

Wemyss Bay Village News

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An Open Letter to our Politicians – John Reid

My family and I have lived happily in Wemyss Bay for 15 years, my kids have never lived anywhere else, and we love being part of a safe and vibrant community. That said, with local, Scottish and you never know maybe national elections being held in 2007 I would like to ask Mr Forbes, Mr McNeill and Mr Cairns two simple questions:

What have you done for the community of Wemyss Bay in recent years?

What do you plan to do for the community of Wemyss Bay in the years ahead?

The reason I ask is that the only obvious change in Wemyss Bay in the last 15 - 20 years, apart from a growing sense of community spirit, has been the dramatic increase in the number of houses and the subsequent increase in population. This in itself is no bad thing but the lack of infrastructure to go with this increase has left a void in our community.

Apart from the house building any other changes in Wemyss Bay have been down to the community and I have given a few examples below

1. The Wemyss Bay Community Centre – Kept open through the hard work and dedication of the Community Association. One can only imagine what more they could do with a Community Centre fit for purpose.
2. The Gala Weekend – I understand the Council provide funding to support the Gala Weekend but again the success of this excellent event is down to those volunteers who organise it.
3. The Woodland Group – This group has done a terrific job in making the woods a focal point of the village and accessible to all. The council may provide support but without the Woodland Group there would probably be houses there now.
4. Ardgowan Football Development – I have to declare an interest here, although this is a personal letter, but here is an example of just one community group who have prospered without any proper facilities or council support

I am sure that the politicians will point to the new school as a significant contribution to Wemyss Bay and I welcome this long overdue development. I would point out though that as we have the fastest growing population in Inverclyde and it is the 21st Century then the claim of 'A larger school fit for the 21st Century' is a bit of a no brainer!

It's time for some Council, SIP (you can spend it here now you know) or other form of Government spending to be directed in the direction of Wemyss Bay. The people, especially the kids, of this community deserve the same access to community facilities and support as those in other parts of Inverclyde. Compare our Christmas tree against the lights of Gourock, Greenock and Port Glasgow as a small example of how we are treated.

I would urge all residents of Wemyss Bay to ask our politicians, and their opponents, to answer these two questions before deciding who they give their vote to in the future.

John Reid

Interested in Advertising?

1500 copies of the Village News are produced each month. Over 1200 homes in the village receive a hand-delivered copy and the remainder are placed in the doctor's surgery and local shops. In addition copies of the adverts are displayed in the Community Centre for one month.

<u>Advert Size</u>	<u>Dimensions</u>	<u>Price</u>
1/8th page (standard)	64mm x 45mm	£12/issue
1/4 page	128mm x 45mm or 64mm x 90mm	£24/issue
1/2 page	128mm x 90mm	£45/issue
Full page	180mm x 128mm	£90/issue

(Dimensions are approximate, width x height)

If you would like to discuss taking out an advert in the Village News, either as a one-off or on a regular basis, why not contact Ken at eila@wemyssbay.plus.com or phone: 529375. Ken can advise and help with the lay out of your advert and any artwork.

Wemyss Bay PTA – Gillian Pollock

Dates of future fundraising events are as follows.

Thursday February 1st 2007

- Family Prize Bingo Night - great fun for all the family - 7-9pm in the school hall.

Wednesday February 16th 2007

- Valentines disco for Wemyss Bay Primary pupils. Entry £1. Wear something RED.

P1-P3 6pm - 7.15pm and P4-P7 7.45pm - 9.00pm. Usual tuckshop.

Saturday March 24th 2007

- Provisional date for Car Boot Sale in the school playground - if this weather ever improves!! Further details will be issued nearer the time.

Thursday April 26th 2007

- Ladies night - details nearer the time. To be held in the Community Centre.

Bible Club and Youth Group (SBM) – Stephen Renton

The Bible Club and Youth Group, run by Strathclyde Bible Ministries (SBM), will be off for one week on Monday, 12th February 2007 due to the school holiday but will back on the following week. The Youth Group recently had an outing to the Paradise Island Adventure Golf over Christmas. Michael had the best score with 46 followed by Kieran (47) and Louise (49). The Bible Club is for all children of Primary School age and is from 6.15pm to 7.30pm at the Community Centre. Activities include games, songs, competitions, Bible stories and other activities. The Youth Group is from 7.45pm to 9.30pm and is for young people in P6, P7 and high school, with similar activities suitable for that age, including games and a tuck shop. There are no fees for either club. Contact Stephen Renton for more information on 01505 355994.

Skelmorlie and Wemyss Bay Parish Church – Rev William Armstrong

Our first social event of the New Year is a QUIZ NIGHT on Friday 2 February at 7.30pm in the Church Hall.

We will welcome the Guides, Brownie Guides and Rainbows to Church for their WORLD THINKING DAY Service on Sunday 18 February at 11.00am.

REGULAR PROGRAMME

SUNDAY WORSHIP, every Sunday at 11.00am

SUNDAY CLUB (*for children*), every Sunday at 11.00am

OUT OF THE ARK (*for primary school children*) the last Monday of the month

BIBLE STUDY, every Monday, 7.30pm

BALLROOM DANCING, every Tuesday, 7.00pm

COUNTRY DANCING, every Wednesday, 7.30pm

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP, 8 February, 7.30pm

FRIDAY LUNCHESES, every Friday, 12.15-1.30pm

You are welcome to attend any of the events that may be of interest to you.

The Country Peoples Club – Ann Haig

The Country People's club meets on Wednesdays at 2.30pm in The Chart Room, Kip Marina, Inverkip. Speakers for future meetings are as follows: -

7th February	Mr Glyn Bragg	"Music of London"
21st February	Mrs Jan Marshall	"Journey Through Namibia"
7th March	Mrs Elsie Hinshelwood	"The Story of St Kilda"
21st March	Mr Alex Johnstone	"Prison Life"
4th April	Mr Ian Quinn	"The Waverley's Diamond Jubilee"
18th April		Luncheon & A.G.M.

All members, old and new, and visitors will be made most welcome. The subscription is £9 per annum and £1 for visitors.

Further details may be obtained from the Secretary, Ann Haig, on tel: 522316

Attic Players – Bill Wright

Attic Players' next production is an excellent comedy sent on a caravan site, called "Third week in August" - (but you can see it on March 30th and 31st!) in Skelmorlie Community Centre. Tickets at £6 include a glass of wine: look out for details when they become available - or order in advance via tickets@attic-players.co.uk

Inverkip and Wemyss Bay Community Council – Innes Nelson

Inverkip and Wemyss Bay Community Council was once again delighted to engage the services of a clown to appear at the Christmas party at the Community Centre on Friday the 1st of December. The evening went with a bang and the children seemed to enjoy the performance of 'Freddie Whiz' judging by the sounds of laughter. The Christmas decorations added to the festive feel of the event, which was well organised by the Wemyss Bay Community Association. And the mulled wine – made, it was said, from an ancient and secret recipe – was a real hit.

The Stewart Milne planning application to build 240 houses on the green belt at Inverkip was approved by Inverclyde Council on the 6th of December. However this has received a backlash of criticism from Inverclyde Council on Disability as the new bridge proposed for Inverkip Station only has stairs, and does not comply with the Disability Discrimination Acts 1995 and 2005. The rail operator First Scotrail will now have to apply to the Department for Transport for dispensation to be allowed to build a non compliant bridge before the development can proceed. There is also the possibility local Council Taxpayers may be subsidising most of the maintenance and future replacement of the bridge.

The Police held a public meeting on Wednesday the 23rd of November in Inverkip Primary School to consult with residents on problems within our villages. The main problems identified were lack of local knowledge in new call centres, lack of response to calls, disorder, vandalism and alcohol abuse near homes. Anyone who wants to report a crime can do so on 0800 555 111 and can remain anonymous if so wished.

After considering Bute Community Council's Wind Farm Policy the Community Council recently adopted a Wind Farm Policy to clarify our position on wind farm developments. In it we state we will normally support wind farm applications if they are within areas identified by planners as appropriate for wind farm developments in Structure and Local Plans. However if an application is outwith these appropriate areas and could adversely affect our Regional Parks, our tourist industry, or endangered wildlife we will normally oppose them.

Community Council members attended an exhibition at the Wemyss Bay Hotel on the 6th of December to consider the proposed development by West Coast Energy Ltd for a 14-turbine wind farm on the top of Corlarach Hill, Innellan. From what we can see this proposal is not in an identified appropriate area of search, and will not only have an impact on our valuable tourism industry but will be visually dominant as we look at Argyll. This application is expected to be submitted early in 2007. We will keep you updated. For more information visit the South Cowal Community Council website at <http://www.southcowal.org/> and www.argylewindfarms.co.uk/

At the moment there is another application from Community Windpower Limited at Millour Hill for six 125 metre turbines within Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park. Clyde Muirshiel is not an area identified for any wind farm development in Structure or Local Plans and Scottish Natural Heritage has just approved the park as a Special Protection Area (SPA) for Hen Harriers. For more information visit www.saveyourregionpark.com Comments can be sent to Ian Mackay, Cunninghame House, Irvine, KA12 8EE quoting Ref 06/01007/PP.

If you have any concerns we can help with please contact us, or we would be pleased to see you at our monthly meetings which are normally held at 7:30pm on the first Thursday of each month in The Rogues Room at Inverkip Hotel. Our next meeting is on the 4th of January 2007 - this will be our AGM when member elections will be held. The Community Council is actively seeking new members. If you are interested please contact Lynne Chambers on 522603 or Innes Nelson on 520092.

We would like to thank all members of the community for your help and support over the past year and wish you all the very best for 2007.

Free

Did you get a hamster for Christmas? We have 3 hamster cages and many hamster toys available to anyone who can collect from Brueacre Drive. The items are completely free and are available to anyone who wants them. Phone 522591.

Hire of Furniture

The Community Association can rent out furniture from the community Centre at a very reasonable cost. If you need to hire furniture, a table and eight chairs cost £10. In addition, it is necessary to leave a £50 deposit which is returnable when the furniture is returned to the centre in good condition. If you are interested in this service, please contact **Kirsty** on **520738**.

Councillor Eric Forbes

Well so far 2007 has offered us a spell of rather unacceptable weather and I hope everyone has survived safely through it. Like myself I am sure there are some people who lost their television picture over the festive season and beyond due to the adverse weather bringing down the electrical power supply to the receiver. Did we miss anything? I believe the main issue on the horizon for the village is the extension and refurbishment of the Primary School. At the Education Committee on 9 January 2007 a decision was reached to decant the school to take over Kings Glen School with the move taking place in April. When this was first mooted there were concerns expressed by several parents and as a result I organised a bus to take parents to Kings Glen and St.Columba's in order that they could experience the journeys and see the accommodation. The concerns previously expressed by several parents seemed to have been addressed as the feedback was virtually nil and this was part of the debate at the Committee. I have to thank these parents /guardians for taking the time to visit the schools and now with the decision having been made I will ensure that communication is at the forefront of any issues in relation to the move. I believe it is the right move and the children will return to a school which will have cost £3.5m to extend and refurbish and will be conducive to the needs of modern education. A further sum of money, namely £7,727 has been allocated to the school and this has been spent on classroom supplies and other needs for the school at this time. At this moment a financial commitment of circa £4.2m has been made to cover the total costs.

The weather conditions have caused some damage to our lighting columns and I would ask that residents report faults as follows:-

e-mail to roads@inverclyde.gov.uk

by phone (during office hours) 714800

by freephone (outwith office hours) 0800 37 36 35 or

myself at eric.forbes@inverclyde.gov.uk

The information required is the street name, the column number e.g. R11 or the nearest house number. I would appreciate your help to expedite repairs.

In relation to schools the new amalgamated school to be built at the pitches at Ravenscraig is to be called "INVERCLYDE ACADEMY." This was decided by consultation with the school boards, pupil, parents etc. Wemyss Bay Primary is one of the feeder schools for the new school.

Contact Me: I would like to remind everyone that, if you have a problem or query which you think I may be able to help with, I can be contacted at the Municipal Buildings Tel: 717171 Fax: 01475 712976 or e-mail:

Eric.Forbes@inverclyde.gov.uk Out with office hours I can be contacted at home: 520012 or on my mobile: 07747 006725. I believe that rather than waiting several weeks for a surgery, it is better for my constituents if I am available at the end of a telephone at any time. Thereafter, if necessary, I can arrange a suitable follow-up meeting.

Wrong E-mail Address

A lesson to be learned from one typing the wrong email address!

A Minneapolis couple decided to go to Florida to thaw out during a particularly icy winter. They planned to stay at the same hotel where they spent their honeymoon 20 years earlier.

Because of hectic schedules, it was difficult to coordinate their travel schedules, so the husband left Minnesota and flew to Florida on Thursday, with his wife flying down the following day. The husband checked into the hotel. There was a computer in his room, so he decided to send an email to his wife. However, he accidentally left out one letter in her email address, and without realizing his error, sent the email.

Meanwhile, somewhere in Houston, a widow had just returned home from her husband's funeral. He was a minister who was called home to glory following a heart attack. The widow decided to check her email expecting messages from relatives and friends. After reading the first message, she screamed and fainted. The widow's son rushed into the room, found his mother on the floor, and saw the computer screen which read:

To: My Loving Wife

Subject: I've Arrived Date: October 16, 2006

I know you're surprised to hear from me. They have computers here now and you are allowed to send emails to your loved ones. I've just arrived and have been checked in. I see that everything has been prepared for your arrival tomorrow. Looking forward to seeing you then! Hope your journey is as uneventful as mine was! P.S. Sure is flipping hot down here.

David Cairns MP - Change of Climate for Wemyss Bay

It is tempting to think that climate change is something that affects other parts of the world, but recent storms in January have shown just how vulnerable Inverclyde is to our changing weather. As gales battered Greenock, Tesco had to close, roads in Gourock became impassable and Caledonian MacBrayne was forced to cancel sailings from Wemyss Bay. The areas that were badly affected all had one thing in common; they were close to the sea.

Climate change is the greatest long term threat faced by humanity and two of its most serious consequences are more intense and frequent rainfall, and rising sea levels. Coastal flooding will become an increasing feature of our weather and this will cause problems for us all, but those who live close to the Clyde will be among the first to suffer. There are already people in Inverclyde who have to pay increased premiums for their house insurance because companies think that living beside the river poses an increased risk.

So as rivers rise, drainage systems fail and some coastal defences prove inadequate against the might of nature, just what can we do to combat the damage to our climate. All the experts tell us that we need to reduce greenhouse gases and stop pumping carbon dioxide into the atmosphere. Our Government was one of the first to accept climate change and our 2000 Climate Change Programme has already helped put us on track to meet our Kyoto greenhouse gas reduction commitment. Indeed, we are projected to go significantly beyond our Kyoto commitment and reduce our greenhouse gas emissions by 23-25 per cent by 2010, one of the best records of any country in the world. Of course this is a global problem and we can't do it on our own, every nation in the world must play its part and, unfortunately, some are not taking their obligations as seriously as the United Kingdom.

Faced with such a huge problem, it is easy to feel helpless. But, surprisingly, there is a lot we can do and even little changes

can make a big difference. If everyone in Wemyss Bay switched just three of the light bulbs in their house to energy saving ones, not only would family power bills fall, but we would save enough energy to run all the street lights in the village. In the UK 25 per cent of our carbon emissions come from our own homes so if we all made small changes like turning our central heating down by one degree, switching off our appliances instead of leaving them on standby and putting off lights, we could have a real impact on the environment.

The evidence that our lifestyle is changing our climate becomes more compelling by the week. So is the knowledge of the disastrous effects it will have on our lives – and more importantly the lives of our children and their grandchildren - if we don't act to reverse it. We all need to start now (politicians included) otherwise future generations may find that living close to the Clyde is no longer an option.

David Cairns holds surgeries on the first and third Friday of the month from 10am – 12noon at his Parliamentary Office, 20 Union Street, Greenock Tel: 791820, Fax: 791821, or alternatively you can phone the office for details of his next surgery in Wemyss Bay. These details, along with other information, appear on his website: www.davidcairns.com

Having a Party?

If you are thinking of having a party, why not hold it at the Community Centre? Although it is pretty busy, party bookings are still available outwith the regular lets. Even better, why not theme your party? When placing your booking just say if you would like a Bouncy Castle Party or would like DJs "BayB's" to provide your entertainment. A 2-hour Bouncy castle Party costs £52, while a 2-hour Disco booking only costs £50. To make your booking, or for more information, contact **Kirsty** on **520738**. Remember that, if you are having food at your party, the centre's kitchen was refurbished recently and is available for your use.

Anonymous Articles

While we are happy to print articles and withhold the sender's name, if requested, we must have a note of the person's name and contact details before we can print anything. This is to protect us, should someone later complain about an article. You will find that any publication will take the same position

Wemyss Bay web site

If you run a group in Wemyss Bay or the surrounding area, you can now add details of your group to the web site and keep those details up to date through an online control panel. Go to the following address to add or update details of your group:
<http://wemyssbay.net/todo/>

Duncan McNeil MSP

It's at this gloomy time of year – dark when you get up in the morning, dark before you even finish work – that I really miss the sunlight. Imagine, though, if this lack of light wasn't just something to be endured for a few months a year. Imagine if, even in summer, you hardly ever saw daylight.

Sadly, this is what too many people are forced to suffer, just because selfish neighbours have let their hedge grow to such a ludicrous height that it blocks out all but the July midday sun. And, besides from the loss of light in your home and garden, hedge disputes can be a major cause of anxiety; they can give rise to feelings of intimidation, of powerlessness and can damage property.

My colleague, Scott Barrie, is therefore putting forward a draft Bill at Holyrood which aims to end this misery by introducing an arbitration mechanism for dealing with complaints about high hedges.

At the moment, Scott is consulting on the how such a mechanism should operate. What, for example, should be classed as a "high" hedge? And what sort of complaints about them should be admissible? Who should be allowed to complain? What sort of appeals procedure should there be?

To help answer these questions, he wants to gather together as many views and experiences as possible. Not only will this ensure that the final Bill's provisions will work effectively, high quality, well-constructed proposed legislation also stands the best chance of making it onto the statute books.

So, if you are or have been affected by a neighbour's high hedge, or if you have experience of such disputes, now is your chance to shape this Bill.

Copies of the consultation document are available online at: [http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/business/bills/pdfs/mb-consultations/HighHedges\(Scotland\)BillConsultation.pdf](http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/business/bills/pdfs/mb-consultations/HighHedges(Scotland)BillConsultation.pdf) or from my local office. Submissions can be submitted until **21st February** in hardcopy to: **Hedge Consultation, Room M4.02, The Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh EH99 1SP** or by email to: **scott.barrie.msp@scottish.parliament.uk**

Duncan can be contacted at the Parliamentary Office, 20 Union Street, Greenock PA15 8JL, Tel: 01475 791820, Fax: 01475 791821, by Textphone for the hearing impaired: 01475 791824, by E-mail: duncan.mcneil.msp@scottish.parliament.uk or via his website: www.duncanmcneil.com

Found

A sum of money has been found in the Community Centre. If you have lost some then phone Eila on 529375 with details of how much and when you lost it.

Woodland Association

The Woodland Association held their AGM on Sunday 21st January in the Community Centre. At the meeting the following office-bearers were elected to serve for a further year: Chairman, Richard Charnock-Smith; Treasurer, Finlay McFee and Secretary, Eila Roberts. The remaining committee spaces are filled by Sian Burton, Maurice Dawson, Jenny Hunter, Susan McCartney, David Noble and Jean Parkinson.

The Association continues to work on a regular basis clearing the remainder of the rhododendron in the approaches to the terraced garden area. The group meet at the Ardgowan Road end of Cliff Terrace Road and all tools, gloves, safety glasses and refreshments are provided. If you would like to join the volunteers, even for a couple of hours, phone Eila on 529375 for details of dates of work sessions.

There are a number of ways in which you can become involved and help with the Association's work. One of the most important and easiest is to keep your eyes & ears open and report incidents of anti-social behaviour to the police. Perhaps you would be prepared to take a plastic bag with you when you walk through the wood and collect any rubbish you find. If a few more people were to do this, then our already stretched volunteers could concentrate on other work rather than having to organise litter collection mornings as well. Maybe you would take a turn filling the bird feeders as this needs done several times a week.

You can join the Association – in addition to updates on our work you have the satisfaction of knowing that your membership money enables us to continue running and membership only costs £2 for an individual or £3 for a household for a calendar year. Although it seems like it sometimes, we do not actually live in the wood! Wemyss Bay Wood is owned by Inverclyde Council and the Woodland Association is merely a group of concerned local residents interested in protecting and preserving the area for future generations. We do not make decisions about what is or is not going to happen with the wood and at all times work within the instructions of the local authority. If you have concerns or complaints about anything regarding the wood, or indeed the wider area, these should be directed to Inverclyde Council.

Kid's Stuff

To stay healthy we are all meant to eat 5 portions of fruit and vegetables each day. Try and find as many varieties in this month's wordsearch as possible.

C	A	U	L	I	F	L	O	W	E	R	B	C	E	A	O	F
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APPLE
AVOCADO
AUBERGINE
BANANA
BRUSSEL SPROUT
Butternut Squash
CARROT
CAULIFLOWER
CUCUMBER
DAMSON
DATE
FIG
GRAPE
KELP
KUMQUAT
LEMON
LIME
MANDARIN
MANGO
MELON
NECTARINE
ONION
ORANGE
PEA
PEACH
PEAR

PEPPER
SWEDE

POTATO
TURNIP

RADISH
WATER CHESTNUT

RASPBERRY
WATERCRESS

RHUBARB
YAM

WORDFINDER

Try and find as many words as possible using the letters below. Each letter can only be used once and every word must contain the letter in the middle square. No plurals, names or hyphenated words are allowed. There are over 160 possible words and at least one 9-letter word.

P	A	R
T	E	C
S	I	D

30 words – at least you're trying!

40 words – good

60 words – shows promise

100+ words – brain-box!!

SUDOKU

		7				4		
		2				1		
8	3						5	9
9	1	4				2	3	5
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Sudoku is straightforward once you get the hang of it and relies on logic to solve it. Place a number from 1-9 in each empty square so that each row, each column and each 3x3 block contains the numbers 1-9. (This means that no number can appear twice in any row, column or 3x3 block.) Good Luck

Found

A gent's wristwatch has been found in the Community Centre. If you have lost a watch then please contact Eila on 529375 with a description.

Waste collection

Your black bin will be collected on Tuesdays 6th & 20th February and 6th & 20th March. Your blue and brown bins will be emptied on Tuesdays 13th & 27th February and 13th & 27th March.

And Now For the Small Print.....

Please note that we do our best to ensure that adverts are neither misleading or offensive, however the appearance of an advertisement in the Village News does not imply that either the editors or the Community Association endorse the advertiser and / or their products / services.

With respect to articles, we reserve the right to edit as we see fit to prevent offence and / or inaccuracies. We also reserve the right to ask local groups / individuals to respond to any articles received.

Finally

The closing date for the March edition of the Village News will be Tuesday 20th February at 6pm. It is helpful if you send in any articles as soon as you have them rather than leave them to the very last minute – this means that we would have a little more time to put things together before having to get them to the printer. Send your information to **Eila Roberts, 14 Brueacre Drive, Wemyss Bay** Tel: **529375** E-mail: **eila@wemyssbay.plus.com** or drop it into the Village News folder in Spar. Adverts should be sent to Ken at the same address. If you wish to discuss an article for inclusion or if you have any questions about advertising please feel free to phone us on **529375**.