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'How long does it take to rebuild a collapsed wall?'

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A Machrihanish man has been left 'devastated' by a collapsed wall in Kilkerran Cemetery which prevents him from accessing his wife's memorial as the anniversary of her death approaches.

David Baxter told the Courier that a large section of the wall, on which his wife Jillian's memorial is placed, has been broken for 'at least

four months' and that it looks like a 'bomb site'.

'It's gone on and on and on and it's not good enough,' said Mr Baxter. 'It looks awful.'

The wall runs between a section of the cemetery's headstones and the burn which flows through the graveyard.

It has now been cordoned off, meaning access is prohibited to the memorials which are attached to the

back of the wall, marking where people's ashes are laid to rest.

'I chose that spot because it's a nice, peaceful part of the cemetery, beside the river,' Mr Baxter told the Courier. 'Why has the council taken four months to do anything about this?'

'This is not a bus shelter, it's where people are lying in rest.'

Family members will be travelling from Glasgow to visit Mrs Baxter's memorial to mark the anniversary of her passing, on September 29 last year.

'I am devastated if my family have to see it like that,' Mr Baxter said. 'Council staff have been very apologetic but they talk of budgets and cuts and it's not acceptable.'

There is a large, visible crack, which Mr Baxter estimates to be three-four metres long, on the remaining section of wall, which he says 'could be down with the next strong wind'.

'This has been my last resort,' Mr Baxter said. 'I

keep hoping to come and find it sorted or even the work started - I wouldn't care if it took two months as long as progress was being made.'

Mr Baxter contacted the Courier the same week as it was announced that the council's environment, development and infrastructure committee had updated its policy for the maintenance and safety of cemeteries in the area.

The report warned that any memorials thought by council staff to be unsafe will be laid flat on the ground at the next inspection to prevent incidents involving falling headstones.

Councillor John Armour, who Mr Baxter contacted regarding the issue, said: 'I have great sympathy with Mr Baxter's experience, it must be distressing for relatives in cases like this.'

'I have spoken to council officers and urged them to ensure that the problem is attended to without delay.'

An Argyll and Bute Council



Mr Baxter beside the broken section of wall which is now cordoned off. 50_c38cemeterywall01

spokesperson said: 'Before dealing with the damage, we had to bring in a specialist contractor to remove tree roots that were undermining the wall.'

'With this done, we will be able to take down and then replace the wall, making it sound for many years to come. Work is scheduled to start next week.'



There is a large crack on the remaining section of wall. 50_c38cemeterywall02



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CalMac delays must stop, says MSP

CalMac cancellations and delays 'cannot be allowed to continue, let alone happen again', according to Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell.

Difficulties with two CalMac vessels which serve Arran have resulted in major disruptions to the services for Islay and Colonsay, indicating potential weaknesses in operations and management that need to be addressed, he said.

Mr Russell and fellow MSP Kenny Gibson (Arran) have now requested a meeting with the relevant ministers in the Scottish Government, including representatives of the ferry committees on Islay and Arran, to raise awareness of difficulties and make 'concrete suggestions' for the future.

'Whatever happens, these problems cannot be allowed to continue, let alone happen again,' said Mr Russell.

He said delays to the two new vessels under construction was 'unfortunate'.



Pipers welcome American golfers to Kintyre

Kintyre Schools Novice Pipe Band and Beinn an Tuirc Kintyre 3A Pipe Band welcomed around 40 American golfers to Kintyre. The bands performed a mixture of sets and tunes at the Ugadale Hotel in Machrihanish last Sunday evening to entertain the visitors. The group

is here for a golf competition which involves playing the courses at Machrihanish, Dunaverty and then at Machrihanish Dunes, owned by Southworth Development which also owns the Ugadale Hotel, for the final round. A spokesperson

said: 'The band members enjoyed playing for the visitors and were delighted with the appreciation shown from the American audience. They hope the visitors enjoy the rest of their visit and have a successful tournament.'

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Man, 83, fined for overtaking

An 83-year-old farmer who kept his driving licence clean for more than half a century has been fined £150 for overtaking cyclists 'too closely'.

Albert Sauer, of Tangymoile Farm, Tangy, was not at Campbeltown Justice of the Peace Court on Monday because of poor health but pleaded guilty to a charge of careless driving through his solicitor Christian Kane.

Justice of the Peace Margaret McDowall ordered six points reduced to four be added to Sauer's licence and fined him £200, reduced to £150.

Procurator fiscal deputy Eoin McGinty said two cyclists were on the A83 near to Kilchenzie at about 11.30am on June 17 this year when a car travelling slowly behind them beeped its horn.

The cyclists told police that at that point they could not see if there were any oncoming vehicles. They complained the car got very close to them,

overtaking on a corner and almost colliding with them.

When police went to Sauer's home later, he said the pair had been 'cycling carelessly' all over the road and insisted he had been able to see clearly ahead before he overtook.

Mr Kane told the court that if the cyclists were concerned enough to report the matter to the police, his client was of the view that he had been too close to them.

But added: 'He beeped his horn to let them know that he was behind them, rather than out of frustration.'

The court heard nowadays Sauer just kept some lambs and donkeys on his farm and had a limited income.

Mr Kane also said his client, who had been 'surprised' when the police called, had been driving for more than 50 years and had a clean licence. He said Sauer had not been to the optician for 30 years. 'His eyesight is fine,' he said.

POLICE FILES:

■ Police are appealing for witnesses after a minor disturbance broke out between a pedestrian and the driver of a vehicle at about 2.50pm on Wednesday September 12 in Kirk Street, Campbeltown.

■ An honesty box has been broken into and a small amount of cash stolen at Islay Walled Garden. It happened between 8am and 2.30pm on Sunday September 9 at Islay House, Bridgend. Police are investigating.

■ A 32-year-old bar worker was assaulted at licensed premises in Shore Street, Campbeltown, on Saturday September 15 at about 12.45am. The woman was not seriously hurt.

■ Police have traced a 29-year-old driver who allegedly crashed into a garden on the B842 near to High Knockrioch, Campbeltown, at about 10.30pm on Saturday September 15. No one was injured. The man has been charged with careless driving and a report is being submitted to the procurator fiscal.

■ Anyone with information in relation to the above, or to any incident, can contact police on 101, or anonymously at Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Eva retires from advocacy service after 19 years

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One of Kintyre's busiest volunteers, Eva MacDonald, is retiring from Lomond and Argyll Advocacy Service after almost two decades.

Colleagues from the service organised a surprise party for her at their Hazelburn Business Park office in Campbeltown on Tuesday to say thank you.

The advocacy service offers one-to-one help for people needing assistance to have their voice heard on issues from housing to health and social care.

Although the 81-year-old is stepping down from her case work responsibilities, she will still be on its board of directors.

'I'm slowing down a bit

but I'm not stopping my community work.

'When you get older, you must keep active if you are fit and able to do so.

'That's my philosophy in life,' she said.

And Mrs MacDonald added: 'This is my 19th year with the advocacy service.

'I came into it right at its beginning. I must have helped hundreds of people over that time.

'I've had a lot of job satisfaction. It must be from my nursing days.

'Nothing touches me more than a thank you for today.'

Mrs MacDonald's lifetime of nursing and voluntary services was recognised in 2007 with the presentation of her MBE at Buckingham Palace.

After 33 years, she is still

a volunteer with Kintyre Crime Prevention Panel and was its chairwoman for 14 of them.

In addition, she also has 16 years under her belt so far with Victim Support Scotland and the Court Witness Service.

Lomond and Argyll Advocacy Service area co-ordinator for Kintyre Lindsay Giffin added: 'There are big shoes to fill now that Eva is leaving us.

'We depend a lot on our volunteers.

'We've got a small team of them but we are always looking for other people to come and join us.'

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Lomond and Argyll Advocacy Service's co-ordinator for Kintyre Lindsay Giffin, on the left, says thank you to volunteer Eva MacDonald after 19 years' service. Also pictured is the service's Argyll team leader Ailsa McCrae. 16_C38evaMacdonald01

New business network for Kintyre women

Kintyre women mean business.

A new Kintyre Women in Business group is starting on Friday September 28 at 7am with breakfast in the Royal Hotel.

'A few local ladies have expressed an interest in forming a network of business women in Kintyre,' said Leone Shaw

Tulloch, of LST Pilates. 'There are many of us working hard in our businesses which can sometimes be isolating.

'We often don't get the opportunity to chat or network with like-minded people to seek advice, help, business opportunities, ideas, share resources, and the list goes on. This group is open to any

women who run their own business and or manage a business.'

The format will be business focused, including business introductions, presentations, marketing opportunities, questions, successes and suggestions.

To book, please email leone@lstsolutions.co.uk



BBC man to open new Islay housing development

Argyll Community Housing Association opens the first phase of its 20-unit development at Sealladh Loch na Dala on Islay on Thursday October 4 at 1pm. Scottish news and current affairs broadcaster Glenn Campbell, from BBC Scotland, will be doing the honours.

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New bin day calendars sent to Argyll homes

New bin day calendars are being sent out to households across the region.

There is no change to the days on which bins are emptied or how often but the new calendars will last the next 12 months and replace the old ones that are due to run out.

The calendars will start arriving in Kintyre, Islay, Jura and Mid-Argyll from this week and will reach Oban and Lorn, Helensburgh and Lomond, Tiree, Colonsay, Lismore and Coll from October 15.

Policy lead for roads and amenity services Councillor Roddy McCuish said the amount of waste being recycled continued to increase which was saving the council more money to spend on core services.



Councillor Roddy McCuish.

He said: 'Thanks to everyone for supporting our efforts to reduce waste and recycle more - we're delighted residents are working with us.

'The more waste we recycle, the more money we save. That means more money to protect our core services that we know are important to people.'

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Sea cadets seeks volunteers

Campbeltown Sea Cadets is looking for enthusiastic people to make a splash and join its team.

Two types of volunteers are being sought: sea cadet instructors, and members of the management team.

As an instructional volunteer, there are many opportunities for personal development while passing on knowledge and life experience to young people aged 10 to 18.

For more information, contact Kelly Giblin, Sea Cadet development worker, on kgiblin@ms-sc.org or call on 07807 274 637.

Active schools' open doors event

Call in at Kintyre Community Centre this Sunday September 23 to see what sports clubs and activities are on offer in the area.

People will be able to speak to representatives from local groups to find out more.

The event in Stewart Road, Campbeltown, starts at 1pm and is open to all ages. It finishes at 3pm.

Disability writer sets out on a cycling mission

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A man who refuses to be held back by his disability has set off from Campbeltown on a 237-mile cycling voyage.

Disability sports and travel writer David Reilly, who was born with cerebral palsy, left Campbeltown on Monday morning to conquer the Caledonia Way, an iconic cycling route through Argyll and into the Highlands, ending in Inverness.

David hopes the 10-day journey will raise awareness of accessibility along the National Cycle Network (NCN), promoting the Caledonia Way, which is route 78, as an all-abilities route.

He told the Courier that despite his disability, which affects his coordination and

balance, he tries to promote access and participation in outdoor sports for everyone, and he does that by taking part himself.

He will complete the ride with support from the charity that coordinates the NCN, Sustrans Scotland, which aims to make it easier for everyone to walk and cycle in Scotland.

Accompany

He set off from outside Campbeltown's ferry terminal with Mike Dennison, marketing and tourism development officer at Sustrans, who will accompany him the whole way, and Laura White, volunteer coordinator at Sustrans, who will complete the first half of the journey to Oban.

David said: 'I approached Sustrans about a year and a half ago as I wanted to cycle



David Reilly, centre, in Campbeltown at the start of his journey, with Mike Dennison, left, and Laura White, right.

the Caledonia Way - it took a while to get organised but here we are.

'As a disability sports writer, I work to improve opportunities for disabled people to take part and participate in

outdoor sports.

'The Caledonia Way is an iconic route through the heart of some of Scotland's most spectacular scenery and I'm really looking forward to riding it.'

'I don't underestimate the challenge, however; 237 miles lie between Campbeltown and Inverness which is a really big push for me but I really look forward to completing the project.'

Tom Bishop, Sustrans' head of network development in Scotland, said: 'We are really excited that David is to set out and ride the length of the iconic Caledonia Way.'

'As a leading disability writer, David's unique experience of cycling the Caledonia Way, and the conversations we hope it will inspire, will help us to understand what is required to make all of our NCN routes accessible and inclusive to all.'

Keep track of David's progress by following him on Twitter (@david_ventures) or visiting his website (www.davidventures.co.uk).

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Hospitality masterclass at Campbeltown Grammar

Campbeltown Grammar School (CGS) students received a masterclass on the benefits of working in the hospitality industry from a Kintyre chef who has cooked all over the world.

Explore Kintyre and Gigha committee member Johnny Beveridge brought Visit Scotland's Year of Young People 2018 to the school

on Wednesday September 12 when he held a workshop and cooking display for more than 20 hospitality students.

The workshop was held in conjunction with Skills Development Scotland, Explore Kintyre and Gigha, Campbeltown Grammar School and Argyll and the Isles Tourism Cooperative (AITC).

It was to help give the students a better understanding of their career options in the hospitality, tourism and travel industry with the added bonus of a cooking display by Johnny of Chinese cuisine.

Johnny, who is still active in the hospitality industry as well as being on the Explore Kintyre and Gigha committee, said: 'It was a delight to spend time with staff and students at Campbeltown Grammar School.'

'It was great to see how much enthusiasm the students had especially with the vegetarian option of the Chinese cuisine we prepared.'

'Thanks to all for facilitating.'

Alison Woodrow, principal teacher of the health and food technology department at CGS, said: 'We would like to say a huge thank you to Johnny Beveridge for inspir-



Hospitality pupils and staff of CGS with Johnny Beveridge and representatives from the groups which organised the workshop.



Johnny Beveridge held a workshop and cooking display for more than 20 hospitality students.

ing us with a masterclass in Chinese cookery which our pupils thoroughly enjoyed.

'They are keen to try out the recipes from the day and are stir frying this week.'

'Johnny also gave us an insight into careers in the hotel industry and working in national and international hotels.'

'We are looking forward

to Kay Johnston from Skills Development Scotland carrying out a careers session next week with our hospitality pupils.'

Iain Johnston, AITC development agent for Kintyre and Gigha, added: 'It was great to be involved in facilitating this workshop in partnership with national and local organisations and to be able to

deliver it to students in CGS.'

'Thanks to all involved and to Johnny for his inspirational talk and cooking display.'

Kay Johnston, careers adviser at Skills Development Scotland, said: 'Working with Johnny was an inspiration for students and partners.'

'Johnny's real life experiences offered a unique career insight for young people.'



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Enough is enough

A devastated widower said this week that it had been a last resort to approach the Courier in an attempt to get a collapsed wall at Kilkerran Cemetery repaired.

It is not only upsetting for the families of the deceased to see the wall on which memorials are placed destroyed and lying broken for months, but it is also dangerous.

A cordon has now gone up around the wall in question but the remaining section looks like it could fall at any moment.

It is interesting that an Argyll and Bute Council report has revealed that headstones which have not been maintained by relatives will be laid flat, yet the council is taking so long to repair its own dangerous structure.

It is a relief to hear that work to rebuild the wall is scheduled to start next week, so perhaps deaths like that of little Ciaran Williamson, aged eight, who died when a headstone fell on him in a Glasgow cemetery, can be avoided in the future.



Join stroke awareness campaign and get baking

Sir,
I'm calling on budding bakers to get involved in the Stroke Association's Give A Hand and Bake Week running from October 22 to 28, 2018.

The purpose of the month is to encourage people to get out their rolling pins, make their favourite cakes and hold bake sales to raise awareness of stroke, raise funds to prevent stroke and support those who have had a stroke.

I've joined the charity to invite local residents to host their own.

I discovered I had high blood pressure and that I have a very high risk of having a stroke. Since then I've done all I can to change my lifestyle, and make sure I check my blood pressure regularly.

I also recently discovered the fantastic work

that the Stroke Association does supporting stroke survivors and their families and that's why I'm asking you to join us this autumn and get stuck in with Give a Hand and Bake.

This fabulous charity fundraiser is the perfect excuse to get creative in the kitchen.

Visit stroke.org.uk/GAH to sign up for a Give a Hand and Bake fundraising pack and to find out more about My Stroke Guide and other support offered by the Stroke Association.

Nick Nairn, celebrity Scottish chef.

Parking problem in Campbeltown?

Sir,
As someone who regularly has to park in or around the town centre of Campbeltown, it is most frustrating to see so many spaces allocated to taxis, and very often not occupied.

It would surely make much more sense to change the spaces beside and behind The Original Factory Shop back to regular parking spaces, especially as they were previously spaces which did not have the one-hour time limit on them.

I expect most people think of the taxi rank as being at the town hall, hence that being where most of the taxi drivers seem to wait for hires.

They have space right up to the Argyll Hotel and it is rare to ever see them using it all.

People do seem to have started parking

behind the Factory Shop, probably purely out of desperation, and quite rightly so, seeing as I have literally never seen a taxi wait there since the rank was reinstated at the town hall.

Surely common sense should prevail and the many, many people who struggle to find a parking space on a daily basis should get their parking spaces back.

Name and address supplied.

Only one Union flag is to be seen flying on Gigha

Sir,
In a recent edition of the Courier, I took particular heed to a letter from Alastair Redman, Portnahaven, Islay, stating that on a visit to Gigha he was heartened by the number of so-called Union flags.

Well, in the past few weeks, I have discovered but one.

It is on a flagpole next to Gigha Hotel.

It is one of three flags; the others being the Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust flag and the Saltire, reminding us of our patron saint.

Is it possible that, since Mr Redman's visit, an easterly gale has blown all the other Union flags over to Islay, where there is perhaps a shortage?

Do not forget, Mr Redman, thanks to the Scottish Government, eye tests are free.

John Martin,
Grianan,
Isle of Gigha.

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YOUR PICTURES



This week's photograph of Davaar Island comes from Oban Times reporter Kathie Griffiths. Kathie was in Kintyre helping out at the Campbeltown Courier and spent some time sightseeing while she was in the area. Kathie captured this atmospheric shot of Davaar on a stormy evening on her mobile phone while on her travels. She said: 'I spotted a cave on the island but thought I should wait for better weather before visiting it. I'll be back!' Send your favourite photographs to editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk or through the Campbeltown Courier Facebook page.

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TEN YEARS AGO

Friday September 19, 2008

Jubilant juniors win at 'Brass in the Park'

The end of the summer holidays traditionally means the beginning of a new football season in Britain but it also marks the return of brass bands to the competition season.

Campbeltown Junior Brass Band was no exception as it travelled to Newtongrange to take part in Brass in the Park.

There was a fantastic roar from a section of the marquee as the announcement was made that the band had gained a gold award and won its competition.



The Campbeltown Junior Brass Band which won its competition at Brass in the Park in 2008.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Friday September 24, 1993

No place to play

Parents in Stewarton have made a desperate plea to Argyll and Bute District Council – 'Give our kids a play area before one of them is killed on the roads'.

Children were dicing with death every time they played on one of the few open spaces in the village – now the council has said that they cannot even play in these areas.

In a council letter sent out to all residents, it was stated that complaints had been made regarding noise, the risk of damage to cars and the danger of accidents.

One villager, Malcolm McEachran, said: 'I appreciate the concerns of some of the residents, but you can't lock children up 24 hours

a day. If the council could provide somewhere for the kids – of all ages – they wouldn't get complaints.

'It's all about priorities. What's more important – a car or a kid? You can replace a car. It seems we are snookered.'

Another concerned parent, Ian McAulay, said: 'There's nothing for these kids to do, and even when they do get a chance to play, someone is complaining.'

'I fear it's going to take a child being killed before anyone will take notice. All we are asking for is a bit of fenced-off ground.'

FIFTY YEARS AGO

Thursday September 19, 1968

Drumlemble to get new school

A primary school for 150 pupils is to be built

at Drumlemble at a cost of £90,000. This was decided on Tuesday by Argyll Education Committee despite an appeal by Provost D McKinven that the project should be reconsidered.

He told a meeting of the committee in Oban that the money would be better spent developing primary school facilities in Campbeltown.

Provost McKinven said he had every sympathy with the people of Drumlemble who had protested about the delay in replacing their existing school.

'We are here to look after the education of all Argyll and not just one village,' he said.

'There is a need for a new primary school in Campbeltown. We should seriously consider whether we are to spend £90,000 on a new school only four miles away.'

Buses carrying pupils from RAF Machrihanish would have to pass through Campbeltown dropping secondary pupils and then go on to Drumlemble.

Referring to a letter of protest issued by a Drumlemble Parents' Association, the provost said that if the villagers had agreed on a site, they could have had a new school a long time ago.

He said things had come to a head with the appointment of the new headmaster.

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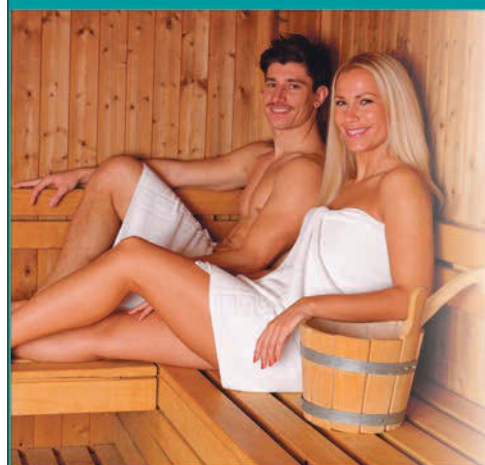
The artistic monument of silver-grey granite gifted by Mr Peter Jeffrey Mackie of Glenreadell, to commemorate the men from the district who fell in the war, was unveiled at Whitehouse on Sunday last by Sir Thomas Mackenzie, K.C.M.G.

The ceremony was opened with prayer by Rev. Archd. Anderson, of Clachan, and the 100th Psalm was sung.

Mr Mackie, in handing over the monument, said: 'We are fortunate today to have in our midst Sir Thomas Mackenzie, who has been Premier of New Zealand, and is now High Commissioner for that colony.'

'It is indeed on an appropriate occasion that he should chance to be here at this time, in order that he may unveil this cross in remembrance of those boys who have given their lives for their country.'

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A man with Campbeltown connections has uncovered a copy of the Courier's centenary supplement belonging to his mother, who is approaching her own centenary.

Martin Forrest, from Bridge of Don in Aberdeen, found the commemorative supplement, published on July 5 1973, among items belonging to

his mother, Nancie, aged 97. The 20-page broadsheet publication, costing 10p, came out 100 years after the Campbeltown Courier was founded by Robert Wilson in 1873.

It includes messages of congratulations from various Campbeltown businesses, many of which are still in operation, as well as from the private secretary at Buckingham Palace.

A 'past, present and future' section and a double page photograph spread take readers down memory lane, while a 'Courier today' piece shows the newspaper's staff in 1973.

Mr Forrest told the Courier: 'There is a family connection to Campbeltown, which explains why the edition was retained.

'My great grandfather,

Archibald Fullarton, was with the Customs and Excise Inspectorate for the Campbeltown distilleries in the late 1800s. He and his wife had three daughters.'

Margaret Sillars Fullarton, born in 1885 and died in 1962, was the postmistress near the harbour, according to Mr Forrest.

Sarah Morton Fullarton, born in 1882 and died in 1970, married farmer Thomas Ralston in 1915.

In 1894, Mr Forrest's grandmother, Agnes Elizabeth Fullarton, was born.

A son, Wylie Fullarton, was also born but died at a young age.

Mr Forrest said: 'My grandfather, William Whitter, born in 1889 and died in 1951, moved to Campbeltown from Ashton-in-Makerfield, near Wigan, to work in the Customs and Excise Inspectorate with Archibald.

'Being of a similar age to his youngest daughter, they became friends, marrying in 1918.'

Following the decline of

Campbeltown's distilleries, the family moved to Glen Elgin, Morayshire, where Mr Forrest's grandfather worked at Glendronach and Glen Elgin distilleries.

The couple had two children: Mr Forrest's mother, Agnes (Nancie) Elizabeth Whitter, born in 1921; and Austin Fullarton Whitter, born in 1924.

Nancie and Austin served in the Wrens and RAF respectively, before returning north and qualifying in medicine.

'My uncle, who piloted gliders into Arnhem, combined his love of flying with his degree and emigrated to work for the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia,' said Mr Forrest.

'My mother was a plotter at Harwich and was very proud to have patted Winston Churchill on the back on VE Day.

'On her return to Aberdeen, she met my father at a medical meeting and the rest, as they say, is history.'

Mr Forrest is looking for some information about his great aunt, Sarah, who had two sons, Thomas Millar Ralston, born in 1917, and William Ralston, born in 1919, with her husband, Thomas.



The front page of the Campbeltown Courier's centenary supplement. 50_c38centenary01



Congratulatory messages from Campbeltown businesses. 50_c38centenary02

'I would imagine that Campbeltown Courier in Ralston is not too common a surname, and there are two Ralstons that feature in the centenary publication - J Ralston as a local dignitary in a photo of volunteers going off to the Boer War, and the foreman printer at the

Campbeltown Courier in 1973, R. R. Ralston,' said Mr Forrest.

'If it is possible that there may be relatives still alive in the Campbeltown area, it would be great to share this information with them.'

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Bank goes under the hammer

Going, going – has it gone? writes Kathie Griffiths.

Campbeltown's former Royal Bank of Scotland was due to go under the hammer at auction this week.

The C-listed traditional stone building had a starting price of around £85,000.

The old bank, in the town's conservation area, was built around 1885 by the renowned Scottish architect Charles Kinnear.

On Wednesday afternoon bidders at Glasgow's Trades Hall were invited to show their interest in it. The auction was ongoing as the Campbeltown Courier went to press.

The property in Castlehill only took up the ground floor of the two-storey building.

Auctioneer Shaun Vigers, who is a director of SVA

Property Auctions, said: 'This property is well placed on Castlehill in the town and offers an opportunity for a buyer to develop an attractive property for office or retail use or, if the necessary consents are obtained, to residential use.'

Out of the 26 lots open to offers, 14 of them were former banks.

Campbeltown's RBS shut on May 29 this year and workmen wasted no time in starting to dismantle it.

A report in the Campbeltown Courier on June 1 said despite desperate pleas from politicians and businesses trying to get the majority state-owned bank to pull back from the brink, RBS bosses pressed ahead with their plans.

Hundreds have say on GP services

Drop-in events organised for Kintyre villages

Kathie Griffiths

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More than 500 people in Kintyre have so far had their say on the future of GP services in their area.

A series of drop-in events are also being planned to keep the public up-to-date with any developments.

In July this year, Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) sent out a questionnaire to everyone registered with doctors in Muasdale, Southend and Gigha to find out their views on how GP services should shape up.

The questionnaire was to make sure people were told about changes to services and got the chance to say what their priorities were

when wanting to see GPs.

About 550 survey responses were received and the results are now being put into a report being published this autumn.

The findings from it will be used to inform the ongoing delivery of GP services throughout Kintyre.

'I am delighted with the response rate to the survey'

Donald Watt, locality manager (adult services) for Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay, said: 'I am delighted with the response rate to the survey and we will now be reviewing all the comments received to help us move forward with the delivery of sustainable

GP services for the practices concerned. We have also arranged drop-in events for the communities affected for each practice area and members of the public are more than welcome to come along.'

The drop-in sessions will be at Tayinloan Village Hall on Wednesday October 31 from 2-4pm, Gigha Village Hall on Wednesday November 7 from 1-3pm and Dunaverty Hall on Wednesday November 28 from 7.30-9.30pm.

The HSCP is also to pilot a new idea of community TV screens to put public health messages across.

Screens will soon be appearing at Campbeltown Hospital and in a shop in the town's Main Street.

The HSCP is working in partnership with Jason

McCallum from Keeping it Local to develop the idea.

Alison McGrory, health improvement principal, who chairs the working group, said: 'Informing people about what is happening in health and social care is important and the working group has a range of different ways of doing this including a Facebook page called Kintyre HSCP and a regular newsletter.'

'Having TV screens with local up-to-date information is a new idea that will be up and running soon in Campbeltown and we are looking forward to working with community representatives to make sure the information on the screens is useful and interesting.'



The former bank building had a starting price of around £85,000.

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What would the Tarbert Music Festival be without Fèis an Tairbeirt?

Music lovers of all ages joined the various workshops hosted by Fèis an Tairbeirt, from the high tech music technology workshop to the traditional accordion and, of course, an instrument as old as humanity, singing.

Festivities

New tutors such as RURA band member, David Foley, joined the festivities this year, teaching young music enthusiasts the way of the bodhran. Anna Garvin, who is studying piano at RSC and is working on her Duke of Edinburgh award with Fèis an Tairbeirt, taught keyboards.

Keep a look out for more Fèis an Tairbeirt events and workshops throughout the year on their Facebook page: @Fèis-an-Tairbeirt



Keyboard and fiddle tutor Anna Garvin and Tarbert Academy pupil Morven Paisley. Also, Ailsa Johnson, Codi MacDougall, Lexie Munro and Daisy Brown.



Sheila Campbell and Maureen Brankin as part of the fiddle section in the afternoon group work session.



Gaelic song tutor Joy Dunlop from Connel with afternoon adult singing participants Lucy Blake and Shona Marshall.



Bodhran and whistles tutor David Foley of the band RURA with young focused participants Charlotte McNeill and Noah Dawton.

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Youngsters to help keep Kintyre beautiful

Young Kintyre residents motivated by television programme Blue Planet II are being encouraged to take part in a reporting project organised by Keep Scotland Beautiful.

The initiative is open to anyone aged eight to 26 who wants to give their environment a voice using photography, film and writing.

Anne-Marie Robb, education and learning coordinator at Keep Scotland Beautiful, said: 'With hundreds of young Scots motivated by Blue Planet II, I would encourage them to take part in Young Reporters Scotland and learn some of the skills they need to become the next David Attenborough. The initiative provides students, schools, and individuals with the opportunity to learn new skills, take a stand on environmental issues that they care about and make a positive change in their community.'

Go to keepscotlandbeautiful.org/yrs to find out more.

Housing councillor welcomes launch of self-build loan fund

News that people in Scotland who want to build their own homes will now be able to apply to a £4 million self-build loan fund has been welcomed by Argyll and Bute Council's housing representative.

Policy lead for communities, housing, islands and Gaelic Councillor Robin Currie

says the scheme, funded by the Scottish Government after a successful pilot project by the Highland Small Communities Housing Trust, is 'fantastic news' for people in this region.

'We know there's a shortage of affordable housing across the UK, and the council's

Strategic Housing Investment Plan (SHIP) has already started to address this. There are lots of people who would like to build their own home but have found it difficult to get a self-build mortgage.

'This new loan fund helps to make that dream a reality and gives them the opportunity to

access the finance required to create a home that meets their needs and lifestyle.

'This is a positive step and I hope that people make the most of it,' he said.

To find out more about the self-build loan fund, go to hscht.co.uk/scotland-self-build-loan-fund.html

Investigation work begins for Tarbert investment project

Scottish Water's plans to improve Tarbert's sewer network and tackle flooding in the area is about to begin with investigation work.

Site investigations will inform the design and implementation of improvements needed to help reduce the risk of flooding in the village's Harbour Street and Barmore Road.

Work is expected to take four weeks starting from



Monday, September 24, and will take place along Barmore Road from The Victoria Hotel progressing to Harbour Street near to

Scottish Water will begin work on Monday.

the Loch Fyne Gallery. Full pedestrian access will be maintained but there will be temporary traffic lights and parking restrictions in place.

Ruaridh MacGregor, corporate affairs regional manager at Scottish Water, said the work was scheduled to avoid the busy summer tourism season, including last weekend's music festival.

'We'd also like to remind people that all local businesses will be open as normal during this time and thank everyone for their patience and understanding,' added Mr MacGregor.

Call to light up red for remembrance

Poppyscotland is looking to 'Light Up Red' the whole of Scotland this year, including Kintyre.

The charity is calling on mass involvement from schools, churches, council buildings, monuments, statues and landmarks to mark the centenary of the end of the First World War by putting a red gel filter on any external lighting they have from November 5 to November 11.

Gordon Michie, head of fundraising at Poppyscotland, said: 'It's fantastic to know that Scotland will be lighting up red once again for the Scottish Poppy Appeal, and we continue to be amazed by the country's support. We have already received the support of around 50 landmarks that will Light Up Red, but we want even more to join this exciting project.'

Go to the Light Up Red centenary campaign at poppyscotland.org.uk/light-up-red to find out more.

66 Day Challenge tackles smoking

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Linda Tough from Adult Learning, Argyll and Bute Council; Antonia Baird, Mid Argyll Health and Wellbeing Network Co-ordinator, also from the council; and Claire Cameron, MS Centre Mid Argyll - all hard at work planning to help people change their lives through the challenge. no_a36Advertorial_66Days01

As part of the 66 Day Challenge, Argyll and Bute Health and Wellbeing Network is hosting Stop Smoking.

The event, to be held on Wednesday October 17 at the

Lochgilthead Community Centre from 10am to 4pm, aims to make smoking easier with numbers.

In just a few days, giving up smoking can lead to noticeable improvements to

breathing and physical activity feeling less strenuous. The aim is to gain huge improvements in 66 days.

Many people can quit on their own but there is much evidence to show that quit-

ting with help is four times more successful and that they are much more likely to stay smoke free. Pharmacies will provide support designed specifically to support anyone trying to stop.



texts to help people stay on track and motivated.

Smoking is a real financial commitment. The average smoker spends more than £1,500 a year on cigarettes. Anyone who smokes a pack a day, can run to more than £3,000 a year. That money could net a family holiday, a new kitchen or bathroom, or even a car.

Laura Stephenson of Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care partnership is delighted to be involved in Mid Argyll's 66 Day Event.

Laura said: 'Getting support from friends, services and your community can really help people get over an ingrained habit. Make October 17 your day and pop in to get your carbon monoxide reading.'

Visit a pharmacy to get support. Additionally, get telephone or webchat support from trained supervisors from the national Quit Your Way service, open Monday until Friday 8am - 10pm and Saturday and Sunday 9am - 5pm, telephone 0800 848484 or visit www.nhsinform.scot/campaigns/quit-your-way-scotland or visit www.smokefreehighland.co.uk

Specialist services are there to help, encourage and offer support every step the way.

The network will tailor a unique programme for smokers, and if they don't succeed at first they won't be judged or criticised. Every quit attempt is a step closer to stopping for good. 'We will help you to review what you have achieved and continue to work with you until you succeed,' said a spokesperson.

New service

Pharmacists can also use a new service called Flo. Flo is NHS owned and aims to help people achieve their health goals.

Named after the pioneering nurse Florence Nightingale, Flo is a text messaging service that can send and receive

HSPC continued overspend criticised

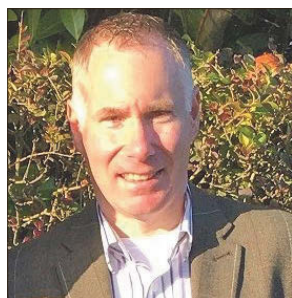
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A councillor has compared the financial situation at Argyll and Bute's health and social care partnership to 'a child running away with a credit card'.

Gary Mulvaney's scathing criticism came as a key Argyll and Bute Council committee considered a report predicting a £2.8 million overspend in the local authority's budget – £2.4m of which is forecast to come from social work services.

The council's chief financial officer Kirsty Flanagan told the authority's policy and resources committee the total projected overspend has now been reduced to £2.4m.

But Councillor Mulvaney, who is vice-chairman of the committee and sits on the HSPC's integration joint board, warned of tough



Councillor Gary Mulvaney is scathing about the HSPC.

financial times ahead.

He said: 'I think the paper is in line with a comment at the last meeting whereby a child has run off with a credit card. We have got to be focused on the overspend, of which £2.4m is down to the HSPC being the child running off with the card.'

'It is a stark reality check for the council – however well we manage our resources. Difficult decisions have to be taken in terms of service

choices and budget challenges. We have to work to see how we can remedy that position.

'When a report comes back to us in October, we should be asking that our officer has discussions with the chief financial officer of the partnership on how the overspend will be managed.'

Councillor Robin Currie said at the meeting: 'If the health and social care partnership was a child, we would have some sympathy and give them a hand, but the harsh reality is it is a grown-up.'

Another part of the projected overspend was £350,000 of extra funding towards additional support needs for school pupils.

A spokesman for the HSPC said: 'The HSPC continues to face increasing demand and cost pressures across both health and social care and we are working hard

towards achieving a balanced budget through our quality and finance plan which has identified savings of £10.6m against an existing budget gap of £12.2m.

'We are also undertaking a focused review of budgets to identify further savings to address the remaining £1.6m.'

'At the same time, even with these financial pressures, we are continuing to meet our commitment of ensuring the delivery of high quality, safe and sustainable health and social care services for the people of Argyll and Bute.'

Have your say on town flood defence plans

People in Campbeltown are being invited to have their say on design proposals that have been developed to help reduce the risk of flooding in the town.

Since the previous public consultation event in February this year, Argyll and Bute Council, in partnership with engineering company AECOM, has looked at a number of design options to reduce flood risk.

The preferred design proposals have now been developed and the views of Campbeltown residents are being sought at a public consultation event on Thursday October 4, from 5pm until 9pm, in the town hall.

This is a drop-in event, with a presentation of the

preferred scheme proposals taking place from 6.30pm until 7.30pm.

The council's policy lead for roads and amenity services Councillor Roddy McCuish said: 'This is an excellent opportunity for local people to have their say on plans that will help to minimise flooding and benefit the whole community.'

'The views of our residents are vital, so it is really important that as many people as possible attend. Following the consultation, we will consider options for funding the project in order to make it a reality.'

Comments on the preferred scheme proposals can also be emailed to campbeltown.comments.uki@aecom.com



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Kintyre raises a cup to World



Sisters Morag Johnston and Katie MacKinnon enjoyed a cuppa. 50_c38macmillan07



Three-year-old Ellie Robertson 'persuades' her reluctant brother, Lewis, five, to smile for the camera. 50_c38macmillan05

The Campbeltown branch of Macmillan Cancer Support's fundraising team kick-started the charity's World's Biggest Coffee Morning campaign in Kintyre.

The ladies, who regularly hold events to raise funds for the charity which provides specialist health care, information and financial support to people affected

by cancer, welcomed guests to Kirk Street Hall on Saturday.

The raffle, baking, tombola and merchandise stalls were kept busy by the constant flow of visitors as volunteers rushed around in the kitchen pouring tea and coffee and keeping plates of biscuits topped up.

The fundraiser, which made almost £800, was one in a series of events across the UK

held on or around September 28 in aid of the charities World's Biggest Coffee Morning campaign.

Joining in and hosting their own events, the Campbeltown Courier will be selling filtered coffee and home baking today (Friday) from 10am, and Glenbarr Stores has a bake sale next Thursday, September 27, from 9am until noon.



Valerie Graham, Wilma Stevenson, Janice Mcshannon and Sheena Ramsay working hard in the kitchen. 50_c38macmillan03

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Ailsa Ronald, Moira Wareham and Margaret Rankin sold merchandise and baking. 50_c38macmillan02



Margaret Wilson, Mary Wood with her granddaughter Amelia, Lorna Hume, Irene O'Neill and Peggy Minshaw catch up.



Bobby Robertson, Elma McLean, Marge Murphy and Margaret Thomson enjoyed a blether. 50_c38macmillan08



Twins Millar and Murray Mackay, aged five, swapped coffee for juice. 50_c38macmillan04



Elizabeth Galbraith and Viv Campbell sold raffle tickets. 50_c38macmillan01



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To maintain your craft in a good, seaworthy condition, maintenance is essential so a planned programme of winter lay-up work will make sure all is good for the next season. If not carrying out this work yourself, or getting the boat yard to undertake, book in with the relevant independent marine services to make sure work is done.



Winterising is essential to good engine maintenance and both inboard and outboard engines need this done. An oil change is standard. New oil prevents internal corrosion and protects the engine standing over the winter. Yard or independent engineers will do this for you if you lack time or confidence to carry out yourself.

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Depending on whether your craft is sail or motor, some key areas need considered in your laying up work plan -

- Keel, hull, topsides, deck, cockpit
- Frost damage prevention
- Interior
- Sails
- Rigging
- Engine/batteries/blectrics
- Safety equipment

A lot of owners are fully competent to carry out most winter lay-up tasks themselves. It's always helpful to compile a basic check list to work though and have a list of equipment needed to carry out the tasks.

Keel/hull/topsides/deck/cockpit: Pressure washing removes a lot of fouling/eroding anti-fouling on lift-out. This gives a good preparatory surface for new anti-fouling in the spring. Remember to remove speed, transducer impellers before lift-out so there will be no damage from hoist strops. With the boat ashore it's time to look for any damage to hull, keel, skeg or rudder and try to get repairs carried out whilst the weather and temperature conditions remain high. Check keelbolts, any play in the rudder/cutlass bearings and the prop-shaft.

Although our rainfall is abundant, it's a good idea to wash down the whole boat and apply a protective wax on the topsides. Not only does this protect from winter dirt but it makes polishing a lot easier in the spring. The cockpit should be cleaned thoroughly since it will invariably be the dirtiest being the most used. If any paint or woodwork here and on deck needs touched up, it's as well to do now if conditions allow. Many people then cover their boat which can also keep the vessel in good condition.

However, make sure covers are well

secured and allow for ventilation and look out for any chafing at regular intervals. Some yards will shrink wrap but allow an area of access so you can continue to work inside.

Ensure the 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 the cockpit. Regular inspection over the winter is important in case cockpit drains get blocked by leaves/debris and water builds up.

Water systems and prevention of freezing damage:

Last year was a very cold winter for the west coast so prevention of freezing damage is essential. Anything that holds or carries water - ie pipes and tanks, pumps and strainers must be fully drained. Flush water systems through with a water sanitizer first. Flush heads through, drain and lubricate disconnecting hoses to allow them to 'breathe'. Pump dry if necessary. 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. If in any doubt as to how to do these safely, get the yard or an independent operator to help.

Interior:

With boats increasing in size and sophistication the interior is increasingly used and needs to be kept clean and pristine. Installing a de-humidifier and heater will keep the interior warm and dry. Some owners choose to remove as much equipment as possible and take home and store. This has the benefit of seeing if equipment needs cleaned or replaced. Clear plastic stack boxes are good to allow inspection of contents which should all be cleaned before packing - boxes can be easily brought back to the boat in the spring. Berth cushions and soft furnishings in particular are



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suspect to mould over the winter and will benefit from a freshen up and storage at home. Some owners like to stay on the boat during the winter so need to keep the interior fitted out.

Lockers, bilges, cookers and toilets should all be washed down – some people advise a weak bleach mixture to prevent mould. There are a number of good items available for this purpose from your chandler. Always ventilate the boat well and do any touch up work inside when weather permits. List any items required for the 2019 season or you will forget.

Check gas systems on board are up to standard with a qualified gas engineer. Now is a good time to check fire extinguishers and replace as necessary to keep up to safety specifications.

Sails:

Check over all your sails and seek advice from your local sail loft on any that look suspect. Sail cleaning is offered and even storage but if taking home make sure they are kept in a dark, warm, well-ventilated area away from rodents.

And, if you need new sails have a chat with your local sail-maker and get your order in quickly. There's often a discount period at this time of year.

Rigging:

It's essential to keep an eye on wear in both standing and running rigging and deck gear overall and replace as required. Check sheaves, swages, split-pins and spreader mounts for any corrosion and replace if suspect. 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. If the mast is stored off the boat it's easier to check masthead instrumentation and that rigging blocks are running freely. Grease to prevent water ingress. It's always a good idea to remove anchors and chain to look for any damage or wear – these can be stored on a pallet below 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:

Winterising is essential to good engine maintenance and both inboard and outboard engines need this done. An oil change is standard. New oil prevents internal corrosion and protects the engine standing over the winter. Yard or independent engineers will do this for you if you lack time or confidence to carry out yourself.

The outboard should be flushed through with fresh cooling water and antifreeze/water mix. Remove the impeller and plug the air and exhaust outlet with an oil soaked rag. Fill fuel tanks 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. Minimise condensation by spraying the engine with a moisture repellent like WD40 and cover with a cloth. Put batteries on a trickle charge and if not needed onboard, take home and sit in a place that won't freeze. Electrics/instrumentation on board should be looked over and any problems checked out by an electronics engineer and repaired or renewed.

Safety equipment:

Given the importance of all safety gear, it's imperative to overhaul everything. Inspect lifejackets, harnesses and safety gear replacing anything that looks suspect. It's advisable to store lifejackets partially inflated over the winter – that way any leaks can be detected and the outer covering won't deteriorate. Check jacket bottles for corrosion and replace as required – kits are available from chandlers. See your flares are in date and replace for next season if required. Store flare packs in a dry area and dispose of old flares through official collection depots. Life rafts should be removed and serviced by an authorised centre on their due date. Clean and repair dinghy tenders, storing partially inflated.

Seasoned boat owners will go through all the above as routine but for those new to the sector it is re-assuring to know there is plenty of help and advice on hand from a range of sources – boat-yard operators, service engineers, boat builders, chandlers and sail-makers. If there is anything you're unsure about these are the experts so don't hesitate to ask if you need to.

And once your boat is laid up safely with all maintenance in hand, you can relax and make plans for the boating season in 2019 and hope the weather will be as good as this year.



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WHAT'S ON IN CAMPBELTOWN AND KINTYRE

Tarbert draws the crowds for music festival



Fantastic fun from Fyne Fusion in the Islay Frigate. 06_a38TarbMusFest03_FyneFusion

A late change in venue for the grand finale did nothing to dampen the enthusiasm of Tarbert festival-goers.

Rain loomed large in the weather forecasts, so organisers made the decision to move the Tarbert Music Festival Sunday concert on the quay to the drier surroundings of the village hall. With the building still filling with people, Treble Trouble got the audience warmed up with a cracking set of covers, before up-and-coming Kintyre trad starlets Rhuvaal really got the party started.

The hall was jumping by the time Dunoon band Soap and Red Pine Timber Company from Perth came on stage.

Around 15 bands performed over the festival, held between September 14 to 16, as pubs and

hotels provided intimate venues for gigs around the village.

Recently-formed Loch Fyne Pipe Band entertained on the Sunday evening, while Saturday night saw champion of champions Mid Argyll Pipe Band perform a stirring set on the harbour.

Then there were the 'fringe' events'. A well-attended coffee morning in the Templars Hall, complete with delicious home baking, raffle and bottle stall, raised money for Tarbert Music Festival.

Across the harbour to the pontoons, the marquee was packed with exhibitors from across Argyll for a craft fair.

Visitors travelled from near and far to enjoy the Tarbert craic - and they were not disappointed.

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Margaret MacNeill (facing camera) and Margaret Henderson get the dancing started on Sunday. 06_a38TarbMusFest15



The coffee morning was a pleasant discovery for holidaymakers Peter and Freda Johns from Devon in the foreground, with Peter and Catherine Guy from Blackpool - and, of course, six-year-old pointer Buddy.

06_a38TarbertCoffeeMorning03



Fundraiser supreme Margaret Henderson was in full Mrs Brown character. 06_a38TarbMusFest22



Trying their tombola luck at the Tarbert Music Festival coffee morning were Kaiyah, Callie and Connor Hill.

06_a38TarbertCoffeeMorning02



Enjoying food from Argyll Hog Roasts were Andrew McMillan, Margot Jenkins, Chas Cunningham and Barbel Cunningham. Andrew and Chas are members of The Skunnered, who were live at the Tarbert Hotel on Sunday evening. 06_a38TarbMusFest24



Thunder Road performing at the Tarbert Hotel.

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Tarbert Village Hall was the venue for Treble Trouble. 06_a38TarbMusFest05



The Corner House was packed for Kenny and Wallace. 06_a38TarbMusFest02



Dancing the afternoon away to Rhuvaal in the village hall. 06_a38TarbMusFest18



Youthful fans wait patiently for Rhuvaal to begin their set. 06_a38TarbMusFest07

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Enjoying festival Sunday were Elaine MacCallum, Margaret MacCallum and Bruce Cowan. 06_a38TarbMusFest06



Rhuvaal get into full swing in the hall. 06_a38TarbMusFest23



Sandra Spence of Campbeltown with her tempting Scottish Tablet Company products. 06_a38TarbertCraftShow07



Selling her hand-made jewellery at the fair was Hazel Fennell of Tarbert. 06_a38TarbertCraftShow06



Tarbert woman Jean Johnston was exhibiting her colourful knitwear at the craft fair. 06_a38TarbertCraftShow04



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Emma Byers, Ruby Currie and Kate McKinlay served supper during the break. 50_c38quiz03



Ten teams took part in the annual quiz. 50_c38quiz04

Grey matter is tested in Tayinloan

Hannah O'Hanlon
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Nature, history, music, television and food were hot topics in Tayinloan Village Hall's annual quiz.

The fundraiser was well attended last Thursday night with 10 teams hailing from the length and breadth of Britain, from Orkney to Cambridge, turning up to compete for the coveted Tayinloan Hall Trophy.

In the first few rounds, the usual suspects slotted into the top spots as quiz master Gordon Caskie read the questions with his typical repartee.

A multiple choice round and a picture round, where participants had to name

various famous faces, logos, dog breeds, flags and cartoon characters, added some variety to the night.

A break for a light supper of sandwiches, quiche, sausage rolls and numerous home-baked sweet treats revitalised the brain cells and left everyone ready for the second half.

A Family Fortunes-style round, asking people to guess the top answer given by 100 people to 10 simple questions, was a new addition this year. As the quiz progressed, two or three teams looked likely to triumph but in the end, the Peninver Orkadians were the champions with a score of 90, eight clear of second-placed Clachan Crew.

Two teams were in third

place, with the Largsiders and the Belvoir Players both on 82 points.

The winners, Sheila-anne and Peter McCallum, from Campbeltown but with a caravan in Peninver, and Peter's cousin and her husband, Christine and Bryan Linklater, from Orkney, will have their team name engraved on the shield.

Hall chairman George Thomson thanked Gordon for keeping the evening flowing, Rebecca Harvey and Hannah O'Hanlon for compiling the quiz and marking the answer sheets, everyone who took part and those who contributed to the supper and raffle. A total of £198 was raised for hall funds.

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Peninver Orkadians, Peter and Sheila-anne McCallum, and Christine and Bryan Linklater, with the prize-winners' shield.

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Quiz master Gordon Caskie.

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A raffle was drawn while the results were collated. 50_c38quiz05



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Clachan sale boosts hall funds



The items on Julia Griffiths' stall were varied and interesting. 50_c38clchan04



Zoe Weir sold some more modern items. 50_c38clchan05

A myriad of items of all shapes and sizes were sold at a Clachan Village Hall table top sale in aid of the hall's refurbishment.

Sellers from across the area converged on the hall to sell wares new and old, including books and collectables, as well as crafts, plants, home-baking, preserves, candles and

cards, to a good turnout of visitors last Saturday.

Tea, coffee and cakes were on offer with a large group of walkers keeping the volunteers busy for part of the afternoon.

The fundraiser made £198.22 which will go towards the renewal or refurbishment of the hall.



Glynis Lewin sold items for the hall's benefit. 50_c38clchan03



Anne MacArthur, Morag Duff and Susan Ward served tea and coffee. 50_c38clchan02



Grace Norris, eight, was in charge of a bric-a-brac stall. 50_c38clchan01

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Eilidh's foodie venture fills a gap in Lochgilphead

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Eilidh Thomsen has 12 years of service in the sector – from waitressing and managing hotels to gaining culinary skills to become a cook.

Last year, however, she decided to take the leap and open her own café.

With support from Business Gateway Argyll and Bute, Eilidh launched Salty Dog Café in Lochgilphead, which caters for everyone and offers a warm and welcoming atmosphere.

Eilidh said: 'Last year I needed to make a change and give myself a challenge so I took the steps needed to open a café in August. I knew that there was a gap in the market for a café in the town and I had the confidence to believe I could make it work. After planning applications and working out costs we opened in December which was a very proud day. The

local response I've had since then has been fantastic. My customers feel that our café is a real asset to the town and was much needed.

'The support I had from Business Gateway was great. I had one-to-one advice and went along to workshops that helped me with my book-keeping which ultimately gave me the confidence to do my own books.'

Salty Dog Café offers a range of homemade food, snacks and drinks that cater for various dietary needs including gluten and lactose-free. Eilidh has also turned the wall space into a gallery for her father's paintings.

Eilidh added: 'My first hospitality job was waitressing in a vegetarian restaurant and then I began working at the Cairnbaan Hotel. Eventually I became duty manager but I was always keen to learn new things and gain different experiences so I left and became a deputy



Eilidh Thomsen in the Salty Dog Café.

cook in a very tourist orientated location. After 12 years in the business I amassed various skills and I knew then that I wanted my own business as I enjoyed cooking, baking and knowing people enjoyed my food.

'I'm loving running the café and it's been fantastic getting to know all my customers in person and on Facebook. My dad is a talented artist and showcasing his paintings on our walls was the perfect finishing touch to the café.'

Donald Melville of Business Gateway Argyll and Bute said: 'Eilidh used our services to learn more about how to successfully set up a business. Through our advisory support and workshops, she learned vital skills that allowed her to confidently launch Salty Dog Café.'

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Business Gateway - exceeding customer expectations

Business Gateway is Argyll and Bute Council's dedicated business support resource, providing free, confidential practical advice to existing and start-up businesses in Argyll and Bute.

The service offers advice through experienced business advisers, business skills workshops, information, guides, templates for key documents, networking and can signpost available funding.

Since its launch in Argyll and Bute in 2009, Business Gateway has provided support to hundreds of local businesses, helping them to start up, survive or grow. Last year more than 100 new start-up businesses in Argyll and Bute and more than 250 existing businesses were supported by the team.

Business Gateway Argyll and

Bute achieved top ranking for meeting customer expectations last year, according to an independent customer satisfaction survey, with 94 per cent of respondents saying that their expectations were met as well as 93 per cent saying that their business would benefit from the support provided. Overall customer satisfaction is consistently above the national average for Scotland.

In the last quarter, 100 per cent of respondents said that they had got what they wanted from an adviser. More than 300 meetings with local business advisers have been completed in the first six months of this year and the team is keen to hear from anyone looking for help to start or grow a business here in Argyll.

Recent comments from businesses

supported by a business adviser include:

- 'Very helpful as my situation was quite tricky to explain and the adviser was able to tell me what I needed to do'

- 'The adviser dealing with my plan was very helpful, always smiling and cheery. They led me in a good direction to get started with my plans'

- 'Very knowledgeable about businesses. Made great suggestions and guided us to relevant information and contacts'

- 'Really helpful, realistic, honest and gave clear advice on next steps. It was a very new idea and they took it seriously'

The business adviser for the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay area is Donald Melville.

Donald joined the Business Gateway team in 2013, having previously worked for Highlands and Islands Enterprise to support business start-ups and community groups. He holds the Premier Adviser qualification and in 2000 was recognised as Business Adviser of the Year for the Prince's Scottish Youth Business Trust. To book an appointment with Donald please call 01546 604555.

Business Gateway also offers a wide range of free-to-attend workshops, covering 25 topics including marketing, PR, HR, customer service, book-keeping, business start-up, as well as workshops on 13 digital topics ranging from Twitter to data analytics to creating video content for social media. So far this year 33 workshops have been held

across Argyll and Bute, with well over 300 attendees.

Spaces are still available at Lochgilphead workshops coming up soon, including Better Business Websites on October 4, Practical Basic Book-keeping on November 1, Build Your Own Business Website on November 20 and Paid-for Advertising on November 28. Book now with the local team or online at www.bgateway.com/events.

As well as assisting small businesses, Business Gateway works with both Highlands and Islands Enterprise and Scottish Enterprise to identify companies with high growth potential and support them through a growth pipeline.

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Have you made provision for fuel and heating oil going into winter, and how is your storage? Farm thefts are a problem, so make sure your fuel tanks and stores are secure. And it is handy to have an emergency generator in reserve.

Another consideration must be feed and bedding supplies to see livestock through the winter - no matter how expensive these are after such a dry summer in many parts.

Have a think as well about how you will get feed to animals in bad weather. It might be worth considering accessible areas to which isolated stock may be moved in poor conditions.

Machinery maintenance is essential, so create inventories for machinery and equipment and prioritise what needs to be done and when, then keep equipment inside, away from frost.

A bit of preparation to ensure water supplies to stock are reliable in the event of hard frost could prevent big problems. Think about contingency arrangements such as water bowsers.

How are you going to ensure access and exit points are open in bad weather? Establish early on how snow can be cleared, either with your own equipment or nearby machinery - and have sufficient stocks of salt/grit.

These days rain is more likely than snow, so have you ensured no surface water is entering slurry stores? Where possible, empty slurry stores in preparation for winter in order to avoid the need to spread during unsuitable conditions.

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Creamery business is growing and profitable

Campbeltown Creamery's owner First Milk has reported another year of solid progress.

First Milk published its annual results this week which showed a profitable business with a strengthening balance sheet that is growing.

The highlights include a net profit of £3.2 million and appointing food firm specialist Chris Thomas as its new

non-executive chairman last month.

First Milk chief executive Shelagh Hancock said a second year of positive trading results demonstrated that First Milk was consistently delivering stable financial performance and making solid progress on strengthening and growing the business.

'Critically, we have done this whilst putting our farmer members back at

the heart of the business and, most importantly, delivering improved returns to our members.

'With strong foundations now firmly in place, First Milk is well-placed for future growth. As we look forward, our clear strategic focus is to drive profitable growth across our cheese and fresh milk businesses,' she said.

She added: 'We have embarked on significant capital investment at our sites to support the growing demand from our customers, enabling our members to increase milk production with confidence.'

'Through the implementation of this growth strategy in the years ahead we will deliver prosperity for our members.'



First Milk's non-executive chairman Chris Thomas.

Bank lending slows down to farms

The total lending from banks to Scottish agriculture over the past year has slowed down, according to statistics out this week.

Outstanding debts to Scottish farms rose by £22 million in the year to May 31 2018. Total outstanding lending to the agricultural sector amounted to £2.34 billion. Accounting for inflation, this was a decrease of 0.6 per cent since May 2017, according to results from a survey of the main banks and other lending institutions released by the Scottish Government's Chief Statistician.

In addition to bank lending, farms have an estimated £1.2 billion of debt related to hire purchase, leasing and other sources, the statistics also showed.

Tougher sanctions needed for livestock worrying culprits

NFU Scotland is seeking harsher penalties for people who let their dogs attack livestock, after an Argyll man appeared before the sheriff court.

Nicholas Rowley, of East Princes Street in Rothesay but formerly of Lochgilhead, allowed four dogs he had responsibility for to seriously injure and kill a total of 17 sheep on farmland near Inveraray on March 4 this year, leaving the farmer with damages of around £4,100.

The injuries inflicted on the sheep during this attack were so severe that photographs taken afterwards were deemed unsuitable for publication.

Rowley previously pled guilty under the Dogs (Protection of Livestock) Act 1953, Section 1(1) and (6) and Sheriff Thomas Ward sentenced him to an 80-hour community pay back order to be completed within three months.

NFU Scotland wants tougher sanctions on people who let their dogs attack livestock and will be sending a briefing

on this court case to Emma Harper MSP to back up her efforts for a Private Members' Bill on the issue.

During the court hearing, Sheriff Thomas Ward told the court he acknowledged that Rowley was in no position to pay either a fine and or any compensation to the affected farmer. He expressed frustration that under the current legislation he was unable to impose a prison sentence, nor could he disqualify 56-year-old Rowley from keeping dogs.

The victim, Brian Walker

of Carloonan Farm, said that the outcome of the case had been disappointing but he was not surprised.

'This incident was particularly stressful. Although we took a heavy financial loss, this has not been my focus. The cost of the damage is so high as these ewe hogs would have been used on the farm for breeding for years to come. We have done everything by the book since this happened to ensure it was fairly, and properly put through the justice system.'

'However, even with doing

this we have been let down by antiquated legislation.

'It is now evident that the farming community in Scotland doesn't have any protection from instances of livestock worrying as the sanctions dog owners face are far too lenient to deter them from doing this again.'

Mr Walker paid credit to the police and dog warden for their efforts and support and said he would be fully backing NFU Scotland and Emma Harper's effort to bring the law into the 21st century.

'For those suffering

problems with dogs near or disturbing their livestock and posing a potential threat to their livestock contact your local dog warden to seek a Dog Control Notice (DCN) to be put in place where appropriate. This is the only means available of being able to control dogs causing persistent problems with livestock at the present time.

'I believe this has stopped another attack by these dogs. Unfortunately, once these dogs have a taste for it, they are likely to attack again, and I fear the next time it may not be an animal, but someone's child,' he added,

Andrew McCornick, NFU Scotland president said: 'Livestock worrying continues to be a blight on Scottish agriculture, and greater sanctions and further public awareness are needed so dog owners are fully aware of their responsibilities to keep their animals under control.'

'Despite the dogs in this case being subject to a DCN, the individual remains with four of his dogs in his care - this is a real worry for local farmers.'



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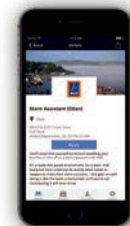
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Interviews will be held on Friday 26th October 2018.

Apprentice Mechanical Technician



The Oil and Pipelines Agency is a Public Corporation formed by the Oil and Pipelines Act 1985. Our current primary purpose is to manage, operate and maintain 6 Naval Oil Fuel Depots and 1 Petroleum Storage Depot for the Secretary of State for Defence. The sites are spread across the UK, with 4 in Scotland, 2 on the south coast of England and the Petroleum Storage Depot is located in Cheshire. We have around 120 employees.

Our Head Office is currently based in London at Clive House, 6th Floor, 70 Petty France, Westminster, London SW1H 9EX. You can obtain some further information from www.gov.uk/opa

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The starting salary is £11,000 per year (dependant of age raising to £18,000 in the final year of the apprenticeship). The hours are 07.30 am. until 16.00 pm. Monday to Friday (37 hours per week).

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Contact: Mr Mathew Nicholson,
Competency Assurance Manager
Tel: 07590646757
Email: Mathew.Nicholson@oilandpipelines.com

Vacancy Closing Date 12th October 2018
Interview Start Date 5th November 2018
Possible Start Date 7th January 2019



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TRANSPORT SCOTLAND

THE A83 TRUNK ROAD (CAMPBELTOWN) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION ON USE OF ROAD, WAITING, LOADING AND UNLOADING) (NO. 2) ORDER 2018

THE SCOTTISH MINISTERS give notice that they have made the above Order under sections 2(1) and (2), 4(1) and 14(1)(b) and (4) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, temporarily prohibiting traffic on that length of A83 Tarbet - Lochgilphead - Campbeltown Trunk Road from the junction with the Machrihanish Airfield access road in a southeastwards direction along the A83 Trunk Road and Tarbert Road, Campbeltown then southwards along Millknowe Road, then eastwards along Aqualibrium Avenue, then southeastwards along Kinloch Road and Old Quay Street roundabout to its junction with the southeastbound carriageway of Hall Street, then southeastwards along Hall Street to its junction with New Quay Roundabout, Campbeltown, a distance of 5.2 kilometres or thereby.

The Order, which is required to facilitate the movement of large vehicles, will be in operation from 26th September until 25th December 2018. The prohibition on use will only have effect in relation to such part or parts of the length of road as indicated by appropriate traffic signs.

The Order does not apply to vehicles while being used in an emergency for fire brigade, ambulance, police or coastguard purposes; or any vehicle travelling under police escort or any vehicle being used to provide such an escort.

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ELECTRICITY ACT 1989

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THE ELECTRICITY WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2017

Notice is hereby given that **SSE Generation Limited**, (Company Number: 02310571) having their registered office at No.1 Forbury Place, 43 Forbury Road, Reading, United Kingdom, RG1 3JH) has applied to the Scottish Ministers for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct and operate a Wind Farm at Tangy Wind Farm and Land North of Kilchenzie, Kintyre Peninsula, Argyll and Bute, Scotland (Central Grid Reference [168215, 629050]). The installed capacity of the proposed generating station would be in excess of 50 MW comprising 16 turbines with a ground to blade tip height of up to 149.9 metres. The proposed development is subject to Environmental Impact Assessment and an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report has been produced.

SSE Generation 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, Customer Service Point	Monday to Friday: 9am to 5pm	1A Manse Brae, Lochgilthead, PA31 8RD
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The **EIA report** can also be viewed at the Scottish Government Library at Victoria Quay, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ; on the application website at www.sse.com/tangy-repower; or at www.energyconsents.scot.

Copies of the EIA report may be obtained from SSE Generation Limited (telephone 0141 224 7337 / email to Karen.anderson@sse.com) at a charge of £450 hard copy and £10 on CD. 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; by email to the Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit mailbox at representations@gov.scot; or by post to the Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit, 4th 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 will receive acknowledgement.

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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 this 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:

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Ref. No.	Proposal	Site Address
18/01765/PPP	Renewal of planning permission in principle reference 15/01863/PPP (Site for the erection of dwellinghouse and associated works)	Plot 5 Lower Auchans Dunmore Nr Tarbert Argyll And Bute
18/01956/LIB	Installation of internal wall insulation	Upper Floor Flat 75 Argyll Street Lochgilthead Argyll And Bute PA31 8NE
18/01580/PP	Change of use of former church to residential dwelling to include installation of septic tank, erection of outbuildings, minor internal alterations and refurbishment.	Fyne Cabin Minard Inveraray Argyll And Bute PA32 8YB
18/01945/PPP	Renewal of planning permission in principle reference 15/02404/PPP (Site for the erection of dwellinghouse)	Land South Of High Loup Clachan Argyll And Bute
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18/01818/PP	Change of use from (Class 2) financial, professional and other services to mixed-use comprising cafe, therapy rooms and children's play area	Citizen Advice Bureau Oban Road Lochgilthead Argyll And Bute PA31 8NG

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KERRY, GAIL and MARK invited family and friends from far and wide, to come and join in celebrating Janice and Jim's 80th Birthday party in the Town Hall. A tremendous response from everyone culminated in the fantastic sum of £1,515 in donations to charities:- the Macmillan Cancer and Palliative Care, The Sunshine Room and for the new sepsis detection equipment. Their works and needs are endless here in Campbeltown, GOD BLESS family and friends who gave so willingly. Your generous donations will stay in "The Wee Toon". Sincere thanks to Kerry, Gail and Mark who made this special evening possible! GOD BLESS you all,
Love, Janice and Jim.

THANK YOU
Emily McDonald would like to thank friends and neighbours for the flowers, cards and good wishes received while in hospital and since coming home. Your kindness is much appreciated.

THANK YOU
We have been overwhelmed by the kindness, hard work and determination shown by the very many people who helped us last week when wee Stella went missing. To each and every one of you who came out to help in the search, brought their dogs, provided torches, shared on Facebook and offered messages of support a massive, massive thank you to you all. Stella was found safe and well and was straight back to her happy, cheeky self!
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KINTYRE

Litter busting sky map gets more funding

Scotland's coastlines including Kintyre are to get another £100,000 to help tackle marine litter build up.

The extra money will be used to extend the SCRAPbook project around the entire Scottish mainland. It involves crews of pilots and observers taking to the skies to photograph areas of the coastline where they spot litter or pollution.

The map is available for anyone to use, from organised groups to schools, communities to individuals. By visiting the website people can see how much litter has been identified and how they might help in their own area.

To find out more about the project go to scrapbook.org.uk

WEST KINTYRE

Bursary benefits

The West Kintyre Community Fund has granted bursaries to help finance the education and development of seven residents.

Four of the monetary awards have been made to undergraduate university students, two to students on further education college courses and one will help someone carrying out an apprenticeship.

A business start-up grant has also been awarded with an application for another expected soon.

The fund was set up by the area's community council to dispense money given to it by RES, the developer of Freasdail wind farm, which set up its own Local Electricity Discount Scheme, awarding money to all eligible households within approximately a 5km radius of the site.

As the turbines sit in the jurisdiction of both West Kintyre and Tarbert and Skipness, the remainder of the community benefit funds has been split equally between the two areas' community councils.

More information can be obtained from West Kintyre Community Council's convener, Margaret Pratt by emailing margaretpratt@btinternet.com.

GIGHA

New creative chapter for Gigha pupils



Author John Fardell will be taking up residency with Gigha Primary School.

Pupils at Gigha Primary School will soon be crafting tales from their island with a helping hand from their very own writer in residence.

The school is one of nine chosen to take part in a special project run by the Scottish Book Trust.

Author and illustrator John Fardell will be helping the children at Gigha get creative. As well as having an author in residence, the school will also get a resources grant of £500.

Head teacher of Gigha Primary School Julie Wilson said: 'What a great gift to have John Fardell come and work with us to craft a series of tales from our Isle of Stories. We are so excited for this opportunity to learn from him and be inspired through his residency to create and illustrate our own picture books on the themes of nature, growth and learning for sustainability.'

John Fardell is the author of children's novels, including *The Seven Professors of the Far North* and *The Secret of the Black Moon*

Moth. He also works as a freelance cartoonist, illustrator, designer and puppeteer.

'I'm very excited about being author-illustrator in residence at Gigha Primary School, and really honoured to have been asked. I'm greatly looking forward to travelling to Gigha and working with the pupils at this terrific school on their imaginative and creative ideas.'

Funded

The Live Literature School Residencies programme, now in its third year, is funded by Walter Scott Giving Group and delivered by Scottish Book Trust, changing lives through reading and writing. Schools across the country were invited to apply.

Each school's project will eventually be showcased on the Scottish Book Trust's website.

Marc Lambert, chief executive officer of Scottish Book Trust, added: 'We're pleased to offer nine fully-funded residencies, which will help pupils to foster a love for reading and writing that can last a lifetime.'

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden

This 'Thought' is unashamedly for a very special person.

I know that throughout our community people are praying for Catriona Hood.

Catriona became seriously ill just over a week ago and, as I write this, her life hangs in the balance.

We have sat daily by her bedside in intensive care at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital in Glasgow and watched through the tears as Catriona has struggled with so many problems.

Unable to speak because of tubes and wires everywhere, Catriona communicates with that wonderful smile.

Despite the difficulties as she struggles, Catriona remains her usual gentle self.

Prayers surround her from all who love her and as we relay the names, she smiles that lovely smile.

The waiting time is surreal and our hearts go out to her sister and family as they wait and watch and weep too.

The care is wonderful as nurses give us comfort and we feel our dear friend is in safe hands.

Yet where is Catriona in this world of uncertainty? Her faith is strong and resolute even in the shadows.

It is strange to come from the beauty and peace of Argyll to the madness of the city with all its busyness.

Of course there is care and concern there too, but there is something special about a small community 'cooing' in together for one of their own.

I hope and pray that as you read this, Catriona has turned the corner on that bumpy road to recovery. There are not many people who make such an impact in their life and their love for others as Catriona does.

She touches everyone she meets in a very special way and leaves a memory to treasure.

May God bless us by restoring our friend to health.

We are greatly blessed in our little communities as we feel our identity and know that we matter to God and to each other.

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

BIRTHS



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Gary and Lynsey are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, India Faith, on September 6, 2018, at Edinburgh Royal Infirmary. A granddaughter for Brian and Janice, Zena and John, and Archie.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

MCGOUGAN - STEWART - On September 20, 1968, at Castlehill Church, Campbeltown, by Rev John RH Cormack, Johnny to Catherine. Present address, Meall Mhor, 4 Kilkerran Road, Campbeltown.

DEATHS

GILLESPIE - Suddenly at home, 18 Crosshill Avenue, Campbeltown, on September 14, 2018, Marion McGown Gillespie, in her 76th year, dearly beloved daughter of the late William and Ina Gillespie, and a much loved sister and aunt.

MURPHY - At Mid Argyll Hospital, on September 12, 2018, with her daughters by her side, Auriol Margaret, beloved wife of the late John, loving and cherished mother of Karen, Auriol and Elaine, mother-in-law of David, Ramon and Joe, and a devoted and much loved grandmother and great grandmother (GG) to Lilly, Georgia, Archie, Lomond, Millie and Robbie. Funeral mass, today Friday, September 21, 2018, at 11.30am, in St John Vianney RC Church, Edinburgh, thereafter to Craigmillar Castle Park Cemetery. Rest in peace.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

COATS - Amanda, Fiona and Annie would like to thank family and friends for their letters, cards, phone calls, flowers and messages of support following the sad loss of their mother, Sarah Coats. Special thanks to Sarah and all the dedicated nursing staff who cared so wonderfully for Mum and to Dr Spink and Dr Ramsay for their unfailing support and help. We will be forever grateful to Jane, Isobel, Lois, Jana and Colette - thank you. Special thanks also to Margaret Sinclair for comforting us through the days and leading two wonderful services, and to Stan Lupton for his professional supervision. A huge thank you to Myra and Meg and all those who baked, Morna and Ileene who filled the church with beautiful flowers, Stephen and Donald, Marjorie for her uplifting music and to everyone who came to say goodbye. Finally, a special thanks to John who piped us down to the shore so that we could say our final farewell.

KENDRICK - Karen and Ian would like to thank all who attended Florrie's funeral. In particular, we would like to thank Rev Roger Crooks, and Calum and Lizzie from the Water of Life Cafe. We would like to thank all the doctors, district nurses, home care team, and staff at Muasdale Surgery for all their care over the last few weeks. Special thanks to the Elderberries group for the fun over the last four years. We would like to thank all the family and friends who attended from far and wide, particularly Christine and James for all their support. Finally, a thank you to T A Blair for their services and support during these difficult times.

IN MEMORIAM

DEWAR - Janet (Netta), September 25, 1955. Remembered forever. - Love, Amy, Jan and Edna.

GILLESPIE - In loving memory of my sister, Marion, who passed away September 14, 2018. It is tinged with a sadness I have to accept

That our good Lord decided to take you
For as sisters together I do recollect
That no hardship ever could break you
The spirit inside you could not be contained
In a mere body of mortal confines
So our Heavenly Father so more could be gained
And for you had grander designs
Now you sit right under his wing
And we seem further apart
But I can still hear you sing
For you'll always be here in my heart.
- R M Gilleasbuig.

GILLESPIE - In loving memory of my aunt Marion, who passed away September 14, 2018. Goodbye to you my beloved aunt, Who said there's no such word as can't
For if your spirit is strong
You can sing a new song
And a new order help to transplant
For you were needed above
To spread peace and love
And lay a foundation anew
Preparing the way and awaiting the day
To greet brothers and sisters so true.
- R B Hyslop.

GILLIES - Cherished memories of Mar, dearly loved sister-in-law and auntie, died September 21, 2017. Forever in our thoughts. - Annie, Marion, Laura and Christine xxxx.

MACKINNON - Treasured memories of Peggy, who passed away on September 20, 1994. Much loved granny. Always in our thoughts. - Annamarie and Allan.

MCNEIL - Remembering Graham, twenty year gone, but not forgotten. - Alec, Nat and Francis.

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Saturday 22 September
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10.30am-12.30pm Cafe Connect
12.30-2.30pm - Alpha
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Tuesday 25 September
12.30 - 2.30pm The Manse
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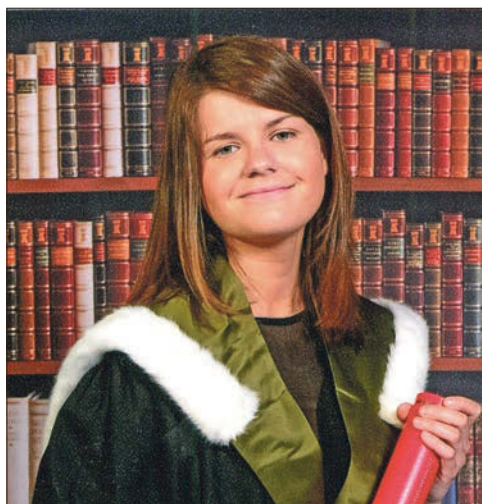
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GRADUATIONS



LAURA M MCKELLAR

Graduated from the University of Edinburgh with a Bachelor of Science in Geography. Laura is the daughter of Campbell and Linda, Campbeltown.

Rain and unforeseen circumstances cancel Campbeltown Highland Games

'Apologies to everyone who was looking forward to attending'

This year's Campbeltown Highland Games has been cancelled.

Organisers issued a statement on Wednesday afternoon which read: 'Due to the heavy rain and other circumstances outwith our control we've had to take the unfortunate decision to cancel.'

Repeat

Scheduled to take place at Meadows Playing Field tomorrow (Saturday), the event was supposed to be a repeat of last year where

speed and strength were tested despite drizzle and grey skies.

Traditional heavy events such as the caber toss and tug o' war, as well as athletic events, including 100m and 200m races, took place while Kintyre Schools Pipe Band and Highland dancers from James McCorkindale's School of Dancing entertained spectators.

The statement concluded: 'Apologies to everyone who was looking forward to attending.'



The tyre pull featured in last year's event. 20_c20highlandgames10



Boys set off in a flat race in 2017. 20_c20highlandgames12



Campbell O'May makes a mad dash for the finish line after breaking free from his partner in last year's three-legged race. 20_c20highlandgames18



Left to right, The Sultans of Swing, Charles Robertson, Jim McCallum, Craig Colville and Robert McDonald, with club captain Calum MacMillan, his wife Michelle MacMillan, who presented the prizes, and Tom Millar of McFadyens Contractors.

Sultans of Swing prove golfing prowess

The Sultans of Swing proved their prowess in Machrihanish Golf Club's September Open Am-Am.

The team, consisting of Jim McCallum, Robert McDonald, Charles Robertson and Craig Colville, had the best score in the competition on Saturday September 8.

The competition format was teams of four with the best two nett scores at each hole counting.

A club spokesperson said: 'The Sultans of Swing really did swing well to return an excellent winning score of 118.'

'The event was generously sponsored by McFadyens Contractors which is greatly appreciated by the golf club and the competitors.'

'Thanks also to the sponsors of the special prizes.'

Full results: 1 J McCallum/R

McDonald/C Robertson/C Colville (Sultans of Swing) 118, 2 G MacMillan/G Grant/M Paterson/P Paterson (Where's the Burdies?!), 3 L Haldane/J. Todd/D Todd/D Todd (3 Todds and Liam) 122, 4 R McNaughton/A Rattray/D O'Sullivan/K O'Hanlon (Allan's Army) 123, 5 O Morgan/D. Ratcliff/T Martin/J Shaw (Owen's Angels) 126.

Special prizes: Hole four, nearest the pin (sponsored by Calum MacMillan, club captain): Kevin O'Hanlon 64cm. Hole 17, gents' longest drive (sponsored by Jennie Dunn, club professional): Kevin O'Hanlon. Hole 17, ladies' longest drive (sponsored by Jennie Dunn, club professional): Lorna Armour. Hole 18, nearest the pin in two (sponsored by Iain McLean, club steward): Stuart Campbell 1.36m.



David being presented with his international instructor award.

Campbeltown man masters Taekwon-do

A former Campbeltown man is now qualified to teach the martial art Taekwon-do across the globe.

David Farrell-Shaw has qualified as an international Taekwon-do instructor after passing a two-day course in Glasgow this month under the instruction of First Grand Master Rhee Ki Ha, the highest ranked Taekwon-do Master in the world.

The award means that he can now teach Taekwon-do in any country, not just the UK.

David began his Taekwon-do career at the RAF Machrihanish club in the early 1970s grading to black belt 1st dan in March 1980.

Taekwon-do is a self-defence martial art created for the Korean military.

David said: 'It is not to be confused with the Olympic Sport of Taekwondo which is an entirely different art.'

David, the son of Nancy and the late Murray Shaw of Davaar Avenue, Campbeltown, has held the rank of 5th dan black belt for more than 20 years but hopes to grade to 6th dan next year.

Laura wins Mrs MacEwan competition at Machrihanish

Laura Finlayson scored an 'excellent' nett 64 to win Machrihanish Golf Club's Mrs MacEwan competition.

The results of the contest have been revealed alongside the club's other August tournaments, as well as the September Medals.

Championship Course, events played between August 25 and 26: John McLean, round one: Handicap prize: L Mathieson 72-4=68. Seniors: Roy McMurchy 93-15=78. John McLean, round two: Handicap prize: C McIntyre 82-12=70. John McLean, combined: Winner: A Wallace 74+77=151. Runner-up: G MacMillan 74+78=152 (better last 9 oR2).

August Medal: Division one: L Mathieson 72-4=68. Division two: C McIntyre 84-12=72. Division three: Kevin Allibone 101-22=79.

Pans Course: RNLI best nine holes, played September 18 and 22: Myra Spierings-Hendrie nett 30.

Mrs MacEwan, played August 25: 1 Laura Finlayson 89-25=64, CSS 69; 2 Catherine Dobbie 82-13=69 (BIH); 3 Myra Spierings-Hendrie 86-17=69 (BIH). Scratch: 1 Ailie MacBrayne 81, 2 Elizabeth Casey 82, 3 Elizabeth Marrison 83 (BIH).

Championship Course: September Medal, played September 2: Division One: Robert McNaughton 73-5=68. Division Two: John Ramsay 90-18=72. Division Three: Kevin



The Mrs MacEwan handicap winner Laura Finlayson, who had a score of nett 64.

Allibone 89-22=67. Seniors: E Fletcher 93-16=77. Ladies: Maggie MacArthur 100-21=79.

Pans Course: September Medal, played September 1: Jennifer Gilchrist 92-21=71 CSS 69.

Lotto winner

Alistair McMillan is in the money after scooping £200 in Machrihanish Golf Club's three-number lottery draw on Monday.

The winning numbers were 4, 7 and 10.

The next draw, for a jackpot of £100, is on Monday September 24.

SPOT THE BALL

THIS WEEK'S JACKPOT £3400

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INSIDE THIS WEEK:
Strength and speed will be tested at Highland Games

Pupils share the points after hard-fought battle

Ferguslie Star 2
Campbeltown Pupils 2
SAFL Premier Division One

Ferguslie Star were astute enough to use everything in their armoury to upset the rhythm of the visitors, as an extremely tight and uncut park welcomed a massively changed Pupils squad to Paisley last Saturday.

Nevertheless, with the resilience of the squad now tested to the full, another determined performance saw the Kintyre side leave with a draw, coming from behind in the closing stages to grab a deserved share of the points.

The tactics employed by the home side were positive if slightly predictable; 90 minutes of route-one football suiting the physicality of an extremely tall and athletic team.

It may not have been pretty, but no-one can blame a club for attempting to play to their obvious strengths.

Given the situation, predictably the McFadyen-sponsored Pupils fell behind in the 15th minute to a simple, but extremely effective throw-in from the attacking left.

Failing to mark tightly, the home centre-forward was able to roll his marker before gaining enough space to shoot home from just inside the box.

At this point the game raged

from end to end, and, as the visitors tried to retrieve the deficit, a Martin McCallum run was stopped by an uncompromising challenge in the box.

The referee had no hesitation in awarding a penalty kick, the same confidently converted by Gary Grumoli to bring the scores level just before half time.

The home side opened the second half with renewed vigour and determination, pushing the Kintyre side back into a deep defensive shell.

It became survival of the fittest as Ferguslie launched attack after attack, but team captain Keith Mitchell rallied his troops and the visitors were able to defend stoutly with limitless resolve.

This was a committed team performance and the visitors were in no mood to surrender meekly whatever the opposition would throw their way.

Having ridden out the worst of the storm, it came as a surprise when Ferguslie scored with a simple tap-in after a cross from the attacking right – a moment of indecision that could have cost the visitors dearly.

Minutes later it could have been worse, as Pupils' young goalkeeper Alasdair Ferguson earned his spurs with two point-blank saves from one-on-one situations with the opposing centre-forward.

The game began to turn in

the final quarter, with the Pupils' counter-attacking style yielding dividends as the team poured out of defence.

The visitors introduced Cameron Wylie and Andy Cargill to freshen the attack, with the injured Gary Grumoli withdrawn to the bench.

In a final flurry, the strength of Martin McCallum proved crucial as he picked up the loose ball and drove towards the box.

Free of his marker, he then rounded the stranded goalkeeper and slotted the ball home for a crucial equalising goal.

It certainly was a hard-fought 90 minutes, but team spirit and determination allowed the visitors to claim a crucial draw at the 11th hour, a single point, enough to keep them top of the league with three games played.

Pupils fixtures: Saturday September 22, no fixture; Saturday September 29 v Castlemilk (home) and Saturday October 6 v Kinross (home) in Scottish Cup.



Martin McCallum, in action against Ferguslie Star earlier this year, scored the equaliser last Saturday.



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