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Tarbert takes dim view of lights bill

£3,500 charge from council for cabling

TARBERT villagers are rallying together to ensure this year's Christmas lights celebration is one to remember.

But the annual display was thrown into chaos after the Christmas Lights Committee was handed a £3,500 bill from Argyll and Bute Council for cabling and brackets for five new lights.

The committee's aim is to add five extra lights to their original display each year but after receiving the council's bill, they have decided to put up just two new ones this year; an additional cost of around £1,000.

Iris Kerr, chairwoman of Tarbert Christmas Lights committee, said: 'We're not a business, we're made up of volunteers and we're working hard to raise the money to keep the Christmas

By Jenny Sutherland

lights going in the village. And then the council come along and slap you in the face with a huge bill.

'We're a very small village with a lot going on. The people here can't keep digging into their own pockets, especially businesses. We don't really ask for much at all.'

Tarbert resident, Duncan MacDougall said: 'The castle and the harbour have lights all year round. As far as I'm concerned I couldn't care less about them but the community and the lights committee have made a huge effort with the Christmas lights and I'm angry at them having to meet this bill.'

Businesses in the village are now stepping

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Successful day at the Royal National Mod for Mid Argyll choir

Còisir Òg Dhailriata had a very successful day on Monday, winning two competitions: The Queen Elizabeth Coronation Trophy for under-19 unison and The Martin Wilson North Berwick Trophy for the puirt-a-beul. For more coverage from the Mòd see pages 12 and 13 of this weeks Advertiser 08_142mod07

14-turbine wind farm refused

A FOUR-YEAR-OLD application for a 14-turbine wind farm at Stacain near Inveraray has been refused planning permission by Scottish government ministers.

The application by WPR Wind Ltd was called in by Scottish ministers early last year after Argyll and Bute Council approved the application and a public inquiry was held over nine days in November last year.

More than 800 people supported the application, including Inveraray and District and Glenorchy and Innishail community councils, while 900 were opposed to it, including Avich and Kilchrenan Community Council.

The ministers have upheld the inquiry reporter David Russell's conclusion that it should be refused because the turbines between Loch Awe and Loch Fyne would 'introduce' a risk of collision for golden eagles.

The turbines would be within an area that is under consideration

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Kranenburg Fine Art

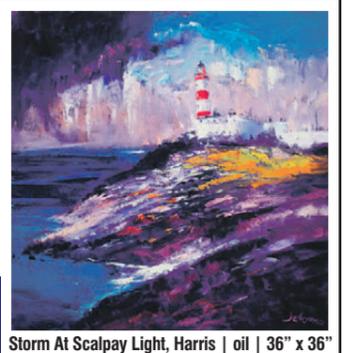
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Youth project

THE MID Argyll Youth Project (MAYP) went out in force last week to canvass public support for their proposal to take over the former Lochgilphead Primary building.

Representatives managed to get hundreds of signatures of support for their venture when they set up shop in Lochgilphead Co-op last Thursday.

Poaching

A MAN was detained in police custody and reported for various offences related to poaching on Sunday afternoon (October 11). The alleged offences related to poaching in the Lochgilphead area.

Vandalism

A VAN was damaged in Campbeltown road, Tarbert last Thursday, October 8. The incident happened at 8.46am.



Primary six pupils from Lochgilphead Primary hold Samson and Gary, two of the giant African land snails. The girls are pictured with Geoff de Boer, RZSS educational officer. 06_a42zoo01

The Wild Bus comes to Lochgilphead

GIANT snails and hissing cockroaches were just some of the wild and exotic creatures to greet pupils at the joint campus last week.

Pupils enjoyed lessons with a difference when a double decker bus filled with all kinds of exotic creatures paid a visit to the schools.

The Royal Zoological Society of Scotland's 'Wild Bus', an education outreach initiative, aims to introduce school children to science, with a particular focus on rainforests.

Youngsters visiting the bus last week had the opportunity to meet a variety of species on board including the Eastern rosella parakeet, giant African land snails, Madagascan hissing cockroaches and several species of snake.

Pupils were also able to take part in a workshop about beavers and their recent reintroduction to the local Knapdale Forest.

Stephen Woollard, education and interpretation manager for RZSS, said: 'Education is one of our charitable objectives. We decided to celebrate the centenary of RZSS by creating the Wild Bus to engage with children across the country in a unique and inspiring way. On board children can engage with the science of nature in a fun and exciting way, led by our dedicated outreach Education Officers. We are very proud to be able to provide this experience nationally and to promote conservation and care for the environment locally and globally.'

Helen gains her vocational qualification

HELEN Kessell from Crossroads Dalriada and the Isles was presented with her Scottish Vocational Qualification last week.

Helen, scheme coordinator for the Carers organisation, has spent the past few months undertaking a modern ap-

prenticeship to become a Registered Manager in Health and Social Care Level Four.

The work-based certificate, which was funded by Skills Development Scotland, saw Helen examine different aspects of management as well as undertake several re-

flective accounts to satisfy the Scottish Qualifications Authority.

Helen said: 'This qualification was accessed locally. People who may need this qualification can have the piece of mind that they can do it at home - they don't need to travel away.

'I'm absolutely delighted to have received my certificate and would like to thank Gill and the rest of our board for all their support.'

Dr Neil MacDonald, who presented Helen with her certificate last week, said: 'The board is very pleased and delighted that Helen has achieved this.'



Dr Neil MacDonald, board member, congratulates Helen Kessell on her modern apprenticeship (centre). Helen is pictured with her trainer from Argyll Training, Jill Millar.

Crossroads Dalriada and the Isles was established in 2001 with the purpose of providing

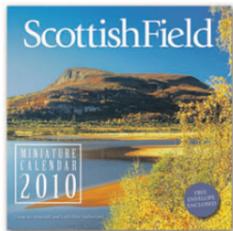
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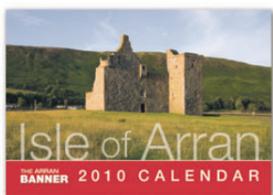


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PRIMARY one to four children from Glassary and Ashfield primaries paid a visit to Elfs Toy Library. The youngsters wanted to find out how a toy library operates and to borrow some toys. Both schools are currently working on a joint project 'Toys' and are planning a play session for younger children at Glassary school.

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Charity Christmas Tree Festival comes to Lochgilphead

A CHARITY Christmas tree festival will be held in Lochgilphead in December for the first time.

The town's Parish Church is behind the event, which will see Christmas trees bought by charities from the Church and then decorated prior to being auctioned off.

The festival will take place from December 16-19 and Rev Hilda Smith would like as many interested charities as possible to come forward.

Hilda explained that the trees will be bought

from the Round Table. 'They will be placed in the Church and then be sold to participating charities, along with a stand. Each charity will then decorate their tree which will be displayed in the Church during the festival.'

Hilda continued: 'There will be a silent auction where people can bid for their chosen tree. Each tree will go to the highest bidder and the money raised will go to the charity sponsoring that tree.'

There will be no entry fee but there will be a box

for donations. At the end of the festival, each charity will receive not only the money offered for their tree but the donations will be divided up equally between the participating charities.

During the festival there will be musical performances in the Church as well as refreshments, home-baking and Christmas craft stalls in the Church Hall. For more information on the festival, contact Rev Hilda Smith on 01546 602238 or email - hilda.smith2@btinternet.com.

Helping local businesses to flourish

Mentoring scheme wants local businesses to work together

HELPING Argyll businesses to prosper and grow has fallen to a Lochgilphead woman with a very obvious passion for her job.

Margaret Jacobsen is spearheading a scheme introduced in 2001 by First Minister Alex Salmond.

The Business Mentoring Programme looks to local businesses to work together to expand and bring further prosperity to the area.

Margaret, who moved to Lochgilphead two years ago, is the Business Mentoring Project Executive for Argyll and is now looking to recruit business mentors across the region.

She explained: 'Mentors are experienced managers from a range of sectors with their own blend of business and life experience. Mentoring gives them the chance to build contacts and to support the economic growth of the region.'

With a background in business, including

eight years experience as a sales and marketing manager in the energy business, Margaret has already signed four mentors in the Lochgilphead area and two in Oban.

'So far the people that have signed up have come from a range of backgrounds. Some people are still working whilst others have retired but who maybe owned or ran their own businesses for years,' she explained.

'The programme offers one to one mentoring for a period of up to 12 months for businesses that have been operating for more than one year. During that time businesses can call on their mentor to discuss and explore issues within their organisation which require improvement or support.'

'This scheme has worked well in other parts of Scotland and I know that businesses want Argyll and Bute to succeed, so I am looking for go-ahead people,

from organisations of all sizes, who have the time and knowledge to act as a mentor,' said Margaret.

The business mentoring programme is a partnership between Highlands and Islands Enterprise, Scottish Chambers of Commerce and Highlands and Islands Partnership Programme. To find out more on business mentoring contact Margaret on 07833 177862.



Margaret Jacobsen is looking for business mentors in Argyll.

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Council bill dims lights celebrations

Continued from page 1 in and helping the lights committee to fundraise.

June Craig of the Tarbert Hotel said: 'The staff know about the difficulties with regard to the Christmas lights and they wanted to make a contribution.'

'They have, in their own way, contributed by providing a buffet for a fundraising dance. 'Proceeds from the entertainment and buffet will go to the lights fund.'

Tarbert café, Lite

Bites, is planning a 'Body Shop' evening, with proceeds going to the lights committee.

A spokesman for Argyll and Bute Council explained: 'This cost is for additional cabling and brackets for two new Tarbert Christmas lights. There is no money available in our budget for extra lights which is why this cost is being incurred.'

He added the council would be putting up the lights and storing them afterwards 'as they normally would'.



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Knapdale beaver hunt still on

THE MISSING beavers, Gunn-rita and her daughter, Mary Lou are still on the loose but efforts are continuing to track them down.

Several week's ago it was reported that signs of beaver activity had been found on private land at Drimvire near Dunadd.

Jenny Holden, field officer for the Scottish Beaver Trial, said that although progress had slowed down in the hunt for the missing duo, efforts were still being made to track them down.

Man detained after assault

A MAN who allegedly inflicted puncture wounds to the neck of another man was detained in custody on Sunday night (October 11).

A police spokesman said the man appeared at Dunoon Sheriff Court on Monday in connection with the incident, which happened at around 11.20pm in Lochnell Street, Lochgilphead.



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Who takes the police tape down?

WE are all used to seeing police tape at the scene of roadside accidents – but who has the job of taking it down afterwards?

Councillor John McAlpine put this question at the last meeting of Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee.

He was worried that tape was left long after accidents had happened, making places look unsightly and in some cases caused distress to those families whom had someone badly injured or killed in accidents.

Chief Inspector Marlene Baillie said that tape was often put at accident sites to let people know the matter had been reported; she said she would look into its removal once no longer needed.

Gritters

THE ROADS department is gearing up for winter and taken delivery of 1,000 tonnes of gritting salt, Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Island's councillors were told at their meeting last week.

Tarbert's young engineers in pole position

A GROUP of dedicated young engineers from Tarbert Academy has seen off fierce competition to be named Highlands and Islands Young Engineers and Science Club of the Year.

Josh Barker, Christopher Johnstone, Calum MacDonald, Luke Scott and Jake Sim, along with their teacher and club leader, Sheena Telford, collected their award in front of 350 guests from the Scottish Council for Development and Industry's Highlands and Islands Annual Dinner and Business Excellence Awards.

And today, Friday, will see the team leave for the UK final of the Shell Greenpower competition in Goodwood where they will race their carefully constructed battery-powered car.

The young engineers collected more than £2,000 in sponsorship from local

businesses and fundraising events to buy the kit before working tirelessly to build the car, meeting every day at intervals, lunchtimes and after school.

Tutor Sheena said: 'I am very proud of the boys and it is good that their hard work has been recognised. They spend all their spare time working on their projects.'

Opportunity

'I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has sponsored us or supported the project in some way, especially Duncan MacDonald who transports us all to the competitions.'

The boys are hoping that this weekend they will secure a top three position but are happy to be competing in the competition.



Pictured from left to right are the Tarbert Young Engineers – Calum MacDonald, Luke Scott, Christopher Johnstone, Josh Barker and Jake Sim with club leader Sheen Telford and Gareth Williams, Scottish Council for Development and Industry's Highlands and Islands manager.

Bad times just around the corner

NEXT year's budget at Argyll and Bute Council looks like it's going to be a tough one.

Members of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Com-

mittee got an inkling of what's to come from George Harper, Director of Development Services at their meeting last week.

'We are about to go

into a budget, which will be pretty severe,' he said. 'The senior management team is already starting to look into the council's budget.'



One of the groups taking part in the Prince's Trust xl motivational day with the RAF. 06_a41raf01

Up for the challenge

YOUNG people from fourth year groups across Argyll and Bute spent a challenging day with the RAF Motivational Outreach Team at the Lochgilphead High School Campus earlier in the month.

The youngsters from Lochgilphead, Camp-

beltown, Rothesay, Islay, Dunoon and Helensburgh are all members of the Prince's Trust xl clubs and have spent the last two years working on various projects.

Many of these projects have directly benefited their local communities from coffee mornings for senior citizens to Christmas parcels for the needy.

This is the first time the RAF has worked with the xl groups in Argyll and Bute and everyone involved had an exciting personal development day looking at problem solving and working with other xl club mem-

bers from throughout the county.

Linda Tighe of the Prince's Trust would like to thank the RAF for putting together such a varied programme and also the staff of Lochgilphead High for sharing their facilities for the day.

She added: 'These opportunities to come together are always welcomed by the young people and help them to understand the benefits of working as a team. Gaining confidence and increasing motivation are important elements but today has also been great fun.'



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Woman admits glass attack

'I bent down to take a shot and felt something hit my face'

A LOCHGILPHEAD woman injured a man with a glass in a hotel bar.

Gillian Hutton, of Flat 7A, Campbell Street, will return to the Lochgilphead annex of Dunoon Sheriff Court next month to learn her fate.

The 29-year-old admitted striking her victim on the face with a glass tumbler to his injury and slight disfigurement on October 10 last year in the Victoria Hotel, Argyll Street, Lochgilphead.

Hutton's defence lawyer, Gary Miller, told the court that the reason for the assault was because his client had been provoked and he presented proof of mitigation to the court.

Hutton's victim told the court that he had been playing pool on the night of the attack.

He said: 'I bent down to take a shot and felt something hit my face and saw Gillian holding a pint glass.'

The witness told the court he was cut on his nose and chin as a re-

sult of the glass hitting him. Sheriff Carol Kelly heard from several witnesses who had been drinking in the Victoria Hotel on the night of the attack.

One defence witness told the court that Hutton received verbal abuse from her victim. 'Afterwards she was quite subdued. I think she was just shocked,' the witness added.

Speaking in her defence, unemployed Hutton said her victim had 'some kind of problem' with her.

She told the court: 'He began shouting at me and was really abusive. I was mortified. I shouted back. I suppose I just lost it.' She added that after being shouted at she had to walk past her victim to go to the toilet.

'It was if he was going to hit me with the pool cue, so it was just kind of instinct. I just sort of threw the glass,' she explained.

Sheriff Kelly deferred sentence until November 4 for reports.



Pictured is Rev Louis Bezuidenhout receiving the money on behalf of the Church. Pictured front are Mark McLean, David Cherry, Lewis Cherry and behind are Yvonne Black and Tom Paterson.

Sunday Club fundraising

A HARDY team of souls braved the elements to take part in a sponsored walk in aid of the re-launch of the Sunday Club of Glenaray and Inveraray Parish Church recently.

The team of Lewis Cherry, his dad, David, as well as Tom Pater-

son and Yvonne Black climbed the three miles and endured the steep ascent of Dun na Quaich on Saturday September 26.

Lewis' mum, Joyce, and Mark McLean put in a great effort to find sponsors.

Lewis was the first

child to attend the new Sunday Club. The people of Inveraray opened their hearts and an amount of over £1000 was raised.

The contribution was handed over to the Church on Sunday October 4 during the Harvest Celebration.

Autumn colours at Crarae

CRARAE Gardens in Minard is worth a visit this month as the area changes into a series of spectacular autumn colours.

Recently appointed head of gardens at the National Trust for Scotland, Robert Grant, said: 'The Himalayan Gorge-style garden at Crarae on Loch Fyne supports the national collection of Southern Beech (*Nothofagus*) with spectacular autumn tints from the collection of maples and the Redbud Hazel (*Disanthus cercidifolius*).'

Cycle challenge

A HARDY fundraiser will pedal his way from Lochgilphead to Campbeltown and back next weekend in a bid to raise money for the Mthunzi and Lilanda Initiative.

Phil Conner will get pedaling next Saturday (October 24) from the Parish Church Hall at 10.30am.

To donate to Phil's challenge visit - www.justgiving.com/100milesforMALI.



Archie Wallace received a Jubilee Certificate to honour 50 years of membership of Lodge Loch Fyne. Archie joined in December 1958 and went on to become the 47th Master of the lodge, only eight years later. He was presented with his certificate by current Master, Lachie Wood, who is pictured along with other members who joined in the celebration. Lachie said: 'Archie is well known and highly respected throughout the Province and beyond and has a remarkable record of dedicated service, over the past 50 years.'

Tayvallich pre-fives get recycling

Youngsters from Tayvallich's pre-five unit enjoyed a special trip to Lingerton Landfill site on Monday, October 5, where they learned about the importance of recycling.

Three of the pre-fives learnt about the damage waste does to the planet and helped reduce their carbon footprint by getting rid of plastic bottles and cardboard.

The youngsters are pictured with Michael Harvey, Shanks area supervisor (left) and Colin MacInnes, Shanks senior organisational manager for Argyll and Bute.

80th birthday celebrations for Lochgilphead SWRI

LOCHGILPHEAD SWRI will celebrate its 80th birthday this year.

The institute is planning a special birthday party on Saturday Novem-

ber 14 in the Red Cross Hall. Members and presidents past and present, as well as members of surrounding SWRI's will attend the party.

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Wind farm refused

Continued from Page 1 as a special protection for golden eagles by Scottish Natural Heritage under the European Union Birds Directive.

Mr Russell concluded that if the impact on the eagles was only being assessed in relation to the population within Argyll west and the islands, the application could have been accepted.

But the policy of ministers was to apply the regulations for classified areas also to those proposed as special protection areas to avoid 'deterioration of habitats and any disturbance to birds'.

Slimmers celebrate in style A ruby time for Mid Argyll slimmers

SUPER Slimmers from Tarbert and Lochgilphead celebrated in style recently as Slimming World celebrated its 40th anniversary.

Local members joined the club's 300,000 members by hosting their own 1969 themed party.

Donning red clothing and fancy dress from the 1960s, members helped to make the Ruby Anniversary one to remember.

Slimming World Consultant Sue Brown, who runs the Tarbert group, said the birthday party

was a huge success. She said: 'It was great fun for all our members and a great opportunity for people who are new to Slimming World to come along and see what it's all about. Everyone had a great time and sampled delicious dishes from our new Extra Easy eating plan which was launched to celebrate the 40th anniversary.

Believe

'I don't think they could believe that they could eat such tasty food and lose weight, but it's

true and my members' weight losses are proof of that.'

The Slimming World groups are held in Tarbert on Thursdays at 6.30pm in the Bowling Club and Lochgilphead Baptist Church Hall on Mondays at 5.30pm and 7.30pm.

For more information visit www.slimming-world.com



Tarbert Slimming World girls donned red attire to celebrate the club's 40th anniversary. 06_a41ruby01

Does your oil storage container fit the bill?

THE SCOTTISH Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) is highlighting, to householders and businesses across Argyll and Bute, the regulations in place to minimise the risk of oil pollution.

The Water Environment (Oil Storage) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 were introduced in three stages. New tanks installed after April 1, 2006 had to comply with the regulations by October 1, 2006 and existing tanks within 10

metres of a borehole had to comply by April 1, 2008. Now the deadline for all storage tanks in Scotland to comply with these regulations is approaching on April 1, 2010.

The regulations set design standards for new and existing above-ground oil storage facilities, which includes fixed tanks, intermediate bulk containers, and drums or mobile bowers whether inside or outside a building.

The regulations also cover domestic oil tanks with a capacity of more than 2500 litres. Colin Bayes, SEPA's Director of Environmental Protection and Improvement, said: 'SEPA's main aim is the protection of the environment. Just one litre of spilled oil can result in almost 4,000 square metres covered in an oil film, and even a small amount can have a devastating impact on the local environment.'

Information on the regulations and how they affect businesses and the general public is available at www.sepa.org.uk/water/regulations/regimes/pollution_control/oil_storage.aspx or by contacting your local SEPA office on 01738 448414.

Ordnance Explorer maps

ELEVEN year olds across Argyll and Bute are getting their chance to receive free Ordnance Explorer maps. All schools can order maps for all pupils in Primary Seven online.

MSP Peter Peacock said: 'We're lucky in Argyll and Bute to have some of the best scenery in the country. These maps will go a long way to helping them get out and about.'

Teenager fined for supplying cannabis

A LOCHGILPHEAD teenager has been fined £300 for supplying the Class B drug, Cannabis.

Lewis Kilgour, of 8 Stag Park, admitted supplying the drug on May 23 this year.

Procurator fiscal David Webster told Lochgilphead annex of Dunoon Sheriff Court last week that Kilgour had purchased 'a lot' of the drug and sold it because he found he was 'out of pocket'.

Mr Webster added that around £60 worth of Cannabis was recovered from Kilgour.

Defence agent, Graeme Wright told the court that Kilgour had not sold the drug for profit.

He added: 'My client cooperated fully with the police and is extremely remorseful over the incident.'

Sheriff Carol Kelly said: 'You appear to have an excellent character and it's very regrettable that you found yourself in this kind of misbehaving.'

Wear it pink

RHODA Grant, Highlands and Islands Labour MSP is joining forces with Breast Cancer Campaign to raise awareness of its award winning fundraising event, Wear it Pink, on Friday October 30.

Supporters are encouraged to don an item of pink in support and each donate £2 to fund innovative world-class breast cancer research.

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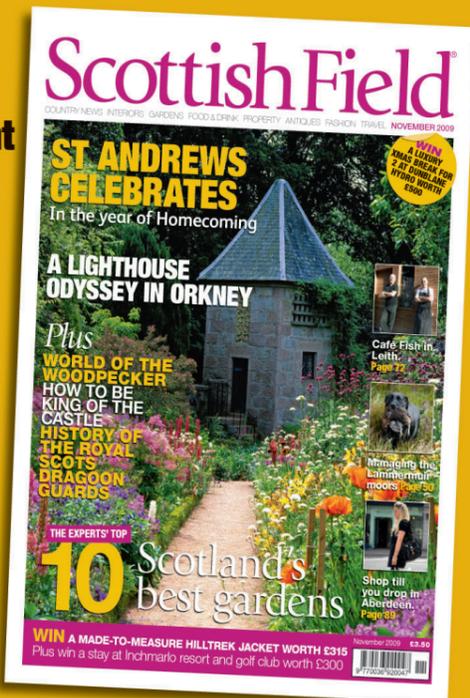
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WIN...

WIN: Win a made-to-measure Hilltrek jacket; **WIN:** A luxury Christmas break for two at the Dunblane Hydro; **WIN:** A stay at Inchmarlo Resort and Golf Club; **WIN:** a short break at The Green Hotel in Kinross

DISCUSS...

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BADDEN Farm Nursery has been awarded its Eco Green Flag thanks to the efforts of the children and staff. The achievement was celebrated in style with an open day when children who have moved onto primary school were invited back to the nursery for the raising of the flag. Proprietor Jennifer Campbell thanked all the staff, children and parents, especially the eco committee for all its hard work and enthusiasm.



The Air Ambulance Service is getting improved communications.

Changes coming to ambulance service

Councillors briefed on change in shift patterns

A CHANGE in shift pattern at Campbeltown Ambulance Station and plans to move the station to 24-hour operation will reduce the number of times that cover has to come from Tarbert.

As reported previously there have been fears about ambulances having to come from Tarbert, Lochgilphead and even Oban when cover was needed.

Garry Fraser, the Scottish Ambulance Service's head of service for Argyll and Clyde gave a long-awaited presentation at the October meeting of Mid Argyll Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee and afterwards faced a question and answer time with councillors.

Councillor Donald Kelly said: 'We are still experiencing in the Kintyre area, quite

cillor, quite unacceptable.' Mr Fraser said the shift patterns had been staggered so there was more cover and he was trying to secure more cash from the existing budget to make Campbeltown a 24-hr station.

Across Argyll and Clyde the service handled 33,831 emergency calls in the last year; 11,916 in Argyll and Bute alone.

'We continue to respond to

that on some of the islands installing landing sites was still an issue. On landing

Consultation

SCOTTISH Ambulance Service will be publishing a final report on a major consultation it has carried out across Scotland.

Known as the Draft Strategic Framework it will be available for the public to comment on further at the end of October and beginning of November.

More than ever

THE SCOTTISH Ambulance Service is responding to more 999 emergency calls than ever before.

In the last year the number has risen by 4.5 per cent to 435,907 that is 8,382 a week and 229 a week in Argyll and Bute alone.

more emergency calls than ever,' he said. In the past five years emergency calls in Campbeltown have risen by 10 per cent and in Lochgilphead by four per cent.

In remote rural areas there was increasing out-of-hours demand on the ambulance. 'In some places the default cover is the ambulance service, where remote rural GPs have opted out of the out-of-hours,' he added, and said

Urgent calls down in Lochgilphead

ONLY in Lochgilphead has the number of urgent calls to the ambulance service dropped.

Routine calls for the service and 999 calls in both Campbeltown and Lochgilphead have both risen steadily in the last five years but in Lochgilphead the number of urgent calls has dropped by one per cent.

sites Councillor John Semple wanted to know about the ad-hoc arrangements on council-owned land alongside Campbeltown Hospital because the land could often be waterlogged.

'If it is an emergency call the helicopter can land anywhere, it doesn't need permission,' said Mr Fraser.

Councillor Rory Colville wanted to more about how calls for the air ambulance were relayed; he knew of instances where had hospital staff known the length of time, they could have sent someone by ambulance to Glasgow.

Mr Fraser said that a dedicated air ambulance desk was being set up at the control centre to improve communications.

'Cross-cover'

PARAMEDICS will be taking on more calls that could have gone to a GP in the future. Councillor Douglas Philand wanted to know about plans to redesign the service and was particularly interested in the ambulance service and out-of-hours cover.

He was told that in future paramedics could be getting extra training and working more closely with GPs

Keeping local

AT present the majority of transfers by air ambulance from Islay go straight to Glasgow but Councillor Robin Currie said that the Community Health Partnership was looking at what amount of the service could be kept in Argyll at the hospital in Oban.

regularly, that Campbeltown is being covered by Tarbert which I find, as a local coun-

Tarbert won't close

RUMOURS that Tarbert Ambulance Station is to close were squashed at the council meeting.

Mr Fraser said repeated rumours kept surfacing that both Tarbert and Arrochar ambulance stations were to close.

'We don't know where this keeps coming from but it is not the case - they are not closing,' he said.



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Mid Argyll hotelier made a Freeman of London

A MID ARGYLL hotelier joined a distinguished roll of honour recently when he was granted the Freedom of the City of London.

Mr Nick Ryan, proprietor of the Crinan Hotel, received the 14th century honour at a prestigious ceremony in the Lord Chamberlain's Court.

This honour follows the announcement in May that he was elected a Master Innholder and Fellow of the Hotel Catering and Institutional Management Association.

Prior to receiving the Freedom of London, he attended the innkeepers Court where he was interviewed by members of the Worshipful Company of Innholders, a body committed to attaining the highest international standards.

To achieve such an accolade requires a nomination but Mr Ryan is uncertain who is responsible for recommending him.

Up, up and away brings windfall

A WEE Lochgilphead girl hit the jackpot when she sent a balloon flying across the country.

Little Hollie Meikle, who is not yet two, won a Mid Argyll Insurance Services competition for the furthest travelled balloon.

Hollie's mum, Wilma, of McCulloch Building's Lochgilphead, bought the balloon for Hollie during the Friends of Arms Assault Course held at Lochgilphead Front Green recently.

The pretty lass let go of her balloon and the wind quickly whipped it up, up and away into the distance.

At 6.30am the following morning Hollie's balloon was found by Mr Ken Davies, who came across it on the third fairway of the Carluke Golf Course in Lanarkshire. The amazing journey of Hollie's balloon led to the toddler receiving a cash prize from Mid Argyll Insurance Services.

Council cover up?

A MIX-UP with a batch of district council diaries presented one councillor with the chance of a quip that proved too good to resist.

Argyll and Bute District Council received 250 information diaries for in-house distribution, last week, which were supposed to have the council's name across the front.

But 24 of them had Gordon District Council on the front instead. And on receipt of his unusual 1995 diary – which had details of Argyll and Bute on the inside – councillor Archie McCallum, Kintyre South, was heard to say: 'These diaries are personalised, I've got Gordon's.'

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Down Memory Lane

This Week's Down Memory Lane shows prizewinners at Lochgilphead Golf Club's Annual Dinner on November 29, 1985 in the Argyll Hotel, Lochgilphead. Pictured are: Stewart Ferguson, Tommy Armour, Kenny Rowan, Alex MacAulay, Donnie MacVean, Eddie Brown, Tommy Angus, Duncan Aitken, Robbie Wilson, Matthew MacAulay, John MacFadyen, Peter Tait, Andrew Taint, John Sinclair, Alex MacKenzie, Heather Clark, Jan Sinclair, Gawn Tait, Heather Anderson, Isobel McMillan, Kathleen MacVean, Jenny MacAulay and Janet Oliver. This year's prizegiving and buffet dance will be held in the clubhouse on Saturday October 24.

Alt Dearg concerns

Sir,

As a regular visitor to this most beautiful part of the country I was dismayed to read of plans for a wind farm at Alt Dearg.

Residents who are being asked their opinion should be under no illusion - tourists do not want the unspoilt hills of Argyll to be ruined with politically correct white elephants. The scenery is your greatest asset, compromise it at your peril.

The suggestion that Ardrishaig could own one of the wind turbines seems to me to be not far removed from bribery.

The statement by James Lithgow that not building the wind farm might result in another 'clearance' is an absurdity, but does demonstrate how land owners, keen to make a fast buck no matter what the consequences, are becoming increasingly desperate to get support for wind farms in the face of growing public opposition.

He also seems to have forgotten who was responsible for the clearances.

**Chris Ward,
Sutton Coldfield,
West Midlands.**

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NHS - a very professional service

Sir,

As our T.V. companies seem to feel justified in spending large sums of money on programmes focusing on the shortcomings of our NHS through sensation provoking journalism in programmes like Tonight or Panorama, I feel I would like through your newspaper to balance this out somewhat.

Last Sunday I had the misfortune to suffer a sudden heart attack and after prompt action from my wife and with the help of my good neighbours I safely reached hospital in Lochgilphead. I have to say the care and attention I received from all involved in the Mid Argyll Health Centre, the helicopter transfer crew, the Golden Jubilee hospital and the Vale of Leven was without exception highly professional, compassionate and sensitive in what was a very un-

pleasant and frightening experience.

I would like to sincerely thank Dr Simpson and his team for their care and attention and share with anyone reading this my positive experience of our often unfairly portrayed National Health Service.

Perhaps if some of the funding for these programmes was channelled directly to the NHS rather than being used to undermine it our Doctors and nurses would have more resources available to help them to continue to deliver a very professional service.

**Ewan Telfer,
Longhouse,
Ormsary Estate,
Lochilphead.**

Lochnell Street delay

Sir,

You report that the delay in repairing Lochnell Street is because 'wider consultation needs to be carried out with residents and businesses over car parking in the area', and

there's no doubt that the much needed bus stop improvements did cause a substantial and unfortunate reduction in the available on-street parking.

However, there seems to be another reason for the delay to urgently needed rectification of the dreadful state of the road surface, and dangerous lack of road markings.

I've been told by a roads engineer that Scottish Water haven't 'signed off' the street for resurfacing yet, and that Scotland Transerv are actively pursuing the matter.

There are two points to be made:

1 - Why can't Scotland Transerv and Scottish Water keep us adequately informed of what they're up to - they're good at keeping

us informed of planned upgrades, but when lack of action causes ongoing problems there's a remarkable silence.

2 - For how much longer is the A83 through from the bend beyond the Esso/Tesco filling station to Colchester Square going to be able to cope with the traffic load?

Isn't it time the Planning Authority and Trunk Roads put their heads together and came up with proposals for relocating the main road on the shore side of the Police station?

This would make parking easier in Lochnell Street - which is becoming a 'rat run' - would enable parking once again in Poltalloch Street, would free-up access to the new Cop, and would possibly help safeguard the town against tidal surges, but would clearly have major implications for the Front Green and perhaps the Corran area.

**Robert Wakeham,
Craigard Cottage,
Castleton,
By Lochgilphead.**

Stop climate chaos

Sir,

Many of you may already have heard of the campaign for climate justice in the lead up to the United Nations Convention on Climate Change, when the world's governments will gather in Copenhagen in December.

Christian Aid is part of the 'Stop Climate Chaos Coalition', who are urging us to show our deep concern by meeting with or writing to our MP, Alan Reid.

There are cards available to sign and send to the Prime Minister calling on him to lead the UK delegation to Copenhagen, and to urge the EU to commit to at least 40 per cent cuts in domestic carbon emissions by 2020.

These cards will be available at Lochgilphead Post Office.

**Mary Stirling,
14 Glengilp,
Ardrishaig.**



Families sought for after school club

MORE families are being sought for an after school club which provides safe and secure care for primary school children.

The After School Club at the Community Centre provides care for working families who require child care after school hours and are looking to boost their numbers to get more kids involved in activities.

All staff are qualified and fully disclosed and as well as indoor activities like arts and crafts the club likes to get the children involved in community-based activities like the community garden.

There is also a holiday club available and will be taking place next week from Monday to



The After School Club receives donations from local organisations. Jog Scotland gave them a cheque in July, and they club also received funds from the Rotary Club of Campbeltown.

Friday to tie in with the school's October holiday week.

Most working people qualify for working tax

credits which can pay for 80 per cent of the cost of childcare, reducing the cost to you.

For more information

phone 01586 552606 or drop into the Community Centre on Stewart Road and discuss your requirements with them.



District History Society heard from Alastair Campbell of Airds, President of the History Society.

Inveraray delve into Campbell history

INVERARAY and District History Society held their first monthly meeting, in the Nicholl Hall, Inveraray on Tuesday October 6.

This was a well-attended meeting because of the subject matter and the speaker.

The 8th Argylls was the topic and the group were treated to an in depth view, not only of the regiments history but the personal view from the Campbell family perspective as the speaker was Alastair Campbell of Airds, President of the History Society.

Alastair, a prolific writer, has titles such as *A History of the Clan Campbell, The Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders, Life and*

Troubled Times of Sir Donald Campbell of Ardnamurchan and several equally interesting books of historic significance.

A spokesman for the Society said: 'How re-

freshing it was to hear a speaker speak from personal experience. It was, indeed, an excellent talk, thoroughly enjoyed by all.'

The Society meet on the first Tuesday of

each month, in the Nicholl Hall, Inveraray at 7.30 pm. The next meeting will be on November 3 when the speaker will be Michael Davis of Argyll and Bute Library Services.

Red Cross winter raffle

KINTYRE's committee of the British Red Cross is giving supporters the chance to win fabulous prizes in its winter raffle in aid of the Asia and Pacific Disaster Appeal.

A signed Chris Hoy t-shirt, dinner for two at Craigard Hotel, return flights for two to Glasgow and a round of golf for four people at the new Machrihanish Dunes Golf Course are only some of the prizes

up for grabs. In aid of the current disaster appeal there will also be a 'Disaster Lunch' in the Red Cross Hall on Kirk Street, Campbeltown on November 6 to raise funds for the appeal and draw the raffle.

Volunteers

Raffle tickets will be available from local shops and Red Cross volunteers will be selling them at Tesco this weekend.

Centre organiser Ann Cousin said: 'We greatly appreciate the support of our main sponsors, Chris Hoy, Machrihanish Dunes, Craigard Hotel, Springbank Distillery and everyone who has donated prizes.'

'We would also like to thank the shops in the town who agreed to help promote the event in particular Intersport who are displaying Chris Hoy signed cycle top.'



THE Argyll Hotel in Southend is ideal for a Christmas night out and with a varied menu there is something to suit everybody.

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They can cater for larger parties and an adjusted menu can be created on request, please phone for more details.

Whilst the Christmas dinner menu is available from December 1 to Christmas Eve, the ordinary lunch and dinner menu are still available and booking is preferred for both menus.

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Dalriada Accordion and Fiddle Club

DALRIADA Accordion and Fiddle Club continues its season next Tuesday with a visit from ever-popular visitor, Allan McIntosh, taking an evening break away from his duties at Inveraray Castle.

Allan's solo spots will be prefaced by music from local artists, as well as the usual handful of visitors willing to take a turn, making for variety and sometimes a real surprise.

The Red Cross Hall provides a comfortable and welcoming venue for the Club night, as was shown last month when Fyne Folk from Inveraray came across in force and provided a highly entertaining programme of well-rehearsed sets.

Chairman, John Hunt, will set the evening going at 7.30pm and refreshments and a raffle are offered half way through.



A WEEKEND of events took place to celebrate a visit by the Hamilton Salvation Army Band to Campbeltown. On Saturday the band marched down Main Street and were joined by the local Salvation Army. In the evening a special harvest praise programme was enjoyed in Lorne and Lowland Church. The events continued on Sunday when Morning Worship was held at the local Salvation Army Hall followed by 'Songs of Praise' at Lorne and Lowland Church. 04_c42sa101

Youngsters 'dig' Highland Archaeology Fortnight

A family fun day to celebrate Highland Archaeology fortnight took place at Kilmartin House Museum on Saturday, October 10.

In the morning mums, dads and children donned their welly boots and waterproofs for a fun walk around the cairns and cists in Kilmartin Glen.

The afternoon saw three sessions of children's simulated digs



with the museum's new education officers, Kate Moody and Julia Hamilton.

A total of 24 youngsters enjoyed looking for ar-

tifacts from the bronze and stone ages. Pictured is the first group of children enjoying the dig with Kate, left, and Julia, right. 06_a42dig01



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Soup and sandwiches for Argyll Trefoil Guild

LAST Thursday, October 8, saw members of the Argyll Trefoil Guild hold a soup and sandwich lunch with a sing-along at Lochgilhead Baptist Church Hall.

The Guild raised the creditable sum of £300 after expenses which will go the Girlguiding UK 'Change The World' Appeal as a donation to 'Water Aid for Nepal'.

The Guild will be holding other events for this cause over the next few months.

Sheila Reid said: 'We would like to thank everyone who supported the lunch and hope they enjoyed taking part in the sing-along.'

Pictured are - Catherine Lamont from Oban, Sheila Reid from Lochgilhead, Betty Rennie from Lochgilhead, Dorothy Carmichael from Islay, Cath Galt from Islay, Barbara Rent from Cairnbaan and Ileene Craig from Lochgilhead. 06_a42girl01

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Buffet to follow

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Argyll College students in the pink

Students from Argyll College donned pink pyjamas last Friday to raise money for Breast Cancer Awareness. The girls baked lots of pink cakes and held a coffee morning to raise £200 for the charity.

XL class provide fine dining for 30 people

MEMBERS of the Link Club and the Volunteer Centre People Plus Group were treated to fine dining by pupils from the XL class at Campbeltown Grammar School as part of their course.

Cooking for nearly 30 people the class cooked a lunch as part of the Food Hygiene course they carried out through Argyll College.

As well as citizenship and community projects the pupils also cover topics like getting ready for work and outdoor residentials.

The course helps the pupils gain confidence and helps them to realise their full potential by taking a practical way of learning into account.

They receive an award from the Princes Trust and the Award Scheme Development and Accreditation Network (ASDAN) at the end of each year of the two year course.

Undertook

Fiona Irwin of the Volunteer Centre said: 'The day went extremely well. The children undertook activities with the adults after the meal like jewellery making and snooker. They also listened to talks from the various members on their life experiences.'

'The day was a great success with everyone agreeing that the children were very well

behaved and that they had made their school proud with their cooking skills.'

Thank

The class would like to thank MC, Lesley and Hazel for helping on the day, the Community Centre staff and of course the members of the Link Club, the Volunteer Centre People Plus Group and their staff members.

The XL class is looking forward to their next venture which will take on a gardening theme.



Fiddlers in fine fettle

THE Kintyre Music and Arts Tuition Group, The Kintyre Fiddlers and the Kintyre Cultural Forum held another successful fiddle workshop in the White Hart Hotel's Upstairs Lounge on Friday. The fiddle workshops tutor was Rebecca Brown from Islay, front right, who played a session in the White Hart later that night. The workshops catered for everyone from absolute beginners to advanced performers. C42fd01

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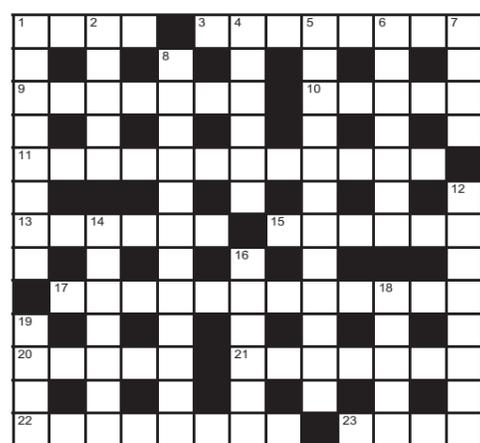
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Christine Johnston from Lochgilphead is joined by her gold and silver medal winners. 16_142mm065



CalMac managing director Philip Preston, left, is pictured signing a three-year sponsorship deal to back the Royal National Mòd with An Comunn Gàidhealach president John MacLeod. Mr Preston said: 'We have a public duty to support the Gaelic language, and the Mòd and CalMac are perfect partners in supporting Gaelic culture and heritage. I hope this partnership lasts a long time.'

Many of the area's musicians and vocalists travelled to Oban for the Royal National Mòd this week to compete for the top awards.



Pictured are brother and sister Arlene, aged 10, Alex MacKechnie, aged 13 from Strachur. Arlene came third in the under 13 fiddle competition which had over 40 children in the class.. 16_142mm04



Scott McLean, Kilmartin took gold in the 16-18 years piping march and won the Royal Highland Fusiliers Cup. He also won the Dr D S MacLagan Memorial Trophy for best aggregate score in piping competitions C130 and C131. Fellow competitor and younger brother Alasdair looks on in awe. 16_142mm02a



Former Lochgilphead Parish Church minister Rev. Alistair Gray was competing in the gold medal competition this year. He now lives in Caithness. 07_142mm011



Sarah Cairns and Roisin Turner from Lochgilphead won the David C B Maitland Memorial Trophy 16_142mm04



Medal winner Molly Frances hasn't had much time to get used to the language. Her mum is from New Zealand and her dad is from Ireland — yet she struck gold in the 11-12 year old solo singing. Molly sings with the Lochgilphead Choir. 16-142mm075



Christine Johnston and Josie Campbell, Lochgilphead, didn't compete together in the duet competition for the first time in years. However, they ended up working together as stewards in the Argyllshire Gathering Halls and competed in choir competitions. 07_142mm012



Tarbart Gaelic Choir celebrate with their champion Iain MacPherson after he won the Sarah Weir Trophy. 16_142mm089

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Dippen Charolais is champion

UNITED Auctions had forward 1,800 suckled calves at their show and sale at Stirling on Monday, plus 3,291 breeding sheep.

Bullocks averaged 209.8p per kilo and sold to 270.6p per kg for a 194kg Charolais cross from Ballygroggan and £900 for a 654kg Charolais cross from Threipland.

Heifers averaged 196.1p per kilo and sold to 268.4p per kg for a 188kg Charolais cross from Ballygroggan and £840 for a 388kg Simmental cross from Nuide.

The show champion was a Charolais cross from Messrs Semple, Dippen, Carradale, with the reserve, a Limousin from McGregor, Saddlefield.

Mule gimmers from Killearn Home Farm sold to £118 with Texel cross gimmers from Holton to £104 and £100 for Cheviot cross gimmers from the same home.



Alan Haynes, First Milk project manager. C42cream01

New creamery plans on show

FIRST Milk joined forces with super-market giant Tesco when it held an exhibition at Aqualibrium in Campbeltown.

The plan is for Tesco to buy the existing creamery site and Campbeltown Creamery move its production to new, state-of-the-art premises.

While Tesco showed its plans for the present creamery site, First Milk had detailed plans for its proposed new creamery to be built at Snipefield.

The Scottish Government has given the creamery the largest grant ever paid to a dairy company in Scotland, £3.9

million, to help build the new creamery with other money coming from the sale of the existing site to Tesco.

Plans Considered

Alan Haynes the First Milk project manager said that the company hopes to have the plans considered by Argyll and Bute Council as soon as December.

Forty-two dairy farms from Kintyre and Gigha send their milk to the creamery and only when the new creamery has been built and is fully operational would the work on a new Tesco store begin.

MSP officially opens refurbished market at Dalmally

UNITED Auctions marked the completion of upgraded facilities at Dalmally mart when Highland and Islands MSP Jamie McGrigor 'launched' the newly refurbished facility immediately before the Blackface Ram Sale on Saturday.

The £250,000 of improvements, which were completed this month, include replacing the

entire penna area with steel pens - including a new livestock auction ring - and resurfacing the concrete as well as upgrading the washing system and installing electronic display equipment.

The upgrade improves health and safety, bio-security and animal health and welfare.

Dalmally auction mart is an important seasonal centre for hill sheep and cattle and supports around 50 jobs. It also provides an essential facility for marketing stock from the islands, which is supplemented by facilities at Oban, including livestock trailers to ferry animals to and from the islands and an overnight lairage shed for animals being trans-

ported to the Dalmally sales.

Jamie McGrigor, who as local farmer uses the mart himself, said: 'My family has been using Dalmally market since 1956 so I know first hand that it is more than a market - it is an institution to people in the area where it also plays an important social role as a place to do business, often not connected with the sale of the day.'

'It is a place where breeders meet fatteners, farmers meet hauliers and it provides a general meeting point on Saturdays during sale periods.'

'The market has always overcome the hurdles put in its path by governments and EU Commissioners and I



Officially opening the newly upgraded Dalmally Mart, Donald Morrison UA area managing director for Argyll and the Island, David Leggat, UA executive chairman and Jamie McGrigor MSP. t42mart01

have great confidence in the ability and commitment of United Auctions and those who provide the stock so that further generations may continue to use this vibrant market in what is undoubtedly the most picturesque setting of any market in Scotland.'

Another supporter of

the market Minister for Enterprise, Energy and Tourism and SNP MSP for Argyll and Bute Jim Mather. He said: 'This upgrade is a significant boost to agriculture in the West of Scotland and should be seen as a mark of confidence in the future prospects of the industry.'

Donald Morrison, area managing director for Argyll and the Islands said: 'The Dalmally market provides an essential link in marketing livestock in the West of Scotland together with the area office at Oban and the markets on the Islands of South Uist, Tiree and Islay.'

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Blackface lamb trade hits £44,000 at Dalmally

DALMALLY'S all-new mart saw a sale total of over half a million pounds at its annual ram sale.

Blackface breeders from Crieff dominated the sale with Mary McCall-Smith of Connachan leading the trade at £44,000 while Ian Hunter, Dalchirla grossed nearly 35 per cent of the takings with the 53 shearlings and 12 ram lambs he sold on the day, bringing in £158,240 out of a sale total of £524,568.

Reflected

Average prices were well up on the year which reflected big rises seen in prime and store rings in 2009.

Selling to an average of £732 were 570 shear-

lings, against £479.51 for 30 fewer animals last year.

Up over £36 on last year were the 172 ram lambs at the sale, with only 162 sold last year.

Invested

United Auctions has recently invested over £250,000 in new penning arrangements and a new sale ring and it was an excellent start for the new look market which was officially opened by Highlands and Islands MSP Jamie McGrigor.

The sale topper was a shearling from Ms McCall-Smith's 1,100-strong Blackface flock called Connachan Highland Storm.

Ms McCall-Smith retained a quarter share of the ram with the remain-

ing 75 per cent shared equally by Mr Hunter, Ewen MacMillan, of The Lurg, Fintry, Glasgow, John Harkin, of Loughash Road, Dunamanagh, Co Tyrone, Northern Ireland, and Jim Kay, of the Gass, Straiton, Ayr.

Leading for Mr Hunter at £26,000 was a shearling by a £28,000 Midlock and two other shearlings off Mourinho, sold at £12,000.

Did Well

Ram lambs also did well at Dalmally with two lambs selling to £9,000.

Elmscleugh sold to £9,000 while Ian Hunter took the same amount for a son of a £14,000 Elmscleugh.

Mr Hunter, Dalchirla

also donated a lamb to raise funds for the cancer charity Clic Sargent, the donation raised £2,400.

Leading averages at Dalmally were (flock, number sold, top price, average):

Shearlings
Connachan, 10, 344,000, £4,865;
Elmscleugh, eight, £14,000, 32, 581.25;
Dalchirla, 53, £26,000, £2,281.13; Pole, 13, £8,500, £2,200;
Lurg, eight, £9,000, £11,591.25; Auchloy, 11, £10,000, £1,481.81;
Glenrath, seven, £3,000, £1,114.28;
Auldhouseburn, three, £1,600, £1,100;
Sidlaw, four, 32,500, £808.33; Dyke, 11, 33,800, £722.73;

Balliemeanoch, seven, £1,500, £714.28;
Nunnerie, 11, £3,800, £704.54; Midlock, 14, £1,300, £682.14;
Kilbride and Cowburn, 10, £1,100, £560; East Bracklinn (three aged), £1,100, £550; Cladich, 15, £2,000, £463.33;
Merkins, eight, £850, £493.75; Pirnataton, four, £700, £425.
Ram lambs
Dalchirla, 12, £9,000, £3,112.50;
Auldhouseburn, four, £3,700, £2,075;
Elmscleugh, nine, £9,000, £1,827.77;
Midlock, eight, £1,800, £775; Connachan, three, £900, £533.33;
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Written comments for the following applications may be made to Planning Services, 67 Chalmers Street, Ardriashaig, PA30 8DX by 6th November 2009 for the following list of applications for planning permission.

- **Ref No: 09/01363/PP**
Applicant: Chris and Jenny Wardle
Proposal: Erection of dwellinghouse and installation of sewage treatment plant
Site address: Land North West Of Mill House, Achahoish, Argyll And Bute
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Applicant: Mrs C Christie
Proposal: Proposed alterations and extension to dwellinghouse
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- **Ref No: 09/01455/PP**
Applicant: Greenpower (Carraig Gheal) Limited
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- **Ref No: 09/01477/PPP**
Applicant: Mr Nicholas Twinn
Proposal: Site for the erection of 1no dwelling house and installation of a septic tank
Site address: Plot 2 Torran Farm, Ford, Argyll and Bute

Argyll and Bute Council maintain a Register of planning applications which can be viewed between 9am and 5pm at Planning Services, Dalriada House, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8ST.

An extant list of planning applications which can be viewed on the Councils website www.argyll-bute.gov.uk.

A weekly list of applications which can be viewed at Planning Services, Dalriada House, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8ST and Argyll and Bute Council Libraries.

Any letter of representation the council receives about a planning application is considered a public document.

Please therefore note that representations will be made available for public inspection and, under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act, will be copied on request. They will also be published on the council's web site.

The author of such a representation is solely responsible for its content and accuracy.

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OPERATIONAL SERVICES

**(VARIOUS STREETS, LOCHGILPHEAD) (TEMPORARY
TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT) ORDER 2009**

Argyll and Bute Council propose to make an Order under Section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, (with the consent of the Scottish Ministers as required under Section 16B (6) of the same Act), the effect of which will be that for a temporary period, for the purpose of facilitating the Lantern Parade and Fireworks Display in Lochgilphead, no person shall (with the exception of emergency services vehicles):

- 1) drive or cause to or permit to be driven any vehicle through the lengths of road indicated in Schedule 1 between 1815 hours and 2200 hours on Saturday 7th November 2009.
- 2) cause or permit a vehicle to wait on any of the lengths of road indicated in Schedule 2 between 1700 hours and 2200 hours on Saturday 7th November 2009.

The Order, which is necessary to facilitate the holding of the events, shall have effect, when indicated by signs.

**SCHEDULE 1
PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC
1815 HOURS - 2200 HOURS**

Name of Road in Lochgilphead	Extent of Closure
A83 Tarbet - Kennacraig Trunk Road (Part of Lochnell Street and Pottaloch Street)	From its junction with Campbell Street extending in a westerly direction to its junction with Lorne Street a distance of 410 metres or thereby.
Colchester Square	From its junction with the Tarbet-Kennacraig Trunk Road (A83) extending northwards to its junction with Argyll Street a distance of 40 metres or thereby.
Argyll Street	From its junction with the north side of Colchester Square northwards to its junction with Union Street a distance of 72 metres or thereby.

**SCHEDULE 2
NO WAITING AT ANY TIME
1700 HOURS - 2200 HOURS**

Name of Road in Lochgilphead	Extent of Restriction
Union Street	Both sides extending from its junction with Campbell Street to its junction with Argyll Street a distance of 216 metres or thereby.
Lorne Street	Both sides extending from its junction with Argyll Street to its junction with the Tarbet-Kennacraig Trunk Road (A83), a distance of 347 metres or thereby.

Contravention of the Order, which may be inspected at the Argyll & Bute Council Offices, Kilmory, Lochgilphead could result in a penalty of up to £500.

Andrew R Law, Director of Operational Services, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, Argyll

CORPORATE SERVICES

**CIVIC GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1982
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Argyll and Bute Council propose to carry out a review of taxi fare scales. Any changes to the existing fare scales will take effect from 8th February 2010. Any individual or organisation wishing to make representations on the review should make them in writing to the undersigned by the 4th December 2009. Copies of the existing fare scales can be obtained by telephoning Argyll and Bute Council on (01546) 604198

Susan Mair, Head of Legal and Protective Services, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, PA31 8RT

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

The Bible says, 'Honour one another above yourselves' (Romans 12:9).

BIRTHS

COFFIELD - **MATHIESON** - Martin and Kirsti are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter, Louisa Marie on October 3, 2009, at Campbeltown Hospital. A wee sister for Abbie and Rianne. Many thanks to all at the Maternity Unit.

GARDNER - Craig and Ruth (née Barbour) are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter Jessica Niamh at Perth Maternity Hospital on October 9, 2009. A sister for Kirsty.

ENGAGEMENTS

MASON - BELLAMY - Isobel and Geoff are delighted to announce the engagement of their daughter Kimberly to Colin, son of Rhona and Keith, on October 3, 2009.

DEATHS

BLAIR - Peacefully at the Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead, on October 12, 2009, Dorothy Bernard Blair (Dot Blair), in her 77th year, 25 Easfield, Tarbert, dearly beloved wife of the late Donald Blair, dearly loved mother of Marion, Alex, Donald and Dorothy and a loving and much loved granny and great-granny.

CAMPBELL - Peacefully at home, Rockieburn, Kilkerran Road, Campbeltown, surrounded by his family, on October 8, 2009, Gordon Hugh Veitch Campbell (Retired Pharmacist), in his 78th year, dearly beloved husband of Marjorie Lochhead and a much loved father and grandfather.

KERNACHAN - On October 12, 2009, peacefully at Glassary Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead, Mary Kernachan, in her 98th year, beloved wife of the late Alex Kernachan and much loved mother of Isabel, Molly, Nancy, Effie, Betty and Alistair, a dear mother-in-law, grandmother and great-grandmother. Funeral service at Cardross Crematorium, (today) Friday, October 16, at 12.45pm. A memorial service will be held at Tarbert Parish Church, on Saturday, October 17, at 12.00 noon, all family and friends are invited to both events. Family flowers only please, collection if desired for Tarbert Parish Church.

McARTHUR - Peacefully at the Southern General Hospital, Glasgow, on October 8, 2009, Archibald Gillies McArthur, in his 86th year, 12 Benmore Street, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of the late Mary McAllister, dearly loved father of Mark and the late Annette and a loving and much loved grandfather. Service in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church on Saturday, October 17, 2009 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation.

Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in the church in aid of the RNLI.

McLEAN - Suddenly at the Campbeltown Hospital, on October 11, 2009, Jean McCormick Mitchell, in her 82nd year, 47 Meadows Avenue, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Edward McLean, a much loved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and a dear sister, sister-in-law and aunt. Service in the Highland Parish Church on Saturday, October 17, 2009 at 11.00am, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in the church in aid of the Mairi Semple Fund.

MURDOCH - Peacefully at the Western Infirmary on October 8, 2009, Marion, dearly beloved wife of the late Archibald, a treasured aunt and friend to many. Funeral service at Clydebank Crematorium North Dalnottar, today, Friday, October 16, 2009 at 2pm to which all friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers only please. Donations in lieu of flowers to PDSA.

RENNIE - Elizabeth. Peacefully at Ayr Hospital on October 13, 2009, Betty Millar, in her 83rd year of Forehill Road, Ayr. Beloved wife of the late James. Will be sadly missed by all the family. Funeral service at Masonhill Crematorium, by Ayr, on Monday, October 19, at 2.45pm.

SEDDON - On October 9, 2009, suddenly at Lorn and Islands District General Hospital, Oban, Helen Clare Seddon, of Garval Terrace, Tarbert, aged 64 years, beloved wife of John and much loved mother of Wendy, Iain and the late Beverley, a dear sister, aunt, mother-in-law and granny. Funeral service at Cardross Crematorium, (today) Friday, October 16, at 11.30am, to which all family and friends are respectfully invited.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

RUTHERFORD - An evening memorial service to remember and honour the life of Professor John S Rutherford, of 1 Barliath, Minard, beloved and loving husband of Sasha, and dear father of Shona and Julie, will take place from Christ Church, Lochgilphead on Thursday, October 22, 2009 at 6.30pm. Friends, please accept this intimation.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

ANGUS - Brenda and the family would like to thank everyone for their cards and for their support at this difficult time. Thanks also to the doctors and staff at Oban and Mid Argyll Hospitals.

GREENWOOD - Nicholas and family would like to thank everyone for their caring cards and flowers following the death of Cheryl. Special thanks to Mr W Crossan, Headmaster CGS, for his moving tribute and comforting service. Many thanks to Dr Elder and nurses at Carradale Surgery and Kitty Millar. Thank you all.

HAMILTON - Janet and family would like to thank all family, friends and neighbours for their flowers, cards and letters following Hugh's death. A very special thanks to doctors, nurses and staff at Muasdale Surgery, Marie Curie nurses and MacMillan nurses for their unfailing care and support during Hugh's illness. Thanks also to Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for professional funeral arrangements.

REID - John, Jeffrey, Wilma and family of the late Margaret Anne Reid would like to thank relatives, friends and colleagues for their kind expressions of sympathy following their sad loss. Sincere thanks to Rev Michael Lind for an uplifting and comforting service, to Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for their caring, professional arrangements and to Ardshiel for the catering. Our thanks to everyone who paid their last respects at church and graveside and who gave so generously to the collection for the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund.

STEVENS - The family of the late Sally Stevens, would like to thank everyone most sincerely for the great support and many kind expressions of sympathy received, in their recent sad loss. Special thanks to the team at Lorne and Islands Hospital, Oban, of, Helen, Lucy, Jackie, Hilary, and all staff of Ward C and at Glenaray Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead, for all their kind care and attention. Thanks also to Rev David Carruthers and Rev Hilda Smith for their comforting service and words of comfort, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, Raymond, Jean and staff at the Grey Gull Inn, Ardrishaig, for excellent catering and to all who paid their last respects at church and crematorium. The retiring collection raised £1005.

WILSON - Ronald, Mairi and family would like to thank most sincerely all family and friends for the many kind expressions of sympathy, cards, flowers and telephone calls received during the recent sad loss of their dad. In particular, grateful thanks go to the staff of Glenaray Ward for their tender care; Dr Ward, Dr Helliwell and Dr Hutcheson for their care of Dad and support of the family. Margaret Sinclair for the kind words and comforting service. Funeral Director, Roddy MacDonald and Fiona McCuaig for the great care and compassion shown throughout the proceedings. Many thanks to all who travelled to Cardross to pay their last respects. A total of £1000 has been donated to Glenaray Ward.

IN MEMORIAM

DAWSON - Jack, Maimie, Gladys, dearly loved, sadly missed. - Inserted by son and husband, Bill.

MACBRAYNE - In loving memory of my dear husband, Campbell, died October 21, 2004.

All the wonderful years of our life Will remain with me forever. - Your loving wife Prunella and family.

MUIR - In loving memory of my beloved husband Ian, who died October 17, 2002. Though your smile has gone forever And your hand I cannot touch I will never lose sweet memories Of the one I loved so much. - Your loving wife Ellen x.

You're always in our thoughts Dad. - From John and Maurice.

MUIR - Precious memories of a loving dad, father-in-law and ga-ga. As you were, you will always be Treasured in our memory. - Love Angela, Kenny and Kerr.

NELSON - In very loving memory of Joan Nelson, died October 19 2004. Also the Rev William Nelson (dear Billy), who died 1989. Always in my thoughts. - Marjorie.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES

CUMLODDEN LOCHFYNESIDE AND LOCHGAIR (Church of Scotland)
Scottish Charity Number SC016097

Sunday 18th October 2009
History Repeats Itself
CUMLODDEN CHURCH (Furnace) 10.30 am
LOCHFYNESIDE CHURCH (Minard) 12 noon
Rev. Roddy MacLeod
LOCHGAIR 3 pm
Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Louis Bezuidenhout (Glenaray and Inveraray)
Ceud mìle fáilte ALL WELCOME
United Service
Sunday 25th October at 10.30 am
in Lochgair Church (Tea to follow in Church Hall)

LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

All Welcome
Pastor Rev Derek Gibson
Sunday 18th October
11.00am Morning Service
Monday - 2.30pm
Ladies Meeting
Mr Craig McKinstry (Salvation Army)
Jumpstart Group
Friday 10.00 - 11.30am
Scottish Charity SC015187



LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 18th October 2009
11am worship service
Rev Hilda Smith
All welcome
4pm Toucan Club in Church Hall
Children in P1 - 7 welcome
Wednesday 21st October 2009

7.30pm Bible Study at the Manse, Manse Brae
Further information 01546 602238
www.lpchurch.co.uk

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN

Sunday 18 October 2009
11.00am

Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch
Speaker: George Stewart "The Healing River"

Thursday 22 October 2009
7.30pm

Praise, prayer & sharing

Special Weekend
Saturday 24 October 2009
7.00pm

Sunday 25 October 2009
11.00am

Speakers: Mike & Sue Grimshaw, Missouri, USA

Rusty & Belinda Owens, missionaries from Mexico.

All Welcome
"Come and see"

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND KILBERRY LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE PARISH CHURCH

Sunday 18th October 2009
Tarbert Church 11.30am

Afternoon Service 3pm
Tarbert Art and Leisure Centre

Margaret Sinclair
Interim Moderator

For all church inquiries and pastoral care

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Highland Parish Church



SC002493
Sunday 18th October 2009
11.15am

Morning Service
Mr W Crossan

Creche (0-3yrs)- Church
No Funday Club or JAM today

Monday 19th October
7.30pm

Guild: at Lorne and Lowland Guild

Rev Michael J Lind
Everyone very welcome

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH

Scottish Charity Number SC11686

Sunday, 18th October
Morning Worship - 11:15 a.m.

(Creche, Triple C & Bible Class)

Sea Cadets' Trafalgar Day
Church Parade

Chaplain (SCC) James Campbell, RNR

Monday, 19th October
The Guild - 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, 22nd October
Choir Practice - 7:30 p.m.

Friday, 23rd October
Lunch Club - 12:00 noon

GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH

SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2009

Glassary 11.30am
Celebration of Holy Communion

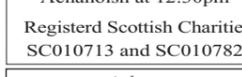
Rev Alistair Dunlop
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Scottish Charity No SC023277

Sunday 18th October 2009
19th Sunday after Trinity

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Morning Worship
Sunday 18th October 2009
Tayvallich Church 10am

Rev Ron Whyte
Interim Moderator: Rev. Hilda Smith 01546 602238

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Burnside Street, Campbeltown

Sunday Services
10.30am and 6.30pm

Tuesday
Over 60's Luncheon Club -12.30pm

Ladies Home League - 1.30pm

Thursday
Meat n' Eat Café

New to you Stall - 11.30am

Bible Study - 7.00pm

Major Dolores Thomson

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75 Longrow, Campbeltown

Sunday Services
10.00 a.m. ... Breaking of Bread

10.45 a.m. ... Coffee

11.15 a.m. ... All Age Harvest Service

7.30 p.m. Youth Group as announced.

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SAFETY

Prentice hat-trick gives Tarbert the points

Dookers keep up good league form

TARBERT kept their good Premier Division Two league form going at Cil Andreis on Saturday with an excellent 3-1 victory versus Rutherglen.

James Prentice scored all three goals for the A&D Watt (Pluming/Islay Frigate Hotel sponsored side.

Tarbert welcomed back Craig Martin into defence with young Cal-

lum McLaffrey taking over from Ian Smith at right-back who sustained an injury in last week's cup defeat to Thorn.

This win pushes Tarbert into second place in the league.

Tomorrow, Saturday, Dougie Guy's side travel to Glasgow to play Celtic Comm. Academy in the Jimmy Marshall Cup.



Tarbert had a comfortable 3-1 home win over Rutherglen at the weekend.

Photograph by Genny Guy.

Umbro SAFL - PREMIER DIVISION TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Shawlands FP	5	4	1	0	18	5	13
Tarbert	6	4	1	1	16	9	13
Rolls Royce EK	5	3	2	0	13	5	11
Templeton Albert	2	2	0	0	7	2	6
Kilbowie Union	4	2	0	2	12	8	6
Port Glasgow OBU	3	2	0	1	6	3	6
Dunoon	5	1	0	4	12	15	3
Rutherglen	4	1	0	3	5	10	3
Campbeltown Boys	3	0	0	3	2	10	0
Glencastle Sparta	5	0	0	5	2	26	0



Lorenzo selected for GBR squad

LORENZO Chiavarini of Bellanoch Bay has sailed in Autumn Qualifiers for selection of the RYA Volvo Laser Radial National Youth Squad 2009/10 and has been selected for one of 13 male places in the GBR Squad.

The RYA National Squad will train at Weymouth and Hayling Island and

Lorenzo will also train every Winter with RYA Scotland National Squad at Cumbrae in preparation for 2010 Season.

The Laser Radial World Championships 2010 will be held in Scotland this year, near home at Largs.

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Soccer Centre score 18 goals in Gourock

**Athletic Kids FC 1
Lochgilhead SC 18**
WITH three first team regulars missing through illness Lochgilhead Soccer Centre's Under 13s travelled to play Athletic Kids FC in Gourock last Sunday with only 12 players and with some trepidation but they returned home with the three points and their biggest win to date.

The Mid Argyll boys, sponsored by D A MacDonald (Contractors) Ltd, took six minutes to score but by half time had hit double figures

with five goals from Ewan Dudding, a hat trick from Andrew Guy, a Cameron Hendry solo run and an Aaron Moore penalty.

Defensive

More of the same followed in the second half with Josh Coates scoring two, Andrew Guy taking his tally to five and Cameron Hendry scoring his second before defensive changes allowed Athletic Kids a consolation.

But Lochgilhead weren't finished as Aaron Moore added his second and two from

Alistair Lewis made the final score 18-1.

The Under 13s have this weekend off before facing a tough game with Dunoon on Sunday October 25 at the Rope-work Park which, even this early in the season, may decide which of the two teams challenges league leaders Morton for the Greenock & District Youth League title.

Lochgilhead team: McCulloch; Lewis, Miller, Selfridge, Davidson; Hendry, Gordon, Moore (Capt), Guy; Dudding, Coates. Sub: Anderson.

Sponsor can't even buy a putt in the winter league

By David Sinclair

HAVING spent years listening to a blow by blow summary of every shot played by his partner Keith Cowan, Robert Macbrayne is probably going to have even more earache on a Monday morning as their joinery and building firm have become the main sponsors of the Lochgilhead Golf Clubs winter league.

Keith has had a poor season by his standards and was not at his best this week and will have to stop reading all these golf instruction manuals that he buys and just start listening to Ross who says 'Hurry up and just hit the ball Keith'.

The winner this week was David Innes who virtually lives on the course and who I suspect has

been playing floodlit golf on the fly. Ross Sinclair was second and has been good all Summer but he comes into his own in the winter when the lack of daylight makes him even grumpier than usual which seems to improve his putting.

Donald Carmichael was third and never lost his temper or any of his golf equipment which can't be bad.

John Downie has just returned from Mexico, he is no Speedy Gonzalez but when it comes to putting he is the big enchilada.

David Sinclair played well and hopes to improve on last year's performance.

John Davidson must have slept in his car with five alarm clocks as he was early which is not a word

I have ever used in connection with John. Hugh Strachan's left handed style will pay dividends when the snow falls in February giving him a better angle of approach to the steep winter greens.

Alec MacAulay had a good front nine holes but fell apart at the end as the last few greens are much too flat for his crazy golf style of play.

Tommy Angus had a slow, slow, quick, quick, slow kind of front nine holes but pulled it together on the back nine holes and would have received high scores for effort, flair and Originality.

Results 10 D Innes; 9 R Sinclair; 8 D Carmichael; 7 J Downie; 6 D Sinclair; 5 J Davidson; 4 H Strachan; 3 A MacAulay 2 T Angus 1 K. Cowan Nearest The Pin at the 7th /9th - R.Sinclair

SAFL results and fixtures

SATURDAY'S results: Scottish Amateur Cup first round - Haldane 3, Campbeltown Pupils 1; second round - St Mungos 7, Campbeltown Boys 0; Oban Saints 11, Drumpellier Thistle 0; Dunoon 10, Condorrat 0. Premier League Division Two - Tarbert 3, Rutherglen 1. Division One - Lochgilhead Red Star 3, Kings Park Rangers 'B' 0.

This weekend's fixtures: Jimmy Marshall Trophy, first round - Oban Saints v Eaglesham; Celtic CA v Tarbert. Premier Division One - Kings Park Rangers v Campbeltown Pupils. Premier Division Two - Dunoon v Campbeltown Boys. Division One - Duncanrig 'B' v Lochgilhead Red Star.

The Hairy Haggis Race

THE EDINBURGH Marathon, Scottish Half Marathon and Hairy Haggis Relay take place on Sunday May 23, 2010 with bond places available to support the Meningitis Research Foundation (MRF).

Teams of four are being sought to compete in the Relay race. Entry is free and teams are asked to raise a minimum sponsorship of £500.

For more information contact Alison on 0131 510 2345 or email alisonbaker@scotland-meningitis.org.uk

Pony club's busy winter season

ARGYLL (South) branch of the Pony Club has a busy winter season ahead.

On November 7 and December 12 there will be winter league dressage and show-jumping competitions at Riding S Cool.

Members can take part in a ride out at Skipness on November 22 and will enjoy a rally on December 6.

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Tarbert Gun Club

LAST Sunday saw the start of the new season's shooting at Barmore when Tarbert Gun Club held their annual trophy shoot.

Most shooters used it for practise for the winter league team competitions which start next month.

The gusty wind caused a lot of the targets to dance which upset the scoring, with no maximums in the three matches.

Clachan's Alisdair MacCallum had a good day coming fourth overall and winning the pool trap.

Archie MacGilp Jr was trying out his new browning for the first time and it worked well as he added to his display cabinet.

Scott McNeil retained the junior cup only just after coming just one point ahead of Mark Ellis. High Gun went to Jim McKinlay.

Results: First Match: 1. Jim McKinlay, 2. Finlay Campbell. Second Match: 1. Donnie McFarlane, 2. Ally McDonnell. Third Match: 1. Jim McKinlay. High Gun: 1. Jim McKinlay, 2. Donnie McFarlane, 3. Ally McDonnell, 4. Alisdair MacCallum. Juniors: 1. Scott McNeil, 2. Mark Ellis, 3. Scott MacAllister. Best improved shooter: Archie MacGilp Jr. Pool Trap: Alisdair MacCallum. Ladies: Lynn MacDonald.

Club lottery numbers

TARBERT Football Club lottery numbers for this week are 8, 19 and 20. There were no winners and the jackpot will rise to £300 next week.

INVERARAY Shinty Club lottery numbers for this week are 10, 11 and 17. There were no winners and jackpot will rise to £500 next week.

KILMORY Camanachd Shinty Club lottery numbers for this week are 4, 13 and 18. There were no winners and the jackpot will rise to £600 next week.

Warriors battle to second place

The team is beginning to display signs of playing attractive, attacking football

THE NEWLY formed Under 11s team, Lochgilphead Warriors, recently completed their fixtures in the Senior Section of the Oban Express Primary Football Autumn League and finished League Runners-up.

Selected from children who attend Lochgilphead Soccer Centre, the squad undertakes additional training to help them prepare for their games which are held

every Sunday morning at Oban Community Pitch.

Narrowly lost

Competing against local teams from Oban and the surrounding area, the Lochgilphead youngsters only tasted defeat once when they narrowly lost out to eventual league winners, Cobras.

The single goal scored by Cobras was the only one conceded by Warriors in nine league ap-

pearances, due mainly to the solid defensive partnership of Aaron Whitefield and Alistair Pow and the safe handling of goalkeeper, Lucas Williamson.

In the other games Warriors managed to record seven wins and one draw to gain sufficient points to pip Oban Saints for second place.

Although still in its infancy, the team is beginning to display signs of playing attractive, at-



Lochgilphead Warriors were league runners up in the Oban Express Primary Football Autumn League.

tacking football and a number of players have added their names to the scoresheets - Craig Young (5), Keiran Moore (5), Ciaran McPhie (3), Cameron McCallum (2), Lorne MacFarlane (2)

and Ian Munro (1). The other squad members who participated in the Autumn League and received runners-up medals were Angus Lewis and Jack Luge.

The squad is now play-

ing home and away friendly matches against other teams from Argyll in preparation for the start of the Winter League which begins in Oban in early November.

The Corryvreckan Challenge 2009

THE NOTORIOUS Corryvreckan whirlpool, at full song, is the third biggest whirlpool in the world, through which boats sail at their peril.

But last Saturday five members of the Mid Argyll Tri and Cycle Club zipped up their wetsuits, took their lives in their hands and jumped in to swim the 0.6 mile distance between Jura and the island of Scarba in the 2009 'Corryvreckan Challenge.'

The feat can only be undertaken at slack water, and there is a period of just half an hour on specific days when this can be attempted.

Whirlpools

At its height, the water can rush through this area at 8.5 knots in a series of whirlpools created by a deep hole and rising pinnacle beneath the surface.

The five members, Hazel Manson, Laura Blowers, Lorna Macgregor,

Diana Appleyard and Pete Robertson, were joined by Kate Rew, a London-based author and founder of the Openwater Swimming Society, which is gaining more and more members around the country.

The attempt was made possible by Ali Macleod, from Ardfern, who spent weeks pouring over charts and reading weather bulletins to gauge the safest time to swim. As it was, the

situation was touch and go, with rough water coming in and the slack water 'window' closing.

The swimmers safety was monitored by Ali and his wife Sally in their Moody 38 'Eala' and two other boats driven by Chris Floyd and Andrew Manson.

After much deliberation Ali finally gave the 'OK', and the seven swimmers jumped in.

The seventh was a friend of Kate Rew's, Martin, also from the OSS. All reported rough seas and a rising swell, and the last fifty metres were very hard going in the swell, as the tide began to rush back in. But all made it safely, and completed the challenge. Quickest 'tri club' swimmer was Laura Blowers, in an incredible twenty-two minutes. It's believed only a handful of swimming groups - included the Mid Argyll last year - have achieved this difficult challenge, and many thanks go to the support boats, without whom it would have been unthinkable.



Hazel Manson, seated in wetsuit, waves bravely after completing the swim in a very creditable time. Laura Blowers in a wetsuit behind her, with Ali Macleod in orange anorak.

Red Star back to winning ways

A.O.M SPONSORED Lochgilphead Red Star played host to Kings Park Rangers (B) last Saturday at the Rope-work.

It was the home side who dominated throughout and they could have been in front early on when Peacock had his effort saved by the King's keeper.

The deadlock was broken on the 20 minute mark when D. Campbell's free kick found the top corner leaving the goalkeeper with no chance. Star had chances to wrap up the points before half time with C. Houston and Naisby both going close.

The second half continued in similar fashion with Star remaining on top. The game was finished as a contest when Naisby finished

a fine move by placing the ball under the advancing keeper. Star continued to press for more goals and clinched a third with 10 minutes to go when a Phillips cross was met by C. Campbell who scored with a bullet header to seal a 3-0 win for Red Star.

Thank

The club would like to thank Kilmory Shinty Club, for the use of their strips after an unexpected clash of kits. Red Star would also like to thank Andrew Kerr of Premier Cleaning for getting this arranged at the last minute.

The TTB Cleaning sponsored side are in East Kilbride this week as they travel to play Duncannrig (B) where they will look to pick up another three points.

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