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Whisky tariff suspension welcomed

The manager of one of Campbeltown's three remaining whisky distilleries has welcomed news of a four-month suspension of the 25 per cent tariffs on the export of single malt whisky to the United States.

Iain McAlister, master distiller and distillery manager at Glen Scotia Distillery, told the Courier: 'The US market for Glen Scotia had suffered over the last year, specifically due to the import taxes. It put increased pressure on a highly taxed commodity.'

'The relaxation of this tax is good for Glen Scotia and indeed the wider whisky industry, allowing extra capital from sales and tax relief to be invested in a number of different ways, including staff and the wider business, so it's a little welcome news for a change.'

The temporary suspension, announced on Thursday March 4, includes cheese, cashmere and machinery.

The 25 per cent tariffs were imposed in 2019 by then US president Donald Trump as part of a 16-year trade dispute over aircraft manufacturing.

International Women's Day honours for officers

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Two female police officers from Campbeltown received national awards on International Women's Day, in recognition of their work in helping keep the people of Argyll safe.

Detective Constable Lindsay Wallace was named police officer of the year and Police Constable Karen Cairns picked up the community service award at the Scottish Women's Development Forum (SWDF) Awards on Monday, March 8.

The SWDF is a Police Scotland diversity staff association and its annual awards – held virtually this year – are designed to recognise the contributions and achievements of police staff, police officers and those who volunteer with Police Scotland or work with the Scottish Police Authority.

DC Wallace and PC Cairns were among several officers and volunteers from Argyll and West Dunbartonshire



PC Karen Cairns, left, and DC Lindsay Wallace who have received Scottish Women's Development Forum awards. 50_c11pckarencairns01

Police Division shortlisted in seven out of the 10 award categories.

DC Wallace, who works in the family protection unit in Campbeltown, was shortlisted in no less than three separate categories.

As well as being named police officer of the year, she was highly commended in the leadership and excellence in

performance categories. Throughout a long a career, DC Wallace has demonstrated 'outstanding performance and effectiveness'. Covering a large geographical area, she performs a role that is 'emotionally demanding and often harrowing'.

She also mentors colleagues and is well respected by partners and the tight-knit

communities in which she serves. PC Cairns was singled out by judges for the visible leadership and commitment she has shown to the rural and remote community in which she works as a youth engagement officer.

PC Cairns is group coordinator of Campbeltown Police Scotland Youth Volunteers (PSYV), an initiative aiming

to encourage good citizenship among young people, inspiring them to participate positively in their community through volunteering.

Chief Inspector Marlene Baillie, area commander for Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands, told the Courier: 'I am delighted and extremely proud to see that both Lindsay and Karen have won national awards.'

'It's great to see that they have been given the recognition they deserve for the dedication and commitment they display in the work they do to help keep people safe in Argyll.'

Chief Superintendent John Paterson, police commander for Argyll and West Dunbartonshire, added: 'I am incredibly proud of our police officers, and adult and youth volunteers who were recognised at the SWDF Awards.'

'Their hard work and dedication, and that of all the nominees, was inspiring.'

'I am also grateful to the SWDF for its ongoing work and support.'



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Woman tipped foul water over man below window

A 50-year-old Campbeltown woman told the town's court she had accidentally poured foul-smelling water over a neighbour's son on a scorching hot day last summer.

But after her trial last week, she was found guilty of acting in a threatening or abusive manner.

Adela Stimson of 4 Pensioners Row, New Quay Street, denied the offence when she appeared before Sheriff Patrick Hughes last week.

In his evidence, the man said he was sitting on a bench while his young child played with their grandparent when he was soaked from above.

'Something poured over me, over my head, the back of my head and down my neck. It was awful-smelling.'

He added: 'I got straight up and saw a window open and there were drops of water

coming down off the window.' He described the water as 'vinegary smelling' and 'rancid'. It was the man's brother who called the police.

The day this happened, July 21 last year, had been very hot and sunny.

Stimson, who lived in a flat above, told police officers that it had been an accident; she had opened the window and knocked over the glass. The window opened at an angle.

Constable Alan Wallace said that the window had a sill and a lip which would have prevented the glass from tipping to the extent that a large amount of water would have been spilled.

'You could see water residue on the window,' he said.

In court, the 50-year-old woman said she had been warm, opened the window and the glass tipped, spilling some

water and then she emptied the rest out. It had not occurred to her that someone might be sitting below.

She panicked about telling the police she had done that, her defence agent Stephen MacSporran told the court.

The glass contained a salt-water solution which had been there for two weeks.

'I was lying on the bed listening to music, a meditation. It was very warm. I opened the windows,' Stimson said.

'The glass tipped over. I was entirely unaware of people outside.'

'There was no deliberate act; this is entirely an accident,' said Mr MacSporran.

The sheriff deferred sentence for four months for Stimson to be of good behaviour.

'This was a deeply unpleasant thing to happen to anyone and frightening,' he said.

Man repeatedly spat on woman's face in 'disgusting incident'

A man who twice spat on a woman's face during an argument is 'disgusted with himself', Campbeltown Sheriff Court heard last week.

Sheriff Patrick Hughes was presented with a criminal justice social work report on Neil Johnstone, who had previously admitted assaulting his partner by repeatedly spitting on her and pushing her against a wall.

Johnstone, aged 31, of 6 Millers Park, Campbeltown, was at his ex-partner's home

when an argument began which led to the assault on November 28 last year.

Defence agent Stephen MacSporran told the sheriff: 'The report is a good read; he takes full responsibility for his actions. He was intoxicated at the time of the offence.'

'He is disgusted with himself. He is no longer in the relationship.'

Sheriff Hughes said that not only was the incident disgusting, but also children witnessed it, 'something that

will go with them into their adult lives'.

He placed Johnstone on a community payback order where he must work with a supervising officer for 12 months on his rehabilitation and carry out 150 hours of unpaid work within 15 months.

The sheriff also issued a non-harassment order for two years, prohibiting Johnstone from contacting his former partner, and warned him that the sentence was a 'direct alternative to custody'.



Campbeltown Sheriff Court.

Roofing contractors fined for Islay trouble

Two roofing contractors from Coatbridge, who had been working on Islay, appeared before Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week and left with nearly £2,000 fines between them.

Kieran Creaney, aged 34, of 22 Merrystown Drive, admitted being unfit to drive through drink or drugs; failing to provide a blood sample at Bowmore Police Station and behaving in a threatening or abusive manner by shouting, swearing and uttering threats.

His workmate Jordan Ready, aged 29, of 31 Sandpiper Crescent, pleaded guilty to having an offensive weapon, namely a bottle.

The offences took place over the night of November 1 and 2 last year, outside Distillery Cottages, Caol Ila, Islay.

Procurator fiscal depute James Dunbar said witnesses heard a noise, went outside to investigate and saw Creaney getting out of a van.

'They saw him staggering and slurring his words and told

him he should not be driving because he was drunk.'

At this, Ready, who was holding an empty bottle of Buckfast, approached one witness. 'He was holding the bottle by the neck with his arm out in front of him and pointing the bottle at the witness and told him to get back into his house,' said Mr Dunbar.

The police were called and the men were taken to the police office at Bowmore where Creaney refused to take the breath test and Ready admitted brandishing the bottle.

Creaney's defence agent, Robert Sheridan, told the court he was concerned about his father's ill health and trying to phone home.

'He moved his vehicle a short distance to try and get a better mobile signal.'

Creaney was fined £1,200 and disqualified from driving for 12 months, which can be reduced to nine months if he completes a drink driving rehabilitation course. Ready was fined £750.

POLICE FILES

Driver speeding

A 49-year-old man was charged after he was stopped on the A83, near Bellochantuy, about 5.55pm on Tuesday March 2, for allegedly exceeding the speed limit.

Drug driving

A white Volkswagen Caddy van was stopped on the A83 at Kilkenzie at 5.50pm on Thursday March 4 for allegedly exceeding the speed limit.

The driver, a 24-year-old man, was found in possession of cannabis, for which he received a recorded police warning. The van was checked and allegedly found to have a defective tyre. The man was then arrested and charged with failing a roadside drug test. A blood sample was taken for analysis and, once complete, a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

He was issued with a recordable police warning.

Cannabis

An 18-year-old man was stopped and searched by police at 8pm on Saturday March 6, in John Street, Campbeltown, and found in possession of cannabis.

He was issued with a recordable police warning.

Vandalism

Police are investigating after graffiti was painted on the wall of a building near Ballygrant, Islay, between 6pm on Tuesday March 2 and 8am on Wednesday March 3.

Anyone with information on the above or any incident should contact police on telephone number 101 or call Crime-stoppers anonymously on 0800 555111.

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Man guilty of bombarding teenage girl with messages

Fifty-eight-year-old Michael Rennie, of Highfield, Drumlemble, bombarded a teenage girl with social media messages, one of which was sexual, Sheriff Patrick Hughes was told during a two-day trial.

Rennie denied sending a quantity of messages via social media to a girl aged between 13 and 16, for the purposes of obtaining sexual gratification or of humiliating, distressing or alarming her, and that in the course of sending the messages he requested that she did not share the existence or content of the messages with any other person.

The messages were sent from various locations in Kintyre

and elsewhere between July 26 and August 17 last year, with one sexual written communication on August 17.

Rennie's trial took place at Campbeltown and Oban sheriff courts on December 9 and December 30 last year. At the start of the trial, the sheriff ordered there should be no reporting which would directly or indirectly identify the child witnesses.

On finding Rennie guilty, the sheriff told him: 'Your own position is incredible.'

The off-shore worker was immediately the subject of mandatory registration as a sex offender and his sentence was deferred until March 4 for a criminal justice social

work report and suitability for a restriction of liberty order report to be prepared.

At Campbeltown Sheriff Court last week, Sheriff Hughes was told by Rennie's defence agent Graeme Wright: 'The suggestion from the report, given his age, no previous convictions and that he is part of a family unit where his income is a substantial part; I am asking for a non-custodial sentence.'

Sheriff Hughes made Rennie the subject of a community payback order for two years, during which he must work with a supervising officer and carry out 200 hours of unpaid work within 18 months. The order also includes strict

conditions regarding his ownership and use of internet devices which must be inspected, contain no encryption software and the history must not be deleted.

He must also live in accommodation approved by his supervising officer and tell them of any development in relationships. He must not be in contact with any young person under the age of 16 without notification and have no contact of any kind whatsoever with the teenage girl who was the complainer in the court case.

'You will comply rigorously; if not, you will come back before this court,' Sheriff Hughes warned.

Mum warns parents to be vigilant

'Never be afraid to tell' is the message from the family whose daughter was the complainer in this case.

The mother of the teenage girl told the Courier parents must always remain vigilant and she was full of praise for everyone who supported her daughter.

'No-one - girls or boys - should ever be afraid to tell their parents or the police,' she said. 'What frightened me as a parent

is that this happened within three weeks, before my daughter became extremely concerned and blocked the offender, confiding in a friend.

'On one day, my daughter received more than 50 messages.'

She added: 'As a family, we would like to thank everyone who supported her.'

'Discuss the risks with your children and never be afraid to contact the police.'

Highlighting 'devastating' consequences of speeding



Inspector Archie McGuire says driving at excessive speeds shows 'an utter disregard' for the safety of everyone else on the road. 25_c11trafficpolice01

A powerful new campaign by the Scottish Government and Road Safety Scotland to tackle the serious issue of speeding has launched with a clear message for all drivers - there's no excuse for speeding.

The initiative launched last week, just days after three men were charged having allegedly been caught driving at speeds in excess of 100 miles an hour on the A83 on the same afternoon.

On Saturday February 27, around 3.45pm, Dunoon-based road policing officers stopped a BMW X5 travelling at speeds of up to 122mph on the A83 through Glen Kinglas, near Cairndow. The 29-year-

old driver was charged in connection with road traffic offences. Shortly after 5pm the same day, officers stopped a BMW 6 series and a Mini Cooper, both of which were travelling at speeds of up to 123mph on the same stretch of road. Both male drivers, aged 23 and 52, were charged in connection with road traffic offences.

Inspector Archie McGuire of Argyll and West Dunbartonshire Road Policing Unit said: 'Driving at such excessive speeds shows an utter disregard for the safety of everyone else on the road. Such reckless behaviour is a contributing factor in many

serious and fatal road crashes. Most drivers using our roads do so with respect for the speed limits, driving conditions and other road users, but I would appeal to the minority to please slow down and reduce the chances of collisions and the danger to others.

'Road policing officers will continue to respond to concerns from the public about speeding in their area. We will keep working to educate drivers and take action where appropriate to improve safety and reduce the number of injuries on our roads.'

There were 35 speed-related collisions in Argyll and Bute in 2019, with contributory factors

including exceeding the speed limit, travelling too fast for the conditions and careless/reckless driving.

Latest figures show speed is a contributory factor in 15 per cent of all fatal and serious collisions in Scotland - a total of 848 collisions, 42 fatalities and 244 serious injuries.

Assistant Chief Constable Mark Williams, Police Scotland, said: 'If you are caught speeding or you are involved in a collision, you could lose your licence, face a substantial fine and receive a criminal record which could result in you losing your job, or even a prison sentence, so the risks are not worth it.'

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Convener welcomes dog fouling action

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The convener of Campbeltown Community Council (CCC) has welcomed news that Argyll and Bute Council's leader says it is time for the authority to 'show it means business' in tackling the never-ending problem of dog fouling in the area.

Alan Baker, who wrote a letter to the Courier in recent weeks complaining about 'irresponsible dog owners' not picking up after their pets, was pleased to hear that council leader Robin Currie said it was time to charge irresponsible dog owners or 'hit them in the pocket' if they are seen failing to clean up after their pet – but he feels more needs to be done.

Mr Baker told the Courier: 'CCC raised concerns with councillors when Argyll and Bute decided to do away with dog wardens and members felt this problem would escalate,

which it has. Perhaps it's time to bring back a dog warden and fine the small minority of dog walkers who do not scoop it, bag it, bin it.

'Members of CCC also feel that increasing the number of litter bins around the town and erecting more stands with dog poo bags would mean there is no excuse to not clean up after your dog.

'Some areas in Scotland also promote a 'green dog walkers' scheme to encourage people to be responsible dog owners.'

Councillor Currie made his remarks on the subject during a virtual meeting of the council's environment, development and infrastructure committee on Thursday March 4.

Councillor John Armour, South Kintyre, initially raised the issue during a debate on a 'report card' which rated the performance of the council's staff in various service areas.

He said: 'The indicator for cleanliness is very good, and



Campbeltown Community Council convener Alan Baker. is calling for more bins 50_c11alanbaker01



rightly so, but from what I can gather there is a serious problem with dog fouling throughout Argyll and Bute.

'The lack of wardens is a problem but the biggest is those who allow dogs to do it in the first place.

'I don't know whether getting a message out will make much difference because if people don't realise by now that it isn't acceptable, I don't know what the answer is.

'But we have to be seen to do something, whether by social

media, putting posters out, or similar.

'I have had one instance of somebody letting their dog do its business beside a pram, and all the items in the basket below were covered in dog mess.

'The owner just shrugged their shoulders and said, 'What can I do?'

'I know we cannot police these things without people's names, but we need to be saying to the council that we must be getting out there.'

Jim Smith, the council's

amenity services manager, responded: 'By and large we have less of a problem than in some other areas, where it is quite disgusting.

'I would say most dog owners are responsible and clean up after their dogs.

'A social media campaign would assist and we will look at the council website as well to see if more information can be given out.'

Councillor Currie added: 'It is definitely a big problem in Argyll and Bute. It doesn't matter where you go – it is all over the place.

'I am being very strong here, but I think we need to be strong, and I would like to see a big push to try and pin down the owners, get them charged, and show people we mean business.

'Social media may do some things but we will never get through to irresponsible dog owners.

'The only way of doing that is hitting them in the pocket.'

Disability access plans progressing

Plans to improve disability access in the centre of Campbeltown are progressing.

At a virtual meeting of Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee last Wednesday, Councillor Donald Kelly requested an update on a survey being carried out across the area in relation to disabled access to pavements.

Jim Smith, head of roads and infrastructure services, said these types of surveys would usually be undertaken by staff in economic development in conjunction with roads and infrastructure services and confirmed that he would communicate Councillor Kelly's request to them.

Councillor Kelly also requested that the issue be added to the area committee workplan – a list of topics for which councillors should receive regular updates.

Councillor Kelly told the Courier: 'It's vitally important that a proper survey is carried out which will identify all the access issues in and around the town centre.

'I am pleased that the committee agreed to add this to the MAKI workplan which will allow regular updates to come forward as plans progress.'

Council leader supports call for full-time ferry

The nine councillors of Argyll and Bute Council's Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee – including council leader Robin Currie – have agreed to support calls for a full-time ferry link between Campbeltown and the Ayrshire coast.

At a virtual meeting last Wednesday, they agreed to request that at the council's next full meeting in April, all councillors consider supporting

a petition for a year-round freight and passenger ferry service from Campbeltown to Ardrossan.

The petition was submitted to the Scottish Parliament by South Kintyre councillor Donald Kelly and fellow Argyll First councillor Dougie Philand, in response to the consistent A83 road closures caused by landslips at the Rest and Be Thankful, and the suggested 10-year

timescale for a permanent solution. Councillor Kelly told the Courier this week: 'It was fantastic that we received the full backing of the nine area committee councillors at last week's meeting.

'However, it is unfortunate that due to the Covid-19 situation, we were not able to have a hard copy of the petition circulating in the community as I am sure, given the tremendous verbal

backing we have received for this service, the numbers signing the petition would have been significantly higher.

'Hopefully this will be taken into consideration when the committee discusses the petition.'

Councillor Kelly is appealing to all business owners and community groups, as well as members of the public, regardless of their political beliefs, to support the 'once-in-a-

lifetime opportunity' which he insists should not be considered as an alternative or compromise to a permanent solution at the Rest and Be Thankful.

There is limited time remaining to show support as the petition will only be live on the Scottish Parliament's website – at www.parliament.scot/gettinginvolved/petitions/campbeltownardrossanferry – until Wednesday March 17.

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Council's recycling decision 'shameful'

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Outraged members of the community have branded Argyll and Bute Council's decision not to extend Kintyre Recycling Limited's (KRL) kerbside collection contract 'shameful' and 'callous'.

The Courier revealed last week that at the full council's budget-setting meeting for 2021-22 on Thursday February 25, councillors opted to take recycling services in Kintyre in-house from October 1.

The projected £210,000 cost was expected as a result of purchasing blue bins for every home in Kintyre.

KRL – whose workforce consists mostly of people with barriers to working – has 'loyally and reliably' provided the recycling service in Kintyre since 2006.

The charitable organisation's directors say the council's 'appalling' decision could put 19 jobs at risk.

Many members of the community have called for protests or a petition to reverse the decision, as well as demanding that the councillors who voted for the move provide a clear justification for their reasons.

Councillor Rory Colville, deputy policy lead for planning and regulatory services and South Kintyre's only councillor to vote in favour of the decision, told the Courier this week: 'This was a difficult decision to make. We would have loved to be able to continue funding the service. However, we have to face up to reality, however difficult that is.'



In this 2018 photograph, staff member Jenna Campbell can be seen packing the recycling sacks which are currently used.

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Donald Kelly, were not in attendance for the vote.

Councillor Armour, who 'pleaded' with administration councillors to offer KRL a two-year contract, said this week: 'I share the concerns and feelings of residents on this decision which I still find baffling as it is not about the council saving money. I am in discussion with KRL directors and will work to take forward their wishes and, if that includes a petition and lobbying the council, I will be happy to take this on.'

'The most important people are the loyal staff who have gone way beyond what was asked of them at times and if the council are taking this 'in house' on October 1, then they need to know as soon as possible what jobs they will be expected to do when they TUPE [Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment)] over to the council.'

Councillor Kelly, who could not attend the meeting and said the decision was 'disgraceful', added: 'This is a very difficult and sad situation we find ourselves in regarding the future of KRL.'

'I would urge the public to contact the councillors who made this decision and ask them to justify their actions. I will be doing all that I can to support staff and employees at KRL in the hope that common sense might prevail and this decision will be overturned.'

'The harsh reality is that changes in the recycling market unfortunately undermine KRL's business model; the changes mean they will no longer be able to earn income from materials they rely on selling just now.'

'The important people are the loyal staff who have gone way beyond what was asked of them...'

'We maintained funding for KRL for as long as we possibly could, often prioritising it above other services that we've had to cut in previous years. However, we must deliver a sustainable recycling service for Kintyre; to do that, we must now unfortunately move to a different way of working.'

'KRL has provided a valued service for the area and we are committed to doing all we can to support KRL employees. Residents can look forward to

recycling bins rather than bags and Kintyre will have a waste service ready to deal with legislative changes coming for recycling in 2022.'

This will see the removal of glass, PET plastic bottles, steel and aluminium cans from the recycled material collected by KRL and council services by the introduction of the Scottish Deposit Return Scheme, therefore removing an income stream for KRL.

Councillor Colville was among 19 councillors who sided with the ruling administration's spending plans, including taking recycling services in-house.

Thirteen councillors, including South Kintyre's John Armour, voted for the amended proposal put forward by the SNP opposition group, suggesting offering a two-year contract to KRL, backed by independent councillors Jean Moffat and Dougie Philand.

Councillor Philand's two Argyll First colleagues, George Freeman and South Kintyre's

Careful acceleration of lockdown easing over next weeks

More people are now able to socialise outdoors following good progress in suppressing Covid-19, First Minister Nicola Sturgeon announced on Tuesday.

As of today (Friday March 12), up to four adults from two households are able to meet locally in any outdoor space, including in private gardens, for social and recreational purposes as well as exercise. People should only go indoors if it is essential in order to reach a back garden, or to go to the toilet.

Outdoor non-contact sports and group exercise are also able to resume for adults in groups of up to 15 people.

Young people aged 12 to 17 are able to meet outdoors in groups of up to four people from four different households, participate in outdoor non-contact sports, and other organised activities in groups of up to 15 and travel across local authority boundaries to participate in such activities.

Should progress suppressing the virus continue, the Scottish Government intends to reopen places of worship with attendance limits increased from 20 to 50 where there is space for social distancing on Friday March 26. A final decision will be taken on Tuesday March 23, ahead of Passover, Easter, Ramadan and Vaisakhi.

Ms Sturgeon said: 'In recent weeks, we have seen a significant fall in

new cases, deaths and hospital admissions, and the vaccination programme is progressing beyond our initial expectations.

'All of this is excellent news, and provides strong grounds for hope, but that hope must also be balanced by caution.'

'The changes, while modest, are important, and are designed to help people's health and well-being by enabling group exercise and allowing more social interaction. They will also let children see more of their friends, and exercise and play more normally.'

'With continued progress, we believe the reopening of places of worship can be achieved relatively safely, and will hopefully enable more people to draw strength, comfort and inspiration from acts of collective worship.'

'I expect that further, more substantial changes will be possible in the weeks ahead, and I will set out as much detail as I can about that in Parliament next week.'

'If the data allows us to relax more restrictions more quickly than we have previously indicated, we will not hesitate to do so.'

'We all have a part to play in keeping case numbers down while the vaccinators do their work, children get back to school and we all take tentative but firm steps back to life as we once knew it, so please continue to stay within the rules and follow the FACTS advice.'

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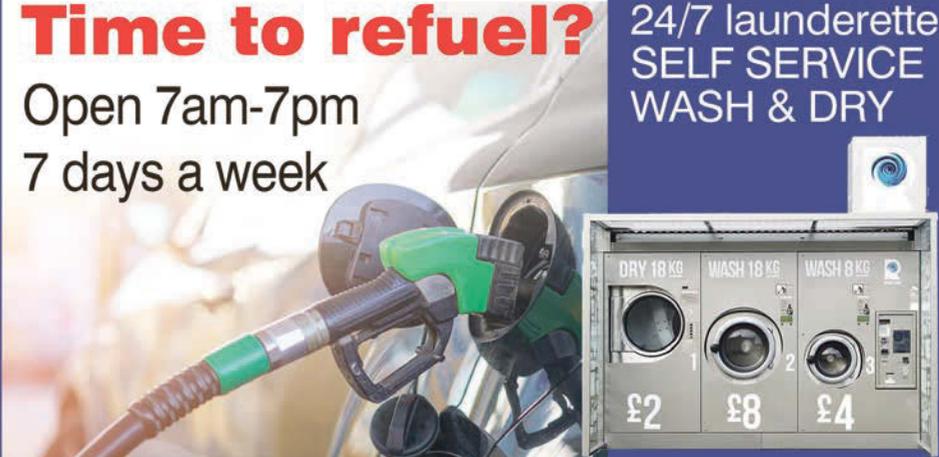
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Town bids a fond farewell to HMS Campbeltown

Campbeltown is saying goodbye to its ship this week with a final visit from HMS Campbeltown.

After 22 years' service around the globe, the Royal Navy frigate is to be decommissioned and she is visiting her affiliated town of Campbeltown from Wednesday March 9 and leaving on Monday March 14 for the final time.

She was escorted into port by a number of local boats and, as is traditional, the ship's company conducted a parade through the town, with a huge crowd turning out to support them.

Today (Friday) a number of schools go on board for a visit and tomorrow the ship will be open to the public from 10am to noon.

HMS Campbeltown will sail from Kintyre for the last time at 10am on Monday March 14.

A number of events are being held over the weekend including football matches and a church service.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Friday March 8 1996

Islay lifeboat hitch

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) has ordered a redesign of its Severn class boats following the discovery of flaws in the first one built.

Islay is among the stations awaiting delivery of the new boat, which is now likely to be delayed

FROM OUR FILES



In 2011: Commander Keri Harris of HMS Campbeltown, right, presents the original telescope given to the ship by the RNLI back to George Bradley, operations manager of Campbeltown Lifeboat.

for months. The design problems showed up when the first Severn class boat 'fell' from the crest of a wave during trials with a crew from

Stornoway and was badly damaged. An investigation highlighted problems with the bulkhead, mast structure and side-keel.

The redesign and modifications are expected to add thousands of pounds to the cost of the £1.4 million boats.

An RNLI spokeswoman said it was not known yet how much it was going to cost to rectify the design flaws.

Divers rescued

A fishing boat came to the rescue of three divers after the engine on their dinghy failed off the island of Cara on Monday night.

A flare launched by the divers was seen by the fishing boat Green Isle which picked its way through the reefs to reach the dinghy. The dinghy was then taken to Tayinloan.

Fears that the flare signalled the divers were in serious trouble meant Islay lifeboat was launched and a rescue helicopter from Prestwick was scrambled.

FIFTY YEARS AGO

Thursday March 11 1971

Marines scare: contact made with 'missing' commandos

Carradale was buzzing with excitement this week when it was discovered four Marine commandos had been missing for days in the hills of Kintyre.

The Marines, who were taking part in an exercise, were to have reported back to a vessel berthed at Carradale harbour, to be taken back to the barracks.

The original number of 'missing' men had been 12, but eight gradually found their way back to the boat, an Admiralty MFV.

Villagers were concerned about the safety of the Marines, who were not accounted for.

A Marine spokesman told the Courier at Carradale on Tuesday evening that four men were still 'missing'. Minutes later, the MFV steamed away from the village, minus the men.

A Land Rover had earlier searched a wide area in vain for them.

On Tuesday morning, three Marines called at the village bar and asked for sandwiches. An employee said they were obviously very tired and had just come from the hills.

Contact was established with the missing men in the early hours of yesterday. They had been in the hills and were discovered by a Land Rover which had been searching for them.

The men were yesterday trying to make their way back to the base at Plymouth. It is understood they have not been seen since the weekend.

The men had, in fact, being separated for a time but had managed to meet up with each other, too late to catch the boat at a pre-arranged rendezvous.

Council brevities

■ The cost of converting council-controlled coin-operated locks to take decimal currency was to be £500. Since the annual return from the locks amounted to only £39, the council has decided to dispense with them.

■ Fees on the burgh putting green and trampolines this summer will be 3p (adults) and 2p (juniors).

■ The council on Monday evening agreed to accept an amended plan of the swimming pool. The building will not now have a learners' pool or wall of glass brick, but windows can still be fitted.

ONE-HUNDRED YEARS AGO

Saturday March 12 1920

Campbeltown horse's success

At the Glasgow Stallion Show last week, Mr Andrew Smith, Bleachfield, had a very creditable position in the prize-list with the Clydesdale horse Royal Masterpiece bred by himself.

In a field of 21, which paraded for the Glasgow premium, Royal Masterpiece was well placed in a class of eight. He was described by an expert as a very nice moving horse shown in his winter coat, thick and weighty.

There were two other horses whose record at the show is of considerable local interest. Among an entry of 39 in the class for stallions foaled from 1914 to 1917, Mr George A Ferguson was second with his six-year-old stallion Ardendale, which is the Kintyre premium horse this year. Ardendale was shown in splendid form and gave a good display, moving grandly both in front and in rear.

Mr Thomas Clark, Pitlandie, Stanley, Perth, had fifth with Royal Tide, bred by Mr Robert Barclay. He was Glasgow premium horse last year when he had an unprecedented season for Glasgow district.

Carradale - a pretty wedding

A marriage in anticipation of which local interest has been largely centred for several weeks was solemnised at Carradale United Free Church on the 25th ult., the contracting parties being Mr Archibald MB Crichton, Willow Bank, Albert Road, Gourrock, and Miss Catherine C Mitchell, Carradale.

The church was well filled by guests when the service commenced at the 'solemn twilight hour' and this scene was truly an impressive one when the principles arrived at the appointed time.

The officiating clergymen were the Reverend George S McLeod and the Reverend JAA Baker.

Mr Crichton was accompanied by Mr Alan Headridge as best man, while the role of bridesmaid was capably filled by Miss C Cook, who was attired in a charming creation of white crepe-de-chine.

The bride's dress was of white georgette over charmeuse with an inset yoke of silver tissue, trimmed with seed pearls and relieved with orange blossoms at the waist.

After the church ceremony, the wedding guests, numbering over 50 couples, were sumptuously entertained in the adjacent spacious school room.

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Buoyed by their success in locating the family of a WWII sailor from Campbeltown, two genealogy and history experts are determined to continue their search for the relatives of more than 150 servicemen who also stayed at the home of a US Navy family during the war.

Nicola Girling and Gloria Winfield are the driving force behind the Casey Project - an entirely voluntary bid to locate the families of the British and Commonwealth servicemen who were welcomed to the New York home of Fraser and Eleanor Casey and their children during the war.

In what has become known as the Book of Memories, Eleanor recorded details of all the servicemen who enjoyed rest and relaxation at the family's home while on shore leave, including their names, addresses, the boats on which they served, anecdotes about their characters and photographs of the servicemen she took herself. Among the men was Dugald McArthur,

from Campbeltown, whose son Les was traced and given a photograph of his father in uniform that he had never seen before after an appeal in the Courier in February.

While Nicola and Gloria have successfully located several of the men's families, many have still to be found, including nine from Scotland.

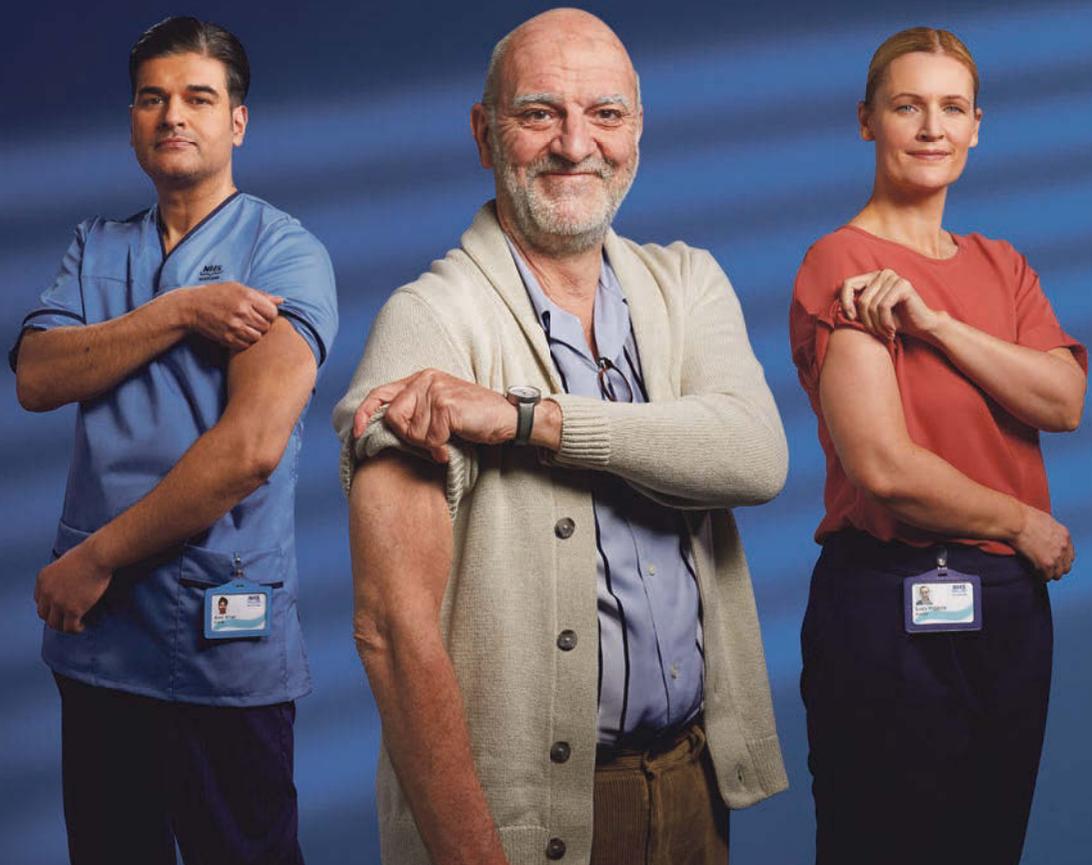
They are: John Mitchell, Ross-shire; James Carlin III, Wishaw; Gilbert Christie, Paisley; Reginald Cooper, Dundee; Alexander Craig, Glasgow; John Currie, Glasgow; John Hopper, East Lothian; James McNair, Paisley; and Victor MacSorley, Stirling.

For more information on the men and the project, visit <https://www.finderguru.co.uk/the-casey-project-ww2-photos/>

Any information or enquiries can be emailed to Nicola at nicola@finderguru.co.uk or Gloria at historiangmw@hotmail.com

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US whisky tariff relief

The news that the US has agreed to temporarily suspend tariffs on UK exports, including whisky, has understandably come as a relief to those in the industry.

The 25 per cent tariff was imposed by the US as part of a dispute over subsidies given to Airbus by EU member states, including the UK.

Since the tariff was imposed, exports of single malt whisky to the US fell by more than 30 per cent, costing the UK £500 million in lost exports, according to figures released last month.

Whisky distilling is one of the UK's most important industries, worth more than £5.5 billion to the economy.

In Campbeltown, as well as playing a massive role in the town's heritage, the whisky industry is vital in terms of employment, tourism and the economy.

Well done to police officers

It is fantastic to see the work of two Campbeltown police officers being recognised on International Women's Day – a global holiday celebrated annually on March 8 to commemorate the cultural, political and socioeconomic achievements of women.

Many people in Kintyre will have seen or know first-hand how hard both DC Lindsay Wallace and PC Karen Cairns work.

They are two important members of a large team of police officers who have done an exemplary job supporting the community throughout very challenging circumstances.

Addressing 'factual errors' in previous letter

I shall leave John Newall to respond to Ron Wilson's letter in last week's Courier, if he so wishes, but I cannot let that letter from the Kintyre SNP secretary pass without comment from me regarding some factual errors contained therein.

Mr Newall is quite correct in his assertion that Scotland's deficit will be a major stumbling block to an independent Scotland joining the EU, and whatever debt the UK may or may not have is neither here nor there with regard to this. Mr Wilson is trying to muddy the waters there.

Whilst Mr Wilson is correct that Scotland cannot have debt (though no one said that it did), Scotland does have deficit, and the reason we know this is because the SNP-run Scottish Government tells us so in the annual Government Revenue and Expenditure, Scotland (table S.1); but Mr Wilson contradicts himself by going on to say that Scotland has a 'notional debt' (whatever that is).

Scotland has no debt. Scotland cannot have debt. Mr Wilson needs to realise that debt and deficit are two different things.

With regard to HS2, yes, Scotland pays a two per cent share of the total cost but will receive approximately 8.3 per cent back in Barnett consequentials. THAT is a very good deal for Scotland. London's Crossrail? Not a single penny for that will be paid for by Scotland.

Mr Wilson goes on to say that there is no 'prohibition on independence votes'. Another error from him.

Section 30 of The Scotland Act 1998, the act which allowed us to have a devolved assembly and to which the then Scottish Office signed up, lays down the exact process required. We need permission from HMGov.

Oh, and the notion that Scotland can abrogate the Treaty Of Union is also wrong.

Whilst Westminster is a parliament of equals, it cannot of itself dissolve the Treaty of Union of which it was not itself a progenitor.

That is the prerogative of the suspended national parliaments of England and Scotland, which will require to be recalled from suspension 'in abeyance ad interim' where they legitimately reside at the present time.

Only the recalled national parliaments of Scotland and England may re-negotiate the 1707 Treaty of Union.

I would take this opportunity to remind Mr Wilson of two things: we had a referendum in 2014 and voted to stay in the UK, and he should really learn to live with that; and in no election ever, General or Scottish, has the SNP garnered more than 50 per cent of the vote.

Michael McGeachy, Campbeltown.

Council's recycling decision is 'perverse'

The decision by Argyll and Bute Council to stop funding Kintyre Recycling Limited is perverse to say the least.

No thought seems to have been given to the level and cost of the future support for the employees who will be thrown on the scrap-heap. Will that go to the social work department and will they get the same level of support as they do now?

No thought seems to have been given to the effect on the mental health of the employees – what support will be available and what budget will it come from?

How can the expenditure of a quarter of a million pounds be justified when the council is struggling for money and how long will it take to save this amount compared with the partial funding for Kintyre Recycling Limited?

It is shameful that only two of our local councillors are against vulnerable people being thrown on the scrap-heap when all three should be supporting their constituents.

Steve Byrne, Campbeltown.

Focus should be Rest and Be Thankful and Covid recovery

I am pleased to support the new business group set up to campaign for a quick and permanent solution for the Rest and Be Thankful section of the A83.

It's now seven months since the landslide closed the A83 last summer. That should have been a wake-up call for the SNP Government, but all we've had since then is a failed attempt to protect the Old Military Road from landslides and talk of taking 10 years to solve the problem.

This is just not good enough. We need urgent action now.

Last week's Courier letters page didn't offer much hope. The SNP only wrote about independence, not the real issues facing us, such as the Rest and Be Thankful.

The SNP Government should be concentrating on fixing the Rest and Be Thankful and recovering from the Covid pandemic, not spending its time plotting about independence.

Councillor Alan Reid, Cowal ward.

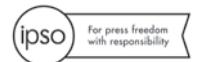
Support Mary's Meals this Mother's Day

This Mother's Day, school feeding charity Mary's Meals would like to pay tribute to incredible women around the world.

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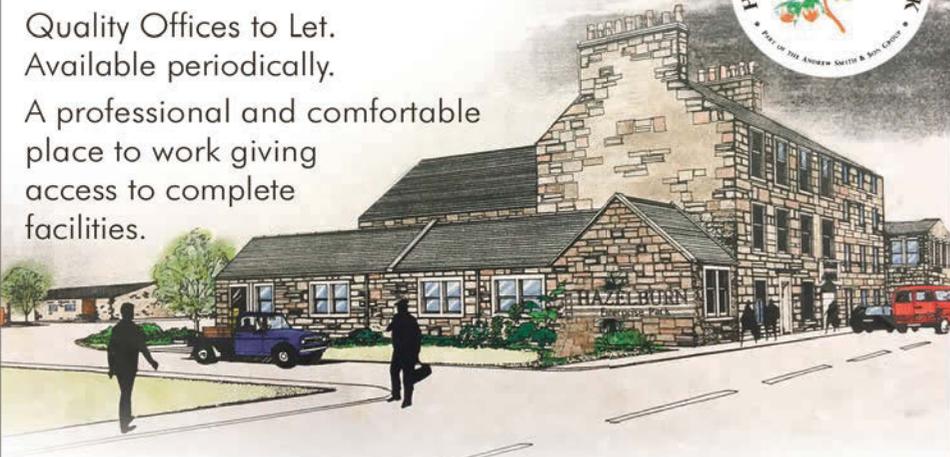
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Gillian McMahon, director of supporter engagement and income, Mary's Meals.

A progressive stroke service

The Stroke Association in Scotland is reminding people that stroke remains a clinical priority in Scotland amid the pandemic.

Our Recoveries at Risk report last autumn highlighted the real-life impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on people recovering from a stroke.

Health officials have been working to review evidence and define what 'a progressive stroke service for Scotland' should look like. This will include improved stroke care bundle figures, improved stroke prevention measures, a national thrombectomy service and stroke-specific, person-centred rehabilitation.

The charity is pleased that people affected by stroke will be included in the development of this work.

A draft manifesto paper will be with the Scottish Government in the next few weeks. Whatever the outcome of May's election, the Stroke Association in Scotland expects the next government to push this work on, and for a new, improved, progressive stroke service to be implemented.

Colin Oliver, public affairs officer, Stroke Association in Scotland

PHOTOGRAPH OF THE WEEK



Photographs of the sunset which lit up the sky on St David's Day flooded social media last week. Pip Mayberry took her own shot of the sky over Campbeltown Heritage Centre on March 1, through the back window of her Campbeltown home. If you have a photograph you would like to share, please email it to editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk or send it via the Courier's Facebook page.

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Stopping smoking can reduce your risk of severity of Covid-19 symptoms, potential of complications, and even death. If you're thinking of giving up, Argyll and Bute Quit Your Way (QYW) Stop Smoking services would like to reach out to all smokers at this difficult time to offer our services to help you Quit Your Way.

Covid-19 can be more severe if you smoke

Smoking can increase your risk of severe symptoms on infection of Covid-19, complications and death according to a review from the World Health Organisation.

UK Government advice is that smoking generally increases the risk of contracting respiratory problems and more severe symptoms of ill health once infected with Covid-19

The risk of catching or spreading the Covid-19 virus increases due to the hand to mouth and

face contact involved in smoking.

In addition, spending more time indoors means smoking within the family household may increase family exposure to second hand smoke, which exacerbates their risks of Covid-19 along with other known harm that it causes.

Smoking also contributes to other life changing diseases such as diabetes and cardiovascular disease, and having such underlying conditions also increases the risk of complications from Covid-19 infection.

To talk to someone directly, contact your local advisor for Kintyre:

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Alternatively, visit www.smokefreehighland.co.uk for more information and support if you'd like to stop smoking, or complete the online form at: bit.ly/Smoke-Free-Highland and your local advisor will get in touch with you.

Happy lockdown birthday



Cathie Baker

Cathie Baker celebrated her 90th birthday on Saturday February 27 at her home in Peninver. She marked the occasion with an afternoon tea from Muneroy.

With the country still in lockdown, people are unable to celebrate their birthdays with friends and extended family as they perhaps normally would.

To help make their day a little more special, the Courier would like to give a shout-out to everyone celebrating a lockdown birthday, including these birthday boys and girls.

Don't forget to let us know about your friend or family member's lockdown birthday and we will give them a shout-out too. Email a photograph to editor@campbeltowncourier.co.uk including their full name, age, birthday, where they are from and a bit about how they celebrated or plan to celebrate.

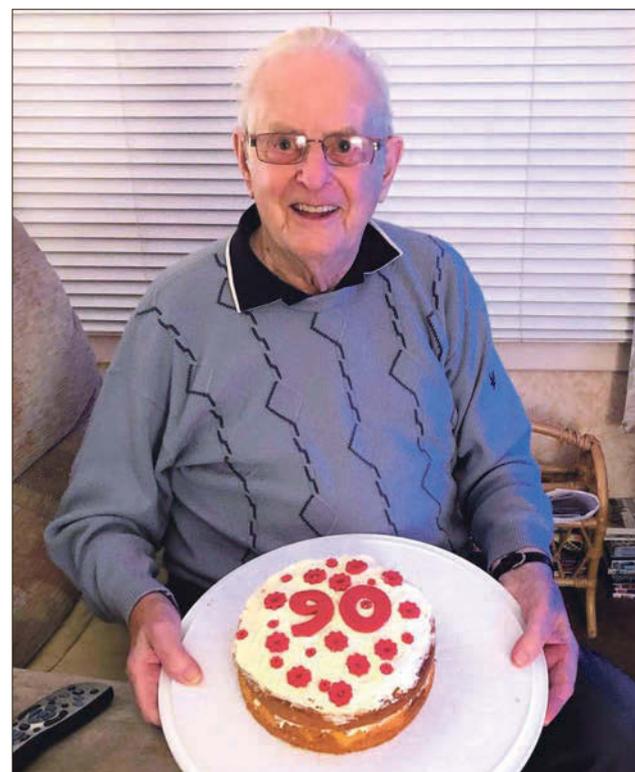


Harriet Cook

Harriet Cook, left, from Campbeltown, turns seven today, Friday March 12. She plans to celebrate by eating cake and drinking mocktails.

Willie Miller

Willie Miller, right, from Campbeltown, turned 90 on Tuesday March 2. He celebrated at home with a fish supper. Family and friends waved in through the window.



Calum MacMillan

Calum MacMillan's wife Michelle and daughters Sienna and Laila wish him a happy 53rd birthday for Monday March 15. Calum has been busy building decking and a fence in the garden of his Campbeltown home but it is hoped he will sit back and relax with the girls on his birthday, enjoying party food and a small refreshment.



Frances McNeill

Frances McNeill, from Tayinloan, is celebrating her 40th birthday today, Friday March 12. She will be spending the day with her husband Barry and children Kayleigh, Lewis and Naeve.



Drew McLean

Drew McLean, from Campbeltown, celebrated his seventh birthday on Saturday March 6 at home with his family, opening lots of presents and eating lots of cake.



Jessica Ferguson

Jessica Ferguson, from Southend, celebrated her ninth birthday on Sunday March 7. She spent the day partying with her mum, dad and big brothers.

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Chelsea becomes advocate for 'voiceless' in Kintyre

A funding boost has enabled an independent, free and confidential advocacy organisation which operates across the west of Scotland to expand and widen the service and support it offers people in Kintyre.

Lomond and Argyll Advocacy Service (LAAS) has received funding from the Alcohol and Drug Partnership and Bank of Scotland Foundation, enabling it to take on a new member of staff - recovery advocacy project worker Chelsea Willis - who will work alongside Lindsay Giffen, the organisation's Kintyre co-ordinator.

A LAAS spokesperson said: 'Chelsea will implement the rights, respect and recovery strategy from the Scottish Government into the way she works, connects and engages with people who seek her assistance. She said she is looking forward to enabling, supporting and assisting



Lomond and Argyll Advocacy Service team leader Ailsa McCrae, left, and advocacy worker Chelsea Willis, right.

people on their recovery journey.'

Staff say they recognise that individuals impacted by problematic alcohol or substance use can often feel excluded and that people may experience stigma and

feel marginalised, thus leaving many feeling voiceless and unsure where to turn for support and struggling to speak up for themselves.

Contact Chelsea by emailing Chelsea.willis@laas.org.uk or calling 07553 891035.

Counsellors in place to support secondary pupils

by Hannah O'Hanlon
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Counsellors have been appointed to support pupils at every secondary school in Argyll and Bute.

A report reveals the local authority has reached its target of having a counselling service available at all 10 of the area's secondary schools by the end of January 2021.

A team leader, as well as a group of counsellors, took up their posts that month with the aim of supporting pupils at the schools with their mental health where needed.

The new counselling team members occupy the full-time equivalent of 6.5 posts with Argyll and Bute Council.

A further post is in place for primary school children aged 10 and over as a result of funding from the area's alcohol and drug partnership.

The reports were to be discussed at a virtual meeting of the council's community services committee yesterday (Thursday March 11).

A report on the council's education service performance from November to January said: 'The team lead took up her post at the beginning of December and counsellors have been offered posts and all have accepted these positions with a start date of January 11 2021.'

'The Educational Psychology Service and HSCP [health and social care partnership] managers have worked together with the research assistant and counselling service team lead



to develop practice guidance, referral procedures and an evaluation framework for this newly developing service.

'Head teachers have been updated on progress with

'Well qualified and experienced counsellors...will provide a valuable tier one service'

referrals forms and service specification being circulated in January 2021. Dates for multi-agency strategic group meetings have been set and core members identified.

'The well qualified and experienced counsellors who have been appointed will provide a valuable tier one service, with clear routes for escalation of need to CAMHS [child and adolescent mental health services] in place where required.'

'From links with other local authorities, it appears Argyll and Bute has been more successful than many in attract-

ing a large number of suitably qualified applicants to deliver this service to our children and young people from the age of 10 years up.

'Robust processes for evaluation have been built in from the outset to support reporting of outcomes on an ongoing basis.'

In another report, executive director Douglas Hendry outlined the process, which is part of a £286,000 investment in Argyll and Bute by the Scottish Government.

This will rise to £377,000 for each of the following three years.

Mr Hendry said: 'Supporting the mental health and emotional wellbeing of children and young people is everyone's business.'

'The benefits to the individual and to wider society of preventing problems from arising and intervening early are significant.'

'For schools, this can result in improvements in attainment, attendance and behaviour as well as happier, more confident and resilient pupils.'

Discarded face masks causing litter problems across Argyll

Discarded face masks are causing litter problems in parts of Argyll and Bute, councillors have claimed.

Kintyre and the Islands councillor Alastair Redman said he has had complaints from constituents over the items being left beside the road, while Oban South and the Isles councillor Jim Lynch has spotted masks hanging from trees.

Calls have been made for the council to take action about people dumping the facial protection items.

The debate took place at a virtual meeting of the

council's environment, development and infrastructure committee on Thursday March 4.

Councillor Redman said: 'I have had a number of complaints from constituents about discarded medical waste, including used face masks. During the pandemic, this is a concern. Can teams be aware that we are seeing a lot of these at the side of roads?'

Council amenity services manager Jim Smith said: 'We are aware of these.'

'Teams are picking up masks and a limited number of

people are being irresponsible with where they dispose of them.'

'We are seeing them in town centres and up glen roads and it is unacceptable. If they are actually seen doing it they can be issued with fixed penalty notices.'

Councillor Lynch added: 'We need to keep an eye on this because it is coming up quite a lot. They are hanging from trees.'

'I initially thought they had fallen out of people's pockets but when I walk my dog I see more than I would expect to see.'

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Self-isolate and book a test immediately if you have coronavirus symptoms - a continuous dry cough, a raised temperature, or a change in your sense of taste or smell.

Don't go for one last shop and don't wait for your test result to start isolating. Only leave your home to get tested.

Book a test at [NHSinform.scot](https://www.nhs.uk/infocentre/entry.aspx?category=coronavirus) or by calling 0800 028 2816

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Clean hands and surfaces regularly. Wash hands with soap and water for 20+ seconds.

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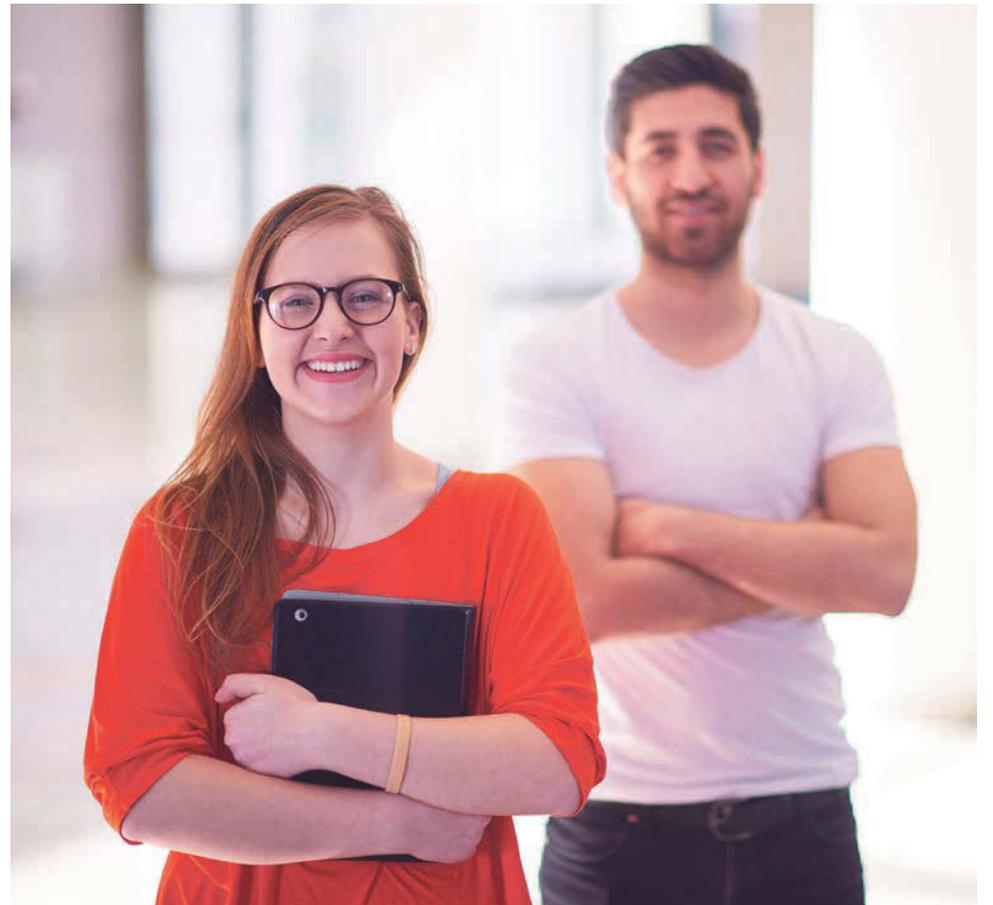
chance to meet our friendly lecturers and course leads, who may even go on to teach you in the future! There might also be an opportunity to speak to current students and hear first-hand about their experience of the course and the college so far.

Our first session on Tuesday 9th March at 6pm focuses on our SWAP Access to Nursing course, designed specifically for people who have been out of formal education for at least 3 years. It prepares adult returners pursuing a career in the health industry for entry into Higher Education and can lead to a place at college or university. Applications for the Access to Nursing course close on Monday 19th April, so the session is a great chance to find out everything you need to know.

Our second session on Wednesday 17th March at 6pm will take a look at our HNC Social Services course. A nationally recognised qualification, this course is aimed at people who want to work in a variety of social service settings and support individuals with varying needs.

For further information and a full list of all our upcoming drop-in sessions please visit our website. Although free to attend, places must be booked in advance so be sure to register your interest!

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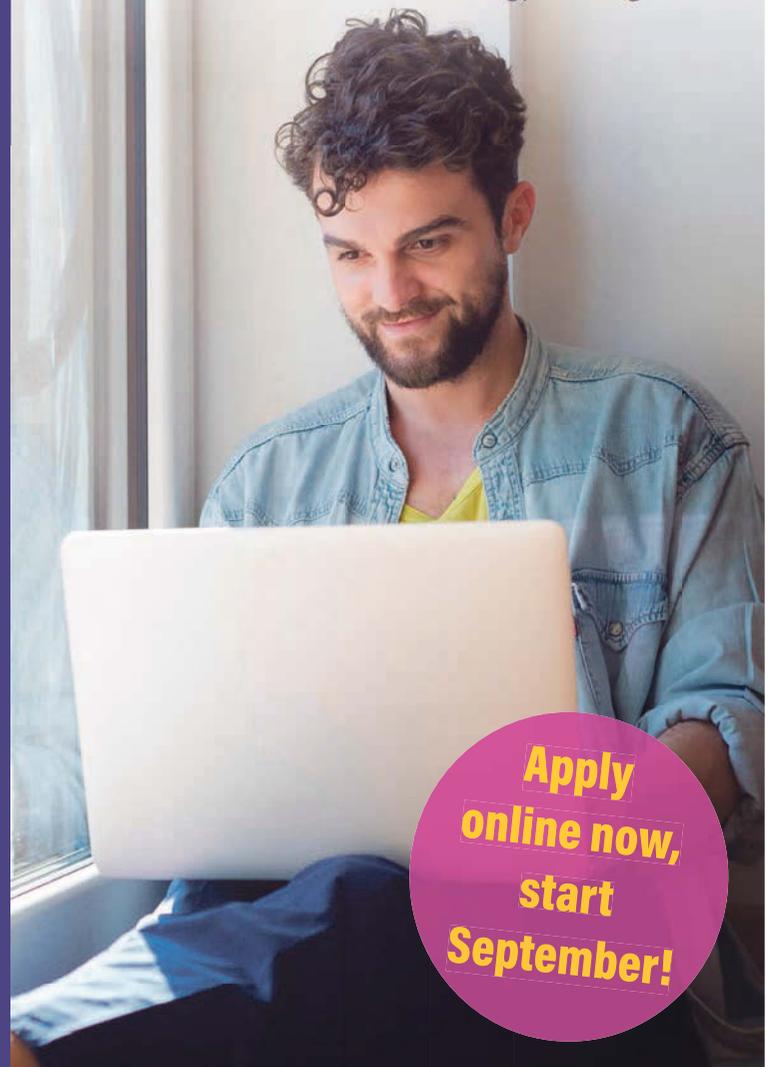
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Thought for the Week

'If you do the same things, you get the same things.'

A change of action or perspective can bring a different outcome.

There are two occasions in the Bible when Jesus told experienced fishermen to try something different to get a catch of fish.

These poor fishermen had been fishing all night but had nothing to show for their dedication and hard work. That is a tough place to be in.

The first occasion, He told them to go out again into deeper water, Luke 5:5. On the second occasion, John 21:6, it was to cast the net on the right side of the boat. In both accounts, the fishermen caught so many fish the nets were at breaking point.

Oh that it could always be as straightforward as that.

Right now, fishermen and their families are facing such a difficult time and feeling that their voices are not being heard. These Bible stories remind us that their need and cry is heard by Jesus, the one who chose fishermen as His companions whilst on earth.

We, too, must not forget them and this important industry in our west coast communities.

I hope you will join me in praying for them, not only for their daily safety but for provision and wisdom.

In these stories, there is a lesson for us all to think about. What obstacle do you face this week that could be overcome by changing our actions or by thinking differently? We resist change particularly when something has worked for us in the past, but sometimes we need a different approach.

Sometimes, like the disciples, we too can find that calling on Jesus gets us through.

Reverend Chris Holden, The Fishermen's Mission.

SKIPNESS

Condition of lifeline road causing concern

A collapsed stretch of the lifeline road serving Skipness and the Arran ferry will be reinstated – but not before the new financial year in April.

More than a year after the B8001 collapsed near Claonaig ferry terminal, it has not been repaired and there is real concern the single track carriageway will collapse completely, leaving the village of Skipness cut off by road.

This would mean no access for emergency vehicles, fuel supplies, agricultural deliveries, public and private transport, doctor and carer visits and Arran ferry traffic.

One Skipness man said last week it was 'an impending disaster' and called on Argyll and Bute Council to carry out 'immediate repairs and reinstatement of the only access to the village'.

In January, the council said it had been 'working hard to find a design solution to stabilise the B8001, which has been affected by landslips', adding the Covid-19 pandemic delayed the project.

The council realigned the road, but no engineering work has taken place to repair the collapsed section.

Speaking in the wake of the 2021/22 budget being set, council leader Robin Currie, one of three councillors for Kintyre and Islands, said: 'I have been pressing for work on this road and it features in the roads capital reconstruction budget for the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands (MAKI) area for 2021/22, with an estimated allocation of £363,000 for embankment stabilisation.'

'In the meantime, officers are looking at the best engineering options for how best to progress the work at Skipness.'

Councillor Alastair Redman added: 'I have been contacted by a large number of my justifiably concerned constituents about this matter. They are asking me if it will take residents getting hurt before action is taken.'

'At the council budget we, as a council, put huge additional resources into infrastructure, in particular roads spending, so now there should be no more excuses and delays.'

'Skipness residents must be listened to and fit-for-purpose long-term work must be done.'



The collapsing section of road near Skipness last week.

'The B8001 is in dire condition and is causing increasing concern for residents and delivery services,' said Councillor Anne Horn.

'I raised this issue again at MAKI area committee and the head of service advised the meeting that the repairs are prioritised for the next financial year.'

'He also advised that residents will be notified of plans and progress for the roadworks.'

'This repair requires urgency and I will be urging officers to expedite the work without delay.'

WEST KINTYRE

West Kintyre wind farm trust accepting applications

Applications for grants from this year's first round of funding from the West Kintyre

Community Council Wind Farm Trust are being accepted.

Grants may be available for capital or revenue funding to support projects, groups, halls, charities and churches within the West Kintyre Community Council area, ranging from Whitehouse in the north to Kilkenzie in the south.

Advice, details and application forms are available from convener Margaret Pratt via email at margaretpratt@btinternet.com

The closing date for receipt of applications is Wednesday March 31 and the disbursement meeting will take place virtually on Monday April 19.

CARRADALE

Consultation on subsea cable

Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks (SSEN) is seeking Kintyre residents' views on the planned replacement of a submarine electricity cable between Carradale and Arran.

The energy company is planning to install a 33 kilovolt (kV) cable from Port na Cuile, Carradale, to Ballieikine on Arran.

It comes after a routine inspection in August 2017 of the two 33kV submarine cables providing electricity to Arran revealed the north cable, which runs from Port Crannaich in Carradale to Ballieikine, was in poor condition with significant damage to the protective armour – probably caused by contact with rocks.

The armour of the cable to the south was intact so no further action was required.

Following an assessment by engineers, SSEN decided to replace the north cable because a repair would be challenging and more costly due to its deep-water location and the extent of the damage.

To gather opinions and answer any questions about its replacement plans, SSEN's submarine cable team will be holding a pre-application consultation in the form of four hour-long online sessions between 2pm and 6pm on Thursday March 18.

To register for the event, email submarinecables@sse.com

As well as seeking views on the project, SSEN is also looking for comments and opinions on its 2023 - 2028 investment programme.

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Spring into action in the garden!

The early bird gets the worm and the early gardener gets the summer glory

Thank goodness it is Spring. Has there ever been a year when we have all looked forward to the season so much?

After being cooped up all winter within Covid restrictions we have all been grateful for our gardens and once restrictions are lifted we cannot wait to share them again with family and friends who were not fortunate enough to have gardens of their own.

Our gardens always take a bit

of a battering during Highland and island winters and perhaps more so this year as we have been using them more during the cold months.

Kids and pets playing in frosty and damp gardens can wreak havoc with lawns, borders, shrubs and fences so there might be more work this spring to repair winter damage.

The ways in which you have used your garden during the

12 months of Covid might inspire you to adapt it to suit this new role.

Now is the time to be changing your 'hard' landscaping - perhaps a new patio, or decking, or replacing and extending the old. Is your garden calling out for a new fence or the digging out, or filling in, of a pond?

This is the time to get it all planned, materials ordered and tradesmen and women

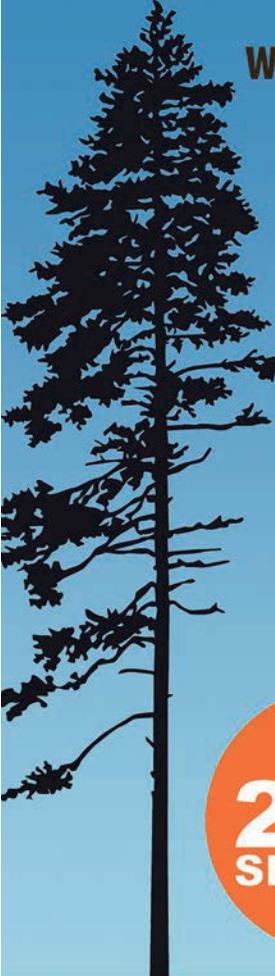
booked, if you do not plan to DIY.

Can your garden shed make do with a fresh coat of preservative this year or has the time come to buy new? Perhaps a bigger shed makes sense to cope with the extra outdoor games, seating and barbecuing kit you have or intend to buy. Have you got room for a summer house?

Once you have the 'hard' work sorted it is time to con-

sider planting for the coming season - we are ready for some wonderful splashes of colour to cheer us up and annuals, hanging baskets and pots are a great idea.

Is this the year you are going to start a vegetable plot? Even a wee one to keep you supplied with salad can save you a fortune and lettuce, radishes and spring onions straight from the garden taste fantastic



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Spring clean inside and out

It is not just our homes that benefit from a good tidy up and a lick of paint in the spring time, now is the time to:

- Tidy up beds and borders.
- Get the debris out of ponds
- Keep on top of the weeds right from the start
- Likewise garden pests
- Get maintenance of fences, sheds and paving done now

- Move deciduous shrubs
- Tidy up perennial plants, thinning and splitting where necessary
- Clean and disinfect the greenhouse
- Start to sow seeds
- Order summer bedding and veg seedlings
- Plant summer flowering bulbs
- Get tools cleaned and sharpened
- Book the mower in for a service now!

The green stuff

Are you looking out the window at a sad lawn? Has it been played and walked on too much this winter?

Don't be worried if there is a lot of moss. This is the West Highlands everyone's lawn has the same problem.
Some tender loving care right now will set your lawn up for the year:

- Clear the winter debris by scarifying
- Aerate it and let the lawn breathe; this stops the root system from becoming too compacted
- Feed it
- Weed it
- Seed it if there are bare patches or badly worn areas
- And show the moss who's the boss!



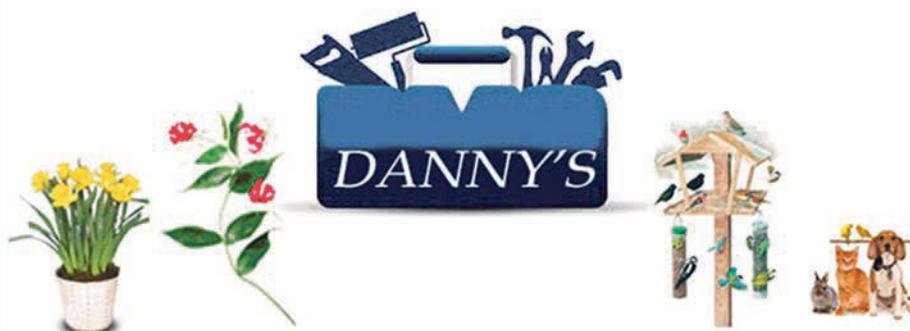
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WITH the boating season fast approaching and restrictions set to lift, it's time to gear up and get your boat ready for the water and the forthcoming summer season staycation!

Getting a time for launching should be planned well in advance to avoid disappointment at this busy time of year. So contact the yard and co-ordinate to get a launch date if not already booked.

The poor weather over the last couple of months may have delayed essential maintenance being carried out on boats. With an improving prospect and better temperatures on the horizon, it's now time to 'bite the bullet' and get moving. There's nothing like a deadline to work to!

For many, fitting out is always last minute and it's important to prioritise jobs. If work is required from one of the boat professionals get in touch as soon as possible to book a slot since this is their busiest time of year.

Outside – hull, topsides, keel etc

Take a close look over the keel and keelboats for signs of rusting or pitting and wear at the keel to hull joint that may be more evident after winter layup. Deep pitting on the keel may indicate anode problems and will need taken back to bare metal and an epoxy protective coating applied before anti-fouling. Call in the professionals if anything looks suspect, for example movement between the keel and hull.

If antifouling has built up then removing it is difficult and time consuming. However it pays off since it improves the efficiency of boat movement in the water. If going to the trouble of full removal, it pays to apply a protective epoxy coating before re-anti-fouling.

Advice from the local chandler or boatyard and fellow boat owners in the same area will ensure the best decision on product.

Deck gear and rigging

Over the winter, dirt, debris and verdigris will have built up on deck if the boat is outside and will need a good scrubbing with perhaps an anti-mould treatment. Teak decks require their own specialist treatment and there is advice on what best to use from the chandlery and on line forums. Deck gear needs checking for wear and tear if this was not done at layup. Inspect rigging for broken strands and any cracking at terminals and renew if necessary. Remember if any aspect of rigging is dangerous, boat insurance could be invalid.

Your local sail rigging firm specialist will carry out a rig inspection for you if you are in any doubt. It's good to have a check over from the professionals since they can correctly tension the rig which improves efficiency under sail.

The powerhouse - engines fuel tanks and gas Systems

Both inboards and outboards need serviced and this is most often done by a professional whether by your boatyard or an independent engineer.

Check out the state of boat batteries which need to be up to charge and holding before launching. Ideally, batteries will have been stored on trickle charge over lay-up, so if not, re-charge now and monitor electrolyte levels if unsealed.

Fuel tanks should be full from laying up. A qualified gas engineer will ensure the system conforms to current gas regulations and any suspect hoses and fittings should be replaced to manufacturer's recommendations.



as to condition of if out of date. It is also vital you check to make sure your vessel has the correct amount of flotation devices for the crew. The RNLI will carry out a free safety check on your boat equipment and

Safety equipment

It's essential now to see all equipment is in good condition since lives may depend on it. Fire extinguishers, flares, life-rafts, life-jackets should be inspected with items needing replaced or repaired if in any doubt

Lifeboat stations will check your lifejackets - this is really worthwhile.

Make an inventory of where safety equipment is stored and display prominently in boat - items can then be found quickly and easily in an emergency.

Sails

Sails are the powerhouse of the sailing vessel so it's important they are in good condition and sailmakers are on hand for advice on any aspect. With everyone pushing to get their boats ready for launching, the sail loft has their busiest time of year so book a slot early to get sails checked over and repaired or replaced as required. If new sails are needed, order as soon as possible.

Expert advice for a successful season

Professional advice is on hand from boatyards, engineers, marine service and repair firms as well as chandlers and sail-makers. Each has their own area of expertise and don't hesitate to contact them

for advice and to carry out work as required.

Whatever your plans are for getting out on the water - whether it be cruising, racing, fishing or just pottering about with your boat, enjoy a safe and successful 2021 season!





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Each number in our Cross Code grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. You have three letters in the control grid to start you off. Enter them in the appropriate squares in the main grid, then use your knowledge of words to work out which letters should go in the missing squares. As you get the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and control grid. Check off the alphabetical list of letters as you identify them.

MAGIC SQUARE

HEATHEN DISTANCES

Using all 16 letters of the phrase above, form four words each of four letters which will fit in the grid to form a magic square in which the words can be read both horizontally and vertically.

Quiz Challenge

- Jake Gyllenhaal starred opposite Heath Ledger in which 2005 film about the relationship between two cowboys?
- In which hobby might traces, ledgers and gentles be used?
- Grace Road is the home ground of which county cricket team?
- What was the occupation of 'waits'?
- The 19th century novelist Mary Ann Evans used what pseudonym?
- Igor Sikorsky pioneered which type of aircraft?
- Mother of pearl is also known as what?
- What is meant by the expression a 'ballpark figure'?
- Henry VII was the first monarch of which royal house?
- Who starred opposite Lady Gaga in the 2018 remake of the film A Star is Born?

NONAGRAM

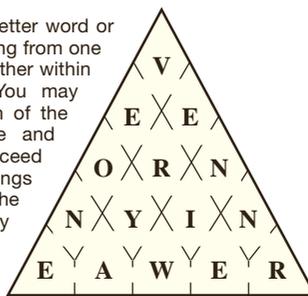
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How many words of four letters or more can you make from this Nonagram? Each word must use the central letter, and each letter may be used only once. At least one word using all nine letters can be found.

Guidelines: 20 Good; 23 Very Good; 27 Excellent. Any word found in the Concise Oxford Dictionary (Tenth Edition) is eligible with the following exceptions: proper nouns; plural nouns, pronouns and possessives; third person singular verbs; hyphenated words; contractions and abbreviations; vulgar slang words; variant spellings of the same word (where another variant is also eligible).

WORD PYRAMID

Spell out a 15-letter word or phrase by moving from one chamber to another within the pyramid. You may only enter each of the chambers once and may only proceed through openings in the walls. The first letter may appear in any chamber.



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Here are two miniature five-square crosswords using the same grid - but the letters have been mixed up. You have to work out which letters belong to which crossword.

CRYPTIC CROSSWORD

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ACROSS

- A drudge might come before Rover's tail (8)
- Race round the tree (4)
- Brought up in ancient city, turned wild (8)
- Support for quiet ending (4)
- Development plot? (7)
- Big Ben found on Caribbean island (5)
- Distinguishing against pain (11)
- Move slowly and behave abjectly (5)
- Boxer's aircraft (7)
- Lover in the rosiest surroundings (4)
- London area still in a state of rapture (8)
- Nothing more than a month in Ireland (4)
- The quality of a fine point (8)

DOWN

- Girl I'd seen in trouble (6)
- Greedy swallow Cheddar (5)
- Coloured glass fly (10)
- Be very eager to pass on (3)
- Article links two vehicles to make a third (7)
- Ask again to rest (6)
- This month one confined to college has been urged on (10)
- Diminutive person is maybe bashful (5)
- Small chapel used for elegant speech (7)
- It's a funny way to show fear (6)
- Summary is not quite accurate (6)
- Let it become the heading (5)
- Exclamation of surprise when business comes to nothing (3)

QUICK CROSSWORD

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ACROSS

- Cutting implement (8)
- Uncommon (4)
- Golf peg (3)
- Cuban dance (8)
- Not any (4)
- Cut off (5)
- Take notice (3,2)
- Knocks (4)
- Abide (8)
- Filed report (8)
- Deceiver (4)
- Food fish (5)
- Bodily organ (5)

DOWN

- Applaud (4)
- Musical lines (6)
- Egg dish (6)
- Male deer (4)
- French artist (6)
- Leave suddenly (3,3)
- Feat (5)
- Mass of eggs (5)
- Wheel on spur (5)
- Stitch (3)
- Mammal with snout (5)
- Oyster's gem (5)
- Attempt (3)
- Cry of discovery (6)
- Underhand (6)
- Queue (4,2)
- Pulse (6)
- Church seats (4)
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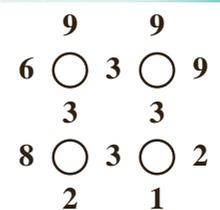
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Place the four signs (add, subtract, multiply, divide) one in each circle so that the total of each across and down line is the same. Perform the first calculation in each line first and ignore the mathematical law which says you should always perform division and multiplication before addition and subtraction.

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SMRA vice chairman Andrew Moir explained: 'Following recent Scottish Government announcements to support



Holly Kennedy's advice is to get stuck into the pre-apprenticeship scheme.

economic recovery with a key focus on skills development for young people, displaced workers and career changers, the Scottish machinery rings can assist

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21/00143/PP	Change of use of dwellinghouse (class 9) to form guest house (class 7)	Corrie House, Craobh Haven, Lochgilphead, Argyll And Bute, PA31 8UA
21/00203/PP	Installation of mono-block hard-standing area to accommodate 2 hot tubs and erection of 1.8m high fencing (part retrospective) and installation of flag pole (retrospective)	The Grey Gull Inn, Glenburn Road, Ardrishaig, Lochgilphead, Argyll And Bute, PA30 8EU
20/02360/PP	Erection of agricultural building (retrospective)	Escart Farm, Skipness, Tarbert, Argyll And Bute, PA29 6YG

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BIRTHS

ANDERSON - Craig and Megan (née Hill) are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Harris Craig James, on February 19, 2021, a wee brother for Willow. Fourth grandchild for Jimmy and Shona Anderson, and fifth grandchild for John and Elizabeth Hill.

MCDONALD - On February 17, 2021, to Rebecca (née Welch) and Michael, a son, Fergus Jonathan Thomas. A much-loved wee brother for Robbie. Third grandchild for Jackie and Neil, Edinburgh, and seventh grandchild for Karen and David, Ardrishaig.

GOLDEN WEDDING

KILCOLM - MACKAY - Married in St. Margaret's Church, Lochgilphead on March 13, 1971, by Fr. John MacCormick, assisted by Rev. Neil MacKay, Tom to Sheena.

DIAMOND WEDDING

MACINTYRE - MARTIN - Married in the Lochend Church, Campbeltown, William MacIntyre to Janet Martin by Rev. James Young, on March 17, 1961.

DEATHS

DEANS - Peacefully at home in Preston after a long illness on March 6, 2021, John Matthew, aged 81 years, originally from Stewarton, near Campbeltown, loving husband of Brenda and much loved family.

GRAHAM - Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on March 1, 2021, Jessie Sillars Stewart, in her 92nd year, formerly of John Street, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Hector Graham, much loved mum of Sandrew (Sandie) and the late Helen, special mother-in-law to David, much loved nana to Julie, Laura, Jonathan, David and Heather and a loving great-grandmother.

KELLY - Peacefully at home, 6 Knockscalbert Way, Campbeltown, on March 8, 2021, Thomas Calderwood Kelly (Tommy) in his 78th year, dearly beloved husband of Jennifer Gilchrist, much loved dad of Gillian and William, father-in-law of Billy and Sarah, loving papa of Kelly, Aiden, Rosie and Holly, papa Tommy to James, Harry and Lewis and a dear brother, brother-in-law, uncle and friend. Funeral service private in line with current government guidelines. Tommy's funeral will take place on Saturday, March 13. The cortege

will leave the family home at 11.00am after a short prayer. We will travel down Knockscalbert Way, George Street, the Esplanade and past the Cross on our way to Kilkerran Cemetery. Anyone wishing to pay their last respects to Tommy may do so along our route. Please remember to observe social distancing.

TODD - Peacefully at his home, on March 6, 2021, Chris John Todd, in his 77th year, of New Eistein, Tayvallich, by Lochgilphead. Beloved husband of Jean, and much loved father of Andrew and Neil. Dearly loved and proud Grandad of Zara, Ayesha and C.J. A much respected father-in-law of Zaituni and Lucy. A dear brother of Ernest, Tim, Anthony, Bernice and the late Bernard. A good neighbour, dear friend and respected member of the local community. A private family service was held at Carsaig Cemetery, Tayvallich on Thursday, March 11, 2021. Sadly missed.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

FLETCHER - John, Helen, Alison and their families would like to express their sincere thanks to family, friends and work colleagues for the many kind expressions of sympathy, phone calls, cards and messages received following the recent sad passing of Margaret. Special thanks to the doctors, nursing teams and medical staff of Mid Argyll Hospital, especially Dr. Sinead Hutchison, Collette Morgan and Sarah Mearns for their unfailing support, kindness and care given to not only Margaret but to our family as well. Our thanks are extended to Belinda Braithwaite of the Humanist Society for an uplifting and personal ceremony; to Roddy and Fiona of Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for their caring and efficient arrangements and to Morna for the beautiful floral tribute. The generous amount of £700 has been passed onto Macmillan Nurses Mid Argyll. Margaret will be greatly missed.

JOHNSTON - John, Margaret and families would like to express their sincere thanks to all for cards, flowers, phone calls, baking and messages received following the sad loss of their dear mum and granny. Special thanks to all carers at Lorne Campbell Court for the love and devoted care given to Ella over the last three years,

where she was so happy and content, thanks also to the District Nurses and all staff at the Health Centre. Many thanks to Kenneth Blair and team for their caring and efficient arrangements, staff at Kilkerran Cemetery and to Rev. Steve Fulcher for his support and comforting graveside service. Finally, our thanks to the many people who paid their respects as Ella made her final journey to Kilkerran Cemetery.

MACNAB - Eilidh and Sine would like to thank all family, friends and neighbours for their many kind expressions of support and sympathy after the passing of their beloved mum Mary. Special thanks to Rev Lyn Peden and to Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for their sympathetic handling of the arrangements and thanks also to Kirsty at Team Tarbert, Tanya, Heather, and staff of Argyll Care Centre, Helensburgh, the nurses and staff at Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead and to all who lined the route to Carrick Cemetery to pay their final respects.

MACLULLICH - Alasdair would like to thank everyone most sincerely, for the many kind expressions of sympathy received in the recent sad loss of his Mum. Special thanks to Police, Ambulance and Fire Service, for their presence and assistance. Thanks also to Rev. Robert MacLeod for his comforting service and support, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors, for dignified and professional services and to relatives and friends who attended the service, which was very much appreciated, also to the villagers of Tarbert, who lined the route to the cemetery to pay their respects, their support was a great comfort.

IN MEMORIAM

MACDOUGALL - Precious memories of our son Alasdair who was taken from us on March 13, 2007. We weren't ready, We never would, And at only 20 years old, We never should. Missing you every day, loved always, see you soon. Mum and Dad xxx

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MACDOUGALL - We hold you close within our hearts And there you will remain. To walk with us throughout our lives, Until we meet again. Love Nikki, Mhairi, Codi, Esmée and Keli xx

MACVICAR - In loving memory of my dear wife, Peggy who passed away on March 16, 2015. Nothing can ever take away The love a heart holds dear, Fond memories linger every day, Remembrance keeps you near. Love always, Robbie xx

MACVICAR - In loving memory of our mum We have only a memory, dear mum. We cherish our whole life through; But the sweetness will live forever As we treasure the memory of you. Love from all the family xx

MCCORMICK - Barbara March 13, 2011 MUM I still see your face before me Your voice I long to hear I miss and love you dearly And wish you were still here All our love, Ishbel & Dougal xx
GRANNY You left us beautiful memories Your love is still our guide Although we cannot see you You're always at our side Love you lots, Christopher, Kyle and Morgan xxx

ROBERTSON - In loving memory of a dear sister and aunt Margaret, died March 6, 2006 and our dear brother and uncle Jim, died March 14, 1997. Time passes, memories stay Still loved and remembered every day. - Love sister Norma, Jim and family.

WARDROP - Our beautiful Lynsey, Somewhere over the rainbow, We love you. - Mum, Dad and Fallon.

CHURCH NOTICES

SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH



Our building is still closed but you are welcome to join our online Praise and Worship Zoom Service on Sunday, 14th March 2021 at 11am when Kelvin Moller from Clachan will be preaching To join us online send your email address to officespringbankchurch@gmail.com for an invitation to Sunday's Zoom meeting www.springbankchurch.org.uk https://www.facebook.com/springbankchurch Contact phone number 01586 551237 - Church Secretary

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South Kintyre Team Ministry Due to the new regulations there will be no services held in the churches but an online service can be viewed on the South Kintyre Team Ministry page on YouTube. Ministers Revd Steve Fulcher Revd Chris Fulcher 01586830504 www.kintyreparishes.org.uk

SALVATION ARMY



Our meetings in the hall are currently cancelled Gospel message will be available via our FB page every Sunday If we can be of any assistance to anyone during this time please call us on 01586 552046 Major Ruth Russell Scottish Charity Number SCO09359

GLASSARY, KILMARTIN AND FORD PARISH CHURCH

Barr Mhor, Kilmartin Please note due to lockdown restrictions our church is closed until further notice. We will be back in action as soon as it is safe to do so. Until then stay safe.

CAMPBELTOWN FREE CHURCH

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Sunday 14th March In line with the current Covid restrictions, there will be no services held in the church building until further notice. Rev Rodger Crooks will record the service for this Sunday and it will be available on our website (see below) and on YouTube.
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7.30pm Youth Group (by Zoom)
Wednesday 10th March 12 noon Prayer & Bible Study (by Zoom) www.campbeltownfreechurch.co.uk Scottish Charity Number: SC046745

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Current restriction announced by the Scottish Government mean it is necessary to close places of worship. Therefore, Holy Mass will regrettably only be celebrated without people present and will be broadcast on Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/campbeltownrcchurch) and Zoom (Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6593787274), at 10am Friday-Wednesday. Anyone requiring pastoral care should contact Fr. Wood: 01586 552160 or campbeltown@rcdai.org.uk.

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charity number SC001002 Although our buildings are closed we are still active. Our website is full of information & links to keep you informed & provide opportunities for worship on-line Please look it up & keep in touch www.northknapdale.org

LORNE & LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH

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The churches are currently closed - a reflection from the Rev Lyn Peden will be available on the Church of Scotland in Tarbert, Kilberry and Skipness Facebook page 01880820158 Charity numbers Tarbert SC002622 and Skipness SC004280

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Ardrishaig and South Knapdale Parishes Services in Ardrishaig and Achahoish Churches will resume on **Sunday, 26th March** Weekly Reflections will continue to be available at the gates of the churches (John 10)

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MOKRUN cancelled for second successive year

Organisers decide on virtual 2021 event

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Organisers of the annual Mull of Kintyre 10K and Half Marathon (MOKRUN) have been forced to cancel the event - the biggest in Kintyre's sporting calendar - for the second year in a row.

The annual race, which takes place in May, had to be cancelled completely last year because of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Organisers had hoped restrictions would be lifted in time for this year's event to take place on the weekend of May 29 and 30 but released a statement last week to say it would not go ahead in the usual format.

Race director Gail Williams said: 'It is with deep regret we have to announce that MOKRUN 2021 will not go ahead as a live event.'

'Never in our wildest imagination did we think this would happen, however, as you will all appreciate this is simply beyond our control.'

'Despite some encouraging news recently, regarding potential lifting of lockdown measures, we feel there would be too many constraints to go ahead this year, which would

take away from the overall enjoyment of the event.'

'Although our race was not due to take place until May, there are many things behind the scenes which have to be organised, all of which take time, and in such challenging circumstances, really left us no choice.'

'We would like to thank all of our supporters for your continued patience whilst the committee deliberated over this.'

The race is not cancelled completely this year, however, with a virtual race set to take place instead.

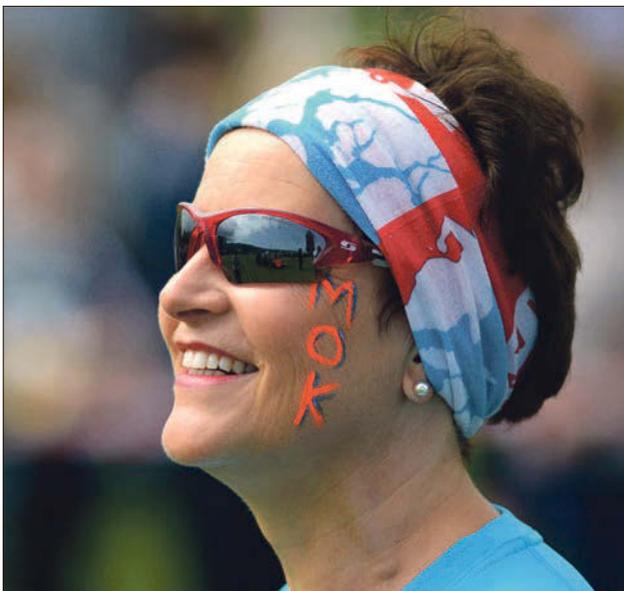
This is expected to involve participants completing a 10K or half-marathon distance individually, within their home area, between two given dates.

They would be required to submit proof of their run before being sent a famous MOKRUN t-shirt and medal.

Gail has asked people to be patient while the details are finalised and said that participants should receive an email with more information soon.

She said: 'If we could please ask that everyone bears with us a little longer whilst we finalise details for MOKRUN 2021 - virtual edition.'

'Information will be provid-



Race director Gail Williams. 50_c11mokrun01

ed in due course, by email via EntryCentral, to all participants who had secured a place.

'Unfortunately, there will be no additional entries for the virtual race.'

The event is as much fun for spectators as it is for runners, seen here making their way around Campbeltown during the 2019 10K race.

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There will also be a virtual junior race, called MOK Junior Race for Miles, with a choice of two distances - one mile or five kilometres.

With 200 places up for grabs, the event will open on EntryCentral's website - www.entrycentral.com - tomorrow, Saturday March 13.

All junior finishers will also receive an official MOKRUN t-shirt and a medal on completion of their chosen distance.

Gail added: 'Please keep an eye on the @mokrun Facebook page for updates regarding the virtual events.'

'We can't wait to welcome everyone back in 2022.'

Scores close in Dunaverty's February medal

Thirty-six members took part in Dunaverty Golf Club's February medal on a calm, crisp day and only three shots covered the top six places.

Early starter Matthew Ralston, continuing his recent good form, set the target with an excellent nett score of 63, but this was surpassed by young Scott Cameron, one of the Lochgilphead members, who came in one better than Matthew.

This looked to be a winner until Malcolm Ronald teed off and recorded a superlative nett 60 to take the win and qualify for this year's Muneroy Cup.

Ross Sinclair had the best scratch score of the day with a 66.

Result: 1 Malcolm Ronald 78-18=60; 2 Scott Cameron 87-25=62 (bih); 3 Alex Arkell 76-14=62; 4 Ross Sinclair 66-3=63 (bih); 5 Matthew Ralston 82-19=63 (bih); 6 Peter Paterson 83-20=63.

Tomorrow (Saturday), the club is to host a bounce Stableford.

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