

Ardentinny Community Trust

Glenfinart Walled Garden

Newsletter 24

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April 2019

The Easter Fun Day welcomed visitors to the garden, on a hot, sunny, spring day and a great time was had by all.

New all purpose fire extinguishers were installed.

May

The HELP team built 6 more raised beds a cold frame.

May was the only month that midges were recorded in the diary.

June

The garden held a garden Party Table Sale featuring Archie and Tom AKA The Hauf Pint Band.

Fifty Kirn P1 and P 2 pupils came to Ardentinny for their Summer Trip. They had fun down the beach and in the walled garden where they had their picnic lunch.

Two members of staff from St Anthony's Primary in Johnstone visited the garden while their pupils were at the Outdoor Centre. They were interested in our raised beds and polytunnel.

July

Eight Tables and 20 chairs were purchased, for events, with money from the Renewables Trust.

The Big Picnic was well attended and the band played on when the sun came out at 4 o'clock.

The grass sofa was removed and a new seat, fashioned by Robert Young, was installed courtesy of John and Rosemary Bremner

The garden had a table at Kirn Gala and raised £85 selling mostly, garden produce. We have found that the raised beds are more productive and more manageable than planting in the ground.

A second marquee and barbeque were purchased.

August

The eXp Youth Group spent an afternoon in the garden trimming and knitting the willow tunnel.

A group from Bellville Street Community Garden, in Greenock, visited for a picnic lunch. They were spending the day at the Outdoor Centre and wanted to exchange community growing experiences.

September

Dunoon Primary Learning Centre visited the garden. They picked apples and vegetables making soup back at school with the carrots, leaks and courgettes.

The Duck Derby at the Harvest Fair proved to be very popular and the whole day was a great success, despite the showers.

Sandbank Primary pupils from GM P1/2, P3/4 and P5/6 came to the garden for a One Planet Picnic.

We have regular volunteers on our Wednesday and Thursday Action Days and would like to thank all who participate.

HELP Ltd continue to support the garden and the new HELP Team came to our rescue during the preparations for the Harvest Fair transporting gravel and cutting the grass.

The National Park and Community Payback continue to support the garden.

Most of our 12 raised beds are taken up by locals, however there will be 6 more soon so please contact us if you are interested.

A big thank you goes to ARDENTINNY.ORG for its continued support and to Western Ferries for donating more tickets to help raise funds.

The garden is officially closed to visitors from Sunday 13th October 2019 until Easter Sunday 2020.

However visitors are still welcome in the garden when the gate is open, usually Wednesdays and Thursdays, 11a.m. – 2.30p.m. or by appointment.

For enquiries or requests to visit contact any Trustee or email sec@glenfinartgarden.org or tel. Lynn on 07464485380

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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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