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‘Haste ye back’ the message as final ferry sails on Sunday

Call to enforce 20mph speed limit

Councillor Donald Kelly at Big Kiln Street where he wants to see a 20mph limit imposed to protect pedestrians from speeding heavy goods vehicles. In October, Argyll and Bute Council plan to run a consultation process on parking, which might lead to controversial proposals such as making Longrow and Longrow South a one way street. For more on this story see page three. 20_c39mphlimit01

AS THE final ferry to Ardrossan sails into the sunset on Sunday, pressure to retain the service will propel the issue onto the Holyrood agenda.

Although primarily a Scottish Parliament issue, it may soon be aired at Westminster, as today (Friday) Argyll and Bute MP, Brendan O’Hara is due to meet the Campbeltown ferry sub-group.

In a bid to put further pressure on the government the sub-group has a meeting, in Glasgow, with Scottish government transport minister, Derek Mackay, planned for October 27.

It may not be plain sailing, as this week a Transport Scotland announcement gave details of an enhanced timetable for regular west coast ferries but made no mention of Campbeltown.

The proposed enhancements include: an additional 50 weekly sailings on the Oban-Craignure route making Oban a commutable destination from Mull for the first time, 10 per cent more sailings on the Mallaig-Armadale route and more than a 30 per cent increase in capacity on services to Coll, Tiree and Colonsay.

by **MARK DAVEY**
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Speaking about those proposals Mr Mackay said: ‘I know how important our ferry services are to the communities of the Clyde and Hebrides and the vital role they play in enabling continued and sustainable economic growth for the islands.

‘Since taking up my post, I have spoken to stakeholders throughout the network, from councils to ferry users’ groups, to see if changes can be made to ensure our ferry services continue to deliver the best possible service.

‘These measures underline the Scottish government’s commitment to essential ferry services for the communities that rely on them and will ensure that our islands remain attractive and accessible to visitors.’

At Machrihanish Holiday Park, proprietor Ewen MacDonald, has a campsite and lets out static caravans. He said the ferry has provided an huge economic impact.

Mr MacDonald added: ‘In the last three years, our bed nights have more than doubled which is entirely due to the ferry.

‘When the last ferry comes in this Sunday a large gathering including pipers is being planned to meet it.’

A survey company, Vector Research, is currently calling round local businesses to get their opinions on the service and views on whether the service

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Unique boat sees sea cadets float into future

Sea cadets with the new Pioneer boat.

FUNDING totalling nearly £22,000 has floated a new boat on Campbeltown Loch.

Last Saturday, the sea cadets unit launched their latest craft, a Pioneer Multi thanks to help from the armed forces covenant scheme.

This unique boat takes safety, durability and versatility to a new level.

With a large deck space and wide bow port, it will essentially be used as a safety boat for cadets' boat training. It will also allow the Unit to take ex-service personnel on cruises around the loch.

Donnie Cameron, commanding officer of Campbeltown Sea Cadets Unit, said: 'We are extremely pleased with the successful funding application to allow the unit to purchase this boat.

'Not only will it improve the boat training of cadets, but due to the boat's unique bow entry system, it is capable of wheelchair access and therefore allows multi-faceted use.'

Campbeltown is a very small unit with limited resources, making funding and donations a vital lifeline to keep it open and provide training both for volunteer staff and cadets.

Apart from the covenant fund, the unit also secured funding from the Moffat Trust, and donations from the Rotary Club and Inner Wheel, going towards the training programme.

APO Walker, training officer for the unit said: 'Training is an essential part of the Sea Cadets.

'Cadets not only have tremendous fun, but also the opportunity to learn life skills and gain valuable training and qualifications, which can only bring them benefits.

'With the extra funding, we were able to send cadets on sailing courses, powerboat training, summer camps and offshore voyages.'

Children from 10 – 18 years old who are interested in finding out more about Campbeltown Sea Cadets, should go along on a Monday evening from 6.45 – 9pm at Hazelburn, opposite the police station.

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Reporter whisked away to Islay

A PUPILS player who netted his dream job as a reporter at the Courier has been lured to Islay by a whisky distiller.

John McCallum, 25, first sent reports to the Courier as a 16-year-old Campbeltown Grammar pupil. He worked at his last paper on Wednesday and will shortly join Bruichladdich distillery in a media and marketing role.

John, who joined the staff in April 2014, said: 'All my training has been on the job although I started full-time after university.

'One of the important things I have learned is that even small issues matter to people and therefore they have to matter to a reporter.

My favourite story has to be Tommy Kelly's tale of playing under Brian Clough - two legends.'

John McCallum toasts his new position with a dram of Bruichladdich. 20_c39john01

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should be made permanent.

In addition, the sub-group's on-line survey of ferry users and interested parties, started on August 26, and has nearly 800 individual and business responses. Of those, 263 have left detailed responses about retaining this vital link.

The responses, which are anonymous, are many and varied and include the following:

'Our hotel has found the business income from the ferry passengers to be a very positive benefit.

'It has attracted guests who admitted they would not have visited otherwise.

'The awkward nature of the road journey is off-putting for many people. Having an onward ferry service to the mainland encourages southbound guests to venture to Campbeltown - where in the past many have avoided it as a "dead end" trip.'

'It massively cuts physical driving time to Glasgow, Ayrshire and England, not to mention being able to avoid the Rest and be Thankful.'

'The service needs to help farming businesses in the area so needs to run on weekdays.

'At present it is only designed for tourists. It needs to be competitively priced for businesses to use it i.e. in keeping with cost of a lorry coming down the A83.'

The link to the survey is: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6RDRWCQ

Radical one way road changes proposed for Wee Toon

A CONTROVERSIAL Campbeltown one way system and 20mph speed limit are two proposals to prioritise pedestrians over vehicles.

In October, Argyll and Bute council plans to begin an informal public consultation on parking in Mid-Argyll and Kintyre.

On Monday, Councillor Donald Kelly said that for Campbeltown one idea to improve traffic flow and protect pedestrians might be to make Longrow and Longrow South into a one way street.

Also, as motorists across Scotland face the reality of widespread 20mph limits in built-up areas, Mr Kelly thinks Glasgow's road chiefs have the right idea and would like to see 30mph signs replaced with a lower limit round the Wee Toon.

Mr Kelly said: 'It should be 20mph on the approach to Campbeltown from the Creamery as many heavy vehicles currently flout the existing 30mph limit.

'The junction at Burnside and Glebe Street is a nightmare for elderly people trying to cross the street.

'I have had complaints from residents in Dell Road, just off Big Kiln Street, saying that the vibrations from heavy vehicles thundering by is causing damage to their properties.'

A council spokesman said: 'We are currently in the process of producing the materials for the consultation, such as leaflets and feedback forms.

Feedback

'The feedback from this consultation exercise will then be used to make proposals to put to the Mid-Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee.

On Wednesday, the Courier spoke to some of the Longrow business owners to gauge their reaction to a possible one way system.

Here are their replies:

Ivor Watson, shop owner, McIvor's Florist said: 'We have had this conversation before and I would again totally disagree with introducing a one-way system in Longrow. Instead of directing business to the town centre, it would drive it away, lowering footfall and therefore lessening trade.

'What is needed is a proper car park, not a one-way system.'

Lorraine MacFarlane, who runs nearby shop, Fresh Connection, said: 'Getting deliveries to our door is already an issue and it is the same for some of the other businesses along Longrow South.'

Helen Gilchrist, who manages the Fish Shop, said: 'I don't know if a one-way street system would make a huge difference.

'Many customers park in Longrow South, nip in to a shop and are away again in minutes, but with no traffic warden visible, others know they can get away with it.

'It boils down to not having enough car parking space.'

Paul, who runs Wally's Megastore on Longrow, said: 'I do not see a problem further up Longrow as it is. Therefore if it is working just now then why change it?

'The problem often is that those making the decisions are not the people who actually use the road or rely on it for their business.'

Longrow South which may become a one way street. 20_c39longrow01

MP to help mark Battle of Loos

ORGANISERS of Campbeltown's Battle of Loos commemoration, armed forces veterans and families, will be joined tomorrow (Saturday) by Argyll and Bute MP Brendan O'Hara.

Mr O'Hara, who also serves as the SNP defence spokesman at Westminster, and whose grandfather served in the First World War, will also be joined by Colonel AK Miller CBE, trustee of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders' Museum in Stirling Castle.

It is hoped that a photograph of Mr O'Hara's grandfather, while serving, will be exhibited among the other artefacts on show in the town's Victoria Hall, between 10.30am and 4.30pm.

An organiser said: 'We are delighted that Mr O'Hara will join us at the commemoration among his other commitments in Campbeltown this weekend.

'Also, the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders' Museum has been more than helpful in providing information to enhance the exhibition.'

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Kilmore & Oban Parish Church Centre, Glencruitten Road, Oban, Argyll, PA34 4DN

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Crianlarich Village Hall, Main Street, Crianlarich, Perthshire, FK20 8QN

Tuesday 6th October, 12 noon – 7pm
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Housing association chief hits back

THE BOSS of a housing association is at odds with a councillor's claim that the organisation is 'not meeting housing need nor investing sufficiently.'

Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA) chief excutive, Alastair MacGregor, spoke out following a letter to the Courier from Councillor John McAlpine last week. Mr MacGregor claims that Councillor McAlpine's letter gave the impression ACHA was neither meeting housing needs nor investing sufficiently in Tarbert.

Mr MacGregor said: 'ACHA currently has 23 three-bedroomed properties in Tarbert which is not insignificant and in total has 139 properties. The current demand we have on our list for people living in Tarbert is only two for a three-bedroomed property and none for a four-bedroomed one.'

Mr MacGregor added that ACHA has built eight new homes at Oakhill in Tarbert. Since ACHA's inception, kitchens and bathrooms have been replaced and 115 heating systems installed, 121 rewires, 104 entrance doors installed, 32 re-roughcasted and 22 homes have had new windows installed.

Between 2015 and 2020, a further 169 elements of improvement are planned for ACHA properties in the village.

The association claims there are some challenges in progressing works as quickly as possible because of a reluctance of tenants to take their share of common works, but it continues to try to persuade them that it is in their interest to invest in common parts of shared buildings.

Mr MacGregor said: 'Any support that Councillor McAlpine can give on that front as a local elected member would be much appreciated

'ACHA is committed to maintaining and improving its current homes in Tarbert and will work with our council partners to continue to build in the village if housing needs demands that.'

Search still on for health chief

NHS Highland is still searching for a new non-executive chairperson, after 'a suitable candidate' could not be found.

It comes after the Highland health role was advertised in June, as well as positions for chairs on four other boards; NHS Orkney, NHS Tayside, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, and NHS Health Scotland.

An NHS Highland spokesman said: 'Having failed to identify a suitable candidate, the board agreed that the position should be re-advertised.'

Current board chairman, Garry Coutts, will stand down on March 31 next year, having served for the maximum of three consecutive four-year terms.

The advert states NHS Highland wants to hear from people with 'the senior level experience required for a significant appointment, which comes at an exciting time of transitional change for the NHS in Scotland'.

The part-time post requires a commitment of at least three days per week and has a salary of £29,640. See www.appointed-for-scotland.org

Nova Scotia riders pedal into Mokbike

Cyclists at the finish of Sunday's ride.

CYCLISTS from across the Atlantic joined the peloton for the biggest two-wheeled event in Kintyre.

Wonderful weather gave Mokbike 2015 a good start last Saturday with the mountain biking event and coffee afternoon at Network Carradale raising over £300. The event helped to raise nearly £3,000 in total for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Sunday was a lovely day too and the routes gave a fun combination of cycling with cakes for all who entered.

One of the organisers said: 'It was great to see Craig Moore and his friend, both from Nova Scotia, turning Mokbike truly international this year.

'We have had riders from Halifax before, but usually the one in Yorkshire.'

First back from the round Kintyre route was Mark Jordan, closely followed by David Steele.

Leading

It was harder to tell who was leading the Southend pack as there is a pick and mix combination of route options and hilly or flat choices.

Joanne Tiffin, Euan Mclean, Asa Clarke were all putting in good performances when observed at Stewarton.

Mokbike is not a race though and everyone had an enjoyable relaxing and mostly dry ride.

The organisers would like to thank all those who marshalled and provided baking for the food stops.

The organisers also thank the following: Ardshiel Hotel, Carradale Bikes & Buggies, Machrihanish Holiday Park, Kintyre Recycling, new sponsors SSE Electricity and Machrihanish Dunes (Kintyre Club) who helped to meet operational costs, Mull of Kintyre cheddar for a donation of cheese which was used in the Mac and Cheese at the post-ride dinner and for providing samples and finally Kintyre Recyling helped with road signs, plus loaned signage from Cycling Scotland.

Piper Stuart O' May who welcomed cyclists after their rides.

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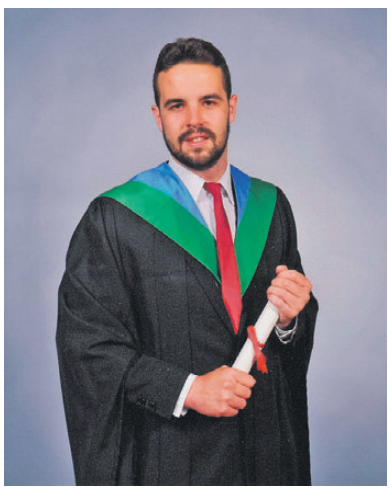

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graduated from Glasgow Caledonian University with a 2:1 BSc (Hons) in Podiatry. Ewan is the son of Ian Wilson, Kilmichael and the late Shona Young, formerly Lochgilphead. Ewan is a former pupil of Glassary Primary and Lochgilphead High School. Ewan recently took up a position with NHS Forth Valley.

Name change for former RAF site

‘There are now around 50 commercial tenants located on site and we feel it is time to look to the future and position ourselves as a dynamic place to do business.’

MACHRIHANISH airbase is set to undergo a name change from next month, with the site being called MACC Business Park.

The former air force base which, during past decades has been named The Strath, HMS Landrail and RAF Machrihanish, is to reposition itself with a name which directors say reflects its future vision.

Tom Millar, Machrihanish Airbase Community Company (MACC) chairman, said: ‘We believe MACC Business Park represents how the site has evolved since the community buyout in 2012.

‘There are now around 50 commercial tenants located on site and we feel it is time to look to the future and position ourselves as a dynamic place to do business.’

Tenants basing themselves at the former aerodrome include Niri Scotland Ltd, a Norwegian land-based fish farming firm, and SOS Fitness, which is run by local personal trainer, Fiona Irwin.

Mr Millar added: ‘The word ‘airbase’ has a strong military connotation and it is important that we now start to move away from this, in order to attract diverse new industries to the area.

‘However, we do not expect this transition to take place overnight.

‘To some locals it will always be known as ‘the base’, but we have started to make subtle changes with traffic signage, new marketing brochures and, from the beginning of October, the new name will be registered with the council and Royal Mail.’

‘In terms of the organisation, nothing has changed legally. Machrihanish Airbase Community Company (MACC) remains the name of the charity and MACC Developments Ltd are responsible for the day-to-day operations of the site. It is simply a change of address.

‘The heritage of the site and the story of the community buy-out will always be an important part of who we are.’

Machrihanish Airbase, pictured here from the air, is set to become MACC Business Park from next month. Picture courtesy of MACC

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One way and 20mph zones belong in cities

THANKFULLY, accidents involving pedestrians and vehicles are a rare thing in Campbeltown.

In Glasgow, where the latest raft of 20mph zones are set to be imposed by March, the limits are being planned on streets which have seen 28 incidents in three years including a death.

In the centre of Campbeltown, that is Main and Burnside Street and Longrow, it is already hard to exceed 20mph.

What is needed is better speed policing or perhaps a couple of speed cameras on the 30mph approaches, down the A83 and the B842 from Witchburn into town.

One way systems are credited to an American, William Eno, who created traffic management schemes due to congestion in New York. His schemes included the rotary traffic at Paris' Arc de Triomphe and Piccadilly Circus.

These are big cities with huge volumes of traffic often passing down streets designed for people or horse-drawn vehicles.

Campbeltown traffic is not in the same league and congestion is virtually unknown.

It would be far better to spend the money needed, for both the consultation and any resulting sign changes, on mending potholes or converting more lamppost lighting to Light Emitting Diode (LED). These are brighter and more directional than sodium discharge lamps, as well as far cheaper to run.

Pedestrian crossings are woefully lacking with just one traffic light controlled site in Campbeltown. A further one by the Aqualibrium would enhance pedestrian safety and make it much easier for blind people to negotiate the town centre.

Parking is a problem, but the vacant land, currently a wild flower and weed bed off Kinloch Road, could be converted into a car park at little cost.

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Thanks to Ian Brodie

Sir,

I was on a business trip with meetings in Geneva, Stockholm, and then in Campbeltown, Scotland, accompanied by our young granddaughter, Katie.

We rented a car in Edinburgh upon arrival from Sweden, and were anxious to get to our hotel as quickly as possible.

Suddenly, about 15 miles out of Campbeltown, the left front tyre blew up in the middle of nowhere. We were petrified. Both total strangers, lost somewhere in Kintyre.

We managed to park the wreck and were frantically looking for a spare wheel and not finding it. Darkness approached rapidly, when out of nowhere he arrived: Mr Ian Brodie, Caledonia Lodge, Carradale, followed by a young Dutchman.

He knew exactly what to do. Undaunted by the flimsiest of tools supplied by the rental car company, he and Rik went right to work once they found the auxiliary tyre suspended under the chassis.

While we all fretted that what seemed to us a toy lever would not hold, and worried that our hero would be crushed under the big death trap of a car, Mr Brodie never flinched and reassured us in the calmest of Broad Scots, and indeed got us all fixed up and going again.

Then he just shook our hands with the broadest of smiles and wished us godspeed.

Katie and I want him to know that he was our hero that fateful night in the middle of nowhere.

As it is most unlikely that we will ever be in Scotland again, would you please express our warmest thanks to dear and very competent Mr Ian Brodie for so gallantly saving us two Canadian damsels in distress.

We want him to know that to us, Sir Gallahad has nothing on him!

Kati Lyon-Villiger
45 Hawk Crescent
Ottawa, ON
Canada.

More whisky ignorance

Sir,

Further to your story about the Edinburgh-based tour guide belittling Campbeltown as a whisky region, I write to tell you that theirs is not the only establishment to do so.

Whilst I studied hotel and hospitality management at Strathclyde University's Scottish Hotel School, the tutors, when discussing whisky, applied almost exactly the same phraseology.

They would say that there were five regions but that they were not going to talk about Campbeltown as its 'influence and importance were much diminished since its heyday'.

Joseph Teale
Post Office
Gigha.

Note - The Scotch Whisky Association (SWA) classes Campbeltown as a whisky region, given that it meets the requirement of having at least three working distilleries; Glengyle, Glen Scotia and Springbank.

Owner of swimming picture sought

Sir,

I have been asked by Doloranda Pember, daughter of the notable swimmer Mercedes Gleitze, to try to trace the owner of a photograph published in the Campbeltown Courier on March 2, 2012 ('Down Memory Lane').

It was taken on the rocks near the Mull of Kintyre before Mercedes attempt to swim the North Channel in 1929.

Ms Pember is completing a biography of her mother and wishes to publish the photograph, if it can be traced, in her book.

If the owner reads this, he or she can contact me at 13 Saddell Street, Campbeltown, PA28 6DN, or by telephone: 01586 552605.

Angus Martin,
Campbeltown.

Silver Sunday

Sir,

As part of the Silver Sunday celebrations Shopper-Aide Ltd will be calling on older people in Kintyre to join them for a lunch and concert being held as part of the National celebrations on Thursday, October 1.

Silver Sunday was launched in 2012 by Councillor Christabel Flight, Lord Mayor of Westminster and Older People's Champion to help overcome loneliness, after a report discovered more than a third of people over 75 said they were lonely.

The aim was to celebrate older residents and to help them get out and about and meet new people.

Silver Sunday 2014 was a tremendous success with over 350 different events taking place across the country; thousands of people were able to get out of their homes, attend a special event and gain the opportunity to make new friends and connections.

On this basis, it is a reasonable assumption that Silver Sunday 2015 will have just as much if not bigger impact.

For details of events taking place across the UK and to submit your own Silver Sunday event please visit www.silversunday.org.uk

This year to mark an annual celebration of the valuable role older people play in the community Shopper-Aide are hosting a soup and sandwich lunch from 12 noon to 2pm, the venue this year is the Free Church Hall, on George Street, Campbeltown followed by a concert at 2pm.

This is a free event to anyone over the age of 60 and tickets can be found at our shop at 23 Longrow.

Anyone who wishes to attend and requires transport please phone 01586 551600 to book.

Joan Stewart
Project Manager
Shopper-Aide Ltd.

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Rotarians rally for charity fundraiser

ROTARY Club of Campbeltown members were very busy last weekend with the group's autumn sale of the century.

Usually held in October, the event taking place at the Victoria Hall in Campbeltown had to be moved to September this year and, unfortunately, it fell on a busy weekend which clashed with several other Kintyre events.

However, all the hard work on the part of rotarians and helpers proved worthwhile and a significant sum will be added to the Rotary Charities Account.

With the hall open to the public from 2pm on Friday, September 18 and from the start, business was brisk at the ever-popular bric-a-brac stall.

Safer

With members of the public not entering the hall until 2pm that day, it made the setting up of auction lots not only a lot easier, but also a lot safer.

The hall was busy again from 9am on Saturday, with bric-a-brac selling well. With the start of the auction at 10am, attention focused on the auctioneers, who did their usual excellent job, and kept up a steady stream of chat, as well as selling the 200-odd lots in good time.

The total raised at the auction was about £2,500 and the bric-a-brac and sale of second-hand books raised a further £800, while the raffle, including two very generous donations raised in excess of £500.

Proceeds from the raffle went to the charity, Wateraid, which aims to provide clean water for people who at present have none.

Ladies from the Inner Wheel Club provided a variety of refreshments throughout Saturday, for which members of the public and Rotarians are extremely grateful. The Inner Wheel club is thus able to raise funds to support several needy causes.

The Rotary Club is glad to have their continued, willing support.

A club spokeswoman said: 'Rotarians are also extremely grateful for the help given by non-rotarians, without whom, it would be impossible to continue to provide the service of delivering goods at the end of the sale.

'Thanks are due to Jim Martin, Andrew Smith and P McKerral and Co for providing vehicles and drivers for the transport of goods to the hall, and the delivery service on Saturday.

'Thanks are also due to Mr Michael Mayberry, Michelle and Dillon.

'As always, the club is also grateful for the continued support of the Campbeltown and Kintyre public, as this helps Rotary to help others, locally, nationally and internationally.

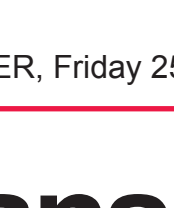
'The next sale takes place in February next year and we look forward to seeing again those who so generously supported these sales.'

An auction during the Rotary sale of the century.

Ronnie Togneri mans the book stall.

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



'I FOLLOWED in his footsteps', he said. This was said by a totally blind climber about his dog.

I became absorbed in the wonderful story about the relationship between a human being and a dog.

This story was about Randy Pierce, a young American with a degenerative eye disease which would finally rob him of his sight.

Blindness surely followed when he was 22 years old, and with it came anger, frustration, resentment and despair.

He felt useless, abandoned, cheated and defeated.

Then, when he qualified to get his Guide Dog, he found the courage to turn his life around.

Quinn became his constant companion.

Pierce had always enjoyed climbing and thought these days were long gone.

But Quinn had other ideas.

Together man and dog took to the hills.

Quinn led him along the steepest of cliff-tops, through dangerous ravines, down into gullies.

The impossible became possible.

Pierce set a goal to be the first blind hiker to climb the summit of all 48 of the New Hampshire 4,000-footers.

When asked how he managed the most dangerous of situations, Pierce said,

'I followed in Quinn's paw-prints as he waited for me'.

Pierce accomplished his goal in 2013 with Quinn at his side.

Quinn died in early 2014.

Pierce was devastated and, as a tribute to his beloved dog, he decided to run a marathon in his honour.

He trained hard, but how he missed his devoted companion.

It was a tough course and he was guided by his team mates.

The hardest part was a hill called 'Heartbreak Hill'.

Pierce got to the top and yelled into the air, 'I love you Quinn'.

He surged downhill all the way to beat the record and pay tribute to his friend who had given him his life back.

Follow in the foot-steps of those you love and see what you can achieve.

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Tarbert rocks as bands blast round the harbour

REPORT By EALA MACALISTER
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These young festival goers weren't put off by the rain. 08_a39Tarbert02

FESTIVAL-goers were strung out as live rock, pop and traditional music ripped through Tarbert.

The music festival packed pubs with the Corner House, Islay Frigate, Tarbert and Anchor hotels all hosting bands and sessions.

The buzz started on Friday with popular local bands providing the three day festival's warm up.

By the time Done n Dusted took to the Corner House stage, on Saturday afternoon, it was standing room only and by the end there were people listening on the street outside.

Over in the Anchor Hotel, Cousin Halifax put in a long set, as afternoon drinkers drifted in. Singer and guitar player, Stevie Wood, said: 'Tarbert's a really good place to kind of showcase and road test the music. There's always such a good atmosphere around the town.'

Session

A small session broke out in the Islay Frigate while the Skunnered brought young and old into the Tarbert Hotel for afternoon entertainment.

There was a marquee on the pier with music from Oh Na Ni and face-painting for children making the day truly family friendly.

There was a break before the evening's entertainment began at about 9pm in the various venues.

Mudslide took over in the marquee while the Lush Pupies brought their rock covers to the Tarbert hotel.

2 Bob Rocket played their second set in the Anchor Hotel getting the place energised until the early hours.

Sunday's main event was Beer on the Pier in the afternoon.

Local band The Democrats and Tiree traditional band, Skippinish, were performing.

Both bands played two sets.

Skippinish played a mixture of songs and tunes and included some tunes for dancing the Gay Gordons and the Canadian Barn dance in their set to get folk on their feet.

By the time the Democrats performed their second set the rain that had been threatening had materialised and many headed for the small gazebos.

Spirits

It failed to dampen the spirits with many venturing back out again before long to enjoy the Democrat's diverse covers.

Skippinish came back on to round off events at the harbour, but the festival wasn't over yet with pubs still putting on bands to bring the event to a close.

Organisers say the festival was a big success with a higher turnout than last year.

Skippinish brought the event to a close. 08_a30Tarbert14

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Piping perfection invited to Campbeltown event

EIGHT of the world's best pipers played top tunes at Kintyre Piping Society's Springbank Invitational 2015 in Campbeltown.

Last Saturday, a sizable audience assembled at the Seafield Hotel to hear them play a variety of piping disciplines: Piobaireachd, March, Strathspey and Reel, Hornpipe and Jig and a new 6/8 March competition where all the tunes played were by local composers.

The society is grateful to the sponsors of this additional 6/8 March competition McFadyens Transport Ltd who provided a beautiful trophy and prize money.

The eight pipers taking part were William McCallum, Angus MacColl, Stuart Liddell, Roddy MacLeod, Iain Speirs, Niall Stewart, Callum Beaumont and Douglas Murray.

The eight pipers in front of the Ardshiel Hotel.

Judges for the day were John Wilson, Iain Morrison and Iain McFadyen, a top class bench which would be hard to better. Fear-an-Tighe Alan Forbes did a sterling job by giving an account of the history of each tune and a rundown of the players' achievements in other competitions this year. The results were as follows: 6/8 March: 1 Angus MacColl, The McFadyens Transport Ltd trophy, 2 Douglas Murray, 3 Niall Stewart and 4 Willie McCallum. Piobaireachd: 1 Stuart Liddell, The Argyll Arms Hotel trophy and an inscribed quaich. 2 Willie McCallum, The Carmichael quaich, 3 Roddy MacLeod and 4 Angus MacColl. MSR: 1 Angus MacColl, The Serco trophy and an inscribed quaich, 2 Willie McCallum, The Muir quaich, 3 Stuart Liddell and 4 Iain Speirs. H and J: 1 Callum Beaumont, The Committee Members' trophy and sgian dudh, 2 Angus MacColl, 3 Stuart Liddell and 4 Willie McCallum.

The overall winner was Stuart Liddell who received the silver medal, and the overall runner-up was Willie McCallum who received the bronze medal.

Thanks from the society go to the main sponsor, Springbank Distillers, for their continued support, to the Ardshiel and Seafield Hotels, Flora, Marion and their staff and to Heather McFadyen and Gavin McLachlan for presenting the prizes to the winners.

Thanks also go to everyone who donated prizes to the raffle, and to all who came along to listen and support the competition.

Overall winner, Stuart Liddell.

Wanderers support Cancer Research UK

CHARITY walkers will take sandy strides from Westport to Machrihanish to raise cash for Cancer Research UK.

Organisers are calling out for walkers to join them at the sponsored event next month on Saturday, October, 10, starting at between 9am and 9.30am on Westport Beach.

Cancer Research UK is the world's leading cancer charity dedicated to saving lives through research. The charity's pioneering work into the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of cancer has helped save millions of lives. The charity receives no government funding for its life-saving research and every step it makes towards beating cancer relies on every pound donated, therefore it is clear how valuable your support will always be.

At the Machrihanish Village Hall finish, walkers will be rewarded with a BBQ breakfast roll and hot and cold drinks. Registration costs £10 or £5 for under 15s, the forms for which are available at Keith's Newsagents, McIlchere's, D M Brown's and Jim Martin Supplies. The Kintyre local committee members look forward to seeing a huge crowd who will know they are helping create more tomorrows for many people.

The pupils with Stuart McQuaker, principal teacher of physical education, outside the Emirates Arena, Glasgow.

Pupils see Murrays make magic

A SET of Campbeltown Grammar School pupils netted prized tickets to witness a historic tennis match.

The tennis fans and physical education teacher, Stuart McQuaker, were given a once in a lifetime opportunity to attend day two of the Davis Cup semi-final between Great Britain and Australia at the Emirates Arena in Glasgow thanks to a ticket offer from the Lawn Tennis Association. Poised at a point apiece after Friday's singles, the pupils and staff watched the Murray brothers, Andy and Jamie, take Great Britain to within a point of their first Davis Cup Final since 1978 with a scintillating five-set victory. Thankfully Andy returned to the arena on the Sunday to beat Australia's Bernard Tomic in straight sets and seal team GB's place in the Davis Cup final against Belgium, which is likely to be played on clay at the end of November.

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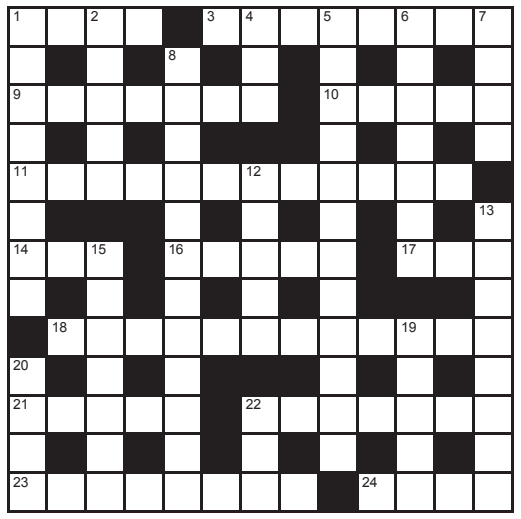

Across

1 Cast a ballot (4)
3 Money overdue (3,5)
9 To treat with these salts (7)
10 Run off to Gretna Green (5)
11 Careless (12)
14 Smooth down (3)
16 Religious law (5)
17 Earth breaker (3)
18 Mixed in (12)
21 Band (5)
22 Used in alloy steels (7)
23 Basic (2-6)
24 Top Tatar (4)

Down

1 In the forefront (8)
2 Rwandan people (5)
4 Scottish affirmative (3)
5 Where one would clothe oneself (8,4)
6 Microorganisms in the use of degrading oils (shortened) (7)
7 Abandon the potting one? (4)
8 Done deal (4,8)
12 Increase a bill (3-2)
13 Animal leader? (8)
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22 None (3)

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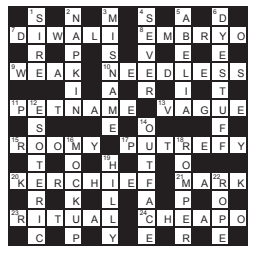

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3,000 sheep sold at Dalmally auction

UNITED Auctions held its second September sale of all classes of lambs and sheep at Dalmally Auction Mart on Saturday, September 19.

An increased entry of over 3,000 head again sold at very satisfactory levels and to a good following of buyers. The overall average for the lambs was £37.39 whilst the corresponding sale last year averaged £38.16.

Principal lots and prices

Top prices per head - Lambs: Suffolk cross: £59.00 – Lettershuna : £59.00 – Ardchattan HF.

Texel cross: £60.00 – ArdchattanHF : £55.00 – Achnacreemore: £52.00 – Baluachrach.

Cheviot cross: £49.00 –3 Morven Crescent, Lochaline : £48.00 – Barndromin Farm.

Cross: £46.50 – Alaval : £45.00 – Balnahard, Colonsay : £44.00 – Homefield Croft, Colonsay.

Mule: £49.50 – Ardchattan HF : £47.50 – Baluachrach : £46.00 – Kiloran Farmers, Colonsay.

Cheviot Mule: £45.00 – Barguillean Farm.

Blackface: £49.50 – Tullochcan : £46.50 – Achnaba : £45.50 – Littleport : £43.50 – Scallasaig, Colonsay : £43.00 – Tullochcan : £42.50 – Pitcastle Estate : £42.50 – Littleport : £41.50 – Stronchullin : £41.50 – Castles Estate : £41.00 – Tayvallich Estates : £40.50 – Balnahard, Colonsay : £40.00 – Kiloran Farmers.

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Milk revenue boost welcomed

But Scottish farmers left out, union says

A LEADING supermarket chain has pledged to up the price farmers receive for supplying their milk - but it will not mean any revenue for Scottish farmers.

First Milk confirmed last week that Tesco will be paying its Sustainable Dairy Group base price to more farmers supplying milk for its cheese - but this only relates to farms supplying First Milk's Haverfordwest creamery in Wales.

These farmers will now receive a Tesco winter supplement for the period August 31 until the end of February next year.

First Milk produces cheese for Tesco and other companies, via a partnership with distributor Adams Foods, at its Haverfordwest creamery.

Mike Gallacher, First Milk CEO, said: 'Tesco has a strong track record in supporting British dairy farmers and we warmly welcome this move. It allows us to directly pass on the benefits to First Milk farmers who supply the milk that produces Tesco's cheese. This move will be valued by all dairy farmers and British consumers.'

Allan Bowie, NFU Scotland president, while welcoming the supermarket's pledge to Welsh producers, said the gain was tinged with disappointment.

He said: 'The recent commitment made by Tesco to pay farmers more for the milk that goes in to its own label cheese is a welcome acknowledgement of the very tough conditions being experienced by dairy farmers across the UK. By stating that it will pay more for this milk, which goes in to its own label British cheese, Tesco has made a bold statement in support of dairy farming and the credentials of the industry.

'However, First Milk's decision to pass this money exclusively to farmers who supply milk to the Haverfordwest Creamery means this move will not benefit Scottish farmers.

'Scottish members of the First Milk co-operative have contributed to investments made at the Haverfordwest plant in recent years and it is unfiar they will receive no reward in return.'

Highland Cattle Society recruits new secretary

New breed secretary, Sian Sharp.

NEWLY-appointed Highland Cattle Society breed secretary, Sian Sharp, will be in Oban next month to meet society members.

Sian, of Cheeklaw Farm, Duns, comes to the society from an agricultural background with a wealth of administrative experience.

Currently Sian is a partner in the family farm, which carries a pedigree Aberdeen Angus herd.

Sian will be starting in her new post at the beginning of October and will be present at the autumn Oban pedigree High sales to meet breeders and members of the society.There will be a two week handover period with the current secretary, Hazel Baxter, to ensure a smooth transition.

All set for premier sheep sale

BILLED as 'Argyll's premier breeding sheep sale' by United Auctions, this Friday sees the annual breeding ewe and gimmer sale at Dalmally Auction Mart.

More than 7,000 breeding females will go under the hammer, including 4,000 warranted blackface and Swaledale cross ewes and more than 1,500 ewe lambs.

The auction begins at 11am, and with buyers expected from across the UK and Ireland, it is sure to be a busy day in what is seen as the main sale for warranted ewes in the region.

Some of the gimmers for sale on Friday from Messrs MacPherson, Balliemeanoch, Loch Awe.

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Loyal duo retire

TWO long-serving members of MacLeod Construction were recently presented with cheques to mark their retirement.

Ground worker, Vince Mellon, pictured second left, and excavator operator, Dugie Clark, second right, will both be greatly missed by the company having clocked up 73 years between them.

They are pictured right, after receiving their cheques from company directors, Murdo MacLeod, left, and Kenny MacLeod.

The interior of Garden Cottage at Torrisdale Castle Estate.

Torrisdale Castle in running for award

A CARRADALE tourist attraction will be plumping up its pillows in an attempt to be named 'Best Holiday Accommodation' in Scotland's Thistle awards.

Torrisdale Castle Estate is one of the Argyll and the Isles regional finalists with the winner being chosen on Wednesday, November, 13 to go forward to the national finals in January.

Niall Macalister Hall at the estate said: 'This is the first time we have entered and to have made the shortlist of three is wonderful. We are delighted to have got this far.

'It has been a good year so far, with some excellent feedback from our guests, including a certificate of excellence from Trip Advisor and being runners-up in the European Holiday Home of the Year competition.'

Chair of Argyll and the Isles Tourism Cooperative (AITC), Gavin Dick said: 'We know we have a great product and it is encouraging to see this recognised by the tourism industry.'

SADDELL AND CARRADALE

'Quacking' day out guaranteed at parish church duck race

AN EAST Kintyre church group has floated the idea of another fun event this year, with the return of its annual duck race.

Being at held at Waterfoot, near Carradale, and organised by Saddell and Carradale Parish Church on Saturday, September 26, to raise church funds, prizes will be given for the first ten ducks past the finishing line or for the best named duck.

The event is the church group's biggest fundraiser of the year, with up to 350 birds featuring in the chase down Carradale River.

Out of the bathtub and plunged into the wild, previous rubber duck entries have had inventive names such as Bob Upandown and Count Quackula among others. Each duck entered costs £10.

There will also be a barbecue and a number of attractions.

A duck race spokesman said: 'It promises to be a fun day out. There will be games for children as well as hot food, home baking and desserts, and hot and cold drinks available.'

Church elders and deacons were urged to sell their allocation of ducks in readiness for the event. To sponsor a 'feathered' friend call Michael Foreman on 01583 431333 or Margaret Campbell on 01583 431272.

'Water-great' way to spend a sunny afternoon in East Kintyre.

Landmark Airds hotel goes on the market

AT The Carradale Hotel it is all change as its proprietors seek a buyer for the nine bedroom property in the Airds.

Marcus and Morag Adams, who have run the hotel since 1992, on a seasonal basis from Easter to October, are asking £300,000 for the property which also boasts two bars, a lounge, conservatory and sizeable gardens.

Win work with the Public Sector

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Argyll and Bute Council has scheduled a series of workshops, over the coming months, to help local businesses tender for work with the Public Sector.

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Winning work through the supply chain
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Learn how to find and win sub-contracting work and how to get into the supply chain.

Completing a PQQ (Pre-Qualification Questionnaire)
3 November 2015,10am-1pm - Level 2 (Intermediate) workshop.
This event is suitable for you if you have a basic understanding of public sector procurement. Improve your chances of passing the PQQ and ITT stages of a tender.

What the buyer looks for in your tender
24 November 2015, 10am-1pm - Level 2 (Intermediate) workshop
This workshop is suitable if you have a good understanding of public sector procurement and you want to improve your bid score. This workshop will provide an insight into buyers' needs and expectations and ensure you're winning points.

To register for any of these workshops either call Business Gateway on 01546 604555 or email business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk or visit www.sdpscotland.co.uk

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GRADUATION

MORGAN WILLIAM JORDAN graduated from Glasgow Caledonian University with a 2:1 BA (Hons) in Accountancy. Morgan, son of Alison Jordan, Lochgilphead and Billy Jordan, Renton, is a former pupil of Lochgilphead Primary and High Schools. He is the grandson of the late Billy and the late Mamie King and Aileen and the late Jimmy Jordan. Morgan will shortly be taking up a position with Audit Scotland.

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To register your 'expression of interest' for either contracts please contact **waprocurement@forestry.gsi.gov.uk** or by post via the above address.

Closing dates for submissions is 13.00pm, Wednesday 30th September 2015

University of the Highlands and Islands
Argyll College

little learners Nursery

Argyll College has a childcare nursery, Little Learners' Nursery, adjacent to the SAMS buildings at Dunstaffnage. Little Learners' is open 5 days a week from 8am to 6pm, 50 weeks of the year, only closing for 2 weeks over Christmas and New Year. It provides childcare and pre-school education for children aged 0 to 5 years and now requires a:

Part-time Cook

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Applications in the form of a CV (max 2 pages A4) and a one page covering letter should be send by **Friday 9th October** to Lorna McDonald, Argyll College, Glenshellach Business Park, Oban, Argyll PA34 4RY. Tel *01631 559520* E-mail: *lorna.mcdonald@uhi.ac.uk*

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community contacts — a Carr Gomm project

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Night Watchman

Rate of Pay: £7.86 per hour **Ref: 762-SB**

Kennacraig Ferry Terminal

Contract Type: Permanent (2 positions available)

Contracted Hours: 18 hours

Applications are invited for the position of Part Time Night Watchman at the Kennacraig Ferry Terminal.

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The successful applicant will be required to work 10-12 hour shifts and will have a flexible approach to working as the shift pattern will be variable and dependant on local circumstances and you must be able to commute to the Kennacraig Ferry Terminal on a daily basis.

The successful applicant must be computer literate and have excellent verbal and written communication skills and must also be customer focused, have a clear understanding of the customer interface and have a proactive approach to customer care.

Please reply by sending a copy of your current CV, quoting reference number 762-SB and return no later than 30 September 2015 to vacancies@davidmacbraynehr.co.uk or by post to:

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Closing date for post FRIDAY 9th October 2015.

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You must be customer focused, have a clear understanding of the customer interface and have a proactive approach to customer care.

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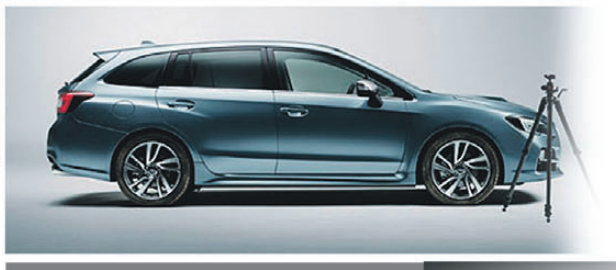

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Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
15/02493/PP	Erection of a single storey single span steel portal framed wood storage building	Glencraigs Farm Campbeltown Argyll and Bute	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

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

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
14/02712/PP	Conversion of existing byre to form dwellinghouse, including installation of private drainage system.	Braeface Bellanoch Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8SN	Mid Argyll Area Office
14/02713/LIB	Conversion of existing byre to form dwellinghouse, including installation of private drainage system.	Braeface Bellanoch Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8SN	Mid Argyll Area Office
15/01618/LIB	Installation of replacement windows and doors	The Kennels Hutcheon Road Campbeltown Argyll and Bute PA28 6JR	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
15/02440/LIB	Internal alterations and installation of replacement rooflights	23 Newtown Inveraray Argyll and Bute PA32 8UH	Sub Post Office Inveraray
15/02544/LIB	External works to include alterations and repairs to chimney stacks, rainwater goods, lead flashings and render repairs.	Flats 1 And 2 Temperance House Front Street Inveraray Argyll and Bute PA32 8UY	Sub Post Office Inveraray
15/02547/LIB	External works to include alterations and repairs to chimney stacks, lead central gutter, rainwater goods, patent glazed roof lights and minor structural repairs.	Flats 1- 6 Chamberlains House Front Street Inveraray Argyll and Bute PA32 8UY	Sub Post Office Inveraray
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Walker tastes success in Lyle Barr Memorial Quaich

THE agony and ecstasy of golf was highlighted with Fergus Walker's disappointment at losing the McDiarmid Cup final when he won the Lyle Barr Memorial Quaich.

The Lyle Barr Memorial Quaich was played in really poor, wet and windy conditions at Machrihanish on Saturday, September, 12, CSS 74 reductions only, played 20.

Walker returned a superb score of 74 (nett 69) to win by five shots from Thomas Martin.

1 Fergus Walker 74-5=69

2 Thomas Martin 81-7=74

3 Mark Davis 81-5=76

Scratch: Charles McIntyre 90.

Islay Golf Club

MACHRIE Salver played Sunday, September 20, 1 A.MacLean + 3, 2 S Johnston +2, 3 A Livingstone all sq. C.S.S. 70

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Dunaverty Heidbangers before tee-off.

Mark triumphs in Jimmy Graham trophy with best scratch score

THE JIMMY Graham Trophy is the most hotly contested event in the Heidbangers' calendar, with everyone wanting their name on the trophy.

In theory, though, there was a bigger chance of victory with various members still on holiday and only fifteen Heidbangers taking to Dunaverty's fairways.

With a course in pristine condition and a very calm day, it looked promising for good scores, but only one player managed to exceed 40 points.

Sandy Watson held the lead for some time with 38 points, however Mark Eagers played exceptionally well, recording his best ever scratch score by covering the front nine in 30 and the back in 37 to give him an excellent 45 points, and his hands on the trophy for the first time.

Duncan Watson II presenting Mark Eagers with the trophy.

Trophy

At the presentation meal, superbly prepared by Jim Cooper's partner Bev, Duncan Watson II, the oldest Heidbanger at 90, presented Eagers with the trophy.

Results: 1 Mark Eagers 45 points; 2 Sandy Watson 38; 3 Alan Duncan 37(bih); 4 Bill Brannigan 37(bih); 5 Robert Allan jnr 37;

6 Jim Cooper 34 (better last 6).

Excellent scoring in Am-Am competition

Golfers enjoy ideal weather conditions

TEAMS including players from all Kintyre golf clubs battled in the McFadyens Contractors (Campbeltown) Limited, in association with Keyline, sponsored Am-Am competition.

The event, last Saturday, open to gents and lady members of Machrihanish Golf Club, Dunaverty, Carradale, Tarbert, Lochgilphead and Machrihanish Dunes golf clubs, involves teams of four players with each team having a minimum of two Machrihanish GC members. The format is the two best net scores from each hole. The weather conditions were ideal for golf which was reflected in the excellent scoring.

There was a really close finish with the top seven teams separated by only two shots. The victorious team of visitors, all Machrihanish GC members, were John McNaughton, Jim Green, Dougie Bryce and Ronnie Sommerville who scored a combined total of 124 to win on the count back rule (better inward half) from locals Graham McMillan, Ranald Watson, Cameron McGeachy and Robert Coffield.

Full results and prize winners as follows: 1 John McNaughton, Jim Green, Dougie Bryce, Ronnie Sommerville 124 (BIH); 2 Graham McMillan, Ranald Watson, Cameron McGeachy, Robert Coffield 124; 3 Kevan Gilchrist, Lorne Robertson, Alan Glendinning, James Armour 125; 4 Duncan Munro, Ann Storm, Alan Walker, Marlene Walker 126 (BIH); 5 David Irwin, George MacMillan, Lawrence Ferguson, David Hanley 126 (BIH)

Nearest pin: at 4th Lee Mathieson, at 11th Ian McLennan, at 15th Oliver Armour. at 16th David Irwin. Longest drive: at 17th James Armour, Nearest pin in two: at 18th David Hanley.

At the prizegiving, the golf club captain, Graham Anderson, thanked all the competitors for taking part and the sponsors, in particular McFadyens Contractors (Campbeltown) Limited, for their support, which was pledged for a further year.

McFadyens Contractors director, Tom Millar, left, with the winning team.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

The Bible says, 'Give everyone what you owe him …' (Romans 13:7).

BIRTHS

GRAHAM

John and Pamela (née Brown) are delighted to announce the birth of their second son, Isaac, born on September 8, 2015. A wee brother for Sam. Fifth grandson for Margaret and John and third grandson for Anne and Neil.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

MCNALLY - HOOD - At Berwick-upon-Tweed Parish Church, on September 25, 1965 by the Rev C Beake, Ronald to Eileen. Present address, 51 Crosshill Avenue, Campbeltown.

DEATHS

CAMPBELL - On September 15, 2015, peacefully at home, Margaret Campbell, née Meldrum, aged 60 years, beloved wife of Jim, much loved mother of Margaret and Emma, dearly loved nannie of Kyle, Niamh, Holly, Freya and Feorlin, dear mother-in-law of Kenny and Alasdair and a loved sister and sister-in-law. Funeral service was held at Cumlodden Church, on September 23, interment thereafter at Killeven Cemetery. With thanks to doctors at Lochgilphead Medical Centre and district nurses, with special thanks to Jackie Gilmour, for all the kind care and attention received. Thanks also to Dr Roddy Macleod for a comforting service, to Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, to the George Hotel for catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside.

GLEN - Violet May Glen (née Stuart). Peacefully at home, on September 18, 2015, Violet Glen, aged 81 years, of Roseneimhidh, Kames, Lochgair, Argyll, dear wife of Thomas Mitchell Glen and loving mother of Christine, Moira, Alaistair and the late Philip. Grandmother and great grandmother. A caring, loving wife and mother to her own and many other children in her care. Funeral service will be held in Lochgilphead Baptist Church, on Monday, September 28, 2015 at 11.00am, thereafter to Achnabreac Cemetery. Family flowers only, donations to Leukaemia Research.

HEPBURN - Peacefully at her home, 10 Ellary Place, Lochgilphead, on September 22, 2015, with her family by her side, after an illness fought bravely with humour and determination, Georgia Louise Hepburn, aged 18 years, much loved youngest daughter of Neil and Jane Hepburn, and adored sister of Rebecca. Treasured granddaughter of Etta and the late Bill Clark, and the late Frank and Anna Hepburn and a dearly loved niece, cousin and friend to many. Funeral service will be held in Lochgilphead Parish Church, on Tuesday, September 29, 2015 at 12.00 noon, thereafter to Achnabreac Cemetery. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired, to Bloodwise UK and Mid Argyll Chemo Unit. Please wear bright colours.

HOLDER - Suddenly, on September 19, 2015, Malcolm Frank Holder, in his 69th year, Wester Lodge, Tayinloan, dearly beloved husband of Jenny, much loved father of Diane and June, father-in-law of Nigel and Michael and a loving grandad of Sophie, Melissa, Kayleigh, Logan, Melissa, Branwen, Laura and Jason. Service will take place in A'Chleit Church, on Monday, September 28, 2015 at 1.00pm, to which all friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the local diabetic group. A cremation service will take place in Cardross Crematorium on Tuesday, September 29, 2015 at 1.15pm.

MACPHAIL - Peacefully, with her family by her side, on September 18, 2015, after a long battle borne bravely, Rona MacPhail, aged 73 years, of 56 Highbank Park, Lochgilphead, Wife, and mother of Catriona, Marianne, Jane, Kirsty and Angus. Big Granny to fourteen. Dear sister to Jessie and Katie, and a dear aunt to all the family. A good neighbour, dear friend and former work colleague to many, and a dedicated and tireless worker in the community and the church. Funeral service was held in Lochgilphead Parish Church, on Thursday, September 24, followed by interment at Achnabreac Cemetery. Sadly missed.

ACKNOWLEDGE-MENTS

CAMPBELL - Alice, Nicky, Jan and all the family would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for their support, kind expressions, sympathy, cards, flowers, baking and calls received following the recent sad loss of Nessie. Special thanks to Kintyre Care Home for their kind care over the years. Thanks also to Rev Philip Wallace for a comforting service and to the Argyll Hotel for catering. Finally, thanks to all who paid their respects at church and graveside, and for the donations of £910.15, which will be shared between Kintyre Care Home and Woodlands Day Centre.

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- Isobel xx.

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CHURCH NOTICES

Highland Parish Church

SCO02493

Sunday 27th September
The service will be conducted by Rev Catriona Hood and will be held in the church at 11.15am

Please note that there will be a session meeting in Kirk St. Hall on Wednesday 30th September at 7.00pm

There will be a meeting of the Nominating Committee at 8.30pm in Kirk Strret Hall on Wednesday 30th September.

Campbeltown Corps Church and Community Centre
Registered Charity No. 214779 and in Scotland SC009359
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01586 552046
Sunday Services
10.30am Morning Worship
Army Kidz
6.30pm Evening Worship
Tuesday
Lunch Club - 12.15pm
Home League - 1.30pm
Wednesday
Make and Munch Mob - 7.00pm
Thursday
7.30pm Bible Study
All welcome

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH

75 Longrow, Campbeltown

Sunday 27 September 2015
11am Family Communion Service
With Reflections from "Unexpected Journeys"

4pm Service in Lorne Campbell Court
Arranged by Churches Together

Tuesday 29th September
NO coffee morning this week

Please note – From 8th October New Time – Coffee Afternoon – Thursdays 2-4pm

Thursday 1st October
12.15 Prayer and Bible Study

For details, contact the church office on 01586 551200 or the Church Secretary on 0586 551237.
www.springbankchurch.co.uk
SCO14646

St. Kiaran's Scottish Episcopal Church

Argyll Street, Campbeltown
St Kiaran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown
Scottish Charity No SC023277
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Eighteenth Sunday of Pentecost
Holy Communion 10.45am
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Details of services are on the church door
Enquiries Tel: 01586 551141
The Scottish Episcopal Church is a Province of the Worldwide Anglican Communion

free church of scotland
George Street, Campbeltown
Sunday 27th September
11.15am Worship Service
Rev Jeremy Middleton
2.00pm Explorers Club for all Primary school children
Wednesday 30th September
12.30pm Bible Study & Prayer
2.00pm Water of Life Café
All Welcome
www.campbeltownfreechurch.co.uk
Scottish Charity Number: SCO09980

CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday Service
11.00 am
with Sunday school
Refreshments after the service
mainly music
10.00 – 11.30 am
every Thursday (term time only)
Registration required
Visit our Facebook page for more information
We meet at the Guide Hall, Kinloch Road
www.campbeltowncommunitychurch.co.uk
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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES
"It is good to sing praises to our God"
Services
Achahoish at 9:45am
Ardrishaig at 11:00am

ST MARGARET'S R.C. CHURCH
LOCHGILPHEAD
Holy Mass Sunday 10am
ALL SAINTS, INVERARAY
Holy Mass Sunday 12.30pm
ST KIERAN'S CAMPBELTOWN
Saturday 5pm
Fr. David Connor
01546 602380
All Welcome
(SCO002876)

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH
Scottish Charity Number SCO11686
Sunday 27th September
Service 11.15am
Creche, Triple C, Next Generation
Rev P Wallace
Monday 28th September
Guild Committee Meeting
New Hall Lounge 7.00pm
Tuesday 29th September
Tiny Tots New Hall 9.45am
Boy's Brigade
Anchor Boys 6.00pm
Junior Section 7.15pm
Church Hall
Thursday 1st October
Choir 7.30pm
Friday 2nd October
Lunch Club 12.00 noon New Hall

Scottish Episcopal Churches
Everyone Welcome
Christ Church
Bishopton Road, Lochgilphead
(SC013787)
Sundays
11.00 am Eucharist service
4th Sunday of the month
10am Mattins
& 11am Eucharist Service
Coffee & Cake follows the service
St Columba's, Poltalloch, nr Kilmartin
(SC031391)
1st Sunday of the month
9:00am Eucharist service
3rd Sunday of the month
6.00pm Evensong
Scottish Prayer Book
All Saints, Inveraray
(SC025646)
Saturdays 5.30pm
Eucharist Service
Father Simon Mackenzie
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01546 602315

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WEST LOCHFYNESIDE
Sunday 27th September 2015
Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair
Charity No. SC016097
Morning Service in Cumlodden Church at 10 am
Glenaray and Inveraray
Charity No. SC016665
Morning Service in Inveraray Church at 11.30 am
ALL WELCOME

SKIPNESS LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE AND KILBERRY
CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
Sunday 27th September 2015
Skipness Service 10am
Marilyn Sheddon
Tarbert Service 11.30am
Kilberry Service 2pm
Angela Stather
For all church enquiries and pastoral care
Contact Rev. Hilda Smith, Interim Moderator
on 07826 235735
Everyone very welcome
Tarbert & Kilberry SCO02622
Skipness SCO04280

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Charity Number SC001002
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Bellanoch Church 10 am
Morning Worship
David Logue
Monday 28 September
Prayer meeting 10 am
Tayvallich Church
Thursday 1 October
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Sunday 27th September
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Kilmartin 11.45 am
Mr D. Logue
All welcome
SC0 02121

Lochgilphead Baptist Church
All Welcome
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson
Sunday 27th September 2015
with communion
Tuesday
Mainly music at 10am
Friday Jumpstart From 10am
Scottish Charity SC015187

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN
Sunday 27th September 2015
11.00am
(Celebration of 42nd Anniversary of the Fellowship)
Worship service for all ages followed by a light lunch
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"The planting of the Lord"
Thursday 1st October 2015
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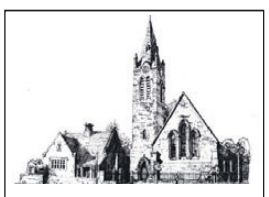

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Every Tuesday
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2005s Lochgilphead football festival

Campbeltown Pupils Youth 2005s (Two teams) in red are pictured with other teams at the 2005 festival on Saturday in Lochgilphead. There were 10 teams in total from Oban, Lochgilphead, Lochnell, East Kilbride and Clydebank.
Both Pupils' teams played superbly with boys from the 2006 age group supporting the 2005s to make two seven-a-side teams. Pupils 2005s hope to have regular exchanges like this over the winter.

Dookers' golfers capture cup on island raid

TARBERT Golf Club headed overseas last Saturday to the hallowed Machrie Links to play Islay in the return leg of the Dougie MacKinnon Memorial Cup.

The dookers held a commanding lead from the first leg, played earlier in the year at Glenralloch. Captain Iain MacArthur had a strong squad to chose from and although his team lost 4-3 on the day it was enough to take the cup back home to Tarbert.

The victorious pairings were D Johinstone and I Macalister, K Blair and S Barclay and MMC Alpine and JB MacNeill.

As always, the hospitality from the Islay team was superb with the players being treated to an excellent meal in the Islay Hotel.

Last Friday evening, the men's foursome doubles final took place when the pairing of Jim Brownlie and David Ronald proved too strong for Malcom McAlpine and Gordon McCaffery with a 7 and 6 victory.

Tomorrow sees the return of the Archie Miller Cup which is being played as an Open and is open to both men and women members. Members are asked to be ready for play at 11.30am, entry is £10 which includes soup and sandwiches.

McGougan lifts the McDiarmid cup at Machrihanish

THE MATCH play competition final saw a titanic battle between Ian McGougan and Fergus Walker.

Playing in his first final, Ian McGougan played a near flawless game to beat the golf club's vice-captain, Fergus Walker by 2 and 1 on Wednesday, September, 16.

Ian hit Fergus with a barrage of birdies at one, three, six and eight in an outward nine holes of 32.

Despite hitting back with birdies at 10 and 12 and net birdies at the 14thand 16th, Fergus, the winner in 2010, could not quite complete the comeback and Ian closed the game out on the 17th.

The quality of golf played was befitting of a final, which was played in great spirit by both players.

'Dale make sure hosts pay the penalty

Players overcome mammoth journey and early scare

Carluke	1
Carradale	3

SCOTTISH AMATEUR CUP

CARRADALE overcame a mammoth journey and an early scare last Saturday to advance to round two of the Scottish Cup.

Travelling to Carluke to play the club's Strathclyde Saturday Morning FL side, the 'Dale were pegged back early on in a double whammy for the team.

Hard-working midfielder, David Johnstone, so often the talisman for the East Kintyre side, conceded possession in the middle of the park and was injured in the process.

Carluke advanced up the park and a striker unleashed a shot just evading the grasp of Neil McMillan in the visitors' goal, and Johnstone was forced to leave the field with the team 1-0 down.

However, Carradale bounced back quickly.

After a Cammy Maguire free kick bounced out off the underside of the bar, prompting a scramble in the box from which the visitors could not score with three successive stabs at goal, the equaliser arrived a minute before half-time.

The Andrew Smith and Son-sponsored Carradale won another free kick at the edge of the area, and Maguire bent his shot around the defensive wall and the keeper could only parry.

Cammy Maguire, pictured in action last season, scored two penalties to help Carradale progress in the Scottish Cup.

Robbie Dott was on hand to make it 1-1, after prodding the ball home.

After the interval, Carradale took control of the tie, with long periods of control matched only by errant shooting on the part of Carluke.

After 63 minutes, Carradale were awarded a penalty when Adam Graham dispossessed a Carluke centre back and, after attempting to round the keeper, was brought down, referee Andrew Seymour pointing to the spot.

Graham was injured, but with an already depleted squad making the journey from Kintyre there was no choice but to keep him on the field, hobbling but contributing as best he could.

Maguire despatched the penalty to put Carradale in the lead.

On 68 minutes, youngster, Ryan Blackstock, was called upon to make a vital block with a Carluke attacker bearing down on goal, to keep his side in the lead, just one contribution in a man-of-the-match performance.

Carradale doubled their lead and completed the scoring five minutes later when Daniel Docherty's pass found the beleaguered Graham, who was pulled back in the area, and a penalty awarded.

Striker Maguire made it 3-1 and a personal brace by sending a shot high to the keeper's right, and send Carradale through to a second-round home tie against Port Glasgow of the Scottish AFL's fourth tier.

Nonnie Macalister of Carradale said: 'It was an excellent game from us, despite several regulars missing and injury to David Johnstone which could keep him out for a few games.

'Ryan Blackstock was man-of-the-match. For a 15-year old he was fearless, good on the ball and showed pace and bravery both in attack and defence.'

Tomorrow (Saturday) Carradale host Helensburgh in a league match, to be played on the all-weather pitch at Kinloch, kick off 2pm. Referee is Archie Mitchell.

Prentice's fine finishes fail to lift Dookers

Strathaven Dynamo 3
Tarbert AFC 2

GOOD goalkeeping from a stand-in goalie and two cracking goals saved Tarbert from a worse defeat at Strathaven.

Duncan MacDougall, deputising in goal last Saturday, proved himself with some super saves, while James Prentice hammered two home as Dynamo, newly promoted to Premier Two, were constantly on the attack.

With a rather depleted squad, Tarbert began sluggishly and were soon one down after a swift counter-attack from the home side.

James Prentice levelled with a fine free kick from around 20 yards after some good counter-attacking from Tarbert themselves. Dynamo pressed forward at every opportunity and could have been ahead soon after but for a fine save from MacDougall.

However, some slack Tarbert play allowed the home side to edge ahead shortly before half time, making the score line 2-1.

The second half began much the way of the first with the home side pressing high and Tarbert hitting on the counter attack. The scores were soon tied again as Prentice bagged his second of the game with another fine finish. Tarbert defended stoutly for the entire second half and dealt with everything thrown at them.

With five minutes to go, Tarbert raced clear and, when getting to the box, the pitch played a part in breaking down the move when a winning goal looked on the cards. The sucker punch came in the final attack of the game when Tarbert failed to clear their lines and the Dynamo number nine fired an unstoppable effort into the top left corner of the goal.

Tarbert were unlucky to come away without any points and will look to regain momentum at home to Port Glasgow tomorrow (Saturday).

Bobby on form to claim medal win

Golf

PERFECT conditions prevailed for Dunaverty's September medal held last Saturday and it was the early starters who were to the fore.

Bobby Millar, first man out, covered the first nine in 34 shots.

Despite a bogey at the seventeenth and a double bogey at the eighteenth, he came back in 38 and finished on a nett 60, one shot better than Bill Brannigan, with Jim Ewart a further two shots adrift.

1 Bobby Millar 72-12-60; 2 Bill Brannigan 73-12-61; 3 Jim Ewart 82-19-64; 4 Harry MacLean 74-164; 5 Robert Allan jnr 79-13-66; 6 Ken MacMillan 80-13-67.

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Players, from left, R Hendrie, J Anderson, S Dickson, J McCormick, L Dalziel, A Johnston, G Anderson and G McLachlan.

Bowlers brave bucketing rain for the season finale

HEAVY rain has never deterred Campbeltonians and last Sunday bowlers stoically played a final when the heavens opened.

It was Campbeltown Bowling Club's last competition of the season, the two bowl pairs, generously sponsored by Jewson Ltd, and attracted a good field of 18 pairs.

As it is very much a precision game, it was no surprise that the semi-finals were contested by Robert Hendrie and Neil Maguire, Jimmy Anderson and Gavin McLachlan, Archie Johnston and Gary Anderson and John McCormick and Steven Dickson with the latter pairs contesting the final.

Winners

John and Steven dominated the final and ran out comfortable winners and were presented with their prizes and trophy by Lorraine Dalziel, the sponsor's local manager.

Unfortunately, the curtain comes down on the outdoor season tomorrow, Saturday, with the second leg of the president versus vice president's match that kicks off at 2pm.

Anyone wishing to play should be at the club by 1.30pm.

Smashing time at Campbeltown Tennis Club

Catherine Dobbie and Dorothy Gray beat stiff competition from Anne Ogilvie and Melanie Stanger and Jane Gallagher and Gill Wright to lift the Ladies' Doubles Shield.

Right: Jane Gallagher beat all other opponents to lift the Ladies' Singles Shield.

SPOT THE BALL

THIS WEEK'S JACKPOT £450

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To win the jackpot, the centre of your cross must be in the exact centre of the ball.

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If no correct entry is received, two 'near miss' prizes of £25 will be awarded. When the jackpot is won, no other prizes will be awarded that week.

Easy to enter

Cut out your completed coupon and put your entry plus £1 per 10 attempts into a sealed envelope and post it to reach "Spot the Ball" Competition, The Campbeltown Courier, Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown, Argyll PA28 6AE by **4pm on Tuesday.** No refunds will be given for entries received after the deadline. You may hand it into The Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown by the same time. Otherwise all entries must be posted.

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Golf news
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Campbeltown Pupils to the four with vital win

Alba Thistle 1
Campbeltown Pupils 4
SAFL Premier Division

CAMPBELTOWN Pupils finally got their season up and running forcing four past Alba Thistle for a deserved win.

A cagey affair in the opening stages, the Pupils took control midway through the first half - despite one minor hiccup - and didn't look back to seal their first league win of the campaign.

The Pupils, playing a 4-4-2 formation with a shuffled back four of Keith Mitchell, brothers, Shaun and Paul Grumoli, and John McCallum, stood up well to their task of protecting keeper, Reid Anderson, allowing the forward players to push the visitors in search of goals.

Crucial

On 25 minutes, the crucial opening goal arrived in favour of the Pupils, courtesy of some neat build-up play on the right flank by Ryan Deans.

His low cross caused indecision in the Alba Thistle box, before a defender diverted the ball into his own net via the right hand post.

At the other end, Anderson was called into action once during the first half, a dipping volley from all of 30 yards tipped over the bar.

Chances

An eventful 20-minute spell saw the Pupils waste chances bearing down on goal, final passes going astray and shots going off target, Shaun Grumoli's header a notable chance from a corner. However, the McFadyens-sponsored side doubled their lead through young striker, Ellis Robertson, who blasted a close-range shot high into the net after a ball was half-cleared from a corner.

The hosts were reduced to ten men when Alba's number six aimed a kick at Gregor McFadyen, after some jostling in the box.

The numerical advantage did not count for much initially, though, with the Pupils conceding a soft goal from a long throw-in, which, after defenders and keeper missed, was tapped in at the back post.

After the interval, the Pupils began to take greater control of the match, wearing down Alba with numerous attacks and with plenty of players getting forward, led by Gary Grumoli and Robertson up front.

Deflection

The embattled McFadyen took his first real run at the Paisley side's goal and, after weaving past two defenders, shifted the ball onto his right foot and scored with the aid of a deflection, to ease any lingering nerves with the lead still at one goal.

With the Pupils getting forward at will, Liam Renton, playing in the centre of midfield with Stuart Crossan, which proved a balanced partnership, had the chance to make it four, but in rounding the keeper rather than opting to lob, the chance was spurned.

The Feathers Inn-sponsored visitors did not have to wait long to score their fourth, with Renton on hand to score a smart glancing header from Deans's corner.

Alba had a late effort chalked off for offside, but other than sporadic efforts from outside the box it was a dominant performance from the visitors and a fully deserved win.

Free week

Tomorrow (Saturday) the Pupils have a free week but will welcome Dumbarton Harp Celtic AFC of the Greater Glasgow AFL next Saturday, October 3 in the Scottish Amateur Cup, second round. Venue TBC.

Ryan Deans in action. 25_c39Ryan Deans01

Liam Renton. c39renton01

Chance to hole £800 in Mach golf club lotto

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