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Mine's a double!

Ardshiel Hotel is again named Scotland's whisky bar of the year

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HERE'S cheers to an amazing victory!

The Ardshiel Hotel in Campbeltown has been named Scotland's whisky bar of the year for the second time in 12 months.

The incredible double - decided by public vote - has left co-owners Flora Grant and Marion MacKinnon delighted and stunned in equal measures.

'We are genuinely surprised,' admitted Marion. 'We really did not put in as much effort into gaining support this year.'

'We felt that we did not want to ask everybody again for their backing, but they have clearly supported us anyway.'

'However, next year may be a different story. We will probably give

it a big push to try and make it three in a row.'

Flora and Marion were announced the winners at a dinner at the Grand Sheraton Hotel, Edinburgh hosted by the prestigious Scottish Field magazine which runs the whisky challenge.

Flora said: 'I can't believe it, it is wonderful. Once again we have beaten some big names, such as Dornoch Castle and the Old Course Hotel at St Andrews, as well as city bars.'

'Winning means so much to us. Last year raised our profile and strengthened our reputation among whisky buffs all over the world.'

'We had more people coming to visit the bar in the past year - and that was good news for the

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Flora Grant, right, and Marion MacKinnon lift a glass to the Ardshiel Hotel's wonderful success.

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Dairy farmers suffer further price cut

DAIRY farmers in Kintyre have been hit by another blow after suffering their seventh price cut in as many months.

The Courier is told this week that some farmers in Kintyre are operating with no hope of a return on their milk.

See story on page 11.

Great experience for sisters

TWO Campbeltown sisters have declared a charity trek along part of the Great Wall of China was the experience of a lifetime.

Teacher Elaine McGeachy, 31, and hairdresser Mairi McKillop, 23, took part in the challenge to raise money for two cancer charities.

See full story on page 13.

Special award for bowlers

SCOTTISH bowling pairs champions Jimmy Anderson and Johnny McLean received a special accolade at the South Kintyre Sports Council awards last Saturday.

They were named South Kintyre Team of the Year.

Full story on page 28.

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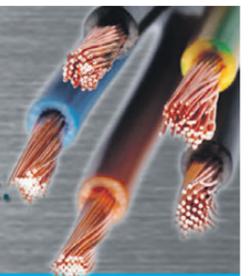
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Photography course work on show at library

CAMPBELTOWN Library is hosting an exhibition of pictures from locals who participated in the second successful photography course, run by Argyll and Bute Council's adult learning department.

Tutored by professional photographer, Sarah MacDonald, the course included visits around the area and lessons in editing and producing pictures. Adult learning offers courses in Kintyre in a range of topics.

For more information, contact Diane McCaig on 01586-552732. Pictured are Sue Fortune, Roxanne Docherty, Gerry Docherty, Rachel Edwards, Christine McPhee, Rolline McKerral and Diane McCaig.

Missing from the picture are Pat and John Dean, Lesley Anne Brown and Sally McKerral.

Cash machine alert

POLICE are urging the public to contact them if they see anyone with numerous debit cards at cash machines. It is feared this may be a new form of debt collecting.

Most days

A Campbeltown woman, who did not want named, said: 'I come to the cash machine most days and quite often there is a wom-

an standing in front of me who has 10 debit cards with a note of each of the PIN numbers and how much is to be taken from each account.

'My fear is that this is a debt collector at work.

'Surely people should not be allowed to take others' property to collect debt.'

The cash machine involved is

in Longrow South. Similar situations have been witnessed in Oban and Fort William.

Suspicious

Police Scotland area commander Marlene Baillie said: 'I would advise members of the public to contact the police on 101 if they have any suspicions with regards to a person's activities at cash machines.'

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'Winning for a second time has also made us realise that the hotel and its reputation is bigger than we thought.'

'Marion and I have put a lot into developing this hotel since taking it over six years ago. Now we are going to have a long, hard look at how we can move it forward again.'

When the pair took over Ardshiel, it displayed around 100 whiskies; now it has more than 700 - some extremely rare and valuable.

This year's Scottish Field Whisky Challenge asked bars to nominate themselves while outlining their merits.

Blair Bowman, Scottish Field whisky columnist and founder of World Whisky Day, then drew up a shortlist of 10 which the public could vote for.

The list also included The Bow Bar in Edinburgh, The Curly Coo Bar in Stirling, Meldrum House in Oldmeldrum, The Balmoral in Edinburgh, Artisan in Wishaw, Arisaig in Glasgow and Sligachan Hotel on the Isle of Skye.

Janis Johnston, Scottish Field whisky project manager, said: 'I'm delighted for the Ardshiel - it's very well deserved.'

'We are grateful to Flora and Marion coming all the way from Campbeltown for the award ceremony. It shows how much they value it.'



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War memorial repairs

A PLANNING application to make repairs to name panels and replace timber runners at the Campbeltown War Memorial, Kinloch Road, Campbeltown has been submitted to Argyll and Bute Council.

Campbeltown dog owner fined

A DOG owner has been fined by Argyll and Bute Council's environment warden for allowing their pet to foul in Campbeltown and failing to pick up their animal's waste.

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Warning to noisy drivers

POLICE are monitoring the Hall Street and New Quay area of Campbeltown after complaints from the area's residents about car engines making excessive noise late at night.

A police spokesman said: 'We are receiving complaints of vehicles revving their engines excessively at late hours of the evening, when turning at the New Quay roundabout on Hall Street.'

'We are receiving complaints on a nightly basis and we will be increasing our presence in the area later at night.'

Bike theft

A 28-YEAR-old man was arrested after the theft of a £1,000 bike from a garden shed in Springfield Terrace, Campbeltown last Wednesday.

Police, acting on a separate enquiry, searched a house on Princes Street before finding the bike and arresting the man.

The man appeared at Campbeltown Sheriff Court on Monday.

Drink driving

POLICE arrested a 39-year-old man for drink driving last Saturday afternoon after he was stopped on the B842 road on High Street.

The man was held in custody and appeared at Campbeltown Sheriff Court on Monday.

Secret donor's £40,000 gift

Dialysis fundraising campaign is transformed by 'unbelievable boost'

AN ANONYMOUS benefactor has made a stunning £40,000 donation to the Kintyre Dialysis Campaign.

The incredible news comes just weeks after the campaign members learned they would have to double their original £35,000 fundraising target to establish a dialysis unit at Campbeltown Hospital.

Now - also thanks to the remarkable generosity and efforts of Kintyre people - the fund is up to £75,000 in the space of a few months.

It is hoped that a unit can be up and running in Campbeltown within six months, ending torturous, thrice-weekly round trips on the A83 to Vale of Leven Hospital, Alexandria for dialysis patients.

'This anonymous donation is an unbelievable boost and will alone meet our obligation to the NHS for year one of the project,' said campaign chairman, Councillor Donald Kelly.

'We have been overwhelmed by the astonishing generosity and willingness of the community to unite for this cause.'

'It is also important to recognise the contribution made by the staff at Campbeltown Hospital, in particular nursing staff who have volunteered to undergo the necessary training to deliver the service.'

'Campbeltown Hospital, as we all know, has a high degree of dedicated staff and is well recognised for its standards of hygiene which is a prerequisite for the dialysis unit.'

Cheque

Councillor Kelly revealed that a cheque for £5,000 has also just been received from West Kintyre Community Council Wind Farm Trust and there was hope of up to £10,000 from other local funding sources.

He added: 'While we have effectively reached our target we envisage ongoing costs in con-

nection with the dialysis unit, so we will continue to hold a couple of fundraising events a year as well as welcoming donations.'

NHS Highland has committed to meeting staffing, training and other running costs for the much-needed unit.

Pilot

Although the Campbeltown scheme is a pilot, past experience has shown that such new units become permanent.

Kintyre dialysis patients - there are three presently - continue to face the longest journeys in Scotland for treatment.

Kristin Gillies, service planning manager for Argyll and Bute Community Health Partnership, said: 'The charitable donations raised by the Kintyre Dialysis Campaign group will play an essential role in developing this unit and we would not have been able to proceed without them.'



Foresters' triple donation

THE Foresters Friendly Society's Campbeltown court presented three cheques to Kintyre groups at its meeting on Tuesday evening.

The financial advice group and former benevolent fund, which has its roots in the hardship of Victorian England, donated three cheques for £250 to the Kintyre Dialysis Campaign,

Campbeltown Brass Band and Kintyre Schools Pipe Band.

Roots

Sheila-Anne McCallum, Foresters secretary, said: 'The Foresters has its roots as a benevolent fund and we were keen to help these groups continue their important roles in the community.'

Rotary club donates to curb Ebola

THE Rotary Club of Campbeltown has donated £1,000 to Medecins Sans Frontieres to help combat the spread of the Ebola virus in West Africa.

Surprise was expressed at the group's meeting last month that there had not yet been an appeal from Rotary International,

but after research on several charities by rotarian Campbell Read it was decided the club would make a generous contribution to the French humanitarian group.

A Rotary Club of Campbeltown spokeswoman said: 'The club was able to make this

generous donation thanks to the continued support of the Kintyre public, who regularly attend our biannual auction sales, and allow the club to deliver its Christmas cards in the weeks before Christmas. 'We are extremely grateful for that continued support.'

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There will be an Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial, Kinloch green, Campbeltown on Sunday 9th November 2014 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 10.00am 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 10.15am. 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 Lorne and Lowlands Church where the Service will begin at 11.40 a.m.

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Development award for care home owners

HC-ONE Care Homes, which runs the Kintyre Homes which runs the Kintyre care home in Campbeltown, is celebrating after winning a top learning award.

The company's Touch programme won Best Learning and Development Initiative at a recent ceremony at the Grosvenor Hotel in London.

The programme has won a total of six prizes at the Peer Awards, E-Learning Awards and Training Journal Awards.

Alison Innes-Farquhar, HC-One's head of people and organisational development, said: 'I am delighted we have won this award. Through its Touch programme HC-One is putting the care sector at the forefront of learning and development, aiming to deliver the kindest care to residents.'

Beinn Ghuilean larch trees are 'free of infection'

'We were concerned after our aerial survey showed some of the larch tree needles going brown'

FEARS of a tree infection that could lead to widespread deforestation on Beinn Ghuilean have been allayed by the Forestry Commission.

Phytophthora Ramorum, a tree infection first discovered in 1995 and prevalent in larch and oak trees, was thought to have appeared in Kintyre after thousands of larch trees were felled over the past two years in Northern Ireland and Galloway after showing signs of infection.

Arboreal specialists took helicopter surveys

of the peak just south of Campbeltown over the past two summers to see if the deciduous larch trees were infected, after reports of discoloured needles.

Concerned

Forestry Commission planner Donald McNeill said: 'We were concerned after our aerial survey showed some of the larch tree needles going brown in the summer and we thought it could be Phytophthora Ramorum infecting the trees.'

'Luckily none of the trees were infected, otherwise we would have



Beinn Ghuilean's larch trees are so far free of the infection Phytophthora Ramorum.

to fell over a diameter of 500 metres around any infected tree.

'For a small forest like Beinn Ghuilean that could make a huge difference to the landscape.

'The disease is spread by spores so could easily reach Kintyre from either Ireland or lowland Scotland. We will be monitoring the trees with more aerial surveys

throughout the summer next year. Because it is a deciduous forest you cannot tell the health of the tree in winter - the larch trees shed their needles.'

Cameras in care homes

ALMOST 70 per cent of elderly residents and their families would like the option of cameras in care homes to assure them of a loved one's safety, a Campbeltown care home provider has revealed.

HC-One, the UK's third largest care home provider, which runs the Kintyre care home in Campbeltown, has today initiated a sector-wide debate on implementing an opt-in, visible camera scheme in care homes, following its consultation on the matter.

Rural housing must be priority

RURAL housing must be a top priority for politicians otherwise there will be a void of opportunity for housing on the west coast, a conference heard last Friday.

The Scottish Rural and Islands Housing Conference explored what lies ahead for the sector and how rural disadvantage can be tackled.



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Fibre bypass angers Islay residents

‘People are asking why are we paying broadband prices when we are not even getting a decent basic phone line’

CABLES being laid by BT Openreach will not benefit some communities on Islay that are being disrupted by the work.

But contractor BT Openreach claims the major technical infrastructure change will allow opportunities for some more remote areas to get online in future.

Residents in Portnahaven and Port Askaig have been told that while the multi-million pound cable-laying project will link up the major commercial business areas it is not viable to upgrade every village that the cables run through.

Alastair Redman, who runs the post office in Portnahaven, says planning for the work has been ‘short-sighted’ as the cable is going

through the villages and claims all it that is needed is a fibre-to-the-cabinet box to allow residents to take advantage of the faster fibre-optic link.

Mr Redman said: ‘Not only are huge parts of Islay being left out of the fibre-optic service being rolled out in only some parts of Islay but many of our villages are having the inconvenience of having their streets dug up for new fibre-optic cable to put down, which they are not being connected to.’

Unfairly

‘They are unfairly running through villages like Keills and Port Askaig without connecting them up, and Portnahaven has not even been given a mention.’

‘The current lines are so poorly maintained in

Portnahaven and on the back roads that most phones have a constant crackling while in use with it sometimes taking hours to attach pictures or word documents to e-mails.

Complaining

‘Queen Street in Portnahaven is the worst of all. Even though residents there have been complaining for more than four-plus years about the slowness of the internet and poor quality of their phone connections to their providers, BT, MPs, MSPs and councillors, still nothing is done.’

‘People are asking why we are paying broadband prices when we are not even getting a decent, basic phone line.’

A spokesman for BT said: ‘We anticipate that

the majority of homes and businesses on Islay, initially within the Bowmore, Port Charlotte and Port Ellen exchange areas, will have access to fibre broadband during 2016, as we work to enable 84 per cent of the Highlands and islands to the fibre broadband network.

‘Port Askaig and Portnahaven are still under evaluation, due to a mix of technology and financial constraints, but we are proactively reviewing plans for these and a number of other exchange areas to expand coverage and reach over the life of the programme.’

‘The capacity the fibre network brings to Islay will make extending the reach or finding alternative solutions more likely.’



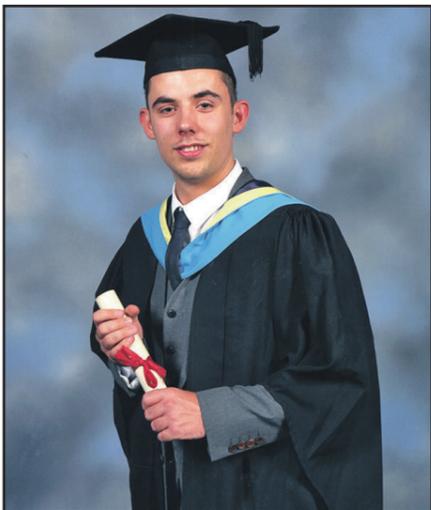
Fibre cable work near Portnahaven.

Businesses urged to put pen to paper

BUSINESS owners are being urged to write to Scotland’s Transport Minister Keith Brown, MPs, MSPs and CalMac in order to secure a better timetable for the Ardsrossan to Campbeltown ferry service.

On behalf of Explore Campbeltown Mairi Paterson said: ‘It is vital that as many of us as possible forward these people a personalised letter as the more of us that do it, the more pressure will be put onto them to make certain changes. It will also show the strength of support there is in Kintyre to make the ferry service last far beyond its three-year trial.’

GRADUATION



JOSEPH LANG

has attained a degree in Physiotherapy at Huddersfield University. Joseph is the eldest son of Kenneth and Sharon, Potters Bar and eldest grandson of Colin and Margaret Lang, Castleacres, Campbeltown.

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'DAIRY farmers are being skimmed alive'. That clever headline of a few years ago is even more relevant today.

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In the 1990s, the Milk Marketing Board, which set prices for farmers, was scrapped in favour of a free market. Since then, prices for consumers have gone down, but the margins awarded to supermarkets have soared.

In Kintyre, where dairy farmers are tied in with the First Milk cooperative, they are having to take the bad times with the good. Unfortunately, the former is all too often outweighing the latter as global demand for milk products continues to plummet.

What is the answer? Well, more dairy farmers going out of business is certainly not the solution. We must find a way of ensuring they get an acceptable return for their toil, and that may mean consumers in the UK simply paying more.

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Wrong to pursue poll tax debt

Sir,

Nine members of Argyll and Bute Council's policy and resources committee took a decision last week in our name to continue to prosecute the one person in Argyll and Bute actually paying poll tax arrears. This person probably has less weekly income than some of us get in expenses for one trip to Kilmory.

Last year out of £7.55 million outstanding in poll tax, the council collected £418 in arrears. There is something wrong when the council continues to prosecute that one person among 30,000 to uphold some discredited Tory policy or as a homage to the memory of Mrs Thatcher. Petty party political point scoring is more important than humanity or fairness.

Due to council inaction on collecting poll tax, it is now only able to pursue an estimated tiny percentage of that £7.55 million. That will have no cash effect because the council recognised that recovery of that debt was unlikely and made full provision in the accounts. The Scottish Government has announced that 20 years on from the end of poll tax it will write-off the outstanding balances.

The council currently has live council tax arrears of more than £16m. This is not the first example of Tory/LibDem dogma running the council, if you can recall the months when the poor, the vulnerable and the disabled were forced to pay the bedroom tax despite full funding for mitigation from the Scottish Government.

The political administration will not fall if ordinary members occasionally do the right thing and follow their conscience rather than their instructions.

Councillor James Robb
Argyll and Bute.

SNP's patch and mend approach is wrong

Sir,

Your editorial of October 31 succinctly defines the situation, 'The Rest and Be Thankful is a nightmare'.

I'm sure we all wish that your clever news story headline could become a reality, 'Trees for the A83 so readers can 'rest' and be 'thankful' for a good road'. But I fear the situation goes much deeper. We seem to be undergoing another disastrous Argyll and Highland clearances not brought about by selfish landowners but by the dysfunctional SNP Government.

The justification for this allegation is to be found in the Scottish Government's approach to transport, employment and centralisation.

The SNP's 'patch and mend' approach to the Rest and Be Thankful section of the A83 does not only greatly inconvenience travellers, inflict negative impacts on the environment, but costs jobs, tourists and enterprise.

As a former guest house owner in Arrochar, I have first-hand experience of the loss of trade resulting from the uncertainty as to whether the road to Inveraray would be open. It is no wonder that the population of Argyll and Bute is declining at a ruinous rate.

Since coming to office in 2007 the SNP has failed to continue the upgrading of the A9, established by previous Scottish governments. Instead of urgently addressing 'Scotland's killer road', under SNP plans it will be 2025 before it will have dual carriage-way from Perth to Inverness.

Naturally the Scottish Government will attempt to defend its position as lack of investment funding. However, it could find the money to build a third crossing of the Forth and support for the Edinburgh trams to the detriment of the A83, A82, and A9, all vital lifelines to the west and north of Scotland.

This demonstrates the SNP's centralist view of government that all roads lead to it and to Edinburgh.

Finlay Craig
Shore Road
Cove.

Conservatives offer security of a pay packet

Sir,

Under Labour, the number of households with no-one in work rocketed. Families were left on benefits, out of work, with no stability or prospects.

We in the Unionist and Conservative party have introduced measures that will help the residents of Argyll and Bute find jobs and give security for them and their families.

While Labour was happy to write these families off, we weren't. We set about changing the welfare system so that it encourages and rewards work - and we backed businesses so they could create the jobs and opportunities

people needed.

The Unionist and Conservative party is getting families off benefits and into work giving them the security of a pay packet.

As a result, the number of households where no-one works is at the lowest level since records began falling by a massive 670,940. We have made huge progress but there is still more to do, but our long-term economic plan is working and securing a better future for families across Argyll and Bute and the whole of Britain.

Alastair Redman
Unionist and Conservative
Candidate
Argyll and Bute.

Concert thank you

Sir,

I am writing on behalf of Campbeltown Community Council to say a very big thank you to Kintyre School Pipe Band, Clann na Cleow, U3A Choir, Robert McCallum, Bethney Kelly, Maria Cairns and James McCorkindale Dancers and MC Donald Kelly for providing a great afternoon's entertainment recently at the Old Folks Concert in Victoria Hall.

Our gratitude also goes to Alice McLean and all the kitchen staff for the lovely tea, coffee, sandwiches and cakes; Alan, Trevor and Wilkie for attending to the raffle; Steve for doing the door; and to all the ladies and gentlemen for coming along and supporting the event. It was a great turnout and so good to see you all again.

Keep well and see you all again next year.

Cathie Duncan
Campbeltown.

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Call for a permanent solution to A83 landslides

A SECOND petition calling on the Scottish Government to find a permanent solution to landslides closing the A83 at the Rest and Be Thankful has been launched.

Set up by Argyll First councillors Douglas Philand, John McAlpine and Donald Kelly, the petition comes after a landslide last Tuesday

closed the road for six days.

The biggest landslide recorded at the troubled beauty spot saw 2,000 tonnes of rubble fall, crashing through the hillside netting, installed to prevent landslides from reaching the lifeline route.

During the closure traffic was taken by convey onto the Old Mil-

itary road, resulting in lengthy delays for motorists.

Councillor Philand said. 'Clearly the netting is not an effective remedy for the A83 and yet again we in Argyll are now fearful of another winter and the impact this will have on businesses in Argyll

'The original petition by Argyll First in 2012 raised the issue and there was considerable work carried out on the A83, however, how long do we require to wait till a permanent solution is actioned?

'I do hope this petition is seen as a genuine attempt for a permanent solution, based on the early evidence of the netting, and that we are not lobbying again in a number of years for assistance to keep Argyll open.'



Debris on the A83 at the Rest and Be Thankful. The picture shows that large boulders have been retained by netting.

Last week a spokeswoman for the Scottish Government, which has spent millions of pounds on mitigating works in recent years, said it was 'satisfied with how the nets performed' at the Rest.

Argyll First launched the Sign for the A83 pe-

titition in 2012, which called for the A83 to be trunked between Kenacraig and Campbeltown; for the road to be widened at pinch points such as the Erines Narrows; for safe crossings to be created in Ardrishaig and Tarbert and for a permanent solution to

be found to landslides closing the A83 at the Rest and Be Thankful.

Earlier this year, Argyll and Bute MP Alan Reid called for urgent action to keep the road open at all times.

He said: 'We need either a relief road on the opposite side of

the glen or proper protection for the present road. It is obvious that the present protection is not sufficient.

'The A83 must be kept open at all times and the message sent out that Argyll and Bute is always open for business.'



The landslide at Glen Kinglas last week.

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Ghostly sightings and ghoulish going



Youngsters at Campbeltown Nursery Centre's morning session had a great time dressing up for Hallowe'en, turning out in some really impressive costumes.



Hallowe'en at Toy Library

There were all sorts of fancy costumes on show at the Toy Library's annual Hallowe'en party last week. The Castlehill group meets three afternoons a week and the youngsters certainly looked the part. 20_c45toylibrary01



Hallowe'en fun at C

Primary one and two pupils at Castlehill Primary held a party in the school hall and in the classrooms. The youngsters dressed for apples. 20_c45party01



Campbeltown Nursery Centre's afternoon session looked spooky dressed as witches and monsters - luckily Batman was there to save the day.

Lots of Hallowe'en fun at Machrihanish



These youngsters had lots of fun at Machrihanish's Children's Hallowe'en Party.

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s on in Kintyre



astlehill Primary School

their Halloween party last Friday, with lots of activities in the school's assem-
d up for the day and played games such as musical statues as well as 'dooking'

anish children's party



Machrihanish youngsters and adults got into the Halloween spirit with some spooky costumes.

MACHRIHANISH Vil-
lage Hall was packed
with ghosts, witches, pi-
rates, angels and super-
heroes for the village's
Children's Halloween
Party last Saturday.
Both children and adults

were well catered for
with a fantastic spread
laid on with the gener-
ous help of Argyll Baker-
ies and Campbeltown
branches of Tesco and
Co-operative.
The hall's committee

excelled again, with Sar-
ah Livingstone keeping
the youngsters amused
by setting up a variety of
ghoulish games.

An excellent £130 was
raised for village hall
funds.



Drumlemble pupils are game for Halloween

PUPILS at Drumlemble Primary had a ball on Halloween as they showed
off some really creative costumes. Head teacher Catherine Black said: 'The
children helped organise their party by choosing the games and activities
on the day. Dooking for apples, the broomstick game and laughing lions
were their favourites.'



Davie Jones dressed up as Tarzan to join the
Back Bar's Halloween revellers in costume.

'Me Barman' says Tarbert Hotel's Davie Jones

TARBERT Hotel's
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last weekend, as bar-
man Davie Jones did his
shift for the hotel's Hal-
loween party dressed in
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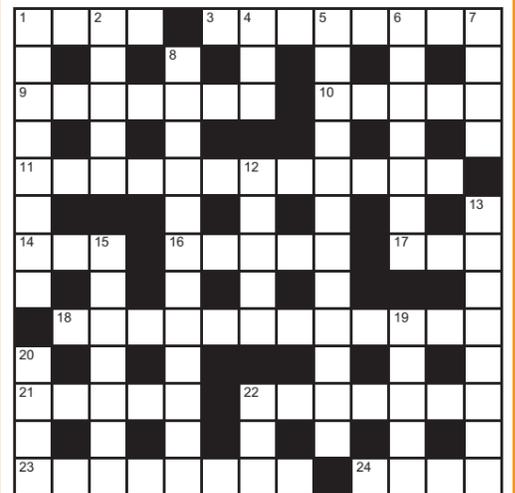
Lynne Furneaux, Tar-
bert Hotel manager,
said: 'Davie got a great
reaction to his costume,

it was a brilliant effort
and the customers loved
it. Our party was one of
the busiest we can re-
member, there were
loads of great costumes
on show. There was a
huge turnout from peo-
ple in the area which
was great to see. Thanks
to everyone who came
along.'



Rainbows, Brownies and Guides from Camp-
beltown Guiding Unit held their Halloween
party last Wednesday, at the Guide hall on
Kinloch Road.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD



- Across
- 1 Pain (4)
 - 3 Posh gear (4,4)
 - 9 What we feel (7)
 - 10 Yell (5)
 - 11 Stubborn and slightly strange looking! (6-6)
 - 14 Consumes (3)
 - 16 One needed to cover up (5)
 - 17 Create a line of cotton (3)
 - 18 Fun had within the turrets (6,6)
 - 21 Greetings from Hawaii (5)
 - 22 Hand-held computer (7)
 - 23 It creates a buzz! (8)
 - 24 Water soluble compound used in resins (4)
- Down
- 1 Fast road in Germany (8)
 - 2 Isomeric alkyl radical used in a solvent for resins (5)
 - 4 Shelter (3)
 - 5 Strikingly (12)
 - 6 Close (7)
 - 7 Hunting call, in London? (4)
 - 8 Discard when too old (12)
 - 12 Covered in beard (5)
 - 13 Flowering vine (8)
 - 15 Poser (4-3)
 - 19 Coach (5)
 - 20 After-bath powder (4)
 - 22 To write (3)

Last week's solution



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Graduated with a BDes (Hons) Product Design
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Ardrihaig. Grandson of May and the late David
Thomson, Tarbert, and Joan and the late Ken
Davies, Swansea. Much appreciation and thanks
to all those along the way, who helped make this a
proud and memorable occasion.



DIANE MCMILLAN
Graduated at The Barbican Centre, London with a
BSc (Open) from the Open University. Diane is the
youngest daughter of Argyll McMillan, Carradale
and the late Frances McMillan. She is currently
working with Argyll & Bute Council.



Thousands will flock to farmers' forum



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ISSUES affecting farmers across the Highlands and islands will be brought to the fore at this month's AgriScot, the farm business event.

The premier event of its type in the UK, AgriScot will attract more than 12,000 people to The Royal Highland Centre at Ingliston on Wednesday, November 19.

Backing the event is Highlands and Islands MSP Jamie McGrigor, convenor of the Scottish Parliament's cross party group on crofting, who has called on topics such as the price of sheep and Europe's agricultural policy to be debated.

Mr McGrigor, who lives in Ardconnel, Lochaweside, said: 'AgriScot is an important event in the Scottish agricultural calendar and a vibrant showcase for new machinery and some of our world-class livestock.'

'Last year it attracted some 11,500 visitors and I am sure it will prove even more popular this year.'

'It is also a great opportunity for farmers and crofters across the Highlands and islands to meet and discuss some of the challenges facing the industry, not least concerns about the recent fall in sheep prices and the significant changes in support which begin next year through the new Common Agricultural Policy system.'

'Farming and crofting remain key primary indus-

tries and are very significant part of the economy of the Highland and Islands and I support any event like AgriScot which helps to raise the profile of the industry.'

AgriScot is the place for those seeking answers to the myriad of questions on their own circumstances.

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The Lowland Machinery Hall is the country's largest winter display of machinery where visitors will be able to view the latest developments in farm hardware and technology, from the latest tractors to equipment for both arable and livestock farms.

And this year the Upland Hall is introduced with more trade stands increasing the size and scale of the event.

Add in competitions for aspiring young agricultural professionals, silage and new products, business seminars, technical demonstrations and more than 250 trade stands exhibiting a wide variety of products, services and advice covering every aspect of agriculture and it's easy to see that AgriScot is the place to be if you are in the business of farming.

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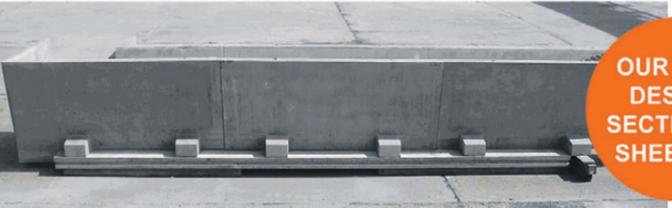
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Fresh blow to Kintyre milk producers

DAIRY farmers in Kintyre have been hit by another blow after suffering their seventh price cut in as many months.

The milk price paid to farmers by dairy co-operative First Milk is to fall at the beginning of December to 22.7 pence per litre for its liquid pool and 24 pence per litre for its manufacturing pool, a cut in price of 1.4 and 1.8 pence per litre respectively.

Kenneth Galbraith, whose family owns Coledrain, a dairy farm near Southend with more than 100 cattle, explained that the latest decrease in milk prices means some farmers are operating with no hope of a return on their milk.

He told The Courier: 'With the price of milk falling by between six and seven pence per litre in Kintyre, there is little if any profit being made with the current milk price.'

First Milk, which produces Mull of Kintyre Cheddar, says it has made the decision because of a fall in returns for both liquid and cheese over the past month.

Sir Jim Paice MP, First Milk's chairman, said: 'With cheese specifically, this impacts not only on what we are selling now, but on the price at which we can sell our cheese stocks in the future.'

'Additionally, we have been processing the majority of surplus milk supplied this year into skimmed milk powder.

'Returns from this market have declined further over the past month as many companies, particularly in mainland Europe, have increased stocks.

Best shape

'The harsh reality is that prices are continuing to fall for dairy products across the world, but we will continue to take whatever steps we can to reduce the impact of these negative market conditions and ensure the business is in the best possible shape when the market turns.'

Gary Mitchell, milk committee chairman of NFU Scotland, be-

moaned the volatile nature of the global milk market.

He said: 'Since 2007, dairy product values have risen significantly but without Scottish dairy farmers or processors ever making the most of the potential offered.'

'Due to the market being highly volatile and increasingly globalised, even small changes to supply and demand are having a huge impact on dairy farmers and processors.'

Debated

The future direction of the Scottish dairy sector will be debated at the AgriScot event on Wednesday, November 19 at Ingliston near Edinburgh.

With both farmgate prices and dairy commodity values on a severe downturn, this high-level seminar will look at the opportunities and the challenges facing dairy farmers.

First Milk is the UK's only leading dairy company, 100 percent owned by British farmers, supplying a wide range of dairy products and dairy ingredients to customers in both national and international markets including block cheeses, soft cheeses, raw milk, butter, skimmed milk powder, whey proteins and sports nutrition brands.

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Bonnie Corven Glen is music to Bill's ears

'Thinking of the words it really felt like the place he was writing about'

KEEN musician Bill Robertson knew all about 'Bonnie Corven Glen' after reading his grandfather's poems - and thinks he has found it in Kintyre.

Bill, 70, and his wife Heather travelled to Campbeltown from their home in Letham Angus this summer after searching online for 'Corven Glen', the name of a poem by his grandfather from the early 1900s.

After arriving in Kintyre to search for a possible location, with Corphin Bridge on the Learside road from Campbeltown to Southend their best bet, they

were given a hand by the owners of the Campbeltown bed and breakfast they were staying in.

Bill said: 'Willie and Kirsteen Ross at the Grammar Lodge told us where to find Corphin Bridge and on arriving there were signs it could be the place.'

Wild roses

'The poem talked about wild roses and sure enough there were some there. Thinking of the words it really felt like the place he was writing about.'

Bill's grandfather William Robertson was a prodigious musical and theatrical talent, putting together an anthology of



The poem Bonnie Corven Glen by William Robertson is thought to describe the area around Corphin Bridge in southeast Kintyre. 20_c42corven01

poems in his late teens.

Bill said: 'My grandfather played at theatres across Scotland a century ago, then he went off to fight in the First World War and was injured in a gas attack. He was never the same man and his subdued life after the war showed that.'

Admiring his grandfather's work, Bill tried to apply his own creative talent to the poem.

He said: 'I read his poems as a teen in the early '60s and was a keen American folk musician - I played under the name Nashville Skyline.'

'I tried to put music to Bonnie Corven Glen but I didn't have much luck with it - I met with a couple of record companies when I was in my twenties but they didn't seem to fancy it.'

'Earlier this year

though the Dundee Courier had me perform an online video of my song so I am glad to have done something with it.'

On the inspiration behind the poem, Bill added: 'The name Katie is mentioned several times, so it is something of a love-inspired poem. However, there are a few girls mentioned in his poems over the years.'

Bonnie Corven Glen

*The deen' sun is sinking low
Intae the radiant west,
Yon stock dove charms the echoes roun',
The dew upon its breast,
Then come wi' me, sweet Katie, come,
An' see them a' again -
The wild cascade is foamin' aye
In bonnie Corven Glen.*

*Come, see the blue-bells hing, ma love,
Upon the torrent's side;
Come, see the wild rose bendin' doon
Intae the crystal tide,
As in the wooded shades abune,
The zephyrs gently blow,
An' fan thy bonnie face, ma love,
The sweetest o' them a'.*

*Sweet as the rose tree grows, ma love,
An' rugged briars twine,
Bonnie they are, but a' their charms
Can never equal thine.
The streamlet mурmers sweet 'tis tue,
A' doon each flow'ry den,
But thine own voice is sweeter far
In bonnie Corven Glen.*

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Patient experience survey finds they are happy with NHS Highland

PATIENT satisfaction with NHS Highland continues to rise, according to a new national survey.

The Inpatient Patient Experience Survey 2014, commissioned by the Scottish Government, found that 95 per cent of patients rated the care and treatment they received from NHS Highland as good or excellent.

That is an increase of four per cent since the last survey, in 2012, and is six per cent higher than the figure for Scotland as a whole.

The survey also found that 95 per cent of NHS Highland accident and emergency patients rated their care and treatment positively, compared with 89 per cent in 2012 and 87 per cent in Scotland as a whole.

Asked to rate the overall hospital and ward en-

vironment, 94 per cent of NHS Highland patients responded positively.

The cleanliness of the main room or ward the patient stayed in also rated highly, with 98 per cent of NHS Highland patients judging it very positively or positively.

Feedback

The survey, conducted between April and September 2013, saw 2,170 NHS Highland patients returning feedback on their experiences. They were asked 65 questions.

Elaine Mead, NHS Highland chief executive, said the responses reflected improvements in the care and treatment of patients.

She said: 'I am not surprised that overall patient satisfaction levels continue to improve. It's a fantastic tribute to our staff, who work diligent-

ly to provide the best possible care and treatment for people while they are in hospital.'

Among the other finds of the latest survey are that: 92 per cent of patients were positive about the hospital admission process; 81 per cent were happy with the food they received; 96 per cent felt they were kept as physically comfortable as they could be; 95 per cent rated positively all the staff they came in contact with; 86 per cent rated positively the care and support they received after leaving hos-

pital. There were aspects patients were less happy about. The percentage of patients who responded positively when asked, for example, if they were not bothered by noise at night from other patients and if they knew which nurse was in charge of the ward, was down on the percentage for 2012.

*Do the findings fit with your own experiences? Write to Editor, Campbeltown Courier, Main and Longrow South, Campbeltown PA28 6AE, or email editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk

Conversion of house into a hotel plans submitted to the council

A PLANNING application to convert a house into a hotel with vehicle access in Bridgend, Islay, has been made to Argyll and Bute Council.

The application includes internal and external work on the house.

Campbeltown sisters take on Great Wall of China to raise charity cash

FUNDRAISING in searing heat with vertical ascents was all worth it, say two Campbeltown sisters, who are just home from China.

Hairdresser Mairi McKillop, 23, and teacher Elaine McGeachy, 31, who escaped a 'hostage' situation in the first hours of their trek along the Great Wall, said it was the experience of a lifetime.

They decided earlier this year to take on one of the world's most fascinating structures.

The fitness enthusiasts, who run a class in Campbeltown's Victoria Hall, were keen to do something that they would enjoy and as they had always wanted to visit the Great Wall of China set about fundraising for two charities they knew would benefit local people.

Firstly they raised cash for Glasgow's Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre, where, as Mairi

says, 'most people from Campbeltown who have the condition are treated for cancer' and secondly for the Jo Cervical Cancer Trust which raises awareness amongst young women of cervical cancer.

Before the trip, the sisters held a cervical cancer awareness week and when health professionals got to know they got involved in spreading the message to Campbeltown Grammar.

In October the sisters set off to Beijing, where they met with 30 other trekkers and three guides who formed a tight-knit community over the eight-day long Great Wall of China trek.

The walk, with only one free day on either side, was a trip along one of the most inhospitable mountain ranges in the world.

While walking a mere 5-10 miles a day may sound easy, add in the

heat, the sheer cliff faces and the crumbling state of the ancient monument that is the Great



Mairi McGeachy still had enough energy to make this acrobatic move on top of the wall.

Wall of China and it becomes more of a challenge.

This wall was built to keep people out of China, to protect the borders.

Mairi said: 'It wasn't

about the miles for us, it was about the challenge - over the time we must have climbed more than 4,000 steps.'

The women added an extra element to their day by going for a run every morning before the trek even began.

The trip was organised by a company called Charity Challenges, which looked after the group while it was in the country.

Mairi said: 'People are very poor in some places in China and on our first day, and only after it was all over, we realised we had been caught up in a hostage situation in order that some Chinese people could have control of a small section of the wall.'

'They wanted to have that section of the wall to be able to sell souvenirs to tourists.'

'Charity Challenges staff managed to sort out the situation with the British ambassador very

quickly and everything was fine.

'But it now means we can say 'we were held hostage for an hour'.

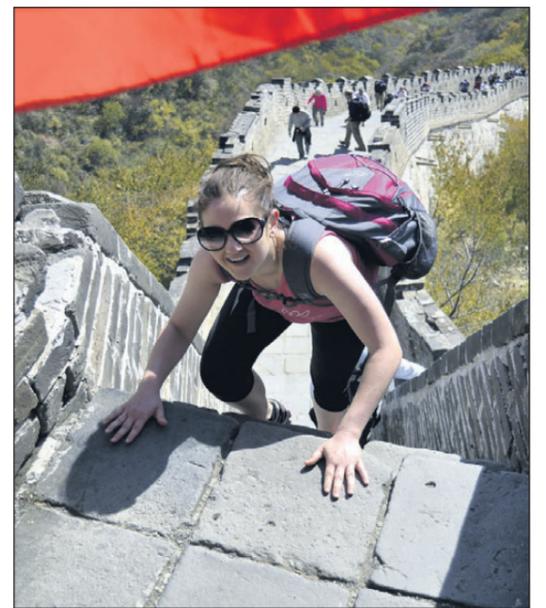
'But we didn't really know about it until we got back on the bus and the English guide explained what had been happening.'

The days all started in different locations along the wall where they would climb for a few miles to get up onto the wall and then would make their way along the wall.

The food was 'interesting' and Mairi says she has become quite adept at using chopsticks.

Fundraising has been exceptional and the women are still collecting money - which can be handed into Numero Dix or a donation can be made via the website justgiving.co/mairimckillop or justgiving/elainemcgeachy.

Mairi added: 'We really want to say a big



Mairi McKillop on the Great Wall of China, raising money to beat cancer.

thank you to everyone who has supported us in our fundraising; it has been amazing.

'As yet we have no final total but our employers, local people and businesses as well as our own family have helped us every step of

the way'. The women have been raising money by walking, cycling, running and swimming as well as hosting coffee mornings and raffles.

The final total the pair have raised will be revealed in January.



The women joined a group of 32 doing the walk for different charities.



What goes up must come down - walking in high altitudes added to the challenge of the walk.



Elaine and Mairi managed to entuse the walkers into taking part in an exercise class in the middle of rural China on more than one occasion.

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New service will make it easier to recycle

TARBERT residents will now find it easier to recycle at the kerbside. Blue bins now take plastic bottles, tubs, trays and cans as well as paper and card but are not suitable for glass so glass recycling facilities should be used as normal. The green bin will remain for everything else, with each bin collected fortnightly.

Post office conversion

A PLANNING application to turn Carradale post office into two flats has been made to Argyll and Bute Council.



Little monsters for the day at Bumps and Babies

Newborns at weekly maternity group Bumps and Babies dressed up for Hallowe'en in Campbeltown Hospital's Bengullion ward last week. Mothers turned their tots into tigers, monsters from Disney's Monsters Inc and there was even a new sheriff in town. The group gives mums a chance to talk to other women going through the same challenges as well as joys, and lets the babies interact at a very early age. 20_c45babies01

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Holiday home application

A PLANNING application to create four holiday homes for let with car parking, at Newton Primary School, Bridgend, Islay, has been submitted to Argyll and Bute Council.

House extension plan

A PLANNING application to build an extension to Cardhu, Kilkerran Road, Campbeltown, has been submitted to Argyll and Bute Council.

Poppy appeal can help change lives

PUTTING a donation in a poppy tin this month gives people an opportunity to remember and honour those who lost their lives but it also enables Poppyscotland to change lives for the better. This year has been one of significant military anniversaries and milestones, in particular the centenary of the First World War. A Poppyscotland spokesman said: 'Without a doubt, the war

changed the world and communities forever. 'There was not a village, town or city left untouched by the war's devastating impact. 'From this horror and destruction grew the poppy, both as the nation's collective symbol of remembrance, and as a way to raise money to support those left destitute and with horrendous physical injuries and torturous mental scars. 'Although times have

changed, the reality of modern-day conflict means servicemen and women are still risking their lives for their country and there is still a real need to support those still serving and their families. 'Problems can start for them on the battlefield, they might arise when making the transition to civilian life on leaving the forces, or they might emerge years later. 'Another important

and very recent milestone has been the UK forces' withdrawal from Afghanistan, after 13 years of combat operations. 'The aim of Poppyscotland is to address the problems faced by those in the armed forces community, by raising money through the Scottish Poppy Appeal, Scotland's biggest street appeal.' The Poppy appeal raised £2.64 million last year.

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Ladies choir sing for others' supper

SOME members of the U3A Ladies Choir have

been busy handing over the proceeds of their re-

cent concert. A cheque was given to the multi-

ple sclerosis group at its recent weekly meeting in the community centre in Campbeltown and last Thursday evening money was handed to Sheena Ramsay of Cancer Support during a bingo evening. One of the choir members took a cheque up to Glasgow to present to the Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre. A cheque was also handed to the president of the local Cancer Research group.



A cheque from the performers of the University of the Third Age (U3A) was presented to the local MS group.

Way's funding secured for a third year by energy company RES

'We're thrilled that our funding is making a real difference to The Kintyre Way'

THE KINTYRE Way has received a third funding round of £10,000 from renewable energy company RES.

This is the final instalment of a three-year funding programme, totalling £30,000, from RES.

It provides the Kintyre Way with vital funding which enables it to carry out route maintenance such as strimming, repairs to the paths after a busy summer and assisting in the creation of new stretches of path off the main road.

The Kintyre Way is a major tourist attraction for Kintyre and funding from RES has helped ensure the sustainability of the long distance walking route.

Kintyre Way chairman Marcus Adams said: 'The Kintyre Way is of utmost importance to the growth and prosperity of Kintyre and funding such as this from RES ensures that we are able to continue with the day to day maintenance work which keeps the route open.'

The Kintyre Way has recently been extended to 100 miles with the addition of a new section from Campbeltown to Southend.

It is estimated that the staff carry out 60 miles of strimming every year as well as a huge list of other maintenance and enhancement projects.

The walking market is an increasingly popular activity for those choosing to holiday in Scot-

land and the Kintyre Way offers local businesses the opportunity to tap into and benefit from this fast growing market.

Route manager Anne Martin said: 'Without the RES funding we would have had a serious problem in financing the upkeep of the way.'

'We are delighted to be able to work with RES on keeping such a vital part of the Kintyre tourism economy viable.'

RES Community relations spokeswoman, Ruth Highgate added: 'We're thrilled that our funding is making a real difference to The Kintyre Way and it is a pleasure to see how the money is being spent on the ground.'



Left to right, Kintyre Way director Niall Macalister Hall, route manager Anne Martin, RES development project manager Neil Martin and Kintyre Way maintenance manager Aidan Keogh.

Kicking and shouting leads to weekend in custody

A MAN was held in custody last weekend after a series of offences in Campbeltown including threatening hospital staff.

The man was warned by police after smashing a window at the Feathers Inn in Burnside Square, Campbeltown in the early hours of last Friday morning.

After shouting and kicking out at police, which saw him arrested for breach of the peace and police assault, he inflicted a head injury upon himself while in custody at Campbeltown Police Station.

When taken to Campbeltown Hospital soon after he made threats to medical staff attempting to treat him.

He was held in custody before appearing at Campbeltown Sheriff Court on Monday.

Free courses for pain sufferers

RELIEF for people coping with a debilitating condition may be just around the corner when a group takes off in the new year.

Arthritis Care Scotland (ACS) will be running its Living Well With Arthritis workshops in Campbeltown.

Starting early in 2015, these workshops have already been delivered successfully throughout Scotland since 2013.

One sufferer Tommy, 52, said: 'After working for many years on oil rigs, I became unwell and was diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis. My life went from being active to nothing.'

'I could hardly walk and had to give up work. Arthritis Care Scotland helped me to understand my condition better and how to control it. The Living Well courses have been a big help to a lot of people and have made a positive difference to me.'

'I can now not only cope a lot better with my own RA, but I can help others too.'

Younger sufferers such as Lisa, 32, said: 'In the past, I had to learn to manage my conditions on my own, leading to depression. I started to attend Arthritis Care Scotland's Living Well with Arthritis self-management programme and since then I feel my confidence has returned.'

'I am able to tackle difficult issues in my life and best of all, I have a great new group of friends.'

The Living Well course helps sufferers to understand pain and other symptoms associated with living with a long-term condition, how to communicate better with health professionals and family about the condition.

It can be difficult to cope with day-to-day life when living with a long term condition.

These courses will give people the opportunity to learn new ways of coping, tools to help them to live life to the fullest and also share their experiences with others who are in similar situations.

'We are also happy to be offering a Tai Chi for Arthritis course in addition to the Living Well course, which has been specially developed for people living with arthritis and long-term conditions.'

'Both courses are for six weeks and will be delivered by trained volunteers.'

'These workshops are very popular, and so we recommend that you contact us as soon as possible to reserve a place' said a spokesperson for ACS.

For more information or to reserve a free place please contact takecontrol@arthritiscare.org.uk or telephone Alex on 0141 954 7776.

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ISLAY

Islay group will continue fight for independence

A NEW group, The Islay Alliance, is being set up on the island to pursue the case for Scottish independence.

It follows an informal meeting of Yes supporters at the Columba Centre.

Spokesman Les Wilson said: 'The aim was to seek ways of taking the case for Scottish independence forward.'

Strengthening

'Those attending broke down into small groups to analyse what they thought the strengths and weakness of the 'Yes' campaign had been, and to seek ways of strengthening the case for independence over the next

few years.

'A dozen of the 30 who attended wanted to explore the possibility of setting up an Islay branch of the SNP, but there was also an agreement that a wider ranging Islay Alliance should be set up to further the case for independence from a "broad church" perspective.

'The Alliance would be open to members of all parties who supported independence, and to pro-indie individuals with no party affiliations.'

A group of volunteers has now agreed to work to formally setting up the new independence group, which has the

working title of The Islay Alliance.

The group intends to have the alliance up and running in time to campaign in the 2015 general election.

Celebrated

Mr Wilson added: 'The meeting expressed disappointment in the failure of the referendum to deliver independence but celebrated the increase in support for home rule from about 30 percent at the beginning of the campaign to 45 percent on referendum day.'

'Anger was also expressed the inability, or unwillingness, to release the number of votes cast for each side on Islay.'



The work by D Small is from around 1890.

Can you help locate this painting?

FRANCES Hood from Peninver supplied this family photo last week of a watercolour depicting a croft, possibly near Tarbert.

The painting has been passed down by relatives and Frances is keen to identify the precise location of the property.

Frances said: 'The painting is by D Small and is from around 1885-1890.'

By the sea

'There is an upturned boat in the bottom right-hand corner, suggesting a property by the sea. 'The mountains in the back-

ground may be of a specific landmark like Jura, or they could be nothing more than artistic licence, but I would love to know where the house is.'

Anyone with information about the painting can contact Frances on 01586 553804.

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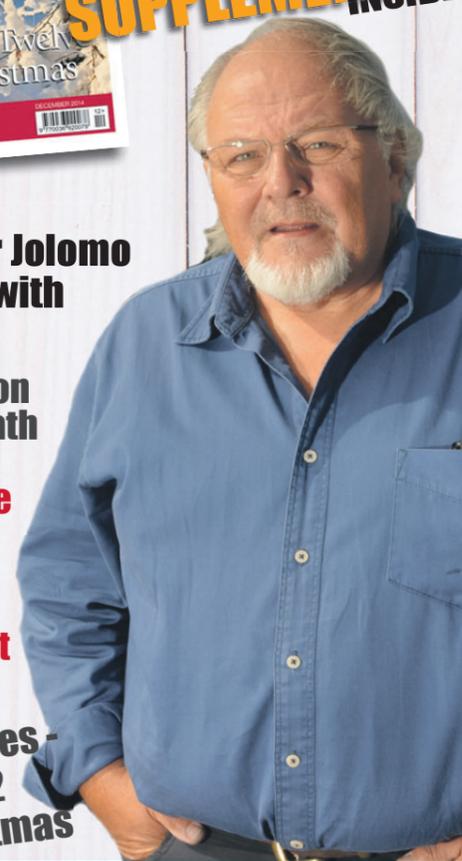
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LARGIESIDE

Dog training demonstration at WRI meeting

LARGIESIDE WRI were treated to a lesson in training your dog at the group's October meeting.

Enid McMurchy from Grrroomers Salon in Campbeltown gave a demonstration, accompanied by her Airedale dog Callie, about training a dog as early as possible and having patience as it gets used to a routine.

Enid said: 'A dog needs to learn to sit, stay and come back as early as possible, and it should socialise with other dogs.'

Callie demonstrated some of the commands, with some of the WRI members having a walk round with her to learn how to train their own dogs.

The vote of thanks was given by Mary McDonald and tea was served by Helen Steel and Adrienne Bradley.

The results of the competitions were as follows: fruit gingerbread - Ann Clark 5 points, Linda Hutchinson 4 pts, Zandra Macdougall 3 pts, Jessie Main 2 pts. Photograph of wildlife - Zandra Macdougall 5 points, Linda

Hutchinson 4 pts, Ann Clark 4 pts, Tricia Johnstone 3 pts.

SOUTHEND

Frighteningly good costumes at Southend

THERE were some fantastic guises on show at Southend Kintyre SWRI's annual children's Hallowe'en party held in St Blaas's Hall.

President Jen Ronald welcomed everyone and congratulated parents on helping to make such fantastic costumes.

Judges for the evening were Mr and Mrs Terry Smith and Mr and Mrs Alan Bateman, who had a hard time choosing a winner from the children's various costumes such as their quality and inventiveness.

After the children received their prizes, Ailie McBrayne and Mary McKinnon split them into groups and played some exciting games and puzzles before the youngsters 'dooked' for apples.

The raffle followed before Margaret McLean and vice-president Kathleen Martin thanked everyone for helping to make it such a great night, includ-

ing the judges, who had such a difficult job.

Prizewinners are as follows - Best dressed: 1 Eoin Bruce - Edward Scissorhands, 2 Heather Miller - Black Witch, 3 Alba McGowan - Scream.

Most original: 1 Oliver Twynham - Flybe, 2 Fraser Bruce - Fish Tank, 3 Steven Mcphail - Going Home.

Funniest: 1 Eve McMillan - Dancing Triplets, 2 Andrew Semple - Cereal Killer, 3 Matthew Ferguson - Naughty School Boy.

Group: 1 Melissa Chambers and Caitlin Russell - Wizard Of Oz, 2 Keira McSparran and Teagan McSparran - Frozen, 3 Thomas Moffat and Elizabeth Moffat - Mad Hatter, 3 Taylor Russell and Grace Irvine - Wizard of Oz.

Pumpkin Lanterns: 1 Caitlin Russell, 2 Elizabeth Moffat, 3 Oliver Twynham.

October meeting

THE October meeting of Southend WRI was a trip to the Marine Environmental Research Laboratory at Machrieh-anish.

It is one of the largest aquaculture research centres in Scotland for marine science.

Jen Ronald welcomed everyone and introduced them to Dr David Basset and Dr Bill Roys.

The members were then divided into two groups and had a walk and talk around the centre, with water flowing into the tanks of different sizes of fish in.

Both men were thanked for their most interesting evening.

Members then moved onto the Old Clubhouse for a lovely meal.

CLACHAN

Crafty night for Clachan SWRI

LOUISE Oppenheimer, a well-known expert in hand-weaving from Mid-Argyll, came to Clachan SWRI to show examples of her work.

Members of Whitehouse and Largieside rurals had joined for the night, and were very interested to see how she went about creating her pieces from the inspiration, to the tiny sketchbook drawing, to the large, vibrantly coloured finished article, which can take many months to complete.

Coloured wool comes from the Hebrides and is hand woven onto the weft just a few stitches at a time as the picture requires.

She exhibits widely, and her studio is open as part of the Artmap circuit, but can also be visited at other times.

She kindly judged the competitions as follows: Decorated cup cake - 1 Pauline Simson; 2 Pat Dean; 3 Zoe Weir. Hand-made card, any medium - 1 Louise Stanesby; 2 Pauline Simson; 3 Lori Silvan.

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REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – 9TH NOVEMBER 2014 LOCHGILPHEAD

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Ex-service personnel and other organisations are invited to send a maximum of two representatives to the War Memorial for the ceremony.

Members of the public are cordially invited to attend this act of remembrance.

There will be an opportunity at the end of the official wreath laying ceremony for individuals to place their floral tributes.

Following the Remembrance Service there will be a communion service in the Episcopal Church.

The times for the all other services on Remembrance Sunday are as follows:

09.45a.m.	Lochgilphead Parish Church
11.30 a.m.	Lochgilphead Free Church
11.30 a.m.	Lochgilphead Baptist Church
10.00 a.m.	St Margaret's Roman Catholic Church

Sally Loudon, Chief Executive

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PLANNING

These applications listed below together with other related documents may be inspected between 09:00-17:00hrs Monday to Friday at 1A Manse Brae Lochgilphead PA31 8RD, at the alternative locations detailed below during their normal opening times or by logging on to the Council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk. Written comments for the following list of applications should be made to the above address within 21 days of this advert. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT

Ref No	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
14/02512/PP	Erection of shed and temporary garage (retrospective)	Land South Of 3 Ballibeg Castleton Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute	1A Manse Brae, Lochgilphead

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
14/01902/LIB	Repair works to name panels, split slab and replacement of timber runners	Campbeltown War Memorial Kinloch Road Campbeltown Argyll And Bute	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

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, Central Validation Team, 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilphead PA31 8RD.

A weekly list of applications can be viewed at the above address and at all Council Libraries.

Any letter of representation the Council receives is considered a public document and will be published on our website. Anonymous or marked confidential correspondence will not be considered.

DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES (MAIN STREET AND OLD QUAY HEAD, CAMPBELTOWN) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF STOPPING EXCEPT TAXI'S) ORDER 2014

On Monday 3rd November 2014, Argyll and Bute Council made the above named Order under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, the effect of which will be that for a temporary period no person shall drive or cause or permit any vehicle to stop with the exception of taxi's, on the lengths of road as indicated in the schedule below.

SCHEDULE – NO STOPPING EXCEPT TAXI'S

Name of Road	Extent of Restriction
Main Street	On the south east side extending from its junction with Shore Street to its junction with Old Quay Head
Old Quay Head	On the south west side extending from Main Street to its junction with Old Quay Street

The restrictions imposed by this Order are required to allow for deliveries of materials and easier access whilst work is being carried out on the Town Hall. The taxi rank will relocate to this temporary site and will be effective from Monday 10th November 2014 until Friday 6th May 2016 or until the works are complete, whichever is the earlier.

(B8025 CRINAN MOSS-KEILLS ROAD, U38 BARSLOISNACH ROAD AND U18 DRIMVORE-CRINAN FERRY ROAD) (WEIGHT RESTRICTION) (AMENDMENT) ORDER 2014

On Monday 3rd November 2014, Argyll and Bute Council made the above named Order in terms of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

The Order, which comes into operation on 19th December 2014, amends the existing weight restriction order that covers sections of the B8025 Crinan Moss-Keills Road, the U38 Barsloisnach Road and the U18 Drimvore-Crinan Ferry Road in Mid Argyll. The amendment provides an exemption in order to permit the use of the road by refuse and road maintenance vehicles that exceed the 18 tonne maximum gross weight limit.

A copy of the Order is available for inspection during normal office hours Monday to Friday inclusive at the following offices:-

- (i) Roads & Amenity Services, 1A Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, PA31 8RD;
- (ii) Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, PA31 8RT.

Any person, who wishes to question the validity of the Order or any provision contained in it on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or on the grounds that any requirement of that Act or any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order may, within six weeks from 7th November 2014, apply to the Court of Session for this purpose.

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

ARGYLL & BUTE COUNCIL NOTICE OF ELECTION

One Councillor is to be elected for the South Kintyre Ward of Argyll and Bute Council.

Name of Ward	Number of Councillors to be elected
South Kintyre	1

Nomination forms can be obtained from The Election Office, Council Offices, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, Argyll PA31 8RT between the hours of 10.00 am and 4.00 pm Monday to Friday after the date of this notice, but not later than 4.00 pm on Friday 7 November 2014.

Completed nomination papers MUST be delivered to the Election Office at the above address by 4.00pm on Friday 7 November 2014.

If the election is contested, the poll will take place between the hours of 7.00am and 10.00pm on Thursday 11 December 2014.

Postal or Proxy Voting

Applications to cancel or alter existing postal and proxy votes, or to change from postal to proxy voting MUST reach the Electoral Registration Officer, Kilbrannan House, Bolgam Street, Campbeltown PA28 6HZ by 5.00pm on Tuesday 25 November 2014.

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New applications to vote by proxy MUST reach the Electoral Registration Officer at the above address by 5.00pm on Wednesday 3 December 2014.

If as the result of a disability an elector becomes incapacitated after 5.00pm on Wednesday 3 December 2014 an application to vote by proxy MUST reach the Electoral Registration Officer at the above address by 5.00pm on the day of the poll.

For advice on postal or proxy voting contact the Electoral Registration Office 0800 980 0470.

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Tel: 01546 603264 Fax: 01546 606874

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Notes

- Nomination Packs : Nomination packs may also be downloaded from www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/elections or obtained (but not lodged) at the Burnet Building, St John Street, Campbeltown.
- Electoral Register : The deadline for applications to be included in the Register of Electors to be used at the election is Monday 24 November 2014.
- Issue and Delivery of Postal Ballot Papers : Postal ballot papers will be delivered from Friday 28 November 2014. Please consider this when deciding whether to vote in person, by post or by proxy. In the event of any delay in the receipt of a postal ballot paper please note that the earliest date an application can be made for the replacement of a lost postal ballot paper is Friday 5 December 2014.

For advice about registering to vote or applying for a postal or proxy vote contact the Electoral Registration Office on 0800 980 0470. For all other enquires about the election contact the election office on 01546 603264 or e-mail elections@argyll-bute.gov.uk.

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PROPERTY

Construction workloads reach seven-year high in Scotland

RICS UK Q3 Construction Market Survey, September 2014

Levels of private housing and private commercial activity increase in strength during Q3 2014.

Private and public housing and private commercial construction activity drove a record workload in Q3 - the highest recorded since 2007 - according to the RICS UK Construction Market Survey.

Despite skills shortage concerns for quantity surveyors rising for the second consecutive quarter (now standing at a net balance of 42 per cent) commercial workloads continue to make a strong recovery throughout Scotland, with 39 per cent more surveyors reporting a rise in activity (up from a net balance of 26 per cent in Q2). This compares to a workload decline over the same quarter in 2012 (net balance of -9 per cent).

In Scotland, there were positive signs for workloads in the public housing sector, with a net balance of 22 per cent of surveyors reporting a growth in construction activity during Q3, the sharpest increase since 2005. Workloads in the private housing sector also grew robustly across all parts of the UK with the London/South East region seeing the strongest growth.

However, while still positive, workloads in infrastructure saw much more balanced growth with 27 per cent more surveyors seeing activity levels rise across Scotland. Significantly for Northern Ireland, for the fourth consecutive quarter, infrastructure and private industrial sector growth in Northern Ireland remained flat (0 per cent net balance).

Across the whole of the UK, the main factors which were found to be limiting building activity were a shortage of labour, followed by concerns over finance and shortage of materials (both a net balance of 58 per cent) followed by planning and regulation factors (a net balance of 51 per cent).

In particular, demand for brick layers grew significantly on the previous quarter, with a net balance of 71 per cent of respondents now saying that they are in great demand (compared to 59 per cent in Q2 2014). However, despite the concerns, the strength and breadth of the growth that is being reported across Scotland is promising and feeding expectations for further growth over the coming year.

As a result, 43 per cent more surveyors expect to see profits increase, rather than decrease, and 38 per cent of respondents expect to take on more people in response to the rising workloads during the next 12 months.

Unprecedented housing demand and the bounce back from a very deep recession are translating into prominent growth in workloads throughout Scotland.

With a lack of housing supply identified in the recent Scottish Housing Commission reports, it is encouraging to see a growth in construction activity across housing sectors.

Sarah Speirs director RICS Scotland said: 'Of course factors impacting construction activity, such as skill shortages and material shortages, must be addressed if we are to avoid capacity constraints, but it is equally important that the underlying framework for effective planning and delivery of projects is in place to ensure long-term construction growth that is evenly spread across the country.'

Despite the positive figures, caution remains within the industry as the recovery begins to take hold.

David Taylor FRICS, CBA QS Ltd, Glasgow, commented: 'There is an ever-increasing air of confidence but market participants still seem reluctant to commit to some of the larger projects. We are sensing caution on funding even though the uncertainty which was present before the referendum has dissipated.'

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GARDEN

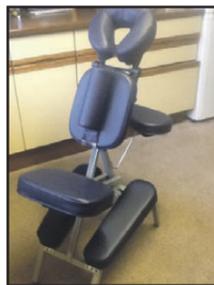
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Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



IN Flanders fields today it is quiet. It is a time for remembering. There are no guns to shatter the silence. There are no shells to blast the peace. There is no war to kill and maim. But the poppies grow as they did then. The poppies grew where life was destroyed in all its forms. The poppies grew where death stalked the fields around them. The poppies grew where youth was snatched away. The poppies grew. One hundred years later the country will fall silent to remember. All over Europe we will remember. For we must not forget. People will gather at cenotaph and village green, they will gather in cities and villages. They will gather around the poppies. It was supposed to be 'the war to end all wars', but it has happened again and again and again. The world cannot sustain another world war, for our technology would surely obliterate this fragile planet if its force was unleashed. The poppies remind us of those who fought for peace. The poppies remind us of the fragility of life and the sanctity of life. The lives that were lost were precious beyond words and surely whisper to us of their desire for peace. On Sunday we will gather round our own village memorials as the names of our own will be read out once again. We will fall silent. There will be no shells dropping or machine gun fire. There will be silence. We owe it to those whose names are written on each memorial, and on the palm of God's hand, to strive for peace. We owe it to those who fell amidst the poppies to preserve that for which they fell. We will remember and we will pray for peace. In Flanders fields it is quiet today – thank God.

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Restored grammar school war memorial proves thought provoking

A MEMORIAL honouring Campbeltown Grammar pupils and staff who lost their lives in the First World War has been repaired and restored in time for the school's commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the outbreak of World War One. The memorial had been stored in the school over many years and one of the first requests the rector, Catriona Hood, received on joining the school early in 2013 was to have it displayed once again. Ms Hood said: 'When the school's janitors, Billy McLean and Neil McCallum, began gently cleaning the memorial they found that the bronze was intact but that calcium deposits had formed on the surface. 'Once Billy and Neil removed these, they continued work on the memorial kindly

helped by Brian Leishman and his colleague Christopher McLellan. 'Finally, Billy and Neil painted in some of the lettering which had faded over the years. 'The restored memorial is displayed in the school foyer. Members of the public who wish to see it are very welcome to visit.' The school rector added: 'Since the memorial went on display recently, it has evoked a strong response from colleagues and pupils, particularly from those who have worked on restoring it. 'Pupils have found the sheer number of names thought provoking. Many of the names listed share surnames with members of today's school family. Some of the men who died would be the same age as our current senior pupils. I find this very poignant.'



Campbeltown Grammar's restored war memorial.

'Living in Argyll is not a barrier to success'

TWO Scottish political heavyweights have given their backing to Argyll and Bute Council as it begins to address an impending depopulation crisis. Alistair Carmichael MP, secretary of state for Scotland and Scottish finance secretary John Swinney MSP spoke at the Argyll and Bute Economic Summit last Wednesday in Dunoon's Queens Hall. The summit was called in response to alarming population projections showing Argyll and Bute's population will drop by 13.5 per cent by 2037, while also seeing a 22 per cent drop in the number of working age residents and a subsequent increase of 73 per cent in the population aged 75 and over. Statistics produced by Scotland's Rural College (SRUC) also showed that, of a survey of 90 settlements in

Scotland, Campbeltown and Dunoon were the two most vulnerable. The survey based its findings on the number of working age residents, unemployed people, public sector workers and those on low incomes. But the 150 delegates at the event, organised by Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership, were told there was a future in Argyll. Mr Swinney said the Scottish Government would be 'a willing participant' in Argyll and Bute's efforts to address population decline, while Mr Carmichael, a native of Islay, told delegates: 'Do what you do today, be strategic, and when you have your "ask", come back to me, because I want to hear from you.' Ellen Morton, Argyll and Bute Council's deputy leader, said living in

Argyll was not a barrier to success, adding: 'We have economic problems but we are full of economic opportunities. 'We do not need a government bailout from our difficulties but want a government buy-in to our aspirations.' Alex Paterson, chief executive of Highlands and Islands Enterprise, offered solutions, some radical, to address problems with digital connectivity and depopulation. **Road link** Among them were: making Oban a university town; creating a new road link between Lochgilphead and Dunoon; and making the University of the Highlands and Islands a 'go-to' university for students from Argyll and Bute. VisitScotland chairman Dr Mike Cantlay and Calum Ross, vice chairman of Argyll and the Isles Tour-

ism Co-operative, spoke positively of the state of tourism in the area. Mark Stephen, the summit's chairman and host, interviewed three young people who have

come to work in Argyll and Bute. Their collective message was clear: lots of young people would move to Argyll, but they need reasons to do it.

Remembering war dead

CAMPBELTOWN'S Act of Remembrance will be held at the town's war memorial at 10.50am on Sunday. After this, a service will take place at Highland Parish Church. Tomorrow (Saturday), members of the public are invited to go to Kilkerran Cemetery where the Campbeltown branch of the Royal British Legion Scotland (RBLs) will lay a wreath at the Cross of Sacrifice and place poppy crosses on the war graves at 10.30am. Alistair Kenny, chairman of the RBLs Campbeltown branch, said: 'Remembrance Day is a time for everyone to join us in remembering and paying our respects.' Marching contingents and members of the public who wish to march to the war memorial on Sunday are asked to meet at 10am at the Old Quay. At the end of the Act of Remembrance the parade will march to Highland Parish Church.

TEXT FOR THE WEEK

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

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

REID - MILLAR - At Longrow Church, Campbeltown, on November 7, 1964, by Rev Ivan F Tibbs, John to Moira.

DEATHS

LEWIS - Peacefully, at the home of her daughter, Kilgour, Machrihanish, on Saturday, November 1, 2014, Jessie Thomson Graham, in her 95th year, a loving wife of the late Robert Lewis (Ted), dearly beloved mother of Dorothy, Mildred and Robert, mother-in-law to Bob and Robert and a loving granny and great granny (nana). Funeral private.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

ADAIR - The family of the late Sheena (Jean) Adair would like to thank all relatives and friends for their cards, flowers and telephone calls received at this sad time. Our thanks to Rev Hilda Smith for a lovely service; to John Summers for music accompaniment; to the Stag Hotel for purvey; to The Flower Shop for floral tributes and to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for all their help and professionalism. Finally, our thanks to all who attended at church and graveside to pay their respects.

IN MEMORIAM

DAWSON - Jack, Mamie and Gladys. Dearly loved, sadly missed. - Inserted by son and husband, Bill.

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

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.

A golden heart stopped beating Hard working hands at rest God's garden must be beautiful

For he only takes the best. - From your loving family at Meadows Avenue and Peninver.

MUNRO - In memory of my dear husband and dad, William, who died November 7, 2011. Forgotten never Loved forever.

- Vina, Graham and William.

STEWART - Charles McNaughton Stewart, died November 1, 1990. Sadly missed.

- Wife May, Douglas, Karen, Derek and Nigel. Be still my soul.

TYRRELL - Treasured memories of my beloved husband, John, died November 9, 2007. Loved and remembered every day. - Jenny.

CHURCH NOTICES

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES

Remembrance Sunday Services in Ardrishaig at 10.45am followed by Laying of Wreaths at the War Memorial (approx 12noon) and Achahoish at 12.30pm

Scottish Episcopal Churches

Everyone Welcome
Christ Church
Bishopston Road, Lochgilphead (SC013787)

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

St Columba's, Poltalloch, nr Kilmartin (SC01391)

1st Sunday of the month 9am Eucharist service
3rd Sunday of the month 3.30pm Evensong
Scottish Prayer Book

All Saints, Inveraray (SC025646)

Saturday 3.30pm Service of Requiem for WW1
Father Simon Mackenzie
Priest in Charge of the charges of Mid Argyll & Arran
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LOCHGILPHEAD
Holy Mass Sunday 10am
ALL SAINTS, INVERARAY
Holy Mass Sunday 12.30pm

Fr. David Connor
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WEST LOCHFYNESIDE

Services 9th November 2014 - all welcome!

Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair
Charity No. SC016097
Morning Service
in Lochgair Church at 10 am

Glenaray and Inveraray
Charity No. SC016665
Morning Service
in Inveraray Church at 11.30 am

SERVICES AT WAR MEMORIALS
Lochgair 10.45 am
Inveraray 10.45 am
Minard 11.30 am
Furnace 1.30 pm (Note time)

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH

Sunday 9th November Remembrance Service
10am - Glassary
Rev. C. Acklam

Thursday 13th November
Messy Church - 4pm - 6pm
Living Stones Hall, Kilmartin

A new loop hearing system has been installed.

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SC0 02121

lochgilphead baptist church
All Welcome

Pastor Rev Derek Gibson
Sunday 9th November 2014
REMEMBRANCE SERVICE
10.45 at Cenotaph
Service starts at 11.30am with communion
mainly music
Tuesday at 10am
Jumpstart
Friday from 10am
Scottish Charity SC015187



LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH

Sunday 9th November
Service of Remembrance 9.45am followed by Service at the War Memorial
Rev. Hilda Smith
Every Tuesday
1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Bumps, Babies and Toddlers
Every Wednesday
10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Drop-In Cafe
All Welcome
www.lpchurch.co.uk
Lochgilphead (Church of Scotland) SC016311

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH

Scottish Charity Number SC011686

Sunday 9th November
Service at the War Memorial 10.40am
Morning Service 11.40am
Next Generation, Triple C, Creche
Rev P Wallace

Tuesday 11th November
Mothers and Toddlers 9.45am New Hall
Boy's Brigade
Anchor Boys 6.00 - 7.00pm
Junior Section 7.15 - 8.30pm
Church Hall

Thursday 13th November
Choir Practice

Friday 14th November
Lunch Club
12.00 noon New Hall

TARBERT LOCHFYNE AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Sunday 9th November 2014
Remembrance Services
Tarbert Service 11.30am
Please gather at War Memorial 10.45am
Kilberry Service 2pm
Rev. Tommy Bryson
Kirk Session Meeting,
Tuesday 11th November 2014
Tarbert Church 7.30pm.
For all church enquiries and pastoral care
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Charity Number SC001002
Sunday 9 November
Barnluasgan War Memorial
10.50 am

Wreath Laying Ceremony
Bellanoch Church 11.30 am
Service of Remembrance
Retiral offering for Poppy
Scotland
Rev. C. Acklam

Tuesday 11 November
Tayvallich Church 7.30 pm
Congregational Board

Thursday 13 November
Messy Church 4 - 6 pm
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Argyll Street, Campbeltown

St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown
Scottish Charity No SC023277

Sunday 9th November
Remembrance Sunday
Holy Communion at about 11.30am

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SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH

75 Longrow, Campbeltown
Sunday 9th November 2014
Remembrance Sunday
"Following the 10.30am Town Service at the War Memorial, led by Rev Catriona Hood...."
11.30am Family Communion
Coffee to follow
Pastor Ross Ferguson
Wednesday 12th November
Jellytots Toddler Group 10.00am
Bible Study and Prayer at 7.30pm

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www.springbankchurch.co.uk
SC014646

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Remembrance Sunday 9 November 2014
10.50am

Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch
Speaker: Graham Mclean "Burden Bearing"

Thursday 13 November 2014
7.30pm
Praise, prayer & sharing
All Welcome

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2pm Ladies Bible Study

Monthly (last Thursday)
Soup Lunch
Minister: Rev. R Macleod
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free church of scotland

George Street, Campbeltown
Sunday 9th November
11.15am Worship Service
Rev Finlay Mackenzie
2.30pm Christianity Explored
Wednesday 12th November
12.30pm Bible Study and Prayer
2.30pm - 4.30pm Water of Life Café
All Welcome
www.campbeltownfreechurch.com
Scottish Charity Number: SC009980

The Salvation Army Campbeltown Corps

Burnside Street, Campbeltown
01586 552046
Sunday Services
10.30am No Meeting
4.00pm Family Worship for Remembrance Sunday
Tuesday
12.15pm Lunch Club
1.30pm Home League
Wednesday
7.00pm The Make & Munch Mob
Thursday
7.30pm Bible Study & Prayer
Lt. Mark Scouling

Highland Parish Church



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Sunday 9th November
"They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old"

Remembrance Service at War Memorial
Service in Church 11.30 am

Conducted by Rev Catriona Hood
"We shall remember them"

Badminton Club meets in Kirk Street Hall
Tuesday evening

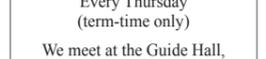
Primary 1 - 5: 6.30pm - 7.30pm
Primary 6 - 7: 7.30pm - 8.30pm
Everyone very welcome

CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday Service
11.00 am
with Sunday school
Refreshments after the service

Baby & Toddler Group
10.00 - 11.45 am
Every Thursday (term-time only)

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Almost a dream debut for Campbeltown Son

DONALD McCallum from Campbeltown nearly made his competitive debut for Dumbarton FC's first team when he was part of the squad for their Scottish Cup match against Rangers last Saturday.

Now living in Glasgow, the 18-year old plays with the club's under-20s development team and was also involved in some of the first team's pre-season games, as well as training sessions with the Sons' first-team several times this season.

Coaching sessions

CAMPBELTOWN and District Juvenile Football Association's coaching sessions for pre-school and P1/2 age groups start today (Friday) at Campbeltown Grammar School.

In partnership with Active Schools, CD-JFA coaches will deliver their Mini Kicker sessions for pre-school children starting at 4pm to 4.45pm. Primary 1 and 2 age groups will run for one hour from 5pm. All sessions will be held in the school gyms.

Machrihanish lotto up to £300

THERE were no winners of Machrihanish Golf Club's three number lottery draw on Monday, which means the jackpot rises to £300.

The winning numbers were 3, 4 and 6.

The next draw will take place this Monday, November 10.

Results from Islay Golf Club

ISLAY Golf Club November Medal: 1 A Woodman 85-8=77, 2 K. MacDonald 85-7=78, 3 R. MacLean 95-17=78. CSS74.

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High five for the Pupils in Perthshire

Luncarty	2
Campbeltown Pupils	5
Scottish Amateur Cup - 3rd Round	

CAMPBELTOWN Pupils marched on to the fourth round of the Scottish Cup last Saturday with a five-star performance in Perthshire.

Four goals from Martin McCallum and a solitary strike from Gary Grumoli were enough to guide the Pupils past a potentially tricky Luncarty side, unbeaten in the Perthshire amateur



Pupils' striker Martin McCallum put four goals past Luncarty in the Scottish Cup last Saturday. 20_c45pupils01

league and district cups this season.

The Pupils began in a 4-4-2 formation, with the McLorne Robertson returning at right-back and Kenny Galbraith pushing forward to right midfield, and Keith Mitchell reverting to left back leaving Craig Lamont and Shaun Grumoli at centre back.

Playing in central midfield, Gary Grumoli was involved in some of the early action and forced the home keeper to turn his ferocious shot around the post.

From the resulting corner, a clearing header fell to Martin McCallum in the box and he rifled a low left-footed shot beyond the keeper's reach to open the scoring.

The lead was soon doubled after some determined play down the left from Lorne Robertson, who won a 50-50 tackle and floated a cross to the back post

for Gary Grumoli. His header came off the post but the Pupils' top scorer picked up the rebound to smash the ball home.

With the Pupils in complete control of the match approaching half-time, there was frustration when the McFadyens-sponsored Pupils lost possession on the halfway line and the Luncarty centre forward was sent in on goal, stroking the ball coolly past Reid Anderson.

Divert

Just before the interval there was relief as Martin McCallum helped himself to his brace and the Pupils' third. John McCallum played in Kenny Galbraith down the right, who crossed to the front post for the Pupils' striker to divert it low into the net, out of the keeper's reach.

Into the second half the Pupils went for a more defensive 5-4-1, with Mitchell playing at sweeper, which allowed Luncarty to exert more pressure on the match.

Their reward came when the same striker



Lewis McFadyen, white jersey, in action earlier in the season, played a key role in securing the Pupils' win over Luncarty. 08_c45lewis01

notched another goal, sliding the ball under Anderson after hesitancy in the Pupils box to make the score 3-2.

With an injury to Lamont, Ellis Robertson came on at centre-back, with Mark Davis replacing the impressive Fraser Wylie at left back, however it was left midfielder Lewis McFadyen who would have the next telling impact.

After a couple of great headers and blocks in

his own penalty area, he sent a lob through to Martin McCallum who beat the offside trap before copying the assist with a looping finish of his own, bouncing up into the roof of the net to make it 4-2 and virtually seal the win.

Harried

Not content with a hat-trick though, the 19 year old harried the Luncarty defence with 10 minutes remaining to win the ball, round the keeper and slot home his

fourth goal and the Pupils' fifth.

It was a nonchalant end to an often combative Scottish Cup match, one the Pupils will be glad to finish in 90 minutes after a lengthy journey to Perthshire.

The Pupils have been drawn away to either Drumchapel United or Craigshill Thistle in the fourth round.

Tomorrow (Saturday) the Pupils will play Alba Thistle at Kintyre Park with a 2pm kick off.

Tarbert fight hard against the odds

IT was always going to be an uphill task for Tarbert last Saturday.

A severely depleted squad left them with only 11 players travelling through to Kirkcaldy to face a side sitting top of the Fife Premier League.

However, the Tarbert Hotel sponsored side were more than a match for their opponents during the first half.

Over-running

The central midfield trio of MacIver, MacNaughton and McDougall were over-running the Dysart midfield and any time the home team broke the Tarbert defence marshalled by Talbot and the returning Elliott were snapping into tackles and clearing

Dysart	3
Tarbert	1
Scottish Amateur Cup - 3rd Round	

their lines well.

Tarbert had the best chance of the opening 20 minutes when a superb pass from MacNaughton in the middle of the park over the home defence saw Prentice racing in on goal and he lobbed the advancing keeper from 20 yards but agonisingly his effort skimmed the top of the bar and went out for a goal kick.

McDougall then played a one-two with Prentice and advanced into the opposition box but a series of desperate lunges blocked several

efforts on goal by Tarbert players. A superb save by Martin then kept the scores level at half time.

Poor goals

However, it all unravelled early in the second half when Tarbert lost two poor goals in quick succession, and it was all over when the home side made it three a while later.

With 10 minutes remaining, the Dookers pulled one goal back when a corner was cleared by Dysart but the ball fell kindly for young Andrew Guy to

unleash a cracking first-time volley from 25 yards straight into the top corner.

Tarbert then saw a Liddell header just miss the target and two McDougall efforts desperately blocked by the home defence.

A late penalty save by Martin prevented Dysart from extending their lead.

The Tarbert players had worked extremely hard against good opponents. Man of the match was goalkeeper John Martin.

This week the Dookers are at home to Rosehill Star in a Division 1B league game. Kick off is 2pm with referee Alessandro Savarese from Glasgow in charge.



Burnside's Kenny Docherty, left, Martin Coffield, second left, and Charles Robertson, right, are pictured with Elaine Munro and James Robertson, proprietors of the Kilbrannan.

Burnside fly high again

CAMPBELTOWN District Darts League week three results: Kilbrannan A 7 Southend 3, Fiddlers 9 Fiddlers B 1, Kilbrannan B 8 Commercial 2, Ailsa 7 Kilbrannan C 3, Burnside/Bye.

The Eagle competition was held in the Kilbrannan Bar on Monday and saw 19 teams enter the popular three-player team event. Burnside won the trophy for the third year in a row and the runners up were Kilbrannan A.

Gary Grumoli hit two 180s earlier in the competition.

SAFL results and fixtures

LAST Saturday's results: Scottish Cup third round - Oban Saints 3, Giffnock North 3; Luncarty 2, Campbeltown Pupils 5; Dysart 3, Tarbert 1; Premier Division One - Dunoon 5, Goldenhill 3; Premier Division Two - Lochgilphead Red Star 6, Port Glasgow Amateurs 4; Drumchapel Colts 4, Dunoon Athletic 0.

This Saturday's fixtures: Scottish Amateur Cup, third round replay - Giffnock North v Oban Saints; Premier Division - Campbeltown Pupils v Alba Thistle; Premier Division One - Kilbowie Union v Dunoon; Premier Division Two - Dunoon Athletic v Centre; Lochgilphead Red Star v Paisley; Division 1B - Tarbert v Rosehill Star.



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Injury-plagued Carradale hold on for hard-earned win

'I was pleased with the commitment'

Minorities Youth	2
Carradale	3
West of Scotland Premier Division	

AN injury-plagued Carradale side produced another gutsy performance on the road and extended their unbeaten league run to seven matches, against MYF in Coatbridge.

Carradale got off to the perfect start after just two minutes when Ryan McConnachie picked up a loose ball 25 yards out before lashing a low shot into the corner of the net.

After a couple of shots from their hosts went wide, Kilbrannan-sponsored Carradale increased their lead on the half-hour mark through David Johnstone, who bulleted a header into

the net from a corner.

There was frustration soon after though, as MYF halved the deficit after possession was cheaply given away outside the box and a cut-back to their number nine was converted with ease.

Just before half-time Carradale made it 3-1 when Cammy Maguire converted a penalty he had won himself after being fouled in the area, the club's top-scorer blasting the ball home to give the keeper no chance.

The second half was relatively quiet with Carradale now playing against the hindrance

of a strong wind, but the last 15 minutes produced a frantic finale that tested the away defence to its limit.

A corner was cleared by Carradale only for a second ball to loop back in, and despite three MYF players looking a long way offside one of them was able to chest the ball and volley high past Neil MacMillan to make it 3-2.

With Carradale looking to see out the game they were cursing their luck as McConnachie nearly scored a brace from close range, only to see his glancing effort roll across the face of goal.

Alex McPhee's header then cannoned off the post after he rose to meet a corner kick.

The final few attacks

from MYF saw McMillan produce a couple of tremendous saves, and McPhee and Travis Tiffin scramble a clearance off the goal-line, to ensure three hard-earned points for the away side.

Man of the match was midfielder David Johnstone.

Tomorrow (Saturday) Carradale entertain Duntocher in the league.

Nonnie Macalister, Carradale manager, said: 'This could be a tight match as we are level with Duntocher on points.

'We will need to be on our game.

'We played well against MYF and I was very pleased with the commitment towards the end which saw us come away with the win.'



Long-serving Carradale player Travis Tiffin made a vital goal-line clearance as Carradale took all three points against MYF in Coatbridge. 20_c45travis01



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**Injury-plagued
Carradale hold
on for hard-
earned win**

Bowled over by special award

Pairs champions among those honoured at sports event

THEY are Scottish bowling champions, so it was no surprise when Jimmy Anderson and Johnny McLean were awarded a special prize for being South Kintyre's team of the year.

The pair beat Commonwealth gold medalist Paul Foster and partner Alex Marshall at the Scottish championships in Ayr only a month after the Glasgow games, an almost outrageous achievement given their powerhouse opponents.

They also gave Campbeltown Bowling Club its first national title in its 108-year history.

At the South Kintyre Sports Council awards last Saturday, Johnny said: 'It is lovely to be recognised in this way.'

'We had an amazing response from the area on arriving home from

the championships, with more than 100 bowling club members and friends turning up to support us. It has been a great experience.'

Elaine McGeachy won the Sportsperson of the Year award for her leading role with Campbeltown Running Club and helping to organise of the Mull of Kintyre Run, voted one of the top UK runs by Runner's World magazine.

Donald McCallum won Young Sportsperson of the Year after impressing with Dumbarton FC's youth teams over the past two seasons and showing promise during the Sons' first-team in training and pre-season matches. He plays with the club's under-20s in the SPFL Development League.

Campbeltown and Dis-

trict Community Football Club picked up the Club of the Year prize, after the under-13s players and coaches blazed a trail for football in South Kintyre by competing in the Dumbar-tonshire Development League for the first time.

Catherine Dobbie of Campbeltown Lawn Tennis Club picked up the Coach of the Year award for her work with the area's young tennis players and in partnership with Active Schools to introduce young people to tennis. Catherine enjoyed a brilliant year as a golfer too, winning the ladies' championship at Machrihanish Golf Club.

Malina McAulay won the Service to Sport award for her work with South Kintyre Sports Council and Campbel-

town Pupils AFC.

William McKinnon, 18, won the sports council's Young Volunteer of the Year Award for his work with the community football club's youngest age groups, Campbeltown Lawn Tennis Club, and his role as a Sports Leader with schools across South Kintyre as part of the Active Schools programme. Such dedicated work saw him named Argyll and Bute Council's Young Sports Volunteer of the Year earlier this year.

Linda Robertson of South Kintyre Sports Council said: 'Sport is really progressing in South Kintyre, and it is important to recognise those who put so much commitment into organising, coaching or playing.



Johnny McLean, left, and Jimmy Anderson had an outstanding year on the bowling green, becoming Scottish pairs champions. They won Team of the Year. 20_c45sportaward04



Catherine Dobbie of Campbeltown Tennis Club lifted the Coach of the Year award. 20_c45sportaward07



Donald McCallum's was named Young Sportsperson of the Year. 20_c45sportaward08



William MacKinnon received the Young Volunteer of the Year award. 20_c45sportaward06



South Kintyre Sports Council awards winners are pictured with the sports council's Linda Robertson, back row second from right.

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Elaine McGeachy won Sportsperson of the Year for her work with Campbeltown Running Club.

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Malina McAulay of South Kintyre Sports Council won the Service to Sport award, for her work with amateur side Campbeltown Pupils AFC and South Kintyre Sports Council. 20_c45sportaward03



Campbeltown and District Community Football Club won Club of the Year. Pictured from left are coaches Stanley Irwin, Duncan McAulay, David Paterson and Ian McGeachy. 20_c45sportaward05

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