



Ardler Village News



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Jobs & Training

Training and Guidance

Would you like to have an informal chat about the job opportunities, adult training and education that is on offer in the Ardler and St Mary's areas?

If you would, please call into the **Ardler Complex** in Turnberry Avenue, or phone **432862**, and ask for **Caroline Bairner**, Adult Learning / Guidance Worker.

Literacy and numeracy

Would you like help with your reading, writing or spelling skills, or assistance to improve your numeracy skills. If so help is at hand by contacting Caroline or Margaret at the Complex of by phoning 432862 or 436442.

Jobshop

Visit the Jobshop at the Ardler Complex on Fridays for help finding a job or learn about local learning opportunities. A personal guidance interview may help you get on the right track. Call in and speak to Caroline Bairner in the Ardler Complex or 'phone 432862

Summer Learning

Dundee College are running an introduction to SWAP Access Programmes from 2nd -13th July. This taster session requires no qualifications and SWAP programmes are an ideal entry into study at Hn or Degree level. For more information call 0800 7310949 or email swapeast@ed.ac.uk.

Swan Sorrow

Many Ardler residents were thrilled to see our local swans making a new nest during the spring. By the end of March the huge nest of grass and reeds was nicely hidden amongst the reeds ready for the female to start laying her eggs.

Everything seemed to be going well and three eggs were spotted under her as she turned herself and the eggs during the long incubation. Swans sit on their eggs for up to 36 days and each egg can weigh as much as 4 hens eggs!

Unfortunately this year it looks as if the eggs have not fertilised as she has now been sitting for almost two months. There are many reasons that eggs fail to hatch including disturbance at the nest, causing the eggs to cool or even the mating pair not being fully fit and

healthy and therefore the eggs fail. Everyone will miss the enjoyment that cygnets bring but nature the wonderful thing that it is always knows best, perhaps our swans will be more successful next year.



Ardler in Bloom 2007

A cold and blustery April weekend saw the launch of this year's Ardler in Bloom competition. The Ardler in Bloom team distributed plants, trees, flowerpots and seeds to local gardening enthusiasts during the 2 days.



Sunflower seed give away

More than 80 people registered for this year's fun event and every local child can enter the competition this year because of the

kindness of one resident selling plants from her garden. All the children received a packet containing sunflower seeds and instructions on how to grow them, so good luck to everyone. It's not too late for you to take part in this fun competition.

Call into the Ardler Village

Trust office to pick up an entry form or phone Alistair on 831712 for more information

The Multi Decades of Ardler

ARDLER 07 FUN DAY

Saturday 16th June 12pm - 3pm
Ardler, Brackens and St Fergus School's
Entry Free - All Welcome

For information contact Ardler Village Trust 831712

Come along and help us celebrate the regeneration completion.

Prizes for the most original 60's, 70's or 80's costume.

Register now to take part in the Talent Spot. Plus loads of activities and stalls for young and old.

