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Fears over future of sea rescue

PROPOSALS that the nation's search and rescue service be privatised have been met with disbelief and dismay by seafarers in Mid Argyll.

Whether they earn their living fishing, run commercial boats for tourism or just enjoy sailing the waters of the west coast, they would not want to see search and rescue in the hands of private operators.

Reports in the national press that the RAF, Royal Navy and coastguard rescue services are to be privatised have not been disputed by the Ministry of Defence, where it has been said that an announcement on the future of the services will be made soon. Last July the Ministry of Defence said it was considering unifying the service and privatising it.

There are 12 bases stretching the length of the UK; West Highland services are almost exclusively run from RAF Lossiemouth, HMS Gannet Prestwick, and the Coastguard at Stornoway. American and Canadian

companies are said to be amongst those who would be interested in winning the contract. One of the principle reasons for the move would be to cut costs as the existing fleet of Sea King helicopters is old and in need of replacement.

Peter Hogbin of Mid Argyll Sailing Club was concerned that any privatisation could result in rescue services becoming less effective.

Concerned

He said: 'I would be very concerned that there could be a detrimental effect on the service, and that feeling is shared with my fellow sailing club committee members.'

'It's an amazing service we get at the minute, a service which could be severely affected if it changed hands.'

'I would also imagine that there is a very big benefit at the moment to the men and women involved in these services through the training they are provided.'

David Wilkie, of Ardfern Yacht Centre, is also the president of the British Ma-

rine Federation Scotland and a member of the Royal Highland Yacht Club and Oban Sailing club. He has reservations about the idea of privatisation also.

'Once things become privatised it all depends on how they are run and it is almost inevitable that pounds, shillings and pence become the first part of the equation,' he said.

He added that in America yacht owners belonged to organisations like one called Sea Tow, which operate on the same principles as the RAC or AA.

Charged

'People subscribe to organisations like this and call them out; if you call on the US Coastguard for anything other than an act of God you can find yourself being very heavily charged,' said Mr Wilkie.

Argyll and Bute MP Alan Reid condemned the move as 'a ridiculous idea' and said he would oppose any moves to replace the highly skilled search and rescue crews with a privatised service.

Further delays to Mid Argyll Hospital

THE OPENING of the new Mid Argyll Hospital in Lochgilhead is to be delayed by a further month, NHS Highland has revealed.

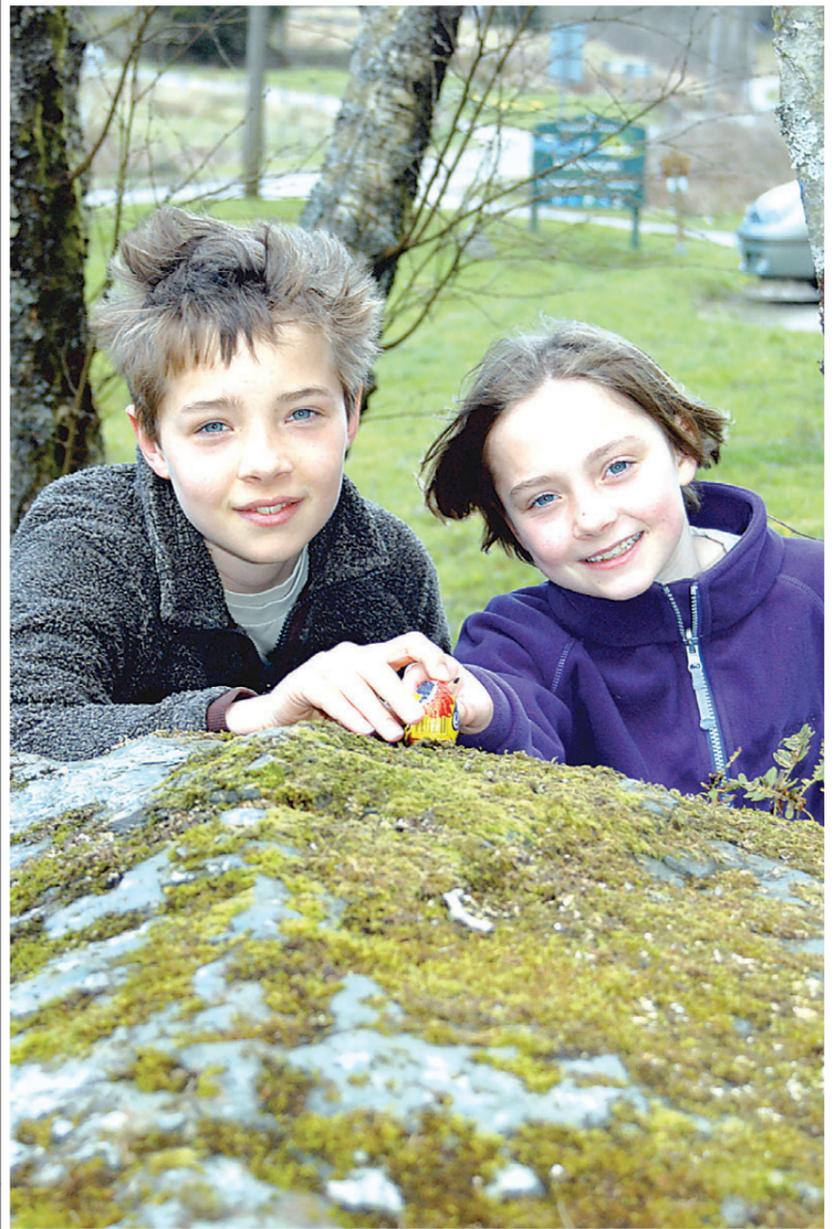
Work at the new building

on Manse Brae was due to be completed on Monday (April 17), when the hospital was due to be handed over by contractors the Cammore Partnership.

But it was announced this week that the building will now be handed over on May 15, almost a month later than originally planned.

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Easter egg-citement in Mid Argyll!



The team of 11-year-old Jack Lazenby and his nine-year-old sister Megan were first on the scene at the Forestry Commission Scotland's Easter Bunny Hunt at Barnluasgan, Knapdale, on Easter Monday (April 17). The pair, on holiday from Yorkshire, managed to unearth an Easter egg at the start of the hunt, which proved popular throughout the day despite heavy rain showers.

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No further strikes

FURTHER strike action in Argyll by public sector workers has been ruled out for the time being as trade unions have entered into negotiations with government officials in England.

Disrupted

Last month saw public sector workers striking across the UK and in Argyll services were badly disrupted as workers protested against changes to pension conditions. The strike forced the closure of many of the regions schools and other council-run services.

Trade unions were at loggerheads with government plans to scrap a rule letting some public sector

workers retire at 60 with a full pension if their age and the number of years worked added up to 85.

John Duncan, vice-chairman of UNISON's Argyll branch, said despite differences in the reasons behind the strikes in Scotland and England, the negotiations down south were likely to have a knock-on effect.

Legislation

Mr Duncan said: 'Their strike action is slightly different to us. The Local Government Association in England believes there is not enough money in the pension fund but in Scotland Finance Minister Tom McCabe is saying that the rule of 85 is in

breach of European legislation.'

'If there is a settlement down there then it is likely that the Scottish Executive will follow suit. That is what the smart money is on,' said Mr Duncan.

Decision

On Monday April 24 Mr Duncan and John Dunlop, who is UNISON's Argyll services and conditions officer, will attend a meeting of all the trade unions in Glasgow where a decision is expected on the issue.

Mr Duncan said strike action had been pencilled in for April 26 and selective action was also planned for May 3-5 before it was suspended.

Further delays to Mid Argyll Hospital

(Continued from page one) Stephen Wilson, project manager at the new building, said: 'The £18.4 million new Mid Argyll community hospital

will replace the previous 100-year-old wooden building and will bring together a range of local health and social care services.

'The new hospital will deliver not only state-of-the-art facilities, but also a new model of integrated care for the local community.

'Services have been redesigned from the patients' viewpoint and have been shaped with full involvement by the public, patients, NHS and local authority staff.

'Due to a number of construction difficulties, which have now been overcome, the official handover will now be taking place on May 15 - a month later than planned.

'The handover will be followed by a commissioning period to enable all staff occupying the building to familiarise themselves with the building and its systems and ensure equipment is fully tested before the facility becomes operational; thereafter services and staff will be moving in.'

The new building, which will be officially opened later this summer, will also house Lochgilhead's general practice surgery and dentist surgery.

Campaign begins to stop Tayinloan windfarm

ARGYLL'S wind farm watchdog is campaigning to try to stop plans going ahead for a wind farm near Tayinloan.

Argyllwindfarms.com (AWF) is in favour of renewable energy and supports appropriately-sited wind farms such as Beinn An Tuirc and Deucheran Hill.

However, AWF claims that plans by Eurus Energy UK to construct seven turbines on Largie Estate will destroy Kintyre's economy.

The turbines each measure 110 metres - almost double the height of those at Tanga - and AWF is concerned about the impact these could have on tourism and the Greenland

whitefronted geese which overwinter in the area each year. Eurus Energy UK first tried to get planning approval for the site in 1994 but it was turned down. The company has now submitted a revised application reducing the number of turbines in the development.

A spokesman for AWF said: 'AWF is aware that the monetary benefits to local communities and the importance of Vestas as an employer in Campbeltown can make many local residents feel guilty if they do not support each and every wind farm development in Kintyre.'

'However, with hundreds of wind farm proposals already in the pipeline for

Scotland, AWF believes it is crucial that only appropriately sited wind farm applications should be supported.

'The site is a mere 1.25 miles inland and the wind turbines proposed are on an unprecedented scale: each one is about the height of the Forth Rail Bridge. To locate a wind farm on the stretch of coastline between Ronachan and Tayinloan, which affords spectacular views across to the Paps of Jura, Gigha and Islay, could well threaten Kintyre's tourist economy.'

However, Tim Kirbie from Ecogen, Eurus Energy's partner company, disagreed with AWF's comments.

Mr Kirbie said: 'The turbines are not very visible and most of it is in forestry areas. Visibility really isn't that high even though the turbines are quite large.'

'There was a tourist study done two or three years ago about the impact of wind farms and more than half those questioned said they hadn't even spotted them. A lot of people even go and visit them.'

'As for the geese, we've been very careful about that. We've been working with Central Science Labs, a government agency which deals with the protection of birds from airports and the likelihood of collision, and they say there's no threat to the geese at all.'

Ardfenaig acknowledges Annie's actions



Residents of Ardfenaig Residential Home in Ardrishaig made a special presentation on Wednesday April 12, when they acknowledged the contribution of Annie McMillan and Florrie Gilchrist.

Organised by Friends of Ardfenaig, the afternoon of entertainment saw the ladies each receive a bouquet of flowers for their work at Annie's charity shop on Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig. Each year,

Annie donates the profits from the shop to local charities, a scheme which this year benefited Ardfenaig by £200. Pictured from left are Agnes MacDonald, Florrie Gilchrist, Annie MacMillan and Janet Cormack. a16ard01

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Police Files

Barrow stolen

A SACK barrow was stolen from Union Street, Lochgilphead, in the early evening on Wednesday April 12.

Ardrishaig vandalism

ARDRISHAIG Bowling Club was vandalised on Wednesday April 12. Anyone with information should contact Lochgilphead Police Station.

Minard accident

THE FEMALE driver of a car involved in an accident on the A83 near Minard on Wednesday April 12 was uninjured.

Window broken

A WINDOW at Lochgilphead High School was broken on Wednesday April 12. Anyone with information should contact Lochgilphead Police Station.

Ardrishaig accident

TWO VEHICLES were involved in an accident on the A83 in Ardrishaig on Thursday April 13. One of the vehicles left the road and landed on the beach. No-one was injured.

Seats damaged

SUMMER seats on the promenade, Barmore Road, Tarbert, were vandalised at some point last week. Police are appealing for information.

Inveraray accident

A CAR ended up on its roof following an accident on the A83 near Inveraray coastguard station on Saturday April 15. The male driver was uninjured.

Lochgilphead Police Station
01546 702200

Mid Argyll on their bikes for charity



A group of bikers from Mid Argyll were amongst thousands who took part in the Motorcycle Action Group's Easter Egg Run charity ride through Glasgow on Easter Sunday. Riding a wide range of machines, the bikers set off from Mid Argyll Swimming Pool on Sunday morning, bound for Yorkhill Hospital in Glasgow. They were joined in Tarbet by members of Mid Argyll Dames Motorcycle Club. As well as taking Easter eggs for the hospital's young patients, the riders raised more than £900 in donations. Upon arriving, the bikers took part in a 40 minute ride around the centre of Glasgow. a16bk01

Walkers make breakthrough



A sponsored walk on Mothers' Day raised £1,600 for Breakthrough Breast Cancer. Walkers left from Riverside Filling Station In Lochgilphead and headed along the Crinan Canal, despite high winds and heavy rain throughout the day. The group is pictured shortly before setting off. a13bre01

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Argyll bird register to combat avian flu

FOLLOWING the discovery of bird flu in Scotland, Argyll and Bute Council is set to launch a voluntary registration scheme for people who keep birds.

It is hoped that the scheme will be fully launched in the next week, when a hotline number will be made available and publicised for bird keepers wishing to order a registration pack over the phone.

Council officials hope that the scheme will encourage all those who keep hens, geese, pigeons or any other breed of bird which may spend all or part of the time outdoors to register their birds.

Susan Mair, head of legal and protective services with Argyll and Bute Council, said: 'Argyll and Bute is not traditionally seen as being a poultry-producing area, but the pattern of poultry and bird ownership is characterised by a large number of keepers with very small flocks.'

'Because these generally come into the 'less than 50 birds' category, they are not required to be registered with the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, and therefore do not receive news releases from the Scottish Executive Environment and Rural Affairs department.'

'Over the past few weeks, a number of these keepers have expressed concern about being outside this loop and it is in response to these concerns that we are setting up this voluntary registration scheme. It is very much in people's interest to register and we hope the scheme will be of real benefit. We plan to have it up and running in a matter of days.'

Further information and a downloadable registration form is available on Argyll and Bute Council's website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/birdflu and the DEFRA and Scottish Executive websites.

MSP Lyon selected to fight Argyll again

ARGYLL and Bute MSP George Lyon has been selected to fight the same seat for the Liberal Democrats at next year's election.

At a meeting of the Argyll and Bute Liberal Democrats in Oban on Saturday April 8, Mr Lyon was unanimously selected to fight the Scottish Parliament Election.

He said: 'I am very proud and pleased to accept the nomination on behalf of Argyll and Bute Liberal Democrats for the constituency. I believe that after our fantastic by-election win in Dunfermline, the Liberal Democrats are in a strong position to make significant progress in the general election next year.'

'I will continue to work hard on behalf of my constituents in Argyll and Bute in the coming year and I look forward to contesting the seat successfully in next year's election.'

Councillor Rory Colville, chairman of Argyll and Bute Liberal Democrats, said: 'We are delighted that George has been re-selected to contest the Argyll and Bute seat on behalf of the Liberal Democrats. With George in Holyrood and Alan Reid in Westminster, the Liberal Democrats have

a powerful team fighting Argyll and Bute's corner at all levels of government in the UK. George has a well-proven track record of unstinting hard work, loyalty and dedication to the people of Argyll and Bute and I believe it will stand him in good stead in the forthcoming election.'

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Three months into church challenge

THREE months into Ardishaig Parish Church's Body, Mind and Soul Challenge, organiser Ruth Carruthers reports mixed results across the various league tables.

'In some there have been lots of games played, and people have really taken up the challenge to meet and compete. Mostly I'm getting reports of the enjoyment people are finding in taking part in mental or physical challenges, but there are frustrations too that it's hard to find the time, or that other people on the ladder are not issuing challenges to those above them. Sadly, no one has yet told me how brilliant it's been to store away one of the memory verses, which is a shame - it was meant to exercise the soul as well!'

With Easter just past, it seems only fitting that the memory verse for the Body, Mind and Soul Challenge has changed to Luke chapter 23 verse 42 - the words of the thief crucified next to Jesus.

'Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.'

This will be the verse to remember for the rest of this month, and it should be echoing around the Mid-Argyll Sports Centre at two special events due to take place there soon.

The third 'Squash Squash' will be held on Friday April 28 from 7-9pm. These events have been very well supported and the rivalry is building as the weeks go by. James McLellan is still holding on to his lead in this discipline, but hot contenders

are coming through to challenge him. A handicap system may be introduced in coming months.

Although badminton is the most popular of the disciplines with 26 contenders, matches have been few and far between, so in an attempt to speed things along, there is to be a badminton challenge afternoon at Mid Argyll Sports Centre on Sunday April 22 from 2pm.

Current leader Hayleigh Weldon will need to look out as several keen young players (and some not so young ones!) will be after that top slot.

Even at this stage, people are still welcome to sign up and join the Body, Mind and Soul challenge. Anyone interested should contact Ruth Carruthers on 01546 603269.

Search is on for Argyll and Bute's top volunteers



Last year's winners from the Argyll and Bute Volunteer Awards

NOMINATIONS are being invited for the Argyll and Bute Volunteer Awards 2006.

Individuals and groups can be nominated for the annual awards, which will be presented on June 9 in Lochgilphead, at the culmination of volunteers week.

Nominations are invited in four categories: Young Volunteer of the Year, Volunteer of the Year, Voluntary Organisation of the Year and Employee of the Year.

Nominees could be well-known volunteers in the community, people who do lots of volunteering, or they could

be someone who volunteers in difficult or trying circumstances. Last year's winners in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay were Susan Paterson and Martin Gorringer.

For more information or a nomination form, contact Argyll and Bute Volunteer Centre on 01688 302500, or the local centre on 01586 544744.

Alternatively, you can send an email to admin.abvc@tiscali.co.uk or download forms from www.volunteeargyllandbute.org.uk. Nominations close on May 5.

SCIAF appoints Mid Argyll woman as ambassador

A MID Argyll woman is embarking on a fundraising campaign to help some of the world's poorest people.

Marian Pallister has been appointed Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund (SCIAF) ambassador for Argyll and the Isles diocese, a role that will take her to Kenya and Tanzania in late June and early July to help with HIV and AIDS projects.

Marian said: 'I need to raise funds for the trip, as

money raised by the charity is used in the projects.

'I'll be looking to organise a coffee morning and an illustrated talk on our work in Africa.'

Marian will also be undertaking two sponsored walks to help raise funds. The first will take place in Dunkeld, when she will be accompanied by her seven fellow SCIAF ambassadors.

The second walk will see Marian complete two sections of the Kintyre Way;

the first from Tarbert to Skipness and the second from Saddle to Campbeltown.

Whilst the work in Kenya and Tanzania represents a new project for Marian, she is set to continue her work with groups in Zambia.

She said: 'We're looking at bringing a culture group to Scotland in August.'

'They'll be doing performances and workshops, and we hope that people will come along to watch.

We're also hoping that people in Mid Argyll will welcome the boys into their homes. Our group was made very welcome in Zambia, and I hope that Mid Argyll can reciprocate.'

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Lochgair residents spruce up beach



The Lochgair Association held a beach clean on the morning of Saturday April 15. Despite wet weather, 41 people, many of them children, took part, cleaning the beach from just south of the fish farm at Ardcastle to Port Ann, including all of Loch Gair. The main 'black spots' were at the Port Ann end, which had not been cleaned before. In the afternoon, 76 people enjoyed a barbecue and a children's treasure hunt. The beach clean was sponsored by The Argyll Trust, Campbell Cleaning Services, the Forestry Commission and Argyll and Bute Council.

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Support Team Jolomo

TEAM Jolomo, a group which plans to tackle two charity events, will walk 70 miles and cycle 40 over a 36-hour period in June.

The team has been named Jolomo in honour of local artist John Lowrie Morrison. Mr Morrison has agreed to sponsor the group and donate the proceeds from the auction of a painting to support their attempt.

The endurance events will raise money for Scottish Community Charities, Cancer Research UK, CHAS and Habitat for Humanity.

The Jolomo team will be made up of: Rebecca Helliwell, Jeremy Phillips, Hazel Whiston, Richard Barrie, Lucy Masterton and Stephen Whiston.

All six will attempt to complete both the State Street Caledonian challenge and the Rob Roy challenge to cover the distance.

Mr Whiston said: 'I needed something to work off all those Tunnocks Tea Cakes and I thought it would help my cycling training for the Mid Argyll Triathlon.'

'But nobody told me I had to walk so far to get my bike!'

To help raise money, the team is holding a Rob Roy ceilidh dinner and dance tomorrow (Saturday April 22) in the Stonefield Castle Hotel near Tarbert.

Tickets, priced at £25, will include dinner, music and a grand auction.

To order a ticket call 01546 606424.

Falkirk to host Mod

THE ROYAL National Mod will be staged in Falkirk in 2008 for the first time ever.

The announcement was made at the Falkirk Wheel at an event attended by representatives from Falkirk Council, An Comunn Gaidhealach and members of Falkirk Junior Gaelic Choir.

Falkirk Council representatives will also attend this year's Royal National Mod, which takes place in Dunoon from October 13-21 and will ensure a major presence at Mod 2007 when it takes place in Lochaber.

No more weighting as new Slimming World class opens



Jennifer McLean is celebrating losing two-and-a-half stone by starting up her own slimming club. a16jen01

WHEN she's at work in Lochgilhead's Bank of Scotland Jennifer McLean spends her day encouraging people to save their pounds.

But now the Tarbert woman plans to help Mid Argyll folk lose a few pounds as well.

She has been inspired to start a new slimming class in Lochgilhead after losing two-and-a-half stone.

The first class will take place in the Argyll Hotel at 6.30pm on Monday April 24.

Jennifer has been following Slimming World's

healthy eating plan Food Optimising for over a year now. She is delighted with her new look and can't believe how easy her journey has been.

She said: 'I am married with two young sons and I was amazed how the healthy eating plan fitted in to every day life for the whole family.'

'Nothing had to be put on hold over the last year. Food Optimising was so flexible I still managed to socialise and have my weekly treat from the local Chinese takeaway.'

She added: 'It was the first diet I have ever been on where you could eat as much of what you wanted and not even count a single calorie.'

Support

The help and support Jennifer received from her own consultant, Lesley Jeffries, has led to her decision to start a new class in Lochgilhead.

Jennifer said: 'I am looking forward to helping and supporting as many people as possible to feel good and make them more confident about themselves.'

Health services stay the same in Mid Argyll

IT'S BUSINESS as usual for NHS patients in Argyll following the transfer of NHS Argyll and Clyde between NHS Highland and NHS Greater Glasgow.

Debt-ridden NHS Argyll and Clyde was abolished on April 1, but there should be no effect on patients, according to the clinical director of Argyll and Bute Community Health Partnership. Dr Erik

Jespersen said: 'Patients are still being seen today by the same people, in the same hospitals and clinics as they were before.'

'There is no big bang and no big changes as far as patients are concerned. Where it counts, at the frontline, patients will continue to get the same services and go to the same hospitals as they always have.'

Community council opposes parking charges

LOCHGILPHEAD Community Council is opposed to plans to introduce parking charges in the town centre.

At last week's community council meeting members decided that when the plans went out for consultation, they would make a formal objection. Argyll and Bute Council hopes to introduce the charges this summer.

Plans for new Burns club in Inveraray

INVERARAY, the most northerly point reached by Robert Burns on his West Highland tour, is to honour the memory of Scotland's bard by forming its own Burns Club.

Burns suppers have been held in the area for many years and by numerous clubs, but these are regarded as social events which keep alive his memory for just a few weeks of the year.

Plans for a club honouring Burns' life and works throughout the year were first hatched by three enthusiasts at a Burns Supper held in the George Hotel in January this year.

Jim McCulloch, manager of Argyll Caravan Park, a native of Ayrshire and lifelong Burnsian, said: 'Not everyone knows that Inveraray was the furthest north Burns travelled on his West Highland tour in 1787.'

'It is only fitting that when there are hundreds of Burns clubs scattered throughout the world, that he is remembered in this way in Inveraray.'

A meeting to develop the club, elect a management committee and decide on a constitution will take place in the George Hotel on Friday April 28 at 7.30pm. Everyone, whether male or female, local or regular visitor, is welcome to attend.

Jim McMillan of Inveraray, who also hails from Ayrshire and is a member of Cumnock Burns Club, said: 'Obviously it is for the new members to decide the direction of the club, but I would envisage that we would meet perhaps three times a year in a spirit of friendship and conviviality in a manner which Burns himself would have enjoyed.'

'As well as the social side, I would hope that we could develop and discuss particular themes or aspects of his life and maybe in time arrange outings to places of interest.'

The founding members hope that the club could develop a verse speaking or song competition to help foster an interest in Burns amongst local schoolchildren.

Kenny Stark of Garron Bridge said: 'Much of what Burns said, and his philosophy of life, is as relevant today as it was in the 18th century.'

'Despite hardship, he was a man who knew how to enjoy himself, and would not do another a bad turn. He lived life to the full and enjoyed it in all its ups and downs.'

For more information on the fledgling Inveraray Burns Club, visit www.inverarayburnsclub.org.uk. Contact details for the three Burns enthusiasts founding the club are available on this website.

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FOR A year, Gail's Snack Bar has been serving the needs of Lochgilphead's hungry tradesmen, office workers and tourists, dishing up fine fast food at Kilmory Industrial Estate and beyond.

As the business celebrates its first birthday, proprietor Gail Cook has her eyes on further success by feeding more of Mid Argyll's hungry workers.

"The first year's been really busy, especially in

the summer," said Gail.

"I'm hoping to put a Mr Whippy ice cream machine in to make this summer even busier."

With the snack bar spending most of its time parked at Kilmory Industrial Estate, the vast majority of Gail's customers work in and around the estate. She said: "It is mostly people from the industrial estate, and the building work at the new school and at the water works has meant we've been really busy recently."

"I'd like to thank all the local businesses who have supported me so far and who will hopefully continue to support me for the rest of the years I'm here."

Gail already has her eyes on making the business bigger and busier.

"I'd like to build it up by doing more local shows, as there are still people who don't know that I'm here."

"I have done some outside catering already, at



David Crook of Smart Successful Solutions samples one of Gail's top-selling bacon rolls.

the Mid Argyll Car Club autocross events and at the fireworks in Lochgilphead and Inveraray last year.

"I'd also like to be able to have the snack bar open in the town centre when the pubs close on Friday and Saturday nights."

With support from Argyll and the Islands Enterprise, Gail opened the snack bar after several years working for the Scottish Co-op in Lochgilphead and Balloch. She said: "I was operations manager with the Co-op in Balloch and did

their management programme.

"I've got an SVQ in retail management and a modern apprenticeship in food retail, but I just wanted to try something for myself. I thought a snack bar was well-needed up at Kilmory."

She was right, as a steady stream of customers has kept her busy all year long.

"I serve about 30 customers a day, but last Wednesday, when we served 58 people, was the busiest yet."

"My biggest seller is bacon rolls, but I've got a new menu for the summer and have also started doing buffet lunches, which can be delivered and set up at people's offices."

When she's not serving food to her ever-growing number of customers, Gail is a volunteer firefighter with Strathclyde Fire and Rescue in Minard and a first aider with the Red Cross.



Neville Carter stopped on his journey through Lochgilphead to buy a burger at Gail's Snack Bar

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Kintyre makes an exhibition of itself for Tarbert Hall

WITH fundraising for the new Tarbert Village Hall continuing apace, plans are currently being drawn up for a photographic exhibition in the village exploring the history of Kintyre.

Kintyre - Past and Present, to be held on Saturday 2 September and Sunday September 3, will display pictures submitted by people from the length and breadth of Kintyre. Organisers hope that local people will contribute their own photographs to the show and help to make the event a success.

The exhibition will cover all aspects of life in Kintyre, featuring photographs of people, places, buildings, industry and events on the peninsula.

Organiser Mike Rimmer said: 'It is hoped that the exhibition will attract many visitors, but without your pictures, the event will not take place!'

Anyone who would like to submit photographs to the exhibition can send them to Kintyre Past and Present, Islay Cottage, Garval Road, Tarbert, Argyll. PA29 6TR.

Photographs should be safely packed in an envelope, with the sender's name and address, and any information about the photograph. A stamped, self-addressed envelope should also be included to ensure safe return of the photographs after the exhibition. All submissions should be received by August 28.

Anyone who would like to submit large, heavy or framed pictures can do so at the venue, but prior notice is preferred by calling 01880 820096.

The Kintyre and Knapdale Photographic Competition will also form part of the exhibition. The contest is split into four categories: the Children 11 years old and under contest has the theme 'My friends'; Children 16 years and under - 'Reflection'; Adults' theme one - 'Nature'; theme two - 'People'. There is also an open category for anyone to submit a digitally-enhanced photograph from any of the themes. Entry is restricted to residents of Kintyre and Knapdale, including Crinan, Cairnbaan and Lochgilhead.

For more information on the competition or the Kintyre - Past and Present exhibition, call 01880 820096.

SWRI News

Whitehouse bulb show

WHITEHOUSE SWRI recently hosted a joint bulb show with Clachan and Largside institutes.

The judges for the evening were Mary Semple and Anne McArthur from Ormsary and Kilberry Institute. Cup winners were:

Floral Cup: G Lewin and R Talbot

Baking Cup: J MacCallum

Liz Dale Trophy: Mary McDonald and Rita Talbot

MacGregor Smith Trough: Pauline Simson

Institute Points:

Largside 193

Clachan 143

Whitehouse 118

At their March meeting, members of Whitehouse SWRI enjoyed some beautiful slides of Iona, as well as a talk and a sketch by Marilyn Shedd and Maggie Godfrey of Muasdale. Hostesses for the evening were Christine Inglis and Annette MacLulich. Raffle winner was A Sillars.

Spring in the air at Ford

FORD WRI met in Ford Hall on Tuesday April 4. After business, president Sheena McNair introduced Isobel Soudan to an appreciative audience of members and visitors.

Very quickly and deftly, Isobel had the hall looking spring-like as she did her special flower arrangements and gave tips on this art in an amusing way.

Afterwards, the audience was invited to do their own thing with help from Isobel. This was most enjoyable and the results were full of colour.

A warm vote of thanks was given by Val Willis. Tea and a raffle ended an excellent evening.

The flower arrangement in a tea cup was won by Sheena McNair. Sue Phillis was second and Mairi McPhee third.

Joggers reach season's finish line

Lochgilhead's JogScotland group has grown in numbers in the few short weeks it has been running, with a large group of participants improving their fitness by jogging in and around the town. The group held its final meeting of the season on Sunday March 26 with a fun run through Ardcastle woods. A large group of joggers took part, despite heavy rain. a13jog01



Mid Argyll invited to Co-op AGM

SCOTTISH Co-op members from Mid Argyll have been invited to attend next month's national annual general meeting in Glenrothes.

Gerard Hill, Scottish Co-op secretary, said: 'The meeting gives individual members the opportunity to hear and comment on our business performance with area management staff on hand to answer specific queries about local issues.'

'In addition, it plays a major role in helping to raise awareness of the Co-op as a consumer-owned democratic organisation.'

The meeting will be held in Rothes Hall, Glenrothes, on Saturday May 6, running from 10.30am until 3.30pm. Lunch will be provided. Transport to the event is available from central pick-up points. For more information, call 0800 015 1147.

Community councillors' CCTV call

AFTER yet another shop window has been smashed in Lochgilhead town centre, the community council has highlighted the need for CCTV.

The most recent shop window to have been smashed is that of the Scottish International Relief charity shop in Argyll Street.

At the Lochgilhead Community Council meeting, Brian Christie suggested they make a log of every instance of a window being smashed in the town throughout the year. He thought they could use the figures to highlight the need for CCTV in the town centre.

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Thought for the week

WE THINK of Russia being Communist rather than Christian. But before 1917 much Russian thinking was influenced by the Christian faith. For example, think of the names we have given to the days of the week. Sunday is named after a sun god. Thursday got its name from Thor, the Norse god of war. In Russian, the day we called Sunday is Voskresenie, which means 'the day of resurrection'. Even the Communists didn't change the name of the day. So each time Lenin and Stalin used the Russian word for Sunday they referred to the day of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ! Ironic, isn't it?

Those who named Sunday Voskresenie did so because they saw every Sunday as a celebration of the rising of Christ on the first Easter day. For us here in the West, Easter is over; the eggs are eaten. But let's learn from Russian believers of bygone days and carry the joy of the resurrection throughout the year. 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? Jesus is not here; he has risen!' Praise the Lord!
(see Luke 24:5-6) IH

Down Memory Lane



This week's Down Memory Lane picture, submitted by Angus Bradley of Stag Park, Lochgilhead, shows a band preparing for a concert at the Community Centre, Lochgilhead. Pictured from left are Norman Munro, Archie John McVicar, Jimmy Bradley on drums, Jimmy Ross on five row button accordion, Stephen Provan on keyboard, and Len Ross.

Those Were The Days

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Former Argyll teacher's new post

ARGYLL'S divisional education officer Dr Charles E Stewart has been appointed as the new director of education for the Highland Region.

Dr Stewart, aged 49, came to Argyll as director of education in 1971. The son of a chemist, he was born in Glasgow and educated at the High School of Glasgow, Glasgow University and the Royal Technical College.

Dr Stewart entered teaching in 1957 and at Campbelltown Grammar he wrote the thesis for the PHD degree awarded to him in November 1957.

He was later principal teacher of science at Invergordon Academy and head of the new physics department at Inverness Royal Academy.

In 1971 he became director of education for Argyll.

MP criticises self-catering valuations

THE HIGH rates being set for self-catering properties were pointed out in the House of Commons by Argyll MP John MacKay this week.

During a debate on the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill he said that although revaluation was not due until 1983, it seemed to be going on all the time in these properties.

Mr MacKay said: 'A certain class of subject, namely self-catering subjects are being quietly re-classified by the assessor. They are receiving thumping great assessments which place their whole economic position in doubt. The assessor is attempting to relate their gross annual value to a percentage of their turnover. This is very serious.'

'The assessor started off at 30-40 per cent and that figure has been reduced on appeal to something like 20-25 per cent.'

Rethink of priorities required

Sir,
Many of your readers have been moved by the news that Murdo Macdonald, 'our' archivist, retired on March 31.

Equally, a great many have expressed, publicly and privately, total outrage that Argyll and Bute Council does not propose to replace Murdo with a full-time archivist.

It would be hard to find a replacement of Murdo's calibre, but councillors, and the council executive, should be truly ashamed of themselves.

Argyll and Bute Council has precious little to be proud of these days, but our hard-working, eternally obliging and distinguished archivist brought, through his office, a huge amount of goodwill to Argyll and its inhabitants, not

least from expatriates and those seeking an Argyll connection.

He also engendered a sense of belonging for those whose interest in Argyll persuaded them to live and work in this economically fragile area.

It is short-sighted and ignorant in extreme to effectively destroy one of the real assets the council was entrusted with on behalf of us all.

The council has to rethink its priorities and strategies. There are scores of people working for Argyll and Bute Council at all levels and in many departments who would never be missed or even noticed if they were to lose their well-paid jobs tomorrow.

The loss of the archivist's post, however, will be sorely felt at home and abroad.

I join with many others in wishing Murdo a very long and enjoyable retirement.

Neil Duncan, Stonefield Farms, Tarbert.

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In my defence

Sir,
I hope I will be allowed to defend myself against Moyra Logan's attack on my integrity and credibility as a letter writer in last week's edition of *The Argyllshire Advertiser*.

I am accused of writing ill-informed letters. Certainly it is difficult, even as a member, to get genuine, un-spun information about Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust (TSCT). However, I remain confident that my letters are grounded in fact. In my earlier letter I described the claim that the trust was set up by Tarbert and Skipness people as 'spin' because the HIE's Community Land Unit (a) arranged for the legal work to be done by a firm which is expert in that field; (b) paid all the costs of the setting up; and (c) generally paved the way for the cost-free founding of a community company in our area.

HIE has never implied otherwise. The claim that Tarbert and Skipness people set up the trust overplays their minimal part in the setting up and

underplays everyone else's. Therefore it amounts to spin: end of story.

Five directors were elected by secret ballot and they later got together to decide to co-opt four more, including both Mrs Logan and her husband. As I stated, on that night control of the trust was taken away from us and a lot of people who were keen to get involved were excluded from playing a full part in the trust. It was our own fault for allowing events to take the course they did but that does not invalidate my claim that there was an assault on democracy right at the trust's birth. And, of course, I am disappointed at not being elected to the board. I am now the only member of any 'old' Tarbert family who puts himself forward as a candidate for election. There is a healthy number of incomers and some very recent arrivals to the area on the board, but how it can be representative of the population without including anyone whose roots are in Tarbert beats me - perhaps Mrs Logan can explain? I am also accused of being 'snide', 'vituperative' and 'carping'. There is maybe (some) truth there, for behind everything I have

written about TSCT lies my frustration at watching something which should be drawing the community together causing divisions and weakening us.

Mrs Logan wants more volunteers to work for the trust. So do I: but I want them working in the boardroom too. Above all I want the trust to fulfil its potential, and the purpose of these letters is to pursue that goal by informing people of where the present directors, by their remoteness, exclusivity and aversion to straight-talking are failing the trust and letting us all down.

I make no apology for writing them.

Arthur McFarlane, Mount Pleasant, Tarbert.

The Argyllshire Advertiser will not publish any further correspondence on this subject.

Wind farm versus geese

Sir,
I am appalled to hear that the developers of Largie windfarm are again trying for planning permission some 10 years after being turned down by the secretary of state.

If you or I went out with a

gun and shot 400 protected birds we could expect no clemency from the law.

Yet the developers predict and propose to kill over 400 birds with their seven bird chopping giant turbines over the life-time of their windfarm.

Anyone, councillor, planner or other interested body who contributes to permission for such a despicable development is knowingly going to kill our rare white fronted geese and should be just as culpable as any individual with a gun.

The European law (habitat directive 92/43/EEC articles 15 and 16) are quite specific.

All indiscriminate means of killing of protected species are prohibited.

We must give these endangered birds the full protection they deserve or those responsible will face the consequences in the European courts.

May I ask your readers to condemn the Largie Wind farm application to the bin

it deserves by objecting forcefully to Argyll and Bute Council.

Steve Stobie, Kilberry Road, Tarbert.

Please run for us

Sir,
The Meningitis Trust is looking for women to take part in the Britannic Asstest Women's 10K in Glasgow on May 21.

Join thousands of women and girls at Bellahouston Park and have a great day out whilst helping to raise money to fight meningitis.

If any of your readers would like to run for the trust, they should call me as soon as possible.

I can promise we'll look after you every step of the way before and after the race.

Seonaid Crawford, Regional Development Officer, Meningitis Trust.
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Lochgilphead's newest shop opens its doors

LOCHGILPHEAD'S newest shop opened last week, providing good quality, specialist food across Mid Argyll.

Angela and Philip Rowlands, pictured right, opened The Rowan Tree Delicatessen at 21 Lochnell Street after spotting a gap in the local market.

Philip said: 'We have two children who are additive intolerant, and after researching the subject, we thought we could pass on our experiences by selling goods free from additives.'

'We cater for people with special dietary needs or preferences, as it was hard to get these foods in Mid Argyll before hand.'

The Rowlands bake their own bread in the shop throughout the day. They also sell farmhouse cheeses from a specialist cheesemonger. 'We try to stock as many Scottish products as is possible within our range,' said Philip.

'We also buy direct from national importers. Our Spanish foods all come from Spanish importers, our

French food from French importers and our Italian food from Italian importers.'

The Rowan Tree also sells coffee beans roasted in Crieff, which can be purchased fresh or ground. The shop's 'house coffee' is a beech roasted Italian coffee.

Philip said: 'We sell gluten-free pasta, and wherever possible, our products are organic. We can also source high quality vegetarian foods, and we're happy to supply bulk orders to hotels and guest houses.'



Town man wins top award

A MAN who was born and raised in Campbeltown has won a prestigious award in *The Rutland and Stamford Mercury* newspaper's first ever business awards.

Duncan McSporrán, who is the son of Margaret McSporrán, Peninver, and the late Archie McSporrán,

won over the judges to win him the title of Business Personality.

Mr McSporrán, pictured above receiving his award, was an aircraft engineer in the Royal Air Force for 22 years before giving it all up to help establish the Westside Health and Fitness Club in Stamford 10

years ago. Since Mr McSporrán became the general manager of the club, it has expanded four times and now boasts a membership of 1,800.

The 46-year-old has always been a fitness enthusiast and his focus is on keeping his customers happy.

M&S honoured for contribution to aquaculture

UK RETAILER Marks and Spencer was honoured for its contribution to the aquaculture industry at a prestigious awards ceremony in Edinburgh.

The company was presented with the inaugural *Fish Farmer* magazine 'Fit for the Future' award at the Aquaculture Today 2006 gala dinner, held at the Sheraton Grand Hotel in Edinburgh.

The award, which recognises outstanding achievement and innovation in aquaculture, was judged by a panel of industry experts including Bob Kennedy, senior editor of *Fish Farmer* magazine.

Commenting on the award, Mr Kennedy said: 'The winners' shortlist demonstrates the diverse and innovative nature of today's industry.'

'Marks and Spencer has

made a tremendous contribution to the UK aquaculture industry, and has in fact worked closely with several of our nominees, and it was only right and fitting that it be the first recipient of this award.'

The winners' shortlist consisted: Karol Rzepkowski and Laurent Viguie of Johnson Seafarms for pioneering development; Walter Speirs of the Scottish Shellfish Marketing Group for helping to promote growth of the mussel industry; the SMILE project for addressing environmentally sustainable aquaculture by using an integrated ecosystem approach; Stirling Institute of Aquaculture for RAFOA - Research into Alternatives to Fish Oils in Aquaculture; Marks and Spencer for co-operation with the aquaculture industry in research

and development covering a number of farmed species; Young's Bluecrest Seafood Ltd for commercial commitment to the future of seafood an raising the profile of aquaculture produce through effective promotion; National Lobster Hatchery, Padstow, for its innovative re-stocking project, funded through various initiatives; and Loch Fyne Oysters for promoting consumption of luxury aquaculture products.

Finalists in a new industry-backed awards scheme from the Crown Estate, which recognises innovation and best practice in salmon farming, were also announced.

The award winners will be announced at a ceremony in Inverness on June 1.

Jobless total rises in Argyll

UNEMPLOYMENT in Campbeltown rose by a massive 21.4 per cent during January according to a monthly economic report by Inverness-based Mackay Consultants.

These figures show that 43 more people became unemployed in the town at the start of the year.

Compared with the same month in 2005, however, the number of people out of work in the area has actually fallen by 15.9 per cent.

Lochgilphead saw a 12.1 per cent increase in the number of people signing on whilst Oban's unemployment rose by 13.7 per cent.

Unemployment in Argyll Islands rose by 19.2 per cent and Argyll and Bute as a whole experienced a 13.1 per cent increase.

Town eco waste business expands

A CAMPBELTOWN business known for its unique eco-friendly waste disposal system has expanded.

Dr Eco Services Ltd, which was set up last year, has now diversified into the area of drain inspections and jetting with help from Argyll and the Islands Enterprise (AIE).

The company has made a significant investment in the new project, which includes the purchase of a jetter lorry and specialist camera equipment. This will create a full-time job.

David McPherson has over 20 years experience in this sector and this new service, which builds upon

the existing business of septic tank waste disposal and will appeal to construction companies, public authorities, industrial businesses and householders. The company's unique system, which de-waters sludge on site, reduces loads by up to 90 per cent, increases business efficiency and minimises landfill.

AIE provided business start-up assistance and funding to help get the business off the ground.

Ken Abernethy, AIE chief executive, said: 'Dr Eco Services Ltd has built on its success since its initial start up and this is a logical expansion for the business.'

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New exhibition at Archway



Wilma Meikle of The Archway Gallery with Gillian Goodheir and Stuart Herd at the opening of the artists' new exhibition. a16art01

AN EXHIBITION by two local artists opened at The Archway Gallery in Lochgilphead on Friday April 14.

Views of Mid Argyll's scenery are amongst the images captured in the work by Gillian Goodheir and Stuart Herd, which is on display until Saturday April 29.

Gillian attended Glasgow School of Art, where she studied for a diploma in drawing and painting. She returned to full-time painting around 15 years ago.

Stuart Herd briefly attended Amersham College of Art before opting to pursue a career in photography. He returned to Scotland in 2002 and settled in Tarbert.

For more information call The Archway on 01546 606894.

Spectacular Concert by the Ephyra Trio

THE EPHYRA Saxophone Trio from Manchester performed a stimulating and thought-provoking programme for the final concert of the MAAA season at the Ardrishaig Hall last Saturday. Their combination of instruments is in fact seldom heard and was a welcome first for the association.

Led by virtuoso tenor and soprano saxophone player Charlotte Bradburn, the trio was completed by pianist Adam Caird and cellist Vanessa Lucas-Smith. As a chamber group, they have been performing together now for almost six years, since graduating from the RNCM. Their ensemble playing throughout was

confident and intuitive, showing a brilliant understanding of one another's needs, with no one instrument dominating at any stage.

And what of the music itself? Nine pieces and suites by six contemporary composers were offered, each prefaced by a lucid introduction by one of the three artists, which complemented the excellent programme notes. It would be idle to pretend this was an easy programme to listen to, for it required attention, imagination and a receptive mind in order to derive full enjoyment and pleasure from the music. Visually, all three musicians were fascinating to watch for their energy, expertise and enthusiasm, which was evident from the early bars of the opening piece - the well-known *Libertango* by Astor Piazzola.

Little Creatures by Richard Nye was specially commissioned for the Ephyra Trio with the three lively, contrasting movements depicting the composer's three children. A piece of contemporary Polish music, *La Strada*, was well received, before *Groundings*, a very stark and brutal American work by Ellen Linquist, again written for the trio, but, understandably, given only lukewarm applause by the audience.

To round off the first half, Andy Scott's *Nemesis* in three parts, written in a contemporary classical style with jazz and Latin influences - an ideal vehicle for the saxophone's virtuosity.

Pianist Adam Caird is also a composer, and, after the interval, his recent composition *The Legs* was played - a helter-skelter of modern traffic rhythms, suggested to him by a Robert Graves poem. A Van Gogh painting, *Wheatfield with Crows*, was the starting point for Patrick Nunn's work of the same title, and here there was drama and contrasting moods aplenty, conveyed in large part by the beautiful expressive cello playing of Vanessa Lucas-Smith.

The concert ended as it began with a major work of Astor Piazzola - *Todo Buenos Aires* - a fine work in five movements, with a narrative thread featuring aspects of life in the Argentinian capital. The Tango del Diablo and the Romance were particularly haunting and memorable, and provided a great finish to 80 minutes of fascinating contemporary music. *Oblivion* by Piazzola was a welcome short encore before the trio received the well-merited acclaim of the audience, and were able to take the road to their hotel stop in Carlisle, before a concert in Milton Keynes on Sunday afternoon - music can be a hard life at times!! JH

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Antiques roadshow in Kintyre

CAMPBELTOWN Bowling Club will host its antiques roadshow tomorrow (Saturday).

Despite incorrect information in last week's newspaper, we can assure you that we definitely have the correct date this time!

The event will take place between 10am and 4pm at the clubhouse in New Quay Street. Renowned auctioneers and valuers McTears will be sending three representatives to the event and they will be providing valuations on items at a cost of £3 per first item, with a reduced cost for anyone who brings multiple items.

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Countryside gears up for Royal Highland Show

SCOTLAND'S annual farm, food and countryside spectacular is gearing up to welcome more than 150,000 visitors as Royal Highland Show time approaches.

June's the month when the focus is on a celebration of Scottish rural life with plenty of excitement, fun and colour to suit all ages and interests.

The Royal Highland Show, sponsored by The Royal Bank of Scotland, is more than prime preened livestock and gleaming farm machinery.

It's also about fine food, fashion, music, flowers, countryside pursuits, show-jumping and lifestyle.

The organisers, the Royal Highland and Agricultural Society, are celebrating their 222nd anniversary this year but in show terms, this is the 166th staging of an event first held in 1822 in Edinburgh on a site now occupied by the Scottish Parliament.

After more than a century of moving to different locations throughout Scotland, the 'Highland' put down its permanent roots at Ingliston - now known as the Royal Highland Centre - in 1960 and this is the 46th show to be held there.

All the usual features will be on offer but there's always something new to see at the show and for both the regular and the first time visitor, here's a sample of what's on offer in 2006.

There will be a major focus

on food and wine this year and with Perth and Fife providing the society's president and vice presidents, a major initiative within the food and drink exhibition will feature produce and producers from the area.

'Buy local, eat local' will be the centrepiece of the Food Hall and will include a delicatessen, cooking area, meet the experts zone with producers of venison, pork, beef, eggs, fish, fruit and vegetables and an interactive information point.

'Buy local, eat local' is partnered by Perth and Kinross Council and Fife Council who'll be putting across a strong message on why seasonal, local produce provides unrivalled freshness, quality and nutritional benefits, not to mention the value to the local economy and a reduction in food miles.

In another new move, a Scottish Food and Drink Theatre, supported by the industry, will provide a platform for the diversity and quality of Scottish produce.

Located within the Food Hall, the theatre will have a rolling programme of events including chef demonstrations, healthy eating sessions, tastings, retail product demos and tutored nosings of Scotland's national drink.

'We aim to pull together the strong linkages within the industry between agriculture, tourism, retail, food service and cuisine and to raise overall awareness of how our food and drink is



Malcolm McFayden, Campbeltown, with his home-bred Clydesdale mare Winhill Lady Christina at last year's Royal Highland Show. t26rfs02

produced, processed, prepared and consumed,' said show manager David Dunsmuir.

To accompany all that glorious food, the new Wine Area established in the Food Hall last year, is to be expanded with a focus on South America and Europe. Chile and Spain will feature strongly with the Spanish offer accompanied by a group of musicians and flamenco dancers who will

also perform at other locations.

Other areas of the showground offer all the sights, sounds and flavours of rural Scotland in abundance.

From top class show-jumping where Buccleuch Estates are sponsoring a Grand Prix event and presenting the variety of business activities now prevalent in modern land and estate management to the jin-

gle jangle of the majestic heavy horse turnouts, from pipes and drums to parades of prize livestock, cars to combine harvesters, forestry to Friday's Ladies' Day, children's activities to countryside pursuits, gardening to the great outdoors, bee-keeping to a beer or two, it's all there.

The Royal Highland Show takes place at the Royal Highland Centre, Ingliston, on June 22-25.

Market report

UA STIRLING had forward 2,521 prime sheep including 1,890 hoggs, 43 spring lambs and 588 ewes and rams at its sale on Thursday April 13.

Prices were as follows: **Spring Lambs per kilo:** West Carse (Suffolk X) £85; Oatridge (Suffolk X) £84.80; Langside (Charollais X) £83.60; Nether Holm (Suffolk X) £80; Littleward (Texel X) £77.50.

Spring Lambs per kilo: Langside 190p; Oatridge 185p.

Hoggs per head: Guardswell (Texel) £77; Easter Ochtermuthill (Texel X) £76.50; Harviesmailing (Texel X) £75; Stonefieldhill (Texel X) £73; Abercrombie (Suffolk X) £70; Glenmollachan (Suffolk X) £65.50; Macharhoch (Suffolk X) £64; Glemollachan (Cheviot) £63.80; Guardswell (Cheviot) £61.50; Burnshot (Black Face) £60; Mossend (Black Face) £58; Flush (Mule) £55.50; Strageath Mains, Baleave, Macharhoch,

Gartvaigh (Mule) £55; Strageath Mains (Black Face) £54.

Hoggs per kilo: Guardswell (Texel X) 176.7p; Harviesmailing (Texel X) 170.4p; Easter Ochtermuthill (Texel X) 162.7p; Guardswell (Cheviot X) 150p; Abercrombie (Suffolk X) 148p; Glenmollachan (Cheviot X) 145p; Penston (Suffolk X) 144p; Burnshot (Black Face) 139.5p.

Ewes per head: Easter Bucklyvie (Suffolk) £69.50; Stonefieldhill (Texel) £67; Harviesmailing (X) £52; Elmscleugh (Black Face) £42.

NFU ask shops to be responsible

NFU Scotland is asking retailers to be more responsible in their dealings with both suppliers and consumers following the recent bird flu case.

The call comes after Asda was quoted as having dropped a poultry supplier who operates within the 10km avian influenza surveillance zone in Fife.

Asda then went on to deny this comment and have since confirmed that they will not be ceasing to trade with any Scottish poultry producers.

John Kinnaird, NFUS president, said: 'All retailers have a responsibility towards not only their suppliers but also to the trust placed in them by consumers. Scottish producers already jump through hoops to meet the often unreasonable demands of the retailers and for a major retailer to threaten to take business away and reduce consumer choice with no scientific foundation is irresponsible.'

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Nature Times

I AM always amazed how many birds manage to nest undetected in my garden. When cutting back shrubs in winter, or pruning climbers on the house wall, I am often surprised to discover how many nests I have walked past the previous summer without being aware of their presence.

The nest of a songbird such as a thrush or a robin is a remarkable feat of construction. Each piece of material must be found, carried into place without attracting attention, and attached or secured; and this must be repeated hundreds of times before the nest is complete. After all this work, the nest may well be used only once - a blackbird for example might build three different nests in a season for consecutive broods!

Blackbirds and song thrushes both build similar, substantial nests, with an outer layer of grass, small twigs, leaves and moss. Starting construction must be quite tricky especially on a branch, and a base layer of moss is usually laid down first. Both birds weave a dense outer layer then use mud to create a firm cup in which to lay the eggs. The song thrush is unique amongst British birds in creating a smooth nest lining, rather like the inside of



A blackbird may construct three nests like this in one season.

a coconut shell. This plaster-like 'bowl' incorporates rotting wood and dung, mixed with saliva, to create a firm and well-insulated structure. Blackbirds add an inner layer of dry grass and leaves, which helps with identification if you come across a disused nest.

The chaffinch is another expert nest builder. The nest is constructed with an outer layer of moss, bark and lichen, which makes it superbly camouflaged - vital in a deciduous tree or bush before the leaves have fully emerged. A deep cup is made using grass and stalks, with a soft lining of rootlets, animal hair and feathers. Spider silk is even used to bind nest material together.

I have been watching a busy, female robin in my garden. Male and female robins are virtually identical, but I know the gender of this one because she was carrying nesting material - like many other songbirds, only it only the female robin that constructs the nest. She is building it somewhere behind the woodshed - robins are renowned for their 'creativity' in finding nesting sites, and as well as bushes or dense undergrowth, man-made spaces or platforms in neglected corners are often used.

If you happen to discover the location of a nest it is important to resist the temptation to investigate further - this will cause stress to the occupant(s) and may even lead to desertion. Better to wait until the young birds emerge!

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Tennis ace Maria Sharapova at the launch of the Land Rover Go Beyond website.

Gaydon, Warwickshire, 13 April 2006 – Land Rover is to launch a new website dedicated to the spirit of adventure and featuring high profile Land Rover drivers such as Maria Sharapova,

sailor Sir Robin Knox-Johnston, England Rugby International Lawrence Dallaglio and celebrity photographer Richard Young.

Content rich and fully inter-

active, Go Beyond is about lifestyle, not cars, and is one of the most ambitious online projects ever created. Incorporating the world's first broadband TV channel to be launched by

a car company, Go Beyond launches at the New York International Auto Show on 12 April.

'Go Beyond is about going beyond personal boundaries and experiencing ad-

venture in its many forms,' says Phil Popham, managing director of Land Rover. 'It amplifies the core brand promise of Land Rover. It will also enhance our dealer environments, and work in

tandem with our landrover.co.uk website to drive sales and further improve customer loyalty.'

Mr Popham continues, 'The aim is to suit everybody's idea of going beyond. It is certainly not a motoring web site, although you can find out all about our Land Rover range of vehicles and many of the adventures will feature Land Rovers. For some, off-roading in Africa will be their idea of going beyond. For others, it may be as simple as trying a new wine or experimenting with new and exotic cuisine.'

The Go Beyond website and TV channel will focus on real people living lives much less ordinary and can be accessed on any computer with a broadband connection.

It will also be displayed at Land Rover dealerships and major motor shows and will be ultimately available for download to mobile phones or hand-held consoles like the Sony PSP or iPod. A Go Beyond link on www.landrover.co.uk takes users to the new site.

Six unique channels of Go Beyond TV will cover all aspects of 21st century adventure from travel, to amazing Land Rover off-road journeys, food and wine, and people and places. The content will be

premium, contemporary and adventurous – three of the cornerstones of the Land Rover brand.

Containing a blend of original content, material from the Discovery Channel, Land Rover's award-winning One Life customer magazine and sponsored partners including Born Free, Biosphere Expeditions and the Royal Geographical Society, Go Beyond is a distinctive, premium, glossy, magazine style community of people who live the Land Rover brand.

'The website will be inclusive and aspirational,' says Steve Hobbs, editor of Go Beyond. 'It will tell real-life stories of people who go beyond every day. Adventure means different things to different people and we intend to cover a wide range of extraordinary activities. It could include anything from climbing Mount Everest to simply taking the scenic route home from work. Preferably off road.

'We aim to build a community of people who live the Go Beyond life, and communicate with each other through our website. Of course, they can just read about it on our website or watch it on our TV channel but we hope that most will actively participate.'

Go Beyond TV launches in New York with four hours material running on a rolling schedule, with four hours of new content added every month. In addition, there will be live telecasts (from, for example, motor shows) and updates from special events. This will include the Land Rover G4 Challenge, which begins in Thailand on 23 April.

The content can also be viewed on demand as part of a fully searchable video library.

More content will be added to the new Go Beyond website at the British International Motor Show in London in July.

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VX Racing is champing at the bit to regain its place at the top of the MSA Dunlop British Touring Car Championship time sheets for 2006. In the last five years the team has won 13 of the 15 BTCC titles but its perfect record was brought to an end last year when Matt Neal snatched the drivers' title and Team Halfords took the teams' championship. If putting the rest of the grid back in their place is not incentive enough, VX Racing has the tantalising prospect of securing Vauxhall's 100th BTCC race win at Brands Hatch this weekend.

The marque was thwarted in the last three race meetings of 2005, but with an all-new driver line-up and a revised car, the Luton manufacturer is confident Brands Hatch will see its landmark victory.

"We only need one more win to complete the century," said VX Racing brand manager Stuart

Harris. "It would certainly get the season off to a bang, and we've got the champagne on ice." Any of Banbury-based VXR's three drivers could be the one to clinch the prestigious win.

Six-time touring car champion, Fabrizio Giovanardi, has been touted in the press as the greatest active touring car driver in the world. But the 39-year-old has never raced in Britain and admits he faces a steep learning curve with nine new circuits to get to grips with.

"I've been practicing the circuits on my computer and I'm confident," said Giovanardi. "I needed a new challenge and I'm not shy of some hard work."

There is no such disadvantage for British touring car prodigy, Tom Chilton, who has already racked up six race wins in the BTCC and is a veteran of four years despite being only 21-years-old. Chilton is confident go-

ing into this weekend's race. Brands Hatch is only a stone's throw from his home town of Reigate, and he claims to know every nook and cranny of the exciting circuit.

"I've probably done more races around Brands Hatch than any other circuit," said Chilton. "It's so close that every little bit helps. You have to know every bump and turn and twist - and I do." Hopes are also high for VXR's third driver, 28-year-old Irishman Gavin Smith, who by the end of last season was regularly finishing races in the top six. Smith is now keen to cross the threshold from challenger to victor.

"There's no pressure," said Smith. "I'm just going to give it the best shot I can and see what comes of it. I know Brands Hatch well but not compared to some of the other guys. I don't feel at a disadvantage though. The car is up to it and I'll find the speed."



A GRAND DAY OUT FOR FORD TRANSIT

BRENTWOOD, Essex – 18 April, 2006 - Britain's favourite animated characters Wallace & Gromit will be swapping their usual gadget van for the high tech cab of the new Ford Transit on 23 April when they take part in the London Marathon to raise money for needy children. Helping their marathon effort is the fact that the new Transit is only an inflatable replica of the one that will be unveiled for the first time at the NEC, Birmingham next week (Tuesday 25 April).

It's all the idea of the Wallace & Gromit's Children's Foundation – a national charity that raises funds to improve the quality of life for children in hospitals and hospices throughout the UK. The charity is famous for its special Wrong Trousers Day - which this year is on 23 June - when schools and businesses are encouraged to pay £1 to the charity for the right to wear the wrong trousers.

Marathon runners Bernie Hollywood and David James, the charity's ambassadors, will be dressing up as the much-loved characters and 'getting be-



hind the wheel' of the inflatable new Transit supplied by Ford.

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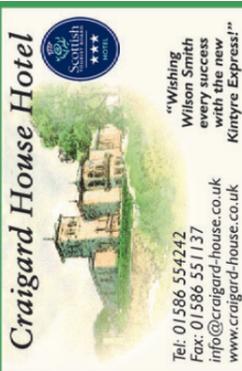
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NEXT Monday (May 1) marks the start of a new fast ferry service between Campbeltown and Troon.

The Kintyre Express is the brain child of hotelier Wilson Smith from Irvine, who will run a twice daily service between Campbeltown and Troon, three days a week.

This exciting and economic fast ferry service will enable people to complete the 31 mile crossing in just over one hour - a huge difference compared to the 165 mile car journey.

Mr. Smith, who is formerly from Islay and was a member of the Islay lifeboat crew, has bought a twin-engined, 11-metre Stormforce inflatable boat which boasts 540bhp with a speed of 40 knots and can take up to 12 passengers and their luggage.

Mr. Wilson, who also served in the Merchant Navy, told The Campbeltown Courier and Argyllshire Advertiser this week: 'I'm a keen golfer and I travel to Campbeltown three or four times every year in my own boat to play golf with friends and hotel guests.'

'The comments I got from them was that I should do it commercially because it's a wonderful cruise and a great day out.'

'Because I come from Islay I know the issues faced by island communities and although Campbeltown is not

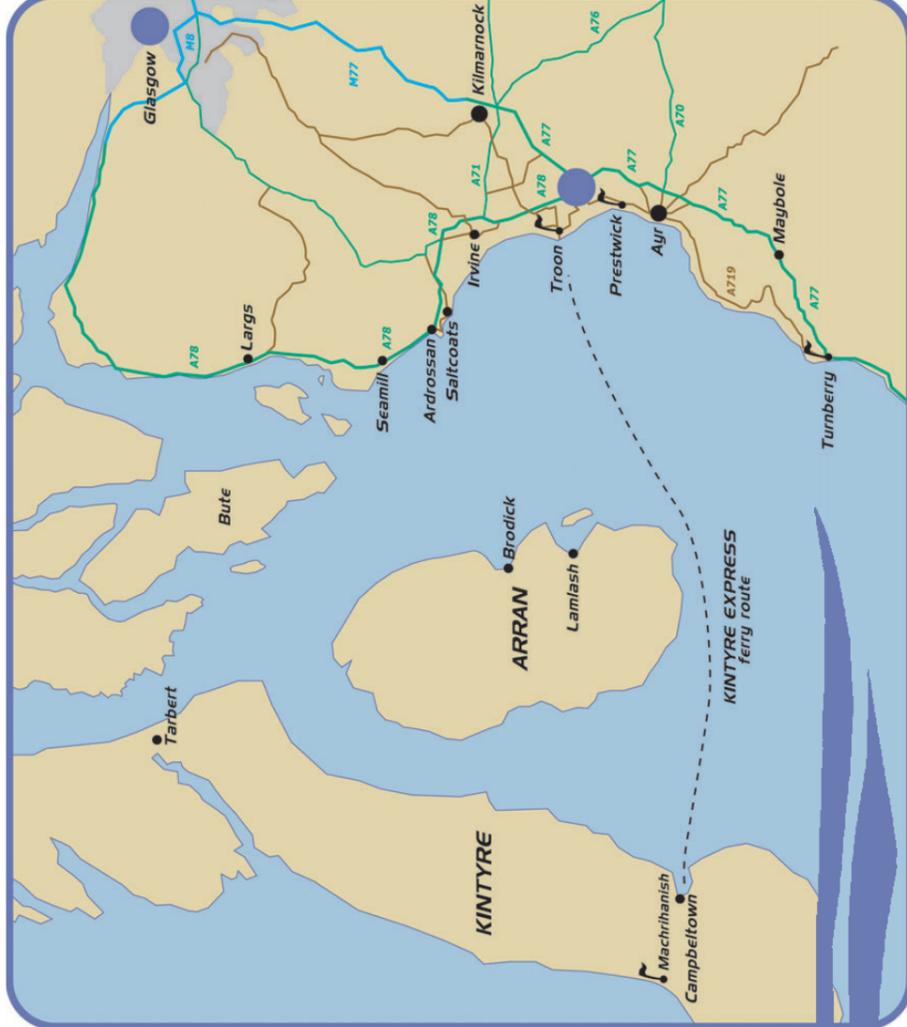
an island it has the same sort of problems. Starting the service just seemed like an obvious thing to do.'

As well as direct journeys, Mr. Wilson is also running a wildlife excursion from Kintyre to Troon via Arran. This will give people an opportunity to look out for interesting birdlife, seals, dolphins, basking sharks and porpoises. The boat will also stop in Troon's outer harbour to feed the seals.

Troon is only 10 minutes by taxi from Prestwick Airport and with many airlines now doing great deals to a variety of top European destinations, The Kintyre Express allows people to enjoy a short break without wasting several hours travelling to the airport by car. It also enables people to visit family and friends in the central belt more easily and could hugely benefit businessmen and women.

Mr. Wilson has also had a number of inquiries from students wishing to use the service to travel home to Kintyre from as little as £39 return.

Mr. Wilson said: 'The biggest asset Campbeltown has is its people. It's a very, very friendly town and I really genuinely mean that. Just going into a shop in Campbeltown is like a breath of fresh air and the more people who see that the better.'




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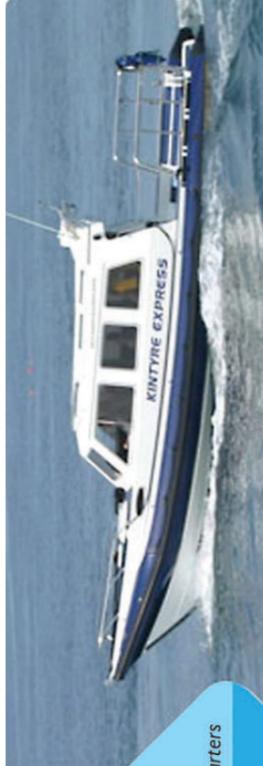
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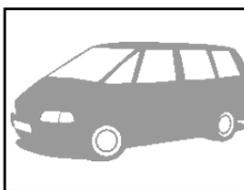
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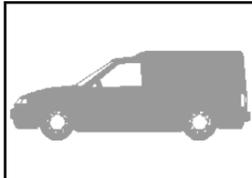
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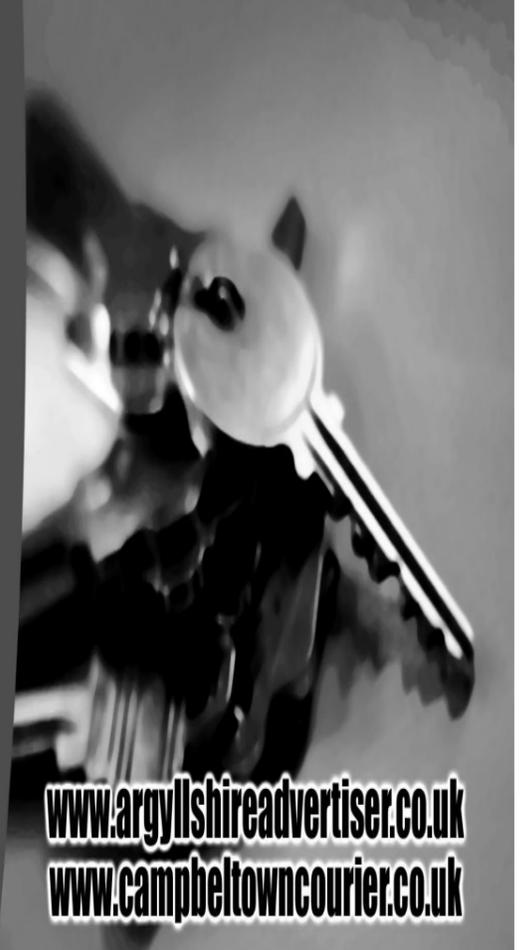
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- developing its corporate capacity
- developing its strategic service planning framework
- developing its financial strategy
- spreading the value of individual good practice
- awareness of developments elsewhere about improving services

The findings of the report will be considered at the next meeting of the Council on Thursday 4 May 2006 at 2pm in Council Headquarters, Kilmory, Lochgilphead. Copies of the report are available from Committee Services on 01546 604401 or online at <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/content/atoz/services/a2zaudit>

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Argyll & Bute CHP

NHS Highland

Aros, Lochgilpead
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Lorn & Islands District General Hospital, Oban
Clerical Officers - A&C Grade 2/3 (2 Posts)

Temporary
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You should have a friendly personality and be a team member.

Unless otherwise stated, application packs are available from the HR Department, NHS Highland, Argyll & Bute CHP, Lorn & Islands District General Hospital, Oban, Argyll PA34 4HH - Tel: 01631 789008 quoting the relevant reference number.

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 You must possess a minimum of 3 Standard Grades (Level 1, 2 or 3) to include English and Arithmetic, or equivalent qualifications/experience. Homepoint accreditation is desirable whilst you should have experience of working with older people, excellent communications skills and a working knowledge of IT systems, including Microsoft Office. Ref: CSD04024.
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'S e buidheann phoblach neo-roinneil a th' ann am Bòrd na Gàidhlig a tha stèidhichte le, agus cunntachail do, Mhinistearan na h-Alba. Bidh uallach air Bòrd na Gàidhlig airson stiùireadh is riaghladh Plana Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig.

Chaidh Bòrd na Gàidhlig (Alba) a stèidheachadh ann an 2003, agus tha e suidhichte ann an Inbhir Nis. Chaidh Achd na Gàidhlig an gnìomh air 23mh An Gearran 2006 nuair a ghabh Bòrd na Gàidhlig thairis.

Stiùiriche Foghlaim
 Tha uallach air Bòrd na Gàidhlig ro-innleachd nàiseanta foghlaim a dhealbhadh mar phàirt de Phlana Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig. Bidh e an urra ris an Stiùiriche Foghlaim na h-uallaichean a tha Achd na Gàidhlig (Alba) 2005 a' cur air a' Bhòrd a stiùireadh agus adhartachadh. Tha an dreuchd seo a' nochdadh fìor chothroman dhan neach dreuchd agus do dh'fhoghlam Gàidhlig aig ìre nàiseanta. Bidh eòlas farsaing aig an tagraiche shoirbheachail air stiùireadh seirbheis foghlaim aig àrd-ìre. Coisnidh an neach seo aig ìre eadar £38,000 agus £42,000 no nas àirde a rèir eòlais. Tha am Bòrd deònach beachdachadh air iasadan cosnaidh mu choinneamh na dreuchd seo agus tha làn-fhileantachd sa Gàidhlig agus sàr eòlas air leasachadh foghlaim Ghàidhlig deatamach.

Oifigear Nàiseanta Trusaidh Luchd-teagaisg
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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

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BIRTHS

McLELLAN - John and Theresa are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Drew, on April 5, 2006. Many thanks to the midwives at Campbeltown and Southern General Hospitals.

McPHEE - Iona is delighted to announce the safe arrival of her baby brother, Callum Neil, on Tuesday, April 4, 2006. Mummy and Daddy (Jean and Douglas) would like to thank the staff at RAH Paisley and the midwives at the Mid Argyll for all their help and continuing support.

WONG - Samantha and Peter are delighted to announce the safe arrival of their beautiful baby daughter, Natasha, on April 12, 2006 at Edinburgh Royal Infirmary. First grandchild for Georgie (née McKerrlie) and the late Brian Aldred.

ENGAGEMENTS**HOUSTON - McDONALD**

Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Kirsteen, only daughter of Colin and Jean McDonald, Ardrishaig, to Iain, youngest son of Angus and Anne Houston, Lochgilphead.

DEATHS

GRANT - Peacefully at Ossian's Retirement Home, North Connel, on April 16, 2006, in her 91st year, Phyliss, beloved mother of Jenny and loving grandma and great-grandma to Stefan, Matthew and Callum. Funeral will take place at St John's Cathedral, Oban, on Monday, April 24, at 1.30pm, thereafter to Pennyfuir Cemetery. Family flowers only please, retiring collection/donation if desired for Chest, Heart and Stroke, Scotland.

McGREGOR - Peacefully at the Mid Argyll Hospital, on April 16, 2006, Tyson McGregor, aged 83 years, of 1 Powdermills, Furnace and formerly of 42 High Bank Park, Lochgilphead. Beloved husband of the late Jeannie Blair Mc-Kenzie and much loved father of Adele, Ann, Eileen, Shona and Sandra. A dear father-in-law, grandfather and great grandfather. Funeral service was held in Lochgilphead Parish Church on Thursday 20th April, thereafter to Cardross Crematorium. Forever in our thoughts.

MOCHRIE - George MacDonald. Suddenly but peacefully at Colchester General Hospital on Tuesday April 18, 2006, George MacDonald aged 62 years. Dearly beloved husband of Ruth (née Smith), dearly

loved father of Neil and Shona and dear father-in-law of Karen and Tim and dear brother of Donald. Thanksgiving Service, to which all friends and family are warmly welcome, on Thursday, April 27, at 12 noon at Frinton Free Church. Family flowers only, please, but any donations to Mercy Ships, c/o P.G. Oxley Ltd, 47 High Street, Walton-on-the-Naze, Essex, CO14 8BE. Telephone 01255 675549.

TOWNSLEY - Peacefully, at Perth Royal Infirmary on Sunday April 16, 2006, William, in his 63rd year, of Wardside, Muthill, much loved partner of Rachel, loved and loving dad of Steven, Alexander and special grandad to all the family. Funeral service to which all friends are respectfully invited, at Crieff Parish Church, Strathearn Terrace, Crieff on Friday April 21, at 1 pm. Interment thereafter at Crieff Cemetery, cortege arriving 1.45pm.

WATSON - Suddenly, at home on April 14, 2006, William Charles Stuart Watson, aged 78 years, Millburn Road, Inverness, beloved husband of May, much loved father of James and Patricia, dear brother of Peter and uncle to Jane and Marie. Funeral Service on Tuesday April 25, at 11.00 am in the Funeral Home of John Fraser & Son, Chapel Street, Inverness thereafter to Kilvean Cemetery. All friends respectfully invited. Family flowers only. Donations if desired may be given at the service for Chest, Heart & Stroke Association.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

BARLOW - Amy and family wish to thank all relatives and friends for their support and kindness during their recent bereavement. We also wish to thank Rev Roddy MacLeod for his sincere and comforting service, Donald Mac-Donald, Funeral Directors, for their professional and caring services, nurses and staff at Lorn & Islands District General Hospital, Oban and Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, to Furnace Inn for their hospitality and to everyone who paid their last respects. Donations raised £105 for Cancer Research UK.

BROCK - Flora, May and Dick would very much like to thank family, friends and neighbours for their cards, letters, lovely flowers and kind words of condolences sent to them on their sad loss of Ian. Big thank you to the Mid Argyll Hospital nursing staff, Dr Simpson, Dr Mackie and Dr Sloan for their kind unfailing attention given to Ian and support given to us. Thank you to Rev Walter Ritchie for most comforting services in church and graveside, to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for most dignified and professional services, to Stag Hotel for excellent purvey. Very special thank you to our dear friends Jim and Myra Strathie for kindness, thoughtfulness and support and being a tower of strength to us over many years and at our sad time. Donations received raised £200 for the Mid Argyll Hospital. Thank you all - 13 Stag Park.

ELLIOT - The family of the late Iain Elliot would like to thank relatives, friends and

neighbours for kind expressions of sympathy and for cards and floral tributes received, in their recent sad loss. Special thanks to Dr Bijral and staff at Inveraray surgery for their care and attention and to ambulance crew and Strathclyde Police for their assistance, Rev. Brian Wilkinson for a comforting service, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, Brambles of Inveraray for an excellent purvey and to all who paid their last respects at church and graveside.

MACMILLAN - Josephine and Chris would like to thank all friends and relatives for their kindness, support and expressions of sympathy received on their recent loss. Special thanks to Alistair Blair for the professional service and ensuring mums safe journey home.

McDONALD - The family and friends of the late Isabella McDonald would like to thank doctors and staff at Campbeltown Hospital for the kind care and attention they gave to Isa, the Rev Martin Forrest for his comforting service, Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for their professional services and much appreciated guidance also the Ardshiel for the lovely tea.

TAYLOR - The family of the late Morag Taylor would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their kindness and expressions of sympathy received on their sad loss. Special thanks to Rev Buchanan of St Pauls Church, Milngavie for his comforting service, to Rev Vischer for his thoughtful words at the graveside at Carradale and to Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for their professional services.

IN MEMORIAM

ALLAN - In loving memory of a dear father Willie, died April 24, 1982 and mother Lizzie, died November 23, 1985.

Sadly missed - Thomas, Margaret and family.

BRODIE - In loving memory of a dear mother Margaret, who died April 24, 1984.

Sadly missed, - Margaret, Thomas and family.

BRODIE - In loving memory of our mum Margaret, died April 24, 1984.

Forever in our hearts you'll always stay.

- Elizabeth and family.

DAVIDSON - In memory of Penny, who died tragically on April 25, 2000. Sadly missed and always in our hearts.

- Love, Lisa, Kara, John and family.

GRANGER - Robert Granger, 14 years the 2nd of May.

Sweet are the memories Dear is your name Deep in our hearts You will always remain.

Luke 24 'Miraculous Beginnings' PACT for children of all ages meets in Ardrishaig

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Still loved and missed and very dear.

- Love Margaret, Bill and grandchildren.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES**KINTYRE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP MEETING**

to be held on **Friday 21 April 2006**

at 7.30 p.m. in **Springbank Evangelical Church, Campbeltown**

Guest Speaker: **Rev. Chris McCrae** **Caol Free Church, Fort William**

Musical Items

Tea/Coffee served after the meeting

Everyone welcome



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First Sunday after Easter

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10.45 a.m.

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Highland Parish Church

Sunday 23 April 2006

11.15 a.m. Morning Worship

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Junior Sunday School

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Church

Evening Service 6.30 p.m.

Kirk Street Hall

Tuesday 25 April 2006

7.30 p.m. Bible Society

Action Group AGM

Kirk Street Hall

Thursday 27 April 2006

Kirk Session Meeting

Kirk Street Hall

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Everyone very welcome

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Sunday 23 April 2006

Service 11 a.m.

Baptism of Kai Baxter

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10.30 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

Tuesday 12.30 p.m.

Pensioners' Lunch Club

1.45 p.m. Home League

(Ladies Meeting)

Thursday 11.30 a.m.

Meet 'n' Eat Cafe

New-To-You Stall

7 p.m. Bible Study

A warm welcome to all

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Sunday 23 April 2006

Kilmartin 10 a.m.

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Wednesday 7 p.m.

Prayer Meeting

Thursday

Coffee Morning, 10-12 noon

Friday 10-11.30 a.m.

Jumpstart Group

Friday 28 April

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Sunday 23 April 2006

11 a.m.

Worship Service for all ages

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Thursday 27 April 2006

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Saturday 22 April 2006

Youth Club - 7.00- 8.30 pm

Sunday 23 April 2006

Session Meeting - 10.55 am

Morning Worship - 11.15 am

(Crèche, Sunday School and Bible Class)

Evening Worship - 6.30 pm

Monday 24 April 2006

The Guild Committee

7.30 pm

Tuesday 25 April 2006

Mothers and Toddlers

9.45 am

Session meeting - 7.30pm

Wednesday 26 April 2006

BB Anchor Boys - 5.30 - 6.30

BB Junior Section

7 pm - 8.30 pm

CAMPBELTOWN FULL GOSPEL CHURCH

Sunday 23 April 2006

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11 a.m.

Praise and Worship

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Matthew amongst the Falkirk medals



Matthew Turner of Mid Argyll Athletics Club (far right) finished third in the Mens' under 17s race.

Athletics

A YOUNG Mid Argyll runner enjoyed a successful day of competition at the recent ScottishPower National Cross Country Championships.

Matthew Turner, competing as a member of the Mid Argyll Athletics Club, finished third in the males under 17s race, recording a time of 23.39 minutes, only 43 seconds behind winner Michael Gillespie of Central Athletics Club.

The event, held in Falkirk's Callendar Park, saw more than 1,800 athletes contesting more than £5,000 in prize money.

Previous winners at the championships have included former 10,000m champion Liz McColgan, former Commonwealth 10,000m champion Lachie Stewart and current European and Commonwealth Youth 1,500m champion Morag MacLarty

Tarbert golfers in Fyne form

Golf

A FANTASTIC turn-out of 30 members gathered last Saturday at Glenralloch for the first round of Tarbert Golf Club's Fyne Tankard.

Club president Angus MacFarlane shot the lowest round of the day, his one over par 67 giving him a net score of 61. Peter MacLean Junior showed his father how it's done with a 63 net to take second place. Iain MacArthur scored 64, with Peter McGregor on 65. A whole host of players are on 66, which will make the final round interesting this Sunday.

Best gross scores on the day were Jimmy Litster on 70, Peter MacLean Senior on 72 and Bruce MacNab on 73.

Although the season has only started, Tarbert players have enjoyed success elsewhere. The Machrie Golf Course Spring Challenge Cup was won by I Johnstone, I Macalister, J MacNab and R Currie.

Tarbert Golf Club's ladies' section got its season off to a great start under new captain Janeann Reppke, contesting the first medal on Sunday April 9.

Six ladies competed, the captain finishing in first place with a nett score of 58. Second was Tracy MacNeill on 68, third was Cathie McGlynn on 71.

The first stableford took place on Sunday April 16, with eight ladies competing. Tracy McNeill finished in first place with 42 points, ahead of second place Sheena Ferguson on 40 and Joanne Kerr on 30 points, who finished third based on a better inward half.

Lady members are reminded that all names must be entered for the Bonachord Cup knock-out competition by the end of April.

Winter season ends for ladies



Lochgilphead Golf Club's ladies celebrate the end of their season. Clockwise from back left: Isobel McMillan, Irene Paton, Fiona Pont, Ann Foyle, Phyllis Angus, Norma Ross, Jenny MacAulay, Libby Brookes, Catherine Findlay.

LOCHGILPHEAD Golf Club's ladies section celebrated the end of the winter season in the town's new Snug Restaurant.

Jenny MacAulay was crowned winter league champion, a feat recognised in the following poem:

We're fair weather golfers, don't forget
We don't like playing in

Golf

the wet,

But at the start of the season once again

'When's the meal?' is our usual refrain

And so in the new Snug our ladies meet

To celebrate and drink and eat

And say to jenny again

'Well Done - The Winter League trophy you have won'

Winter league final standings
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4 Isobel McMillan 15pts
5 Libby Brookes 15pts
6 Norma Ross 13pts

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Bowlers amongst the prizes in Tarbert



Junior prizewinners from Tarbert Bowling Club's carpet bowls competitions. a15car01



Senior prizewinners from Tarbert Bowling Club Carpet Bowls competitions, from left: Jack McGruer, Sadie Meenan, Iain Dettmer, Eoghan Smith, Cathy Sadkowski. a15car02

Youngsters fare well at Tarbert

Shooting

TARBERT Gun Club held its annual trophy sporting shoot recently, with 30 guns competing to see who would be taking home the silverware.

Once again, the crosser ruined a lot of score cards, whilst the teal, overhead and settler all required shoot-offs to decide the winners.

Clachan's Alisdair MacCallum, still only aged 16, is hitting top form, finishing third equal. He was narrowly pipped to the overhead trophy by the very experience Bob McColl.

Trophy winners

Teal: Duncan MacAlister

Overhead: Bob McColl

Settler: Andy Pedan

Crosser: Bob McColl

Junior 1st: Alisdair MacCallum

Junior 2nd: Iain Smith

Junior 3rd: Shaun Johnson

Ladies: Cara Duncan

Overall 1st: Bob McColl

Overall 2nd= Andy Pedan and Duncan MacAlister

Overall 3rd= Alisdair MacCallum and Jim McKinlay

Overall 4th= Brian Baird and Akram Khan

Overall 5th= Brian Baird and Akram Khan

Overall 6th= Brian Baird and Akram Khan

Overall 7th= Brian Baird and Akram Khan

Overall 8th= Brian Baird and Akram Khan

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TARBERT Bowling Club Carpet Bowls held a prizegiving in the clubhouse recently.

Results were as follows:
Juniors

Wappenschaw winner:

Bowls
Paul Devlin; runner up: Craig Johnstone. Championship (Kerr Cup) winner: Craig Johnstone; runner up: Paul Devlin. Pairs cup winners: Fiona Arnott and C Johnstone; runners up: A Guy and C McCaffery. Seniors Wappenschaw winner: H

Keith. Championship winner: Jack McGruer; runner up: Eoghan Smith.

Sharks winner: Sadie Meenan; runner up: Cathie Sadkowski.

Special: Ian.

Currie claims first county title win

Golf

ROSS Currie of home club Machrihanish clinched his first Argyll and Bute County Championship last Sunday, beating Rothesay's Chris Timms by four and three in the 18-hole final.

Ross' performance was impressive, with long straight driving harnessing a razor-sharp short game which kept Chris at bay most of the round.

Their route to the final was not without incident, with Ross having to go up the 18th and 19th in two of his match, seeing off holder Graham Bolton in the semi-final. Chris' route was also difficult, fighting past a determined Jim O'Donnell and Gordon Lundie, with narrow victories on the 18th hole each time.

Currie's return to form, the emergence of Millport's Lundie and the steady play of Timms will give the selectors something to think about when the six-man team is selected to play the Lothians in the Area Team

Championship in May. Full results can be viewed at www.argyllandbutegolfunion.com.

The executive would like to thank Machrihanish Golf Club for use of its fine links during the weekend, and commend it for the fine condition of the course.

This weekend, Argyll and Bute Take on Renfrewshire at Gourock in their annual friendly. After last year's shock Area Championship result, Renfrewshire will no doubt be seeking revenge. The team selected is C Timms, L Pirie, J O'Donnell, G Lundie, R Currie, G McLean, D Weir, A McKie, C Aitken and one other still to be named.

The closing date for entries for the spring meeting is Friday April 28. Entries can be made via club noticeboards or by calling area secretary Graham Bolton on 07720 627397.

Red Star in net-bursting form on Islay

Football

LOCHGILPHEAD Red Star had no match on Saturday, instead travelling to Islay to compete in the Islay Football Tournament.

In their first match, the Mid Argyll side faced Paisley side Glenfield, scoring 10 goals without reply. Naisby and MacDonald both grabbed hat-tricks, with further goals arriving from R MacMillan, Robertson, S MacMillan, Morrison.

Red Star's second match ended in a 3-2 defeat at the hands of local side Bowmore. Both goals were scored by MacDonald.

The final was won by Glasgow amateurs Glasgow Islay who beat Bowmore 2-1.

Red Star return to league action tomorrow (Saturday April 22) when they face King Park Rangers at Glasgow Green. Red Star beat the Glasgow side 2-0 at the start of the season. Red Star manager Michael Todd should have a full squad to choose from.

The club is hosting a race night in the Stag Hotel tonight (Friday April 21). All proceeds raised will go towards club funds. The fun starts at 7.30pm.

Tarbert face Millerston tomorrow

Football

AS TARBERT AFC had no league fixture on Saturday April 15 due to the Easter break, the club arranged a friendly match with Campbeltown Boys at the Meadows.

Tarbert won the match 3-0 thanks to goals from Mike Connor, an own goal and an Alex Johnstone header.

The return match in Tarbert will take place at the end of the season, with the winning team over the two legs collecting a cup which it is hoped will be contested annually.

Tomorrow (Saturday April 22) Tarbert, sponsored by the Islay Frigate Hotel, travel to play Millerston Thistle, one of their three remaining away matches of the season.

No winning tickets from Tarbert AFC draw

Lottery

THE NUMBERS drawn in Tarbert AFC's lotto draw on Monday April 17 were 3, 4 and 13.

As there were no winning tickets, the jackpot for the draw on Monday April 24 will be £300. As from Monday May 1, the weekly draw will take place at 6pm.

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Mid Argyll's top guns

Shooting

LOCAL shooters Andy Hetherington, John Gilchrist and Donnie MacFarlane headed to Cairndow Gun Club last weekend for another 100 bird Scottish Selection Shoot.

Killin-based Eric McAllister won on the day with a score of 100/298. Andy finished second with 100/297, John finished 11th with 100/289 and Donnie finished 14th with 97/286. Donnie's gun broke down whilst he was competing. The bad weather didn't discourage too many competitors, with 56 guns entering the competition.



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