

## Your weekly news update 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023

Hi All,

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

### **Ardentinny Community Council News**

#### **Minutes of last Community Council Meeting**

The minutes of the last public meeting of the Community Council are available on the Church Car Park notice board, our website and to those on the email distribution list.

#### **20 mph Zone in Village**

We welcome your thoughts on whether we should be pushing for a 20-mph speed limit through the village. Email us with your views on this at [ardentinnycc@gmail.com](mailto:ardentinnycc@gmail.com) or catch one of us in the village.

#### **Beach Clean - 8<sup>th</sup> October 11.30 am**

The Ardentinny Community Council and the Conservation and Heritage Group are teaming up again for a beach clean, please come and join us if you can. We will be meeting at the Church Car park and we will give out bin bags and litter pickers to all volunteers.. Coffee afterwards kindly provided by the Hall committee at the village hall.

Some further news from Marian Norris of the Ardentinny Conservation and Heritage Group who recently had a very positive meeting with Land and Forestry Scotland:

#### **Hump backed bridge information board**

As you know this was knocked down some time ago, and I had arranged with the Forestry to pay half for its restoral, with the help of the Renewables Trust. Steve Gillen apologised that this has slipped off the radar recently, confirmed that they have the board safely, and now has plans to put the noticeboard up on the far side of the bridge within a small picnic area marking the end of one of the forestry trails. He has also agreed that the whole cost will be met by the Forestry, so we will no longer need the Renewables grant.

#### **Repairs to the nature trail and the Bird Hide**

The Renewables Trust is kindly holding a £500 grant for us for these repairs, but I have not been able to action them due to conditions imposed by the Forestry regarding employing tradesmen. Steve has now asked me to list all repairs and action necessary and send them to him. They will employ their own tradesmen and send an invoice so that I can get the necessary funds from the Renewables Trust.

The other good news is that Guy Elder has made a replacement bench for the broken one under the oak tree in the Coronation Wood. I have agreed to use some of the repair money to pay for the materials, and I thank him for this - Marion Norris

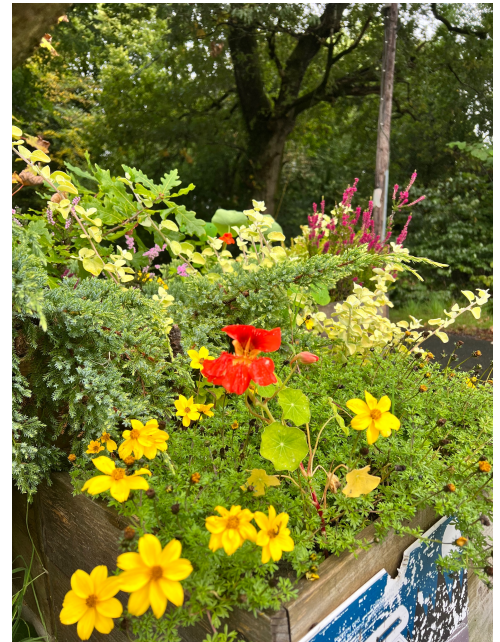
#### **Hospital investment & GP Relocation Project - 12.30-16.30 on October 11<sup>th</sup> at the Burgh Hall Dunoon**

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 is regarding 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.

Click this [link](#) for more information

## Events

### **MacMillan Coffee Afternoon – Ardentiny Bowling Club, Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2-5pm**

The bowling club are holding a coffee afternoon to raise funds for MacMillan Cancer Support. Please try and get along for tea, coffee and home baking and support this great charity. Contact Ann Devine on 07934655544 or email [ardentinybowlingclub@gmail.com](mailto:ardentinybowlingclub@gmail.com) if you wish to donate any home baking or prizes for the tombola. See attachment in this email.

### **Benmore Botanic Gardens 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.

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

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

The Facebook page has been updated search for **Ardentiny Community Council** and we have an Instagram site under the same name.

Regards

John

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## **Ardentiny Village Hall News**

Hi Everyone,  
Hope you are all well.

With the nights slowly drawing in, please remember, for anyone who may need transport for appointments, shopping, visiting friends, events or needs transport for anything, please contact Interlock Community Transport on 01369 840 474.

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

### **October**

#### **Walled Garden Harvest Fair**

1<sup>st</sup> October 12-4

This is the last event of the year.

There is live music by the Elderly Brothers, stalls, coconut shy, tea, coffee, home baking and more. Don't forget the new bamboo and willow sculpture, Anna: Joy of the Garden, which has recently been completed if you have not already been to see this.

### **Bowling Club**

From 5<sup>th</sup> October the Bowling will be in the village hall every Thursday until next year.

9<sup>th</sup> October Macmillan Afternoon Tea 2pm at the bowling club.

28<sup>th</sup> October Hallowe'en Party 7pm at the bowling club.

### **Hallowe'en Quiz Night**

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October**

Doors open 7pm for a 7.30pm start.

Members: Free entry

Table £5

Fancy dress is optional, although, I will be dressing the part

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.

**Can anyone interested, please let me know if you are coming so I can buy the pumpkins for carving.**

**Thank you.**

### **Sausage sizzle on the beach (weather permitting)**

Dates and times to be confirmed.

### **November**

#### **Saturday 11th November**

Music Quiz by Mike Loochin

Doors open 7pm for a 7.30pm start.

Members: Free entry

Table £5

#### **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> 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.

#### **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November 11am-2pm £10 a table**

The village residents have first option to book a table until the end of October, when the information will be sent to other stall holders who have attended in the past. These get snapped up very quickly so please be sure to book early and guarantee your place.

The centre will be open for stallholders to set up any time after 2pm on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November.

Please contact [ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com](mailto:ardentinnyvillagehall8@gmail.com) if you would like to book a table.

Santa will be at the outdoor centre where he can be seen by everyone and have their photo taken for a small donation.

#### **Wreath Making**

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 11.30

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

#### **Friday 15th December 5pm**

#### **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 from 6pm and the bar will be open for you to buy drinks until closing at 11pm.

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

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 as we have space for 60 people which will leave room for a dancefloor.

17 places have been booked already so you need to be quick!!!

If anyone would like to pay before the event, please let me know if you would like to pay or have paid straight into the hall account or drop the money to me where I will give you a receipt. Thank you.

Live music by the Elderly Brothers

Quizzes and Games. Some of these could be for a small fee so you may need to bring some money with you.

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 beginner session.

All abilities welcome, spare instruments 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



Let's do something amazing and help  
raise funds for

# Macmillan Cancer Support

Join us for tea, coffee and  
home baking.



at Ardentenny Bowling Club  
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