## **Ardentinny Community Trust**

Ane Walled Gardes

News letter 4

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## June 2013

Now that the weather has improved the fruit trees are flowering and the polytunnel is full of seedlings. The growing area has been rotivated and potatoes and other vegetables, too numerous to mention, planted.

Part of the children's area has been planted by pupils from Strone Primary with ideas and support from Claire, our volunteer from Dunoon. We continue to have 2 groups of community volunteers one day a week.

The guttering has been erected on the shed with barrels below so that the garden will have some water. More tools have been purchased.

More horses oranges were uplifted from the livery.

- Hannah, project officer has applied to the Heritage Lottery Start Up Fund for funding to appoint a Design Team to assess the condition of the wall, cost of a repair scheme and develop a Conservation Plan for the Walled Garden. Hannah has also applied for money to appoint consultants to work with the Trust over a 6 month period to develop a detailed business plan for the garden.
- A successful application has been made for funding to employ a volunteer coordinator/ gardener for four months.
- The Beechgrove Garden Design Team has visited the garden and we have approved the design plan (see over). The construction of 'the tump' round the sensory garden began on the 7th June. This is a circular mound of earth, grassed to ensure that those sitting within the area are secluded from the rest of the garden. The design theme is a Mandala. Please come and view it - we are amazed at what we have achieved through the exceptional support of local businesses and individuals. Notably West Coast Tool Hire who provided a digger and motorized wheelbarrow free of charge and the locals who gave up their own time to drive the digger. David Hamilton deserves a special mention as he gave up his whole weekend including Friday evening to work the machine. Billy Linny, Stevie Johnstone and George also gave of their time.

What next:-

Now it is all shoulders to the wheel to keep to the Beechgrove's schedule and meet the filming deadline. We need help with this so if you are interested in our project please come along on the open days (see below) and lend a hand. You will be made very welcome!

 We also need volunteers to make tea, put up posters, collect items for the auction and source materials.

† We will place an advert for the volunteer coordinator/ gardener four month post.

General Auction Burgh Hall Dunoon 20<sup>th</sup> July

2-4p.m. with viewing @ 1p.m. Please donate by 14<sup>th</sup> July -All donations welcome!

Contact Lynn on 07765790739

If you are thinning, splitting or disposing of garden plants we request that you please donate any cuttings, bushes, plants etc.. for our Beechgrove Garden Project.

Contact Bill on 810238, Merle on 810220

or email info@glenfinartgarden.org

We also need donations of logs for path edging, weed control membrane/ fabric and heavy duty black plastic.

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

See us on ardentinny.org/ including aerial video footage of the tump and garden.

Patrons: Emma and Sophie Thompson











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