

# **NEWSLETTER**

for residents of Old Kilpatrick

July/August 2017



# **AOK PLANTING DAY**

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# PUTTING THE COMMUNITY INTO ANTONINE COMMUNITY FIELD



In May, AOK and the Forestry Commission Scotland held a consultation day in the field behind the school. All residents of the village were invited to give us their ideas for what could be done with the field. Soon a theme started emerging - most people would like to see some kind of a growing area, whether it's small raised beds, fruit orchard, a wildflower garden or living willow structures. A picnic area and a natural play area for the school children were also proposed.

We are now going to set up a meeting for all partners and invite people to join a focus group to take this project forward, create a plan and secure funding.

Contact us if you'd like to be involved in this project.

## **ENVIRONMENT**

The Environment activities are continuing with the monthly litter picks in the Saltings and Lusset Glen. We have also restored a couple of benches - you may have seen a new one at St. Patrick's well and a refurbished one at the Christmas tree triangle.





We recently secured some funding from the West Dunbartonshire Council Your Community grant to produce a series of mosaics for the village centre. Children from the school have been working on these and the panels will be installed on the wall at the shops very soon.

#### THE SALTINGS LITTER PICK

First Sunday of each month 10:00-12:00am Meet behind Scout hut

## THE LUSSET GLEN LITTER PICK

Last Monday of each month 10:00-12:00am Meet beside Glen Cafe

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

#### **AUGUST**

#### **AOK FUNDRAISING EVENING**

When: Friday 25 August; 7:30pm Where: Old Kilpatrick Bowling Club

Tickets will be available for sale shortly; please contact us on info@actionoldkilpatrick.org.uk if you'd like to reserve yours.

#### DECEMBER

#### **SANTA PARADE 2017**

When: Wednesday 20 December 2017 (tbc) Where: Old Kilpatrick village centre/Napier Hall

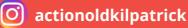
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## **HORTICULTURE**

It has to be said, it has been a bit of a grey summer so far, but AOK Horti Group hope that the flower beds planted by AOK are adding some colour to village life – although some of them are clearly still waiting for more sun!! This spring, we created new beds against the Kilpatrick Church wall, around the bench at the Christmas tree triangle and around the benches in Erskine View. Some of the plants we bought, but most we raised in the community greenhouse in Dalnottar Cemetery and most of the planting work was done on our sunny plantout day held at the end of May.

We also continue to help maintain the grounds of our local Care Home where the efforts of members have been very much appreciated. We have submitted an application to 'adopt a station'. If successful we will add some flower beds to both the Kilpatrick station platforms - so fingers crossed! Finally, it has been great to welcome new volunteers into the Horti Group - more volunteers (and more ideas) always welcome!

Next meeting: 28 Sep, 7:30pm, Twisted Thistle

# **HISTORY & HERITAGE**

A Walk Through the Past: Memories of Old Kilpatrick, 1940s to the present day: The oral history project is now underway. We have had our formal training and 8 of us are geared up and raring to go. A handful of interviews have taken place already and the memories that emerged during our chats has been superb and really interesting to us; thank you for your support. The team are still looking for more local residents to give us their memories of Old Kilpatrick so please do get in touch. If you have expressed an interest in taking part but have not heard from us, we are gradually working through our list. Also, it may be that we don't have your full contact details. So, please don't hesitate to get in touch if unsure.

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