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Members of Campbeltown Sub-Aqua Club left to right: Liz Moller, Marjorie Leighton, Livingstone Russell, Linda Bryce, Gregor Menzies, and Ken Bryce The club gave people a chance to enter a whole new world with a try-dive session on Saturday at Aqualibrium. The club has been running for 30 years and is a branch of the Scottish Sub-Aqua Club. Now that Campbeltown once again has a swimming pool the club is keen to expand. The try-dive was a one-off but the club now holds a training session every Thursday evening at 7.30pm at Aqualibrium and over 18s are welcome to attend.

Aqualibrium's fantastic success

THE FIGURES for the first three months at Aqualibrium are in – and it has been a bigger hit than anyone ever hoped for. Campbeltown has the most successful council leisure centre in Argyll and Bute.

'Seven hundred people have been inducted in the exercise programme; we have 532 members out of a community of 5,500 people and there were 20,000 uses of the pool in the first six weeks; 288 children have their level one and two swimming passes. It has been incredible,' said Marius Huysamer, manager of Aqualibrium. These figures have quadrupled what the council expected and are a massive endorsement of the decision to go ahead and build. Aqualibrium is not just being seen as a success for Argyll and Bute council, which made the decision to build but a success for the whole of Campbeltown.

'This is about the whole of Campbeltown becoming aware of health and fitness and the quality of life as well,' said Mr Huysamer.

The aqua fit classes have a waiting list and the need to take on extra staff is also being considered. Mr Huysamer also believes that part of the success of Aqualibrium has been its staff.

They have qualified to level two of the profession register of exercise professionals; qualified as lifeguards, first-aiders and pool plant operatives.

'We have about 20 fitness staff and we are going to have to look a taking on more as we need to expand more,' said Mr Huysamer.

'We are still signing up new members and people for the gym,' said Mr Huysamer.

Aqualibrium is for people of all ages; this week fitness staff are meeting with members of the falls prevention scheme at Campbeltown Hospital to look at setting

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Breathing new life into town

CAMPBELTOWN'S Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) will be formally launched today.

The five-year Campbeltown CARS project was awarded £385,500 from Historic Scotland and a further £200,000 from Argyll and Bute Council's Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay Area Committee.

Campbeltown is one of only 12 towns in Scotland that have been successful in attracting funding from Historic Scotland's Historic Environment Regeneration Fund and focuses on the town's built heritage.

Councillor Alistair McKinlay said: 'We want to ensure that heritage is not an isolated 'ivory tower', but something central to the regeneration of the town, along with arts and development, tourism, employment and leisure.'

The CARS project will be launched by Councillor McKinlay and Historic Scotland's John Graham at 10am at Aqualibrium and will be followed by workshops running throughout on the project's aims, how to get involved and how to bring buildings back into use.

Spot the Ball winner

The Campbeltown Courier and *Argyllshire* Advertiser are delighted to announce Catherine Mitchell from Tayinloan as our Spot the Ball winner.

Mrs Mitchell, who lives at 13 Cara View, has won an amazing total of £1,800.

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Centre's great success

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up a programme of exercises to help with balance to help keep elderly people active and fit and reduce the number of falls in the home.

Clubs, which had been literally left high and dry by the closure of the old pool, like the swimming club, kayak club and sub-aqua club are all back in town holding regular sessions at Aqualibrium.

Jamie MacLachlan, the fitness co-ordinator and his team are also involved in healthy eating and life choices advice.

'The community as a whole is benefiting from Aqualibrium,' said Mr Huysamer. 'We are turning the community into a healthy community.'

Mr Huysamer is the facilities manager for council-run centres in Campbeltown, Lochgilphead and Islay.

He said that Aqualibrium is now the best performing council-run leisure venue.

'Seven hundred out of a community of 5,500 people that must say something. Helensburgh with a population of 16,000 can't match that. This is one big gain. Campbeltown is getting more healthy and active.'

Vestas turbine for Tiree

KINTYRE turbine manufacturer Vestas Celtic has come to the aid of Tiree.

The Tiree Community Development Group wants to follow Gigha's example with wind turbines on the island; only the trust hit a brick wall. Turbine manufacturers are being kept so busy with large orders that they were turning Tiree down.

However, Mark Jennison, the trust's development manager, said last week that he received a call from Vestas, confirming it would be happy to fill the order.

'What we are trying to do is create a source of income on the island,' said Mr Jennison, who wants to see the turbine providing power to be sold to the national grid.

The next step is to gain planning permission; 60 per cent of the island community have approved the chosen site.

Great reunion for the class of '78

Old school friends from the class of '78 gathered at Campbeltown Grammar School last week for what turned out to be a fantastic reunion. The event was a huge success, with people travelling from throughout the country to attend. Photograph by John Gillespie.

Dismay as pavilion windows destroyed

THE MEADOW VIEW Pavilion in Campbeltown got a sickening knock back this week with the destruction of two large, supposedly vandal-proof windows.

With insurance for windows impossible to obtain, the committee running the pavilion has had no option but to board them up and consider keeping them that way forever, as it will cost more than £1,000 to replace them.

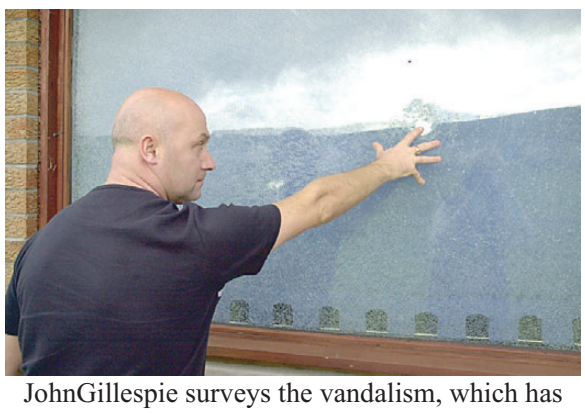
John Gillespie vice chairman of the Campbeltown Junior Football Association said all concerned were disheartened, to say the least.

'The pavilion is used by everyone; there can't be a family in the town that is not involved,' said Mr Gillespie, 'it is disappointing to have this happen.'

Junior football, shinty, Sunday league football, girl guides, the music festival, private parties for birthdays and Christmas all take place at the pavilion, putting it at the heart of community life.

'We haven't got the money to repair this,' said Mr Gillespie. 'It costs us £2,000 a year just to run the place.'

The pavilion opened two years ago at a cost of £250,000 and after an earlier act of vandalism the committee replaced the windows and covered them with a special security film.



JohnGillespie surveys the vandalism, which has left two, large, supposedly vandal-proof windows smashed. C40pav01

'We were told it was bomb proof,' said Mr Gillespie.

But over the weekend someone made a determined, malicious and prolonged attack and is believed to have used a hammer of some sort. 'They'd had to repeatedly hit the window with force, four of five times in the same place,' said Mr Gillespie.

South Kintyre Councillor, Donald Kelly, was shocked by the vandalism. 'As a local councillor I am totally appalled and disgusted at this act of vandalism,' he said.

'The community and John Gillespie has worked hard to make this facility available for the youth of the town and I would urge any member of the public with any information to come forward and contact Crimestoppers or the police.'

If you have any information regarding this incident, call Campbeltown Police Office on 01586 862200 or, alternatively, Crimestoppers free and in confidence on 0800 555 111.

David fund parachute jump date

THE CAMPAIGN to raise £14,000 for a Campbeltown man to have stem cell treatment is hotting up.

At the end of the month David Blair's wife Karen and one of his best friends will carry out a sponsored parachute jump and on the same evening, Saturday October 28 there will be a ceilidh in Tarbert Village Hall organised by David's mother Catherine. David, 33 of Davaar Avenue, suffers from cerebella ataxia; a disorder of the nervous system which causes unsteadiness and a lack of co-ordination. This rare disorder is not fatal in itself but leads to complications.

On November 6 he has an appointment to see a specialist at the Southern General Hospital, Glasgow, and from there will go to see another specialist in London, to be recommended for treatment overseas as it is not available through the NHS.

The stem cell treatment offers an 80 per cent success rate and is available in Rotterdam or in China; David will probably go to Rotterdam for treatment for the disease from which his father, grandfather and aunt all suffered.

Karen and John McMurchy will be doing their sponsored parachute jump at and airfield at Perth.

The same night Catherine's ceilidh will be held at the Village Hall in Tarbert, David's home village.

The Keelies and the Bungalow Bar Revival will perform. Admission is free donations may be made at the door.

David's wife Karen said: 'The fund raising is going really well. We have sponsor forms out all over Campbeltown and Tarbert. David's mother raised nearly £1,000 in donations at the Tarbert music festival alone.

'We'd like to thank everyone who has given us so much support.'

Council delays move to ACHA

THE HOUSING stock transfer from Argyll and Bute Council to Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA) has been postponed.

It was due to take place on Tuesday but after an emergency item put before Argyll and Bute Council last week councillors decided that without certain information being available, the transfer of nearly 6,000 homes could not take place.

Now both sides have given reassurances that the transfer will still go ahead - provisionally now on October 17.

Hitch

The hitch has been described by Malcolm MacFadyen, the council's lead officer for stock transfer, as relating to one or two 'technical matters'.

'There are one or two issues to be resolved between the council and ACHA that have prevented the transfer closing in the timescale expected; but we are hopeful that it will go forward during the course of October,' he said.

Housing spokesman Councillor George Freeman said: 'What the council is doing is transferring its stock and the whole basis of stock transfer is to achieve the 'Scottish Housing Quality Standard' which all local authorities are required to have by 2015.'

'Our responsibility is to the tenants and tax payers of Argyll and Bute so we agreed that we would postpone it,' he added.

The report before councillors stated: 'The issue is not concerned with the fundability or viability of ACHA's business plan but rather the deliverability of the promises made to tenants.' It added that the council's advisers DTZ Consulting and Research had advised that although ACHA's financial assumptions were the association's to manage there was a 'lack of transparency', which would give the council a level of assurance that the investment plan could be delivered.

Chief Executive of ACHA Alastair MacGregor said it was inevitable in a project of such a size that there would be outstanding issues to resolve.

'We took a view with the council that it was better to wait a couple of weeks to get it right. ACHA is of the view that [the quality standard] can be met by 2015 and we have given them our assurance that it can be met.'

Police files

Police investigate

POLICE inquiries are on going into an attempt to break into the doctors' surgery in Bowmore, Islay, on Friday morning.

Reported

A man has been reported to the procurator fiscal after an alleged assault on Saturday morning on Lady Mary Row, Campbeltown.

Bail breached

A WOMAN was arrested for allegedly breaching her bail conditions in the Queen Street area of Campbeltown on Tuesday last week.

Arrested

POLICE officers in Campbeltown had to carry out a number of arrests in the last seven days.

These included: a man arrested at night on Thursday for an alleged breach of the peace in Burnbank street; another man for a similar offence early on Friday morning on Stewart Road.

In a separate incident on Limecraigs Road on Friday night a man was arrested for allegedly committing assault, in an incident, which occurred on Main Street.

Early on Saturday a man was charged with allegedly obstructing police who were in the process of arresting a friend of his who had allegedly committed a breach of the peace.

Another arrest for an alleged breach of the peace occurred on Glebe Street that morning.

Sunday October 1 saw five arrested for incidents including breach of bail, breach of the peace and resisting arrest in the Dalintober area; an alleged assault and breach of the peace on Main Street; an alleged assaulted at Machrihanish, another allegation of breach of the peace at Castle Hill and threatening behaviour at Machrihanish.

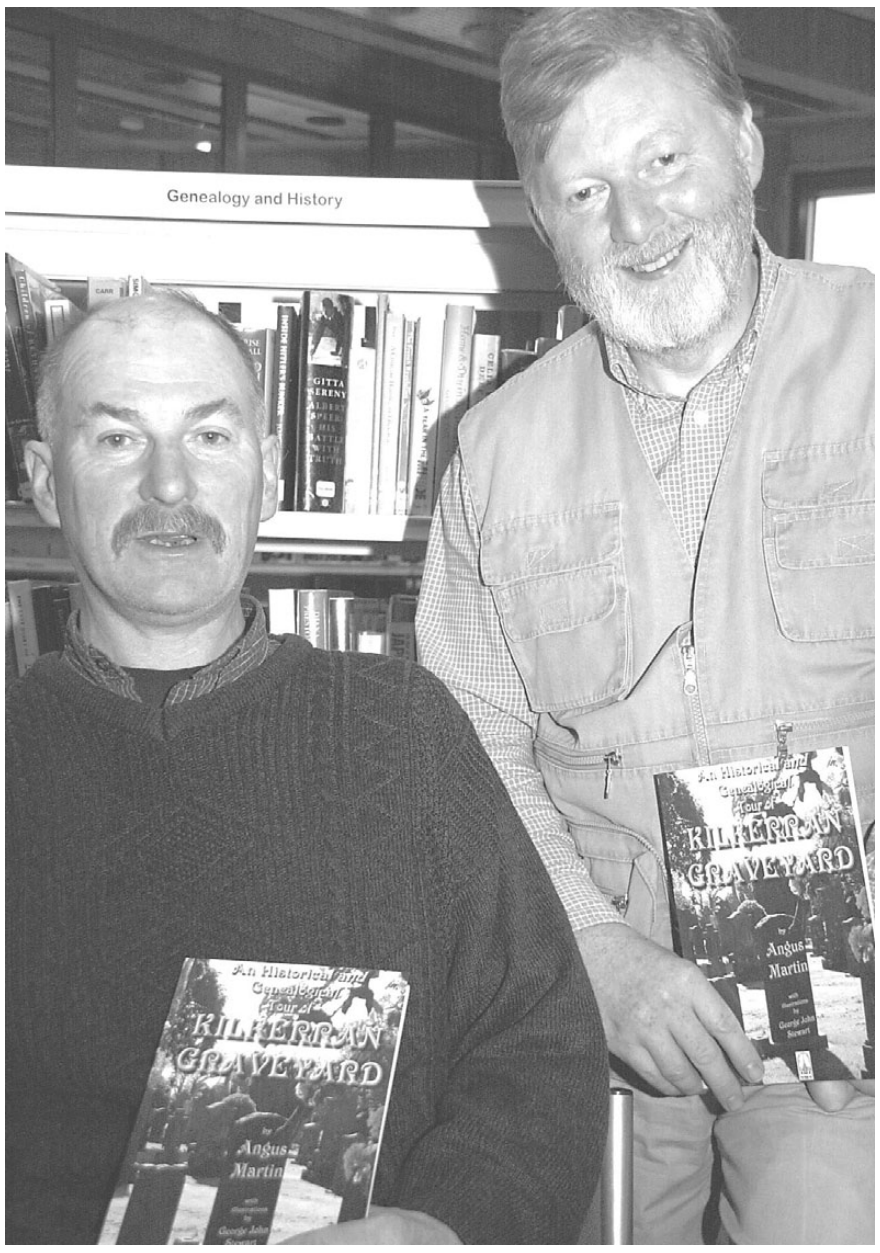
Tuesday saw a man arrested early in the morning for an alleged breach of the peace, assault of police officer and possession of controlled drugs.

Garden seat stolen

A GARDEN seat was stolen from a property at John Street, Campbeltown, on Sunday.

BB gun

POLICE on Islay have received a complaint from members of the public about youths using a BB gun at Port Ellen.



Angus Martin, left, and George John Stewart were at the library at Aqualibrium to sign copies of their latest book. c40kcs01

Words and pictures on a fascinating subject

THERE'S something about graveyards that fascinates people, Angus Martin included and sales have been brisk for the book he launched last week along with its illustrator George John Stewart.

An Historical and Genealogical Tour of Kilkerran Graveyard has been published by Kintyre Civic Society.

The book follows the very successful guided tours of the graveyard Angus has given in person through the auspices of the Kintyre Civic Society.

As he writes in the introduction to his book: 'Graveyards clearly fascinate many folk, myself included. Granted, there may be an element of the morbid, but there is much else to experience.'

Research

His detailed research and his affection for his subject mean that the book more than fulfils the introduction's promise of 'hidden depths of history, biography and genealogy'.

This is the twelfth book Angus has had published.

The illustrations throughout are by George John Stewart, the artist and illustrator who started the popular Oyster Catcher Gallery in Campbeltown in 1989.

His work is in private collections in the UK, Europe, North America and Australia.

The pictures and the prose combine to make a knowledgeable, gentle and highly entertaining read about what is, after all, a sombre subject.

The Kintyre Civic Society formally launched the book at the library at Aqualibrium, Campbeltown, on Thursday September 28, with a book signing session.

It is now on sale at bookshops in the town.

One of UK's richest buys hotel group

The Swallow Hotel group is bought by Tony Khalastchi

ONE of the UK's richest men has purchased the Swallow Hotel group, which owns both the White Hart and MacGochan's bar in Campbeltown.

Hundreds of employees feared their jobs would be lost after it was revealed last month that Swallow had gone into administration.

However, the staff working in the company's 240 pubs and hotels were able to breath a sigh of relief after it was revealed that the Flodrive group, an investment vehicle owned by Tony Khalastchi, had come forward to buy the troubled group.

It is understood the company paid more than £1 million to take over the leases on the properties.

Mr Khalastchi already owns freeholds to the properties and bought the lease from Ernst and Young, the company appointed to deal with the administration, for an undisclosed sum.

Commenting on the sale, one of the joint administrators, Roy Bailey, said: 'We are delighted to have made early progress in salvaging a material part of the hotel and pub portfolio and importantly securing the jobs of almost 2,500 employees.'

According to the Britain's Rich List 2006, Mr Khalastchi is ranked at 535 with net assets valued at £105 million. He is also ranked at 36 in this year's richest newcomers. He is a familiar face at London's auction rooms and his family's two property groups, Flodrive and Strandpark Properties, made more than £13m profit on £65m sales in 2004-05.

Esplanade nears completion

WORK on Campbeltown's esplanade is now well on the way to completion, with new railings now installed and new pathways being constructed.

Councillor Donald Kelly said: 'After three years of lobbying, I'm delighted at long last construction work has now started.

'This will take approximately eight weeks to complete.

'It's hoped that further funding will be identified next year to complete the section of walk way between the old and new quays in Campbeltown.'

Mr Kelly is also hopeful that at some point in the future a bandstand can be built in this area.

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Knife man locked up

A YOUNG man was sentenced to four months behind bars at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week after he pled guilty to carrying a knife.

Dean Lee Stephen Crooks, aged 23, of 7 Rhudal Cottages, Drumlemble, also pled guilty to committing a breach of the peace and attempting to defeat the end of justice by escaping from a marked police vehicle after being arrested. All these offences were committed whilst on bail.

Depute fiscal David Glancy told the court that police were called to a disturbance at Campbeltown's Tesco store in Lochend Street at around 7.25pm on the evening of August 27 this year.

On arrival they saw a number of people dispersing and a lady approached the police to tell them what had happened previously.

They then encountered Crooks walking towards them. He was intoxicated and was holding a knife. As soon as he saw the police he threw the knife under a lorry parked nearby.

Officers approached him and he began shouting and swearing. He was told to calm down but continued his behaviour and as a result was arrested and placed in a marked police car.

The police then became involved with another matter at the scene involving a group who were disorderly.

At this point, Crooks managed to escape from the police vehicle and run off.

Defence agent James McEwan said Crooks has an alcohol and drugs problem and was extremely intoxicated on the evening the offence took place, having consumed one and a half bottles of vodka.

He said Crooks had a difficult upbringing, witnessing a stabbing when he was just 13-years-old.

He said Crooks has had a clean slate for the last five years.

Sheriff William Dunlop said: 'You saw a stabbing about 10 years ago so you armed yourself with a knife? You told the preparer of the social inquiry report that you would have used the knife if you had a reason. Have you any idea the damage this can do? There's no way this can be dealt with other than by way of custody.'

Social club members celebrate their third birthday in style

Members of the Monday Social Club gathered to celebrate their third birthday in what was their last ever gathering in the Dalintober and Millknowe Tenants and Residents Association Flat in Parliament Place, Campbeltown. The area is being demolished to make way for a new development. The Monday Social Club will now meet at Hazelburn. c38mon01

Campbeltown Sheriff Court

Woman fined for breach of the peace

COMMITTING a breach of the peace resulted in a woman being fined £250 at a trial at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week.

Elizabeth Cook, aged 35, of 1 Port Ann, Lochgilphead, was also found not proven of assaulting a 14-year-old girl.

The court heard Cook was at Machribeg Caravan Park in Southend when she allegedly hit the girl. The police were called later that day and, on arrival, Cook began shouting and swearing at them. As a result she was arrested.

Defence agent James McEwan said the assault was 50/50, with the young girl striking Cook first. He said Cook could not understand why the police were involved and was distressed by this.

'It seems to have been an unfortunate accident,' said Mr McEwan, 'whereby the catch was not in working order.' Bainbridge was also fined £200.

Three penalty points for lorry driver

DRIVING a lorry with the rear door insecurely fastened resulted in a man having three penalty points imposed on his licence. John Roland Bainbridge, aged 63, of 1 Fair View Gardens, Chifton, Penrith, pled guilty to committing the offence on January 16 this year.

Campbeltown Sheriff Court heard that police were carrying out investigations into an accident on the A83 near Stonefield Castle. Part of the road was closed off and BEAR Scotland was operating a traffic control system. Two vehicles were parked on the carriageway when Bakenbridge drove past. At this point the door of the lorry Bainbridge was driving swung open and hit the parked vehicles.

Defence agent James McEwan said Bainbridge drives for a living and has an unblemished 37-year driving licence. He said he had already travelled around 37 miles from Campbeltown when the incident occurred.

Sentence deferred

SENTENCE was deferred for six months on a man who committed a breach of the peace.

Donald MacKinnon, aged 40, of 6 Elder Crescent, Bowmore, Islay, pled guilty to carrying out the offence at the island's Port Ellen Police Office, on September 16 this year. Defence agent James McEwan said MacKinnon had a history with someone there, which was why the incident took place.

Man assaults woman

A MAN was fined £300 at Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week when he admitted assaulting a woman.

Stewart Duncan McGeachy of 14 Mill Street, Campbeltown, pled guilty to committing the offence on March 4 this year. Depute fiscal David Glancy told the court that 27-year-old McGeachy was in the Kinloch Bar in Saddell Street, Campbeltown with the woman when he was asked to leave.

On doing so he seized the woman by the throat and struck her on the face.

Defence agent James McEwan said McGeachy and the woman had been arguing all night when the offence occurred.

He said McGeachy regrets his behaviour and has been to see his doctor with a view to getting some help for an alcohol problem. McGeachy was also banned from entering the Kinloch Bar for six months.

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Celebrate Catriona's ordination

THE PRESBYTERY of Argyll is meeting tomorrow (Saturday 7) to ordain the Reverend Catriona Hood to the Auxiliary Ministry in the Church of Scotland.

The ordination takes place in the Lorne and Lowland Church, Campbeltown at 2pm. This service is for anyone wishing to attend and particular welcome is extended to the congregations which shared in Catriona's training: Skipness, Kilcalmonell, Southend, Ardrishaig and South Knapdale.

Catriona is the principal teacher of English at Lochgilphead High School, but is currently depute head teacher. Auxiliary ministry means Catriona keeps the work she loves in Lochgilphead High School but assists ministers and parishes on a part-time, voluntary basis. The service will be conducted by the moderator of the Presbytery of Argyll, Reverend Brian Wilkinson and the preacher will be the Reverend Rosemary Legge from Gigha. The scripture lesson will be read by Catriona's head teacher, Ann Devine. Ministry runs in the blood, as Catriona's father, Reverend James W Hood was minister of the Lorne Street Church until his sudden death in 1987. It is a particular sadness that Catriona's mother has died just weeks prior to this ordination.

Staff midwife Anne Binnie and the mums and babies of Kintyre Maternity Services Users Group who helped to raise money for the birthing pool. c37mat01

Birthing pool for booming unit

BUSINESS is booming at Campbeltown Maternity Unit.

More and more mums a choosing to stay in Campbeltown and deliver rather than travel to Glasgow.

Kintyre Maternity Service Users Group members formally handed over the birthing pool, for which they raised money, to Campbeltown Hospital Maternity Unity. This is just part of the success story.

Long before the plaque went up on the wall and the ceremony took place the pool had already been put to good use. Eight babies have already arrived in the world via the pool. Giving birth in the pool is relaxing, helps ease a mother's weight and enable them to get into a comfortable position.

'And the babies are much more contented, not shocked, and very laid back,' said staff midwife Anne Binnie, who accepted the pool on behalf of the maternity unit.

The unit is a phenomenal success; the number of births there has risen by over 500 per cent.

'It is about informed choice, risk assessed throughout pregnancy; we are a midwife-led unit,' said Anne.

In 2003 there were only two births in the unit; 10 in 2004 and last year there were 17, The score so far in 2006 is 10 with another four on the way.

Kintyre Maternity Services Group raised the money for the birthing pool, another portable one for home use and a library of books for the maternity department.

They have also helped to provide TENS machines and birthing balls which are used by mothers.

Culture year cash call

ARGYLL is to benefit from more than £400,000 of funding for Highland 2007 events.

These are to project the identity of Argyll within the overall national celebrations during Scotland's Year of Highland Culture.

Of this funding, £200,000 is to be used to fund a range of events including a specially commissioned Youth Performance Event, an Argyll Rhapsody, co-ordinated by Capercaillie star Donald Shaw.

The remaining £200,000 will be available to organisations throughout Argyll and Bute which are being encouraged to apply for financial help towards hosting other major events and festivals during 2007.

Argyll and the Islands Enterprise, Argyll and Bute Council, Scottish Enterprise Dunbartonshire and the Highland 2007 team are all working together to promote the Argyll and Bute profile within the national celebrations.

Ken Abernethy, chief executive of Argyll and the Islands Enterprise, said: 'The funding will enable Argyll and Bute to host a very exciting programme for the year Scotland celebrates Highland culture.

'The cultural events taking place as part of Highland 2007 will be accessible not only to many of our local communities but which will attract considerable numbers of visitors into Argyll.'

Councillor Robin Banks, depute leader of Argyll and Bute Council, is urging interested parties to make contact soon with regard to potential applications.

He said: 'The deadlines for applications for support for major events and festivals has been set for October 31 2006 but it is recommended that applicants contact us as soon as possible to discuss event proposals.'

Application packs are available from Patricia McCrossan on 01369-703214.

They can also be downloaded from www.argyll-bute.gov.uk .

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Left to right: Pastor Chris Holden, Rev Martin Forrest, Bill Bristow, Rev Mike Lind and Rev Philip Burroughs present the books to chief librarian Sue Fortune at Campbeltown Library. c38bib01

Fraternal gift of books

THE LOCAL ministers fraternal have given a set of brand new books, worth more than £800, to the new Campbeltown Library.

Pastor Chris Holden, the secretary for the South Kintyre Ministers Fraternal, said it was a way to ensure that important and classic books with a Christian background were easily available when he presented the collection to Sue Fortune, the chief librarian.

The gift is part of a national scheme called Speaking Volumes, and was founded in 1968 by the Christian Book Promotion Trust. It recommends a set of mainstream religious books chosen by a national panel of literary experts from all the major denominations.

Over the last year 127 libraries have been given sets of the books.

Pastor Holden said: 'Money to pay for the books has been given by a number of church congregations in the area, to enable all in the community to read of important social ideas, adventurers' lives and inspiring faith.

'The selection includes books for all ages along with some specially selected DVDs.' Among the 145 titles are *The Lions, Witch and the Wardrobe, Run Baby Run, Coping with Cancer and John Newton – a Slave Set Free.*

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Wedding belles and graduation stars

Double joy for Peninver's Laura

Laura Marshall, daughter of Alistair and Alison Boyd, Peninver, graduated recently from St Andrew's University with a Masters Degree in Chemistry with first class honours in Chemistry, Medicinal and External Placement. Laura, former Dux of Campbeltown Grammar School, is returning to St Andrew's to study for a PhD in Chemistry.

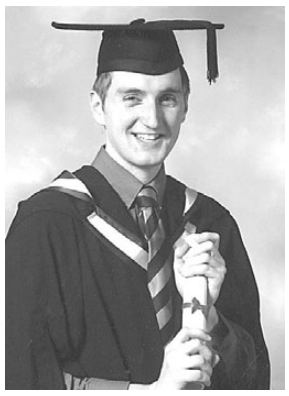
But this year saw a double joy for Laura, who was married to Lewis Marshall from Newton Mearns at A' Chleit Church on July 22.

Laura Jane Livingstone graduated from Glasgow University with an MA Hons in Geography. Laura is the daughter of William and Margaret Livingstone, Emerivale, Lochview Avenue, Campbeltown, and is the grand-daughter of Duncan and Martha Sharp, Harbour View, Campbeltown.

Hand your wedding and graduation photographs in to the *Campbeltown Courier* office and have them printed in the paper free of charge. Alternatively, you can e-mail them to editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk

Right: Congratulations to Elaine Whittle, who graduated from Manchester Metropolitan University with a further professional nursing qualifications. Elaine achieved an Honours 2:1 degree in Community Health. This qualifies Elaine as a specialist practitioner in district nursing and also a a community practitioner nurse prescriber. Elaine is the younger daughter of Neil and Elizabeth McNaughton, Ralston Road, Campbeltown.

Melanie Arnold graduated from Cardiff University with a 2:1 BA Hons in Archaeology. Melanie is the elder daughter of James and Kirsteen Arnold from Pembrokeshire and the grand-daughter of Nancy and the late Duncan Black, Calton Avenue, Campbeltown. Melanie is continuing her studies at Cardiff.



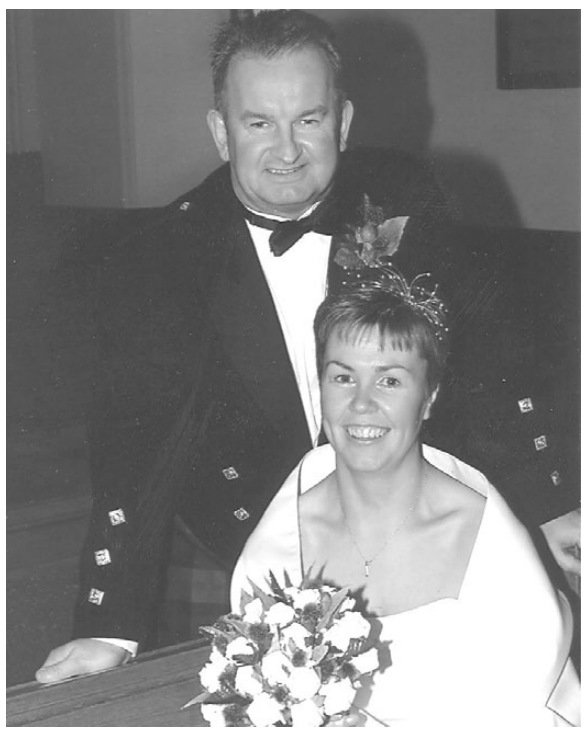
Iain Darroch recently graduated from Manchester Business School with a first class BSc Hons degree in International Management with American Business Studies.

Iain also studied at the University of British Columbia, Canada, and has taken up a post with Deloitte Consulting in London.

Joanna Wallace graduated from Queen Margaret University College, Edinburgh, with a BSc Hons in Speech Pathology and Therapy. Joanna is the daughter of John and Margaret Wallace, Campbeltown, and is now working as a speech and language therapist in Glasgow, within the adult acute services.

Right:Darren Brodie and Kimberley Haig were married on July 22, 2006, at Rothesay Castle. Darren is the son of Neil and Lisa Brodie of Smith Drive, Campbeltown, and Kimberley is the daughter of Ian and Mary from Rothesay.

Corrinna Mills and William Armour were married in Campbeltown Registrar Office on July 13, 2006. Corrinna is the eldest daughter of Margaret Mills, Tarbert, and the grand-daughter of the late Fred Mills and Cora Clark, Muasdale. William is the son of the late Sandra Armour of Crosshill Avenue, Campbeltown, and the grandson of Robin MacBrayne, Ardrishaig.



Katrina Colville and Dougie McCallum were married at St Ninian's Old Parish Church in Stirling on February 25, 2006, by the Rev Gary McIntyre. Katrina is the youngest daughter of Willie and Catherine, 21 Burnside Cottages, Stewarton, and Dougie is the youngest son of Margaret and the late Archie McCallum of 43 Meadows Avenue, Campbeltown.

Morna O'May, daughter of Alex and Catherine Irvine, Kyle, Drumore Park, Campbeltown, graduated from the University of Stirling with a BA with Merit in Religious Studies and Sociology. Morna is now studying for a Masters Degree in Celtic and Pagan Traditions. At present she is the education programme manager at Darnley Career Academy, Stirling.

Fiona Margaret Bell graduated from Leeds University with a first class BA Hons in International History and Politics. Daughter of Charlie and Marion Bell, Southend, and grand-daughter of the late Willie and Dolly Sorley, Ardtornish, Morvern. Fiona is currently studying for an MA in Political Communications at Leeds University.

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Coffee in Campbeltown

The Kintyre branch of Macmillan cancer Care played its part in the biggest coffee morning in the world by holding a coffee evening instead on Thursday September 28.

The town hall in Campbeltown was packed with people who went along to have a cup of coffee and show their support for the fight against cancer and providing care for patients.

The Kintyre branch has more than 20 people who regularly help with coffee mornings, Christmas events, the Macmillan Mile and their very popular prize bingo evenings. The next of these is to be held at Stronvaar Bowling Club on October 26. Some of the members of the committee who helped on Thursday: back row, left to right: Iona McIntosh, Lorna Millar, Audrey Houston, Elizabeth McCallum, Moira Wareham, chairwoman and Jennifer Cameron. c40mac01

There was a good turnout at the Friends of Auchinlee Coffee Morning which was held recently in the Town Hall, Campbeltown. These ladies enjoyed catching up with one another over a tasty cuppa.

THE MEMBERS of the Mairi Semple Cancer Fund put the kettle on, on Saturday morning.

The committee members held another of their successful coffee mornings at the town hall, complete with a raffle and sale of home baking and plants.

The amount raised by the fund in 2006 alone is £2,760.

Donations made by the fund this year include: Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice, £900; Beatson Hospital, £1,500; Yorkhill Hospital, £1,500 and CHAS, £900.

Saturday also marked the occasion of the Rev John Paton standing down from the post of chairman of the fund after 22 years; Marion Warnock is the new chairman. c40sem01

Phone woes for Ugadale

A VETERINARY surgeon and an internet run computer company both faced a delay of up to three weeks after their telephone lines were brought down.

Jonathan Hooper the vet, Tree of Life Computers and a handful of other neighbours at Ugadale found themselves in the dilemma last week after what is thought to be a logging lorry brought down overhead lines.

Their phone lines are back on this week following a temporary repair but only, they feel after they 'jumped up and down' complaining at length and taking the matter to Alan Reid MP for Argyll and Bute.

The problem began, Mr Hooper said on September 22; the temporary repair was not in place until September 30. 'Originally BT told us three weeks for a repair because they couldn't get hold of some temporary traffic lights, which is a load of baloney.'

He explained that as a practising vet he needed a phone line in an emergency for his clients to contact him; he had to make do with calls diverted to his mobile phone.

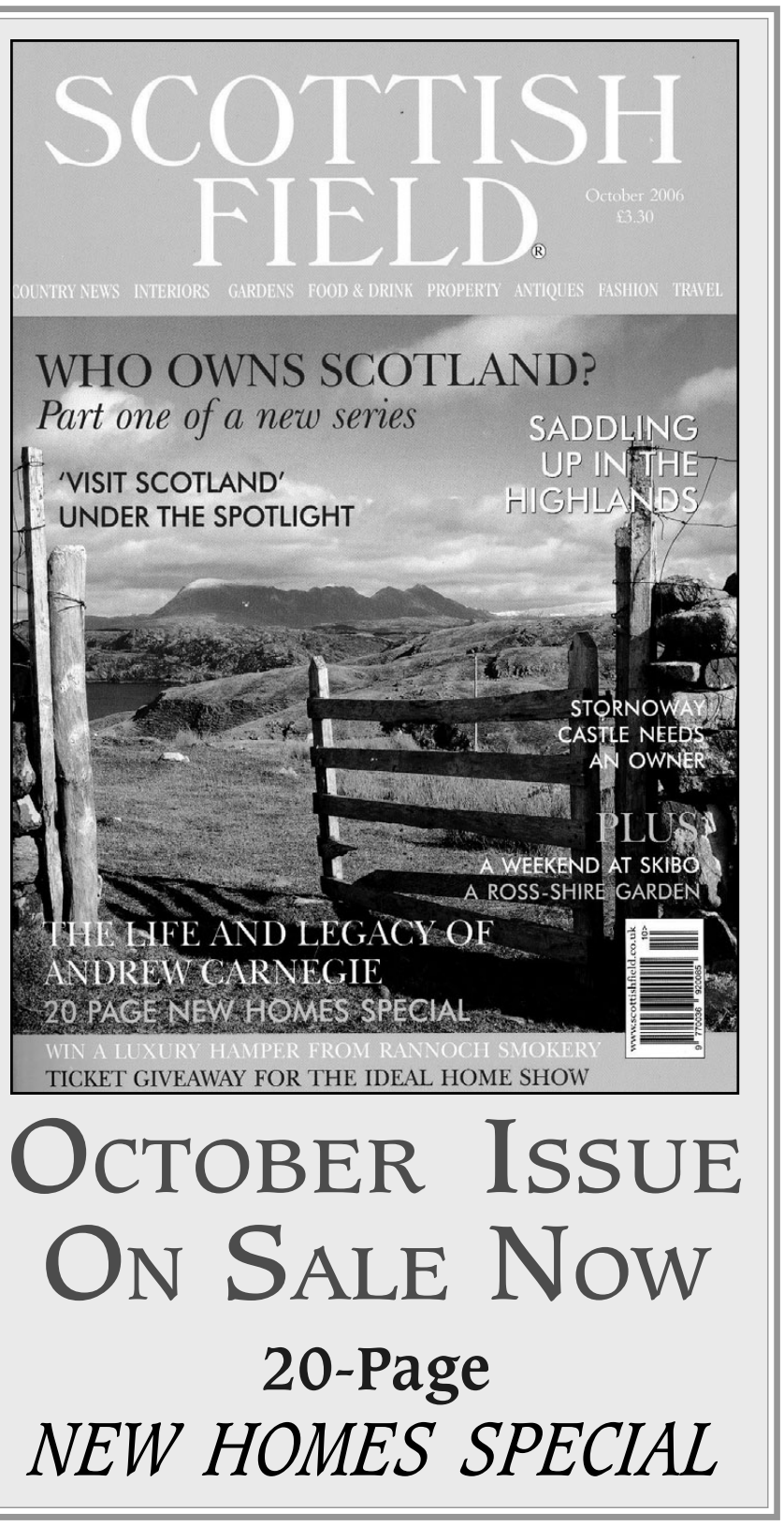
For Tree of Life the problem was a financial one.

'It is absolutely vital to our business that we can contact out customers and out suppliers and that they can contact us,' said Roland Pullen, one of the partners in the firm. Mr Pullen contacted Mr Reid and met him at his Campbeltown surgery to discuss the matter.

'I don't understand why such a simple repair should take over two weeks to organise,' said Mr Reid who contacted BT staff to investigate and carry out the repair as soon as possible.

A spokesman for BT said: 'Our engineers restored telephone service to the affected customers on Saturday. They carried out temporary repairs and managed to re-route the lines without having to erect the new poles. It will be several weeks before we take delivery of the specialist cable and can carry out the permanent repair.'

He added that the repair required 350 metres of specialist cable because of the distance of these homes from the exchange that services them. 'This cable is not available, 'off the shelf' and has to be ordered direct from the manufacturer,' he said.



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Joan Bisset and Tracey Strang are the third generation of the family to run the Dellwood.

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Neil and Janet MacLean on a mediterenean cruise in 1964; Joan and Tracey's Grandparents.

FOR 40 YEARS the Dellwood Hotel has been a home from home for guests visiting Campbeltown.

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It all began back in October 1966 when Bill Davidson successfully bought a house at auction; housing being auctioned in Campbeltown was a bit of a rarity in those days.

The house in question, Dellwood had been the Longrow Church manse for more than a 100 years.

By today's standards a house a big as Dellwood might be considered too large for a Minister, especially as on occasion the Minister would be a single man, but in those days visiting elders and others would have had to stay overnight when visiting Campbeltown and would be guests of the minister.

Bill bought Dellwood on behalf of himself and his wife Renee; his in-laws, Neil and Janet McLean and Neil Mclean, his brother-in-law.

They began by doing bed and breakfast and slowly but surely over the years carried out improvements to the fabric of the building. In 1991 the private en-suite bathrooms were added.

Every time they redecorated they made sure that the unique original features of Dellwood were preserved.

Today the hotel has 12-bedrooms and a honeymoon suite, a stylish dining room, a bar lounge and a plush but welcoming residents television lounge.

Today Dellwood offers bed and breakfast and evening meals for residents.

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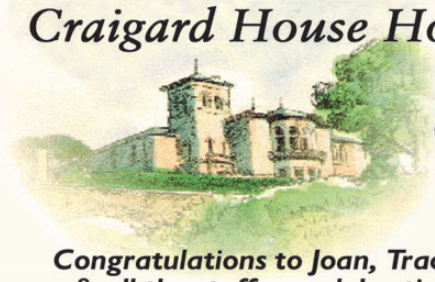
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The best compliment you can pay a hotel is by returning to stay there again and over the years the Dellwood has built up a loyal and devoted following.

A bowling club from Greenock has stayed there for 20 years when it pays its regular visits to play against Campbeltown bowlers.

For many American and RAF service families transferred to serve at the then Machrihanish base, their first taste of Scottish hospitality was staying at Dellwood until they moved into their own accommodation.

The teams behind the Vestas Celtic wind farm stayed for over a year.

One customer is such a regular that he was invited to dress up and be Santa for the Dellwood Christmas parties.

Today the third generation of the extended family now runs the Dellwood in the form of Renee's daughters Joan Bisset and Tracey Strang.

As well as the same family many of the staff at the Dellwood have been with the hotel for years, another sign of a well run and happy establishment.

Then there is the question of the 'Dellwood dollies' as the young girls who have worked at the Dellwood over the years have come to be affectionately known.

In the past 40 years seasonal jobs and weekend jobs have provided work experience and cash for teenagers and college students home for the summer. There is hardly a family in Campbeltown, which does not have someone who has helped out at the Dellwood over the years.

Today Joan Mackenzie and Shona Reid are the main staff members who have been with the hotel for a long time and oversee its day-to-day running.

They are 'helped' by Bodkin, the official cat-in-residence who welcomes guests adds to the family, home-from-home atmosphere.

Bodkin, like all those guests who come back again and again, knows he's on to a good thing.

Congratulations Dellwood on 40 years at the heart of Campbeltown life and here's to decades more to come.

The bar lounge area has a nautical theme.

Sunlight filters through the blinds of the Dellwood's pretty honeymoon suite.

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Thought for the week

WE'VE had some fierce winds recently here in Argyll. I felt sorry for the folk on holiday in the various caravan sites along the west coast when the tale-end of Hurricane Gordon hit land.

They must have had a few uncomfortable hours in the middle of that night.

Then I remembered the poor souls around the Gulf of Mexico, who are still suffering from the after-effects of Hurricane Katrina. They could tell us a thing or two about the strength of the wind.

Jesus had something to say about the wind. 'I tell you, no-one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit. … The wind blows where it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.'

We can see the effects of the wind: waves tossing, branches swaying and clouds blowing overhead. But we can't actually see the wind.

Nor can we see God's Holy Spirit, but we can see what he is doing in lives transformed when people are born again, when they come to faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

(See John 3:5, 8)

Irene Howat

Down Memory Lane

This picture was submitted by Renee Davidson. of Creagdhu Mansions, Campbeltown. Renee, wife of the late Bill Davidson, has been retired from the Dellwood Hotel for 18 years. Her mum is on the first left. The seven sisters are, from the top: Janet McLean, Mary McGeachy, Maggie Ferguson, Lizzy McKellar, Nelly Mathieson, Katrine McMillan and Agnes Paterson The girls were the family of Dougal and Catherine Mathieson. They also had sons Daniel and Dougal and lived in Burnside Street, Campbeltown.

Those Were The Days

***The Campbeltown Courier*, October 4 1990**

Ferry decision imminent says Scottish Secretary

THE delay on the Campbeltown-Ballycastle ferry decision is now due to ongoing negotiations with Sea Containers, said the Secretary of State for Scotland, Michael Forsyth, last week.

The comments were made in an exclusive interview with the *Courier* during his one-day visit to the island of Islay on Wednesday September 7.

First of all the problem was the question of the viability of the service, then there was the problem of funding,' said Mr Forsyth, 'And now the source of the delay is the conclusion of the discussions with Sea Containers.'

'I know that the people are anxious to get a decision, but at each stage if I had taken a decision then the answer would have been no.

'The ball is now with Sea Containers, and those discussions are ongoing, but I hope that they will be concluded very soon.'

Treasury rules state that, as with many government contracts these days, the private sector must be consulted before any decisions can be made.

This means that although the Scottish Office's operator Caledonian MacBrayne would prefer to run the service, all other private tenders must be considered.

Mr Forsyth has, however, made it clear to the CalMac board of directors that if the service does go ahead is to be awarded to a private contractor, then they will have to provide the boat.

Cave painting thanks

Sir,

The person who carried out the act of desecration on the cave painting has not yet been identified.

This is to be regretted but given the element of total surprise it is plain to see how easily the man could come and go undetected.

However, I do not think we should be too despondent over this.

The combined and resolute efforts of Mr and Mrs Turner, Ronald Togneri and, not forgetting that hardy craftman ship of, Jock Campbell in the frastructure, have given us back the picture - and more.

Mr Togneri, recognising the urgency of the matter in view of shortening daylight hours, with characteristic purpose and energy, and as time and tide allowed, completed the restoration in half a dozen visits. But more than that, by using his imagination and professional skill, and not just bny patching up and general repair work, he has restored the painting as nearly as possible to its original concept.

And so, an act of villanous vandalismwhich chocked and saddened us all, has in the end become a success story of which the man himself who started it all, Archie McKinnon, would surely have approved.

Fen Sutherland, Campbeltown.

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Seeking former Wrens

Sir,

I have been a member of the Association of Wrens for many years and moved to Kintyre in June.

I have to travel to Glasgow for the nearest branch of the Association and it occurred to me that there may be other former Wrens in the area who would like to share a car or start a branch in Campbeltown. If so, contact Ann Boulton, 8 Muasdale Cottages, Muasdale, or telephone 01583 421359.

Ann Boulton, Muasdale.

Hotels not catering for deaf guests

Sir,

I have a hearing loss and as such wear a hearing aid. When I retire to bed for the night I remove my hearing aid thus becoming 'deaf' to all sounds. I recently visited Argyll for a few days break, it was in fact my first visit to the region and I certainly will visit again. Stunning scenery, magnificent views and the warmth and friendly hospitality received from the people of Argyll – terrific.

Just one problem. I phoned round a number of hotels seeking accommodation for my four nights stay. I explained my hearing problem and asked what provision the hotel had in place to provide for my safety during the night. For example, how I might be alerted to the 'sound' – activation of the fire alarm. One hotel proposed to advise the night porter of my particular need and that if the fire alarm went off the night porter would knock on my bedroom door. I declined to comment further. I am not alone in using a hearing aid. According to the RNID there are some six million people in the UK who have a hearing problem, that relates to one in every seven.

During my visit I noted that, now out of the main holiday season, a number of hotels welcome and cater for coach parties. These parties predominately made up of our more senior citizens or those now retired. Therefore a greater number of 'hearing aid' wearers.

As service providers, hotels are required under the DDA (Disability Discrimination Act) not to discriminate on grounds of a disability. A number of hotels have gone some way to addressing these (DDA) needs by providing access ramps. However, not one hotel that I approached has made any provision for the deaf or hard of hearing. Argyll hotels be ashamed.

I will visit Argyll again and hopefully next time the hotels of Argyll will have 'heard' my plea.

J J Hogan, by email.

Ian Purvis

The Campbeltown Courier would like to point out that Ian Purvis' wife's name is Anne and not as was stated. We apologise for any embarrassment or inconvenience caused.

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Making music in Kintyre

Music has charms to soothe the savage breast
To soften rocks, or bend a knotted oak.
William Congreve
(1670 - 1729),

Kintyre Mature Orchestra

Age is no barrier to making music and new friends.c40orch02

A MOVE is afoot to harness musical talent across the generations in Kintyre.

No one can dispute the fact that the area has some remarkably talented young musicians, the brass band and pipe bands are testimony to that; but what about their parents and grandparents?

Jacqueline FitzGibbon has helped get the Kintyre Mature Orchestra up and running. c40orc01

'It got me thinking, what about all the older generations? These young people have got to have inherited their talent from somewhere,' said Jacqueline FitzGibbon.

So with this in mind Jacqueline wrote to *The Courier* in the summer, proposing an orchestra for older people, to complement the existing wealth of outlets for young musical talent.

Jacqueline urged people to pick up their old instruments once again and get out and make music once more.

The result is the Kintyre Mature Orchestra, which meets every Saturday afternoon in the Campbeltown Heritage Centre.

The oldest member is Iain McAdam, violinist at 85; the youngest members are in their 20s.

'We have 14 or 15 people on our books and because people have other commitments numbers each Saturday can vary,' said Jacqueline, who teaches wind instruments at Campbeltown Grammar School.

Oboe

A professional oboist Jacqueline has taught aboard in places such as Iceland and the Faroe Islands before moving to Kintyre.

'There are lots of lovely people in Kintyre and some very good musicians,' she said.

She is also playing the double bass in the orchestra.

'I decided I wanted to learn the double bass and I didn't want to play by myself so I thought I had better form an orchestra,' Jacqueline said.

New members are always welcome and the KMO would especially like to hear from conductors.

'It is totally about fun and enjoying your music, we are not competitive, we rehearse sitting in a circle ,'she added.

All you need to do join this circle of musicians is to go along on Saturdays at the heritage Centre at 3pm, you will be made to feel very welcome and conductors are especially wanted.

A great Gigha Music Festival

Campbeltown Pipe Band were cheered onto the field.

THIS year's Gigha Music Festival got underway with the fantastic piping and penny whistling skills of Fraser Shaw.

Those who went along were further treated to the beautiful clarsach playing of Rachel Hair.

The 'Wild Sarochs' performed some great tunes featuring the singing of a local favourite, Anne Leith.

The welcome return of a band with local connections called the Thingamajiggers was inspiring.

Also heard was the beautiful singing voice of Siobhan Miller, accompanied on this occasion by her father on guitar.

Kay Johnston did a great job as MC and the night finished with a stage full of talented musicians playing for an enjoyable ceilidh.

Saturday started as usual with a parade from the fire station, the weather being very kind this year.

The Thingamajiggers got things off to a flying start in the marquee before local Highland dancers took to the stage.

This was followed by a group of great line dancers lead by Kathleen McGougan.

There were various stalls and face painters as well as spray paint design run by Gorde Hague.

The brilliant Campbeltown Pipe Band was up next before the Scottish Owl Centre put on a great display.

A few of the local children performed on the piano in the gallery during the day.

Unfortunately the headsets purchased especially for this event let them down and people had to strain their ears or lip-read.

Many local children have been encouraged to take up playing instruments after hearing them played at the annual music festival.

The Thingamajiggers returned to the stage followed by the delightful singing of Lauren Milloy.

There was poetry reading, too.

The afternoon closed with the tug-of-war.

Because Alec McKenzie was unable to attend, he recited his poem about the community buy out in the hotel lounge later that day, accompanied by some book signings.

The junior competition was won by the Gigha team and the adult's section by the visitors.

Evening events in the village kicked off with local favourite Lorne McDougall on the pipes. Sylvia Barnes and Chelsea McLean from Campbeltown also treated everyone to some great singing.

Lauren McColl skilfully played the fiddle, accompanied by Barry Reid on acoustic guitar.

After a short interval, Moishef Bagel took to the stage. They blew everyone away and had several standing ovations.

The evening finished with another favourite, Deoch and Dorus playing for the ceilidh. The committee would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who played at the event, everyone who helped out in any way, and everyone who attended.

The Thingamajiggers got things off to a flying start in the marquee.

Kathleen McGougan led the line dancers

Market news

Ewe trade up at Oban

CALEDONIAN Marts Stirling had 3382 sheep forward at Oban for their annual sale of cast ewes, gimmers and ewe lambs.

Blackface ewes sold to a top of £32 from SH Troughton, Ardachy, to average at £25.70, up £8.71 on the year.

Cheviot cross ewes were up £7.07 on the year at £29.65 and sold to £40 from J Mellor, Knipoch Beag.

Cross ewes sold to £61 from I Campbell and Sons, Strongorm to average at £42.10 for the 401 sold, an increase of 39.91 on the year.

Gimmers sold to £71 for Mules from Fiart, Lismore while Mule ewe lambs from Seaview sold to £55.

Laggan Blackface gimmers sell to £115 at Stirling

UNITED Auctions had an entry of 7705 for their Blackface ewe and gimmer and stock sheep sale at Stirling on Monday.

The main feature of the breeding stock sale was a pen of 20 Blackface ewes from E MacMillan, Lurg, Fintry which sold to Messrs McIness, Grassyards at £190 per head.

A strong entry of Blackface gimmers were topped by Laggan Farms, Kilmartin, Argyll which sold a pen of five gimmers at £115 per head to M/s McVicar, Lephinchapel.

Lamb trade rises at Dalmally

UNITED Auctions held a sale of 3678 lambs and sheep at Dalmally Auction Mart on Saturday.

The entry of lambs consisted mainly of longer keeping sorts and sold at enhanced values. Feeding ewes sold in keeping with current market values.

Rare Breed champion at Oban Livestock Centre came from Douglas Laurie, Barslair, Bridgecastle, Bathgate, with a Hebridean gimmer by Winkwell Canna out of Laggandorain Crabapple t40rar14

Largest ever Hebridean breed sale is held at Oban centre

THE SIXTH Highlands and Islands sale of Hebridean sheep and rare breeds was held at Oban Livestock Centre last Saturday when Caledonian Marts auctioned 148 breeding Hebrideans - the largest sale of Hebridean sheep ever held.

Top price was 520gns for a shearling ram from Donald Ferguson, North Uist. Ewes sold to 30gns from Graeme Blair Lochgilphead; gimmers sold to 180gns for the show champion from Douglas Laurie, Bathgate; and ewe lambs sold to 60gns from Dr H A Hartley, Skye. Aged rams sold to 180gns from Jeff and Enid Moore, Yorkshire; and ram lambs to 110gns from Barslair.

OBAN - Caledonian Marts

Ewes
Swale Teanga £31
Blackface: Turnault £29
Cheviot: Slaterich £37
Mule: Strongorm £53
Charollais; Ardonia £54
Texel: 5 Tomaig £56
Gimmers
Mule - Fiart £71
Cross: Lochnell Home farm £70
Charollais: Ardonia £70
Cheviot: Slaterich £37
Texel: Balliemeanoch £63
Blackface: Kintraw £60
Bleu du Maine: Pine Lodge £58
Ewe lambs
Mule: Seaview £55
Cross: Fiart £50
Cheviot: Fiart £48
Charollais :Ardonia 346
Blackface: Slaterich £38.

DALMALLY - United Auctions

Lambs
SuffolkX: £41 Ardchatten Home Farm: £38 Oatfield Lodge.
TexelX: £38.50 Goatfield Farm : £36 Craigmore
Cross: £33.50 Goatfield Farm
Mule: £34 Garvachy
Blackface: £34 Dunans £27 Barbreck Farm Partnership
Ewes
TexelX: £34 and £31 Silvercraigs
Cross: £24 Brenchoille
Mule: £31 Silvercraigs £27 Barbreck Farm Partnership
Blackface: £26 Gallanach Estate
Rams
Suffolk: £140 Barguillean Partnership
Cheviot: £130 (2), £120 & £100 Barguillean Partnership
Beltex X: £110 Barguillean Part.
Price per kilo
Lambs
SuffolkX: 118p Balindore
TexelX: 126p Silvercraigs 125p Ellary Farms 120p Brenchoille
Cheviot: 108p Ellary Farms
Blackface: 106p Castles Estate 97p Ederline Estate.

A wider market spread for First Milk's £61m deal with Dairy Crest

'This is the only option. This is the way forward.' - Robert Millar, First Milk director

FIRST Milk has become the largest UK-based cheese supplier after a £61.9 million deal with Dairy Crest, taking over the majority of its cheese operations.

The deal includes creameries in the Lake District and Wales plus a cheese packing and a whey processing plant.

The figures announced for Dairy Crest in March of this year values these net assets at £60.5 million; they made an estimated operating profit of £3.4 million on sales of £192.4 million.

The purchase will be financed by cash, bank debt and a capital contribution from First Milk members of 0.5p a litre; the whole deal being conditional on the approval of the milk co perative's members.

Jim McLaren the NFU Scotland milk committee chairman and vice president described it as a 'positive step forward'.

He said: 'The deal provides a substantial foothold in a very competitive sector, as well as providing a great platform to drive additional value into the company through future product and marketing development and branding.

But Robert Macintyre, of Bute, a former director of First Milk, says he has 'a wee bit of foreboding' about the venture.

'It's an awful lot of money to borrow. First Milk members are being asked to fork out 0.5pence a litre between now and when they go to their grave.'

He was also concerned that the branded names such as Cathedral Cheddar were still be kept by Dairy Crest.

'The cheese from Arran Bute and Campbeltown commands a substantial premium, for example, while this cheese does not.'

But then Mr Macintyre admitted: 'I'm very cynical now; I've been round the milk business for a long while now.'

The present local director Robert Millar disagrees with his view. He said that First Milk had no option but to buy because to remain as it was to become un-viable. 'The problem is the price of milk is going down, down and down,' he said. 'It is being controlled by so few, the supermarkets and processors. This move gives us a better control of our market.

'Members of First Milk will hold an extraordinary general meeting in Worcestershire on October 11; all members have had ballot papers.

Mr Millar said he did not know how the Kintyre members would vote.

'Up until now First Milk has been solely a milk broker.

'This is not just about getting bigger its is to get a wider spread of the milk field so that we have brokerage, processing and cheese making.'

He added that some of the cheese would still find its way onto supermarket shelves, but it would now also being sold to specialist cheese shops.

'It lets us market our own cheese,' he said.

'It creates a link between the producers and consumers.'

Mr Millar added: To continue as we were was not viable., not viable at all.

'The price being paid for milk today is not viable. So this is the only option. This is the way forward.'

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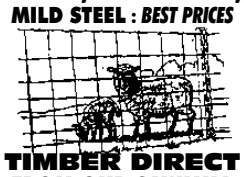
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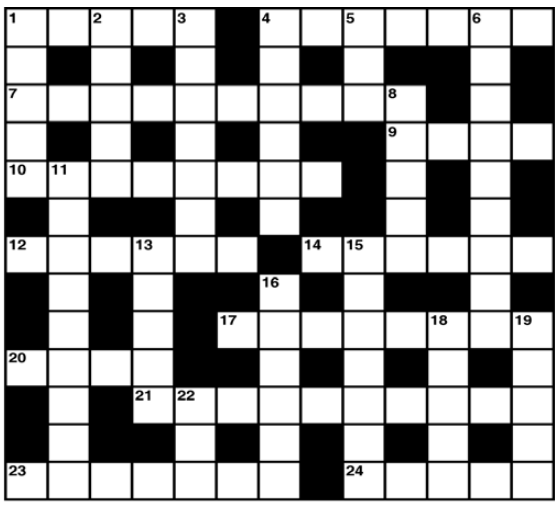

THE THINKER

ACROSS
1 Sketches grassland from the east (5)
4 Happy with most of what's inside (7)
7 SAS in a last struggle with attackers (10)
9 Does arithmetic for children (4)
10 Girl, university friend, comes every year (8)
12 Hitman seen in bandage (6)
14 Account with very little money causes stress (6)
17 Arrived carrying soil sample in underwear (8)
20 Captain shuddered, then lost head (4)
21 Paints don't work in this position (10)
23 Strange people take first off-cut (7)
24 Not so many are seen in luxury car (5)

DOWN
1 Lightweight article for play (5)
2 Illegal lighting in car - so necessary (5)
3 Leaves chaps in disarray (7)
4 Credit deal arranged for first bed (6)
5 Total tangle, we hear - or the opposite (3)
6 Aunt left corn out at night (9)
8 To get in thus, without complaining (5)
11 Fresh audio involving hospital reporter (9)
13 Teamleader questions workload (5)
15 Hairdressing equipment found on boat (7)
16 Walter half wanted teachers' snack (6)
18 Underwear retailer mostly - and basket maker (5)
19 Join competition in unseen territory (5)
22 Nothing in note suggests the end (3)

SOLUTION FOR LAST WEEK
ACROSS: 1.Eject 4.Arrange 8.Consequence 10.Absorbs 12.Expel 16.Bird-table 17.Tiers 20.Spindly 24.Cobblestone 25.Irksome 26.Beast
DOWN: 2.Jacob 3.Congo 5.Rout 6.Annex 7.Grebe 9.Embody 10.Admit 11.Sable 13.Plead 14.Lolly 15.Campus 18.Incur 19.Robes 21.Noose 22.Leeks 23.Slim

FIND THE WORDS

P	A	B	S	T	R	T	A	S	T	I	P	E
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N	V	H	C	A	T	E	D	E	C	E	T	A
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Find the words: Up, down, forwards, backwards, straight or diagonal. This week: Separate:
Cut, Divide, Split, Part, Sever, Isolate, Abstract, Scatter, Rive, Rend, Sieve, Divorce, Cull, Unclasp, Detach, Filter, Schism, Break, Clove, Sift

BRAIN STRAIN

E	*BRAIN*	I
D		B
	G	
L		R
I	*STRAIN*	I

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: 17 Maestro: 28+

ANSWER: BRAIN STRAIN
DIRIGIBLE, Bagiil, Berg, Bilge, Bridge, Brg, Dirge, Dinge, Dreg, Geir, Geld, Geild, Gibe, Gibel, Giber, Gibier, Gild, Gilder, Gile, Gird, Girdle, Gire, Girl, Girrle, Glair, Glib, Glide, Grid, Gride, Liebig, Lige, Ridge, Ridgel, Rigel, Rigid &???

Fantastic flute fun day

THE TEMPLARS Art and Leisure Centre, Tarbert, hosted a Flutewise fun day on Sunday.

The event was organised by Paula McLean, instrumental instructor at Tarbert Academy who invited along Liz Goodwin from Flutewise. The organisation has one of the world's most famous flautists as its patron, Sir James Galway.

Flutewise is open to flute players of any standard from beginner to expert to join. Its aim is 'to motivate all members to become better, more informed and happier flute players'. The emphasis is on enjoyment, participation and friendship. It provides flute players with magazines, events, courses and opportunities that 'educate, entertain and motivate'. Its work complements each musician's own flute studies.

More than 20 youngsters from Mid Argyll and Kintyre, from Inveraray to Southend attended and took part in the events organised by Liz Goodwin of Flutewise.

The young musicians who took part in Sunday's Flutewise fun day in the Templar Arts and Leisure Centre in Tarbert. c40flt01

Inveraray fiddlers return

THE INVERARAY and District Accordion and Fiddle Club gets underway for another season at the Argyll Hotel on Wednesday October 11 at 8pm.

As ever, supporting players are very welcome to come along for a tune. Local players are the backbone of any club, so all you accordionists and fiddlers should come along and join in.

Filling the guest artiste spot on the first night will be The Iain Anderson Trio from Gartocharn.

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Saturday 7th October
Town Hall
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Usual Stalls.

Kintyre Antiquarian & Natural History Society
Dr Stephen Carter
Council for Scottish Archaeology on
'The Need to Communicate the Past'
Wednesday 11th October
at 7.30 pm
in the Argyll Arms Hotel, Campbeltown
New Members Welcome

The Balmore Trust
in Craignish Village Hall, Ardfern
Friday Oct. 13th - 11am – 7.30pm
Saturday Oct. 14th – 10.30am – 4pm
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A unique opportunity to see the world famous Kathakali Dance Drama Company from South India
Thurs. Oct. 12th – Ardrishaig Hall
Fri. Oct. 13th, Craignish Village Hall, Ardfern
BOTH VENUES
From. 4pm – Drumming workshops, make-up demo, Celtic storytelling
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Storytelling in Mid Argyll

TWO GREAT storytelling nations unite for a rare and unique event on October 12 in Ardrishaig Hall and on October 13 in Craignish Village Hall, Ardfern, when Kathakali, the powerful classical dance drama from Kerala, Southwest India joins forces with a traditional Celtic storyteller from Scotland.

The extraordinary stories of India were often told through dance and drama. They were passed from one generation to the next to be performed in village temples. These stories performed by Kathakali, which means 'story play' are told through drama, gestures, facial expressions and a 2,000-year-old sign language, the result being a performance of classical dance drama rarely seen outside India.

As in India, so Celtic stories were passed through families and are part of a travelling storytelling culture. The Kala Chethena Kathakali Company has invited a traditional Celtic storyteller to tour with them and to tell traditional stories prior to their dancers going on stage.

At each venue, events start at 4pm with drumming workshops led by world-class Indian drummers. This is followed by an opportunity to see the extraordinary three-dimensional make up being applied to the actors, transforming them into some of the most powerful images ever seen in the world of theatre. Informal Celtic storytelling follows at approximately 5.45pm, with the performance by the full Kathakali Company starting at 7.30pm.

Different stories will be acted out and told at each venue, so the performances in Ardrishaig and Craignish will not be the same. The whole event is suitable for everyone from primary school age children to adults.

Tickets are £6 – on the door at Ardrishaig and either on the door or by ringing 01852 500689 for Craignish.

Classic Rhythm visit Mid Argyll and Kintyre

CLASSIC Rhythm, visitors for the MAAA concert in the Ardrishaig Hall tomorrow (Saturday October 7) and for the Kintyre Music Club in the Lorne and Lowland Church next Tuesday, is a chamber group with a difference.

Formed in 1992, this trio for flute, keyboards and a wide array of percussion meets with astounding success everywhere it plays, including Classic FM and BBC radio. Skilful arrangements of well-known classical favourites, added to a wide variety of original pieces, have established the popular appeal of the group - and their playing is complemented by their warm, friendly informality in front of their audience.

Handel, Rossini, Debussy and Haydn make up the first half, finishing with the Nutcracker Suite by Tchaikovsky.

After the interval, a Jazz Suite, a Rhapsody, the *Flight of the Bumble Bee* and a selection from *West Side Story* finishes the programme, with hopefully one or two encores!

Audiences are always fascinated by the vast array of instruments, some familiar, some not!

The performance moves from marimba to tam-tam and from piccolo to cabasa, all brilliantly woven into a sparkling evening's entertainment.

So come along to Ardrishaig tomorrow evening or to Campbeltown next Tuesday and hear this attractive concert for yourself.

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Fair trade sale in Ardfern

TO CELEBRATE the presence of the world famous Kathakali Dance Drama company in Craignish Village Hall, Ardfern, on October 13, The Balmore Trust, a Glasgow-based charity, will be having a two-day sale of fairly traded crafts, clothes, jewellery, sauces and jams from around the world, on Friday October 13 and Saturday October 14.

Founded in 1980, The Balmore Trust is still run almost entirely by volunteers; in addition to selling fairly traded goods, the production of which provides both dignity and self respect, as well as an income, to the producer, all the profits generated from the sale of the goods are distributed to projects in the west of Scotland and overseas, particularly to Africa, Burma and India.

The sale will be on between 11am and 7.30pm on Friday October 13 and from 10.30am – 4pm on Saturday October 14.

U18s disco returns to Victoria Hall

NEXT Friday, October 13, sees the return of the joint health improvement group's successful under18s dances in the Victoria Hall, Campbeltown.

The group last held a dance for young people in January, the attraction that night was top DJ Jon Mancini playing alongside local DJs the Ministry of DJs. More than 250 young people attended what was a very successful night.

The attraction this time will be local favourites Violent Echo who have already played alongside Idlewild this year at the Mull of Kintyre Music Festival and supported the Peat Bog Faeries earlier in the year. 'The ecka' as they are known commonly will be performing highly charged covers of bands such as the Kaiser Chiefs and the Arctic Monkeys among others.

As usual the night will be supported by the Ministry of DJs with crowd favourite Disco Stu sure to work the crowd. Rock Steady Security will once again ensure the safety of all young people attending and a non-alcoholic bar will be run by the Fusions team.

Doors open at 7.30pm till 9pm and the dance will end at approximately 11.45pm. Tickets will be on sale from the Kintyre Youth Enquiry Service priced at £6.

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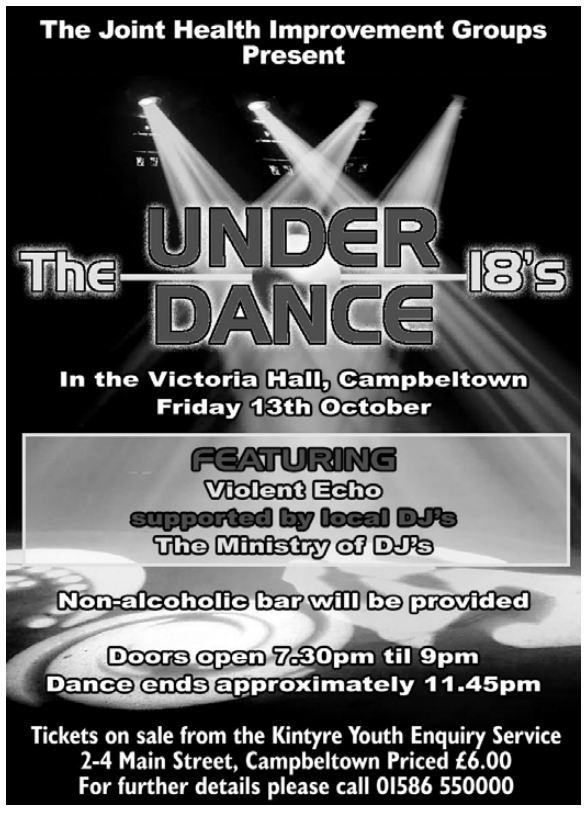

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ROYAL NATIONAL MOD 2006
Dunoon

ORGANISERS of this year's Royal National Mod at Dunoon are busy finely tuning the arrangements for Scotland's annual Gaelic cultural festival, taking place this month, to ensure it is a huge success.

Three years of fund-raising and planning are now behind the local Mod committee and members say they are looking forward with confidence to the nine-day festival of Gaelic song, language, drama and music which begins with a formal opening ceremony on Friday 13.

But as well as the all-important formal competitions in clarsach, singing, drama, poetry, storytelling, fiddle, piping, accordion and piping which culminate in gold medals or top trophies for the winners, the committee has arranged a series of informal activities which should suit people of all ages.

Hundreds of competitors from all over the world are expected in Dunoon for the Mod hoping to take home a coveted medal of cup for their particular category but this year, as well as a nine-day feast of Gaelic culture, the local committee is staging informal fringe events in hotels and pubs so anyone can participate. These establishments will be staying open from late to 3am to ensure plenty of time for relaxation and enjoying the fringe music and song. Add to this a Fiddlers' Rally, a Mod shinty match, an ecumenical church service and performances by some of the Gaelic world's top musicians and you have a recipe for a highly successful Mod. Spectators should look out for ceilidhs and concerts featuring the likes of Acharacle's own Fergie MacDonald, Skerryvore and Skippinish.

It is apt that this year's Royal National Mod should take place in Dunoon as the town has already staged the 2006 Camanachd Cup and the annual Cowal Gathering - the largest Highland Games in the world. It seems that the Gaelic world has centred on the town this year.

Local Mod Convenor Dick Walsh says the festival is important to Dunoon and the Cowal peninsula for several reasons: the area will benefit economically; the attractions of the area will be broadcast far and wide; showcasing Dunoon's suitability as an ideal venue for hosting national events; further developing the Gaelic language and Gaelic culture.

He said: 'During the last three years we have been arranging ceilidhs in the town and surrounding villages and the running of our local Mod shop in Argyll Street.

'All the preparation is integral to spreading the Gaelic language and culture. 'We in the local organizing committee have the experience, the ability and, more importantly, the enthusiasm to ensure that Mod 2006 will be as successful as the previous ones and we are looking forward to meeting all our friends and extending them the warmest of welcomes.'

Meeting old friends or making new ones is what makes the Mod special, as Royal National Mod promotions manager Murdo Morrison, based in Inverness, told *The Oban Times*. He wants to wish all-comers 'ceud mile failte' (one hundred thousand welcomes).

He added: 'While the emphasis at the Royal National Mod is on friendly but competitive rivalry, the Mod Fringe is very important providing as it does a comprehensive programme of informal, non-competitive events at venues through the host Mod location.

'Dunoon Mod 2006 is no different in this respect and the local committee, working closely with the local business community, has organised a Feis a' Mhoid 2006 which will see some of Scotland's top traditional musicians and Gaelic singers among those providing entertainment around the various Fringe venues.'

Two of the highlights of the above are likely to be an 'extravaganza dance' on Friday 20 in the Queen's Hall with music from Skipinnish and Skerryvore and, on Saturday, a massed choirs parade through Dunoon to the Castle Gardens where they will sing. Accompanying them will be three pipe bands including Edinburgh Postal Pipe Band, representing the Royal Mail, one of this year's Royal National Mod sponsors.

The coveted prizes as usual will be the Gold Medals in the male and female adult individual singing, won last year in Stornoway by Fiona MacKenzie of Dingwall and Kenneth Nicolson of Lewis, and the Margaret Duncan and Lovat and Tullibardine trophies for the large choirs, with last year's winners being Aberdeen Gaelic Choir and Inverness Gaelic Choir respectively.

Competitions will be held in several venues throughout Dunoon including Dunoon Primary School, Hanover Street Hall, Kirn Church Centre, Queen's Hall (also the location of the Mod Information Centre), Kirn Primary School, St John's Church and St Mun's School.

Gaelic enthusiasts who want more than just the Mod competitions should head for The Gaelic Showcase, in Dunoon Primary School for the nine days. On sale will be Gaelic language education materials and publications as well as Gaelic greetings cards, calendars, CDs and so on.

While all Mod events are open to the public there will be many who will be sorry to miss the festival because of distance or infirmity, but they too are catered for. As well as BBC TV broadcasting during the Mod, Radio Mod (87.7FM) will also be on air for 12 hours each day from Saturday October 14. Results, stories and photographs of winners from the Mod will be in *The Oban Times*, out each Thursday.

The Mod, staged by An Commun Gaidhealach (ACG) is not just for adult entrants. There are many children's competitions and away from all the formality young ones can have fun at several ceilidhs planned just for them at Hunter's Quay Holiday Village featuring music from Iain Angus MacLeod of Harris and ACG's Gaelic Development Officer in Argyll and Bute, Joy Dunlop.

The local committee has raised £20,000 towards the cost of staging the Mod in Dunoon which last held it in the year 2000. It was also held there in 1994, 1968, 1950 and 1930, so the town is an old hand at staging the world's largest Gaelic festival.

'Arrangements are well in place and Mod week promises to be a great week of Gaelic,' said Dick.

Eoghan MacDonald from Uist was runner-up in the 9-10 years solo singing at last year's Mod in Stornoway

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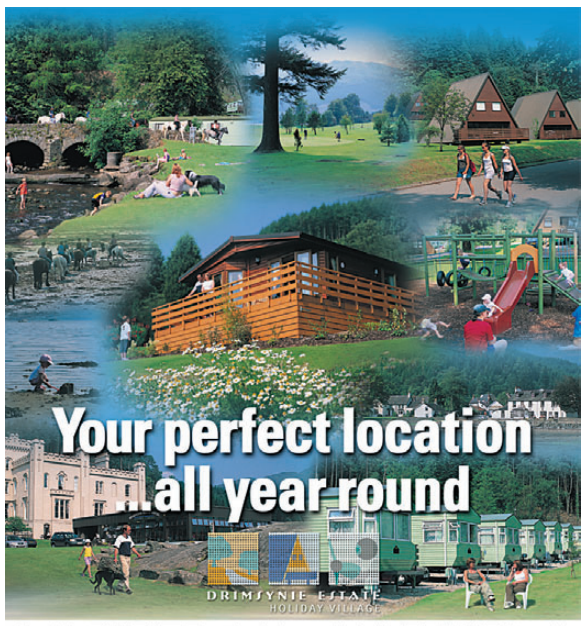

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Exciting times in-store for J&A Mitchell and Co

The last few weeks have been a busy time for Campbeltown company J&A Mitchell and Co Ltd, owners of the world-famous Springbank Distillery. Not only has whisky production been continuing apace, the long-established company are entering a very exciting period with some new ventures being launched and a very special birthday on the horizon. Read on to find out more...

Eagle-eyed shoppers in Campbeltown will no doubt have noticed a change to the streetscape in Bolgam Street over the last few weeks.

William Cadenhead Ltd, Scotland's oldest independent bottlers, part of the J&A Mitchell and Co business, have opened a new Whisky Shop at 7 Bolgam Street; the company's 7th shop worldwide.

New staff members Donald Brown and Leslie Martin will be well-known locally from their previous employment and they will be delighted to welcome customers into the Whisky Shop and help you choose a whisky that really gets your tastebuds tingling.

Cadenhead's is one of the world's leading independent whisky bottlers and has a huge collection of its own bottlings from all over Scotland and across the world. Many of these bottlings are from distilleries that are now closed.

The Whisky Shop will, of course, have the full range of whiskies from Springbank Distillery available so whatever your preferred style of malt, why not drop in and have a look around to see what gems you can find?

Cadenhead's also bottle a wide range of cask-strength rums from many distilleries in the Caribbean and produce their own gin, Old Raj, so if whisky isn't really your thing then the Whisky Shop still has something to offer you.

The Whisky Shop has also got five very special casks maturing in the shop - the Cadenhead's 1842 range. This comprises casks of Campbeltown, Islay, Highland and Lowland whisky and a cask of rum. The contents of these casks cannot be found anywhere else in the world and bottles are filled straight from the casks upon request from the customer. Hand-written labels are then attached to the bottles - which come in 20cl, 35cl and 70cl sizes - making them ideal gifts.

The Whisky Shop is open from 10am to 6pm, Monday to Saturday.

Neil Clapperton, Managing Director of Sprinbank Distillers and Grant MacPherson of William Cadenhead at the new shop in Bolgam Street

The opening of the new Cadenhead's Whisky Shop in Bolgam Street means that Eaglesome will now concentrate on its take-away business.

Under catering manageress Maureen Paterson, the shop will be extending its range of freshly-produced quality takeaway food.

The hugely popular daily soup and sandwiches will continue as normal, served by the same cheery and friendly staff, while the range of pastries, pies, quiches and pizzas will be expanded to meet the requirements of hungry customers.

Hot and cold fillings for paninis and baked potatos, which have been very popular in the past, will also be returning now that the weather is getting colder and everyone needs more fuel to see them through the autumn and winter days.

Maureen's delicious home baking - scones, cakes, biscuits etc which are sure to be snapped up almost as soon as they come out the oven - will also take pride of place amongst the food available. And if you want to avoid the queues, you can place your lunch order over the phone, to be collected by you at a suitable time.

Eaglesome can also prepare a superb buffet for all sorts of functions, including office parties, wedding receptions and birthday parties.

To discuss your requirements or to order your lunchtime snack, contact Eaglesome on 01586 551710.

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Almost everyone in Kintyre will have heard of Springbank Distillery, but how many of them have actually visited the place and witnessed the whisky-making process?

Guided tours take place at 2pm daily and offer visitors the chance to have a close-up look at Scotland's oldest continuously family-owned distillery.

Private group tours can also be catered for and arranged for suitable times. These tours, which must be booked in advance, can also be extended to include a visit to Mitchell's Glengyle Distillery, the second Campbeltown distillery owned by J&A Mitchell, and can be rounded off in the perfect way with a visit to the company's new Tasting Room in Bolgam Street.

The Tasting Room has been open for around a year and, to coincide with the opening of the Cadenhead's Whisky Shop, has recently become "fully operational".

Depending on the type of tour chosen by the visitor, they can visit the luxurious Tasting Room and have a tutored tasting on a selection of whiskies from the Springbank and Cadenhead's range in the most comfortable of surroundings.

If you don't have time for a tour but would like to sample some of our whiskies, then you can visit the Whisky Shop, where, for a charge, one of our staff will accompany you to the Tasting Room and give you a tutored tasting of your chosen drams.

In conjunction with our fresh food kitchen at Eaglesomes, the Tasting Room can also offer buffet lunches for visitors and guests who want to spend a little bit longer enjoying the Springbank experience.

If you would like to arrange a tour and visit to the Tasting Room then you can do so by visiting the Whisky Shop or by contacting Ranald Watson on 01586 554761 or emailing tours@jandamitchell.com.

Main pic (left): A warm welcome awaits visitors at the Tasting Room.

Picture captions (clockwise):
Ranald Watson, Manager of the Cadenhead's Whisky Shop and Tasting Room
Donald Brown fills a bottle from the 'wee' casks
The new Cadenhead's Whisky Shop
The Tasting Room

J&A Mitchell and Co Ltd are preparing for an extra-special birthday celebration early in 2007.

The first batch of Kilkerran, Scotland's newest single malt - produced at Mitchell's Glengyle Distillery in Campbeltown - will turn three years old and offically become whisky in April.

Springbank Distillers are planning a birthday party for Kilkerran, which will be held in Mitchell's Glengyle Distillery.

The distllery originally closed in 1925 and no spirit had been produced there for 75 years when, in 2000, Mr Hedley Wright, Chairman of J&A Mitchell and great-great nephew of the distillery's original founder William Mitchell, formed a new company with the intention of refurbishing and reopening the old Glengyle Distillery.

After four years of hard work, the distillery, designed by Director of Production Frank McHardy, was re-opened on March 25, 2004 by Madame Ecosse Dr Winnie Ewing and Mr Wright.

The first spirit was distilled early in April that year and it will be that spirit which legally becomes Kilkerran single malt whisky in April 2007.

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Whether this is true or not, one thing is certain, whatever the weather we have to face, we shall all face it far better if our cars are ready for the challenge.

Getting your car ready for winter is a highly important consideration. It needs to be in tip-top condition all the time, but in winter it's essential, because margins for error are fewer and further between.

There are some things you can tackle yourself at home, there are others best done by an expert. If you have developed a good relationship with your servicing garage you should be able to place your vehicle in their hands with total confidence.

First things first however, and a clean machine is an efficient machine. You should get your car washed and polished thoroughly. Put it through a car wash by all means unless you have a power hose and somewhere to wash the vehicle at home. It is important you get off all the muck and dirt that will have accumulated through the summer, from the underside of your car.

When it has been washed, dry off the body work but leave the application of polish for a while. Take the car down to the local tyre and exhaust outlet and get them to put it on the ramp and have a look at the underside. The exhaust should appear to be in good condition. If you are not sure, ask the opinion of the exhaust fitter. He won't try to sell you anything that isn't necessary, but if the exhaust appears to be just about to go, have it replaced before it lets you down at an inappropriate time.

Whilst you are there get your tyres looked at. Areas of uneven wear, cracked sidewalls, bald patches and stones or nails stuck in the tread, must all be rectified. Ensure there is enough tread to meet more than the legal minimum, if not, get the tyre replaced immediately. It is essential you have four good tyres to cope with winter road conditions - and don't forget the spare!

Uneven tyre wear may be the symptom of something a touch more serious such as a steering problem. On the other hand it may just be the wheels need balancing or aligning. Whatever the cause, get it sorted out as fast as you can.

Having got the tyres and exhaust seen to, book your car into the service department for a full service and pre-winter check. This should include having the radiator flushed out and a good quality anti-freeze of the right strength put in.

When you get the car back, put it through a car wash once again and then polish it thoroughly with a good quality wax. This will help preserve the paintwork.

Once that has been done there are several things you'll have to keep an eye on from now on.

Battery - Cold starting in winter takes a fair amount of charge. Only a good battery can cope. Keep the terminals well greased to stop corrosion and keep the charge flowing as it ought.

Radiator - Check the fluid level on a regular basis. Top it up as required with an anti-freeze and water mix.

Lights - Keep the lenses clean, don't forget the reflectors at the rear. Keep a spare set of bulbs to replace as and when. You want to be see and be seen when the nights get really dark.

Windscreens and wipers - Keep the wash fluid level topped-up with a good quality fluid. Plain water is not enough - it will freeze in cold conditions. Examine the wiper blades regularly too, they must work efficiently to be really effective.

Windows and mirrors - Keep them clean at all times. Dirt reflecting other car's headlights can distort your own vision.

Tyres - Check the pressures every week. They are all that rest between you and the road. Unless they are right, your brakes won't function correctly, your steering will be less than fully efficient and your car's road holding will be impaired.

The secret of safe, efficient and economic motoring lies in good, regular maintenance. if that's right, you can be pretty sure, all other things being equal, your car will cope with the winter ahead as well as you've every right to expect it to!

ARE YOUR TYRES FIT FOR WINTER?

This year's Scottish Winter Safety Campaign incorporating Scottish Tyre Safety Week will again focus on the importance of tyres, the only contact a vehicle has with the road surface.

This year's campaign will run from Monday, 6th November to Friday, 10th November. During that period motorists can take advantage of free tyre safety checks being offered at major participating tyre dealers throughout Scotland.

Figures just revealed by the Tyre Industry Council, the organisers of Scottish Tyre Safety Week, from checks undertaken last year show that almost 30% of cars on Scottish roads need at least one tyre replaced because they are either defective or badly worn. Ken Malcolm road safety advisor to the Tyre Industry Council has warned of the dangers of driving with worn tyres. "Four patches of rubber no larger that the palm of your hand is all that connects you with the road", said Ken, "and the purpose of our campaign is to draw motorists attention to the importance of checking tyres and maintaining them in good condition with adequate tread depth and inflated to the correct pressure".

The tyre law requires that tyres must have a minimum of 1.6mm tread depth around the central > of the tyre. The penalty for breaking the law is a possible fine of #2,500 and 3 penalty points on the driver's license.

For further information please contact Chris Wakley, Tyre Industry Council, 21-25 St. Anne's Court, London W1F 0BJ Tel: 020 7734 6363 Fax: 020 7437 7966 Email: tic@tyresafety.co.uk or Ken Malcolm on Tel: 07787 572654

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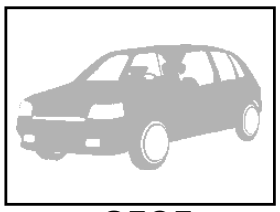

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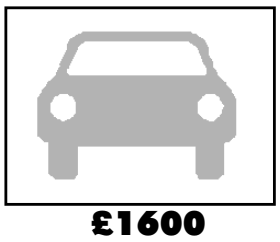

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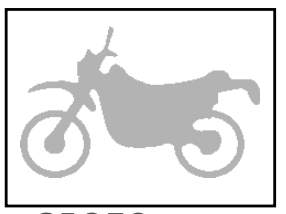

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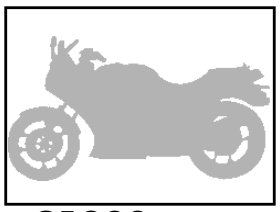

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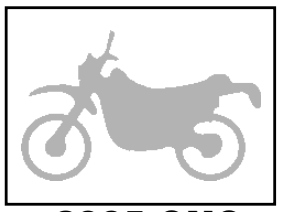

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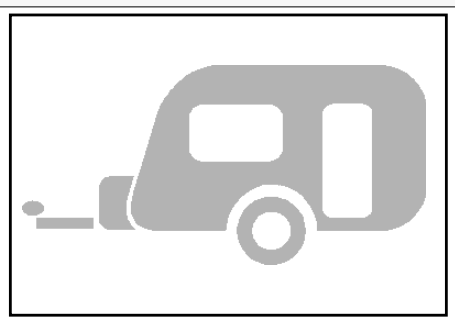

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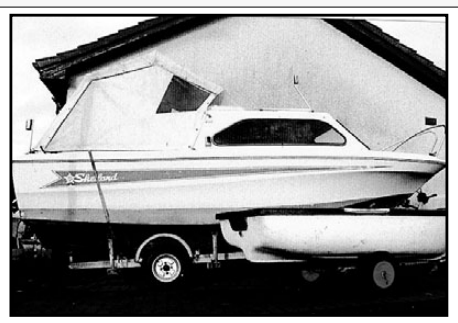

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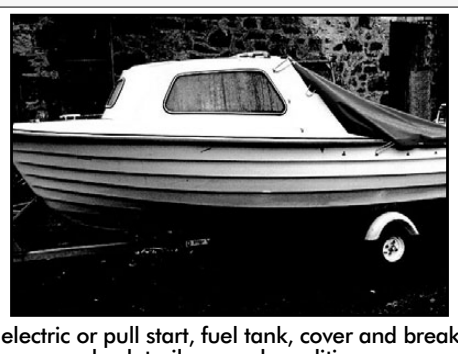

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SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PLANS

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Location of Plans: Campbeltown Area Office
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Applicant: Mrs Fiona Christina Rae
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Location of Plans: Lochgilphead Area Office
Article 9 Vacant Land - 14 Days

Ref No: 06/02036/DET
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Ref No: 06/01970/DET
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Proposal: Erection of replacement boat house
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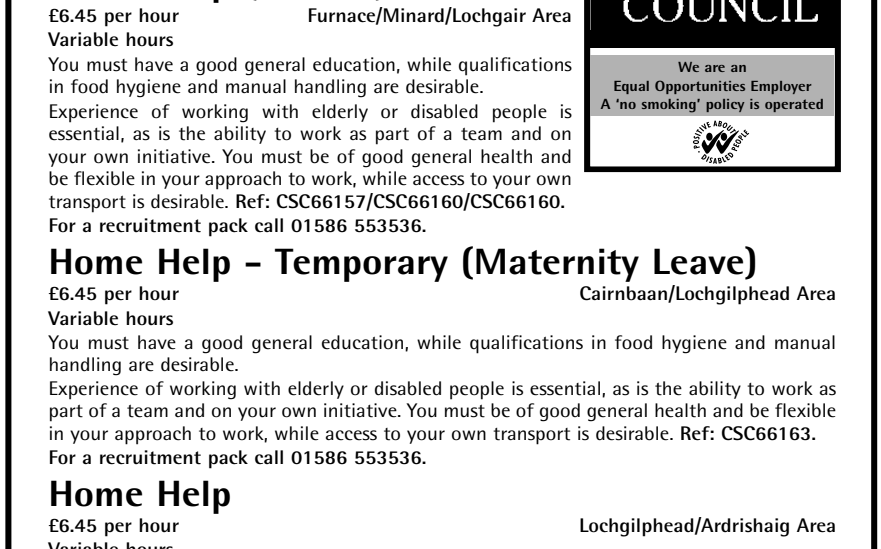

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Lorne Forest District, Oban **Ref: HR67/107**

£16,069 (annual progression to max. £21,118)
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You will undertake the planning and, where necessary, the implementation of social and environment works within Lorne Forest District.You will have at least 5 passes at GCSE level/Standard Grade or equivalent (A-C,1-3 Passes), one of which must be English or English Language. Ideally, you will also have experience of working in the areas of recreation or social forestry and in the use of IT, especially MS Office and GIS.

The duties of both posts require applicants hold a full driving licence that enables them to drive in the UK within at least six months of commencing the position. However the Forestry Commission is willing to consider any proposals put forward by disabled applicants, whose disability prevents them from driving, that would allow them to do the job by other means.

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The successful candidates will be subject to vetting for 'Standard Disclosure' via Disclosure Scotland.

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For full details and an application form please visit our website: www.iona.org.uk or contact: Staff Coordinator, Iona Abbey, Isle of Iona, Argyll PA76 6SN, Tel: 01681 700404, Fax: 01681 700772, Email: staffing.office@iona.org.uk, stating clearly which post(s) you are interested in. An application form must be completed and send to the above address.

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Colin MacGregor would like to thank all relatives, friends, work colleagues and customers for all gifts, cards and best wishes received on the occasion of his retirement from the P.O

Happy 21st steven

Love Mum, Dad and Samantha xxx

Birthdays should be full of fun
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We'll all be cheering you today
So here's to the wee girl in the florist shop
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To our wee darling Denise.
Love Mum and all the Gang X

Happy 40th Birthday Uncle Alex

Love from
Iain, Kian & Argyll
XXX

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I would like to thank my family, friends and neighbours for all the cards, gifts and flowers received on my 80th Birthday.
A special thank you to my loving family for the surprise holiday to Ireland and the surprise family dinner on my return, (not forgetting my Teapot Cake).
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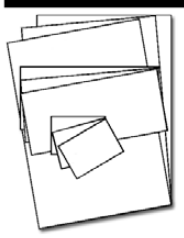
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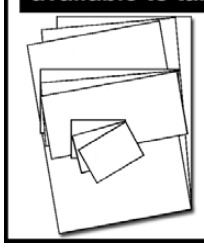
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BIRTHS

ANDERSON - BOYLE - Ewan and Lesley are delighted to announce the safe arrival of their triplet boys, Daniel, Joseph and Samuel, on September 13, 2006. Little brothers for Amy. Many thanks to staff and midwives of the Royal Alexandra and Mid Argyll Hospitals.

DALZIEL – Bobby and Lorraine would like to announce the safe arrival of their beautiful daughter Jodie Karen on September 30, 2006, a little sister for Angel. Thanks to Campbeltown Maternity Unit, with special thanks to Joyce and Catrina.

MACDONALD – SCHRODER – Jamie and Lisa are thrilled to announce the birth of Nuala Iona Macdonald on September 23, 2006, at Raigmore Hospital, Inverness. Love to all the grandparents.

ENGAGEMENTS

BUCHANAN – IRVINE -Ian and Brenda, "Ochiltree" Carradale, are delighted to announce the engagement of their elder son Grant to Sally, only daughter of Duncan and Norma, "The Birches" Wishaw.

LANG – McCALLUM – Both families are pleased to announce the engagement of Eden, son of Robert and Erika to Linsey, youngest daughter of Robert and Alice.

WOODFORD - SIBTHORP – Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Thomas Samuel, eldest son of Thomas and Ruth to Natasha Joy, only daughter of Mark and Denise, on September 29, 2006.

SILVER WEDDING

MACALISTER - WOODROW - -At Gigha and Cara Church of Scotland on October 9, 1981, by the Rev.Arthur Law, Archie to Lorna, Sealladh na Mara, Isle of Gigha.

RUBY WEDDING

MACKINNON - CAMERON - At Bellanoch Church on Saturday October 8, 1966, by the late Rev Harkness, Ian to Andrina.

McKINVEN – GRAY – At Castlehill Manse on October 7, 1966, Alex to Fay. Present address: 155 Ralston Road, Campbeltown.

SCOTT - CAMERON - On October 5, 1966, Walter to Mary at Tarbert Parish Church by the late Rev William Eadie. Present address: 19 Brucehill, Tarbert.

BLUE SAPPHIRE WEDDING (65 YEARS)

HUME – HASTIE – At Lorne Street Church, Campbeltown, on September 19, 1941, by Rev John Campbell, Johnnie to Zena, 3 Castlepark, Campbeltown.

DEATHS

CLARK - Andy Clark, Shore Cottage, Furnace and formerly of McCracken Court, Lochgilphead, aged 69 years. After a brief illness, surrounded by his girls, Heather, Seonaid, Ailsa and Keara and his wee boy Ben. Andy left us peacefully on Thursday, September 28, 2006. He is off on his next big adventure and will have countless stories to tell of the many laughs he has had. He will be missed by everyone very much, there won't be a day goes by when we can't have a chuckle at his capers to keep us smiling till we see him next. Funeral service was held in Lochgilphead Parish Church on Monday, October 2, 2006, followed by interment at Kilevin Cemetery.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

DICKSON – The family of the late Gertie Dickson wish to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy, cards, flowers and telephone calls received during their recent sad bereavement. Special thanks to Rev Martin Forrest for a very warm and thoughtful service, to Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for their professional funeral arrangements, Argyll Hotel, Southend for the lovely tea, all doctors and staff at the Campbeltown Hospital and Kintyre Care Home for the care and attention they gave, finally to all who paid their last respects at Church and graveside.

FORBES - The family of the late Gertrude (Gerty) Forbes, would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy, phone calls and cards, received following their recent sad loss. Special thanks to Rev. Roddy MacLeod for his comforting service; Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for their caring and compassionate services; to Furnace Inn for providing purvey. Grateful thanks to doctors and staff of Lorn and Islands Hospital, Oban, for their care and attention. A final thank you to all who attended at Church and Graveside. Donations raised £140 for Scottish Bible Society.

GRAHAM – The family of the late Nancy Graham would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their support and kind expression of sympathy and cards received on their recent sad loss. Thanks also to Rev J Paton for a lovely service, he had Nancy down to a "T", Dr Syred and the nurses at Muasdale Surgery for their loving care and attention, the staff of the Acute Ward at Campbeltown Hospital, Heather, Margaret, Kathryn, Leonnie and Bobby for their care when Nancy was at home, Kenneth Blair for his professional services, Dawn and staff at Bellochantuy Hotel for a lovely tea and great service and lastly to all who paid their last respects at the Church and the graveside to such a "lovely lady".

SHACKLADY - The family and friends of Nicky Shacklady wish to thank all those who had any part in her care during her illness. We are overwhelmed by the expressions of love and compassion shown to us since her death. It was uplifting to have so many attend the interment of ashes at Glennan. £200 has been sent to Cancer Research UK.

IN MEMORIAMS

LIPPE - Precious memories of our dear daughter, sister and aunt, Feuna Margaret Kerr, who died October 9, 1992, age 26 years.
Flowers will die
The sun will set
You're our Feuna
We won't forget
A name so precious
It won't grow old
It's carved in our hearts
In letters of gold
Love you always.
- Mum, Dad, John, Iona, Paul and wee Feuna.
Love you always Mum.
- Peter John xxx

MACDONALD - In loving remembrance of Hector, my dear husband and very much loved dad and grandpa, taken from us so suddenly on October 3, 2005.
A gentle man in every way, who so enjoyed his life and his family and missed more than words can say. The light has gone out of my life.
- Mary, Louise and Martin.

MACFARLANE - In loving memory of our treasured mother, granny and great-granny, Mary, who passed away October 4, 1997.
Devoted, unselfish, true and kind
Beautiful memories you left behind.
- Inserted by Euphie and Eric.

MACFARLANE - In loving memory of our granny and great-granny, Mary MacFarlane, died October 4, 1997.
Granny you were special
And kept close to our hearts
You cared for us in every way
We touched each other's hearts
Goodnight Granny.
- Mhairi, Peter Thomas and Eilidh.

McMILLAN – In loving memory of my dear wife Annette McMillan, who passed away on October 10, 2005.
Missing you very much
Love you always
Till we meet again
R.I.P.
- Junior, Malcolm, Joanne, Bella, Al and all your grandchildren.

McMILLAN – In loving memory of my niece Annette, who passed away on October 10, 2005.
We remember your smile
And the things you would say
We treasure the hours
We spent every day
The laughs that we had
The secrets we shared
The love that you gave
The way that you cared.
- from Auntie Joan and family.

MASON - In loving memory of Billy, husband and father, died October 11, 1999.
Sadly missed.
- Ray, Ross, Eric and Pauline.

MEACHEM – Terry - Treasured memories of a loving father, died October 7, 1994.
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Forever in our hearts
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- Mari, Sarah, and Hayley.
Night-night Grandad.
- Terri Louise.

MILLOY - In memory of my beloved husband Alister, who died October 4, 2001.
Loved and remembered every day.
- Mary.

SOUDEN - In loving memory of our dear mother Betty, who died October 2, 1975.
This day is remembered and quietly kept
No words are needed, we will never forget.
- Inserted by loving daughters Isabel and Elizabeth and grandson Graeme, 147 Baird Hill, East Kilbride.

ECCLESIASTICAL

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 8th October 2006
Harvest thanksgiving
Tayvallich..... 11.30am
Rev. Richard West
followed by light lunch in the church
All welcome
Wednesday 11th October 2006
Prayer Meeting 10.30am
Bellanoch Church
Enquiries **01546 606926**
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GLASSARY, KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 8th October 2006
Kilmartin ..... 10 a.m.
Harvest thanksgiving
Shoe boxes will be accepted at this service
Rev. Richard West
All most welcome

THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND CUMLODDEN LOCHFYNESIDE AND LOCHGAIR
Sunday 8th October 2006
"I sat where they sat"
(Ezekiel 3:15)
Cumlodden (Furnace) 10.30 a.m.
Lochfyneside (Minard) 12 noon
Seirbheis Ghàidhlig
MONTHLY GAELIC SERVICE
LOCHGAIR 3 pm
Rev. Roddy MacLeod
Ceud mile fàilte
ALL WELCOME

CHRIST CHURCH LOCHGILPHEAD
9am Eucharist
11am Eucharist with hymns

LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH
Sunday 8th October 2006
Rev Walter Ritchie
The Guild
Meets on Tuesday 10th October
in the hall at 7.30pm
Speaker
Rev Catriona Hood
all welcome

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH
www.lorneandlowland.com
Saturday, 6th October
Ordination of
Rev. Catriona Hood - 2:00 p.m.
Sunday, 8th October
Harvest Thanksgiving Service - 11:15 a.m.
Re-dedication of The Guild
Sacrament of Baptism
(Crèche, Sunday School & Bible Class)
Evening Worship - 6:30 p.m.
Rev. Philip Burroughs
Monday, 9th October
Youth Club Leaders' Meeting - 7:30 p.m. (Session Room)
Tuesday, 10th October
Mothers and Toddlers - 9:45 a.m.
The Guild - 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, 12th October
Choir Practice - 7:30 p.m.
Friday, 13th October
Lunch Club - 12:15 p.m.

Highland Parish Church

Sunday 8th October 2006
11.15 a.m. . All-age Harvest Thanksgiving Service with retiring collection for Water Aid.
Creche in church (0-3yrs)
No Sunday School – all children in church
Tuesday 10th October
7.00pm 2nd Badminton Club
Enrolment for all groups - Kirk St Hall
Thursday 12th October
7.00pm Bible Study
Fellowship - Kirk St Hall
Rev Michael J. Lind
Everyone very welcome

St. Kiaran's Scottish Episcopal Church
Argyll Street, Campbeltown
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17th Sunday after Trinity
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10.45am..Family Communion
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11 a.m.
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Speaker: **Graham McLean**
Thursday 12 October 2006
7.30 p.m.
Praise, worship & sharing
All Welcome
"Come and see"

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Harvest Thanksgiving
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for children of all ages
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at 11 o'clock

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10.45 a.m ..... Coffee
11.15.a.m ..... Family Service with Sunday School and Creche
Prayer Meeting 7.30 p.m.
Youth Fellowship 7.30 p.m
All Welcome
Wednesday
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Tarbert Church ..... 11.30 a.m.
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All Welcome
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Morning Service
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Monday 10.30 a.m.
Discipleship Course
Tuesday evening @7.20pm
'Coming Alive'
(Study for New Believers)
Please contact Andrew on 602188
Wednesday 9.30 a.m.
Prayer Meeting at Manse
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Purpose Driven Church
Thursday
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10.00 -12.00
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Last weekend's scores are as follows: Davaar 5 v Para 5; Carradale 0 v Southend 3.

Parahandy are pictured above after winning the Ninian Southern Cup at the Meadows, Campbeltown.

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Another point on the road for the Boys

Football

Clydebank College 1 v 1 Campbeltown Boys

CAMPBELTOWN Boys gained another valuable point as their good form this season continued at Clydebank.

In warm conditions, a rather laboured performance from either side saw a second-helf which didn't match the first in terms of goals become a story of spurned chances.

The opening 20 minutes saw reluctance in front of the goal from both sides, but halfway through the first half the opening goal came and it was for Clydebank College.

A scramble to clear the ball saw the Boys goal protected only be defender Ranald Watson, who was unfortunate to see the ball dip over his head and into the net - the looping shot making it 1-0 to the home team. This season, however, the Boys are a rejuvinated team and a one-goal deficit would not stem their desire to take points back to Campbeltown.

Ten minutes later they looked to be doing just that by equalising.

Archie Johnstone produced a superb ball for Robert McGarrie to head home from point blank range.

The striker made it two goals in two games for the Whisky Macs-sponsored Boys.

The second half offered defensive promise, the Boys altering their formation to cope with the college's extra forward. Alan Reid and Peter Laing held firm at the centre defence whilst Archie Johnstone was excellent at left midfield. McGarrie performed admirably as the lone striker and had a shot over the line judged not to have done so.

After holding back the Clydebank onslaught, Lyle Gillespie saw his lovely curling shot edge over the bar, almost stealing all three points for the Boys.

Boys squad: Scott MacBrayne, Tommy Finn, Alan Reid, Peter Laing, Ranald Watson, Archie Johnstone, Steven Dott, Gary Shields, John McCallum, Jamie Morris and Robert McGarrie.

Subs (all used): Iain Galbraith, Sorley McKinven and Lyle Gillespie.

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Pupils share the points

The Pupils' Darren McGilvray in action during Saturday's game against Moorcroft. c40pup01

Football

SAFL Premier Division One
Campbeltown Pupils 1 v 1 Moorcroft

CAMPBELTOWN Pupils and Moorcroft shared the points last Saturday at Kintyre Park.

The Pupils have now started their league programme, with three draws and will be very disappointed at not collecting all three in a mtch they they dominated for long spells.

Perfect

They got off to the perfect start after only three minutes, Fraser Wylie flighted a cross in from the left for Gary Grumoli to head for the goal. The keeper spilled his efforts into the path of Alan Sinclair who scored easily from three yards out.

Moorcroft equalised after 14 minutes.

A poor Pupils throw in was intercepted and they quickly dispatched the ball into the Pupils box for the number eight to score with a shot that deflected off Pupils defender Craig Colville.

Luck

The Renfrew side defended deep to cope with the Pupils pace and although they had luck on their side on more than a few occassions, they also defended with a good deal of commitment.

The problem with the Pupils' play was in the final ball too many and under hit passes between team mates when in good positions let them down badly on the day.

Snatching

In the 70th minute Craig Sloey saw his shot pushed on to the post by Tyrell in the Moorcroft goal. Minutes later the Pupils had goalkeeper Graham Cook to thank for stopping the visitors from snatching a win they would not have deserved.

The referee, who upset the large crowd of Pupils spectators with some strange decisions during the match, awarded Moorcroft a penalty. Cook dived to his left for his second penalty save of the season.

Target

The Pupils had two excellent chances in the final minute to win the match, Paul Grumoli coming close with a header and his brother Shaun beat the keeper to a loose ball outside the box. Unfortunately, he could not get his shot on the target.

Tomorrow (Saturday) the Pupils are at home again in the premier division one. They entertain Gorbals side Sandiefield Star.

Ambitious

Sandiefield are one of the most progressive and ambitious amateur clubs in Scotland and they defetaed Scottish Cup holders, St Pats in the semi final of the Centenary Trophy last week. They will be very tough opponents for the Pupils.

The game will kick-off at Kintyre Park, Campbeltown, at 2.30pm.

The Pupils' Multi Club winners are as follows: 1 Angela Gilchrist, £50; 2 Fiona Mitchell, £20; 3 Gary Grumoli, £10.

Masonic triples teams battle it out

Left to right: G McDougall, S Cameron, J McNaughton, J McAlpine, J Simpson, Itsy, G Milloy, R McCallum and D Milloy.

Bowls

THE annual Masonic Triples Bowling Competition was held recently at Campbeltown Bowling Club.

With an entry of 16 teams from within the province, and with some excellent weather, the bowling was of a very high standard throughout the day.

The semi-finals were fought out between John Shaw, Andy Oliver and Jeff Dunn (Campbeltown) and John McAlpine, Itsy, Rab McCallum (Tarbert).

Also, Gary Milloy, Jimmy Simpson and John McNaughton against John Morrison, Peter Tolmie and Peter McEachran (all Campbeltown).

The final was between John McAlpine (Tarbert) and Gary Grumoli (Campbeltown), with the Tarbert team coming out the winners.

The prizes were presented by G McDougall (RWM 141) and S Cameron (Provincial Grande Lodge).

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Ladies Results

Golf Foundation: 1 Jana MacPherson, 89-25=64; 2 Catherine McKerral, 89-23=66.

September Medal: 1 Mairi McCorkindale, 79-16=63; 2 Mrs C Gordon, 88-22=66.

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