

## **Your weekly news update from 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

Hi All,

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

### **Ardentinnny Community Council News**

#### **General Information**

A quiet week for the Community Council; we are pleased to say that the new cleaners have started at the Church Car Park toilets (this is in addition to the Argyll and Bute Council cleaning service). We have reported the broken dryers in the ladies toilet and the "stolen" soap dispenser, though no action has been taken by Argyll and Bute Council yet.

Danielle attended a webinar regarding deployment of EV charge points in your local authority. This is one of the areas that we are looking into as a result of feedback from the Residents Survey.

#### **Road Safety in Ardentinnny**

From the initial discussion with A&B Council Roads department, they are planning to set up a speed survey in the village, however, due to unforeseen circumstances they are unable to give an exact date yet. But we are in discussion with them.

#### **Ardentinnny Bowling Club**

The Ardentinnny Bowling Club had a very successful Ladies Day last Sunday, with one of the members, Joan Evans, being on the winning team.

#### **Upcoming events at Benmore Gardens;**

**Saturday 22nd July 2023 - Forest Bathing Walk** at Benmore Botanic Garden - Meet at 1.45pm for registration – walk begins 2pm until 4pm

Following our first forest bathing walk in April, we are delighted to offer the opportunity to experience another forest bathing walk through the garden. This slow and gentle walk will take you along the Younger Walk to the top of the Redwood Avenue heading towards our Silent Space within the Golden Gates arboretum. Ruth Overington, a local Forest Bathing Practitioner will guide you through the walk while inviting you to connect senses to nature, to sit or lie down "canopy gaze" or just quiet reflection and some nature poetry. This lovely afternoon will conclude with everyone sitting together with a cup of herbal tea.

Numbers are limited to 10, for more information and booking – email [SGray@rbge.org.uk](mailto:SGray@rbge.org.uk) Please dress for the weather. Garden admission applies to non-members.

#### **Thursday 17th August 2023 - Exploring the Bhutanese Glade**

Take a strenuous early evening walk to the Bhutanese Pavilion where we will rest for a while, admire the views and enjoy a few light refreshments. Constructed in the early part of 2013, the Pavilion has provided visitors with the perfect seat to experience the marvellous flora of Bhutan and fine views of the Bhutanese Glade and Massan valley.

Booking essential - [SGray@rbge.org.uk](mailto:SGray@rbge.org.uk) Donations for refreshments welcome. End Time: 17:30

#### **Ardentinnny Community Council Facebook page and Website**

The Community Council website can be found here - [www.ardentinnnycc.co.uk](http://www.ardentinnnycc.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

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## **Ardentinny Village Hall News**

Hi Everyone,

Hope you are all well and this rain hasn't got you down. Please see below for the latest update.

### **Ardentinny Beach Gala Saturday the 29th of July (3 Weeks to go)**

Hopefully you will have seen posters and flyers in town as well as postings on the Ardentinny Residents Forum. If all goes to plan and the weather plays nice, the village should be crowded with people coming to enjoy themselves.

We have had another meeting and things are coming together and things being crossed off the to do list.

We have very kindly had permission from the Kennedy's to use the car park at Culzean house as well as at the hall and the car park next to the church. There will be signs at both ends of the village advising cars to slow down for children and people crossing.

I have been adding to the list of volunteers for setting up certain things outside and for home baking, however, as these have been mentioned in person, I may have forgotten someone. Please email me your names and whether you are donating home baking or happy to help set up the outside area the day before and assist with the clean up after as this will make things easier for us to organise and make things run as smooth as we can. Thank you.

If anyone would like a table, please email [ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com](mailto:ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com) and address this to Susie Robertson who is dealing with this. These are filling up fast and there will be an advert going in the paper in the next week or so which will attract more interest.

### **BT/Internet Update**

Thank you to Mike for letting us know what's been happening with this.

We were given an incorrect quote for the price of installing the line, so Openreach cancelled the order but failed to let anyone know. We have been informed that the issue has been raised with BT Wholesale but apparently, their back log is very high, and they cannot give any timescales for when this may be resolved.

As Openreach are the only company that install the lines, we will have to wait until this is complete and the length of the contract has been fulfilled. After that, we will be able to move to another provider.

### **Quiz Nights**

**These are cancelled for now and we are hoping to start up again either August or September.**

### **Ukulele/Music group**

Hi Everyone,

Please join us on Mondays from 18.00-19.30. Beginners to George Formby welcomed, spare ukuleles available. £2 per session, tea/coffee included.

Email us at [ardentinny.ukulele@gmail.com](mailto:ardentinny.ukulele@gmail.com) for further info.

### **Requests**

If you would like to organise a village hall event or have a specific theme for a quiz night please get in touch, either by email at: [ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com](mailto:ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com) or just grab us around the village anytime

Kind Regards,

Dee.

Ardentinny Hall Management Group Secretary