

# Ardentinny Community Trust

## The Walled Garden



### News letter 2

#### December 2012

- ♣ The big shed was delivered and erected. This was filmed by a time lapse camera and is posted on the website.
- ♣ The goat's willow was cleared by volunteers.
- ♣ Andy Boyce began the process of removing the beech hedge.
- ♣ The fruit trees were ordered.

#### January 2013

- ♣ Meeting with John Forth of the National Park.
- ♣ The Forestry Commission provided machinery and 2 days labour to the Trust which was used to level most of the garden including the area for the orchard. Tree stumps and the rest of the goat's willow were removed. The 'path' to the main entrance was cleared and the main path widened and the path to the west wall was identified.
- ♣ Jim Robinson cut down the beech trees to 1 meter stumps and removed the large branches.
- ♣ A detailed stone mason's report was completed, by Steven Johnstone on the condition of the wall and presented to the Trust.
- ♣ Security fencing was loaned and erected in front of the dangerous section of the wall by John Brown, Strone.
- ♣ The orchard was planted by volunteers from the National Park and Ardentinny Village.
- ♣ Some directors met with Becky Emmet to discuss the possibility of Community Service Project.

#### February

- ♣ The Trust's bid to the Beechgrove Garden gets short listed.



#### What next:-

- ‡ Meeting with the Beechgrove Garden Team on the 6<sup>th</sup> March.
- ‡ The main paths are laid.
- ‡ Hannah returns and will research and apply for grants to repair the wall.



A Big Thank You to all our volunteers and for all donations to the garden of equipment, time and money.

Special thanks to John Brown, Strone, The Whistlefield, The National Park and The Forestry.



On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March, at 2p.m. a team from the Beechgrove Garden, including a designer, will be giving a one hour presentation in the village hall. Everyone is welcome to come along and stay for tea and home baking afterwards.

Should this visit to meet Ardentinny residents and view the Walled Garden be successful, we will be offered help and advice in garden design and also a financial contribution towards plants and materials. All the 'make over' work will be featured in a whole program which would be a good advert for the whole of Cowal!

- ‡ Volunteers should contact any of the directors: Bill or Anna Williamson on 810238, Merle Ferguson or Dennis Gower on 810220 or Jimmy Gordon 810170
- ‡ See us also on [ardentinny.org/](http://ardentinny.org/)