

# Jobs lost as Kintyre Way charity in crisis

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THE CHARITABLE company which manages the Kintyre Way has made its employees redundant due to a cashflow crisis.

On Monday, voluntary directors from The Long and Winding Way Ltd told workers, whom they described as 'gutted', that there is no money left in the coffers to pay salaries.

Kintyre Way chairman Niall Mcalister-Hall said: 'We would like to thank the staff for all their enthusiasm and positivity. 'We are endeavouring to find a way to keep the company running and the route maintained.'

Just 18 months ago it all looked so different. In March 2015, staff and directors celebrated having completed the 100-mile route at its new finishing point in Machrihanish.

Earlier this year the Kintyre Way was a finalist in the 2016 Scottish Outdoor and Leisure Awards and the

logo is displayed on its Facebook page.

Funding has been an issue for the charity since last year. Its accounts on the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator's website show an expenditure of £168,501 in 2015 against an income of £150,991.

Capital money for the charity has historically come from a variety of sources, including lottery funding through the Coastal Communities Fund which just a year ago, in December 2015, gave £100,000.

In addition, renewable energy firm RES pledged £30,000 in 2012 and gave a further £10,000 last year.

Argyll and Bute Council gave the charity £10,000 a year for marketing but has now said: 'It will consider information as it is presented.'

Funds have been used to improve the Way, such as installing picnic benches, shel-

ters and boardwalks. Just last month there was major path reconstruction around the Clachan bogs and a new bridge designed and manufactured in the Way's workshop at Hazelburn Business Park.

The grants have paid salaries for its marketing officer and Way manager and two trainees who have all now lost their livelihoods.

A portent of the current financial troubles came in February 2015 when Kintyre Way's management presented a document to Argyll and Bute Council titled: 'Kintyre Way Emergency Funding Proposal.'

The document explained that the Way urgently needed £40,000 per annum to continue to employ staff and maintain the path.

Of the requested money £3,000 was for maintenance, with £22,000 for one salary, vehicle costs of £5,000, £2,400 for the Hazelburn workshop, £2,500 insurance and employability mon-



## Memorial darts on target

THE ALAN RENNIE mixed triples memorial match darts players threw together to raise £350 for two Campbeltown charities last Friday.

Kintyre Kidney Dialysis will receive £175 and Campbeltown

hospital's Sunshine room £175. In addition, players from the Ailsa Bar pledged a further £100.

### Players

Pictured above are some of the charity darts players at the Kilbrannan. 25\_c50charitydarts01

ey for the trainees of £6,000.

To support the bid, it was claimed, at that time, that the Way brought £800,000 into the Kintyre economy.

That bid failed to gain the backing of Argyll and Bute council.

A RES spokesperson said: 'RES has been a proud supporter of the Kintyre Way and its goals for a number of years. It is saddened by the news today - particularly for those whose jobs are directly affected.'

The charity's directors stressed that next year's improved Kintyre Way ultra-marathon is unaffected by the problems as it is self financing with 53 mountain bikers and 60 runners already committed.

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SHOOTERS aim high for Children in Need at MACC's indoor range. Full story, page two.

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# Plinking for Pudsey raises cash

AN INDOOR range shooting experience hit the bullseye and raised £1,200 for Children in Need.

Landrail Firearms Ltd held its postponed Plinking for Pudsey party last Friday evening at the indoor shooting range on MACC business park.

The event was originally scheduled to coincide with the BBC Children In Need charity fundraising programme two weeks ago, but was delayed due to a power cut that affected the airbase that night.

At least 50 guests attended the party, en-

joying a traditional Argyll Bakeries barbecue, bonfire and shooting experience.

The evening was also a Machrihanish Gun Club guest event, during which non-MGC members were legally allowed to shoot full-bore firearms.

All invited guests

sampled a range of firearms from .22 rifles through to .357 Magnum under-lever rifles and even some .45 calibre cap and ball revolvers.

The shooting competition was the brainchild of MGC member Julia Levick, the manager of Boots Longrow branch.

During the evening, Landrail director Peter Davie presented her a cheque for £1,200. Plinking for Pudsey competition prizes were also awarded during the party, with Jim Ewart and Jennifer McMurchy taking home the first prize hampers in the off-hand and bench-rest classes.

Runners-up were

Walter Campbell, Frank Stacey, Alex Campbell and Kyle MacLean, winning Landrail, Boots and Amazon vouchers.

Notably, all three top places in the bench-rest class went to MGC junior members.

A spokesperson said: 'The event finished at midnight among discarded party hats and the smell of gunsmoke – a great time was had by all. Peter and Paula would personally like to thank everyone for their efforts and generous donations, with a very special mention to the following:

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Julia Levick receives the cheque from Peter Davie.

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### Bail breach

A MAN was arrested in Longrow at 8.10pm last Tuesday for breaching bail conditions.

The 53-year-old had been ordered by a sheriff not to approach a woman. The man was charged and a report submitted to the procurator fiscal.

### No licence

A 75-YEAR-OLD driver was stopped in a routine police check last Thursday at 7.40pm on the A83 at Snipefield. Later checks revealed that his driving licence had expired.

He was charged and a report submitted to the fiscal.

On the same evening and location about half-an-hour later, a 64-year-old driver was stopped as his licence had allegedly expired.

He was charged and a report sent to the DVLA.

### Resisting arrest

POLICE were called to an incident at about 10pm on last Friday following a report of a man allegedly behaving in an abusive manner and assaulting a woman in a flat in Ma-

feking Place, Campbeltown.

A 30-year-old man was detained and later charged with abusive behaviour, assault, resisting arrest and possession of cannabis. A report was submitted to the fiscal.

### Vandalism

THE WINDOW of a flat in New Quay Street, Campbeltown, was damaged by being cracked. The incident happened between 10pm and 11pm last Friday.

### Failed to stop

SOMETIME between 4.30pm last Friday and 12.30pm on Saturday a blue Fiat Punto, parked in Kirk Street, Campbeltown, was damaged by having the rear bumper struck by another vehicle which failed to stop.

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# Stars shine for Kurt



**Kurt looking happy with Skipinnish founder Angus MacPhail.**

A SELL-OUT show by west coast trad superstars *Skipinnish* has raised more than £3,000 for a brave young fan.

About 350 music-lovers filled the Victoria Hall for the show to help support Campbeltown's Kurt Smiley and his family as he continues his brave battle with cancer.

As an extra treat, Kurt spent time with his heroes during their sound check.

Nicola Forshaw said: 'The four-hour show also saw Matt Mcallister and *Rhuvaal* warm

up the stage, before headliners *Skipinnish* stole the show with a brilliant performance.'

As well as the musical entertainment, there was a raffle and a bar.

The £3,600 raised will go to Kurt and his family.

### Donated

Money raised at the Santa Dash last Saturday, at MACC airbase, is to be donated to the Schiehallion ward playroom in Glasgow's Royal Hospital for Children.

Kurt, aged five, a pupil at Dalintober Pri-

mary School, was diagnosed with cancer at the beginning of June. He has spent months at the Glasgow hospital being treated for a non-Hodgkin lymphoma tumour.

Nicola, who organised the event with Lewis Nelson and David Macpherson, thanks everyone who helped and everyone who came along to support the event.

She added: 'Without them, we would never have raised such an outstanding amount for Kurt and his family.'

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## Date with the Queen

A SHOP manager from Campbeltown was the Red Cross' sole UK representative at a charities reception with the Queen.

Volunteer Sheena Howarth was one of many charity workers at the Buckingham Palace reception.

It celebrated the patronages and affiliations of Her Royal Highness Princess Alexandra, the Honourable Lady Ogilvy, who celebrates her 80th birthday on Christmas day.

Mrs Howarth, who moved to the Wee Toon 48 years ago, said: 'Our area manager was asked to submit someone and I was chosen to represent the Red Cross for Great Britain.



At the reception, last Tuesday, I was asked if I had been there before and I said I had when my husband Les was presented with his OBE about 30 years ago.'

The couple spent a few days in London either side of the reception and went to see *Singing in the Rain* and the winter wonderland in Hyde Park.



**Red Cross shop manager Sheena Howarth and her invitation to Buckingham Palace.**

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## Turbines bid

RENEWABLE energy firm RES Ltd has applied to Scottish ministers to build and operate a 17-turbine wind farm on the Killean estate near Tayinloan.

Anyone with views about the proposal has until February 3 next year to send representations to the ministers.

## Rotarian dies

A WELL-KNOWN Campbeltown accountant died suddenly on Monday.

Clive Good, 56, who managed Hazelburn Business Park, is survived by his wife Jeanette and two sons.

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# Auchinlee campaign group formed

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A GROUP of relatives and friends of Campbeltown's Auchinlee Care Home have set up an action group in a bid to save it from closure.

According to papers written prior to an Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) Integrated Joint Board (IJB) meeting last week, the timeline for closing Auchinlee began in February. At that

time concerns regarding a number of adult protection issues were raised leading to a voluntary moratorium on admissions.

Since then other issues have been raised – it has become apparent that the home has been running at a loss and there has been difficulty recruiting qualified staff, leaving CrossReach, the Church of Scot-

land charity operating the home, relying on freelance carers.

Earlier this week The Save Auchinlee Action Group sent an email to all Highlands and Islands MSPs.

It stated: '15 of the most vulnerable, defenceless and voiceless citizens of Argyll are threatened with being expelled from their home, their families, and their friends.'

'CrossReach and the Integrated Joint Board have

been in discussions for six months and have failed to reach an agreement.

'CrossReach could give the local authority 13 weeks' notice of closure at any time.

'Campbeltown is at the end of a long peninsula and is an isolated and vulnerable community. It cannot afford to lose this valuable resource.'

'Research clearly shows that the impact on residents would be devastating.'

'The impact on local ser-

vices and the wider community would also be significant. What can you do to help us?'

The action group is concerned that the possible closure of Auchinlee has only emerged in the last six months although CrossReach claim that there has been a pressure on funding for the last three years.

The group believes that the local authority has a statutory and moral obligation to ensure that this important resource for the

community remains open. Group members met on Wednesday evening to agree how the local community can be involved.

In a joint statement with the IJB, a CrossReach spokesperson said: 'A report was presented to the full Church of Scotland Social Care Council when it met on Wednesday. The report considered the implications of the discussions with HSCP and the views and concerns expressed by relatives at Auchinlee.'

The combined choirs of Dalintober and Castlehill primaries and nativity plays at Campbeltown town carol service. 25\_c50carolservice01



## Traditional carols chorused

CAMPBELTOWN Salvation Army led carol singers who raised the roof at Lorne and Lowland church.

The service, last Sun-

day evening, brought together Campbeltown Brass, both town primaries and many admiring mums, dads and grandparents to fill the pews.

The congregation dug deep to raise £638.78 to be shared between Supporting the Homeless in Kintyre and Shopper-Aide.



Salvation Army Captain Ben Russell who led the service. 25\_c50carolservice02

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# Creamery aims to lead whey in food education

## 'We are looking at recruiting three cheese making apprentices for the Creamery'

STAFF members from First Milk's Campbeltown Creamery have gained the firm's premier Scottish Vocational Qualification (SVQ) in food manufacturing excellence.

Shona Ballantyne, Alexander McGeachy and Cathy Girvan were presented with their SVQ level six certificates by senior training adviser Jim McCormack of National

Food and Drink Training at a ceremony last Thursday.

The year-long on-the-job training course, taught across two days per month, was a joint initiative between First Milk's human resources department, Skills Development Scotland and Mr McCormack, who led the practical classes in Campbeltown. Mrs Girvan, a Creamery cheese-



Alexander McGeachy and Cathy Girvan receive their certificates from Jim McCormack.

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maker, said: 'Taking the SVQ has changed my perception of the work we do because I am seeing the whole picture.'

'It is so much more involved, particularly

the waste and energy management aspects.'

A spokesperson from the Creamery said: 'From the management side we now have a better educated team of people. They are our

most important asset. Ultimately, the company gains because of the skills which have been learned.

'First Milk intends to roll this model out at all its sites.'

Before the presentation, Shona Ballantyne gave a slide show to explain some of the training undertaken by the trainees.

First Milk senior HR business partner James Keegans said: 'We are looking at recruiting three cheese-making apprentices for the Creamery.'

See the *Courier's* jobs' page for more details of the apprenticeships.

## Sailing club backs Seasports project

AHEAD of a crunch council meeting which discussed the Seasports project, Campbeltown Sailing Club's (CSC) commodore has added strong support.

CSC commodore Billy McFadyen said: 'Campbell Fox has put in an immense amount of work to the Seasports project during the past two years.'

'When completed, the new organisation will move CSC forward to a position which will rejuvenate active sailing and water sports in Campbeltown, and encourage involvement of the Kintyre community and beyond.'

At the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands (MAKI) meeting on Wednesday, in a bid to secure CHORD funding for the pro-

ject, Councillor Donald Kelly proposed a motion.

The wording of that motion was: 'That the area committee agrees to request that a new paper regarding the dispersal of Campbeltown CHORD surplus funding comes before them which includes the full recommendations made by the Policy and Resources Committee on August 18.'

Mr Fox added: 'We realise we are not the only game in town but the Seasports partners' view is that the project is a major investment in Campbeltown's future.'

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## Kintyre Way troubles

LONG-DISTANCE walking routes are often based on ancient tracks or drove roads and have survived for many millennia.

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Either way, once the track is on a map, it becomes a challenge. For this reason, and despite its current financial worries, the Kintyre Way should survive as it is on all Ordnance Survey maps.

Unlike the West Highland Way, it is a logistical challenge for many walkers to access Kintyre's route.

Accommodation is not always simple to arrange once en route.

Walkers have criticised some stages' simplicity, while the section across the Mull, especially in thick mist, is more akin to traversing the Cairngorms.

The Kintyre Way is young. It was created this century, although drovers from South-end may once have walked parts of it en route to Stirling.

Unlike the West Highland Way, which is supported by three local authorities and a national park, the Kintyre Way falls wholly within Argyll and Bute and competes with the Cowal Way for funding.

It is hard for a footpath to generate money short of putting turnstiles at either end.

This would alienate most walkers and send them elsewhere.

It is equally hard to quantify the numbers of walkers completing the route.

A log book left in a waterproof tin on the Mull section this year had far fewer than 100 entries in the period from February to June.

It is a great trip through amazing scenery and deserves to survive this hiccup.

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## Kintyre remembered

Sir,  
It is the season for fond remembrances and I would like to pass some of mine along from when I was one of the earliest Yanks at the drome in the autumn of 1967.

I have total recall of sipping tea and eating gammon sandwiches with a wonderful group of girls in the Lorcarno on many Saturday afternoons. I was too old, turning 20, but happy to be alive.

I can still remember the smells and taste of kippers and eggs for breakfast.

I clearly recall blistering wind and sleet down Longrow. I remember whin and heather glowing yellow and purple in the summer sun up the side of the Mull from the beach near Southend.

I remember bellowing *Auld Lang Syne*, very much off key, with a wonderful crowd in the back room of the White Hart.

But mostly I remember gracious hospitality and unsurpassed natural beauty around every turn and over every hill.

Be proud of who you are and where you are and thank you for the wonderful memories. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**Dennis Willoughby,**  
**Poplar Ridge Drive,**  
**Westminster,**  
**South Carolina,**  
**USA.**

## Committee's thanks

Sir,  
Campbeltown Bonfire Night Committee would like to thank everyone who made the bonfire night such a huge success this year.

This is a not-for-profit organisation, together with Dalintober and Millknowe Tenants and Residents Association, Campbeltown Fire Station, and Campbeltown Coastguard.

A special thank you to: Buildbase, Campbeltown Rotary Club, Fona taxi, Wallys Megastore, Highland Fuels, Graeme's Waste Solutions, Campbeltown Harbour Master, Argyll and Bute Council, Dalintober Primary School, Argyll Bakeries, Jamie G, John Strang, Neil-John McPhail, Tesco, D McNair, AM Transport, Glenside Tractors, and all the local community who very kindly donated towards this event.

The committee is continuously looking at ways to generate money towards making this an annual event and if anyone would like to help fund this event, please do so by contacting Campbeltown Fire Station.

**Campbeltown Bonfire Night Committee,**  
**Campbeltown Fire Station.**

## Crocus' to end polio now

Sir,  
While we in the Rotary Club of Campbeltown

are certainly delighted to have worked with local schools in this important project to end polio now, it should be emphasised that we are also deeply grateful for all the help received from Angus Ward and his team at the local council.

They did a great job and we could not have done without their help.

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

## Keep Auchinlee Care Home open

Sir,  
As a relative of a resident at Auchinlee Care Home, I was shocked to hear of the possible closure of the facility.

Auchinlee has been an established institution in Campbeltown for many years and it would be a huge loss to the town if it was to close.

The relocation of the present residents a great distance from the town would be destabilising for them and their families and would severely limit the options of care for the people of Campbeltown.

My family and I have witnessed very caring and empathetic staff at all times. They show the residents in their care nothing but respect and kindness.

I urge the people of Campbeltown to unite to keep Auchinlee open.

Surely a solution can

be found to retain such an excellent and essential facility.

**Elizabeth McMillan,**  
**Macclesfield,**  
**Cheshire.**

## Education centre money disbursed

Sir,  
This is a notification to the good folk of Campbeltown who have supported the Kintyre Community Education Centre Council over the years.

As some of you may know, the running of the community centre has been taken over by Argyll and Bute Council and run by the local authority since.

The centre council has been dissolved as such and the funds we had have been distributed as per our constitution to charitable organisations in the town and to regular users of the centre.

The following groups all received £1,000 each: Campbeltown Maternity Unit, Meadows Under Fives, Kintyre Schools Pipe Band, The Hub Youth Café, Campbeltown Highland Games, Shopper Aide, Campbeltown Picture House, to purchase four seats, Christmas Lights Fund, Campbeltown Brass Band and James McCorkindale Highland Dancers.

We tried to cover as broad a range of groups as possible.

A smaller sum of monies

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## Letters to the Editor,

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Continued from page 6 were given to the Guides/Brownies, Scouts, Boys Brigade, Sea Cadets and Army Cadets.

There was also a separate amount of funds left over from a Healthy Living Group and the monies from that were divided between Dalintober and Milknowe Tenants and Residents Association and to South Kintyre Senior Citizens Committee for the Christmas vouchers.

The MS Social Group received money to help them get their exercise bike serviced.

Previous to this, money had been distributed to the regular users of the community centre which amounted to a refund of a year's rent each.

Some monies have been kept back for the use of the soft play facility which still belongs to the centre

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council and is leased to Argyll and Bute Council, for which we receive a portion of the income.

This will go to maintenance of the soft play area and any upgrading that may be felt necessary in the future.

**Anna Binnie,  
Chairperson,  
Kintyre Community  
Education Centre  
Council.**

## Seasports centre support

Sir,  
I offer my full support for Kintyre Seasports Project. I have been involved with the Dalintober Beach Restoration Group for some time and I am keen to see progress made.

I see this project as a natural extension to the good work already carried out by the council on the west side of Campbeltown Loch.

After attending meetings, it is very encouraging to see and hear about the level of engagement from the various groups and the wider Kintyre community.

This project, I feel, is a win-win for everyone, including the council, which would, as part of the project, absolve itself from the current liability it has – namely Dalintober Pier.

I feel also that this project hits all the right buttons in terms of regeneration, tourism

and potential employment and will greatly enhance opportunities for the newly constructed marina.

I look forward to continuing to work with the Seasports group in a positive and constructive manner in an effort to help deliver what I see is a very worthwhile and important project for the community of Kintyre.

**Councillor Donald Kelly,  
Drumlemble.**

## Leaders should be statesmen

Sir,  
The current political controversies are a considerable cause for concern.

While a clear ma-

majority of the Scottish electorate voted in the Scottish referendum to remain within the UK, the referendum on EU membership produced an overall majority of UK voters in favour of leaving.

There is a clear perception that the EU is itself undemocratic.

Scotland and Northern Ireland appear to have favoured the status quo, though large sections of the Scottish fishing and farming communities have for some time been unhappy with many of the European rules and regulations.

Similarly, there are individual areas within England and Wales which voted to 'remain' because of particular local interests.

The inescapable fact is that a clear majority of the UK electorate voted to leave.

The leaders of Scotland, Northern Ireland, Wales and the Westminster government, should now co-operate with each other to find common ground for negotiation with other relevant parties, in the best interests of all concerned.

They should agree a joint approach to discussions with Europe's representatives. Politicians must now act like statesmen.

Issuing threats to hold a repeat referendum on Scottish independence will not be helpful.

The creation of 'hard' borders within the UK must be avoided at all cost. Such a result would have damaging effect on the economies of all the individual parts of the kingdom.

A closer association, rather than the creation of unnatural borders, must be the primary objective.

Improved communications, whether by road, rail, air, ferry or via internet connection within the UK will

itself be a benefit. A prime example is the lack of convenient connection between the traditionally related areas of Kintyre and Antrim.

The SNP promise of 2007 to restore a vehicle ferry service between Campbeltown and Ballycastle has failed to materialise. This has been blamed on Westminster cut-backs.

The autumn statement's additional funding for the Scottish Government, to improve infrastructure, should allow the promise to be fulfilled.

A general perception that Europe has become 'undemocratic' underlies the situation that has arisen. Certain other countries within the EU may have similar views.

As part of the process of negotiating new trading terms, a wider discussion should be initiated on the possible reformation of the EU itself.

**Ian Y Macintyre,  
Tarbert.**

# Observatory's seabirds' season ends

MACHRIHANISH'S Seabird Observatory (MSBO) closed to the public at the end of October but the birds keep flying.

This year warden Eddie Maguire and his assistant Iomhar McMillan maintained watch at the Observatory for 245 days from March 1. Their November report is compiled from casual observations and records from around the Laggan farmlands.

The observations for November are as follows: Brent Goose: two on November 1, one on 12 and one passed south on 16. Shelduck: one on 28 and two on 31. Teal: four on 6. Wigeon: Seen on all visits with a max of 10 on 10. Shoveler: one on 24. Common Scoter: Three juveniles passed south on 10. Common Goldeneye: A total of eight off the old lifeboat station on 31. Great Northern Diver: Machrihanish Bay: six on 3 and nine on 5. Ringed Plover: Machrihanish

Bay: a flock of 70 on 31. Sanderling: Machrihanish Bay: 20 on 2 to 5 and 30 on 24. 16 passed south on 16. Common Raven: Two on 31 were both carrying golf balls. Both birds buried the balls in sand.

November records from around Kintyre: Whooper swan: Campbeltown: a flock of 8 adults passed east on 3. The Laggan: six at Bleachfield including a juvenile 10 to 12, four adults at The Strath east pool on 14 and eight adults there on 20. Greater Canada goose: The Laggan, Bleachfield: 36 on 18. Kilmichael by Campbeltown: 24 on 20.

Campbeltown: 40 passed east over the town on 29. Canada X Barnacle: Strath Farm The Laggan: six hybrids on 23. Greylag Goose: At The Laggan, Bleachfield: 211 on 17. Strath Farm: 521 on 20 and 644 on 23. Kilmichael by Campbeltown: 140 on 20 and 80 on 23. White-fronted goose, Greenland race flavirostris: The Laggan: ca. 1,000+ over Stewarton on 2 were apparently the first to arrive in South Kintyre. Strath Farm: 468 on 20 and 530 on 23. Kilmichael: 380 on 20 and 290 on 23. This is the second consecutive year that arrivals have been very late. In the past the main arrival date was around October 10. As last autumn, perhaps the geese are

staging longer in Iceland. Shelduck: The Laggan: the first returning bird was at Strath east pool on 17. Teal

Kilmichael by Campbeltown: 52 on 14. Shoveler: Kilmichael by Campbeltown: Two on 14. Wigeon: Kilmichael: 400+ on 14. Common Eider: Campbeltown Loch inner harbour: a total of 290 on 4 included 176 adult males, 33 immature males and 81 females. Little Egret: West Loch Tarbert: One on 26 Toby

Green et al / per Jim Dickson. Lesser Black-backed Gull Campbeltown: Four first-winter birds were at the harbour on 31. Ruddy Turnstone: Campbeltown: The high tide roost at the Ferry Terminal held 42 on 4 and 41 on 15 observed by Rab Morton. Black Guillemot: Campbeltown Loch: 18 on 25. Sky Lark: West Parkfergus, The Laggan: 300+ on 12.

The largest concentration seen in this area for many years. Chaffinch: Stewarton: 170 on 14.



A flock of 12 Purple Sandpipers passed south on November 4 and a flock of eight was present on November 16. Photo: Iomhar McMillan.

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# Folk festival turns five

ISLAY hosted a weekend of tunes, drams and memories as a music event turned five.

The Islay Sessions took place from November 18 to 20 in Port Charlotte and Bruichladdich.

The event kicked off on the Friday with a 'Concert in the Conservatory' at Port Charlotte Hotel.

Glasgow mandolin player and singer Laura-Beth Salter played an eclectic mix of songs and tunes from her album *Breathe*.

Saturday began with a workshop hosted by *The Routes Quartet* followed by a slow session in the bar.

The session was an opportunity for musicians of all ages to join in.

*The Routes Quartet* were back that evening in Bruichladdich hall, along with *Talisk* and *Breabach*, playing folk and contemporary music.

The night finished off on a poignant note



## Breabach put on a show.

when all musicians performed a tune called *Friendship Brings Us Here the Night*.

Composed by Hamish Napier, the tune was commissioned by the Fraser Shaw Trust for this year's event.

Fraser Shaw played an integral role in founding the festival five years ago. He died in May 2015 after battling with illness.

He loved nothing

more than to bring musicians from all over Scotland to Islay.

A festival spokesperson explained: 'The title of the song comes from a classic Scots song *Happy Ae Are A' Thegither* which very much echoes the great priority Fraser put on friendships and social gatherings during his life.'

Sarah Hayes took to the stage on Sun-

day, performing self-penned and contemporary songs backed by herself on piano and a tune or two on her flute.

The spirit of the weekend was truly under way during an afternoon of whisky tours including Bunahabhain, Bruichladdich and Kilchoman.

Event sponsors were: Port Charlotte Hotel, Laphroaig, Bruichlad-

dich, CalMac Ferries, Kilchoman, Carlsberg, Bowmore, Inverarity Morton, Islay Ales, Wylie and Bisset, Ardbeg, Lagavulin and Skerrols House.

A spokesperson for the event said: 'Thanks to the staff at Port Charlotte and everyone else who pulled together to make the Islay Sessions a huge success. We can't wait for next year.'

## What's On . . .

### Christmas choirs concert

A TRIO of choirs will sing festive songs at Campbeltown Town Hall.

*One Voice*, *The Low Tones* and *Upbeats* take to the stage at 2.30pm on Sunday. Tickets are £5 on the door with all proceeds going to the Mairi Semple Fund.

### Audience with the lizard lady

A CAMPBELTOWN fishwife will change like a chameleon to reprise a role she first played nearly 20 years ago.

Jane Dunbar, the wife of Kintyre Smokehouse supremo Archie Macmillan, first told Gowan Calder's story of Morag Kerr's lowly circus beginnings to the high life of Las Vegas to an Edinburgh Festival Fringe audience.

That performance of *An Audience with the Lizard Lady* gar-

nered rave reviews in the *Scotsman* and *Daily Mail*. Jane, a member of the Three Wee Crows Theatre Company, said: 'Obviously Morag is bit older than me, you could say I am growing into the role.'

On Sunday December 18 at 6pm Jane performs the monologue during a festive two-course dinner, with canapés at the Seafield.

For tickets, priced £24.95, call the Ardshiel Hotel on 01586 552133.

### Clachan ceilidh

CLACHAN Village Hall will host a festive fundraising event to raise money for its restoration fund.

Live music, a grand raffle, a light supper and a licensed bar will be on offer at the event on Friday December 9.

The event will begin at 7.30pm and all the family are welcome.

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Tickets can be reserved and paid at the door until 20 mins before each performance.

### Glenbarr Abbey CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

Sunday 4th & Sunday 11th  
December

12.30pm to 4pm

Come & see the Christmas decorations, visit Santa & bring your letter to post in Santa's box  
Live entertainment  
Soup, tea & home baking provided by Mairi Semple Fund Committee.

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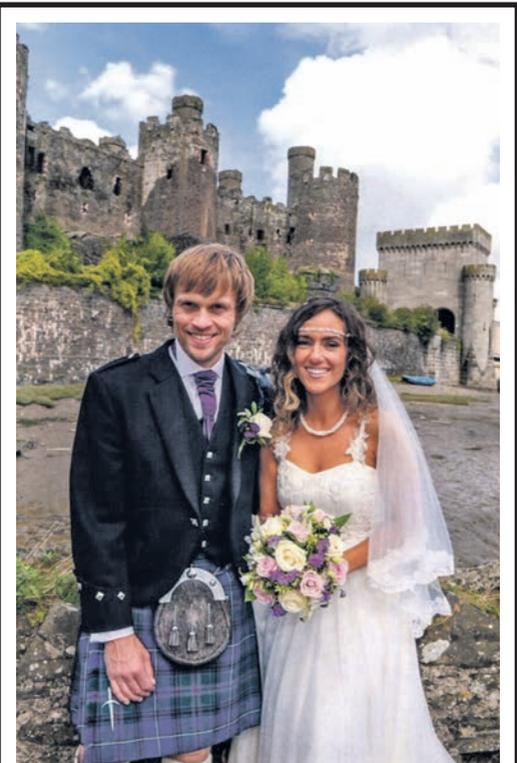
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## WEDDING



### MOLLER - THONGER

Kelvin and Moreen Moller are delighted to announce the marriage of their eldest son, Carwyn to Iona, younger daughter of Ted and Rita Thonger, at Colwyn Bay Baptist Church, North Wales, on 26th August 2016.

# Wee Toon trip for terrific trolls . . .

SCIENCE-FICTION, animated trolls and wizards are just some of the silver screen delights as the movies return to Victoria hall.

Campbeltown Community Business (CCB) Ltd presents its popular monthly film screenings on Saturday and Sunday, December 10 and 11, as the refurbishment of the Picture House continues.

Films on offer include *Trolls*, from the studio behind *Shrek*, a return to JK Rowling's wizarding world in *Fantastic Beasts and Where To Find Them*, Marvel's *Doctor Strange* and Ken Loach's award-winning drama *I, Daniel Blake*.

The lovable wild-haired trolls are a happy bunch, always ready for a song and a hug in this delightfully irreverent musical comedy.

Dastardly giants Bergens are miserable and grouchy, and believe that the only thing that



Some of the lovable trolls in a delightfully irreverent comedy.

will make them happy is feasting on trolls.

*Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them* takes the audience to another era and place in JK Rowling's wizarding world – 1920s New York.

Magizoologist Newt Scamander (Eddie Redmayne) has completed a global trip to find and document an extraordinary array of magical creatures –

and he's carrying some of them in his suitcase.

Benedict Cumberbatch is *Doctor Strange* – a brilliant neurosurgeon whose life is turned upside down after a devastating accident. Embarking on a journey of self-discovery, he becomes the protégé of the Ancient One (Tilda Swinton), who opens his mind to new dimensions.

He learns to manipu-

late these new abilities and embraces his new guise as Marvel superhero Doctor Strange.

With a host of dazzling special effects and an all-star supporting cast this is one of 2016's most unforgettable adventures.

*I, Daniel Blake* is Ken Loach's powerful award-winning angry indictment of austerity Britain.

It's also warm, funny

and richly characterised, with an outstanding central performance.

Middle-aged Geordie widower Daniel Blake is out of work for the first time in his life and needs help from the state. He crosses paths with single mother Katie and her two young children, as they both spiral into a bureaucratic benefits nightmare.



A still from *I, Daniel Blake*.

## Campbeltown Picture House at the Victoria Hall Sat 10 & Sun 11 December



**Trolls** (U) Sat 10, 2pm / 93 mins  
Fun animated comedy from the team behind *Shrek*. Princess Poppy (Anna Kendrick) and Branch (Justin Bieber) must save their fellow trolls from the grumpy Bergens!

**Fantastic Beasts and Where To Find Them** (12A)  
Sat 10, 4.15pm / Sun 11, 12.30pm / 133 mins  
Harry Potter spin off starring Eddie Redmayne in an all new adventure set in J.K. Rowling's wizarding world.

**Doctor Strange** (12A) Sat 10, 7.30pm / 115 mins  
Benedict Cumberbatch stars as Marvel's brilliant neurosurgeon, whose life is turned upside after a devastating accident. His new abilities are put to the test by the villainous Kaecilius (Mads Mikkelsen).

**I, Daniel Blake** (15) Sun 11, 3.30pm / 100 mins  
Daniel Blake is out of work and at the mercy of the welfare state. Ken Loach's much acclaimed Palme D'Or winner is an angry indictment of modern Britain, but also warm and funny with outstanding performances.

Advance booking: [www.campbeltownpicturehouse.co.uk](http://www.campbeltownpicturehouse.co.uk)  
Tickets also at Victoria Hall 30 mins before screenings  
Adults £6.50 Concessions: £5.00 Family of 4: £20.00  
Presented by Campbeltown Community Business & Film Mobile Scotland in collaboration with The Royal Hotel



# Footnotes stage a spooktacular nightmare

A CAMPBELTOWN dance company had a scream as they put on a spooktacular show for All Hallows' Eve.

The Footnotes Halloween Concert was a sell-out and more than 40 dancers took to the stage for the company's eighth concert.

Special guests on the night included danc-

ers from the Glasgow School of Dance, which numbered among them former Footnotes' member Hannah Black.

Also joining them on stage for the first time was Morgan Irwin's primary dance workshop group from SOS Fitness aged between four and nine years.

Footnotes restarted

in 2001 with teachers Rhona McSporran, Catrona Lang, Martine Craig and Kerry Dickson.

They dedicate their time to the young dancers and encourage them to choreograph their own dances to music. Footnotes Dance Company aim to do a concert every two

years and also participate in the Mull of Kintyre Music Festival every year in between.

They meet on Tuesday (seniors) and Thursday (juniors) nights from 7pm-9pm in the community centre and the age is P6 and up.

Sessions are £2 which goes to fund-

ing concerts, costumes and trips away.

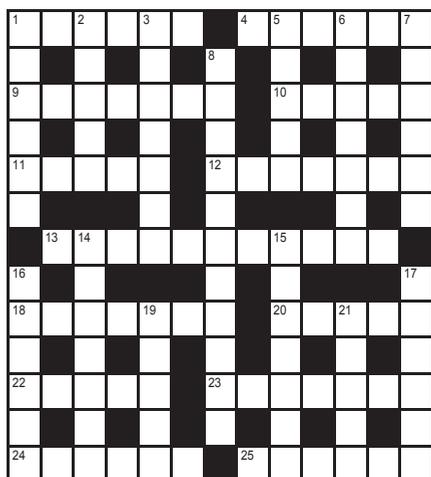
A new intake of dancers will be taken in the new year to work towards their next concert.

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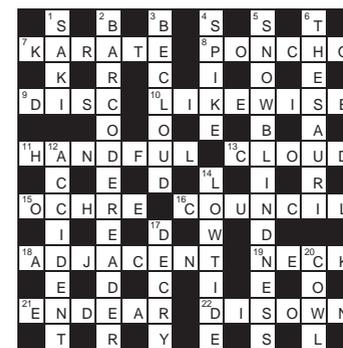
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- 4 Draw (6)
- 9 Californian coniferous tree (7)
- 10 Greased (5)
- 11 Feudal lord (5)
- 12 Small goods carrier (7)
- 13 Has great ideas (11)
- 18 Bird speak online! (7)
- 20 Coffee type (5)
- 22 Address for anonymous delivery (2,3)
- 23 Lie (7)
- 24 Let it sink in (6)
- 25 Used in the manufacture of chalk (6)

### Down

- 1 The thing (6)
- 2 Arouse interest (5)
- 3 Great person (4,3)
- 5 Famous (5)
- 6 City in Israel (3,4)
- 7 Concealing (6)
- 8 Sea fish with pink flesh (6,5)
- 14 Post carrier (7)
- 15 American grass (7)
- 16 Lacking in common sense (6)
- 17 Tribal leader (6)
- 19 American state (5)
- 21 Friends (5)

## LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



TARBERT

# Deli dream a Fyne concept

ONE FYNE DELI, the latest business in Tarbert's Harbour Street, is the dream enterprise for a former Campbeltown Grammar pupil.

More than 20 years after leaving school, and following stints in Ayrshire and Glasgow, Jennifer Graham, 45, followed her heart to return to Kintyre.

**Dream**

At first she spent three years with Argyll Community Housing Association, working in administration,

before leaving earlier this year to pursue her dream.

Ms Graham said: 'I have always wanted to do something with food. When I was young I used to picture myself in a van driving round selling rolls.

'As well as filled rolls, creamy lattes and a selection of homemade soups, we have many specialist foods, cheeses and fine meats.

'So far I have had great feedback and am loving every minute.'



Jennifer Graham surrounded by delicacies. 25\_c50onefyneledi01

GLENBARR



Christmas sing-song: playing Glenbarr Abbey's harmonium is Irishman Maurice Farquhar, with Emma Harrison on flute, and singers Gabriele Farquhar, Jean Macalister and Carolyn Harrison. William Harrison played drums. 25\_c50abbeychristmas02

# Glenbarr Abbey's Christmas cracker

THE MAGIC of Ireland, coaxed some Christmas was in full swing when Santa Claus dropped into Glenbarr Abbey on Sunday.

He sat in the historic house's hall opposite a blazing fire and listened as children told him what they hoped to receive for Christmas.

In the dining room, Maurice Farquhar from Ballycarry, Northern

Elsewhere the house was at its Christmas best with myriad displays in four further rooms and teas laid on by members of the Mairi Semple Fund.

It is hoped that Santa will be able to stop by again on Sunday between 12.30pm and



Two-year-old Lucy met Santa Claus at Glenbarr Abbey. 25\_c50abbeychristmas01

4pm. Entry is by donation to the Abbey Trust with tearoom proceeds to Mairi Semple.

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CARRADALE

## Carradale harbour moves

COUNCILLORS voted on Wednesday whether to grant Network Carradale Ltd a 25-year lease on Carradale's harbour car park, an area of foreshore and the public conveniences.

Currently the car

park and public conveniences are owned by Argyll and Bute Council and held by development and infrastructure services and operated by roads and amenity services.

**Recommended**

Council officers had recommended the proposal at an annual rent of £100.

SOUTHEND

## Grand Christmas draw at Dunaverty Golf Club

DUNAVERTY'S golf club captain got close to the pin when he sold badges at a Campbeltown supermarket in support of Prostrate Cancer UK.

Alex Arkell has chosen to support the charity and sold pin badges recently at Campbeltown.

In addition, he is running a grand Christmas draw with prizes including an Arran golf package comprising ferry voucher for four plus car, two nights self-catering accommodation for four at Kinloch Hotel, Blackwaterfoot, and four-ball rounds at Shiskine and Brodick golf clubs; two tickets for a Celtic FC home SPFL Ladbrokes Premiership match, excluding an Old Firm tie; and two return tickets from Campbeltown to Ballycastle on Kintyre Express plus a four-ball for Ballycastle golf club.

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## Holstein cow is champion at the Kintyre winter show

KINTYRE Agricultural Society held its winter show last Saturday at Ballygreggan Farm by kind permission of the Millar family.

Overall champion and the County Garage cup was won by Gavin Semple, Kilkeddan, with his Holstein cow Kilkeddan Alexander Olivia shown carrying her third calf.

KAS president John Armour said: 'Ballygreggan proved to be an excellent venue for a fine show of 12 calves, 20 cows and heifers and 13 horses which competed in front of a large crowd of spectators.'

The judges were Russell Gray

in the dairy section and Isobel Duncan in the horse section and their awards were as follows: Dairy section, class one Ayrshire calf exhibited by a primary school pupil: 1 Cameron Ralston, East Drumlemble and 2 Jack Ralston, East Drumlemble. Handler: 1 Jack Ralston, East Drumlemble, 2 Cameron Ralston, East Drumlemble. Class two Ayrshire calf exhibited by a secondary pupil up to 25 years old: 1 Blair McCallum, Clochkiel. Handler: 1 Blair McCallum, Clochkiel. Best Ayrshire calf: Cameron Ralston. Class seven: Holstein calf exhibited by primary pupil: 1 Aiden McGeachy, Drumalea, 2 Taylor Purser, Drumalea. Handler: 1 Aiden McGeachy, Drumalea, 2 Taylor Purser, Drumalea. Class eight: Holstein calf exhibited by secondary pupil up to 25 years old: 1 Jennifer Wylie, Machrihanish, 2 Alison Wylie, Machrihanish, 3 Kathryn Semple, Kilkeddan, 4 Jenny Semple, Kilkeddan. Handler: 1 Alison Wylie, Machrihanish, 2 Kathryn Semple, Kilkeddan, 3 Jenny Semple, Kilkeddan, 4 Jennifer Wylie, Machrihanish. Best Holstein calf: Jennifer Wylie. Best

Holstein calf and handler combined: Alison Wylie

Overall Champion calf: Jack Ralston. Class three: Ayrshire calving heifer: No entries.

Class nine: Holstein calving heifer: No entries. Class four: Ayrshire calving heifer: No entries. Class five: Ayrshire cow in calf: 1 Thomas Cameron, Gartvaigh, 2 J and M Barr, Clochkiel, 3 Thomas Cameron, Gartvaigh. Class 10: Holstein calving heifer: 1 A and J Pirie, Machrihanish, 2 Peter Littleton, Killegruer. Class 11: Holstein cow in calf: No entries. Class six: Ayrshire cow in milk: 1 J and M Barr, 2 Thomas Cameron, 3 Willie Ralston. Class 12: Holstein cow in milk: 1 Gavin Semple, Kilkeddan, 2 John Ralston, Kilkivan, 3 John Ralston, Kilkivan. Horse Section: Class 13 Colt or filly foal Clydesdale: 1 D and C MacPhail, Garcafra. Class 14 Clydesdale One year old and over: 1 D and C MacPhail, 2 Lee Bastow, 3 Michelle Maybery. Champion Clydesdale: D and C MacPhail. Champion foal: D and C MacPhail. Class 15 :Horse or

pony under 14.2h: 1 Sara McDougall with Binke, 2 Louise Ralston with Nero, 3 Caitlin Ronald with Bruin. Class 16 Horse or pony over 14.3h: 1 Sandy Rowan with Jack, 2 Kerry Hopes with Freddie, 3 Sara McDougall with Dakota. Champion Horse or pony: Sandy Rowan with Jack. Trophy winners: County Garage cup for overall champion in the dairy section: Gavin Semple. The S.A.I. cup for Ayrshire champion: J and M Barr.

The Duncan McKerral cup for Holstein champion: Gavin Semple. The Levers cup for best calving/calved Ayrshire heifer: Willie Ralston. Davidsons of Shotts cup for best calving/calved Holstein heifer: A and J Pirie. The James Barr memorial cup for best Ayrshire bred by exhibitor: J and M Barr. Society cup for the best calf: Cameron Ralston. Presidents cup for the best Ayrshire calf: Cameron Ralston. Holstein breeders cup for best Holstein calf and handler: Jennifer Wylie. McKerral cup for champion Clydesdale: David and Callum MacPhail. Gigha cup for best foal: David and Callum MacPhail.



Gavin Semple and Kilkeddan Alexander Olivia. 25\_c50wintershow02



Emma Colville, seven, niece of Archie Millar, presents the McKerral cup for champion Clydesdale to David McPhail. 25\_c50wintershow03



Emma Colville presents the County Garage cup to Gavin Semple. 25\_c50wintershow04



David McPhail with champion Clydesdale and overall horse champion Garcafra Sweet Jessica. 25\_c50wintershow01

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# A goodbye salute from Campbeltown sea cadets

by **FIONA HENDRIE**  
editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk

A LONG-SERVING volunteer and former cadet has said farewell to the Campbeltown group as she sets sail for a new job.

Ellie Gannon, 33, gave the final salute to her role as a petty officer in the sea cadets after 23 years at a ceremony on Monday night.

Ms Gannon joined the junior cadets aged 10.

After spending eight years as a cadet, she has since been volunteering as an adult instructor.

During that time she has gained several awards including the Cadet Force Medal to recognise 12 years' service, as well as accompanying the cadets on week-long voyages around the UK and France.

She also spent five years as a catering instructor teaching youngsters food hygiene, kitchen maintenance and cooking.

She said: 'I was very shy before I joined the sea cadets. I learned to relax more and be assertive around people.'

'I have gained a lot of satisfaction from seeing young people develop during their time with the group.

'I'm looking forward to a new challenge but I will miss it all, especially the friends I've made. Hopefully once I'm settled in my new job I can see about working with the sea cadets in Carlisle.'

Ms Gannon is leaving Campbeltown to work in a bar and restaurant at Centre Parcs in Cumbria.

Chief petty officer Donnie Cameron said: 'Ellie has always been a regular at the group and has been away



Chief petty officer Donnie Cameron and petty officer Ellie Gannon. 20\_c49seacadets02

with the children many times. Sea Cadets isn't about producing young people for the Navy, it's about children coming here and developing themselves.

'Our core values are respect, loyalty,

self-discipline, commitment, honesty and integrity and this is what we develop in young people whilst having fun. That's what makes people stay.

'Volunteers are important. We really need

as many as possible for sea cadets to do as well as it does in Campbeltown. People don't need specific skills, although it's fantastic if they do, because there is the opportunity to

get Royal Yacht Association qualifications whilst working with us.'

For more information on volunteering contact the Campbeltown sea cadets at [www.facebook.com/campbeltownseacadets](http://www.facebook.com/campbeltownseacadets).

## Frances Macdonald



30 November — 23 December 2016

In the late summer I accompanied Frances Macdonald, her son Ross Ryan and six friends to explore Iona and Erraid, observe the artist at work, make our own efforts and cruise on the Ryan family boat Scarbh in the company of dolphins and perfect Hebridean days. Perhaps the highlight was a walk over Erraid past the quarry where the Stevenson family engineering company extracted the granite, to be shaped and then taken in barges out to the Torran Rocks to make the Dubh Artach lighthouse.

While we talked, Frances painted, her palette knife moving instinctively, the deep bay, white beach and emerald sea taking shape before our eyes.

This is her fifth show with The Scottish Gallery representing a remarkable decade of creative effort, always anchored at her favourite locations, at Crinan and Iona, full of originality and in deep tune with both the spirit and real experience of place.

Guy Peplow, 2016

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Lorne and Lowland Church Guild members serve up refreshments. 20\_c49guildcoffee01

## Church guild's fresh roast . . .

A CHILLY day didn't deter visitors from going along to a Christmas coffee morning at Lorne and Lowland Church.

Organised by the church guild, tea, coffee and home baking were on offer. The event raised £726 for group funds.

# CHRISTMAS GREETINGS 2016

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to all my relatives friends & neighbours from Jock MacVicar.



*Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year*

to all my relatives & friends from Maureen Henderson.



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to all my relatives friends & neighbours from Ella Munro, Southend.



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to all our friends, relatives & neighbours from Roy, Davie & Donnie Mitchell, 10 Muasdale Cottages.

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to all my relatives friends & neighbours from Catherine Reppke, Calton Ave.



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to all my relatives friends & good neighbours from Rachel McMurchy, 13 Tormore, Carradale.

*Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year*

to all my relatives friends & neighbours from Flora Henderson, 74 Smith Drive.



*Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year*

to all my relatives friends & neighbours from Catherine Lavery, Ciaran Court, Campbeltown.



*Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year*

to all my relatives friends & neighbours from Margaret (Meg) Lawson.



**DIANNE BRODIE, CAMPBELTOWN**

would like to wish all her friends neighbours & relatives a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year.



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to all my relatives friends & neighbours from Margaret Armour, Heath Cottage, Southend.



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to all my relatives, friends & neighbours from Neil McEachran, 43 Calton Avenue.

*Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year*

to all my family friends & neighbours from Rena Anderson (Davaar Avenue).



*Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year*

to all my relatives friends & neighbours from Stewart McGougan Snr.



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to all relations friends & neighbours from Margaret & John Park, Muasdale.



**SEASON'S GREETINGS**

Wishing relations friends neighbours & carers Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from Hamish Muir, Stewarton.

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wish all friends & neighbours a very Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year 2017.



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to all my relatives friends & neighbours from Cathy McIntyre, 9 Meadowpark.



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would like to wish all their relatives friends neighbours & colleagues a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year.



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to all my relatives friends & neighbours from Donald Sinclair, 16 Glenfield, Tarbert.



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to all my relatives friends & neighbours from William McMillan, 81 Crosshill Avenue.

**ELIZABETH MCGUIRE, 2 RALSTON RD**

would like to wish all her relatives, friends & neighbours a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year.



*Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year*

to all my relatives friends & neighbours from Hamish Thomson, Hazelbank Court, Campbeltown



## Booklet to boost Killean and Kilkennie preservation effort

KINTYRE is steeped in history exemplified by the 12th century ancient churches of Killean and Kilkennie.

The churches have been deemed by the Royal Commission of the Ancient and Historic Monuments of Scotland to be architecturally significant and of national importance.

The Killean and Kilkennie Churches Preservation Association is focused on making the churches and gravestones safe and accessible for Kintyre people, tourists and schools for research, study or private reflection.

In a bid to boost information about the site Calum Morrison of Bellochantuy, one of the association trustees has written a booklet.

It is a history of the two churches and outlines the ongoing work and aspirations of the association.

There is no charge for the booklet which has been funded by the West Kintyre Community Council Windfarm Trust.



Calum Morrison holds a copy of his booklet. 25\_c50morrison01

A spokesperson for the association said: 'It has been said that unless you learn from history and have an understanding and respect for the past, it is difficult to make the right decisions and educate yourself and inspire young people for the future.'

In order to achieve

full conservation and restoration of both sites, substantial funding through grant providers is crucial for making each site safe and secure.

The public can play their part by becoming members of the association. For an annual subscription of £5 members receive regular updates of progress, invitations to visit the site to view developments or take part in conservation work if volunteer support is deemed helpful by Historic Scotland, the archaeologists or contractor.

For membership or a copy of the booklet contact the association secretary George Thomson on 01583 421116 or email: kkchpreserve@btinternet.com

Next week *The Courier* will feature an extract from the booklet with some pictures.



Linzzi, 5, meets Santa and his elves at Explore Campbeltown's Christmas market in the Springbank malt barns. 25\_c49malt05

# Malt barns pop-up market opens Christmas trading

SPRINGBANK'S malt barns came to life as a pop-up Christmas market filled with more than 60 stalls.

### Volunteers

Not all stalls were about buying gifts and Campbeltown Picture House volunteers showed off the latest stages in its current £3.5 million refurbishment.

Browsers were entertained by members of Campbeltown Brass playing festive jingles and a steady stream of children took the chance to tell Santa what they hope to get for Christmas.

To see further pictures from this event go to: [www.campbeltowncourier.co.uk/photos](http://www.campbeltowncourier.co.uk/photos)



Ina Semple and her niece Kirstin Blair, 11, sold specially-created hampers featuring Mull of Kintyre cheese. 25\_c49malt02



## Young santa's first Christmas

A CAMPBELTOWN baby donned a santa suit to join the float parade last Friday.

Calvin Scally, born on Christmas day last year, is just weeks away from his first birthday.

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## Mining artist hopes to uncover new gems

THE KINTYRE-BORN artist coordinating the exhibition marking 50 years since the closure of Machrihanish colliery is holding another drop-in session.

Jan Nimmo, who is based in Glasgow, hopes to collect further mining memories at Campbeltown library next Wednesday December 14.

Sessions will be from 11am to 1pm, 2pm to 4pm, and 5pm to 6.45pm. There is a blog of the work to date at: <https://theroadtodrumleman.wordpress.com/>

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# A pantomime of pirates and a parrot

by **MARK DAVEY**  
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LONG John Silver was behind all in Carradale Drama Club's production of *Treasure Island* by Raymond Burke.

Even English-based jokes were lapped up by the east Kintyre audience, once their own have been mentioned, such as a Carradale hotel's supposed half measures, had been ex-

posed. Although the proprietor of that establishment, sitting in the second row, did not let the scurvy-ridden crew off Scot free. He would have probably had them walk the plank given a chance.

As the scrawled map was interpreted, producer Mary Macalister Hall managed to get

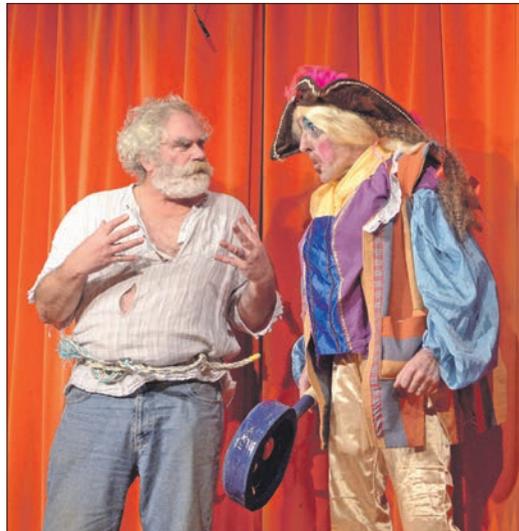
in a dig at the *Courier* – comparing the map's hieroglyphics to the newspaper's writing.

Morag Allen's outfit as the parrot was perhaps best and she played a wonderful turn as she led the young birds – Isaac Baxter, Lizzie Bell, Zoe Gosling, Catriona Newman and James MacMillan – in a neatly choreographed *Birdie* song.

The best make-up was worn by Ian McGhee's Dame Bella Hawkins.

Robert Abernethy might almost have been typecast as Squire Trelawney, described in the programme as local landowner and big wig.

In all it was a swash-buckling show well worth the £5 ticket price. Even the raf-



Ben Gunn tells his story. 25\_c50panto12



Shelagh Cameron's Billy Bones is mortally wounded. 25\_c50panto01



A pirate points his pistol at the dame. 25\_c50panto05



A few of the young pirates. 25\_c50panto02



The dame throws chocolate pennies to the audience. 25\_c50panto11

file was entertaining as Jean Campbell, holding at least 20 strips of tickets, cleaned up on prizes to the amazement of the audience.



Squire Trelawney and the cast in the finale. 25\_c50panto10

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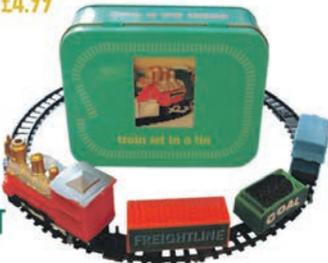
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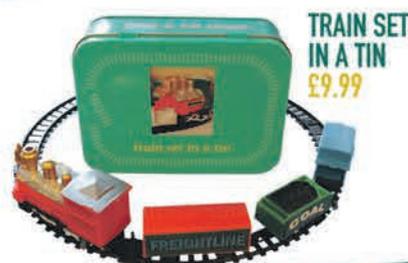
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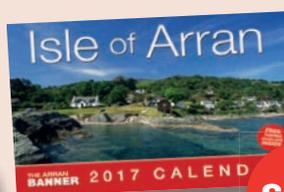
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### THANK YOU

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## Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



I HAD the great privilege of visiting Dunoon Grammar School this week.

I wanted to share with young people their thoughts about life and faith.

I was with Paul, our presbytery youth minister.

Paul has a wonderful relationship with the young people and he is available for them in both the good and the bad times of life. He is a real friend and pastor.

We spent a joint session looking at a phrase from one of the best known Christmas carols, *O little town of Bethlehem*.

The phrase we considered is this: 'The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.'

We had a really good time of open debate and questions.

We asked our young friends about their hopes and fears in this present time. It seems that a big concern for our young people is that 'there will be a place for them'.

They want to know if they will find a job or a place in further education. Will there be a place for them?

That was their fear.

They asked me, in turn, what my hopes would be.

I told them firmly that they were my hope.

I told them that my hope for the future rests with them and that I believed in them.

I believe there is indeed a place for them, whatever shape that takes.

I hope that within that small group there are young people who care passionately about human rights and justice and fairness.

Advent is about the coming of hope.

God entrusted his hope to a young woman of about 14.

My hope for the future is in these young people.

## From our files:

### TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO FRIDAY 13 DECEMBER 1991

#### Nuclear fears

THE DISCOVERY of radioactive plutonium washed up on the beaches of North Uist has sparked fears for the safety of the Kintyre coastline.

Tidal currents have carried the deadly discharge from the Sellafield nuclear fuels plant in Cumbria up the West Coast of Scotland.

The Kintyre peninsula, Islay, Jura and Gigha are all directly in the current's path.

Environmentalists fear the cancer-causing radioactive poison may have entered into the food chain.

And a specialist in leukaemia and radiation studies, Joan Urqhart, told the *Courier* his studies have proved a definite link between plutonium from Sellafield and childhood leukaemia.

But Mr Urqhart, who is the co-ordinator of the International Conference on Radiation and Health, said the risks decrease with distance from Sellafield.

'About 96 percent of the plutonium emitted from Sellafield drops straight into the sediments. But a small propor-

tion is carried north by tidal currents, hugging the Scottish coastline and on into the North Sea,' he said.

### FIFTY YEARS AGO DECEMBER 8 1966

#### Winter hits Kintyre

CAMPBELTOWN was hit badly by the severe gale force winds which swept across Kintyre last week.

Steamer services to both east and west Loch Tarbert were impossible on Friday.

Many slates and TV aerials were blown from roofs on the Calton estate.

The milk vending machine at the Old Quay head was ripped from its bearings by the wind.

The machine, which is owned by Mr J Gilchrist, of East Trodighal Farm, toppled over on to the pavement.

The local fishing fleet – and several Inverness boats – were confined to the harbour all week. Three cargo vessels berthed at the Old Quay to ride out the storm.

Bolgam Street, Union Street and part of Lochend were all under several inches of water on Thursday afternoon.

The reason for the flooding was an extraordinary high tide that saw sea-water forced through the main sewage system into the streets.

### ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO DECEMBER 9 1916

#### Sir George Younger's new post

THE LONDON correspondent of the *Glasgow Herald* of Wednesday says:

'I hear that Sir George Younger, who declined the Secretaryship of Scotland, has been appointed Chief Unionist Organiser in succession to Mr Steel Maitland, who will receive one of the Under-Secretarial posts in the Government.'

'Five years ago Mr Balfour appointed a committee to inquire into the whole organisation of the Unionist party and as a result of that investigation it was decided to separate the parliamentary duties of the Chief Whip from the work of organisation in the country.'

'It is to the latter, highly important, office that Sir George Younger now succeeds. The Chief Organiser has a great responsibility in as much as he supervises and controls all the affairs of the party.'

## Walk in Mary and Joseph's footsteps . . .

AN IMAGINARIUM aims to give youngsters an open air experience of the Christmas journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem.

The event, open to all, at Ballywilline farm on the Gobagren-

nan Road starts with a hill walk, whatever the weather, this Sunday (December 11) at 6pm and concludes in front of a warm brazier in a barn at 8pm.

Church of Scotland youth worker Kenny

Wilson, from Gigha, said: 'This will be the second Imaginarium. We aim to take the Christmas story outside and give the flavour of Mary and Joseph's 120-mile walk completed to take part

in a Roman census.

'Last year the temperature during our walk, up to a high point overlooking Campbeltown, was 8°C the same as in Bethlehem that evening although it was a clear, starlit

sky that night and did get colder. The trip is a way of imagining what it was like to have to do the walk and arrive in an unfamiliar location.

'The evening is faith based but all faiths are welcome.'

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'Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name ...' (Isaiah 12:4).

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**GOLDEN WEDDINGS**

**BURTON - CAMPBELL** - John to Wilma, at Lochgilphead Free Church, on December 10, 1966. Present address, 15 Dalintart Drive, Oban.

**DEATHS**

**BEATTIE** - Peacefully, at her home, Sona House, Kilmartin, with her family by her side, on December 4, 2016, after an illness borne bravely and with great dignity, Janice Margaret Beattie, aged 57 years, beloved wife of Willie Beattie, much loved mum of Steven, William and Caroline, and adored gran of Ella, Steven and Kacey. A dear friend to many. Funeral service will be held in Kilmartin Parish Church, on Friday December 9, 2016 at 11.00am, thereafter to Cardross Crematorium at 2.15pm. All friends are respectfully invited to attend.

**MCCALLUM** - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on November 30, 2016, James Smart McCallum, in his 83rd year, 17a John Street, Campbeltown, dearly beloved son of the late Neil and Polly McCallum, much loved brother of Neil, Betty and the late Donald and a loving uncle.

**MCCULLOCH** - Grahame (Isle of Gigha), passed away on December 4, 2016, at Gartnavel Hospital, Glasgow, after a long illness. Sadly missed by family and friends.

**MCCORQUODALE** - Peacefully, at Raigmore Hospital, on December 1, 2016, with her family by her side, Mary (Crawford), aged 90, formerly of Caberfeidh, Lochgilphead, beloved wife of the late Douglas, much loved mum of David and Arthur, dear mother-in-law of Kay and Ann, devoted granny of Karen, David, Lesley, Douglas and Alister and proud great granny of Hamish and Louie. She was also a much loved sister of Anne and the late Jessie, aunty and friend to many. Funeral service was held in Lochgilphead Parish church, on Thursday, December 8, 2016, followed by interment at Achnabreac Cemetery. Sadly missed.

**STEWART** - Peacefully, at Oak Mount Care Home,

Bradford, on November 29, 2016, Douglas, much loved eldest son of the late Jim and Rachel Stewart and brother of Jamie, Margaret and Derek.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**COFFIELD** - The family of the late Amanda Coffield would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy, cards and flowers received after their recent sad loss. Special thanks to Doctor Lazarus and the nursing staff at Campbeltown Hospital, Garnaval Hospital and Freeman Hospital for their care and support. Thanks to Rev William Crossan for a heartfelt service, to Alasdair, Kenneth and Rhys Blair for their help and guidance and to the many people who paid their last respects to Amanda. The retiral collection raised £765.28 for the Butterfly Trust and Freeman Hospital.

**MCMILLAN** - Jessie, Alistair, Charles and families would like to thank everyone for all the lovely cards, flowers, phone calls and baking, and also for all the support given to us before and after the very sad loss of Alistair. Thanks also to Matthew Ramsay for a lovely service, to Alasdair, Kenneth and Rhys for caring funeral arrangements, to Carradale Hotel for excellent catering and to all who attended church and graveside.

**POLLOK** - The family of the late Mary Pollok, would like to thank everyone who expressed sympathy, helped and supported us, prior to and after the funeral, in so many different ways, for which we are really appreciative. Thanks also to Marilyn Shedden for a very comforting service, organist Marjorie Kelly for excellent music, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. Donations for Medicins Sans Frontieres raised £330.

**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.  
**BURNETT** - Precious and loving memories of our dear mum and mum-in-law, Margaret, who sadly passed away December 9, 2013. Loved and thought of every day.

- Love, Annamarie, Allan, John and Linda xxxx.

**BURNETT** - In loving memory of our dear granny. We miss you every day.

- Love, Jacqueline, John, Kyle, Joanna, Frazer and Jakob xxxxxx.

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- Ivor, Christine, Shauna, Robert and great grandchildren.

**COFFIELD** - Treasured memories of my dear husband, Ian, who passed away on December 13, 2014. Greatly missed every single day.

- Love always, Vivian and Wee Family xxx.

**COFFIELD** - In loving memory of a much loved dad and granda, Ian, who died December 13, 2014.

Every day in some small way, Memories of you come our way, Though absent, you are always near, Still missed, loved and always dear.

- Steven and your Wee Brooke.

**COFFIELD** - In loving memory of our dear dad and grandad, Ian.

Much loved and sorely missed every day.

- Leighanne, Zaa and Ariana xxx.

**COFFIELD** - In loving memory of our dad and granda, Ian, passed away December 13, 2014.

The whisper in the wind, The stars in the sky, Each day we walk, You're by our side.

Remembered every day.

- Nicola, Aaron, Grant and Sophie.

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Always in our thoughts and forever in our hearts.

- Inserted by son Gill, Teresa, Jennifer, Hugh, Emma and Callum.

**GILLESPIE** - June (née Hogarth).

Remembered today and every day.

- Dad and sister, Anne.

**JACKSON** - In loving memory of Alex.

Although we're apart, You're part of us still.

- Love always, Marleen, Iain, Mhairi, Sandi and families.

**MACCALLUM** - In loving memory of Tommy, a dear husband, dad and father-in-law, died December 11, 2002. No tears, no verse, no words can say

How much we still miss you every day.

- Love Mary, Janette and David xxx.

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Death leaves a heartache no one can heal,

But love leaves a memory

no one can steal.

- Betty and family.

**YOUNG** - Treasured memories of Norman, dear husband and dad, passed away December 11, 2002.

Dearly loved and sadly missed.

- Margaret and Yvonne xxxx.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

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**Sunday 11th December**  
Skipness Service 10am  
Mr John Morrison  
Tarbert Service 11.30am  
Mrs Angela Stather  
Kilberry Service 2pm  
Mr Jonathan Sheldrick

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Contact Rev. Hilda Smith, Interim Moderator  
on 07826 235735

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**Every Wednesday**  
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Monday 2.30pm  
Ladies Meeting  
Christmas Afternoon

**Tuesday**  
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Campbeltown  
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75 Longrow, Campbeltown

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1.30pm C.A.M.E.O.

**Wednesday**  
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**Thursday**  
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**Sunday 11th December**  
Third Sunday in Advent

# Tough first outing for Grammar's rugby team

Campbeltown GS	0
Oban High School	31
Under-16 Friendly Fixture	

A GRAMMAR school 15 faced a tough test in their first competitive match, facing a more experienced Oban side.

Despite the poor looking scoreline, the Campbeltown players kept Oban at bay for more than 25 minutes. They even had a

chance of going ahead in the first quarter of an hour when Oban conceded a penalty right under the sticks, but Campbeltown failed to convert.

Lack of match practice compared to Oban which is a rugby school was Campbeltown's undoing in the encounter.

Apart from a few early high tackles Campbeltown seemed to have no trouble getting the ankles of the opposition.

They were caught by Oban's kicking and running and superior strength in the pack, including one Islay lad who was head and shoulders above all the players and positively steam rolled through on occasions.

In the first half Oban scored two tries but failed to convert either leaving the door open



Campbeltown and Oban U16 players line up after the match. 25\_c50rugby02



In the closing moments Fraser MacBrayne had the best chance of a try for Campbeltown just yards from the Oban line.

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for Campbeltown. It was not to be and just after the break Oban scored a third and made the conversion.

Despite this Oban had a large number of fumbled passes which let Campbeltown back in but a determination to run with the ball proved the wrong tactic as Oban put them down.

When Oban players were tackled their action with the ball on the ground was obviously well drilled and they rarely lost the play.

The fourth try was down to sheer brute strength and the fifth followed a fumbled Campbeltown pass.

Campbeltown's best chances came in the closing minutes when an attempt at kicking and running took them to within five yards of the Oban line but they were unable to push the ball past.

Ultimately the scoreline did not reflect how good the physical game was to watch and Campbeltown may do better next time.



Oban were head and shoulders above Campbeltown in line-outs. 25\_c50rugby04

## Pupils' brave fightback comes to naught

Motherwell Thistle	3
Campbeltown Pupils	2
SAFL Premier Division	

A FEELING of déjà vu must have haunted the Kintyre side as they trooped from the field at the end of another close encounter that ended in a similar manner to that of the previous week.

Not that the McFadyen sponsored Campbeltown Pupils had any pre-desired plans to repeat the agony of the previous week, but the loss of two first half goals once more gave them a mountain to climb, an ascent they skilfully negotiated via two excellent goals from inform Ryan Deans who levelled the scores with 20 minutes remaining.

The game started

with the visitors on the front foot, with Ryan Deans almost claiming instant reward when he lobbed the goalkeeper only to see his net-bound shot pass agonisingly wide of the goal frame.

Then young Scott Souden struck the bar with a hooked effort, before Ryan McConachie had a fine strike smothered by the home goalkeeper.

Everything looked so positive, but in the 37th minute the Pupils gave the ball away cheaply. A quick cross ball into the box was toe-poked home to give Motherwell the lead against the run of play.

Worse followed, a through ball deceived



Ryan Deans on the way to scoring against Golden two weeks ago. Ryan kept up his goalscoring form by netting two against Motherwell Thistle last Saturday. 25\_c49pupils01

the visitor's defence and the home side's speedy centre-forward ran on to score a second just before the

break. Like in the previous week's game, the Pupils started the second half in commanding form, and it was

no surprise when Ryan Deans reduced the leeway with a fine angled strike in the 53 minute after superb lead-up play from Ryan Gilchrist and Scott Souden.

With 20 minutes remaining the visitors drew level, this time a fine individual effort from man of the match, Ryan Deans.

Picking up the ball in midfield, he drove at the home defence's heart and beat several players before 'dinking' the ball over the advancing goalkeeper.

Another massive comeback had been completed and an away win couldn't be discounted in what was proving another 'Titanic' encounter.

However; while pressing for the winner, the Pupil's 'Achilles heel' was exposed

as they once more gave away possession when in total control of the football.

A quick lofted clearance travelled the length of the field to find a Motherwell forward running clear and unchallenged behind a surprised defence, and he scored with a low angled drive 'stealing' the points for the second week in succession.

It was a painful end to a brave fight back, something that could have been avoided if the ball had been protected better in the closing stages of the match.

But that's the unpredictability of football.

Campbeltown Pupils travel to play Inverclyde tomorrow (Saturday) in the Jimmy Marshall Cup second round.

## Kintyre youngster's cross-country dash

U13 GLENBARR athlete Gregor Campbell battled to second place over a 3,200m course, in 11 mins 31 secs, at the West District Cross Country championships in Ayr.

Campbeltown's Euan Charlwood placed 37th in the same age group.

Other good performances by Kintyre runners in the event last Saturday were:

Cameron Campbell 4th in the U15s in 14:40secs on a 4km course.

Matthew Turner was 8th in the senior race over a 10K course in 37:13 and Kenny Campbell was 43rd in 40:07 and highly placed in the veteran over 40 category.

# Snatch and grab batters Bellaire

**Bellaire** 0  
**Carradale** 3  
**West of Scotland League**

'DALE'S visit to Greenock could have ended so differently if Neil McMillan had not been superb between the sticks.

The score did not reflect how the game went, it was 'snatch and grab' for Carradale to accumulate its three goals.

**Three**

The Andrew Smith and Son-sponsored 'Dale' left Kintyre last Saturday with the knowledge that just three of the players - McMillan, David Johnstone and Daniel Docherty - had taken four goals off Bellaire at home in October.

In the opening 10 minutes the home side

had all the possession and a number of corners but 'Dale's' defence held, with Craig Kerr playing his first game at centre half - he had an outstanding match.

Carradale took the lead after 14 minutes. Johnston passed the ball to Docherty, Bellaire's centre half intercepted the ball and passed it back to the goalie but there was a communication problem and the ball rolled into the net.

As the game progressed it became clear Bellaire were much improved from their previous loss to 'Dale'. They were stronger and more clinical

in tackles, but 'Dale's' John Williams and Innes Roy held their own in defence.

Bellaire still had lots of possession but were unable to break through.

Seven minutes into the second half the referee awarded a penalty for a Craig Kerr foul in the box, but McMillan's fine save kept 'Dale's' lead intact.

**Red card**

With 21 minutes to go Bellaire was reduced to 10 men after a straight red card for a two-footed tackle.

Even though the Greenock side were down they still dominated the middle of the grass park, but 'Dale' got a breakthrough and made it two in the 82nd minute. Johnston passed on the inside right channel to Joe

Ritchie who slotted it home low from a tight angle.

With three minutes on the clock Bellaire should have pulled one back when their big centre half missed an open goal from six yards. Around this point McMillan made a great double save.

A minute later and it was all over for Bellaire as they paid the price with another breakaway goal finishing the game. It came from a three-man move deep in Dale's own half catching the defence open for Geo McCormick to find a low shot from the edge of the box. Man of the match was David Johnston.

Carradale is at home on the 3G at 2pm tomorrow against United Glasgow.



Pairs: J McPherson, M MacInnes, J Miller, N Maguire, S Dickson and D Brown. c50doubles01no

## Stronvaar's carpet winners

CAMPBELTOWN Bowling Club brought the curtain down on 2016 with two competitions in the Stronvaar clubhouse.

First up was the Archie Morrans Memorial Triples won by Hugh McCorkindale, Gavin Semple and Robert Millar who overcame Alex Black, Hugh Newlands and Neil Maguire in the final.

The second was the Tennents' Pairs held on Sunday and won by Neil Maguire and Jean Miller who had a

last bowl win over David Brown and Jana McPherson.

The trophies and

prizes were presented by presidents Steven Dickson and Maureen MacInnes.



Triple winners: G Semple, H McCorkindale and R Millar.

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# Young Pupils' superb six stalls Giffnock

<b>Campbeltown Pupils</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Giffnock</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>DFDL Under-15 League</b>	

A QUICK Giffnock goal in the first minute might have suggested a game heading in a different direction.

The advantage did not last long as the Killlegruer Caravan site-sponsored young Pupils took charge of play and Ross Souden equalised with a header off a Fraser

MacBrayne corner kick. The second from Matthew Lang followed when the Pupils' keeper lobbed the ball out and Lang collected it for a run up the left.

It was 2-1 going into the break.

MacBrayne scored the third and his cross to Souden secured the

4th as the lanky player evaded challenges in the box to walk the ball over the line.

In both of the final goals Giffnock's keeper strayed from his net.

Ryan McGrory out on the left edge of the box shot into an open goal for the fifth. A goalline scramble with Giffnock's keeper behind Souden saw Giffnock's defenders despairingly trying to clear the ball as it floated over the line.



Giffnock's goalie can only watch as Ross Souden, on the ground, scores Pupils' sixth. Photo: Gilbert McKillop



Not every Pupils' attack was successful. Photo: Gilbert McKillop



Robbie McIndeor in action. 25\_c50u15pupils01



Most of the Carradale squad in its new tracksuits sponsored by Andrew Smith and Son. A report of last Saturday's match is inside on page 27. c47carradale01no

## Scottish AFL results and fixtures

LAST Saturday's results: Scottish Amateur Cup, fourth round - Salvesen 0, Oban Saints 2; Dunoon 3, Baillieston 3; Premier Division - Motherwell Thistle 3, Campbeltown Pupils 2; Premier Division 2A - Carlton YM v Lochgilphhead Red Star, postponed; Premier Division 2B - Port Glasgow 11, Tarbert 0.

This Saturday's fixtures: West of Scotland Cup, fourth round - Lochgilphhead Red Star v Claremont; Jimmy Marshall Trophy, second round - Inverclyde v Campbeltown Pupils; Port Glasgow OBU v Oban Saints; Premier Division 2B - Tarbert v FC Argyll.

## Lotto numbers

THE winning numbers in Machrihanish Golf Club's weekly lottery draw were 8, 11 and 12.

There were no winners and the jackpot for next week's draw will be £200.

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