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Companies bid for Irish ferry route

Two companies have submitted bids to run the Campbeltown to Ballycastle service

PLANS to restore the ferry service linking Kintyre with Ireland have been resurrected, with the Scottish Executive announcing this week that two companies have expressed an interest in running the service.

None of the four companies invited to tender submitted a bid to run the subsidised service earlier this year, which scuppered plans to have it running this summer.

However, the latest announcement has given local groups a glimmer of hope that the vessel could be in service by next year's peak tourist period.

A Scottish Executive spokesman revealed that the two companies which have submitted pre-qualification bids will need to meet the same criteria as those selected for the previous round of bidding.

The spokesman said: 'We have received two completed pre-qualification questionnaires from organisations interested in providing the service within the terms of the existing tender.

'A full financial and technical evaluation will now be carried out, against previously-agreed criteria for the earlier phase of the competition.

'Invitations to tender will only be issued to those who meet the original qualification criteria.

'This process will take time to ensure that a proper and fair assessment is made. The executive will make an announcement once the outcome of this process, and any clarification required, is completed.'

James Robertson of locally-based company Dalriada Shipping confirmed that his company is one of those to submit a pre-qualifying questionnaire to the executive.

He said: 'We're still waiting to hear if we qualify for the tender process. We don't know who the other company is. I think the biggest question the executive will be asking is whether companies have access to a vessel.

'By the time the tender process is completed, it will

be September or October, which would be the start of the winter season, and you can't start a ferry service in winter. But we're still hopeful of getting the service up and running.'

The news that two companies have expressed an interest in running the route between Campbeltown and Ballycastle in County Antrim was welcomed by Councillor Donald Kelly, chairman of the Kintyre Initiative Working Group.

Mr Kelly told *The Campbeltown Courier*: 'I would like to actively encourage as many local groups and members of the public to continue writing to the transport minister stressing the importance to the local community of re-establishing the Kintyre to Ireland ferry route.'

His thoughts were echoed by Argyll and Bute MSP George Lyon, who said: 'I'm very pleased that two companies have come forward and submitted applications for pre-qualification.'



Sweet Emily is born

Sweet Emily is the newest member of the MacPhail family's stable, Campbeltown. The two-week-old Clydesdale was born at the Aros Farm on April 20 and is being given lots of love and attention by her owner, David MacPhail Junior, and his family. The dam of the foal is Oswald Highland Nancy, who is also owned by David, and the sire is Whinhill Rising Star.

Sweet Emily is pictured, above, with David's son, Callum. c18emi01

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Monuments at risk

TWO churchyards in Kintyre containing some of the area's most ancient monuments are in danger of being destroyed because of overgrown weeds.

Interpretation panels throughout the peninsula invite visitors to view the sculptured stones at Kilkenzie and Killean churchyards.

However, on arrival at both sites visitors are greeted with a fence which has been erected to keep people out.

Upon breaking through

the undergrowth and overgrown ivy, the stones can be viewed under rusting corrugated iron which is rapidly depositing rust stains on these priceless assets.

Talking about Kilkenzie churchyard, councillor Rory Colville, who is a member of the Kilkenzie and Tangy Community Group, said: 'Visitors to Kintyre receive instruction from the interpretation panels at Westport and Saddell to visit Kilkenzie churchyard and view the ancient monument sculptured

stones. On arrival at the churchyard, no indication is given that to view the said stones one requires a hard hat and machete.

'For the past 25 years no attempt has been made to control the undergrowth with a result that today ivy and trees overrun it.'

Historic Scotland is responsible for maintaining the stones at both sites.

A spokeswoman for Historic Scotland said: 'Historic Scotland has discussed the maintenance of the ancient monuments at Kilken-

zie and Killean churches with Argyll and Bute Council in the past.

'Our area inspector will meet with the local authority's new conservation officer shortly to look at ways to ensure that the stones are preserved in good condition for future generations to admire.

'We look forward to working together to protect these stones, which as scheduled ancient monuments are of national importance.'

Fife success for Campbeltown Brass Band

CAMPBELTOWN Brass covered itself in glory by winning the third section in Fife Brass Band Festival last month.

Held in Carnegie Hall in Dunfermline, the festival featured some fine brass bands with Campbeltown Brass up against stiff opposition in its section.

To win its section, the local band played Mission Impossible, Over the Rainbow, Punchinello, The Shepherds' Song and An American Trilogy.

To add to their success, every other winning band had an ex-Campbeltown Brass

player with Brian Robertson and Ross McGlashan playing with second section winners, Barrhead Burgh Band, Rhona Barr guesting with first section winners, Clackmannshire, and Hazel Barr guesting with championship section winners, Kirkintilloch.

Previous musical director of Campbeltown Brass, Gordon Evans, also participated in the festival with his band Flimby Saxhorn and Jamie Hardie and Mark Good guested with it while Willie Ralston guested with the Newmilns and Galston Band.



Campbeltown Brass won the third section in the Fife Brass Band Festival. c18bra1d

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Police Files

Bail breached

A MAN was arrested on Monday (May 1) for allegedly breaching his bail conditions. He appeared in court on Tuesday (May 2) from custody.

Peace breached

POLICE arrested a man in Main Street, Campbeltown, at 1.30am on Monday (May 1) following an alleged breach of the peace. A report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Petrol theft at Clachan

POLICE are continuing their inquiries after a woman drove off from Clachan Filling Station on Sunday (April 30) without paying for her petrol.

Motocyclist injured

A MOTORCYCLIST was flown to the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley, with a broken leg and broken ribs after he was involved in an accident on the A83 two miles north of Clachan on Sunday (April 30).

Woman arrested

FOLLOWING an alleged theft on Saturday (April 29) a woman has been reported to the procurator fiscal.

Main Street arrest

A REPORT has been submitted to the procurator fiscal after a man allegedly committed a breach of the peace in Main Street, Campbeltown, at 1.30am on Friday (April 28).

Longrow arrest

A WOMAN was arrested after an alleged breach of the peace in Longrow South, Campbeltown, last Tuesday (April 25).

☐ If you know anything about these or any other crimes, call Campbeltown Police Office on 01586 862 200.

Alternatively, you can call Crimestoppers free and in confidence on 0800 555 111.

New transport link begins

KINTYRE'S newest transport link officially began operating this week.

The *Kintyre Express* high-speed passenger service arrived in Campbeltown for the first time on Friday April 28, having carried Central Ayrshire MP Brian Donohoe and Troon West Councillor Gordon McKenzie to meet their Argyll counterparts, Argyll and Bute MP Alan Reid and councillors Rory Colville and Alastair McKinlay.

Arriving in Campbeltown at the same time as the *Waverley* paddle steamer could have stolen the *Kintyre Express*' thunder, but everyone involved enjoyed the trip and the chance to look around the new vessel. Afterwards, the party headed to a reception at Springbank Distillery.

Anne Smith, managing director of Kintyre Express, said: 'The trip over to Campbeltown was super, the visit to Springbank was excellent and the hospitality and the welcome we were given were wonderful. 'Everyone enjoyed the trip even though the wind got up and we were against the tide - it made it a good test for the boat! She handled the conditions beautifully and everyone was comfortable and secure.'

Argyll and Bute MP Alan Reid said: 'I am delighted to welcome the new *Kintyre*

Express to Campbeltown.

'I'm sure the new service will be successful in linking with the whisky tours and Machrihanish Golf Course to bring plenty of visitors into Kintyre who can see all that it has to offer.'

East Central Kintyre Councillor Rory Colville said: 'The launch of the *Kintyre Express* is fantastic for Campbeltown and I'm really pleased that private enterprise has been able to show the way forwards.

'It's appropriate that the new vessel arrived at the same time as *Waverley*, as the paddle steamers played a massive part in Kintyre's past. New technology continues to move forward and I'm impressed by it and by the idea to link the golf courses at Troon and Machrihanish to encourage more visitors to Kintyre.'

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

Kintyre Express, a twin-engined 11-metre Stormforce inflatable boat which boats 540bhp with a speed of 40 knots, can complete the 31 mile crossing in just over one hour - dramatically reducing travelling times when compared with the 165 mile car journey.



All aboard the *Kintyre Express* on Friday were, from left, Brian Donohoe, MP for Central Ayrshire; Troon West Councillor Gordon McKenzie; East Central Kintyre Councillor Rory Colville and Argyll and Bute MP Alan Reid. c18kin02

Town sewage problems

CAMPBELTOWN Sewerage Task Force is meeting with representatives from Argyll and Bute Council and SEPA early next week to discuss the town's ongoing sewage problems.

Scottish Water was also invited to attend the meeting but declined the offer.

Members of the public wishing to attend can do so as observers and will be given the opportunity to ask a limited number of questions at the end of the evening.

For further information, contact the group's secretary on 01586 553192.

Salmon farm is fined £1,000

A SALMON farm has pled guilty to overstocking fish cages and polluting the environment in the Sound of Jura.

Lakeland Marine Farm Limited was fined £1,000 at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week for allowing waste water and solid matter from fish cages at their site in Loch Shuna, in Argyll to enter the loch.

Jim Frame of the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) said: 'Having too many fish in one cage group means uneaten fish food and faeces are not dispersed adequately and can lead to pollution of the sea bed.'

Officers from SEPA receive quarterly information from the owners of the fish farm, detailing the weight of fish kept in the cages at the site. Permission was given by SEPA to hold 750 tonnes of fish in each of two groups of cages, totalling 1500 tonnes split between north and south locations at the site.

The information received by SEPA between Septem-

ber 2004 and January 2005 showed that the full limit of 1500 tonnes was being kept at one location rather than split between the two.

This was confirmed by SEPA's investigations including underwater video footage shot on the seabed of Loch Shuna. It is inevitable that the waste water and waste matter from the cages will enter the Loch water but the permission granted by SEPA contains limits on fish in the cages which are set to minimize the likelihood of lasting pollution. Mr Frame added: 'Visual inspections of fish farm sites are very difficult so, within the conditions set by SEPA to protect the environment from the activity, we require companies to report back to SEPA on the biomass (ie the number and weight) of fish kept in their cages.'

'SEPA reviews this information regularly to make sure that the operators keep within their consented biomass limits and the environment continues to be protected.'

Give blood in Campbeltown

THE SCOTTISH National Blood Transfusion Service (SNBTS) is appealing to the people of Kintyre to give blood when it visits Campbeltown later this month.

Visiting Campbeltown on Thursday May 18, the mobile donating team will be operating in the Victoria Hall on Kinloch Road from 2.30pm until 3.45pm and from 5.15pm until 7.30pm.

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Youth flicked lighter in woman's face

SENTENCE has been deferred for three months on a Campbeltown teenager who breached bail, breached the peace an assault for him to complete a probation order.

Kevin James Shields, aged 16, of 17 Princes Street, was also ordered to obey an overnight curfew by Sheriff William Dunlop last Thursday at Campbeltown Sheriff Court.

He admitted breaking an overnight curfew while on bail on February 25 this year when he committed a breach of the peace by kicking and damaged a door at 55a Mill Street, Campbeltown.

He also admitted a breach of the peace on March 11 at Saddell Street by uttering threats of violence to a woman and, on the same date, assaulting a man and attempting to punch him on the

head all while he was on bail. Sentence was adjourned until July 20 to allow for a previous probation order to 'kick in' and Shields was released on bail.

Sheriff Dunlop was told Shields turned up at 2.25am at the house in Mill Street and began repeatedly kicking the front door. He was under the influence of alcohol at the time. He told police he had been fighting with a man at his own door but rather than stay inside, obeying his curfew, he chased the man.

On March 11 he was in a pub in Saddell Street and an argument ensued between him and a woman. He was asked to leave and she followed him out and the argument continued.

He began shouting and swearing at her.

The woman's partner arrived on the scene and Shields threw a punch at him and produced a lighter which he began flicking in the woman's face, shouting that he intended to burn her house down. He continued his threat to her back in the pub and was again asked to leave.

He returned later that night and was ordered out again. Police were called.

The court was told Shields's recollection of the events was extremely limited as he had been under the influence of alcohol, which was the root of his problems.

He had now spent the equivalent of three months in prison and had learnt a lesson. He had regularly attended Alcoholics Anonymous meetings while in custody and wanted to change his ways.

Driver lost control

A DRIVER lost control of his car near a farm access road on the A83 after straying on to the opposite carriageway.

Bruce Campbell lost control at a left hand bend on the A83 Campbeltown to Tarbert road near Achanadraine Farm road-end, Sheriff William Dunlop heard at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last Thursday.

Campbell, aged 19, of 4 Drumore Cottages, Campbeltown, admitted careless driving on February 4 this year and was fined £300 with nine penalty points.

The court was told that Campbell was heading north near Tayinloan when he negotiated a left hand bend and went on to the southbound carriageway.

A car was coming in his direction and he steered to the left to correct the direction of his car but it veered anti clockwise, missing the oncoming car.

The vehicle continued to spin across the carriageway and eventually overturned.

Campbell was helped out of the car and had a cut to his

knee and one to his hand.

He received three stitches for his injuries. He told police he could not remember the reason for the accident but lost control when he tried to correct his manoeuvre.

Man fined for stealing games console

LEE Kenneth Riley, aged 33, of 4b Queen Street, Campbeltown, has been fined £500 at Campbeltown Sheriff Court after he admitted resetting a stolen games console, leads and a game between December 12, 2005 and January 3, 2006.

Sheriff William Dunlop was told last Thursday that the items were stolen on December 30 last year from 29a Broad Street and had a value of £345.

Police searched Riley's home and found them in a rucksack.

Riley would not tell police where he got the property and maintained he was given the bag by other boys to look after.

Compensation for smashing window

SEAN Paul Pattison, aged 17, of 16 Dalriada Court, Roding, Campbeltown, has agreed to pay £900 compensation after he admitted smashing a window after being thrown out of a disco in the town.

Pattison admitted criminal damage on January 1 this year at premises occupied by Nickel and Dime, Kinloch Road.

Campbeltown Sheriff Court was told he punched the window which then broke. An hour after the incident, which gave himself up to police.

He told them he had been annoyed at being thrown out after water had been thrown on him for no reason.

The court was told Pattison was a first offender and, on admonishing him, Sheriff William Dunlop told him: 'If you behave like this you have to pay for it.'

Teenager's last chance

A COURT sheriff has told a Campbeltown teenager she has a last chance to overcome her drug problem.

Louise Draime, aged 18, of 34f Meadownburn Place, Campbeltown, admitted possessing the class A controlled drug Diamorphine on December 12 last year at 6b Queen Street in the town.

The court was told that the property was searched by police and Draime was found there.

Next to her was a piece of tin foil with brown marks on it which, on examination,

turned out to be diamorphine. The quantity was minimal, with a value of £2. Defence agent Jim McKeown said Draime had one previous conviction and had a degree of addiction.

A report indicated she had managed to get some help locally for her addiction and continued to receive it.

'She has had a degree of upset in her domestic life with her fiance dying in January this year,' he said. 'It was a long-standing relationship.'

He told the court Draime started off on cannabis.

She was placed on probation for a year and the sheriff told her: 'If you take this one last chance, that will be good.'

Driving ban for Knocknaha woman

A KNOCKNAHA woman has been fined £600 and banned from driving for six months.

Campbeltown Sheriff court was told last week that Elaine Marie Keyte's car was found on its roof following an early evening accident on the B842 Stewarton to Southend road on January 14 this year.

Keyte, aged 48, of Parkview, Knocknaha, by Campbeltown, admitted careless driving, failing to stop and give her particulars and failing to provide a specimen of breath.

Sheriff William Dunlop was told that Keyte's car was found on its roof by passers-by.

Procurator Fiscal Sarah Healing said she was still in the car and was helped out of it and driven away by one of them.

She was shaken and suffered a tightness in her chest because of her seat belt.

Police went to her house that night and received no reply to their knocking.

They returned later and she spoke to them then.

It became clear that she had reported the accident.

She was asked to provide a roadside breath specimen and was warned about the consequences of a refusal and taken to Campbeltown police office.

Her solicitor John Campbell said Keyte's recollection of the accident was hazy but she remembered seeing a cat jump out on the road. There were no other witnesses to the accident.

'Other vehicles were quickly on the scene,' he said. 'The defendant knew the occupants of the other vehicles and they knew her.'

'They assisted by giving her a lift and she had to go to a friend's house as she did not have her own house key. She telephoned police before they arrived at the house.'



Three people injured in A83 head-on collision

Drivers travelling in or out of Campbeltown on the A83 on Tuesday morning (May 2) were faced with delays of more than an hour after two vans were involved in a head-on collision near Bellochauty.

Three people sustained minor injuries in the crash and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

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Man jailed for violence

A CAMPBELTOWN man who has clocked up seven convictions for violence since December 2003 has been jailed for four months.

Craig McCallum, aged 21, of 77 Roothing, Campbeltown, had previously admitted assaulting a man on October 23 last year in the town's Burnside Street.

He had also admitted assaulting a second man and committing a breach of the peace on December 12 last year at Bolgam Street, Campbeltown. With regards to the first incident, the court was told that McCallum assaulted the man on the head as he walked with a friend in Burnside Street at around 2.20am.

The three talked but as the accused and his friend walked away McCallum became abusive, punched him

on the head and ran off.

The incident was captured on CCTV and McCallum was found by police in a nearby car park.

On December 12, again late at night, McCallum began shouting and swearing at another man and his friend at a burger bar.

The two friends left but McCallum continued his conduct and repeatedly pushed the man, then punched him on the head, later hitting him in the face.

Defence agent, Jim McKeown said McCallum was on probation for these matters and asked that the probation order be continued. He said the defendant was no longer causing mischief in Carradale and Campbeltown.

He wanted to stop his fighting behaviour and had

worked well with his community service. The incident with the first man took place as a result of remarks made to McCallum.

'Positive aspects of the report indicate that he has stopped smoking cannabis and stopped drinking alcohol which is the biggest single factor in his behaviour,' he said.

McCallum came from a good family environment but had difficulties when he was younger and this added to his immaturity.

However, Sheriff Dunlop told McCallum: 'I am told you are anxious to retain your liberty, but since December 2003 you have accumulated seven convictions for violence.

'You are out of control. It will stop now.'

Sandie Knight, proprietor of The Beachcomber Bar and Restaurant, left, presents Louise Brown, chairwoman of the Campbeltown and Kintyre Parkinson's Support Group, with the cheque as Mary Lang, treasurer of the group, looks on. c17bea01

Bright sparks put their brains to the test at charity quiz night

BRIGHT sparks at Machrihanish have helped to raise money for charity by putting their brains to the ultimate test.

Regulars of The Beachcomber Bar and Restaurant's Thursday night quiz have managed to raise a massive total of £1,196 for the Campbeltown and Kintyre Parkinson's Support Group.

Parkinson's is a progressive neurological condition af-

fecting movements such as walking, talking and writing. Throughout the UK one in 500 people have the condition.

Last week was Parkinson's Week - a week dedicated to help raise awareness of the condition - and over the coming months, members of the local support group are hoping to organise a bumper raffle to help raise funds for the charity.

Kintyre businesses receive AIE funding

FOUR Campbeltown businesses are among the recipients in the March list of Argyll and the Islands Enterprise's for approved funds.

Abbie Associates Limited is to receive £580 towards promoting its Kintyre express service, while jewellery designer Henrietta Macaulay of Smashing Glass will get

£3,500. In addition, Daniel Barrett of DB Diving is to receive £2,000 and The Beachcomber Bar and Restaurant at Machrihanish will get £800 towards developing a website.

Other recipients in the March list include Isabel Coughlin of Bowmore, Islay, who receives £2,000 for of-

fice support and James Coats of Campbeltown who will get £868 towards an Individual Skills Development Award - NDI testing for the offshore industry. Islay Into Employment Group, also of Bowmore, will receive £500 for a skills audit and the Mull of Kintyre Half Marathon is to get £800.

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Sentence adjourned for embezzlement teenager

A TEENAGE girl, pregnant with twins, broke her position of trust when she embezzled money from her place of work, Campbeltown Sheriff Court has been told.

Keri Denise Hendrickson, now aged 20, who was working at Woolworth's in Campbeltown, scanned Christmas tree bar codes into the till and pressed the refund button to remove cash, Sheriff William Dunlop was told last Thursday.

Hendrickson, of Craigmore East, Machrihanish, admitted that between October 25 2005 and November 21 2005 she embezzled £289.94. She was 19 at the time. Sentence was adjourned for reports until May 25.

Procurator Fiscal Sarah Healing said Hendrickson scanned in £29.99 Christmas trees, pressed the re-

fund button, placed 1p in the till and took out £30.

She did this on a number of occasions. Eventually management staff received a telephone call from the company concerned about the level of high value cash refunds she was carrying out.

A number of discrepancies were found after computer records were examined.

On November 18 Hendrickson was working again at her till and she carried out a similar transaction with a CD/radio, removing £70. Management then monitored her till and noticed she gave a cash refund on a portable DVD player valued at £99.99.

There was no trace of any customer.

Hendrickson at first denied what she did but later confessed to police, who found £150 cash on her.

She could not give a reason for the offences and told them she had no money worries.

Solicitor Jim McKeown said Hendrickson had fully repaid the money.

The defendant was 19 at the time. She was pregnant and living with her partner who was still with her.

'Contrary to what she told the police, she did have financial pressures at the time,' he said.

'She was a young expectant mother and had a number of debts.'

She had twins earlier this year but any future employment would be difficult because of her present conviction, with Campbeltown being a small place.

Sheriff Dunlop told her: 'Apart from the crass stupidity of this act, this was a serious sort of conduct, betraying the trust of your employers.'

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The children with councillor John McAlpine, left, and vice-convenor Donald MacMillan during their visit to Argyll and Bute Council's headquarters at Kilmory. c02tar01

Tarbert kids have food for thought

A VISIT to Argyll and Bute Council's headquarters by primary pupils from Tarbert certainly provided them with food for thought.

At their mock council meeting the pupils from Tarbert Academy's private section debated the merits of healthy eating in schools rather than a diet of burger and chips and similar stodgy foods.

They agreed, after much

discussion, to support a healthy eating agenda. The youngsters, from primaries two, three and four, also met the head of democratic services and governance, Charles Reppke, who gave them an overview of services provided by the council.

In addition, vice-convenor Donald MacMillan spoke to them about his role. The visit was arranged by north

and west Kintyre member John McAlpine who explained his job as councillor.

The children's visit ended with a tour of the building, some light refreshments and a question-and-answer session with the council representatives.

They thanked the council for their visit which was made to assist them with their course work.

Turn to page 27 to play Spot the Ball

Council's idea receives planning award

AN INNOVATIVE idea from Argyll and Bute Council's planning department has been commended at the Scottish Executive's Scottish Awards for Quality in Planning (SAQP) 2005.

The project, entitled 'A New Model of Community Trust Funds', scooped the award at a ceremony held at The Hub in Edinburgh on Thursday April 27, 2006.

It was nominated in the category of development plans with the key criteria being innovation, sustainable development, partnership and community interest.

Angus Gilmour, head of planning services with Argyll and Bute Council, attended the event and is delighted the project was nominated for an award.

He said: 'The commendation recognises the innovative work the council has

been undertaking in the area of renewable energy policy.

'It highlights the benefits of partnership working and shows that the development of on-shore wind farms, located in the right places, can make a positive contribution to the well-being and sustainability of rural communities.'

'With this project we have pioneered an agreement that will provide long term economic benefits for fragile and remote local communities, the Argyll and Bute area, the Scottish Executive and the UK as a whole.'

'It is a unique and innovative model showing the benefits of a new style of partnership working and has created transparency in the planning process.'

'I would like to thank the officers of my development projects team for the work

they have undertaken in drawing up the Community Trust Fund policy and developing the award nomination which has raised the profile of the council and set a useful template for other council's to develop.'

As one of only seven projects to be commended from 38 nominations, the judges were particularly impressed with the pro-active attitude of the council and their successful partnership working.

They considered that this 'fit for purpose project shows good utilisation of professional knowledge and skills and brings sustainable benefits to the community.'

With a large number of renewable energy companies operating in the area, Argyll and Bute Council found there was an opportunity to forge long term relationships with these companies

to achieve maximum benefit for local communities.

The aim of the project is to produce a partnership model that creates wider benefits than at present and to make the planning process more consistent and transparent.

It will also create community wind farm trust funds to support the immediate communities and to allow ALLenergy to continue its vital work of developing renewable energy projects, integrating energy efficiency measures and delivering an energy education programme in all local schools.

This model has the potential to be adapted for use by other renewable energy developments, such as tidal or wave power, when they become commercially viable.

Sam's BRAW achievement

A PUPIL from Southend Primary School was shortlisted for the final of a national writing competition.

Sam Glover's story was one of only 13 selected for the final of the Books, Reading and Writing (BRAW) competition from almost 800 entries.

Children from all over Scotland were encouraged to write the end of a story which had been started by children's author Theresa Breslin.

The winner was published

in the *Scotland on Sunday* newspaper on April but Sam received a lovely letter of congratulations from Theresa herself.

Sam thinks he would like to use his writing skills in the future when he's older. His teacher, Mrs Bannatyne, and everyone else at Southend Primary is very proud of his achievement.

Sam's entry along with the others shortlisted and the winner can be seen on the BRAW website, www.braw.org.uk



Right: Sam Glover from Southend Primary School. N/A

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Second home owners could face new tax

SECOND home owners on the west coast could be facing a new tax after proposals were drawn up in England to protect rural communities against becoming 'ghost villages' in the winter.

The Commission for Rural Communities is looking at methods of reversing a trend which sees areas de-

serted in winter because of houses used as second or holiday homes.

The commission is suggesting a business or 'absenteeism' tax or doubling council tax bills for second home owners in a bid to make it easier for young, local people to buy houses.

Although a Scottish Executive spokesman said the

issue of second homes was 'not really on the radar' at the moment, a review into local government finance and local taxation was underway. He said: 'The review will be made public at the end of the summer but until then it is not really appropriate to comment.'

Last year saw the 50 per cent council tax discount

for second home owners scrapped by the Scottish Executive and in Argyll and Bute it is now set at 10 per cent.

However, Councillor Allan Macaskill, leader of Argyll and Bute Council, said there was a 'sting in the tail' from that legislation because the council did not receive the money raised.

He said: 'It was to be used for affordable housing but that money went to Communities Scotland. We don't get it. I feel they [second home owners] should pay the same as other dwellings and not get a 10 per cent discount but the executive said it wanted it so they could tell how many second homes there are. Some

councillors believe second homes should be set at a higher rate.'

Councillor Macaskill does not believe second home owners contribute much to the local economy as their houses lie empty during the winter and can impact on 'community spirit', which he believes to be important, particularly on islands.

However, Councillor Macaskill does not believe that the executive will attempt to bring in a tax for second home owners as he believes it would be too complicated and difficult to enforce.

'We had a terrible time getting them to scrap the discount and I don't think they will get involved,' he said.



Gobagrennan Farm's new arrival

The latest addition to the family at Gobagrennan Farm, Campbeltown, is Shetland Pony foal, Bracken, born on Monday April 24. The new arrival is pictured with mother Megan. Both have been receiving plenty of attention from Alistair Strang, partner Jane Clarridge, and daughter, Rosemary McGrory. c18foa01

Rotary's 35th charter dinner

THE 35th annual charter dinner of the Rotary Club of Campbeltown took place in the Seaford Hotel on Friday April 21.

President Sheila Drummond welcomed a company of rotarians, partners and guests.

Grace was said by rotarian Keith Pagan, followed by an excellent meal quickly and efficiently served by the hotel's staff.

The loyal toast at the end of the meal was of special significance since it was the Queen's 80th birthday, and a rousing chorus of 'happy birthday to you'

followed the normal toast.

After a short interval, Mrs Nancy Bruce, president of the Inner Wheel Club of Campbeltown, proposed a toast to the Rotary Club of Campbeltown in an articulate and humorous speech and president Sheila replied on behalf of the club.

Sheila then gave a brief resume of her presidential year to date, speaking about the amount of work done during the year raising money to help others and going on to say that, for her, one of the real highlights of the past months had been the presentation of awards

to Citizen of the Year 2005 Cathy Duncan and Most Promising Musician of 2005 Shauna King.

It had been a busy and, so far, a happy year. President Sheila then introduced the guest speaker, Reverend Martin Forrest of Southend Parish Church.

In a speech that was thought-provoking as well as humorous Martin told how, after he studied economics, he went to Africa with a youthful idea that he might be instrumental in saving the world.

He went on to tell of some of his experiences in Africa,

both in Kenya - reckoned at the time to be a fairly safe place - and in South Africa, where apartheid was in its death throes and where he had a brief meeting with Archbishop Desmond Tutu.

All that Martin said gave evidence of his love for that much-troubled continent. Rotarian Ann Gallacher, rotary president elect and convenor of the Club Service Committee, thanked Martin on behalf of the club and a very happy evening was brought to a close with the traditional toast to Rotary International.

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Southend WRI

MEMBERS of Southend WRI met in Dunaverty Hall on Monday April 3.

President Josephine Milligan welcomed everyone and introduced fellow member and magazine secretary, Jan McCorkindale, who had very kindly organised a quiz night.

Members joined together to make four teams and endeavoured to answer group questions on Queen's names and places at home; name the castles; makes of cars; shop 'til drop slogans and a much enjoyed hand in the box - feeling various items and guessing what they were.

Quite an experience and full of surprises! The winning teams were Margaret Baker, Janette Dreghorn, Trish Pearson and her grand-daughter Katie.

Vice-president Margaret Baker proposed a vote of thanks to Jan for a fantastic and good evening, it had not been easy. Christine Roper judged the Easter bonnets competition, which had been well entered with some lovely hats. Gold: Janette Dreghorn and Jan McCorkindale; silver: Margaret Baker and Josephine Milligan; red: Margaret McLean, Trish Pearson and her grand-daughter Katie.

Thought for the Week

MONDAY was May Day and many parts of the world celebrated it with a holiday.

When I was a girl May Day meant getting up a few minutes earlier than usual and going out to wash my face in the dew on the grass. I suppose someone, at some time, told me why, but I can't remember. No doubt it was deeply symbolic of something or other!

There is a lot of symbolism in washing and cleanliness. We wash our hands of a situation when we detach ourselves from it. Squeaky clean means morally upright. The words 'money' and 'laundering' have been knit together into a criminal offence. One of the psalms in the Bible begins with a plea for mercy. 'Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion.' Later the writer prays, 'Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.' God's greatest act of mercy is to wash us clean from our sins through the Lord Jesus Christ. Only those seeking mercy experience God's cleansing power (see Psalm 51:1, 7). **Irene Howat**



Down Memory Lane

This week's Down Memory Lane photograph was sent in by Ivor McKinven of Castlehill Mansions, Campbeltown, and shows some members of Kintyre Angling Club preparing to depart for a fishing trip to Loch Awe.

Left to right: Charlie Anderson, John Morrison, Hughie Hall, Alec McKinlay, Davie Johnstone, Ivor McKinven, Bobby Houston, ?, Bob Leishman and Gus McAllister.

Those Were The Days

The Campbeltown Courier, May 8, 1981

Mums cross about the crossing

Fears for the safety of their children have led mothers in Campbeltown's Meadowburn Place to mount a campaign for a safe route to the Castlehill Primary School - a journey which at present involves the youngsters crossing the very busy Witchburn Road at its junction with Tomaig Road, a junction described by police as a 'disaster'.

The mothers are concerned because, in order to get to the primary school, children have to cross the Witchburn Road twice, because there is no pavement on the Meadowburn Place side of the main road.

And it is the first crossing - at the end of Tomaig Road - that especially worries them because the visibility is very poor.

Drivers come round the corner very fast and the youngsters have to stand out in the road in order to see before crossing.

The organisers of the campaign - Mrs Jeanette Brodie and Mrs Fiona Smith - have not been idle, having contacted Mr Pat Hamill, chief constable of Strathclyde Police, councillors and officials of both district and regional councils and, this week, Mr John MacKay, Argyll's MP.

Future of 'Rex' is uncertain

The Rex Cinema in Campbeltown's Hall Street - which has been lying derelict and neglected for several years - is now being demolished, although the former cinema's owner has no plans for the prime seasfront site.

The roof came off the building at the end of last week in the first stage of the demolition, which is being carried out by local firm McFadyens Contractors Ltd.

The owner, Mr John Currie - who had originally suggested the building of a luxury hotel there - said this week that he has no plans at present for the site.

In favour of windfarms

Sir,
People want 'green' energy, but not in their back yard! I look right onto the wind farm on Gigha from our conservatory.

I find it offensive when people use emotive language like 'the developers predict and propose to kill over 400 birds over the lifetime of their wind farm'! It sounds like the developers are deliberately going all-out to kill 400 birds!

In fact, according to engineers who service the turbines, they have never found dead birds around wind turbines. They see birds perched on top of the turbines! Also, 400 birds over a 25-year period (the average life of a wind farm) works out at 15 birds a year. More birds are killed on roads and by power lines than that. If these geese are so pro-

tected then why was there a cull a few years back?

I live where the geese come and I have only ever seen them flying down the coast, not over the hills. Studies of these things are done before wind farms are given the go-ahead, even delaying building if birds are nesting.

It may interest readers to know that all parts of the turbines are recyclable and can be dismantled within two days - unlike power stations.

**Nikki Galbraith, 30
Cara View, Tayinloan**

EcoGen is misleading the public

Sir,
I refer to last week's article in *The Campbeltown Courier* regarding wind farms and would make the following comments on the EcoGen spokesman's misinformation within the article as follows:

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'Most of the turbines are in forestry areas': In fact, all of the turbines would be on open moorland.

'Visibility really isn't that high': According to EcoGen's own zone of visual impact map, the visual impact of the wind farm will be dominant over Gigha, Ardrpatrick, the area between Clachan and Killean, the local part of the Kintyre Way, the most important local ancient monuments, the entire Gigha ferry crossing and the Islay ferry crossing (to a point adjacent to the northern tip of Gigha).

'There is no threat to geese': The developer's own forecasts show that 400-900 (44 per cent - 100 per cent) of the Tayinloan flock of protected Greenland white fronted geese could be killed by the turbines over the lifetime of the wind farm.

I believe EcoGen has chosen a spokesman who does not know the hills of the proposed wind farm site and has little knowledge of the information contained in his own company's environmental statement as to the visual and environmental impact that its proposal

for Largie would have on Kintyre.

Name and address supplied

Windfarms could have huge effect

Sir,
I write on behalf of Dunoon and Cowal Marketing Group, to express deep concern at the plans for more windfarms in Argyll, in particular the proposed sites at Loch Striven, Kintyre, and around Loch Awe.

We believe that giant turbines have no place in Argyll's scenic areas and are alarmed that Argyll and Bute Council appears willing to consider such propositions, which would damage not only our land and seascapes, but with them the main industry of our area - tourism. We expected our Council would have emphasised that few areas in Argyll are suitable for such developments, and make this clear to any would-be developers. Declaring an area suitable for windfarms amounts to a negation of tourism market-

ing initiatives which emphasise the beauty of our natural unspoilt landscapes. These precious assets form the mainstay of our local tourism 'product'; this is why tourists come here.

A recent survey by a leading coach operator in Argyll with a sample size of 5,000 showed an indicative result - 49 per cent said their future booking intentions would be 'negatively affected' by the presence of windfarms in the area. And the 2002 Visitscotland survey showed that most people preferred not to see windfarms on a Scottish holiday, while 72 per cent disagreed with a statement suggesting that windfarms could be tourist attractions.

This latter statement is interesting since sometimes developers attempt to suggest that windfarms could be tourist attractions. Misleading photomontages presented by some developers seriously understate the visual impact of wind turbines - typically making them look insignificant. Those viewing windfarm presentations or leaflets should therefore be wary!

Our group is in favour of renewable energy, but be-

lieves that the Scottish Executive can easily meet its renewables targets without recourse to insensitive siting of windfarms. There now appears to be a shift of emphasis in favour of tidal and wave power. The executive's current windfarms policy is widely perceived as being 'out of control'. As our Visitscotland area director James Fraser said earlier this month: 'We need to raise awareness now of the threat to the area's biggest industry, or we run a serious risk of sleepwalking into a situation where we damage it irreparably'.

With tourism worth around £280m per annum to the Argyll economy, is this really a sector which can be allowed to sustain such damage? In Denmark, with its 20,000 wind turbines, damage to tourism in affected areas was estimated at 30 per cent. If damage to Argyll's tourism were just 25 per cent, the loss to the local economy could be around £70m annually. Are

the financial rewards to landowners and a few communities worth that?

Philip Norris, Dunoon and Cowal Marketing Group

Planners need to stick to plans

Sir,
We rely upon and support our councillors in making sound and balanced decisions regarding the planning and siting of wind farms.

They have published plans which seem to give exactly that sound balance between the various environmental, employment and tourism considerations.

The planners and planning committee now need to stick by those plans and keep any future developments within the designated preferred area.

Name and address supplied

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Campbeltown man's Antarctic expedition

CAMPBELTOWN adventurer Dee Brodie has read his local newspaper in some strange places - up the tops of mountains, Spandau Prison ...

But nothing will ever beat reading it on 'the ice' or Antarctica as we know it, where Dee is currently working.

But since there's no stopping Dee with his adventuring it would probably come as no surprise to his mother, Jean, who lives in Campbeltown, to see him reading it on the moon!

Kintyre

It is only four months now until Dee, aged 43, comes back to his beloved Mull of Kintyre to visit Jean and other members of his family, as well as best pal, postman Russ McLafferty.

Meanwhile, he's catching up with all the news from Campbeltown at his base on Ross Island, in *The Campbeltown Courier*.

Wanderlust has gripped Dee since he was a youth.

'I never dreamed I would ever have such a dramatic and memorable experience. I'll never forget it.'

At 16 he joined the army and saw much of Europe including tours of Norway, Germany Denmark and France.

During one of his tours he was a sentry at Spandau Prison guarding Nazi war criminal Rudolf Hess.

Adventure

But a sense of adventure was hard to ignore and on leaving the army Dee worked in various countries, always managing to return to Campbeltown in between jobs.

Now resident in Colorado he has been taken on by the United States Na-

tional Science Foundation to work at McMurdo Station in Antarctica.

He is following in the footsteps of great adventurers including Robert Falcon Scott and Ernest Shackleton with his trip to Ross Island, where the research station is based.

Studies

McMurdo is the principal station for scientific studies on Antarctica, the world's coldest, driest, windiest continent.

While Dee is enjoying his posting he cannot telephone out and the time of year there means he is working mostly in darkness, at least for the next three months.

Taking a break from his work by reading *The Campbeltown Courier* Dee said: 'This is a fantastic experience, actually to have the opportunity to visit such a beautiful location and to have met the wonderful friends I have made.'

'I had the experience of travelling over the Ross Ice Shelf to plant marker flags, for a route to one of the outlying sites.'

'I never dreamed I would ever have such a dramatic and memorable experience. I'll never forget it.'

Dee works on the Water Plant Upgrade Project, where the current water plant is being modified to hold two generators for emergency power for the station.

His work involves fabricating and welding - something at which he is an expert.

It must have been a good day when Dee decided to read the *Courier* outdoors.

In winter it can be anything from -10C to -40C, with the cold compounded with fairly constant winds.

Icy

In March 2004 winds were recorded as blowing as high as 120mph and recently the wind chill reached an icy -70C.

In winter the population reduces to about 200 although in summer it can swell to 1,000. The last flight out was in February.

But nothing daunts Dee, even being stuck at the base until August, when the next plane flies in.

Although he can't telephone home, he regularly e-mails his girlfriend



Dee with *The Campbeltown Courier* at Scott's Cross on Observation Hill at McMurdo Station, which commemorates the loss of Scott and his expedition to the South Pole. It bears the inscription: 'to seek, to strive, to find, and not to yield' - the words are taken from a work by Alfred, Lord Tennyson.

Belinda in Colorado.

Belinda then passes on his e-mails to Jean, who lives at Lady Mary Row, Campbeltown.

His brother Neily and sister Gaile also still live in the town

Despite his thirst for adventure Dee did return home for a while in 1990 and began a new career in Campbeltown shipyard, learning to fabricate trawlers.

During the ten years he

spent in the town he and Russell would holiday in Colorado at the home of Russell's aunt. Dee moved permanently to Denver a few years ago and started his own welding business.

His mother is proud that

Dee can turn his hand to just about anything to earn a living. In the past he has been employed as a game-keeper, forestry worker and fish factory worker, and at McMurdo Station he whiles away his leisure

hours DJ-ing for the other workers. So the next time you complain about the cold weather or the wind in Kintyre, spare a thought for Dee, who has barely seen daylight for three months!

Kintyre pipers taste success at Oban festival

PIPERS and chanter players from Kintyre were again to the fore at the Highlands and Islands Music and Dance Festival held in Oban last weekend.

Top spot in the Under 12 years chanter contest went to Lewis Anderson of Ralston Road who received the Argyll Print Trophy. Craig Barbour of Dalrioch finished a close second.

Fiona Mitchell, also of Ralston Road, gained a string of third places in the Junior March Strathspey and Reel, in the Argyll confined MSR and in the Junior Hornpipe and Jig. Ross Ferguson (Benrioch) picked up fourth spot in the Confined MSR, and his older brother Gavin was also fourth in the Senior MSR.

Highlight of the day was the hornpipe and jig playing of the Muirs from Kilkenzie, with Dave placed second in the senior event and younger sister Sarah also getting second in the Under 15 years event.

Dawn Patrol returns



AT 5AM on June 19 last year, 157 people took part in the Dawn Patrol to walk the Crinan Canal in aid of Professor George at West-Breast Cancer Awareness, despite thunder, lightning, torrential rain and midges! Last year's event raised £21,000, split between Professor George at Western Infirmary, Walk The Walk and Breakthrough.

This year the Dawn Patrol is a registered charity and all money raised will be used to support cancer care in local communities.

Taking place on Sunday June 18, the patrol will again leave at 5am from Ardrishaig. Participants can choose to walk nine or 18 miles. For those walking nine miles, return transport will be provided. All participants are encouraged to wear decorated bras throughout the walk. The closing date for applications is Tuesday May 30. For more information call 07738 933126 or 07733 337163 or email heather.shaw@strathclyde.pnn.police.co.uk.

MAAA hosts gala evening

TONIGHT (Friday May 5) the annual MAAA Gala starting at 7.30 pm brings the Association's arts season to an end, and it promises to be the usual enjoyable evening of varied, high-quality music and poetry.

There will be 14 different performances in all, ranging from the opening piper, Struan Thorpe, to the closing sets of Scottish traditional marches and reels on accordion, fiddle and piano. For the first time, a church choir will feature, as the singers from Cumlodden and Lochfyneside will open the second half of the show, and this choir is one of many prizewinners from March's Mid Argyll Music Festival taking part.

Gaelic songs, Lieder and a Trio from *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers* will further ensure that the vocal arts are well represented and in each half, there will be a poetry reading, to break up the musical items.

John Orr, Sarah Dickie, Morag Cupples, John Summers and Sarah Blair are just a few of the musicians who will be contributing, not forgetting the busiest man of the evening, David Finlay, accompanist at the piano. Master of Ceremonies will, as ever, be Alex Hamilton and the proceeds from the show go towards helping the association assist performers and young musicians throughout the season. So do come along and support our local musicians as they present this evening of mixed entertainment.

Annual Rotary dinner tonight

IN 1968, the Rotary Club of Lochgilphead was founded, under the guidance of its mother club in Oban, and since then, this event has been celebrated with an annual Charter Dinner.

This year is no exception and tonight (Friday May 5), members and their wives, together with special guests, will assemble in the Lochgair Hotel for a meal, speeches and entertainment, including dancing, to round off the evening.

Rotary Club president, the Reverend Roddy MacLeod, will make the keynote speech to toast Rotary International and will then invite District Governor, Jim Copland from East Kilbride, to reply to the toast. There are 56 Rotary Clubs in RIBI District 1230, more than 200 Clubs in Scotland and 1846 active Clubs in Great Britain altogether.

Visiting presidents from Oban and Campbeltown have been invited to toast the health of the Lochgilphead Club and this will be followed by two presentations, introduced last year for the first time.

The first award will be for the Rotary Club Citizen(s) of the Year and it is understood that this year, it will be awarded to a very popular person in the Mid Argyll community. Following this, a Trophy plus £100 will be awarded to a young person judged to be this year's Most Promising Young Musician of the Year.

Club service convenor, Ian Davidson, is this year's organiser, and will ensure the evening with all its facets will move along smoothly, until the guest band, the Fraser McGlynn Duo, calls for the last waltz.

Footnotes fundraiser in Masonic Hall next week

A FOOTNOTES Masonic Hall, Campbeltown. Fundraiser will take place on Friday May 12 in the

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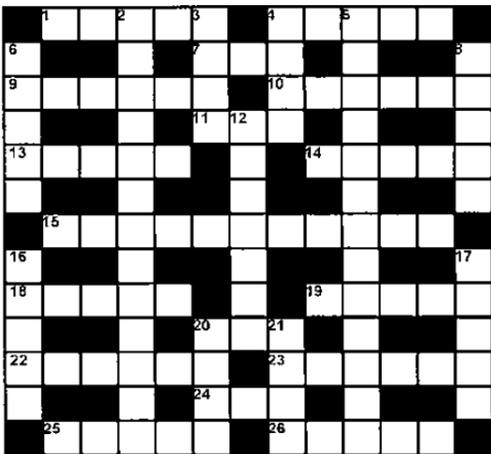
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THE THINKER

ACROSS
 1 First Welsh chat show to pay attention to (5)
 4 Speak with panache about countryside access (5)
 7 Choose to take time after surgery (3)
 9 How error we cut out caused revulsion (6)
 10 To do a favour, I turned globe (6)
 11 Access code returned in a hurry (3)
 13 Sole variety of melon (5)
 14 Extra large limo for academy award (5)
 15 Old course I'd swum, getting dirty (11)
 18 Ski OK, but crash into sales area (5)
 19 What's left after cutting must turn soft (5)
 20 Put money on it being half improved (3)
 22 Charge too much for the wool (6)
 23 How much for a horse? (6)
 24 Teacher in crisis I resolved (3)
 25 Servant allowed to follow Victoria and Albert (5)
 26 Irritated by trial? Yes (5)

DOWN
 2 Lost, he loiters, studying butterfly (13)
 3 Rhino without one oddly has one (4)
 4 Finish lifting containers (4)
 5 Pictures of suitors, tall, in disguise (13)
 6 Nothing, we're told, is complete (5)
 8 Poet swallows ecstasy, causing hair growth (5)
 12 Cut off because I stole a mixer (7)
 16 Take some risk if floating in boat (5)
 17 Depression in southeast causes nastiness (5)
 20 Be on the way to the top (4)
 21 Sweet and sour (4)

SOLUTION FOR LAST WEEK
ACROSS: 2. Etch 4. Swish 7. Rum 9. Water 10. Peril 11. Idiom 12. Keen 13. Obeys 15. Troop 16. Refer 18. Rover 20. Amid 21. Plumb 22. Ovoid 23. Bleak 24. Eat 25. Rhyme 26. Fact
DOWN: 1. Cryptographer 2. Emerge 3. Cowl 4. Sprinter 5. Indigo 6. Hermaphrodite 8. Streamlined 14. Scrabble 17. Flurry 19. Violet 22. Okra

FIND THE WORDS

FIND THE WORDS

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Find the words: Up, down, forwards, backwards, straight or diagonal. This week: 20 Mountains: Cook, Eiger, Etna, Urals, Egmont, Ararat, Horeb, Blanc, Snowy, Sinai, Mourne, Vernon, Everest, Jura, Carmel, Snowdon, Vesuvius, McKinley, Fuji, Table

BRAIN STRAIN

E	BRAIN					E
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		G				
	R			R		
E	STRAIN					E

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: 11 Maestro: 15+

ANSWER: BRAIN STRAIN
 EVERGREEN, Eger, Gains, Gemme, Gree, Green, Greener, Greva, Renega, Renegar, Revenge, Revenger, Venge, Venger, Verge, Verger, &???

Young Kintyre pipers to the fore

AN APPRECIATIVE audience packed the Argyll Hotel in Campbeltown to watch 140 pipers and drummers go through their paces at Kintyre Piping Society's annual Junior Piping and Drumming Championships.

Results: Chanter under 12 March: 2 A McKechnie (Strachur), 2 L Anderson (Campbeltown), 3 L Campbell (Campbeltown).

Chanter 12-14 March: 1 K Gaughan (Campbeltown), 2 L Cameron (Southend), 3 F McKerral (Southend).

Novice Bagpipe March: 1 I Wilson (Strachur), 2 H Harrison (Colintrive), 3 A Sinclair (Colintrive).

Bagpipe Competitions under 15:

March: 1 A Travers (Blair Adam), 2 F Henderson (Kirriemuir), 3 M McCormick (Campeltown). Strathspey & Reel: 1 A McPhee (Kinross), 2 F Henderson (Kirriemuir), 3 G Stewart (Perth).

Piobaireachd Ground only: 1 K Cowie (Campbeltown), 2 W Cowan (Campbeltown), 3 A McColl (Benderloch). Piobaireachd: 1 A Travers (Blair Adam), 2 L McMillan (Inveraray), 3 A McPhee (Kinross).

2x2/4 Marches: 1 G Stewart (Perth), 2 F Mitchell (Campbeltown), 3 A Travers (Blair Adam). Slow

Air: 1 F Mitchell (Campbeltown), 2 M McCormick (Campbeltown), 3 D Morrison (Oban).

Bagpipe competitions 15-17:

March: 1 C Killen (Strachur), 2 E Campbell (Strachur), 3 G Ferguson (Campbeltown). Strathspey & Reel: 1 G Ferguson (Campbeltown), 2 E Campbell (Strachur), 3 E Buchan (Falkirk). Hornpipe & Jig: 1 C Killen (Strachur), 2 E Buchan (Falkirk), 3 G Ferguson (Campbeltown).

Piobaireachd: 1 E Campbell (Strachur), 2 C Killen (Strachur), 3 E Buchan (Falkirk). 2x2/4 Marches: 1 J Blue (Campbeltown), 2 G Ferguson (Campbeltown), 3 S Thorpe (Lochgilthead).

MSR under 18: 1 G Stewart (Perth), 2 C Killen (Strachur), 3 G Ferguson (Campbeltown).

Snare Drumming: Stick and Pad under 15: 1 R Dempster (Dalmally), 2 F McKerral (Southend), 3 G McMurchy (Campeltown). Best Local: F McKerral.

4 Parts March under 15: 1 S Shedden (Bishopbriggs), 2 K McGreggor (Rothsay), 3 J Finn (Campbeltown). Best Local: J Finn.

4 Parts MSR under 18: 1 S Shedden (Bishopbriggs), 2 F Smart (Dunoon), 3 E Millar (Campbeltown). Best Local: E Millar.



Some of the 140 young competitors at the annual Junior Piping and Drumming Championships

Hornpipe and Jig: 1 S Shedden (Bishopbriggs), 2 A Stevenson (Campbeltown), 3 F Smart (Dunoon). Best Local A Stevenson. 2/4 March 14-17: 1 M Campbell (Dunoon), 2 L March under 14: 1 K Quinn Campbell (Campbeltown), 3 C Cox (Campbeltown). Best Local L Campbell. The Junior Champion under 15: A Travers. The Senior Champion 15-17: C Killen.

Campbeltown prepares for Red Cross coffee mornings

RED CROSS volunteers from Kintyre are holding back-to-back coffee mornings in Campbeltown to kick-start Red Cross Week,

the annual fundraising drive for the British Red Cross, which this year takes place from May 7-13.

Last year the Kintyre group raised a staggering £5,071 in Red Cross Week, which helped to make Kintyre one of the highest fundraising areas in Scotland.

The coffee mornings will run every day from Tuesday May 9 until Saturday May 13 from 10am-12pm in the Red Cross Hall, Kirk Street, Campbeltown. As well as coffee and tea, visitors will be able to choose from a tasty array of home baking and treats.

Anne Cousin, Centre Organiser for the British Red Cross in Kintyre, said: 'The sums raised in Kintyre are absolutely fantastic and we want to encourage as many people to come along and support the coffee mornings as possible.'

It's thanks to the tremendous efforts of people like this that the Red Cross is able to continue to provide vital community services and support to vulnerable people in crisis in Argyll and throughout Scotland.'

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Sarah the sheep has twins

Alistair Strang and Jane Clarridge of Gobagrennan Farm near Campbeltown had a pair of welcome additions to their flock recently, when North Ronaldsay ewe, Sarah, gave birth to black and white twin lambs. c18lam01

Lifting BSE ban may have consequences

SCOTLAND'S leading animal welfare charity has expressed its concerns over the lifting of the BSE ban which will allow the resumption of the trade of transporting live cattle over long distances.

The Scottish SPCA is opposed to the extended transport of live food animals for slaughter over long distances, and advocates slaughter as close as possible to the point of rearing. According to the charity, some cattle may endure long journeys from Scotland

to parts of Europe as a result of the lifting of this ban.

The Scottish SPCA also has concerns regarding the resumption of the calf trade. The concept of moving very young animals over long distances is contrary to good animal welfare practice and, while the society realises the economic need to move young food animals for further fattening, believes that this should be carried out under the most humane conditions possible.

In particular, the Scottish

SPCA has fears that many young calves may be transported to countries where the welfare standards are not as high as in the United Kingdom, and where they may be placed into veal crates, a practice which to which the Society strongly objects.

Penny Johnston, Legislation Support Officer of the Scottish SPCA told *The Campbeltown Courier* and *Argyllshire Advertiser*, said: 'The lifting of the BSE ban could have a serious effect on the welfare of Scotland's cattle. While we recognise that the lifting of the ban

will have positive economic effects for the Scottish farming community, the Scottish SPCA has very real concerns about the welfare of the animals that are being transported.

'Long journeys, both on land and by sea, are incredibly stressful for any animal. Cattle in particular tend to suffer from severe sea-sickness making them even more vulnerable on these long and unnecessary trips.

'The society has long advocated that all meat be moved on the hoof, rather than on the hoof. It is time for the government and the industry to examine the pressing need for revival of and investment in Scotland's rural abattoirs in order to prevent Scottish livestock having to endure long and arduous journeys to slaughter.

'The Scottish SPCA also strongly opposes the movement of animals into countries which do not practice or enforce the high animal welfare standards that are in place in Scotland.

'The shipment of Scottish calves into countries which still permit the use of veal crates is completely unacceptable.'

Importance of live export trade shaped

THE importance of the live export trade to farmers throughout Argyll has been stressed by NFU Scotland and the rigorous welfare standards that apply to the transport of cattle to Europe has been emphasised.

On Wednesday (May 3), the ban on the export of British beef, introduced a decade ago, was lifted.

As world famous Scottish beef heads back to European dinner tables, as well as carcasses and cuts being exported, live cattle can also be moved over the Channel.

NFUS has stressed that the transport of cattle to

Europe is governed by tight regulations.

NFUS is also asking its members throughout Kintyre and Mid Argyll to take an extra step and get assurances from exporters that their animals will only be taken to European farms which operate to the highest standards.

From January 1 2007, the use of veal crates will be banned across Europe, although the UK has already banned their use and other member states have taken a similar step, including the Netherlands which historically sourced live cattle from the UK.

Rather than campaign against this trade, NFUS believes animal rights groups would be better advised to demand that UK companies do not import food from farming systems that do not have our high welfare standards.

The union believes that animal rights campaigns against UK live exports hit the wrong target.

They ignore the import of food into this country from foreign farm systems that would be deemed illegal here and wrongly target UK farmers who are going the extra mile on welfare standards.

Nature Times

MANY migrants are now arriving from their wintering quarters, be it England, mainland Europe or Africa. Listen now for willow warblers twittering in the woods and cuckoos calling from solitary hillside trees for evidence that spring is surely here.

Numbers of swallows are building up - look for them flitting along the coast in search of swarms of flies. Another migrant to look out for on the coast is one of my favourite birds, the wheatear.

The wheatear is conspicuous in flight because of its white rump. Its name has nothing to do with wheat or ears, but is a polite form of its original name which combined two Anglo-Saxon words, 'hwit' and 'oers!'

The male bird has an especially fine appearance. The top of the head and back is clear grey, the wings, tail and cheeks are black, and the un-



The starry flowers of ramsons, or wild garlic, are now starting to open.

derparts pale orange-brown. The white of the rump extends part way down the sides of the tail, making a black 'T' shape.

The adult female and juvenile birds are brown in colour, lacking the male's striking plumage, except for the rump and tail. Wheatears usually arrive here in late March and April from tropical Africa where the whole European population spends the winter. They feed on insects, spiders and other small animal life, but sometimes eat berries too.

The wheatear breeds across a wide area. In Scotland it can be found from the coast to the high mountains. It prefers open, rocky terrain where it

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Ramsons is a member of the lily family, related to the onion. The leaves are edible, and form a tasty addition to various dishes. The star-like flowers have six white petals and grow on stalks from the top of a tall stem, forming a domed head. Attractive as they are, the flowers used to be called 'devil's posy' because they give a lingering taint once touched. Be warned!

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- 8.00pm Dhurrie
- 8.30pm West Backs

Friday 12th May

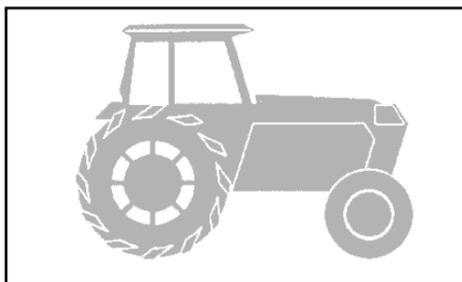
- 9.00am Tayinloan Ferry - Ardlamy
- 11.20am Drumore
- 11.50am High Knockrioch
- 12.30pm Eden
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Charity week with health message

TWO local charities were the beneficiaries of a health awareness charity week hosted by Heaven salon in Lochgilphead and Ardrishaig from April 21-30.

Organiser Lilia Sinclair dedicated the week to the memory of Johanna MacVicar, a dear friend who died last year after a long battle with leukaemia.

All funds raised during the week will be donated to The Dochas Fund and the Tarbert Healing Garden.

Lilia felt the event went well and would like to build on the health awareness message for next year. She said: 'I would like to do more to promote healthy eating and spend the whole month trying to encourage everybody to join in with healthy eating at work.'

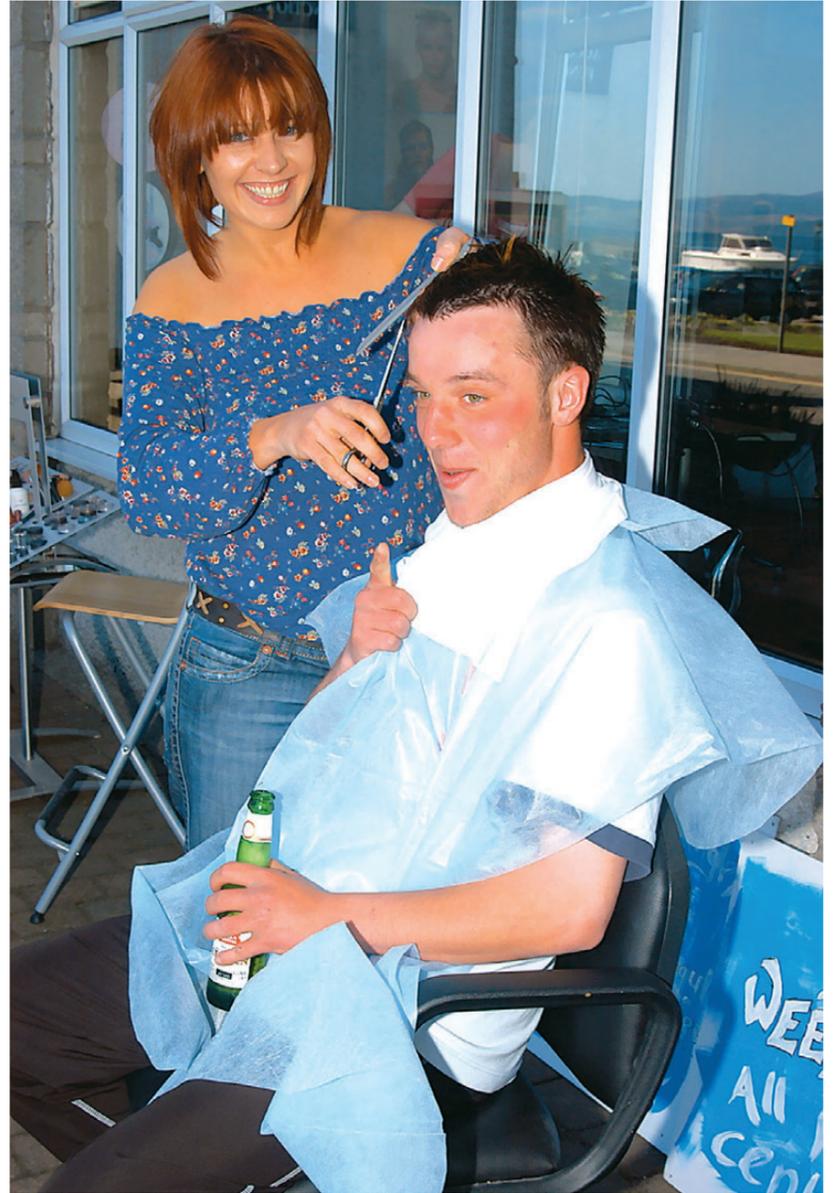
Throughout the week people were invited to try treat-

ments such as massage, reiki, facials and hot stone at Heaven. They also had the chance to learn more about nutritional healing and pick up healthy recipes and ideas.

A holistic health and fun show took place in the Argyll Arms, Ardrishaig, where Heaven staff revealed how to look and feel great. A nuturopath and herbalist also visited the salon. On Friday night the Vagabonds played live music in Lochgilphead's Argyll Hotel and on Saturday there was fun and games in Ardrishaig, where Heaven stylists offered haircuts and makeovers in exchange for donations to charity. The week was rounded off on Sunday night with a pub quiz and more live music in the Slainté Bar, Ardrishaig. Money raised was still being counted as *The Advertiser* and *Courier* went to press.



Kirsten Eadie of Heaven gives Sandra Shanks a makeover. Sandra was delighted to give a donation to the charities for her new look. a18hea02



For the pleasure of enjoying a cool drink whilst having their hair cut, punters were asked to give a donation to charity. Heaven stylist Zoe Edgar works her magic on Scott Campbell of Lochgilphead. a18hea01



Left, Duncan Convery and Linda Anderson and right, Christine Crawford and Randolph Scott get into the spirit of the weekend. a18hea03/ a18hea06



A fundraising pub quiz took place in the Slainté Bar, Ardrishag on Sunday. a18hea08



Sunday's pub quiz was the perfect way to unwind after all that fundraising. a18hea09



Left: Mandy Graham and Stuart Geddes dancing to the Vagabonds in the Argyll Hotel, Lochgilphead on Saturday night. a18hea05

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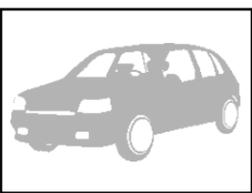
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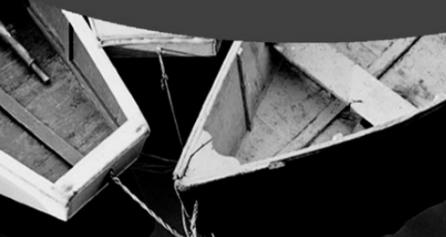
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Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days
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 - **Ref No: 06/00860/DET**
Applicant: Mrs Lorraine McMurchy
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Site Address: 18 Longrow South Campbeltown Argyll And Bute PA28 6AH
Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
Development in Conservation Area 21 Days
- Area Team Leader Development Control, Planning Services,
67 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig PA30 8DX

Mid-Argyll Council on Alcohol and Drugs.

NOTICE of EGM.

An Extraordinary General Meeting is to be convened at MACAD, 45 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig on **Wednesday 31st May 2006** commencing **6.30pm** to consider the motion:

"The Mid-Argyll Council on Alcohol and Drugs formally agrees to the integration with other Local Councils on Alcohol and Drugs in Argyll and Bute into a new organisation area wide"

All persons with an interest are cordially invited to attend.

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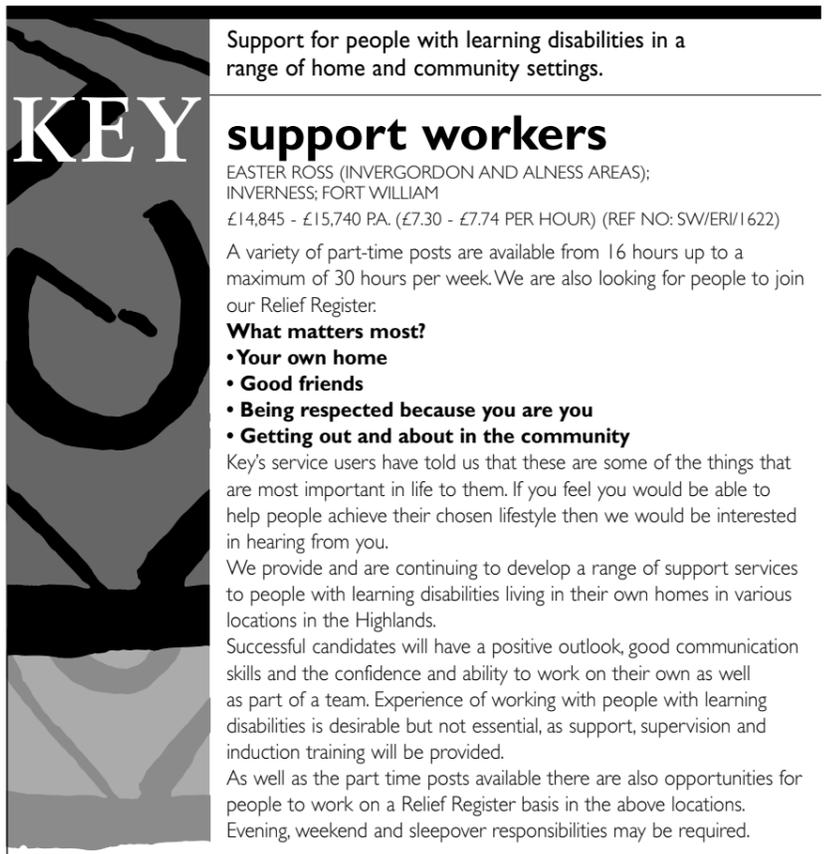
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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus said: '... do not put the Lord your God to the test' (Matthew 4:7)

BIRTHS

CASEY - Brian and Barbara (née Robertson) are delighted to announce the arrival of Charlotte, on April 21, 2006, at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh.



HORN - Russell and Joanna are delighted to announce the safe arrival of the precious gift of a baby daughter, Eilidh Amanada, on April 29, 2006, in Charlottesville, Virginia. A first granddaughter for Alec and Anne, Tarbert and Adrian and Diana, Pennsylvania. A darling niece for Aunties Vivien and Kirsten.



MACPHAIL - WILSON - Greig and Louise are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Camron Blue, on April 24, 2006. Special thanks to Jackie Lambert and the midwives at the Mid Argyll Hospital for their excellent care.

ENGAGEMENTS

PAYNE - CAMPBELL - Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Judy, middle daughter of Bruce and Christine Payne, Tobermory, Isle of Mull to Neil, younger son of Maggie and the late Archie Campbell, Dunrostan Farm, Achnamara.



RUTHVEN ARENSBACH - Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Karen to Thomas on April 16, 2006.

DEATHS

DOWIE - On April 25, 2006, peacefully at Lorn and Islands District General Hospital, Oban, Georgina, aged 57 years, of Ardpatrik Place, Lochgilphead, a

committed member of Mid Argyll Link Club and a dear neighbour and friend to many. Funeral service took place at Lochgilphead Parish Church, on April 28, 2006, interment thereafter, at Achabreac Cemetery.

DOYLE - DAVIDSON, Rosalie Kathleen. At Cowal Hospice, Dunoon, peacefully, on Monday May 1, 2006 - after a long illness. Wife of the late Angus, mother of Barbara, Celia, Elaine and Priscilla, and a much loved grandmother. Donations to Cowal Hospice in lieu of flowers would be most welcome. The funeral will take place on Friday, May 5, 2006, at Greenock Crematorium at 3.00pm.

MACDONALD - Suddenly at home, Canada View, Clachan, by Tarbert, on April 27, 2006, John MacDonald, in his 62nd year, dearly beloved husband of Jennifer Smart, dearly loved father of Ross and Stuart.

MACGREGOR - On April 27, 2006, peacefully at Duncuan Unit, Argyll & Bute Hospital, Lochgilphead, Peter MacGregor, in his 80th year, beloved husband of Rae MacLaren and a dear uncle and brother in law. Funeral service took place at Inveraray Parish Church, on May 1, 2006, interment thereafter at Glen Shira Cemetery.

MACKINTOSH - Peacefully at the Gigha Ward, Argyll & Bute Hospital, Lochgilphead on April 29, 2006, Thomas Munro MacKintosh, aged 75 years, formerly of 12 Rowan Park, Lochgilphead and latterly of 2&7 Linside, Invershin, beloved husband of the late Davina, a dear uncle to all the family. Funeral service was held in Lochgilphead Parish Church on Tuesday May 2, followed by interment at Achabreac Cemetery.

McKINVEN - Peacefully, at the Lorn and Islands District General Hospital, Oban, on May 3, 2006, John McLean McKinven (Jack) in his 86th year, The Walk, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Norah Vickers, much loved father of Patricia, loving grandfather of Rory and Lorne and great grandfather of Charlie. Service in the Highland Parish Church, Campbeltown on Saturday, May 6, 2006 at 1.00 p.m. Funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in the Church in aid of the New Stroke Club for Kintyre.

POPE - Suddenly, after a long illness, in the Southern General Hospital, Glasgow, on April 29, 2006, George David Pope B.E.M. in his 82nd year, 19 John

Street, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of the late Ellen Pope and a dearly loved father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

TURNER - On April 28, 2006, peacefully at Ossians Care Home, North Connel, George Rockcliffe Turner, in his 95th year, formerly of Chalmers Court, Inveraray, and a telephone engineer with the G.P.O., beloved husband of the late Margaret Silver, and a much loved father of George, Marjorie, John, Eric, Richard, and David, a loving father in law, grandfather, and great grandfather. Sadly missed by all. Funeral service took place at Inveraray Parish Church, on May 3, 2006. Cremation took place at Cardross Crematorium.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

DOWIE - Georgina's aunt and uncle Margaret and Willie and friends of the late Georgina Dowie would like to thank everyone for kind expressions of sympathy and support received in their recent bereavement. Special thanks to doctors and staff at Lorn and Islands District General Hospital, Oban and to Dr Mackie and staff at Lochgilphead Surgery for kind care and attention, to the C.P.N. Michelle Bulley and Billy, Kathleen, and Jillian and all others from the community support team, social work and Richmond Fellowship for all their help and support and to neighbours Nicola and Iain for looking after guide dog Julie, Rev Walter Ritchie for a comforting service, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, Stag Hotel for catering and to all who paid their last respects, at church and graveside.

McALLISTER - Mary, Gordon and family would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy, flowers and cards received during their sad loss of Isobel McAllister, wife of the late Archie. Special thanks to Lynne of Lorne Home and especially, Ardfeanig Residential Home staff for their care and attention over the last year. Thanks also to Doctors and nursing staff at Argyll & Bute Hospital, to Rev. David Carruthers for comforting services and to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for kind and dignified professional services. A final thank you to all those who attended at church and graveside.

McDONALD - The family of the late Willie McDonald would like to thank all friends and neighbours for their kindness and sympathy since their sad loss. Special thanks to all

the staff at the Mid Argyll Hospital for their care of dad over the years and also to the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow. A big thank you to all his carers over the years. Thank you to Donald MacDonald, Funeral Directors, for their efficient, professional and sensitive services, and to the Stag for their excellent purvey. Thanks also to the Reverend Walter Ritchie for his comforting words, and Douglas Philand for sharing his heartfelt memories of dad with us. Our thanks to Lodge 754 and all the brethren present for their tribute, you would have made him very proud. Donations for cancer relief are still being collected.

IN MEMORIAM

HALL - In loving memory of a dear mother and granny, Heather McEachran, who died May 9, 2003.

The light of our life was taken away Three years ago, this 9th day of May I always found comfort and solace

In those sparkling eyes of blue And everyday I am blessed For your grandson has them too.

- Your loving daughter Tammy-Lee, Milo and grandson Kaeden.

MACBRAYNE - In loving memory of Duncan, a dear husband, father and grandfather, who passed away May 2, 2002.

Always in our thoughts. - Jessie and family.

MARSHALL - In loving memory of my darling daughter, Kellyann, died May 10, 1979, aged 6 days. We send a dove of love With a parcel on its wings Be careful when you open it

It's full of precious things Inside are millions of kisses Wrapped in millions of hugs

To tell you we love and miss you.

- Inserted by Mum and Gran, Saddell Street.

REID - Loving memories of my dear husband and dad, Paddy, died May 8, 2000.

To us you were so special What more is there to say We only wish with all our hearts

That you were here today. Love you always - Mattie and family.

ECCLESIASTICAL NOTICES

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH

Sunday 7 May 2006 Rev. Richard West
Wednesday 10 May 2006 Prayer Meeting 10.30 p.m. Kilmartin Church Hall Enquiries 01546 606926 www.argyllcommunities.org/ NKNAPDALECOFS

LOCHGILPHEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

All Welcome
Sunday 7 May 2006
Pastor Andrew Miles
11 a.m. Morning Service Family Service followed by shared lunch
6.30 p.m. Evening Service with Communion
Monday 10.30 a.m. Discipleship Course
Wednesday 7 p.m. Prayer Meeting
Thursday Coffee Morning, 10-12 noon
Friday 10-11.30 a.m. Jumpstart Group

ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES

Sunday 7 May 2006
Services of Holy Communion
Achahoish at 9.45 a.m. Ardrishaig at 11 a.m. Ardrishaig at 6.30 p.m.
The Last Supper (Luke 22:7-30) ooOoo PACT meets in Ardrishaig for children of all ages at 11 a.m.



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

Sunday 7 May 2006
Third Sunday after Easter
10.45 a.m. Morning Prayer
Details of services are on the Church door
Enquiries to Rev. A. J. Williamson Telephone 01586 551478

Highland Parish Church



Saturday 6 May 2006
Sunday School Coffee Morning, Kirk Street Hall 10 a.m. - 12 noon

Sunday 7 May 2006
10.45 a.m. Kirk Session Meeting
11.15 a.m. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper (Retiring collection in aid of the Vine Trust)
Creche in Church (0-3 years) Junior Sunday School Kirk Street Hall Senior Sunday School Church
6.30 p.m. Joint Service of Thanksgiving and Communion

Monday 8 May 2006
7 p.m. Joint Outreach Committee Meeting
Lorne and Lowland New Hall (please note change of day)

Thursday 11 May 2006
7 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship, Kirk Street Hall 'Christian Character' Rev. Michael J. Lind Everyone very welcome

ST COLUMBA'S, POTALLOCH

Eucharist 9 a.m.
CHRIST CHURCH LOCHGILPHEAD
Eucharist 11 a.m. followed by coffee

SALVATION ARMY

Burnside Street, Campbeltown
107th Anniversary Celebration Weekend
Special Guest: Lt-Col Bessie Hamilton
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
Major Dolores Thomson

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN

Sunday 7 May 2006
11 a.m. Worship Service for all ages followed by light lunch
Speaker: Graeme McLean
Tuesday 9 May 2006
Thursday 11 May 2006
Speaker: Tom Campbell (from USA)
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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.
All welcome

Tuesday 9 May 2006
AGM 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday 10 May
Jellytots Parent and Toddler Group 10 a.m.

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Walk, 9 a.m., Church Car Park Youth Club 7-8.30 p.m.

Sunday 7 May 2006
Rev. Philip Burroughs
Sacrament of Holy Communion, 11.15 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.
Kirk Session meets at 10.55 a.m.
Pre-school children are welcome in the creche
P1-P7 children meet in the New Hall
Joint Thanksgiving Service in the Highland Parish Church at 6.30 p.m.

Monday 8 May 2006
Joint Parish Outreach Meeting, 7 p.m. in the New Hall

Tuesday 9 May 2006
Mothers and Toddlers 9.45 a.m.

Wednesday 10 May 2006
BB Anchor Boys 5.30 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.
BB Junior Section 7 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.

Friday 12 May 2006
Lunch Club 12.15 p.m.

TARBERT LINKED KILBERRY

Sunday 7 May 2006
Tarbert Church 11.30 a.m. Communion
Rev. Stanley Hood and Mrs Margaret Sinclair

LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH

Sunday 7 May 2006
Service 11 a.m. conducted by the Rev. Walter Ritchie
All welcome

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Sunday 7 May 2006
Sacrament of Communion Cumlodden (Furnace) 10.30 a.m.
Lochfyneside (Minard) 12 noon
Lochgair 3 p.m.

Rev. Roddy MacLeod
All welcome

GLASSARY, KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH

Sunday 7 May 2006
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Service will include Holy Baptism

Rev. Richard West
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Details for funeral directors Alasdair Blair, Stan Lupton, and Donald MacDonald can be found on Page 25

Boys secure another win

CAMPBELTOWN Boys secured another vital win in their search for survival in Premier Two on Saturday (April 29).

Having suffered a 4-0 defeat to Rutherglen earlier in the season, the home side were keen to record a win against the visitors.

The first half began encouragingly, the Boys' young team bombarding the Rutherglen goal and exposing the visitors' lethargic defence. The best chance by far was a booming Craig Sloey shot from 30 yards, which, had it hit the back of the net, would surely have been the goal of the season.

Unfortunately for the home side, the chance was followed by a spontaneous attack from Rutherglen which finished with a goal from the left.

Football

SAFL Premier Two Campbeltown Boys 3 Rutherglen 2

There was a feeling of utter injustice in the home ranks as the visitors made doubled their lead from the penalty spot after a contentious David Anderson handball. The Boys realised that they would have to display huge character to record a victory, a trait so evidently lacking in the teams' previous meeting.

Soon after the restart, Anderson atoned for his earlier error, firing a left-footed half-volley into the net from a corner.

The Boys' equaliser arrived shortly afterwards, when Archie Johnston saw his cross turned into a goal by a Rutherglen defender.

A third goal signalled the end of the match for the experienced Rutherglen players. A fierce shot from James Armour was well saved, but Gary Grumoli was on hand to knock the rebound home.

Grumoli, who scored four in a 5-2 win over Cumbernauld Amateurs earlier in the season, may well have helped his team secure their future in the division.

The side will now look to take something from a home game against Inverclyde tomorrow (Saturday). Kick-off is at 2.30pm at the Meadows.

Campbeltown Boys: Coffield, Armour, Anderson, Renton, Watson, Johnston, Martin, Sloey, McCallum, Grumoli. Subs: McMurchy, Morris, J McCallum.

Caitlin shows football racism the red card



Campbeltown girl Caitlin Millar is helping to show racism the red card with her prize-winning poster. c17mil01

Football

A CAMPBELTOWN girl is helping to show racism the red card at football matches thanks to her prize-winning poster.

Ten-year-old Caitlin Millar, a Primary Six pupil at Dalintober Primary School, recently finished third in a national competition to discourage football fans from engaging in racist behaviour.

Caitlin's artistic prowess won the school a £50 cheque and a digital camera, whilst she received a signed Rangers football and a signed Aberdeen football shirt.

She was also given a tour of Hampden Park, Scotland's national football stadium.

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Machrihanish Golf Club results

Golf

Ladies section

International Match Fund: C Armour, 90-18=72.

Carty Cups Handicap: C McKay / S McDougall.

Scratch: A Gallacher / J Robb.

Spring Meeting Handicap: 1 C Armour 86-18=68; 2 M McCorkindale 87-17=70 (captain's prize winner); 3 V McKay 92-18=74 (bih).

Scratch: 1 E Casey, 84 (bih); 2 A Gallacher, 84; 3 M Campbell, 91.

Men's section

Ugdale Trophy Handicap: 1 C Fotheringham, 92-23=69 (bih); 2 A O'Brien, 97-28=69; 3 M Macaulay 74 -3 =71. Junior: D Graham, 92-13=79.



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Kilkenzie athlete joins national squad

Athletics

KILKENZIE athlete Matthew Turner of Mid Argyll Athletics Club was recently selected to attend the Bank of Scotland Young Athlete Development Camp at the Kelvin Hall International Sports Arena.

Whilst there, Matthew received coaching and training advice from Scotland's national event coaches. Pole-vaulter Kirsty Maguire, who was part of the Scottish Commonwealth Games team which recently returned from Melbourne, passed on some valuable advice to the youngsters in a question answer session. Also on hand to lend his support was Olympic sprinter Ian Mackie.

Jamie McDonald, youth development manager at

Scottish Athletics, said: 'The objective of the Bank of Scotland Young Athlete Development Camp is to nurture and encourage young Scottish athletic talent and provide a foundation for long term development.'

'The camp provides an excellent opportunity for athletes to take the first step towards the Bank of Scotland Talented Young Athlete squads.'

Karen Tighe, Bank of Scotland sponsorship manager said: 'The Bank is committed to supporting the development of athletics in Scotland through the Talented Young Athlete scheme.'

'It is extremely encouraging when athletes like Kirsty Maguire provide inspiration and support for a new generation of young athletes.'



Kilkenzie athlete Matthew Turner (centre) with Commonwealth Games pole vaulter Kirsty Maguire and Olympic sprinter Ian Mackie.

Campbeltown Bowling Club's celebrations

Bowls

CAMPBELTOWN Bowling Club's centenary celebrations will take place tonight (Friday May 5), and will be attended by representatives of Argyll and Bute Council.

Councillors Alastair McKinlay, Rory Colville and Donald Kelly, accompanied by their wives, will be present at the celebrations in the Argyll Hotel, Campbeltown. Local officer Elizabeth Kelly will also attend. Argyll and Bute Council convener Billy Petrie has given a donation of £500 to the club.

Campbeltown youngsters head for Dunoon

Athletics

THE INAUGURAL Argyll and Bute Secondary Youth Games will take place on Friday May 19 at Dunoon Stadium, involving 550 first and second year pupils from the area's 10 secondary schools.

Pupils will compete in nine sports at eight venues across Cowal.

The opening ceremony will begin at 10.20am, with the closing ceremony at 3.45pm after the presentation of trophies and medals. Competitions will run from 11am until 3pm.

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Tarbert push for promotion

Football

SAFL Division Two

Eaglesham 'B' 0

Tarbert AFC 2

TARBERT recorded an important victory at Eaglesham on Saturday to remain in second place with two games to play.

Tactics

The Dookers, sponsored by the Islay Frigate Hotel, were determined to atone for the previous week's slip-up, when they were held to a draw. Player/manager Alex Johnstone played three up front in an attempt to unsettle the home side.

His tactics paid off, Dougie Guy proving a nuisance to the opposition by winning several challenges.

Impressive

Tarbert's other two strikers, Michael Connor and James Prentice, grabbed the goals in the second half to add to their impressive tal-

lies for the season, having scored 40 goals between them.

Eaglesham exerted a great deal of pressure on Tarbert in the first half, winning several set pieces. They forced Blair into two good saves from long range efforts, with the goalkeeper's team-mates defending solidly in front of him from corner kicks.

Prentice almost broke the deadlock from a free-kick but Eaglesham's keeper saved well. Douglas Guy also set up a chance, his flick-on crying out for a finishing touch at the back post, but there were no takers.

Tarbert finally got the break they needed in the 60th minute. The visitors were awarded an indirect free-kick inside the Eaglesham box for dangerous play, which was put over the bar. However, ref-

eree Dunn spotted an infringement and awarded a penalty for a push.

Sent off

Connor kept a cool head to fire low into the net to put the Dookers ahead. Eaglesham's defender was also sent off.

The scorer almost doubled his tally shortly afterwards, his shot well blocked.

Tarbert put the result beyond doubt 10 minutes later when Ronald swung over a good cross for Prentice to head home.

Substitute Nicky McDougall looked to have further extended Tarbert's lead, but his goal was ruled out as offside.

To compound Eaglesham's misery, their goalkeeper was sent off near the end after picking up a second yellow card for dissent.

Tarbert worked hard throughout the match, effort

that will have to be continued into their final two league games.

Six points from their final two league games would clinch Tarbert's promotion to SAFL Division One.

Promotion

However, depending on the result of Strathkelvin's match with Rosehill, which was due to be played on Wednesday (May 3), Tarbert could seal promotion if they beat Rosehill at Cil Andreis tomorrow (Saturday May 6). Kick-off is at 2.30pm.

Tarbert: Blair, Martin, Maxwell, Laing, Ronald, I Johnson, D MacDougall, A Johnstone, Guy, Prentice, Connor. Subs: N McDougall, McMillan, McIver, Elliott.

Training schedules

Athletics

BEGINNERS' training schedules for the Mull of Kintyre Half Marathon and 10k event which takes place on Sunday May 28.

Anyone hoping to take part should get their applications in by May 12 as there will be limited places for entry on the day.

Runners can enter on-line at www.mokrun.co.uk or send an entry to the 2006 Mull of Kintyre Half Marathon and 10k, c/o The Clydesdale Bank, 19 Longrow, Campbeltown, Argyll, PA28 6ER.

10k event

Weeks to go: three (times are based on running)
Monday: 40 minutes.
Tuesday: 25 minutes.
Wednesday: REST.
Thursday: 15 minutes.
Friday: 30 minutes.
Saturday: REST.
Sunday: 20 minutes.

Half marathon

Weeks to go: three.
Tuesday: Slow run/walk for four miles (app 48 minutes).
Thursday: Faster run/walk for five miles (app 55 minutes).
Sunday: Easy run/walk for 13 miles (approximately 2 hours and 40 minutes).

More training information is available from www.mokrun.co.uk and www.jogscotland.org.uk.

The organisers advise beginners to consult their GP before embarking on a training schedule.

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