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## Hetherington is mighty Viking slayer

LOCHGILPHEAD crack-shot Andy Hetherington has taken the darts world by storm by beating former world champion Andy 'The Viking' Fordham.

Andy Hetherington travelled to the Scottish Open Darts Championships at the Normandy Hotel, Renfrew, at the weekend with Lochgilphead darts buddies Michael Todd and Eoghan MacInnes.

The three players, who only play darts about once-a-year, all did exceptionally

well with Eoghan making it to the final on his board, Andy making it to the quarter-final and Michael making the semi-final.

### Third largest

The Scottish Open is the third-largest darts open in the world and it was Eoghan MacInnes who was the last Argyll man standing. He made it down to the last 124 out of 1280 players.

Michael Todd said: 'When there's a star on a board the place is mobbed. Everyone crowds round the board.

Andy was playing 2004 World Darts Champion Andy Fordham. He (Andy Hetherington) took the first leg and the place just erupted.

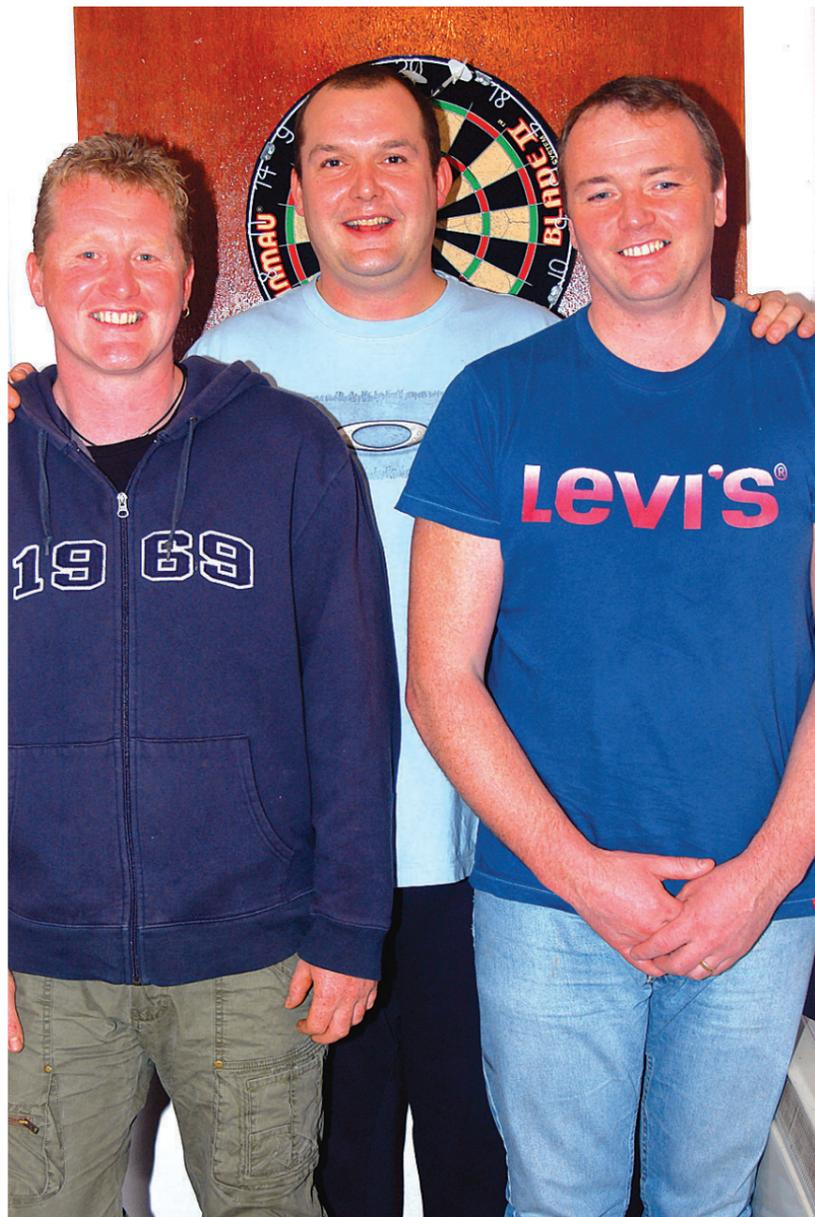
'Then he took the second leg and he must have thought, 'I could beat him'. Fordham was sitting on a double 18 and Andy was on 121, and he finished it on the bull.

'There were folk asking for Andy's (Hetherington's) autograph! Andy Fordham couldn't have been any nicer. He offered to buy him a drink and gave him a big cuddle.'

Andy Hetherington is no stranger to hitting targets. He is a member of Tarbert Gun Club and also shoots for Scotland. He has just confirmed Melex Construction as his new shooting sponsor. With all this talent at our doorstep the question arises, 'Why does Lochgilphead have no darts league?'



Andy Hetherington with Andy 'The Viking' Fordham, 2004 World Darts Champion.



Andy Hetherington (centre) with Eoghan MacInnes (left) and Michael Todd. Despite the three only playing darts about once-a-year, they all did exceptionally well in the Scottish Open Darts Championships. a08dar01

## £18.4 million new hospital ready for April

BUILDING work on the new Mid Argyll Hospital in Lochgilphead is almost finished, with the completion date confirmed as April 17 2006.

The £18.4 million community hospital will replace the current 100-year-old wooden building.

The hospital's steering group recently received confirmation from the Canmore Partnership that the official hand over will take place on April 17.

This will be followed by a commissioning period, to enable all staff to familiarise themselves with the build-

ing and its systems and ensure equipment is fully tested before the hospital becomes operational. Thereafter services and staff will be moving in.

Ron Arbuckle, director designate for Argyll and Bute CHP said: 'We are delighted to announce that building work is close to completion and handover will take place on April 17. Departments will be moving in over subsequent weeks and we will advise patients when the new facility is open for business. We aim to move services with the minimum of impact on patients and their treat-

ment.' An official opening is planned for sometime in the summer.

The building brings together all health and social care services, which are currently provided on different parts of the site and different locations in the town.

Services have been redesigned from the patients' viewpoint and have been shaped with full involvement by the public, patients, NHS and council staff. The project is a PFI contract costing £18.4 million and had a two-year construction and commissioning timescale.

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# 'Prioritise Skipness gritting route' say locals

CALLS are being made to give a higher gritting priority to a 'dangerous' piece of road that links Skipness with Carradale.

Peter Howland, who lives on the stretch near Skipness, raised the issue at the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay Community Safety Forum.

He explained that in icy weather the road from Skipness to Tarbert is always gritted, as is the road

from Carradale to Campbeltown.

But the Skipness to Carradale road, used by school children, is not considered a priority and sometimes does not get gritted until the afternoon, if at all.

The Community Safety Forum has agreed to write to Argyll and Bute Council and ask for the road to be given a higher priority.

Speaking after the meeting, Mr Howland said it was

a busy road. He added: 'It's a very tricky piece of road. There are lots of steep hills and bends.'

'There are quite a number of school children who travel that route every morning.'

He said: 'We get nowhere with the council because it is not classified as one of their main priority routes. They say they can't grit every road, but it always used to be done. Our

council tax rises and the service diminishes.'

Mr Howland's wife, Sylvia Howland, said: 'It's a very difficult road. There are lots of blind summits and lots of places where it is easy to go off the road. We get a lot of water running off the road, which is very dangerous. It's probably the most dangerous road in the area.'

'What's going to happen one night if there is an

emergency? How are the police, fire, ambulance or doctor going to get through?'

A spokesman for Argyll and Bute Council explained that the A83, A816 and A819, together with principal accident and emergency routes to hospitals and police stations fell within the council's 'Priority 1' gritting route.

Under 'Priority 2' came fire station and ambulance

depot accesses, main bus routes to schools, public bus routes and identified local danger spots.

Under 'Priority 3' are all other routes. He said: 'The B842 Cloanaig to Carradale road is not considered a priority 2 route as it does not fit the council's criteria.'

'Priority 1 and 2 routes are treated between 0500 hours and 2200 hours Monday to Saturday and

0700 hours to 2100 hours Sundays and public holidays.'

'Priority 3 routes are treated as resources permit dependent on weather conditions usually during normal working hours 0800 hours to 1600 hours Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays.'

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## Professional touch for Skipness?



Skipness villagers and members of the Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust at Saturday's exhibition. a08ski01

THE people of Skipness are being offered the chance to bring in professionals to ensure their village continues to grow into a thriving community.

Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust (TSCT) made the proposal at an exhibition in the village on Saturday.

The Trust is offering to apply for funding to engage the help of Anderson Bell Christie, the company which was commissioned to give the Isle of Gigha advice on the best ways to develop.

Douglas Robertson of Tarbert and Skipness Commu-

nity Trust said that if the community was agreeable, the company would look at a whole range of things about Skipness such as the geography, population, employment and history and come up with a proposal of the best way forward for the village.

Villagers could then approve the proposal or not.

The feedback that the Trust received was being analysed as *The Argyllshire Advertiser* went to press. See next week's newspaper to find out if the community wanted to go with the Trust's idea.

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# Lochgilphead CC says 'no' to parking charges

LOCHGILPHEAD Community Council remains opposed to the introduction of car parking charges in the town.

At its meeting on Monday February 6, members discussed Argyll and Bute Council's proposal to introduce daytime parking charges on Argyll Street and Colchester Square.

Addressing the meeting, chairman Eric Box said: 'Local authorities can only introduce car parking charge regimes for traffic management rea-

sons, not as a revenue-raising enterprise, otherwise charges are just a stealth tax. An independent consultant carried out a study on traffic in Lochgilphead in December 2004 and concluded that there was no traffic management problem in Lochgilphead.'

If it is given the go-ahead, Argyll and Bute Council's proposal would see drivers charged 50 pence to park for 40 minutes on Argyll Street and Colchester Square. The

charges would apply between 9am and 4pm Monday to Saturday. Disabled drivers would be exempt from charges.

'There is no traffic management problem in Lochgilphead that I can see, and I don't accept that anyone should pay anything,' said Mr Box.

Community councillors agreed that Mr Box should write to Argyll and Bute Council to ask for traffic management reasons for seeking to introduce charges.

# Blooming great enterprising skills on show at Inveraray primary



Some of the enterprising youngsters who have been selling bulbs. Georgia MacKillop, Rosie Corner, Cameron Hendry, Jock Wilson, Alish MacLaren and Lynsey Fyfe. 10511501

Do you have an opinion on parking charges? Email our letters page: [editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk](mailto:editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk)

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Aquaculture Today 2006 is being held at Edinburgh's five star Sheraton Hotel & Spa from March 28-30 and is set to be one of the most influential events of its kind held in the UK.

The 2006 conference builds on the achievement of last year's pioneering event with speakers from the UK, Europe and beyond already lined up to participate.

The conference addresses key issues facing the fish farming sector in a useful and varied programme comprising formal presentations, discussion sessions, networking, exhibits and a special awards dinner. Delegates will hear from leading industry figures on:

- o Markets
- o Fish Health
- o Innovation
- o Species Development.

The conference will be officially opened with a keynote speech from Lord Lindsay of Scottish Salmon Producers' Organisation (SSPO) on March 29.

### Fish Farmer

At the Aquaculture Today Gala Dinner, the first Fish Farmer "Fit for the Future" award will be presented for outstanding achievement in the fish-farming sector. In addition, finalists in a new industry-backed awards scheme from the Crown Estate, which recognises innovation and best practice in salmon farming, will be announced.

Fit for the Future

INVERARAY Primary School is to have a big piece of art for its grounds, partly paid for by the pupils' own enterprising activities.

The children of classes primary four and five have

been selling flowering bulbs to parents, teachers and friends. This helps on two fronts, it teaches the children about enterprise and business and raises plenty of cash to help with

the garden project at the school. So far £550 has been collected and the results of these sales will be seen blooming in gardens around the town for years to come.

## Get help to fund your project

COMMUNITY and voluntary groups hoping to start a new project can find out where to get funds, thanks to a new roadshow.

Organised by Argyll and Bute Council, the 'meet the funders' roadshow will give members of the public the opportunity to discuss their project with funders and receive information and support from organisations specialising in volunteering, project development and training.

Those represented at the roadshow will include the Big Lottery Fund, Scottish

Natural Heritage, the Rural Community Transport Association, Communities Scotland, Argyll and Bute Council and local enterprise agencies, amongst others.

There will also be opportunities to find support for a project plan, find out what training is available and see case studies of previous successful projects.

As well as providing advice, training and support for community and voluntary groups in Mid Argyll, the roadshow will include the launch of the Big Lottery Fund's Scottish mani-

festos, which details the funding programmes for the next three years. The funders' roadshow will be at the Community Centre, Lochgilphead, on Friday March 3 between 2pm and 7pm. To register your interest and to receive further details when available, email: [funding.enquiries@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:funding.enquiries@argyll-bute.gov.uk) or call 01546 604454. For full details of the funder involved, visit [www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/newsroom/currentaffairs/roadshow](http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/newsroom/currentaffairs/roadshow).

## Lifting scallop ban allows fishing west of Craignish

A FIVE-YEAR ban on scallop fishing in the Sound of Jura has been lifted by the Food Standards Agency Scotland.

Following a reduction in the levels of amnesic shellfish poisoning (ASP) toxins taken from waters in the Sound of Jura, the ban, originally put in place in August 2000, was lifted from 4.30pm on Wednes-

day February 1. As a result, fishing for king scallops in water to the north of Jura and west of the Craignish peninsula is permitted for the first time in more than five years. Activities prohibited by the ban included fishing for, taking or landing scallops within the affected area; movement of scallops out of the affected area; and using scallops

from the area in the preparation or processing of food. The ban was originally put in place following test results from the government's sampling programme, which showed that toxins had reached a level at which there was a risk to consumers. ASP is caused by naturally-occurring algal blooms.

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# Making young voices heard

A LOCAL woman has been given the task of ensuring the views of Argyll's youngsters are heard.

Roanna Taylor has been appointed Argyll and Bute Young Scot co-ordinator and will be based in Lochgilhead.

Roanna is from Kilmelford so is very aware of the issues affecting young people in Argyll and Bute.

Roanna said: 'I'm hoping to raise the profile of Young Scot and I want the organisation to be known for more than just discounts.

'I will initially be concentrating on the 18-26 year-old age group as there is a lack of services for them.'

One of her Roanna's first jobs will be to ensure Argyll's first year and fourth year high school pupils are issued new Young Scot cards.

Young Scot cards can be used as a proof of age card and entitle the holder to discounts on goods and services.

At the moment there are 90 outlets offering discounts but Young Scot will be adding more to the list.

A former Oban High School pupil, Roanna graduated from Edinburgh University in 2003 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Community Education.

She worked with the children's charity NCH in Lochaber before returning to Oban to work at Kerrera Lodge.

Roanna said she is excited about working with Argyll's young people adding: 'The job is great and is going really well so far.'

The successful Splashdown initiative, which of-

fers Young Scot card-holders free travel and access to leisure facilities in the Argyll and Bute area, will continue over the Easter, summer and October holidays. Young Scot also plans to join Aqualibrium in Campbeltown for its opening celebrations.

In a pilot scheme, The Mid Argyll Young Driver

Project for 17 to 25 year olds and Young Scot will work in partnership with the emergency services and community education to foster better relations and to improve driving skills.

Trading Standards money management staff will offer a service to Young Scot cardholders, offering advice

to young people setting up home in private rented accommodation. For more details on any of these activities, contact: Argyll and Bute Young Scot, Mid Argyll Youth Project, Union Street, Lochgilhead PA31 8JS; Telephone: 01546 600035; or by email: Roanna.taylor@argyll-bute.gov.uk

## A lesson in skill for Mid Argyll's young drivers

MID ARGYLL'S young drivers can begin to improve their skills this month, with the launch of a new project.

The Mid Argyll Young Drivers Project, based at the Youth Project Building on Union Street, Lochgilhead, will give participants the chance to learn a variety of skills including car maintenance, basic first aid and specialist driving

skills. The 10-week course will also present young drivers with the chance to drive Strathclyde Police's skid master car on the police manoeuvrability course in East Kilbride.

Devised by Strathclyde Police, the Scottish Ambulance Service, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue, Argyll and Bute Council, Young Scot and Community Learning and Regeneration, the

course is aimed at young drivers aged between 17 and 25. Workshops will be provided by members of the police, fire and ambulance services and by Goldie Ross of West Coast Motors. The scheme is also supported by Lochgilhead Community Council.

Application forms have been distributed to shops and council buildings throughout Mid Argyll.



Roanna Taylor, Argyll and Bute Young Scot co-ordinator. a07sco02

## Permission granted for new house at Whitehouse

PLANS for the construction of a new house in Whitehouse have been approved by Argyll and Bute Council.

Members of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay area committee agreed to approve the application by Andrew James Woodhouse.

The council's planning department had received objections to the proposal from four households, but recommended that councillors approve the application. Permission has been granted for construction on land at Glenreasdale House, Whitehouse.

## Cairndow stars in a tale of two villages

CAIRNDOW'S Here We Are information centre recently held a seminar to launch a film about Argyll and Donegal.

*To See Ourselves As Others See Us: Two Villages* examines the communities of Cairndow and Ballyliffen and explores the decisions made in each community to allow them to survive and become what they are today.

Amongst the issues covered in the film are how the two places, so geographically similar, have devel-

oped so differently; why they are different from their neighbouring communities and whether there are lessons for other communities in Scotland, Ireland and elsewhere.

The project came about after three people from each village travelled in the summer of 2005 to meet their counterparts and celebrate what the two places have in common.

Launching the film at the seminar on Wednesday January 18, organisers hoped to generate discus-

sion on the film and discuss the problems faced by the two communities.

With more than 40 people in attendance, the film was followed by lively debates on the issues raised.

Organisers now intend to show the film to MSPs at the Scottish Parliament later this year.

For more information on the film or the Here We Are project, call 01499 600350, email mail@hereweare-uk.com or visit www.hereweare-uk.com.

## Argyll employment boom

THE PAST seven years has seen an employment boom in Argyll and Bute, with 2,900 jobs created since September 1997.

A new report by the GMB trade union has shown that 2,600 more people were employed in Argyll and Bute in December 2004 than in September 1997.

During the same period, the number of people em-

ployed in manufacturing roles in Argyll and Bute fell by 300, indicating that the workforce in the region has increased by 2,600.

Of the jobs that have been created since 1997, 11.3 per cent of them are full-time, highlighting the growing number of part-time and seasonal workers in Argyll and Bute.

Across Scotland,

343,000 new jobs have been created in the past seven years, 57.9 per cent of them full time, with the workforce increasing by 258,800.

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# Making *Dooker Soup* in Tarbert

A SPECIAL celebration of achievement and creativity will take place in Tarbert Village Hall on Friday March 3 with the release of a 24 track CD *Dooker Soup*, the culmination of a programme of community based media workshops.

The workshops, which were held in the Templar Arts and Leisure Centre in November 2005, provided a rare opportunity for all to experience at first hand some of the technical and creative processes involved in digital media content,

and to take part in the production of this unique and diverse archive for North Kintyre

Participants were given the experience of live performance, industry recording processes, artwork concept, design content and production, all with the help of industry professionals Grant Milne, sound engineer, and Karen MacNeil, graphic designer. Participants at the workshops included musicians, artists and enthusiasts of all ages and the resulting collective CD highlights the wealth of creative talent in the area.

The involvement of Tarbert's younger generation in the project has been outstanding, and the compositions they have delivered quite exceptional.

Singer song writer Katie Fitzgerald recorded several songs during some of the live performance and re-

ording workshops, with *So Sorry* making an admirable addition to the final mix.

Tarbert Academy student Euan Plater makes his CD debut with an original track *Lies*, and four piece band The Lemmings, also from Tarbert Academy, push the boundaries with *She Stole Me Away*, again their own composition.

Youth string ensemble Flamin' Fiddlers, with accompanist Joyce Munro and tutor Sara Wyche, gave a memorable performance, along with the Tarbert Primary School Gaelic Choir and National Mod cup winners Katy Evamy and Megan Marshall.

The workshops also produced some undiscovered talent from outwith the town, as in the case of Amanda Lough, who quite unexpectedly contributed her beautiful song *Butterfly Girl* whilst learning more



Christopher Robertson.



The Lemmings.

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about the recording process. Amanda's performance is now one of the many highlights of the album.

Of course, *Dooker Soup* wouldn't be complete without the presence of some very familiar names in the world of traditional music. Fraser McGlynn, along with family members Ryan and Kevin, plays some sure handed, rousing dance sets while Archie McAllister lets fly in inimitable style with high-energy jigs and reels.

Tarbert Gaelic Choir, under the leadership of Hilary and Dr Neil Macdonald, give an exceptional performance, showing with great style that the Gaelic tradition is still very much alive in Tarbert and Kintyre. Young accordionists David Hunt and Christopher Robertson also make an

appearance and they, like all the participants on the workshops, gave their talent generously in support of this unique project.

The spoken word forms an integral part of *Dooker Soup*, especially in conversation with Tarbert-born Robert Ross, whose recollections of Tarbert during the boom years of herring fishing are a fascinating insight to the past.

### Depth

Robert's voice has depth, texture and a natural lilt that makes these recordings not only informative but also an emotional experience for the listener.

Local poet Ed Tyler recites some of his highly original work, and Kenny MacInnes relates engaging anecdotes of working life aboard the Tarbert to Portavadie ferry.

The success of the production has in large part been due to the enthusiasm and commitment of the local community. A local steering group (Dr Neil and Hilary Macdonald, Alistair Kirkwood, Douglas Robertson and Carolyn McDonald) assisted in the project from the outset, and Carolyn also provided the inspired and imaginative title for *Dooker Soup*.

The initiative has surpassed all expectations, with the CD gaining distribution throughout Scotland prior to its launch.

It will also be available on-line through

www.MusicinScotland.com. The launch at Tarbert Village Hall on March 3 will feature performances by some of the artists from *Dooker Soup* (including Archie McAllister, Katie Fitzgerald, Euan Plater, Amanda Lough and the Tarbert Gaelic Choir), followed by a ceilidh dance with the Fraser McGlynn Duo. The ceilidh dance will be licensed and proceeds will go towards the hall refurbishment fund. Under 16's must be accompanied by an adult.

*Dooker Soup* will be available in local shops from March 4, and proceeds from the sale of the CD will go to Tarbert Community Heritage Trust, with the intention that funds raised will assist future arts and heritage projects in the area.

If you would like to come along and join in the celebration, the evening begins at 7pm.

Tickets are free of charge but numbers are limited; tickets are available from Argyll Book Centre, Lochgilphead and I MacIntyre's, Tarbert.

The project was made possible through Dalriada Arts and Culture Ltd with grant assistance from Awards For All, Argyll and the Islands Enterprise and the Community Economic Development Programme.

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# Ladies' loyal service to Ford SWRI

THE FEBRUARY meeting of Ford SWRI was held on Tuesday February 7 in Ford Hall.

After business, President Sheen McNair invited two senior members, Creena McKenzie

and Sheena Carmichael, to entertain their fellow members.

Creena kept members amused with her hilarious rural memories of trips to Orkney and Somerset, whilst Sheena showed pic-

tures of Loch Awe steamers and others of local interest.

Both ladies were presented with loyal service certificates and beautiful bouquets.

In the flower photograph competition, Rena McPherson won first prize, ahead of second-placed Sheena Carmichael and third-placed Annie Richardson.

The rural memento competition was won by Sue Phillips, Rena McPherson finishing second ahead of Sheena McNair.

Tea and a raffle rounded off an excellent evening.

## Good attendance at Tayvallich

DESPITE Tayvallich SWRI meeting a week earlier than usual in February, there was a good attendance.

President Mae MacInnes welcomed Norman Rea, who reminisced about Christmas before reading A Child's Christmas in Wales by Dylan Thomas.

Moira Murdoch proposed a vote of thanks on behalf of members, who had been a very appreciative audience.

In the small soft toy competition, Moira Murdoch took the gold prize, Libby MacDonald and Lorna MacKellar sharing silver.

# Furnace bridges the generation gap



Local police officer Davey Wilkinson with some of the Furnace young people who attended last week's meeting, from left, John Sinclair, Katie Le Marquand, Rona Paterson, Sara Sinclair and Mairi Paterson. a08fur01

# Cheap flights for islanders

ISLAY residents will soon be able to take advantage of discounted flights to the mainland, it was announced last week.

Transport minister Tavish Scott revealed that the Scottish Executive is to fund proposals to give Ileachs a 40 per cent discount on flights to the mainland.

Under the scheme, which aims to link isolated populations with Scotland's main commercial

centres, residents will be eligible for the discount on trips to Inverness, Glasgow, Edinburgh and Aberdeen. Although no firm start date has yet been set by the executive, it is expected that the discounts will apply from this summer.

Announcing the plans, Mr Scott said: 'Air fares from the more remote parts of the Highlands and Islands to Scotland's key population centres are unacceptably high, creating a barrier to

social inclusion, accessibility and economic growth.

'We hope to have the scheme in place before the summer to help deliver affordable air fares to Scotland's most peripheral communities. We will be able to confirm the start date once the European Commission has agreed our proposal. Similar schemes are in place across Europe and initial discussions with the commission have been positive.'

A NEW group has been set up by the young people of Furnace with the help of local police officer Davey Wilkinson.

PC Wilkinson called a meeting in Furnace Village Hall last week and invited the young people to come along and talk about ideas for a club.

This was after a community council meeting where it emerged that the youngsters in the village were interested in starting a football team. PC Wilkinson offered to coach them and at last week's meeting it was decided that they would meet on Tuesday nights during the sum-

mer, with the first session taking place at 7pm on April 4. The Furnace Project, aimed at people in the village aged 12-20, will also hold barbecues and organise trips.

Sara Sinclair said: 'We will be playing football and different sports, holding barbecues. Everyone's welcome to come and see what's going on. We're trying to get as many teenagers involved as possible. It's something to do in the village.'

Rona Paterson, a representative from the Furnace Project, will attend Furnace Community Council meetings to give a young person's input.



**Meet the Team**  
In the second of our features looking at Aqualibrium we introduce you to the staff who will be working for you and with you to achieve the right balance.



The leisure services team who are looking forward to welcoming you to Aqualibrium.



**Marius Huysamer**  
Facilities Manager



**Sharon Gillies**  
Duty Officer - Service



**Greig Flaws**  
Duty Officer - Fitness



**Jamie MacLachlan**  
Fitness Co-ordinator



**Robert Judge**  
Duty Officer - Operations



**Gregor Menzies**  
Leisure Assistant



**Laura Garnham**  
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**Margaret McCallum**  
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## Competition

Aqualibrium is led by Facilities Manager Marius Huysamer who comes to Campbeltown from his native South Africa via London. Nine staff will be taking care of people using the pool and fitness suite, whilst four staff will attend to the library.

Other facilities include a cafe where you can sit back and relax with a cup of tea or healthy snack after your workout.

And it's the cafe which provides the



basis for this month's competition. We are looking for a cafe name which reflects the very special surroundings and facilities available in Aqualibrium.

Send your suggestions for the name of the cafe to Communications, Argyll and Bute Council, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8RT or enter via the Aqualibrium pages on our website at [www.argyll-bute.gov.uk](http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk)

The winning name will be announced on Friday 17 March and the winner will receive a swim voucher for 20 swims, an Aqualibrium goody bag and a meal for four in the cafe.

Ten runners up will receive Aqualibrium beanie hats.



**Sue Fortune**  
Area Librarian

## Wedding belles and graduation star



Greig MacLeod, recently graduated with a BSc honours (2:1) in Construction Management from Glasgow Caledonian University. Greig is a former head boy of Lochgilphead High School and is now working with Interserve in Glasgow.



Alex Galbraith and Donna Seaman were married on Saturday July 9, 2005, at St Martin's Church, Knebworth.



Married near San Francisco, Iain, only son of Robert and Margaret McCallum, Kildrum, Cumbernauld and Briana Miller, only daughter of Henry and Fereshteh Miller, Martinez, California. Iain is the grandson of Mrs Ella McCallum, 20, Castleacres, Campbeltown. The couple are now living in Santa Monica.

## Warning over prize draw scam

MID ARGYLL and Kintyre residents are being warned by Argyll and Bute Council Trading Standards Service about a prize draw scam involving a mail shot being sent to residents throughout the area.

The scam was brought to light when an Argyll and Bute resident received a letter stating that a cheque for £2,476 in the name of the resident would be sent and could be cashed or deposited in any bank.

However, to be able to receive the money the person must complete and return a claim form with a cheque of £14.97.

The Office of Fair Trading, which monitors scams like this, is aware of the company, and it is now under investigation.

Trading Standards are reminding all residents not to send any money in response to unsolicited offers of cash or goods.

The Office of Fair Trading has requested that anyone receiving such mail, who would like to report it, should telephone 0845 7 22 44 99.

A spokesperson for the council said the scam was aimed at making money out of people who would think it was a genuine offer.

**Wedding and graduation photographs are printed free of charge, just hand them in to *The Argyllshire Advertiser* or *Campbeltown Courier* offices.**



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## Thought for the week

WE HAD stovies and home-made bannocks for dinner tonight. They were followed by yoghurt, which is not a million miles away from the curds my grandmother used to make. She would have felt at home with our stovies, bannocks and 'curds', though she would have thought the flavour of the yoghurt (passion fruit) a bit exotic! She would also be surprised to discover that an 'ordinary' pudding like rhu-barb crumble is quite the thing to have in a hotel these days! Thinking about it, you realise just how fashion-driven our food is. Enjoy sticky toffee pudding while it's on the menu, for it's been around so long that it will soon be on its way out!

Fashions change, whether they are in food or clothes or music. But the Bible tells us of One who does not change, who is forever the same, who is truly constant. 'Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever.' That makes Jesus totally reliable, and his promises absolutely trustworthy. There is none other to whom we can commit ourselves in complete confidence. (see Hebrews 13:8) **Irene Howat**

## Down Memory Lane



Following on from last week's picture of Stag Garage employees in the 1960s, this week's photograph, submitted by Alistair MacVean, shows the garage's staff in 1987. Pictured in the back row, from left, are: Donald Kyle, ?, Marian Porteous, Jennifer Filmore, Donald McAllister, Duncan MacLellan, Calum MacDonald, Hugh Campbell, Gordon Blair. Front row from left: Alistair MacVean, Donald MacDonald, Alistair Black, Angus Johnston, ? MacLean, Brendan Gibson, Chip Johnstone. Do you have a photograph you would like to share with The Argyllshire Advertiser's readers. Bring it into our office at 44 Argyll Street, Lochgilhead, or email them to editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk.

## Those Were The Days

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## Council home buyers could face legal wrangle

COUNCIL house tenants in Inveraray could find themselves at the centre of a legal wrangle if they wish to buy their own homes.

For Argyll and Bute's development committee has recommended that the council seek permission from the secretary of state to exempt council property in the old town from the Tenants' Rights Act, which gives occupiers the opportunity of buying their homes.

The move follows a warning from the district's director of planning that a degree of control could be lost not only of the appearance of houses but over the wider conservation area of Inveraray itself.

Mr Michael Oliver, who described Inveraray as 'unquestionably the gem among the district's townscapes', said that Inveraray was a town of national importance.

He suggested that the council should make an Article Four Direction which would

restrict permitted development.

The district council has already made three Article Four Directions - two on Iona and one covering Tarbert conservation area.

## World interest in Tarbert fish cases

MID Argyll may be poised to win a new industry with excellent growth potential.

A revolutionary new type of fish pen designed by a Tarbert man is attracting worldwide attention.

And if the prevailing high level of interest is converted into firm orders there is every prospect that a small factory will be set up in the area to manufacture the fish cages in kit form.

The world's first revolving fish pen has been designed by Tarbert fish farmer Mr Peter Smith of Marine Aquaculture (Scotland) Ltd.

A prototype was brought into use at Mr Smith's fish farm in West Loch Tarbert early in 1976 and following several improvements and modifications the design was patented in 1977.

## Failing councillors must resign

Sir, Audit Scotland's damning verdict on Argyll and Bute Council, and in particular the Council's political leadership, ought to be followed by the resignation of the failed Group of Independent Councillors.

The report details a catalogue of incompetence that frankly makes Argyll and Bute a laughing stock, but with very serious consequences for the people who live here. To underline just three areas highlighted from the council's litany of failure:

□ The report underlines the shameful state of the roads in Argyll. It is no wonder that the report states that 'rates of road accidents and road fatalities are higher than for Scotland as a whole'. Yet the

council plans to cut the amount it spends on road maintenance.

□ The report goes on to note 'the council's lack of progress in addressing Best Value in a practical, meaningful way'. In view of yet another round of forthcoming cuts, it is time that the council learned that best value and cutting services is not the same thing. It ought to be recognised that most of the cutbacks affect the most vulnerable people in Argyll.

□ Every year the Group of Independent Councillors bleats about insufficient funding from central government. Absolutely right - but as the report says, 'the council does not have sufficiently robust information on its cost base to isolate the impact of geography and population sparsity from other factors such as inefficiencies in the way it delivers services'. Little wonder then that the council cannot make an adequate case for

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sufficient funding from the Scottish Executive.

I see that Audit Scotland is suggesting that 'council members would benefit from external training to assist them in developing their scrutiny role'. On the other hand, having read the rest of the report it would seem a good deal more sensible, and save a great deal of money and wasted effort, for the Group of Independent Councillors to 'do the right thing' and resign with immediate effect.

**Ron Wilson, Secretary, Campbeltown Branch SNP, 112 Millknowe, Campbeltown.**

## Maintain the legacy

Sir, Argyll and Bute Council should feel proud of the area's rich heritage and the preservation of local archives by the council archivist.

The archivist has extended his services to schoolchildren, historical societies, the Argyllshire diaspora in Britain and abroad and to countless people with an interest in Argyll and Bute.

This service has been

provided for the past 30 years by Murdo MacDonald, who is to retire at the end of next month.

There can scarcely be a publication about Argyll published during these years that has not mentioned Murdo as a source of information.

I would doubt if there can have been a finer ambassador for Argyll and Bute Council than Murdo and I can understand the feeling he would be irreplaceable.

However, the decision made by the council to axe this post is, I believe, extremely short-sighted.

The value of the archives themselves must be significant, but their value extends far beyond financial assets. I can only hope the council will keep these in a way that ensures Murdo's legacy is appropriately maintained, unlike the job.

**Roderick D Buchanan, Kilmartin.**

## Expand the archives

Sir, I wish to add my voice to the growing outcry against the decision not to replace

Murdo MacDonald as full time archivist in Argyll and Bute.

The interest in finding one's Scottish roots has grown rapidly in recent years and the need for a full time archivist in Argyll will only increase in the future. Murdo recently helped me to help my Glenorchy-born father and obtain records of those buried in his family plot. That quest continues.

My family has deep roots in Argyll. My family last lived in Tayvallich until our 1967 immigration to Canada. We have returned several times for family visits combined with genealogical expeditions.

My father thinks himself lucky that he has contacts to go to for assistance.

Not only do I suggest you keep Murdo on, but I believe more people should be hired to help him and expand the service.

If it is a matter of money that decides whether Murdo stays or goes, I would suggest that a well staffed 'welcome centre' connected with the archives would be a bigger money maker than you could imagine.

There is no end to the wealthy colonial

genealogists who would gladly come and spend plenty of their dollars in Argyll, if only they thought they could have all the resources available.

In closing, I say that reducing what services Argyllshire offers to family tree researchers is a step backwards. Argyllshire's history is its gold. Increasing services is the proper direction to go and we all would be the better for it.

**Mary Fletcher Harris Barrie, Canada, by email**

## Appalling decision by Council

Sir, I have just learnt there is no intention to replace the council archivist long-term when Mr MacDonald retires shortly.

This must be the most short-sighted decision this

council has made to date. In an area where 500,000 people visit, probably over 50 per cent of them have either a real or perceived connection to the area, at a time when the rise in interest in genealogy is exponential and where there are no decent family history resources provided, this decision is appalling.

What is happening to all the material Mr MacDonald has accumulated and cared for so well in past years?

It is staggering how badly Argyll and Bute Council continues to neglect its duty of care to its people.

The council's support for Oban library is pitiful and its decision to move the library to a location with no public transport and no parking is not going to improve matters.

Every other area is trying to maximise public access to their archives - there is a lot of money to be made.

How can Argyll and Bute Council be so shortsighted?

**Jill Bowis, by email.**

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### Kilmartin Hotel going from strength to strength

KILMARTIN Hotel is gearing up for another busy season, with owner Peter Strang preparing to resume summer opening hours in the coming weeks.

This will be Peter's third summer at the helm of the popular hotel, and he's keen to see the success of previous years repeated.

'We've been at the hotel for two-and-a-half years now, and it's been going very well,' said Peter.

'We concentrate on providing good food in comfortable surroundings. We haven't changed much at the hotel since we took over, as the hotel was doing well as it was and people don't like change. Our chefs, Marilyn Smith and Lorna Brown, were here when we took over, and they're very good.'

Peter, his wife Liz and children Laura and Jonathan all play a part in running the six-bedroom hotel, and have built up a strong reputation in the short time they have been in Mid Argyll.

'This is my first move into the hotel trade. We had a caravan and boats on Loch Awe, and had been coming to the area for 16 years. When I decided I wanted to move out of financial services, this was an ideal opportunity,' said Peter.

The hotel's recent support of Mid Argyll Pipe Band is also set to continue this year, with the return of the popular piping nights.

Peter said: 'I like to support the pipe band, and they raise a lot of money at the piping nights.'

'We're always packed out when the pipers are here, and they'll be back later this year.'



Members of Kilmartin House Museum's Great Auks Club held a garden bird watch recently.

## Busy year ahead for Kilmartin Primary School

THERE'S never a dull moment at Kilmartin Primary School, with pupils now gearing up for a busy few weeks in the run-up to the Easter holidays.

A sponsored skip next week will help raise funds for the British Heart Foundation and will also help the school take a step closer to providing a climbing wall in the playground. Pupils also hope that presenters from the BBC's *Blue Peter* and *SMart* programmes will visit the school to help decorate the climbing wall. The seven-strong school council, made up of pupils from primaries five to seven, have also written to Argyll and Bute Council to ask for improvements to be made to the school building. Amongst the areas for

'Pupils and staff are busy preparing for Mid Argyll Music Festival.'

Head teacher Fiona Johnson

action they have identified are a refurbishment of the boys' toilets and repairs to the building's roof.

Preparations for the Mid Argyll Music Festival are also underway, with pupils rehearsing their poems, songs and music, hoping to repeat the school's success from last year. Head teacher Fiona Johnson said: 'The pupils and staff are busy preparing for the festival, and it takes up a lot of time.'

Music plays an important part in life at the school, with pupils also involved in a guitar club, a recorder club and samba lessons,

which have proven especially popular. With lessons from Jenny English of Ardfern, all of the pupils at the school are creating Brazilian rhythms of their own.

Primary four and five pupils are helping Kilmartin Primary become part of the online community, preparing a website to advertise and promote the school's activities. It is hoped that the website will launch in June.

The school's older pupils are lending a hand to younger classmates, through workshops about bullying.

# Dig deep at Kilmartin House

A BUSY year of activities is already underway at Kilmartin House Museum, with an archaeological dig about to take place.

The museum's staff are to begin the Barnluasgan Dun in North Knapdale in the coming weeks, which they hope will shed some light on life in Mid Argyll during the Iron Age.

Doctor Sharon Webb, Director and Curator of Archaeology at the museum, said: 'The last excavation of Barnluasgan Dun took place 100 years ago, and we're keen to find out more about it.'

'No-one really knows if duns were houses or temporary shelters for use in times of trouble. There are more than 100 in Mid Argyll, with four discovered in the last year. They're thought to date from the Iron Age, but we're not really sure, as no-one has ever dug enough to find out.'

The project, is set to begin in earnest over the Easter weekend (April 15 and 16), when volunteers will be urged to lend a hand at the Dun to aid the excavation process.

Dr Webb said: 'We're looking for volunteers to help us at the excavation of Barnluasgan Dun and other archaeological

works. It could be very exciting, as we have no idea what is in there.'

Kilmartin House Museum is keen to involve people as much as possible in the Mid Argyll landscape, which has a huge amount of historical monuments within a few miles of each other. Kilmartin Museum offers an ideal starting point for an exploration of Dalriada.

'Our events programme aims to get people out into the landscape and visit the historical sites that are here,' said Dr Webb.

'People sometimes come to Kilmartin for one thing, such as the museum, and aren't aware or don't realise that there are other things nearby.'

Amongst the other activities on offer at Kilmartin House Museum over the coming months are a Maori culture evening, delivered by Maureen Lander of the University of Auckland; a pre-history open day, which will include bronze casting and cooking workshops; and a series of art exhibitions by local artists.

Children will also be well catered for at the museum during 2006, with the Great Auks club meeting regularly. Members of the club, which teaches children aged six years and upwards about archaeology and the

environment, have already participated in the RSPB's national garden bird watch day, and constructed bird boxes containing video cameras, enabling them to observe birds nesting and looking after their chicks. Dr Webb said: 'Storyteller Duncan Williamson will be coming to the museum to entertain the children.'

The club will also be visiting the Isle of Eigg to see eagles.

'We're always looking for new members and volunteer helpers.' For more information on Kilmartin House Museum or any of the activities taking place, call 01546 510278.

### Kilmartin gala no more

THOUGH Kilmartin was once home to a yearly gala day that brought crowds to the village for a day of fun, the event has been discontinued in recent years.

Brian Rattray of Kilmartin Charities Committee said: 'Although the charities committee is still there and still has money in the bank, it's been all but wound up now. The money we've got helps to pay for the pensioners' party and the kiddies' party, but that's about it. Kilmartin Gala Day was where we raised the bulk of our money each year, but we stopped holding it due to lack of interest.'



Members of Kilmartin Primary School's school council are preparing for a busy term. a08kps01

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# Inveraray Pipe Band play Kintyre show

INVERARAY Pipe Band will visit Campbeltown this weekend.

An idea originally crafted by Stuart Liddell, grandson of the late pipe major Ronald McCallum MBE, who was piper to the Duke of Argyll, Inveraray Pipe Band has been created from scratch.

With the support of many friends, Stuart did incredibly well in a short space of time, performing at last year's Inveraray Highland Games and Cowal Highland Games.

The band has recently been kitted out with new Ancient McCallum kilts in honour of Ronald McCallum and, thanks to the support of the local community, it has raised £10,000. Grants from the National Lottery and many other sources have also helped to establish it.

Inveraray Pipe Band's visit to Campbeltown will be its first outing in the new uniform.

The event has been arranged through Kintyre Piping Society, which hopes that the public will go along and hear the band play.

Stuart Liddell will also be giving a solo performance, as will young members of the band.

The performance takes place in the Argyll Arms Hotel, Campbeltown, tomorrow (Saturday) at 8pm.



## Busy year ahead at Ardkinglas

ARDKINGLAS Woodland Garden near Cairndow is set to host a number of events over the coming year.

The first event taking place at the garden, which is home to an outstanding collection of rhododendrons and conifers, will be a gardener's question time on the evening of Friday March 24. A panel of eminent local horticulturists and botanists will attempt to answer the queries of amateur gardeners. Although a variety of questions is expected, there will be a particular emphasis placed on problems faced by gardeners in the west coast of Scotland.

In late May and early June the garden will host a 'shrub and grub' event. With the rhododendron collection flowering, the garden's staff will lead a guided tour through the trees and shrubs. The stroll will be followed by a light supper of speciality breads and cheeses washed down with wine.

For more information on either event, contact Glyn Toplis on 0787 6072656 or e m a i l AENurseries@aol.com.

## Run this year's Edinburgh Marathon

THE MENINGITIS Trust is looking for volunteers from Mid Argyll and Kintyre to run in this year's Edinburgh Marathon.

Taking place on June 11, the race offers runners the chance to help fight meningitis, which kills hundreds of people in the UK

every year. Anyone interested in running the Edinburgh Marathon or Big Relay 2006 to help fight meningitis should call Anne Currie, assistant manager at the Meningitis Trust Scotland on 0845 120 2123 or e-mail annec@meningitis-trust.org.

## Join day of prayer in Kintyre

THE LORNE and Lowland Church in Campbeltown will host a service next Friday (March 3) as part of the World Day of Prayer.

The international day of worship was instigated by Christian women of South Africa, who have invited men, women and young people from around the world to join them in the service. The chosen theme for the service is 'Signs of the Times'. In the service, people will be invited to take courage in the Risen Lord, who is the sign of all times.

The people of South Africa are known as the Rainbow Nation, since many colours and races comprise their national make-up. There are 11 official languages and a variety of cultures across the country. The problems of unemployment, drug addiction, HIV and AIDS overwhelm the country. The Christians' prayer is that everyone may be a sign of hope, joining together to build up the

kingdom of God. This days gives people from Christian communities in more than 180 countries the opportunity to worship and pray on a common theme. In Scotland, services are to be held in locations as diverse as prisons, churches, schools, universities, hospitals, eventide homes, hostels for the homeless and shopping centres.

Offerings from the services will be given to the Scottish Bible Society and Feed the Minds, for Christian literature work.

World Day of Prayer gives the opportunity to pray for, and with, the people of South Africa and to share in a time of praise and worship with fellow Christians in the local community.

The service at the Lorne and Lowland Church begins at 7.30pm. All are warmly welcome.

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## Award-winning play visits Mid Argyll

MID ARGYLL Arts Association will tomorrow (Saturday) present the MSFITS Theatre Company in a new comedy drama by multiple award-winning writer, Rona Munro.

Sold out performances of *The Good, The Bad and The Botoxed* have taken place around the country, including Perth Theatre, the Traverse Theatre in Edinburgh, the Byre Theatre in St Andrews, Aberdeen's Lemon Tree, Bloxwich Library Theatre, Darwen Library Theatre, The Met in Bury and the Vikingar in Largs.

Actress Fiona Knowles and playwright Rona Munro have worked together for more than 20 years and their productions and performances have earned many prestigious awards in films, theatre, television and radio.

*The Good, The Bad and The Botoxed* tells the story of three women held hostage in a hair and beauty salon by a vengeful client demanding more than her money back.

This hilarious evening of comedy takes place in Ardrishaig Public Hall, starting at 8pm. Admission at the door.

## Under the hammer for Blarbuie

DONATIONS from across Mid Argyll will be going, going, gone tonight (Friday) at an auction in aid of the Blarbuie Woodland Project.

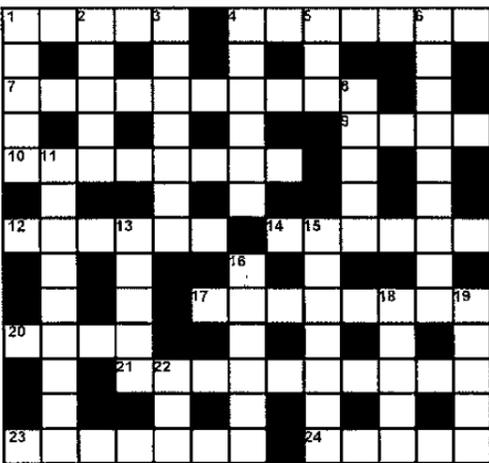
The project, which is opening the Lochgilhead forest to the public through a programme of clearing and replanting, has received donations from people and businesses throughout Mid Argyll.

Taking place in Ardrishaig Hall, the grand ceilidh and auction will include music from Archie McAllister and other local performers, with Professor Angus MacKay acting as auctioneer for the evening.

All money raised at the auction will help fund the restoration of the woods at Argyll and Bute Hospital and the creation of a public park. Organisers also hope that the event will help to raise public awareness of the project and encourage people to join in.

**Turn to page 32 for your chance to win SPL football tickets**

CROSSWORD



THE THINKER

ACROSS

- 1 In charge after AGM shattered illusions (5)
- 4 We arrive to embrace novice with greeting (7)
- 7 Monument for gent - one he's designed (10)
- 9 For a keen gardener, some equipment (4)
- 10 Italian with nervous reaction to affairs of the heart (8)
- 12 Drug removed from flapping sleeves - pot (6)
- 14 Try, in a strange way, to review work pending (2-4)
- 17 Got down and played chord on cue (8)
- 20 Daily tea discussed (4)
- 21 Uncle with chess piece damaged rook first (10)
- 23 Welds in new shape - that's cheating (7)
- 24 Elgar composed in a big way (5)

DOWN

- 1 He saves man losing time (5)
- 2 Force to use weaving kit in poor light (5)
- 3 Tilts, in church, to purify (7)
- 4 Tiny creature you and I find wicked (6)
- 5 Left turn, up to the wood (3)
- 6 Exploits fish to make a drink (9)
- 8 Explode in anger - up to no good (5)
- 11 Finish with project to conquer (9)
- 13 Intelligent, up to a point (5)
- 15 Turn ale into something bland (7)
- 16 Ran into empty garage at country home (6)
- 18 He walks with the woman round half of IKEA (5)
- 19 Dreadful note included in miserable tune (5)
- 22 Increase for a religious scholar (3)

SOLUTION FOR LAST WEEK

ACROSS: 1.Grave 4.Console 8.Incompetent 10.Deplete 12.Repel 16.Spotlight 17.Grant 20.Stuffed 24.Pathologist 25.Eyesore 26.Skuas  
 DOWN: 2.Raise 3.Vocal 5.Over 6.Scene 7.Lithe 9.Mutate 10.Dying 11.Pasta 13.Petal 14.Livid 15.Bistro 18.Reply 19.Notes 21.Frisk 22.Extra 23.Door

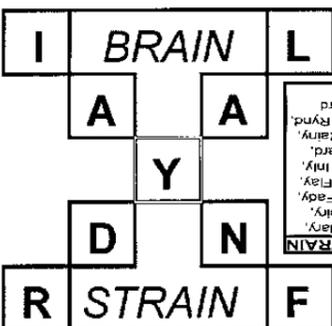
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Find the words: Up, down, forwards, backwards, straight or diagonal. This week: Improvement: Alter, Better, Change, Improve, Amend, Beautify, Redress, Enrich, Transform, Repair, Correct, Decorate, Remedy, Reform, Enhance, Renovate, Polish, Revise, Edify, Rectify

BRAIN STRAIN



How many words of four letters or more can you make? No plurals, proper names or foreign words. All must include the centre letter. Good: 22 Maestro: 36+

# Argylls appoint new recruiter

A YOUNG soldier who has recently returned from Bosnia has come back to Scotland to help recruit youngsters from Kintyre and Mid Argyll to the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.

Lance Corporal Alex Martin, aged 21, who has also previously served in Northern Ireland and Iraq, has been posted back to Scotland to serve with the Royal Regiment of Scotland Recruiting Organisation to recruit for the Argylls. Alex is hoping that his presence in the recruiting team will encourage other young men to sign up for a career in the Scottish Infantry.

Alex, originally from Falkirk, enlisted in the army after leaving Falkirk High School in 2001, and has enjoyed the experience. He said: 'I'm really thrilled to be back in Scotland helping with the recruiting effort.'

'When the new Royal Regiment of Scotland forms on March 28, the Argylls will be the only air assault battalion in the regiment, a role which is regarded as the best job in the infantry. We are currently recruiting young men between 16 and 26 years of age for service in the army and, as an Argyll, they will be one of Scotland's finest soldiers.'

In his new role, Alex will tour Scotland with the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders Battalion Recruiting Team, educating young people about the benefits of a career in the



Lance Corporal Alex Martin has returned to Scotland to recruit for the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.

Scottish infantry. Alex said: 'I've enjoyed all the various jobs and tasks that I've been involved in with the Argylls as part of 16 Air Assault Brigade and I hope to return to the Argylls in May this year to further my career. I'm

looking forward to being a part of the Royal Regiment of Scotland and I'm hoping that I can encourage more young men from the local area to follow in my footsteps.

'In addition to the rewards a soldier's life can

offer, you have the opportunity to experience all types of sport, adventure training and travel in the army. You also qualify for free medical and dental treatment and at least six weeks paid holiday a year from the first day you start

your training, which is something that most young people will struggle to find in a civilian job.'

For more information on a career with the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, call into your local Army Careers Office.

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# Young farmers head to Oban for competitions weekend

DESPITE their club having disbanded last year, former young farmers from Kintyre will no doubt be interested in an event taking place in Oban this weekend.

More than 300 young farmers from across the country to compete in the 2006 Winter Competitions Weekend being held tomorrow (Saturday) and Sunday by the Scottish Association of Young Farmers Clubs (SAYFC).

The first competition on the agenda is the national final of the ten pin bowling.

This competition is being hosted at Harbour Bowl, Oban and 28 teams from teams from as far down the country as Dumfries and Galloway to as far north as Caithness are competing.

It is hoped that hosting a competitions weekend in Oban will help show new members what the association has to offer and assist them in attracting new members.

Also taking place tomorrow are the finals of the member of the year competition.

One person representing

each district will be interviewed by the panel of three judges, John Raeside, Linnhead Farm, Uplawmoor, Glasgow, Andrew Lorraine Smith, Hagbrae, Gorebridge, Midlothian and Helen Hunter, Braehead Farm, Bainshole, Huntly, Aberdeenshire.

Later that evening there will be the member of the year disco.

The results of the ten pin bowling and the member of the year will be announced at the dance by the national chairman Jim Smith and prizes will be presented by

Lizzy Steel, winner of the 2005 member of the year competition.

On Sunday, the association will also host the finals of its five-a-side football competition at the Atlantis Sports Centre. Fifteen teams will be taking part in the competition.

Whilst the boys are busily competing for the 2006 title at the football, the Corran Halls will be the venue for the national finals of the senior speechmaking and quiz competitions.

The format for the speechmaking is chairman

and three panel members competing as mixed platform teams.

A total of 10 teams are taking part, four from the west region and three from each of the north and east regions.

Judges for the competition are Andrew Lorraine Smith, Marion Raeside, wife of John Raeside, and Alan Cumming, Newwells Farm, Old Meldrum, Aberdeenshire.

Upon completion of the speechmaking teams, the finals of the national quiz will be held.

## Crofters fear environmental 'hijacking' of reform bill

CROFTERS' concerns that environmental lobbyists and quangos are 'hijacking' the consultation into the draft Crofting Reform Bill were voiced at a meeting in Appin this week.

A well attended meeting of the North Argyll branch of the Scottish Crofting Foundation (SCF) was addressed by Crofters Commission chairman David Green and Highlands and Islands MSP Jamie McGrigor.

Mr McGrigor said there was concern that bodies such as Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH), Scottish Environmental Protection Agency (SEPA) and the Royal Soci-

ety for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) Scotland appeared to be attempting to impose their ideologies into any legislation.

He said: 'It [the consultation] should take into account the grass roots of crofting, that is the coalface and what working crofters actually need. These people have been working the land for centuries. It is important that the Bill is for the benefits of crofters and not given over to a kind of political dogma.'

Mr McGrigor said he is writing to Environment and Rural Affairs Minister Ross Finnie to call for a evaluation into what crofting is financially worth to Scotland.

Other issues debated included why a new bull hire scheme has not replaced the interim scheme, why the high rate of the Croft House Grant Scheme (CHGS) does not apply anywhere in Argyll, the preservation of quality crofting in-by-land from housing development and the

way in which crofters would like to see the Crofters Commission itself evolve.

Crofters Commission chairman David Green said he enjoyed the 'full and frank discussion' and was happy to allay fears that the Bill would put a monetary value on crofts and open up speculation. He said: 'It was an opportunity to correct some misunderstandings. There is nothing about market values in the Bill. Let's be perfectly frank, this is the Scottish Executive's Crofting Bill, not my Bill. It is about sorting out aspects of crofting.'

Speaking from a crofter's viewpoint the commission chairman said he didn't know a 'hijacking' of the consultation was true was true although he said that bodies such as SNH and RSPB are geared to making their representations heard better than individuals.

Mr Green added that an announcement on whether Arran would be invited to



Highlands and Islands MSP Jamie McGrigor become part of the crofting right a wrong in that the island had historically never been part of the counties. He refused to confirm if the island's bid had been successful. He admitted that there was no sense of apathy from Arran towards the proposal and felt there was a desire to

## FARMING FILES

**Skipness hosts**

**Kintyre sheepdog trials final**

THE FINAL of Kintyre Sheepdog Nursery Trials was held at Skipness on Saturday (February 18) when 15 dogs ran against high wind and driving rain.

Result  
1 B Strachan, Bonnie, 92 pts  
2 J Casey, Moss, 88 pts  
3 B Strachan, Cap, 85  
4 A McCuish, Sweep, 84pts  
5 M McNally, Moss, 83 pts  
6 K Greive, Roy, 82 pts  
Class 2  
1 L Clark, Jim, 91 pts  
2 J Casey, Jock, 89 pts  
3 J McDonald, Nan, 87 pts

Following a run off for fourth place by Brian Strachan (Cap) and John McLachlan (Taff) the team to represent Kintyre in the Nursery finals is as follows:

1 B Strachan, Bonnie  
2 A McCuish, Sweep  
3 K Greive, Roy  
4 B Strachan, Cap  
5 J McLachlan, Taff (reserve)

**Charolais to 141p per kilo at United Auctions Stirling**

UNITED Auctions Stirling had 723 store cattle and 88 cast cows, plus 1042 store and feeding sheep at Kildean on Wednesday.

Bullocks sold to 141p for a Charolais cross off Logan to average at 121.9p per kilo while heifers sold to 138p per kilo for a Simmental cross off Back O'Muir to average 117.2p per kilo.

Cast cows sold to 91p per kilo for a Simmental cross off New Blainslie to average at 65.3p per kilo.

Hoggs sold to £45.50 for Texel crosses off Balegra while in-lamb Mule ewes from Linkshead sold to £52.

## Market report

### STIRLING - United Auctions

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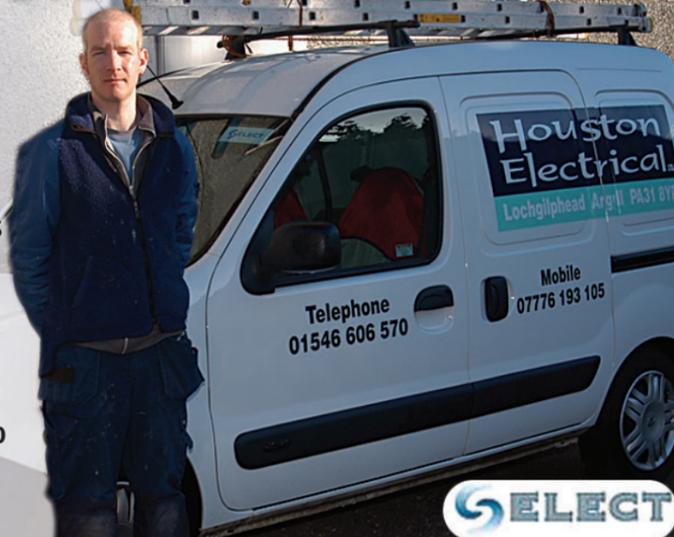
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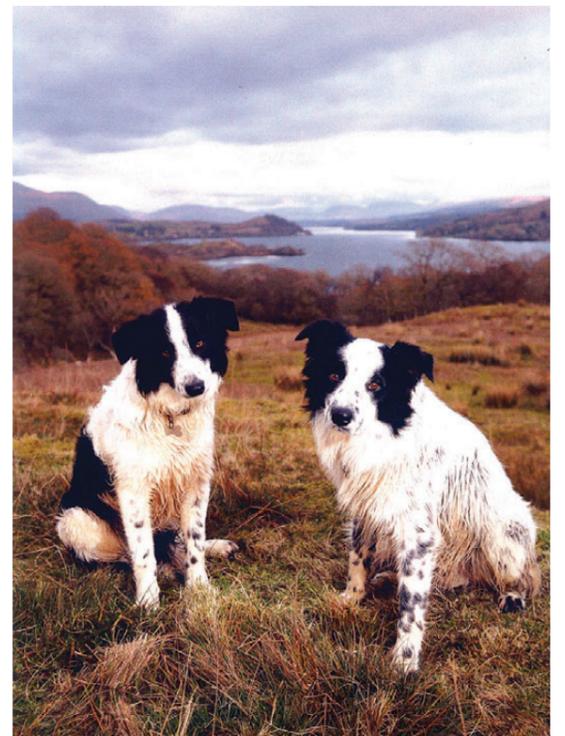
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"The VIBES Awards, Scotland's environmental business awards, are a great incentive for companies to demonstrate and shout about their environmental commitment. And, rewarding these efforts through these awards is a great way to encourage Scottish businesses to see the opportunities to cut waste, energy and water costs by becoming more environmentally responsible."

Businesses and organisations can obtain an application form by calling 01896 754 797 or visiting the awards website: [www.vibes.org.uk](http://www.vibes.org.uk)

## THE GRAB TRUST

Group for Recycling in Argyll & Bute

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THE GRAB (Group for Recycling in Argyll and Bute) Trust will take heart from the news that Scotland looks set to meet recycling targets.

The Scottish target for recycling or composting of Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) is 25 per cent by 2006.

The last quarterly results from SEPA's (Scottish Environment Protection Agency) Landfill allowance quarterly monitoring scheme for July-September 2005 shows that 25.1 per cent of MSW was recycled in this period.

However the 12 month rolling average is still only 21 per cent. GRAB Trust Project Manager Matt Lewis may ask: 'The signs are good but are we really there yet?'



### ENERGY SAVINGS TIPS

There are many ways in which you can use energy more efficiently and save money at the same time. The following energy saving tips will help you reduce your fuel bills.

- At night, pull the curtains to stop heat being lost through the windows. *Take care not to drape curtains over radiators, as this will funnel heat straight out of the windows.*
- Turning the thermostat down by just 1°C can cut as much as 10% off your heating bills. *You can also save on running costs by heating your home for an hour less each day.*
- Remember not to set the thermostat too high on your water heater; 60°C/140°F is usually adequate for bathing and washing. *Use a shower if you have one and you'll save time, money and water.*
- Remember to turn off lights when you leave a room for long periods. *Switch off your TV, video and Hi-Fi at the set. Standby can use as much as 10%-60% of the electricity that would be used by the device if it was switched on.*
- Defrost fridges and freezers regularly to keep them running efficiently.

### Here are some ways to save energy when you cook:

- Use the right size pan for the food and cooker hob.
- Keep saucepan lids on - this enables you to turn down the heat.
- Don't use more water than you need.
- Use a kettle to boil water for cooking.
- Use a toaster rather than the grill to make toast.
- Avoid over-filling the kettle for just one drink but be sure to cover the element.

### Low cost tips:

- Use low energy light bulbs wherever you can as they use less than a quarter of the electricity used by ordinary light bulbs and can last up to 15 times longer!
- Putting a lagging jacket around your hot water tank and insulating hot water pipes can pay for itself in a few months and go on saving you money for years to come.
- Put draught strips around windows and outside doors and fit a flap across the letterbox.

### RECYCLING TIPS

Recycling is easy to do, especially if you follow these handy tips. Remember, when you recycle, you help save valuable natural resources and reduce waste

- Whether you are at home, school or work, don't waste paper, using both sides is a great way to save
- Donate magazines to friends, senior citizens, hospitals, doctors' offices, hospital waiting rooms, etc.
- Avoid aerosol cans. They have no practical reuse or recycling potential. Instead, look for products like hair spray or room freshener that come in pump spray bottles that are recyclable.
- If you bring home shopping bags, reuse them as bin bags or return them to the store for recycling. Most supermarkets now have recycling bins for plastic bags. Even better, bring your own bag with you when you go shopping.
- Compost your kitchen and garden waste at home. This can help reduce your waste by up to 25% and fertilize your soil (without having to buy expensive fertilizers).
- Make a list and buy only what you really need when you shop. Remember, perishable food ends up as waste in our landfills.
- Buy concentrates such as cleaners and detergents - they have far less packaging and are often more economical.
- Use sponges or rags instead of paper towels.
- Think "litterless" lunches for work or school. Place sandwiches, snacks and drinks in reusable plastic containers. Pack everything into a plastic lunch box.
- Cut up old towels and bed linens and use them for household chores such as dusting, or donate them to an animal shelter for pet bedding.
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In the same month, Fiat Auto recorded over 100,000 vehicle sales in Europe, which represents a 17.9% growth over January

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# ALERT OVER UNSAFE USE OF NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT

In-car navigation equipment could be proving to be more of a hindrance than a help to the nation's drivers, according to new research by safe driver champion, Privilege Insurance.

As satellite navigation systems become as common as CD players the research reveals that over one in ten drivers (11 per cent) have used the controls on their satellite navigation while driving, instead of programming their route before hitting the road. What's more, over half of these (53 per cent) admit that doing so meant that their eyes were taken off the road,

leading to driving danger.

Nearly one in eight (13 per cent) of drivers who use a satellite navigation device while driving confess to not spending any time planning a route they are unfamiliar with prior to setting off, relying heavily on the equipment to get them to their destination.

Its not just misuse of satellite navigation systems that can be a danger to drivers, the Privilege Insurance research reveals. Almost one in four (22 per cent) drivers admitted to reading a map while driving in the last twelve months, with

over a quarter of these (26 per cent) doing so at least once per month.

The majority of drivers using any form of navigational equipment while driving (75 per cent) spent up to 10 seconds doing so which, at 60mph, means the drivers would find themselves travelling twice the length of a football pitch\* without their full concentration on the road.

The navigational mayhem hotspots are the UK's cities, according to the Privilege research. Over a quarter (27 per cent) of drivers who used navigational equipment

while trying to negotiate their way around, did so in Britain's urban sprawls, compared to 20 per cent in the countryside and just seven per cent in a small town.

It seems that when it comes to safety, the satellite navigation systems can be more of a distraction to drivers than good, old-fashioned map reading. The Privilege Insurance research reveals that almost one in five (19 per cent) of drivers using the controls of their satellite navigation while driving lost concentration, compared to 17 per cent of those who read a map while behind the wheel.

## IT'S GOOD TO BLOG, SAYS HONDA

An internet blogging network that lets users create content and express opinion on well-known brands and products, is being supported by Honda (UK).

The 2TalkAbout site will provide a trusted community-based environment for users with similar interests and tastes to share unbiased information. Honda is the first major brand to commit to the project.

Visitors to 2TalkAbout can publish their views, respond to what other people are saying on the community and gain unbiased opinion and information about particular products and services.

The Honda-sponsored site is aimed at anyone with an interest in Honda cars – particularly the new Civic. Although the content will be completely independent from Honda, engineers will regularly log-on to contribute and respond to feedback, providing users with direct access to the brand.

"We like people talking about our cars," says John Goodbody, Website Manager at Honda (UK). "And now there's a blog site where you can discuss your Honda experiences with others or get a useful insight into Honda ownership. We encourage our customers to interact, and this is a great medium for doing just that."

David Rivier, 2TalkAbout Marketing Manager, says: "At 2TalkAbout we're passionate about bringing people together and encouraging dialogue, interaction and sharing views and content. We're pleased that Honda shares this vision and is the first sponsor to support our objectives."

Other companies, including some from the mobile communications, financial services and FMCG industries have already expressed a strong interest in participating on the 2TalkAbout network.

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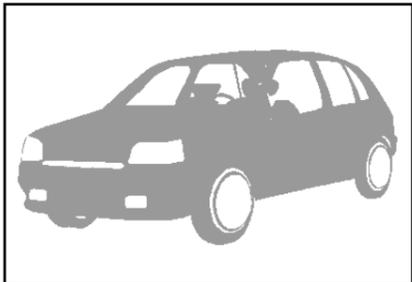


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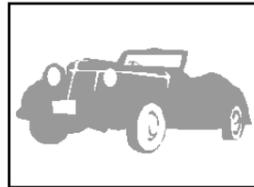


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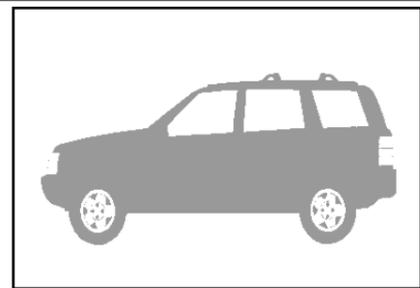


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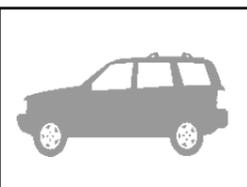


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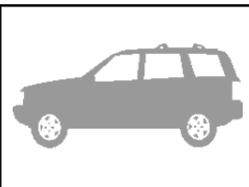


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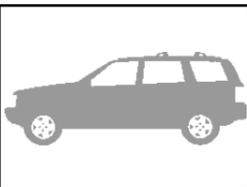


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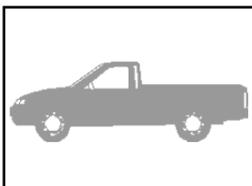


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**SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PLANS**

- Reference No: 06/00208/OUT
- Applicant: Mr R. Gilmour
- Proposal: Site for the erection of new dwelling house - Policies contravened - Strat 4, Kintyre Local Plan (1st review and alteration) 1988
- Site Address: Land At Quarry, East Of Largiemore Farm Kilkenzie Campbeltown Argyll PA28 6QD
- Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
- A18 Local Plan Potential Depart Adv (21)

Area Team Leader Development Control, Planning Services, 67 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig, Argyll PA30 8DX

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- Reference No: 06/00210/OUT
- Applicant: M And C Ralston
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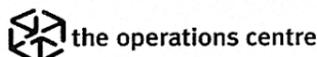
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**BIRTHS**

**BELL** - Stuart and Petra are pleased to announce the birth of Marcus on February 16, 2006, in Brisbane, a brother for Callum, Charlie and Sienna.

**McCALLUM** - Kevin and Lesley are delighted to announce the birth of their third son Kyle on February 15, 2006, at Wishaw General Hospital. A wee brother for Lewis and Scott.

**PARKER - WHITE** - Gordon and Lora are delighted to announce the safe arrival of their daughter, Ellie Caroline, born on February 18, 2006, at the Mid Argyll Hospital, a little sister for Kirstin, Hannah, Ian and Abbie and granddaughter for Robert and Sylvia White, Bridgend and Isabel Parker, Clydebank. Special thanks to the excellent midwifery team especially Jackie and Karen.

**ENGAGEMENT**

**McCALLUM - GILLIES** - Both families are thrilled to announce the engagement of William, younger son of Lamont and Margaret McCallum, Wellpark, Kilkenzie to Sharon, only daughter of Willie and Jacqueline Gillies, Kintyre Gardens, Campbeltown on February 14, 2006.

**DEATHS**

**KERR** - On February 18, 2006, peacefully at Duncuan Unit, Argyll & Bute Hospital Lochgilphead, Katharine Isobel Yuille, in her 97th year, beloved wife of the late, Maxwell Kerr and much loved mother of Jean, dear mother in law of Max and dearly loved gran of Karen and Stuart. Funeral service took place at Tarbert Parish Church, on February 23, 2006, interment thereafter at Carrick Cemetery.

**McCALLUM** - Suddenly, at home 15 Albyn Avenue, Campbeltown, on February 16, 2006, James Kerr McCallum (Jimmy) in his 80th year, dearly beloved husband of Mary Brodie, dearly loved father of Catriona, Margaret and the late Neil and a much loved and loving granda and great-granda.

**McGAUGHAY** - On February 17, 2006, peacefully at Ardfenaig Home, Ardrishaig, Agnes Brown Johnston in her 81st year, beloved wife of the late James McGaughay and much loved mum of Jim, dear mother-in-law of Jackie and loved gran of Ann. Funeral service took place at Cumlodden Parish Church on February 21, 2006, interment thereafter at Killeven Cemetery.

**McINTYRE** - Suddenly, but peacefully at his home in Northampton on February 16, 2006, Scott Gordon McIntyre in his 38th year, dearly beloved son of Duncan and Maria McIntyre, 100 Ralston Road, Campbeltown. Funeral private.

**SPREADBURY - MUIR** - Donna beloved wife of Alasdair, mother of Craig, daughter of Moira and the late Charles and much loved elder sister to Deirdrie and Charles, slipped away peacefully at home on Thursday, February 16, 2006, after a short illness courageously fought. Funeral service took place on Tuesday, February 21, 2006, at 10 a.m., with interment at Pennyfuir Cemetery.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

**HALL** - Marina and family of the late Maggie (Marguerite) Hall would like to thank friends, relatives and neighbours for all their kind support, cards, sympathy and assistance following their recent sad loss. Thanks also to all who paid their last respects at the church and graveside.

**MACCOLL** - the family of the late Jean MacColl wish to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the kind expressions of sympathy received at this very sad time. Heartfelt appreciation to the staff of Duncuan for their care and attention shown to Jean over the last two years. Very special thanks for the support given by the Rev. Roddy MacLeod and for a thoughtful and comforting service also sincere thanks to Roddy MacDonald and staff for the efficient and caring funeral arrangements.

**MARTIN** - The family of the late Lena Martin would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind support and expressions of sympathy following their recent sad loss. Thanks to the nurses and staff of the Mid Argyll Hospital and all the doctors who looked after Lena. Thanks also to Rev Richard West for his comforting service. Donald MacDonald and staff for their professional services and the Argyll Arms, Ardrishaig for a lovely purvey. A final thank you to all who paid their respects at church and graveside. The sum of £260 was collected for Cancer and Heart Research.

**SOUTHGATE** - The family of the late Michael Southgate would like to thank everyone for their kind support, cards and expressions of sympathy following their recent sad loss. Thanks to district nurses and carers and thanks to Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for their kind help and professional services. A very special thank you to Dr Findlayson for all his help and attendance.

**STEWART** - The family of the late Gordon C Stewart would like to thank most sincerely all relatives, neighbours, friends and past customers for their support and kind expressions of sympathy following their sad loss of Gordon. Thanks also to all those who attended the Church and Kilkerran, to the Rev. Burroughs for his comforting services and to Mr D Gardiner for playing Gordon's favourite music. Special thanks to all the staff at Auchinlee for their care and kindness shown to Gordon over the past 3 years. Our sincere gratitude to Mr H Thomson for his unfailing support to Gordon and the family over the years and for continuing their engineering business in Gordon's name. Thank you to Alasdair Blair for his personal and professional funeral arrangements. We are very grateful for your kind donations to the RNLI, Campbeltown.

**IN MEMORIAM**

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- Family at home and away.  
**MACKAY** - Remembering my dearly loved husband, Alex, who died on February 23, 2003. A greatly missed father, granddad, and great grandfather. No longer in our lives to share, But in our hearts you're always there, Loving memories keep you near, As time unfolds another year. God bless.

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 Junior Sunday School  
 Kirk Street Hall  
 Senior Sunday School Church  
 6.30 p.m. Evening Service  
 Kirk Street Hall  
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 7.30 p.m. Sunday School Teachers Meeting - Manse  
**Tuesday 28 February**  
 Badminton Club  
 Kirk Street Hall  
 6.30-7.45 p.m. P1s-P5s  
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 Speaker: **Stewart McGregor**  
**Thursday 2 March 2006**  
 7.30 p.m. Praise, worship and sharing  
**Saturday 4 March 2006**  
 Quarterly Prayer Breakfast 8 a.m.  
 Prayer and Praise ..... 9 a.m. All welcome  
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**Sunday 26 February 2006**  
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**Rev. Philip Burroughs**  
**Monday 27 February 2006**  
 Choir Concert for The Guild 7.30 p.m.  
**Tuesday 28 February 2006**  
 Mothers and Toddlers 9.45 a.m.  
 Kirk Session at 7.30 p.m.  
**Thursday 2 March 2006**  
 Choir Practice ..... 7.30 p.m.  
**Friday 3 March 2006**  
 Lunch Club ..... 12.15 p.m.

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 6.30 p.m. Evening Service Bible Study  
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# Icy conditions test winter league golfers

## Golf

EACH point won on rock-solid icy greens last Sunday at Lochgilhead Golf Club's winter league was a mini battle, three putting from three feet always a possibility.

Donald Johnson showed why he is second overall, playing with two handicap strokes, as he went out only three over nett. Donald moved up a gear as he birdied three of the first four after the turn. Three pars to finish maintained his momentum, and he is in good form going into the finals.

Iain McGlynn holed his second at the seventh for a useful birdie and came home in level par. Nine points saw him leapfrog Donald Carmichael for 11th place.

Three three-pointers in his front nine gave Iain MacInnes a very good chance of a high point tally, and he took advantage of

others' slip-ups to tie for second place with Iain McGlynn. Just beaten by a better inward half, Iain has qualified already and is playing well.

A steady finish gave Martin Barbour a chance to qualify alongside Kenneth MacAulay. Both will have to be in this week's top three to ensure a finals place. Eric Capocci reclaimed third from the absent Ross Sinclair and birdies the 13th along the way.

David Sinclair's lead has been four and eight recently, and after last week-end's round it stands at three. A lovely drive at the fourth led to his only birdie. John Downie picked up four welcome points, and he is likely to feature strongly in the 'duffers derby'.

Donald Carmichael put three more points between himself and the chasing pack, and will guarantee qualification if he can score even a single point this

week. Eight pars from Alex MacAulay was a good effort given the conditions, and he earned two points. Tom Cullen was enjoying his round, and his point saw him climb a place. His tee shot at the seventh was also 'nearest the pin'. The thoughts of all at the club are with Tom's wife Margaret as she faces up to life's heartaches, and everyone wishes her well.

There are two further rounds to play before qualification is confirmed, at which point the top 12 split into the final two-rounder, whilst the rest fight it out for the 'duffers derby' trophy.

### Result week 19

- 1 D Johnson (Qualified)
- 2 I McGlynn (11th)
- 3 I MacInnes (Qualified)
- 4 M Barber (13th)
- 5 E Capocci (Qualified)
- 6 D Sinclair (Qualified)
- 7 J Downie (16th)
- 8 D Carmichael (12th)
- 9 A MacAulay (Qualified)
- 10 T Cullen

## Ardrishaig shinty players host disco

### Lottery

ARDRISHAIG Junior Shinty Club held a Valentine's disco on Saturday February 18 in the North Church Hall, raising £170. Eighty children attended the disco, which raised funds to support the club. Thanks go to everyone from the youth centre for their help, and to Jason Brown of Ardrishaig, who gave up his free time to ensure the evening's success.

## No winners in Kilmory or Inveraray lottos

### Lottery

THERE were no winners from Kilmory Camanachd Club's lottery draw on Monday February 20, when the numbers draw were seven, 15 and 19. As a result, the jackpot for the draw on Monday February 27 will be £500.

The numbers drawn in Inveraray Shinty Club's lottery draw on the same day were six, nine and 15. As there were no winners, the jackpot for the draw on Monday February 27 will be £200.



## Mid Argyll youngsters urged to scrum and get it

Mid Argyll Rugby Club has begun coaching high school pupils every Wednesday at Mid Argyll Sports Centre. Coach Duncan Aitken hopes that more young players can be encouraged to attend the sessions. He said: 'We're hoping to start playing against Oban and Tobermory's S1 to S4 teams. We've had a few teams come up for games, and we're hoping to encourage more young players to take up rugby.' Anyone interested in joining in the rugby coaching can attend the sessions, which are organised in conjunction with Active Schools. Coaching takes place every Wednesday from 3.45pm in Mid Argyll Sports Centre. a08rug01

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# Tarbert hot shot targets Commonwealth gold

## Shooting

A TARBERT hot shot will be the youngest ever Scottish competitor in his discipline when he targets a Commonwealth Games medal next month.

Jonathan Reid, at 20-

years-old, is the country's youngest ever Olympic Trap Shooter at the games and is looking forward to pitting his wits against some of the world's best.

He told *The Argyllshire Advertiser*: 'I feel excited and proud to represent my

country and it's great that I am the youngest ever to shoot for Scotland at the games in the Olympic Trap event.'

Living in Tarbert makes it difficult for Jonathan to train, as the nearest shooting range available for prac-

tice is Dalry, North Ayrshire. His coach, Peter Croft, is based in Tamworth, near Birmingham. However, Jonathan gets most of his shooting practice through his job as a gamekeeper in Tayinloan.

Jonathan shot the required score at a competition in Ireland last August and is one of three in the Olympic Trap team which also includes Ossie MacLean (Glasgow) and Shona Marshall (Aberdeen).

The Tarbert man will compete in two events: an individual shoot and a two-

man shoot in which he will partner Ossie. Although he still shoots at junior level, Jonathan hopes to compete with the professionals who will be gunning for glory in Melbourne between March 15-26.

He said: 'I can't wait to get there and shoot with the other competitors. It will probably be the Australians looking to take top honours as they have the best shooters in the Commonwealth but if I beat my personal best by even one target I don't think I will be far from the medals.' Jonathan

has only been shooting since the age of 14 but has held the title of Scottish Junior Champion every year since 2000. He follows in the footsteps of his father, John, who shot for Scotland for 16 consecutive years.

Jonathan also turned out for the British Junior Team at last year's European Championship in Belgrade.

Despite his success, Jonathan admits it is difficult to gain sponsorship for his training and competition fees, which can be as much as £600 for one competition. He added: 'Sponsor-

ship is near impossible because as soon as you mention guns, potential sponsors just say, 'we don't do that kind of thing' but some local businesses have helped me out this year.'

He made the move to Olympic Trap from down the line shooting in order to fulfil his aspirations to shoot for Great Britain, a goal he could not achieve shooting down the line. Before he made the switch he shot alongside Oban's Catherine Fraser. Anyone interested in sponsoring Jonathan can call him on 01880 825514.



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Jonathan Reid shoots in the Olympic Trap event and will represent Scotland in next month's Commonwealth Games. t08jon2d

## Tarbert AFC lottery result

### Lottery

THE NUMBERS drawn in Tarbert AFC's lotto draw on Monday February 20 were nine, 10 and 20. As there were no winning tickets, the jackpot for the draw on Monday February 27 will be £200.

## Tarbert match rained off

### Football

TARBERT AFC's match with Shawlands 'B', set to take place on Saturday February 18, was called off by the Glasgow club the night before the match due to heavy rain in the days leading up to the fixture.

Tomorrow (Saturday Feb-

ruary 25), the Dookers, sponsored by the Islay Frigate Hotel, travel to East Kilbride, where they play Centre 'B' in the SAFL Division Two.

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