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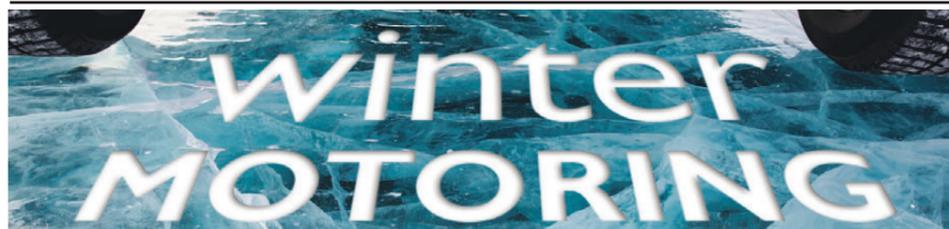
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Kintyre farmer quits

Prized dairy herd will be sold at Carlisle

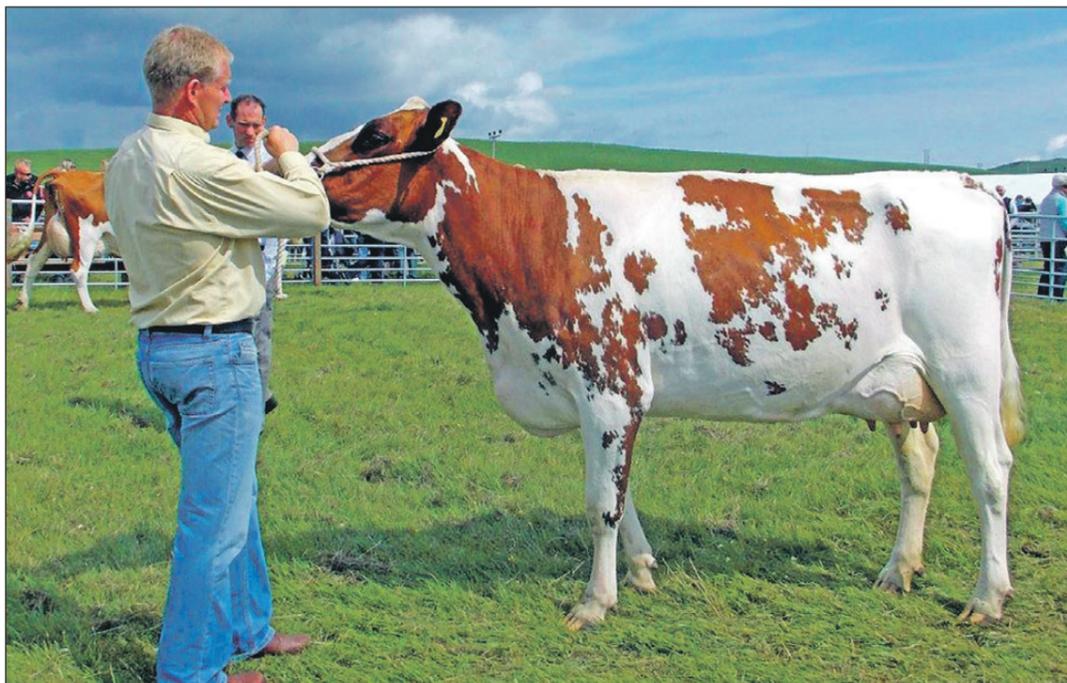
by **MARK DAVEY**
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A KINTYRE dairy farmer has entered more than 70 of his pedigree Ayrshire herd for sale at Carlisle in November following his decision to quit dairy farming.

Archie Millar's cows – including the current Kintyre show champion, and the 2013 and 2014 autumn show champi-

ons – provides 650,000 litres of milk for Campbeltown Creamery, and are recognised to be of the highest quality.

Mr Millar is the third generation to farm the family land at Ballygreggan, Drumlemble, where they have built up an unrivalled reputation. Mr Millar won the Kin-



Archie Millar at this year's Kintyre Show with the overall Ayrshire champion

tyre quality milk award in 2014.

Speaking to the *Courier* last Saturday, he said a combination of factors, including health and succession, have led to his decision to quit.

Lowest

Mr Millar said: 'In England, farmers are getting up to 30 pence per litre for milk, but here, this month, I will get 18.5 pence per litre. The price in Kintyre is the lowest in Britain.'

'I am at the top of the milk quality league table.

'I believe Campbeltown Creamery needs 26 million litres a year to remain viable.

'We have to think of our own business.'

Campbeltown Creamery site manager, Chris Wareham said: 'It is never good to hear of a producer going out of business. Archie is a very respected supplier with an outstanding quality of milk.'

'His annual average of 3.37 per cent for milk protein, the building block of cheddar cheese, is very high.'

Premier sale

The Pedigree Ayrshire Cattle-National Society Show and Sale at Borderway Mart, Carlisle, on Wednesday, November 4, is recognised as the premier sale of the year, and Mr Millar says that is the best place to take his animals.

The show guide list his

cattle as follows: 'Comprising 70 cows and heifers in milk, eight in-calf heifers and one bull.'

It is the first sale to disperse the milking portion of Mr Millar's herd and there will be a further sale in spring 2016.

Mr Millar said: 'I am sure a few cows will come back to Kintyre. In future I will rent out some of the ground but there is really no market for dairy farms in the area at the moment.'

Two resign in wake of vote

A KINTYRE councillor resigned from Argyll and Bute council's administration in the wake of last Thursday's budget cuts decision.

Councillor Donald Kelly was unhappy about the proposed cuts to elderly services and those affecting vulnerable children.

Just three days after securing a narrow victory for his motion to put the unadulterated list of proposed cuts out to consultation, council leader Dick Walsh was hit by the resignation of councillors Donald Kelly and Douglas Philand – both members of the Argyll First group.

Cllr Philand suggested that a 'whip' had been deployed ahead of Thursday's vote to persuade administration members to support the leader's motion.

'As a consequence Donald Kelly and I have resigned from the administration effective from this evening (Sunday).'

Councillor Kelly said: 'Nobody should be trying to score political points as we face these cuts.'

Both remain as councillors but not as part of the administrative group. (For more on the cuts, see pages 2 and 3.)



The sign at Archie Millar's Ballygreggan Farm in Drumlemble 20_c44milk01

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Parents put pressure on Argyll and Bute Council

‘What people don’t realise is that it’s not just special needs children that will be affected, it will be all children in Argyll and Bute’

PARENTS staged a protest against cuts to additional support needs staff outside the local authority’s headquarters as the issue was debated at a full council meeting on October 22.

Argyll and Bute Council proposes cutting funding for additional support needs by up to 45 per cent as they look for savings across the board.

Liz Davidson was there protesting with her young son Ross, who has autism.

She is very concerned about how these cuts will affect him and other children in Argyll and Bute, and said: ‘What

people don’t realise is that it’s not just special needs children that will be affected, it will be all children in Argyll and Bute.

‘The class teachers will have to spend more time with children with additional needs and this will impact on the whole class.’

Liz is angered that additional support needs services are even being considered for cuts: ‘The term ‘additional support needs’ says that it’s not a choice for our children, who can’t get through a school day without extra support.’

Samantha Balkeen was also among the protest-

ers. Her daughter Emily, who has Down’s Syndrome, receives funding for pre-school where she gets one-on-one support.

Samantha said: ‘These cuts will come into force by the time she starts school.’

‘These cuts will affect her and the other children for the rest of their lives in terms of finding a job and integration when they’re adults.’

A petition against the proposed cuts, with 1,102 signatures, was presented to Dick Walsh before meeting, and another online petition with 900 signatures was noted by the council.



Billy Brodrick at Food for Thought. 20_c43foodfor01

Campbeltown chef cooks up a treat

A CAMPBELTOWN chef who worked on the television show the Cook’s Tour is stirring up a new reputation in the Wee Toon’s latest takeaway.

Billy Brodrick, 45, aims to provide upmarket sandwiches, scones and soups at Burnside’s Food for Thought, based on more than 20 years in the catering trade in Argyll and fur-

ther afield. Mr Brodrick won rosettes when he worked at Islay’s Port Charlotte Hotel and in three years at Tarbert’s Anchor Hotel won another raft of awards. This is his first solo venture which he says is entirely self-financing.

Hard

Mr Brodrick said: ‘Until you start to set up your own business, you do not realise quite

how hard it is going to be. Now we have been running for a couple of weeks and the baking is flying out of the door.

‘We hope to use as much local produce as possible, such as Kintyre eggs and cheddar cheese. I will be making my own bread as well.’

Food For Thought is open everyday from 7.30am to 5pm.

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Bumps and babies get into the spirit of Hallowe’en

THE only screams were cries from some of the babies at an afternoon Hallowe’en party in the dayroom at Campbeltown Hospital. Despite babies wearing skeleton suits and witches’ ears it was all fun and games at the bumps and babies group’s ghostly gathering held on the closest Wednesday to all Hallows’ Eve. 20_c44halloween01

Sentence deferred after guilty plea

A MAN who swore, knocked over furniture and caused alarm to staff at Campbeltown’s Burnet Building, on Tuesday afternoon, was bailed by a sheriff.

On Wednesday afternoon, William Dott, 26, of Davaar Avenue, Campbeltown, appeared from custody, before Sheriff Iain Henderson. He pled guilty to a breach of the peace.

Mr Dott, who represented himself without a solicitor, claimed he had been suffering from mental health issues, which had caused his behaviour, and it would not help him if he was sent to prison.

The sheriff released him on bail until he appears for sentencing on Wednesday, November, 18.

Ferry users await early Christmas present

A GROUP pressing for the ferry service between Campbeltown and Ardrossan to be continued has had a 'very positive' meeting with Scotland's transport minister.

The Campbeltown ferry sub-group, organised through Argyll and Bute Council, met Derek McKay at Glasgow's Atlantic Quay government offices. Over the past three summers, CalMac has operated a seasonal ferry service between Campbeltown and the Ayrshire port of Ardrossan, providing a link between Kintyre and the central belt.

The three-year trial period ended last month, and a decision is awaited on whether the crossing will become a permanent service or withdrawn altogether.

Campbeltown ferry sub group member, councillor John Armour, said: 'Though the minister gave no indication that the service would continue, we had a very positive discussion with Mr McKay.'

'We were advised at the meeting that a decision should be known some time in November, and certainly no later than Christmas.'

Also at the meeting was Argyll and Bute MSP, Michael Russell.

Councillor Armour added: 'We're very pleased with the way things went.'

400 jobs threatened by council spending axe

by COLIN CAMERON
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AGAINST a background of protest, Argyll and Bute councillors last week agreed to open a public consultation on controversial cost-cutting plans that may see jobs axed and services slashed.

Reporting to the council's policy and resources committee, a sub-group known as the service choices project board, chaired by council leader, Dick Walsh, came up with more than 150 cost-cutting and revenue-generating measures across the whole range of council services.

Were the plans to be implemented as they stand, more than 400 full-time council jobs would be lost.

There was frustration for one group of people that will be affected by one of the proposed cuts.

In a bid to save £1.4 million, the council suggests halving the number of workers providing support in schools for children with special needs. Parents of some of them travelled to Kilmory in the hope that members would remove this measure from the list of cuts - known as service choices.

They did not, and as a result 72 additional support needs (ASN) workers still have the threat of redundancy hanging over them.

The local authority expects to face a funding shortfall of around £12 million over the next two years, with more savings to be found in the years to follow.

Last Thursday's special meeting of the full Argyll and Bute Council saw councillors consider a motion by councillor Walsh to accept the cost cutting plans and put them out to public consultation.

An amendment by Cllr Sandy Taylor - supporting the consultation process but calling for more information to be offered to the public on the impact of the various proposals - and another from councillor Michael Breslin, which was broadly to rip it up and start again, were also put to the vote.

Councillors Douglas Philand, Robert MacIntyre (Bute), John McAlpine and Donald Kelly abstained as the administration's motion, presented by Cllr Walsh, received 17 votes. Ten members supported Sandy Taylor's amend-



Protestors outside the council offices at Kilmory, Lochgilphead.

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ment, while Michael Breslin's received two votes.

Councillor Walsh said: 'This is about giving people a real choice. It is really important that we get the views of the community.'

The public consultation opens online on Friday, October 30, with printed versions being available in libraries and customer service points from Monday, November 10.

The consultation will close at the end of December, before a January meeting of the policy and resources committee considers the

results. Final budget decisions will be made in February.

'We will have to make some very difficult decisions at our budget meeting in February,' added councillor Walsh, 'which is why we are

asking our communities, our staff and their representatives, other agencies and political colleagues at all levels to work with us, giving us their thoughts and helping us make the best choices we can.'

Argyll and isles escape flight delays

ARGYLL airports were said to have been largely unaffected as a technical fault struck air traffic control services earlier this week.

Edinburgh, Glasgow, Aberdeen and Prestwick were hit by flight delays on Monday as interference on radio frequencies was blamed for problems at Prestwick's Scottish Air Traffic Control Centre.

NATS, the company providing air traffic control services, apologised to passengers and customers for any inconvenience.

The company added: 'Detailed analysis is currently underway to identify the root cause of the interference on our radio frequencies.'

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Argyll and Isles tourism rockets towards 2020

POSSIBLY the first 'rocket' to launch from Machrihanish remained stubbornly on the ground despite an ambitious £1 billion plan.

That is the figure which Tourism Scotland hopes to generate from tourism by 2020.

Last week's 'rocket' was a model designed to help launch the blueprint for Argyll and the

Isles Tourism Co-operative's (AITC) five year plan as part of that ambitious figure.

Pupils from Drumlemble school were on hand to give the countdown a bit of fizz but even this failed to see the rocket head for the heavens.

The 'rocket,' is the culmination of months of work by the region's tourism body, and is the

local response to the national Tourism Scotland 2020 strategy.

AITC chair Gavin Dick said: 'This is an exciting time in tourism and I am delighted to be here today in a location which has seen many launches over the years, and will hopefully, play a role in some 'out of this world' launches in the future.'



AITC vice chair Calum Ross, chair Gavin Dick, MACC Business Park manager Malcolm McMillan and AITC director Niall Macalister Hall together with pupils from Drumlemble primary school



Ready for a party - tots and toddlers in fancy dress pose for a picture before snack time

Harvest party boost for food bank

More than 30 toddlers took mums, dads and grannies along to the Tiny Tots harvest party in Campbeltown on Tuesday.

The children dressed up for the occasion, and everyone from Superman to Buzz Lightyear, as well as various princesses could be seen running around the Lorne and Lowland Church Hall.

To mark the harvest

season, organisers decided that parents should bring a small food donation along, rather than the usual £1 fee.

Donated

The food will be donated by Tiny Tots baby and toddler group to Kintyre Food Bank.

Tiny Tots chair, Louise Millar, said: 'We thought it would be a nice idea to bring along some food. Everyone has been so generous.'



Winners: the best-dressed baby was Saul Fee, aged five months, pictured with mum Susanna, who was dressed as Tarzan; while best-dressed toddler was two-year-old Jessica McGeachy, who came as a mermaid. 06_c44harvest04

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On the baking stall are from left: Margaret Jones, Liz Ferguson and Isobel McLean 20_c44bible01

Coffee morning

THE Kintyre action group of the Scottish Bible Society fed more than 100 people with cakes and coffee at a fundraiser.

Secretary Liz Ferguson said that the action group, which has 14 members in total from several Campbeltown churches, holds two coffee mornings a year and attendance last Saturday was good.

As the Courier went to press on Wednesday, an articulated lorry run by the Bibleworld

side of the Scottish Bible Society was parked in the town. Inside is a 45ft, 14-ton expanding classroom divided into six activity zones, each helping to bring the bible and its message to life in an exciting way.

Since the lorry's launch in 2003 more than 50,000 children and adults have enjoyed the Bibleworld programme.

The Kintyre group is interdenominational and was formed in Victorian times.

Fun and frolics at the messy club

THINGS got messy earlier this week in Campbeltown - but it was all great fun.

The hall at Lorne and Lowland church was buzzing with life as parents and children enjoyed the 'messy club'.

Aimed at kids of all ages accompanied by adults, the club has a Christian ethos but is run independently of individual churches.

The true focus, though, is on fun, and after a delicious afternoon meal,

it's on to story time and a singalong. The children also have the opportunity to take part in craft activities, usually linked to the theme of that day's story.

The club meets every six weeks or so, though there will be a break over Christmas.

Helpers are always welcome at the messy club, so if you are interested contact Jean Durnan at jean.durnan60@btinternet.com.



Rachel Taverner has the kids enthralled at story time. 06_c44messy01

Dairy specialist joins First Milk board

FIRST Milk (FM), the Campbeltown Creamery parent company, has appointed the former managing director of Muller Wiseman Dairies to the board.

Carl Ravenhall's dairy career spans more than 25 years, including a number of senior executive roles.

His business knowledge includes a stint as managing director (MD) of Milk Link's cheese business, and being MD of Adams Foods.

Mike Gallacher, First Milk's chief executive officer, said: 'Carl brings extensive dairy sector experience, particularly around our core businesses of cheese and liquid brokerage.'

'He will be a great addition to the board and his strong dairy experience complements the new FM team. I am delighted Carl is joining us and look forward to working with him.'

Carl added: 'Having spent some time with Mike Gallacher and members of the board and understood the business strategy, it is an exciting time to be joining First Milk.'

'I look forward to using my experience to help transform and further develop the business.'



Carl Ravenhall, a non-executive director of First Milk

Campbeltown Sheriff Court:

Party gatecrasher ordered to pay compensation

AN ISLAY man who went to a house party as an uninvited guest was ordered to pay £250 compensation each to two men he assaulted.

Philip McCuaig, 23, was arrested in Port Charlotte on Saturday May 9 after guests at a party to which he had not been asked, requested that he leave.

The agricultural contractor, also from Port Charlotte, faced two charges of assaulting other party goers.

The court heard that despite this, the people at the party were prepared to ignore what he had done if he left the party, but McCuaig refused.

McCuaig pleaded guilty by letter on September 24 and appeared at Campbeltown Sheriff Court on Thursday last week for sentencing.

In mitigation, his defence solicitor Stephen MacSporrán said: 'Mr McCuaig is a first offender. Earlier in the day he had a fall out with his mother and had gone out for a drink. He can offer no other explanation and has no recollection of that day.'

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC made a compensation order of £250 to each of the men that McCuaig had assaulted, to be paid at £25 per week.

Campbeltown man fined for assault and drugs possession

A SHERIFF told a Campbeltown man that his violent behaviour and that of another two dozen people she could name was what let Campbeltown down.

Alasdair MacIndeor, 23, of Drumore Gardens, Campbeltown, was found guilty after a trial on March 11, this year, of assaulting a

woman in Cross Street Campbeltown on July 27, 2014.

On July 1 this year, he pleaded guilty to a further charge of possessing ecstasy at Longrow, on December 12, 2014.

He appeared at Campbeltown sheriff court for sentencing last Thursday in respect of both charges.

Sheriff Ruth Anderson QC told MacIndeor: 'This town is generally a crime-free and law-abiding community.'

'It is only people like you and about 24 others, who I could name, that make this town the way it is. If this kind of behaviour continues it will be a custodial sentence.'

MacIndeor was fined £250 on each charge, payable at £20 per week.

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Budget cuts threaten huge job losses

INCREASING council tax by at least 10 per cent might save Argyll and Bute from such severe budget cuts.

It would be a deeply unpopular move, particularly in an election year, but perhaps now is the time to end the Scottish government's council tax freeze.

If, as is predicted, 400 jobs are under threat, that will result in less council tax being available in future, and there is a chance those people would need to be paid benefits.

It could also lead to further depopulation, which the council is trying to avoid, as again, that means less council tax is available in future.

The scale of the proposed job cuts will make a real difference to Argyll and Bute. If the administration is determined to press ahead, perhaps instead of starting at the bottom, with the people who run services for the vulnerable young and elderly people, they could start with the service chiefs who are paid the most.

Kintyre's low milk price is a scandal

A WHOLE dairy herd is to be dispersed in less than a week's time, with many of the cows going to England. There, the milk price, although still low, is nearly double that of Kintyre.

It is imperative that something changes before Campbeltown Creamery becomes unviable – a situation that might cause First Milk to rethink its strategy.

New boilers are being installed at great cost, but these will be white elephants if there is no milk to fill them.

It is a joy to arrive in Kintyre and see all the animals out in the field, sustained by hard workers such as Archie Millar. But where will the farmers of the future be if they cannot get good prices?

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Nearly half of police officers unhappy with pension reforms

Sir,
Alan Reid, our former MP, says my letter (Courier, October 16) was packed with mistakes.

Let me pick up just one of his examples. He says that the changes to their pensions that have demoralised so many Police officers 'were decided by the Scottish government, not the UK government'.

On Saturday, October, 24, David Hamilton, chairman of the Northern Area Committee and Sergeants' Central Committee of the Scottish Police Federation, said: 'Just to be clear, 49 per cent of staff who are considering leaving the police service are doing so because of Danny Alexander's pension reforms.'

Is he mistaken too?
William Crossan,
Gowanbank,
Campbeltown

Petition against Argyll and Bute council's proposed cuts

Sir,
A petition of 908 signatories against the proposed Argyll and Bute Council cuts in their entirety has been lodged with the council.

The people I have come across in Argyll and Bute are horrified at the extremity of these proposals and are completely against them.

At no stage have the views of the electorate and, ultimately, the users of the ser-

vices being cut been sought. As the representatives of the people of Argyll and Bute these views must be taken into account before any proposals can go any further.

Hugh Moodie (extremely worried parent,)
Bryce Avenue,
Rothsay

Why is there no draft of proposed 2016 ferry timetable?

Sir,
I gather that there are significant changes planned to the CalMac ferry services for summer 2016. Are there drafts available to the public? I have not been able to locate any.

I was brought up in Scotland and make regular trips to Mull, although this year I travelled to Raasay.

It is strange to have a consultation period without any facts on which to base the consultation.

Stuart Waddington,
Cornwallis Close,
Oxford

Extra training to combat speeding

Sir,
I was happy to have the discussion in Longrow with the senior pupil at the Grammar School regarding the idea of having a 20mph speed limit in some parts of the town (Campbeltown Courier, October 16).

I would like to add a few points. I attended a speeding awareness course in Northumbria in 2008. It was offered by the police force instead of points, for doing 36

mph leaving a village in the area. It was run by a company which liaised with the police force. It was informative, despite a few moans about going. I would now say that driving is a complex issue, and such a course should be part of every driver's remit.

The speed limit of 30mph was brought in without the scientific research now available. It is widely thought to be a safe and reasonable speed in built up areas. On the day's course I attended, a bereaved family had given consent for the tragedy of their 14-year-old son's death to be used as a training tool.

Their son and his two friends were walking on the pavement in the village. The boy ran across the road, and a van driver hit the boy and he died at the scene. The driver was found to be doing 38mph, and the follow-up measurements showed that he would have been able to stop if he had been doing 30mph.

Modern cars are designed for speed - just watch a car ad.

I have the utmost respect for many young drivers, and wouldn't say they all speed.

In general, the young have quicker reaction times. There are issues around ability levels later on in life, and the fitness of elderly drivers. The DVLA asks drivers to declare medical conditions. This needs looked at, as a system.

Drivers are often reluctant to declare, as their car makes them more mobile. Services such as 'ring and ride' are often under-used.

There have been several safety campaigns that have a message that sticks such as 'The end of someone else's

life, will be with you for the rest of yours' and 'think once, think twice, think bike'. Cycling in this area is great too, but the A83 has more dangers than most.

I hope that we can have towns with careful driving, and speed limits to respect all; pedestrians and cyclists too. Many coastal towns share the esplanade paths, and this can be done safely.

Anne Devlin,
Fort Argyll Road,
Campbeltown

Old pals' thanks

Sir,
Campbeltown Old Pals would like to thank Ian McVicar from the Third Sector Interface and The Seniors Forum for helping out with the bus which was rented from Kintyre Hire for their recent meeting at the Carradale Hotel.

Iain Johnston,
Jigevents,
Campbeltown

Danger of deer on our roads

Sir,
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Marketing maestro plans town hall future

CAMPBELTOWN'S town hall is just months away from completion after a £2 million restoration.

South Kintyre Development Trust (SKDT), which has owned the iconic building since 2013, has appointed Kintyre local Claire McFadzean as its town hall manager.

Claire has joined SKDT from a similar commercial property marketing role at Machrihanish Airbase Community Company (MACC)

Claire, who's favourite subject at school was art, took a degree in fashion marketing but soon recognised that it was the marketing which excited her the most. After two years working from the Courier's offices as a salesperson, Claire moved to MACC and sees her latest appointment as a natural progression.

Claire said: 'Campbeltown Town Hall has huge potential and my aim is to work with partners to make it a high quality venue at the heart of the local community.'

'I am looking forward to the building becoming a real focal point of community activity.'

'It is important to

SKDT that people feel ownership of this key facility within the town and we hope to meet the needs of local groups, businesses and individuals.'

When the refurbishment of the building is complete, the Town Hall will provide a mix of high end commercial office space as well as a premium wedding and conference facility.

Claire added: 'The main hall lends itself ideally to a wide range of events, from weddings and functions to conferences, training and leisure.'

'I hope to create an exciting and diverse programme which will boost the town centre and offer more social activities for people of all ages.'

Claire, who has now been in her new role for about a month, is keen for locals to have their say about what they would like to see at the Town Hall.

'It's really important to me that people are involved in how the Town Hall is developed and I will be engaging with the local community in the lead up to the building reopening,' Claire explained.

Eric Spence, project coordinator for the ren-



Town hall manager Claire McFadzean
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ovation, said: 'This is a crucial appointment in SKDT's vision to revitalise Campbeltown Town Hall and we believe Claire is the right person to market the facilities and ensure that it is a busy and thriving venue in the future.'

'We are now looking at project completion

early to mid-December and Claire will be working hard on a series of launch events for the New Year which will showcase the potential usage of the building.'

For further information on town hall lettings contact 01586 552870 or email claire@campbeltowntownhall.com

Economic development chief in Campbeltown

A BUSINESS breakfast next week will be hosted by Argyll and Bute council's head of economic development and strategic transportation.

At the Ardshiel hotel event, on Friday November 6, Fergus Murray hopes to inform small or medium sized businesses in Kintyre about the council's approach to encouraging more people to live, work and invest in Argyll and Bute.

As reported in the Courier last week the Business Gateway team will also be on hand, between 8.30am and 10am, to talk about the support it offers.

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Campbeltown Picture House – November screenings at Victoria Hall

CAMPBELTOWN Community Business (CCB) Ltd presents its popular monthly film screenings on Saturday November 7 and Sunday November 8 at The Victoria Hall during the refurbishment and redevelopment of Campbeltown Picture House.

November's screening weekend includes monstrous fun for the family with Hotel Transylvania 2; Robert de Niro as The Intern; one of the best British films of 2015, 45 Years; Matt Damon hoping for rescue as The Martian; Everest, the

stunning drama based on a real life disaster; and Suffragette, the inspirational true story of the women who risked everything for the right to vote.

Eagerly awaited animated sequel, Hotel Transylvania 2 takes place seven years after the first film. Dracula has opened the hotel doors to human guests, and he's now a grandfather to Mavis and Johnny's son Dennis. Granddad Drac is anxious that Dennis isn't showing any signs of being a vampire, so he enlists

his pals Frankenstein, Wayne the Werewolf, the Invisible Man and Murray the Mummy to bring out the boy's dark side. To add to Dracula's woes, his human-hating father, voiced by the legendary Mel Brooks, turns up unexpectedly, and isn't very happy with what he finds. Perfect family fun for little monsters, featuring the voices of Adam Sandler, Steve Buscemi and Selena Gomez.

Seventy-year-old widower Ben (Robert de Niro) is retired and bored, until he seizes a chance to become the intern at a huge online fashion company run by Jules (Anne Hathaway).

At first Jules and the rest of the office have doubts about their newest member of staff, but soon they find out just how much he has to offer. This moving and charming generation clash comedy, written and directed by award-winning filmmaker Nancy Meyers, proves age is just a number.

Kate (Charlotte Rampling) and Geoff (Tom Courtenay) are excitedly planning to celebrate their 45th wedding anniversary in the extraordinary 45 Years. However, one week before the party, the ghosts of the past come back to haunt the couple when the body of Geoff's first love is discovered frozen in the icy glaciers of the Swiss Alps. As a decades-long bond is threatened by insecurities and irrational jealousies, there may not be a marriage to celebrate.

Hailed as one of the best British films of the year, with Berlin Film Festival Silver Bears awarded to Rampling for Best Actress and to Courtenay for Best Actor, this is a powerful and enthralling drama.

Matt Damon stars as The Martian, Ridley Scott's epic sci-fi about a lone astronaut fighting for survival. Missing, presumed dead, Mark Watney is left behind when a mission to Mars goes disastrously wrong. Stranded alone

with only enough resources to last 30 days, Mark manages to get a message to earth, and both NASA and his own team decide to stage separate yet equally daring rescue missions to bring him home.

Everest is a stunning and beautifully shot adventure film, based on the 1996 disaster, with an all-star cast including Jason Clarke, Josh Brolin, Robin Wright, Keira Knightley, Emily Watson and Jake Gyllenhaal.

Experienced climbers from two expeditions start their final ascent toward the summit of Mount Everest, one of the most dangerous places on earth. A violent storm strikes, engulfing the adventurers in one of the fiercest blizzards ever known.

Suffragette is a tense and compelling drama about one of the most turbulent periods in 20th century UK history. Having watched their peaceful protests fall on deaf ears, the founding members of the British women's suffrage movement



Drac's back in Hotel Transylvania 2

became radicalised, going to extraordinary and dangerous lengths to have their voices heard. A first-rate cast including Carey Mulligan, Helena Bonham Carter, Anne-Marie Duff, Brendan Gleeson and Meryl Streep brings the story of Maud, a working woman and mother, who is secretly recruited to the movement, to life in a film that has won almost universal acclaim.

Made possible by support from Creative Scotland and the Coastal Communities Fund, the

film screening weekends bring some of the latest releases to Kintyre audiences, with something for everyone on offer.

Tickets can be bought in advance online at www.campbeltownpicturehouse.co.uk and on the door at The Victoria Hall from 30 minutes before each screening. The Royal Hotel provides the treats, with popcorn, ice cream, hot and cold drinks, confectionery and refreshments on sale.

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The mission doesn't go smoothly for Matt Damon in Ridley Scott's The Martian

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Mairi McKillop leading the fat burners 20_c44numerodix02

Pretty in pink for Breast Cancer Now

CAMPBELTOWN hair salon fundraisers' Fat Burn Extreme raised more than £175 for a cancer charity.

Mairi McKillop, Kerry Dickson and Chloe Murray from Numero Dix in Union Street hope to raise at least £1,000 for Breast Cancer Now, with hairdressing firm GHD, by the end of November.

High intensity

The trio's latest event, last Saturday, saw about 35 women mostly dressed in pink and one brave man, Stuart Ireland, pay £5 each to pound through a high

intensity exercise programme led by Mairi.

After the event Stuart joked: 'I really have one too many 'Y' chromosomes to be taking part in this as the only man.'

Great turnout

Kerry said: 'It was a great turnout and lovely to see so many people fill the hall. We got a good price on the hall because it was for charity.'

So far the fundraisers have collected £200 from the Footnotes Dance Company during the MOKFest parade, a party light night at Nu-

mero Dix raised a further £200, sweet-toothed clients added £400 after buying 80 jars of bramble jelly made by Gail McKay and another client made £60 selling tablet.

Two events

Kerry said: 'We have two more events: on Friday, November 27, coming up at the Christmas lights switch on we will offering cup cakes and cocktails in the salon for adults and Frozen facepainting and hair for children. In addition the two Chloes, Colville and Murray plan to run a baking stall.'



Participants in Fat Burn Extreme at Victoria Hall 20_c44numerodix01

International piano duo in tune for Campbeltown

A PAIR of renowned piano playing sisters will tinkle the ivories in the Wee Toon next month.

The Bibby Piano Duo, sisters Nicola and Alexandra, have gained an international following in more than two decades of delighting audiences with their keyboard playing.

Their musicianship and flair have taken them from Ned Sherwin's 'Loose Ends' on Radio 4, to being awarded the accolade 'Best of Platform Live' by Classic FM.

Prestigious

They have played at many prestigious venues, festivals and state-ly homes throughout the UK, including the Chichester Festival, the Snape Maltings, Aldeburgh, the Newbury Spring Festival, the Three Choirs Festival, Windsor Castle, Sandringham House, Eton College, the Purcell Room and the Wigmore Hall.

Foreign tours have included Australia, New Zealand, Germany, the

Czech Republic and Italy.

A recent performance of Poulenc's Concerto for Two Pianos with the Philharmonia Orchestra was highly praised for 'catching the mood of droll wit, complete with Mozartian pastiche, to brilliant effect'.

There have been other, less conventional, performances including a two-piano recital in a copse overlooking Lake Windermere at the behest of the Wordsworth family; and a recital given at the Timber Museum, Wairapa, New Zealand. They have also performed alongside such luminaries as Jeremy Irons, Sinead Cusack, Dorothy Tutin and Diana Quick.

Nicola and Alexandra are regular invitees of P&O Cruises, and over the last few years they have played on almost every ship in the fleet.

It was on board the Canberra liner that they met the actress Carole Boy, who plays (amongst other iconic parts) the infamous Lyn-



Bibby sisters Nicola and Alexandra

da Snell on the Archers – this meeting resulted in the birth of the words and music trio, Infinite Riches, which they formed with Carole.

The sisters' repertoire is vast and on the Monday night they will be playing some Shostakovich, Schubert, Debussy, Brahms, York,

Bowen and Saint-Saëns' Carnival of the Animals. The concert is at 7.30pm in the Lorne and Lowland Hall on Monday November 9.

Tickets are available at the door or in Macmillans at £10, children are free.

Further details at kin-tyremusicclub.co.uk.

Campbeltown Picture House at the Victoria Hall



Saturday 7 November

- 12:30pm **Hotel Transylvania 2** (U) 82 mins
Monstrous family animated adventure with Drac's pack
- 2:30pm **The Intern** (12A) 121 mins
Charming generation clash comedy with Robert de Niro
- 5:30pm **45 Years** (15) 95 mins 'Powerhouse performances' The Telegraph
Charlotte Rampling & Tom Courtenay in mesmerising drama
- 8:00pm **The Martian** (12A) 141 mins
Matt Damon stars in Ridley Scott's epic sci-fi

Sunday 8 November

- 1:00pm **Hotel Transylvania 2** (U) 82 mins
- 3:00pm **Everest** (12A) 121 mins
Stunning film based on the 1996 disaster with an all-star cast
- 6:00pm **Suffragette** (PG) 106 mins
Inspirational untold story of the women who risked everything, with Carey Mulligan & Helena Bonham Carter

Advance booking: www.campbeltownpicturehouse.co.uk

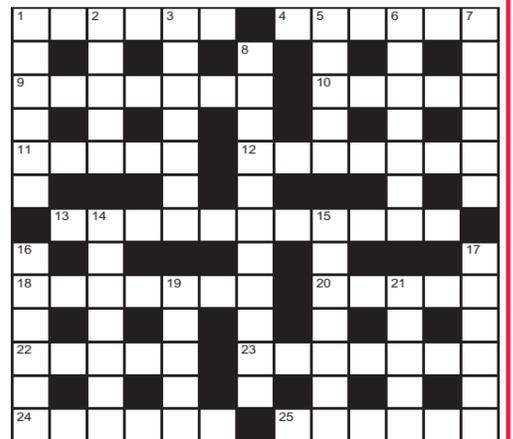
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- 11 Narrow person in court? (5)
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- 13 A place to go when older (7,4)
- 18 Old Turkish coin (7)
- 20 Tense (5)
- 22 A-list (5)
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- 24 Caring (6)
- 25 The thing (6)

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Delegates see new handling facilities

By Ewen Campbell,
SRUC Kirkton and
Auchtertyre farms
manager

WELL, for once I start on a positive note about the fantastic weather we have had this past month.

What a great change from the dreich and dismal summer. It has made such a difference to us, not just in terms of farm work, but also because we have been so busy with demonstration events over the past month.

First of all, I spent a day last month talking to farmers about the benefits of using the automatic EID crate at a meeting at Drumtee Farm outside Fenwick in Ayrshire. The day was organised by colleagues from Scottish Agricultural College (SAC) Consultants in Ayr and focused on preparation for tupping and winter nutrition of pregnant ewes.

Then, back at our own farms, we had visits from three groups of students who were keen to hear more about our work at Kirkton and Auchtertyre farms. On September 17, we hosted the new intake of Scottish Rural College (SRUC) MSc students for an afternoon.

My colleague, Davy McCracken, spoke to them about the farms and the type of research we are doing here. The following week, we had more than 120 fresher students from SRUC in Edinburgh (from courses covering agriculture, animal science and environment) who stayed in our wigwams for four days as part of their West Highland experience.

Their last day was focused around the work at Kirkton and Auchtertyre that was of relevance to their individual courses. Claire Morgan-Davies, Harriet Wishart and myself talked to them about hill farming in general and about our new handling facilities in particular, showing them both the new fank and sheep and cattle-handling systems.

Ann McLaren explained to them the breeding research we are carrying out, and John Holland took some up the hill to talk about ecosystem services and biodiversity in the hills.

Hopefully, this gave the students a nice overview of hill farming, the challenges that need to be addressed and how SRUC is conducting research into these areas.

The week after, we

also had a visit from agriculture students from SRUC's Ayr campus, who came with their lecturer, Jan Connell, to hear my colleague John Holland talk about pasture and grazing management on the farms.

Last, but by no means least, we hosted a visit for more than 50 farmers and land managers attending a major conference in Oban with a focus on 'A future for hill farming: it's in your hands'.

The conference was organised by National Farmers Union Scotland and the Argyll and Bute Agricultural Forum, with support from Argyll and Bute Council, Cairngorms National Park Authority, Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park and SRUC's Hill and Mountain Research Centre.

The conference delegates were also shown our new sheep handling facilities and discussed how to make best use of mandatory electronic tagging (EID) of sheep.

This was followed by discussions on how to reduce unnecessary wormer use on farm; the benefits to be gained from the use of Estimated Breeding Values and performance recording in sheep flocks; and the approach being taken to build up the new cattle herd on the farms. It was a great day, and it



Hill Farming Conference delegates being shown new handling facilities

was really nice to speak to other farmers and land managers, sharing our experiences of farming in the hills.

In the midst of all these events, I still managed to do a bit of 'proper' farm work. Our lambs are being finished in the shed as I write.

We are feeding them until they reach the ideal weight to be sent to the abattoir. We are also building up to tupping time, which will start soon enough in November. At the moment, we are establishing which fields and parks are best for tupping, as part of our ongoing grassland and grazing management plan.

No rest for the wicked.

Market report

Busy sheep and cattle sale on Islay

UNITED Auctions sold 2,574 lambs and sheep, 286 suckled calves and 60 breeding cows at their sale held at Bridgend Auction Mart on Wednesday October 21.

Lambs, in keeping with recent trends, were slow to cash, especially short keeping types.

Suckled calves sold in keeping with current levels at principal mainland centres. Younger breeding cattle sold well, whilst older lots were slower to sell.

Bullock calves from Ardnave sold to £875 per head whilst Cruach sold their bullock calves to 291 pence per kilo.

Ardbeg led the prices per head for heifer calves at £925, and Cruach led the kilo prices in this section at 259 pence per kilo. Cows with heifer calves at foot sold to £1,550 and cows with bull calves sold to £1,500, and both lots were consigned from Mulindry.

Lambs from Lossit sold to £58.50 whilst Ewes from Bayview sold to £83.50.

Principal lots and prices
Top prices per head
Bullocks
AAx: £845 - Lorgba: £810 -

Ballinaby.
BAx: £875 and £825 (4) - Ardnave.

CHARx: £875, £845 and £825 (6) - Ardnave: £810(2) - Ballinaby.

LIMx: £815 - Ardbeg & Ardnave (3): £805 - Ballimartin(6) and Ardnave: £800 - Mulindry.

Heifers
AAx: £825 & £815 - Lorgba.

BAx: £845, £775 and £745(2) - Ardnave.
CHARx: £785 (2), £755 (5) and £715 (4) - Ardnave.

LIMx: £925 - Ardbeg: £745 - Ardnave: £725(2) - Mansfield.

Top prices per head
Bullocks
AAx: 234p - Ballinaby: 231p (2) - Cruach.

BAx: 233p(5) - Ardnave.
CHARx: 291p (3) - Cruach: 276p (8) - Mansfield:

270p (2) - Cruach: 266p (3) - Kinnabus Farm: 263p (5) - Ardnave: 260p - Cruach: 250p (3), 247p, 243p (6) and 240p - Ardnave.

LIMx: 288p - Ardnave: 262p (2) and 256p (6) - Ballimartin: 252p (4) - Ardnave and Kinnabus Farm: 250p - Ardnave.

Heifers
BAx: 251p, 241p, 231p (2) and 230p (4) - Ardnave.

CHARx: 259p (2) - Cruach: 255p (2) - Ardnave: 254p - Cruach: 246p (5) and 245p (3) - Ardnave.

LIMx: 237p (3) - Ballimartin: 231p and 230p (3) - Ardnave.

Cows with male calves
BRBx: £1,500 - Mulindry
LIMx: £1,500 and £1,300 - Mulindry.
SIMx: £1,450 and £1,300 -

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Cows with heifer calves
LIMx: £1,550, £1,500 - Mulindry: £1,450 - Starchmill: £1,400 - Mulindry.
BRBx: £1,300 - Mulindry.
SIMx: £1,350 - Mulindry.

Lambs
SUFFx: £58.50 - Lossit and Frederick Cresc: £58.00 - 16 Westend: £57.50 - Uiskentuie: £54.50 - Ballimartin: £54.00 - Ardbeg: £53.50 - Lossit.

TEXx: £54.00 - Lossit: £53.50 - Carrabus: £52.00 - Ardbeg: £51.50 - Coultoon.

CHEVx: £51.50 - Aoradh: £49.50 - Coillabus.

CROSS: £55.50 - Uiskentuie: £53.50 - Keppols: £50.50 - Lossit: £50.00 - Glenegedale.

MULE: £46.50 and £45.50 - Island.
BF: £53.00 & £46.50 - Lossit: £45.50 - Ceannacroic: £43.50 - Uiskentuie: £40.50 - Keppols and Ceannacroic: £40.00 - Craigfad.

Wedders
£65.50 - Craigfad: £57.50 - Keills.

Ewes
SUFFx: £83.50 - Bayview.
TEXx: £81.50 and £68.50 - Bayview: £66.50 - Keills: £60.50 - Bayview.

CHEVx: £68.50 - Aoradh.
CROSS: £72.50 - Bayview: £71.50 - Claggan.

MULE: £54.50 - Coull.
BF: £38.50 - Keppols.
Top prices per kilo

Lambs
SUFFx: 138p - Ardbeg: 136p - Frederick Cresc: 132p - Ballinaby.

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WITH winter fast approaching, motoring safety is to the fore. Road users should be fully prepared for the adverse weather of the Highlands, especially when planning long journeys over the festive period.

The Highways Agency recommends checking a vehicle before winter weather hits, including making sure the tread depth on tyres is safe, brakes work properly and the heating is fully functioning. Although the minimum tread depth on tyres required by law is 1.6mm, the AA recommends that motorists have no less than 2mm, and preferably 3mm, for winter driving.

Tyre pressures are also important. It is recommended that you check these at least once a week during the winter, en-

suring that they reach the manufacturer's recommended levels. These can be found in the vehicle handbook or on a sticker on the inside of the driver's door.

Regularly check that a vehicle's anti-freeze levels are between the maximum and minimum. This will help avoid potential damage to the engine or radiators, which will be much more expensive to fix than the couple of pounds it would cost to buy anti-freeze.

Keep an eye on oil levels with weekly checks. Low oil levels can cause significant damage to an engine, as oil is basically the blood that passes through the car's system.

Bear in mind that most car manufacturers fill modern vehicles with longer lasting anti-freeze, which should not be

mixed with traditional solutions. If unsure about what fluid to put into a vehicle, it is recommended that vehicle owners consult their local dealership or a qualified mechanic.

Flat batteries are one of the most common reasons for motorists to require breakdown assistance in the winter, making up about one-third of the total call-outs.

The additional use of heaters, lights and other electrical components on the car all add to the strain placed on batteries during this period. Car batteries generally last no longer than five years, so if a battery is coming to the end of its life as winter approaches, it might be worthwhile changing it in order to avoid the inconvenience of a breakdown.

The Highway Agency also suggests that drivers put together a winter emergency kit for their car, with crucial items such as warm clothing, a torch, de-icer, ice scrapers, shovel and boots.

Check the latest traffic information and weather forecasts before setting out and be prepared to alter plans if weather conditions are particularly bad. It may be a case of leaving earlier or leaving a little later or simply planning the best places for rest stops along the way.

A winter service for vehicles is a must and should be done at least a week before any long journey.

The better prepared a vehicle is, the smoother all the winter journeys.

Keep road safe with the 20 pence tyre check

TYRESAFE is reminding all drivers to ensure they're keeping their road risks to a minimum by practising #SafeTyre-Checks.

October is typically the wettest month of the year and coincides with the onset of colder weather,

combination which places high demands on the only safety feature of a vehicle which is in touch with the roads – its tyres.

Most drivers are unaware that each tyre's 'footprint' is about the same size as an adult's palm and, with so much literally riding on them, it's essential to check they are in optimal condition.

"Drivers need to remember that brakes, steering and all advanced safety systems designed to help avoid accidents depend on the vehicle having a sure footing on the road – in other words, their tyres need to be in good condition," said Stuart Jackson, chairman of TyreSafe. "As we're now facing an increasing number of cold and wet days, to stay safe we need to be even more attentive to tyre maintenance. Air pressure, condition and

tread depth must be checked regularly, especially if you're planning a break using a car laden with your most prized possessions – your family."

Many drivers are aware that recommended tyre pressures for a vehicle vary to suit the weight of the load it is carrying, but far too many are complacent and don't take the time to make this important adjustment before they set off with their families. Typically, the unladen and laden pressures are on a plaque either inside the fuel filler flap or in the door shut, but they are sure to be found in the handbook. Incorrect pressures not only increase wear and decrease fuel efficiency but also make the tyre more vulnerable to sudden deflation.

A tyre's tread depth is a particularly important factor in cold and wet conditions as the more worn it becomes, the longer your car will take to stop. Checking is easy and takes just a few minutes using the 20p test as the outer band of a 20-pence piece is 1.6mm, which is the

minimum legal tread depth.

To check how close you are to that limit, place the 20p in the main grooves in the centre section of your tyre: if you can't see the outer band above the tread, then check at two other points across the width and repeat at two more places further round the circumference. If you can see the 20p's outer band at any point or are unsure, you need to get the tyres checked by a professional as the tyre may be illegal and dangerous. If you find something in the grooves, like a stone, remove it if you are able to do so.

While you're checking the tread depth, you should also ensure the tyres are in good condition, looking out for cracks, lumps, bumps or embedded objects. Tyre manufacturers don't produce tyres with bulges or screws in them, so if you see anything suspiciously out of the ordinary, get it checked by a professional.

TyreSafe recommends these checks are done at least once a month and before long journeys.



Forward thinking from the Institute of Motoring as the clocks go back

AS the country settles into British winter time, this week's tips from the Institute of Advanced Motoring's (IAM) head of driving standards, Peter Rodger, look at how to ensure your journey is as safe as possible in the dark.

Here are some tips to see you through.

With morning and evening fog expected, it's important that windows are kept clear of ice and frost throughout.

Use a good quality windscreen washer fluid to keep them clean, and keep the reservoir topped up.

As dipped headlights will be in use more often it's important to make sure they are working properly.

The same applies to all other car lights, indicators and tyres too – make sure the tread depth is

checked regularly. If any of these need to be replaced, do so as soon as possible. A spare set of light bulbs is a very worthwhile investment too.

Automatic headlamp systems do not always put dipped headlamps on in foggy weather conditions, so they may need to be switched from an auto to manual setting.

Remember, it is not necessary to wait until it's completely dark before dipped headlights are switched on – they may be needed in reduced daylight conditions too.

Where there are no street lights or while driving on an empty stretch of road in seriously reduced visibility, switch on the car's full beam to help see further ahead. However, don't use full beam during the day – even in poor visibility – as there is a risk of dazzling other

road users.

Look out for vulnerable road users in the dark including motorcyclists, cyclists and pedestrians. Take particular care when driving near schools in the late afternoon or on dark mornings when children are travelling to and from school – see and be seen at all times.

Pedestrians are not easily spotted when they wear dark clothing. Keep your eyes peeled and avoid speeding when visibility is reduced in both dark and bad weather conditions.

Keep an eye out for reflective road signs and cats eyes studs that help drivers in poor light. These are useful guides on dark roads.

Judging the speed of vehicles is difficult in the dark – increasing the distance between cars is a sensible precaution. An inability to see

clearly ahead means drivers must slow down to give themselves more time to react to a potential hazard.

Peter said: 'It might sound obvious, but you cannot drive the same way in the dark as you would in daylight – but that's what a lot of people do.'

'Make allowances for your own abilities in darkness; your eyes take time to get used to the dark. And be aware others might not be as careful as you, and might not be wearing reflective or bright clothing as they should do. Take on the responsibility of looking out for others, and your journey will give you a warm glow inside – even if it's chilly outside.'



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Argyll and Bute Council has revised the **Environmental Report (Strategic Environmental Assessment)** that accompanies the adopted **Local Development Plan, to include an annex relating to draft Supplementary Guidance.**
 The **Environmental Report** together with the draft Supplementary Guidance can be viewed at <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/ldp>
 The consultation period on the above documents has been extended and will now run until the 27th November 2015.
 The documents will also be available to view in the Council Offices at 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilphead 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday. Please note responses must be received before **5pm on the 27th November 2015.** Responses should be sent to Sheila McKenzie, Development and Infrastructure, 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, Argyll PA31 8RD or by emailing ldp@argyll-bute.gov.uk
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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT

Ref No	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
15/02278/PP	Erection of 4 wind turbines (48.01 metre blade tip) with associated control cabinets, substations and access track	Land North West Of Calliburn Campbeltown Argyll And Bute	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
15/02827/AMSC	Approval of conditions 3,4,5,6 and 8 relative to planning permission in principle reference 12/02819/PPP (Site for the erection of three dwellinghouses)	Land To South West Of Gigha Cottage Craobh Haven Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute	Sub Post Office Ardfern
15/02923/PP	Renewal of planning permission reference 12/01562/PP (Change of use and extensions to form fast food outlet(Sui Generis)/ catering premises (Class 4), change of use of land to form external seating area, erection of detached storage building and formation of new vehicular access)	Public Toilet Millknowe Campbeltown Argyll And Bute	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

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TAXI FARE REVIEW

Notice is hereby given that Argyll and Bute Council, having consulted with taxi operators licensed by the authority, propose to make no amendments to the maximum fares and charges for taxis operating within the jurisdiction of Argyll and Bute Council. It is proposed that these will be effective from 25th January 2016.
 Any person wishing to lodge representations in respect of these proposals should do so by writing to the Head of Governance and Law, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, PA31 8RT, by no later than 30th November 2015.

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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
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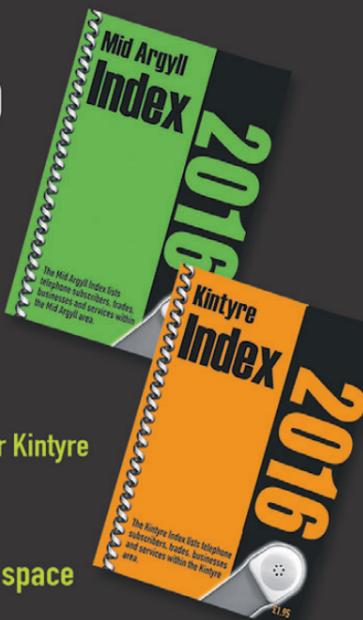
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The caterpillar was a rather ungainly creature hampered by a cumbersome body that weighed him down. But when the time was right he began to spin a cocoon around himself, and once he was cradled in this, the most spectacular event took place.

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With his molecules rearranged in the same body, he had metamorphosed into something totally different, yet the same.

The commentator said: 'He has no need of this old body now.'

We often use the analogy of the butterfly to speak of resurrection into new life, and how appropriate this image is.

'When the time is right', we know that we too have to let go of our earthly body, which also may be cumbersome and weigh us down. We cannot know what our new body will be like. It will certainly be different. It will not be constrained by the limitations of this world.

Yet we may well be a bit afraid of this concept of 'new birth'.

We are often afraid of the unknown and like to cling to the familiar things of life.

Yet in our first birth we left the safety and silence of our mother's womb, to be shaken into a different world. We left a world which held us and cradled us and nourished us for a world that was quite different.

We learned to live in this world and indeed grew to like it.

Why should we fear our new birth, especially when we look at a butterfly?



Julie McDonald and store manager Gavin Lawson of Tesco, Campbeltown, with head teacher Caroline Armour, and pupils Hollie Kelly and Joshua Lafferty, P2/1, and Terri Brown and Beth MacPherson, P7

Apples for teachers and pupils

TESCO Campbeltown kindly donated 300 apples to Dalintober Primary School and ELCC for their six Hallowe'en parties taking place this week.

Head teacher, Caroline Armour said: 'We are extremely grateful to Gavin Lawson and Tesco for their generosity and look forward to working with the store and team on future school and community projects.'

Islands' consultation seeks public's views

FIRST Minister Nicola Sturgeon has called for the public to give their views on proposals that could see the devolution of additional powers to Scotland's island councils and communities.

The consultation on provisions for a future

Islands Bill focusses on a range of issues including more autonomy; a national Islands Plan; dedicated councillors for all populated islands; a legal duty to island-proof legislation; and constituency boundary protection for Na h-Eileanan an Iar.

From our files:

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO November 2, 1990

Slaughterhouse closure will hit farmers, butchers and auctions

HOPES of building up trade at Campbeltown slaughterhouse to start a new one on the edge of town in two years' time have been dashed by the decision to close the slaughterhouse in Roading at the end of March.

The three town centre butchers will no longer be able to sell Kintyre beef, lamb and pork when they go to Clydeside markets after the closure of the local slaughterhouse.

The closure will also increase costs for Kintyre farmers who have to pay nearly £20 a head for stock transported to markets at Stirling, Dunblane and Paisley.

And it puts the Monday cattle market at Campbeltown at risk of closure because the remaining sales of unfinished stock by the breeders to the feeders may not justify the cost of running a local market.

FIFTY YEARS AGO October 28, 1965

Autumn show keeps quality

KINTYRE Agricultural Society's autumn show on Friday was in the tradition of former years, in terms of both the quantity and standard of entries. There were something like 800 exhibits and the attendance was well up on last year, gate money being up by £20 – almost a third.

The livestock section was splendidly supported and it is doubtful if any other local show in

Scotland at this time of year could boast such an array of Ayrshire cattle – in grand bloom at that.

The Ayrshire championship was won by D Armour and Sons, Kilkeddan, with a home bred two-and-a-half-year-old unnamed heifer-in-milk, which was also placed at the society's June show. Messrs Armour also took the award for the best calved or calving heifer and were the first winners of the James Barr Memorial Trophy for the best Ayrshire bred in Kintyre.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO October 30, 1915

Fishing report

ON Wednesday morning 120 boxes herring were landed by trawls, and sold from 12/- to 12/6 per box; with 55 baskets with drifts drew from 9/6 to 10/- a basket. There was good fishing in Kilbrannan Sound, 220 boxes being landed at Carradale (prices 9/- to 9/6 a box) in addition to the quantities brought by carrying steamers. This Friday morning 12 stons of flounder sold from 8/ to 9/6 per stone.

Woman's tragic end

THE Hebron News (Indiana) reports the shocking death, on Sunday, October 3, of Miss Rosie Hegan, 20, sister of Mrs Arch. McBride, Glentorran Place, Campbeltown, who emigrated from Kintyre with her mother and sisters in July of last year.

Miss Hegan was driving a buggy when she was run into at a crossing between Hebron and Leroy by a fast railway train at noonday. The buggy was cut in two, but the horse, which had got over the rails, escaped injury.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

The Bible says, 'Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse' (Romans 12:14).

GOLDEN WEDDING

MACLEOD - MACKAY - At Dingwall Free Church on October 22, 1965, Ian to Sheila.



SIMS - SMITH

On October 29, 1965, at Lochend Church, by Rev Young, Michael to Margaret, of 'Colwyn', Ardnacraig Avenue, Campbeltown. Congratulations on fifty years together, to a wonderful mum and dad, and granny and granddad. Lots of love from Moira-Ann, Paul, Campbell, Alyson, Noah, Daisy and Isla xxx.

DEATHS

EWEN - Peacefully, at Ardfenaig Care Home, on October 22, 2015, Catherine (Ena) Ewen, in her 95th year, beloved wife of the late Charlie Ewen, much loved mother of Rosemary, Barbara Shirley and the late Jean, much loved granny, great granny and dear aunt to the family. Funeral service was held at Kilmichael Glassary Parish Church on October 28, cremation thereafter at Cardross Crematorium.

RIDDELL - Peacefully at his home, Inchjura, Tayvallich, Argyll, on October 23, 2015, James Bruce (Jim) Riddell, aged 69 years, (formerly of 21 Wardlaw Avenue, Rutherglen), loving husband of Ulla and much loved father of Lars, Erik and Signe. A good neighbour and dear friend to many. Funeral service was held at Cardross Crematorium, on Thursday, October 29, 2015.

SCALLY - Peacefully, in the Sunshine Room, Campbeltown Hospital, on October 23, 2015, Robert Scally, in his 76th year, 27 Lady Mary Row, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Betty McCormick, much

loved father of Robert and Stephen and a loving granda and great granda.

STUART - On October 25, 2015, peacefully at Westerfield Care Centre, Paisley, Christina (Ena) Halley, in her 92nd year, beloved wife of the late Jack Stuart, much loved mother of Hamish and David, and a dearly loved grandmother and great grandmother. Funeral service at Tarbert Parish Church, on Monday, November 2, at 12.00 noon, interment thereafter at Carrick Cemetery, to which all family and friends are respectfully invited. Flowers welcome, donations if desired for Westerfield Care Centre.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

CARMICHAEL - Margaret returns sincere thanks to all relatives, friends and neighbours for the kind expressions of sympathy received since the sad loss of John. Particular thanks to Doctor Norrie, nurses and staff at the Campbeltown Hospital for the exceptional care and kindness to John in his final weeks; to the Reverend Philip Wallace for his uplifting service; to the Kirk Session of Lorne and Lowland Church, of which John was an elder; to Mr David McEwan for his choice of music; to Mr Ronnie McNally, Church Officer; to T A Blair Ltd for professional services and to the Argyll Hotel for excellent purvey. Finally, thanks to all who attended the service as a celebration of John's life and to the many who attended the interment at the cemetery.

HENDRY - The family of the late Anna Hendry would like to thank everyone most sincerely for the many kind expressions of sympathy received in their recent sad loss. Special thanks to North Argyll House Care Home, Oban, Mid Argyll Hospital, Lorne and Islands Hospital and all the carers at Chalmers Court Inveraray, for all the kind care and attention received. Thanks to Dr Roddy MacLeod for a comforting service, to Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, to The Scotch Heather Shop for the beautiful flowers, to the George Hotel for excellent catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. The collection for Inveraray Parish Church raised £335.

IN MEMORIAMs

ARKELL - In loving memory of a dear husband, dad and granda (Eck), died October 28, 2012.

It broke our hearts to lose you, But you did not go alone, For part of us went with you, The day God called you home.

Loved and missed so very much.

- From Maggie and family.

LEWIS - Jessie, who passed away on November 1, 2014, a dear mother, granny and great granny.

Always in our thoughts.

- Dorothy, Mildred and Robert and families.

MACKINNON - In loving memory of our dear Auntie Morag, who died October 30, 2002.

Loved and missed so very much.

- Annamarie, Allan and John.

MACKINNON - In loving memory of Auntie Momo.

Night, night Auntie.

- Love Jacqueline, John, Kyle, Joanna and Fraser.

MACQUARRIE - In loving memory of Christine, a dearly loved wife, mum and gran, who died November 5, 2005.

No longer in our lives to share

But in our hearts you're always there.

- Inserted by Willie, Kenny, Alexis, James and Charlie.

MUNRO - Precious memories of Neil James, who died October 30, 2013, aged 55.

We wish that we could see you

For just a little while

We wish that we could hug you

And see your lovely smile But wishing gets us nowhere

And longing is in vain So we will keep you in our hearts

Until we meet again.

Forever in our thoughts.

- Daughter Zara, Mum and brother Bobby.

Gentle Jesus up above

Please give Papa all our love.

- Grandchildren Finley and Bronwyn.

SKIPNESS LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE AND KILBERRY

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
Sunday 1st November 2015
Skipness Service 10.00am
Mr John Morrison
Tarbert and Kilberry
Joint Communion Service
11.30am
Rev Walter Ritchie

For all church enquiries and pastoral care
Contact Rev. Hilda Smith, Interim Moderator
on 07826 235735

Everyone very welcome
Tarbert & Kilberry: SCO02622
Skipness SCO04280



YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED TO JOIN US FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP ON SUNDAY AT:

Tarbert 10.00am, located on School Road.

Lochgilthead 11.30am, located on Lochnell Street/Manse Brae

Minister; Rev. Robert Macleod

Prayer Time

Mondays 1.15 - 1.45pm

Soup lunches will resume on last Thursday of the month from

October 29th - 12.00 - 1.30.

All welcome.

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH

Sunday 1st November
Morning Worship
Glassary 11.45 am
Rev C Acklam
All welcome
SC0 02121

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN

SUNDAY 1st November 2015

11.00am

Worship service for all ages followed

by a light lunch

Speaker: Graham McLean

'God is Love'

THURSDAY 5th November 2015

7.30pm

(Please note change of time)

Prayer, Word and Sharing

All Welcome

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
Charity Number SC001002

Sunday 1 November

Tayvallich Church 10 am

Morning Worship

including dedication of shoe boxes

Jim Malcolm

Monday 2 November

Prayer meeting 10 am

Tayvallich Church

Tuesday 3 November

Kirk Session 7:30 pm

Tayvallich Church

Rev. C. Acklam

All welcome

Enquiries 01546 606926

www.argyllcommunities.org/nknapdalecofs

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES

"It is good to sing praises to our God"
Sunday 1st Nov
Services in Ardrishaig at 11:00am (including the Lord's Supper) and Achahoish at 12:30pm

Scottish Episcopal Churches
Everyone Welcome

Christ Church
Bishopston Road, Lochgilthead (SC013787)

Sundays
11.00 am Eucharist service
4th Sunday of the month
10am Mattins & 11am Eucharist Service
Coffee & Cake follows the service

Sunday 1st Nov 6.00pm
Evening Service of Prayer for the Departed at Christ Church.

St Columba's, Poltalloch, nr Kilmartin (SC031391)

1st Sunday of the month 9:00am Eucharist service

3rd Sunday of the month 6:00pm Evensong

Scottish Prayer Book

Monday 2nd November 12.00pm

All Souls Day,

Eucharist at St Columba's, Poltalloch.

All Saints, Inveraray (SC025646)

Saturdays 5.30pm

Eucharist Service

Father Simon Mackenzie

Priest in Charge of the charges of Mid Argyll & Arran

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LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH

Sunday 1st November 2015

11.00 am

COMMUNION SERVICE

Sunday 8th November 2015

09.45am Service of Remembrance

Rev. Hilda Smith

All Welcome

Every Tuesday

1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Bumps, Babies and Toddlers

Every Wednesday

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Drop-In Cafe

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ST MARGARET'S R.C. CHURCH

Lochgilthead

Holy Mass Sunday 10am

ALL SAINTS, INVERARAY

Holy Mass Sunday 12.30pm

ST KIERAN'S CAMPBELTOWN

Saturday 5pm Fr. David Connor

01546 602380

All Welcome

(SCO002876)

Lochgilthead Baptist Church

All Welcome

Pastor Rev Derek Gibson

Sunday 1st November 2015

11am

Tuesday

Mainly music at 10am

Friday

Jumpstart From 10am

Scottish Charity SC015187

CHURCH NOTICES

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH



75 Longrow, Campbeltown

Sunday 1st November 2015

11.00am Family Communion Service

With Reflections from "Unexpected Journeys"

Wednesday 4th November

Leadership meeting

Thursday 5th November

12.15pm - 1.15pm

Prayer and Bible Study

2.00 - 4.00pm

Coffee Afternoon

For details, contact the church office on 01586 551200 or the

Church Secretary on

0586 551237.

www.springbankchurch.co.uk

SCO14646



Argyll Street, Campbeltown

St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown

Scottish Charity No SC023277

Sunday 1st November

All Souls Sunday

10.45am Morning Prayer and congregational discussion

All Welcome

Details of services are on the church door

Enquiries Tel: 01586 551141

The Scottish Episcopal Church is a Province of the Worldwide Anglican Communion



George Street, Campbeltown

Saturday 31st October

9.00am Prayer Breakfast

Sunday 1st November

11.15am Worship Service

Rev Finlay Mackenzie

Wednesday 4th November

12.30pm Bible Study and Prayer

2.00pm Water of Life Cafe

All Welcome

www.campbeltownfreechurch.co.uk

Scottish Charity Number: SCO09980

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE

Sunday 1st November 2015

Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair

Charity No. SC016097

Morning Service

in Lochgair Church at 10 am

Cumlodden & Lochfyneside Guild

Wednesday 4th November

Cumlodden Church Hall

at 2.30 pm

Rev. Dr. Ken Ross "Malawi"

Glenarary and Inveraray

Charity No. SC016665

Morning Service

in Inveraray Church at

11.30 am

Short Service

in Chalmers Court, Inveraray

at 2.30 pm

All Welcome

Highland Parish Church



SCO02493

Sunday 1st November

Celebration of Communion

The service will be conducted by

Rev W Crossan

and will be held in the church at

11.15am

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH

Scottish Charity Number

SCO11686

Sunday 1st November

Sacrament of Holy Communion

11.15am

Kirk Session Meet 10.55 am

Holiday Club for P1-7 Church Hall

Sacrament of Holy Communion

2.30pm

Rev P Wallace

Tuesday 3rd November

Tiny Tots New Hall 9.45am

Boys' Brigade Church Hall

Anchor Boys 6.00pm

Junior Section 7.15pm

Thursday 5th November

Choir 7.30pm

Friday 6th November

Lunch Club 12.00 noon

New Hall



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Sunday Services

10.30am Morning Worship

Army Kidz

6.30pm Evening Worship

Great fun for junior runners in final handicap race

CAMPBELTOWN Junior Running Club held its final handicap race of the season last Sunday, with more than 20 competitors taking part.

Competitors and times:

Grazia Graham, 15:20; Rona McLean, 16:46; Cara McFadzean, 14:46; Emily McMurchy, 17:57; Hannah Millar, 16:02; Annabel Semple, 13:15; Emma Millar, 14:44; Rianne Coffield, 14:06; James Reid, 13:43;

Robert Kerr, 13:16; Daniel Semple, 12:46; Kirsty Renton, 12:53; Claudia Graham, 13:02; Caryn Kerr, 12:16; Sean Charlwood, 12:39; Ralph Hill, 12:15; Oliver Reid, 14:30; William McLean, 11:40; Violet Campbell, 11:25; Max Graham, 11:27; Callum McAllister, 10:25; Ruairidh Campbell, 11:07; Ryan Shields, 10:09; Josh Arkell, 11:38; Euan Charlwood, 09:53; Alexander Semple, 15:05.



Members of Campbeltown Junior Running Club who took part in Sunday's race

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Cara McFadzean was first 20_c44runners03



Alexander Semple was second 20_c44runners04



Grazia Graham finished third 20_c44runners05



Runners on the start line are from left: Grazia Graham, Cara McFadzean, Emily McMurchy, Rona McLean and Alexander Semple 20_c44runners02

A grand win for Alastair and Lucia

ALASTAIR and Lucia O'May successfully chose the winning numbers in Dunaverty Golf Club's three-number lottery on Sunday October 25.

The winning numbers were 6, 13 and 20.

Alastair and Lucia win the £1,000 jackpot which had to be drawn four times before a winning ticket was found.

The next draw will take place on Sunday November 8, with a jackpot of £100.

Prizes handed out at Dunaverty

DUNAVERTY Golf Club held its annual prize giving on Friday October 23 in the clubhouse, with a beautiful buffet supplied by Muneroy Tearoom.

The gents' results were as follows: Hiccup 2014: Peter McCallum, November medal: handicap, Alex Arkell, scratch: Haydn Chambers, December medal: handicap, Bobby Millar, scratch: Haydn Chambers, January medal: handicap, Ian Docherty, scratch: Haydn Chambers.

February medal: handicap, Grant Edmondson, scratch: Campbell McCallum, March medal: handicap, Sandy Watson, scratch: Donald Taylor, April medal: handicap, Alex Roxburgh, scratch: Campbell McCallum, May medal: handicap, Bobby Millar, scratch: Donald Taylor.

June medal: handicap, Neil Brodie, scratch: Donald Taylor, July medal: handicap, Ian Docherty, scratch: Harry McLean, August medal: handicap, Owen Morgan, scratch: Campbell McCallum, September medal:

handicap, Bobby Millar, scratch: Bill Brannigan.

Christmas competition: handicap, Haydn Chambers, scratch: Campbell McCallum, New Year competition: handicap, Alastair O'May, scratch: Campbell McCallum, New Year and Christmas combined: Alastair O'May.

Spring Meeting: 1st handicap, Terry Smith, 2nd handicap, Campbell McCallum, 1st scratch, George MacMillan, 2nd scratch, Duncan Watson 111.

Mersey Police Cup: 1st handicap, Andrew Robertson, 2nd handicap, Dougie Thomas, 1st scratch, Donald McNeil, 2nd scratch, Ross Sinclair.

Centenary Trophy: 1st handicap, Grant Edmondson, 2nd handicap, Donald McNeil, 1st scratch, Lee Mathieson, 2nd scratch, Campbell McCallum, Club Stableford: 1st Alan Duncan, 2nd John McDowall, 3rd Andrew Robertson.

Four-club competition: 1st Raymond Harvey, 2nd Campbell MacBrayne, Tapoc Cup: 1st Campbell McCallum, 2nd Bobby Millar, 3rd Darren Kelly, RNLI

Cup: 1st Robert Allan Jnr, 2nd Haydn Chambers, 3rd Brian Hone, Charles Hunter Trophy: 1st Sandy Watson, 2nd Tony Haysom, 3rd = Alan Duncan, John McDowall.

Autumn Meeting: 1st handicap, Stevie Garrett, 2nd David MacBrayne, 1st scratch, George MacMillan 2nd scratch, Donald McNeil, Keil Trophy: 1st handicap, Alan Duncan, 2nd handicap, Sandy Watson, 1st scratch, Haydn Chambers, 2nd scratch, Tony Haysom, Eclectic winner: Ken MacMillan.

Lephenstrath Trophy: winner, Duncan Watson 111, r/u Lee Mathieson, McCallum Lyon Trophy: winner, Bobby Millar, r/u Peter McCallum, Muneroy Cup: winner, Robert Irvine, r/u Darren Kelly, Amod McNeill Quaiich: winners, Duncan Watson 111 and Robert Allan Jnr, r/u George MacMillan and John McDowall.

Texas Scramble: winners, Campbell McCallum, Donald Brown, Duncan Watson 111, r/u Robert Allan Jnr, Alan Duncan, John McDowall, Senior Club Champion: David Irwin, Handi-

cap Championship: 1st John McDowall, 2nd= Campbell MacBrayne, Stuart MacBrayne, Stevie Garrett, Club Championship: 1st George MacMillan, 2nd= Donald McNeil and Duncan Watson 111, 4th Campbell McCallum, 5th Ross Sinclair.

Ladies' results: November medal: Mary McKinnon, January medal: Mary McKinnon, February medal: Denise Fawcett, March medal: Denise Fawcett, April medal: Elizabeth Marrison, May medal: Margaret Macfarlane, June medal: Mary McKinnon, July medal: Lindsay Garrett.

August medal: Ailie MacBrayne, September medal: Florence Chrystie, October medal: Linda Arkell, Robertson Cup: winner, Denise Fawcett, r/u Elizabeth Marrison, Argyll Cup: winners, Ailie MacBrayne and Denise Fawcett, r/u Jana McPherson and Eleanor Hawkins.

Coronation Foursomes: Florence Chystie and Margaret Barr, Spring Meeting: 1st handicap, Ailie MacBrayne, 2nd handicap, Lindsay Garrett, 3rd handicap, Margaret



The Dunaverty Golf Club 2015 prizewinners with their trophies

Macfarlane, scratch, Elizabeth Marrison, Centenary Trophy: 1st handicap, Mary McKinnon, 2nd handicap, Elizabeth Marrison, scratch, Ailie MacBrayne.

Chest Heart and Stroke: Margaret Macfarlane, Club Stableford: winner, Lindsay Garrett, r/u Elizabeth Marrison, SSAFA Quaiich: Margaret Macfarlane, Bling Veterans Foursomes: Jana

McPherson and Maggie MacArthur, Charles Hunter Trophy: winner, Mary McKinnon, 2nd handicap, r/u Maggie MacArthur. Autumn Meeting: 1st handicap, Ailie MacBrayne, 2nd handicap, Lindsay Garrett, 3rd handicap, Jana MacPherson, scratch, Elizabeth Marrison, Golf Foundation: Elizabeth Marrison, Greenlees Trophy: winner, Maggie MacArthur, r/u Jana

McPherson, Red Cross eclectic: Elizabeth Marrison. Dunblaan Vase: Linda Arkell, Glenadale Salver: winner, Ailie MacBrayne, r/u Elizabeth Marrison, Best final round in championship: Elizabeth Marrison, Handicap Champion: Mary McKinnon, championship r/u Elizabeth Marrison, Ladies Club Champion: Ailie MacBrayne.

Pupils settle for a share of the points after McGrory levels

Campbeltown Pupils 2
Dumbarton United 2
DFDL Under 14 League

CAMPBELTOWN Pupils under-14s played at home on Saturday against Dumbarton United at the all-weather pitch.

This was the first meeting between the clubs this season and it was the Dumbarton side that

went into the game with the best record in this fixture. They won both at home and away when the teams met last season.

The visitors looked strong in the opening 10 minutes as they pushed the home team back and

put a lot of pressure on to the Pupils' defence.

The Pupils defended well and started to get more possession to put some pressure back on to the Dumbarton team.

It was the Pupils who were first on the score sheet when a fine bit of attacking football saw a good effort well saved by the away keeper – but Ross Brown got on the end of the keeper's clearance to score from a narrow angle wide on the right of the box.

The Pupils' joy was short lived, however, and the away team pulled one back very quickly to make the score all square. The Dumbarton side got a lift after their goal, and went on to take the lead before half-time with a well-taken 20-yard free kick giving them a 2-1 advantage.

With the two previous games between the teams going against the Pupils, they now found themselves behind.

The second half would be a test of the Camp-



Ryan McGrory (No2) strikes the ball for the U14 Pupils' second goal 20_c44u14s03

beltown side's character. The second half proved to be an evenly-fought affair, with both sides working hard to try and dominate the game.

It was the Pupils who found the breakthrough with the only goal of the second half when, after a scramble in the visitors' box, Ryan McGrory managed to get a shot over the line to score and give the home team a share of the points –

and give the Pupils their first point against a good Dumbarton side.

Both sides will look back on their missed chance to take maximum points, but a draw was probably a fair result.



Celebrations after Pupils scored their equalising goal 20_c44u14s04



Pupils U14s Glenn Agutu from Inveraray gains the ball from Dumbarton 20_c44u14s01

Junior winter golf tees off

JUNIOR winter golf will resume this Sunday, November 1, starting at Machrihanish Golf Club and alternating ever fortnight with Dunaverty Golf Club.

These sessions are open to all children in the Kintyre area. Children and parents are invited to attend at 1.30pm for registration, followed by the more experienced players taking part in a nine-hole competition. The beginners will play one or three holes depending on experience. A schedule of dates will be issued on the first Sunday and fortnightly sessions will run until March 2016.

The cost for this block session will be £10, payable on Sunday November 1. More information can be obtained from the Facebook page – Kintyre Kids Golf.

Lottery winners

THE winning lottery numbers for week 93, drawn on Monday October 26, were 12, 15, 18. Two lucky winners, Denise Anderson and Janet Staines, share a £200 jackpot.

Next week's draw will be for £100.

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Pupils lose three home points to Inverclyde

Campbeltown Pupils	0
Inverclyde	3
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CAMPBELTOWN Pupils fought hard and avoided a real hammering against an Inverclyde team sporting some seasoned stars.

A penalty kick after 20 minutes, resulting from a Pupils' hand ball in the area, was a sore blow which resulted in the first goal.

A Pupils' spokesman said: 'It was instinctive for him to raise his hands.'

Even after the second goal, nearly 50 minutes later, the game could have gone either way as the Pupils had plenty of possession and a number of fine chances from corners and play down the right wing.

Unfortunately for the Pupils the Inverclyde goalie was one of their

star players and he made some great saves to deny Campbeltown a goal.

At two down the Pupils opened up by putting sweeper Paul Grumoli in the middle to try to retrieve something from the game.

If the Pupils had managed to achieve a goal they would not have had to open up for Inverclyde. The players who spearheaded the Inverclyde attack ran the channels and there were a couple of players who were very good with, in addition, two full backs who were exceptional.

A Pupils' spokesman said: 'The first and last 20 minutes we really played our part. You have to play possession on the 3G surface. If you try to force the play it is

really a lost cause.

'We did quite well from front to back. It is a score line which makes it look one sided and the final goal as the referee blew the whistle was particularly unfortunate, but that is what happens.'

Afterwards, as the players enjoyed hospitality at the Feathers Inn, it became obvious that Inverclyde had sent a good squad with six footballers who had formerly played with championship side Greenock Morton.

A spokesman said: 'We did not realise the standard of their players until they came and chatted afterwards. It looks like an excuse but it is a fact.'

Next week the Pupils are in home action again in the Scottish Cup third round when they take on Balgonie Scotia 1896.



Players go airborne in front of the Inverclyde goal after a first half corner 20_c44pupils01



Campbeltown challenges for the ball 20_c44pupils04



A Gary Grumoli strike 20_c44pupils03



Pupils gain possession. 20_c44pupils02

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