

LLANWDDYN NEWSLETTER

Tachwedd/November 2008

Newyddion a Digwyddiadau _____ Covering the News and Events
pentref Llanwddyn of Llanwddyn

SERVICES at St. Wddyn's

There will be a service of Holy Eucharist or Morning Prayer each Sunday at 11.15 a.m.

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Llanrhaeadr-ym-Mochnant
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Welcome to all.

Croeso I bawb.

CHURCH FLOWERS

November

2nd Lorraine Roberts
9th Sue Williams
16th Jennie Roberts
23rd Audrey Jones
30th Annette Griffiths

OEDFEUON CAPEL SARDIS

Tachwedd

2nd Oedfa Crist 2008 Theatr Llwyn
(6.30)
9th Y Gweinidog (nos)
16th Mr Gwyndaf Roberts (pryn)
23rd Mr Eirwyn Pierce Jones (pryn)
30th Mr Tom Morris (pryn)

Remembrance Day Service

Sunday 9th November

**The service in the church
will be held at 10.45am
and afterwards at the War
Memorial.**

Newsletter Website

Visit

www.llanwddyn.com

Poppy Appeal Coffee Evening

The ladies of the Royal British Legion will be holding
a coffee evening at the community centre on
Thursday 6th November at 7.30pm

Please come along and show your support

November is with us, and we are getting into late Autumn. By this time of the year it is possible for us to look back and consider how the year 2008 has gone.

Certainly it has been far from an easy one. The recent crisis in the economy and in the financial position of some of our banks gives a great deal of cause for concern, not only economically, but in terms of our underlying values. I worked many years back in an accountant's office which also had an agency for the Halifax Building Society. In those now far-off and sober days the spectacle of HBOS getting into the mess it has would have been quite unthinkable.

There seems to be little doubt that we are in for a difficult time in terms of the economy. It will be some time before the full effects of all these recent developments can be either guessed or measured. There is though the reminder in all of this that a firmer foundation for our lives is necessary. I am reminded of the story in the Gospel where Jesus speaks about the man whose house was built upon solid rock as opposed to sand. There seems to have been a lot built on sand in these recently. It must be our prayer that, throughout all the pain that may be involved in working through these difficulties, in the end people will discern the values that matter most in the long run. For Christians, that means life lived in relationship and obedience to Jesus Christ.

This month we also look back at the times when this country has been involved in wars and conflicts of many different sorts. Some of these continue in Iraq and Afghanistan. We remember with thankfulness the sacrifices of those who gave and still give their lives in the service of this country and its security. Details of our Remembrance Services will be found in the Diary.

Wrth feddwl am y flwyddyn 2008 yr ydym ni'n gweld bod ni wedi dod trwy'r amser o drafferthion. Mae'n rhy gynnar ar y foment i weld canlyniadau'r argyfwng ariannol ond bydd digon o sialens os gobeithiwn ni'n osgoi nifer fawr o bobl sy'n ddi-waith. Fel pobl Cristnogol cofiwn yr efengyl pan siaradodd Iesu am y dyn sy wedi sefydlu ei dy ar y graig a nid ar y tywod. Bydd ein gweddi y bydd pobol yn cael eu hawgrym i atgoffa am hyn.

Lastly, I would like to thank all those who helped with and supported our harvest services. Diolch yn fawr iawn i bawb.

Edward Yendall.

Noson Goffi

Apêl y Pabî Coch

Gemau Raffle Stoddiadau

Nos Iau, Tachwedd

6ed

7.30

Thursday, November 6th

Games Raffle Stalls



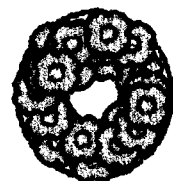
IN FLANDERS FIELDS

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you with failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae
(1872 -1918)



News from Llanwddyn Football Club.

After a good pre season the llanfechain knockout started on 1st August. Our first game was against Llangedwyn, we won 6-5, then we played Waterloo Rovers 1-1, fulltime we won 4-2 on penalties.

In the semi-final we played Meifod, we won 5-2. Then we played Four Crosses in the final. The game finished at 2-2 but we won 3-2 on penalties.

So far this season we have played 9 games in the league up to the 11th October. We have won 2, drawn 3 and lost 4 games.

On the 18th October we played Lampeter University away in the Emrys Morgan cup we won 4-0.

I would like to thank Llanwddyn Community Council for buying us new nets, and Brian Bisikar (Lake Vyrnwy Hotel) for the new football kit. I would like to thank Wayne from the shop for all his help last year, and this year marking the pitch for us, plus I would like to thank all our supporters as well.

On 12th October we held a pool Knockout in the Tavern to raise money for the club. Twenty two players turned up for it. Dennis Bailey and Shaun Clark got to the finals. Dennis won in a close game. I would like to thank Dennis for kindly donating his prize money back to the club.

Up coming fixtures, subject to change.

Saturday 25th Oct Village Cup, Home V Four Crosses 2.30 K.O.

Sunday 26th Oct Montgomeryshire Cup

Away V Waterloo Rovers 2.30 K.O.

Saturday 1st Nov League Away V Trewern 2.30 K.O.

Saturday 8th Nov League Home V Welshpool 2.15 K.O.

Saturday 15th Nov Emrys Morgan cup round 2 Bye

Sat 22nd Nov League Away V Trefonnen 2.00 K.O.

Saturday 29th Nov League Away V Llanidloes Res 2.00 K.O.

Thank You
Simon Williams

P.S. Our new website is:- www.llanwddynfc.co.uk

Check it out



a million voices for nature

RSPB Newsletter by Roger Whiteway

Reserve Management

Nestbox construction has started for the winter period replacement/maintenance session. We have about 350 small boxes on the reserve that have to be maintained, so a store of ready to put up boxes is handy, 40 on average are replaced per annum.

. Some willow coppicing in the Centenary hide area has been carried out, mainly on the "canal bank" to enlarge a nice duck landing runway before the birds go onto the lagoon. The area is at present inaccessible due to high water levels, so the work was carried out at the right time. Some willow tit poles were dug upright into the wet alderwood to create more standing dead stump habitat.

Suzanne Grimwood our summer assistant and winter volunteer, who has been with us the last 2 years, is leaving this Friday to pastures new. Do come back next spring Suzanne. Thanks for all your help over the last 2 seasons.

Flora and Fauna

Cormorant numbers remained constant at 3 throughout the period. A Short eared Owl was seen above Gadfa early afternoon on Sept 3rd, two in the same area on Sept 30th and one on Oct 1st and 7th. A Hen Harrier was seen on Sept 30th and Oct 1st, as was a male Merlin. A Mute Swan was seen on the lake on Sept 3rd. A male Hen Harrier was hunting over Blaen Coed on Sept 19th. A Green Woodpecker was heard at Coed Allt Forgan on Sept 29th. Six Black Grouse on the lek on Sept 30th. Duck numbers have started to build up at the top end of the lake with up to 60 Mallard, 2 Teal, 3 Great Crested Grebe and 1 Dabchick. Crossbill have been in short supply over the last couple of months with just 1 heard on Oct 2nd, not a good season for cones it would appear. A Snipe was flushed from Rhiwargor lagoon edge on Oct 3rd. 2 Willow Tit were seen or heard in the week Oct 1st-3rd. The first Redwing for the autumn were seen on Oct 6th, with 20 seen in the Blaen Hirnant area on Oct 7th with a big arrival of

500 at Parc on Oct 8th, plus the first Fieldfare at Ty Llwyd on the same date. Also a late Chiffchaff at Ty Mawr and a good passage of Goldcrest with birds seemingly in every tree and bush on Oct 7th.

Farm

Our direct selling of Organic lamb and beef seems to be going from strength to strength. As well as selling frozen meat from the shop here we have in recent months been doing deliveries of fresh meat to customers within a thirty mile radius of the reserve with every month bringing in more and more customers.

The weather has been a major factor on the farm this year delaying the harvest and affecting the condition of the stock. Despite this we had an excellent Annual Sheep Sale, with excellent prices, which is a great credit to the farm staff. Well done lads!

The cattle used for curlew management have been gathered off the mountain. The ponies will be staying up all winter, or at least until the new legislation means that we have to gather them and micro chip the foals!

Events.

Can you help Feed the Birds this Winter?

Saturday October 25th has been designated national "Feed the Birds Day"

Roger Whiteway, Information Officer, at the RSPB Lake Vyrnwy nature reserve invites you to come up to the RSPB Centre and meet a member of staff who will be giving a presentation on the theme of "Feeding the Birds".

The presentation will include advice on making your gardens a haven for wildlife with sympathetic planting and garden design as well as discussion about bird care products suitable for feeding the birds this winter.

There will also be a display of the latest RSPB bird care range in our shop, with items on offer especially for the event.

The presentation will take place at 1.00 pm, with the shop open from 10.30 am. Why not have a tremendous day out and enjoy a walk on one of our scenic trails or visit our bird hides.

Also scheduled for Friday 31st October is the final "Roger's Wildsquare at Lake Vyrnwy" event where we offer young people an introduction to a Web based project that can be run from home, learning about birds and wildlife.

LIFE ACTIVE BLANKET BOG PROJECT

Visits

The project was visited by members of staff from Severn Trent and United Utilities who were given presentations by RSPB, LIFE and UKPopNet staff. The project was also visited by 54 members of the Montgomery Field Society who enjoyed an afternoon on the blanket bog, whilst 19 members of the Oswestry Ramblers exerted themselves a bit more by taking a guided walk across the moor. Three further events were held on the bog with 26 attendees. Jared Wilson attended the National Eisteddfod in Cardiff with the view of gaining knowledge for Bala 2009 where the project intends to have a strong presence.

Practical

The four members of staff who will spend the winter clearing invading trees from the blanket bog at Lake Vyrnwy have been appointed. They will start at the end of September and will be with us for six months.

Work has begun on the access track to allow work to be carried out on the Forestry Commission Land at Penaran. This will allow the removal of trees by machine and for ditches to be blocked.

Monitoring

The second vegetation survey by ECUS has begun and will continue through September.

The August survey for ticks suffered greatly due to the "summer" weather but has been carried out.

Roger Whiteway 17 October 2008

Post Office News

There is now a paper shredder in the Social room which will be available for public use during Post Office hours for a small donation to Hall funds.
Thank You

Hope House bi-lingual Christmas cards are now on sale in the Post Office as well as Christmas wrapping paper, diaries and notelets.

Stuck for present ideas? Gift vouchers, available at the Post Office, can be exchanged at most high street shops. We also do flowers and chocolates by post. Pick up a leaflet the next time you are in the Post Office.

Hand made Birthday and Christmas cards made here at Llanwddyn are on display in the Post Office. You can also order bespoke cards for a special event.

Autumn Fayre

At the time of going to press the amount raised is £801. The first prize raffle of £50 was won by Mrs Eirys Richards who very kindly donated it back to hall funds. We all say a very big
THANK YOU

Pennaeth Tai a Gwarchod y Cyhoedd/
Head of Housing & Public Protection
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Os yn galw gofynnwch am:
If calling please ask for: Neil Pritchard

Dear Homeowner

Llanwddyn Renewal Area

Re: Invitation to all Renewal Area Home Owners / Occupiers

I am pleased to advise that the Council has secured funding from the Welsh Assembly Government to assist home-owners in the above renewal area for the current financial year.

2008/09 (current year):

- Funding is being made available without any means test of resources on a first come, first served basis, to all domestic owner-occupiers, private tenants and landlords for loft insulation, cavity wall insulation, boiler upgrade, and other small energy efficiency improvements such as draught-proofing. Should you be interested in applying for this assistance, please contact the Wales Eco-centre, on 0800 9540657.
- Funds may also be made available during the current year specifically to first time buyers of properties, which came into their ownership since 30th June 2007. This funding is to target more extensive energy efficiency improvements such as replacement windows, central heating, etc. and enquiries should be made to me at the above address.

2009/10 (final year):

This will be the final year of the Llanwddyn Renewal Area, and expressions of interest are invited from homeowners seeking repairs to their property. All such enquiries should be made to me at the above address. Should anyone wish to discuss any aspect of the above further, please feel free to contact me on 08708 510356.

Yours faithfully

Neil Pritchard
Senior Housing Officer
Private Sector Housing

PLEASE PASS SLOW AND WIDE

If when out driving you come across a horse and rider while out riding,

PLEASE PASS SLOW AND WIDE

Don't zoom up from behind or I think you may find that the horse
Has a bit of a scare.

It may even go up in the air or spin round on the ground and may even
Give you fright.

So please take great care while out driving if you see a horse and rider,
PLEASE PASS SLOW AND WIDE

If while out driving with trailer you try to squeeze pass,

Don't be an ass please wait to be safe and

PASS SLOW AND WIDE.

When you come across a horse and rider can you please slow down
and pass a bit wider.

There's no need to hurry and endanger my life just take care and
PASS SLOW AND WIDE.

This poem is for all drivers new and old and especially the driver of the Landover
and Trailer who passed my horse and me on Monday 8th sep far to fast. **Thank you
Bronwyn for stopping to see if we were ok.**

There are 8 horse related accidents on Britain's roads every year please don't make
my co riders or myself a statistic **please** slow down for horses
And a big thank you to all those people who do already pass us curiously

Lorraine Roberts

THE HOSPITIUM – A CORRECTION

I apologise for an error in last month's article arising from my spell
checker automatically changing Ffynnon y Myneich (Monks' Spring) to
Ffynnon y Munich.

I hope you will all come along with your old photographs and memories
of Llanwddyn on Friday 28th November at 7pm in the Social room.

I look forward to seeing you all there.

David Rowlands

LLANWDDYN SENIORS

Christmas Lunch – December 2008

The Christmas Lunch this year will be at the Lake Vyrnwy Hotel for all Seniors in the valley who are over 60 years of age. The date is Friday, 5th December. We will meet at the Hotel at 12.30 pm. for Lunch at 1 pm.

We shall not be arranging transport as the venue is so close, but will anyone who cannot make it up to the Hotel please let us know when accepting the invitation so that we can arrange for a lift. Would all those who wish to attend please inform either Gwenfron (681), Margaret Jandrell (203) or myself (353) as soon as possible, or fill in their name on the sheet available in the Post Office. We look forward to welcoming any newcomers or those qualifying for the first time.

We must have final numbers by Friday, 28th November.

We look forward to seeing as many as possible on 5th December.

Iris

VALLEY ARTS AND CRAFTS



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Telephone 01691 870386

Winter 11 - 4

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www.crafts-in-wales.co.uk

Macmillans Coffee Morning

I don't know about it being the worlds biggest coffee morning, but it must have been a contender for the largest raffle.

The list of winners can be found on the notice board in the Post Office, that's if you can spare half an hour to read them all.

Thank you to everyone who came to support Macmillans and those who gave raffle prizes or donations.

A special mention for Margaret Jandrell and Margaret Probert for all their work.

A grand total of £220.63

Was raised. Well done.



LINE DANCING

Venue:

Llanwddyn Community Centre

Wednesday 5th November
Wednesday 19th November
Start time 7-30pm

Prices:

£3.00 for adults
£1.50 for under 16's

Refreshments and Raffle
Hope to see you all there!

November 2008



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