

Your weekly news update for Friday 17th May 2024

Hi All,

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

Ardentinn Community Council News

Walled Garden News

The walled garden is pleased to announce that the T.S.I will be filming in the garden on Thursday. This is in recognition of the the continuing success of the garden and efforts of the band of volunteers.

Also a reminder that the garden is accessible to anyone from the village.

There are plants for a donation, and the volunteers will be there from 11am till 2.30pm on Wednesday and Thursday, weather permitting.



Ardentinn Community Emergency Plan

We have updated the Community Emergency Plan and it is available from the Ardentinn Community Council webpage. Copies have also been sent to Argyll and Bute Council Civil Contingencies Unit, Forestry and Land Scotland, Ardentinn Village Hall and Ardentinn Outdoor Centre.

In the coming days we will drop off the updated list of volunteers who have offered to help out in an emergency, thanks once again for your support.

Cowal Hospice Trust - Volunteer Drivers Urgently Needed

A request from the Cowal Hospice Trust;

“If you have time on your hands and are wondering how to fill it, please consider joining us as part of our amazing team of volunteer drivers for Cowal Hospice.

It is an incredibly rewarding post and your services will be highly appreciated.

For more information, please enquire at the Hospice Shop, 130 Argyll Street, Dunoon or contact Transport Co-ordinator on 07726 390 132.”

Giants Burn Windfarm, Sandbank

There is an opportunity to have your say on the proposed Giants Burn Windfarm, near Sandbank. Dunoon Community Council have set up a survey that is open to all to get your input.

Here is the link – [Giants Burn Windfarm Survey](#)

Benmore Botanic Gardens

Some activities/events that may be of interest to you at the Botanic Gardens

Friends of Benmore Plant Sale - Saturday 18th May, 11am - 4pm and Sunday 19th May, 2pm - 4pm

at the Walled Garden, Benmore Botanic Garden

A wonderful opportunity to support our volunteers and purchase a splendid selection of plants.

Garden admission applies to non-members.

Guided Walks at Benmore –

Every Sunday and Tuesday 2pm from Sunday 14th April-Tuesday 29th October

Spend an afternoon with our Garden Guides and discover the history, plants and seasonal highlights of Benmore Botanic Garden. Meet at the plant sales area. Garden admission applies.

Talk - Plant Names: Tuesday 21st May 2pm-Courtyard Gallery

Plant Names - from Adder's tongue to Zostera, join Greg Kenicer for what promises to be a captivating and entertaining talk.

Greg, a botanist and tutor at the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh, has inspired learners of all ages for over 20 years. He is also the author of Scottish Plant Names, Scottish Plant Lore and Plant Magic. Followed by tea and coffee. Members £3, Non-members £5.

Garden admission applies to non-members. Booking - please email: SGray@rbge.org.uk

A Combined Community Council, Dunoon to Gourock Ferry Service Survey

Representatives of a number of Cowal Community Councils (including Ardentinny) and Gourock Community Council met recently to discuss the town centre to town centre ferry route. In order to gauge local opinion, they have prepared a very short survey that simply asks if residents would like to have a better service than the current one. Dunoon Community Council are kindly hosting the survey. Please fill this in and the group will use the results to decide the way forward. Here is the link to the [survey](#)

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

Village Hall Weekly News

Residents Surveys

We hope to be in a position to make some announcements to Members at an Extraordinary Meeting in the near future. I will update you with a date for your diary asap.

Broadband

We are now obtaining quotes to get the new Broadband equipment installed and hope to have it up and running shortly.

CALLING ALL QUIZZERS - NEXT Village Hall Quiz Night 15 June

A good turn out and lots of laughs at last weeks quiz night – many thanks to John and Elsbeth. The acclaimed monthly Village Hall Quiz will take place again next month on **Saturday 15th June so make a date in your diary now!**

Cleaning and Maintenance



We are still looking for volunteers to join the new team. If you can spare some time, we are putting together rotas for cleaning the hall. There are already a number on the list so this means that you would only need to be available say once a month. Also, if you have some practical skills and are able to carry out some basic maintenance tasks, please let us know. There are a number of jobs needing doing around the hall and any assistance would be much appreciated.

Please send us an email at ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com

Below is a list of the regular hall events with contact details. You can also find this on the Ardentinnny Community Council web site.

That's all for now
Mark Rowthorn
Chairman

Weekly Groups	Ardentinny Village Hall	20th-26th May 2024
Village hall membership information	Monday	Tuesday
Membership £12 per year from 1 st 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 then email your name and the name of anyone else you are paying including the reference that this has been done to: ardentinnyvillagehall8@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.	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	Hiring the village hall

Contact for more information
[ardentinyvillagehall8@gmail.co](mailto:ardentinyvillagehall8@gmail.com)

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£100 Per day

£50 1/2 day