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Teacher retires after 37 years at Castlehill

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LAST Friday's end of term assembly was an extra special one for Castlehill primary's pupils as they said goodbye to one of the school's longest-serving members of staff.

Barbara McCormick has retired after 37 years of teaching at the only school in which she has ever worked.

Pupils from each class put on a show for Mrs McCormick, singing Christmas songs



Barbara McCormick retires after 37 years.
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including Santa Claus Is Coming To Town to I Want a Hippopotamus for Christmas.

Before they sang, the P7 pupils used letters of the alphabet to share some of the things Mrs McCormick might not miss, such as registers, memos and internet connection, or disconnection as the pupils pointed out. The letters spelled out 'MRS MCCORMICK RETIRES TODAY'.

Favourite

Mrs McCormick, 60, had pride of place to watch the show, as a chair had been set up for her beside the stage, with a table of items relating to her favourite things: tea bags and a teapot for her love of the hot drink and a horse figurine to represent her pony, stabled at Barrglenn Equestrian Centre.

Speaking at the as-

sembly, fellow teacher Fiona Watson said: 'Mrs McCormick has a particular interest in music and the brass band, which her daughters were both members of, so we hope she enjoys today's performances.'

Mrs McCormick said: 'It was superb, every single song was brilliant and I know they must have only had a couple of days to practise.'

Head teacher Richard Long said: 'I've known Mrs McCormick for five-and-a-half years and I know she's been thinking of every single child she's been working with and has always done the very best for them.'

When Mrs McCormick, who is originally from Ayrshire, received her teaching qualification in 1980, she was offered a job



Pupils hold up letters spelling: 'MRS MCCORMICK RETIRES TODAY'. 50_c52mrs McCormick01

at Castlehill Primary School.

She said: 'I originally came to cover Irene McIlchere's maternity leave, but I met my husband John and made my life here. My two daughters, Jennif-

er, 26, and Gillian, 30, went to school at Castlehill.

'All I ever wanted to do was teach. I've loved teaching the children and being around them - that has been the highlight of my ca-

reer. Thank you to all staff and pupils of Castlehill for making my career so special.'

In her new-found spare time, Mrs McCormick plans to spend more time with her family, including three-

year-old granddaughter Aimee.

She also hopes to travel more with husband John, who retired as proprietor of men's clothing shop A P Taylor in February, after 24 years.

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Big screen films return



From left, Steve Tachauer and Sally McKerral hold the tape cut by Gordon Wilson, while from left Jane Gallagher watches with Campbeltown Community Business Ltd directors Sid Gallagher and David and Jane Mayo.

AUDIENCES are marvelling at the restored Campbeltown Picture House (CPH) officially re-opened last Friday after its £3.5m refit.

CPH's most loyal customer, Gordon Wilson, who has attended most films since about 1973, cut a tape spliced with a length of mov-

ie celluloid on Friday morning to declare the cinema open for business.

Documentary
Argyll and Bute MP Brendan O'Hara, a former television produc-

er, visited the cinema at lunchtime last Friday and was filmed by a documentary crew making a movie about the restoration.



Argyll and Bute MP Brendan O'Hara gives an interview in the restored screen one at Campbeltown Picture House.

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Tool theft

AN ORANGE cement mixer with stand, a black wheelbarrow and two shovels were stolen from a property at Dalsmirren Road, Southend, between 9am on Tuesday December 12 and 4pm on Thursday December 14.

Vehicle damaged

A RED Honda Civic car, in Mill Road, Campbeltown, had its rear windscreen smashed between 10.30pm on Thursday December 14 and 8am on Friday December 15.

Flat break-in

THE DOOR to a flat at 6 Kirk Street, Campbeltown, was forced, entry was gained and items were stolen at about 10.30am on Friday December 15. The property has been recovered and police are investigating the incident.

NEW IN BRIEF

Seasports goes global

NEWSPAPERS across the UK and websites in Russia, where the Beatles are still big news, printed details of Kintyre Seasport's eBay auction of Paul McCartney merchandise.

The sale finishes at 8.56am on New Year's Day. As the Courier went to press a total of £6,060 had been bid on all three items. Tracks Ltd, which is running the sale, will take payment by instalment or card.

Rodent wrecks radio signal

AN ARGYLL FM presenter revealed that a mouse chewed through a cable last week taking the station off air.

Mobile operator EE shares the same mast as Argyll FM. Despite repeated calls, it has never confirmed the reason for its five-day outage earlier in the month.

Some customers have been offered up to a free month on their contracts.

New Year party

THERE is still time to book for Scotia Bar's town hall New Year's Eve party with live music from Gubbed, plus a buffet and disco.

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MP launches Wee Toon's RBS campaign

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A PETITION asking the Royal Bank of Scotland to rethink plans to shut the Campbeltown branch has been handed out by Argyll and Bute's MP.

Brendan O'Hara, who

represents the constituency at Westminster, toured Campbeltown last Friday handing out petition forms in shops and businesses which he will collect early in January.

Once staunch Labour man and former Strath-

clyde regional councillor George McMillan had been reassured the petition did not mention the SNP he agreed to take it in his newsagents.

Mr McMillan said he might be able to collect 2,000 signatures. He

said he deplored the threatened closure for the effect it may have on businesses, such as his, which only take cash.

Mr O'Hara said: 'I have put out three petitions, in Inveraray, Bute and Campbeltown.

'The rubicon of potentially closing the last branch in town has been crossed in Inveraray.

Ousted

'A precedent has been set by the government in 2013. When Stephen Hester was ousted as the RBS chief executive there was an intervention from the treasury led by chancellor George Osborne to force the matter as the bank is 73 per cent state owned.

'Yet prime minister

Theresa May has said it is a commercial decision.'

First to sign the Campbeltown petition was Councillor Rory Colville followed by former policeman Bob Stewart.

Speaking about the closure, Councillor John Armour said: 'What does a bar or pub do on the Monday after the music festival when perhaps they have thousands in cash to bank?'

Ivor Watson at fruit and veg shop McIvor's said: 'I am having to consider changing banks after being with RBS for more than 50 years.

'I would like to ask RBS chief executive, Ross McEwan what 'Here for you,' means to him?'



George McMillan speaks to Brendan O'Hara MP about the petition. 25_c52rbspetition02



CN 115 Kena-M was towed back to Carradale harbour.

Photo by a member of Carradale Camera Club.

Lifeboat crew's busy festive spell

A PAIR of prawn creeling boats were rescued by Campbeltown lifeboat on Christmas Eve and Christmas day.

The Christmas Eve shout came at 1.56pm to a boat named Kena-M with a reported fouled propeller in Kilbrannan Sound. Eight lifeboat crew brought the stricken

vessel alongside and subsequently towed her to Carradale harbour.

Scrambled

At 4.44pm on Christmas day six lifeboat crew were scrambled to Energy-C, a 9.9-metre prawn creeler, in trouble north of Arran. She was also towed to Carradale harbour.

Got questions about life, faith, meaning?

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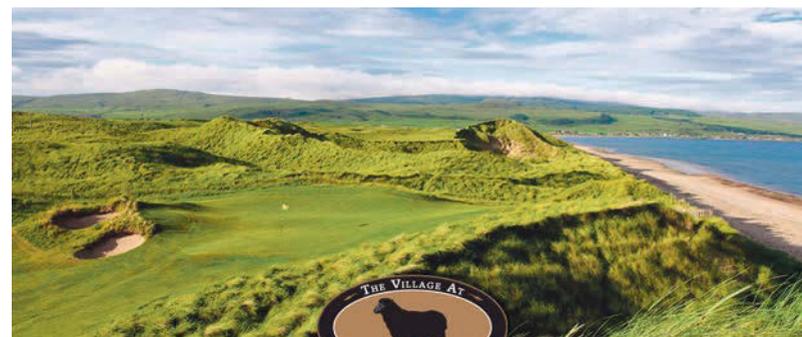
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Wee Toon's continuing regeneration



Looking down on the extensive roof works.
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The stripped back interior of one of the McLean Place West flats. 25_c52CAR504

THE LATEST phase in the £2.2 million regeneration of Campbeltown's town centre is gathering momentum.

Building work due to be completed in April 2018, to repair and conserve McLean Place West at 10 to 14 Main Street, has started.

Essential work to the property will see

structural repairs, enhancement to roof timbers, rot works, slate roof works, leadwork, stonework and repairs to chimneys and rain-water goods.

Jobs

Similar repairs have been carried out on the tenement at 9-15 Longrow South. That work is due to be completed this month, safe-

guarding two businesses, two homes and 16 jobs.

Both projects are being delivered as part of the Argyll and Bute Council and Historic Environment Scotland funded Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) initiative.

With assistance from the CARS small grant

scheme, urgent roof repairs are also in progress at the Argyll Arms Hotel.

Tenders have been issued for work on the two priority buildings at 22 to 28 Main Street and 2 to 8 Longrow South, and a proposed amenity deck repair at the rear of 1 to 21 Longrow South, which involves almost 30 separate owners. Both contracts are scheduled to start on site in spring 2018.

Councillor Aileen Morton, leader of Argyll and Bute Council, said: 'We have been working with our partners for 10 years on the heritage-led regeneration of Campbeltown's town centre, which is looking fantastic.'

'The investment has made a real difference



On the scaffolding, high above Bolgam Street, McKinven and Colville site manager Fraser McNair discusses plans for the building's dormer windows with conservation accredited architect Nick Blair. 25_c52CAR501

and has made the town so much more attractive and appealing as well as creating opportunities for businesses.

'The scheme is an extension of the first Campbeltown CARS and the Campbeltown Townscape Heritage Initiative, which has seen repairs to key

buildings including the Town Hall, Backpackers' hostel and several prominent traditional tenements including 50-52 Main Street and 2 Cross Street.

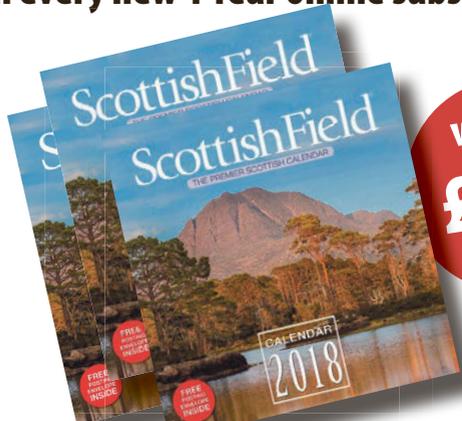
The CARS traditional skills training programme offers specialist courses for local contractors and

building professionals. The CARS education programme delivers events to encourage the community to participate in the management of their heritage.

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Piles of removed roof slates below the dormer windows. 25_c52CAR502



The top of McLean Place West's chimney stack which has a sandstone base will be reconstructed. 25_c52CAR503

It's 'lights, camel, action' for Rhunahaorine school

It was hard to believe the production came from a cast with an average age of five

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RHUNAHAORINE Primary School and pre-five unit's Christmas play wasn't a strict interpretation of the nativity, but rather a modern take on the story of Jesus' birth. All children from the school and nursery performed in Lights, Camel, Action, last Wednesday, which told the biblical tale with an added Strictly Come Dancing-esque judging panel twist.

Cast members took to the stage dressed as wise men, angels, cam-

els, and more, and performed a range of song and dance routines as a panel of judges, including 'baddie' Caeser, awarded scores.

It must have been difficult for the judges, as each performer shone, but a stand-out act was three inn keepers who performed a dance routine using brushes as props.

Credit should also go to the youngest member of the pre-five, three-year-old Charlotte O'Hanlon for playing Mary, and Mark Byers, seven, who stood in as Joseph at the last minute, as



The cast of Rhunahaorine's nativity, Lights, Camel, Action. 50_c52rhunahaorine13

well as playing a camel and inn keeper, when the billed actor became unwell.

It was hard to believe the production came

from a cast with an average age of five years old - each and every child and staff member will enjoy a well-deserved festive break.

Young firefighters' funds boost



The mega MACC challenge has sprayed Campbeltown young firefighters with a cash windfall. Last Thursday, Fiona Irwin of Wee Toon Warriors, the group which has taken over the challenge's organisation, presented a cheque for £1,105.20 at Campbeltown fire station. At the presentation from back left are: Steve Partridge, Coll Houston, Millar Irwin, Ross Souden, Rory Paterson, Craig Paterson, Craig Connor, Aimee McSparran, Jennifer Wylie, Jennifer Souden, Ellie Hart, Caitlin Coll, Rachel MacPhail, Jess Paterson, Fiona Irwin, Kenny Blackstock and Kelly McSparran. 25_c52youngfirefighters01

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Editorial

A new year beckons

The project to restore Campbeltown's cinema has featured in the last two end-of-year *Courier* editorials.

The picture house, which re-opened last week, is proving popular and garnering column inches beyond Kintyre.

Last week, the Argyll and Bute MP, Brendan O'Hara, a former Baf-ta nominated television producer, praised Campbeltown Community Business Ltd's project.

He said every film fan round the world should visit to see what can be achieved with a grand vision.

Kintyre suffered upheaval in 2017 not least losing more than 50 jobs at CS Wind. It was good news in last week's *Courier* that the company will begin exporting offshore towers early in January.

Sadly, unless the current campaign is successful, it looks like one of the town's four banks, RBS, will bow out in 2018.

Kintyre is also to be abandoned by VisitScotland in 2019 and the tourist office will probably close at the end of next season.

This is strange timing when the Seaspots project and a small gin distillery, Beinn an Tuirc, are promoting Kintyre round the globe.

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Seeking information

Sir,
 This may seem somewhat of a strange request. I'm trying to track down my mother-in-law and sister-in-law.

Their names are: Margaret Prior and Kim Prior and Kim's birthday was on December 14 and Margaret had a sister called Wilma.

Margaret's son David is my partner and they lost track many years ago when he moved to London for work.

Kim had slight learning difficulties and it's thought they moved from their original address yet remained in Campbeltown

I'm wondering if anyone knows their whereabouts or how I can find them.

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Save the Gauldrons

Sir,
 People wanting to protect south Kintyre's magnificent coastline from the threat of industrial development, for a fish farm hatchery, should attend an Argyll and Bute council pre-determination hearing on January 17, in Victoria Hall, Campbeltown.

The meeting will discuss the contents of a report about a planning application, reference 17/00642/pp, for the proposed erection of buildings to form a fish hatchery including formation of access, car parking and associated bunding near Lost Point.

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Drumlemble goes Christmas crackers

DRUMLEMBLE pupils enjoyed party games, dances and quizzes at the school's Christmas party. They even received a visit from Santa who brought three huge



Julie Brown, right, enjoys Christmas lunch with her niece Mirrin MacLennan, and her son, Joey.



Pupils unwrap gifts after Santa's visit.

bags of gifts. Before the games, parents, grandparents

and carers were invited to share a Christmas lunch, prepared by Kerry Hopes and Beth McEachran, with the pupils and staff.



Dippers ready to plunge into the sea last year. 25_c01dipo7

Kick-start the new year with a Dip for Dosh

RESIDENTS and visitors to Campbeltown with nerves of steel have a unique chance to start 2018 in cool style.

The fifth annual new year's day Dip For Dosh takes place on Monday (January 1) and sees intrepid swimmers gather from 11.15am and plunge into Campbeltown's icy loch in a bid to raise funds and awareness for the Dalintober beach restoration project.

Last year, 57 hardy dippers took to the sea in fancy dress and although

some were quick to return to dry land, others enjoyed basking in the surprisingly pleasant water.

Crazy

Spectators crowded onto North Shore Street to catch a glimpse of those crazy enough to take the plunge and took plenty of photographic and video evidence of their foolhardiness.

Let's hope the sun shines the same in 2018 as it did this year, as at least two of the *Courier's* staff will be taking to the water!

Stars come out at Clachan

CLACHAN'S primary pupils shone when they performed their musical Christmas show The Stars Are Coming Out At Christmas.

The school was packed with friends and family, last Tuesday, for an evening of entertainment, followed by tea, mince pies and Christmas cake.

The Christmas awards show, hosted by Noel Knowles

and Carol Singer, saw Christmas traditions put forward their case for winning the coveted award for outstanding contribution to Christmas.

Some highlights were the dancing Christmas trees, singing Christmas cards and the boogie-woogie Santa.

After lots of singing, dancing and cracker pulling, the final award went to Beth, the star of Bethlehem.



The cast of Clachan's Christmas musical.



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Oil and Pipe Agency's apprenticeship opportunity

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CAMPBELTOWN Grammar pupils' burning desire for careers was fuelled by a visit from the Oil and Pipe-lines Agency.

Staff from the company attended the school to promote a new apprenticeship scheme with opportunities at the Campbeltown oil fuel depot, and a further operator post to be announced soon.

Presentation

Up to 40 pupils attended a presentation

last Wednesday, with five members of HR and operations staff from the agency present.

HR director Sue Jemmet gave an overview of the history of the organisation, which currently manages, operates and maintains six naval and oil fuel depots, with four in Scotland, and 120 employees across the sites.

Depot manager David Howell, competency assurance manager Mathew Nicholson, regional operations manager

John Johnson and project engineer Barry Lang all spoke highly of the company and of the apprenticeship route which they have all followed.

Pleasure

Mr Nicholson said: 'It was a pleasure to work with pupils at Campbeltown Grammar to promote what is a new and exciting apprenticeship opportunity.'

The new scheme has been launched across the company with the Campbeltown depot

offering a modern apprenticeship to train as a mechanical technician.

The training will take place over three to four years with the first 30 weeks at Inverness College UHI, and years two and three at the depot under a mentorship programme.

The post will be advertised online at <https://www.apprenticeships.scot/> and in the Courier, with a closing date of January 31 2018 and a start date of September 2018.



Back row, from left are: Pupils Callum McKillop, Kyle Colville and Calum Cook, David Howell, John Johnson and Mathew Nicholson. Front, from left: Depute head teacher Cathy Cameron, pupils Imogen Houston and Fraser MacBrayne, Sue Emmet, Skills Development Scotland careers advisor Kay Johnston, and Barry Lang, with a demonstration triple offset valve at front of the photo.

Campbeltown RNLI holds seasonal tea

MEMBERS of Campbeltown's RNLI vol-

unteer fundraisers who crew the old quay shop

finished the year with a tea party.

At the annual event, shop manager Sue Morgan, who has led the team for five years, said: 'This year the shop has sold more than £13,000 worth of stock and I have priced at least 30 lots of ordered stock.'

'The shop could not operate without the support of all the volunteers.'

'In particular I should thank Ailsa Martin for organising the rota. This year we also have some new young, keen and dynamic volunteers.'



Some of the volunteers at the tea party are from left: Margaret Mitchell, Sue Morgan, Liz Johnson, Hilary Lord, Liz Humphries, Gail Edwards, Helen Steel, Violet Greig, Liz Kennedy, Maureen Johnson and Eva MacDonald MBE. 25_c51rnli01

Kitchen supplier dishes up charity funds

EVERY year the Campbeltown branch of a nationwide joinery firm chisels out funds for Kintyre clubs.

At a recent presentation, Howdens' manager Archie Martin handed out a total of £600, £200 each to the Campbeltown Lawn Tennis Club, the 16th Argyll 1st Campbeltown Scout Group and Kintyre Rugby Club.

The tennis club's Jane Gallagher said: 'This will add to the funds for the new pavilion.'



At the cheque presentation are, from left: Campbeltown Lawn Tennis Club's Jane Gallagher, Howdens' manager Archie Martin, Kintyre Rugby Club's Gareth Parker and Alistair Kenny from the 16th Argyll 1st Campbeltown Scout Group. 25_c51howdens01

The rugby club's Gareth Parker said: 'This generous donation will

be spent on kit, training equipment and cones.' Scout leader Alistair

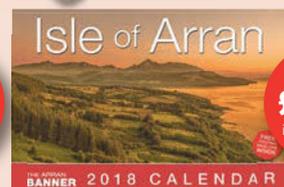
Kenny added that the donation would be spent on equipment.

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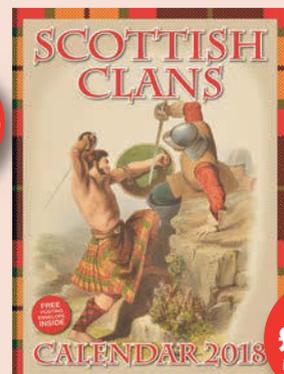
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037

Max Cat
Lochgilphead

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Scooby-Doo Dog
Inveraray

068

Mr Bigglez Staffordshire Bull Terrier
Bowmore, Isle of Islay

072

Daniel Goldfish
Lochgilphead

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Ozzy Dog
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Meg Dog
Kilmichael Glassary, Lochgilphead

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Siberian kitten
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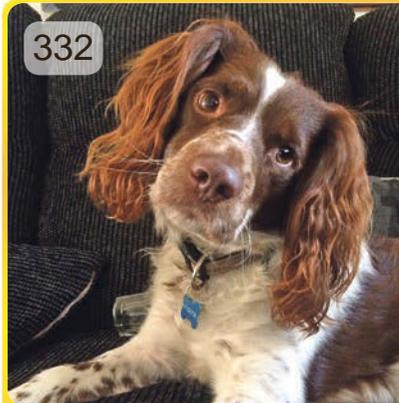
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Time to vote for your **TOP TEN!**

The votes just keep pouring in... We have been completely overwhelmed by the sheer volume of votes since we launched Pet Idol. Our readers truly love their pets. We have now reached the top 20 and voting is now open for our final ten. Because of the Christmas festivities and the pressure on the postal service we will allow votes to be cast into the new year. The closing date for entries is 10am on Monday 8th January and a voting coupon will appear in every issue between now and then.

VOTING COUPON
Round 4

I would like to vote for:

Pet number*.....

Pet's name:

Please post to Wyvex Media, Pet Idol VOTE, PO Box 1, Oban, Argyll, PA34 4HB, or votes can also be handed in to our offices in Oban, Fort William, Lochgilphead and Campbeltown.

*Pet number must be supplied. This can be found at the top left of each pet photograph.

Photocopied voting coupons will not be accepted and will not count as one vote.

You may send in multiple voting coupons in one envelope.

Votes must be received by 10am, Monday 8th January.

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Votes must be received by 10am, Monday 8th January. You can vote for as many pets as many times as you like. Only one pet can be voted for on each voting form. Just make sure you use the number quoted on the pet's photograph when voting. Photocopied coupons will not be accepted. One coupon counts as one vote. We will also accept multiple vote coupons in one envelope. Good luck to the 20 hopefuls.



Is it time to choose an Independent School?



Merchiston Edinburgh

Merchiston is the only boys' independent boarding school in Scotland, offers the English curriculum, and has a global, outward-looking dimension. The School takes pride in specialising in the education of boys and preparing them for the world, developing aspirational, and sensitive, yet gentle-men! Think about a wonderfully caring and nurturing family environment, where boys learn to like learning more.

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Another aspect of the boys-only philosophy is that time is regularly set aside to meet girls from our sister schools. This allows the boys to focus on study in school time, but also to have plenty of opportunities to socialize and make friends through curricular, co-curricular, and social links.

Outstanding off the field...*

- 47% of pupils achieved A*/A grades at A Level
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- 64% of pupils went to UK Russell Group Universities, Bath, St Andrews and leading international institutions
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- SAT support clinics for applicants for American Universities held weekly. Students have gained admission to Ivy League Universities, such as Cornell and Brown
- 62% of pupils achieved A*/A grades at GCSE
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- Gradual progression to secondary teaching from Primary six
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* Academic Results 2016/17



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There are as many reasons for independent education as there are children; perhaps it is a family tradition. It could be that you know your career is going to lead to relocation after relocation and boarding is the best way to provide the stability needed during vital times in your children's education.

No matter how excellent a state school might be, it will always have a 'one-size-fits-all' approach towards some aspects of school life. This is fine for most of the time but if, for some reason, your son or daughter

is the one who is finding it hard to make that fit you cannot help but wonder if they would be better off in the independent sector.

Is your child just not thriving? Are there areas where they need extra help or is it that they are not being stretched enough to realise their full potential.

Would they benefit from the smaller class sizes that the independents offer? This can often be a key point for children from remote or rural areas like the West Highlands who have attended state primary schools with small class sizes who find themselves overwhelmed by the size of secondary schools.

With state school budgets being ever tightened do the extra-curricular activities and enhanced pastoral care of the independent sector look like money well spent in proving for you child's future?

The last 50 years have seen an unprecedented rise in consumer culture with families near brain-washed into believing that buying bigger, better, faster, newer is best. We are moving away from this mindset and a realisation is dawning that experience, not possessions, is what binds us and creates stronger, happier families. Would your children benefit from experiencing independent education?



Did you know?

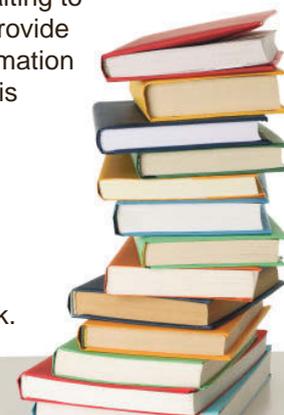
- There are just fewer than 30,000 pupils in 73 independent schools in Scotland. That is 4.1 per cent of pupils nationwide
- Scotland has 19 mainstream boarding schools with 3,072 pupils and nearly half, 46.5 per cent, are from overseas. That is the equivalent to the Scottish economy of more than £30million in exports
- The Scottish Council of Independent Schools has 73 members; 52 are main stream, 21 offer additional support. Boarding schools account for 19 of them
- Within the senior independent schools 93 per cent of pupils who sat Highers passed.

Find out more

THE schools and services featured here are waiting to hear from you and provide you with all the information you need to make this important choice.

The website of the Scottish Council of Independent Schools is a good place to start.

Visit www.scis.org.uk.



• Statistics quoted in this advertising feature come from the Scottish Council of Independent Schools annual survey, 2016.

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Representation in all of the 2017/18 Scottish National Rugby Teams

In 2016/17, 89% of all pupils, from 7-18, represented the School in sport.

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working together over savings and any inheritance all make independent education achievable.

At least £349 million is given annually in fee assistance in the independent education sector in Scotland; with just under 27 per cent of all pupils receiving some form of assistance. To date, Scotland has

treated private schools as charities in terms of business rates, and the schools return this in the form of pro bono work through bursaries and scholarships for pupils and allowing local communities to use their facilities.

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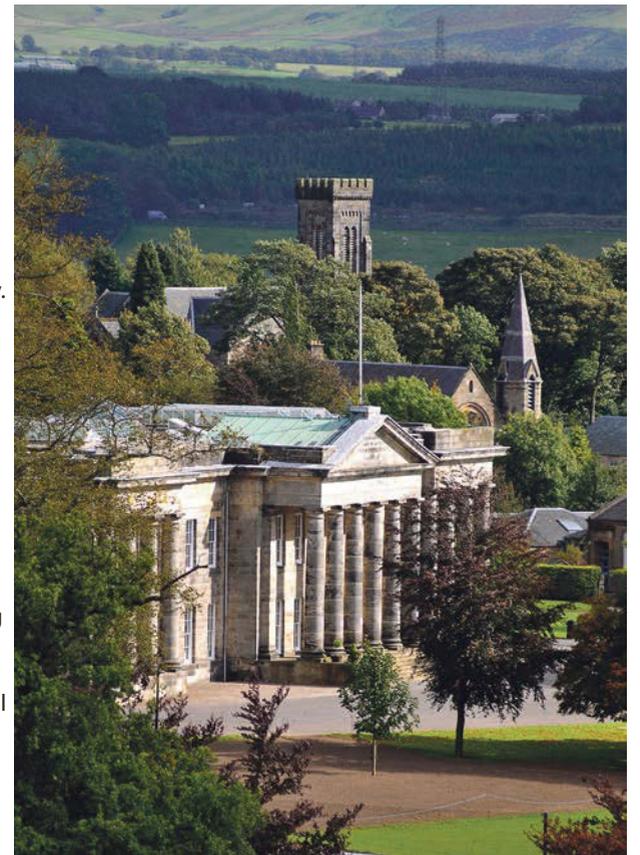
As Dollar prepares to launch its bicentenary year in June 2018, it remains one of Scotland's best performing independent schools, highly regarded by parents.

Dollar was recently named *The Sunday Times* Scottish Independent Secondary School of the Year, having moved up the academic league tables* to third in Scotland. Pupils study the Scottish curriculum and benefit from the widest choice of Highers anywhere in the country. In 2017, pupils set a new school record with a 98% pass rate at Higher level and almost a third of the year group achieved five or more A-grades. Results at National 5 level were just as excellent, with an A-grade pass rate of 72.5%.

The 70-plus activities cater for all interests and abilities – from sport and the arts to academic clubs, volunteering, the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Combined Cadet Force and world championship-winning pipe band. And high-level sports coaching has seen many pupils go on to compete at national and international levels.

The Care Inspectorate describes the school as having a 'sector-leading' standard of care for its boarders. The focus is on creating a home-from-home environment with small family-style boarding houses. Tutors help with homework and boarders enjoy excellent campus facilities and a wide choice of activities in the evenings and at weekends. And with several hundred day pupils living locally, they have a wide circle of friends both in and out of the boarding house.

Dollar is in a uniquely stunning location and the strong sense of community amongst pupils is one of the great strengths of the school.



*The Sunday Times Schools Guide 2018

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Where learning comes to life



Welcome to our world

Our aim at Strathallan is to expand our pupils' horizons and broaden their experiences, nurturing their skills and talents in a positive, supportive environment that welcomes young people, boarders and day alike, from the UK and all over the world.

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Set in 153 acres of magnificent rural Perthshire, yet easily accessible from elsewhere in Scotland, Strathallan School is an outstanding place to learn with some of the finest facilities of any school in Scotland.

The School has a great blend of local, national and international pupils and celebrates the different interests and cultures our international pupils bring.

Where learning comes to life

As well as achieving exceptional academic standards, we foster a lifelong enjoyment of learning. Our highly committed teachers are also involved in sports coaching and other activities and the bonds built outside the classroom have



profound educational benefits. It's no surprise that many of our pupils move on to top universities like Oxford, Cambridge and Edinburgh.

Where everyone's involved in the life of the school

More than 60% of our pupils are boarders so there's always a lot going on. That's a big advantage for day pupils who stay well into the evening and are fully involved in the myriad of activities available.

Where talent turns to achievement

Champions - Strathallan's 1st XV made history winning the U18 Scottish Rugby Schools' Cup for the first time. The nurturing environment and comprehensive development programme created by our Director of Rugby and the coaches has put Strathallan firmly on the map as one of the top development schools for rugby in Scotland.

All pupils regularly take part in a variety of sports. We also run a comprehensive programme for elite athletes.

In the Expressive Arts, there are many opportunities to develop creative talents in a variety of musical ensembles, in our theatre and in our state-of-the-art dance and drama studio.

Where belonging is forever

Strathallan provides an exceptional educational experience for boys and girls aged 9 to 18. It's a school where effort is rewarded and where pupils are given the time and encouragement to grow into capable, confident young men and women who are ready for the challenges that lie ahead.

Interested in being part of our world?

Why not come along and meet the pupils, staff and parents at our next Information Morning, register now at strathallan.co.uk

Lomond School – A Great Place to Live and Learn



'At all stages of the school, children and young people are highly motivated and actively involved in their learning. They are respectful, hard-working and respond very well to the overall high-quality learning experiences'. Education Scotland

Located in the picturesque coastal town of Helensburgh with its safe community environment and excellent transport links, Lomond School has a long tradition of boarders from the West Highlands and Islands.

Lomond offers a wide-ranging curriculum including eight National Fives as S3/S4 and the traditional five Highers

in S5. Extracurricular activities include hockey, rugby, sailing, skiing and canoeing. The Duke of Edinburgh Award is another significant feature and Lomond has enjoyed great success carrying out expeditions both locally and abroad.

Boarders at Lomond benefit from excellent facilities with the new Burnbrae boarding house, built in 2003, offering comfortable lounges, a gym and mostly twin en-suite study bedrooms. Lomond also allows male and female siblings the opportunity to live together in the same boarding house and families are also offered the flexibility of weekly boarding.

Lomond School Principal, Johanna Urquhart said: 'Here at Lomond we pride ourselves on taking an individual approach to the education and care of each and every pupil. Boarding provides a particularly rewarding experience thanks to our family ethos, excellent facilities and professional, dedicated staff'.

Families interested in finding out more about the admissions process, booking a tour or arranging a taster session can contact our admissions office: admissions@lomondschool.com



Kilgraston is a leading Catholic boarding and day school for girls aged 5-18.

Offering day and boarding education, Kilgraston has something to inspire every young woman. We are a school with traditional values but with a modern and forward-looking perspective on education. Education is not just about exam success; developing interest and talents, nurturing an understanding of different cultures, and emphasising our personal responsibility as global citizens are vital. As such, a Kilgraston girl benefits from a wealth of opportunities to extend and enrich her educational experience. We offer over 50 extra-curricular activities and enjoy modern, state of the art facilities including a Science Centre, Sixth Form Study Centre, excellent boarding accommodation, 25m swimming pool, all-weather astro-turf pitches and Scotland's only school equestrian centre.

Having been named 'top performing independent school for Advanced Highers' by best-schools.co.uk in 2015, Kilgraston girls routinely achieve outstanding sets of results. At Advanced Higher, 90.5% of grades were A-B against a national average of 59.3%. In 2018, 64% of girls are applying to study a STEM undergraduate course and

in 2017, 100% of girls were accepted into their choice of university. Kilgraston has an exceptional reputation for girls gaining entry into top Scottish universities.

When Kilgraston girls leave us to go on to further studies, we are certain that they will continue to channel their talents and become leaders for tomorrow. Our girls leave Kilgraston with an embedded sense of individualism, confidence, humility and a desire to achieve the very best she can, in her own chosen field. Our girls don't compromise on success, they inspire it.

You are invited to join us at our Open Day on Saturday February 3, 2018 from 11am-2pm. The staff and pupils would be delighted to meet you and show you our outstanding facilities. Please do let us know you are coming so that we can have your personalised welcome pack ready for your arrival.

For further information or to book a visit, please contact Mrs Amanda Johnstone: admissions@kilgraston.com | 01738 815523



Inspiring Potential



Lomond School invites applications for August 2018 entry from P1 to S6.

If you would like to visit the school and see what Lomond has to offer or find out more about the application process, please contact the Admissions Office.

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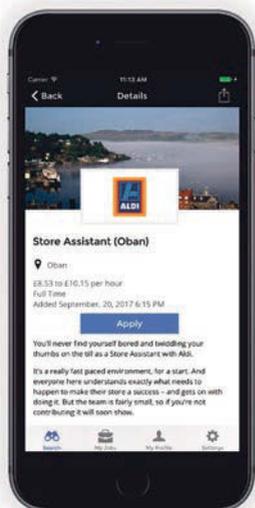
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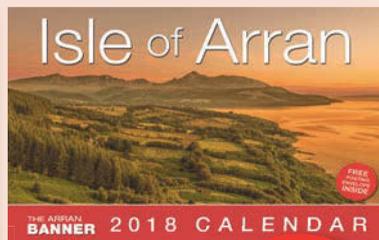
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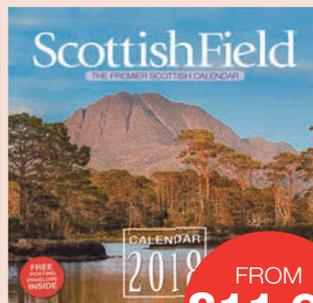
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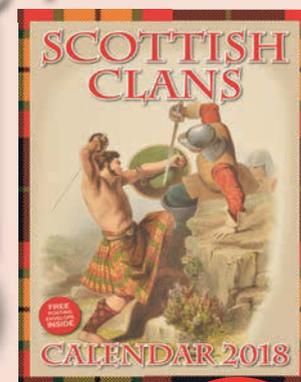
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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus said, 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God' (Matthew 5:9).

BIRTHS

BERTRAN BOYD - Laura and Joan Francesc are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Joey, on November 28, 2017, at St Joan University Hospital, Reus, Spain. A grandson for Alistair and Alison Boyd, Peninver.

DEATHS

COCKBURN - Peacefully at home, 20 Achnamara, by Lochgilphead on December 24, 2017, with her husband and daughter holding her hand; Topsy - Patricia Ann Margaret (Campbell), aged 89. Loving and dearly loved wife of Joe, loving and dearly loved mother of Fay, Joe, Stella and Robert, loving nana of six and loving sister of Mia and the late Douglas. Always in our hearts. Funeral Service will be held at Inverlussa Church, by Achnamara on Thursday January 4, 2018, at 11.30am, thereafter to Carsaig Cemetery, Tayvallich. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to Vasculitis Lauren Currie Twilight Foundation & Alzheimer's Scotland.

MUNRO - Peacefully at his home, 23 Glenfyne Crescent, Ardrishaig, on December 20, 2017, Donald Munro, aged 67 years, beloved son of the late Donald and Mary Munro, and dear brother of Norman. A much respected former work colleague and dear friend. Funeral service was held at Cardross Crematorium, on Saturday, December 23, 2017. Will be sadly missed.

MACDOUGALL - Peacefully at the Kintyre Care Home, Campbeltown, on December 15, 2017, John MacDougall (Iain), in his 78th year, formerly of Colonsay Terrace and Lora View, Oban. Dearly beloved husband of the late Wilma Mathieson, and loved father of Alasdair, Lorne and the late Pamela. Service in the Old Parish Church, Oban on Wednesday January 3, 2018 at 1.00pm. Funeral thereafter to Pennyfuir Cemetery, Oban. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation.

MCMILLAN - Peacefully, at Lochside Care Home, Shandon, on December 15, 2017, Robert Calder, of Camus Na Gaul, Kintyre, widower of Ann Duncan. Funeral service at Cardross Crematorium, on Friday, January 5, 2018 at 1.15pm.

WATKINS - Suddenly in Austin, Texas on December 21, 2017, in her 73rd year, Catherine, née Johnston, formerly of Dell Road, Campbeltown. Dearly loved wife of Neal, much loved mother of Stephanie and Leanne, loving grandmother of Alexandra, Kiera, Olivia and Amelia, much loved sister of John, Alex and the late Betty, sister in law of Buckie, aunt to Tracey, Amanda and Alex and great aunt to Helen and Elizabeth.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

MCMILLAN - James, Jamie Duncan, Andrew, Siobhan and Christie would like to thank everyone most sincerely, for the many kind expressions of sympathy and support received in the recent sad loss of Mary. Special thanks to doctors and staff at Tarbert Medical Practice and Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley, for all the kind care and attention received. Thanks also to Matthew Ramsay for a comforting service, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, Tarbert Hotel for excellent catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside. Donations raised £505 for Cancer Research UK and the Fishermen's Mission.

IN MEMORIAMS

GREENLEES - In loving memory of a dear mum, granny and great granny, Elizabeth (Betty), who passed away December 31, 2016.

Always in our thoughts. Life ends, memories last forever.

- Elizabeth, Bobby, Paulene, Leanne, Mark, Claire and great grandsons x.

MCCALLUM - Treasured memories of James, who died January 1, 2017. A much loved husband, dad, grampa and great grampa.

Precious memories, great or small,

To have had you in my life, was the greatest gift of all.

- Love always, Matty.

MCCALLUM - Treasured memories of James, a much loved dad and grampa, who passed away on January 1, 2017. His life was full of kindly deeds,

A helping hand to all in need,

Sincere and true in heart and mind,

A memory sweet he left behind.

Loved and missed always.

- Jim, Marie, Amy and Andrew.

MCCALLUM - Precious memories of my dear dad, James McCallum, who passed away on January 1, 2017.

If roses grow in heaven, Lord, please pick a bunch for me,

Place them in my father's arms and tell him they're from me,

And tell him I love and miss him, and when he turns to smile,

Place a kiss upon his cheek and hold him for a while,

Because remembering him is easy, I do it every day,

But there's an ache within my heart that will never go away.

- Your loving daughter, Agnes.

Love and miss you Grampa.

- From David and Michelle.

Love you to the stars Grampa Callum.

- From wee Olivia.

MCGLYNN - In loving memory of a dearly loved father and grandfather, Dugald (Tat) McGlynn, who passed away December 29, 2016.

Loved and remembered every day.

- Kenneth, Kerry and Ben.

MCLEAN - In loving memory of Betty, passed away December 30, 2011. A dearly loved mum and granny.

Remembered always.

Never forgotten.

- Aileen, Gemma, Jamie, Craig, Eilidh and Conor.

McNICOL - Treasured memories of Don, who passed away December 28, 2016, a much loved husband, step-dad and dad. Always in our thoughts, forever in our hearts.

- Love Mary, Malcolm and Margaret.

TAYLOR - In loving memory of husband Tom who died December 30, 1998 and son Nicholas (Nick) who died December 26, 2014. Both missed a lot.

CHURCH NOTICES

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH

31st December 2017
 Ford 11.45am
 Rev. C Acklam
 All welcome
 SCO 02121

Highland Parish Church

 SCO02493
Sunday 31st December
 The service will be conducted by Rev William Crossan And will be held in the Church at 11.15am
 All welcome.

free church of scotland

 George Street, Campbeltown
Sunday 31st December
 11.15am Worship Service
 Calum Ferguson
Wednesday 3rd January
 12.30pm Bible Study and Prayer
All Welcome
 www.campbeltownfreechurch.co.uk
 Scottish Charity Number: SCO46745

ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES
 (The Church of Scotland)
 Sunday Services
 in
 Ardrishaig at 11:00am
 and
 Achahoish at 12:30pm

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
 Charity Number SC001002
Emmanuel, God with Us
Sunday 31 December
 Tayvallich Church 10 am
 Morning Worship
 Rev C Acklam
Sunday 7 January 2018
 New Year Resolution
 Enjoy life to the full with Jesus
 Inverlussa Church 11.30am
 Café Connect resumes
 13th January 2018
 All welcome
 Enquiries 01546 606926
 www.northknapdale.org

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH
 Scottish Charity Number SCO11686
Sunday 31st December
 11.15 Morning Worship
 Rev P Wallace
 Everyone most welcome

CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday 31st December
 11.00am
 New Year's Eve Family Service
Youth Fellowship
 Check our Facebook page for regular updates
 Pastor Chris Holden
 We meet at the Guide Hall, Kinloch Road
 www.campbeltowncommunitychurch.co.uk
 SCO43322

SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCHES
Christ Church
 Bishopton Road, Lochgilphead (SC013787)
Sundays
 11.00am
 Eucharist & Coffee
St Columba's,
 Poltalloch (SC031391)
1st Sunday of the month
 9.00am Holy Communion
3rd Sunday of the month
 3.30pm Evensong
 Father Simon Mackenzie
 01546 602315

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN

Sunday 31st December
 Service at 11 a.m.
 Speaker: Graham McLean
 'A new day is dawning!'
 Followed by a light lunch
 ALL WELCOME

Campbeltown Corps Church and Community Centre
 Registered Charity No. 214779 and in Scotland SC009359
 Burnside Street, Campbeltown
 01586 552046
Sunday Services
 10.30am Morning Service
 6.30pm No meeting
 Majors Ben & Ruth Russell
All welcome

St. Kieran's Scottish Episcopal Church

Argyll Street, Campbeltown
 St Kieran Episcopal Church:
 Campbeltown
 Scottish Charity No SC023277
Sunday 31st December
 Christmas 1
 Holy Communion 10.45am
Enquiries Tel: 01586 551141
 The Scottish Episcopal Church is a Province of the Worldwide Anglican Communion

ST MARGARET'S R.C. CHURCH LOCHGILPHEAD
 Holy Mass Sunday 10am
All Saints, Inveraray
 Holy Mass Sunday 12.30pm
 Fr. David Connor
01546 602380
 All Welcome (SCO002876)

SKIPNESS LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNESIDE AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Sunday 31st December 2017
 New Years Eve Services
 Skipness Service 10am
 Tarbert Service 11.30am
 Mr James McLellan
 For all church enquiries and pastoral care
 Contact Rev. Hilda Smith,
 Interim Moderator
 on 07826 235735
 Everyone very welcome
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 Skipness SCO04280

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Wednesday 3rd January
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 www.springbankchurch.co.uk
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 Rev Tony Wood
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 Sunday 10am
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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE
Sunday 31st December 2017
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 Charity No. SC016097
 Morning Service
 in Cumlodden Church
 at 10 am
Glenaray and Inveraray
 Charity No. SC016665
Morning service
 in Inveraray Church
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 Minister:
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 ALL WELCOME



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FROM OUR FILES

TEN YEARS AGO

Friday December 28, 2007

Party fun at Victoria Hall

SANTA Claus was kept on his toes in Kintyre as Christmas approached, paying various groups a flying visit and handing out presents to excited children.

The indoor football boys and girls were one of many groups to receive a visit during their Christmas party at the Victoria Hall.



Boys and girls from the indoor football club in Victoria Hall.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Friday January 1, 1993

It's no picnic

PLANS to dig up an important car park in order to plant trees and picnic tables have sparked off an angry response from a Clachan farmer.

Mr Tom Pollock of Ronachan Farm claims to have been pressured by Strathclyde Regional Council to agree to a project he describes as 'a waste of public money'.

Mr Pollock said: 'I have had pressure put on me in the form of two phone calls within an hour from the landscape architect and the roads department to get me to agree to the proposals to dig up the car park.'

He says he is strongly objecting to proposals from Strathclyde Regional Council's roads department, and its consultant landscape architect, to modify the car park at Seal Viewpoint, Ronachan.

'These plans would seriously reduce the area available for parking cars,' said Mr Pollock.

'In my opinion, that will make it more difficult for tourists and residents to enjoy the scenery and wild life, birds as well as seals, visible from this point.'

Mr Pollock says that the car park was built in the days of Argyll County Council.

Cars and bus tours stopping on the main road at that point were causing a traffic hazard, and so the roads department, at that time, wished to provide proper parking facilities for the public - Mr Pollock's mother, a local representative on that council, donated the land for this purpose.

FIFTY YEARS AGO

Thursday December 28, 1967

Teacher retires after 32 years

AT THE close of term pupils and staff met to bid farewell to Mrs A. Paterson, who is retiring from Carradale Public School after 32 years' service.

Mrs Paterson, a native of Kingussie, came to Carradale early in her career to take up an appointment in the village school.

She was a sound and capable teacher of the old type who believed implicitly in instilling the three Rs.

The new methods introduced as a re-

sult of the publication in 1965 of the memorandum replacing 'The Primary School in Scotland', have caused a great deal of re-organisation and Mrs Paterson, always with the best needs and interests of her pupils at heart, showed her versatility in changing over to the new trends in teaching.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

Saturday December 29, 1917

Poorhouse festival

THROUGH the kindness of the members of the Parish Council, the inmates of the Poorhouse were entertained at their annual festival on Thursday evening of last week.

The gathering was, as usual, held in the chapel of the house, which was nicely decorated for the occasion.

Bailie Campbell, chairman of the Poorhouse Committee, presided, and was supported by ex-Provost Mitchell, chairman of the Parish Council; ex-Bailie McQueen, Messrs S. Armour, J. T. Hegarty, and J. Gemmell, members of the council, and other friends.

Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



IT'S A FUNNY sort of time, this time between Christmas and New Year.

I love Christmas but don't care much for New Year.

As I wait for 'the bells,' like many I think of the folk who are no longer with us and of the sadness that brings.

Each year someone will say: 'Well I just hope this next year is better.'

Many will be glad to put this year behind them, but others will look back with joy and happiness at things that happened this year.

Across the world people will gather in town squares and villages. Fireworks will cascade into the air hanging between one year and the next.

Champagne will fizz and fill the space that takes us from this year to another and the countdown will begin.

The seconds ebb away like our breath on the cold night air and a new year will begin on the strike of midnight.

In the crowd, each is alone with her or his own thoughts and dreams.

In his poem: 'To the New Year,' the poet W.S. Merwin invites us to bring:

'Our knowledge such as it is and our hopes such as they are invisible before us untouched and still possible.'

Perhaps at midnight we might reflect on what we would like to do in this year that is knocking on the door of life.

It might be an opportunity to follow a dream, finish some unfinished business, take more time with our loved ones or make a commitment to do something that will make our own wee corner of the world better.

Whatever your dream, I wish you peace, and that your untouched hopes will become possible in the year ahead.

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Watson wins Heidbangers Cup



Last year's winner Bill Brannigan, left, presents Sandy Watson with the Heidbangers Cup.

FOUR players were in with a chance of claiming Dunaverty golf club's Heidbangers Cup but it was Sandy Watson who clinched the prize.

The final day of the year-long competition for the Heidbangers began with light rain and a stiff breeze, and 15 members playing.

Points throughout the year were amassed by scoring three points for a win, two for a second place and one point

for each of 26 games played.

Going into the final round, Sandy Watson led with 43 points, followed by Neil Brodie on 42, Malcolm Ronald on 41 and Danny Halliday on 40.

Playing in the first group, Malcolm had 17 points after seven holes but a lost ball at the eighth did not help in his bid to win, although he still had 20 points after nine holes. Turning into a strong

wind on the back nine he was unfortunate to lose another two balls and finished on 31 points.

Meanwhile the other three contenders had mixed fortunes with Sandy covering the front nine in 17 points, Danny 16 and Neil 15.

Crucial role

The wind on the back nine played a crucial role in the outcome as Danny had to win on the day to collect three points to overtake

Sandy while a win or a two-point second place would ensure Neil the cup.

However the veteran Watson called on his experience to conquer the wind and record a win on the day, by virtue of a better inward half, and secured the vital three points he needed to win the cup for the third time.

Roy Bennett slipped into second place to deny Malcolm the runner-up position which

went to Neil by one point.

Results: Final round result: 1 Sandy Watson 32 points (bih), 2 Roy Bennett 32, 3 Malcolm Ronald 31, 4 Robin Finlay 30 (bih), 5 Neil Brodie 30 (bih), 6 Alex Roxburgh 30.

Heidbangers Cup result: 1 Sandy Watson 46 points, 2 Neil Brodie 42, 3 Malcolm Ronald 41, 4 Danny Halliday 40, 5 John McDowall 38, 6 Terry Smith 37.

Christmas shoot with a twist

THE ANNUAL Christmas shoot took place on December 17 and marked the last competition of Tarbert Gun Club's year.

This was a shoot with a festive twist, however, as the competitors' names went into the hat before being drawn at random into pairs to shoot together. As luck would have it, the competition became particularly interesting as

all top shooters were kept apart.

The targets were of a flush type, where four clays were set off together over three stands. Each stand was different, ensuring the ability of the 23 pairs was tested. Those who came out on top were rewarded with a turkey or a bottle to celebrate the festive season.

The club would like to thank everyone for

their support over the past year and hope for the same in the New Year.

The winners were: Donald Nicolson and Andy Peden; 2 Ian Winnard and Steven Sloan; 3 Buddy Pater-son and Niall Wilson.

The winners: Ian Winnard and Steven Sloan; Donald Nicolson and Andy Peden; and Buddy Peterson and Niall Wilson.



SPOT THE BALL
THIS WEEK'S
JACKPOT £1500

To allow for disruption to the postal service over the festive period we will run spot the ball for 2 weeks. Please make sure your entries are in before 10am, Wednesday 3rd January.

All you have to do
We have removed the football from the photograph opposite. Now look carefully at the position of the players and use your skill and judgement to place a cross at the exact point where you think the centre of the ball was. You may have a maximum of 10 attempts on this coupon at a cost of £1. If you wish to have more attempts, you must enter on separate coupons. The game starts with a jackpot of £250 and will increase by £50 per week until it is won outright. To win the jackpot, the centre of your cross must be in the exact centre of the ball.
Entry will be void if crosses overlap. Prizes will be shared between those submitting correct entries. If no correct entry is received, two 'near miss' prizes of £25 will be awarded. When the jackpot is won, no other prizes will be awarded that week.

Easy to enter
Cut out your completed coupon and put your entry plus £1 per 10 attempts into a sealed envelope and post it to reach "Spot the Ball" Competition, The Campbeltown Courier, Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown, Argyll PA28 6AE by 10am, Wednesday 3rd January. No refunds will be given for entries received after the deadline. You may hand it into The Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown by the same time. Otherwise all entries must be posted.

Competition Rules
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SPORT

SPOT THE BALL

THIS WEEK'S JACKPOT £1500

Slog runners cooled by a brisk breeze



Overall winner Stuart McGeachy passes surfer Dougie Taylor on the expanse of Westport beach.

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ATHLETES braved wind-chill-induced sub-zero air temperatures as they blew away the Christmas cobwebs.

A compact field of two dozen runners assembled at 11am on Boxing Day. It was possibly the best ever 10k race in the Slog

in the Sand series in, at times, bright sun on reasonably firm sand, despite the bitter headwind on the return leg.

A good-sized group of spectators watched, including a lone surfer and camerawoman collecting footage for TV series Highland Midwives.

Times were quicker than last year and the order at the top was reversed with Stuart McGeachy, 37.26 knocking Garry Muir, 38.27 into second place by a good 01.01 margin, Drew Dutton, 40.59 was third.

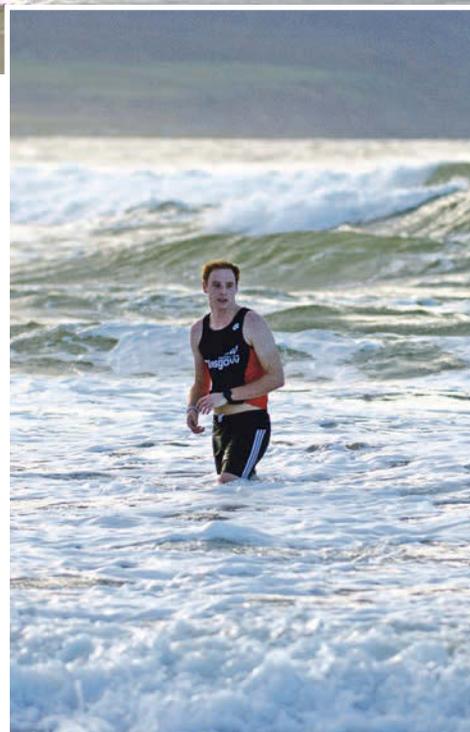
There were two more men before the first woman, Jennifer Martin, home in 43.15 nearly seven minutes ahead of second placed Elaine Cameron, 50.00, who beat Elaine McGeachy, 50.47, by 47 seconds.

Results: Stuart McGeachy 37.26; Garry Muir 38.27; Drew Dutton 40.59; Ewan Smith 42.15; Craig Armour 42.30; Jennifer Martin 43.15; James

Murdoch 45.35; Tommy Moran 46.56; Jimmy Anderson 47.06; Archie Johnstone 47.26; Paul McWilliams 47.30; John Teesdale 48.04; James Armour 48.36; Sandy McLean 49.55; Elaine Cameron 50.00; Elaine McGeachy 50.47; Amy McIntosh 51.57; Alan Reid 52.48; Neil John McPhail 52.48; Hugh Teesdale 53.38; Sarah McFadzean 54.11; Ian Cameron 55.17; Gavin Brown 65.43; Margaret Sinclair 66.49.



Racing through the surf. 25_c52slog201714



One runner took to the sea without a surfboard. 25_c52slog201712



Evergreen Margaret Sinclair. 25_c52slog201710

Dunaverty Christmas competition

ON A DRY day with strong gusting winds at Dunaverty Golf Club, the winner minced the opposition to collect a meat voucher.

Scoring was difficult in the annual Christmas event with an opportunity to win the combined Christmas and New Year competitions.

A measure of the tough conditions was evident when an 85 was the best gross score of the day and this went to Robert Irvine. John Morrison played well to card a scratch 89 to give him a winning nett score of 71.

Result: 1 John Morrison 89-18-71; 2 Danny Halliday 92-19-73; 3 Robert Irvine 85-9-76; 4 John Dreg-horn 87-10-77; 5 Alex Arkell 92-14-78;

6 Ken MacMillan 95-16-79.

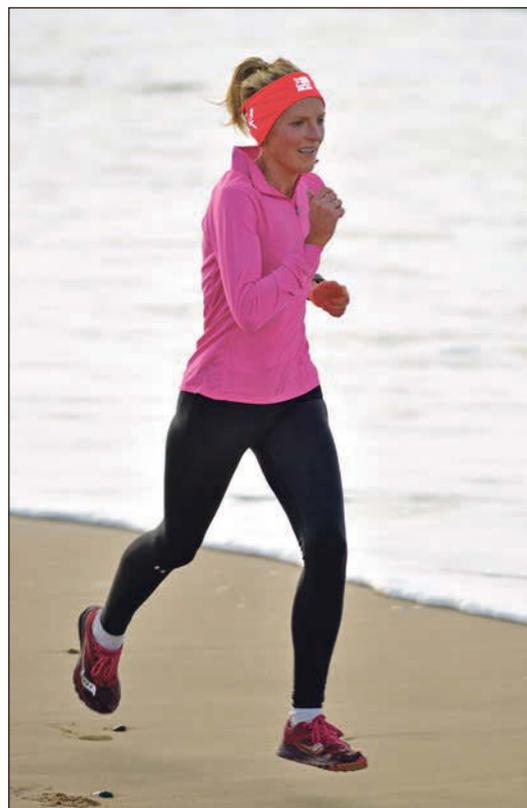
Jimmy Marshall Cup draw

OBAN Saints v Lochgilphead Red Star; Dunoon v Claremont; Alba Thistle v Tarbert; Campbeltown Pupils v Rosehill Star.

Dates for these games have still to be allocated.

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Women's winner Jennifer Martin. 25_c52slog201705

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