

GARLIESTON COMMUNITY NEWS October 2018



* **Community Council** Anyone wishing to contact CC members can do so on garliestonccouncil@gmail.com

* **Hall** If you would like to hire the hall for any events or activities, please contact Mrs Karen Hawkins on 01988600256

* **Planting around the Village** The kayaks and planters around the village have been very much admired, with many positive comments from visitors as well as villagers. We are hoping that we might be able to encourage local business or individuals to sponsor a kayak, it would be approx. £30 pa. If anyone is interested please contact us. Contribution to the planters would also be welcome. We have received our crocus bulbs purchased last year for alongside the new pavement and we will be planting on Sat Oct 13th at 10am by new pavement. If anyone can spare an hour we'd really appreciate some volunteers. Meet on site at 10am.

* **Defibrillator** A second defibrillator is now in place by the notice board at the end of North Crescent. Another training session will be arranged for anyone who would like to see how to use one. Thanks to the First Response Team.

* **Poppies** There will be a Poppy Party at the Harbour Inn on 17th October from 7pm, where you can hand in your poppies and join us for a drink. Poppies will be counted, and a final number announced. Thanks to everyone who has made poppies. If you can't make the Poppy Party, you can drop off to the Harbour Inn or the Garage.

Sorbie Tower Weeping Windows - Steve Hanna is looking for volunteers to help at Sorbie Tower for this year's Weeping Window display. The display will be open to the public from Saturday 3rd Nov to Sunday 11th November between 11am and 4pm each day. It will also be open on the evenings of Saturday 3rd & 10th Nov between 7pm and 10pm. There will be a remembrance service closing the display on Sun 11th at 4pm. If you are able to help on any of the open days to sell poppies or teas/coffees and cakes please contact Steve on 07785544065 or 01988 600652. The display will start to be built from Sunday 28th so if anyone can spare some time to help with the build please get in touch. Meanwhile keep the poppies coming.

* **Christmas lights** This year we are hoping to increase the number of Christmas Lights around the village – last year's solar lights weren't very successful so we will be looking at using battery lights where electric ones aren't possible. If anyone would like to donate lights or contribute towards the cost of buying more lights please contact Jim Davies who is Head of Lights! On 01988 600342. This is the last year that communities will receive a contribution towards Christmas lights from Dumfries & Galloway Council which normally pays for the Christmas Tree.

Last year's Christmas Light switch on event was very successful so we will be putting on another this year – date is Saturday 1st December from 6pm.

To add to the effect of the lights we will be holding a Christmas Window prize competition – we're encouraging people to dress up and light a window in their home. Prize to be announced next month.

Dates for Diary

* **Crocus Planting** October 13th 10am

* **Poppy Party** October 17th from 7pm at Harbour Inn

* **Weeping Window** at Sorbie Tower open from Saturday 3rd Nov to Sunday 11th, see times above.

* **Remembrance Service** at the memorial November 11th at 3pm and at Sorbie Tower at 4pm

* **Christmas Lights Switch On** December 1st at 6pm

* **Burn's Supper** January 26th at The Harbour Inn, More details next month

Ongoing :-

* **Monday and Friday evenings, Money Bingo** in the village hall, eyes down **7.30pm**

* **Thursdays, Dance exercise class** **11am-12 noon** in the school hall, all welcome.

* **First Thursday** in each month, **Whist Drive** in village hall, beginning at **7pm**