best gross of 62.

Recent results from Machrihanish Golf Club

MACHRIHANISH Golf Club gents' competition results:

August 7 - medal (Stableford), CSS 71, 48 played, 1st class - R J Watson 38 points (BIH); 2nd class - G McLachlan 38; 3rd class - J Robertson 43; junior - A Wallace 39; senior - R A Wallace 30.

August 10 - Rotary Open, CSS 71, 161 played, gents handicap - 1 C K White 67-4=63, 2 G J Sinclair 75-9=66, 3 R Coffield 79-12=67 (BIH), 4 D Irwin 73-6=67 (BL6), 5 N Mills 85-18=67, 6 R Robertson 73-5=68 (BIH), 7 D Hanley 76-8=68, 8 B Dunlop 75-6=69.

Gents scratch - 1 G MacMillan 70, 2 C McCallum 71, 3 G Wilson 72 (BL6), 4 D Campbell 72, 5 S Kelly 73 (BL6), 6 M Milarvie 73 (BIH), 7 P Jakeman 74, 8 I McGougan 75 (BIH). Ladies handicap - 1 E Robb 87-12=75, 2 M MacArthur 97-19=78. Ladies scratch - 1 A Gallacher 87 (BIH), 2 A Evans 87. Juniors handicap - 1 R Deans 89-18=71, 2 M Graham 94-17=77.

Special prizes: nearest the pin 4th - C McLean; longest drive 17th (gents) - R McKillop; longest drive 17th (ladies) - J Mack; nearest the pin in two shots 18th - P Jakeman; highest gross score - A Anderson.

A total of £1,500 was donated to the Rotary Club of Campbeltown for good causes in the area. Various sponsors and competitors were thanked for contributing to this fantastic amount.

August 14 - Gents Senior Open, CSS 73, 131 played, handicap (overall) - 1 A Craig 76-6=70 (BIH); scratch (overall) - D Irwin 78 (BIH); handicap (age 55-59) 1 G Ferguson 83-13=70, 2 R McK-inven 96-24=72; scratch (age 55-

59) 1 B Findlay 82, 2 A Dowson 8; handicap (age 60-64) 1 M D Hall 86-16=70 (BIH), 2 D Cartwright 81-11=70; scratch (age 60-64) 1 G Crawford 79, 2 B McCulloch 82; handicap (age 65-69) 1 I A MacKinnon 80-8=72 (BIH), 2 J Harding 89-17=72; scratch (age 65-69) 1 H Thomson 78, 2 O Morgan 83; handicap (age 70+) 1 R McMurphy 86-15=71, 2 J Blair 93-19=74 (BIH), scratch (age 70+) 1 C Lang 84, 2 P Monteith 85. August 17 - Lyle Barr Memorial Quaich, CSS 71, 33 played - 1 D McConnachie 74-9=65, 2 C McGeachy 90-22=68 (BIH), 3 R Coffield 79-11=68; lowest gross

- F Walker 75; senior - R A Wallace 93-18=75; junior - M Graham 87-17=70; longest drive: D Campbell, M Graham (junior). August 24 - John McLean first round, CSS 71, 63 played, handicap - 1 D Johnson 68-2=66 (BIH), 2 I McGougan 70-4=66; 3 G MacMillan 67-0=67. August 25 - John McLean second round, CSS 71, 51 played, handicap - 1 E Capocci 69-5=64, 2 I Watson 71-5=66, 3 A Wallace 74-6=68.

John McLean Combined (gross) - 1 G MacMillan 67+73=140, 2 D Johnson 68+76=144, 3 I McGougan 70+75=145; junior - A Wallace 79+74=153

Great last shot secures win for new bowling trophy

Dick Potts was one of the 'best kent' faces in Kintyre bowling circles

A NEW event in the calendar of Argyll Bowling Club in memory of one of the bowling fraternity's 'best kent' members, Dick Potts, was held at the weekend.

His widow, May Potts, generously gifted a new shield and it was decided to use it to inaugurate a new type of competition to the town - a senior pairs open.

Entries were received from both bowling clubs in Campbeltown resulting in 12 teams competing in a 'two sections' round robin format.

Both sections were keenly fought with most of the games being won by small margins.

Section one winners were Janette Thomson and Hugh McNair from Peter Tolmie and Matt

McPhee - all Argyll BC, with both teams finishing on the same points and decided on shot difference.

Section two saw Barbara and Neil McCormick on eight points and second place was decided on shot difference with George Reid and Rab McCallum making it through to the semis.

Semi finals were: Janette and Hugh versus George and Rab, and Peter and Matt versus Barbara and Neil.

Having bowled at a high level all day, Janette and Hugh were the fancied pair, however they dropped five shots on one end and George and Rab made it to the finals.

The other semi was very close, and after the

six ends the two teams were 5-5 and an extra end had to be played before Peter and Matt won.

The final was over six ends with both teams providing great entertainment.

Peter and Matt took three shots on the first end only to see George and Rab take the three back on the second end.

After four ends it was 4-4 but only after Rab had picked up the jack and followed it into the ditch to take the shot.

Matt took the next end with a fantastic last bowl. Rab then also played a great firing shot for 5-5.

An extra end saw Peter's bowl pick up the jack and followed it into the ditch, however



Pictured back row from left: Barbara McCormick, Neil McCormick, president of Argyll BC Bill Brannigan, Hugh McNair and Janette Thomson. Front: Peter Tolmie, Rab McCallum, May Potts holding the new trophy in memory of her late husband, George Reid and Matt McPhee.

it came to rest a couple of feet from the jack which left some room for the two skips to try to finish inside it, but not run off into the ditch. Matt managed this and

with the green playing lightening fast it was then left to Rab to play a fantastic bowl to secure a win for the Stronvaar pair. May Potts presented

the new shield to George and Rab, having donated a few bottles to go along with the prizes.

Rab, as president of Campbeltown Bowling Club and winning skip,

reminded about a few games he had played with Dick and said how proud he and George were to be the first names on the Dick Potts Memorial Shield.



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Grumoli brothers lead great escape

Shawlands 2
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SAFL Premier Division One

A TIGHT park of minimal dimensions presented a new challenge for Campbeltown Pupils against Shawlands last Saturday.

Initially the visitors were struggling to survive as the home side opted for an early aerial bombardment.

It was not pretty, but the home side were hardly complaining when they won a penalty kick for a clumsy challenge in their first real attack.

The award was duly dispatched and the shell-shocked visitors became the latest victim of old-fashioned route one football.

The pattern was set for an uncomfortable first half, a period of play that should have had the home side 'out of sight' by the half-time whistle. Nevertheless, one man held the visitors together in their moment of need, a sterling perform-

ance from team captain Paul Grumoli.

However, even he could do nothing to prevent Shawlands going further ahead from an innocuous cross swept home on the stroke of the half hour. A combination of dogged defending and fine goal-keeping saw the Pupils through to the break, but the first half belonged to Shawlands.

What followed was a classic 'game of two halves'.

From being a seemingly outplayed team, the Pupils staged a remarkable comeback. It started with the introduction from the subs bench of Martin McCallum, Gregor McFadyen and Lewis McFadyen, an injection of youth which in the end would carry the day.

The comeback started in the 61st minute when a Gary Grumoli

reverse pass set Gregor McFadyen free in front of goal. The home defence failed to match the pace of McFadyen, and the young forward found the net with consummate ease.

The Pupils drew level in the 70th minute, this time a vicious drive from Martin McCallum rebounding to Gary Grumoli and the Pupils top goal scorer made no mistake from close range.

Sensing blood, Martin McCallum whipped a wicked ball to the back post, where a diving header by Gary Grumoli gave the visitors the lead for the first time in the match.

There was still time for a 'great escape', a magnificent save low to his left by Graham Cook as the ball sped for the bottom corner of the net.

In a breathless passage of play, the game raged to the other end where an interchange of passes released Lewis McFadyen. The youngster showed composure well beyond his years, side-stepping the advancing goalkeeper to score the crucial fourth and deciding goal.

It was no less than the visitors deserved after a momentous comeback, but the management will concentrate on the need for a quicker start to games.

The Pupils go top of the league after a second half of endeavour, albeit in somewhat nerve shredding circumstances.

Tomorrow (Saturday) Campbeltown Pupils play host to Dunoon at Kintyre Park, 2pm kick off.



The Campbeltown Pupils Youths 2001 team with manager Iain Reid, who played a key role in the process of the team gaining admittance to Dumbarton Development Football League.

Campbeltown youths make local football history

FOOTBALL history was made when Campbeltown Pupils Youth Under 13s travelled to West Dunbartonshire to play Renton Craigandro Blacks on Sunday.

It was the first game of their league campaign, and in doing so, they became the first youth football team from Campbeltown to play in a national league set-up.

The home side were flying high after a 10-0 midweek win, however this did not have any effect on the young Pupils players who were clearly relishing the chance to bring home the points to Campbeltown.

That is exactly what they did as they bagged all three points with a superb 4-1 win.

A strong team performance allowed 10-year-old Rhuaridh Wallace the freedom to push forward in the lone striker role and score a hat trick on his first outing.

Everyone who played

was vital to this fine win but without doubt the performance of the day came from Ross Souden who was in total control in defence and prevented the Renton side making any progress in the last third of the park.

Huge step

David Paterson, of the Campbeltown District Juvenile Football Association, said: 'This is a huge step and now means the Pupils Youth are a member club of Dumbarton Development Football League which will hopefully pave the way for the implementation of the Under 13s, 15s and 17s structure recently adopted by Campbeltown and District Juvenile Football Association.'

'The flexibility to allow youths to play dual band age group (2001s and 2002s) has been pivotal in fielding a side of kids all from South Kintyre and this was made possible through discus-

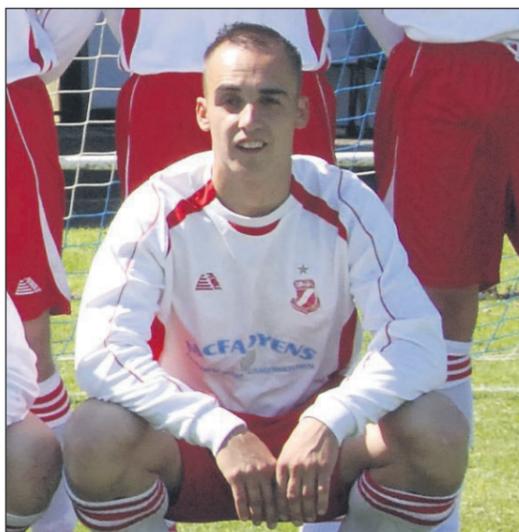
sions and support from David Little, president of the Scottish Youth Football Association, and will mean the association has a long-term vision for youth football in Campbeltown.'

The local side will look forward to the visit of Clydebank BC in Campbeltown on Sunday, September 22.

Successful discussions with Dumbarton Development Football League have also led to the Campbeltown Pupils Youth 2003s (Under 11s) now playing once a month in Helensburgh as part of the DFDL West Seven a Side League.

Having visited a couple of times in recent months for festivals the 2003s will return this Sunday to play at Hermitage Academy in Helensburgh against Ardencaple 2003s then Dumbarton Riverside Barca 2003s as these exchanges continue to play a vital part in the development of kids football locally.

CDJFA are also in discussions about visiting Oban once a month to play sevens, fives and fours in their league as well as looking to exchanges throughout Argyll, further afield and at home in Campbeltown.



Gary Grumoli

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