

## Weekly news update from 17th March 2023

Hi All,

Here is our weekly news from the Community Council and the Village Hall, plus information on events at Glenfinart Walled Garden and Ardentinnny Bowling Club for you.

### Ardentinnny Community Council News.

#### Ardentinnny Community Emergency Plan

Ardentinnny Community Council is in the process of updating its basic emergency plan, so that as a community we can help ourselves if something was to happen in our village. We will be sharing the document soon, but first we have a request to you.

Would you be willing to help out during an emergency? Emergencies can be: severe weather, flooding, fires, landslips or major incidents involving transport, lengthy loss of utilities, etc. Community awareness and pre-planning will make it easier to cope with and recover from an emergency.

The request is similar to what was set up during the pandemic by the previous Community Council where we had a list of volunteers willing to help folks out.

So, we are looking for people who would again be willing to volunteer and assist in one or more of the following areas as appropriate;

- check on vulnerable people
- collect provisions and prescriptions
- clear snow
- help to provide shelter, warmth and food and drinks (the Village Hall would be our primary location for this)

Also, we are looking for people with particular skills and/or equipment that could help in an emergency e.g.

- First Aid training
- Nurse practitioner
- Electrical Skills
- Plumbing Skills
- Access to a 4x4
- qualified chainsaw user
- a tractor or quad bike
- Social Worker/Care Worker
- Access to a Boat

If the answer is yes – and you would like to help your community - we would very much like to hear from you.

There are no obligations on anyone that volunteers – it will just mean that we may call you in an emergency to ask if you are free to help.

We would also like to hear from you if you think you might need support during an emergency. Please tell us, and we will do our best to contact you in an emergency to see if you are ok.

Secondly, we have one slot available on the Emergency Management Team (total of 7), which is currently populated mostly by community council members and a village hall management team member, if you are interested, please get in touch. That role is to help co-ordinate the activities for the community during an emergency by assessing the situation, mobilising the appropriate local resources to support the community and maintaining links with the emergency services, the local authority and other responding organisations.

Thank you in advance, please reply to our email [ardentinnnycc@gmail.com](mailto:ardentinnnycc@gmail.com) or catch one of us in the village if you have queries.

## Events

### Glenfinart Walled Garden

Easter Fun Day: Sunday 9 April 1-4pm – Easter Egg Hunt/stalls/burgers. Free Entry, fun for all the family

Volunteer Days – Every Wednesday and Thursday 11-2.30pm. All welcome.

[sec@glenfinartgarden.org](mailto:sec@glenfinartgarden.org)

### Ardentinny Bowling Club

Opening Day Saturday 1 April from 2pm.

Memberships available and the club welcomes both experienced and first-time bowlers from the Shore villages and beyond, all you need is a flat pair of shoes.

For more info, email: [Rbdevine0@gmail.com](mailto:Rbdevine0@gmail.com)

Regards

John

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### Ardentinny Village Hall

Hi Everyone,

We are currently in talks with the new treasurer who will be taking over from Susie from April which is the start of the new tax year.

As mentioned in our previous update, we were contacted about a new newsletter launching which covers Kilmun, Strone, Blairmore, Ardentinnny, Loch Eck etc. Dee was given two copies of the East Cowal Echo and this has been pinned to the notice board in the hall. There is also a copy on one of the tables in the warm space area.

A second issue is planned for mid to late April (deadline Friday 7th April) after which a review will be conducted with your feedback welcomed. Please could groups let Dee know if they would like their information and details to be included in this so a response can be sent with everything included. Please contact [ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com](mailto:ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com) if you are interested. Thank you.  
Please note below the following events over the next few months

Broadband will shortly be set up in the hall although this is taking longer than we first anticipated due to the line which needs to be installed and there is no clear line of sight.

The warm space project is now completed on the stage area with radiators which are on a programmed timer, tables and access to the kitchen where there is a microwave and toaster should anyone want to use these to cook a warm meal. Tea and coffee are also available on a donation basis.

Anyone wanting to use this please contact [ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com](mailto:ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com)

### Other Events

#### New group for the hall

#### Ukulele/Music group

Hi Everyone,

The music group has been up and running for 6 weeks. We are learning the ukulele, but are not restricting the group to just this instrument.

Other instruments welcomed, but not taught.

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.

### **Summer combined event**

The village hall has been liaising with the outdoor centre prior to the Christmas break, for those that are unaware the outdoor centre is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. With this in mind we have decided to band together and run a large summer event over one day at the outdoor centre and on the beach area.

This will be held on the 29<sup>th</sup> of July

To make the event happen we do require a number of volunteers to help us coordinate and run certain parts of the day.

To date these are for:

Bar/radio and burgers need to have volunteers and be staffed/resources

Grassed area where Nuddy's boat, the Girl Sharon was, needs to be cleared and we need to organise a date and a works party to help clear all this area up de-weed it and get it ready as that's where the burger area and bar area will be placed.

If you would like to volunteer, then please email Dee on [ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com](mailto:ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com) and let her know. The more people we get on board the easier and better the day will be.

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

Regards

Ardentinny village hall committee