Your weekly news update Friday 11th April 2025

Hi All,

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

Ardentinny Community Council News

Wildfire Risks

Risks of wildfires are still considered as high by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service. They are again urging the public to avoid lighting any fires outdoors which unfortunately some visitors to the beach area ignored last weekend.

The signage and ranger visit from Forestry and Land Scotland didn't have much effect with a number of open fires seen at the picnic area. Furthermore, numerous tree limbs were cut down some visitors for the benefit of their open fires. We will continue engage with Forestry and Land Scotland (who own the picnic area), and encourage them be more proactive and look after the picnic/beach area.



As there is no firefighting equipment at the picnic area, reporting and dealing with a fire requires the Fire Service to be called on 999.

Improving the Resilience of Ardentinny post Storm Eowyn

Many Thanks to those who came and saw the new equipment bought for the Ardentinny Community Emergency Team, and what is available for residents to use if we have another sustained power outage.

I have attached a pdf of the equipment; you may want to consider some items for personal purchase.

We are still looking for volunteers to be part of the Emergency Team, if you are interested and want to learn more, drop us a line at the community council email and we will be in touch – <u>ardentinnycc@gmail.com</u>

Bus Survey

Argyll and Bute Council are conducting a survey to understand how residents are using buses in Argyll and Bute and where improvements could be made. Getting the best public transport service possible, within the budgets available is the theme behind a review of how people use buses in Argyll and Bute. If you would like to have your say on the online survey (takes 5 mins apparently), click on this link – <u>Bus Survey</u>

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

TABLE TOP SALE – THIS SUNDAY 13th April 2025 –11.00am till 3.00pm

If you are able to make any cakes to donate to the Cake Stall please bring then round to the hall on Saturday afternoon at 3pm. Alternatively please contact Helen Rowthorn <u>ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com</u> or 07803712850 Food, Bric-a brac, Craft, Pre-used/vintage

All proceeds to the hall funds.

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Ardentinny Village Hall





Your Village Hall needs YOU!!



Could you spare some time to Join the team?

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MEMBERSHIP FEES

Another year is upon us and Membership fees are now due from 1st April. We are holding the fee at £12 for the year. This not only supports the hall but also enables you to attend events or hire the hall at a discount.

Fees payable to: Ardentinny Hall Association A/c: 00123850 Sort: 80-13-46

Note: Please email Helen to confirm your payment (especially if you are paying for multiple memberships).

HALL EXTERIOR LIGHTING AND EMERGENCY LIGHTS

Many thanks to Mark Holmes who has now installed new external LED flood lights on movement sensors so (hopefully) anyone arriving in the dark should find access much easier with the pathway and entrance door well illuminated. He has also replaced all of the interior and exterior Emergency Lights. These are on a maintained supply with battery backup so if the power goes off in the future, they will automatically illuminate the exit doors and paths.

YOGA IN THE HALL

Thank you to all those who have notified us of their interest in attending a yoga taster class. If you are interested but haven't notified us yet it's not too late – please email Helen - <u>ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com</u>. We hope to be able to advise you all of a date for the class shortly.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO JOIN THE HALL CLEANING ROTA TEAM

A number of people have had to stand down from the Hall Cleaning Rota Team. If you are able to spare an hour say once a month to join the cleaning team, please let Elsbeth Brint know at ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com

MUGS FOR SALE

We are selling mugs to help raise money for the village hall refurbishment. Mugs are for sale either individually or in whatever number you would like £5 each or £25 for 6 (any design). Please contact Helen Rowthorn at <u>ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com</u> if you are interested in any.

Top left to top right then bottom row we called them:

- Summer view
- Swans in the bay
- Winter in Ardentinny
- Ferry cottage
- Loch long



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

That's all for now Mark Rowthorn (Chairman), Brian Hillesdon (Secretary), Helen Rowthorn (Treasurer), and Elsbeth Brint (Trustee).

Weekly Groups	Ardentinny Village Hall	14 th Apr –20 th Apr 2025
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 email your name and the name of anyone else you are paying for including the reference that this has been done to: <u>ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.c</u> <u>om</u> 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 :- <u>ardentinny.ukulele@gmail.c</u> <u>om</u> 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	Tai-Chi Heavenly Mountain Gate	
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 Chuan (Yang Tradition) 6.30pm – 7.30pm £5 per person Contact Bryan on 07813 374879 for new enquiries.	
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