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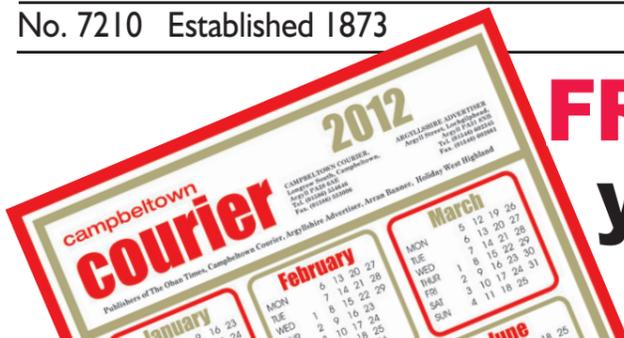


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## Teachers to go as CGS pupil roll falls?

### Pupil numbers will drop below 350 and teaching jobs could go

A 'SIGNIFICANT' drop will be seen in the pupil roll at Campbeltown Grammar over the coming years.

Acting head teacher Michael Casey was questioned about present staffing at the school by Councillor Donald Kelly at the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islands Area Committee and said presently the school is fully staffed.

'However, this situation will change in the next six to eight years; there is a significant drop in the school roll,' he said.

'We have a pupil roll of about 520 students. Looking at the census carried out this year, in about eight year's time, the roll of the school is projected to be below 350.'

#### Currently

This would mean the school would need to lose on average 1.5 to two staff members per year; it is currently at 39.4 and will be around 29.4.

He said this would be made possible through a natural loss of people retiring, but that a balance

of the subjects taught would need to be kept.

For example, he said, history teachers at the school will be retiring in the next few years. The school would need to bring in more staff to cover the loss, which may mean another subject would need to go.

'Argyll College will become even more significant in the future,' said Mr Casey, who took up the post as acting head teacher in August after rector William Crossan retired.



FOR the first time since 1988 the TS Campbeltown Sea Cadet unit has been awarded a mark of excellence.

A Burgee was presented to the unit at its annual prize-giving on Monday night and recognises the quality of training offered to the cadets.

It also recognises the administration of the group including how well the activities run each year are assessed.

It was awarded following an annual inspection, and Donnie Cameron of the unit said he was 'very pleased' the unit has been awarded this mark of excellence.

At the prize-giving, ordinary cadet James Arbuckle was awarded the Jubilee Rose Bowl for best cadet.

For more from the prize-giving see page 8. 21\_c50sea03

## 'Radium hotspots' at Machrihanish

MACHRIHANISH is one of three former RAF sites that have been left with a legacy of radium contamination, it was confirmed this week.

A total of 13 'radium hotspots' have now been identified in the UK with the latest three contaminated sites coming to light following a freedom of information request by the *Scottish Sunday Express*.

Highlands and Islands MSP Mike Mackenzie said: 'The Ministry of Defence needs to relay the fears of people living in these communities and they must work fast to clean up any hazardous material that could be detrimental to public health.' The contaminated material is said by authorities to be the paint used to coat aircraft dials to allow them to be viewed at night.

Some of the contaminated material is said to be so potent that it could cause burns to skin if touched.

The emergence of further radioactive contamination follows growing anger over similar pollution discovered at Dalgety Bay.

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# Special budget meeting

A SPECIAL meeting will be held in January to discuss next year's budget. Councillor Douglas Philand to hold the meeting to discuss the implications of the budget on all local services and departments as well as service reviews within the area.

Councillor Donald Kelly made a motion at the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islands Area Committee, seconded by

# Campaign to resolve issues on the A83

by RUTH McCLEAN  
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HAULIERS and businesses in Kintyre have got behind a campaign to try and resolve issues on the A83.

This week Peter McKerral of P McKerral and Co called the closure of the A83 at the Rest and Be Thankful 'shambolic'.

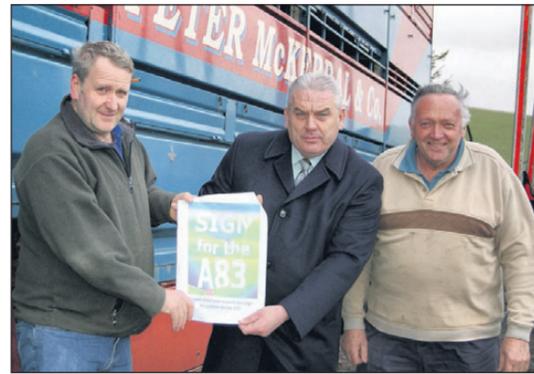
A landslide earlier this month caused the A83 to be shut, forcing drivers to take a detour of 26-miles. A full closure of the road was followed by a night closure, however, on Wednesday the road was opened.

Haulage and transport firms in the area have been severely affected

with increased costs and inconvenience for their drivers and customers.

Mr McKerral has a fleet of around 40 heavy good vehicles and said it caused an increase in mileage, which effectively added more cost onto each run. It also inconvenienced drivers who had to start work later to coincide with the opening of the Rest during the day.

The campaign 'Sign for the A83' has received the backing of the haulage firms across Argyll as well as from three of the Members of the Scottish Parliament, Michael



Peter (left) and Donnie McKerral with Councillor Donald Kelly. 21\_c50sign01

Russell, David Stewart and Jamie McGrigor, and now all the South Kintyre councillors are behind it.

Argyll First has initiated the campaign and Councillor Donald Kelly, on behalf of the group, said it has start-

ed to gain momentum. 'Petitions are being circulated throughout Argyll and Bute and it is vitally important that the entire community unite behind the campaign and sign the petition,' he told *The Courier*.

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# Community saddened at the sudden death of Jim Lay

FAMILY and friends have been left shocked by the sudden death of former Campbeltown man Jim Lay.

Jim, who was 54 years old, was found dead at

his home last Friday, and staff and pupils at Oban High School where he was head of the school's PE department have paid tribute to him.

Oban High School head teacher Peter Bain said: 'Jim was a lovely, friendly person to sit and talk with. He had an enthusiasm for his job and was always very passionate when discussing how to improve his subject for all his pupils.

'He loved being a teacher.'

A successful basketball coach with Glasgow ladies team, St. Maurice Rocks, and formerly the Scottish Women's under-16 squad, Basketball Scotland described Jim as a 'driving force' in the sport, who would be sadly missed by the basketball community. He won the BBC Unsung Hero Award in 2007.

When Jim was in Campbeltown he played for Campbeltown Pupils and was a well-known and respected man.



Jim Lay

# Landslide risk still remains

A RISK of landslides still remains at the Rest and Be Thankful, but the road was open as *The Courier* went to press.

Additional measures have been put in place to ensure the safer running of traffic during hours of darkness, and Transport Scotland re-opened the road 24 hours a day to all traffic from Wednesday.

Since the landslide on December 1 a clean up operation has been taking place.

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**Residents have their say**

A TEAM of Southend residents who oppose the wind farm plans represented themselves at the hearing.

Robert Kidd was their main spokesman.

'You see the Keil Hotel from all sorts of locations; it is a big building but it is only one-fifth of the size of one of the turbines,' he said adding that the plan was a major wind power station.

'The wind farm would generate an average 102 MW; Kintyre only needs 5.65 MW to be self-sustaining.

'The spine of Kintyre is the preferred site for wind farms, we are asking that the world-famous Mull of Kintyre can remain free of such industrial development.'

The residents told of the property market stagnating in the area ever since the development was proposed.

But not everyone from Southend was against the wind farm.

Susan Paterson, who formerly chaired the village's community council, spoke in support.

'There has been a lot of upset in the community; many people feel they have been put upon a bit. There are people who have come to me and said how much they support the wind farm.'

The community council remained neutral and was not represented at the appeal; one member who did speak, Donnie McLean stressed he was speaking in a personal capacity and not as a community councillor.

# 'Wrong wind farm in the wrong place'

by **JOANNE SIMMS**  
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**KILCHATTAN** Wind Farm would be 'the wrong wind farm in the wrong place' Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH) told an appeal to overturn the planning refusal for the turbines on Tod Hill, north of Southend.

St Blaas's Hall was packed on Tuesday for the start of the hearing but emptied to half by the mid morning break as planners, SNH experts and lawyers went through many technical aspects of the planning procedure; the appeal is by written submission with the hearing on Tuesday for the reporter Jill Moody to hear from interested parties and ask questions of them she might have to help her make her decision, and also to tour the area.

Mrs Moody said she would read all written submissions from the planning application by Wind Prospect and tour the area to see locations and views.

'I do intend to have a look from Arran so I can form my own opinion,' Mrs Moody said and weather permitting she will also go out by boat off the coast of Southend.

SNH was damning of the proposal for the wind farm, which would see 16 turbines, 55 metres to hub and 81 metres to blade tip, on Tod Hill.

'This wind farm is the wrong wind farm in the wrong place. If consent is given it might limit the number of other, better ones. SNH has key strategic concerns over this particular wind farm,' said Julie McAndrew for SNH.

Andrew Stevenson, SNH ornithology expert, said he had 'no faith' in the data provided by Wind Prospect on the effect the wind farm would have on the important hen harrier population in the Southend area.

'SNH does not believe the appellant has complied with SNH guidance,' said Louise Coburn, part of their legal team and said Wind Prospect had not paid

enough attention to the details of the local landscape, adding that Wind Prospect had provided 'a cut and paste job from the regional landscape assessment'.

Richard Kerr, Argyll and Bute planning, said the wind farm would dominate the scenery.

Jenny Wilson, for Wind Prospect said the plans were in keeping with Argyll and Bute Council's plans and policies for wind farms in Kintyre.

And Ms Wilson said that while there would be views where the turbines might be prominent they would not dominate the landscape.

David Goodman QC for Wind Prospect said 'I'm surprised by the suggestion from SNH that detailed consideration had not been given to the area.'

And on the question of the hen harriers he said: 'The only survey you have is from us, not SNH.'



## Dalintober Primary entertain at Campbeltown Hospital

**PRIMARY** seven pupils from Dalintober Primary entertained clients at the day hospital in Campbeltown Hospital on Monday. The children sang Christmas carols and some played musical instruments for them. Kathryn Semple played the cornet for the day hospital clients.

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# Decision time for new yacht loch berths

by JOANNE SIMMS  
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IT'S decision time for the new yacht berths for Campbeltown Loch and there is a great deal at stake.

There is a choice of three options of design for the berths, for this major part of the Campbeltown CHORD Project, to improve the town centre and ensure its future prosperity.

Other parts of CHORD are well underway; work has been done to renovate buildings and find a long-term use for the town hall under the Townscape Heritage Initiative (THI) and this week the contractors have been announced for the Kinloch Road area regeneration.

The last important piece of the jigsaw is the berthing to put Campbeltown on the map as a yachting destination.

There is a choice of

three options, the first would see yachts raft up alongside each other (Option A), the other two would use more expensive finger pontoons and one of the schemes has a wave barrier.

At their meeting the board of Campbeltown CHORD project decided to think again about going with Option A which was the preferred choice because it was the lowest cost.

Councillor Rory Colville, who chairs the board said: 'An important decision has to be made.' Councillor John Semple welcomed the move: 'It is clear from the work of consultants that the more expensive option providing 45 finger berths is the one which will bring a significantly greater economic impact to the town.'

A meeting, which will be held in private due to commercial considerations, will consider which option to choose and how to fund it, and decide the priorities for rest of the Campbeltown CHORD funds.

'We have got to look at the wider picture and what's best for Campbeltown,' said Councillor Donald Kelly, who added that he was pleased to see that the council had taken on board his view that the public realm works proposed for Kinloch Road were too lavish and cut them back, freeing up more money.

The CHORD programme (Campbeltown, Helensburgh, Oban, Rothesay and Dunoon) has seen Argyll and Bute Council investing heavily in the regeneration of the five town centres and waterfronts; Campbeltown's share was £6.5m.



## Rotary Club's Christmas post

ROTARIANS from Campbeltown manned their caravan on the town's Main Street on Saturday for people to post their Christmas cards.

The Rotary Club of Campbeltown is once again operating its Christmas post and the funds from the post will be used to help Rotary support charities and other good causes in Kintyre and elsewhere.

Last year the Rotary club delivered nearly 26,000 Christmas cards in Kin-

tyre. The number of cards delivered has increased almost every year since the service started and the club hopes this will be maintained again this year.

### Disbanded

The club has done the Christmas post for many years, ever since the Campbeltown Scots disbanded; there are currently no active Scouts or Cubs in Campbeltown due to the retirement of the active leaders but a group has started recently in Southend. 21\_e50post01

## Shop window competition attracts 49 entrants

SHOP windows in Campbeltown are looking very festive as 49 businesses have signed up to take part in the second annual Christmas Window Competition.

Leaflets have been produced for people to carry out their own tour of the displays and each leaflet contains a voting slip to give people the opportunity to vote for their favourite.

### Donated

The best display will receive £100, donated by the South Kintyre Area Development Group.

Argyll and Bute Council's Town Centre Manager for Campbeltown, Aileen MacLennan organised the event and said: 'The competition is proving to be a great success yet again. I cannot believe the number of people who have signed up to take part. This type of event creates a real sense of community pride and wellbeing whilst also promoting local businesses and getting people into the festive spirit.'

The competition began on November 24 and the deadline for votes is

noon on December 20.

Leaflets can be picked up from participating businesses.

### Posters

Just look out for a poster in the window, which says they're taking part.

All voting slips must be returned to the Town Centre Manager, 3 Harvey's Lane, Burnside Square, Campbeltown, Argyll, PA28 6GE.

The competition is funded by Argyll and Bute Council, Argyll and the Islands Leader and the South Kintyre Area Development Group.

## Police and firefighters team up for road safety initiative

TO COINCIDE with the launch of a drink drive and road safety initiative, Strathclyde Police has teamed up with Strathclyde Fire and Rescue and the local young firefighters.

At Campbeltown Police Station tomorrow (Saturday), free checks are being offered by police to people's cars to make sure they are road worthy.

Things like lights, windscreen wipers and tyres will be checked to ensure they are at a satisfactory level and police will also be offering advice; no fines or charges will be issued at the event.

## Fishing boat and tanker in near miss

A NEAR collision between a fishing boat and tanker, three miles east of Davaar Island has been reported.

At 8.42am last Friday Clyde Coastguard was informed of the incident and details have been forwarded to the Maritime Coastguard Agency's Enforcement Branch for further investigation.

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## Road surfacing work completed

ALL capital road surfacing works through Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay have now been completed.

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islands (MAKI) Area Committee was told that white lining work at some locations was still outstanding, not just in the MAKI area but for the whole of Argyll. This was due to weather-related delays.

Graham Brown, operations manager for Argyll and Bute Council said there have been some savings in the capital works carried out on the roads, which will mean

some additional structural patching done on the A816 and A83. He said this would give them a head start on some of the works next year.

In his report he said the contracts for structural patching work on both A816 Lochgilhead to Oban road and the A83, south of Kennacraig for next year are currently being organised.

General safety-related works, including drainage and permanent patching, is ongoing across the area, with the Patchmaster vehicle being used in the last few months to repair potholes.

# Increase in 'at risk' adult referrals

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THE number of referrals for adults 'at risk' in the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islands (MAKI) area has increased over the last year.

During 2010, 72 referrals were received for adults deemed 'at risk' by the Argyll and Bute Adult Protection Committee.

Bill Brackenridge from the committee told the MAKI Area Committee last week that this has risen from 10 referrals

the previous year and for 2011 expects it to reach more than 100.

He said the committee is looking to try and encourage more of the general public like neighbours to report any issues of concern where an adult may be 'at risk of harm'.

Out of the 72 referrals during 2010, 17 were for older people, 33 for people mental health difficulties, 13 people with a learning disability and

six people with an addiction; as well as three people who did not fit any of the descriptions above.

People at risk include: older people, people with disabilities, people with mental health difficulties, people who are frail and people who suffer ill health.

### Referrals

The majority of the referrals come from Strathclyde Police, with others from social workers and family members.

Mr Brackenridge said they get three quarters

of their referrals from Strathclyde Police, and the number of referrals from health professionals and care homes was 'concerning' and needed much more awareness.

Ronnie McIlquham, who is also part of the adult protection committee, told the meeting there has been a couple of referrals from care homes in Kintyre.

'If it is a council contract then the staff at the care homes have a duty to report an incident if they are concerned about an adult at risk,' he said.



## Fundraising for Marie Curie

THE first official business meeting of the Marie Curie Cancer fundraising committee took place recently. Held at Campbeltown Hospital the committee met to discuss a way forward, with the next meeting planned for February time. Chairwoman of the group is Jillian Anderson, secretary is Linda McFadyen and treasurer is Elizabeth Kelly. Left to right: Mary Flora MacPhail, Lindsey MacDonald, Ruth McGougan, Elizabeth Kelly and Jillian Anderson. 21\_c50marie01

# Storm causes major disruption across all parts of Kintyre

HIGH winds and heavy rain caused havoc across Kintyre last week.

Last Thursday the town's Main Street was closed as pieces of the town hall's roof started to come away, and with a cable down at Castlehill, this road was also closed for public safety.

Power was out for some parts of Kintyre, with many not having electricity for at least six hours.

### Households

Other households in Drumlemble were out for 20 hours.

Argyll and Bute Council shut the town hall

on Friday with a hire booked for last Saturday cancelled.

They expected a crane to be on site last Friday to inspect the damage.

On Wednesday this week a council spokeswoman said the building was open again as normal.

Broadband in areas like Tayinloan has also been affected with problems at the local exchanges after the power cuts.

### Normal

An engineer was due on site to fix the problem at Tayinloan, with services back to normal on Tuesday evening.

### Police Files:

#### Breach:

A MAN was arrested for allegedly breaching the peace on Saturday night at Longrow, Campbeltown at 10pm.

#### Disturbance:

POLICE have received several calls from members of the public about youths causing a disturbance in Campbeltown.

There has been no damage caused and no trace of the youths when police arrived.

Areas include Longrow, Glenside and Saddell Street.

#### Assault:

INQUIRIES are continuing after a woman was assaulted outside a Main Street hotel in Campbeltown on Saturday night.

The incident was reported to police at 1.30am.

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## Thought for the Week with Marilyn Shedden



ALTHOUGH it was almost 20 years ago, I will never forget walking across Manger Square in Bethlehem. It was a wonderful experience and I could hardly believe that I was about to kneel at the very place where Christ is said to have been born.

The Square was crowded with pilgrims who jostled and pushed through the throng of people.

I thought that it must have been just like that as Mary and Joseph tried to find a place to stay in the busy little town on that world-changing night.

We were fortunate on our visit to Bethlehem that we could get to the site of the crib. There was no wall then as there is now.

It is strange to think that the Wise Men would have travelled all that way and finally there would have been a barrier between them and this most special baby.

The wall would have stopped them. How sad that this wall, this barricade, causes division in the very place where the Prince of Peace took his first breath.

A wall divides and separates the people for whom Christ came; that wall reminds us that we have a long way to travel even 2,000 years after that amazing night.

I wonder what 'walls' we build to separate us from the Christ child today?

I wonder what 'walls' we build to separate us from each other, and so from Christ himself?

I wonder what our own personal 'walls' are today that block us from coming to the manger?

Only we know what our prejudices are; only we know the people we marginalise because they are different from us; only we know what walls we build to barricade love out.

Maybe this Christmas, the best gift we can bring to the Manger is to dismantle our own walls and let love in.



## Down Memory Lane . . .

*THE Courier's* readers have come up trumps once again and helped us to find out more details about Down Memory Lane photographs in last week's edition.

Eva MacDonald MBE wrote to *The Courier* to let us know what she thought.

'Regarding Mr Sugarman's photographs of the parade on Main Street, Campbeltown in last week's Down Memory Lane of *The Campbeltown Courier*.

'I too have more than one of these photographs. My photographs were taken mainly on the esplanade, and if I remember correctly, the occasion was a celebration of the 'Argylls' receiving the freedom of Campbeltown.

'The little Shetland pony, Cruachan, was, I believe, their mascot.

'I will be pleased to hear if there are other readers who agree with this.'

Neil and Dolleen Durning popped into the office last Friday to let us know that the parade was celebrating the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders receiving freedom of Campbeltown, with mascot Cruachan the pony leading the parade.

On this occasion Colin Campbell Mitchell, known as Mad Mitch, led the Argyll regiment in the British reoccupation of the Crater district of Aden.

Mr and Mrs Durning stay in Polmount in Glasgow, but visit Campbeltown every six weeks.

Dolleen is originally from Campbeltown and her Aunt Morag Sweeney who stays on High Street, in the town.

### Thanks to the Ardshiel Hotel

Sir,

I would like to say a huge thank you to Flora, Marion and all the staff at the Ardshiel Hotel for the kindness shown to our family as a result of last Thursday's storms.

Living in Stewarton, we were one of the many areas throughout Argyll and Bute, which suffered a power cut during this adverse weather.

Freezing cold and hungry, we decided to venture out with our two-year-old daughter for something to eat and decided to go to the Ardshiel Hotel.

On hearing about us having no electricity, Flora immediately offered us a room to get warm in before providing us with a hot meal and drinks, despite being already very busy.

Not only was this above and beyond the call of duty but on going to pay both Marion and Flora insisted that it was

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on the house and that if the power was still off when we went home that we must return immediately and stay the night.

There are not many people who would show this type of generosity in this day and age and once again I would like to express our sincere gratitude.

Kind regards,  
**Nicky, Aileen and Mirrin MacLennan, Stewarton**

### Posting problems at Tesco

Sir,

I went to post mail at Tesco Metro Store in Campbeltown on Monday morning.

The store's mailbox is so low and at this time was filled to the top. The mouth of the box is also

large and wide which also makes it very easy for a person to access the letters that are already in there.

I decided to go to the Co-Operative to post my letter, and although it was shut I accessed the post box which was at a better height, maybe Tesco could take a leaf out their book and adapt their post box to make it safer to post letters.

**Kenneth Brodie, 16F Saddell Street, Campbeltown**

### Blue badge concern

Sir,

As a blue badge holder I am concerned about the rise in fee we have to pay to get a new badge.

The fee has risen from £2.50 to £20 and I feel the council and government are hitting the

worst off in the country by picking on the disabled.

There was less than a month's notice of the increase, which will come into effect in January, and we have not been given any official letter to say it would increase. I only know because it appeared in *The Campbeltown Courier*.

How can they justify such a large rise?

I hope our local councillors or MPs can help.

**Iris Kerr, Tarbert.**

### Action for Children thanks

Sir,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the people of Argyll and Bute for all of their support during 2011.

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for Action for Children Scotland. We continued to help over 8,000 of the country's most vulnerable children, young people and their families to transform their lives and fulfill their potential at 62 services across the country, from the Western Isles to the Borders - and including Argyll and Bute.

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Or they could become an activist for Action for Children and help us speak out on behalf of vulnerable children and young people from Argyll and Bute.

**Paul Carberry**  
Operational director of children's services, Action for Children

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**Sunday 18th**

"Christmas UnPact — Immanuel"

Ardrishaig at 11:00am

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Carols Round the Tree

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**Christmas Eve**

Carol Service

Achahoish at 7:00pm

Watchnight Service

Ardrishaig from 11:15pm

**Sunday 25th**

United Service

in

Ardrishaig at 10.30am

**Sunday 1st Jan 2012**

In the Beginning

*West Lochfyneside*

Church Services

18 December 2011 - 1 January 2012

**Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair**

Charity No. SC016097

**18 December** 10.00am Cumlodden Church (Furnace)

**18 December** Carols and Readings Service 6.30pm Lochgair Church

**24 December** Christmas Eve Service 11.30pm Cumlodden Church (Furnace)

**25 December** Christmas Day Service 10.00am Lochfyneside (Minard)

**1 January** New Year Service 10.00am Cumlodden (Furnace)

**1 January** New Year Service 11.30am Lochgair Church

**Glenaray and Inveraray**

Charity No. SC016665

**18 December** Children's Christmas Service 11.30am Inveraray

**24 December** Christmas Eve Service 11.30pm Inveraray

**25 December** Christmas Day Service 11.30am Inveraray

**1 January** New Year Service 11.30am Inveraray

*Lochgilphead Parish Church*

**Sunday 18th December 2011**

11.00am Advent Service

Rev. Hilda Smith

All Welcome

**Saturday 24th December 2011**

11.15pm Watchnight Service

Rev. Hilda Smith

Festive music, food and refreshment

from 10.30pm

All Welcome

**Sunday 25th December 2011**

11.00am Christmas Day Service

Rev. Hilda Smith

All Welcome

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*Christmas Timetable, St. Margaret's RC Church (and All Saints, Inveraray), 2011.*

**Sunday 18th December**

Lochgilphead Mass at 10.00am

Inveraray Mass 12:30pm

Carol Service Inveraray 3.00pm

Confessions in Lochgilphead 3.00pm

**Saturday 24th (Midnight Mass)**

Carol Singing at 11:30pm

followed by Midnight Mass

**Sunday 25th (Christmas Day)**

Lochgilphead Mass at 10.00am

Inveraray Mass 12:30pm

**Sunday 1st January**

Lochgilphead Mass at 10:30am

Inveraray Mass 12:30pm

(No mass on 26th and 27th December and 2nd and 3rd of January)

*North Knapdale Parish Church*

would like to invite you to join us for our special Christmas Celebrations

**Saturday 24 December**

Tayvallich at 4.00pm

Carols on the Green

Tayvallich Church 11:15pm

Carol singing followed by...

11:30pm Christmas Eve Worship

(Retiral offering for

Moving On Mid Argyll)

Rev. Cliff Acklam

**Sunday 25 December**

Inverlussa Church 11.00am

Christmas Celebration

Dr. J. Morrison, OBE

**Sunday 1 January**

Bellanoeh Church

Morning Worship at our

new time of 11:30am

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**Kintyre**

*Campbeltown Community Church*

Christmas and New Year Services

**Sunday 18th December**

Nativity Service

Followed by coffee & mince pies.

**Sunday 25th December**

Christmas Service

**Sunday 1st January 2012**

New Years Day Service

All services start at 11.00am

at the Guide Hall, Kinloch Road.

Come and join the celebration!

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*Free Church of Scotland*

George Street, Campbeltown

**Sunday 18th December**

12.45pm

Worship Service

5.00pm

**The Reason for the Season**

*Christmas Carols and reflections on*

*the Christmas story*

Guest Speaker:

Rev Bob Akroyd

**Sunday 1st January**

12.30pm

Joint Service with

Springbank Evangelical Church

Guest Speaker:

Rev Colin Rogerson

Everyone Welcome

Scottish Charity Number:SCO03847

*Highland Parish Church Campbeltown (SC 002493)*

**Sunday 18th December**

11.15am

All-Age Christmas Service

with children singing

**Saturday 24th December**

11.30pm

United Christmas Eve

Watchnight Service

in Highland – with

Carol singing from 11.15pm

*Retiring offering to support Bible*

*translation in Burkina Faso*

**Sunday 25th December**

11.15am

Christmas Day Carol Service

**Sunday 1st January 2012**

11.15am

New Year's Day Service

*Kilcalmonell linked with Killean and Kilchenzie*

**Clachan Church**

Christmas service for Clachan Primary

School

**Thursday 22nd December at 2.00pm**

(parents, carers, families and friends

welcome)

Mr William Crossan

Christmas Eve Community Service

**Saturday 24th December at 7.30pm**

(Carol singing from 7.10pm)

Rev Catriona Hood

Worship for Christmas Day

**Sunday 25th December at 10.00am**

Mr William Crossan

Worship for New Year's Day

**Sunday 1st January 2012 at 10.00am**

Rev Catriona Hood

**A'Chleit Church**

Christmas service for Rhunahaorine

and Glenbarr Primary Schools

**Wednesday 21st December at 1.00pm**

(parents, carers, families and friends

welcome)

Ms Marilyn Shedden

Watch-night Service

**Saturday 24th December at 11.30pm**

(Carol singing from 11.10pm)

Rev Catriona Hood and Ms Marilyn

Shedden

Worship for Christmas Day

**Sunday 25th December at 11.30am**

Rev Catriona Hood

Worship for New Year's Day

**Sunday 1st January 2012 at 11.30am**

Rev Catriona Hood

*Lorne And Lowland Parish Church*

Scottish Charity Number SC 11686

**Sunday 18th December**

Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m.

*(Triple C Nativity Play and Choir*

*Items)*

Rev. Philip Burroughs

**Saturday 24th December**

Joint Christmas Eve worship at

Highland Parish Church 11-30pm

**Sunday 25th December**

"O come let us adore him"

(Retiring collection for Shelter)

Rev. Philip Burroughs

*Saddell And Carradale Church*

**Christmas Eve 24th December**

Watchnight Service 11.30pm

**Christmas Day**

Informal Family Service with carols

12.00 noon

*St Brendan's Skipness*

**Christmas Eve 24th December**

Carol Service 7.30pm

**Christmas Day**

Informal Family Service with carols

10.00am

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**Sunday, 18th December**

Special Christmas Carol Service

6.30pm

**Sunday, 25th December**

Christmas Day Worship Service

10.30am

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noon

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*Springbank Evangelical Church*

Christmas 2011

**Sunday 18th December**

11.15am— Christmas Service

Led by Springbank Youth Group

**Saturday 24th December**

7.00pm Carols by Candlelight

**Sunday 25th December**

11.15am Christmas Service and

communion

Gordon Cosgrove - Joint Service with

the Free Church.

*Southend Parish Church Christmas Services*

**Watchnight Service**

**Saturday December 24th 2011**

11.30pm

Preacher Mr William Crossan

**Christmas Family Service**

**Sunday December 25th 2011**

11.30am

Preacher Mrs Agnes Stewart

**New Year Family Service**

**January 1st 2012**

11.30am

Preacher Mrs Agnes Stewart

*St Kieran's Scottish Episcopal Church*

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# Free Church special events

THE Free Church in George Street, Campbeltown is approaching its 100th year and over the next 12 months the congregation hopes to hold a number of special events.

## Celebration

The first of these will be this Sunday when the church holds its Christmas Celebration called *The Reason for the Season*.

The event takes place at 5pm and guest speaker will be Bob Akroyd, from New Jersey, USA



**Bob Akroyd**

and is currently based in Edinburgh where he has a varied ministry.

As well as being a minister of a city centre church, he is part of the

chaplaincy team at Edinburgh University, is a chaplain to Saughton Prison and has a regular ministry to the homeless through Bethany Christian Trust.

Bob will introduce the programme of Christmas Carols and Bible readings and will retell the story of Jesus coming into the world and look at its relevance for us today.

The congregation extend a warm invitation to all to join with them this Sunday.



**Gregor Craig with wee brother Robbie and Iona McGrory.** 21\_c50fair02



## Fiddlers hold Christmas concert

MEMBERS of Kintyre Fiddlers played their Christmas concert for the residents of Auchinlee recently. Left to right, Caius Walker, Yvonne Graham, Alex Wotherspoon, Amy Paterson, Alex Irvine (Tutor), Hannah Holden, Eleanor Norrie and Euan Reid.

## Christmas Bazaar

ST KIERAN'S RC Church held its Christmas Bazaar on Saturday.

As well as the usual stalls, there was tea and coffees on offer too.

## Chorale concert in Picture House

KINTYRE Chorale will hold its Christmas Concert in aid of Campbeltown and District Multiple Sclerosis Society and Campbeltown Picture House on Sunday December 18 at 8pm in Lorne and Lowland Church; entry by donation.



**Nicola Wareham at her book stall on Saturday.** 21\_c50fair01

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- 8 Beads of prayer (6)
- 9 Coil into a ball (4)
- 10 Savoury sponge (8)
- 11 File (7)
- 13 Additional (5)
- 15 Edible greenery (5)
- 17 Field for a mare (7)
- 20 Baker's dozen plus one (8)
- 21 Open (4)
- 22 Accord (6)
- 23 Army vehicle (6)

**Down**

- 1 Cashier (6)
- 2 Forehead (4)
- 3 Old viceroy of Egypt (7)
- 4 Body build (5)
- 5 Cut off (8)
- 6 Italian nobleman (6)
- 12 Warmth spots (4,4)
- 14 Fat bellied (7)
- 16 Consecrate (6)
- 18 Whisky after lager e.g. (6)
- 19 Fishing net (5)
- 21 Pellets (4)

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**GIGHA**

**Anniversary fundraising**

VARIOUS events have been planned on Gigha for the 10th anniversary fundraising.

A race night has been scheduled for Friday January 20 in the village hall.

A quiz night has been planned for February, with the celebration itself taking place on March 15.

There will be various things going on during the day and a buffet and ceilidh in the evening.

Macadam, who were on the island at the takeover, and Trail West, a new young band, will entertain on the night.

Cara Gorman is the winner of the tee shirt logo competition with an excellent selection of entries. The primary school children have made their entries into Christmas cards which they are selling for the 10th anniversary fund.

A soup and filled roll event raised £601 and the Gigha Challenge 2011 has donated £200.

Various people have donated from events that they have had.

The organising committee would like to

thank to everyone who has helped raise these funds.

**Renovation complete**

THE renovation work on Kilchatten, Gigha, is now complete.

A new leaflet has been produced and can be downloaded by visiting the community's website, www.gigha.org.uk.

**MACHRIHANISH**

**Playpark equipment**

ARGYLL and Bute Council has approved an application of the installation of playpark equipment at Machrihanish.

The equipment is for the existing playpark and was permitted last week.

**TARBERT**

**Planning approval**

THE renewal of planning permission to erect a house in Tarbert was approved last week.

The application is for the house on land north of the Victoria Hotel, Barmore Road, Tarbert.

**SOUTHEND**

**Southend Community Council hold Old Folks Night at St Blaas's Hall**

SOUTHEND Community Council held its annual Old Folks Night in St Blaas's Hall on Saturday evening.

**Lovely dinner**

More than 40 people from the village and the surrounding area

went along for a lovely dinner.

The community councillors all pitched into provide a wide variety of food and entertainment was provided by the village's Ian McPherson and young pipers.



**JURA**

**Development contract**

A RURAL Development Contract has been approved planning permission for Jura.

The contract is for Craighouse and Sannaigh Forest, at Craighouse on the island and was approved last week.

**CARRADALE**

**Public meeting**

AT A public meeting last week councillors asked why the B842 road to Carradale from Campbeltown was not on the winter programme.

Councillors John McAlpine and Anne Horn highlighted the issue with Graham Brown, operations manager for Argyll and Bute Council the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islands Area Committee.

Councillor McAlpine said he had been asking the council to address some of the issues of the public.

He said a council officer had asked for grid references and points of issues, but he was still waiting on a response from the officer after getting this for him.

Councillor Horn also raised the question and said: 'It's in a dreadful condition, its horrendous.'

She asked for confirmation that people who live on private roads can go and get a small supply of

grit at the local depots.

Mr Brown told the meeting anyone can go and get up to 20kg of grit from the depots.

'However, we can't give them it if people turn up with trailers,' he said.

**Harbour committee**

CARRADALE'S harbour committee held its latest meeting on December 8.

Plans are now advancing rapidly for the placement of six-visitor moorings outwith the harbour.

Proposals are being drawn up for the introduction of pontoons within the harbour itself.

Carradale Harbour Users Group (CHUG), as

the committee is officially known, is now part of Network Carradale.

**SKIPNESS**

**No objection**

PRIOR notification has been given, with no objection, to a Rural Development Contract at Claonaig Forest, Skipness.

**LAGGAN**

**Council meeting**

LAGGAN Community Council will hold its meeting on the following dates next year: February 20, 2012 at Machrihanish Village Hall, April 30 at Drumlemble Primary School, July 2 at

Machrihanish Village Hall, September 10 at Drumlemble Primary School and November 12 at Machrihanish Village Hall. All the meetings start at 7.30pm.

**NORTH KINTYRE**

**School holidays**

THE school holidays for North Kintyre for the 2012/2013 terms have been agreed.

For Tarbert Academy, Clachan Primary and Skipness the following holidays will apply.

Term one: in-service day on August 14, 2012, pupils return August 15; school closes for October break on October 5 and reopens October 22; school closes on No-

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vember 14 for in-service days on November 15 and 16 and re-opens on November 19; the school closes for Christmas on December 21, 2012.

Term two: January 7, 2013 school re-opens; school closes on February 14, in-service day on February 19 and school re-opens on February 20; the school closes on March 28, 2013 for Easter.

Term three: school re-opens on April 15; it will close on May 3 and re-open May 7; school closes on May 24, in-service day May 27, and school re-opens on May 28; the school closes for the finish of the school year on June 28.

**ISLAY**

**Schools closed**

ALL schools on Islay were closed on Thursday last week following a warning from the Scottish Government of 'very severe gales' during the day.

In the event, the wind speed reached storm force 10 with gusts to force 11.

Islay High School pupils were sent home as soon as they arrived in the morning, with primary schools closing somewhat later on average.

Port Ellen Primary was still defiantly determined to go ahead with its Thursday evening pantomime up until almost lunchtime, before finally succumbing to the inevitable pressures and postponing a performance until Monday evening.

**Four-week expedition**

EVERY two years Islay High School students get the chance to take part in a four-week expedition.

In 2009 the pupils went on an expedition to Borneo and the experience involves planning, budgeting, personal challenges and community aid.

In 2010/2011 the pupils headed to the island of Madagascar.

**Assistance not given**

NO assistance could be given to an ex-lifeboat which was in danger of

dragging its anchor off Islay.

Clyde Coastguard received a report from Port Ellen Coastguard Rescue Team of the ex-lifeboat at anchor with no one on board last Thursday at 4.20pm.

**Health awareness**

DURING October the pupils of Islay High School were involved with a health awareness afternoon.

The staff offered a wide range of workshops for the pupils to choose from including cooking a healthy meal, relaxation workshops and playing old playground games.

The pupils were enthusiastic and learned about the importance of keeping a healthy body and mind.

**School holidays**

SCHOOLS on Islay and Jura will have the following holidays and in-service days for the 2012/2013 terms.

Term one: in-service days on August 14 and 15 2012, pupils returns August 16; school closes for October break on October 5 and reopens October 16; school closes on November 15, in-service day November 16 and school re-opens November 19; school closes for Christmas on December 21, 2012.

Term two: school re-opens on January 7, 2013; school closes February 7, 2013, in-service day February 8 and school

reopens February 19; school closes for Easter on March 28.

Term three: school re-opens April 15; school closes May 3 and re-opens May 7; school closes June 6, in-service day June 7 and re-opens June 10; school closes for summer on June 28, 2013.

**Evidence on energy**

PHILIP Maxwell, chairman of the Islay Energy Trust, gave evidence to the UK House of Commons Scottish Affairs Select Committee Inquiry into the Crown Estate.

The committee is investigating the role of the Crown Estate and its relationship with the Scottish Parliament. Giving oral evidence in support of IET's written submission to the committee, Mr Maxwell stressed the importance of local communities in the planning, operation and economic aspects of marine renewables.

Evidence was also given by Sandy Brunton, chairman of Scottish Islands Federation and Ruchir Shah, head of policy department at the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations.

**Craft Fair**

AN ADDITIONAL Islay Craft Fair will be held at Ionad Chaluum Chille on Saturday, December 17.

This time the event features Christmas gift ideas from James Deane



**CARRADALE**

**Firefighters enjoy Christmas night out**

**FIREFIGHTERS** from Carradale got together for their annual Christmas night out in the Carradale Hotel. The group enjoyed a three-course meal, a few games of pools and some refreshments.

**Christmas Lunch**

CARRADALE Primary School held its Christmas lunch for the community and its staff and pupils.

People gathered yesterday (Thursday) to enjoy their meal.

The school also held its Christmas Concert in the school on Tuesday when all the children took part in the event.

**Christmas Fayre**

VILLAGERS in Carradale enjoyed the Guild's Christmas Fayre recently.

The guild's ladies laid on an excellent tea, coffee and home baking service, and the event was officially opened by Matthew Ramsay.

The event was in aid of the local church.

Photography, Tomás Macdonald-Wilson and Kate and Russell. It's a good opportunity to pick up some locally sourced presents, and to invest in some creative Islay makers.

**SOUTHEND**

**Village hall plans**

THE plans for the Southend Village Hall will be on display at a public meeting on January 21, when people will also

be able to hear about the results of the survey into the area conducted as part of the preparatory work for the community plan.

**COLONSAY**

**Bronze Age occupation**

ARCHAEOLOGISTS from Kilmartin House Museum and local volunteers have been busy surveying sites on Colonsay, looking for evidence of Bronze Age occupation.

Over four days they recorded 60 sites including some that may have prehistoric origins. These included the site of a hut circle, an unrecorded dun and a possible kerb cairn.

Rod Regan, an archaeologist from Kilmartin House Museum, said 'The site we chose at Balnahard Farm was really interesting. As well as evidence of possible prehistoric dwellings and burials, the survey showed us how life would have been in the

more recent past when Colonsay had many more people living there. In 1841 976 people lived on Colonsay and the survey revealed how they lived and farmed on the island. We also found several rock shelters or *Sguid* typical of Colonsay.'

The survey was undertaken as part of Kilmartin House Museum's Island Archaeology project, which has been funded by the Scotland's Islands programme

**CLACHAN**

**£500 raised**

CLACHAN Primary raised £500 towards school funds by holding a sing-along.

The school also held a very successful craft fair last week.

On Tuesday December 20 the school will hold its Christmas concert at 7pm and the end of term service will be held on December 22 at 2pm in Clachan Church.

**Ceilidh**

THE youth club in Clachan held a successful ceilidh recently for people of the village and the surrounding area in the village hall. Another one has been planned for January.

**KILKENZIE**

**Accident**

A CAR and van were involved in a road crash at Kilkenny last Wednesday.

One of the drivers received minor injuries.

**THREE CARRADALE GRADUATIONS**



Emma Dudley got a 1st Class BEd from Strathclyde University, and SSLA award for the best dissertation in the Standard for Initial Teacher Education. Emma, daughter of Viv Dudley and Garry Robson, is now completing her probationary year at Ardrishaig Primary School.



Mairi Paterson recently graduated from Glasgow Caledonian University with a BA(Hons) degree in Entertainment and Events Management. Mairi is the youngest daughter of Lachie and Jean Paterson.



Lauren Milstead graduated with a 1st Class BSc (hons) degree in Prosthetics and Orthotics and also achieved the award for the best clinical performance in the 4th year. Lauren is the daughter of Alan and Alyson Minstead of Dunvalnree, Carradale, and is currently working as an Orthotist for the NHS in Wolverhampton.

# Good entry of all classes at Dalmally

UNITED Auctions held its annual Christmas Sale of all classes cattle and sheep at Dalmally Market on Saturday.

A good entry of all classes of stock sold to a packed ringside of buyers including many making their first visit to this popular venue.

Bullocks sold to average £683.69 recording a rise of £98.33 on last year's high values.

Heifers, which consisted mainly of late born spring calves sold to average £534.46 which recorded a rise of £51.86.

The top priced bullock per head came from I R

Morrison, 13 Eoligarry, Barra, when his Aberdeen Angus Crosses sold to £1125.

### Current values

Heifers per head sold to £850 twice from A J Morrison, 10 Eoligarry, Barra. bullocks per kilo sold to 250pence for Limousin Crosses from Mr R Wilson, Sonnachen whilst Mr R MacDougall, Ashgrove led the Heifer prices per kilo at 260pence for Shorthorn Crosses.

All classes of sheep sold in keeping with current values with Texel Cross Lambs from Ederline selling to £70.



Aberdeen Angus cross heifers from High Balantyre, near Inveraray sold to £655 at Dalmally. 17\_t50dals

## UA concludes 2011 sales on Islay on a high

UNITED Auctions held their its sale of the year at Islay Auction Mart when it held its Annual Christmas Sale of all classes lambs and sheep on Monday.

The 3,365 sheep all classes were sold to a good ringside of buyers and prices realised recorded the highest lev-

els ever recorded at this centre. Cast ewes from Craigens sold to £126 per head for Charolais.

Texel lambs from Carrabus Farm sold to £95.

Leading the day's trading per kilo was M/s Johnstone, Balaclava when their consignment sold to 234pence per kilo for Texel Crosses.

Blackface Lambs sold at record levels, with Keppols Farm (Mr Walker) leading the day's top price at £75.50 for an exceptional pen whilst Kilchiaran Farm's consignment of over 400 head led the top price per kilo at 194pence.

Blackface riggs from Cladville sold to £85.50.

Overall, the 3,093 lambs sold to average £65.82 per head or 196.4 pence per kilo against £56.77 or 159.2pence at the corresponding sale last year.

### MARKET PRICES:

#### ISLAY United Auctions

**Lambs**  
SuffolkX: £86.50 Octofad £83.50 Coille Farm £80.50 Corrary £80.00 Octofad £79.50 Kilchiaran £78.50 Duich £78.00 Coull £76.50 Octofad £75.00 Ardbeg, Island and Coille £73.50 Coille £72.50 Octofad £71.50 Kintra £70.50 Kilchiaran and Duich £70.00 Corrary £69.50 Coull and Duich £69.00 Coillabus £68.50 Ballinaby £64.50 Duich £64.00 Kilchiaran £62.50 7 Shore Street £60.50 Ballinaby.  
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Ballinaby £64.00 Kintra £63.50 Coille £61.50 Coull(D Jones) £60.00 7 Claddach.  
CheviotX: £81.50 Windyedge Cross: £74.50 Island £66.50 Coillabus £63.00 Coull (D Jones) £61.00 Coille.  
Mule: £75.50 Rockside £68.50 Corrary £67.50 Rockside £64.50 and £63.50 Coille.  
Blackface: £75.50 Keppols £70.00 Kilchiaran £68.50 Duich £68.00 Lössit £66.50 Keppols £66.00 Kilchiaran £65.50 Cladville £66.00 Kilchiaran £65.50 Cladville £64.50 Carn £60.50 Duich.  
**Ewes**  
SuffolkX: £104.50 and £100.50 Stanalane.  
TexelX: £86.50 Octofad £71.50 Dunlossit Lössit £70.50 Duich.  
CharollaisX: £126.50 Craigens.  
Cross: £76.50 Kintra and Lössit £73.50 Octofad.  
Blackface: £65.50 - Lössit £60.50 - Kilchiaran.  
Blueface Leicester: £92.50 Coille  
**Riggs**  
TexelX: £74.50 Coull £64.50 Dunlossit Lössit.  
Blackface: £85.50 Cladville.  
**Price per kilo**  
**Lambs**  
SuffolkX: 227p and 225p - Octofad 216p - Coille 215p - Duich 214p - Island 210p - Kintra 209p - Ballinaby 205p - Octofad 204p - Coull, Octofad and Duich 203p - Coille 201p - Duich 200p - Coull (D Jones).  
TexelX: 234p - Balaclava 231p - Coull 231p - Dunlossit Lössit 230p - 7 Claddach 229p - Octofad 219p and 216p - Balaclava 214p - 6 Bayview 213p - Stanalane, 6 Bayview and Lössit 212p - Carrabus 210p - Windyedge 207p - Octofad and Balimartin 206p - Kintra, 6 Bayview and Coull (D Jones) 205p - Carrabus and Coull

204p - Carrabus 201p - 6 Bayview 200p - Carrabus and Balaclava.  
CheviotX: 206p - Kilbride 194p - Windyedge.  
Cross: 198p - Keppols 191p - Coull.  
Mule: 213p - Coull 201p - Corrary 198p - Coille 193p - Rockside.  
Blackface: 194p - Kilchiaran 190p - Cladville 189p - Lössit 188p - Tarbert Estate 186p - Coull (D Jones) 185p - Kintra.

Farm: £755 - Duallin: £725 - Blarghour Farm: £660 - Keilator Farm.  
**Heifers**  
Aberdeen AngusX: £655(2) - Carnoch, Glencoe: £655(9) - High Balantyre Farm: £620 - 7 Craigneich: £615 - High Balantyre Farm.  
Beef ShorthornX: £680 and £650 - Ashgrove: £635(2) and £620 - Brenchouille Farm.  
CharollaisX: £845 - Bragleenmore Farm.  
LimousinX: £850(2) - 10 Eoligarry, Barra: £655 - High Balantyre Farm: £650 - Moleigh Farm: £650(2) - Tullochcan Farm: £640(2) - 10 Eoligarry: £630 - 13 Eoligarry: £625(2) and £615 - 10 Eoligarry.  
ShorthornX: £780 - 7 Craigneich, Lismore.  
SimmentalX: £690 and £670 - Balindore.

#### DALMALLY United Auctions

**Bullocks**  
Aberdeen AngusX: £1125 and £1085 - 13 Eoligarry, Barra: £720 - 7 Craigneich, Lismore: £720(6) - Machrins, Colonsay: £690(4) - 7 Craigneich: £670(5) - Machrins: £605(2) - 7 Craigneich.  
Blonde AquitaineX: £685(2) - High Carse.  
CharollaisX: £1055 - 13 Eoligarry, Barra: £705 - Ballygowan: £610 - Myretonhill.  
LimousinX: £1035, £1015 and £1005 - Moleigh Farm: £1000(2) - 10 Eoligarry, Barra: £985 and £975 - Moleigh Farm: £975(3) and £950(3) - Moleigh Farm: £950 - 10 Eoligarry: £940(3), £915 and £870(4) - Moleigh Farm: £870(4) - Rera: £825 - 10 Eoligarry: £800 - Duncroisk: £745 - Dall: £745, £730(3), £705 and £675(3) - 10 Eoligarry: £675(3) - Ardslnigh: £665 - Tullochcan: £650 - 10 Eoligarry: £640 - Sonachan: £635 - Goatfield: £625(2) - 10 Eoligarry.  
SalerX: £935(3) and £870(4) - Rera.  
SimmentalX: £975, £955 and £950(2) - Moleigh Farm: £870 - Raera: £845(4) - Moleigh Farm: £840 - Duallin: £785 - Blarghour

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CharollaisX: 226p - Myretonhill: 223p(2) - Tullochmhor: 217p and 211p - Ballygowan.  
LimousinX: 250p and 243p - Sonachan Farm: 228p - Tullochcan Farm: 228p(3) - Ardslnigh: 223p - 2 Keil Croft: 221p(3) - 10 Eoligarry, Barra: 219p - Ardachuple Farm: 217p - 2 Keil Crofts: 215p and 214p - 10 Eoligarry: 213p - Sonachan: 211p - 10 Eoligarry and Tullochcan: 210p(2) - 10 Eoligarry: 205p - Sonachan(2): 203p - 10 Eoligarry: 200p - Moleigh Farm. SalerX: 227p(2) - Tullochmhor Farm.  
SimmentalX: 238p - Keilator Farm: 229p(3) and 221p(3) - Dericambus: 220p - Ardachuple and Auch Estate: 217p(2), 213p and 208p - Keilator Farm: 203p(3) - Dericambus: 200p - Auch Estate.  
**Heifers**  
Beef ShorthornX: 260p, 243p and 226p - Ashgrove.  
CharollaisX: 220p(4) - Tullochmhor.  
LimousinX: 223p - 13 Eoligarry, Barra: 220p - Tiretigan: 214p(2) - Tullochcan: 210p(3) - High Balantyre: 208p(3) - 10 Eoligarry: 206p(2) - Tullochcan: 205p(2) - Moleigh Farm: 203p(2) - Tullochcan: 202p and 200p - 10 Eoligarry: 200p(2) - 13 Eoligarry.  
SimmentalX: 231p(2) - Dericambus: 206p - Ardachuple.  
**Sheep**  
**Lambs**  
TexelX: £70.00 - Ederline Estate: £68.50 - Tombuie: £67.50 - Knock-Dhu.  
Cross: £63.50 - Knock - Dhu.  
Blackface: £56.00 - Ederline Estate: £54.50 - Stronchullin: £52.50 - Auchindaul: £50.00 - High Carse.  
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**TOM MACPHERSON**  
Ardrishaig, would like to wish family and friends a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

*Merry Christmas*  
Anne, Sarena and Rhianna wish family and friends all the best for the festive season. Supported Arthritis Care.

**MISS BARBARA GILL**  
Smith Drive  
Would like to wish everyone a peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**BETTY MCLEAN**  
Would like to wish all friends and neighbours, especially those in Campbeltown Bowling Club, a Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

*Merry Christmas*  
To family, friends and neighbours, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2012  
Best wishes, Len, Lizzie & Kieran Sugarman x.

**DUNCAN MACKINNON**  
Wishes all his relatives and friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**GAULD**  
Greta, John and Margaret wish family, relatives, friends and neighbours a Merry Christmas and a healthy New Year.

**INA & IAN**  
Wish everyone a Happy Christmas and New Year.

**JEAN MILLOY**  
Wishes all family, friends and relations Season's Greetings for 2012. Also the Macki girls, ambulance and day hospital staff and all concerned.

**LIZZIE GALBRAITH & DAVIE**  
65 Davaar Ave  
Wishing all our friends and family Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

**FLO MACDONALD**  
Wishes a Happy Christmas and good New Year to all my family, friends and neighbours.

**ELIZABETH KELLY**  
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all my friends and relatives.

*Merry Christmas*  
Jean & Alistair McKerral  
11 Meadow Park would like to wish family and friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**MRS BETTY GREENLEES**  
9 Burnbank, Drumlemble  
To all my family, friends and neighbours a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

*Cissie McMurchy*  
Wishes friends and neighbours Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**MARGARET GRAHAM**  
10 Ralston Road  
Wishes all family and friends a Happy Christmas and a healthy 2012.

**JIMMY ANDERSON**  
Would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**ISABELLA MACPHERSON**  
5 Wallace Cottages, Southend  
Would like to wish all her family, friends and neighbours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year.

*Merry Christmas*  
Matt & Kirsteen Dillon wish their friends seasonal greetings and good fortune in 2012.

**JOHN P. MCWHIRTER**  
193 Ralston Road  
Sends his best wishes and compliments of the season to his friends in the town and surrounding areas.

**ISABEL MCCONACHIE**  
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all my friends and family.

**PAT GRAHAM 33 SMITH DRIVE**  
Would like to wish all family, friends and neighbours a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**ALEX & JOHN JOHNSTON**  
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our friends and relatives.

*Merry Christmas*  
To all my relatives and friends from Reggie McManus.

**SEASONS GREETINGS**  
Billy & Lucy Cunningham, 54 Kirk Street, wish all relations, friends and neighbours Merry Christmas and a happy, prosperous and blessed New Year.

**ISOBEL ANDERSON 3 PRINCESS STREET**  
I'm not sending cards due to illness, but I'd like to wish family, friends and neighbours a Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year.

**TINA MCLEAN KNOCKNAHA COTTAGE**  
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to family and friends.

**HAMISH & JEAN SMITH**  
Wish all their family and friends the very best of health and happiness in 2012. A donation to Rotary Club of Campbeltown in lieu of cards.

**SENGA & BEN**  
Would like to wish all their friends, neighbours, family and doggy friends a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

*Nellie Ronald*  
Wishes all relatives, friends and neighbours a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**HUGH HALL 79 CROSSHILL AVE**  
Would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**CATHIE & JOHN MARTIN**  
86 Crosshill Ave  
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all friends and relatives.

*Merry Christmas*  
To all my friends and neighbours from John McKerral, 2 Mill Road.

**JAKE & PEGGY WAREHAM**  
5 Castlehill Court  
Wishing family, friends and neighbours a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**FRANCES & HUGH COLVILLE**  
Crosshill Avenue  
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our relations, friends and neighbours.

*Merry Christmas*  
Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to all my family, friends and neighbours from Margaret Oman, Abbeyfield House, Carradale.

**NANCY MACPHERSON**  
30 L.C.C.  
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all friends and relatives.

*Cathie & Neenie*  
Would like to wish all family and friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year  
6 Broomfield, Carradale.

**SEASONS GREETINGS**  
To all my relatives, friends and neighbours from Ellen Kelly, 29 Calton Avenue.

**IRENE O'NEILL**  
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all my friends, locally.

*John & Fiona*  
Wallace Cottages, would like to wish family and friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**ELLA & CATHIE MCLACHLAN**  
Wish all friends and relations a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**ELIZABETH MCSPORRAN**  
32F Barochan Place  
Wishes friends a Happy Christmas and a Good New Year.

*Merry Christmas*  
Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year to all our family, friends and neighbours from James and Isobel McConnachie, Carradale.

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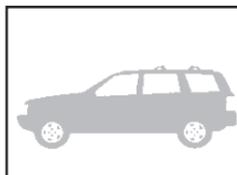
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**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2008 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT**

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
11/02107/PP	Alterations and change of use of derelict church/hall to form dwellinghouse	Old Baptist Church Furnace Argyll and Bute	Furnace Post Office
11/02237/PP	Renewal of planning permission 06/00889/DET - Erection of dwelling house and installation of a septic tank	Land North West of Home Farm Whitehouse Argyll and Bute	Sub Post Office Tarbert
11/02330/PP	Erection of extension to dwellinghouse	34 Burnside Cottages Stewarton Campbeltown Argyll and Bute PA28 6PQ	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
11/02411/PP	Erection of 225kw wind turbine (46.9 metres high to tip height) and formation of temporary access track	Land North East of Bunlarie Farm Whitehouse Argyll and Bute PA28 6QR	Sub Post Office Carradale
11/02426/PP	Erection of 225kw wind turbine (46.9 metres high to tip height) and formation of temporary access track	Land North West of Ardnacross Farm Peninver Campbeltown Argyll and Bute PA28 6QP	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
11/02428/PP	Erection of 225kw wind turbine (46.9 metres high to tip height) and formation of temporary access track	Land North East of Strathnafanaig Clachan Tarbert Argyll and Bute PA29 6XL	Sub Post Office Tarbert
11/02432/PP	Formation of motorcycle racing circuit including car parking, starting gate, race control hut and portable toilets (Retrospective).	Achnashelloch Track Achnashelloch Farm Kilmichael Glassary Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8RE	Ardrihaig Area Office
11/02446/PP	Erection of single storey front extension and replacement garage.	Derwent Ardnacraig Avenue Campbeltown Argyll and Bute PA28 6JP	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown

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

Ref	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
11/02352/PP	Alterations and extension to dwellinghouse	Ardaily Mill Croft Isle of Gigha Argyll and Bute PA41 7AA	Sub Post Office Gigha
11/02424/LIB	Installation of additional ventilation duct and external grille and replacement of external grille to existing duct.	10 Relief Land Main Street South Inveraray Argyll and Bute PA32 8UA	Sub Post Office Inveraray

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, Dalriada House, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8ST.  
 A weekly list of applications can be viewed at the above address and at all Council Libraries.  
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**COMMUNITY SERVICES: EDUCATION**  
**EDUCATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 1980 CHOICE OF SCHOOL**

It is customary for children to attend their local school; however, parents may make a written request to place their child in any school under the management of the education authority. Such a request is referred to as a placing request. Information concerning the authority's schools and the procedures to be followed in making placing requests is available at every school and at the Education Offices, Argyll House, Alexandra Parade, Dunoon PA23 8AJ (Tel: 01369 708508). This information is also available for inspection or reference at public libraries. Information in relation to any particular school is available at that school.

Placing requests for session beginning August 2012 should be sent to the Director of Community Services, Education Offices, Argyll House, Alexandra Parade, Dunoon PA23 8AJ (Tel: 01369 708508) by 16 March 2012 for primary and secondary schools.

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Parents who are interested in such provision are advised to register at the Gaelic Medium School in their area in accordance with the advertisement on registration of children which will be published week commencing 2 January 2012. Parents of children due to commence attendance at school in August 2012, whether or not they wish to make a placing request, should proceed in accordance with the advertisement on registration of children which will be published week commencing 2 January 2012.

**CLELAND SNEEDON**  
 Executive Director - Community Service



**Appointment of Trustees to Board of Tarbert (Loch Fyne) Harbour Authority**  
**This is a voluntary position requiring a commitment of 1-2 days per month.**  
**Existing Trustees are eligible for re-appointment.**

Tarbert (Loch Fyne) Harbour Authority, a Trust Port, is seeking applications from candidates willing to stand for appointment to the Board of Trustees. We are looking for three high quality individuals with an interest in public service to fill forthcoming vacancies. Trust Ports differ from company or local authority-owned ports by their constitution and powers. All Port activities are funded within revenue, supplemented in some cases by commercial borrowing up to prescribed limits. The Board is made up of a number of members with local or specialised interests and appointment will be for a period of three years. Successful candidates will be appointed from 1 April 2012.

Candidates should be able to demonstrate ability and a proven track record in their chosen profession or other activities, such as community work. Commitment and experience are as valuable as qualifications, although in some areas specialist experience will be an advantage. You will be required to work with senior and professional staff, so experience of achieving results through demanding board or committee work is important, as is the ability to grasp complex issues quickly and express yourself clearly. Residence within a reasonable distance of the port and familiarity with local issues in the region surrounding the port are highly desirable. The position of Trustee is non-remunerated.

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**MARINE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010**

**Marine Construction: Extension to Existing Pontoon, Tarbert Harbour**  
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Description Location	Latitude Co-ordinates	Longitude Co-ordinates
Tarbert Harbour	55° 51.956'N	05° 24.626'W

(WGS84)  
 Plans showing the position of the works may be inspected at Tarbert Post Office, The Rest, Campbeltown Road, Tarbert, Argyll PA29 6TN.

Objections relating to safety of navigation or environmental issues in respect of the application should be made in writing to:

Licensing Operations Team, Marine Scotland, Marine Laboratory, 375 Victoria Road, Aberdeen, AB11 9DB within 28 days of the date of this notice or by email: [MS.MarineLicensing@scotland.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:MS.MarineLicensing@scotland.gsi.gov.uk), quoting reference:

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This is an exciting chance for the right person to be involved in a dynamic group using a wide variety of the latest in IT technology and systems to support the scientific research, higher education and commercial functions of this marine science institute.

For further information and to apply for this position online, go to: [www.smi.ac.uk](http://www.smi.ac.uk) Alternatively, please write to: Human Resources, IT Support Analyst (Job Ref. D18/11.SG), The Scottish Association for Marine Science, Scottish Marine Institute, Oban, Argyll, PA37 1QA or e-mail [recruitment@sams.ac.uk](mailto:recruitment@sams.ac.uk)

Closing date: Monday 16th January 2012  
Interviews will be held on Wednesday 25th January 2012

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To request an Application Pack for either post please contact May Tosh, Corporate Services Manager at Crannog Lane, Oban, PA34 4HB or telephone 01631 564451 or email [mail@westhighlandha.co.uk](mailto:mail@westhighlandha.co.uk)  
Closing date for Applications for both posts will be 30th December, 2011 with interviews being held week commencing 9th January 2012.




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Lorna McDonald, Argyll College,  
Glenshellach Business Park, Oban,  
Argyll PA34 4RY.  
Tel 01631 559520  
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**ENGAGEMENTS**



**MUIR - ANDERSON**

Deborah, eldest daughter of Samuel and Lucille Brodie, Davaar Avenue and Craig, youngest son of Ian and the late Sheila Anderson, Ciaran Court are thrilled to announce their engagement on Saturday, December 10, 2011. Both families are gobsmacked but delighted.

**DEATHS**

**BARR** - Oliver Stevenson. Peacefully, at home with his loving family, in Tayvallich, Argyll, on Thursday, December 8, 2011, Oliver Stevenson, beloved husband of Eileen, much loved father of Rod, Iona, Colin, Graham and Ailsa, adored pappy of Hannah, Kelvin, Norah and Ollie, treasured father-in-law to Kerensa. Funeral service took place at Tayvallich Village Hall on Thursday, December 15, thereafter to Carsaig Cemetery.

**MACKILLOP** - Suddenly, but peacefully, at Lorn and Islands District General Hospital, on Sunday December 11, 2011, Catherine Neil MacColl, Strathcona Cottages, Glencoe, loving wife of Donald MacKillop and beloved wife of the late John Hutchison (ex Argyll County Police), dearly loved and loving mother of Margaret McMillan (née Hutchison) and much loved mother-in-law of Neil. Funeral service on Saturday, December 17 at 11.00am in St Mary's Church, Glencoe. Family flowers only and donations if desired will be divided between St Mary's Glencoe and St John's Ballachulish. Family and friends respectfully invited.

**ROBERTSON** - Peacefully at the Kintyre Care Centre, Campbeltown, on December 8, 2011, Alice Louise Hunter, in her 100th year, formerly of Smith Drive, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Peter Robertson, much loved mother of Moira, Mattie, John and Louise and a much loved granny, great granny and great great granny.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**FORSHAW** - The family of the late Margaret Forshaw would like to express their heartfelt thanks to all who sent cards and for the many expressions of sympathy during their recent bereavement. Special thanks to Dr Iain Norrie for his attendance; to the staff of Campbeltown Hospital for their great

kindness and professional approach to Mother's care and to all other departments within the hospital who made our mothers time with them a warm and caring experience; the Rev Philip Burroughs for his comforting service. Thanks also to Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for the efficient handling of all funeral arrangements and to Ardschiel Hotel for the catering. The retiring collection raised £173.70 for RNLI Campbeltown Branch.

**WALKER** - Mary Hamilton and family would like to thank family, friends and work colleagues for all support during their sad loss. Thanks to Dr Norrie, MacMillan Nurses, staff of Campbeltown Hospital. Thanks also to Rev Burroughs for his comforting service and Alasdair Blair and son for their sensitivities with arrangements. The retiring collection raised £704.16 for MacMillan Nurses Kintyre. Final thanks to all who paid their respects at the church and graveside.

**IN MEMORIAMS**

**BROWN** - In loving memory of James, a dearly loved son and brother who died December 13, 2009.

The years pass by, but memories stay, Loved and remembered every day.

- With love, families at home and away.

**CAMERON** - In loving memory of Richard Cameron, devoted husband, father, seair and great seair, who died December 15, 2006. Deep in our hearts you'll always stay, Loved and remembered everyday.

- Inserted by his loving wife May, Niall, Phyllis and family, Ian, Tania and family, Mary, Walter and family.

**CAMPBELL** - Treasured memories of Marion McKenzie, who died December 19, 2009, a much loved and missed wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Our memories build a special bridge When loved ones have to part To help us feel we're with them still And soothe a grieving heart Our memories span the years we shared Preserving ties that bind They build a special bridge of love And bring us peace of mind.

- Her loving husband Archie, Moira, Lachie and family, Fionnaigh and Adrian, Christine, Johnny and family.

**DUFFY** - Craig, December 19, 2004.

A silent grief that's in our hearts No human eye can trace For many a broken heart is hid Beneath a smiling face. - With love Mum, Colin, Shane and Eilidh.

**DUFFY** - In loving memory of my beloved partner, Craig Duffy, who died so tragically on December 19, 2004.

I miss you now my heart is sore As time goes by I miss you more

Your loving smile your gentle face No-one can ever fill your vacant place. Remembering you every day with all my love as always.

- Jane xxx.

**DUFFY** - In loving memory of our precious grandson Craig, died December 19, 2004. Today tomorrow our whole life through We will always love and remember you

- Gran and papa

**MACGREGOR** - In loving memory of a dear dad and pappy (Charlie), who died December 18, 1999. Also a dear mum and nanny (Mary Orr), who died April 8, 1982. Fondly remembered.

- With love from all the family.

**MACIVER** - Billy, December 14, 2007.

This should be a time of joy each year To be with family and be full of cheer

But my heart grows heavy and my tears overflow

As the date comes around when you had to go

The fourteenth four years ago was such a sad day

I lost you, my Daddy, when you went away

But I feel how often you are around me now

And until we meet again I will cope somehow.

Love you My Daddy.

-Your 'Trina.

**MCALPINE** - In loving memory of Irene, a dear mum and gran, who died December 18, 2006. Loved and remembered always.

- John, Karen and Sam.

**SCOTT** - In loving memory of our mother, Euphemia Scott (Johnson), who died December 21, 1963, aged 48 years. Also Alexis, granddaughter of Euphemia, daughter of Catherine and the late Alex Wotherspoon, who died November 15, 2009, aged 48 years.

They will never be forgotten.

- Inserted by Catherine, Janette and Walter.

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Sunday 18th December 2011

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Sunday 18th December 2011

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THE first indoor season of the Campbeltown Soccer Centre came to an end on Friday. The next session will start again at the end of January. Wednesday night football for the children continues until the December 21 and will start again on Wednesday January 11.

# Charity bowls event in aid of Auchinlee

TWO local organisations will benefit from a charity triples competition held at Argyll Bowling Club on Sunday.

The open competition saw a good entry taking part in aid of Auchinlee Care Home and Kintyre Nursing Home with N McPhail, A Ronald snr and A Ronald jnr winning.

The runners up were S Grumoli, P Grumoli and J McLachlan.

The money will be split between the two homes and the organisers would like to thank everyone who took part in the competition.



Lee Allen and Gavin McLachlan. 21\_c50bowl03



Campbeltown Young Farmers entered a team, left to right: Alistair McConnachie, Nichola Kerr, Fiona McArthur, James Young, Kelsey Brown and John Martin. 21\_c50bowl06



Team from Kintyre Care Home: Irene Rahman, Hilary Forbes and Anne Macphee. 21\_c50bowl02



Auchinlee's team: John Graham, Elizabeth Graham and Archie Graham. 21\_c50bowl05



Margaret Lindsay and Margaret Morran. 21\_c50bowl01



D Reid, A Ronald and J McCormack look on. 21\_c50bowl08



The winning team with president Billy Morran.



Elizabeth Graham from Auchinlee and Margaret Morran from Kintyre Nursing Home receive cheques from president Billy Morran.

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## Shooters battle for the turkey

SHOOTERS battled it out to take home the turkey from Barmore Shooting Ground on Sunday as Tarbert Gun Club held its annual Christmas Competition. In a change of format, shooters were paired by drawing names from a hat and there were a few complaints as some of the club's best shooters were paired together. Sunday's score sheet was more impressive than that of the previous week, and the weather

proved ideal for some excellent shooting. Young Ian Winnard, from Ormsary, shot well when paired up with Norman MacDonald. The duo managed to outperform the very experienced Ally McDonnell and John Weir, taking second place. It was Bob McColl and Brian Baird that emerged triumphant and took first place. Bob also won the pool competition after tremendous shoot-out with Scott McNeil and Niall

Wilson. The youngsters showed great skill in long range shooting. The last shoot of 2011, the club extended seasonal greetings to all over the holiday period and will return to competition in the New Year. Results: Wining pairs: 1. Brian Baird and Bob McColl; 2. Ian Winnard and Norman MacDonald; 3. John Weir and Ally MacDonnell; 4. Roy McNeil and Malcolm; 5. Andrew MacDonald and Bill Bidmead; 6. Scott McNeil and Ian Wilson.



Left to right: Ian Winnard, Norman McDonald, Brian Baird, Bob McColl, John Weir and Ally McDonnell.

## MOKRUN places all filled up

THE Mull of Kintyre Run has filled up in record time. In only six weeks all the 750 spaces for the 10k and half marathon have been taken, and the MOKRUN committee is amazed at how quickly the event has sold out. There will be no reserve list or swaps as the committee takes into account cancellations when setting the maximum capacity. Unfortunately therefore no spaces will become available if any entrant pulls out.



Left to right, back row: Duncan McAulay, Marius Huysamer; front row: John Forster, Willie Young and Willie Renton. 21\_c50awp01

## Good turn out at all-weather pitch consultation meeting

AN EXCELLENT response was given to a consultation evening for the all-weather pitch project in Campbeltown. Willie Young, Argyll and Bute Council's principal leisure officer held the consultation at Aqualibrium last week and told *The Courier* that there were representatives from nearly all the clubs in Kintyre at some point during the night. He said the biggest concern was about the kind of footwear which is used on the surfaces but said there were no contentious issues brought up.

'The clubs have given us details about what they would like from the facility and when they would be most likely to want to use it. We plan to have another meeting in January to discuss this further.'

**Opportunity**

Mr Young said he plans to visit all the schools in the area next month and wants to make sure everybody gets the opportunity to use it. He said it was early days and said a meeting was due to take place on Wednesday with the preferred contractor to iron out a few details.

## Public asked to come out and support Santa Dash

PEOPLE are being invited to go onto the streets of Campbeltown tomorrow morning (Saturday) to support this year's Santa Dash. Around 80 Santas will take the streets at 10am as they make their way from Aqualibrium, along Kinloch Road and down Hall Street. Singing as they go, the Santas will then return back up Hall Street and make their way up Main Street, passed Castlehill and along Meadows Avenue. The jolly Santas will then head along Tomaig to Meadowburn before making their way down Witchburn Road, back

down Main Street before returning to Aqualibrium where they will be presented with a medal and some well-deserved hot drinks and mince pies.

**Cautious**

Drivers are urged to be cautious and patient along the route whilst the Santa's pass by. Anyone wishing to go along to the Victoria Hall at 9.15am. The event is funded by Argyll and Bute Council, Argyll and the Islands Leader, Jog Scotland and Campbeltown Running Club.



Daniel with mum Alison Semple and Lucy Kerr collect their Santa suits from Fiona Irwin. 21\_c50dash01



DAVID Reid throws a bowl at the open charity triples competition on Sunday at Argyll Bowling Club. See page 23 for photographs and results. 21\_c50bowl07

## Wee Toon darts results

CAMPBELTOWN and District Darts Association's week six results: Burnside 10 Commercial 0, Southend 2 Argyll Bowling Club 8, Fiddlers 10 Fiddlers B 0, Ailsa 3 Kilbrannan 7 and White Hart 1 Kinloch 9. Gregor MacGregor scored 180 for the Burnside, Lucinda Thomas hit 174 for the White Hart and there were finishes of 107 from Charlie Robertson, 103 by Kenny Campbell both Burnside, 117 by Callum McMillan for the Commercial and 120 by Jamie McGougan for the Fiddlers. The league finishes up for Christmas on December 19 and resumes again on January 9.

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