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# Transatlantic trip for glorious Gigha gelato

by MARK DAVEY  
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A BRAMBLE and whisky ice cream from one of Scotland's smallest producers is proving a hit in America.

Until last week, entrepreneur Don Dennis was happy that Gigha's Wee Isle ice cream's six flavours – mocha, vanilla, strawberry, chocolate, raspberry and bramble and whisky, with a hint of Hazelburn 12-year-old from Springbank – were starting to sell in Kintyre.

His greatest challenge was how to give his San Francisco-based parents a taste of the product he hopes will boost Gigha's dairy economy.

Reid, 90, and Peggy, 88, Dennis live in the sunshine state where ice cream is an essential part of staying cool

in an often drought-hit environment.

Mr Dennis said: 'In the spring my wife, Emma, suggested that it would be good if we could send some of our ice cream over to California for my father's 90th birthday.

'It was not easy, as there are no financially realistic ways of sending it by refrigerated transport, at least none that we could discover.

'Large companies use refrigerated containers but the cost was prohibitive at about £10,000.

'So we missed the birthday.'

The only solution would be a personal courier carrying the ice cream which under the best circumstances would involve a 27-hour journey.

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Meet the nine-year-old from Bellochantuy, who out-jumped world famous stunt cyclist Danny MacAskill. See pages four and five to meet the future star.

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A KINTYRE athlete reached one of the pinnacles of her life in New Zealand.

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# Gigha gelato's transatlantic trip



The equipment needed to send the ice cream on its transatlantic trip.

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Last week Mr Dennis's daughter, Jennifer, 30, from Edinburgh, was flying over via Heathrow for a family wedding. For the Gigha ice cream to travel it would mean 40 hours of transit time and Mr Dennis hatched a plan.

Mr Dennis said: 'Nine of the 500ml tubs of our various flavours were packed in a special cool box, called a Kangabox, along with three Eutectic plates, which are found in domestic freezers.

'A sprinkling of dry ice was added to that box, and the Kangabox was put inside an insulated Waeco cool box.

'Bags of ice were added to the modest spare space of the Waeco box.'

Last Saturday Mr Dennis took the box to Big Jessie's tearoom at Ferry Farm where Kintyre Collector picked it up and delivered it to Glasgow.

The following morning Jennifer began her flight and arrived in San Francisco in the wee hours

of Monday morning our time.

Mr Dennis said: 'We were both surprised and completely delighted to learn this morning that the ice cream arrived in perfect shape.

'My father's favourite is the bramble and whisky, followed by raspberry and vanilla. My mother liked them all, but the vanilla is her favourite.

'I am astonished that we managed to get the ice cream to them in good shape.'



Emma Dennis samples bramble and whisky ice cream from her bramble jelly recipe.

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## Police files

### Drink driver arrested

A SUSPECTED 61-year-old drunk driver was arrested on the Esplanade in Campbeltown at 10.30am on Monday of last week. A report was sent to the procurator fiscal.

### Two women assaulted

TWO WOMEN were allegedly assaulted during a disturbance at a flat in Harvey's Lane, Campbeltown, at around 4am last Saturday. A 27-year-old man

was arrested and a report sent to the fiscal.

### Calton Avenue disturbance

FOLLOWING a report of a disturbance in Calton Avenue at around 4pm last Saturday, a 20-year-old man was arrested for alleged abusive behaviour.

A report was submitted to the fiscal.

### Caught with cannabis

ON SATURDAY afternoon, a 30-year-old woman was searched on Hillside Road, Campbeltown, for suspected drug possession.

A small amount of cannabis was found and she was subsequently issued with a recorded police warning.

### Longrow assault

AT AROUND 2.30am last Sunday, a man was arrested on Longrow following reports of a disturbance.

The 45-year-old was

later charged with assault and a report was submitted to the fiscal.

### Abusive behaviour

A 40-YEAR-OLD woman was arrested following a report of a disturbance on Saddell Street last week.

The incident at 4.10pm last Sunday saw the woman charged with alleged abusive behaviour and assault.

A report was given to the fiscal.

### Rural roads campaign

POLICE Scotland's rural roads campaign is now in its third week. During the first two weeks in the Campbeltown area, there were three arrests for drink driving offences, four reports to the procurator fiscal and one fixed penalty for speeding. Five drivers warned about minor road traffic offences and 18 drivers were stopped but no further action was taken.

## GRADUATION



RUTH MARY SEMPLE

Ruth Mary Semple recently graduated from the University of Edinburgh with a Bachelor of Education (Hons) in Physical Education. Ruth is the youngest daughter of Jim and Fiona, Dalbhraddan Farm, Southend and a former pupil of Campbeltown Grammar School. Ruth is currently a probationer P.E. teacher at Arbroath Academy, Angus.

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# Cowal Games success for fantastic four

## Top dancing awards for Kintyre girls

A QUARTET from the James McCorkindale School of Dance picked up awards at the prestigious Cowal Highland Games.

The biggest competition of the year for highland dance stars was held over the course of last weekend in Dunoon.

Solana McMurchy, aged nine, picked up three awards, lifting the Carol Collie Challenge trophy for third place overall in the Scottish National Championship, the B.A.T.D trophy for sixth place overall in the Scottish Open

Championship and the Rita Ford Challenge trophy for runner-up in the Argyll Championship under 13s section.

Another nine-year-old, Errin Green, won the Esplanade trophy for overall first place in the beginners section.

Claudia Graham, 10, won the Auchamore shield for overall first place in the novice section.

Linzi Cameron, 16, won the Katrina Martin Challenge trophy for runner-up in the Argyllshire Championship adult section.



Winners from left: Linzi Cameron, Claudia Graham, Errin Green and Solana McMurchy. 04\_c36highlanddancers01

## £70,000 to start A83 Old Military Road works

WORKS on the Old Military Road in the shadow of the Rest and Be Thankful have begun.

The upgrade is hoped to reduce journey times on the road which is used as an alternative route when the A83 is closed after a landslide or rock-fall.

The first phase of works will form part of a strategy to reduce the overall journey times when it is being used, which includes improving drainage in preparation for widening the road in the coming months.

# Brexit role for Argyll and Bute MSP

MICHAEL RUSSELL has been handed a new cabinet role by Scotland's first minister at the heart of Brexit discussions. Nicola Sturgeon announced the appointment of the MSP to the new role of minister for UK negotiations on Scotland's place in Europe.

Russell will now represent Scotland in negotiations with Westminster on the Eu-

ropean Union and report directly to Sturgeon.

Mr Russell said: 'I am thrilled to be taking this post on at a unique time. As the first minister said last week, I am going to be focusing on making sure that the interests of Scotland are represented and protected in all Westminster EU negotiations.'

'We already have an agreement with the

prime minister that the Scottish government should be fully involved in the development of the UK government's position ahead of Article 50 being triggered and beyond, and that options to protect Scotland's relationship with Europe will form part of these discussions.

'Here in Argyll and Bute farming and crofting rely heavily on

financial support from the EU, and the growingly important food industries need access to European markets including our whisky industry.

'I intend to go on working just as hard for the people of Argyll and Bute, supported by my great staff, so locally it will be business as usual for constituents who need my help.'

## Kintyre Pipe bands clean up at Cowal

KINTYRE Schools Novice Juvenile B and 3A bands rounded off their competitive season in style at Cowal Highland Games.

The Novice Juvenile band won their grade and were also awarded the best turned out Juvenile band. The 3A band also won both the Medley and MSR in their grade.

Ian Campbell was placed third in the adult Drum Majors.

The bands are now on holiday until the end of October, but will perform at Campbeltown Highland Games on Saturday September 24. Full story and pictures to follow next week.

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Dougal on one of his beloved bikes. 04\_c36dougaljones02

# New stunt cycle sta

‘I’ve done a lot of shows, so I wasn’t too scared, just excited’

by **BEN RAMAGE**  
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MOST people would find performing dangerous and daring tricks on a bike in front of hundreds of people a little intimidating.

Not Dougal Jones. The nine-year-old from Bellochantuy was invited along to perform at the opening of Portavadie’s spa and leisure experience on August 20 to pull tricks alongside arguably the most famous stunt cyclist in

the world Danny MacAskill.

Not fazed at all by the occasion, having already performed at numerous tours in his short life, Dougal shone, beating Danny and the rest of his tour in a high jump competition.

He even embraced the celebrity side with aplomb, signing autographs like he was born to be a star.

Dougal said: ‘I’ve

done a lot of shows, so I wasn’t too scared, just excited.

‘This is what I want to do for a job. I’m used

to signing autographs now.’

Dougal took to his first bike, bought by his grandmother, at just



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three, and immediately started making jumps from bricks and wood around the family farm. At six years old he saw

the Clan, a stunt group who Dougal performed with at this year's Kintyre Agricultural Show. Due to his persis-

tence of watching them in the pouring rain, one of the members, Ricky Crompton, invited him into the fold.

Ricky said: 'I invited him over the barriers into one of our Clan stunt shows as he reminded me of myself at that age, wanting to be a rider in a bike show and never having the chance.'

After jumping three of the team, the fuse was lit and Dougal has gone on to perform at the Highland Show, the Tour de Yorkshire and at the Chris Hoy Velodrome.

Ricky added: 'It was a pretty proud moment to see him perform with the Drop and Roll Tour at Portavadie and see him win the High-air competition.'

Dougal's mum, Hannah, said: 'I'm proud

of him. He's got a passion and a dream which gives him and us a lot of joy.

'Sometimes I have to look away; it's quite scary!'

The young star is now saving for a new mountain bike, with downhill racing another of his passions. His prospective new ride has a mouth-watering £1,300 price-tag.

Hannah added: 'His biking has been totally self-funded so far, from appearances and sponsorship.'

'There are lots of them in the Clan team who play on their bikes for a living, and we certainly won't stop Dougal if he wants to do the same.'

To keep on track with Dougal follow his Facebook page - @dougal-jumpingjones



Earning a high-five from one of his inspirations, Danny MacAskill.



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## Youngsters fly the flag for Kintyre at Cowal Games

HIGHLAND dancing and bagpipes sometimes get a bad rap in wider Scotland, perhaps due to their stereotypical overuse in advertising and marketing.

Nevertheless, the skills are part of Scottish heritage going back hundreds of years and must be carried on to keep the tradition alive.

How lucky we are in Kintyre to once again prove on the biggest stage that we have some of the most talented youngsters in Argyll and Bute.

Rounding off an incredible season, the Kintyre schools pipe bands gave one last blast at Cowal Highland Games, securing four titles to add to their burgeoning collection from this year.

Across the arena, young Highland dancers from ages nine to 16 were securing trophies of their own after dazzling an array of discerning judges.

How fitting it is that both groups will be able to perform at their own Highland games here in Campbeltown this month, where everyone will be able to enjoy their talents.

## A leading role for Russell

DESPITE what one commentator writes in our letters column it is a feather in the cap for Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell to be at the centre of Brexit negotiations.

In May, Mr Russell was re-elected to represent the county at the Scottish Parliament despite facing heavyweight opposition in the form of former MP Alan Reid.

Surely it was only a matter of time before he was given a ministerial post.

Mr Russell states he will remain a sturdy supporter of Argyll and Bute's agricultural sector and food and drink while not forgetting his constituents.

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## Loyalty to cast off

Sir,  
I seem to find it impossible to dispose of clothes that are well past their best. I have a bizarre affection for a favourite shirt even though the collar is worn.

It seems that Nicola Sturgeon may have the same affliction.

Why else would she bring back former education secretary Mike Russell to be Scottish minister for Brexit? Was he not one of the ministerial casualties when she became first minister?

The education system slid way down the world rankings under his leadership.

Given that the three UK ministers in charge of Brexit are fairly controversial mavericks who are already falling out amongst themselves, you would think that Nicola would have wanted to put a subtle grown-up in the room.

It needs someone with diplomatic skills, finesse and interminable patience to deal with Fox, Johnson and Davis.

This looks very like the first minister pursuing the old grievance strategy. Mr Russell is there to pick fights.

It's also a massive slap in the face for her cabinet secretary for culture, Europe and external affairs, Fiona Hyslop that Russell is being sent into this arena.

Could it be that Nicola is ensuring disagreement to

advance her case for independence?

Or as I am with clothes, is she just being loyal to a former cast off?

**Finlay Craig, Cove.**

## Job losses are the root cause of depopulation

Sir,  
With regard to the *Courier* front page on August 26, I just hope Argyll and Bute council use the money to solve the real problem.

There are not enough jobs anymore, hence the population falling.

People here have no choice but to leave the town to look for work.

As the years have gone by we have lost quite a lot of jobs through the shipyard, clothing factory, fishing, mining and town shops closing down, with nothing put in their place.

So please please spend money to bring jobs to the town first, before you think of bringing more people into the town to suffer the same misery.

That part of it would just be a pure waste of money at the moment.

Jobs first please.

As for the three weekly bin collections, daft is the only word I can think of. Has common sense gone out the window?

It will probably cost more to get rid of all the resulting mice and rats each week.

**Elma McLean, Campbeltown.**

## Nothing is free

Sir,  
In last week's *Courier* William Crossan sang the praises of the Scottish government's perceived achievements and made reference to the free tertiary education available to Scots.

As everyone knows anything that is free comes at a cost, and the cost is indeed high for Scots in general, and intending Scottish students in particular.

The SNP has already cut more than 150,000 college places to help cover the cost of free university and other college places. In addition they have slashed £40m, around 40 per cent, from student bursaries.

Both of these policies have been a direct attack on students from poorer households and from low income postcode areas. That free education comes at a cost was further revealed last week when UCAS disclosed that the number of Scots who failed to win a place at university had risen from 8,600 in 2006 to more than 16,500 in 2015.

Free education is only affordable because the Scottish government imposes a cap on the number of places available to Scottish and EU students.

Last week Edinburgh University was offering places through clearing on 130 courses for English students but only one for a Scottish student.

Universities strapped

for government funding, have to seek alternative income streams, consequently more and more places are made available to English students, and other non EU students. In addition low income earning under graduate courses are being replaced by high income earning masters' courses aimed at the American and Asian student. With no tuition fees charged to Scottish students it should be easier to attract a greater number of poorer students to Scottish universities than happens in England. Paradoxically this is not the case.

Scotland has the greatest level of educational inequality in the UK.

A recent report shows that 4.3 per cent of Scottish students come from the poorest postcode areas, whilst in England it is more than double at 8.7 per cent, this in a country that charges for tuition.

The opportunities for education should be equitable and fair, sadly this is not the case in Scotland.

**Robin Finlay, 7 Glengilp, Ardrishaig**

## Construction plans

Sir,  
In this period of economic uncertainty following the Brexit vote, the £100 million economic stimulus plan unveiled recently by the First Minister is very welcome.

If the objective is to stimulate employment, we would argue that investing in hous-

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ing and smoothing the path for commercial and industrial building projects ought to be the Scottish Government's first priority.

Over the past 10 years, we have seen a dramatic shift in construction industry output away from housing and commercial and industrial activity towards infrastructure, which accounted for almost 30 per cent of a record Scottish construction output of more than £14 billion last year.

At the same time, construction employment has declined from more than 235,000 in 2008 to 175,000 in 2015.

For the new plan to have maximum positive impact on business confidence and employment, any additional funding should be targeted towards housing as well as clearing obstacles to getting commercial and industrial building projects off the ground.

In terms of policy, a good start would be to reinstate business rates relief for empty industrial properties.

**Vaughan Hart,**  
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### Saddell Abbey grounds neglected

Sir,  
I recently visited Kintyre for the first time in 10 years. I was distressed at the condition of the grounds surrounding Saddell Abbey.

The long grasses and weeds made access difficult, and the wee stone archway that used to be on the back left side wall had disappeared under a large tree fall and excessive growth of rhododendrons.

Even the lottery-granted building that houses the priceless collection of medieval stone carvings needs a coat of wood preservative.

The whole place sadly now has an air of neglect.

The many visitors making pilgrimages to this 12th-century abbey will notice the neglect. It is a disgrace for Argyll and Bute Council, which should be en-

couraging tourists to this part of Kintyre to assist the many local business in the area.

I have written to Argyll and Bute Council and hope that it will do something to make the area beautiful again.

**Carol Nassor,**  
Hebden Bridge,  
West Yorkshire.

### Analysis of Islay ferry problems

Sir,  
The recent Islay ferry problems would never have happened if Derek MacKay, the Scottish Government transport minister, had not given the go-ahead for the Ardrossan to Campbeltown and Mallaig to Lochboisdale routes to be permanent during the 2016 summer timetable period.

At a stroke, Mr MacKay sitting in his ivory towers in Edinburgh removed the spare boat the MV Isle of Arran from the fleet and put it on the Ardrossan to Campbeltown run – leaving no spare boat to cov-

er any major breakdown(s) on the CalMac routes from the end of April until the end of September 2016.

This was a crazy decision by Mr MacKay but it is no longer his problem as he is now

the Scottish Government's finance minister.

If the MV Isle of Arran had still been the spare CalMac ferry then the mezzanine deck on the MV Finlaggan could have been

permanently fixed at dry dock last April.

The MV Isle of Arran, which at present cannot sail if the wind is 30mph or higher, could also have had its problems fixed at dry dock during the summer timetable period.

In my opinion, the management of Serco must be delighted that it failed to be awarded the Clyde and Hebr-

ides ferry contract as it would have been operating a ferry fleet some of which are well past their sell-by date.

**Douglas W Tott,**  
Stoneyburn,  
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## Hotel rolls out the green carpet for touring bowlers

A GLASGOW bowling outfit which has rolled down the watter for 102 years has notched up three decades at the same Wee Toon hotel.

Last week Dellwood hotel proprietors Joan Bisset and Tracy Strang welcomed bowlers from the Greenock-Argyll party for their 30th annual stay.

The players first came by steam-

er in 1914 and have come each year since, celebrating their centenary on 2014.

The visiting team is made from the players of three clubs: the Grosvenor, Victoria and Ardgowan. According to club legend they were originally piped up Main Street to their accommodation at the Argyll Hotel.

A spokesman said: 'This year we won against Campbeltown Bowling Club on Friday night. That gave us a clean sweep, including wins against Tarbert and Argyll clubs.'

It was a double celebration for Mrs Bisset as the Dellwood has been in the family for 50 years since her granny, Janet MacLean, bought it in 1966.

Mrs Bisset said: '2016 has been an exceptionally busy year.'

The 10 en-suite bedroomed property, a former Longrow church manse, is on the market and Mrs Bisset says it would also make a good family home.



Joan Bisset, left, with Tracy Strang and the bowlers last Friday. 25\_c36bowlers01

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Campbeltown Brass at the coffee morning. 25\_c35brass02

## Brass band fundraising in full swing

IN LESS than a month's time Campbeltown Brass Senior Band will take on the best in Britain in Cheltenham.

As fundraising mov-

es into top gear for the more than 500-mile road trip, band members entertained coffee drinkers at Campbeltown Town Hall last Saturday.

Despite being just a week after the summer concert, there was standing room only at the popular event which, with perhaps a nod to the MOK Fest weekend, included music from the Rolling Stones to finish the set.

As well as a raffle, three compact discs featuring the band's award-winning music were on sale as well as specially designed canvas tote bags.

Conductor Gordon Evans MBE thanked everyone who came and reserved a special mention for graphic designer Gordon Bennie, who has donated

a vinyl banner to the band.

Mr Evans said: 'The band is very busy getting ready to represent Scotland in the national championships in less than four weeks' time.'

'On Thursday September 8 the band will play a concert at Southend Village Hall when the grand summer draw will be made.

'Tonight (Friday) the Kilbrannan bar is holding a fundraising darts match.'

There is also a crowdfunding page set up at: [www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/campbeltownbrass](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/campbeltownbrass)

# Kintyre's finest curtain on 24th

WITH another weekend of music, merriment and madness coming to a close, some of Argyll's most talented musicians brought MOK Fest to a superlative end.

At what has become one of the festival's most popular and much loved events, the Survivor's Night kicked off in Victoria Hall with Session A83, a combination

of premier pipers, guitarists and violinists.

### Treated

Brass specialists The Brasso then treated the crowd to a selection of tunes, before Glasgow



The new banner outside the Town Hall.

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The Slainte Davaar Allstars.



Deep Joy.



Above: A bumper crowd as always enjoyed Survivor's Night.

## Campbeltown Picture House

Victoria Hall, Sat 10 & Sun 11 Sept



**Finding Dory** (U) Sat 10, 2pm / Sun 11, 12.30pm / 113 mins

Pixar's long awaited sequel to Finding Nemo plunges back to the underwater world. Forgetful Dory (Ellen DeGeneres) finally remembers something - her long lost family. It's time for an epic adventure to find them!

**The BFG** (PG) Sat 10, 4.30pm / 117 mins

Orphan Sophie is in for the adventure of a lifetime when she meets the Big Friendly Giant (Mark Rylance). A whizzpopping treat from two of the world's greatest storytellers, Roald Dahl and Steven Spielberg.

**Suicide Squad** (15) Sat 10, 8pm / 123 mins

A team of out of control supervillains are brought together for a top secret government mission in this outrageous DC Comics hit movie.

**Star Trek Beyond** (12A) Sun 11, 3pm / 120 mins

The USS Enterprise crew warps into a strange new world, a rather unfriendly civilisation and a nail-biting battle for survival.

**Jason Bourne** (12A) Sun 11, 6pm / 123 mins

The world is at war and needs the perfect weapon - Jason Bourne (Matt Damon). Stepping out of the shadows, he's led to ever more revelations about his identity in the latest action packed instalment.

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### JOGSCOTLAND

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Session A83.

outfit The Shift took over the stage.

Kintyre's own Schools Pipe Band, fresh from winning third at the Worlds, filled the Vic with drums and skirls,

while Deep Joy returned to the event for the second year in a row to an equally excellent reception.

**Entertained**  
Campbeltown favour-

ites The Gilchristians entertained as always, before the final act of the entire weekend The Slainte Davaar Allstars brought the evening to a rousing conclusion.



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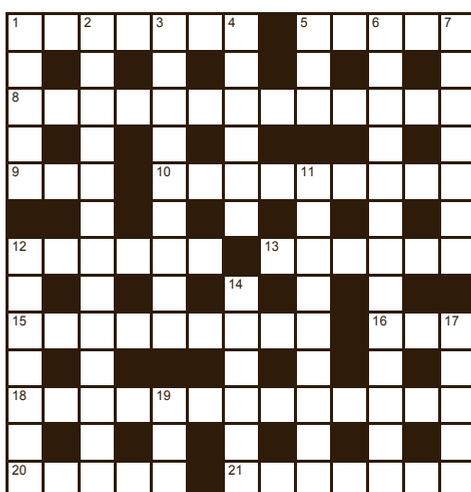
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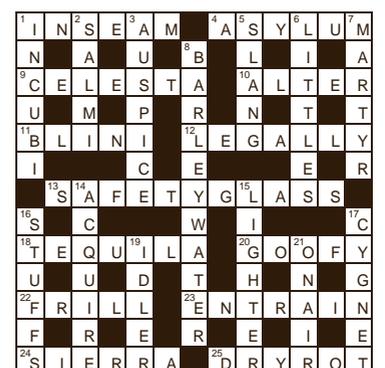
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- 9 Bird's beak (3)
- 10 Reciprocal to one more than yourself (4,5)
- 12 To bring about (6)
- 13 Bay (6)
- 15 Agreeable (9)
- 16 Breakdown of goodness (3)
- 18 First institutional place of learning (7,6)
- 20 Acclaim (5)
- 21 Study undertaken after receipt of a reward (7)

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- 1 Bewail (5)
- 2 Flimsy (13)
- 3 Cheap plonk (5,4)
- 4 Observe (6)
- 5 Shiner (3)
- 6 Urban area (13)
- 7 Counted for diet (7)
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- 12 One who gets away (7)
- 14 Neaten (4,2)
- 17 Expressing end in grammar (5)
- 19 Painting (3)

## LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



## GIGHA

## Replacement electricity cable discussed

CONSULTATION events were held to explore the options for Gigha's new electricity supply.

Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution (SHEPD) held the pre-application events to shed light on the replacement of the submarine electricity cable that currently serves the island. The existing cable, which runs just over 3.5km between cable

landfalls near Rhuna-haorine Point and Achaminish, is approaching the end of its operational life.

The meetings, held in Tarbert Village Hall on Monday and Tuesday this week, provided information about the cable and possible methods for its replacement.

SHEPD's stakeholder manager Kirstine Wood said: 'The Gigha submarine cable that we are proposing to re-

place is coming to the end of its life cycle.

'As part of the engagement process we wanted to receive comments and insight from the public and statutory bodies to ensure their views and opinions influence the final recommendations we will submit to energy regulator Ofgem and Marine Scotland.'

The work to replace the cable is expected to begin in summer 2017.

## CLACHAN

## Creative skills on show

AN ARCHIVE of previous posters advertising Clachan Smallholders' Gathering (SHG) reflects the range of creative talents in the village.

The event, starting tomorrow (Saturday) at 1pm, has been a fixture on the Clachan calendar since 2008 and grows in stature each year with ever more sponsors getting involved.

A spokesperson said: 'SHG has never lost sight of making use and promoting the wide range of artistic and photographic talents in the area, by always featuring the work of people who may not necessarily be known for their creative skills.'

Pictured here are three of the images used in posters advertising the event. For more details on this year's event see page 16.



In 2012 the event took place on May 1.



A image from 2011.



The further image from 2011.

## SKIPNESS

## Marie Curie musical Sunday

PIANISTS and organists will raise the roof for charity in Skipness on Sunday afternoon.

Musicians Liz Robertson and Gordon Hunter, together with regular visitor Jim Walker, hope their re-

capital from 2pm will raise funds for St Brendan's Church and Marie Curie.

The three will take turns to play and at 3pm and 4pm there will be a break for a selection of modern

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Lomond School takes great pride in offering the scope and choice for their young people to develop as individuals, not just as university applicants. This model also ensures greater success in the crucial S6 year, because, should the young people wish, three new subjects are options to pick up again at Higher. Oban's own Orla Sedgwick is the recipient of a Silver Academic Tie, having achieved at least six A grades at National 5.

'To receive a Silver Academic Tie feels like a great achievement,' Orla said. 'All the work over the past two



Orla studies hard, asks for help when she needs it and follows the guidance given to her. Orla has really thrived in the boarding environment and makes the most of the extra evening tuition and access to the teachers onsite. She is a credit to the school and we are all very proud of her and her achievements.



Orla was one of the Silver Academic Tie winners.

years and support from the school, friends and family has paid off. Lomond School has definitely helped me focus and given me the confidence and opportunities with extra classes and willing teachers to achieve the grades I wanted. I enjoy being a pupil at Lomond due to the warm and friendly atmosphere at both the school and the boarding house. The support and encouragement I have been given right from the start has benefitted me greatly.'

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# Third price increase in three months for First Milk producers

THE PRICE for First Milk producers has been increased for the third month in a row.

The group announced that it will increase its September milk prices by up to 1.25ppl, with a further increase scheduled for October.

Chief executive Mike Gallagher admitted that while the increases are welcome, the cost of milk production is still yet to return to sustainable levels.

He said: 'While it has been pleasing to announce these milk price increases over the past few months, we

recognise that they do not yet return members to sustainable prices.

'However, with future market prices for commodities forecast to be around the mid-20s, members can be confident that as the market continues to rise in line with this forecast, so will our milk price. In addition, we will continue to deliver on our business performance supplement commitment.'

Chairman Clive Sharpe said: 'I am pleased to report that for the third month running we will be increasing

our milk price. With the market recovering and having exited our loss-making activities, returns are flowing directly through to our milk price.

'In June we introduced a business performance supplement. This is the money that comes not from market changes – which now flows through directly – but from our own planned improvements such as removing loss making divisions, improving our commercial and quality performance and cutting our costs.

'As well as increased cheese returns, we are now starting to see price movement from some of the major liquid processors, which directly benefit our balancing pools. There will be further price lifts for October and we will confirm the level of this during September once we get a full view on market changes.'

Mr Gallacher added the new vision for the group will be explained at a series of member meetings planned for late September/early October.



Liz and Sarah at the competition.

## Argyll riders excel at international competition

TWO ARGYLL Riding club members were rewarded for their long journey to compete at the Blair Castle International Horse Trials.

Held at Blair Atholl Castle, Perthshire, during the August bank holiday weekend,

Kintyre rider Sarah Bateman qualified to compete on her home-bred horse Kangaroo Jack.

She returned to Southend with a sixth rosette from the Riding Club horse class.

In the same class, Liz

MacNab, from Tarbert, on Authentic Swing was awarded second place and jumped clear in the BRC-style jumping on the Friday morning.

Liz said they both returned home tired but pleased with their experience.

## Mixed picture on cereal yields

IN THE annual harvest round-up, compiled by NFU Scotland, arable farmers around the country have got off to a slow start but momentum is building.

Winter barley harvest is almost complete, at average to below average yields and quality, winter oats are under way and earlier areas are now moving into spring barley and wheats.

Ian Sands, NFU Scotland's combinable crops chairman, said: 'Generally this year's harvest has been better in some areas than others.

'The strong winds and heavy showers in August have had an impact on yields with many waiting by combines to make the most of any dry spell.

'A lot of what we

have so far is based on anecdotal evidence from members around the country.

'As we now move into autumn, many will also be facing additional drying costs in

a year when prices are very disappointing.'

Peter Loggie, NFU Scotland's arable policy manager, said: 'To build evidence on the 2016 Scottish harvest, we are currently run-

ning our annual combinable crops survey 2016 which will help to form an independent harvest estimate for the Scottish Government.'

For a form email peter.loggie@nfus.org.uk .



## Bringing home the barley

A SECOND sunny week saw harvesters working hard in Kintyre to cut silage and barley.

In our picture Willie Ralston from East Drumlemble harvests a field beside the B840 next to Drumlemble School on Tuesday morning.

Mr Ralston, who was using the West Drumlemble harvester, said: 'It is an average crop. I have not had time to weigh what we cut yesterday but we are getting about 2.5 tons per acre.'

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# Southend scouts scoot to Guernsey

## A report by the troop

THE FOURTH Argyll Scouts recently enjoyed a week's summer camp in Guernsey.

We left at 7.30am, travelled by minibus to Glasgow Central Station, caught the train to Manchester Airport, and were in Guernsey by 9.30pm.

Our Scout minibus was waiting to take us to Second Guernsey headquarters, which was our campsite with excellent facilities.

We visited a number of beaches on the island and were impressed that each had a kiosk selling drinks and food. One even sold 'ice-cream' for



The Fourth Argyll Scouts in Guernsey.

dogs! In-between beaches we went to the Occupation Museum - the Germans occupied Guernsey in the war - the Little Chapel, the Shipwreck Museum and the museum at Castle Cornet in the capital, St. Peter Port.

We visited the Scout headquarters at Rue

Highland games, Scottish dancing and a buffet which included cheeses from Inverloch Cheese Co, delicacies from The Old Smokehouse and (for adult guests) a taste of Springbank Whisky.

Our guests included the island commissioner, a retired island commissioner, Second Guernsey scout leaders and parents and members of the Guernsey Scottish Association.

We would like to thank the people of South Kintyre for supporting our fund-raising efforts, our sponsors, minibus drivers, scouts and parents for helping us have such a successful camp.

We staged a Scottish evening with mini

Maingys for rowing, kayaking, rafting, tomahawk throwing, archery and meeting other Scouts. On the evening before we returned home our Scout Leader had arranged to run the Second Guernsey Scout night.

## MAJIK money to fund dads and buggies

A CHARITY plans to use its latest cash-injection to reach more fathers in Kintyre.

Home-Start MAJIK (Mid Argyll, Jura, Islay and Kintyre) has received £10,577 from the STV Children's Appeal to support its work to engage with more dads.

The grant will help fund three 'Buggy Buddies' walking groups across the area, where dads and their children can meet up and walk - with or without a buggy.

The charity, part of one of the UK's leading family support charities, helps families with young children deal with the challenges they face in life by supporting parents as they learn to cope,

improve their confidence and build better lives for their children.

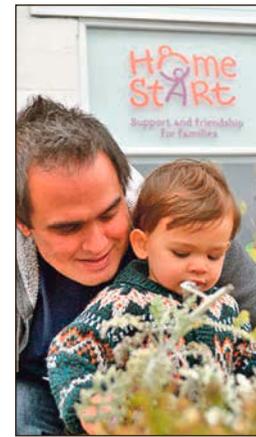
A spokesperson said: 'The groups will create an opportunity for dads and children to be active, enjoy the outdoors and meet other families, and will take

place on Isle of Bute, Mid Argyll and Kintyre.'

The initiative is part of Home-Start Scotland's commitment to Year of the Dad, a year of activity organised by Fathers Network Scotland and focused on embracing the potential of fathers and father figures.

Kelly Coates, co-ordinator at Home-Start MAJIK, said: 'We know that dads can't always access what we do, and might want to do something different.'

'This grant from STV Children's Appeal will give us an opportunity to offer an activity which is already running successfully in Cowal and which we hope to replicate across the area.'



A father and son outside a Home-Start office.

## Scotland's Marine Protected Areas Drop-in session

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# Idyllic retreat reveals its secrets

by **MARK DAVEY**  
 editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk

TUCKED away beneath the hill down to Peninver is one of Kintyre's most magical kingdoms.

Last weekend visitors to An Ceardach, the home and garden of painter Christine Russell and her husband Livingston, following Art Map Argyll's trail, would have seen superb seascapes and experienced the garden's idyllic Kilbrannan Sound setting.

The rhododendrons may be past but late summer colour is everywhere with lil-

ies, agapanthus and hydrangeas. Walking up immaculately mown grass paths on the east facing terraces, between trees, shrubs and at least three ponds in a tumbling water feature, it is hard to imagine the bracken, bramble and scrub wilderness which the Russells have tamed over the course of 30 years.

Red tomatoes are not the only fruits in the greenhouse. It was a revelation to find vines with bunches of plump grapes. In addition, a chair and easel

by the window looking across the sea is one of Mrs Russell's favourite places for creating artworks.

Naturally in Kintyre, water features in many ways in the garden. A stream runs through and, as if there is not enough, including the ever present sea, an ornamental globe fountain is mesmerising on a terrace in front of the house.

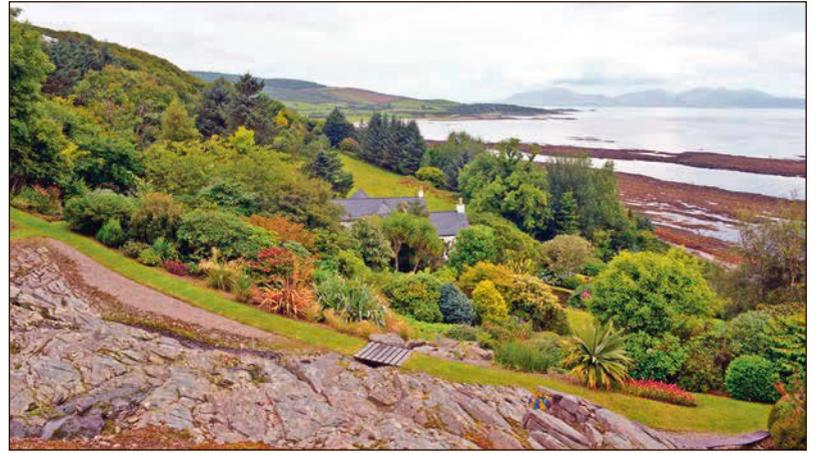
It is not all show, with a hedged-in vegetable patch and onions drying alongside just above a small hen house and field of black sheep. Further up the slope, pear trees

provide the raw materials for chutney.

For many years the Russells have been popular speakers at SWIs and church guilds where they present a multimedia show of the work that went into the garden.

The weekend's visits also raised £500 to pay for two seats at Campbeltown Picture House, which was Mrs Russell's chosen charity.

Later this month the garden is one of the excursions on offer to National Trust for Scotland cruises whose ship is due into the loch on September 15.



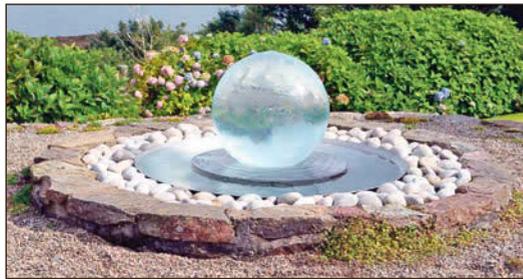
**A view across the garden with Arran in the background.**  
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**Right: Christine Russell's studio.**  
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**A visitor on one of the many grassy paths.**  
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**An ornamental waterfall.** 25\_c36garden06



**Lilies in bloom.**

## GRADUATIONS



**CAMERON ALEXANDER WILLIS**

Cameron Alexander Willis graduated recently from Edinburgh Napier University with a B.A. (Hons) degree in Journalism.

Cameron is the middle son of Val and Jackie Willis, Carradale and Campbeltown, and we wish him continued success in his chosen career path.



**JAMIE ROBERT MCKINLAY**

Jamie Robert McKinlay graduated from the University of Glasgow, on 30 June 2016, with a BSc (Hons) in Pharmacology. Jamie is the son of Alistair and Kate McKinlay, Balure Croft, and is a former pupil of Rhunahaorine School and Tarbert Academy. Jamie is now employed by Kyowa Kirin in Glasgow as a Medical Representative.

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## Game of Thrones comes to Clachan

A GURNING competition and Game of Thrones fancy dress are just two attractions at Clachan's small-holders' gathering tomorrow.

The fun starts in the village hall at 1pm with plants, produce, wool-spinning, face-painting and massage forming the afternoon's entertainment until 4pm.

Doors open for the evening's barbecue, live music, fancy dress and gurning at 7pm.

Tickets, including a free burger, are £5 at the door or £2 for children.

# Shop keeping seamstress weaves new magic

A CAMPBELTOWN institution closed its doors last Saturday but will reopen under new management tomorrow.

Dress shop Zena's first lease of life, as Miss Fitz, was in St Andrew's Square in 1997. Latterly it was renamed and moved to its current location at 47 Longrow in 2010 and, with new owner Clare Mead at the helm, will continue to trade.

Proprietor Zena Coffield said: 'I remember the first day in 1997 when my partner John and I opened our shop selling haberdashery.'

'We made curtains, repaired furniture and offered an alteration service.'

'We sold two reels of thread and I thought I'd made a huge mistake.'

'I had no idea there was such a demand for clothing alterations, and other weird stuff.'

I have made a cover

for a submarine port-hole, a car-shelf cover, repaired men's Y-fronts and other various miracles.'

### Alterations

The business grew but with three children and no home life Ms Coffield gave up the shop and moved the alterations to her sister and brother-in-law's shop Penny Lane.

They expanded and bought the Toy Box and once again Zena's was on the move.

Ms Coffield said: 'I would work in the shop and do my alterations through the back.'

'Little did I realise that a few years later I would be in exactly the same premises at 47 Longrow.'

Ms Coffield had a break for a couple of years and worked from home selling dolls' house miniatures, which she hopes to re-develop in the future.

Zena's needed office and storage space and rented another premises in Kirk Street.

Ms Coffield said: 'Building regulations meant I had to open to the public or apply for change of use. I gave the alterations another go and stored the miniatures in the back shop.'

'We put Victorian clothing and sewing implements in the window as we didn't intend selling anything. Once again the alterations started flying in and miniatures took a back seat.'

'We moved to 47 Longrow in 2010 and changed the name to Zena's. Everyone had



Zena Coffield.

always called it that anyway.'

In 2014, a new chapter began when Ms Coffield became trust manager for South Kintyre Development Trust, a

community-led charitable organisation.

Ms Coffield said: 'I love Kintyre and felt there was more I could do for the area but had never worked out exactly how.'

'My daughter Saf-ron came in to run the shop but she is off to university and I would be working around 60 hours a week.'

'Something had to give.'

'A few weeks ago family were visiting and I couldn't get time off. I made the decision there and then and have never looked back.'

'Zena's reopens selling women's clothing and accessories as before.'

'I wish Clare every success and hope that the community will continue to support her as they supported me over the past 19 years.'

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## GRADUATION



DANIEL COMER

Daniel Comer recently graduated from Ulster University with a BSc (Hons) in Business Administration. He is the son of Greg and Gillian Comer, Co Donegal, Ireland, the grandson of Bob and Dorothy Tait, Kilgour, Machrihanish and the great grandson of the late Ted and Jessie Lewis, Drumlemble. Daniel is continuing his professional training in Chartered Accountancy.

# Argyll Enterprise Week update...

31 Oct - 04 Nov 2016

## Book your place

THE timetable for the first Argyll Enterprise Week has just been announced and the event is now open for bookings.

Argyll Enterprise Week is an exciting new event, bringing together businesses, social enterprises, entrepreneurs and anyone with an interest in enterprise.

The week, which is being hosted by Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE) and Argyll and Bute Council's Business Gateway, is packed with opportunities designed to inform, connect and inspire those taking part.

A wide range of free workshops, seminars, briefings, networking sessions and exhibitions are on offer between Monday October 31 and Friday November 4 in Oban, and with more than 25 partners involved and nearly 30 events taking place within the week, there should be something for everyone.

Key themes include funding sources, business support, exporting, digital, social enterprise, tourism, creative industries and food and drink.

Councillor Aileen Morton, policy lead for sustainable economic growth, explains: 'We are keen to encourage existing businesses and attract new ones to Argyll and Bute. The number and variety of events on offer within Argyll Enterprise Week demonstrates the strength of the support available to businesses in Argyll and Bute to help them realise their goals and ambitions.'

One of the keys to addressing the population and demographic challenges facing Argyll and the Islands is to have a vibrant, successful enterprise community providing world-class goods and services regionally, nationally and internationally.

David Smart, head of special projects for Highland and Islands Enterprise, says: 'Argyll and the Islands is already home to some truly outstanding organisations. To build on this, Argyll Enterprise Week aims to share some of these success stories and to strengthen networks and relationships to drive new thinking and collaborations.'



David Smart of HIE with Argyll-based entrepreneur Sam Coley.

'This is the first time that an event of this scale has been undertaken in Argyll and the Islands and I am excited about its potential to effect real positive change.'

For more information on the activities during Argyll Enterprise Week and to book a place at any of events, visit [www.argyllenterpriseweek.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.argyllenterpriseweek.eventbrite.co.uk).

Booking is quick and easy – just click on the 'Register now' box, select the events you want to attend, click 'Checkout' and then enter your contact details.

Alternatively, call the Business Gateway team on 01546 604555.

One of the partners for Argyll Enterprise Week, Scottish EDGE is a private community interest company that offers funding and support to help entrepreneurs grow their businesses.

CEO Evelyn McDonald said: 'Scottish EDGE is delighted to be part of Argyll Enterprise Week and join a fantastic group of support organisations dedicated to supporting small businesses in Argyll.'

'We're hoping to encourage entrepreneurs in Argyll and Bute to find out how they can access the funding on offer from Scottish EDGE and to hear from previous winners.'

Originally run by Scottish Enterprise, Scottish EDGE is a competition aimed at identifying and supporting Scotland's up-and-coming, innovative, high-growth potential entrepreneurial talent. Businesses have to pitch to a panel of judges and the ones that demonstrate the most potential win a grant or loan to help them deliver their growth plans.

The competition has four categories; the main Scottish EDGE competition, where a business can win up to £100,000 as a 50:50 mix of grant and loans, Young EDGE, the dedicated application route for entrepreneurs age 18 to 30 and Wild Card EDGE aimed at pre-trading companies – up to £10,000 is available in each of these categories. In addition,



Evelyn McDonald, CEO, Scottish EDGE

two prizes of £150,000 or £100,000 are available in the science, technology and engineering category – Higgs EDGE.

The total prize fund is £1.3 million.

In addition to the financial awards, all EDGE winners are provided with a package of support from business experts, including a business mentor, to help their business grow.

## Daily guide to Argyll Enterprise Week

**Monday:** Launch event featuring key speakers from across the political, private and public sector involved in supporting business growth, including an address by Nicholas Ferguson CBE, chairman of the Argyll and Bute Economic Forum, plus a showcase of Highlands and Islands Enterprise and council initiatives supporting economic growth.

**Tuesday:** Funding seminars from SJ

Noble Trust, Growth Deck, Developing Strathclyde Business Finance Ltd, Scottish EDGE, Argyll and the Islands LEADER and Argyll and Bute Council, as well as 'A Day with The Angels' – Investing Women Angels Ltd.

**Wednesday:** Business support Trade Fair; taster sessions outlining the support available for exporting, manufacturing, intellectual assets, digital and customer care training; workshops on

*Cyber Security and Movies on Mobiles;* women in business discussion panel and networking event, as well as social enterprise film festival and question time panel.

**Thursday:** Social enterprise day co-ordinated by InspirAlba, featuring networking, plus workshops and dragons' den, plus workshops on *National Food and Drink Strategy Refresh* and *Market Insights and Consumer*

*Trends* from Scotland Food and Drink, plus Supplier Development Programme procurement workshop.

**Friday:** Talks and one-to-one discussions with industry experts from Creative Scotland, ThinkSync Music and the XpoNorth organisers; Craft Scotland workshop; Argyll and the Isles Tourism Co-operative's *Adventure Tourism* workshop; *The Oban Times*-sponsored speed networking event.

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Join us in Oban for Argyll Enterprise Week. For more information and to book events visit [argyllenterpriseweek.eventbrite.co.uk](http://argyllenterpriseweek.eventbrite.co.uk) or call the local Business Gateway team on 01546 604555



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**Tel: 0131 718 8547 [natalie.randamy@scottishsalmon.com](mailto:natalie.randamy@scottishsalmon.com)**  
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*As the government's latest house building figures show an increase in new starts but a drop in completions, CIH deputy chief executive Gavin Smart says the government must act in the Autumn Statement.*

Gavin Smart, deputy chief executive of the Chartered Institute of Housing, said: 'The government's latest house building figures confirm there is still a lot to do to meet the level of supply we need. 'It's an encouraging

sign that the number of new starts is up, but we are still not building anywhere near the homes we need and with every passing quarter the target of a million new homes in the lifetime of this Parliament becomes harder to achieve.

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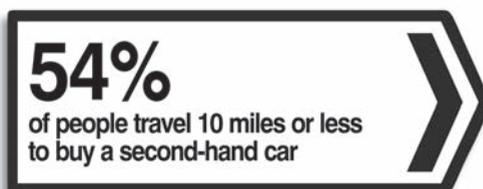
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## Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



IT'S THE first time I have heard a didgeridoo played on the beach at A'Chleit.

We enjoyed our messy church barbecue in the most perfect of days and the young people took to the sea like dolphins.

We had a camp fire for toasting marshmallows, a barbecue with sausages sizzling in the afternoon sun, mouth-watering meringues with cream and little popsicle cakes for afters.

Laughter and fun intermingled with games and music and we were a great happy family.

However, our bagpipe-playing youngsters were challenged by a different skill required to even get a sound out of the didgeridoo.

Scott, our lovely friend from Australia, demonstrated how to make the call of the kookaburra bird. He made it look so easy.

Some of us couldn't even manage a note.

I loved the fact that the kookaburra is known as the 'laughing bird', for there was much laughter on the beach last Sunday.

The children dipped in and out of the sea, splashed each other with buckets of water, buried each other in the sand and generally had a great time.

One lovely moment was when little Alec, aged two, sat down and found a frisbee which made a perfect plate for his cake.

We sang silly songs and funny songs, had a treasure hunt and a made sand castles.

We were so blessed with perfect weather.

We finished by using the parachute to think of Psalm 139 which tells us that God is with us wherever we are, and is with us in whatever we are doing – even if it is trying to master the didgeridoo.

How good these times are in our church family life and hopefully our young folk will remember and treasure these memories too.

The church stood above us on the rock, and I thought how good it was to have a new expression of church alongside.

## From our files:

### TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO SEPTEMBER 6 1991

'Insensitive' naval exercise

LOCAL fishermen are powerless to stop a Royal Navy exercise which they have labelled 'insensitive' as it coincides with the inquiry into the *Antares* tragedy.

A navy spokesman said they had to make use of the good weather and stressed that no submarines were being used in the exercise, which includes a beach assault near Carradale.

The spokesman privately agreed that the manoeuvres were bad timing in light of the fatal accident inquiry, but the decision to go ahead had been taken at the highest level of the Ministry of Defence.

'Although we sympathise with the people of Carradale, the Ministry of Defence is of the opinion that it can't hold up exercises like this when the weather is so good.

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TWO AMATEUR yachtsmen stepped ashore at Southend's Dunaverly beach on Friday afternoon after a 28-day crossing of the Atlantic in a home-made boat.

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Mr Patterson designed the boat, which Mr Cooper built in his spare time while working in Canada.

Christened *Oomiak*, Eskimo for 'boat', the 30ft trimaran (triple-hulled vessel) is made of plywood and fibreglass.

The two men left Labrador on July 29. En route they had to contend with gales, pack ice and the United States Navy.

Their mast was broken in a gale and they suffered hull damage when crushed between two ice floes.

After calling at Southend for provisions, the pair sailed overnight to Ardrossan, where their families were waiting.

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Smart rescue at the harbour

ON SUNDAY afternoon Mr Jas Durnan, fisherman, again effected a smart rescue at the harbour, thus adding to his long record of life-saving.

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## Captains discuss their plans at coffee morning

A LARGE crowd filled the Salvation Army hall for its August coffee morning which unusually was the only event in town on Saturday.

Captains Ruth and Ben Russell, who were officially installed after moving to the Wee Toon in July, enjoyed

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

**BIRTHS**

**MACCORQUODALE** - At the Royal Jubilee Hospital, Belfast, on July 25, 2016, to Neil and Paula (née Maitland), a daughter, Isla Grace, first grandchild for Angus and Sheena, Lochgilhead.

**DEATHS**

**CAMERON** - On August 24, 2016, peacefully at Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilhead, Gregor Finlay Cameron, in his 70th year, beloved husband of Mary Kennedy, much loved father of Nicola, Finlay, Gregor and Daniel, dear father-in-law of Keith, Mandy and Kirsty, and a dearly loved papa of Caitlin, Sarah, Finlay, Kristian, Douglas, Isobel and Daisy. A much respected friend and former work colleague. Sadly missed by all his family. Funeral service was held at Glenorchy Parish Church, Dalmally, on September 1, interment thereafter at Glenorchy Cemetery.

**MACKAY** - Suddenly, at the Mid Argyll Hospital, on August 22, 2016, Anne MacKay, aged 74 years, of 9 Rowan Park, Lochgilhead, daughter of the late Donnie and Lettie MacKay of Scourie, dear mother of Alison and Joseph, much loved sister of Sandra, Sheila and Donald, cherished auntie of Donald, Ann, Angela and Colin, much respected sister-in-law of Ian and James and a much loved great auntie of Sian, Sienna, Kyle and Kian. A dear friend, neighbour and former work colleague to many. Funeral service was held at St Margaret's Church, Lochgilhead, on Monday, August 29, 2016, followed by interment at Achnabreac Cemetery.

**MACLEOD** - Catherine Sutherland Macleod (née Maclean). Much loved wife of the late Murdo and beloved mother of Kirsten, Fiona and Iain, died peacefully at home, surrounded by her family, on August 23, 2016. The service was held at Kilchrenan Parish Church on Wednesday, August 31. Donations to Marie Curie welcome.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**CAMERON** - Rob, Lill, Dave and Michelle wish to thank all relatives and friends for their kind expressions of sympathy by way of cards, letters and telephone calls since the sad loss of our mum, Elizabeth, on August 7, 2016. Special thanks to staff of Lynn of Lorne for their care and compassion, Rev George Cringles for conducting a most comforting service and others who assisted at Kilniver Church and Cemetery. Thanks also to Knipoch Hotel, Hamish Hoey and Sons and those who attended the service and generously gave to the retail collection which will be donated to Lynn of Lorne Care Home.

**MACCALLUM** - Friends of the late Jean MacCallum wish to thank the community nurses and carers, whose constant care and attention made her last few years comfortable and happy. Special thanks to Isobel Mitchell and Janette Watters, whose unfailing support and friendship were much appreciated by Jean. We are also grateful to the Reverend William Crossan for a moving tribute to Jean, and to TA Blair Ltd for their sympathetic funeral direction. In accordance with Jean's wishes, three animal charities will benefit from her estate.

**MCKERRAL** - The McKerral and Hadley families of the late Martha J McKerral would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their cards and kindness on their recent loss. They would also like to thank Carr Gomm carers and hospital staff for their kind attention to Martha, and Alasdair, Kenneth and Rhys Blair for their professional service. Finally, thank you to Captain Ben Russell of the Salvation Army for his spiritual comfort. Donations for the local Salvation Army raised £147.

**MUNRO** - Ella and family would like to express their sincerest thanks to everyone who attended the service and graveside and to all the thoughtful people who phoned and sent cards and flowers following the sudden passing of Ian. Special thanks to Rev S Fulcher for the comforting service and to David McEwan for the beautiful music. Thanks also to Frances and staff at Muneroy for their hospitality. Ella and family would also like to extend their gratitude to Dr Anderson and paramedics, Gus and Lorne, for their kindness shown; also to the community nurses and staff at Southend Surgery for their care given to Ian over the last eighteen months. Finally, thank you to Alasdair, Kenneth and Rhys Blair for the professional service provided in such a dignified manner.

**PEARSON** - Anne and family would like to thank relatives and friends for flowers, cards and letters of sympathy following the sudden loss of Andy. Our thanks to those who paid their respects at the Greenock Crematorium and contributed to the collection for Alzheimers Research, which raised £550.

**SMITH** - The family of the late Morven Smith would like to thank everyone most sincerely for the many kind expressions of sympathy and support received in their recent sad loss. Special thanks to the Tarbert Soup Group and close neighbours for all the kindness shown, thanks also to doctors and staff at Lorn and Islands Hospital for kind care and attention, to Rev Robert Macleod for his visits and comforting service, to Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for dignified and professional services, to the Anchor Hotel for excellent catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. The donations raised £335 for Tarbert Free Church.

**IN MEMORIAMS**

**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 xxxxxxx.

**MACFARLANE** - Treasured memories of Joe, a much loved husband, dad and grandad, who died September 6, 2014.

Always in our hearts you'll stay, Loved and remembered every day.

- Inserted by Cath and family.

**MACINTYRE** - In loving memory of our darling parents, Angus, who passed away on September 4, 2015, and Mary, August 31, 2014. Don't weep at our grave for we are not there In God's gentle arms we wait for you here. - Your loving children, Marie, Neil, Neil Jnr and Sophia, Mags, Peter, Victoria and Argyll. Forever in our thoughts and hearts xxx.

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- Love your grandchildren xx.

**MCGOUGAN** - Alice, who passed away September 2, 2014. Though her smile is gone forever, And her hand we cannot touch, Her memory is our keepsake, With which we will never part, God has her in his keeping, We have her in our heart.

- Sorely missed by her loving husband, Stewart.

**MCGOUGAN** - In loving memory of our mum and granny, Alice, who passed away September 2, 2014.

A silent thought, a secret tear, Keeps your memory ever dear. God took you home, it was his will,

But in our hearts you live still. - Heather and Norman. If tears could build a stairway, And memories a lane, I'd walk right up to Heaven, And bring you home again.

- Iona, Norman-James and Erin.

**MCGOUGAN** - In loving memory of a dear mother, granny and great granny, Alice, died September 2, 2014. Never forgotten.

- Stewart, Heather, Kerry, Louise and Harvey.

**MUIR** - Happy memories of our dear brother, Jim, died August 20, 2011. Remembered with a smile.

- Love always, Jean, Jessie and family.

**ROBERTSON** - In loving memory of a dear dad, father-in-law and granda, Robert (Bertie), who passed away on September 3, 2015. Loved and remembered every day. Sadly missed. - Roberta, James, Jamie and Darren.

**ROBERTSON** - Robert (Bertie). In loving memory of our much loved dad and granda, died September 3, 2015. One year has passed since you went away, In our hearts you will always stay. - Janice and Kev. Dearly loved and sorely missed.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**KINTYRE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**

Meeting to be held on **Friday 2nd September** (Please note change of original date) at 7.30pm in Lorne & Lowland Church Hall, Campbeltown  
Guest speaker: Rev Angus Morrison from Central Baptist Church, Dundee  
Tea/coffee served after the meeting  
**Everyone most welcome.**

**SKIPNESS LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND**

**Sunday 4th September 2016**  
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Tarbert Service 11.30am  
Mrs Angela Stather  
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Skipness Church  
Sunday 4th September  
2pm - 5pm  
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Charity No. SC016097  
Minister: Rev. Dr. Roderick D. M. Campbell  
Communion Service in Lochgair Church at 10 am  
**Glenaray and Inveraray**  
Charity No. SC016665  
Morning Service in Inveraray Church at 11.30 am  
**ALL WELCOME**

**LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN**

**Saturday 3rd September 2016**  
Prayer Gathering 9.15am for 9.30am (finish 12.00 approx)  
**Sunday 4th September 2016**  
11.00am  
Worship Service for all ages followed by a light lunch  
Speaker - Graham McLean  
'One thing needful'  
**Tuesday 6th September 2016**  
7.30pm  
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*All Welcome*

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**Sunday 4th September 2016**  
Morning Service 11am  
**Friday**  
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Rev. C. Acklam  
**Saturday 3 September**  
CAFE CONNECT 10:30 am  
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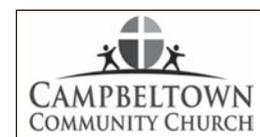
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# Carradale runner defeats New Zealand ultra-marathon



Tackling an incline with running mates Amy Smith and Brent Spicer.



Receiving encouragement from a friendly Chewbacca.

**'It was an incredible feeling to reach to top and cross the finish line'**

COMPLETING a brutal ultra-marathon was one of the 'highest moments' of a young Kintyre runner's life.

Lauren Milstead, 26, from Carradale but now living in Wellington, New Zealand for the past four years, only started running three years ago after becoming 'hooked on the Wellington hills'.

When she found out

about the WUU-2K, a 60km ultra-marathon held recently around the Wellington Trails, taking in almost 3km of climb, she said she 'couldn't resist'.

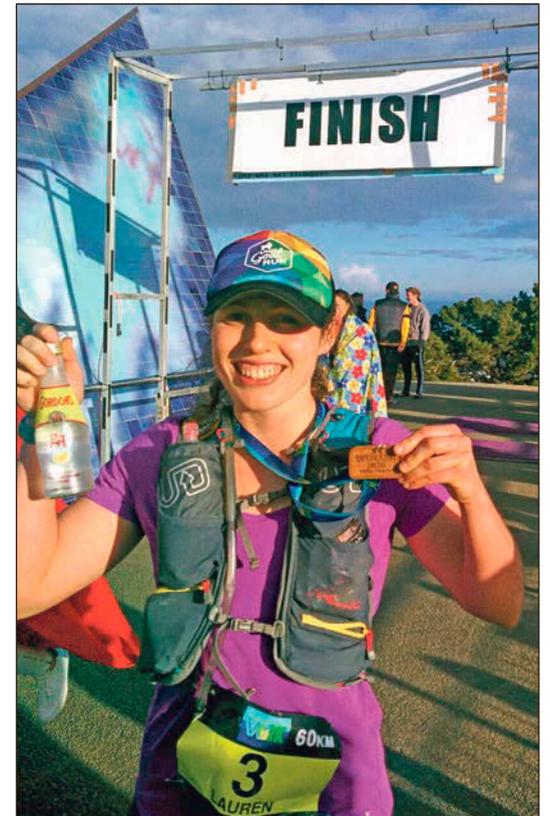
She said: 'Training for it was loads of fun and I was so pumped for the event weeks before the actual day.'

'The race began at 6.30am in the middle of winter, so the atmosphere at the start in the dark was awesome.'

'The race started by running up Mt Kaukau (400m elevation), and then up to Makara Peak, the high point of Makara Mountain Bike Park.'

The run was a mixture of several different tracks which Lauren had already tackled in training, with some more difficult than others.

She said: 'The 'salvation' track is evil. I told Amy and Brent (her running mates) they should shout at me un-



Lauren safely over the finish line and about to enjoy a well-earned G&T.

til I cried to keep me going.

'It's not a hard track, it's not technical and it's not steep - it just goes on and on forever.'

Lauren had been given lots of advice from other runners, including her friend Brent.

She said: 'Brent told me before starting that if it began to get hard, take a moment to look

around and appreciate where you are. So I definitely did that.'

Exhausted but not beaten, Lauren crossed the finish line in a time of nine hours and 20 minutes.

She added: 'It was an incredible feeling to reach the top and cross the finish line. It was one of the highest moments of my life and I'll never forget it.'

## Danny's boys edge to victory at close competition

FOUR teams all finished with the same score in one of the tightest competitions on the Kintyre golf circuit this season.

Taking place last Saturday, a total of 11 teams took part in the Tarbert Hotel-sponsored Am-Am, with players from Carradale, Lochgilphead and Dunaverty joining eight local fours.

Both overhead and underfoot conditions were near perfect, allowing no excuses for poor scoring.

Early starters were the Lochgilphead team marshalled by club captain Ryan McG-

lynn, who posted a respectable 53 to take the clubhouse lead.

Local team 'The Magic 2s' comprised of S Ferguson, F Johnstone, J Hardie and M McAlpine returned a superb 50 to become the new leaders.

They were joined on 50 by 'Three Eagles and a Birdie' comprised of M MacIver, M Davis, L Mathieson and I Johnstone jnr.

The third team to finish with 50 were 'The Forestry Joiners' with E McDougall, B Baird, B McLean and P McLean making up the team.

The last team in were

'Danny's boys', R MacDonald, JS MacNab, JF MacNab and B MacNab who also managed to shoot 50.

Club captain Keith McTaggart had his work cut out to calculate the winners, with 'Danny's boys' taking top spot virtue of scoring the lowest back nine with 23.

'The Forestry Joiners' came in second by virtue of the best last six holes, ahead of 'The Magic 2s' in third.

The clubhouse was packed to the rafters for the presentation, carried out by MacTaggart and Scott from the Tarbert Hotel.



Prize-winners on the day.

The captain thanked Scott for his sponsorship and all the teams for taking part, espe-

cially those that had travelled.

This Saturday sees the Lamont-MacKen-

zie trophy take place. Members are asked to report for duty at 10.30am, with teas

scheduled for 11am. All proceeds will go to the Mitchell Johnstone fund.

# Machrihanish Golf club round-up – August

## Greenkeeper uses course knowledge to crack

### Jimmy Kerr Memorial Open

DAVID IRWIN used his intimate knowledge of the Machrihanish course to help him take the Jimmy Kerr Memorial Open title.

Competition was stiff for the open, played on Saturday August 6, but David, one of a fine team of greenkeeping staff, scored a fantastic 72-5-67. His round included five birdies, including both of the last two holes.

Runner-up was Mr S Davidson, a visitor who shot a 75 playing off six. In third was Iain McLeod, whose terrific 80-10-70 signified a wonderful return to form for the former Mid Argyll man.

Stephen Gorman was fourth with a fine 82-11-71, and Dr Mike Hall took the seniors' prize with a great 89-16-73.

In the ladies section, Jennifer Owen took the top prize with an excellent score of 84-10-74, beating Ann Gallacher 86-8-78 into second place. Maggie MacArthur was third, 100-21-79.

## Tarbert men dominate in drenched August medal

TORRENTIAL rain greeted the players for the August medal, with only 16 hardened golfers turning out to compete.

Played on Wednesday August 16, Tarbert's Iain

MacAllister proved he is a dab hand in the rain, shooting a fantastic 40 stableford points to win by six clear shots.

Category two went to Tarbert's Iain Johnstone, taking the prize with a fine score of 34 points in what were atrocious conditions.

Category three was won by Harry McLean.

## Rob and Niermann spin to Rotary Open prize

A CENTRAL belt visitor beat 105 golfers to take this year's Rotary Open. The event was the last individual open competition of the 2016 season.

Martin Robb took the top prize with a splendid score of 76-5-71, birdieing the last hole to pip club captain Fergus Walker into second place, with 77-6-71.

Starter and club professional Ken Campbell and his colleague Craig Barratt set off 105 players in the last individual open competition of the 2016 season on Saturday August 13.

The top seven men had prizes to chase in the gents' scratch and handicap sections, while two prizes for ladies in each of the scratch and handicap section were up for grabs.

Robert MacCallum had a strong net 71 but was beaten by Robb and Walker on count back.

In the scratch section, visitors James Todd Junior and Kenny Stewart from Stirling Golf Club topped the charts with 75s, with Todd Jnr winning on the better inward half.

In the ladies section, the handicap was won by

## McLellan takes August medal on rare appearance

JOHN McLellan took advantage of calmer afternoon conditions to bag Dunaverty Golf Club's August medal.

Rain and wind have been prevalent recently for Dunaverty's members and the August medal was no exception, especially for the morning players.

Donald MacNeil proved himself best at coping with the adverse conditions, carding an excellent scratch score of 68, the best of the day, to give him the lead with a net 63.

The weather abated in the afternoon and John McLellan took full advantage to return a winning net score of 59. CSS for the day was 64.

Result: 1 John McLellan 70-11-59 2 Donald MacNeil 68-5-63 3 Raymond Harvey 81-17-64 4 John McDowall 80-14-66 5 Bill Brannigan 79-12-67 6 Grant Edmondson 80-12-68.



Martin Robb receiving his prize from captain Fergus Walker.

Natalie Niermann with a net score of 82. Runner-up was Elaine Robb, wife of the winner of the gents' prize.

To top off an excellent day for the Robb team, Elaine also picked up a dozen golf balls for winning the prize for nearest the pin at the par three fourth.

In the ladies scratch section, the winner was Jennifer Mack with an excellent 95, runner-up was Anne Gallacher who scored 97.

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## Putting challenge to raise funds for brave Kurt

AN OPEN putting competition will take place to raise money for Kurt Smiley and his family.

The event, taking place on Sunday September 11 at the Grammar Lodge Hotel, Campbeltown, from 11am to 4.30pm, will cost £2.

All funds raised, including proceeds from a raffle on the day, will be passed on to Kurt and his family as he continues his battle against cancer.

## Scottish AFL results and fixtures

LAST Saturday's results: Premier Division – East Kilbride 1, Campbeltown Pupils 1; Oban Saints 4, Inverclyde 2; Premier 2A – Lochgilhead Red Star 0, Houston 0; Premier 2B – East End United 4, Tarbert 1.

This Saturday's fixtures: Scottish Amateur Cup, first round – Finnart v Oban Saints; Premier Division – Campbeltown Pupils v Drumchapel Amateur Colts; Premier 2A – Milton of Colquhoun v Lochgilhead Red Star; Premier 2B – Tarbert v Arkleston.

## Lottery results

THERE were no winners of the Machrihanish Golf Club lottery this week.

Held on August 29, the winning numbers of 9, 13 and 17 went unclaimed.

A jackpot of £800 will now be drawn for on September 5.

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# Pupils' point is just reward

<b>East Kilbride</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Campbeltown Pupils</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>SAFL Premier Division</b>	

CAMPBELTOWN Pupils clawed back some pride after their 10-goal opening-day mauling by claiming a draw away to last year's SAFL champions East Kilbride.

The McFadyens-sponsored Pupils named a strong starting XI, and aided by a couple of impressive cameos from the substitutes' bench, earned a valuable point to kick-start their season.

Played at the impressive K-Park facility in East Kilbride last Saturday, a wide pitch and the early afternoon heat suggested a troubling afternoon for the Pupils, but they withstood any early pres-

sure from their hosts.

While the Pupils had an experienced back four of Keith Mitchell, Jamie Burns, Shaun Grumoli and John McCallum, their attacking move to take the lead was a glimpse of the Pupils' future.

Ryan Deans, 19, played the ball into 17-year-old Scott Souden, who showed composure to shield the ball at the edge of the box and release Deans in space, who advanced and slid a low shot under the EK keeper.

East Kilbride would come back into the game before half-time, hitting the bar from a corner and forcing a

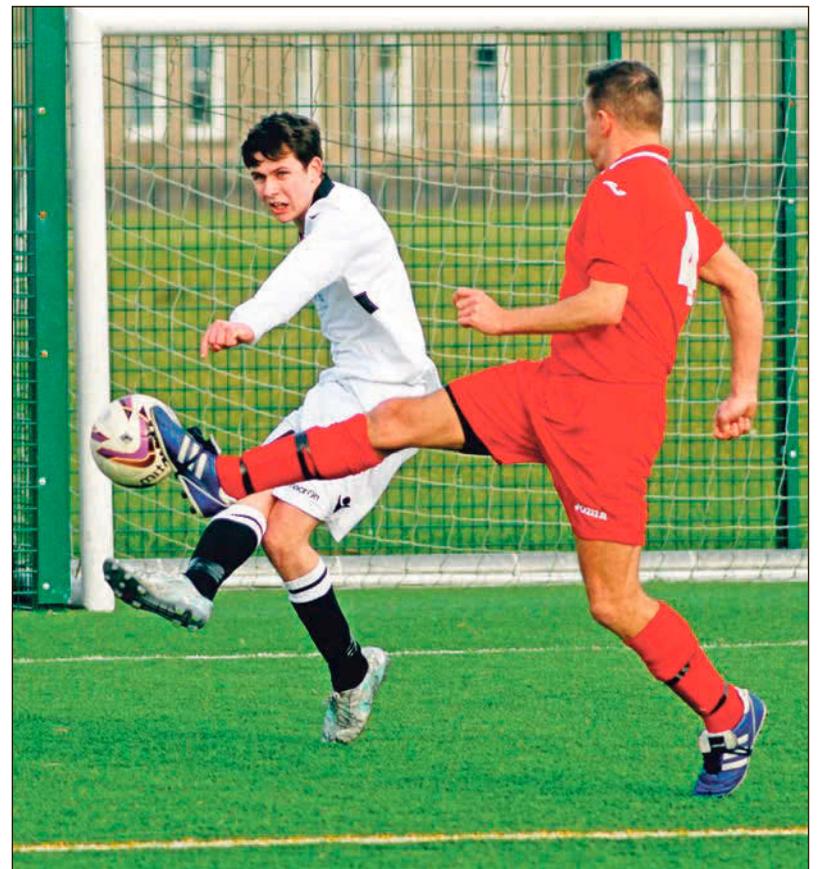
couple of late interventions from the Pupils' defensive ranks, and from keeper Robert Coffield.

Young defender Lee Allen replaced Shaun Grumoli, who pulled up with a calf injury midway through the first half.

The 20-year-old would go on to have a fine game alongside Burns and the pair dealt well with any aerial threats thrown at them from EK in the dying stages.

In midfield, Ryan Gilchrist and Liam Renton began to control proceedings and were able to release Robin Barr on the left, and Gary Grumoli, playing the unenviable lone striker role.

However, further into the second half the Pupils began to live dan-



Ryan Deans, pictured here in action last season, helped the Pupils notch their first point of the season. 25\_c10pupils09

gerously, allowing East Kilbride chances to put crosses into the box, and were forced

into a some last-ditch clearances. The home side were then reduced to 10 men when their striker was punished for speaking out of turn to the referee.

Into the final 15 minutes, the Pupils could have made it 2-0 when Gary Grumoli hurtled down the left wing, before cutting the ball back to Deans, who just couldn't keep his shot down.

Chris Thomson was also introduced late on to offer some hold-up play and take the pressure off the defensive line.

There was disap-

pointment for the away dugout with six minutes remaining in the match when EK equalised from an excellent strike from 25 yards out, which arrowed into the top corner despite the palmed attempt from Coffield to keep it out.

After a vastly improved team performance and an encouraging point, the Feathers-sponsored Pupils will be hoping for their first league win when they host Drumchapel Amateurs Colts tomorrow (Saturday) at Kintyre Park. Kick off is 2pm.

## Junior golfers let fly at the flags



The budding young golfers.

SEVEN young golfers who have been training throughout the summer put their new skills to the test.

After seven weeks of stage one junior coaching at Machrihanish Golf Club, the group played a flag competition on a gloriously sunny Sunday last week.

The two winners of the competition were Kelly Graham in category one and Jake MacMillan in category two.

A spokesperson wished to thank all volunteer coaches and helpers for their support throughout the summer.

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