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Local economy would benefit from weekend air service

'It's a step in the right direction'

by RUTH McCLEAN
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FRESH calls have been made to introduce a weekend air service from Glasgow to Campbeltown after a report revealed it would stimulate the local economy.

The study, commissioned by Kintyre Development Company, Southworth Europe and Highland and Islands Enterprise (HIE), says the measure could also pave the way for private aircraft landings.

Over the past few years, local politicians and residents have been pushing for a new weekend service when the Public Service Obligation (PSO) is renewed next year.

Welcoming the report, the chairman of Kintyre Initiative Working Group (KIWG), councillor Rory Colville said there is great potential for a late flight on a Sunday.

But at the group's most recent meeting, he said it would be 'unrealistic' to secure flights on both a Saturday and a Sunday.

'I would like to congratulate the author of this report; it is a step in the right direction,' he said, further supporting seasonal flights from April to September.

'I am really encouraged this work has been done. It would be good

to get a Sunday afternoon flight leaving Glasgow at 4pm, arriving in Campbeltown at around 5pm. This is one of the recommendations.'

Campbeltown Airport's John Lamont said this would allow other private aircraft to land in Campbeltown during that time.

Moya Ingram of Argyll and Bute Council spoke to the group and said the study highlighted potential conflict between the optimum timings of the Glasgow to Campbeltown weekend flights and those presently running between Glasgow, Barra and Tiree.

The chief executive of Argyll and Bute Council has written to Transport Scotland in support of the proposal.



EIGHT-month-old Jessica Ferguson with Dad Robert at the Southend bonfire night on Sunday. They joined others from the village and surrounding area for a large bonfire and fireworks display organised by Southend Community Council. The community councillors also had soup and hot dogs on offer. 20_c45south01

Council to consider redundancy measures

REDUNDANCIES are amongst measures being considered by Argyll and Bute Council as it struggles to meet a savings target of £6million a year.

The authority has to cut £42million from its spend over the next seven years in order to balance the books, something the council admitted would represent a 'significant long-term challenge'.

A council source confirmed to *The Courier* that negotiations were taking place this week with a view to looking at every aspect of the council's operations – including staffing levels. The council employs around 4,500 people.

'The council is still talking about it - there are some painful decisions to be made.'

'Just now the talk is about natural wastage and this idea of not filling posts when people leave. What happens then is, where you had four people in a department, you then have three. They end up doing too much, become stressed and they are

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New skills and employment opportunities

A LONG-term partnership will bring new skills and employment opportunities to the people of the Highlands and Islands.

Scottish and Southern Energy met with the University of the Highlands and Islands earlier this week to work together to maximise the benefits for the local community from the local carbon energy revolution.

Plans approved

PLANNING permission has been approved for the development of five houses in Stewarton, Kintyre.

The permission was for land east of Burnside Cottages and includes the construction of an access road.

Have your say on site for new grammar school

NOW IS the time to have your say in the proposed sites for the new Campbeltown Grammar School.

The consultation period started on Wednesday and will finish on November 30.

A launch night took place on Wednesday at the existing grammar to give locals the chance to find out more details about the four sites.

They are the existing grammar school and playing fields, Kinloch Park, the Meadows Playing Fields and the combined site of the Meadows Playing Fields and the ground adjacent to Campbeltown Hospital.

An open day was also held yesterday (Thursday), with others held today and tomorrow.

Written displays with information on each of the four possible sites will be in Campbeltown Grammar School and the council's Customer Service Point, in the Burnet Building, throughout the consultation.

Feedback forms are now available from CGS, any of the local primary schools in the Campbeltown Grammar School catchment area or the Burnet building.

An online response form is also available on the council's website.

Travelling Gallery visits Campbeltown

AS PART of its autumn tour the Travelling Gallery visited Campbeltown earlier this week.

'We Form Geology', a new installation by artist Ilana Halperin, explores geological and mineral phenomena formed inside and outside the body, from Scotland to Iceland and beyond.

The group visited Campbeltown Grammar School on Wednesday and Tarbert Academy yesterday (Thursday).

The interior of the Travelling Gallery is transformed into a miniature hall of gems and minerals incorporating geological specimens from National Muse-

ums Scotland, many of which relate to the geographical locations visited on the Travelling Gallery tour.

Pupils in Campbeltown got the chance to create their own artworks inspired by the exhibition, when they took part in a workshop with artist Ann McCluskey.



Chairman of Golf Tourism Scotland Lee Derrick presents Kirsty Martin with her award.

Top accolade for Kirsty

THE enthusiasm and dedication shown by a 22-year-old Campbeltown woman saw her awarded a top accolade for her work.

Kirsty Martin, reservations manager at the Village at Machrihanish Dunes, received the award for Young Industry Person of the Year Award, one of the industries top awards.

Kirsty has worked her way up through the ranks since she returned to the town in 2011.

She went to Glasgow Caledonian to study hospitality, landing a job with the Radisson in Glasgow through its graduate programme before returning to Campbeltown to take up the post as operations manager at Machrihanish Dunes.

Kirsty has been behind the team who organised the opening of the Royal and Ugadale Hotels in Kintyre earli-

er this year, and her dedication and enthusiasm impressed the judges at the awards, organised by Golf Tourism Scotland.

She was nominated by Southworth Development's David De Smith for the award and said she was 'overwhelmed' to be nominated, never mind to win.

Huge achievement

'I didn't expect to win,' explained Kirsty. 'It has been nice to get the recognition for my hard work opening the hotels something which was outside my comfort zone. It is a huge achievement.'

'I would like to thank David and the company for the opportunities they have created for me.'

This weekend Kirsty will be heading for Portugal with the company to promote Machrihanish Dunes and the area to the international market.

Council to consider redundancy measures

Continued from page 1 signed off their work. So you go from people doing 125 per cent of the work they were doing previously to 150 per cent. That doesn't work.

'The talks will go on for some weeks and it won't be easy at all.'

'How do you decide on something emotive like childcare or reducing the frequency of filling pot holes?'

A spokeswoman for the council said: 'The council is currently considering its budget proposals for the financial year 2013/14. No details have been finalised at this stage.'

Appeal raises £2,572 for Salvation Army

THROUGH the Annual Appeal for the Salvation Army, a total of £2,572 has been raised.

The people of Kintyre helped to raise the sum which is used for the wider work of the association throughout the country and helps so many others.

Corps Sergeant Major DS McLean of the local Salvation Army thanked everyone who gave money and said: 'It was good to have conversations about what the Army means to the local people as we went around the town and throughout Kintyre during September.'



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CARA DUTFIELD

graduated from The Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen with a BSc Hons (First Class) in Occupational Therapy. Cara is the daughter of Robin and Elizabeth, Helensburgh and the grand-daughter of Cathie McLellan, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead



ANDREW GIBB

graduated from Heriot Watt University with a BSc Hons (1st Class) in Brewing and Distilling, grandson of Jean and the late Robin Gibb, Ardrishaig and the late Sadie and Ken Maxwell, Kilmartin. Andrew is now working with Campbell Meyer, Whisky Blenders, East Kilbride.

Police files

Weekend arrests:
A NUMBER of arrests were made over the weekend in the centre of Campbeltown.

In separate incidents of breaching the peace three men were arrested, one from Mafeking Place, Bunbank Street and Shore Street.

A woman was arrested for a breach of the peace on Burnside Street.

Police arrested a juvenile on Crosshill Avenue, Campbeltown for an assault, breaching the peace and also vandalism.

Witnesses:
POLICE are appealing for witnesses after a brick was thrown through a window at High Street, Campbeltown on Friday night.

Rural skills and youth employment summit in Oban

A NATIONAL summit in Oban on rural skills and youth employment this week heard a hand-in-hand approach between business and local authority will help drive the local economy.

Rural affairs secretary, Richard Lochhead, said the example set by the Chambers of Commerce in Moray following news of RAF closures to drive development and recruitment should be used as a template for economic recovery.

Youth employment minister, Angela Constance, meanwhile, said local government procurement reform will mean more money spent in their region, helping preserve local jobs and develop training programmes.



DANCERS Linzi Cameron, Emily McLean, Lauren McKellar, Amy Lang, Hannah Brown, and Lisa McKellar with trophies they have won at various competitions during the summer months. The dancers are all pupils of the James McCorkindale School of Dancing. Any boy or girl interested in attending classes should see the advertisement on page nine. 20_c44dance01

Housing bodies hit out at new 'bedroom tax'

'We think it's grossly unfair'

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ARGYLL'S housing associations have hit out at a new 'bedroom tax' that will see 928 households lose £556,000 in housing benefit each year.

Coming into force on April 1, the legislation approved by Westminster will see social housing tenants with one spare bedroom lose 14 per cent of their housing benefit, while those with two or more spare rooms will lose 25 per cent. On average, affected Argyll and Bute tenants will lose £600 a year.

Pensioners are exempt, but disabled tenants and families will be hit by the system.

Children under 16 of the same gender are expected to share, as will children under 10 re-

gardless of gender. A disabled tenant or partner who needs non-resident overnight carer will be allowed an extra room.

If parents are separated, only those in receipt of child benefit can deem a second bedroom as used.

Debt build up

Critics are warning that the scheme could lead to a debt build up that will affect both the tenants and landlords alike.

Argyll Community Housing Association said the new systems target some of society's most vulnerable tenants and have urged the government to have a rethink.

Alastair MacGregor, chief executive of

ACHA, described the tax as tantamount to 'social engineering'.

He said: 'We think it's grossly unfair. It is almost as if someone has decided to just have a massive social experiment.'

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Unique surveying course on offer

A UNIQUE training opportunity is being offered in Campbeltown to learn about surveying the condition of a building.

The two-day course is open to anyone, from local professionals and contractors to homeowners.

Taking place on November 15 and 16, the free course will focus on inspections of buildings and give a practical understanding of the skills and techniques involved in surveying the condition of the building.

Understanding

Those attending will also gain an understanding of the background to, and fundamental principals of, conservation, planning and practice in Scot-

land; the breadth of design, detailing and materials used in traditional construction and the critical importance of using the correct skills and materials in carrying out any conservation, repair and maintenance work to traditional or historic buildings.

Fully funded

The course is being fully funded by Campbeltown Townscape Heritage Initiative.

Places on the course, led by Andrew Wright OBE and Marc Ellington DL, are limited and at the end delegates will receive a certificate.

For further information or to secure a place contact James Lafferty or Claire McVicar via email or on 01586 559048.

Remembrance Day wreath laying and service

THIS Sunday the annual Act of Remembrance will take place at the war memorial on Kinloch Green, Campbeltown.

Starting at 10.50am, the wreath laying will be followed by a service at the Highland Parish Church at 11.40am.

The Royal British Legion, Campbeltown Branch will lay a wreath at the Cross of Sacrifice and poppy crosses on the war graves in Kilkerran Cemetery on Saturday November 10 at 10.50am.

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Sunday 2nd December

Entry forms are available from Aqualibrium on a first come, first serve basis

For further information contact
Fiona Irwin on 01586 551212
or Lindsay Ramsay on 07917073424.





KINTYRE Toy Library held its Hallowe'en party last Wednesday with all the children dressing up and dooking for apples. Tracy from Bookbug also came along to read the children some spooky stories and sing some Hallowe'en songs.

Forestry staff work round the clock to assess ash tree disease

EARLIER this week a country-wide assessment of ash trees in the forests and woodlands was carried out.

More than 150 Forestry Commission staff, staff from the Scottish Government plant health team and contractors worked round the clock to carry out the assessment.

The five-day rapid action survey, which started last Friday, is being taken to assess whether there is any indication that the Chalara disease is present in the wider environment.

Any ash trees flagged as 'highly sus-

picious' in the survey will be revisited within 24 hours by staff experienced in sample collection.

Any samples taken are sent off for rapid laboratory analysis.

Serious threat

Paul Wheelhouse, environment and climate change minister said: 'The Chalara disease is a serious threat to Scotland's precious ash trees.'

'Currently we have just two confirmed cases of the disease in Scotland but we expect that number to rise as the rapid survey progresses.'

Plan to improve mobile phone signal in 'not spot' area

by **RUTH McCLEAN**
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A PLAN to adopt a disused mast in Kintyre would improve mobile phone signal in the region, a meeting has heard.

The claim, at a meeting of the Kintyre Initiative Working Group (KIWG) last week, comes after Southend was added to the list of 'not spots' for mobile phone coverage.

A 'not spot' is an area in the UK which suffers from poor or non-existent mobile phone coverage.

The KIWG meet-

ing was told Argyll and Bute Council's IT infrastructure manager had been in communication with Vodafone to add the area to list.

But a possible solution was offered when it was agreed to take forward a plan to adopt the mast in Southend, owned and previously used by Northern Ireland Electricity, after the company announced it now planned release the site.

Councillor Rory Colville, chairman of KIWG said that because of a lease agreement,

the electricity company would need to take the mast down.

However, he added: 'The company has indicated that should another organisation or community group wish to take it over, they would be happy to talk to them.'

Councillor Colville said talks were now going ahead with Vodafone regarding the mast.

According to a report by Ofcom of the UK Communications Infrastructure last year, 1.6 per cent of homes and offices in Argyll and Bute have no reliable mobile telephone signal. John Bakes, chairman

of Southend Community Council, highlighted a particular problem on the Kintyre Way, where a phone signal is unavailable on two thirds of the route.

Last year the government announced it would invest up to £150million to improve mobile phone coverage in the UK.

This investment will improve the coverage and quality of mobile services for the five to 10 per cent of consumers and businesses that live and work in areas of the UK where existing mobile coverage is poor or non-existent.

Council workers recognised

STUDIOUS employees of Argyll and Bute Council have had their efforts recognised as they achieved a variety of work-related qualifications.

Staff from the council's community and customer services teams gathered in the council chamber last Friday to receive their certificates from provost Isobel Strong.

Working at council facilities all across the Argyll and Bute area, they have been working towards a range of different qualifications, including Scottish Vocational Qualifications (SVQs), professional customer service standards and computer train-

ing. These relate directly to the skills they need in order to do their jobs well.

Much of their training was provided in-house using Argyll and Bute Council's own SVQ centre and assessors. Argyll and Bute Council provost Isobel Strong said: 'Education is very close to my heart, and I was delighted to present council staff with their certificates. They have worked hard and deserve to be proud of their achievements.'

'Having staff who are well trained and committed to enhancing their skills means that we can better serve the people of Argyll and Bute.'

The following staff

from Kintyre and Islay achieved qualifications.

SVQ Level 4, Health and Social Care (Adults): Aileen MacAulay, Kintyre; SVQ Level 3, Health and Social Care: Julie Baker, Islay, Hazel Campbell, Islay, Hilda Galbraith, Campbeltown, Fiona Henderson, Campbeltown, Heather Mayberry, Kintyre, Karen Morice, Islay, Archie Ronald, Campbeltown; SVQ Level 2, Health and Social Care: Mary Bavin, Catherine McGeachy, Sylvia McKerrell, Ann Marie Stitchesell, Fiona Thomson, all Islay.

Customer Service Professional Qualification: Catherine Allibone, Campbeltown,

Donna MacLean, Campbeltown, Julie McLellan, Campbeltown; European Computer Driving Licence: Mary Morrison, Clachan, Tina McCrank, Campbeltown, Sharon McHarrie, Islay, Louise McNiven, Islay, Gemma Cameron, Islay.

Preparing for winter weather

WITH winter just around the corner preparations are being put in place for any bad weather if it hits the area.

Almost 16,000 tonnes of salt is in stock ready to use on the roads across Argyll and Bute.

A lot of work has also been done on community resilience with a leaflet promoting the council's own resilience and winter weather plan is available.

For more information on priority treatment routes please visit www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/winter-weather-ready or pick up a winter weather ready leaflet, which will be available in the next couple of weeks.

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Thursday 15th and Friday 16th November 2012

Aimed at local building professionals, contractors, owners of traditional buildings and members of community groups involved in heritage projects.

Non Destructive Surveying - combines classroom based learning with on site inspection of the Buildings within the Campbeltown Conservation Area. The course will provide delegates with an introduction to, and a practical understanding of, the skills and techniques involved in surveying the condition and assessing the conservation, repair and maintenance requirements of Traditional/Historic buildings.

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9.30am - 4.30pm on both days.**

Fully funded by Campbeltown THI with lunch and refreshments included.

Delivered by the Scottish Traditional Skills Training Centre.

Places on this course are limited so for further information or to book a place please contact Campbeltown THI on 01586 559048, or e-mail claire.mcvicar@argyll-bute.gov.uk



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PRIMARY 1 and Primary 2 pupils from Castlehill Primary enjoyed a fun filled afternoon when they had their Hallowe'en Party last week. All the children wore costumes including witches, transformers and even a pink furry pig.

A variety of games were played and everyone took part in the old favourite 'dooking for apples'.

Windfarm company sponsors Kintyre Way

£10,000 a year for the next three years

by EDEL KENEALY
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THE COMPANY behind a contentious windfarm at Freasdail near Whitehouse has this week signed a £30,000 sponsorship deal with the Kintyre Way. Renewable energy company RES, which this week submitted a planning application for Freasdail Windfarm to Argyll and Bute Council, will provide £10,000 a year for the next three years to the company that manages the route.

Future viability
Owen Paisley, Kintyre Way Route Manager, said: 'The funding provided will go a long way to ensure the future via-

bility of the route so that it can continue to bring benefits to all of Kintyre.

'Since 2006 it is believed that around 6,000 people have walked down the Kintyre Way bringing almost £2.5 million into the Kintyre economy. Unfortunately, none of this financial benefit returns to the Kintyre Way to help with maintenance and development.

'Without the financial lifeline offered by RES there was every possibility that the route would have to close in 2013. With this funding in place the board can

now continue their work in building up the route as a world class walking destination.'

Contributing

Louise Davis, RES development project manager, said: 'As a company wishing to develop in the area we want to make sure we are contributing to the future of Kintyre in as many ways as we can. We hope the Kintyre Way continues to attract tourists to the area so they can explore this beautiful part of the country.'

If the Freasdail Windfarm application is approved by planners eleven 100 metre-high turbines will be erected near Whitehouse village. Kintyre Turbine



Caption Required

Watch, a local organisation set up to review the size, scale and suitability of windfarms in Kintyre, are strongly opposed to the windfarm.

Final touches for Christmas light's switch on being put in place

ORGANISATIONS who wish to take part in this month's Christmas light's switch on are being asked to get in touch with the committee.

The final touches are being put in place for the event on Friday November 30 in the town centre of Campbeltown.

Anyone who would like to take part in the parade, which will once again include a lantern procession, should contact chairman of the organising committee Raymond Harvey on 07865 44886.

Floats are being welcomed from as many community groups as possible.

Glowing report for Rhunahaorie Primary

RHUNAHAORINE Primary has received a glowing report in a recent inspection.

Happy and confident children, children's learning experiences outdoors and relationships with parents, were identified as some of the key strengths of the school.

Carried out by Education Scotland, the inspector was satisfied with the overall quality of provision at the school.

'We are confident that with the continued support of the education authority, the school's self evaluation processes will secure further improvement,' said a report by Education Scotland. 'As a result, we will make no further visits in connection with this inspection. The local authority will inform parents about the school's progress as part of the authority's arrangements for reporting to parents on the quality of its schools.'

Argyll woman is a finalist for the TalkTalk Digital heroes Awards 2012

AN ARGYLL-woman has been announced as a finalist for a national award and wants to put the area on the creative map.

Nicola Jones, who lives on the Isle of Bute, has been selected as one of three finalists in Scotland for the TalkTalk Digital Heroes Awards 2012.

This is in recognition of her voluntary digital media work in the community and working with organisations on Bute and others includ-

ing The Rustle Way Art and Media Studio.

Nicola said she chuffed is a massive understatement.

'To win, would enable us to grow and develop the training opportunities for the next generation, and provide the real-time, hands-on project work they require to create employment for the future - not to mention putting Argyll firmly on the creative-industries map.' Visit TalkTalk's website for more information.



The Smallest Plane in the World!
Win prizes for your whole class!

To celebrate the launch of audio story books featuring Myro, the smallest plane in the world, Campbeltown Courier has teamed up with publishers Nickrose to offer youngsters the chance to win a prize worth £325.

Children in primary one and two are being invited to send us their drawings of Myro or his friends. The child who draws the best picture will receive a set of six Myro audio story books and CDs and a Myro activity pack.

They will also win a Myro picture story book for every child in their class and a Myro story sack for their teacher. Three runners up will be awarded a prize worth £99.

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To be in with a chance of winning all your child has to do is draw a picture of Myro or one of his friends and send it to us at Wyvex Media, PO Box 1, Oban, Argyll, PA34 4HB by November 16, 2012. To find pictures of Myro and his friends to draw for the competition, visit www.myro.com or visit Facebook or Twitter @MyroAdventures.

Child's full name..... age

Parent's contact number.....

Parent's contact email address.....

Child's School name

Child's School town / village

Child's class type (P1/P2).....

Child's class teacher

Would you like Myro to contact you? (tick box Yes / No)

*Terms and conditions apply. A maximum of 35 books will be awarded to a single class. The editor's decision is final.

Win a Xmas Party Night table for 8 at the Anchor Hotel in Tarbert



PROVIDING exceptional Scottish hospitality at its finest, the Anchor Hotel in Tarbert is easily accessible to all.

The hotel is now taking bookings for Christmas lunches, dinners and party nights.

The entertainment on December 15 and 21 for the party nights will be by well-known band the Democrats.

The hotel, which has recently won a Trip Advisor Excellence Award, is giving one lucky reader the chance to win a party night for eight people through The Campbeltown Courier and Argyllshire Advertiser.

For your chance to win the party night for eight answer the following question:

Which band is playing at the Anchor Hotel Xmas Party Nights on 15 & 21 December ?

Send your answer, plus, name, address and telephone number. to
The Anchor Hotel and Sea Bed Restaurant,
Harbour Street, Tarbert, Argyll, PA29 6UB,

A draw of all the winning entries will take place on Saturday 24 November @ 8:00pm at the Anchor Hotel

Telephone:- 01880 820577
www.lochfyne-scotland.co.uk

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



IT WAS quite a daunting experience to be questioned by 40 intelligent, thoughtful teenagers, but despite my anxiety, it turned out to be a wonderful afternoon.

I was part of a panel invited to Tarbert Academy to participate in a moral debate and I was most impressed by the scope and variety of the questions put forward by the young people.

They have embraced the major issues which affect our society and culture and they consider these with sensitivity, openness and maturity.

The opinions of the panel were varied and sometimes diverse, but always courteous and there was also humour to be shared.

I was impressed by the knowledge of the students and at the articulate manner in which they could express their point of view.

There are so many sources of knowledge open to us all these days and the young people devour that knowledge with an appetite that knows no filling.

I love their enthusiasm and their passion, even if I don't share each opinion, for I so admire their journey to reach their belief.

The questions continued and as we ran out of time I was sorry the debate was over.

There were still many questions and issues we did not have time to address and I would welcome another opportunity to engage with these young thinkers.

There is a lovely quote from JK Rowling in her book *Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince* which said: 'Age is foolish and forgetful when it underestimates youth.'

I think we have a great future resource in our young people and I wonder just what untapped potential is within each one of them just waiting to be realised.

It is inspiring to think that among this group there may well be future doctors, scientists, philosophers, politicians, and if so, I think the future is in safe hands.



Down Memory Lane

SHONA Barbour, found this old photograph taken around 1973 and is of Glenbarr Primary School's P1 to P7.

Left to right, back row: Bruce Graham, Helen Warnock, Fiona McDonald, Don McFarlane, Peter Blackstock, Duncan Docherty, Rhona McDonald, Shona Hamilton and David Park.

Second back row: John Semple, Archie Mitchell, Lorna MacKinnon, Fiona MacKinnon, Denise Robertson, Anne Mitchell, Mar-

garet Smith, Duncan Macalister and Callum Blackstock.

Seated: ???, Elkie Macalister, Mairi MacKinnon, Wilma Young, teacher Alison Shanks, head teacher Donald Beckett, Ailsa Watson, Mandy Galbraith, Joanna McMurchy, Alison Galbraith and Mairi Docherty.

Front row: Margaret MacKinnon, Paula McCallum, Kenny Blackstock, Robert Blackstock, Richard McCallum, Gordon McDonald, Willie MacKinnon, Ariel Dunnett and Anne Smith.

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Campbeltown football coaches

Sir,
It has been great to see the amount of new certificated football coaches in the Campbeltown area giving the children and young adults the benefit of qualified coaches. These coaches who give up their free time are essential to the development of the children and football in Campbeltown and cannot be praised enough.

This is a letter of thanks on behalf of the Campbeltown United Squad of 2008 to the coaches who helped our age group, and older, of whom we are very appreciative of now but who were not praised enough at the time.

It is only in adulthood that we realise the amount of time and effort the coaches put into the teams with lit-

tle thanks and we would like to let the coaches know how grateful we are.

Again, this is a letter of thanks to all the coaches involved in the coaching of football in Campbeltown over the last 15 years starting with Davie Martin et al at the Soccer Centre then John Gillespie and Kevan Gilchrist et al at Campbeltown United and Hector McMurchy et al at the Campbeltown Boy's.

We would like to wish the new coaches all the best for the future, and the continued success and progression of football in Campbeltown.
Campbeltown United Squad of 2008.

Senior Citizens' Concert thanks

Sir,
On behalf of Campbeltown Community Council I wish to say a big thank you to all the very

talented people who kindly gave up their Saturday afternoon to entertain us at the Senior Citizens' Concert in the Victoria Hall on November 3 and to John Armour who was our excellent Master of Ceremonies.

I also wish to thank the following people behind the scenes.

Two ladies who worked particularly hard to organise the event: Cathy Duncan for arranging the acts and Alice McLean for co-ordinating the refreshments.

My other colleagues on the community council and their families and friends who had also volunteered.

All the very generous people who donated raffle prizes.

Campbeltown Benevolent Society for their kind donation.

Argyll and Bute Council for the use of the Victoria Hall.

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Kintyre people give great support to charities

IT'S good to see so much money raised in Campbeltown for charity.

Week on week we see in our community notice board the abundance of fundraising that goes on across the peninsula.

Charities expect people to turn out and support them, and they do in their droves, without fail every single week.

It gives you a sense of community when you go to these events: the hall is buzzing, people are chatting and laughing, and enjoying themselves.

Many charities benefit from the efforts of the various committees, without them the fundraising would not exist.

It would be good to see coffee mornings once again held in the town hall in Campbeltown.

Well-done Kintyre and keep up the good work!

I really enjoyed the event and I believe so did the audience.
Andrew Hemmings,
Convenor,
Campbeltown
Community Council.

Campbeltown traffic problems

Sir,
I and my family lived in Machrihanish and Campbeltown in the early 1980s, our children went to primary public school in Campbeltown as well.

I was attached to a US NATO contingent at the drome.

We loved living on the west coast in the highlands. We returned in 2003 to visit old friends which we had stayed in touch with, grieved the loss of some, and made new ones on our ten day visit in 2003 from Southend to Inveraray.

We rarely ventured into the town centre, except when it was essential to do so after we experienced wild driving by mostly young drivers.

It was unsafe for tourists on foot then and in reading this week's Courier it sounds as if the problem still exists if not getting worse.

For the business community, know that we have resolved not to return to the 'wee toon' we had fallen in love with as a family due to the unsafe driving, congestion, and lack of total respect for pedestrians.

As we left to return home last time we were given your famous 'haste ye back' for a second time, and cannot bring ourselves to do so. Your traffic problems are a danger to your desire for tourists.

My wife and I are rapidly nearing our retirement years and at one time considered spending more time in Campbeltown on holiday in the summers as part of our dream retirement.

Since 2003 that has no longer been a part of our plans and the recent Courier article confirms that.

Uncontrollable traffic problems in a town that was never built as a speedway cannot be justified.

We were not even allowed by the traffic at the cross roundabout to safely cross so we could spend time in the wee garden, reflection on the cross, and remembrance of the good times we had each New Year's Eve to gather with our adopted families and home along with our NATO allies in a very cold war.

If my fellow Rotarians do not make this a priority issue within the community, I will be deeply saddened indeed.

Vicar DE Pat
and Vel Kane,
Cedar Rapids,
Iowa, USA.

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The bonfire and fireworks were put together and organised by Campbeltown Fire Station. The guy for the bonfire was made by the primary sevens from Dalintober. 20_c45fire06

Fireworks light up the sky

FIREWORK displays took place up and down Kintyre over the last week to celebrate Guy Fawkes Night.

There was a bonfire in Campbeltown as well as some of the villages, with people wrapping up warm to enjoy the evenings.

Campbeltown's bonfire took place on

Monday night on Kinloch Green and was organised as a joint venture between the Dalintober and Millknowe Tenants and Residents Association and Strathclyde Fire and Rescue.

There was also a fireworks display from Dalintober Pier, Campbeltown.



Hannah Colville, Shaun McDaniel and Johnny Girvan at Monday night's bonfire. 20_c45fire04



Cathie Duncan and Mairi Duncan from the Dalintober and Millknowe Tenants and Residents Association. 20_c45fire02



Evan Robertson was wrapped up for the bonfire on Kinloch Green, Campbeltown. 20_c45fire01



A bonfire night and fireworks display took place on Gigha. The event was organised by Gigha Hotel with funds partially raised by the Gigha Young Fire Fighters throughout the year. Photograph courtesy of Don Dennis.



The fireworks were set off from Dalintober Pier, Campbeltown. 20_c45fire05



Linzi and Andrew Robertson with their children Jenna and Mitchell enjoy the fireworks at Southend. 20_c45south05



Jamie Conley and Michelle Paterson from Campbeltown Fire Station. 20_c45fire03



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Christmas craft fair at the Argyll Hotel, Southend

TOMORROW (Saturday) a Christmas craft fair will be taking place at the Argyll Hotel in Southend.

There will be hand-made gifts to suit all the family, including teas and coffees on offer.

Tables are still available for the event which starts at 2pm.

Coffee afternoon

NEXT weekend the local running club is holding a coffee afternoon.

Taking place in Stronvaar Bowling Club from 2pm to 4pm there will be delicious home-baking as well as teas, coffees and a raffle.

Photographer's work on display at Gigha Gallery

AN EXHIBITION on Gigha will showcase stunning images by a Campbeltown photographer, launching this weekend.

Campbell Fox, inspired by people and places, from Machrihanish to Bondi Beach, has a real eye for finding interest in the unexpected.

His work will be on display at Gigha Gallery and uses both black white and colour to create intrigue.

The preview is from 2pm to 4pm and you can meet Campbell and en-

joy the wine and cheese with plenty of time for a walk on the shore or a visit to Achamore Gardens before the last ferry leaves at 5.35pm. The ferry costs less now that the Road Equivalent Tarrif has hit Gigha.

There is also an evening opening from 7pm to 9pm.

If you can't make it over to the island the images are available to view online on the smashing-glass.com website and will be available at the gallery throughout the winter.



Kintyre Schools Pipe Band opened the concert in the Victoria Hall on Saturday. 20_c45folk03

Senior Citizens' Concert voted a big success



MC for the event John Armour. 20_c45folk01

AN ARRAY of local talent was showcased on Saturday afternoon at the Senior Citizens' Concert at the Victoria Hall, Campbeltown.

John Armour was the MC for the annual event, which was organised by Campbeltown Community Council.

Ladies and gents over 60 were treated to a host of acts, including Kintyre Schools Pipe Band, Campbeltown Brass, and dancers from the James McCorkindale School of Dance.

See letters page.



Robert McCallum. 20_c45folk02

Car Boot Sale in St Blaans Hall

THERE will be a variety of tables to browse through at a car boot sale in St Blaans Hall this Sunday.

Susan Paterson, chairwoman of the Dunaverly Hall Committee explained it has been a while since they had such an event in the village and due to requests by members of the public they decided to organise one.

'There will be stalls usually seen at such a sale but also baking, jewellery and other gift type stalls,' said Susan. 'Proceeds from this will go towards a new hall and we are having very positive discussions with some funding partners at present.'

Following this there will be the annual Christmas Fayre on December 1 with the usual visit from Santa.

Full time courses at Argyll College

FULL-time courses at Argyll College are now underway, the Kintyre Initiative Working Group heard last week.

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Amici Cello Trio to perform at music club

THREE award-winning musicians, who created their musical ensemble as schoolgirls, will take their unusual three-celli combination to perform in the November session of the Kintyre Music Club.

The Amici Cello Trio of Sonia Cromarty, Fiona Dippie and Helen McVey was established in 2001 when all three cellists were studying at the RSAMD together.

Sustained

Still comprising the three original members, the trio has sustained a successful chamber music career balanced with other professional and personal interests.

Sonia freelances with all the major orchestras

including BBC, Scottish Opera and Scottish Ballet, whilst Helen holds an academic post at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland and a creative post with Enterprise Music Scotland.

Meanwhile Fiona works in East Renfrewshire as a classroom music teacher whilst keeping up with her various performing commitments.

To date, the Amici Cello Trio has performed at some 20 music clubs and societies across Scotland including Kilmardinny, Linlithgow, Boat of Garten, Kirkcaldy, Dunfermline and Rannoch.

The members of the trio frequently work to

expand the repertoire for the group, sourcing interesting works and arranging/transcribing for the unusual combination of three celli.

Live broadcast

The Trio made its first live broadcast on Radio Scotland with a short extract of a new version of Peter and the Wolf with Jamie Macdougall – this was part of the Aberdeen International Youth Festival of which the group were resident chamber ensemble.

Looking forward to their Campbeltown performance, the band said: 'We are delighted to be touring Argyll and Bute and hope the audience enjoys the performance.'



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Tarbert youngsters in the swim

YOUNGESTERS from Tarbert Youth Group are hoping to make a splash in the pool as they prepare to do a sponsored swim to raise money for charity as a thank you.

Ten young people from the youth group will be swimming as far as they can to raise money for Children In Need as a way of saying thank you to the charity, which has done so much for them in the past.

Heather Bellshaw, project co-ordinator at the youth group, said: 'The charity has helped us so many times in the past so we decided to give back, the children enjoy swimming and are looking forward to it.'

Heather will also be in the pool as she plans on swimming a mile and she said she feels confident of completing the challenge after putting in a lot of training.

Mairi Semple Fund ceilidh

THE local branch of Mairi Semple Fund is holding a ceilidh next weekend.

Taking place in the Argyll Bowling Club, Campbeltown, the Èirich Cèilidh Band will be providing the music.

Tickets for the evening are available from committee members.

See advert for more details.

RNLI coffee morning raises £800

AROUND £800 was raised at a coffee morning on Saturday for the local fundraising branch of RNLI.

Held in the Red Cross Hall, this also included lifeboat merchandise like Christmas cards.

The committee would like to thank everyone who went along and donated to the event.

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Grammar school coffee morning

PUPILS from Campbeltown Grammar's S6 will be hosting a coffee morning tomorrow (Saturday) with all proceeds going to the Christmas Hamper Appeal.

There will be the usual stalls and musical entertainment in the Kirk Street Hall from 10am to noon.

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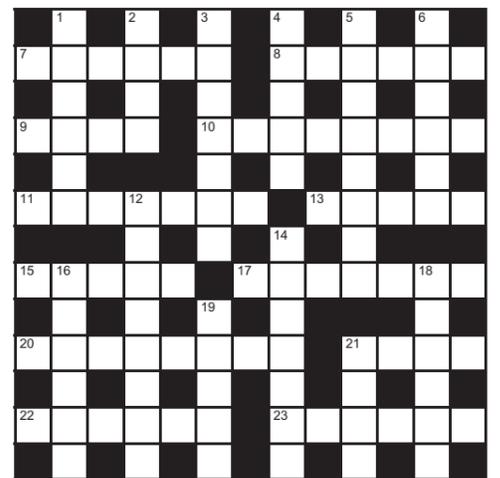
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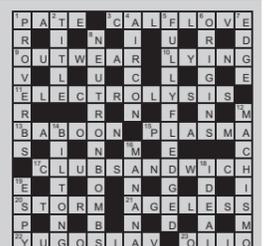
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- 1 Grey and sad (6)
- 2 Walk with heavy steps (4)
- 3 Beseech (7)
- 4 Excitement (5)
- 5 Following orders (8)
- 6 Hitchcock classic (6)
- 12 Shape of three joined lines (8)
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- 16 Give a pep talk (6)
- 18 Recurring irregularly (6)
- 19 Milky coffee (5)
- 21 Burlap fiber (4)



Last week's solution



Piper Lorne shortlisted for Instrumentalist prize at Scots Trad Awards

THIS year has been a great year for Caradale's Lorne MacDougall.

Not only has he rubbed shoulders with some of movie's biggest stars, and played alongside the Red Hot Chilli Pipers, Lorne has now been shortlisted for the MG Alba Scots Traditional Music Awards. The 28-year-old piper is thrilled to have been considered for Instrumentalist of the Year.

The prestigious event honours and celebrates the achievements of Scotland's traditional musicians and 2012 will be the most important year in the event's history, as it marks its

10th anniversary. The winners of the categories will be decided by 50 per cent on the public votes and 50 per cent by a panel.

To vote for Lorne visit his website at www.lornemacdougall.com/?p=564.

Lorne recorded the piping parts for a recent BBC Children in Need single and arranged and performed highland and border pipes for the 2012 Disney Pixar movie *Brave* under the leadership of Patrick Doyle, also performing on the red carpet at the European Premiere for the stars. He is also three times BBC Radio Scotland Young Traditional Mu-

sician of the year finalist.

The modest piper is a versatile musician who plays Highland bagpipes, smallpipes, Border pipes and whistles. Lorne is in constant demand to perform for various concerts and recordings throughout the world.

He was the co-producer of all the Red Hot Chilli Pipers albums.

Public voting will close on Wednesday November 21 and all winners will be announced at a glittering ceremony hosted by Mary Ann Kennedy and Tony Kearney on Saturday December 8 at Nevis Centre, Fort William.



THERE was a mix of pumpkins, rabbits and super heroes at a Hallowe'en party for Campbeltown Hospital's maternity Bumps and Babies group. The mums met in the day hospital with their bundles last week all dressed up for the occasion. 20_c45bumps01

Campaign to raise funds for Islay cancer girl

A MASSIVE fundraising campaign has been launched on Islay as part of an appeal to help a young girl go to America for cancer treatment.

The Ciara Caskie Allan Appeal was set up two weeks ago to help support the family of Ciara Caskie Allan, who has been battling cancer since the age of three.

A benign brain tumour, which paralysed her down the left side, was discovered after she suffered a stroke due to a brain haemorrhage.

After 16 weeks of hydrotherapy and physiotherapy she was able to walk and talk again. However, last year it was confirmed her tumour had spread and developed cysts.

She has received two forms of chemotherapy, both of which have been unsuccessful and undergone brain surgery. This week she will face her third major brain surgery and after a short re-



A fundraising appeal has been launched for Islay girl Ciara Caskie Allan.

covery period will fly to Oklahoma to undergo Proton Therapy, an intensive treatment which is currently unavailable in the UK.

Fund coordinator Archie MacLachlan told *The Courier*: 'Islay is a tight community and we are always helping charities. Ciara is a lovely bright young lady. She has a smile that would light up Oban ten times over.'

'She never complains and is just so enthusias-

tic. Everyone wants to help her because of her bright disposition.'

The appeal has already hosted a junior Halloween disco, which took place on Friday at Bowmore Hall and was attended by 120 local children.

A number of other events have been organised throughout November and into December including a sponsored rugby ball run, which sees members of the Islay Rugby Club, Port Ellen Football Club and the crew from *HMS Vanguard* run with a rugby ball from Portnahaven to Port Ellen tomorrow (Saturday).

There will also be a quiz night in the Bowmore Hotel on the same day and the Royal Hotel in Oban will host a raffle and evening shopping event on November 30th at 7.30pm. The event is free and will include stalls from a number of local businesses.

Wedding off as Pakistani man overstays his welcome

A PAKISTANI man is in detention after he was arrested as he was due to get married.

UK Border Agency officers received intelligence on a wedding scheduled to take place last Monday.

Officers from Strathclyde police attended the registration officer and arrested the man.

The 24-year-old Pakistani man had overstayed his visa and was due to marry a Latvian woman.

He was arrested as he has no right to be in the UK, and is being held in detention while steps are taken to remove him back to Pakistan.

Anna Beattie, from the UK Border Agency in Scotland, said:

'We will not hesitate to act against those who mistakenly believe that they can abuse the immigration system.'

Anyone who has information on suspected immigration offenders can visit <http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/aboutus/contact/report-crime/> or contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

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BELLOCHANTUY

Bee keeping talk at the SWRI

THE ladies of SWRI Bellochantuy were welcomed to the October meeting by president Patricia Fair at Glenbarr Village Hall.

The president welcomed a new member and after business matters were discussed she introduced the speaker Zoe Weir, who spoke about bee keeping.

Zoe has been keeping bees for more than 20 years. She brought parts of a bee hive and explained the purpose of each compartment and how honey is eventually collected.

The vote of thanks was given by Ann Boulton. Tea was served and the raffle drawn.

Competition Results: Baking Cheese Straws, Ann Boulton, gold, Libby Kerr, silver; Handicraft: A pin cushion, Jean Teesdale, gold, Elaine Hemmings, silver, Patricia Fair, silver, Libby Kerr, silver.

Fun: A biscuit tin, Nettie Semple, gold, Jean Miller, silver, Barbara Young, silver, Ann Boulton, silver, Susan Turner, gold, Elaine Hemmings, silver, Libby Kerr, silver.

TARBERT AND SKIPNESS

Kintyre and Mid Argyll produce group pay a visit to Sweden

A SECOND trip by a local produce project was made to the Skåne region of Sweden recently. The Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust LEADER project visited this time with 10 individuals ranging from community gardeners, allotment and smallholders to a film

crew and two young farmers who are currently attending Tarbert Academy.

Success

Jim Paterson, project leader for Local Produce said the trip was a great success, bringing people from all over Kintyre and Islay to visit a local food festival in Skåne called

Madarundan – literally meaning the food route.

‘This event sees farms and producers opening their doors to the public, allowing them to see how the food is produced and also having the opportunity to buy directly from the producer if they wish,’ explained Jim.

The event was held over three days and the group visited 17 producers and places of interest during that time.

Workshops were held at the beginning of the trip on arrival in Jonstorp to establish what the people wanted from the trip; this was then repeated at the end to find out what had impressed the group the most.

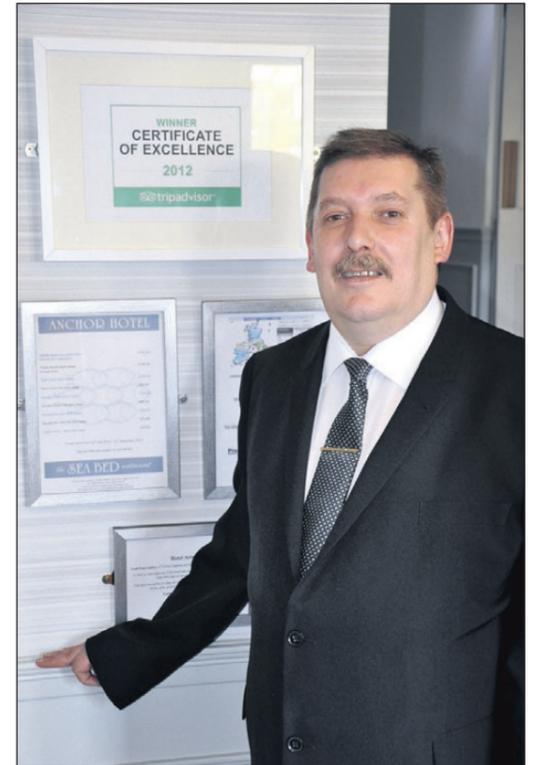
‘We were welcomed with open hands and hearts wherever we went and it is without doubt that the participants in this trip left a good impression of our area,’ said Jim.

‘We hope to build on all we have learned and when the documentary has been completed we will be showing the film throughout Kintyre and Islay as well as posting it on YouTube.

‘I would like to thank all of our hosts in Sweden and all the participants on the trip.’



Left to right: Morag Duff of Clachan, Sean Stewart of Skipness; Chris Holden of Campbeltown, Jenni Minto and Les Wilson of Islay, Ailsa Clark of Campbeltown, project leader Jim Paterson, Helen McBrearty and Douglas Earnshaw, Gigha and Ryan Malone, Campbeltown.



Top accolade for Tarbert hotel

A TARBERT hotel picked up a top accolade for its standard of service. The Anchor Hotel and Seabed Restaurant, Tarbert, was presented with the Trip Advisor Excellence Award, which is based on customer feedback on the website. Hotel manager Peter McClurg said it was the first time the hotel had won such an award, and recognised them on the website as the top hotel in the Tarbert area. 20_c45Anchor01

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Just one year prior, we experienced one of the coldest winters in memory, with temperatures plummeting to such an extent even the gritters struggled to get around.

It just goes to show that you cannot predict exactly what conditions to prepare for – so be ready for anything.

A given for most vehicles is to ensure winter tyres are fitted. Many people think these a luxury, but one or two icy mornings would quickly reassure you of their merit.

There are other essentials for all vehicles too. A torch in case of problems in the dark, safety escape kit, de-icer and scraper, spare tyre and a charged mobile phone – all simple yet essential items for unexpected events.

Remember to keep warm clothing in the car at all times. Some snacks are handy too – you'll be glad

you did if you break down in a remote place when the cold chill is biting in.

Another good idea would be to look at the vehicle you're driving. In the rural west highlands, sometimes only a 4x4 vehicle will do. These are most suited to driving in hazardous conditions and can often be the only way to negotiate the harshest of winter weather.

For example, in slippery conditions traditional front-wheel drive vehicles struggle to find traction. With the drive train unable to control the back wheels, the front wheels can often spin wildly out of control. This is exacerbated on uneven surfaces. In some conditions, the result can be a loss of control of the vehicle, damage to the tyre or even worse.

Snow can be even more difficult, particularly with narrow wheel arches susceptible to packing with slush.

Neither set of conditions would tax a 4x4 vehicle too much. Most modern off-road capable vehicles are able to apply a greater or lesser amount of traction to each wheel depending on the grip and type

of surface. If, for example, you find yourself having to negotiate frozen slush on the roads, the car will compensate to give the best possible driving experience. High wheel arches also mean the movement of your wheels won't be impacted quite as easily by packed snow or slush.

A caveat though, this doesn't mean you can simply put the foot down – caution is still required – but a 4x4 will still hold the road better than a front wheel drive.

It can make the difference between getting to your destination or not.

Of course, one of the most sensible things you can do is drive to the conditions; regardless of your vehicle. Don't drive if it is unsafe to do so, don't go too fast and don't brake too hard when approaching bends or hazards.

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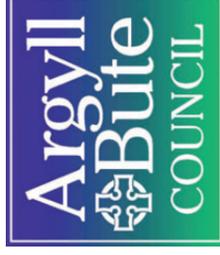
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Tips for winter driving

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Slow down, steer gently and use the highest gear you can. If you have to brake don't do it sharply. Look out for other skid hazards like frost and wet leaves. Always be aware that there could be 'black ice'. This is a thin coating of ice on the road and while not truly black it is transparent, so you will be able to see the road through it.

Snow

If your tyres won't grip, there may be a salt heap or grit bin nearby. Spread salt or grit in front of your driving wheels and set off in the highest gear you can. If you are caught in heavy snow, wrap up warm and stay inside your vehicle is possible.

Fog

Use dipped headlights, keep your windscreen clear and drive so you can stop in the distance you can see. Use rear fog lights if visibility is less than 100 metres.

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Winter syllabus for young farmers

THE winter syllabus for the local young farmers club is busying up with various activities over the next few weeks.

Earlier this week the club held a bowls night at Stewarton Village Hall to encourage members to go along and try the sport.

The club has also started planning its next concert following the success from this year.

March saw the Campbeltown Young Farmers putting on *A One Night Stand*, the first concert by a young farmers club in the area for many years.

Create sketches

They have been meeting weekly so far to create sketches and build up ideas for next year's already.

Next weekend the club's members will

be heading for Xscape at Braehead for a day away.

There is also badminton scheduled for next week too to keep the members active.

Members will also be seen at the Christmas lights switch-on event on November 30 as they take part in the parade with their decorated float.

This weekend an ex-

change trip is due to take place with Machars Young Farmers Club, with various activities planned.

Active winter

'It has been a really busy year so far,' said chairwoman Fiona McArthur. 'We are looking forward to an active winter, starting off with the visit from Machars this weekend, which will be good.'

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Leading prices: Bullock calves: Charolais £700, Ardtalla; Limousin - £680 Balliemartin, £675 Auchnaclach, £620 & £615 Ballulive; Limousin Cross - £575 Balliemartin, £570 Ardtalla; Simmental - £535 Daill; AA - £445 Daill; Shorthorn - £400 Carra-

bus;

Heifer calves: Charolais - £535 Balliemartin, £470 Ardtalla; Limousin - £525 Ballulive, £505 Auchnaclach; Simmental - £445 Daill; AA - £340 Daill;

Bulls: Limousin - £440 Carrabus; Simmental - £375 Daill; Charolais - £370 Ardtalla;

Cows with calves at foot: Gall - £700, £500 Carrabus; Shorthorn -

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The presidential position is held for two years

while vice presidents are elected annually.

Members of NFUS Scotland's council – a body made up from representatives of each of the Union's 71 branches - will then select the successful candidates.

Those wishing to stand for these positions should contact NFUS's chief executive Scott Walker to obtain a proposal form, which must

then be signed and returned to him by the end of December 17, 2012.

NFU Scotland CEO Scott Walker said: 'I believe the prospect of serving and representing fellow Scottish farmers is as attractive now as it was 100 years ago. The job of filling our posts is now underway and we invite applications from those keen to help shape our farming industry.'



The current president Nigel Miller with current vice presidents Allan Bowie and John Picken.

Scottish fish farms are spreading deadly parasite

EXPERTS warned this week that Scottish fish farms are spreading a deadly parasite that now kills more than a third of wild salmon in the north-east Atlantic.

A new international study has found 'unexpectedly large' numbers of wild salmon are dying in European waters every year, with 39 per cent killed by the flesh-eating lice.

Across the west coast fish farms have become the norm over the last few years, with a new one proposed for Tayinloan in Kintyre, and another in Carradale opening up a few years ago.

A leading academic at the University of St Andrews, who took part in the research, said it showed Scotland's multi-million-pound salmon

farming industry needed to do more to prevent sea lice from destroying wild fish stocks – as well as protecting the sector.

The study, disputed by the industry, comes as campaigners renewed warnings that a range of parasitic diseases were spreading through Scotland's fishing industry 'like cancer'.

The sea lice paper, published today in the Proceedings of the Royal Society B journal, stated that 'the parasitic crustaceans were probably acquired during early marine migration in areas that host large aquaculture populations of domesticated salmon, which elevate local abundances of ectoparasitic copepods (sea lice).'

Co-author Professor

Christopher Todd, specialist in marine ecology at the St Andrews Scottish Oceans Institute, warned the high-percentage mortality attributable to sea lice was unexpected.

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Written representations received by SEPA within 28 days of this advertisement will be taken into consideration in determining whether or not to grant the application.

Before determining the application, SEPA will:

- assess the risk to the water environment posed by the carrying on of the activity or activities;
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- consider any likely adverse social and economic effects of that impact and of any indirect environmental effects that have been identified;
- consider the likely environmental, social and economic benefits of the activity;
- assess the impact of the controlled activity or activities on the interests of other users of the water environment;
- assess what steps may be taken to ensure efficient and sustainable water use; and
- apply and have regard to relevant legislation.

SEPA will then either grant or refuse to grant the application.

GOODS VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENCE
Scotia Gas Networks Ltd of Castle Malwood Minstead Lyndhurst Hants SO43 7PE is applying to change an existing license as follows: To add an operating centre to keep 1 goods vehicle and 4 trailers at SGN Depot The Roading, Campbeltown, Argyll, PA28 6LU. Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds, LS9 6NF, stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representors must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A Guide to Making Representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's Office.

Stewarton & District Village Hall AGM
Friday 16th November 7.00pm



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PLANNING

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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2008 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
12/02150/PP	Proposed windfarm development comprising of 11 No. wind turbines (100 metres to blade tip), temporary and permanent anemometer masts, substation building, access tracks, construction compounds and ancillary development.	Land East of Loch Freasdail And North of Loch Cruinn Whitehouse by Tarbert Argyll and Bute	Sub Post Office Tarbert
12/02215/PP	Erection of dwellinghouse with attached garage and formation of vehicular access (amended design relative to planning permission reference 10/01716/PP)	Land South of Tyanna Tayvallich Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8PN	Area Office Ardrishaig
12/02394/PP	Formation of vehicular access to classified road (renewal of planning permission 08/00239/DET).	Barfad Farm Tarbert Argyll and Bute PA29 6YH	Sub Post Office Tarbert

THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2011

NOTICE UNDER REGULATION 18

Planning Application Reference Number: 12/02150/PP

Proposed development at Land East of Loch Freasdail and North of Loch Cruinn Whitehouse by Tarbert Argyll and Bute Notice is hereby given that an environmental statement has been submitted to Argyll and Bute Council by RES UK & Ireland Ltd relating to the planning application in respect of Proposed windfarm development comprising of 11 No. wind turbines (100 metres to blade tip), temporary and permanent anemometer masts, substation building, access tracks, construction compounds and ancillary development, notified to Argyll and Bute Council.

A copy of the environmental statement and the associated planning applications may be inspected during office hours in the register of planning applications kept by the Planning Authority, at Whitegates Office, Whitegates Road, Lochgilphead, PA31 8SY; and by logging on to the Council's Website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk and going through the 'Online planning and Building Standards Application Information' system during the period of 28 days beginning with the date of this notice.

Copies of the environmental statement may be purchased from Rachel Anderson - Community Relations Manager, RES UK & Ireland Ltd, Third Floor, STV, Pacific Quay, Glasgow, G51 1PQ at a cost of £25.00 (CD) or £250.00 (paper copy excluding p&tp).

Any person who wishes to make representations to Argyll and Bute Council about the environmental statement should make them in writing within the period to Mr R. Kerr, Principal Planning Officer, Whitegates Office, Whitegates Road, Lochgilphead, PA31 8SY

Argyll and Bute council encourages planning applications to be made on-line through The Scottish Government website: <https://eplanning.scotland.gov.uk> The Council maintain a Register of planning applications which can be viewed during normal office hours at Planning and Regulatory Services, Whitegates Office Whitegates Road Lochgilphead PA31 8SY. A weekly list of applications can be viewed at the above address and at all Council Libraries.

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ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL AND THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION SCOTLAND CAMPBELTOWN BRANCH REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE 2012

There will be an Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial, Kinloch Green, Campbeltown on Sunday 11th November 2012 from 10.50 a.m. During which a two minutes' silence will be observed. Members of the public are cordially invited to attend this Act of Remembrance.

Marching contingents and members of the public who wish to parade to the War Memorial are asked to meet at 10.15am at Campbeltown Old Quay and those who are laying wreaths as part of the official ceremony are invited to attend a short briefing at the War Memorial at 10.30am. There will be an opportunity at the end of the official wreath laying ceremony for individuals to place their floral tributes on the War Memorial.

After the Act of Remembrance the Parade will march to the Highland Parish Church where the Service will begin at 11.40 a.m.

COUNCILLOR SURGERY

Councillor Sandy Taylor (E.W.3 Mid Argyll) will be holding a drop in surgery in the Church Hall, Inveraray on MONDAY 12th NOVEMBER 2012 from 5.00pm to 6.00pm. Councillor Taylor can also be contacted by e mail - sandy.taylor@argyll-bute.gov.uk or by telephone - 01546 604184



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A driving license is essential for both posts.

If you would like to apply for one of these roles, please submit an application in writing with details of relevant experience, no later than Friday 23rd November 2012 to: Vicky Ferguson, Human Resources Manager, Marine Harvest (Scotland) Ltd, Business Resource Centre, Blar Mhor Industrial Estate, Fort William, PH33 7PT.

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Assistant Farm Manager
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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

The Bible says, 'Live in harmony with one another' (Romans, 12:16).

BIRTHS



FAIR - RONALD

Stephen Fair and Carol Ann Ronald are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter, Macey Linda-Elsie Fair, on October 22, 2012. First grandchild of Caroline and David Ronald and thirteenth grandchild of Brian and Mary-Ann Curtis, also first grandchild of the late Jim and Linda Fair. We would like to thank all the midwives at the Mid Argyll Hospital.

MACKAY - Donald and Valerie (née Baker) are delighted to announce the arrival of their twin boys, Murray Alan and Millar John, on October 26, 2012. Many thanks to all involved in their care, both in Campbeltown and Southern General Hospital, Glasgow.

MCGOUGAN - **MCINTYRE** - On September 20, 2012 at the Southern General Hospital, Glasgow, to Tony and Hayley, the gift of a son, Lyle John Anthony.

DEATHS

CRAWFORD - Peacefully, at Dr Gray's Hospital, Elgin, on Wednesday, October 24, 2012, Morag McCallum, aged 81 years, of James Street, Lossiemouth and formerly of Strathpeffer, dearly beloved wife of the late John McKinnon Crawford, dearly loved mum of Shuna, Cara and Rona, a dear mother-in-law, nanny and great grandmother. Cremated at Inverness Crematorium.

KERR - Peacefully, in the Glenaray Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital, on November 3, 2012, Janet Kerr, in her 96th year, of 15 Rowan Park, Lochgilphead, beloved wife of the late Philip Kerr, loving mother of Marion, Philip, Mary and the late Billy, Roberta and Christine and a loving grandmother and great grandmother. Funeral service was held on Thursday, November 8, 2012, at Lochgilphead Parish Church, followed by a private cremation service. An interment of ashes will be held at a later date, at Achnabreac Cemetery.

MCNAUGHTON - Peacefully, at the Kintyre Care Centre, Campbeltown, with his family around him, on November 2, 2012, Neil John McNaughton, in his 79th year, 75 Ralston Road, Campbeltown, dearly loved husband of Elizabeth Borthwick, much loved dad of Neil, Lindsay and Elaine and a loving grandad of Eilidh, Lili-Jane, Iona, Ruairidh and Ciara.

MITCHELL - Peacefully, in the Sunshine Room, Campbeltown Hospital, after a long illness bravely borne, on November 2, 2012, Bill Mitchell, in his 87th year, Shore Cottage, Shore Road, Carradale, son of the late Donald and Mary Mitchell, loving and cherished brother of Jessie and the late John, Donnie and Angus and a loving uncle and friend to many.

MURRAY - On November 2, 2012, peacefully at home, Gwen Liddell, aged 57 years, beloved wife of Don Murray, much loved mother of Michelle and Michael, dearly loved sister of Margaret and David and grandmother of Connor, Jade and Kayleigh. Funeral service was held at Cardross Crematorium on November 8, followed by a memorial service at Tarbert Free Church.

NICHOLSON - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on October 31, 2012, Agnes Stewart Galbraith, in her 99th year, 6 Tosh's Park, Carradale, beloved wife of the late Donald Nicholson, much loved mother of Donald-John, mother-in-law to Jeanette, much loved grandmother to Donald-Andrew and Nicola-Jane, loving great grandmother to Craig, Jamie, Sean and Jennifer, loving grandmother-in-law to Sally and Keith and a loving auntie, will be sadly missed by all.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

BLACK - The family of the late Janet (Yona) Black would like to thank everyone most sincerely, for the many kind expressions of sympathy received in their recent sad loss. Special thanks to all involved in her care and for all the kind attention received. Thanks also to Rev David Carruthers for a most comforting service and for his kind support, to Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for most professional services, Tarbert Hotel for excellent catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. The collection for Tarbert Nursing Aid raised £175.

MACGOUGAN - Helen and the family of the late John MacGougan, London, Ontario, wish to express sincere appreciation to relatives and friends for the many kind acts of sympathy sent to us in our sad loss.

MCNAUGHTON - Margaret and family would like to thank relatives and friends for their messages of sympathy after the sudden loss of David. Special thanks to Campbeltown Hospital, air ambulance and Southern General Hospital, Glasgow, Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for their professional service, Ardshiel Hotel for catering and Matthew Ramsay for a lovely service. A retail collection raised £705.43 for the Fishermen's Mission.

SANDLER - Gordon, Andrina and family would like to thank relatives and friends for their kind expressions of sympathy, cards and flowers during their sad loss. A special thank you to Roy and Liz who were always there for our dad. Also thank you to the Southern General Hospital, Campbeltown Hospital and Doctor Anderson, to Rev Philip Burroughs for a comforting service, Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for funeral arrangements, the Ardshiel Hotel, the British Legion, who made a donation to the British Heart Foundation, and all who attended the service in the church. A collection in the church raised £238.20 for the Health Centre.

STEWART - The family of the late Fiona Stewart would like to thank everyone for the kind expressions of sympathy and support received in their recent sad loss. Special thanks to everyone involved in her care and for all the kindness shown. Special thanks to Rev David Carruthers for a comforting

service, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, Tarbert Hotel for an excellent purvey and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. The collection for Marie Curie Cancer Care raised £300.

IN MEMORIAM

MCCAIG - In loving memory of our dear dad, Peter, who passed away on November 8, 2010. Also our dear mum, Isa, who passed away on November 9, 1999. We cannot bring the old times back

When we were all together But loving memories and silent tears Will stay with us forever. - From all your loving family. **MCPHAIL** - Annie, cherished memories of mum and gran, who died November 13, 2011. Always in our thoughts, forever in our hearts. - Love Sandra, Graham, Tracy, Andrew, Craig and Debbie. **MUNRO** - In loving memory of a dear husband and dad, William, who died November 7, 2011. Sadly missed, dearly loved. Forever in our hearts. - Love, Vina, Graham and Billy x.

ROBERTSON - In loving memory of my dearest loved brother, David, died November 11, 1972. Forgive me lord for I still weep, For the brother I loved and could not keep. David, I will always love you. - Sister Nan, East Kilbride. **TYRRELL** - Precious memories of my beloved husband, John, died November 9, 2007. A daily thought A silent tear A secret wish That you were here. Loved and remembered always. - Jenny.

WOODS - In loving memory of Peter Joseph, who died November 13, 2011. Beloved husband of Mary Woods and dearly loved father, father-in-law, grandfather and great grandfather. Forever in all our hearts.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES

LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
All Welcome
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson
Sunday 11th November 2012
REMEMBRANCE SERVICE
At the Cenotaph 10.50am
11.30am Morning Service
Monday 12th November
Ladies Meeting 2.30pm
Mrs Margaret Parfitt
Jumpstart Group
Friday 10.00 - 11.30am
Scottish Charity SC015187

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN
Sunday 11 November 2012
10.50am
Remembrance Service followed by light lunch
Speaker: Graham McLean
"Absolute Surrender"
Thursday 15 November 2012
7.30pm
Praise, prayer & sharing
All Welcome

WEST LOCHFYNESIDE
Remembrance Day
Services 11 November - all welcome!
Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair
Charity No. SC016097
10am Lochfyneside Church (Minard)
10.45am War Memorial Lochgair
11.30am War Memorial Minard
2pm War Memorial Furnace
3pm Gaelic Service Lochgair Church
Glenaray and Inveraray
Charity No. SC016665
10.50am War Memorial Inveraray
11.30am Inveraray Church
Soup after the service in Inveraray Church

Highland Parish Church
SC002493
Remembrance Sunday
Sunday 11th November 2012
11.40am Morning Service
Mr. Matthew Ramsay Retiring Collection for Erskine Hospital
Fun Day Club & JAM in Hall
Tuesday 13th November 2012
Badminton Club Kirk Street Hall
Primary 1 - 5 6pm - 7pm
Primary 6 & 7 7pm - 8pm
Wednesday 14th November 2012
Bible Study Fellowship
Ballywilline Farm 7.30pm
Everyone very welcome

LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH
Remembrance Day
9.45 a.m.
Morning Worship (Rev. Hilda C. Smith) 10.50 a.m.
Service at the War Memorial (Rev. Hilda C. Smith) 7.30 p.m.
Youth Fellowship (at the Manse)
Saturday, 10th November
10 - 12 noon
Coffee and Crafts
Red Cross Hall
All welcome
Further information (01546) 606218
www.lpchurch.co.uk
Lochgilphead (Church of Scotland) SC016311

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
Charity Number SC001002
Sunday 11 November
Barnluasgan War Memorial
Wreath Laying Ceremony 10:50 am
Bellanoch Church 11:30 am
Morning worship
Worship led by Rev. Cliff Acklam
Thursday 15 November
Messy Church 4 - 6 pm
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CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday Service
11:00 am
with Sunday School
Tea & coffee after the service
Youth Group
7:30 - 9:00 pm
every Sunday (term-time) at The Old Manse
Baby & Toddler Group
10:00 - 11:45 am
every Thursday (term-time)
We meet in the Guide Hall, Kinloch Road
www.campbeltowncommunitychurch.co.uk
SC043322

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH
Sunday, 11th November, 2012
Kilmartin 10a.m.
Rev. Cliff Acklam
Remembrance Sunday
All welcome
SC002121

TARBERT LOCHFYNE AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
Sunday 11th November 2012
Remembrance Services
Tarbert Service to meet at War Memorial 10.45-10.50am
Followed by service in Tarbert Free Church
Kilberry Service 2pm
Rev. Tommy Bryson
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Everyone very welcome
SC002622

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH
Scottish Charity Number SC011686
Sunday, 11th November
Campbeltown Act of Remembrance
Assemble at 10:45 a.m.
{War Memorial}
Morning Worship - 11:40 a.m.
(Note later start time)
(Crèche and Triple C)
Retiring Offering for Poppy Scotland
[formerly Earl Haig Fund]
Monday, 12th November
The Guild - 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, 13th November
Mothers and Toddlers - 9:45 a.m.
Boy's Brigade Anchor Boys - 6:00 p.m.
Boys' Brigade Junior Section - 7:15 p.m.
Thursday, 15th November
Choir Practice - 7:30 p.m.
Friday, 16th November
Lunch Club - 12:00 noon

THE SALVATION ARMY Burnside Street, Campbeltown
Sunday Services
10.30am Morning Worship
6.30pm Evening Worship
Tuesday
12.15pm Lunch Club (Over 60s)
1.30pm Home League
Thursday
7.30pm Bible study & Prayer Meeting

FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
George Street, Campbeltown
Sunday 11th November
12.45pm Worship Service
Rev David Meredith (DVD)
11.30am Sunday School (for 5-8 years old)
Scottish Charity Number: SC003847

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH
75 Longrow, Campbeltown
Sunday 11 November 2012
10.00am Breaking of Bread
Mr James McLellan, Kilmichael
10.50 - 11.05 Act of Remembrance
11.10am Coffee
11.30 Family Service with Sunday School and Crèche
Mr James McLellan, Kilmichael
Please note change of time
7.00 Youth Group
Wednesday 14th November 2012
10am Jellytots - Parent and Toddler Group
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Sunday 11th November 2012
Pentecost 24
Remembrance Sunday
8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am War Memorial
11.30am Family Communion
Details of services are on the church door
Enquiries Tel: **01586 551141**
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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES
Sunday 11th November
Remembrance Sunday
Services in Ardrishaig at 10:45am followed by wreath laying ceremony at War Memorial (approx 12noon) and in Achahoish at 12:30pm
Registered Scottish Charities SC010713 and SC010782

South Kintyre Sports Council hands out the awards

The event also recognised volunteers and parents who work tirelessly behind the scenes

SPORTING enthusiasts had their efforts recognised at an awards ceremony on Saturday night.

The second South Kintyre Sports Council (SKSC) Awards was held, with more than 80 people attending to recognise the achievements of the clubs and individuals in South Kintyre.

The event also recognised the contributions made from volunteers and parents who work tirelessly behind the scenes.

The Coach of the Year award, sponsored by the Wee Toon Sports, went to Duncan McAulay of Campbeltown Pupils and SKSC for his sheer length of service to a club.

Since the age of 15, Duncan has played for the Pupils, performed the role of committee member and match secretary and for his unswerving commitment as a coach, never missing a training session.

Kintyre Amateur Swimming Club took the award for the Club of the Year award, sponsored by SKSC. The swimming club has grown and developed into a very successful and well-organised club since its beginning six years ago.

At present it has 48 keen members, ranging from age six to 18 years, with a waiting list of eager new participants.

They have an excellent hard working committee of 16 volunteer coaches, parents and helpers, which has enabled the group to successfully increase their training time

over the years to accommodate the development of performance.

Sponsored by Active Schools, the Young Sportsperson of the Year was awarded to Liam McCallum who never ceases to amaze with his commitment and enthusiasm inspiring other young people that he works with. He continually challenges himself in many activities and always completes his training with such wonderful enthusiasm and a smile.

Liam's most recent challenge was to train for, participate in and complete the Mull of Kintyre 10k in June whilst raising money for charity.

The Sportsperson of the Year, sponsored by Machrihanish Dunes, was awarded to Katie Ferguson who is a keen member of Campbeltown Running Club.

Katie continued to train tirelessly, with a smile on her face whilst battling and beating a

serious illness. Within a year of being diagnosed and treated for cancer she displayed great commitment and determination by entering and completing the London Marathon amongst other various running events, and raised over £5,000 for breast cancer care.

The Service to Sport Award 2012, sponsored by Springbank, is designed for an individual who has made a notable contribution to sport over many years with one or more clubs or sports.

To show appreciation to someone who has continued to go above and beyond their role and show dedication to sport throughout the years and was awarded to David Paterson who has been the driving force behind two main sports related achievements for South Kintyre, including a 10-year campaign for the recently-opened all weather pitch.

David has continued



Above: Kintyre Amateur Swimming Club received Club of the Year.



David Paterson was awarded the Service to Sport Award by The Scottish Association of Local Sports Council chairman, David Laing.



The Coach of the Year Award went to Duncan McAulay.



Katie Ferguson was awarded the Sportsperson of the Year.



Liam McCallum was over the moon to receive the Young Sportsperson of the Year.

Full list of prizewinners at Dunaverty Golf Club

FULL list of Dunaverty prize winners from this year's prize-giving.

Ladies: Spring Meeting Captain's Prize Lindsay Garrett, 2 Mary McKinnon, 3 Denise Fawcett, scratch Jennifer Mack; Autumn Meeting Captain's Prize Ailie MacBrayne, 2 Maggie MacArthur, 3 Kate McKerral, scratch Elizabeth Marrison.

Gents: Club Stableford 1 David Irwin, 2 Tony Haysom, 3 Campbell MacBrayne;

Tapoc Cup 1 John Marrison, 2 James Williamson, 3 Bobby Millar; RNL Cup 1 Neil Brodie, 2 Ian MacKinnon, 3 John MacMillan; Charles Hunter Trophy 1 Darren Kelly, 2 Harry McLean, 3 Steven Garrett; Autumn Meeting Captain's Prize Donald Taylor, 2 Handicap George MacMillan, Burt Plate George MacMillan, 2 Scratch Ross Sinclair; Keil Trophy Handicap 1 Robert Irvine, 2 Harry McLean, scratch 1 Robert Ir-

vine, 2 Campbell McCallum; McCallum/Lyon Trophy Robert Irvine, runner up Ross Sinclair; Muneroy Cup John Marrison, runner up Alex Arkell, Amod McNeil Quaiach Campbell McCallum and Peter McCallum, runners-up George MacMillan and Robert Coffield.

Dunaverty Trophy Kate McKerral and Stuart MacBrayne, runners up Maggie MacArthur and Neil Brodie; Texas Scram-

ble John Ronald, Andrew Robertson, Robert Irvine, runners up Campbell MacBrayne, Jim Cooper, Stuart McGuire.

Club championships: Senior Championship Duncan Watson III; Handicap Championship 1 Campbell McCallum, 2 Darren Kelly, 3 James Williamson; Club Championship 1 Campbell McCallum, 2 George MacMillan, 3 Ross Sinclair, 4 Duncan Watson III, 5 Darren Kelly.

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Santa Dash entries being taken now

ENTRIES are now being taken for this year's Santa Dash, going ahead on Sunday December 2 at 1pm.

Forms are now available from Aqualibrium, Campbeltown on a first come, first served basis.

The Santas will be making their way from Aqualibrium around the town for the 3k fun run, with people of all ages and abilities invited to join.

For further information contact Fiona Irwin 01586 551212 or Lindsay Ramsay 07917073424.

Darts results

WEEK four results in the Campbeltown and District Darts Association league: Commercial 8 Kilbrannan B 2, Burnside 9 Fiddlers B 1, Ailsa 3 Southend 7, Kilbrannan 8 Kinloch 2, Fiddlers/Bye.

There were three 180s scored and all by Kilbrannan, two for Grant McFall and one for Richard Tavendale, Gary Grumolli had a finish of 108 for the Burnside.



Back row: the four swimmers who received consideration times with potential to go forward for the national championships; front row: some of the others who took part in the day, with many gaining personal best times. 20_c45swim01

Swimming trials held in Campbeltown

SWIMMERS from across South Kintyre had a number of impressive swims at last week's Argyll and Bute Scottish School's trials.

Held in Campbeltown, more than 100 primary and secondary school pupils from across the area gathered to compete.

Sponsored by Brodies, this event was an opportunity for swimmers from across the region to achieve the consideration times to hopefully represent their school at the Scottish Schools Championships in East Kilbride in January 2013.

Local swimmers

from both Dalintober and Castlehill Primary schools competed in 50m events in all four strokes with Fiona Kay narrowly missing out in a bronze medal in the breaststroke by 0.14 seconds.

Impressive

Pupils from Campbeltown Grammar School had a number of impressive swims with eight gold, eight silver and six bronze medals won, with a total of 14 swims inside the consideration times.

In the girls 13 to 14 year old Emma Lazarus finished first in the 200 breast in 3:08.46 (con. time: 3:25.00) and 200

free 2:25.82 (con. time: 2:40.00).

Caitlin Campbell showed excellent determination in the 200 fly finishing in 2:57.09 (con. time: 3:10.00) and also won the 100 fly.

Becky Dott recorded a new personal best of 1:07.90 to win the 100 free (con. time 1:14.00) and Kirsten McLean achieved the qualifying times in both the 100 fly and 100 free in the girls 15-16 age group.

Swimmers from South Kintyre schools had an impressive day's competition with exactly two thirds of the 69 swims resulting in personal best times achieved.

Pupils come out on top in close game

SAFL Premier Two Campbeltown Pupils 2 Clydebank 1

A DIFFICULT hurdle has been cleared by Campbeltown Pupils in pursuit of a return to Premier Division One.

Saturday's match went down to the wire as both teams struggled to come to terms with a very quick surface.

It is too easy criticise, for this is a learning curve and technique will improve with more experience of the facility.

Determination

The character of the home side, however, was never in question and dogged determination eventually won the day.

The away side got the early breakthrough when the Pupils' defence were caught claiming for off-side, a simple through

ball ending with the forward steering the ball beyond Lamont to put 'the Bankies' one up.

It was a setback for the home side, and the team was visibly shaken by going behind. Nevertheless, having eventually settled, the home side played their way back into the contest.

A deftly weighted cross from Craig Lang found Gary Grumoli sprinting free of his marker, and a cleverly lobbed header sailed into the net for the equaliser.

Shortly after, a sweeping move down the attacking right should have put the home side ahead, but Grant Grant, one of the home side's best touch players, mistimed his parting shot and the chance was lost.

The second half was a dogged affair, but the

home side looked the most likely to score as they turned the opposition down both flanks.

Typically, it was lack of discipline, combined with a little piece of magic that won the day.

Argued

The home side won a free-kick inside the attacking half, and as the opposition argued about the award, seeing the keeper of his line an alert Keith Mitchell lofted the ball over his head to seal the points.

It's a pity the TV cameras were missing, for this goal was out of the top drawer.

Tomorrow, (Saturday), the McFadyen-sponsored Pupils play at home to Rossvale from Bishopbriggs in the third round of the Scottish Cup with a 2pm kick off.



Campbeltown Pupils Youths before the game in Oban.

Youths turn on the style in Oban

A FIVE star performance by Campbeltown Pupils Youth was put in on Saturday against Oban Saints Youth.

The local side took a 4-1 win over there north Argyll opponents.

Impressive

Two goals from Martin McCallum and one each from Ryan McConnachie and

Joe McManus gave the Campbeltown side an impressive away win.

An all round great team display was capped by impressive displays from William McKinnon, Ross Colville and Lee Alan.

Training resumes at 7.30pm this Monday on the all weather pitch.

Wee Toon runners dominate Tin Farm 5

CAMPBELTOWN runners dominated the annual Tin Farm 5 race on Sunday.

Once again the runners from the Wee Toon did the peninsula proud for the 5.5-mile run through Ormsary Estate near Kilberry.

The sixth annual race, which has become a popular fixture on the local race calendar, attracted not only local runners but athletes from further afield.

Second male senior went to Stuart McGeachy of Campbeltown in a time of 34:38, with third going to Tommy Morran of Campbeltown in a time of 35:13.

Campbeltown women

dominated the female competition, with Jennifer Martin winning the ladies' race and first female senior in a time of 41:03. Second female senior went to Emma Morran of Campbeltown in a time of 45:26.

Bringing home the ladies in the veteran class was Campbeltown's Rachel Edwards in a new female veteran record of 42:20.

Jennifer Reid of Campbeltown came in second (44:04) and Jocelyn Richards also of Campbeltown finished in third place in a time of 45:35.

Maryann Wylie of Campbeltown took third in the junior girls with 52:58.



Father and daughter Maryann and Dougie Wylie race home for the finish.

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