

November Newsletter



What happened this month

AGM

Thanks to everyone who attended the AGM at the end of November and to John and his staff at Whiting Bay Golf Club for a fantastic curry. Formal AGM business was covered with our trustees Keith Robertson, Juliette Walsh, Ishbel Gordon and Jane McCartney and following nominations we now have two additional trustees, Rob Cowieson and Caroline McGinlay. Welcome to them and thank you to all the trustees for offering to volunteer their time to support the Community Land charity. As well as the formal AGM business, a report of activities in the last year was given with lots of photos (which if you were not there you will have seen in the monthly newsletters over the year or on Facebook). The formal approved accounts will soon be on the website for reference.

Grubby Greenies Bonfire Fun



A great session of Grubby Greenies was held for Bonfire Night, with 23 young people and their parents making and burning guys, and cooking lots of fun fireside food!

Woodland Trust trees

We are lucky to have been given 420 native woodland trees from the Woodland Trust, some of which are being planted as a wildlife hedge – thanks to the Woodland Trust and Arran Outdoor Centre groups for helping Matt & Darren with the planting out.



Linen available

As part of our CCF carbon saving project we have collected unwanted linen from the Douglas Hotel and are looking for ways for it to be reused. There is a variety of bedding and other linen with varying reuse potential - please drop in to the hub if you would like some. For ideas, we have already passed on the linen for reuse for school plays (costumes & scenery), decoration making, dog towels and ground cover. Some is suitable for reuse as bedding and we have single and super king size duvets covers and sheets.

*Why are we doing this? Reusing fabric rather than sending it to landfill as waste saves **16x** its own weight in carbon - so by reusing this waste linen we are reducing carbon going into the atmosphere and helping to stop climate change. The weight of linen collected was over half a tonne!!*

Coming up soon...

- **Growers Drop in Sessions** – will run every Wednesday from 3-4pm with Darren and Matt. Open to everyone – not just our allotment plot holders. Also runs every first Saturday in the month 9-10am.
- **Volunteer Days** – 10am-12 on Saturday in the first weekend in the month.
- **Grubby Greenies Sessions!** 10-12 on first Saturday of the month Next one Jan 6th – start your New Year outdoors having fun and wear off those mince pies!

Notices & info – are put up in our hub building on site, in Whiting Bay village on notice boards and on our notice board in the foyer of Arran Active in Brodick - you can check activities and see more general project info. Regular updates are online on Facebook and (along with more formal info) on our website.

If you would like to keep in touch send your email address to development@arranland.org . *The Community Land is signposted off Golf Course Road in Whiting Bay. Follow the sign up the track to our car park which is now back in action. For all sessions, please wear sturdy shoes, bring refreshments and waterproofs just in case!*

ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A RESPONSIBLE ADULT AT ALL SESSIONS.

All welcome! Come and enjoy the Community Land!

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