

Ardentinny Community Trust Glenfinart Walled Garden

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June 2018

Two volunteers joined us on Wednesdays and Thursdays on work experience from the job centre. They proved to be excellent at grass cutting and strimming. With the help from a new strimmer and a grant from the Ardentinnny Renewables' Trust for a heavy duty petrol mower the garden has never looked neater.

Lou Evans from City Farms and Gardens visited the garden and was very impressed with the progress made since her last visit.

Dunoon Grammar Learning Centre made their annual trip to the garden.

Anna was presented with a personally, hand crafted sign for the garden by Corrie MacDonald at Dunoon Grammar Learning Centre, Leaver's Assembly.

July

Corrie has continued to volunteer in the garden 2 days a week, since leaving school accompanied by a Support Worker from ASSIST.

AJ Barr donated 4 executive tickets for Cirque du Soleil. The raffle eventually raised £649.

The Big Picnic was held on a very soggy Sunday. A big thanks goes to the stalwart musicians who provided the entertainment.

August

We had a stall at Kirn Gala making a decent £97. A team from HELP Ltd began to build raised beds in one of the growing areas. This will reduce the need for digging and weeding and we have found that raised beds are more productive.

The Rev John Gray's clinker dingy was donated to the garden and is in pride of place in the Children's area. The 'naughty' corner was given a complete makeover and it is now the tidy corner.

We received a donation of more wood chippings.

September

A donation of a children's table and stools enhanced the willow dome. We took in £700 at the Harvest Fair which was well attended despite the occasional heavy shower. All the usual suspects were there but the highlight this year was the Duck Derby down the Finart River.

A powerpoint presentation was given to an RSPB meeting.

Painting began in the inside of the shed to make it lighter for the winter months
Community Payback continued to support the garden project.

October

Western Ferries have again donated a book of car/driver tickets to raise funds for the garden. Teas and coffees were available on open days during Cowalfest.

The garden closed officially on the 14th October.

However visitors are still welcome in the garden when the gate is open, usually Wednesdays and Thursdays and the second Sunday and last Saturdays of the month, weather permitting all 11a.m. – 2.30p.m. or by appointment.

The Easter Event will be on Easter Sunday as usual

We are planning to install a composting toilet for all, funded by the Co-op

Please pledge your 1% charity donation to the Walled Garden Project but note that the Ardentinnny post code is linked to the Roseneath Co-op and unless you go on line your 1% will automatically be divided amongst the local Roseneath charities.

For enquiries or requests to visit the Garden contact Lynn 810275, Anna on 07587 066682 or any Trustee.

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Thank you to all the people who continue to support the garden giving time, money and equipment.



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