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# McCartney's pipe band players remake history

BAGPIPERS and drummers who played on the best selling British single ever reprised their roles in Campbeltown. Paul McCartney and Denny Laine's anthem Mull

of Kintyre owes much to seven pipers and seven drummers from Kintyre's Campbeltown Pipe Band. Some of the surviving members met, last Saturday, at

the Linda McCartney memorial garden for an informal event to mark the 40th anniversary. For the full story see pages 16 and 17.



The playing and non-playing surviving members who attended the reunion gather around the Linda McCartney memorial. From left they are: Ian McKerral, Tommy Blue, Ian McCallum, John McGeachy, Duncan Ramsay, Archie Coffield, Ian Campbell, Jimmy McGeachy, Peter McCallum and John Brown. Exclusive photo: Mark Davey. 25\_c37mokband25

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## POLICE FILES

## Windows smashed

THREE windows were broken at Mafeiking Place, Campbeltown, at about 10pm last Friday.

Police are appealing for witnesses to contact Constable McFarland at Campbeltown police office on 101, or phone Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

## Traffic collision

A BLUE Vauxhall Vectra was in a collision with a blue Fiat on the B842, near Low Smerby Farm, at about 4.30pm last Friday.

Police are trying to trace the driver of the Fiat, and are appealing for anyone with information to contact Constable Bain at Campbeltown police office on 101, or phone Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

# CalMac cancels more sailings

**Hannah O'Hanlon**  
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SOME things improve with age but it seems that cannot be said of the Campbeltown to Ardrossan ferry, *MV Isle of Arran*.

The 34-year-old passenger and vehicle vessel is scheduled to sail into Campbeltown on Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays from April to September, and depart for Ardrossan on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

But this year numerous sailings have been cancelled, causing outrage and exasperation among the people who try to use it.

Last Sunday the vessel sailed into Campbeltown with no passengers as it was deemed unsafe to car-

ry fare payers due to weather, despite the crew being on board.

The reason for the cancellations is often given by operator CalMac as the inclement weather, but recently it has also been attributed to the vessel's age.

*MV Isle of Arran*, launched in 1983, served on the Arran to Ardrossan route for 10 years before being moved to Kennacraig.

She returned to her original route in 2012, supplementing the *MV Caledonian Isles* in summer and becoming a relief vessel in winter.

In 2013, she was designated to the Campbeltown to Ardrossan route and has been the regular ferry ever since.



The *MV Isle of Arran* leaving Campbeltown loch. 20\_c40ferry09

Heather Wallace, who contacted the *Courier* to voice her concerns, said: 'I, of course, would not want a ferry running when the weather is unsuitable but it only runs occasionally as it would not be insured to go out due to its age, in weather that actually is a Scottish summer.'

'The staff are excellent, the timetable

poor but Campbeltown needs the ferry to bring tourists to this beautiful place and also to bring families together, without the sometimes arduous journey, where we can have roads closed.'

'The ferry is essential to keeping Campbeltown accessible.'

A CalMac spokesman said: 'We regret the disruptions to the service this year which

are primarily related to the age of the vessel.'

'Ferry users can be assured that we are doing everything in our power to improve the resilience of the service but we will not compromise safety in order to achieve this.'

With just more than a week left of the season, ferry users can only hope that next year the reliability of the service will improve.

## Islay councillor goes back to school in Campbeltown

BUILDERS at Campbeltown's new grammar school laid down tools for a visit by an Argyll and Bute council committee.

Last Wednesday, following the Mid-Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands meeting in Campbeltown town hall, a number of councillors toured the site to see progress on the building due to open next year.

In Donald Kelly's absence, Islay's Alastair Redman flew the flag for the Tories. He said: 'The terrific refurbishing work being done on Campbeltown Grammar school is creating huge local employment and boosting the local Argyll economy.'

'This will lead to a dramatic overall increase in the quality of teaching and learning conditions.'

## Deadline looms for health and wellbeing grants

MORE than £11,000 in grants is up for grabs for Kintyre projects designed to improve people's health.

Kintyre Health and Wellbeing Network has been awarded £11,210 from the local grant fund to be award-

ed to projects, groups or organisations that meet the four criteria in the new Joint Health Improvement Plan.

This funding is for activities to improve the health of the population such as increasing participation in physical activity opportunities, creating opportunities for older people to socialise with each other, and health fairs in local communities.

Priority will be given to initiatives that can demonstrate they are reducing health inequalities, that means focusing on the people who are most in need, for example deprived or excluded communities where poor health is more likely.

Margaret Wallace from Argyll TSI said: 'The Health and Wellbeing Fund has sup-

ported many innovative projects benefiting members of the community.'

'One such event was the recent tea dance run by the Monday Social Club, enabling older people to participate in dancing, singing and enjoying socialising with friends old and new.'

The deadline for applications is Monday October 2. If organisations are unsure if their project will meet the criteria or have any questions about the form, KHWN is happy to help, by email [hwnkintyre@ab-rc.org.uk](mailto:hwnkintyre@ab-rc.org.uk) or by calling the Dunoon Office on 01369 700800.

Ailsa Wilson of Argyll Rape Crisis is the Kintyre co-ordinator and link person and is contactable on 07788818910.

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# Farm stall seller slams council red tape

**Mark Davey**  
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A PRIZE-WINNING egg farmer has closed her A83 Bellochantuy farm stall after claiming enforcement officers had been 'over-enthusiastic'.

Mum-of-four Hannah Jones added completing all the forms to comply with legislation was impossible considering the time needed to run the existing farm business.

More than 60 people took to social media last week to support Mrs Jones and the *Courier* received three letters backing the businesswoman's initiative.

Mrs Jones said: 'We had at least 14 inspections in a year and with four children and the farm we do not have the time.'

The stall started life as a hut at the end of the winding drive to High Bellochantuy farm.

Customers could buy Kintyre eggs and in season vegetables, such as a bag of courgettes for £1.

Mrs Jones and her husband Will had a more ambitious scheme and applied for planning permission in

2014 for a permanent structure on ground they owned adjacent to the Argyll hotel.

The following year a wooden farm stall was erected and the items sold expanded to include crafts, rolled oats, ice-cream, tablet and preserves.

In addition, a hardstanding was created by the shop and soon the beginnings of a petting zoo were established with the arrival of a sow named Big Pig and a litter of piglets.

A stone dyke was erected next to the shop and picnic tables installed. A shed with a sandpit inside for children to play on rainy days and further animals, including geese, sheep, hens and rabbits, were added.

A sink with cold running water was installed to comply with handwashing regulations after children had touched the animals

but the Joneses never installed toilets. Originally the stall co-existed with the Argyll hotel and visitors were allowed to use its toilets.

This year the hotel adjusted its opening hours and at one stage found it was running out of toilet rolls and needing to do additional cleaning at times when it was not open for residents.

The hotel proprietor said there has always been informal use of its facilities during opening hours for people who walk on the beach.

The hardstanding, stone dyke and shed was in variance with the original planning permission and on February 24 this year Argyll and Bute Council served an enforcement notice.

It stated: 'As the owners of the land affected you are required to make an application to Argyll and Bute

Council, as planning authority, for the development of the land affected that represents the breach of planning control, or remove the unauthorised developments.'

On Wednesday Mrs Jones told the *Courier* she did not have the time to complete a planning application.

A spokesperson for Argyll and Bute council said: 'As a council we are committed to encouraging development in Argyll and Bute and we work hard with businesses and householders to ensure that, where possible, their plans can become reality.'

'We want to see businesses flourish and grow and we are here to help that happen.'

'Our regulatory services, such as planning, environmental health and trading standards, have a duty under the law to ensure statutory regulations are com-

plied with. This creates an even playing field for all businesses.

'We would encourage all businesses to get in touch with us if they are planning any development.'

'Our planning and regulatory service is committed to making Argyll and Bute an attractive place to live, work and invest.'



A sign advertising the various attractions at the farm stall.

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### BELLOCHANTUY FARM STALL

Thank you to all our customers and friends who have visited and supported the farm stall. It has been great seeing families out playing on the little red tractor, meeting Big Pig and having fun.

Sadly, we have decided that at the moment we cannot dedicate the time and costs needed to keep the farm stall open.

We will be open on the 21st and 22nd October, 11am - 3pm, for pick your own pumpkins and hope to be able to re-open in the future. Our hens are still happily laying their golden eggs and you can buy them locally from The County Garage, Shopper Aide, Fresh Connection, McGeachy Butcher, McKellars, Glenbarr Stores and Clachan Filling Station.

Thank you again to all our customers and to everyone who has helped work in the shop. Hannah and Will.



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## Managing damp houses in Kintyre

MORE than 75 tonnes of rainwater falls on an average semi-detached house in Kintyre every year.

Western Scotland has been the wettest region of the UK in 2017 with more than half a metre of rain and it has been Scotland's fifth wettest summer on record.

Campbeltown usually has about 180 days a year when it rains and dampness is one of the major issues householders have to face, especially in traditional buildings.

To help householders battle damp problems Campbeltown Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme is offering an evening talk and advice session. Entry is free and refreshments will be available.

The course will be held in Campbeltown town hall on Wednesday September 20 between 7 pm and 9 pm.

# Coovan mooves into Wee Toon

CAMPBELTOWN residents and visitors were utterly surprised to see a Highland cow parked at the top of the pier last Saturday.

Archie the Heilan Coo is one of Visit Scotland's four 'coovans', mobile information centres which travel throughout Scotland attending events and offering support to the organisation's information centres.

Driven by two of their eight 'coovisors,' Katie Bell and Julia Steil, Archie had been to Springbank earlier in the day, and was parked outside the town's information centre when the *Courier's* reporter spotted him.

Hoofing it 'out in the field' means that the 'coovisors' are able to engage with people and pass on information about events all over the country.

The other vans are called Hamish, Heather and Morag - names chosen by Visit Scotland employees in a poll.

Katie and Julia joined Campbeltown's Tommy Millar and Kathryn Howall in welcoming people to the information centre.



Katie Bell, Tommy Millar, Julia Steil and Kathryn Howall show #ScotSpirit in Campbeltown. 50\_c37coovan02

## Pupils feast on award winning Campbeltown

THE AWARD winning Mull of Kintyre cheddar will grace Argyll and Bute school menus.

The cheese is made at Campbeltown Creamery from the finest milk from dairy farmers in Kintyre.

Policy lead for corporate services Councillor Rory Colville said: 'By using Campbeltown Cheddar we are not only supporting the local economy, but our children are also getting some of the very best produce available.'

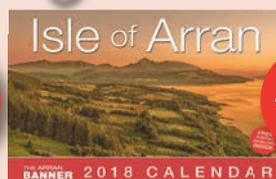
'I am delighted that the council has supported this positive step to help maintain this important agricultural sector and I look forward as more local food producers are included in the future.'

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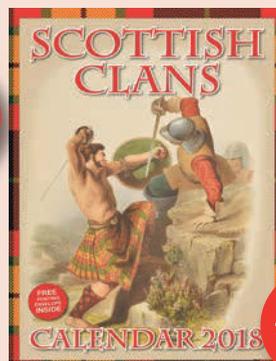
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## Campbeltown cadets scramble to Rosyth for aircraft carrier naming

CAMPBELTOWN sea cadets voyaged to Rosyth and joined the royal guests at the HMS Prince of Wales naming ceremony.

They joined about 90 cadets and volunteers from Inverness, Grangemouth, Musselburgh, Dunbar, Queensferry, Trinity (Edinburgh), Ashington, Methil, Rosyth, Leith, Bangor, Fife and Tayside, Dundee, Inverness and their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Rothesay at the event last Friday.

A Sea Cadets band played to 500 VIPs as they arrived in the morning to collect their passes.

Cadets from Bangor, Ashington and Rosyth later sang Amazing Grace to a crowd of 5,000, while more cadets from Ashington fol-



Cadets jump on the deck of HMS Prince of Wales. Photo by Joe Paterson

lowed dancing the hornpipe.

Thirty-seven cadets also lined the route for VIPs, with Petty Officer Cadet Sam Jarvis of Rosyth opening the car door for the Duchess upon her arrival.

After the ceremony, 11-year-old Junior Ca-

det Daniel Lord, from Ashington, was introduced to the Duchess.

Brave Daniel, who has battled cancer, had climbed nine sets of ladders to reach the top of the bridge of HMS Prince of Wales and hoist the royal standard.

Sea Cadets northern area officer Captain Peter Adams RN (Rtd) said: 'They are a credit to us and to their respective units, and we are all very proud.'

'I am sure they will all remember this day for many years to come.'



Border Force high speed RIB Active on Campbeltown pontoon. 25\_c37borderforce01

# Border Force cutter slips onto pontoon

A HIGH-powered twin engined RIB roared into Campbeltown as part of Operation Kraken.

Border Force Active is one of four vessels with similar roles launched in 2016.

It is powered by twin Caterpillar C18 engines driving twin water jets through a pair of reduction gearboxes and has installed power of 1,727 hp.

A crew member handed a Courier re-

porter a card stating that the vessel patrols UK coastal waters as part of a 2016 government project.

Codenamed Kraken it encourages people to report suspicious or unusual activity at sea.

The crew said that they could not be more specific about the craft's role.

A Border Force spokesperson from Glasgow added: 'We do not comment on operational activity.'

## Rape charity seeks office premises

ARGYLL and Bute Rape Crisis based in Dunoon is looking for office space in Campbeltown.

The charity's pamphlet states that it is the only service of its kind in Argyll and Bute and works with survivors of all kinds of sexual violence and their non-offending families and friends.

Thanks to a mix of funding it has been possible to create a 12-hour-per-week part-time post for the next

three years. The current Mid Argyll Kintyre and the Islands support and advocacy Rape Crisis worker is Ailsa Wilson.

In addition Rape Crisis's youth project Tessa gives interactive, age appropriate prevention workshops in schools and youth clubs so that young people can discuss in a safe place such issues as sexting, boundaries, challenging sexualised behaviour and grooming.

Rape Crisis services

are available to women, men, girls and boys aged 13-plus in Argyll and Bute.

A Rape Crisis spokesperson said: 'There has been quite an upsurge in demand in the wake of the Jimmy Savile

scandal and the issues surrounding the revelations about football coaching. Police Scotland figures support this upsurge.'

For further information go to: [www.ab-rc.org.uk](http://www.ab-rc.org.uk)



Argyll and Bute Rape Crisis logo.

## Regeneration funds approved

CAMPBELTOWN'S town centre may soon look even better with a further £295,307.07 investment.

Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee on Wednesday, in Campbeltown town hall agreed with officers' recommendation to award Campbeltown Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme grant funding.

The money will be given to the owners of McLean Place West, 10-14 Main Street, for repairs to the run down category B listed building.

A tenement condition report highlighted major concerns with the structure and external fabric of the building and evidence of rot.

The tenement comprises three

ground floor commercial units and five residential flats, with eight separate owners who have formed an owners' association.

The owners appointed a conservation accredited design team who inspected, surveyed, researched and investigated the building, including a specialist timber decay inspection to establish the extent of required rot works to the roof structure and top floor flats.

With the approval of the grant, repairs to the prominent building including essential structural repairs and enhancements to roof timbers, rot works, slated roof works, leadwork, stonework, chimney repairs and repairs to rainwater goods works, will begin in the autumn.

## Fly tipping on quay causes stink

PEOPLE who dump rubbish such as babies' nappies in a skip on Campbeltown's old quay may be exposed by CCTV.

At a meeting of Campbeltown Community Council (CCC), on Tuesday evening, Councillor John Armour said that a skip on the quay was being used by fly tippers.

He added that when the bin was full items such as disposable nappies have been dumped alongside and the CCTV which was broken had been fixed.

Members of the council said that the fly tipping was probably occurring because people's bins were full long before they were collected every three

weeks. CCC secretary Alasdair MacPhail said that in his close bins were often full after two weeks.

'How much money has three-weekly bin collection saved the council?' CCC member Jim Martin asked Mr Armour.

He replied: 'Regarding costs I do not have that information.'



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## Editorial Rules and regulations

MANY people complain about seemingly over-zealous rules and regulations.

And there is no doubt that taken individually many environmental health, planning and trading standards rules seem over authoritative.

An example might be the selling of fruit or vegetables. In fruit shops even individual bananas are weighed although oranges might be sold at 30p each.

A bag of oranges is usually weighed and for that to happen a set of standardised scales are used. Weights and measures are an important part of retail life to ensure that customers get what they pay for.

It always seems that bigger businesses, which are perceived to have more money, can meet every challenging rule. Equally in Kintyre, as everywhere, there are many small operators who comply and are successful.

To claim as one business owner did this week that they did not have time to comply with the rules is no excuse when others have to abide by the regulations.

It is completely unrealistic to expect a council to apply some discretion to one business and not to another.

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## GERS figures flawed

Sir,

Brian Gee, *Courier* letters September 1, raises again a subject that we have already 'discussed' in your columns at length, namely the Government Expenditure and Review Scotland (GERS) data produced to show how well or how badly the Scottish economy is performing.

The GERS figures are used by some commentators to show that Scotland is unable to meet all of its own costs and is subsidised by the rest of the UK.

I have argued in your columns that this is incorrect and that in fact GERS doesn't and can't tell us anything meaningful about how the Scottish economy performs, under the Union and far less what it would be like if Scotland were an independent country managing its own finances.

I previously quoted Professor Richard J Murphy in support of my arguments for instance in Letters March 24.

Prof Murphy has discovered a flaw in the GERS methodology that explains why Scotland seems to be doing so badly.

The flaw relates to mistakes in how GERS uses the accruals accounting system.

GERS describes spending in Scotland, roughly 60 per cent being spending devolved to the Scottish government.

There is also spending by the UK government for Scotland, including defence and the cost of the civil service, but spent elsewhere in the UK, not in Scotland itself.

These costs are re-

## Down memory lane



Earlier this year regular *Courier* reader Ronnie Gay from Dunoon sent in some pictures of the float parades from the past. These were from the days when he worked at the Jaeger factory. The *Courier* would be interested in putting names to the faces in Ronnie's photograph featured this week.

corded as Scottish.

Under the accruals accounting system used in GERS, costs and revenues should be matched, but the tax paid as a result of spending for Scotland doesn't appear to be credited to the Scottish tax account. Instead it's credited where the activity takes place.

For example, a share of spending on the civil service in London is charged to Scotland in GERS, but the revenue is counted against south east England.

If GERS was to present a true picture of Scotland's income and spending then not only should the costs be charged to Scotland but so too should the tax income resulting from them be credited to Scotland.

At present, the income side of GERS is very substantially understated. Given that GERS was set up by a Conservative government to show that the rest of the UK subsidises Scotland, we now know how this is done — misuse of accruals accounting.

GERS is serious-

ly flawed. The 'deficit' and the '£1750 per head subsidy' are the result of faulty accounting.

We need better ways of establishing our true financial situation, and when we get them we'll undoubtedly discover that we're actually rather well off and more than able to stand on our own feet as a nation.

**William Crossan,  
Campbeltown.**

## Where have the traffic wardens gone?

Sir

Longrow South has become an obstacle course between the hours of 9am to 5pm daily.

Both sides of the road are marked with a single yellow line, according to the Highway Code this is defined as 'parking or waiting at the roadside is prohibited at certain times of day, the exact times vary by area and are indicated by signs at the roadside.'

The sign on Longrow South indicates that

parking is restricted Monday to Saturday, 9am - 6pm.

Parking in this area should only be used for pick up, drop off or loading and unloading for a maximum of 10 minutes.

Larger vehicles, such as buses and lorries, have become increasingly obstructed by illegally parked vehicles.

If traffic wardens are not going to enforce these issues, surely the local police can drive past every few hours to monitor the situation, there is also a CCTV camera in Main Street which can be positioned to cover the Longrow South area.

A traffic warden used to make sporadic visits to the town but has not been seen recently in the area.

**Name and address  
supplied.**

## Speeding through Musadale

Sir,

I live adjacent to the A83 in a 40 mph area and can watch the traf-

fic whilst doing the crossword of a morning!

In recent weeks a large number of motorcyclists have passed in both directions, sometimes several at a time.

What has been very noticeable is that, without exception, they have adhered to the speed limit for which the residents offer thanks. This is unlike other users.

I estimate that 50 per cent of cars, 40 per cent of HGV vehicles and 100 per cent of white vans exceed the speed limit, occasionally the 60 mph limit as well.

The only time there is a 100 per cent adherence is on the few occasions in the year when the police are outside the shop with a radar gun, and for 10 minutes after they've gone.

Between Tarbet and Tarbert every settlement with a speed restriction has it reinforced with a flashing warning to vehicles exceeding it.

For the three restricted areas between Tar-

bert and Campbeltown, Clachan, Muasdale and Kilchenzie there is no such provision.

Is this simply because of the relatively recent trunk road extension from Kennacraig and they will be installed in due course?

Perhaps our newly elected councillor, Alistair Redman, could investigate.

**Tony Williams,  
Grumpy Old Man,  
Muasdale.**

## National eye health week

Sir,

National eye health week runs next week from September 18 to 20.

Diabetes Scotland and RNIB Scotland are joining forces to highlight the single biggest cause of preventable sight loss among working-age people in Scotland — diabetic retinopathy.

This disease occurs when blood vessels in the eye leak or become blocked. But if detected in time through diabetic retinopathy screening, which is a special eye exam different to the one at an opticians, this condition can be treated to prevent further damage.

There are more than 291,000 people living with diabetes in Scotland. It is vital that people with diabetes understand the importance of getting their eyes examined regularly.

Left untreated, retinopathy can lead to permanent visual impairment or even blindness.

Don't lose sight of what's important.

**Jane-Claire Judson,  
Diabetes Scotland.  
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## Bellochantuy Farm Stall

Sir,  
I was both sad and angry to learn that the Farm Stall at Bellochantuy has shut possibly due to environmental health restrictions.

This shop has been such a blessing to the Kintyre community and a beacon of hope to local entrepreneurs wanting to do something innovative.

The shop is lovely and they have improved the appearance of the village with the playground and farm animals.

I sincerely hope this ridiculous decision will be overturned forthwith and common sense, so lacking in the UK these days, will prevail and we can enjoy the delicious home produce on offer there once more.

**Mrs N Galbraith,  
30 Cara View,  
Tayinloan.**

## Healthy food

Sir,  
I would like to add my voice to the uproar about the closure of Bellochantuy Farm Shop.

This is a local business providing healthy food. It is an absolute disgrace as is not allowing Gigha school children to have full-fat whole milk.

Do Argyll and Bute council not understand country living? Are we only supposed to obtain food from supermarkets?

**Jan Donaldson,  
Garden Cottage,  
Tayinloan.**

For more on the reasons Bellochantuy Farm Stall has ceased trading see page three.

## Gigha shop has had no works

Sir,  
I would like to clarify that as the tenant for four years of the village shop on Gigha, that the Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust has not spent money of any note on works to the

shop. Prior to our family assuming the lease the trust had invested significant sums in renovating the residential flat above the shop for which we and any potential tenants of the future should be and, indeed are, grateful.

These works took place around five years ago.

And furthermore had no bearing on the finance available to Achamore gardens. Indeed had the previous head gardener not resigned there would likely still be gardeners at Achamore.

**Joe Teale,  
Gigha shop.**

## Campbeltown Community Business Limited

Sir,  
Next Monday, September 18 will be the 30th anniversary of the incorporation of Campbeltown Community Business Limited (CCB).

CCB would like to take this opportunity to thank all those many people who have been involved in running this enterprise, both directors and employees.

All have played an important part in bringing CCB to the point where it is nearly ready to unveil a new national treasure, Campbeltown Picture House, to not only the people of Kintyre, but also nationwide to Scotland and the wider world.

**Jane Mayo,  
CCB Chairman,  
High Askomil,  
Campbeltown.**

## Ferry plea to CalMac

Sir,  
I have asked CalMac to give reassurance to the people of Campbeltown that next year's ferry service will be much improved on 2017.

I would not want a ferry running when the weather is unsuitable but we know the

ferry we have only runs occasionally as it would not be insured to go out, due to its age, in weather that actually is a Scottish summer.

The staff are excellent, the timetable poor but Campbeltown needs the ferry to bring tourists to this beautiful place and also to bring fam-

ilies together, without the sometimes arduous journey, where we can have roads closed, the ferry is an essential to keeping Campbeltown accessible.

I ask please for this reassurance, to give us all confidence for the next years tourist season.

**Heather Wallace,  
Campbeltown.**

## Tide is turning for offshore wind power

RENEWABLE energy companies have announced this week that, for the first time in the UK, offshore wind energy will be cheaper than electricity generated from nuclear power.

The cost of government subsidies towards new offshore wind farms has halved since 2015 when the last bid for clean energy projects took place.

This year, two Scottish renewable firms have been awarded 15-year contracts, and they said they were willing to build offshore wind farms for a guaranteed price of £57.50 per megawatt hour, 50 per cent lower than the average £117.14 per megawatt hour two years ago.

A spokesperson for Kintyre wind turbine manufacturer CS Wind UK, which this week built its first ever large-scale offshore tower, said: 'The announcement means that both onshore and offshore wind are cheaper for the consumer than gas and nuclear power.'

'A strong and clearly visible pipeline for the future of both on and offshore wind site development is essential for the CS Wind UK factory and we welcome this news.'

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### WEDDING



#### COWAN - JIMÉNEZ-FERNÁNDEZ

John & Lesley Cowan of Oatfield House, Campbeltown, are delighted to announce the marriage of their daughter, Dr Mairi Elizabeth Cowan with Dr Eduardo Jiménez-Fernández, son of José-María Jiménez-Román & Manuela Fernández-Sánchez, of Ciudad Real, Spain, at Carberry Tower, Musselburgh, on the 28th May, this year.

## View from Westminster: Brendan O'Hara

THE WESTMINSTER parliament reconvened last week after its summer recess and already, sadly my fond memories of sunny Spanish beaches and family outings to Kilmartin glen are becoming increasingly distant.

For MPs, it has been straight back down to business as Brexit and the unfolding UK chaos of the UK trying to legally disentangle itself from the EU begins in earnest.

And I have absolutely no doubt that Brexit will dominate this parliament like no single issue has ever done before in peacetime.

And that the outcome will be chaotic.

That is because the government is trying to do something that has never been done before; and it is trying to do it with negligible planning or preparation.

So we face the prospect of the Westminster parliament being bogged down for weeks on end debating and discussing the EU

Withdrawal Bill, after which interminable line-by-line scrutiny on the minutiae of the Bill by the Brexit Select Committee will follow.

At the same time, the UK's ill-prepared ministers will be being tied in knots during protracted negotiations with an increasingly emboldened EU.

Fortunately we in Scotland know that being in government doesn't have to be this way, as our first minister proved last week when she unveiled the radical and ambitious programme for (Scotland's) government.

She laid out a programme, the highlights of which will see an end to the pay-cap on our public sector workers, recognising their contribution to the health and welfare of our nation:

The extension of free personal care for those in need under the age of 65;

The creation of a Scottish National Investment Bank, dedicated to investing in our economy and infrastructure;

An ambitious car-



Argyll and Bute MP Brendan O'Hara.

bon emission reductions target and making it easier to switch to non-polluting vehicles;

A bottle and can recycling scheme to take harmful waste out of our environment;

Brand new social security powers, with dignity and respect at its core; one tailored to Scotland's specific needs.

While the government at Westminster sinks into a mess of its own making.

We are fortunate that Scotland's government is getting on with the day job for our public-sector and low-paid workers, the sick, vulnerable and the elderly, our economy, our students and of course, our precious environment.

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# Store your Boat for

## Laying your boat up for the winter

BOAT owners are starting to plan their winter lay up now as the 2017 season is coming to a close. Many will be hoping for an Indian summer given the main boating season has been very wet.

With yard space at a premium on the west coast, it pays to book in early for your craft. If not already booked, contact your preferred yard now and work to the haul out timings set by the yard. Usually the yard takes care of everything needed and has various rules re mast removal and storage. Some yards offer undercover facilities

and these also need to be booked early since demand for this is high.

It is also time to think about any work needed on the boat especially if it is to be done by your chosen yard team.

To maintain your craft in a good, seaworthy condition, a good programme of winter lay-up maintenance is essential. Preparation at this stage will pay dividends for speedy fitting out next spring.

Some key areas need to be considered in laying up your boat, some depending on whether it is a sail or motor boat –

- **Keel, hull, topsides, deck, cockpit**
- **Freezing damage prevention**
- **Interior**

- **Sails**
- **Rigging**
- **Engine/Batteries/Electrics**
- **Safety Equipment**

Many owners will carry out most winter lay up tasks themselves so a quick basic check list should be made up and worked through. A general list of equipment should include - roll of duct tape, clean cotton rags, adjustable and plumbing wrenches, full tool set, oil and filters, petroleum jelly, boat wax, polishing machine and boat and equipment manuals.

### Keel/hull/topsides/deck/cockpit

Pressure washing the hull on lift out removes fouling and prepares the surface for new anti-fouling in the spring. The yard normally does this on lift out. The cleaned hull can be inspected for any damage and repairs carried out as required depending on weather and temperature conditions.

A first overview is of the general condition of keel/hull/topsides/decks and fittings after the season's wear and tear. Check keelbolts, any play in the rudder/cutlass bearings and the prop-shaft and for any cracks in the hull and keel. A good wash down of the whole boat and a protective wax on the topsides gives protection over the winter and makes fitting out easier in spring. Thoroughly clean cockpit and touch up any paint or woodwork here and on deck if the weather is good. Covering the boat is preferable when stored

outside but make sure covers are well secured, allow for ventilation and watch for chafing at regular intervals. Some yards will shrink wrap. Equally, make sure your cradle, trailer or support legs are secure and the trim of the boat is slightly bow up to make sure water won't run forward and puddle in places it shouldn't. Remove speed transducer impellers before lift out so there will be no damage from hoist straps. Regular inspection over the winter is important in case cockpit drains get blocked by leaves/debris and water builds up.

### Prevention of freezing damage – water systems

Work to prevent any freezing damage and the prevention of water damage is essential. Boat manuals should give an idea of pipe work runs. Starting with 'plumbing' systems – anything that holds or carries water ie pipes and tanks, pumps and strainers must be fully drained – pumped dry if necessary. Flush water systems through with a water sanitizer first. Flush heads through, drain and lubricate disconnecting hoses to allow them to 'breathe'. Drain down any water heaters or calorifiers. Flush seacocks through to remove salt build up and grease. Remove the barrels from traditional style seacocks to prevent them seizing.

### Interior

A clean up of the boat's interior is really important for winter lay up. Some owners choose to remove as much equipment as possible and take home and store. Clear plastic stack boxes are good to allow inspection of contents which should all be cleaned before packing – these can easily be brought back

to the boat in the spring. Berth cushions and soft furnishings in particular are susceptible to mould over the winter and will benefit from being cleaned and stored at home. Installing a de-humidifier and heater will also keep the interior warm and dry. Washing the interior thoroughly including lockers, bilges, cookers and toilets with a weak bleach mixture will prevent mould. Always ventilate the boat well and do any touch up work inside when weather permits. Check gas systems on board are up to standard with a gas engineer. Now is a good time to check fire extinguishers and replace as necessary in the spring.

### Sails

These are the powerhouse of the sailing craft so keep them in good condition. Check over and seek advice on all aspects of sail maintenance and repair from your local sail loft. If you need new sails this is a good time to place an order. Many lofts offer a discount during September. Sail cleaning is sometimes offered and even storage. Storing at home must be in a dark, warm well-ventilated area away from rodents.

### Standing and Running rigging

With rigging and deck equipment under huge loads, it's essential to keep an eye on wear and replace as required. Check sheaves, swages, split-pins and spreader mounts for corrosion. Wash everything with fresh water. Substitute halyards with messenger lines to aid longevity. Inspect for chafe and wash and dry halyards/sheets before storing in a dry place. With the mast down, check masthead instrumentation and masthead blocks are running freely. Remove anchors and chain and store on a pallet below

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# the winter



for next season. The RNLI offers a safety check on boats and safety equipment. Clean and repair dinghy tenders, storing partially inflated. Life rafts should be removed and serviced by an authorised centre. Expert advice on any issue with your boat is on hand from your local boat-yard operator, service engineer, chandler or sail-maker if there's anything you're unsure about. These are the experts so don't hesitate to ask if you need to. Once the boat is laid up safely with all maintenance in hand, owners can relax and enjoy planning the boating season for 2018.

the boat washing first with fresh water to remove salt and dirt. Service anchor winches and check over chain links and shackles for wear. If the weather is good this is an ideal time to paint out the anchor locker for the spring.

### Engines, Batteries, Electrics

Both inboard and outboard engines need to be prepared for winter with an oil change as standard. New oil prevents internal corrosion and protects the engine standing over the winter. Boat manuals will help in this regard or get the yard to do this important work.

Flush the outboard through with fresh water. Replace fresh cooling water with antifreeze/water mix. Remove the impeller and plug the air and exhaust outlet with an oil soaked rag. Fill fuel tank to prevent condensation and add a biocide. Change filters as required and bleed system for next season. Change engine and gearbox oil and make a note of the date of change.

### Safety Equipment

A complete overhaul of lifejackets, harnesses and safety gear should be carried out replacing anything that looks suspect. Lifejackets can be stored partially inflated over the winter. Check bottles for corrosion and replace as required. Kits are available from chandlers. Flare packs should be kept in a dry area – check for out of date flares and replace

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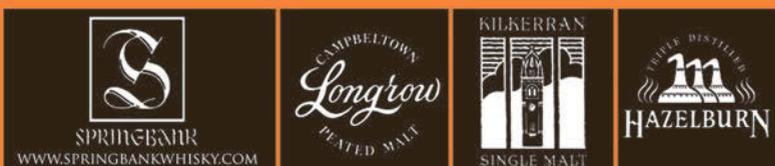
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An octet of the world's best pipers will have tuned up for tomorrow's 18th Springbank Invitational.

At the Kintyre Piping Society (KPS) event, from 10am, in the Seafield hotel, they will be trying to impress the competition's three judges and a Fear-an-Tighe said to be second to none.

The pipers will again be competing for the the McFadyens Transport Limited trophy for 6/8 March by local composers.

In his introductory notes KPS president John Lang Brown said: 'We are delighted with the continuing involvement of Springbank distillery, as our main

sponsor and are highly indebted to them and their managing director Hedley Wright.

'Thanks also for the help we receive from all our other sponsors and supporters.

'We are delighted that Mrs McFadyen and distillery manager Findlay Ross will present the prizes at the competition's close.'

Entry into the competition is at the discretion of the KPS committee and each competitor submits six tunes for Pìobaireachd, four tunes, each of their own choice for March, Strathspey and Reel and two tunes for hornpipe and jig and 6/8 March for local composers.

This year's pipers are:



2016 winner Willie McCallum.

William McCallum, Roderick J MacLeod MBE, Angus MacColl, Iain Spiers, Callum Beaumont, Alasdair Henderson, Gordon McCready and Glenn Brown.

They will be judged by: PM Iain Morrison, Iain McFadyen and Commander John Wilson. The Fear-an-Tighe is Alan Forbes.

Willie McCallum has appeared in every Springbank Invitational since its inception and has won the overall prize nine times.

Roddy MacLeod was appointed MBE in 2003 and has won all piping's major prizes.

Angus MacColl was young piper of the year 1986, teaches piping in Oban schools and set up the Oban High School Pipe Band in 2006.

Iain Spiers was taught to play by Jack D. Crichton, his father Tom, himself a gold medallist and his grandfather Jock, pipe major of the London Scot-

tish and Johnnie Walker pipe bands.

Callum Beaumont took up the chanter aged seven. At 12-years-old he joined the Grade one Lothian and Borders police band and has won three world championships.

Alasdair Henderson, from Dunoon, has taught at piping schools across Europe, USA and Canada and is much demand as a recitalist.

Gordon McCready is a Police Scotland detective and was three times winner of the World pipe band championships with the Field Marshal Montgomery Pipe Band.

Piping is in Canadian Glenn Brown's blood and he still lists his mother Gail Brown, who taught him, as one of his favourite pipers. One of his biggest role models is Willie McCallum with whom he has been taking lessons since 2001.

Entry is £10 for adults and free for under 18s.

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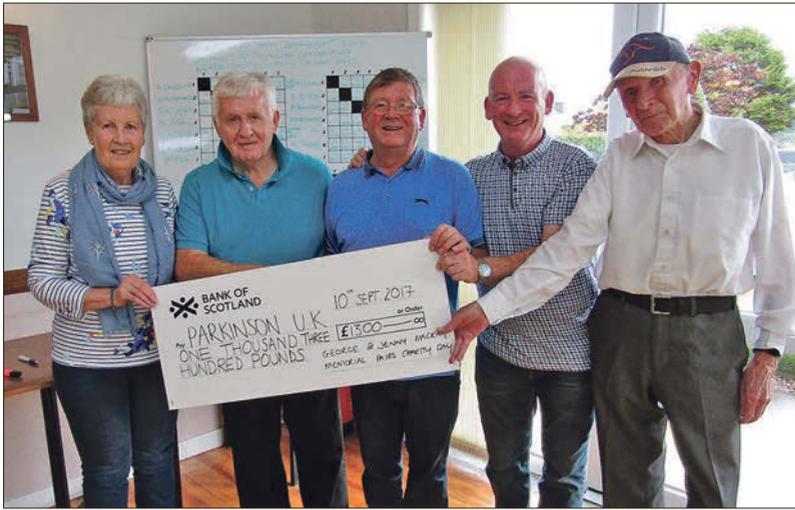
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Catherine McGougan, Archie Smith, Alistair Mackay, Jimmy Anderson and Alistair Munro with the cheque for Parkinson's.



Martha Rennie and Fiona Smith behind the baking stall. 50\_c37stronvaar04

# Stronvaar bowls Parkinson's fun



Most of the players who competed, wearing blue to represent Parkinson's.

## Words and pictures HANNAH O'HANLON

AN EIGHT-YEAR-OLD Campbeltown bowler took part in his first ever competition on Sunday.

Ryan Johnston competed in Campbeltown Bowling Club's George and Jenny Mackay charity pairs in aid of Parkinson's, alongside Bobby Dalziel.

For the spectators and players not in action on Stronvaar green there were burgers, hot dogs and lentil soup for sale in the clubhouse, as well as home baking and a raffle.

Also on sale were light bottles made by Louise Mackay and her father Alistair, whose grandparents

and parents respectively, the contest commemorated.

Despite the day's inclement weather, most of the competition, which is sponsored by The Whisky Shop, took place outside and only the final, between Jimmy Anderson and Alistair Munro and Catherine McEachran and Peter Colville, had to be moved indoors.

Ultimately Jimmy and Alistair clinched the title, but young Ryan was presented with a box of chocolates to congratulate him on his success in his first competition.

Around £1,300 was raised on the day, and was donated to Campbeltown's Parkinson's group.



Jimmy Anderson in action. 50\_c37stronvaar07



Alistair Mackay and Catherine McEachran bowl in unison. 50\_c37stronvaar08



Ladies' captain Lorraine Brodie bowls. 50\_c37stronvaar09

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Louise Mackay sold hand decorated light bottles at the competition in memory of her grandparents. 50\_c37stronvaar05



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Janet MacIntyre, Shona Anderson, Janice Anderson and Catherine Mackay took a turn to help in the kitchen. 50\_c37stronvaar06



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Eight-year-old Ryan Johnston rolls as his great-uncle Peter Colville dries his bowl behind him. 50\_c37stronvaar11

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# Peering into the history of Dalintober's quay

A PIER constructed when Dalintober was a village separated from Campbeltown by the sea has caused waves among experts of Kintyre's history.

Back in August, the volunteer leader of a Campbeltown Heritage Trail Group free historic walking tour said that Dalintober's pier was built so its fishermen could avoid paying the landing fees at Campbeltown's Old Quay, which had more than 450 registered fishing boats at its peak.

## Erroneous

This spawned a letter from a resident in his 80s who claimed this was erroneous and that the pier was constructed in the 19th century by distillers.

He stated that Campbeltown Town Council was charging dues for the grain coming in and on exports of barrels of whisky leaving from Campbeltown's old quay.

The following week the tour leader accepted his error in another letter and said that he would amend his notes.

He may have to amend his notes again as the *Courier* can reveal that neither is correct.

According to the Kintyre Civic Society's authoritative 392-page historical account 'The Campbeltown Book,' the laird of Saddell developed the pier.

The information, in its 2003 publication, is on pages 220 to 221 in

the chapter titled: 'The Shaping of Campbeltown, 1600-2000,' by Christine Richards.

After the building of the old quay in Campbeltown, ordered by the Dowager Duchess of Argyll in the early years of the 18th century, the laird did not want to be outdone.

## Ingenious

In the book it is stated thus: 'The Laird of Saddell, whose land at Dalintober lay well outwith the Burgh, devised an ingenious scheme (scam?) for its private development.'

'Taking a leaf out of Edinburgh's current book he initiated a 'New Town'.

'...and in 1766 (he) offered feus to any takers prepared to sponsor the building and main-



The current pier at Dalintober which Argyll and Bute council has declared a dangerous structure.

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tenance of his new 'Peer' in return for the 'liberty of landing and shipping goods thereat or at any other part of the open shore of Dalintober without being liable to the Superior in payment of any toll, custome or duty whatsoever'.

'Incensed by this attempt to undermine its chartered monopoly, the town council soon ordered him to 'desist from any further encroachment' on the shores of Campbeltown Loch, and threatened legal steps to declare his pier the

property of the Bur-

row. 'The matter was not legally settled in its favour until 1844 in the run-up to the Campbeltown Act of 1846.'

The Kintyre Civic Society was dissolved in April 2012 when members could not be

found for its committee.

The organisation printed about 1,000 copies of the hardcover book in two print runs but it is now long out of print. There are three copies in the reference section at Campbeltown library.

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## Making homes warmer for winter

A CHARITABLE energy efficiency organisation is hotting up to run a series of affordable winter warmth sessions in Kintyre.

In preparation for the colder months Argyll Lomond and the Islands Energy Agency (ALIenergy) is running a 'But It's Not Winter' campaign in Kintyre during the last two weeks in September.

The meetings will promote energy efficiency and affordable warmth awareness so people can begin to implement changes to make their homes

warmer for winter.

The campaign is supported by Renewable Energy Systems (RES), with their staff volunteering their time to join ALIenergy's energy champion team.

### Drop in service

A spokesperson for ALIenergy said: 'We'd like to strengthen our partnerships with organisations working in Kintyre by offering a drop-in service and have available times and dates to offer advice drop-ins at different venues.'

'We are booked in with Kintyre Youth

Enquiry Services on September 27, from 12pm to 2pm and Kintyre Link Club, in the Community Education Centre, the next day at 11am.

'If any groups are interested in letting us attend their office, venue or club please get in touch.'

'We can offer one-to-one advice as well as a workshop outlining top tips for energy efficiency and affordable warmth.'

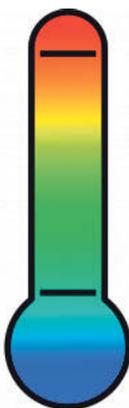
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## Fuel poverty and health

FUEL poverty can have a devastating effect on people's physical and emotional health.

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Below 16°C, increased risk of respiratory disorders  
Below 12°C, increased blood pressure and viscosity, puts a strain on the cardiovascular system  
Below 9°C, after two or more hours, deep body temperature falls, risk of hypothermia



## Diver discovered

ISLAY'S lifeboat crew was scrambled to join a search for a diver missing off Jura's east coast.

The *Helmut Schroder of Dunlossit II* launched at 1pm last Thursday September 7 and arrived near Nine Foot Rock, east of Lowlandman's Bay, at 1.45pm.

A coastguard rescue helicopter had already located the diver who made his way to shore and was assisted, up the steep and rocky hill, by the local coastguards. The lifeboat with her crew of seven returned to the station at 3.30pm.



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Band member Phil Onslow played bass guitar. 50\_c37freechurch05



Singer songwriter Alex MacDonald was a Free Church minister for almost 40 years. 50\_c37freechurch01



Classically trained singer and pianist Cailean Morison performed two solo songs. 50\_c37freechurch03

# Free Church fundraiser rocks the Wee Toon

**Words and pictures**  
**HANNAH O'HANLON**

A FREE Church minister, whose long hair and beard was once considered 'outrageous' rocked Campbeltown for charity last weekend.

Singer songwriter Alex MacDonald, who has been playing guitar and writing and performing songs since his teens and was a minister for almost 40 years, performed his own compositions as well as songs written

by friends to a packed audience.

Scottish folk rock performer Alex was joined on stage by classically trained singer and pianist Cailean Morison and bass guitar player Phil Onslow.

Song topics, told from Alex's particular perspective as a Christian, included running away from home, the Highland Clearances, moving to new lands and feeling lost, not only physically, but

emotionally and spiritually.

A special song, Shepherd's Song, telling the story of Mr MacDonald's parents' life – particularly his father's – was performed.

Another told the story of how the word 'Eternity' came to be written on Sydney Harbour Bridge as part of the millennium celebrations, and that it was all down to one illiterate former soldier, Arthur Stace, who was a petty criminal and alcoholic

before discovering Christianity in the late 1940s.

During the set, Alex and Phil had a break and Cailean took centre stage, performing two songs about the healing powers of faith.

Throughout the evening Alex shared anecdotes and tales about how he came to write his stories.

He is well qualified to talk about religion, having studied theology at the Free Church College after

philosophy and psychology at Edinburgh University.

At first his rock style got him into bother, but he eventually gained respectability and became the Free Church moderator, preaching before the Queen at Crathie.

Entry to the event was by donation at the door, with the £350 raised to be split between Kintyre charity Shopper-Aide and Christian relief agency Tearfund's South Asia Floods Appeal.



Alex MacDonald was joined on stage by two of his band members, Cailean Morison and Phil Onslow. 50\_c37freechurch02

There was barely a free seat as the audience packed into the Free Church. 50\_c37freechurch04

# Mull of Kintyre memorie



**Drummer Tommy Blue pours a glass of Prosecco for his daughter KSPB pipe major Julie Blue.** 25\_c37mokband02



**The band members, their relatives and friends.** 25\_c37mokband40

**Exclusive words and pictures  
MARK DAVEY**

LIKE MIST rolling in from the sea a group of legendary bagpipers and drummers slowly assembled for a special Campbeltown 40th anniversary. Surrounded by Begonias, the bronze statue of Linda McCartney sat silent as the joyous anthem, Mull of Kintyre, filled Shore Street's memorial garden last Saturday afternoon.

The surviving members of Campbeltown Pipe Band, who played on Paul McCartney and Denny Laine's hit Mull of Kintyre, 1977's Christmas number one, reconvened for the first time since a 1979 Glasgow Apollo gig.

Furthest travelled, from

Melbourne, Australia, was also the youngest, drummer Jimmy McGeachy, 55, 14 at the time the song was recorded, in one take, at High Park Farm, in the summer of 1977.

Archie Coffield, from Newbury, flew from Southampton to join the other members who still stay in Kintyre.

Surviving members unable to attend were: Davie Mclvor from Aberdeen, John McCallum from Canada, Davie Hastie from Islay, former RAF musician Des Martin and Neil McDonald.

The musicians were watched by many family members including sons, daughters and grandchildren and a couple of tourists who heard the pipes and investigated.

Many who filmed, on phones and cameras, as the band performed the song twice, admitted

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**As the band played non-playing members filmed the event.** 25\_c37mokband14

# es at hit song's reunion



John McGeachy, Tommy Blue, Peter McCallum and Ian McCallum supped beer as well as sparkling wine. 25\_c37mokband05



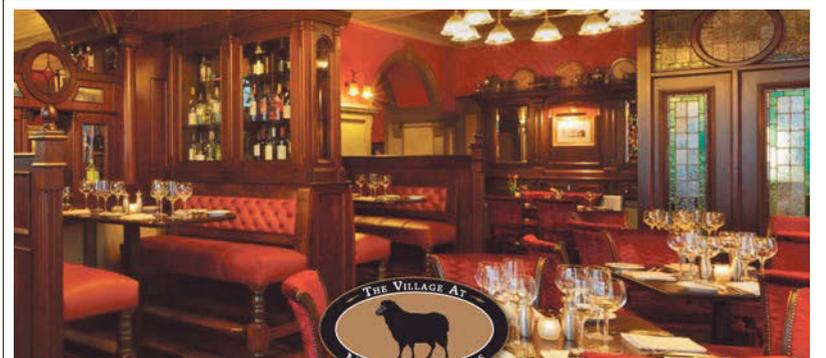
Relatives and grandchildren watched before the band convened. 25\_c37mokband13

to finding the occasion very emotional. Current KSPB pipe major Julie Blue watched as her father Tommy played the bass drum.  
 Ian Campbell said: 'Originally the song was recorded in one take with seven pipers and seven drummers.  
 'Virtually the whole band played for the video recorded on Saddell beach.'  
 John McGeachy added: 'It was great at the time. I had just turned 21 and there was lots of spin offs and trips to London.'  
 Jimmy McGeachy emigrated to Australia in 1989, where he works in sales and keeps his hand in as a drummer in a Melbourne covers band the Fatcats.  
 'Paul last played in Melbourne in 1993 and he invited me to the party afterwards. Linda was there and it was a great night.

'He will be back there this year too in December. 'The last time I was in Campbeltown was four-and-a-half years ago for my dad's 80th.'  
 John Brown said: 'I last saw Paul out on the street in Campbeltown eight years ago. He was in great form and pleased to be speaking with one of the band. The last time we performed Mull of Kintyre, in a concert as a band was at the Glasgow Apollo in 1979.  
 'It was a two-night show and the first night they had a solo piper. On the second night we were at the front of the stage and the band called us up.'  
 Surprisingly, although most of the band remain in Kintyre, this was the most complete reunion since those heady 1970s' years.  
 Paul McCartney was invited but was unable to attend.



The playing members about to launch into the song were from left: Tommy Blue, Ian Campbell, Jimmy McGeachy, Ian McKerral, John McGeachy and John Brown. 25\_c37mokband19



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Shedders: Allan, Les, and Alfie with, in the centre, organiser Ian McVicar in blue.

## Wee Toon winter has arrived at men's shed

THE CAMPBELTOWN Men's Shed is fully aware that 'Winter is Coming' and is preparing.

It might be just September but already various Christmas-themed items are rolling off the production line including a lifesize snowman and two reindeer.

### Lucky

'We were asked to come up with some things for the Senior's Forum, so Brian

and I thought these seemed like fun,' said Les Morans. 'We are lucky enough to be nominated by Tesco for their Bags of Help fund so the more people who put blue coins in our box, the more things we can make.'

The Shed is usually open from 9.30am - 2pm Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Old Police Station. Call 01586 554744 for further information.

# Pupils run the show at school coffee morning

GLENBARR pupils manned the stalls at a school fundraiser.

With a little help from their parents, the children spent last Saturday morning encouraging members of the public to buy baking, bric-a-brac and raffle

and tombola tickets, while adults kept the tea and coffee flowing from the kitchen.

As well as that, visitors to the Red Cross hall event were able to guess the weight of the dumpling and the number of sweets

in the jar, and try to pick the lucky square.

Headteacher Lynn McMillan said: 'The amount raised was £608.35 which we are all delighted with and we all wish to thank everyone who came along and supported the school.'



Headteacher Lynn McMillan was helped out by her sister Bryony Galbraith and her mum Lorna Galbraith. 50\_c37glenbarr03



Connor McCue, 10, and Henny Jones, 8, behind the raffle stall. 50\_c37glenbarr01



Alistair McArthur, 10, helped sell baking. 50\_c37glenbarr02



Sarah Campbell, Margaret Sinclair and Fiona Armour worked hard behind the scenes. 50\_c37glenbarr04

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## You'll be knocked out seeing this hypnotist

A COMEDY hypnotist who says: 'See the show or be the show' could curb the Masonic club's profits with a few suggestions about drink.

Richard Roberts takes to

the stage at St John's 141 recreational club next Saturday September 23 and the doors to the audience's mind opens at 7pm.

Tickets are £10 from the lodge bar.

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# Union hosts talks with Argyll politicians

THE CONTINUING need to support active farming in Argyll in the wake of Brexit was just one of the points hammered home in a busy meeting between Scotland's farming union and Argyll politicians.

Dalmlally Community Hall was the venue on Monday September 4 for the discussion between National Farmers Union Scotland (NFUS) Argyll and the Islands regional board members and MSPs Donald Cameron, John Finnie and

Michael Russell along with Brendan O'Hara MP.

Each of the politicians opened by setting out their views on issues relating to agriculture and Brexit.

Negotiating trade deals that support Scottish produce was going to be crucial, said union representatives, particularly for the vulnerable sheep and beef sectors in Argyll.

The overriding message was that an area like Argyll will continue to need support payments in order

to ensure that active farmers and crofters continue to deliver a wide range of public benefits.

The union raised the issue of the cost of transporting milk off the Isle of Bute and the lack of ferry fare concessions for milk tankers, similar to that already given for transportation of livestock, hay and straw and live shellfish.

Union members also expressed 'disappointment' that the Scottish government did not accept the 'cost-neutral'

changes proposed by NFUS to the Scottish Upland Sheep Support Scheme (SUSSS).

After a recent spell of bad weather, hill farmers are significantly behind with silage making and gathering hill flocks in for weaning lambs.

NFUS members asked for the politicians' support in their call for an extension to the SUSSS application period for this year beyond the current deadline of October 16.

The growing numbers of wild geese across the

region were also under the spotlight. For areas like Islay and Tiree with significant populations of barnacle geese, crofters and farmers need a goose policy that continues to support their livelihoods when the impacts of geese are significant, according to the union.

Across both island and mainland areas of Argyll, greylag geese are also increasing in number, and NFUS would like to see this species added to the general licence for the control of birds.

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## SKIPNESS

## Pianists tinkle the ivories

A TRIO of pianists with Skipness connections are all keyed up for a three-hour charity concert.

The three will perform keyboard and accordion music from 2pm-5pm on Sunday afternoon in Skipness Village Hall to raise funds for the Meniere's Society charity.

A wide range of classical, rock, blues and jazz music will be played finishing with some traditional ceilidh music.

## Lives locally

The performers will be Derek Reid from the Borders, Jim Walker from the North of England and Gordon Hunter, who lives locally.

The Meniere's Socie-

ty is the UK's leading charity for people who suffer from dizziness, migraine and balance disorders of vestibular origin.

The society provides support and information to those affected by vestibular disorders and funds vital research into all aspects of these debilitating conditions.

Those attending will be encouraged to come and go as they wish to hear different parts of the performance.

There will be tea and fresh cream scones to buy and the aim is to achieve a relaxed atmosphere and raise much-needed funds for the Meniere's Society from donations at the

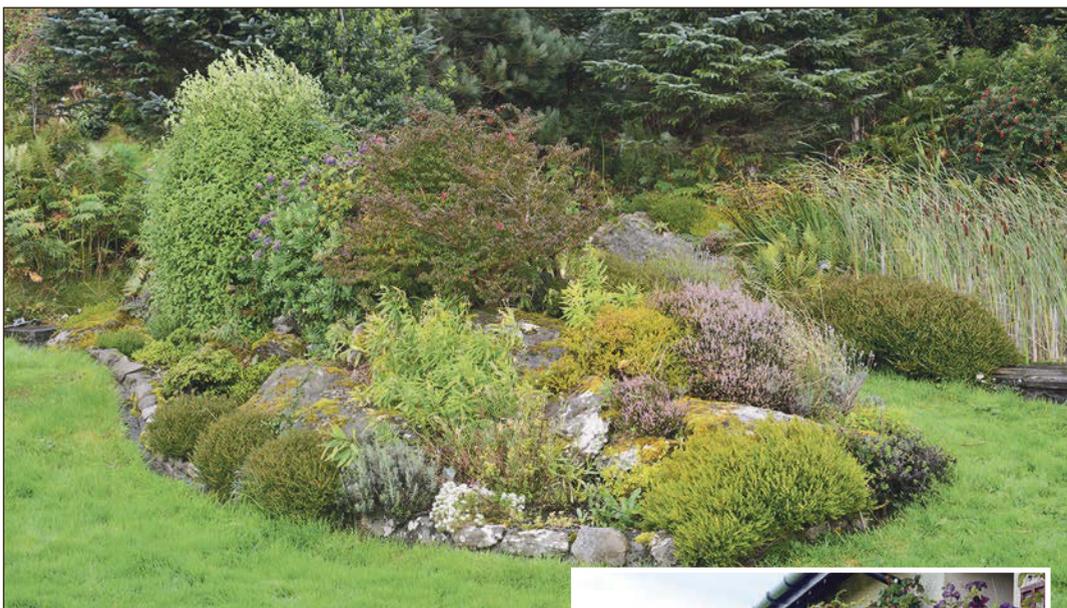
door. This year's concert follows the 2016 successful event in St Brendan's Church which raised £350 for Marie Curie cancer research and Skipness church funds by Mr Hunter, Liz Robertson and Jim Walker.

## Enjoyment

Mr Walker said: 'We are keen to put on this informal recital to provide enjoyment for those attending and to raise funds for research into Meniere's disease, which is very debilitating for those who suffer from this condition.'

For further information please contact: Jim Walker on 07803 183615 or email: jim-walker@talk21.com

## MUASDALE



One of the garden's many herbaceous borders.  
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## Muasdale seaside garden sparkles

THE MEMORY of a wartime evacuation from Glasgow to Carskief inspired the late Bill McCallum to create a unique Kintyre garden.

Last Sunday, his widow, Colleen McCallum, threw open its Muasdale gates for all comers to enjoy the striking vistas available from the avenues he planted.

In addition Mrs McCallum sold home baking and refreshments and collected more than £90 for the Mairi Semple Fund for Cancer Relief and Research.

The McCallums took possession of the green field site on which they built Stacan na Mara,

on Hallowe'en 1999, after moving to the village from Roy Bridge, north of Fort William.

Mrs McCallum said: 'We searched for seven years for a suitable bit of land by the sea.'

'People have been so generous, even people who did not come on Sunday have made donations.'

Initially the couple, who had run Roy Bridge camping and caravanning site, stayed in a tent before moving into a static caravan while they built their dream bungalow.

Once the house was completed the pair began work on the garden. Among other features Bill carved and



A bank of Hydrangea surrounds the house.  
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created a large pond from scratch which is still home to many large goldfish.

The natural features of craggy outcrops were used to good effect to border avenues of trees and shrubs. In addition, a number of zig zagging alpine-like

paths climb steeply above the lower garden shaded by many trees including pines and oaks.

Even in Sunday's heavy showers it was possible to appreciate Bill's vision, especially with the thought of sampling some baking.

## DRUMLEMBLE

## Drumlembie primary's maths morning

A MATHS taster lesson at Drumlembie primary saw enthusiastic parents and future pre-five children welcomed to the school.

The maths morning, on Monday, allowed all parents to feel more involved in their children's learning and gave them a better understanding of the school's maths teaching methods. Parents watched while pupils and teachers demonstrated a typical lesson using the computers and learning resources available within the classroom.

The children who will join the school's pre-five unit throughout the year were introduced to the school environment, helping to make them feel more at ease about joining the school.

Laurene McIntosh, head teacher, said: 'A fantastic morning was had by all and we were very pleased with the attendance.'



Future pre-fives enjoyed playing with the school's maths resources.

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Notice is hereby given that EDF Energy Renewables Limited, (company number 06456689 at registered address 40 Grosvenor Place, Victoria, London, SW1X 7EN) has applied to the Scottish Ministers for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct and operate a wind farm known as Airigh, approximately 8.4km south-west of Tarbert, Argyll and Bute (Central Grid Reference 176262, 665798). The installed capacity of the proposed generating station would be up to 58.8MW comprising up to 14 turbines with a maximum ground to blade tip height of 149.5 metres. The proposed development is subject to Environmental Impact Assessment and an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIA Report) has been produced. EDF Energy Renewables Limited has also applied for a direction under Section 57(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 that planning permission for the development be deemed to be granted. A copy of the application, with a plan showing the land to which it relates, together with a copy of the EIA Report discussing the Company's proposals in more detail and presenting an analysis of the environmental implications, are available for public inspection in person, free of charge, during normal office hours at:

Location	Opening Hours	Address
Argyll and Bute Council	Monday to Friday –9am to 12:30pm then 1:30pm to 4pm.	1A Manse Brae Lochgilphead PA31 8RD
Glenbarr Stores	Monday to Saturday – 7:30am to 5pm Sunday – 8am to 5pm	Glenbarr by Tarbert Argyll PA29 6UT
Tarbert Post Office	Monday to Saturday – 7am to 6pm Sunday – 7:30am to 4pm	Woods Newsagent Harbour Street Tarbert Argyll PA29 6UD
The Yot Spot	Monday to Saturday - 8am to 5pm Sunday - Closed	Pier Square Ardrishaig Argyll PA30 8DZ
Port Bàn Holiday Park	Monday to Sunday - 9am to 7pm	Kilberry, near Tarbert Argyll PA29 6YD

The EIA Report can also be viewed at the Scottish Government Library at Victoria Quay, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ; on the application website at <http://www.force9energy.com/projects/current/airigh> or at [www.energyconsents.scot](http://www.energyconsents.scot). Copies of the EIA Report may be obtained from Force 9 Energy (telephone: 0141 354 1410/email [info@force9energy.com](mailto:info@force9energy.com)) at a charge of £750.00 for a hard copy and £10 for a CD or USB pen drive copy. Copies of a short non-technical summary are available free of charge. Any representations to the application may be submitted via the Energy Consents Unit website at [www.energyconsents.scot/Register.aspx](http://www.energyconsents.scot/Register.aspx); by email to the Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit mailbox at [representations@gov.scot](mailto:representations@gov.scot); or by post to the Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw, Glasgow, G2 8LU, identifying the proposal and specifying the grounds for representation. Written or emailed representations should be dated, clearly stating the name (in block capitals), full return email and postal address of those making representations. Only representations sent by email to [representations@gov.scot](mailto:representations@gov.scot) will receive acknowledgement. All representations should be received not later than 22/10/17, although Ministers may consider representations received after this date. Any subsequent additional information which is submitted by the developer will be subject to further public notice in this manner, and representations to such information will be accepted as per such notice. As a result of a statutory objection from the relevant planning authority, or where Scottish Ministers decide to exercise their discretion to do so, Scottish Ministers can also cause a Public Local Inquiry (PLI) to be held. Following examination of the environmental information, Scottish Ministers will determine the application for consent in two ways:

- Consent the proposal, with or without conditions attached; or
- Reject the proposal

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The Scottish Government Energy Consents Unit processes consent applications and consultation representations under The Electricity Act 1989. During the process, to support transparency in decision making, the Scottish Government publishes online at [www.energyconsents.scot](http://www.energyconsents.scot). When making an email or paper representation you will automatically be opted in to its publication unless you choose to mark it as confidential. We may share your personal data with DPEA and local Planning Authorities but will not publish your personal data (e.g. your name and address) as this is removed beforehand in compliance with the Data Protection Act. Should you choose not to provide your personal data then your representation will only be considered by Scottish Ministers and not be shared for consideration with any other party. If you have any concerns about how your personal data is handled, please email us at: [Econsents\\_admin@gov.scot](mailto:Econsents_admin@gov.scot) or write to Energy Consents Unit, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw, Glasgow, G2 8LU

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For more information on the project, either come along to the events or contact our Community Liaison Manager:

**Neil Anderson**  
Community Liaison Manager  
Tel: **07500 912506**  
Email: [neil.anderson@sse.com](mailto:neil.anderson@sse.com)  
[www.ssen-transmission.co.uk/projects/inveraray-crossaig](http://www.ssen-transmission.co.uk/projects/inveraray-crossaig)

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**PLANNING**

These applications listed below together with other related documents may be inspected between 09:00-12.30 -13.30-16:00 hrs Monday to Friday at 1A Manse Brae Lochgilphead PA31 8RD, 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](http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk).

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (AS AMENDED), RELATED PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997**

Ref. No.	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
17/02254/PP	Erection of telecommunications equipment compound with 17 metres high lattice tower and associated works	Land North Of Drimlee Inveraray Argyll And Bute PA32 8XG	Sub Post Office Inveraray
17/02262/PP	Installation of deer fence (107 metres in length)	Land South Of Access To Duncholgan Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute	Mid Argyll Area Office
17/02126/LIB	Renovation of derelict former dairy/gunroom and privy to form dwellinghouse	Taynish House Tayvallich Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8PW	Mid Argyll Area Office
17/02179/PP	Alterations to roof height, re-roofing and installation of replacement windows to front and gable elevations	Battery Cottage Pier Road Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6UF	Sub Post Office Harbour Street Tarbert
17/02322/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse	Land North West Of Auchencorvie Cottages (Plot 1) Campbeltown Argyll And Bute	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
17/02323/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse	Land North West Of Auchencorvie Cottages (Plot 2) Campbeltown Argyll And Bute	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
17/02249/PP	Change of use of hairdresser (class 1) to cafe (class 3)	53 Lochnell Street Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8JL	Mid Argyll Area Office
17/02332/LIB	Installation of communal satellite dish on gable end	12 Arkland Inveraray Argyll And Bute PA32 8UD	Sub Post Office Inveraray
17/02333/PP	Erection of dwellinghouse, installation of septic tank and formation of vehicular access	Land North Of North Craigradh Tayinloan Tarbert Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Tayinloan
17/02134/PP	Refurbishment and change of use of derelict former dairy/gunroom to form dwellinghouse	Taynish House Tayvallich Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8PW	Mid Argyll Area Office
17/02155/LIB	Installation of 4no conservation style roof lights	15 Arkland Inveraray Argyll And Bute PA32 8UD	Sub Post Office Inveraray
17/02136/PP	Installation of replacement first floor amenity deck, removal and re-installation of access balconies and fabric repair works	22 - 26 Main Street And 2 - 8 Longrow South Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6AE	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

Written comments can be made to the above address or submitted online <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/find-and-comment-planning-applications> within 21 days of this advert. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence. Any letter of representation the Council receives is considered a public document and will be published on our website. Anonymous or marked confidential correspondence will not be considered. A weekly list of all applications can be viewed at all Area Offices, Council Libraries and on the Councils website.

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First-time buyers borrowed £1.1bn, up 29 per cent on the first quarter and 17 per cent on the second quarter last year. This totalled 9,500 loans, up 25 per cent quarter-on-quarter and 15 per cent year-on-year.

Home movers borrowed £1.5bn, up 39 per cent quarter-on-quarter and 20 per cent compared to a year ago. This totalled 9,300 loans, up 37 per cent quarter-on-quarter and 16 per cent compared to the same quarter in 2016.

Remortgage activity totalled £900m, down seven per cent on the first quarter but up seven per cent on the same quarter last year. This came to 7,300 loans, down 10 per cent quarter-on-quarter but up four per cent compared to a year ago.

Carol Anderson, chairwoman UK Finance Scotland Mortgage Committee, said: 'There were more home buyers in Scotland in the second quarter of 2017 than any other quarter since 2007. First-time buyers have been a key driver of this, with two years of year-on-year growth.'

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Home movers borrowed an average of £141,100 this quarter (£178,200 in the UK overall), up from £139,500 the previous quarter. The average household income of a home mover was £51,000 (£55,100 in the UK overall), up from £50,000. This meant the typical home mover income multiple in Scotland was 2.84, up from 2.83 the previous quarter and the UK average of 3.37.



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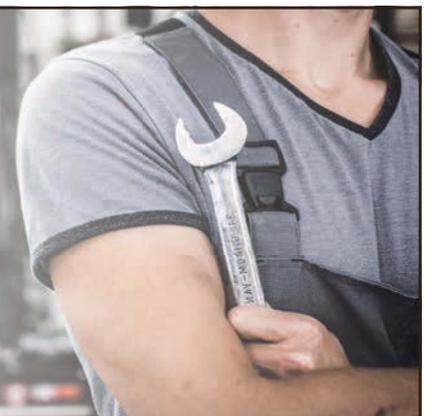
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PERSONAL NOTICES

Happy 18th Birthday  
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I would like to send love and gratitude to my daughter Christine, and grandson Christopher for secretly organising such a wonderful party to celebrate my "milestone" birthday. Many special people were present from my church, together with people I have met and forged friendships with during my many years of volunteering, also personal friends. Special thanks go to Andrew and Elaine Hemmings for assisting Christine from afar, and presenting a lovely birthday cake. Thanks also to Pipe Major John McGeachy for performing and to Lorraine Griffiths, Royal Hotel for the lovely buffet.

Thank you all for lovely cards, gifts and flowers received from my church, Shopper-Aide, RNLI Shop, Victim Support, Advocacy Service, and Kintyre Crime Prevention Panel. Sorry some guests had to depart early and missed the photo! Thank you Hazel for attending.

I feel truly blessed to have such wonderful friends.

HAPPY RETIREMENT RONNIE

All the best from  
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## FROM OUR FILES

### TEN YEARS AGO

Friday September 14, 2007

#### CGS are MAKI champs

CAMPBELTOWN Grammar School has once again run out winners in the 2006/2007 MAKI Schools Sports League for the second time with 32 points.

Four different sports in four different locations are played within the Mid Argyll and Kintyre area. These included a seven-a-side football tournament on Islay, badminton in Lochgilphead, football in Campbeltown and golf in Tarbert. Congratulations go to all the pupils who represented the school on this occasion throughout terms 2006/2007.

Final league results as follows: 1 Campbeltown Grammar school 32; 2 Lochgilphead High School 29; 3 Tarbert Academy 23 and 4 Islay High School 16.

Windfarm plans for Southend  
PLANS for a 16-turbine wind farm at Southend will be unveiled to residents at a public meeting, on Tuesday, at the village primary school.

Kilchattan Wind Farm Limited is proposed as a joint venture between Wind Prospect Developments and Ridge Wind; the two companies that are putting forward the plans will hold an exhibition at the school from 4pm to 8pm.

**TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO**  
Friday September 18, 1992  
Submarine snags nets  
AN IRISH trawler had its nets snagged by a US submarine off the Mull of Kintyre on Wednesday night, and was almost dragged under.

Tragedy was only avoided when the line that was caught snapped. Early re-



Some of the pupils who competed in the MAKI tournament throughout the term.

ports suggest the trawler was dragged backwards, and water was pouring onto the decks.

The submarine failed to surface after the incident, claimed a Scottish CND spokesman.

#### Sailor stabbed in Campbeltown

A SAILOR stabbed in Campbeltown on Saturday night was flown by air ambulance to Glasgow.

A youth has been remanded in custody in connection with the assault which happened outside Woolworths on Main Street.

#### FIFTY YEARS AGO

Thursday September 21, 1967  
Campbeltown soldier an outstanding example says C-in-C

A CAMPBELTOWN soldier has been awarded a commendation for exemplary conduct on active service in Aden.

He is Private Graham Thomson, of 152 Ralston Road. Graham, who is 26, joined the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders in 1960.

He served in Germany, Singapore and Borneo before going to Aden with the

first Battalion in June this year. Before joining the Argylls he worked in the Andrew Douglas clothing factory in Campbeltown.

The commendation was awarded by the commander-in-chief, Middle East Command, Admiral Sir Michael Le Fanu, KCB, DSC.

The citation reads as follows: 'During the period immediately prior to and during the reoccupation of Crater, Private Thomson in his capacity as the intelligence officer's orderly and as a member of the commanding officer's escort, was required to provide close protection on numerous reconnaissances.

'He discharged this duty with exceptional dash and efficiency and during the initial stages of the advance on the night of July 3 1967 completely disregarded his own personal safety in order to provide maximum protection to those about him.'

#### 100 YEARS AGO

Saturday September 8, 1917  
Campbeltown lady's painting success in Canada

THE FOLLOWING item of news from Canada will be interesting to our readers at home and abroad, referring, as it does to the success of our townswoman, Mrs Hugh MacEachran, formerly Miss Annie M'Sporran, wife of Mr Hugh MacEachran, son of the late Mr John MacEachran, Saddell Street, at an important exhibition in Edmonton Alberta.

Mrs MacEachran was awarded first prize in the amateur class for the best landscape painting in oil of an Alberta scene.

The prize money was devoted to the Belgian relief fund and the picture itself, Mrs MacEachran gave to the Red Cross to raffle in aid of their funds.

## Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



THE CAR was absolutely filthy. With all the rain and muddy tracks making it even worse, it was going to take a marathon effort to clean it.

I was recommended a manual car wash at Dumbarton, and so on the road to Glasgow we stopped there.

It was brilliant. Four men sprayed, washed, scrubbed and power washed the car. Every part of it was cleaned until it was gleaming.

However I noticed that a little strand of a spider's web still clung tenaciously to the wing mirror.

I couldn't believe that such a fragile thing had such strength.

Despite the Argyll weather and the best efforts of the car washers, this little strand survived.

Many things have been written about the strength of the spider's silk weaving. It has even been said that it is as strong as steel.

This might not be quite accurate, but given that spider silk is a much less dense material, a given weight of spider silk is five times as strong as the same weight of steel.

George Macleod of the Iona Community said that there is simply a gossamer thread between earth and Heaven.

How flimsy that sounds, yet what strength is there.

Sometimes we feel that our faith is challenged by the many awful tragedies that surround us, both personal and national.

We may feel that we are 'clinging on by a thread'.

Well, if it is as strong as a spider's thread or a gossamer thread, we will survive.

I think God's love is like that spider's thread. It is as gentle and soft as silk, but has a strength which will never be destroyed.

Hold tight to that thread for it will never break.

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**TEXT FOR THE WEEK**

God says, 'You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God ...' (Exodus 20:7).

**BIRTHS**

**TENNANT** - To Richard and Rachel (née Wareham), on August 26, 2017, a son, Lucas Alexander. Both well.

**GOLDEN WEDDINGS**



**CAMPBELL - MCMILLAN**

Dougie Campbell and Jean (née McMillan), on September 15, 1967 at the Highland Parish Church, by Rev C Henderson. Present address, 16 Tormhor, Carradale.

**DEATHS**

**BLACK** - Peacefully, at the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, on September 12, 2017, Dugald Carmichael Black, in his 89th year, 41 Calton Avenue, Campbeltown, formerly of Whitestone Farm, Saddell, dearly beloved husband of Annie MacAlister, much loved dad of Sandra and father-in-law of Paul. Service will take place in Saddell and Carradale Parish Church, on Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 12.00 noon, funeral thereafter to Brackley Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation.

**CRAWFORD** - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on September 7, 2017, Moira Kershaw, in her 62nd year, 6 Front Row, Drumlemble, dearly beloved wife of the late Andy Crawford.

**CUNNINGHAM** - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on September 11, 2017, Charles Patrick Cunningham, in his 79th year, 4 Pensioners Row, Campbeltown, much loved father of Catherine, Tracy, Ian and Anthony and a loving grandfather. Service in St Kieran's RC Church, on Monday, September 18, 2017 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation.

**KING** - Peacefully, at the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, on September 2, 2017, Mary King, née MacNeill, in her 88th year, Bonnyrigg, Midlothian, dearly beloved wife of the late John Vincent King, much loved mother of David, Malcolm and Andrew and a loving grandmother and great grandmother. Service in Gigha Church, on Saturday, September 16, 2017, at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Keill Cemetery, Isle of Gigha. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of Alzheimer Scotland.

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**MACPHAIL** - Mary. Peacefully, at Beechgrove Care Home, Lanark, on September 7, 2017, Mary MacPhail, aged 95, of 3 Jubilee Terrace, Lochgilphead, sister of William and the late Angus and Alice MacPhail, mother of Douglas and the late June Elizabeth, and aunt of the late Edith, Helen and Alice. Funeral service was held in Lochgilphead Baptist Church, on Thursday, September 14, 2017, followed by interment at Ach-na-breac Cemetery.

**IN MEMORIAM**

**CAMPBELL** - In remembrance of our grandfather, James, of the Gordon Highlanders, killed in action at Passchendaele, during the Third Battle of Ypres, on September 20, 1917. Never forgotten.

- Margaret, James, Rosemary, Hugh, Kate, Lauren, Campbell, Chloe, Emily and Sophie.

**MACFARLANE** - In loving memory of a dear mother, granny and great granny, "Dolly", passed away September 19, 2009. Of all the many blessings, However great or small, To have had you as my mother, Was the greatest one of all.

- John, Sheena and family.  
**MCSPORRAN** - Alastair, dearly beloved husband of Christine, brother-in-law of Hilda, uncle and great uncle, who died September 18, 2013. Always in our hearts.

- Christine.

**SARGENT** - In loving memory of my darling wife, Senga, died September 18, 2014. Although we're not together, We will never be apart, Because you have that special place, Right here within my heart. Always and forever.

- Your loving husband, Roger.  
**SARGENT** - Treasured memories of our mum, Senga, died September 18, 2014. Mum, three years have passed since you went away, You fought so hard and tried to stay, We knew you needed rest, When God took you he took the very best. A daily wish that you were here, We wipe away a silent tear. We think about you every day, In our hearts you will always stay.

- Senga, Billy and family, and Roger, Heather and family.  
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- Sister Sandra, Andy, nieces and nephews, and sister Margaret and family.

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**ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES**

Sunday Services in Achahoish at 9:45am and Ardrishaig at 11:00am  
Wednesday Mid-Week Pause in Ardrishaig Church - a time for personal reflection from 12noon till 2:pm with a short, corporate act of worship from 12:45pm

**SKIPNESS LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE AND KILBERRY**

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND  
**Sunday 17th September**  
Skipness Service 10am  
Tarbert Service 11.30am  
*Mr Tom McKay*  
For all church enquiries and pastoral care  
Contact Rev. Hilda Smith, Interim Moderator on 07826 235735  
Everyone very welcome  
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Skipness SCO04280

Argyll Street, Campbeltown  
St Kieran Episcopal Church:  
Campbeltown  
Scottish Charity No SC023277  
**Sunday 17th September**  
Pentecost 15  
Holy Communion 10.45am  
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**Christ Church**  
Bishopton Road, Lochgilphead (SC013787)  
**Sundays 11.00am**  
Eucharist & Coffee  
**St Columba's**, Poltalloch (SC031391)  
**1st Sunday of the month** 9.00am Holy Communion  
**3rd Sunday of the month** 6.00pm Evensong  
Father Simon Mackenzie 01546 602315

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE**

**Sunday 17th September**  
**Cumlodden**  
**Lochfyneside and Lochgair**  
Charity No. SC016097  
Morning Service in **Cumlodden Church** at 10 am  
**Glenaray and Inveraray** at 11.30am  
Charity No. SC016665  
Minister: Rev. Dr. Roderick D. M. Campbell  
ALL WELCOME

George Street, Campbeltown  
**Sunday 17th September**  
11.15am Worship Service  
Rev Ruairidh MacLean  
**Wednesday 20th September**  
12.30pm Bible Study and Prayer  
2.00pm Water of Life Café  
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www.campbeltownfreechurch.co.uk  
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**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 (SCO002876)

*Highland Parish Church*

SCO02493  
**Sunday 17th September**  
The service will be conducted by Rev William Crossan and will be in the church at 11.15am  
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**Sunday Service**  
**17th September 2017**  
11.00 am  
Visiting Speakers  
Nigel Johns  
Scottish Baptist Lay Preachers Association with Sunday School followed by refreshments  
**Youth Fellowship**  
6.30 pm - 8.00 pm  
Every Sunday (term time only)  
**Mainly Music**  
10.00 - 11.30 am  
every Thursday (term time only)  
Registration required  
Pastor Chris Holden  
We meet at the Guide Hall, Kinloch Road  
www.campbeltowncommunitychurch.co.uk

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH**

**17th September 2017**  
**Sunday Worship**  
Ford 11.45am  
Rev. C. R. Acklam  
All welcome  
SC0 02121

**LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH**

Scottish Charity Number SC011686

**Sunday 17th September**  
11.15am Morning Worship  
Creche, Triple C, Gen 1  
Rev P Wallace  
**Monday 18th September**  
Messy Church  
Church Hall 3.45 - 5.30pm  
**Tuesday 19th September**  
Tiny Tots New Hall 9.45am  
Boys' Brigade  
Anchor Boys 6.00pm  
Junior Section 7.15pm  
Church Hall  
Company Section  
7.00pm New Hall  
**Thursday 20th September**  
Choir  
**Friday 21st September**  
Lunch Club  
12 noon New Hall

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**NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH**

Charity Number SC001002  
**Sunday 17 September**  
Bellanoch Church 10 am  
Morning Worship  
Rev. C. Acklam  
Tayvallich Church 6.30pm  
Informal Communion  
Rev. C. Acklam  
**Saturday 16 September**  
Achnamara Hall  
Café Connect 10.30am  
**Monday 18 September**  
Tayvallich Church  
Prayer Time 10:30 am  
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75 Longrow, Campbeltown  
**Sunday 17th September**  
Family Communion Service at 11.00am  
Pastor Steve Davies.  
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Bible Study and Prayer  
12.30pm at the Free Church and 7.30pm at Springbank  
Enquiries 01586 551200  
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Burnside Street, Campbeltown  
01586 552046  
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10.30am Morning Service (Army Kidz)  
6.30pm Evening Worship  
**Wednesday**  
12.15pm Lunch Club  
1.30pm C.A.M.E.O.  
**Thursday**  
7.30pm Bible Study  
Majors Ben & Ruth Russell  
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## Tarbert golfers remember James Johnson

THE SUN shone as Tarbert golfers competed in memory of a club member who moved to sunnier climes down under.

Beautiful overhead conditions greeted those playing in the James Johnson Cup at Glenralloch last Saturday.

James had been a member at Tarbert Golf Club many years ago before emigrating to Australia where he continued to play golf and meet regularly with fellow Tarbert men and women.

After James's death his brother Dan put up the James Johnson Cup, to be played for by the club's over 50s.

This year's winner, Steve Bleasby, has been in good form of late and posted a 76-14 for a net 62.

Steve was out in 40 but played much steadier on the back nine, and was one over as he stood on the 18th tee, despite having a six to finish he still managed to win by two shots.

Bruce MacNab, in second place, had a gross 69-5 for net 64 with Iain Macalister third on net 65. Iain had a total of eight threes in his round of 70.

This weekend sees Dodies Cup take place with all the usual ballot times available.

## Machrihanish lotto winner

ONE LUCKY winner scooped the £300 jackpot in Machrihanish golf club's three number lottery.

Isobel Wilson chose the winning numbers 2, 12, 20.

The next draw, for a jackpot of £100, is Monday September 18.

## Talk to us

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Carradale's victorious sixes team are from left: Duncan Hooper, John Hooper, Sary Rahma, 'Stan' McMillan, James Cairns and Alan Robertson.

# Carradale knocks 'em for six in Leven

SARY Rahma's 26 off five balls in the final over allowed Carradale to 'snatch a thrilling victory' in Leven.

Rahma's remarkable three sixes and two fours came on the back of a series of special performances, achieved in dramatic style by Carradale Cricket Club last Sunday, at the Vale of Leven Sixes tournament.

A club spokesperson said: 'The Carradale team wishes to dedicate this first time win to Dr Robert Abernethy, who was instrumen-

tal in the formation of the club and has continued to provide support as umpire, chairman and president ever since.'

This was the penultimate fixture for Carradale in a season frustratingly curtailed by the poor summer weather.

### Metaphorically

However, the sun was shining both literally and metaphorically for Carradale during the tournament, hosted annually by the Vale of Leven club.

With games of five overs, played in a league format, the emphasis was on hard hitting and quick running.

Carradale won three of their four games making more than 50 runs in all but one game, with the major contribution coming from the bat of the in-form Sary Rahma.

The all-weather pitch made batting relatively easy.

Thus it was the controlled, accurate bowling of Alan Robertson, James Cairns

and Duncan Hooper, the incomparable captaincy of 'Stan' Alistair McMillan and the 'will not pass' attitude of the wicket keeper that enabled Carradale to progress to the final deciding match against a powerful Kippen side.

### Unassailable

Batting first, Kippen blitzed a seemingly unassailable total as Carradale appeared to wilt under the heat of the sun and the pressure of the final.

Carradale's spokesman

added: 'However, at the death, needing a momentous 24 runs off the last over the superb Rahma rose to the task at the crease.'

'He hit three magnificent sixes and two fours to snatch a thrilling victory with just one ball to spare.'

The last scheduled match for Carradale will be against the Forties club at Wellpark on Sunday September 24.

All are welcome, people wishing to join the club of any age or standard are particularly welcome.

## Handicap runners' season finale

SOUTH Kintyre Wednesday. A Campbeltown Running Club spokesman said: 'Big thanks to all our marshals, time keepers and

bakers for helping out and making this possible.

'Also, thanks to everyone who competed this evening.

'Conditions were tougher than May's run, on the same course, due to the wind, but it looks like it didn't affect times too much.

'Details of the winners will be announced at the prize giving in November.'

The times, on the night, were as follows: Stuart McGeachy 16:57, Cameron Campbell 17:59, Gregor Campbell 18:50, Ewan Smith 19:35, Ruairidh McGregor 19:55, Euan Charlwood 20:31, Sandy Mclean 20:33,

Darren Renton 20:55, Hazel Barr 21:18, Ryan Shields 21:22, Sam Ferguson 21:34, John Galbraith 22:05, Ruairidh Campbell 22:16, Elaine Cameron 22:19, Sarah McFadzean 22:59, David Leishman 23:26, William McLean 24:19, Violet Campbell 24:38, Campbell Read 25:21, Margaret Sinclair 25:40, Caryn Kerr 26:51, Darren Muller 26:53, Maryann Wylie 27:11, Emma Borthwick 27:12, Annette McMillan 30:29, Val Hope 31:18, Nancy Hope 32:25, Catherine McLean 34:08, Graham Austin 34:15, Gerri McAnerny 37:01.



Val Hope pacing himself on Kinloch Street.

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Euan Charlwood leads Campbell Read.

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Super sportsmanship: Players and coaches shake hands at the end of the match. 50\_c37pupilsu16s12

# Pupils U16s thrashed in season opener



Elliot Gemmill retained the ball despite this tackle. 50\_c37pupilsu16s02

**DFDL Under 16 League**  
**Campbeltown Pupils 1**  
**Baljaffray FC Inter 6**

A POOR turnout of players made for a bitterly disappointing start to the season for Campbeltown Pupils 2002s.

The Pupils U16s were thrashed at home by Baljaffray FC Inter 2002s, after an impressive performance

from the Glasgow side.

Baljaffray, who were deserving of their win, took control of the game from kick-off at the all-weather pitch and never looked back.

Not enough of the Pupils players turned up on the day and it could have been a heavier defeat if not for McKellar saving a penalty and some brave Pupils defence.



Pupils player Ross Brown fights for control of the ball. 50\_c37pupilsu16s05

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# SPORT



**INSIDE THIS WEEK:**  
Carradale knocks 'em for six in Leven

# Under-13s continue to dominate the league

## DFDL Under 13 League

### Campbeltown Pupils Broomhill Sports Club

FIVE goals from Ryan Shields helped Campbeltown Pupils Youth Under 13s (2005s) make it three wins out of three.

The top scoring young team welcomed Glasgow's Broomhill Sports Club to Campbeltown.

Continued wet weather meant playing on grass at the Meadows could not be considered so the game was played at the all-weather pitch on Kinloch Green – a vast pitch for players of this age but one that suits the energetic young Campbeltown side whose ethos is to get the ball on the deck and play as much football as possible.

The local side simply proved too strong for Broomhill as they took control of the game

from kick-off.

Shields continued his fine run of scoring in each league match within 10 minutes, before Scott Graham added the goal of the game, unleashing an unstoppable left-footed strike from 25 yards.

Shields added another, before Ethan Parker scored his first goal, much to the delight of the 2005 coaches and his team mates.

Parker's previous two appearances have been from the bench and his reward for his attitude and application at training and towards his fellow teammates this season was a place in the starting 11. Racing through on goal, one-on-one, Parker sent a delightful chip over the oncoming keeper to make it 4-0.

Stuart Phillips, who replaced the injured Shields, got in on the

act with another fine goal before Calum Ellis closed the scoring for the half.

With a squad of 16 to choose from the roll-on, roll-off substitutions were thick and fast during the game as changes were made and positions swapped.

The second half continued as the first, with the Pupils U13s totally dominating the game. Shields added another three with Parker and Ellis scoring another one each.

Lorne Paterson added his third and fourth goals of the season, with single goals for Kyle Danson and Michael Campbell.

It is worth noting the contribution of those who never scored. Finlay Kerr and Scott Oman enjoyed a half each in goal, keeping their first clean sheet in the league.

Calum McAllister,

the youngest player on the pitch at 10 years old, came so close to scoring his first goal for the 2005s.

Josh Arkell continued his fine form in the middle of defence and retired at half time having enjoyed the last two full games.

Andrew Semple, who only recently started with the 2005s, enjoyed his first 35 minutes of 11-a-side football, just reward for his efforts at training over the last few weeks.

The energetic Ryan Harding also had a fine game, with Pupils captain Owen Reid turning in another solid performance in the centre of defence - a switch from his previous centre-midfield position in the first two games.

Credit to Broomhill SC for never giving up and being such sporting visitors.



Pupils captain Owen Reid played in the centre of defence, a switch from his previous centre-midfield position.



Ethan Parker scored his first league goal during the match. 50\_c37pupilsu13s13

Left: Pupils player Calum Ellis keeps his eye on the ball. 50\_c37pupilsu13s10

Campbeltown Pupils U13s are delighted to announce that the Ardshiel hotel and restaurant has agreed to be their official sponsor for 2017/18.

Flora and Marion at the Ardshiel have been fully supportive of the 2005s' efforts to play in the DFDL and have agreed to purchase a new home strip for the youngsters which they hope to play in at their next home game.

Everyone at CDJFA and the 2005s would like to thank those at the Ardshiel for their support.

The 2005s will enjoy a couple of well-earned free weekends before returning to league action on Sunday October 1 with a home game against Dumbar-ton Riverside.



Goal of the game came from Scott Graham. 50\_c37pupilsu13s06

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