Your weekly news Friday 5th September 2025

Hi All,

Here is the weekly news from the Ardentinny Community Council and the Village Hall.

Please note we will take a short break from the weekly news, anything urgent/important will go on the Ardentinny Community Council website or on Facebook, we will be back on 26 September.

Ardentinny Community Council News

Ardentinny Community Council Public Meeting

Many Thanks to those who attended the public meeting of last Tuesday. The full minutes will be issued next week.

Ardentinny Beach anti-social behaviour: This is a bit of advice from the Police for us, taken from the forthcoming minutes that contains full details of a meeting we had at the beach with Forestry and Land Scotland, the Police, and a Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park ranger.

"The Police Officer is aware of the anti-social behaviour that occurs at the beach. He recommended that rather than calling 101 to report issues, it would be to our advantage to use the contact form on the Police Scotland website, as this builds up a record of incidents. The more incidents reported then additional Police Patrols are more likely to be made. It also means you don't have to hang on the phone for a long time when dialling 101.

So please use this email address - https://www.scotland.police.uk/secureforms/contact/ "

Emergency Alarm Test – UK Government

On **Sunday 7 September at 3pm**, the UK government will test the Emergency Alerts system. The test will be sent to all compatible 4G and 5G mobile phones and tablets across the UK. You will hear a loud siren-like sound, vibration, and a message will appear on the screen confirming that this is a test. The sound and vibration will last for about 10 seconds. You will not need to take any further action.

UK government Emergency Alerts System testing on Sunday 7 September 2025 at 3pm - accessible messaging and resources



Ardentinny Community Trust Ltd: Looking for new Trustees



Overview of the Organisations in the Village - Please consider joining one



Activities at the Ardentinny Outdoor Centre

UPCOMING DATES

13TH SEPTEMBER ARDENTINNY 28TH SEPTEMBER ARDENTINNY





Location: Ardentinny Outdoor Centre Ferry House

Price: £15 for 55 mins Please book slot via link







Ardentinny Community Emergency Team

The Emergency team received a £500 goodwill payment from SSEN which we can use to purchase resilience equipment for the village. This was as a result of Storm Eowyn and the length of time it took to get us all back on power (6 days). The team reviewed the residents feedback on what they would like to see purchased, and this has resulted in a plan to buy a 200ltr chest freezer (residents can put one shopping bag in for safekeeping). The freezer will be powered by the generator already purchased by the Emergency Team.

A gas heater for the Hall will be purchased, and we want to get two 13kg patio gas cylinders. Thanks go to Janice Goldie for donating one to us. We also received a couple of Butane cylinders from Mary and John Martin, again Thank you!

If someone has one more 13kg patio gas cylinder please get in touch.

Stuart Gray kindly made a poster for us as a reminder that the freezer will be available to residents

WORRIED ABOUT YOUR FREEZER CONTENTS NEXT POWERCUT?

In response to the survey conducted after Storm Eowyn, the Emergency Team are buying a chest freezer which will be available for households to deposit **one** supermarket size bag of goods from their own freezer.

The freezer, which will be at the Village Hall, will run off the generator we've also purchased.

Space in the freezer will be on a first come basis and the bag of you precious goodies will remain there until your power is restored. We should be able to accommodate 10 households.



Glenfinart Walled Garden - Date for your diary:

Harvest Fair at the Walled Garden – Sunday 21st September 2025 12 noon to 4.30 pm. There will be the usual attractions plus music, more information to follow.

Glenfinart Walled Garden Membership: Reminder that membership fees for the Walled Garden are due - £2 per year. You can hand in the fees to any of the Trustees along with your name and address.

Dunoon Community Development Trust

For your information here is a link to the <u>Dunoon Community Development Trust webpage</u> which shows what's on around Dunoon.

Ardentinny Community Council Facebook page and Website

The Community Council website can be found here - www.ardentinnycc.co.uk

The Facebook page has been updated, search for **Ardentinny Community Council** and we have an Instagram site under the same name.

Regards	
John	

Ardentinny Village Hall Weekly News

Village Hall Upgrades

Starting on Monday 8th September work will begin on refurbishment of the kitchen. The plan being to put in a central wall to reduce the size of the kitchen area and create a small meeting room. Hopefully the door to this will also be replaced.

This will create some disruption and weekly groups are advised that it may be prudent to cancel this week's group meetings. The kitchen will be out of use while this is going on. The hall is booked Friday, Saturday and Sunday morning for a private function but any help packing up the contents of the kitchen cupboards etc on Sunday 7th in the afternoon (from mid day) would be greatly appreciated. Also any boxes to put everything in too please. (they can be returned.)

An update on the new heating controls- Mark Holmes, Stuart Gray and Neil Robinson have been helping with advice for us to improve the controls of the new heating and hopefully this will be in place soon.

Helen Rowthorn (Treasurer)

Quiz Nights – Looking for Quizmasters

If anyone would like to run a quiz in September or in the future, please get in touch with the Hall Management Team

ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com

Weekly Groups	Ardentinny Village Hall	
Village hall membership information	Monday	Tuesday
Membership £12 per year from 1st April each year Pay directly into the hall account with the details below. Please write the first line of your address as the reference and email your name and the name of anyone else you are paying for including the reference that this has been done to: ardentinnyvillagehalla@gmail.com Ardentinny Hall Association A/c: 00123850 Sort: 80-13-46	Ukulele/Music group Please join us on from 17.30-19.30. Following our successful live debut at the bowling club, we are currently running a beginner session. All abilities welcome, spare instruments available. £3 per session, tea/coffee included. Email:- ardentinny.ukulele@gmail.com for further info.	Ladies Badminton 10.30 am – 12.30pm £3 per person. Contact for more info- Anne Wood 07894 274422
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hobbies 7pm – 9pm All welcome for a chat and a cuppa and friendly help with your knitting/ crochet/ quilting etc. Anyone who has a hobby or would just like to drop in and meet people, please call in. Contact Margo Hendry 01369 810262 £3 per person.	Tai-Chi Heavenly Mountain Gate Tai-Chi Chuan (Yang Tradition) 6.30pm – 7.30pm £5 per person Contact Bryan on 07813 374879 for new enquiries.	
Saturday	Sunday	Private Hiring of the village hall Contact for more information ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com £120 per day £60 1/2 day