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Celebrating Burns' Day at Dalintober Primary

Haggis was served up throughout Kintyre last week to celebrate Burns' Day.

Schools, clubs and various other organisations held traditional Burns' suppers and recited some of the Scots bard's famous poetry.

Dalintober Primary School's primary seven class was no exception and the children there all had a great time. Ross McSporrán, left, carried in the haggis before Greg Grogan addressed it. For more photographs from Burns' Day in Kintyre, turn to page 11.

Council to move into historic buildings?

Proposals to move Dell Road staff into town hall and library

PLANS to convert two of Campbeltown's most historical listed buildings into council offices are being put forward for approval to Argyll and Bute Council's Strategic Policy Committee.

At a meeting of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay Area Committee in Kilmory last week, members agreed to proposals to move the 19 staff currently based in the council's Dell Road offices in to the town's Burnett Building [the library/museum].

Because the library is being rehoused in the new Aqualibrium, the museum would be moved into the current library room and the former museum room would be adapted to provide a public room to be used as a marriage room and meeting room which would be compliant with the terms of the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA).

The Dell Road property

would be sold to raise cash for the council.

Members also agreed to put forward proposals to the Strategic Policy Committee to carry out work on the ground floor of the Town Hall to enable up to 16 members of staff to be based there. Plans to investigate the conversion of the Christian Institute by creating four new internal floors is also in the pipeline.

Chairman of the area committee, Councillor Alastair McKinlay, spoke about the importance of these proposed changes.

He said these buildings are in desperate need of repair and something needs to be done now to save them.

'These are just preliminary proposals that will hopefully go through because if we don't make this move we're going to lose these buildings,' he said.

'We've got to get people put in there to stop them

closing.' The museum would still be open to the public, as would the upstairs of the town hall. However, Campbeltown Community Council is calling an open meeting in the Town Hall, Campbeltown, on Monday evening at 7.30pm to allow the public to have their say.

Chairwoman Nancie Smith said: 'Campbeltown Community Council has called a public meeting as the future of the library and museum is of great interest to the community.'

'We hope that the facts will be clarified at the meeting and that the public will be given an opportunity to put forward their points of view and have any questions answered.'

George McMillan MBE JP, chairman of the trustees of Campbeltown Heritage Centre, was equally concerned and said the community should be consulted before decisions are taken.

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Mink threaten rare birdlife on Sanda

SOME of the rarest birds and wildlife in the country could be under threat due to an influx of mink on Sanda.

The island is of national importance due to the wide variety of birds which flock there, including guillemots, razorbills, puffins, peregrine and a rare breeding colony of storm petrels.

In July 2003, the island's importance was recognised when it was declared Scotland's fourth official bird observatory.

It is also home to a number of rare types of plants and other wildlife.

Island owner Dick Gannon said that a female mink was the first one discovered last week, followed by three of what are thought to be her young.

The animals pose a threat to Sanda's rich natural heritage and Mr Gannon said that it is imperative that they are removed as soon as possible.

Mr Gannon said: 'We are not sure how they got here but it could be that fishermen are finding them on their boats and throwing them overboard, and they are making their way to the island from there.'

'I don't think they would be able to swim here from the mainland given the distance and the strength of the current.'

'I would appeal to any fisherman who finds one on board to be careful how and when they get them off the boat.'

'We don't know how we are going to get rid of them but we have to somehow.'

Mr Gannon said that he thinks the first, adult, mink which was discovered must have been carrying the young when she arrived on the island and given birth afterwards.



Dalintober Primary's Viking sagas

Primary five pupils from Dalintober Primary School dressed for the occasion last Friday when they held a Viking Day. The youngsters have been doing a project about Vikings and decided to hold a Viking Day to try and get a feel for what life was like then. The children also wrote sagas, played Viking games, made clay pots and had a simulated dig. c05vic01

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Police Files

Windows smashed

TWO windows were smashed at Castlehill Primary School, Campbeltown, last Tuesday (January 24). Police inquiries are continuing.

Reported for drink driving

A MAN is being reported to the procurator fiscal for driving on the A83 whilst over the legal limit last Friday (January 27).

Man is reported

DRIVING whilst over the legal limit in Longrow, Campbeltown, resulted in a man being reported to the procurator fiscal last Friday (January 27).

Breach of the peace

COMMITTING a breach of the peace in Crosshill Avenue, Campbeltown, led to a man being arrested on Saturday (January 28).

Breach of the peace

IN THE early hours of Sunday morning (January 29) a man was arrested for committing a breach of the peace in the Castlehill area of Campbeltown.

Man arrested

A MAN was arrested for committing a breach of the peace on Monday night (January 30) following an incident in Tomaig Road, Campbeltown.

If you have any information regarding these, or any other, incidents please contact Campbeltown Police Office on 01586 862 200. Alternatively, call Crimestoppers free and in confidence on 0800 555 111.

Town flood prevention works are completed



Councillor Rory Colville, Julian Green, Argyll and Bute Council roads engineer and Council Alastair McKinlay, chairman of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay Area Committee, look at the completed works at Dalaruan Burn. c05bur01

WORK to alleviate ongoing flooding problems in the Dalaruan area of Campbeltown has been completed.

Argyll and Bute Council employed a specialist contractor to improve the High Street culvert from Dalaruan Street to Low Askomil using remote control survey and pressure jetting equipment.

These operations cleared silt and gravel from the culvert and a survey carried out afterwards has indicated that it is in reasonable condition.

The intake at Dalaruan has also been improved with new gravel traps and filters

to screen debris from the burn.

These works were specially designed and constructed for this location and have already been tested with very heavy rainfall just before Christmas.

The new intake coped very well with high water levels. These new works have made a significant improvement to the operations of the burn and culvert and it has now significantly reduced the probability of flooding in this area.

Argyll and Bute Council plans to continue surveying the watercourses with a view to carrying out further

improvements to relieve flooding problems attributable to the watercourses in the Campbeltown area.

Chairman of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay Area Committee, Councillor Alastair McKinlay, said: 'I am delighted that these improvements have taken place, which clearly demonstrates that Argyll and Bute Council is taking pro-active steps to deal with the flooding problems in Campbeltown.'

'We will continue to work in partnership with Scottish Water to ensure that the major issues are also addressed.'

Call centre needs more staff

CAMPBELTOWN'S new Contact4 call centre is looking to employ more staff after it secured a contract with a major company this week.

The contract will be a big win for employment opportunities in Kintyre, bringing an additional vacancies to its state of the art facility.

Contact4 chairman, Pearse Flynn, said: 'This will be fantastic for the local community of Campbeltown and the surrounding areas.'

'It now opens up opportunities in inbound customer service in addition to the ex-

isting correspondence and outbound sales roles within the centre.'

The call centre has been in operation for three months now, providing excellent opportunities for people throughout Kintyre with good rates of pay. Employees on the company's outbound campaign have a starting rate of £5.50 per

hour, increasing to £6.50 after successful completion of review period.

Sharon Dynn, recruitment manager for Contact4 said: 'We are now looking to build upon the success we have achieved in Campbeltown by recruiting people from all backgrounds to join our team and assist with our growth.'

New housing developments are named

TWO new housing developments on the Isle of Gigha, and one in Campbeltown, have been named.

At a meeting of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay Area Committee at Kilmory last week, members agreed to name the south development at Ardmish, Gigha, as Grianich and the north development as Raon Mhor.

Members also agreed to name the development at the site of the former Dalaruan Hall in Campbeltown as Glenburn Court.

The name of the Campbeltown development was proposed by pupils from Dalintober Primary School and put forward to the area committee on behalf of the developer, Fyne Homes.

The Gigha names were also suggested by Fyne Homes and are supported by the community.

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Motorists set for detours and delays on the A83

ONLY a few weeks after roadworks at Minard caused problems for drivers using the A83 at night, motorists travelling through Ardrishaig on the same road are set to face delays and detours.

British Waterways Scotland, which is carrying out a restoration programme on the Crinan Canal, is to close Ardrishaig Swing Bridge overnight on 20 days between now and mid April.

The bridge will be closed to all traffic between 10pm and 6am on February 7, 8, 9 and 10; March 10, 11, 23, 24, 28, 29, 30 and 31; and April 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12 and 13.

A short diversion through Ardrishaig will be put in place for light vehicles, whilst emergency vehicles will be able to use the bridge if necessary. Heavier vehicles will be unable to pass through Ardrishaig during the closures.

A spokesman for British Waterways said: 'We have spoken to haulage contractors and those organisations which operate heavy goods vehicles to ensure that everyone is kept up to speed with what's happening.'

Commenting on the refurbishment and the road clo-

tures, Robert Jackson, project manager at British Waterways, said: 'A full refurbishment programme is being undertaken to ensure that the bridge continues to operate effectively in the future. We will make every effort to keep the disruption to a minimum and we would like to apologise in advance for any inconvenience the works may cause to road users.'

The road closures will be arranged through BEAR Scotland and Transport Scotland, and advance warning notices and signs will be installed to keep bridge users informed as the restoration programme progresses.

Work to be undertaken during the restoration includes structural repairs to the bridge, an upgrade of its operating equipment and a full repaint.

Road surfacing work will also take place on the approach road and the bridge deck itself.

The disruptions come in the wake of overnight closures on the A83 at Minard in October, which saw motorists travelling towards Inveraray and Glasgow facing a two-hour detour via Oban while BEAR Scotland carried out resurfacing works.



Hugh celebrates 20 years of service with West Coast

THERE were celebrations at West Coast Motors in Campbeltown last week when over 20 years of service by a staff member were recognised.

Hugh Colville first joined the company as a full time PSV driver in April 1985.

Since then he has driven all school, local, Citylink and private hire contracts operated by West Coast Motors.

During the past 12 months Hugh became the regular driver on the local Argyll and Bute subsidised, Ring

and Ride service, where he was made a firm favourite by all his passengers.

Hugh is pictured above with his certificate along with his wife Frances who received a basket of flowers to mark the occasion. N/A

Free reflective stickers for local schools makes Road Sense

SCHOOLS in Argyll and the Highlands are being offered the chance to receive free reflective stickers to help their pupils stay safe and be seen by road users this winter.

Online car hire company carrentals.co.uk has relaunched its successful Road Sense campaign this winter to help improve safety for all road users.

The campaign is set to address issues such as road safety, road bullying, dangerous driving and, in particular, the safety of female drivers.

For Road Sense 2006, carrentals.co.uk is offering free stickers to schools to

help protect pupils from the dangers of dark nights and hazardous driving conditions.

The yellow reflective stickers have been re-designed and can be stuck on school bags, blazers or coats to help ensure children are seen by motorists and reduce the risk of accidents.

The 2005 Road Sense campaign saw over 50,000 reflective stickers provided to schools across the country and, following on from this success, the company is expecting demand to be even higher and expect Argyll schools to participate for the first time.

Andrew Stevens, managing director of carrentals.co.uk, said: 'Winter driving conditions can be extremely treacherous and as part of our Road Sense campaign we want to encourage schools in Scotland to take action over child road safety. By offering reflective stickers to schools free of charge we hope to help protect children from the dangers on our roads, while building awareness among drivers, parents, schools and the children themselves about the importance of road safety.'

To apply for Road Sense stickers, schools should visit www.carrentals.co.uk.

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

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Fit for the Future

Kintyre tenants urged to take a leading role

HAVING received the backing of 90 per cent of Argyll and Bute's council tenants in the recent housing transfer ballot, Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA) is now urging tenants to take a role in running their community housing.

ACHA is hoping to recruit tenants across Kintyre for its Mid Argyll and Kintyre Area Committee, which will make vital decisions on local housing issues.

Priority

Amongst the committee's duties will be identifying priority investment areas within the housing network and helping to deliver ACHA's services to all tenants, especially the elderly, young people and children.

ACHA chairman Norman Beaton said: 'ACHA has been set up with the needs of tenants first.

Help

'To help us achieve this, we are extremely keen to work with and get the input of as many tenants as possible.

'For this reason, we are looking for interested community representatives to get involved on our local committees. Although the majority of committee members will be tenants, it's not only tenants we're looking for.

'We'd be delighted to talk to any members of the community who thinks they have something to offer.'

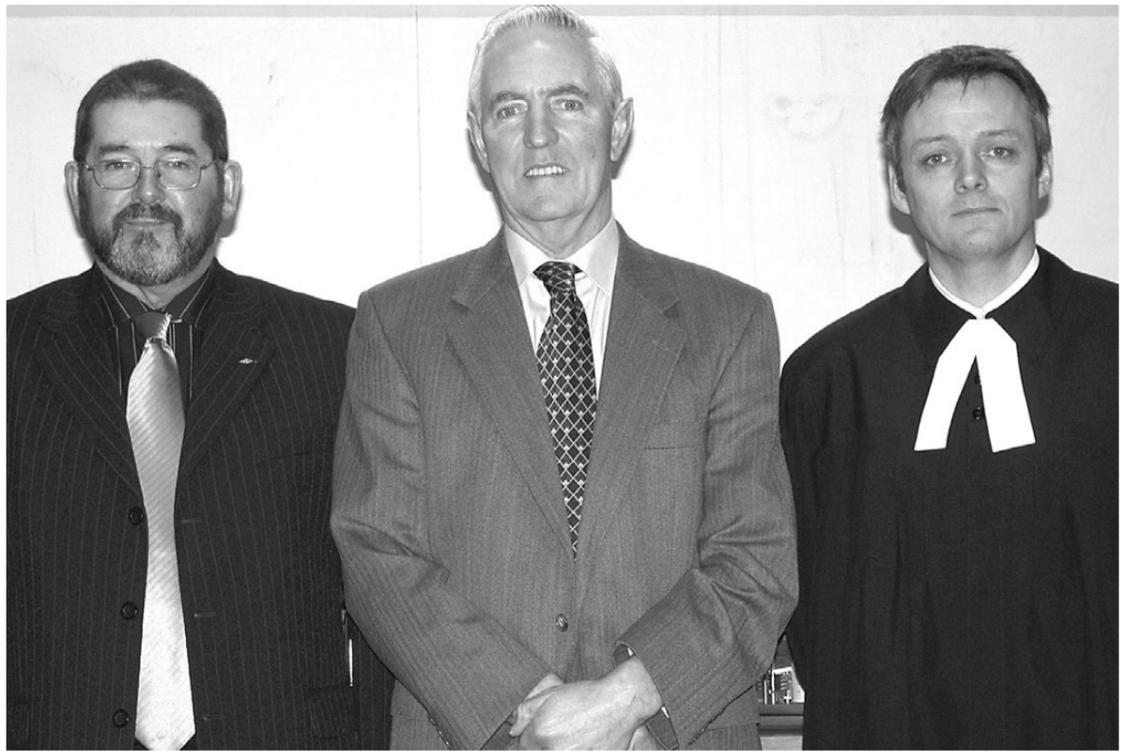
The Mid Argyll and Kintyre Area Committee is expected to meet 10 times a

year, with meetings taking place every four to six weeks. Although positions are voluntary and unpaid, ACHA will cover out of pocket expenses such as travel. Training will also be provided for all committee members.

Information

An information session was due to have been held on Tuesday night (January 31) in the Community Centre. Those who were unable to attend that session but who would like to be considered for a role on the committee should contact Gillian McInnes at ACHA on 01546 604088.

The housing transfer is expected to take place in July this year, subject to approval from the Scottish Executive.



Wum Semple, centre, with the new session clerk, Matthew Ramsay, and Rev John Vischer. c05car01

Session clerk retires after 30 years of service in Carradale

IT WAS a special day in Carradale on Sunday when the session clerk of Saddell and Carradale Church retired after 30 years of faithful service.

Wum Semple was ordained an elder in August 1971, along with his cousin William and Matthew Ramsay, before becoming session clerk in 1975.

Since then Mr Semple has had a pivotal role, helping to maintain the all important vital link between the congregation and the minister.

Mr Semple succeeded Duncan McIntosh and served under Rev Ewan MacInnes and Rev Alastair Dunlop and

later with the new minister, Rev John Vischer. Mr Semple will not be giving up his church duties completely because he has decided to continue with his duties as an elder - much to the delight of the Kirk Session.

To show their appreciation the congregation very kindly presented Mr Semple with a beautiful barograph which is hoped will bring him lots of pleasure.

Mr Semple's wife Una was also presented with a lovely flower arrangement.

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Around the rurals

Southend

SOUTHEND WRI held its first meeting of 2006 on Monday January 9, with a good turnout of members on such a wet and windy night.

President Josephine Milligan welcomed everyone warmly and wished everybody a very happy and good New Year.

A few business announcements were made before John Bakes, guest speaker for the evening, was introduced to talk about the Kintyre Way.

John firstly explained some back ground history on how he had got involved in the Kintyre Way, a walk which is going to be opened in Kintyre this year.

A very keen and enthusiastic long distance walker himself, John was pleased to inform members about the walk, by means of detailed maps and a very informative talk.

Starting from Tarbert to Dunaverty in Southend, the Kintyre Way could be up to 100 miles long, giving great enjoyment and pleasure to walkers with all the fantastic views and scenery which the walk will provide as it

winds its way down and across from one side of the peninsula to the other, through glens and forestry paths.

Taking around four to five days to complete, the walk could bring at least 5,000 visitors over the year to the area; a big plus for businesses providing accommodation and food; it could even create possibilities for other types of business such as outdoor clothing shops. John then answered the many questions put to him.

Margaret McLean proposed a hearty vote of thanks to John for a thoroughly interesting and much enjoyed talk and said that he had opened up members' eyes as to what is going to happen and how it is going to involve people in and around the area, as well as bringing people in.

John and his wife Margaret then judged the competitions: Flower and insect (on A4 together): gold Josephine Milligan; silver Trish Pearson. Treacle oven scones: gold Jen Ronald; silver Josephine Milligan; red Margaret McLean.

Search is on for top of the lollipops

WIND, rain or shine, lollipop men and ladies turn out to help Campbeltown youngsters get to school safely.

And once again, Campbeltown is being asked to nominate their favourite lollipop person as part of the annual search to find Scotland's Lollipop Person of the Year.

The competition, which was launched by Kwik-Fit Insurance in 2003 to mark the 50th anniversary of crossing patrollers in Scotland, has enjoyed an outstanding response with thousands of nominations flooding in each year and is looking for even more people to get on board to offer some well deserved recognition to lollipop people and the work they do.

The winner will be selected by a panel of judges at Kwik Fit Insurance and will be announced in March. Scotland's Lollipop Person of the Year will receive a specially engraved golden lollipop and £500.

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Mid Argyll pits its wits in PTA multi quiz night



Taking part in Lochgilphead High School PTA's multi quiz night were The Lights Are Out team, comprising, from left, Mary Ferguson, Helen Samborek, Anne Black and Lena Ferguson. The quiz was held simultaneously in the Stag Hotel, Lochgilphead; The Argyll Arms, Ardrishaig; The George Hotel, Inveraray; The Kilmartin Hotel and the Tayvallich Inn. a05qui01

NHS Highland looks to recruit from Argyll

MID ARGYLL and Kintyre residents are being urged to put themselves forward for vacant positions on the board of NHS Highland.

With Argyll set to join NHS Highland when debt-ridden NHS Argyll and Clyde is disbanded on April 1, the Scottish Executive is keen to ensure that Argyll has a voice on the board of its new health authority. Three new posts for additional non-executive members of the board are to be advertised in the coming weeks.

Gary Coutts, chairman of NHS Highland, said: 'I am delighted that the minister has agreed to create another three non-executive members for the new NHS board covering Argyll and Highland to ensure that the unique geography of the area we serve from April 1 is fully covered.'

'Although non-executives are responsible for services throughout the whole of the board area, rather than representing a particular locality, it will be helpful to have board members who will understand the real issues facing people throughout Argyll and Bute.'

Mr Coutts also hoped that the positions would attract applications from a cross-section of Argyll's population.

He said: 'Largely our non-executive directors are currently white, middle-aged and able-bodied, so we would be keen to

recruit members who can bring a different perspective to our discussions.'

'We also need to ensure we have the expertise on the board to properly scrutinise all of our activity so it would also be good if we could attract someone with experience in the area of finance to complement the skills of our existing members.'

'It is not always an easy role, but it is an important one. I and my colleagues on the NHS board also find it a rewarding role. These are always serious issues we're dealing with at NHS board level and we all want to get it right. If you think you have something to offer, please come forward and help us in our ambition to make the Highlands and Argyll the healthy place to be.'

To request an application pack for the posts, call 0870 240 1818, email publicappointments@response-

handling.com or send a text message to 0796 013 3181.

Executive funds for minibus

A PROJECT to provide an accessible minibus service in Lochgoilhead is set to receive funding from the Scottish Executive.

Transport Minister Tavish Scott announced recently that the scheme would receive more than £50,000 over the next three financial years.

Funding from the executive's Rural Community Transport Initiative will enable Lochgoil Community Trust to buy an accessible minibus, which it will use to transport local residents to social, sport and leisure facilities and links to main road and rail links.

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tacles fitted with these new lenses. That is equivalent to seeing things three car lengths further ahead when driving at 50mph. Just think how much safer you would be, and feel, especially when driving at night.

Not only has this technology been used for custom designed spectacle lens correction but it has now been used to design contact lenses as well. I have been wearing the new DefinitionO monthly disposable lenses for several weeks now. Night driving has become enjoyable again! As a contact lens wearer, glare from car headlights is a major problem. With these new aberration controlled lenses glare from car headlights is dramatically reduced and I am able to see further at night.

This new technology is still in its infancy. The range of spectacle lenses and contact lenses currently available is still limited. But, for those of us whose vision correction falls within the available lens parameters, this is indeed a quantum leap forward in clarity of vision.

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Ardrishaig Body, Mind and Soul challenge under way

ARDRISHAIG Parish Church's Body, Mind and Soul Challenge is under way, with the first matches due to be played this week.

So far, 53 people have signed up for the challenge, ranging in age from six to 82 years. In total, there are 91 entries in the various categories of Sudoku, squash, dominoes, Scrabble, chess and badminton, as well as the Bible memory verse.

This week's verse is: 'Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Psalm 51 verse 10.'

Anyone wishing to find out more or join the challenge can call Ruth Carruthers on 01546 603269.

Big break for movie makers

BUDDING movie-makers throughout Mid Argyll and Kintyre are being urged to create their own productions which could premier at a national film festival.

Organisers are calling for youngsters to submit entries for the prestigious Co-operative Young Film-Makers Festival. This provides young people aged 21 or under with the opportunity to develop their talents as a film director, scriptwriter or actor.

There are no categories to limit the imagination but entries should be no more than six minutes long. They will be viewed by a panel of media professionals and educationalists who provide feedback on films. Last year's festival attracted more than 360 entries and more than 100 films were shown at the event. Anyone wishing to participate should visit www.film-makers.co-op.co.uk for further details.



St Kieran's Primary School pupils with Macmillan Cancer Relief's fundraising manager, Evelyn Nicol, (left) and head teacher Mary Watson after taking part in the Big Hush 2006. c05stk01

St Kieran's pupils take part in The Big Hush

PUPILS from St Kieran's Primary School did their bit for charity last week when they took part in Macmillan Cancer Relief's Big Hush 2006.

Much to the delight of their teachers, the St Kieran's pupils joined over 135,000 other youngsters from throughout the UK in a sponsored silence to raise vital funds for the cancer charity.

The school has been taking part in the Big Hush for a number of years now.

To show the charity's appreciation Macmillan Cancer Relief's fundraising manager, Evelyn Nicol, went along to the school during the silence to thank the children for their kindness and support over the years.

All the children who took part in the event were also

given a special Macmillan Cancer Relief wristband.

As *The Campbeltown Courier* went to press, the total amount raised by the school was still unknown but look in the paper over the next few weeks to find out the final sum.

For more information about Macmillan Cancer Relief and the beneficial work it does log on to www.macmillan.org.uk

Council puts equal pay offer on table

A TOTAL of £4.3 million is being offered to a number of female employees of Argyll and Bute Council who have been suffering from a lack of equal pay compared to their male counterparts.

All councils in Scotland have come under pressure to settle the historic gap in pay, not only between the different genders but also different jobs that should have equal status.

Argyll and Bute Council announced last week that it had come to a settlement agreement with around 1,100 employees after a local deal with the relevant trade unions.

Most of the staff involved are employed in catering, cleaning and care.

Leader Councillor Allan Macaskill said: 'Argyll and Bute Council has agreed what it considers to be generous levels of settlement and we now hope that workers will accept their individual packages to bring this equal pay grievance to an end.'

The level of award to individual employees will be determined by their job, length of service and working hours.

The maximum possible levels of settlement are:

- Manual worker one and two: £6,643
- Manual worker three and four: £7,276
- Manual worker five plus: £8,429

The council, along with other local authorities in

Scotland, has been left to fund the settlements from its own resources and in the case of Argyll and Bute it will be met from council reserves and includes responsibility for all tax and National Insurance contributions.

A series of roadshows is to be held in the area, when every employee involved will have the chance to sign up on the day or take legal advice. They will then have one week to respond to the offer. Where employees agree their package, payment will be made by the end of February.

Local government employers have been struggling to meet their obligations on equal pay since the law was brought in 30 years

ago but a single status agreement was signed between employers and the unions in 1999.

This was designed to modernise employment relations across all occupations and was due to be implemented in April 2002 although it was recognised that it was a major undertaking by employers.

Coffee morning

THE Kintyre branch of Cancer Research UK raised a massive total of £865 at its recent coffee morning thanks to the kind-hearted people of Campbeltown.

The committee would like to say a massive thank you to everyone concerned for their very generous support.

Plans begin on new Beinn Ghuilean route

PLANS by Forestry Commission Scotland (FSC) to create a number of new trails in Beinn Ghuilean are now underway.

Following a community consultation exercise in Campbeltown two years ago, as well as a number of more recent discussions, the plan will go some way towards delivering what the people of Campbeltown have requested.

The proposals include improving the existing footpath network and the creation of over 3km of new trails. These new sections will be aimed mainly at mountain biking, ranging from moderate tracks to highly technical sections. The interaction between walkers and cyclists has also been incorporated into the trail design to ensure enjoyment for all. What the project needs now, however, is people to help make it work.

In Lochgilphead, the Mid Argyll Cycle Club, in association with FCS, secured funding from Argyll and the Islands Enterprise (AIE) and the Community Economic Development Programme for the 'Firetower Trail at Achnabreck. This route has featured in the national bike

press and it has built up such a great reputation that it pulls in cyclists from the central belt as well as locals.

The Beinn Ghuilean proposals need the formation of a similar group in the Campbeltown area. The roles of this group would be to get directly involved with the design, building and maintenance of the trails, especially the technical features, and to stimulate local interest and commitment to the trails.

FCS district forester Colin Hossack said: 'This is a great opportunity to give Kintyre a high quality recreational facility and move towards developing Beinn Ghuilean as the community forest it has the potential to be. Thanks to financial backing from AIE, all we need to do now is organise a group of local enthusiasts who can show their commitment for the project and help us deliver it on the ground.'

To this end, an open meeting will be held in the Kintyre Youth Enquiry Service office, Campbeltown, at 7pm on Wednesday (February 8). For further information contact Colin Hossack on 01546 602518.

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Courier and Advertiser's

Here are more of the wonderful photographs which have been submitted to the *Campbeltown Courier* and *Argyllshire Advertiser's* first ever photo competition.

The deadline for entries has now passed but watch out over the next few weeks for more lovely photos and to find out who the winners are . . .



Kintyre Sunset by John McNulty Junior, Victoria Park, Minard.

Below: *The Road* by John McGowan, Crocken Cottage, Southend.



Claonaig Shore, Photographic Gems by Clive Bowd, Finnish Houses, Ford.



Tessa by Jillian McCreery, Upper Riochan, Inveraray.



Me, Close and Personal by Beth Johnson, Jubilee Terrace, Lochgilphead.

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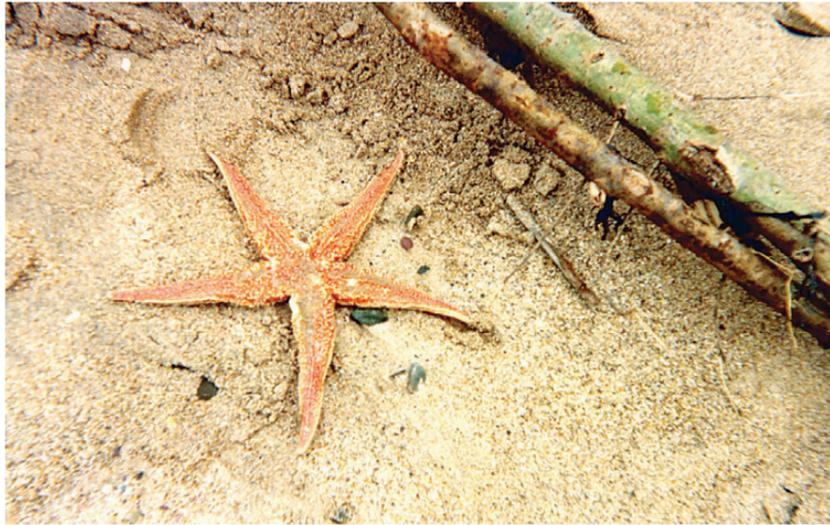
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2006 photo competition



Snowdrops at Woodbank by Lisa Schroder, Scourie, Sutherland.



Left: *Machrihanish* by Diana Manning, Old School House, Drumlemble.

Right: *Tucked Up for Bed* by Moyra Sutherland, Clockavullin, Kilmartin.



Summer Solstice Standing Stones, Ballochroy by Marilyn Shedden, The Tassie, Muasdale.



The Quay and Low Askomil by Peter Docherty, Tangy Place, Campbeltown.

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Thought for the Week

MY STUDY looks on to our back garden. I'm glad about that, as there is quite enough there to distract me. If it looked out to West Loch Tarbert I'd never get any work done!

There is a tall conifer at the back of the garden and, from time to time, a deer lies down under it and settles to sleep.

I can look out and not see her until her ears twitch and I realise she is there. Of course, when I do see her, I wonder how I could possibly have looked out and missed the lovely creature. The truth is that we see what we think is in front of us.

We look out on dark days and see grey skies and misty hillsides. When the sun shines we look for sparkling things and see them: the sun dancing on the sea, children laughing as they play, flowers wide open to the sunlight.

But what our blinded eyes often miss is the hand of God the Creator in everything we see, from the sand on the seashore to the stars in the sky. 'The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.' (see Psalm 24:1).

Irene Howat



Down Memory Lane

This week's Down Memory Lane photograph was submitted by Archie Nimmo from Beith, Ayrshire, and shows Drumlemble Primary School pupils around 1952.

Back row, left to right: M McEachrane, J McIvor, H Colville, R Miller, R Penman, J Brown, D Munro, ?, W Wallace, P Colville, P Hume, A Nimmo and H Mitchell.

Front row, left to right: F McVicar, E Kerr, B McGeachy, N Clark, I Harvey, M Murlees, R Mauchline, M Irving, C McPhee, ?, ?, Greenless and V Brown.

Those Were The Days

The Campbeltown Courier, February 1, 1991

Concern over closure

PARENTS and teachers expressing concern over the proposed closure of Meadows School, were given an assurance this week by Regional Councillor George McMillan that adequate funding and resources would be made available for integrating children with moderate learning difficulties, into Castlehill Primary School, and Campbeltown Grammar School.

Councillor McMillan heard teachers from schools throughout Kintyre voice fears that the closure of Meadows, and subsequent integration would be inadequately funded, and that children with severe or profound learning difficulties would be sent to Whitgates School, in Lochgilphead.

Teachers and parents were responding to a consultative document issued by Strathclyde Regional Council in November, which proposed that Meadows School should close in June 1991, and thereafter its use as a community school should be explored.

The brief consultation period was criticised by both parties who reminded Councillor

McMillan of the notification in June 1988, that Meadows pupils with moderate learning difficulties would be integrated into Castlehill School in August, only two months later.

New visitor centre planned

A HAPPY ending to the sad saga of Lorne Street Church closure is envisaged by local businessman Tale Silcock, a member of Campbeltown Chamber of Commerce, who hopes to form an Amenity or Heritage Trust in Campbeltown.

Its aim would be to set up a Visitors Centre in Lorne Street, thereby preserving the church for posterity and providing a recreational and educational base in the town.

Mr Silcock has written to Lorne Street and Lowland Kirk Session and approached a Board of Governors which plans to meet later this month.

The Visitors Centre would feature the history of Campbeltown industries such as fishing and coal mining and incorporate the archaeology of the area. The idea is still in the embryo stage, emphasises Mr Silcock, but he is enthusiastic about its viability.

Finding a suitable ferry vessel

Sir Professor Kay is quite correct with his paper explaining that any ferry which may operate on the Campbeltown to Ballycastle service will be old.

I can only agree that no company will invest a sum of money of anything between £10 and £15 million pounds on a vessel for such a short contract.

However, this should not stop the communities of Kintyre and Moyle in their pursuit to have this service reinstated.

Dalriada Shipping must have been the only company to have entered into the Campbeltown to Ballycastle tendering process with a suitable vessel ready to commence this service as early May 1, this showing our commitment and

sincerity in our bid to undertake this service.

The vessel is in class under Lloyds register and is currently in service across the Pentland Firth where she has been for the past four years. She has been continually upgraded to meet all legal requirements as any other vessel sailing under the British flag.

This will probably be good news for all the pessimistic folk of Campbeltown who will jump on the band wagon concerning the age of the ship but as stated above and by Professor Kay, no one is going to buy a new ship.

It should also be noted that as recent Scottish Ferry history shows some new purpose built ferries have failed to come up to their expectation.

We will continue to press on with our attempt to convince the Scottish Executive that we are capable in operating the Irish service in accordance with the criteria

set out in the original tender document.

James Robertson and Donald Woodrow on behalf of Dalriada Shipping.

Have a heart this Valentine's Day

Sir, I am writing to urge readers in Scotland to lend their fundraising skills to the British Heart Foundation (BHF) this Valentine's Day and give a gift that saves lives.

Over 2.6 million mums, dads, children and grandparents will wake up with the burden of heart and circulatory disease on Valentine's Day yet there is only one BHF Heart Nurse for every 12,000 patients.

BHF heart nurses help heart patients to live longer and have a better quality of life - but there simply aren't enough of them and the BHF needs your help to raise £1 million to fund more BHF heart nurses

across the UK. This year there are three great ways to give a little time and get involved in Scotland.

From a romantic sweepstake and promises auction to a 'give and get' sale - there really is something for everyone.

To order a fundraising pack or for more details on how to make your fundraising ideas a success either visit www.bhf.org.uk/valentine or call 0870 600 6566.

The growing need for heart patient care means that whichever fundraising idea you choose, you'll be joining me to help the BHF give a gift that saves lives. **Iain Lewis Regional Director, British Heart Foundation.**

Kintyre school dinners

Sir, I read the recent comments in the press regarding haggis with great interest.

Apparently our national dish is not a healthy option

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Letters to the Editor

disabled people who live in a rural area.

There are parts of Appin which have virtually no council services.

We have the refuge collection and the mobile library for which we pay the same council tax as folks who have street lighting, mains drainage, mains water and close proximity to a non functional bus service.

The library calls once a month and is a most welcome visitor. The librarian knows his readers so well that he is capable on occasions choosing books which he knows they would like to read.

We have just had a new and larger library van which has been much appreciated. People in this solitary situation often take three or four books to see them through till the next visit.

If the council decides to take away this one contact it will cut off even further this section of rural community.

I understand that the reason for making this change is a question of funding. Imagine the fury some have felt on learning that the same council are proposing to supply every school child with a yellow light-reflecting strip to wear on their clothing so as to be seen in the dark.

It is thought that parents might possibly be able to provide these, as the children are only the school's responsibility during school hours.

Joan Loro, Appin.

The deadline for letters to the editor is 5pm on Monday

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Kintyre celebrates Burns

Piping society's supper comes up trumps

THE Kintyre Piping Society annual Burns Night always comes up trumps and this year was no exception.

Pipe Major Ian McKerral got the proceedings under way at the Argyll Arms Hotel, Campbeltown, with a mini band composed of primary school children who did exceptionally well for their first public performance.

Alister Gillies then gave a rendering of *A Man's a Man for A that* before Mark McCormick gave a great performance with marches, strathspeys and reels and hornpipes and jigs on the bagpipe.

Next up was Frank Rochford who delighted everyone with his performance on the fiddle. William McCallum, who was down teaching Piobaireachd lessons during the day, turned up and gave his usual faultless performance and then to the surprise of the evening, William presented Ian McKerral with a beautiful inscribed vellum as an honorary member of the Kintyre Piping Society.

William said that when they were boys, piping was intense in Campbeltown

with about six good players all vying for honours at competitions in Campbeltown.

Ian was first taught by Pipe Major Peter McCallum and then by Pipe Major Tony Wilson. This was a good grounding for him proven by the good work he does in Campbeltown and by the success of the Kintyre Schools Pipe Bands winning World Championships.

A very surprised Ian came forward to receive his award to thunderous applause. Ian then thanked the society for this great honour and for keeping piping alive in Campbeltown.

It was then the turn of a young German piper Oliver, who is attending Campbeltown Grammar School for a year, to have the honour of piping in the haggis, which was carried proudly by Archie Mitchell.

Alister Cousin then delighted everyone with his addressing the haggis which he did with his usual gusto.

Maurice Duncan, who came down from Oban as a guest fiddler, had a full house in raptures with his playing. To say he was out-

standing would be an understatement, from his rendering of *The hens march to the midden* to slow airs of *Scott Skinner*, etc he was brilliant.

The dancers from the James McCorkindale School of Dancing then gave a great display of *Heilan Laddie*, *The Fling*, *Sailors Hornpipe*, *Lilt*, *Jig* and *Seann Truibhas*.

It was then the turn of Dave Bissett and Ian McKerral who got together with Dave singing and playing guitar and Ian accompanying him on the small pipes.

At the end, Alister Fletcher of Fletcher & Sons, bagpipe makers, Glasgow, handed over to the society a full set of inscribed silver bagpipes for use by any young boy or girl who needs pipes to start with if they have none of their own.

Willie McCallum Snr, secretary of the society gratefully accepted this very generous gift from Mr Fletcher. The proceedings were then brought to an end by the secretary who thanked everyone for making the night such a success and reminded them of the next recital which will take place on February 25 with the Inveraray Juvenile Pipe Band.



Left: William McCallum presents Pipe Major Ian McKerral with a beautiful inscribed vellum as an honorary member of the Kintyre Piping Society at the society's annual Burns' supper. N/A



Tesco donates haggis to Auchinlee

Campbeltown's Tesco store very kindly donated a haggis to Auchinlee Eventide Home for the residents' Burns' supper.

Tesco manager Ian Danton is pictured presenting Sandra Garnett and June Morrison with the haggis. c05tes01



Dalintober pipes up a tasty dish

Primary seven pupils from Dalintober Primary School had a very successful Burns' Supper on Friday. All the pupils had their own part to play, many of whom were appropriately draped in tartan for the occasion. c05dal02



Glenbarr Burns' night

A very successful Burns' supper was held in Glenbarr Primary School last Wednesday (January 25). Pupils entertained family and friends and a great time was had by all. N/A



Monday Social Club

These ladies were kept busy cooking the haggis at the Monday Social Club's Burns supper. c05ten02

Campbeltown Rotary holds 26th supper

THE Rotary Club of Campbeltown held its 26th annual Burns' supper in the Argyll Hotel, Campbeltown, last Wednesday (January 25).

President Sheila Drummond welcomed a good company of Rotarians and guests before saying the Selkirk Grace. After soup had been served, the haggis was piped in by Pipe Major Ian McKerral and addressed in rousing manner by Alistair Cousin, who managed to avoid beheading the president as he wielded the knife in a suitably war-like way.

The rest of the excellent meal was then expertly

served by the hotel staff and enjoyed by everyone. The loyal toast was followed by a 10 minute interval before the evening entertainment began.

This was of a uniformly high standard so that no individual item stood out above the rest.

Proceedings were started by Pipe Major McKerral, who delighted the company with a selection of well-chosen tunes on the Scottish small pipes. Michael Taylor delivered the toast to the *Immortal Memory* of the bard and in a most interesting and articulate speech, gave credit to the poet's father,

and to his first teacher, John Murdoch, for instilling in the mind of the young Burns the love of learning.

John Kerr's reply was undertaken by Jean Smith, who was apprehensive about her task because she is not a Scot but the audience agreed that surely the great international poet would appreciate any part played by people who had the misfortune to have been born outwith the bounds of Scotland.

Agnes Stewart carried the audience at a gallop with a most convincing *Holy Willie* at prayer, Cathy Kerr, with her versatile husband John,

entertained the company with songs and the whole evening was interspersed by audience participation in the singing of various Burns songs to the accompaniment of the Rotary's resident pianist, David Gardiner.

In her vote of thanks, Ann Gallacher praised the fact that almost all the entertainment had come from within the club - something that speaks highly of the versatility of talent to be found in the Rotary. After the traditional singing of *Auld Lang Syne*, everyone went home tired, but happy with the success of the evening.

Top guitarist Eduardo Niebla opens tour in Argyll

STUNNING flamenco jazz guitarist Eduardo Niebla is bringing his 'poignantly poetic and truly fabulous' (The Scotsman) flamenco gypsy jazz to Cairndow.

Cairndow Arts Promotions is delighted to be able to have another international star performing in Cairndow.

World-class virtuoso Spanish guitarist and composer Eduardo Niebla will appear at Cairndow Village Hall on Saturday February 11.

Along with his fabulous trio they will present an evening of truly spellbinding flamenco jazz fusion.

His spectacular virtuosity has taken the world by

storm, with acclaimed performances in Europe and India, and this concert promises all the passion, emotional intensity and brilliance of a maestro artist of the highest order. Jake Lenson accompanies him on guitar and Bhupinder Singh Chaggar on tabla. Expect the best.

Potent

Since Eduardo launched his career in 1973 he has grown to become one of the world's most potent forces in flamenco jazz fusion, recording 23 CDs of his own

stunning compositions and working with some of the top musicians in the fields of jazz, pop and world music including Lol Coxhill, Carles Benavent, George

Michael and sitar maestro Nishat Khan.

His tours have taken him to concert halls and festivals throughout Eastern and Western Europe, the Middle East and South Africa, including a concert at the Olympic Games in Greece, the San Isidro Fiesta Madrid, the Tbilisi International Jazz Festival Georgia, Glas-

tonbury Festival in the UK and at The Barbican and St David's Hall.

Roots

Eduardo was born in Tangiers to Analusian parents in 1955 and is the seventh son of the seventh child, regarded in mythology as a magical son.

He has been resident in Britain since 1978, becoming a powerful force on the British music scene and influencing the trend for fusion and acoustic music across the world, whilst always remaining true to his humble roots and performing with an 'exquisite melancholy' (The Scotsman) and heart-rendering quality that is Eduardo Niebla. Spellbinding

'A display of supernatural talent and a spellbinding mixture of flamenco and modern jazz, bursting with

obvious passion and verve'. (The Spectator).

Tickets are available on the door or by calling Cairndow Arts Promotions on 01499 600260.

Eduardo's tour begins the night before, at the Picture House cinema in Campbeltown.

When he performed at the same venue in July 2004, he caused a sensation, with the audience clamouring for his return ever since. After that visit, the Kintyre Cultural Forum said in its newsletter: 'Niebla took the music to previously unimagined dimensions.'

'It was simply stunning. Very few performers receive three encores in Campbeltown!'

Niebla will be accompanied by guitarist Ricardo Garcia and tabla drum player Sukhvinder Singh, and starts his Scottish tour at the cinema on Friday February 10 at 8pm. Doors open at 7.30pm. Tickets, priced at £6 for adults and £4 for children under 15 and concessions, are available from DM Brown in Camp-

beltown and the Square Peg in Lochgilhead. Early purchase is recommended for both venues.



Volunteers hard at work creating Tarbert's healing garden.

New healing garden's growing success

WORK is well under way at the site of Tarbert's new healing garden.

The garden, which is being created in the grounds of Tarbert Health Centre, is coming together through the hard work of a group of volunteers, who have started preparing the ground and putting in the base of the footpaths.

Tarbert healing garden will include a contemplative area, which is to have a standing stone in its centre with seats circling it. The surrounding banks will be planted with medicinal herbs and plants with sensory characteristics which have special smells and textures, or which make interesting sounds.

Natural habitats that re-

flect Kintyre and Knapdale's biodiversity are also being created, including a meadow, a marshy area and a woodland. The remainder of the site will be taken up by a small orchard, willow sculptures and raised beds for growing vegetables, as well as a compost area.

Organisers hope that the garden will be fully planted by the spring, at which point they will begin running events, workshops and courses based on plant medicine, organic growing and local biodiversity.

The project has received support from the Whelk Leader Plus, the National Lottery's Awards for All Fund, Scottish Natural Heritage and the Men's Health Project. Donations have

also been received from local businesses and many volunteers. Anyone who would like to become involved in the project, or the healing garden committee, which meets on Wednesdays, should call Tarbert health Centre on 01880 820219 for more information. The Anchorage Restaurant in Tarbert is also holding a fundraising night in aid of the healing garden.

On Saturday February 11, proprietors Trevor and Robert Kelso will be offering a four-course menu for £20 per head. All profits from the evening will be donated to Tarbert Healing Garden. A raffle will also be held on the night, with prizes donated by The Anchorage Restaurant's suppliers.

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THE CONSTANT GARDENER (15)
Starring: Ralph Fiennes, Rachel Weisz, Danny Huston and Bill Nighy.
Based on the best-selling John Le Carre novel and from the Academy Award-nominated director of 'City of God.' In a remote area of Northern Kenya, activist Tessa Quayle (Rachel Weisz) is found brutally murdered. Tessa's companion, a doctor, appears to have fled the scene, and the evidence points to a crime of passion.

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Sunday jazz concert in Tarbert

As the sun shone brightly on the An Tairbear Arts Centre on Sunday January 29, the sound of creative music could also be heard, the Meri Wrightson Quartet starting its 2006 programme.

The quartet has established itself on the calendar of creative events at An Tairbear: the last Sunday of every calendar month will provide audiences with the opportunity to hear a selection of stand-

ard jazz classics from Cole Porter to Gershwin and Thelonious Monk.

Led by Meri Wrightson on vocals, the quartet consists of Richard Golding on keyboards; Alan Black on drums and Steve Hunter on double bass. Since their first concert last year, the quartet has extended its repertoire thanks to Meri's enthusiasm and ability to update the band with new material, whilst retain-

ing many of their established pieces like *Autumn Leaves*, which was enhanced by Meri's French translation.

The quartet introduced new pieces *You'd Be So Nice To Come Home To*, *Devil May Care* and one of Thelonious Monk's early classics *Round Midnight*. Since their last performance, it was interesting to hear how the band had developed instrumentally.

Richard has composed a couple of blues numbers which Alan and Steve clearly enjoyed playing. Alan's solo on *Straight No Chaser*, using sticks instead of brushes, was particularly effective with Richard maintaining the harmonies.

The audience was appreciative and thanks to their interest and helpful suggestions, the band will further expand its repertoire. The next performance is on Sunday February 26 at 2pm. SDH

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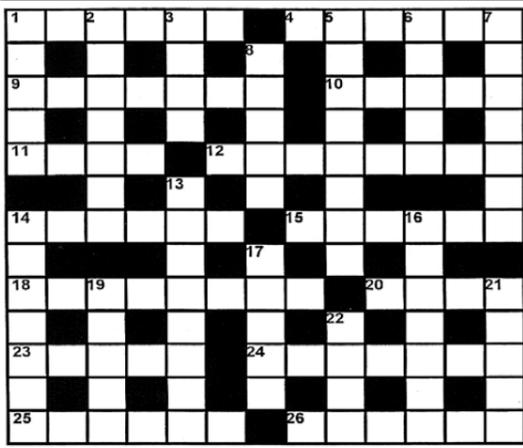
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THE THINKER

ACROSS

- 1 Thinks of a large number of packs of paper (6)
- 4 Shrub I held was flexible (6)
- 9 Salesman returns holding final bandage (7)
- 10 Restricted diet, for example, found in vehicle (5)
- 11 Some information that destabilizes (4)
- 12 Fine feathers no good we hear, in the wet (8)
- 14 You and I destroy vile pest (6)
- 15 Some bigger bills keeping this pet (6)
- 18 Monkey, truer variety, finds an opening (8)
- 20 Cooking pots turned round for photograph (4)
- 23 It's a chore to grind this pigment (5)
- 24 Notices changes, in part (7)
- 25 Main argument of most of article on decay (6)
- 26 Credit is given twice, causing major problem (6)

DOWN

- 1 Leading newsman went up to military base (5)
- 2 Former partner has enough to make a specimen (7)
- 3 Teamwork with a friend (4)
- 5 Fragrance for US city salesman (8)
- 6 Crack gag - or there'll be trouble (5)
- 7 Look after water supply, we're told - get growth (7)
- 8 Smarten up the man of the match (5)
- 13 Remove hair perhaps, causing acute pain (8)
- 14 A tour we arrange could exhaust you (4,3)
- 16 Musicians belonging to it are rogues (7)
- 17 Note hazard and be quick (5)
- 19 Choice of two - I left the anaesthetic (5)
- 21 Nod off during final words on quiet waters (5)
- 22 Tree found in a certain location (4)

SOLUTION FOR LAST WEEK

ACROSS: 1. Depress 5. Spain 8. Attic 9. Redcoat 10. Owns
 11. Ancestor 14. Binge 15. Alone 19. Palatial 20. Pale
 22. Traitor 24. Foist 25. Emend 26. Cortege
 DOWN: 1. Dragon 2. Potential 3. Each 4. Shrink 5. Suddenly
 6. Ado 7. Nature 12. Tentative 13. Agitated 16. Spathe
 17. Fabric 18. Centre 21. Afar 23. Age

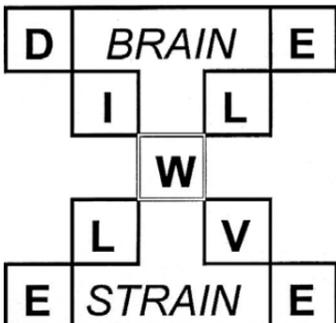
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FIND THE WORDS



Find the words: Up, down, forwards, backwards, straight or diagonal. This week: Poetic: Verse, Foot, Poem, Sonnet, Dirge, Elegy, Lines, Rhyme, Jingle, Limerick, Roundel, Epode, Idyll, Quatrain, Stanza, Monody, Couplet, Sestina, Doggerel, Metre

BRAIN STRAIN



ANSWER: BRAIN STRAIN
 WEEVILLED, Dwell, Lewd
 View, Viewed, Weed, Weel,
 Weevil, Weeviled, Weil, Weld,
 Well, Wellled, Wide, Weil, Weild,
 Wild, Wile, Wiled, Will, Willed,
 Wive, Wived &???

How many words of four letters or more can you make? No plurals, proper names or foreign words. All must include the centre letter. Good: 16 Maestro: 20+

Another full house for accordion club

THE INVERARAY and District Accordion and Fiddle Club met in the Swallow Argyll Hotel on January 11 for the first session of the New Year, to yet another full house.

MacLean, was back in 'Fyne' form, having made a good recovery from his recent knee operation, and gave a warm welcome to all. Supporting players were Fyne Folk, with Janette Gibson on accordion, Sally

Hall, Duncan Crawford and Alex John MacLeod on fiddle and Agnes Liddell on keyboard; Allan McIntosh, Colin Forgrieve and Duncan MacAllister on accordion; Jake MacKay on fiddle and mouth organ and Sandy MacDonald on drums. All their contributions were thoroughly enjoyed - from soloists to a five piece band - and the audience showed their appreciation accordingly.

Alex and Archie

Guest artistes were the popular Campbeltown duo, Alex and Archie MacAllister, and what a superb performance they put on - Archie on fiddle and Alex on accordion with Alex

moving over to keyboard from time to time.

After an enjoyable tea and the raffle, the audience was ready for plenty more of the same - and that's exactly what they got!

Starting off the second half was a family affair, father Duncan MacAllister taking to the stage on button box, with Alex on second box, Archie on keyboard and grandson, Arran, aged 7, on drums.

The youngster stole the show, changing sticks, tempo and facial expressions to suit the music and he had the audience captivated and received rapturous applause - certainly a name to look out for in the

future. All too soon it was time for a vote of thanks to all the players for a great start to the New Year and Archie and Alex were joined by the 'locals' for a grand stramash - which they were loathe to bring to an end.

As was pointed out, the club's guest artistes this month and for the remainder of the season, are all from Argyll - and not a BBC scout in sight for their next Hogmanay show!

What a grand show could be produced from around these parts.

Next week local band leader, Allan McIntosh and The Heather Dance Band fill the guest artiste spot.

Class solo brass display

SATURDAY January 28 was a big day in the calendar for Campbeltown Brass, when the annual solo competition was held for members at Campbeltown Community Centre.

The competition is held in memory of three former members of the band who have died tragically young in the last few years, and gives youngsters the chance to showcase their skills in a competitive environment.

Jimmy Taylor explained: 'This competition means a great deal to all of us, and is taken very seriously by all of the musicians, who prepare very hard for it.'

'It was great to see 34 entries this year, ranging in age from 10 years up to veterans of 20 years' experience on their instruments.'

Adjudicator this year was well-known Ronnie Tennant from Glasgow, who

has helped the band since its very earliest days, and he had the difficult job of picking a winner in each of four classes, from musicians playing every kind of music from modern to the classics, accompanied by pianists Catherine Black, Angela McEwan and David McEwan.

Ronnie, himself a B flat tuba player of considerable repute, described the musicianship of one class winner as 'Not real, I know how difficult an instrument a tuba is to play, and what I have just heard really shouldn't even be possible to achieve - terrific!'

Winner of the beginners' class, and the Time Centre Trophy, was flugel horn player Cara Stalker, with Adam Kenny second and Feuna McIntosh third. In the junior class, cornetist Erin McSporrán won the Emma Paterson Memorial Trophy, with Fraser Cosgrove just pipping Alison Campbell for the runner-up spot.

In the intermediate class, George Good went home with the Lynsey Wardrop Trophy for a fine euphonium performance, with Donald Brian second ahead of David Cosgrove after a very tough contest of difficult pieces.

In the final class for the open age group, the adjudicator took some time to make his mind up on the order of the places, in the end picking Willie Ralston's exceptional tuba performance as winner of the Jenny Ralston Memorial Trophy. Bass trombonist Mark Good was second, and cornetist Ricky Evans third, but Mr Tennant had high praise for the whole class and their very entertaining performances.

As he concluded: 'I am delighted to see the highest standards still a priority here at Campbeltown Brass.'

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Agricultural society's annual ploughing match

ON a beautiful winter's day, Kintyre Agricultural Society held its annual ploughing match in an excellent field at Colinlongart Farm by kind permission of Mr and Mrs John Ronald and family.

The judges for the day were Duncan McKinnon from Largie, John Ralston from Kilkivan and Johnny Cameron from Parkfergus.

A total of 13 ploughmen took part in the match and it attracted a good number of spectators on the day.

Isobel Ronald presented the prizes as follows:

Class one (10-12 inch): 1 James McCallum, Wallace Cottages, Southend; 2 Stephen Jones, Amod; 3 Kenny Ronald, Balivanan.

Extra prizes
Best break: Stephen Jones, Amod.

Straightest: James McCallum, Wallace Cottages, Southend.

Best six furrows: Stephen

Jones, Amod. Best last six furrows: Kenny Ronald, Balivanan.

Best ins and outs: Stephen Jones, Amod.

Best finish: James McCallum, Wallace Cottages, Southend.

Class two (over 12 inch): 1 Andrew Reid, Burnside Street, Campbeltown; 2 Morris MacKinnon, Killeonan; 2 Aliastair McPhail, Skernish; 4 Paul Newall, St John Street, Campbeltown; 5 Thomas Ralston, Kilkivan; 6 William Jones, Amod.

Extra prizes
Best break: Morris MacKinnon, Killeonan.

Straightest: Andrew Reid, Burnside Street, Campbeltown.

Best first six furrows: Andrew Reid, Burnside Street, Campbeltown.

Best in and outs: Alastair

McPhail, Skernish. Best finish: Aliastair McPhail, Skernish.

Class three (reversibles): 1 Andrew Ralston, East Drumlemble; 2 Ian Barbour, Keil Point, Southend; 3 Gavin Reid, Craigwilline; 4 Drew McKendrick, Glenrioch.

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Best break: Andrew Ralston, East Drumlemble.

Straightest: Andrew Ralston, East Drumlemble.

Best first six furrows: Andrew Ralston, East Drumlemble.

Best last six furrows: Andrew Ralston, East Drumlemble.

Best ins and outs: Gavin Reid, Craigwilline.

Best finish: Andrew Ralston, East Drumlemble.

Special prizes
First on field: Stephen Jones, Amod.

First finished: Andrew Ralston, East Drumlemble.

Least experienced:

William Jones, Amod. Youngest competitor: Alastair McPhail, Skernish.

Least assistance: Drew McKendrick, Glenrioch.

Furthest travelled: Gavin Reid, Craigwilline.

Oldest competitor: Gavin Reid, Craigwilline.

Best looking ploughman: Morris MacKinnon, Killeonan.

Hardest luck: Thomas Ralston, Kilkivan.

Worst plot: Drew McKendrick, Glenrioch.

Tidiest yoke: William Jones, Amod.

Youngest assistant: Emily Ronald.

Highest placed using Case International tractor: Andrew Reid, Burnside Street, Campbeltown.

Highest placed using a Ford tractor: Paul Newall, St John Street, Campbeltown.

Hired man highest on prize list: James McCallum, Wallace Cottages, Southend.

Tractor prizes
Best maintained: 1 Morris MacKinnon, Killeonan; 2 Ian Barbour, Keil Point, Southend.

Oldest tractor: Stephen Jones, Amod.

Newest tractor: Gavin Reid, Craigwilline.

Cup winners
Kintyre Agricultural Cup and winner of the RHAS Medal: Andrew Ralston, East Drumlemble.

Messrs Ralston Cup for winner in the non-medal class: James McCallum, Southend.

John Cullen Cup for winner in the reversible class: Andrew Ralston, East Drumlemble.

John McKay Cup for best lot by 25-year-old or younger: Aliastair McPhail, Skernish.

Glenside Cup for most points using Case International tractor: Andrew Reid, Burnside Street, Campbeltown.



The furrows were extremely straight. c05plo01

Hamilton Bros Cup for most points using a Massey Ferguson Tractor: James McCallum, Southend.

Ford Cup for most points using a Ford tractor: Paul

Newall, St John Street, Campbeltown. The society would like to thank all competitors, helpers and spectators for turning out on the day. The society is also very

grateful to the Ronald family for hosting the ploughing match and to Duncan McKinnon, John Ralston and Johnny Cameron for judging the event.



Sun shone down as the ploughmen worked. c05plo04



Kintyre Agricultural Society's annual ploughing match attracted 13 competitors. c05plo05

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Candidate Profile

- Energy, drive and enthusiasm with a polite and courteous manner
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We have a vacancy for a Customer Manager who is capable of delivering a professional and focussed customer service to our clients, both large and small. The successful candidate will be working with an identified portfolio of customers, dealing with both daily and strategic issues.

As a Customer Manager, you will be the single point of contact and will work consistently and reliably to meet customer expectations and resolve any issues they may have.

JOB DESCRIPTION:

- To manage and maintain a portfolio of Vestas clients
- Compilation of monthly operation reports to clients
- Daily client contact via telephone and email
- Attendance of customer meetings.

PROFILE:

Candidates must demonstrate that they understand the key importance of customer loyalty and retention to the future success of our organisation, are proactive, flexible and creative, and can continually seek new ways of delivering improved customer service.

- Experience in a customer focussed environment is desirable
- Technical aptitude or a technical background would be an advantage
- First-class written and verbal communication skills.

- Excellent organisational and time-management abilities.
- Experience of meeting deadlines and targets is essential
- Well-developed negotiation skills
- Flexible and innovative approach to problem-solving.
- Ability to work in a demanding and sometimes high pressure environment.
- Proficiency in the MS office packages including Outlook.
- A valid driving licence is required
- Preference will be given to those candidates living within reasonable daily commuting distance of Campbeltown.

The position will involve travelling in UK, Ireland and Denmark, however other overseas travel should be expected on occasion.

Application Deadline - 17/02/06

Job Start: To be agreed

Current CV and covering letter should be sent to: Manager of Customer Management Miss R Brooks Vestas - Celtic Wind Technology Ltd/ Service Department P.O. Box 9263 Campbeltown, Argyll. PA28 6WA.

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BY CAMPBELTOWN

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BY CAMPBELTOWN

New on Market
2 Rhudal Cottages, Drumlembie

Enjoying a very pleasant easterly outlook over open farmland this **SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW** comprises bright comfortable accommodation of hall, lounge, kitchen with utility area, bedroom and bathroom. Full DG. Electric heating. Well maintained garden to front & rear. Off street parking. Large attic with conversion potential.

SOUTHEND

Gleann Mhor,
St Columba's Way

Quietly located within a small quality development of 6 houses having lovely views over surrounding farmlands this beautifully presented **DETACHED FAMILY BUNGALOW** comprises entrance vestibule, L shaped hall, large bright lounge, 3 bedrooms (master en-suite), superb dining kitchen, bathroom and utility room plus Conservatory. Full DG. Total Control heating. Easily maintained level garden. 3 Garden sheds. **A most attractive luxury bungalow in a very peaceful location.**

MACHRIHANISH

New on Market
82 Sound of Kintyre

Only a 10 minute drive from Campbeltown, located within peaceful surroundings No. 82 Sound of Kintyre is presented to the market in immaculate decorative order throughout comprising hallway, spacious bright lounge, dining room, luxury kitchen, 3 bedrooms and superb bathroom with separate shower cubicle. Full DG. Electric heating. Garden to front and rear with off street parking. **Ideally suited as a family or indeed as a holiday/retiral home with many extras included.**

BY TARBERT

Stratholm,
Clachan

Set in delightful wooded grounds Stratholm is a superb and beautifully appointed **DETACHED FAMILY BUNGALOW** enjoying an open southerly aspect over the adjoining countryside on the edge of the village. The accommodation comprises vestibule, lovely sitting room, 3 double bedrooms, excellent fitted kitchen with separate dining area and bathroom (with separate shower) plus large utility room all in excellent decorative order. Full DG. White meter heating. Mature, landscaped grounds of approximately 3/4 acre. **A lovely property in a secluded location.**

BY TARBERT

New on Market
Birchfield, Whitehouse

A spacious and very nicely presented **DETACHED FAMILY BUNGALOW** set in a lovely landscaped garden and enjoying truly splendid views over open farmland down to Kennacraig and out over West Loch. The well appointed accommodation is in excellent decorative order and comprises entrance vestibule, L-shaped hall, lovely bright sitting room, dining room on semi open plan with kitchen, 3 double bedrooms and bathroom + utility room with toilet. Full DG. Total control electric heating. Integral garage + greenhouse. Also included is a stone built **BOTHY**, formerly a gate house, and whilst in poor order internally the building does offer potential for use as a workshop, boat store, etc. **Birchfield is a most attractive property in an equally attractive situation.**

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89 Chalmers Street

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East Bank Road

With wonderful views across Loch Gilp and beyond, this spacious **MAISONETTE** offers flexible accommodation over 2 floors comprising a large porch, hall, 4 bedrooms, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, bathroom and small cloakroom wc. Recent improvements include a new kitchen and UPVC double glazing with the property occupying a position above 'The Bargain Zone' in Chalmers Street. **Ideal family flat at an attractive asking price.**

BY LOCHGILPHEAD

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Lochgair

Occupying a pleasant location within a well maintained garden of 1/4 acre, Cowal View is a beautifully presented **DETACHED BUNGALOW** in immaculate order both internally and externally. The accommodation benefiting from the sun throughout the day comprises entrance vestibule, hall, lounge, splendid Conservatory, kitchen with adjoining dining area, 3 bedrooms (master en suite) and bathroom. A large area of decking within the garden leads up to the Conservatory together with a flagged patio to its side. Large integral garage and separate timber outbuilding. **An immaculate family bungalow.**

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PLANNING

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997, RELATED LEGISLATION PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

Take notice that the applications in the following schedule may be inspected during normal office hours at the location given below. Anyone wishing to make representations should do so in writing to the undersigned within 14 or 21 days of the appearance of this notice, whichever is applicable as indicated below. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence.

SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PLANS

- **Ref No: 06/00024/DET**
Applicant: Mrs MacSparran
Proposal: Proposed erection of dwelling house, siting of 4500 litre septic tank and 1250 litre oil tank
Site Address: Plot North Of Dalmore Farm Tayinloan Tarbert Argyll PA29 6XG
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tayinloan
Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days
- **Ref No: 06/00028/OUT**
Applicant: Jill Fairweather
Proposal: Erection of single storey dwelling house
Site Address: Land South Of Calliburn Croft, Campbeltown Campbeltown Argyll PA28 6XN
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days
- **Ref No: 06/00098/DET**
Applicant: Mr And Mrs P. McKerral
Proposal: Proposed extension to existing dwelling
Site Address: Dundoran Southend Campbeltown Argyll PA28 6RW
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days
- **Ref No: 06/00096/DET**
Applicant: Furnace Community Council
Proposal: Alterations and extension to village hall
Site Address: Village Hall Furnace Inveraray Argyll PA32 8XN
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Inveraray
Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days
- **Ref No: 06/00100/LIB**
Applicant: British Waterways Scotland
Proposal: Proposed demolition of storage shed
Site Address: Oakfield Bridge Store Lochgilphead Argyll
Location of Plans: Area Office Ardrishaig
Regulation 5 Listed Bld Consent - 21 Day
- **Ref No: 06/00095/DET**
Applicant: Fyne Homes Limited
Proposal: Erection of 4 - storey, 16 flatted development with associated car parking and landscaping
Site Address: 7-11 Argyll Street Campbeltown Argyll PA28 6AY
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
Development in Conservation Area 21 Days
- **Ref No: 06/00095/DET**
Applicant: Fyne Homes Limited
Proposal: Erection of 4 - storey, 16 flatted development with associated car parking and landscaping
Site Address: 7-11 Argyll Street Campbeltown Argyll PA28 6AY
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
S60 Setting of Listed Bldg Ad - 21 Days
- **Ref No: 06/00131/REM**
Applicant: Mr Michael Taylor
Proposal: Erection of new dwelling house, stable block and septic tank and soakaway
Site Address: Kilbride Southend Campbeltown Argyll PA28 6RF
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days
- **Ref No: 06/00121/LIB**
Applicant: Mr And Mrs K. Butler
Proposal: Proposed internal alterations
Site Address: Columba Hotel Pier Road Tarbert Argyll PA29 6UF
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert
Regulation 5 Listed Bld Consent - 21 Day
- **Ref No: 06/00123/DET**
Applicant: Mr And Mrs Goldsworthy
Proposal: Alteration and extension to existing building
Site Address: Ingleside Big Brae Tarbert Argyll PA29 6UQ
Location of Plans: Sub Post Office Tarbert
Development in Conservation Area 21 Days
- **Ref No: 06/00134/COU**
Applicant: Mr And Mrs R. McCallum
Proposal: Proposed extension and change of use of existing garage/byre to dwelling house and erection of garage and conservatory - conversion of 1st floor to flat
Site Address: Stewarton House Stewarton Campbeltown Argyll PA28 6PG
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days

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

OPERATIONAL SERVICES

THE ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL (ROUTE B8025 CRINAN MOSS-KEILLS ROAD, ISLAND ADD BRIDGE) (3 TONNES MGW)(WEIGHT RESTRICTION) ORDER 200_

Argyll and Bute Council proposes to make an Order restricting the use of the section of the B8025 as carried by Island Add Bridge to vehicles having a maximum gross weight of 3 tonnes.

Full details of this proposal, which forms the proposed "THE ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL (ROUTE B8025, CRINAN MOSS-KEILLS ROAD, ISLAND ADD BRIDGE) (3 TONNES MGW)(WEIGHT RESTRICTION) ORDER 200_" together with a Plan, copy of the existing Order and a Statement of Reasons for proposing to make this Traffic Regulation Order, are available for inspection during normal office hours Monday to Friday inclusive at the offices of:

- (i) Operational Services, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, Argyll;
- (ii) Argyll and Bute Council Offices, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, Argyll.

Any person wishing to object to the proposals should send details of the grounds for objection in writing to the Head of Democratic Services and Governance, Argyll and Bute Council, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, Argyll by 24th February 2006.

Andrew R Law, Director of Operational Services, Manse Brae, LOCHGILPHEAD, Argyll PA31 8RD

COUNCILLORS' SURGERIES

Councillor Rory Colville (E.W.3 East Central Kintyre) will not be holding a surgery this month but please feel free to contact him at home on Tel: 01586 820209 or through the Members Services Unit at Argyll and Bute Council on tel: 01546 604209.

Councillor Colville is also available in the Carradale area on the evening of the East Kintyre Community Council meetings.

Councillor John McAlpine (E.W. 4 North & West Kintyre) will not be holding a surgery this month but his constituents can contact him on tel: 01880 820 196 or through the Members Services Unit at Argyll and Bute Council on tel: 01546 604261.

Councillor Alison Hay (E.W. 7 Craignish-Glenarav) will be holding a surgery on Monday 6th February in the Senior Citizens Hall, Inveraray from 7.00pm - 8.00pm.

CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETING

Council Chambers
Town Hall
Monday 6 February
7.30 p.m.

Business:
The future of the library, museum and town hall

KINTYRE ANGLING CLUB Annual General Meeting

Friday 17 February
7.30 p.m.
Clubhouse
Shore Street

LODGE ST JOHN'S CAMPBELTOWN (No. 141)

A Regular Meeting will be held on **Monday 6 February** commencing 7.30 p.m.
Business: Minutes, Passing, a.o.c.b.

A.G.M. O.P.E.L.

Tuesday 21 February at 7 p.m. in KINTYRE CARE CENTRE Shore Street Campbeltown
New members welcomed

TARBERT (LOCH FYNE) HARBOUR AUTHORITY ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting for the Election of Traders' and Fishermens' Trustees will take place on TUESDAY 14th MARCH 2006 at 2.15 p.m. within the Templars Art & Leisure Centre, Harbour Street, Tarbert.

Persons nominated as "Traders' Trustees" must be resident in Tarbert and have during the year ended 31 December 2005 paid rates or dues for the use of the harbour.

Persons nominated as "Fishermens' Trustees" must be owners, part-owners or members of the crew of a fishing boat registered at Tarbert. Recent legislation means that the Clerks cannot use the normal "full" Electoral Register for the Election. Only the version known as the "edited" Register can be used and people sometimes opt to be excluded from this edited version because it can be purchased by companies for canvassing, etc. If you have opted to be excluded from the edited version you should contact the Harbour Office for details of the steps required to enable you to cast your vote.

All Nomination Papers must be lodged with the Clerks to the Trustees before 4pm on Tuesday 7th March 2006, after which hour no Nominations will be received.

Nomination Papers must be dated and signed by two Tarbert Electors and must contain Christian and Surnames, occupations and addresses of the Subscribers and of the Candidates nominated. Forms may be obtained from the Clerks.

Any Candidate may withdraw his Nomination by Notice of Withdrawal signed by him and delivered to the Clerks not later than 4 pm on 13 March 2006.

Note: Tarbert Harbour Trustees are promoting a Harbour Revision Order. If the Harbour Revision Order comes into force by the end of March 2006 this will take precedence over the Elections under the existing Constitution.

MacArthur Stewart, Boswell House, Argyll Square OBAN, PA34 4BD



Forestry Commission Scotland

Kilmory Forest Design Plan Exhibition

Tuesday 7th February
Lochgilphead Community Centre
10.30 a.m.-7 p.m.

Wednesday 8th February
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10.30 a.m.-7 p.m.

Forest Design Plans set out the way the Forestry Commission will manage the public forest estate in the future. The plan includes proposals for felling, restocking and recreation. The location of Kilmory forest on the outskirts of Lochgilphead gives it unique value amongst the community, so come along and give us your ideas for the future of the forest.

For more information contact:
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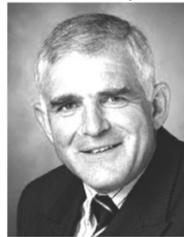
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**Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland
Statutory Review of Local Government Electoral Arrangements
Argyll and Bute Council Area**

Notice is hereby given today, 26 January 2006, that the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland has submitted the report to the Scottish Ministers recommending the division of Argyll and Bute Council area into 11 wards for the election of Councillors.

A copy of the Commission's report and illustrative maps showing the ward boundaries may be inspected during normal office hours at the offices of Argyll and Bute Council from 26 January 2006 as follows:

Council Headquarters, Kilmory Castle, Lochgilphead;

and also at the following locations:

- Scotcourt House, Helensburgh;
- Jamieson Street, Bowmore, Isle of Islay;
- Dell Road, Completown;
- Breadalbane Street, Tobermory, Isle of Mull;
- Dalriada House, Lochnell Street, Lochgilphead;
- 22 Hill Street, Dunoon;
- Eaglesham House, Mountpleasant Road, Rothesay, Isle of Bute;
- Lorn House, Albany Street, Oban; and
- The Business Centre, Crossapool, Isle of Tiree.

A copy of this notice, the Commission's report and illustrative maps are available for viewing, or downloading free of charge on the Commission's web site at www.lgbc-scotland.gov.uk.

It should be noted that under the provisions of section 17(2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the Scottish Ministers may not make an Order giving effect to the proposals contained in the Commission's report, either as submitted to them or with modifications, until after the expiry of 6 weeks from 26 January 2006, that being the date arranged for the formal submission of the report.

**R Smith
Secretary**

Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland
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- Libraries
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AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the AREA COMMITTEE for MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE & ISLAY will be held in The Council Chambers, Kilmory on WEDNESDAY 8th FEBRUARY 2006 at 10.00 a.m.

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Happy 18th Birthday Laura



Love Granny X X X

Colin - wishes to thank friends, relations and Mundell's staff for the cards, gifts and generous donations for his retrial and 65th birthday party. Thanks to Tarbert Bowling Club, Mary and Janice for catering, Margaret and bar staff and all other helpers. Rab and his band for making it a great night. Amount donated to McMillan nurses Mid Argyll £1085. A big thank you to you all, Colin.

Happy 18th Birthday Laura



Love Mum, Les, Kim, Justine, Kyle and Meg X X X

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Happy 18th Birthday Eilidh



Lots Of Love Mum, Dad and The Boys X X

George McDonald

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Happy 40th Liz

Mum, Dad, Scott, Mark & Adam

Happy 18th Birthday Christina Louise



Lots of love Mum & Lisa XX

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mind. It needn't be intimidating. The test drive is for your benefit alone and the more you take, the more experiences you'll have to draw on. With the new 06 registration just around the corner, follow our ten point plan and you shouldn't go far wrong.

IN THE SHOWROOM

1) Check the price. It may sound obvious but before you even arrive at the showroom, decide what your realistic financial limit is. You wouldn't be the first person to be seduced into putting a deposit down on a gleaming metal monster you can't really afford.
2) Check the doors. Don't jump straight into the driver's seat - you want to know how easy the car will be to live with, not simply to drive. Try the bonnet, doors and boot - how easy

are they to operate, and how secure?

3) Check passenger space. If you'll often be carrying passengers, see what sort of access and room they have. Would they be comfortable on a long journey? This could depend on whether they're children or adults. What sort of state is the interior in? If a low-mileage demonstrator car looks tatty after only a few hundred miles, how will it look in a few years' time?

4) Check load space. What sort of load space do you need? If you'll frequently be carrying bulky or heavy loads you need to see if you can easily and safely lift them into the load area. Is the lip of the boot too high? Is the engine powerful enough to handle the sort of loads you carry?

5) Check the paperwork. Getting your hands on as many brochures and fact sheets about your potential purpose is essential. All manufacturer figures such as fuel consumption, emissions, crash test performance and interior space have to be officially approved and will give you a valuable tool to compare one car against another.

AT THE WHEEL

6) Check the driving position. Get as comfortable as you can. Can the seat slide, tilt and rise? Can the steering wheel position be moved? Can you see all the mirrors? Is visibility through the windows acceptable? If you can't see

what's going on around you or you simply cannot get comfortable, you'd might as well stop right now, as the car will never suit you.

7) Check the start-up. Now for the moment of truth - turn the ignition on. If you're sold on the money-saving advantages of diesel cars, bear in mind that some sound 'clattery' when starting from cold. This should soon settle down to a more normal beat quickly.

With your foot on the clutch, gently run through the gears. The shift can be 'notchy' when a car is cold but not so stiff it's a problem. Select first and gently lift off the clutch. How smoothly does the car pull away? A 'sharp' clutch, or one which is very heavy, can be hard work - especially in traffic. Does it suit your driving style?

8) Check the engine. Is the engine powerful enough to pull away from traffic lights and to keep going up hills without requiring endless gearchanges? Remember that on most test drives it'll be just you and a salesman in the car. If you'll be pulling a caravan or driving with a full complement of adults, you need to estimate whether the engine can handle it.

9) Check the noise levels. Find a stretch of fast, open road, where it's safe and legal to speed up. If you're going to spend a lot of time cruising motorways and there is a junction nearby,

ask the salesman if you can drive on one for a short stretch.

How much noise is there from the engine, the tyres and the wind? Are there any irritating rattles or buzzes from the interior? If something is mildly distracting on a short test drive, it is likely to be infuriating on a long-distance trip.

10) Check the driving experience. How well does the suspension soak up bumps and take corners? If the ride is too hard, you'll go crashing and jolting over potholes. If it's too soft you'll find the car 'wallows' over small bumps and rolls in corners, making journeys uncomfortable.

An easy-to-drive car is one with controls that do what you want, with a minimum of effort. The steering should be light, but you should be able to 'feel' the road; the gears should be quick and easy, and the tyres should grip well so the car always goes where you point it.

AND FINALLY

Even if you're completely satisfied with the car's performance and are eager to sign on the dotted line, promise yourself that you'll take at least one more test drive before you commit to anything. If your second test isn't as good, it will reassure you about your original choice. If it's better, you'll have saved yourself from making a very expensive mistake.

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Isuzu has launched a new, ultimate-luxury Rodeo five-seat, four-door double-cab pickup called the Denver Max LE with almost £6,000 worth of accessories for just over £2,000 extra.

Priced at £19,990 On-The-Road (excluding VAT), the Denver Max LE adds a Prodrive Performance Pack, 18 ins Prodrive alloy wheels with 255/60 Pirelli Scorpion Zero tyres, two-tone leather seats and door inserts, a Prodrive Mesh grille, a tough load-liner and an XTC hard top.

Also standard is a Bluetooth kit, SmartNav satellite navigation with touchscreen, one year's free SmartNav subscription, one year's free RAC Trackstar subscription and three months' free use of SafeSpeed.

Other Max features include a soft-type front A-bar with chrome insert, chrome side steps, rear chrome bumper and light guards and brushed steel door entry guards.

This is in addition to air-conditioning, a radio/CD-player, four electric windows, leather-wrapped steering wheel, keyless-entry and selectable 'shift-on-the-fly' 4WD or 2WD at speeds up to 60 mph.

The new manual-transmission-only LE is the result of Isuzu dealer demand. It will be restricted to a total of 100 units in either Astral Silver or Black Sapphire metallic.

Its Prodrive Performance Pack boosts the 3.0 litre turbo-diesel engine's power

from 131 PS to 155 PS at the same 3,800 rpm, while torque rockets from 206.5 lb.ft to a solid 258.1 lb.ft at the same 2,000 rpm.

Apart from stronger throttle response, increased flexibility and greater refinement, the 0-60 mph acceleration time is reduced from 16.8 seconds to 12.4 seconds.

Highly-Successful Denver Max SDT Offer Extended

And in another Isuzu initiative, the highly successful Rodeo Denver Max SDT special edition is being extended throughout 2006.

Thanks to popular demand, the Denver Max SDT will now be available in both manual and automatic transmission formats and in a wider choice of colours.

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FIFTH CONSECUTIVE RECORD YEAR FOR UK LAND ROVER SALES EXPECTED

Phil Popham, managing director of Land Rover UK said yesterday that the 9,000 UK sales they expect to achieve in the new registration plate change month of September will be the second biggest sales month ever since manufacturing began in 1948. The all-time record month was March 2004 when 10,000 Land and Range Rover models were sold.

Demand for the 2006 Range Rover, new Discovery 3 and the all-new Range Rover Sport was driving demand with the new Sport already achieving 145 per cent of its sales target. The Sport will achieve nearly 6,000 UK sales this year even though it was only launched in May.

Popham said, "This year we expect our UK sales to reach 49,000 units, the fifth consecutive record year since Ford took over the company six years ago."

"The UK market remains the largest in the world but I do not expect to keep that title next year because the growth in the US market.

They will see 48,000 sales this year and this should increase to 50,000 units in 2006. I do not expect to be able to match that total because of our run-out programme early next year for the current Freelander range and the new models not being introduced until later in 2006" he said.

Popham added that Land Rover sales worldwide this year would be a record total of 180,000 units.

He said, "We have addressed the issues of product quality and reliability and

have recovered from the damage done by our past reputation. With the new 2006 model line up we have just introduced we are ideally placed to grow our sales worldwide and we need to grow and develop our biggest market, the US. We are also seeing significant growth in Italy, France, Germany, Spain and from emerging markets such as Russia and China."

"The UK market currently has the optimum number of 130 Land Rover dealerships with nine sales regions. We

have invested hugely in improving customer satisfaction and regaining their confidence with our dealers implementing fault fixing through service actions. The product quality is now much improved off the production line and this is fully supported with our three-year unlimited mileage vehicle warranty. We have seen a significant reduction in the number of warranty claims for our products", said Popham

This year in the UK Land Rover will sell in the order of

4,000 Range Rover models, 6,000 Range Rover Sports, 6,000 Defenders, 12,000 Discoveries, 20,000 Freelanders and 1,000 assorted other models. The 49,000 total does not include an undisclosed number of 'combat vehicles' used by the military.

Approximately half of the total UK sales are to customers who use company money to buy their vehicles with the majority of buyers being in a position to make their own decision on what vehicle they have.

SUBARU LAUNCHES POLICE SALES ASSAULT

Symmetrical all-wheel drive specialist, Subaru, has launched a serious assault on the police car market targeting both unmarked and high-visibility liveried use.

Already favoured by several forces, the iconic Impreza will be joined by the sporting executive Legacy and crossover Forester in a three-pronged attack.

This follows Subaru winning approval as an official supplier by the Police Information Technology Organisation.

In addition, the first decade demonstration Forester has just hit the highways complete with all the equipment required

for the official police-spec 'Utility 4x4' category.

Acknowledging the importance of this initiative, Subaru has appointed specialist motor services outsource, Landar Ltd, to establish a Police Sales Unit.

Headed by Programme Manager, Lance Jenkins, this will provide dedicated sales and operational support.

This unit has already received orders for a number of unmarked Imprezas and Legacys by various constabularies and Lance has now begun a charm offensive on fleet managers from more than 40 police forces throughout the UK.

He said: "The performance, agility and reliability of the Impreza is already well known by many forces but few appreciate how ideal the Forester is for rural use and as an all-terrain multi-function vehicle.

"The Legacy is also very attractive as a low-profile 'stealth' car where covert surveillance and eventual pursuit is required. It will be my job to get the Subaru on more shopping lists and to raise its profile among the constabularies."

Subaru's Police Sales unit will also offer interested forces extended vehicle loans for up to six months under a new 'try and buy' programme.

GRANDE PUNTO ROCKS CAPITAL

The first Fiat Grande Punto to arrive in the UK zipped around the capital city yesterday, (Wednesday 18 January), with the **champion** Bodyrockers.

The electro rock duo sampled Fiat's all-new supermini while finding time for a speedy shopping trip at the world famous Harrods department store in Knightsbridge, where Grande Punto will take centre stage from the end of January through until March.

Two new Grande Puntos will be showcased in Harrods' Brompton Road shop windows for a two

month period from the end of this month, and visitors to the store will be able to experience the car for themselves at close quarters, together with the possibility of a test drive. Grande Punto goes on sale throughout the UK on Saturday 11 February.

The Fiat Punto has been a highly successful product since the original was launched in 1993. Voted European Car of the Year in 1995, it became Europe's best selling car in 1997, and in the UK, its largest export market, some 500,000 examples are active on our roads today. The all-new Punto has elegant lines courtesy of Ital-

ian design maestro, Giorgetto Giugiaro. It is built on a completely new platform, making it the largest and safest in its category. It boasts the widest diesel engine range in its class, and a maximum 5-star Euro NCAP safety rating.

Mainland Europe has taken to the new Italian in a big way. Over 100,000 customer orders have been received since Grande Punto first went on sale at the end of September, and it has already picked up some notable international media awards, including the Golden Steering Wheel (Germany), Auto Europa (Italy), and Best City Car (France).

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PSA Peugeot Citroën unveils Diesel Hybrid Technology

PSA Peugeot Citroën today unveils two demonstrators featuring a diesel-electric hybrid powertrain, the Peugeot 307 and the Citroën C4 Hybride HDi.

The performance of these cars represents a major breakthrough in further improving fuel economy and reducing CO₂ emissions. They also provide increased driving comfort under all conditions, especially in urban traffic.

Average diesel consumption for these two cars is 3.4 litres per 100 kilometres, with 90 grams of CO₂ emitted per kilometre, tank to wheel - a record for compact cars, the most popular segment in Europe. This is some 25% better than a similar vehicle equipped with a petrol hybrid system, or as much as a litre per 100 kilometres in combined urban and motorway driving.

PSA Peugeot Citroën's Hybrid HDi technology comprises a 1.6-litre HDi diesel engine, a particulate filter system (DPFS), the latest generation Stop & Start system, an electric motor, inverter, high-voltage battery pack and dedicated control electronics. The cars are also equipped with an electronically managed manual gearbox.

The Stop & Start system enables the Hybride HDi vehicles to start and drive using only the HDi diesel engine, even when the high-voltage battery pack is totally flat. Other hybrid vehicles, in contrast, would be totally immobilised in this situation.

The Hybride HDi introduces several innovative features:

Recovery of kinetic energy during deceleration and braking.

All-electric mode, or Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV), eliminating noise and emis-

sions for urban driving at up to 50 kilometres an hour.

Extended ZEV mode, in which electrical power is used by default, depending on the battery charge level.

For main road and motorway driving, the electric motor can provide a 35% power boost for extra acceleration when needed, thereby enhancing driving comfort.

PSA Peugeot Citroën could market its Hybride HDi vehicles as early as 2010. However, their introduction rests on making this technology available at an affordable price. Today, the price gap between a Hybride HDi model and a comparable diesel HDi model is still too wide and would have to be halved to make diesel hybrid vehicles accessible to most consumers.

PSA Peugeot Citroën is committed to meeting the challenge of lowering the cost of this technology. Only by meeting this goal will the Group be able to ensure the widespread distribution of the innovative Hybride HDi solution, so making a significant contribution to protecting the environment. The Group plans a two-pronged approach:

Extensive R&D on the four areas that generate most of the extra cost: high-voltage batteries, electric motor/generator, inverter and the regenerative braking system.

Unite the expertise of equipment manufacturers and research laboratories to focus on this project.

PSA Peugeot Citroën has asked the French Agency for Industrial Innovation to support the project.

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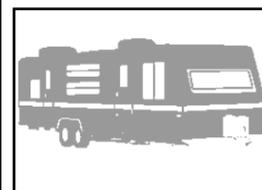


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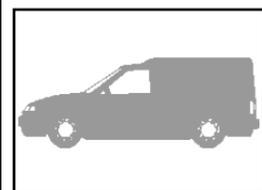


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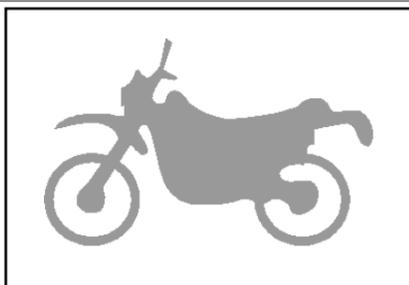
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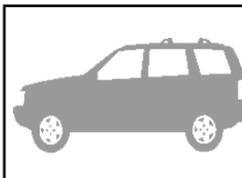
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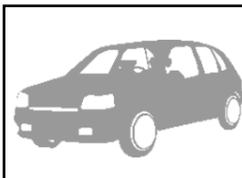
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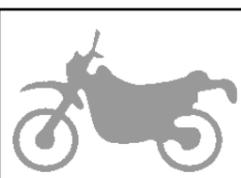
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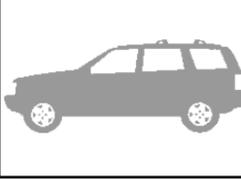
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BIRTHS

BAIN - WILLIAMSON - Pete and Linda are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Amber, on January 21, 2006 at the Queen Mother's Hospital, Glasgow. Special thanks to the midwifery teams at the Mid Argyll and Queen Mother's Hospitals and ambulance crew, all for their excellent care and support.

CAMPBELL - Ian and Betsy (nee Young) are delighted to announce the safe arrival of their second daughter Sarah Elizabeth on Saturday, January 21, 2006 at Stirling Royal Infirmary. A little sister for Megan Rachel. Thanks to all the midwives in Stirling and Campbeltown for their excellent care.

MACMILLAN - Carlyn, Ashleigh, Chloe and Eve are delighted to announce the arrival of their baby brother, Harvey Calum on January 22, 2006 at Glasgow S.G.H. Calum and Laura thank S.G.H and Campbeltown Midwives, especially Anna. Thanks.

MARTIN - James and Lyndsay are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter Niah Aysia, born January 29, 2006. Wee sister for Rachel. First grandchild for Niall and Phyllis Cameron, fifth grandchild for Alice Martin.

ENGAGEMENTS

ANDERSON-CAMPBELL - Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Michael, eldest son of Peter and Sheena Anderson, Bahrain, to Victoria, only daughter of Colin and Wendy Campbell, Stonehaven on the occasion of Vikki's 21st Birthday.

WEDDINGS

DAVIDSON - ROBERTSON - At Saddell and Carradale Parish Church on January 21, 2006, by Rev John Vischer, Jonathan, only son of John and Dee Davidson, Tynemouth, to Claire, only daughter of Dede Robertson, Carradale.

DEATHS

DURNAN - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on January 26, 2006, Robert Moore Durnan (Roy), in his 59th year, 23 Calton Avenue, Campbeltown, much loved father of Innes and dearly loved brother of Charles and George.

HALL - Suddenly at her home on North Uist on January 23, 2006, Maggie Hall aged 62 years. Much loved mother of Marina, mother-in-law of Walter, dear sister of John and loving nana to Craig and Rhian. She will be sadly missed.

MACALISTER - Angus, peacefully in the Lorn and Islands District General Hospital, Oban, on January 26, 2006 in his 89th year, Angus MacAlister, Gulgum Cottages, Isle of Gigha, beloved husband of the late,

Charlotte, dear father to John and Archie, father-in-law to Joan and Lorna and a devoted grandad. Funeral was held on Saturday, January 28, 2006 on the Island of Gigha.

MACLEAN - Peacefully, in her sleep, at Lorn Ward, Argyll & Bute Hospital, on January 27, 2006, Margaret MacLean nee Orr, in her 73rd year, formerly of 33 Oakhill, Tarbert and Ardrpatrick, Kilberry. Much loved and loving mother of Isobel, Fiona and Heather. A treasured grandmother and great-grandmother. A dear sister of Dougie, Billy and the late Isobel. Funeral service was held in Tarbert Parish Church on Tuesday January 31, followed by interment at Carrick Cemetery. Sadly missed by family and friends.

MCALLUM - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on January 29, 2006, Agnes Graham, in her 72nd year, 120 Davaar Avenue, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Rab McCallum, dearly loved mother of Richard, Campbell and Shona and a loving and much loved grannie and mother-in-law.

MCKEGNEY - Mary (Murrayfield), suddenly at home on January 29, 2006 after a positively cheerful and brave fight against cancer, Mary, (aged 46 years) much loved wife and best pal of Douglas, a loved daughter of Campbell and Ann, sister Susan, daughter-in-law, sister-in-law and aunt. A funeral service to which all family and friends are welcome will be held at Warriston Crematorium Lorimer Chapel on Friday February 3, at 10.00am. Flowers if desired may be sent to W T Dunbar & Sons 263 St John's Road, Edinburgh EH12 7XD. A collection will be taken in support of WRVS after the service.

WOOD - Peacefully on Wednesday January 25, 2006, Agnes MacArthur Wood, in her 90th year, (Retired Member of the Diplomatic Service), eldest daughter of the late Douglas and Mary Wood and loving sister of Beatrice and the late Margaret Blanford. The funeral was held on Thursday February 2, 2006.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

BLACK - The family of the late Margaret Black, would like to thank relatives and friends, for kind support, and expressions of sympathy received, in their recent bereavement. Special thanks to all who befriended Margaret, and were so kind to her on a regular basis, to local police for their help and consideration, Rev Bill Gray for a comforting service, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors, for professional services, Tarbert Hotel for catering, and to all who paid their last respects, at church and graveside.

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IN MEMORIAM

CRAIG - In loving memory of our dear mother, mother-in-law, granny and great-grandmother Pearl, died February 5, 2005. Flowers and leaves may wither The evening sun may set But the hearts that loved you dearly Are the ones who won't forget. - From your loving son Hinton, Tina and all the family at home and away.
DURNAN - Isabella McNaughton (Isa). In memory of our dear mother, died February 2, 2005. When I am down and oh my soul so weary

When I am sad and my heart burdened be Then I am still and wait here in the silence Until you come and sit a while with me You raise me up so I can stand on mountains You raise me up to walk on stormy seas I am strong when I am on your shoulders You raise me up to more than I can be

- Bobby, Michael, Agnes, Michael Jnr and Kimberley, Blackpool.
DURNAN - In loving memory of my mother-in-law Isa who fell asleep on February 2, 2005. You will always have a special place in my heart. - Isa, Flora and family.
McGLYNN - Remembering our beloved parents, grandparents and great-grandparents. Con, died November 12, 1987 and Nan, died February 3, 2002. Forever in our thoughts - The family.

ROBERTSON - In memory of my dear brother Donald, died February 6, 2003. I will always love you. - Sister Nan and Archie, East Kilbride.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES

GLASSARY, KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH

Sunday 5 February 2006
Ford 10 a.m.
Preacher: **Rev. Richard West**
All most welcome

Sunday 5 February 2006
RENT-A-STALL
Ardrishaig
1-3 p.m.
Items, Bric-a-Brac, Plants, etc., gratefully received



Argyll Street, Campbeltown
(A Province of the Anglican Communion)

Sunday 5 February 2006
5th Sunday after Epiphany
10.45 a.m. Morning Prayer
Details of services are on the Church door
Enquiries to **Rev. A. J. Williamson**
Telephone **01586 551478**

LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 5 February 2006
Family Service
Rev. Hilda Smith
All welcome

Thursday 9 February 2006
The Guild meets in the ARMS Centre, 7.30 p.m.

LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
All Welcome
Pastor: **Rev. Andrew Miles**
Sunday 5 February 2006
11 a.m. Morning Service with Communion
6.30 p.m. Evening Service Bible Study

Monday 10.30 a.m.
Discipleship Course
Ladies Meeting
Monday at 2.30 p.m.
Mrs Robert Holden
Ardrishaig - Slides
Wednesday @7
Prayer Meeting
Thursday
Luncheon Club
Friday 10-11.30 a.m.
Jumpstart Group

TARBERT LINKED KILBERRY

Sunday 5 February 2006
Tarbert Church 11.30 a.m.
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ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES

Sunday 5 February 2006
Ardrishaig at 11 a.m.
Achahoish at 12.30 p.m.
Luke 13
Mustard and Yeast
PACT
for children of all ages meets in Ardrishaig at 11 a.m.
Saturday 4 February 2006
Guild Coffee Morning
North Church Hall
10 a.m. until 12 noon

THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND CUMLODDEN LOCHFYNESIDE AND LOCHGAIR

Sunday 5 February 2006
Turning the Other Cheek
(Luke 6:29)
Cumlodden (Furnace)
10.30 a.m.
Lochfyneside (Minard)
12 noon
Lochgaire 3 p.m.
(Sacrament of Baptism)
Rev. Roderick MacLeod
All welcome

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH

Sunday 5 February 2006
Bellanoch 11.30 a.m.
Rev. Richard West
Thursday 9 February 2006
Prayer Meeting 7.30 p.m.
Kilmartin Church Hall
Enquiries: **01546 606926**
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Sunday 5 February 2006
9 a.m. Eucharist
CHRIST CHURCH LOCHGILPHEAD
11 a.m. Eucharist

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH CAMPBELTOWN

Saturday 4 February 2006
Walking Group meets in Car Park at 11 a.m.
Youth Club 7-8.30 p.m.

Sunday 5 February 2006
Morning Worship ...11.15 a.m.
Creche, Sunday, School, Bible Class

Rev. Philip Burroughs
Monday 6 February 2006
The Guild 7.30 p.m.

Tuesday 7 February 2006
Mothers and Toddlers
9.45 a.m.

Thursday 9 February 2006
Choir Practice 7.30 p.m.
Friday 10 February 2006
Lunch Club 12.15 p.m.

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN

Sunday 5 February 2006
11 a.m.
Worship Service for All Ages followed by light lunch
Speaker: **Stewart McGregor**
Thursday 9 February 2006
7.30 p.m.
Praise, worship and sharing
All welcome
'Come and see'

CAMPBELTOWN FULL GOSPEL CHURCH



Sunday 5 February 2006
The Town Hall, Campbeltown
11 a.m.
Praise and Worship
Speaker: **Rev. Stuart McLean**

SALVATION ARMY

Burnside Street, Campbeltown
Sunday Services
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

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH



75 Longrow, Campbeltown
Sunday Services

Breaking of Bread 10 a.m.
Coffee 10.45 a.m.
Family Service with Sunday School and Creche 11.15 a.m.
Prayer Meeting 7.30 p.m.
Youth Fellowship .. 7.30 p.m.
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Wednesday

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Tarbert's perfect record is maintained

TARBERT maintained their perfect home record with a hard-fought victory on Saturday January 28 over Millerston Thistle at Cil Andreis.

The Dookers, sponsored by the Islay Frigate Hotel, had to come from a goal down to defeat an obstinate visiting side who were both physical and well-organised.

Tarbert welcomed player-manager Alex Johnstone back into the side, following the injury he sustained in December. It was an impressive return to action, Johnstone heading Tarbert's equaliser from a well-taken corner from Mike Connor.

Connor and Prentice had chances to open the scoring early on, but it was Thistle who took the lead against the run of play.

When the ball was played over the defence, the wait-

Football

**SAFL Division Two
Tarbert AFC 3
Millerston Thistle 1**

ing player looked suspiciously offside, but referee McInnes waved play on, allowing Thistle's striker to fire low past Blair.

Following Johnstone's equaliser, James Prentice maintained his good scoring record with a powerful drive into the net after Thistle failed to clear a cross.

Dougie Guy came close to adding a third before half-time, but he shot over the crossbar after a good run.

Harris and Ian Johnson were causing havoc for the visitors during the first half, moving into good positions, but Tarbert became increasingly frustrated as the football turned scrappy in the second half.

Failure to kill the match

off with a third goal made the second half a nervous one for Tarbert, whose passing and shooting could have been better. They were nearly made to pay for this when a clearance was blocked, but Millerston's shot flew wide.

The Dookers' nerves were finally calmed when substitute David Ronald's free kick was headed on by Prentice, a visiting defender turning the ball into the net for an own goal. Tarbert AFC would like to thank R Hyslop and Son, Tarbert butcher, for sponsoring Saturday's match ball. Tomorrow (Saturday February 4) Tarbert are at home to Eaglesham 'B' on league duty. Kick-off at Cil Andreis is at 2pm.

Tarbert: Blair, Maxwell, Guy, Laing, A Johnstone, MacDougall, I Johnson, K Harris, McDougall, Prentice, Connor. Subs: Ronald, MacKay, McIver



Sailing club is given safety advice

Sailing

Members of Campbeltown Sailing Club were given advice about safety at sea by the RNLi last week.

Peter Howland from the RNLi Sea Safety Group went along to the club with his wife Sylvia on Thursday evening to tell members all about the various types of life jackets available and the correct way to use them. Mr Howland also explained the different types of flares which are on the market before giving members a wonderful demonstration with them over Campbeltown Loch. Mr Howland is pictured with his wife Sylvia and members of Campbeltown Sailing Club. c05sai01

Make a splash at Mid Argyll Swimming Pool swimathon

MID ARGYLL Swimming Pool in Lochgilhead is encouraging people to sign up for the 2006 Swimathon.

Taking place between March 23 and March 26, the Swimathon aims to raise £2 million for children's charity NCH.

Deborah Muir, manager at

Mid Argyll Swimming Pool, said: 'We are absolutely thrilled to be holding Swimathon 2006 at our pool and encourage everyone in the local community to get involved.'

'Whether you're aiming to break a record, fulfil a personal challenge or bringing

the family down for a fun day out, by signing up for one of our Swimathon 2006 sessions, you can help us raise funds for NCH while getting fit and having fun at the same time.'

Eighty per cent of all money raised by Swimathon 2006 will go directly to NCH, with

the remaining 20 per cent distributed by the Swimathon Foundation, which provides funding for smaller, local charities and other not-for-profit organisations that benefit the health and well-being of people in the UK. For more information on Swimathon 2006, call 0845 367 0036.

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Andy makes history in eight goal Pupils win

CAMPBELTOWN Pupils fans who turned up at Kintyre Park on Saturday witnessed local football history being made when Pupils striker Andy Robertson scored all eight Pupils goals as they moved into the quarter final.

It was a fantastic performance from the big striker, to score eight goals in a game in a remarkable



Andy Robertson

Football

**Jimmy Marshall Trophy
Third round
Campbeltown Pupils 8
Shawlands 2**

achievement.

His first came after only six minutes in a neat close range effort from Darren McGilvray's free kick.

The visitors equalised soon after following poor Pupils defensive play.

But, Robertson put the Pupils back in front in the 20th minute after Alan Sinclair cut through the Shawlands defence.

The Pupils slack defensive play once again allowed Shawlands to equalise for the second time with Currie scoring in the 24th minute. Minutes later it could have

got worse for the Pupils when a rash tackle from young Jamie Burns gave Shawlands a penalty but Neil McKay saved with an excellent dive to his left.

Robertson restored the Pupils into the lead with a cracker of a shot from the edge of the box.

Sinclair carved open the defence to set up Robertson to make the score 4-2 just before the half-time whistle.

There was no stopping Robertson in the second half as he continued to blitz the Shawlands defence.

Two thumping headers and two well-placed shots brought his scoring to a remarkable history making eight. The Pupils will now have a home quarter final against Eaglesham or Postal United. Tomorrow (Saturday) the Pupils have no game.



School kids get on their bikes

School children from throughout Kintyre went along to the Town Hall in Campbeltown last week to try out a new indoor cycling workout.

SHOKK revolve junior indoor cycling is a group activity to music using indoor cycles without any direct competition so that all young people can get the most from each class.

Revolve enables youngsters of all ages and abilities to take part in a workout which is right for them.

Last week's classes were split into two age groups: 8-11 year olds and 12-16 year olds and everyone who went along had a fantastic time. Some of those who attended are pictured above.

Call the sports desk on 01586 554646

or e-mail your reports to:

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Defensive errors cost Boys the game

DEFENSIVE errors were Campbeltown Boys' downfall when they travelled to East Kilbride on Saturday to take on Centre Amateurs.

The Commercial Inn sponsored Boys had beaten their hosts 3-1 in Campbeltown earlier in the season but were unable to repeat their performance from that occasion in the return fixture.

A failure to deal with corner kicks cost the Boys four goals and leaves them at the foot of the table, behind Cumbernauld Amateurs on goal difference.

Three quick-fire goals had Centre well ahead af-

ter just half an hour of Saturday's contest and, disappointingly, all three strikes were avoidable from a Boys point of view.

The first came when the Boys' offside trap failed and numbers two and three were carbon copies of each other, Centre taking full advantage when the Boys failed to clear their lines after two corners had been played into their penalty area/

The Boys grabbed a potential lifeline before the half time break when determined play on the right by young John McCallum created a chance for Andrew Martin and the midfielder made no mistake from six

Football

**SAFL Premier Division
Two Centre AFC 5
Campbeltown Boys 2**

yards. Having surrendered half time leads themselves this season, the Boys began the second 45 knowing that a quick goal would see them right back in the match. However, it was the home side who were next to strike and again the goal came from a corner when Centre's number six was allowed a free header from eight yards out.

The match was finished as a contest when a Centre at-

tacker was left in acres of space at the far post 10 minutes later to slot home and give his team a 5-1 lead.

The Boys kept plugging away though and John McCallum was rewarded for his afternoon's efforts when he coolly nutmegged the goalkeeper to make it 5-2. There could have been more goals for either side but both goalkeepers made some fine saves.

The pick of those came from Boys keeper Scott MacBrayne, who plunged low to his left to save a penalty. Boys: Scott MacBrayne, Hector McMurphy, Randal Watson, Peter McCallum, David

Anderson, Alan Reid, John McCallum, Andrew Martin, George McAllister, Tommy Finn, Archie Johnston. Subs (all used): Ian Galbraith, Lyle Gillespie, Tommy Morran. The Boys have a massive game tomorrow (Saturday) when they play host to fellow strugglers Cumbernauld at the Meadows. Both teams currently sit on six points, though Cumbernauld have played three games less than the Boys, so nothing less than a win will do for the local side as they bid to climb the table. The match is due to kick off at 2.30pm with referee David McLean in charge.

Inveraray to host finals

Shinty

INVERARAY'S Winterton Park will be the venue for the final of the Bullough Cup this season and both the Balliemore and Sutherland cup finals in 2007.

Camanachd Association chief executive Richard Tulloch said: 'The decisions to select the final venues in advance will enable clubs to plan for the events with much less pressure, and it also enables the association

to manage the fixtures in a more organised fashion.

'The allocation of the matches to Beauly this season and Inveraray the next is just reward for both clubs for their efforts and the investment they have made in facilities both on and off the playing surface.'



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