Your weekly news for 15th September 2023

Hi All,

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

Ardentinny Community Council News

Road Safety: Ardentinny Outdoor Centre Road end near miss

For your awareness, and thanks to Douglas Menzies for informing us.

When he was driving to the Bowling club on 5 September, a young boy had chased a rolling ball into the road (in front of the Outdoor Centre) he ran straight in front of the bus. Douglas said that he fully expected that the boy would have been hit, fortunately the bus driver was able to stop in time. We intend to inform the Police of this near miss as part of our campaign to raise awareness of such road safety incidents in the village.



Also, in a separate incident another resident gave us a short note on his near miss at Rock Cottage corner, where again he and his dog were nearly struck by a speeding car. That incident has already been notified to the Police and the Roads Department at A&BC.

The Community Council believe that the only way to raise awareness of incidents like this happening in the village is by informing the Police and the Argyll and Bute Roads department, the latter in our hope that they will implement some traffic calming measures that we have requested. We have also told our Ward Councillors of our concerns.

If you encounter an incident whilst out walking or driving in the village, we would like you to tell us preferably via email so that we can collate a list of incidents and share them with Police and A&BC Roads Department. Email us at ardentinnycc@gmail.com If we don't tell them then they assume nothing happens in our village.

We would also welcome your thoughts on whether we should be pushing for a 20 mph speed limit through the village. Again, email us with your views on this or catch one of us in the village.

Hospital investment & GP Relocation Project - 12.30-16.30 on October 11th at the Burgh Hall Dunoon

Argyll and Bute HSCP would like to invite you to come and have your say on their hospital investment & GP Relocation Project, at their first, interactive drop-in session. See attachment.

The GP relocation project does not impact us as we are with Riverside Surgery, this GP relocation affects two Dunoon surgeries. But you may be interested to hear what they are planning at Cowal Community Hospital.

Deadline for Short-Term Let Hosts

Just for information for anyone who has Short Term Lets, I picked this up from the Council website

To comply with the new Scottish Government Licensing Scheme, you need to apply for your licence before 1 October 2023.

For more information https://www.gov.scot/publications/short-term-lets

Events at Benmore Botanic Gardens

Giants of Benmore - Thursday 21 September 2pm - 4pm

Join our tour and discover our impressive tree collection which includes 160-year-old Giant Redwoods, Douglas Firs, Scots Pines and Monkey Puzzles. Meet at the covered notice board, just past admissions. Garden admission applies to non-members.

Guided Walks

Every Tuesday and Sunday at 2pm Join our garden guide for a seasonal walk. Meet at the covered notice board just past admissions. Garden admission applies to non-members.

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 News

Hi Everyone,

Hope you are all well.

Here is the latest update of things happening in and around the village.

October

Walled Garden Harvest Fair

1st October

Bowling Club

From 5th October the Carpet Bowling will be in the village hall every Thursday until next year. 9th October Macmillan Afternoon Tea 2pm at the Bowling club.

28th October Hallowe'en Party 7pm at the bowling club.

Hallowe'en Ouiz Night

Saturday 14th October

Doors open 7pm for a 7.30pm start.

Members: Free entry

Table £5

Fancy dress optional, although, not for me

Bring your own drinks, snacks, glasses.

Prize for the winners to be determined on the night.

A fun way to spend an evening and display or improve your knowledge.

Sausage sizzle on the beach (weather permitting)

Dates and times to be confirmed.

November

Saturday 11th November

Music Quiz by Mike Loochin

Wednesday 22nd November

Decorate the hall.

Decorate the tree outside.

December Dates and times of functions to be confirmed.

Christmas Gift and Craft Fayre to be held at the Outdoor Centre.

Please contact the usual address if you would like to book a table. This is being given to the village first until the end of October, when the information will be sent to other stall holders who have attended in the past.

Possible Santa's Grotto

Wreath Making

Saturday 2nd December 11.30

This was a success last year and was requested again for this year.

Friday 15th December Ardentinny Christmas Sing Along

Thank you everyone for supporting all the groups, events and functions. As a thank you and to celebrate Christmas, the Hall Management Group would like to invite the village to a sing along at the Ardentinny Bistro.

There will be live music, Christmas carols and other songs.

A free buffet will be provided, and the bar will be open for you to buy drinks.

Any guests who may be visiting you over the festive period are very welcome to come too, although this is a closed function for the village for the night.

This is a chance for everyone to get together and have a good time and basically, another excuse to have a party.

Hogmanay

Timings TBC

£6 entry per person to be paid on the night. Any guests who may be visiting you over the festive period are very welcome to come too. Please book in advance to secure a table.

Live music by the Elderly Brothers.

Quizzes and Games

Boozy Christmas Raffle and Prizes

Bring your own bottle and snacks.

Boozy Christmas Raffle. (To be drawn on the night at Hogmanay)

If anyone would like to donate a prize for this, it would be much appreciated. The more donations, the bigger the 5 prizes will be.

Ukulele/Music group

Please join us on Mondays from 18.00-19.30.

Following our successful live debut at the bowling club, we are currently running a beginners. session. All abilities welcome, spare instruments available.

£2 per session, tea/coffee included.

Email us at ardentinny.ukulele@gmail.com for further info.

Blairmore

Saturday 16th of September, Jim and John are playing at Blairmore hall in the evening.

The doors open at 7.30 and entry is £8. There is a bar, however, please take your own snacks and nibbles.

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 or just grab us around the village anytime.

Kind Regards,

Dee.

Ardentinny Hall Management Group Secretary