

Achnamara Community Update – March 2019

Welcome to the March community update, brought to you by the Achnamara Village Hall Committee (AVHC).

Achnamara Rowing Club

The skiff project is moving along nicely and taking shape. We have started to laminate the bow and stern so some real progress. Soon we will have to consider the colour scheme and boat name so get thinking as a competition may be coming soon! This is a community project that we would like everyone to be involved with in one way or another. If you would like to take a look, lend a hand or just admire the beauty of it all then please pop into the shed behind the hall. The plan is that someone will be there most [Saturday](#) and [Wednesday](#) mornings [between 10.00 and 12.00](#) to direct operations. Please come along!
email john@jacksongroup.biz for more information.

Ashfield School

The Council have previously said they want to start the consultation on closure. Members of AVHC were to meet with them on the 20th February to learn of their latest plans. This meeting did not take place and requires to be rescheduled.

Community Survey 2

A reminder that the **closing date** for our community survey is [Sunday 17th March](#).

Please take the time to consider your thoughts and give us your views.

- *The survey is open to all residents and owners of property in Achnamara and along the peninsula.*
- *One return per person (i.e. not per household) is sought, to give us the most thorough response possible.*
- *To date ([10/03/19](#)) we have received one paper return and 41 responses via Survey Monkey.*

Please follow this link to the survey if you are yet to give us your views...

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/G6K6QWK>

Curry Night

“Achnamara village hall hosted a fabulous curry night with the community coming together to support Claudia in her fundraising journey to go to India, teaching basic life skills to young children with a well-known organisation: Project Trust - based on the Island of Coll.

There was a banquet of delicious feasts and the culinary expertise was

outstanding.

We were then treated to a hilarious evening with Andy and Tim as auctioneer's.

Wow - £2929:00 was the final total raised through tickets, donations, sponsors and auction items, this has flabbergasted us and exceeded our expectations.

The kindness and generosity given to Claudia has overwhelmed us. We would like to give our heartfelt thanks for making the evening so memorable.”
Alka.

Defibrillator Overview

Over twenty people attended the defibrillator overview after Café Connect [on Saturday](#). Thanks to Neil Soudan, for giving up his time and providing an informative session. It's fair to say that we were so enthused that a CPR overview may well be arranged too.

Useful link: [St Johns Ambulance Defibrillator Instructions](#)

Hydro scheme

We have had an archaeological survey carried out on area of Barnagad Burn potentially impacted by a possible hydro scheme. No issues were identified. We will also be seeking independent advice on the technical feasibility of the hydro over the next 2 months or so. There has been some concern about the potential noise impact from the powerhouse on the village so we will be testing this too.

North Knapdale Community Council

North Knapdale Community Council met [on Tuesday 19th](#) February. The minutes of the meeting are attached to this update.

Rural Watch

At the NKCC meeting Sergeant MacNicol circulated information relating to Rural Watch which may be of interest locally (see attached pdf document).

Also:



www.RuralWatchScotland.co.uk



www.NeighbourhoodWatchScotland.co.uk



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Travel: A83 Planned Maintenance

For those who use the A83, please be advised that Bear Scotland are planning multiple overnight road closures for resurfacing work at the following locations in the coming weeks:

- Inveraray Bridge

- Rest and be Thankful
- South of Whitehouse
- Stonefield
- Strone Point

Weather conditions are likely to lead to rescheduling, so rather than publish the original plan, you are advised to check the [Traffic Scotland Planned Roadworks page](#)

AVH Committee

We welcome your comments on any of the above.

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If you have any questions relating to this update, please feel free to contact any of the Committee members listed above, or email Comms.AVH@achnamara.org

Regards,

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