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Pupils pounding



CASTLEHILL'S primary pupils given a pounding masterclass from Fiona Irwin. See page four.

Charity carwash



VOLUNTEERS from Campbeltown's Scottish Fire and Rescue Service hose down cars for charity. See page 15.

'Dale defeated



SOUTH Lochaber Thistle proved too thorny for an unlucky Carradale side. See page 30.

Stylish 'city centre' cinema coming soon

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LIKE MANY major movies the project to restore Campbeltown Picture House is not on schedule and needs constant budget revisions.

On Monday the chairperson of Campbeltown Community Business Limited (CCB) Jane Mayo and project manager David Mayo gave *Courier* staff a behind-the-scenes tour.

Mr Mayo explained that giving a definitive opening date could leave people feeling 'let down', adding that the project is all about 'doing the job right', and that perfection in restoring the 1913 cinema takes time.

Mrs Mayo added: 'Campbeltown is a long way from anywhere and deliveries do not always come on

time or complete. Delays are in no-one's interest and it is not like just doing up a [normal] building.'

Mrs Mayo said that delaying factors have included a three-month wrangle over the electricity connection, the late discovery of dry rot and inevitable weather problems.

These snags have not helped with budgeting and CCB accepts that figures constantly need revising.

Mrs Mayo said: 'Additional costs have been incurred and additional funding has been awarded which partly covers these costs. However funding for the original budget still hasn't been completed, hence the need to fund-raise.

'There is about £50,000 outstanding, but we are a charity and will always be

able to accept further money. Local funding has brought in about £125,000 of the total.'

A crowdfunding page set up in May this year on Virgin moneygiving had a target of £20,000, but up September 1 had raised just three per cent of that total – £860 including gift aid.

Irish contractors Corramore do not have a completion certificate but unusually have let CCB in to start fitting out the interior, including the seats in both screens, some carpeting, the chandelier lighting and sound system, and the second projector is also in place.

A Parisian seating specialist, Quinette Gallay, has supplied all the seats. To date 180 are funded, with 65 still to be financed – at £250 each they offer people the chance to be listed



Whisky master blender Richard Paterson distilled his own brand of comedy during a Campbeltown tasting extravaganza when he visited Campbeltown's shrine to uisge beatha (the water of life), the Ardshiel Hotel. The hotel has more than 2,000 unopened bottles, valued at a conservative £180,000. Pictured are Marion McKinnon, Richard Paterson, Flora Grant and Scott Grierson in front of the Ardshiel Hotel's Dalmore cabinet. For more on this story turn to pages 16 and 17, and for further distillery news, see page 15.

for posterity on the donor's board.

Mrs Mayo said: 'The MS society has sponsored seats with a space beside for wheelchairs and we have in-

stalled the dual 'love seats' without a centre armrest.

'Everything is top of the range and it is going to last for another 100 years.'

The *Courier* is under strict instructions not to publish photographs of the interior – the eventual unveiling will no doubt astound and delight people.

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POLICE FILES

Man assaulted

A MAN was allegedly assaulted by another man in the Feathers bar, Cross Street, Campbeltown, between 7.45pm and 10pm on Thursday October 5.

Police are investigating the incident and are appealing for witnesses or anyone with information to contact them on 101 or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Drugs possession

POLICE attended a report of a noisy party at a flat in Longrow South, Campbeltown, at about 12.40am last Saturday, and found a 16-year-old male in possession of a small amount of cannabis.

The 20-year-old female occupier of the flat was charged with allowing her flat to be used for consuming drugs and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Drugs search

AT ABOUT 1.20am last Sunday on Kirk Street, Campbeltown, a 17-year-old male was stopped and searched by police and found to be in possession of a small amount of cannabis.

He was charged and issued with a recordable police warning.

Obstructing police

A 23-YEAR-OLD man was arrested for abusive behaviour and obstructing police officers at about 12.45am last Sunday at the Carradale Hotel.

He was charged and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Go-kart racers roar round the airbase

SOME of the most famous Formula One racers such as Lewis Hamilton first got behind the wheel in kart racing.

The next Sebastian Vettel could come from the peninsula. Any aspiring racers should accelerate to Kintyre Karting Club which

currently has just 11 members and operates all year round on a track at the airbase.

Welcome

A spokesman said: 'Boys, girls and adults are welcome to join and should come to see the action at the next race day – this Sunday from 2pm.



Karting petrolheads at MACC airbase.

'Free storage facilities are available for all members' karts and

the club has its own Facebook page at Kintyre Kart Club. Or for

more information call Willie Ross on 01586 553355.'

Former Kintyre biker in campaign to improve notorious Strone corner

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A FORMER Kintyre motorcyclist is holding the Scottish Government to account over an accident blackspot.

Christine Jardine, who gave up riding 20 years ago over fears for her safety, sent a freedom of information request to Transport Scotland (TS), an executive agency of the Scottish Government, to ask about dangers

on the A83 at Strone Point.

A sharp, shore-side corner near Inveraray, Strone Point is notorious as the site of several crashes, one as recently as last month, several of which have proved fatal.

A planned A83 Strone Point improvement scheme was originally scheduled to be complete by spring but has yet to begin.

The £1.16 million works, contracted to Dublin-based firm John Paul Construction, propose to cut back the rock slope to improve visibility for drivers, widen the road to present-day standards, upgrade the drainage and erect a new road safety barrier and bike guard, as well as add new road

marking and improved signs.

Mrs Jardine, a member of Southend Community Council, asked TS to specify what was to be done, what had been done and any statistics on the impact of the work, such as any demonstrable reduction in accidents.

The latter two could not be answered since the works are not complete, but Transport Scotland told Mrs Jardine: 'In the past 10 years on the A83 at Strone Point there have been five slight, two serious and three fatal accidents.'

'The accidents occurred in the vicinity of a bend in the road with below minimum forward visibility, sub-standard horizontal radii and

vertical radii. Mitigation measures have been introduced.

'Advanced warning signs and chevron markings with reflective yellow backing, high friction surfacing and safety barriers with BikeGuard to offer motorcyclists further protection given that all four accidents have involved a motorcyclist.'

'The measures have not provided significant accident reductions.'

Mrs Jardine said: 'In my world, this translates to "Since 2012 we have known this corner is below standard. We've tried a few things, which have not helped. We are still killing motorcyclists."

'I struggle to see how these poor conditions

can have gone on for so long.'

Last week the Courier reported that Cairndow Community Council (CCC) convener David Sumison believed motorcyclists' reckless driving was to blame for many of this summer's road closures.

Mrs Jardine added: 'Perhaps the CCC convener would think differently if he knew the road surface and visibility are known to be below standard. Most people who have never ridden don't understand just how precise a rider needs to be on a corner.'

Mrs Jardine is determined to pursue the issue, stating: 'I plan on not letting this drop. I will write to our MSP and MP.'

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ACHA homes saved after community consultation

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MANY of Argyll Community Housing Association's (ACHA) Kintyre tenants will be relieved to hear that 20 homes which were due to be mothballed will instead receive investment.

The association's chief executive Alastair MacGregor, who held a drop-in session with investment manager David McColl and locality manager Sarah Campbell in Campbeltown's Guide Hall on Tuesday, claims most of the residents are behind the plans.

Residents were furious to learn at a public meeting in March that the housing association planned to demolish or mothball a number of properties in Campbeltown and Southend due to low occupancy.

At the time many people expressed anger at having to be rehoused, some having lived in their homes for decades.

However, it seems that ACHA, which discussed the community feedback at a board meeting in May, has taken the comments on board, and although 31 properties will still be demolished, ACHA will now invest in the properties at Prince's Street/Dalintober.

Mr MacGregor said: 'Due to structural issues with the four properties in Southend, we always planned to demolish those, but following consultation, it was clear that residents

were keen for the properties at Dalintober to be retained.

'We are looking at converting six units into an association office and investing in another 12, reconfiguring their layout to make them more attractive.'

The association's staff are involved in rehousing tenants and have come to an agreement with three home owners to purchase their houses and are in negotiations with others.

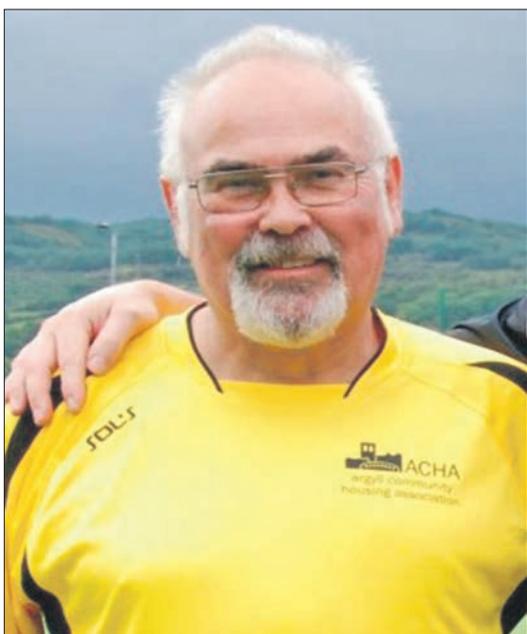
ACHA is in the process of developing tender documents and, with respect to demolitions, it is anticipated that the contracts will be in place and ready to go in the new year.

Following the demolitions, ACHA will continue to be responsible for the sites on a care and maintenance basis until future opportunities are identified, and will either grass them over or put down type one gravel.

The association hopes the sites can be used for socially beneficial initiatives, including community-led projects.

Mr MacGregor added: 'We wouldn't rule out building on the sites if the demand is there for specialist housing. We've done things like allotments before and created social enterprise spaces - we wouldn't rule anything out.'

The incessant rain may have deterred some residents from



ACHA chief executive Alastair MacGregor.

attending the drop-in session, but the association would like to remind tenants that they can always contact their local office, which will be happy

to help them with any further queries. The phone number for ACHA's Kintyre office at Old Quay Head is 01546 605880.

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Kintyre businesses set for China summit

A SUMMIT at the start of November aims to give Kintyre businesses a peek into the possibilities of the Chinese market.

As part of Argyll enterprise week, the Campbeltown town hall meeting, called a China Business Summit, on Thursday, November 9, aims to support economic growth, increasing export opportunities and encourage inward investment. The initiative comes after Argyll and Bute MP Brendan O'Hara pledged to improve economic growth and development as one of his top priorities pre-election.

Mr O'Hara will host the meeting with the assistance of the China

British Business Council, The Bank of China, Skills Development Scotland, Highlands and Islands Enterprise and Business Gateway.

As well as promoting the opportunities available to businesses, there will be advice on how to navigate the cultural and bureaucratic complexities of exporting to China, and exploding some of the myths that surround it. As well as lectures, workshops and one-to-one advice sessions, the seminars will also look at finance, logistics, networking, legal and marketing challenges for companies wishing to do business in China.

Mr O'Hara said: 'I would be delighted for

businesses in Argyll and Bute to take part in this opportunity to explore the prospects that may exist in these rapidly expanding and highly lucrative markets.'

The event opens at 9.30am and finishes 1.30pm.

To register contact Mr O'Hara office at: brendan.ohara.mp@parliament.uk or call 01436 670587. The event can also be booked on Eventbrite.

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Sponsored 'Pounding' creates class cacophony



Following Mrs Irwin's movements. 25_c41pounding10

CASTLEHILL pupils raised the roof with an ear-splitting sponsored fitness routine.

Last Thursday, Wee Toon Warrior, fitness trainer Fiona Irwin, introduced every child to the latest fitness fad which has swept America – 'Pounding'.

Each primary year group was given a 20-minute session – to raise money for the

PTA – in the school's hall using 'Pounding' drumsticks which are a super-sized green plastic version of the traditionally wooden item.

First up were the primary ones who soon learned to follow Mrs Irwin's movements, including standing drumming the sticks together and sitting smashing them on the floor in rhythm.



Fiona Irwin with the P1 children holding their 'Pounding' drumsticks. 25_c41pounding36

The energetic actions were completed to a loud soundtrack which was soon drowned out by the enthusiastic children – unusually – creating as much noise as possible.

Embrace

Mrs Irwin said: 'I think Castlehill is the first school in Argyll and Bute to embrace 'Pounding'.

'The fitness regime was developed by two girls in the US who

had started at the gym but found it boring. 'The children find it attractive because they are allowed to vent out.

'We were told on the training day that often autistic children enjoy it because of the rhythms.'



The 'Pounding' sticks are blurred in motion. 25_c41pounding25

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Council and NHS partner up to plan children's services

A PLAN which aims to improve the lives of children and young people in Argyll and

Bute has been released. The Children and Young People's Ser-

vices Plan for 2017-2020 was published in a partnership between Argyll and Bute Council and NHS Highland.

The blueprint details the priorities for Argyll's children's services, and how these services will be delivered.

Bold vision

Executive director for community services Ann Marie Knowles, said: 'This is a bold vision for our children and young people.

'Over the next three years, we will together take every step to not only deliver on our priorities and meet our challenges, but build on our achievements.

'Our young people are our foundation and we are committed to growing, safeguarding and supporting them and looking after their wellbeing.'

GRADUATION



KATHRYN MERRILEES

Graduated from University of Strathclyde with a degree of Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry and Pharmacology. Kathryn is the daughter of Kenny and Kathleen Merrilees, granddaughter of John and Catherine Gorrie, Lochgilphead and Jim and Muriel Merrilees, Bishopbriggs.

Pirate hunter's appeal judge steps down

THE APPEAL to free a former Campbeltown paratrooper from his Indian prison hellhole has suffered a setback. The presiding judge in Billy Irving's appeal has stepped down amid claims he found the case 'too complicated' to deal with, meaning that it will now have to be reheard.

Ex-Grammar school pupil Billy is serving a five-year sentence in Puzhal Prison, near Chennai, in India, alongside five other British ex-servicemen. **Armed guards** The men, known as the Chennai Six, were working as armed guards onboard the MV Seaman Guard Ohio,

protecting ships from Somali pirates in the Indian Ocean. They were arrested by Indian authorities in October 2013 for straying into their waters with unlicensed weapons, and were sentenced to five years in January 2016. The men have maintained their innocence

throughout their ordeal, claiming that they had legal permits for their weapons. Billy's family has been waiting 11 months to hear the results of the appeal so it was a major blow to find out that the decision may now be long way off. Billy's fiancée Yvonne MacHugh posted on Facebook: 'As you all know, the appeal was heard on November 30 and a verdict should be issued within three months. 'We have waited nearly 11 months for the judge to finally decide that the case is too complicated for him so he has withdrawn from it.

tent judge is soul destroying. 'This is definitely a turning point in our case, and one we desperately needed. 'The chief justice [in India] is now involved and monitoring the case and that can only be a positive. She will appoint a knowledgeable judge and ensure the case is put through the courts as quickly as possible.'

The families of the Chennai Six headed to London yesterday, on the fourth anniversary of the men's arrest, to lobby politicians and hand a petition with more than 400,000 signatures to Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson demanding action.

Another judge 'This means that it now needs to be re-issued to another judge and a new appeal needs to be heard.

'This is just typical of the past four years of continually battling through frustrating setbacks time and time again.'

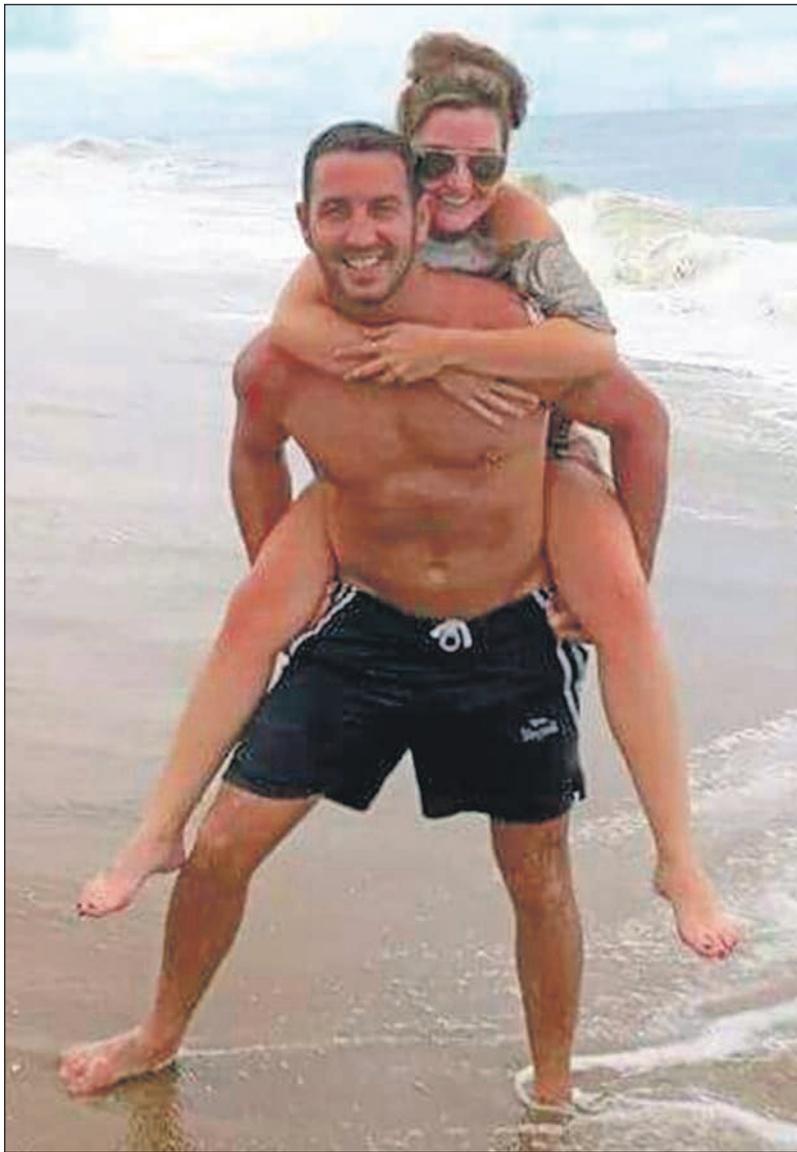
But it is not all disappointing for the family and friends of the Chennai Six.

Yvonne added: 'I'd be lying if I said the news didn't hit me like a tonne of bricks at first. The thought of waiting even longer for the appeal to begin let alone end is terrifying.

'But the thought of losing an appeal on the grounds of an incompe-



Billy Irving was arrested in 2013.



Billy and his fiancée Yvonne MacHugh.

Citizens can chip in on community spending

KINTYRE residents are invited to have their say on how an Argyll and Bute Council fund is spent.

Split equally

The council's Supporting Communities Fund is split equally between four committee areas: Oban, Lorn and the Isles, Mid Argyll, Kintyre and

the Islands, Helensburgh and Lomond, and Bute and Cowal. The previous year's fund totalled £112,000.

This year a pilot project will see communities within these areas decide which causes secure cash.

Policy lead for communities Councillor Robin Currie said:

'This is about empowering communities to do what they think is best for their areas.'

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Editorial

A simple solution for Strone Point

TRANSPORT Scotland is about to spend more than a million pounds mitigating the dangers of the hairpin bend at Strone Point on the A83.

The simplest solution would be to accept that whatever is done some drivers and motorcyclists will always approach too fast, brake too late or too hard, and so remove the option by installing a set of traffic lights.

Few complain about the lights at Inveraray's Aray bridge which force traffic to slow down and only allow one way flow. It is quite pleasant to sit and contemplate Loch Fyne while waiting for a green light.

There are numerous precedents for traffic lights. Approaching Peebles on the A72 there is a narrow tight bend, high above the River Tweed. It is not as tight as Strone Point. Following a series of bad crashes and fatalities, on the road approaching and going through the A72 bend, Scottish Borders council has removed the possibility by installing traffic lights.

Even in the peak of summer it does not cause unacceptable queuing and the same would be true at Strone Point.

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Sir,

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I had been the post master for more than 13 years. I was 17 when I first took over and I'm 30 now which means almost half my life so far has been spent working for and serving at the post office.

I will miss the daily banter with my customers and I hope they feel the same way.

I have been taken aback by all their positive comments and am immensely grateful to receive so many nicely written cards, that wished me well in my new endeavor working as a full time councillor for the Kintyre and Islands ward.

My career path into both local and national politics would not have happened if not for the experience gained working in Portnahaven post office.

Nor would I have been elected without the support from the Rinns where some who voted for me were not direct supporters of my party but backed me personally.

I would like to make a promise to all of my former customers and fellow local residents that just because I will not see them every day does not mean that as your councillor I will become an unseen neutered Kilmory house cat.

I will always be available to help whatever local issue is concerning people. With nothing being too small or big for me to do some shouting.

I have to thank my family

Down memory lane



A QUARTET of McArthurs from Vancouver Island, British Columbia, Canada jetted into Kintyre last week on a genealogical tour.

John McArthur, 80, his wife Joyce, 77, their son Mark, 51, and his wife Karen, 52, pictured above, popped into the *Courier* office when trying to find 32 Main Street.

John said: 'My father Malcolm McArthur was born on February 5, 1907. On the birth certificate my grandmother's name is Jane Hunter McArthur and my

grandfather John Stewart McArthur, he was a shipwright/journeyman. My great grandmother Jane Hunter Girven died in 1965.'

Malcom was a blacksmith and emigrated to Canada. He passed away in 1966.

'We are all getting older so I wanted to look into the family history,' John explained.

Mr McArthur said he would be interested in learning more about his Kintyre roots. Anyone with information can email him at: johnsmcarthur37@gmail.com

for all the help and support during the many years that I have been post master.

I can't write a letter thanking everyone without mentioning my former staff member and good friend Alice Black who has worked incredibly hard.

**Alastair Redman,
 Portnahaven,
 Islay.**

Independent living

Sir,

At the beginning of the century when independent living was introduced, myself and other carers of adults with special needs attended meetings held by social services.

The changes by the Scottish government were to assist people with special needs to live independently with a package of care to suit their individual needs.

This was all about improving and giving them a better quality of life.

Quite a few young people were moved out of residential care at Greenwood (Woodlands) and were settled into homes in the community.

Now social services and the authorities have to make cut backs to their budget, the same young adults are to be discriminated against, by unsettling them, and moving them to a block of flats at Millknowe.

This is not to improve the living conditions of vulnerable people, but looks solely to cut running costs, is this not against the wishes of the government acts?

**Margaret Laing,
 Campbeltown.**

Memories stirred

Sir,

I don't think the Down memory lane photograph in

the *Courier* of September 22 is 1930s.

Never mind recognising grandparents or great-grandparents, I recognise my father Robert MacDougall and his brother Duncan MacDougall along with several others.

**Kathleen McGougan,
 Dell Road,
 Campbeltown.**

Sir,

As my brother Leslie, 72, from Carluke states, in last week's *Courier*, I recognise my father Dougal McArthur in the Argyll Bowling Club picture, second from left in the back row.

In the Second World War he served on minesweepers in the seas round Bermuda.

Including myself and Leslie there were six children – my sisters Margaret, May and Enid, and a brother John. We stayed in a three-

storey block in the Roading. I did not play bowls but I remember once dad took me to the club and we won a competition called 'The Pennies' – I was given a sixpence.

**Dugald McArthur, 81,
 Campbeltown.**

Rotary's thanks

Sir,

Further to the *Courier* report of the recent Rotary Club of Campbeltown Sale of the Century, numerous other people deserve thanks for the help they gave.

Jim Martin moved all the furniture from storage to the Victoria Hall. Electrician, Archie Houston, checked the safety of all electrical goods. Anne Leith typed the catalogues.

Andrew Smith and Son and Kintyre Recycling provided vehicles to help with deliveries. Two of Kintyre Recycling staff, Amanda and Andy also helped with deliveries.

James Lafferty of Kintyre CARS project provided a projector screen. Individual volunteers who helped were Stephen Chinn, Christopher McEwan, Dillan Cox, Niall Gemmill and Eliot Gemmill.

We are very grateful to all of them for the whole weekend would have been much more difficult without their valuable assistance.

If I have inadvertently missed anyone from the list, please accept my sincere apologies, and thank you all.

**Agnes Stewart,
 The Rotary Club
 of Campbeltown.**



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The view from Westminster: by Brendan O'Hara, MP

BEFORE the June general election, I spent the previous two years in office 'fact-finding' round Argyll and Bute and establishing what I considered to be the issues of utmost importance for the constituency.

Those issues will not be new to any of us.

We have a diminishing population, issues with economic growth, access to trade, transportation and digital communication, all of which are precursors to the wealth of the region. Growth which will drive is interdependent on each.

There are many factors upon which being the MP can have little bearing.

I believe that driving forward economic growth will lead to population growth, inward investment, demand for and greater digital connectivity and physical connectivity.

Money and wealth follow people.

So I made it my absolute priority at the election to formulate a five-year plan

and I hope this time we have five years, to do everything in my power to drive economic regeneration.

Part of that will be collegiate working – with anyone I have to, to promote Argyll and Bute.

And in testament to that intention, my first big event is launching during Argyll Enterprise Week, the China Business Summit, which is taking place in the Campbeltown Town Hall on November 9.

Assistance

I can't take everyone to China or Asia to discover what this market has to offer. In partnership with the China British Business Council, the Bank of China, Scottish Development International, Highlands and Islands Enterprise and assistance from Business Gateway, we're bringing China to Kintyre.

This summit is intended to demystify the potential and perceived barriers to trade beyond our boundaries.

Argyll and the Kintyre peninsula has a



Brendan O'Hara.

unique provenance – one that we should looking to promote across the globe.

I know the key stakeholders in Argyll and Bute are working hard on this already and this event should complement those efforts.

We have massive potential in Argyll and Bute with our produce, our setting, our environment, our culture and diversity, and we need to get word out globally that we have so much to offer.

So if you haven't already been invited and you think your business could benefit from these workshop sessions, consider this to be your invitation. Argyll and Bute, we need to think big.

Fly on the wall council documentary

COUNCILLORS may have 'kicked live-streaming into the long grass' but the council's inner workings will be revealed on national television.

The Country Council, narrated by *Game of Thrones*' James Cosmo – whose father James Copeland hailed from Helensburgh, is a three-part series from next Thursday October 19 at 9pm following the work of council staff in Argyll and Bute.

Firecracker Films gained unique access and followed council staff as they coped with vulnerable people in the community, complaints about bin collections, road

repairs and even bagpipes teaching.

As this series outlines, councils across Scotland are in the midst of challenging budget cuts, and with higher demand than ever for public services, the pressure on local authorities has never been greater.

The first episode looks at the work of Desmond Middleton, one of only two council debt counselors covering the entire region.

Mr Middleton said: 'I try to help people who have got money problems or money worries, people who are struggling to pay debts or pay bills ... to try to

get them back on track again.'

Episode one also features a finance meeting at the council's headquarters in Kilmory Castle in Lochgilphead, and a travelling music teacher visiting pupils on Mull.

Executive producer Elspeth O'Hare said: 'We filmed from late spring into the summer and encountered just about every shade of weather. There was a lot of warmth from the people.'

'This series brings the unique challenges and joys of working hundreds of miles from the nearest city to provide services in difficult times.'

News in brief

Vaccinations at flu clinic

A NO-appointment flu vaccination clinic will be held by Campbeltown Medical Practice.

The clinic is at Lorne and Lowland new hall on Thursday October 26 from 9.30am to 3.30pm for registered patients at the practice.

Party afternoon

VICTORIA hall will be buzzing next Saturday for Campbeltown Community Council's annual senior citizens' party. The fun, with MC Kay Johnstone, starts at 2pm on October 21. Many acts have been booked and there will be refreshments and home baking. Community council members are out collecting raffle prizes.

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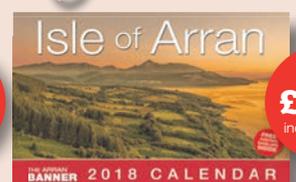
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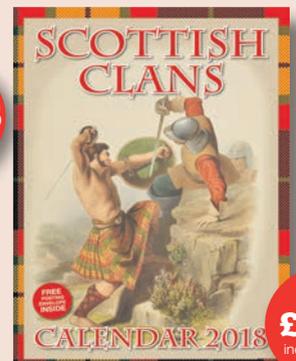
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Emma Wilson and Shannon Ellis outside block 15 at Auschwitz. 04_c41auschwitz01

Emotional ex pupils travel t

Words and pictures
CLAIRE THOMSON

TWO PUPILS from Campbeltown Grammar School (CGS) made an emotional visit to Auschwitz - the largest collection of Nazi concentration and extermination camps - to deepen their understanding of history.

Emma Wilson, 16, and Shannon Ellis, 17, took part in the Holocaust Educational Trust's (HET) Lessons From Auschwitz (LFA) project. The pupils visited one of the largest sites of mass murder in the world, where more than one million Jews died. Political prisoners, Roma people, homosexuals and Jehovah's Witnesses were also murdered.

Emma is studying for Highers in modern studies, French and biology and for a national five award in life skills and aspires to study history at university.

Shannon is studying for an Advanced Higher in English, Highers in history, French and business and a national five award in life skills. Shannon hopes to study English at university.

Shannon and Emma were accompanied by history and modern studies teacher Laura Rigney.

The pupils caught a 7am Glasgow flight chartered by HET to Krakow.

The project involves much more than the one-day trip to Auschwitz.

Students attended an orientation seminar in Glasgow prior to the trip where they heard an account from a Holocaust survivor and attended a follow-up seminar after the trip to discuss what they had seen and the impact it had upon them.

Before visiting the camps themselves, pupils were taken to Oswiecim, the town where Auschwitz was built.

Holocaust educator Emma Kinney, took pupils to a street in the town.

Pupils were then shown photographs of what lay on the site before the Holocaust -

an imposing synagogue. The synagogue was destroyed in the Nazi campaign against Jews across Europe.

Emma Kinney said the purpose of this exercise was to re-humanise the victims of the Holocaust, and to illustrate the impact it had on towns and villages across Europe.

Rabbi Barry Marcus MBE, who accompanied the students throughout their visit, said he was filled with 'great sadness' when he considered the destruction of Jewish life in Europe.

Pupils boarded coaches bound for the camps.

Contrary to common belief, Auschwitz is not one concentration camp, but a network of more than 40 different concentration and extermination camps. The LFA trip included tours of the two biggest camps in Auschwitz, Auschwitz I and Auschwitz II - Birkenau.

The tour began at Auschwitz I. Pupils paused at the notorious 'Arbeit Macht Frei' gate, and considered the experiences of the victims who passed through the gate before them.

A guide took pupils into the barracks of Auschwitz I themselves, now converted into museum spaces. Exhibits included maps, identification papers of victims and an urn containing the only salvageable ashes from victims' bodies.

Affecting points

The tour moved on to show pupils the human impact of the Holocaust, such as the mounds of hair shorn from victims by Nazis, shoes taken from victims' feet and even shoe polish found in victims' luggage. Emma and Shannon agreed that this was one of the most affecting points of their experience.

In one of the most visceral experiences of the day, pupils were taken inside a gas chamber, where thousands of prisoners were murdered. One pupil, not from Campbeltown, was too distressed to enter the chamber and asked to remain outside.

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Excursion as to Auschwitz

After seeing the 'wall of death', where prisoners found guilty of conspiring to escape or of other offenses, were shot, and the gallows from which the Nazi officer in charge of Auschwitz, Rudolph Hoss was hanged, the pupils moved on to visit Auschwitz II – Birkenau. Birkenau was an extermination camp, where 90 per cent of victims murdered at Auschwitz lost their lives.

The site is now extremely exposed, and pupils endured wet and cold conditions as they stood on the railroads which brought mostly Hungarian Jews directly to the camp.

A guide took students into one of the barracks, where about 1,000 prisoners were forced to live. Conditions were so crowded that prisoners could not lie down to sleep.

Pupils were shown the exposed ruins of a gas chamber, partially destroyed by the Nazis to conceal their atrocities.

All LFA visits to Auschwitz end in a remembrance ceremony for those who died at the camp. These ceremonies are usually held outdoors, next to the camp's official memorial. On this occasion, difficult weather conditions meant that the ceremony was held in one of Birkenau's bath houses.

Bath houses were used to disinfect and shower prisoners upon arrival. After enduring showers of interchangeably scalding hot and extremely cold water, prisoners were forced to stand outside naked, regardless of the weather.

More than 200 school pupils sat cross-legged on the stone floor of the building which saw such suffering 75 years ago.

Pupils listened to a talk by the education officer of the LFA project, Tom Jackson. Tom thanked the pupils for giving up their time to travel to Auschwitz, and for persevering through challenging weather.

Rabbi Marcus addressed pupils and led the ceremony of remembrance. He thanked pupils for

'engaging so positively on such a difficult day.' He went on to tell the students that if we were to give a minute's silence for each of the victims at Auschwitz II – Birkenau alone, we would fall silent for two years.

The ceremony was concluded by the rabbi performing a traditional Hebrew mourning prayer. The worn walls of the bath house echoed with poignant song.

Emma said that she found this part of the ceremony very moving: 'That got me ... I almost cried at that.'

Emma also said that she found the sheer size and scale of both camps very affecting.

The Campbeltown pupils took the prayer and ceremony more seriously than others of their peers.

Denied

At the end of the day, pupils and their teachers were able to leave the camp and make a comfortable journey home – a right denied to so many Holocaust victims.

As part of the LFA project, the girls are required to take their 'Next Steps', to consolidate their experience and share it with others. Emma and Shannon will deliver presentations to younger year groups about the Holocaust, and will tell house assemblies what they saw at Auschwitz.

This is the second year CGS has participated in the LFA project. Emma and Shannon were inspired to take part by the presentations of last year's participants.

They also plan to discuss their experiences with Campbeltown's Old Pals Club. Emma said that they aimed to 'compare different generations' and discuss memories and perspectives of the Holocaust.

After completing these steps, Emma and Shannon will be HET ambassadors, and play a crucial role in ensuring that lessons from Auschwitz are never forgotten.



The notorious 'Arbeit Macht Frei' gate. 04_c41auschwitz02



Pupils pass through the gate in heavy rain. 04_c41auschwitz03



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the house.

Make sure your pipes and boilers are properly lagged too. Something as simple as pipe foam wraps can be picked up for just a few pounds – but always put them on when the pipes are cool to make sure you don't burn yourself.

Maintenance on heating equipment is important, so make sure all water-fed radiators are bled and working correctly. A working radiator should be warm evenly across the panel; if it isn't, there could be air trapped inside.

Once these are done, you can look at your home's overall heating requirements.

Is your boiler fired to the most efficient way possible?

Can you turn your thermostat down a degree or two?

Are you buying your electricity and gas from the cheapest source?

These things are relatively simple to check online

and with tools to help you estimate your costs and potential savings with alternative heating sources.

The right heating source can vary depending on how you use your home – if you spend all day in the house, consider the cheapest for prolonged use, while some occasional systems provide instant heat, but are not ideal to be left on all day.

Think too about future cost – wood-fuelled heating systems burn wood pellets, chips or logs and can also power central heating and hot water.

Heat pumps and solar panels can not only save you cash but government-funded feed-in tariffs can make some options earn money for you.

Try speaking to your energy supplier to see if you're on the best rate or tariff. Some may move you on to a cheaper option, if available.

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John Roberts, right, presents the champion cow-senior heifer prize to Diorbhail of West Edmondslley. 15_T41_Highland Cattle Show_03



Top price was Squillin 4th of Mottistone owned by Michael Poland and shown by stockman Willie Maclean sold for 4,000gns. Picture: Kevin McGlynn

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Mixed emotion cattle Society

Report by Sandy Neil
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IT WAS a weekend of mixed emotions at the Highland Cattle Society's 120th annual autumn show and sale at Oban Livestock Centre.

Members were excited to have newly-appointed United Auctions selling the cattle on Monday and they celebrated the 120th event in true style with enthusiasm and good 'craic'. They also raised their glasses with fond memories to absent friends Angus MacColl and Jim McConachie.

Presentation

During the dinner and trophy presentation on Sunday evening a shepherd's crook made of



Carolyn Ross of Blairlogan Highlanders and the champion heifer calf, Katie Morag 13th of Blairlogan. 15_T41_Highland Cattle Show_01

Highland horn donated by Archie Cameron was auctioned by Raymond Kennedy and raised £1,300, donated to the Beatson Cancer Centre along with the proceeds of Lot 5 Una Bhuidhe 10th of Muin-gairigh, who sold to Graeme Keep of the Chedley fold for 2,000 guineas on Monday.

Judge Matt Auld of the Pollok fold found his overall champion in Kirsty 11th of Craigowmill from Ken and Eva Brown. Kirsty won the three-year-old heifer section winning the Bell Ingram Quaich before going on to lift the Invernairn Cup.

The herd person bringing out the overall champion winning the K W Walker Memorial Quaich was Ken Brown's stockman David Burt. This heifer was sold to the Balnabroich fold of Michael and Sally Nairn for 3,600 guineas.

The reserve overall champion was awarded to the best two-year-old heifer, Squillin 4th of Mottistone from the home of Michael Poland. Michael and his stockman Willie MacLean lifted the newly-donated Dooris Family Rose Bowl and also took home the George Bruce Memorial Trophy. The newly-formed Witches Craig fold of Veda Dewar and Kenneth Wood topped the sale by purchasing this heifer for 4,000 guineas.

Purchased

The reserve best three-year-old heifer went to Highland Cattle Society vice-president Gordon McConachie from the firm of J & M McConachie & Son with Nessia 4th of Culfoich. The red heifer was purchased by Paul Harris for 2,800 guineas for his Harris fold. Standing in reserve in the two-year-old section was Hazel 17th of Knockendon from Ronald and Frances Fergie.

Gordon McConachie lifted his second title of the day

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The in-calf heifer which was owned by the late Angus MacColl from Mull. Angus died recently from cancer. The heifer Una Buidhe of Miungairigh sold for 2,000gns, with the proceeds going to the Beatson in Glasgow. Angus's wife Pamela is pictured holding the heifer. Photograph: Kevin McGlynn



Kate Cameron, 10, from Dunach, gives her calf Nighean Ruadh 2nd of Dunach a kiss as she won best in class and reserve heifer calf. Photo: Kevin McGlynn



Asha Nelson, a protegee of the late Angus MacColl, was first in the senior young handlers, presented by Angus' mum Jeannie MacColl. 15_T41_Highland Cattle

ns at Highland Show and sale

in the yearling heifer class with Carlin 4th of Culfoich taking the Best Yearling Heifer title and winning the Braes of Greenock Challenge Bowl. The red yearling heads back to Aberdeenshire to the home of J & L Fraser & Son for 1,200 guineas. The reserve title went to R & S Strachan from the Isle of Mull with Netta Dhubh of Cailaich, a black heifer brought out by Shirley Strachan.

The Myrecairn Perpetual Trophy was won by Dexter Logan of Blairlogan Highlanders with the white heifer calf Katie Morag 13th of Blairlogan, ably brought out by Carolyn Ross. Lord Denham of the Dunach Fold stood reserve with Nighean Ruadh 2nd of Dunach, a red heifer brought out by John, Wilma, Ruari, Murn and Kate Cameron.

Best cow

The Thaggnam Cup for the best cow was awarded to Emma and Simon Haley of the Seam fold with Diorbhail of West Edmondsley who was bred by L & L Braines and brought out by son Mark Braines. Donald MacNaughton stood reserve with Malda 4th of Knockendon, a yellow, six-year-old cow bred by Ronald and Frances Fergie.

The Oban Times Young Handlers' Trophy was hotly contested. Twelve young people were split into two classes, the senior class aged 14 to 18 and the junior class aged 13 and under. The winners of each section went head-to-head for the overall title. Winning the senior section was 16-year-old Asha Nelson of the Glengorm fold and standing top of the junior section was Logan Ross, who was assisting Blairlogan Highlanders. Matt Auld crowned Logan Ross as the overall young handler champion and the prizes were presented by Angus MacColl's mother Jeannie MacColl.



Erin Cameron and the reserve champion heifer calf Nighean Ruadh 2nd of Dunach Estate.

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Team Dunach have some fun with their Highland calves taking selfies: Murn Cameron, Kate Cameron, Erin Cameron and Luke Mulligan.

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An SWI spokeswoman said: 'It is an amazing facility and

a fantastic asset to the community.

'The sheer size of the area and the new businesses that have been established there was a big talking point.

'The ladies thanked MACC for allowing them to view the business park and making them feel very welcome and special thanks to Malcom for his informative and amusing commentary.'

The visit was followed by a meal at the Argyll Arms Hotel, Campbeltown and the new president, Jean Ives, thanked the hotel

and staff for the lovely food and great service.

The next meeting is in Dunaverty Hall on Monday November 6, when new members will be made welcome.

Emma Macalister Hall of Torrisdale castle estate will speak and the competitions that night will be a non-alcoholic cocktail, an uncooked cheesecake and a favourite hat.

The annual children's Hallowe'en party will be held on October 30 at 7pm in St Blaas's Hall where all children local to Southend are invited.

GIGHA

Vegetable champions root for Gigha show success

A SHOPKEEPER moved from behind the counter and joined a youth worker to judge entries in the fifth Isle of Gigha root and industrial show.

Joe Teale of Ardmish Stores and Kenny Wilson had the task of picking beautiful parsnips and potatoes as well as identifying a winning ugly vegetable at the event on Saturday September 23.

Afterwards Mr Teale said: 'My tastebuds took a pounding trying

loads of tea loafs.' Slightly more unusual entries included in the industrial section a glass of milkshake and a matchbox containing items beginning with 'S'.

The village hall was packed to capacity with holiday makers, islanders and 117 exhibits, as well as the Macmillan coffee afternoon and prize giving which raised a total of £963.

A spokesperson said: 'The overall root sec-



The Gigha hall crowd.

tion winner was Catriona Walker and the industrial section winner was Maggie Wilkieson, congratulations to them both.

'All cakes and raffle prizes were donated and thanks goes to everyone involved in making the day a great success once again.'

The prize winners in each category were: Root section – three potatoes: 1 and 2 Susan Allan, 3= Willie McSparran and John Martin; three parsnips: 1 = Maggie Wilkieson and Catriona Walker, three purple top swedes: John Martin; three carrots: 1 Willie McSparran, 2 Maggie Wilkieson, 3 Gigha pre-5 unit and Maggie Wilkieson; three red onions: 1 Catriona Walker, 2 Archie Walker, 3= Rob Wilkieson and Susan Allan; three white onions: 1 Catriona Walker, 2 Archie Walker, 3= Andy Oliver and Maggie Wilkieson; three beetroots: Catriona Walker; three leeks: Catriona Walker; one ugly vegetable:

1 Maggie Wilkieson, 2 Archie Walker, 3 Gigha pre-5 unit and Susan Allan; one large potato: Rob Wilkieson and Willie McSparran. Industrial Section – glass milkshake: 1 Lily Sheriff, 2 Don Dennis, 3= Maggie Wilkieson and Emma Dennis; three rum truffles: 1 Christine Mineham, 2 Hannah Storie and Martha Teale, 3= Chris McNeill and Maggie Wilkieson; one tea loaf: 1 Morven Beagan, 2 Hannah Storie and Martha Teale, 3= Ella Park and Margaret Andrew; three custard creams: 1 Margaret Andrew, 2 Anne McSparran, 3= Maggie Wilkieson and Tracey Wilson; two apple turnovers: 1 Hannah Storie and Martha Teale, 2 Maggie Wilkieson, 3= Rob Wilkieson and Susan Allan; a jar of piccalilli: Maggie Wilkieson; jar rhubarb and ginger jam: 1 Maggie Wilkieson, 2 Susan Allan, 3 Margaret Andrew; three flower display: 1 Susan Allan, 2 Morven Beagan, 3= Chris McNeill and Archie Walker; matchbox containing items beginning with 'S': 1 Hannah Storie and Martha Teale, 2 Chris McNeill, 3= Archie Walker and Morven Beagan; beach poem: 1 Maggie Wilkieson, 2 and 3 Archie Walker and John McNeill.



Three flowers entries.

BELLOCHANTUY

Bellochantuy SWI's royal celebration

BELLOCHANTUY SWI members marked the first meeting of the new season with a meal at the Royal Hotel. President Elaine Hemmings welcomed members before they ordered dinner.

Scotland's greatest amateur lady golfer, Belle Robertson, who began her career at Dunaverty, will speak at the next meeting, on Monday in Glenbarr hall from 7.30pm.

Anyone interested in hearing the golf doyenne's tales from the links is welcome to attend.



Barbara Young and Elaine Hemmings.



Belle Robertson will speak at the next meeting.

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Firefighting cadets' carwash

SCOTTISH Fire and Rescue Service firefighters and cadets had a splashing time

hosing down Campbeltown cars for charity. The recent event raised £400 for

Macmillan Cancer Support and £400 for charities supported by firefighters.



From left: Caitlin Collett, Jenny Souden and Jennifer Wylie collected money from drivers at the carwash entrance. 25_c40carwash02



Kelly McSporrán hoses a car. 25_c40carwash01

Car campaign is: Making Memories Motor

LONGROW charity Shopper-Aide is driving ahead with plans to put another vehicle on the road.

To benefit clients, the car is planned to be wheelchair accessible enabling volunteers to take more people out and bring back memories.

To support the triple-M campaign, which has raised £8,280, Springbank Distillery has do-

nated some special spirits for a raffle with tickets priced at £5.

First prize is a 16-year-old sherry, single cask which was specially bottled for the Facebook page 'It's all about Springbank.'

Second prize is the Springbank cage bottle, 10-year-old bourbon donated by a group member and third is a 10-year-old Jamaican rum donated

by Edinburgh's Cadenheads shop. There are two runners-up prizes of 'It's all about Springbank' T-shirts.

Entries close on November 8 and can be made by donating on Shopper-Aide's Virgin money page: <http://uk.virgin-moneygiving.com/charity-web/charity/displayCharityCampaignPage.action?charityCampaignUrl=tripleM>

Spooky party is planned for town hall funds

THE GRAVEYARD shift will bogey on down at Campbeltown town hall's Day of the Dead Halloween party.

There will be prizes for the most spooky outfits at the scary fundraiser, which organisers hope will help to pay to maintain the recently restored building.

There will be no need to bring skeleton keys for entry, from 8pm on October 28, just pick up a £15 ticket at the town hall office. It is open to adults but 16- to 17-year-olds wanting to dance the night away to Deep Joy must be accompanied by an adult aged over 25.

'Break a leg' quiz

PENINVER Drama Club actors will tread the boards at Campbeltown Bowling club during a fundraising quiz. The family event tomorrow night includes nibbles and is priced at £10 per team of four.

Mairi Semple coffee morning at full strength

CHARITABLE crowds took shelter in Kirk Street's Red Cross Hall as the rain poured down outside.

The hall was host to a coffee morning in aid of the Mairi Semple Fund, which celebrated its 40th anniversary this year, on Saturday October 7.

The fund is dedicated to providing financial assistance for people with cancer living in Kintyre and Gigha, and making donations to the cancer treatment centres accessed by them.

Volunteers poured coffee and manned a variety

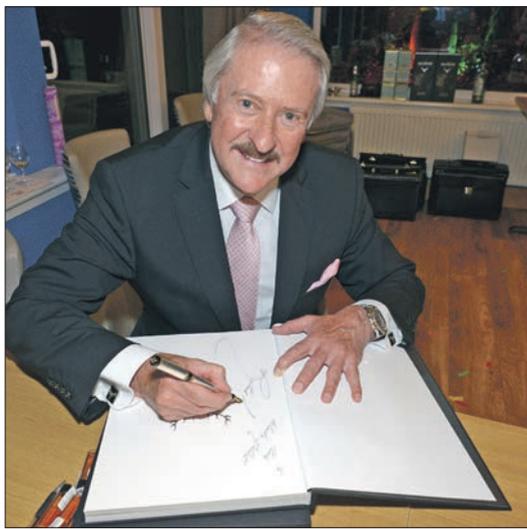
of stalls selling raffle tickets, baking and produce.

'Horses' were also sold for the fund's race night, to be held in Argyll Bowling Club on November 10.

Mairi Semple chairwoman Pauline Simson, said: 'The total made at the coffee morning after taking off expenses was £570.62. The big raffle will be drawn at the Race Night on Friday, November 10.'



Elizabeth Young pours a coffee.



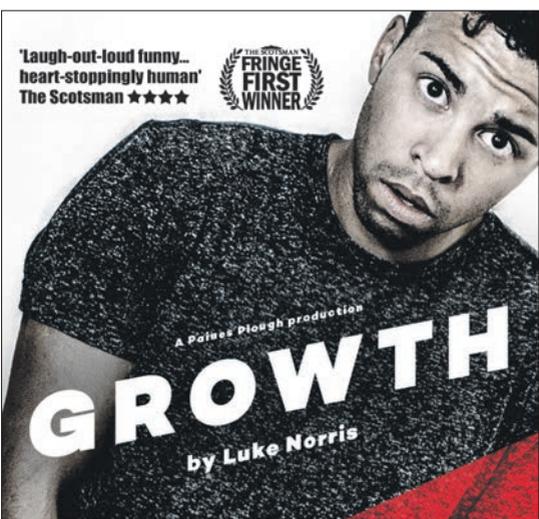
Richard Paterson presented Flora and Marion with a commemorative signed book each, a quach and two phials from a £50,000 bottle. 25_c41whisky03



Richard Paterson noses a whisky. 25_c41whisky12



Far left, Ardshiel's Marion McKinnon with a group of 'tasters' before a drop



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From left: Michael Spelman, who flew in from America for the weekend, seen here with Ardshiel proprietor Flora Grant and the Reverend Philip Wallace. 25_c41whisky05

Ardshiel's date on blender's world

Words and pictures
MARK DAVEY

NOGGINS of blended whisky rubbed rarefied shoulders with exclusive malts at an invitation-only celebration of a whisky expert's 50 years in the business.

For a year, 'The Nose', aka Richard Paterson, Whyte and Mackay's master blender, whose arteries possibly flow with whisky, has been on a worldwide tour marking the golden anniversary of his Campbeltown start in 1966.

Paterson is famous

for hurling good malts on the floor during action-packed presentations, which owe more to stand-up comedy and last Friday his whirlwind whisky history lesson landed at an Ardshiel tasting.

Proprietors Flora Grant and Marion McKinnon had selected an audience which combined Campbeltown whisky industry insiders, from Springbank and Glen Scotia, with connoisseurs and people who quite openly said they did not like the drink.

Paterson's talk almost dovetailed with the 10th anniversary since Grant and McKinnon took over at the Ardshiel and transformed it into one of Scotland's leading whisky bars, at the same time helping to boost profits at many distilleries.

Paterson said: 'On September 5, 1966, as I pushed through the door at A Gillies and Co's Glasgow headquarters, at that time the owner of Glen Scotia. It was like entering somewhere out of a Dickens novel.'

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To enter, send separate entries (in the same envelope) with your name, address, telephone number and email address to Scottish Field Competitions, Fettes Park, 496 Ferry Road, Edinburgh EH5 2DL or enter at www.scottishfield.co.uk. Closing date, unless otherwise stated, is 30 November 2017. **Winners drawn from all competitions also enter a prize draw to win a bottle of Berry Bros. & Rudd Islay Reserve whisky.**

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had been sampled. 25_c41whisky01

Whisky master tour

The same week the first episode of *Star Trek* was broadcast on the 8th and Captain Kirk was going, "Where no man had gone before ... on a five-year mission" – and I was heading to Campbeltown.

In the space of two hours and with the help of six samples, including a 40-year-old Fettercairn – retailing at £3,000 a bottle – Paterson may have even converted a few.

The tasting though was after a whistlestop lecture, combined with a slide show on the drink's history and Paterson's own life.

Gems included a black and white picture of former Springbank master distiller Frank McHardy filling a cask and a plastic model of a Phylloxera aphid.

Paterson told the audience the pest destroyed French vineyards in the mid-19th century, helping whisky to knock brandy off its pedestal as a gentleman's drink of choice in London.

Whisky was in his blood in more ways than one. Paterson explained his grandfather opened a specialist blenders and bottlers in 1933 and, as a pre-teen, under his father's

guidance, he learned to nose whisky.

Paterson added: 'It all started with my grandfather but the Paterson history goes back much further and includes one of the founders of the Bank of England, William Paterson.'

Paterson compared nosing to a perfumier's skill at looking for the top notes in a perfume and mentioned the blending for Chanel Number Five.

He demonstrated nosing and tasting, suggesting a large sip is taken and swirled around the mouth for 40 seconds before swallowing, leading each individual sampling after a mighty: 'Slàinte mhah.'

The first sample was a limited edition, triple-matured 21-year-old blended whisky which, thanks to Paterson's skills, has helped Whyte and Mackay garner gold awards from the International Wine and Spirits competition.

After sampling four more magnificent malts, the final drink was another blend, Shackleton, named after the explorer. This had a certain tough character, but for anyone who had not swallowed all of the other five measures it was in a different class.



Campbeltown Community Council chairman Alan Baker. 25_c41whisky10



The Scotch Malt Whisky Society's Nicola Young was given a special sample from a £50,000 bottle of Dalmore distilled in 1966. Richard Paterson poured two phials into a quach. 25_c41whisky09



By tradition to prove it was all consumed the pair held the quach upside down over Nicola's head. 25_c41whisky08



Canapés served after the tasting. 25_c41whisky07

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Geometric painter's perfectly patterned pictures

Mark Davey

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AFTER a lifetime travelling the globe, a Venice born 'geometric' artist hopes Kintyre will provide the inspiration for his best works.

Peter Hugo McClure, 70, is creating the latest in his art named 'Geometrism' from a Muasdale base and has taken a studio pod at Jason McCallum's Keeping it Local in Burnbank Burnside Street.

His work has been displayed in shows around the world. Perhaps most famously he was one of a number of artists who bartered paintings for accommodation with the late Californian hotelier

Arnold Ashkanazy in the 1980s.

Peter said that Ashkanazy loved his work and always 'bought' a masterpiece.

As he enters his eighth decade Peter hopes to emulate others such as Katsushika Hokusai. The Japanese artist created his woodblock print series: 36 views of Mount Fuji in 1831 aged 71, which secured his lasting fame.

'I am very much in favour of affordable art,' said Peter. 'When Hokusai was alive it was possible to buy his work for the equivalent price of two bowls of noodles.'

From the age of four Peter was brought up in a children's home in the UK

having been made a ward of court.

On leaving school, in the mid-1960s he started an architecture course in London before transferring to fine art at Walthamstow school of art. His art school education did not last long.

'On the first day the tutor threw two pieces of work on the floor and said draw that,' said Peter, 'I walked out, art is all about market-ing today.'

'I had gone into fine art because I was told do what you like. I tend to be selfish and too obsessed with what I am doing.'

When the question of earning a crust encroached on his life Peter

became a waiter, followed by labouring on a building site before he became a self-employed builder which, later, gave him the freedom to travel.

Peter said: 'While working as a builder in London, in gaps between work I was painting and created Geometrism pieces such as *Labrinth* but later changed the name to Ikon.'

'That work was left in Germany, on consignment in Heidleberg. After 30 years someone wanted to buy it and I quoted £3,000 only to be told it was not mine to sell.'

His wanderlust might come from his parentage. Peter told the *Courier*: 'I was born in 1947 in Venice

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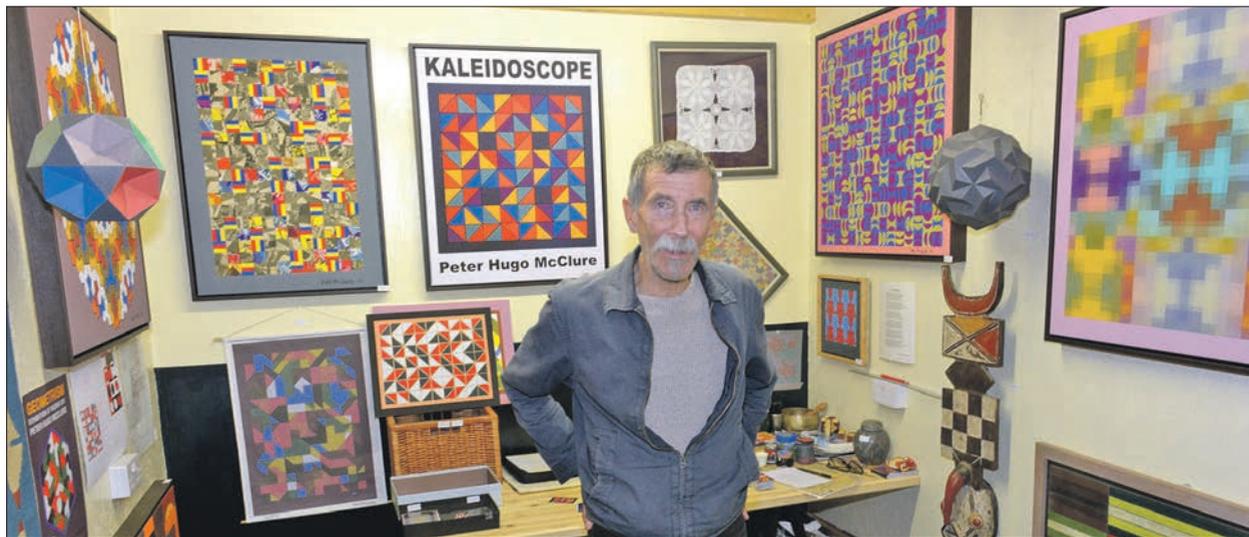
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A signed poster of Peter Hugo McClure's 2010 St Ives Art Club exhibition. 25_c41geometrism02



Peter Hugo McClure in his Campbeltown studio. 25_c41geometrism01

to a Serbian mother and Scottish father.'

'I travelled a lot in the US and also to Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Hawaii and Samoa.'

'I would work on buildings and art at the same time. In California I worked as an artist for nine months.'

Returning to the UK legal difficulties with a property in London forced a move to Cornwall in the 1980s when Peter, now a vegetarian, took a sack of rice and another of lentils

and lived in a tent for six months, before moving into a chalet. After the settlement on the property in London, Peter said that he received enough money to continue building work, in Cornwall and progress painting his life's work.

Peter said: 'Cornwall had always been a nice place for holidays. When I decided to go I was told don't go to Cornwall with no money because you will not make any there. It does not stop you being creative - having no money.'

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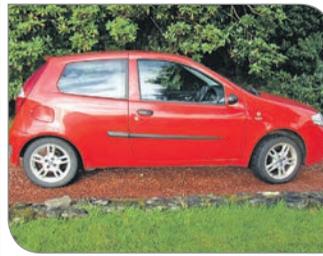


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Argyll and Bute Council

DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Argyll and Bute Local Development Plan 2 – Main Issues Report (MIR) Strategic Environmental Assessment: Environmental Report (SEA) Notice under Section 17 (6) of the Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006 and under Section 16 (2) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005

Argyll and Bute Council has prepared a Local Development Plan 2: Main Issues Report together with associated documents comprising the Monitoring Statement and Interim Strategic Environmental Assessment: Environmental Report (SEA).

The Main Issues Report (MIR) represents the first formal stage in producing a replacement Local Development Plan (LDP 2) for Argyll and Bute Council in its role as Planning Authority. The primary purpose of the MIR is to highlight and discuss new issues, put forward alternative policy directions, settlement and spatial strategies and stimulate debate on identified areas of major change. The consultation period on these documents runs for 8 weeks from 16th October to 11th December.

The documents can be viewed at <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/ldp> and are also available for viewing between 9am and 5pm weekdays in the Council Offices at 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilphead. Copies can also be viewed during normal opening hours at the public libraries at Tarbert, Rosneath, Cardross, Oban, Helensburgh, Dunoon, Rothesay, Campbeltown, Lochgilphead.

Representations can be made by using the online form, if you are unable to access this, other formats can be made available by contacting us using the contact details below. Please ensure you leave enough time to provide your response by 5pm on the 11th December.

If you require further information please telephone Sheila McKenzie on 01546 604158 or email ldp@argyll-bute.gov.uk

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ROADS (SCOTLAND) ACT 1984

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Argyll and Bute Council propose to make an order under Section 152(2) of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 redetermining the means of exercise of the public right of passage over the lengths of road described in the Schedule hereto.

The title of the order is "Argyll and Bute Council (Harvey's Lane and Cross Street, Campbeltown) (Redetermination of Means of Exercise of Public Right of Passage) Order 2017."

A copy of the proposed Order and accompanying plan (Drawing No.T401) that indicates the lengths of road over which the means of exercise of the public right of passage is to be re-determined, together with a statement of reasons for making the Order can be inspected by logging on to the Council's website at <https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/transport-and-streets/our-roads-regulations-and-limits> or viewed during normal office hours at:-

- 1 Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Burnet Building, St John Street, Campbeltown;
- 2 Argyll and Bute Council Offices, 3 Harvey's Lane, Campbeltown;
- 3 Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Kilmory, Lochgilphead.

Any person may, within 28 days from 13 October 2017, object to the making of the Order by notice in writing to the Head of Roads & Amenities Services, 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, Argyll PA31 8RD. Objections should state the name and address of the objector, the matters to which they relate and the grounds on which they are made.

SCHEDULE

ROADS OVER WHICH MEANS OF EXERCISE OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF PASSAGE IS TO BE REDETERMINED

1. That length of road in Campbeltown, known as Harvey's Lane (No.25), currently a carriageway, indicated with sawtooth hatching and marked A-B on Drawing Number T401, commencing from its junction with Burnside Street (No.8), south easterly to its junction with Union Street (No.58), a distance of 35 metres or thereby shall become a footpath the right of passage being exercisable on foot only.
2. That length of road in Campbeltown, known as Cross Street (No.14), currently a carriageway, indicated with sawtooth hatching and marked C-D on Drawing Number T401, commencing from its junction with Union Street (No.58), north westerly to its junction with Burnside Street (No.8), a distance of 34 metres or thereby shall become a footpath the right of passage being exercisable on foot only.

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PLANNING

These applications listed below together with other related documents may be inspected between 09:00-12:30 -13:30-16:00 hrs Monday to Friday at 1A Manse Brae Lochgilphead PA31 8RD, at the alternative locations detailed below during their normal opening times or by logging on to the Council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk.

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

Ref. No.	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
17/02565/LIB	Replacement of cast iron rainwater goods and vent pipes	Bellgrove High Askomil Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6EN	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
17/02476/PP	Erection of storage shed	Adult Training Centre 3 Mcewan Road Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8ZR	Mid Argyll Area Office
17/02458/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse	Plot 1 Mid Auchans Dunmore Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6XZ	Sub Post Office Harbour Street Tarbert
17/02460/PPP	Site for the erection of dwellinghouse	Plot 4 Mid Auchans Dunmore Tarbert Argyll And Bute PA29 6XZ	Sub Post Office Harbour Street Tarbert
17/02523/PP	Retention of 80 metre high wind monitoring mast previously approved under application reference 15/00291/PP for a further one year period	Land South East Of Achnafad Largie Estate (Mast 1) Tayinloan Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Tayinloan
17/02496/PP	Erection of hut for recreational occupation	Land South West Of Shore Cottage Craobh Haven Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Ardfern
17/02419/LIB	Installation of 6 replacement windows from single glazed sash and case timber windows to double glazed windows of the same style and finish.	Kirkland Dell Road Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6JG	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

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

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GM DUNCAN'S BEQUEST

Campbeltown residents are being invited to apply for a £25 voucher from the town's GM Duncan bequest. The voucher can be used at selected retailers in Campbeltown.

Major George Melville Duncan, who died in 1958, bequeathed money to the then Campbeltown Town Council for the 'benefit of the poor of the Burgh in the form of gifts, of fuel, clothing and foodstuffs during the winter months'.

Applicants should note that the application approval process comprises a number of filters to ensure that the use of the funds meet the terms of the bequest. The first of these filters is that only one application per household can be considered and that applications will generally not be considered where the income of the household is above £100 per person resident in the household per week.

Applications for awards from the bequest are invited each autumn, with the successful applicants being sent their awards at the start of December. Only residents of the Royal Burgh of Campbeltown are eligible to apply. The trustees evaluate each application and determine awards in relation to each approved form.

Application forms are available from the Customer Services Department, Campbeltown Service Point, Burnett Building, St John Street, Campbeltown, and should be returned no later than Wednesday 15th November 2017.

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DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL (VARIOUS STREETS, CAMPBELTOWN) (TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT) ORDER 2017

Argyll and Bute Council proposes to make a traffic order introducing various new traffic management measures within Campbeltown town centre. A summary of the proposals are as follows:-

1. One way systems to be introduced on the following streets: - Burnside Street, Burnbank Street, Cross Street/Union Street (south), Union Street (north), and Longrow South.
2. No waiting/no loading restrictions at junctions to protect the crossing points and provide a free flow of traffic.
3. Additional on street parking - Limited to 1 hour/no return within 1 hour between 9am and 6pm Monday to Saturday on both sides of Longrow, Longrow South and Main Street where possible.
4. No waiting at any time on sections of Union Street and Burnside Street.

Full details together with plans and a statement of reasons for proposing to make the traffic regulation order can be inspected by logging on to the Council's website at <https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/transport-and-streets/our-roads-regulations-and-limits> or viewed during normal office hours at:-

- (i) Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Burnet Building, St John Street, Campbeltown;
- (ii) Argyll and Bute Council Offices, 3 Harvey's Lane, Campbeltown;
- (iii) Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Kilmory, Lochgilphead.

Any person wishing to object to the proposals should send details of the grounds for objection in writing providing their name and address, to the Head of Governance and Law, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8RT, by 10th November 2017. Letters of objection will be replied to after the closing date of the period for objections.

Jim Smith, Head of Roads & Amenities Services, 1A Manse Brae Lochgilphead, PA31 8RD

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For an informal chat ring Deputy Manager, Leanne Williams 01546 606676 or pop into MACPool. For Application Pack email leanne.williams@macpool.org.uk.
Closing date: noon on Monday 23 October 2017

RECRUITMENT IN ASSOCIATION WITH HIJOBS

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To download an application form or for more information please visit our website www.scottishautism.org
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Administrative Support Worker (Full-Time, Temporary)
 £16,698 - £18,194 Lochgilhead Ref: HAW00449
 Interviews for this post will be held on Thursday 26th October 2017.
 ☎ 01546 604334
 Closing date: Friday 20 October 2017.

Classroom Assistant (Part-Time, Temporary)
 £15,293 - £16,187 Isle of Easdale Primary School Ref: CME36922
 Living Wage of £8.45 per hour applies to this post
 ☎ 01546 604334
 Closing date: Friday 27 October 2017.

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Alternatively, contact recruitment: recruitment@carrgomm.org - 0131 659 4777

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Send your CV and covering letter to: Ailie Moss, Practice Manager, Kyles Medical Centre, Tighnabruaich, PA21 2BE.
 e-mail: ailie.moss@nhs.net

Informal enquiries are welcome.

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Closing date Friday 27th October 2017.



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North Argyll Carers Centre supports those who provide unpaid care to a family member of any age who needs help to manage a long term medical condition, illness or disability. The organisation is seeking to recruit the following team members:

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(Sessional hours) - £10.20

These posts require highly motivated individuals with an understanding of issues affecting young people, to help facilitate individual support and group work for young carers and young adult carers aged 8-25. Successful applicants will be required to join the PVG scheme and have a driving licence with access to a vehicle. For an application pack or further information, please call 01631 564422 or email info@northargyllcarers.org.uk.

CLOSING DATE:

MONDAY 16TH OCTOBER 2017

North Argyll Carers Centre's commitment to equal opportunities is reflected in our recruitment process.

HIJOBS announce new app launch

HIJOBS, one of Scotland's fast emerging technology start-ups, has announced the launch of its new recruitment app. The app, which is available for both IOS and Android devices, marks the next stage in HIJOBS' remarkable rise to become one of the leading providers of recruitment solutions in Scotland.

Founders Christopher Snelgrove and Laura Saunders are justifiably proud of their achievements so far. Says Christopher: "Our new app was just the logical next step in our quest to provide candidates and recruiters with the best technological solution to either finding a job or finding the perfect candidate."

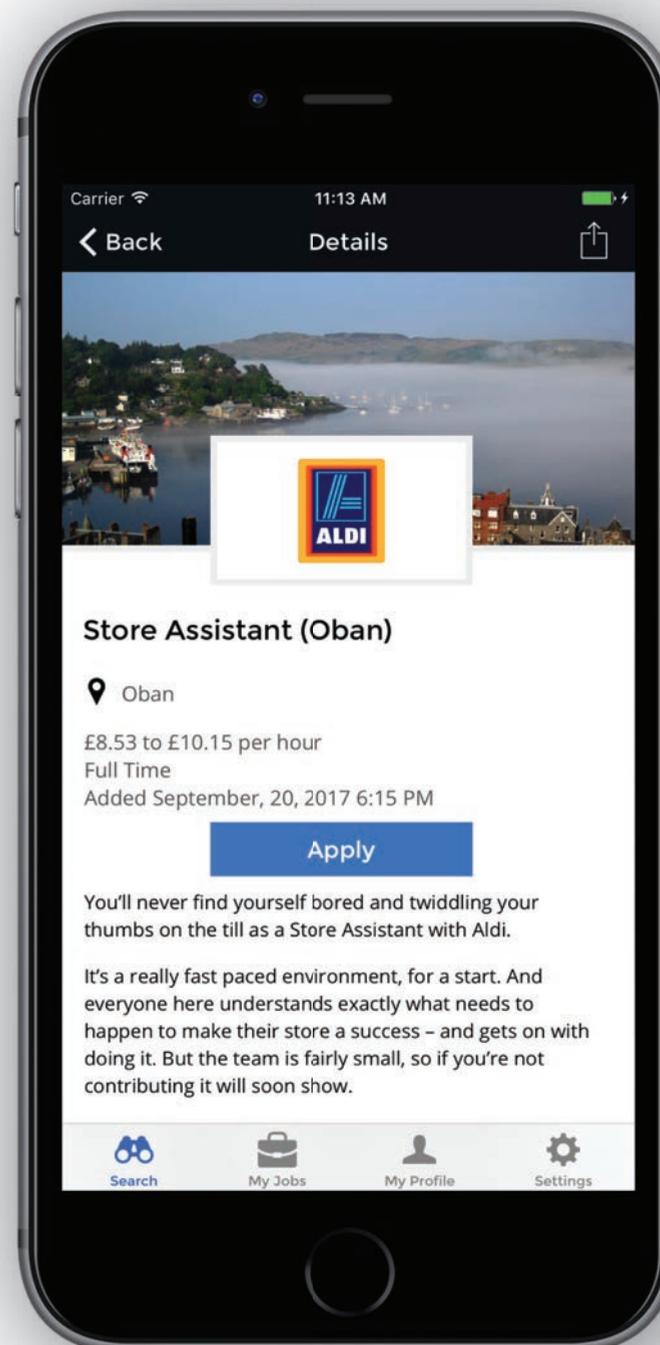
Laura adds: "We don't think anyone in the recruitment markets can come close to our technology. It is simple, intuitive and delivers results. The development of the app had to match the ease of use of our website and seamlessly integrate with social media. We are incredibly proud of what we have achieved."

Founded in Lochaber in 2015, HIJOBS specialises in matching candidates and recruiters in Scotland's more rural locations. Christopher is passionate about helping people find jobs outside the central belt. He says: "I live in Lochaber and wouldn't want to live anywhere else. We developed our technology to allow people to search for vacancies in the smallest towns and villages in Scotland. The gradual roll-out of 4G in places like Oban and Fort William means that the time is now right to give people a really smart, easy-to-use app."

As well as investing in the app, the company has also undertaken a significant digital marketing campaign that sees HIJOBS appear high up on the first page of Google's rankings, outperforming most of the big national brands. Traffic to its site is growing exponentially and candidates registering on the site will soon pass 50,000. Laura says: "2017, by whatever measure you choose, has been an exceptional year so far. The app launch is the cherry on the cake. We want people to have the choice of working in any part of Scotland they choose, not be forced to move to one of the big cities. Our app has just helped make that choice a whole lot easier."

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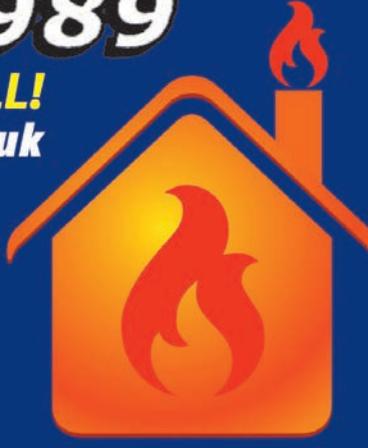
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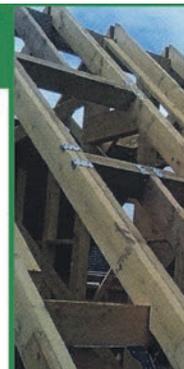
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Happy 50th Robert
Love from Myra, Alison & Jane

MARGARET HOUSTON
would like to thank you all for the lovely gifts, cards, phone calls and visits on my 80th birthday. I was really very touched from all your kindness.

THANK YOU
MARGARET & JOHN MACKINNON would like to thank all our family and friends for the lovely flowers, cards, presents and cake received on our 50th anniversary.

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Thank you all for an excellent night and for arranging the venue, music and excellent buffet.
Thanks to Ryan and Jamie for music and bar staff and Rumbling Tum for catering.
Thank you all for being there.
Norman Munro

PAT & CHARLES
Wish to thank most sincerely all who have made our retirement stay in Tarbert such a happy and rewarding time. But, unfortunately, old age and infirmity now necessitate our being looked after full time. We wish you all the best of good fortune for the future and hope that if you are ever down in Bucks you will contact us. Our address will be:-
Rushmead Care Home, Tower Road, Coleshill, Amersham, Bucks, HP7 0LA. Tel. 01494 727738
God bless you all.

FROM OUR FILES

TEN YEARS AGO

Friday October 12, 2007 First Opportunity Kintyre Ball

A SUCCESSFUL evening at Campbeltown Grammar School could lead to annual event.

The first Opportunity Kintyre Ball went with a swing last Saturday night with the band Twisted Melons kicking off what was to prove a successful evening.

Campbeltown Grammar School was elegantly decorated and the many of the 150 guests donning kilts and ball-gowns for the occasion.

A sumptuous meal with local produce featuring strongly on the menu was provided by Argyll Bakeries.

Dr Ernesto Sirolli from the Sirolli Institute and Minister of Enterprise, Energy and Tourism Jim Mather MSP were guests of honour for the evening.



Jim Mather with chairperson Mary Turner and Dr Ernesto Sirolli.



The Wild Sarachs played Carradale Glen and Campbeltown Loch.

for personnel to operate the ferry – two mates, two engineers and four able seamen.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO Saturday October 13, 1917

Sergeant gets distinguished conduct medal for magnificent valour

OUR READERS will be interested to learn of the honours conferred upon Sergeant John M'Millan of the Royal Scots, grandson of the late Mr Duncan M'Intyre, Mill Street, whose father, Piper John M'Millan is also serving in France.

Sergeant M'Millan holds the proud distinction of the D.C.M. for conspicuous gallantry displayed in the war, and he was recently further publicly honoured at Blackridge, where he was made the recipient of a gold medal and wristlet watch.

It is about 15 years since the gallant Sergeant, who is but 21 years of age, left Campbeltown, and he has been on service in France for two years. He had the trying experience of being buried among the debris caused by a bursting shell, as the result of which he was in hospital for two days.

The presentation ceremony referred to took place on the occasion of a flower show, when Mr R. M. Brown, F.E.I.S., J.P., on behalf of the inhabitants of Blackridge and Westrigg handed over the gifts to Sergeant M'Millan, a similar presentation being made to a fellow-soldier of the Royal Scots who had been awarded the Military Medal.

The two heroes had a triumphal procession to the venue of presentation, headed by the local pipe band.

present collaborating with scientists in Thailand.

FIFTY YEARS AGO

Thursday October 19, 1967 New island ferry: preparations going ahead well

PLANS for a new vehicle ferry service between Kintyre, Islay, Jura and Gigha are now well advanced.

The new company formed to operate the service is Western Ferries Ltd., a subsidiary of Harrison's (Clyde) Ltd., the Glasgow shipowners and shipbrokers.

The ferry will run from a pier being built at Kinecraig, West Loch Tarbert.

A causeway from the shore to an island in the loch is now nearing completion. Already the company is looking

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Friday October 16, 1992 Professor's Thai honour

PROFESSOR Ron Roberts, the Scientific Director of the Machrihanish Marine Laboratory who hails from Campbeltown, has been honoured with a unique award.

The King of Thailand has conferred the title of Commander of the Most Noble Order of the Crown upon him, in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the development of fisheries and fisheries science in Thailand.

The title is rarely awarded to a foreigner.

Professor Roberts has directed research projects and development programmes in Thailand for the past 15 years. Scientists at Machrihanish are at

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



I AM USELESS at following instructions.

I just don't have the patience to follow diagrams written in the tiniest print which is impossible to read.

I get frustrated when I can't do it and end up poking at things and making matters worse.

Whether it's my computer or my car I'm just not good at working out all the things I need to do for life to run smoothly.

That's when I need a patient friend who is prepared to sit beside me and help me step by step.

What a difference that makes.

Yet many learned people are self taught in many subjects and I admire this skill.

I remember clearly my teachers who opened up the worlds of science and literature, psychology and art and, how much I value this knowledge.

There is much I do learn from books, too, and this is also most satisfying.

But when it's working at something that's not in my skill set, I need a friend.

I smiled as I remembered the old hymn: 'What a friend we have in Jesus,' and wondered what Jesus would make of our technology today.

Would we have kept his stories in our 'cloud', been his friends on Facebook, tweeted him each morning, and Skyped him when he was out of town?

Well, whatever it would be like, we can be certain that God's love is instantly downloadable and will never be lost in cyberspace.

We don't need the fastest broadband for communication either, for our prayers reach God in an instant wherever we are.

And we can still ask Jesus to sit with us and be our friend, for if we do, life will surely run more smoothly.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

'Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good: his love endures for ever' (Psalm 107:1).

BIRTHS

BLACKWELL - Ross and Jennifer are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter Esme Louise, born on September 2, 2017 at RAH Paisley, weighing 8lb 3ozs. A beautiful little sister for Jacob David.

FITZPATRICK - At Edinburgh Royal Infirmary on October 4, 2017, to Barry and Louisa (Wallace), a daughter, Evie Rose. Both well. First grandchild for John and Margaret.



MCCALLUM

Graham and Mary (née McQuilkan) are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Robyn Shona, on October 1, 2017.

DEATHS

CAMERON - Peacefully at home, High Machriemore Farm, Southend, on October 4, 2017, John Cameron, in his 61st year, dearly beloved husband of Jennifer Galbraith and much loved father of Fraser, Laura and Kate.

CLARK (McNulty) - Peacefully in North Argyll Care Home, Oban on October 5, 2017, Jean Clark in her 94th year formerly of Inveraray, Minard & Tayvallich. Beloved wife of the late Alex Clark & John James McNulty, much loved mother of Suzanne & John and a loving grandmother & great grandmother. Dear friend & good neighbour to many. Funeral service will be held at Glen Shira Cemetery on Friday October 13, 2017 at 11.30a.m. Followed by a memorial service in the George Hotel, Inveraray at approximately 12 noon. Please accept this invitation to join with the family at either service.

COFFEE - (Ardrihaig/Lochgilphead). Peacefully and quietly, after a long illness in Wyvis Care Home, Dingwall, on Thursday, October 5, 2017, Audrey Hazel Crowther, formerly of Knapdale, Terrace, Ardrihaig and Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, beloved wife of the late Ken, loving step-mother of Kathleen, much loved nanna of Jordan and Toby,

dear sister and loved by all the extended family and friends. A service was held in Inverness Crematorium, on Thursday, October 12. All enquiries to Alasdair Rhind, Funeral Directors, Mayfield House, Dingwall.

HENDERSON - Peacefully at home, Springbank House, Low Askomil, Campbeltown, on the October 10, 2017, Dorothy Henderson, nee Thorburn, in her 95th year, much loved wife of the late Rev Charles M Henderson, dearly beloved mother of Flora, Mary, Sorley, Caroline, Katherine and the late Donald, a loving grandmother and great grandmother. Service in the Highland Parish Church, Campbeltown on Wednesday October 18, 2017 at 1.00 p.m. Funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery to which all friends and family are warmly invited. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held for Christian Aid.

MCLEAN - Peacefully at home, Puball Cottage, High Askomil, and formerly of High Ranachan, Campbeltown, on October 5, 2017, Duncan McLean, in his 82nd year, dearly beloved husband of Alice and a dear brother, brother-in-law and uncle.

MUIR - Very peacefully at home on October 8, 2017, Flora Muir (nee McKillop) of Fernoch Park, Lochgilphead and previously of Campbeltown in her 92nd year, dearly beloved wife of the late Hugh, loving mother of Kenneth and loving grandmother of Fiona. Funeral Service, following private cremation, will be held in Lochgilphead Parish Church on Friday October 13, 2017 at 2.30pm. Family flowers only; donations to the late MS Treatment Centre, Lochgilphead. All relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend.

MUNRO - Peacefully at Ardfenaig Care Home on Tuesday October 10, 2017, Mary Campbell Munro, in her 93rd year, formerly of Glenfyne Crescent, Ardrihaig. Beloved wife of the late Donald Munro, and much loved mother of Donald and Norman. Funeral service will be held at Cardross Crematorium on Tuesday October 18, 2017, at 11.15am. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired to Ardfenaig Care Home, Comfort Fund. All friends are respectfully invited to attend.

THOMSON - Suddenly at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Glasgow, on October 7, 2017, Hector Thomson, in his 79th year, Rhudal House, Machrihanish, dearly beloved husband of the

late Margaret, much loved father of Kate and Revie, father-in-law of Colin and Marie and a loving grampa of Erin, Eilidh, Marc, Jenna and Mitchell. Service in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, Campbeltown on Saturday October 14, 2017 at 11.00 a.m. Funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the British Heart Foundation.

WILLIAMSON - Peacefully, at Glasgow Royal Infirmary, on October 5, 2017, James Williamson (Jim), beloved husband of Isobel, dearest dad to Margaret, Graham and Christine, father-in-law to Mike, Sandra and Alan, and papa of all the grandchildren. Will be greatly missed. Funeral was held in Carradale, on October 12, 2017.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

GILLIES - Robert and Aileen would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for their expressions of sympathy on the recent passing of Mar. Special thanks to the staff of Glenaray Ward, Macmillan Day Unit, District Nurses and the staff of the medical centre for their outstanding care and compassion shown to Mar and to us both over the last six months. To Roddy MacDonald and staff for efficient and professional services, to Kilmartin Hotel for catering, Morna for a beautiful floral tribute. Finally, thank you to Rev. Cliff Acklam for a comforting service and to all who attended the service and the graveside. The collection gathered over £500 which will be split between Glenaray Ward and the Macmillan Day Unit.

MACINDEOR - Allan and Isabell would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions of sympathy, cards, letters and telephone calls following the sad loss of Colin. Sincere thanks to the dedicated nurses and doctors at Lorn and Islands Hospital Oban,

to Rev. David Carruthers for such a personal and fitting service; to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for all their help and guidance; to Corrina for beautiful floral tributes; to Cairnbaan Hotel for a lovely light lunch and to all who attended at church and graveside. The retiral collection in aid of R.N.L.I, Mid Argyll, raised £300. Thank you all.

IN MEMORIAM

DAWSON - In memory of Jack, Mamie and Gladys, dearly loved. - From son and husband Bill.

GRAHAM - In loving memory of my brother, Archie, died October 13, 2016, in Letchworth. Sadly missed. - From John, Margaret and family.

MCKERRAL - William G, who died October 6, 2010. A much loved husband, father and grandfather. Sadly missed. - Douglas and family. Miss you lots. - Hannah and Liam xx.

MUIR - Remembering Ian a loving husband and dad, forever loved never forgotten. - Ellen, John and Maurice XXXX

O'MAY - Veronica. Remembered with love and treasured memories. Simply the best. - Your loving family xxxxxx.

RENNIE - October 17, 2013. Love and miss you always Dad/Grandpa - Iain, Andrew, Rosemary and Family.

SHARP - Treasured memories of Brian, a dear husband, dad and grandad, who slipped away, October 13, 2016. Memories, like threads of gold, Will never fade, will never grow old. So dearly loved. - Cheryl and family.

STEWART - In loving memory of Ina, beloved wife of Frank, much loved mother, mother in law and granny who departed this life on October 13, 2004. Forever in our thoughts. - Frank, Frances, Jim, Eilidh and Mairi



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 Charity No. SC016097
 Morning Service in Cumlodden Church at 10 am
Glenaray and Inveraray
 Charity No. SC016665
 Morning Service at 11.30am
 Preacher: Mrs. Margaret Sinclair
 ALL WELCOME

SKIPNESS LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE AND KILBERRY
 CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
Sunday 15th October Skipness Service 10am
 Mr John Morrison
Tarbert Service 11.30am
 Dedication Service for Guild
 Rev Hilda Smith
For all church enquiries and pastoral care
 Contact Rev. Hilda Smith, Interim Moderator on 07826 235735
 Everyone very welcome
 Tarbert & Kilberry SC002622
 Skipness SC004280

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

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH
15th October 2017
Sunday Worship
 Glassary 11.45am
 Rev. C. R. Acklam
 All welcome
 SC0 02121

CHURCH NOTICES

free church of scotland
 George Street, Campbeltown
Sunday 15th October
 11.15am Worship Service
 Rev Rodger Crooks
Wednesday 18th October
 12.30pm Bible Study and Prayer
 2.00pm Water of Life Café
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 6.30 pm - 8.00 pm
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Sundays 11.00am
 Eucharist & Coffee
St Columba's, Poltalloch (SC031391)
1st Sunday of the month
 9.00am Holy Communion
Sunday 15th October
 Harvest Festival at 5pm
 Bring your Animals for Blessing
 Father Simon Mackenzie
 01546 602315

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 (The Church of Scotland)
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Achahoish at 12:30pm
Mid Week Pause Wednesdays
 from Noon till 2:00pm in Ardrihaig Church.
Stay as long as you like (includes corporate worship 12:45pm-1:15pm)

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
 Charity Number SC001002
Sunday 15 October
 Bellanoch Church 10am
 Holy Communion
 Rev. C. Acklam
Saturday 14 October
 Achnamara Hall 10.30am
 Café Connect
 Achnamara Hall 12.30pm
 Alpha - 'Who is Jesus?'
Monday 16 October
 Tayvallich Church 10.30am
 Prayer Time
 All welcome
 Enquiries 01546 606926
 www.northknappdale.org

Highland Parish Church

 SC002493
Sunday 15th October
 The service will be conducted by Rev William Crossan and will be held in Church at 11.15am
 All welcome.

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH
 Scottish Charity Number SC011686
Sunday 15th October
 11.15am Morning Worship
 Creche, Triple C, Gen 1
 Rev P Wallace
Monday 16th October
 Session Meeting 7.30pm
 New Hall
Tuesday 17th October
 Tiny Tots New Hall 9.45am
Thursday 19th October
 Choir
Friday 20th October
 Lunch Club
 12.00 noon New Hall

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 6.30pm Evening Worship
Wednesday
 12.15pm Lunch Club
 1.30pm C.A.M.E.O.
 7pm Make and Munch Craft Group
Thursday
 7.30pm Bible Study
 Majors Ben & Ruth Russell
All welcome

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH

75 Longrow, Campbeltown
Sunday 15th October
 Family Communion Service 11.00am
 Mr Kelvin Moller, Clachan
 All welcome
Wednesday 18th October
 Bible Study and Prayer
 12.30pm at the Free Church and 7.30pm at Springbank
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 SC014646

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Flying start to darts season

WEEK one of Campbeltown's darts season got off to a flying start.

Kenny Docherty scored 180 for the Burnside, Jamie McGougan 180 for Kilbrannan A, Alan Anderson had a finish of 114 for the Kinloch B and Vince Jordan 100 finish for Ailsa B.

Full results:

Kinloch A 1 Fiddlers 7
 Kilbrannan C 1 Ailsa B 7
 Burnside 7 Southend 1
 Ailsa 6 Whisky Macs 2
 Kilbrannan A 8 Kinloch B 0
 Fixtures for Monday
 October 16:
 Fiddlers v Kinloch B
 Whisky Macs v Kilbrannan A
 Burnside v Ailsa
 Ailsa B v Southend
 Kinloch A v Kilbrannan C

Wind battered October medal

ONCE again, very strong winds beset golfers striking out in Dunaverly's October medal.

Despite the adverse conditions Harry MacLean posted an excellent scratch score of 73 to give him a nett 63, three shots clear of John Morrison, enough to secure him the win and qualify for next season's Muneroy Cup.

Result: 1 Harry MacLean 73-10=63, 2 John Morrison 84-18=68, 3 Bill Branigan 80-12=68, 4 Robert Irvine 79-9=70(bih), 5 Danny Halliday 89-19=70, 6 Steven Garret 84-13=71.

Machrihanish results

LADIES two clubs and a putter, Saturday September 30, winner: H Oman.

Ladies October Medal, Saturday October 7 2017, winner: H Oman 28 points, CSS: 72, SSS: 69.

Gents October Medal, Saturday October 7 2017, Division one: 1 Kevan Gilchrist 82 - 8 = 74, CSS: 74, SSS: 71; Division two: 1 A B Glendinning 92 - 18 = 74, CSS: 74, SSS: 71; Senior: 1 Calum McLean 106 - 10 = 96; CSS: 73, SSS: 70.

Lochaber Thistle too sharp for Carradale

Greater Glasgow AFL
Carradale 4
South Lochaber Thistle 5

LOCHABER'S Jags proved a thorny problem for Carradale and ultimately took the honours in an almost even match.

'Dale, struggling for a team, at 10pm on Friday, added four players without recent match fitness - Craig Robertson, Craig Galbraith, Jamie Morris and Lewie McFadyen - and



Carradale disputed this goal. 04_c41carradale06

they took a while to gel as a side on Saturday.

SLT in contrast is a team made up of some players from last season's semi-pro Highland League side including Martin Munro, who created havoc on the left.

It was an entertaining display with SLT starting off on the front foot nearly scoring in the first 10 minutes.

Goalkeeper Neil McMillan, who had a great game, denied SLT till

the 22nd minute when Munro swung a corner into their number eight, Martin Forbes. The ball scraped over the line despite 'Dale's best efforts which even included a player flipping it out with his hand.

Within two minutes, in a similar scenario, 'Dale equalised when Stuart MacBrayne swung a corner kick in and David Johnstone headed it home.

For SLT's second, Munro set up Robert Johnston. He danced around the ball, in front of Ewan McIlroy, before coolly slotting it into the net.

Three minutes before the break Munro beat three 'Dale defenders en-route to a third again converted by Johnston.

The second half was more equal. 'Dale had more midfield possession and linked the front men to make better progressive attacks.

Up to the 71st minute

McMillan looked to be the McFadyen sponsored 'Dale's man of the match but a horrific error, when he went to pick up the ball and let it slip between his legs, ended that hope.

The home side picked themselves up and pulled a goal back in the 75th minute. Carradale had made a substitution and moved McFadyen to the right flank. He immediately contributed a curling corner round the defence which DJ ran on to for a beautiful goal.

Three minutes later the visitors again gave themselves a three goal cushion. Munro picked up the ball and passed to the back post where Johnston was ready to tap it home for his hat-trick.

Carradale did not give up and in the 82nd minute scored their third. Kenny Kerr swung in a corner which MacBrayne headed into the net.

With four min-



Neil McMillan was kept busy in the Carradale net. 04_c41carradale03

utes to go 'Dale reduced the deficit to one goal. Morris collected the ball just outside the visitors' box and clipped it over the defence. DJ controlled it before netting his hat-trick.

With the last kick the homesters had a great chance, Craig Robertson passed to DJ, but MacBrayne's foot was inches out as the ball

entered the danger zone.

The match ball was sponsored by DW Semple and Son of Dippen, and Boyd and Sally Sneddon of Roll and Butter provided the post match hospitality.

There may be an away game to Boswell tomorrow but as the *Courier* went to press it was not confirmed.

Dalintober primary school's sporty students strike gold

DALINTOBER primary school and Early Learning Centre has received a prestigious accolade for its sporting achievements.

The school was one of only three schools in Argyll and Bute to receive a Gold Sportsotland Award.



Dalintober's Sports Committee.

To achieve the gold standard, schools must promote sport to all pupils, have a pupil led sports committee, offer regular extracurricular sports and deliver two hours of physical education per week.

Headteacher Caroline Armour said: 'We would like to thank every single one of our pupils, staff and parents for their efforts and enthusiasm in taking this forward, all partner and volunteer coaches, instructors and specialists who support the school in establishing and recognising sports across the curriculum and as extra-curricular activi-

ties and wider achievement.

'Particular thanks go to Mrs Ramsay of Active Schools who provided invaluable advice and guidance through this process, our exceptional Sports Council who represent their own views and those of their peers so well.

'And last, but certainly not least, the fantastic Mrs McSparran who has invested so much of her own time and energy in driving this initiative forward, planning and implementing change with great commitment and leading us to this recognition of excellence.'



Wanderers on the shore as Atlantic waves crash on the beach behind. 25_c41wander01

Westport wanderers' wet walk

WALKERS striding out on the third annual Westport wanderer donned full waterproofs.

Dreich

Saturday morning dawned dreich, although the rain was not lashing down, as more than 40 walkers assembled for the Cancer Research UK Kintyre Committee's sponsored

walk the length of Westport beach.

The committee's chairperson Catherine Ralston said: 'The walk raised £650 with donations still coming in, it is marvellous especially considering the weather - although it could have been much worse and everyone who came seemed to enjoy it.'

Opportunity for football coaching training

ANYONE interested in joining one of the most dedicated grass-roots football coaching teams should sign up for their coaching courses. Campbeltown and District Juvenile Football Association is running two football coaching courses this month.

Delivered by Martin Rae, Live Argyll and SFA football development officer for Argyll and Bute, the level 1.1 Early Touches course will be held across two Friday evenings on October 20 and 27, from 6pm to 9pm on the 3G pitch in Campbeltown.

In addition, a level 1.1 youth development activities course will be held on Sunday October 22 from 10am to 4pm on the 3G AWP.

Anyone interested in attending either is invited to email enquiries @campbeltownfootball.com for more information.

Five wins out of five for Pupils Under-13s



CAMPBELTOWN Pupils 2005s made it a quintet of wins from five Dunbartonshire Football Development League matches when they beat Helensburgh 2005s last Sunday.

The Kintyre Under-13s team proved too strong for Helensburgh and ran out convincing winners at the 3G pitch at Hermitage Academy.

Notable mentions should go to Josh Arkell, Kyle Paterson and Ryan Harding who all scored their first goals of the season, and to Kyle Dan-

Ryan Harding, pictured in action earlier in the season, scored his first Pupils' goal.

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son who captained the side and scored a fine goal too.

Young Cameron McMillan from Carradale tasted his first experience of playing at 11-a-side with a move up from the 2006s to help the 2005s who were missing a few players due to holidays and illness.

Scott Oman, in the Pupils' goal, recorded his second clean sheet of the season and is growing in stature in what is a difficult position for a boy so young.

Fullbacks Scott Graham and Michael Campbell once again proved to be stalwarts in the Pupils side as they tirelessly covered the flanks.

The 2005s have no fixtures for the next two Sundays due to

school holidays before returning to league action on Sunday October 29 when they host Kilbowie Union West at home.

The 2005s enjoyed a coaching session hosted by Martin Rae, Live Argyll and SFA football development officer for Argyll and Bute Council, last Friday night in Campbeltown.

The focus of the evening was the transition from seven-a-side football to 11-a-side and all the Pupils 2005s thoroughly enjoyed the session.

Afterwards Mr Rae met with coaches from across the age groups within Campbeltown and District Juvenile Football Association to discuss support and future developments.

SPOT THE BALL

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SPORT



INSIDE THIS WEEK:
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Shabby Pupils' display costs them a close match

SAFL Premier One

Rutherglen **3**
Campbeltown Pupils **2**

A LACKLUSTRE Pupils' performance cost the team their first defeat in eight matches, a sore loss which could prove crucial in the run-in to this year's promotion race.

Hosts Rutherglen were a big physical side who competed for every ball, but the visitors' downfall was not the class of the opposition, but their own shortcomings as they continually gave the ball away in crucial areas.

The absence of Donald McCallum and Ryan Deans gave the midfield an unbalanced look, but a recent lack of matches didn't help as the team failed to get to grips with the pace of the game.

The first real chance of the game fell to Sary Rahma but the lightning-quick striker dragged his shot wide

of the far post. Midway through the first half the roof came in, two almost identical incidents that cost the visitors dearly and allowed the home side to gain the upper hand.

A couple of aimless clearances were picked up in midfield, the same player running through on both occasions to give his side the advantage with easy finishes beyond the despairing Craig Lamont.

At last finding the pace of the match, the Pupils managed to reduce the lead on the stroke of half-time. A quick one-two on the edge of the box split the home defence wide open, a decisive move that allowed Scott Souden the opportunity to steer the ball home at the second attempt.

It was now game on.

The McFadyens-sponsored Pupils responded well in the early stages of the second half, forcing the home side to defend in depth to keep

their slender advantage intact.

The long overdue equaliser finally arrived on the hour, a dangerous cross from Martin McCallum turned home by a stranded defender as he desperately tried to clear in front of goal.



Gary Grumoli.

With the visitors looking more likely to take full points, luck finally ran out when Ryan McConnachie was dismissed for two soft yellow cards.

The 10 men continued to be the better side in the closing stag-

es, but it wasn't to be and another defensive error allowed the home side to grab full points in a match they hardly deserved to win.

The Pupils can put this defeat down to self-destruction. Football is a cruel sport when a side is not at its best.

The local favourites have to be aware of the standard of play needed to maintain a challenge in a seriously competitive league, and will know that only the best will do in future matches if ambitions are to be fulfilled.

Highlight of the day was the return of Paul Grumoli as a substitute. Missing over the past few months, the club captain led by example, and, along with his brother, Gary, they were top players on a most unfortunate day.

Campbeltown Pupils play Barrhead Arky from Barrhead at home tomorrow (Saturday) with a 2pm kick-off.



Paul Grumoli and Sary Rahma in action earlier this year. 25_c41pupils01



Cops claim autumn pairs prize at Machrihanish Dunes

A COUPLE of cops beat the opposition to claim top prize in Machrihanish Dunes autumn pairs competition.

John Nutt and Jonathan Bruce took a thin blue line to the fairways and proved to be

John Nutt and Jonathan Bruce with their prize.

the finest in last Saturday's match, scoring 42 Stableford points to conquer Christopher Jewels and Michael Smith by one point.

Third place with 40 points was Bruce Gibson and Euan Rankin, with Colin Brown and Phil Moran in fourth.

In the mixed teams division, Bengt and Marianne Olsson scored 35 points to beat Neil McLeod and Carolyn Ball with 30 points.

Michael Smith and Ross Hendry took home closest to the pin honours on holes five and 12 respectively.

A club spokesperson said: 'Thanks to all 75 participants for turning out on a challenging day with gusty winds and rainy spells.'

'The golf course was superbly presented by our greenkeeping staff and a special thank you to Lorna and Peter in the Golf House.'

Machrihanish lottery results

THERE were no winners in Machrihanish golf club's three number lotto draw on Monday.

The winning numbers were 4, 8 and 16.

The date of the next draw, for a jackpot of £500, is October 16.

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