

# LLANWDDYN NEWSLETTER

Mawrth/March 2011

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.

Rev'd Michael Balkwill  
Area Dean  
Contact 01691 648306

Welcome to all. Croeso I bawb.

## CHURCH FLOWERS

March

No Flowers

## OEDFEUON CAPEL SARDIS

Mawrth

No Details

## VALLEY ARTS AND CRAFTS



Vyrnwy Craft Centre

Unit 3

### GALLERY & SHOP

We have a large selection of high quality,  
locally produced Arts and Crafts  
on view and for sale.

Telephone 01691 870386  
Winter 11am - 4pm  
Summer 11am - 5pm

[www.crafts-in-wales.co.uk](http://www.crafts-in-wales.co.uk)

If you have anything to go in the News-  
letter

E.g. A forth coming event  
birthday greetings, congratulations,  
any thoughts or ideas  
that you would like to share  
please send to  
[annettegriffiths@llanwddyn.com](mailto:annettegriffiths@llanwddyn.com)  
or drop it in at the Post Office.  
Thanks

## Lake Vyrnwy

### Meeting

**Date not decided**

Happy  
Saint David's' Day  
March 1st



Pancake Day  
at  
Lake Vyrnwy Hotel & Spa



Light pancake tea  
to be served between 12 and 6pm

Includes -

Your choice of hot drink  
Fresh sandwich of your choice  
Choice 2 pancakes served with ice cream

£9.50 per person



Bookings now being taken for Mothers Day Lunch  
Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2011

£32.50 per person

Includes a gift for mother

Fly fishing on Lake Vyrnwy  
opens from 15<sup>th</sup> March

To 'cast off' we are offering readers a 15% discount  
on 2011 tariff prices with this voucher



The little bits -

Bookings are subject to availability  
Voucher can only be used once and is valid  
throughout 2011 fishing season

## WELSPOOL MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE



Why not join the Mobile Library? It's Free!

The mobile library has a wide selection of books for adults and children. There is a collection of Welsh books, again, for both adults and children. We also stock Talking Books

The mobile library is out daily across Powys. We cover a vast area including Llanrhaeadr, Llansilin, Castle Caereinion, Foel, Guilsfield, Hirnant, Llangynog, Llangedwyn, Llanymynech, Forden, Crew Green, Llanwyddyn, Dolanog, Berriew and many others.

Please see individual timetables for details for where you live.

If your area is not covered please contact Welshpool Library and we will try to accommodate you.

For more information contact Welshpool Library on 01938 553001

## GWASANAETH LLYFRGELL DEITHIOL Y TRALLWNG



Beth am ymuno â'r Llyfrgell Deithiol? Mae am ddim!

Mae gan y llyfrgell deithiol ddewis eang o lyfrau i oedolion a phlant. Ceir casgliad o lyfrau Cymraeg, unwaith eto i oedolion a phlant. Rydym hefyd yn cadw Llyfrau Llafar.

Mae'r llyfrgell deithiol allan bob dydd ar draws Powys. Rydym yn teithio dros ardal eang gan gynnwys Llanrhaeadr, Llansilin, Castell Caereinion, Foel, Cegidfa, Hirnant, Llangynog, Llangedwyn, Llanymynech, Ffordun, Crew Green, Llanwddyn, Dolanog, Aberriw a llawer mwy.

Gweler yr amserlenni unigol am fanylion ar gyfer ble rydych chi'n byw.

Os nad yw'r llyfrgell yn ymweld â'ch ardal chi, cysylltwch â Llyfrgell y Trallwng ac fe geisiwn drefnu hynny.

I gael mwy o wybodaeth cysylltwch â Llyfrgell y Trallwng ar 01938 553001

**County Councillor Simon Baynes**  
is always available to help with  
enquiries, issues and  
problems that you might have.



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**Lake Vyrnwy Branch  
Royal British Legion**

**Steve Benson  
3rd place**

**In the  
North Wales District  
Standard Bearers  
Competition  
2010/2011**

**Congratulations Steve!!**



**The following grants were awarded by the 2010 Lake Vyrnwy Half-Marathon**

British Legion Women	£200
British Legion Men	£200
Llanwddyn Sheep Dog Trials	£200
Merched y Wawr	£200
Indoor Bowls Club	£300
Llanwddyn Newsletter	£500
Llanwddyn Seniors	£500
Eglwys Sant Wddyn Llanwddyn	£3,000 [£1000 deferred until June]
Llanwddyn Community Centre	£4,000
Capel Seilo Llwydiarth	£100
Eglwys Y Santes Fair Llwydiarth	£100
Eglwys Sant Mihangel Llanfihangel	£100
CFFI Dyffryn Tanat	£500
Welshpool Hospital Dialysis	£200
Hope House	£200
Oswestry Olympians	£1000
Cold Cot Fund – Wreccsam Maelor	£566
Wales Air Ambulance	£200

NB

It is hoped to change the timetable for applications to and payments from the 2011 Marathon “Fund” so that applications this year may be made in September and grants made by the end of October. Further details will appear in a subsequent issue of the Newsletter. Organisations and individuals are reminded however, that, in order to be scrupulously fair to *all* applicants, only those applications received *in writing by the published deadline* can be considered by the committee.

## **Letters**

We have been following the news about the Estate at LV with interest and David Rowlands gave me an update recently. It must be most unsettling for the whole village and I just hope that the eventual outcome is in everyone's best interests.

We always read with amazement the financial results of village events and the news in the Feb issue about the Carol Singing and The Poppy Appeal is remarkable by any standards. Llanwddyn folk have always been generous and despite the changes in the village over the last few years the tradition of generosity is obviously undiminished. Congratulations all round I think. We recall the Carnivals and the Sales of Work held in the Community Centre which were always well supported. We have happy family memories of our time at Llanwddyn and most involve the personalities of the village of whom many, sadly, are no longer with us.

We were very sorry about the loss of Maldwyn Davies who had been a family friend for over forty years and we had very fond memories of him. The weather made the journey to his funeral impossible but we have been in contact with the family through Gwenfron.

We send our thanks and very best wishes.

Robert and Brenda Cooke.

### **Lake Vyrnwy sale**

At the meeting held in the hall in December last year the RSPB were asked how many locals they had working for them. They reported that they had 21 **local** people and contractors who worked either full or part time. They were asked to make a list of these workers which they could bring to the January meeting. This didn't happen. The RSPB did not attend the meeting. I then put forward that these questions should be answered at the February meeting which was then promptly cancelled.

If it is so difficult to get answers from the RSPB now, how much harder will it be if they end up buying the estate? I understand that Mr Rhys Jones has offered the RSPB a 125 year nature reserve agreement as a gift to preserve wildlife. We now know through an article in the Western Mail that United Utilities are bidding for the land. This company has not disclosed this fact to us as a community and Severn Trent have not made us aware. We are in danger of replacing one utility company with another.

They were not at our meetings to give their opinions or to ask for ours.

We want answers please.

Margaret Hughes.



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## **PRESS RELEASE**

**1 MARCH 2011**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **BEGINS**

### **REGISTER NOW FOR THE PRETTIEST RACE IN WALES!**

Registration opens on 1<sup>st</sup> March for the Lake Vyrnwy Half-Marathon, which takes place this year on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September. **“In a beautiful country the Lake Vyrnwy Half-Marathon stands out as one of the prettiest races”** says Race Director Janet Roberts **“and being mainly flat it gives runners an excellent chance to get a Personal Best”**.

The Lake Vyrnwy Half-Marathon has been staged every year since 1988 except for 2008, the year after the death of its founder, Doug Morris. In the past two years the race has been organised by Margaret Morris, Doug’s widow, ably supported by her family and the Oswestry Olympians. 2011 sees a new Race Director, Janet Roberts, who is delighted to be organising the race in her home village.

**“The Lake Vyrnwy Half is regularly voted by runners as one of the friendliest races in the calendar”** says Janet Roberts **“and we like to think this is because the race is basically managed by the local people of Llanwddyn. There is a “home-made” feeling about Lake Vyrnwy which runners do not always find in other races”**.

Because of its popularity Jan Roberts is urging people to register early. **“Registration is limited to 1900 and every year we have to disappoint hundreds of applicants so the sooner people apply the better,”** she said.

Application forms are available at [www.lakevyrnwyhalfmarathon.com](http://www.lakevyrnwyhalfmarathon.com)

**For further information please contact the Race Director.**



### **Happy Birthday**

Margaret Hughes celebrates her 70th  
Birthday on the 9th March.  
Congratulations come from all her family and  
her many friends.  
Have a great day Margaret.  
The drinks are on you.

## **St WDDYN'S CHURCH**

### **MOTHERING SUNDAY**

THE MOTHERING SUNDAY SERVICE WILL BE  
HELD ON 3<sup>RD</sup> APRIL AT 11.15AM AND WE  
LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING MANY OF YOU  
THERE.

WHILE WE HOPE TO SEE LOTS OF CHILDREN  
WITH THEIR MOTHERS THIS IS A SERVICE  
FOR US ALL.

WE ALL HAVE MOTHERS EVEN IF SOME ARE  
NOW RESTING WITH GOD AND IT IS  
APPROPRIATE THAT WE THANK GOD AND  
THEM FOR WHAT THEY HAVE DONE FOR US.

WE ARE THEREFORE OPTIMISTIC THAT WE  
WILL SEE MANY OF YOU WITH US THAT DAY  
WITH YOUR MOTHERS IF POSSIBLE

THERE WILL BE TEA, COFFEE OR LEMONADE  
AND CHOCOLATE BISCUITS AFTER THE  
SERVICE.



# News & Events

Hope everyone is none the worse after all the wind and rain we've had!

Listed below are the events we are running at the RSPB in March,  
it would be great to see you there.

## March Events

- **Lambing on the farm** – join us in meeting Spring's new arrivals  
Saturday and Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> March 1pm at the RSPB Shop  
£5.00 Adult Non-members £2.50 Adult members Children non-members £2.50 WEX Members £1.50
- **Optics Demo Day** – Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March 10.30am – 4.00pm  
come and try out a wide range of binoculars and scopes and let us help find the  
right pair for you

We have a full list of events running throughout the year – please see our website  
[www.rspb.org.uk/lakevyrnwy](http://www.rspb.org.uk/lakevyrnwy) for more details or follow us on facebook @RSPB Lake  
Vyrnwy.

## Shop Offers

- **20% off all 12.75kg sacks of bird seed** (excluding peanuts) – valid until  
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2011
- **15% off all Organic Welsh Black beef, Welsh Mountain Lamb and Welsh  
Mutton when you present the voucher below to shop staff**  
(voucher valid until the end of March 2011)

**This voucher entitles the holder to 15% off all  
Organic Meat purchased in the RSPB Shop before  
31<sup>st</sup> March 2011.**





## PRICE LIST

### Lake Vyrnwy Organic Welsh Black Beef, Welsh Mountain Lamb and Welsh Mutton.

#### Organic Welsh Black Beef

##### Joints

Topside @ £12.00/kilo  
Silverside @ £12.00/kilo  
Rump @ £12.00/kilo  
3 to 4 piece Rib @ £12.00/kilo  
Slow Roast @ £8.00/kilo

##### Steaks

Fillet Steak @ £36.00/kilo  
Rib Eye Steak @ £14.00/kilo  
Sirloin Steak @ £19.00/kilo  
Rump Steak @ £16.00/kilo  
Braising Steak @ £9.00/kilo

##### Smaller Pieces

Shin of Beef (500g packs) @ £10.00/kilo  
Stewing Steak @ £9.00/kilo  
Minced Beef (1/2 kilo packs) @ £8.00/kilo  
Beef Burgers (packs of 4) @ £4.00

#### Organic Welsh Mountain Lamb/Welsh Mutton

##### Joints

Whole Legs @ £12.00/kilo  
Whole Shoulders @ £12.00/kilo  
Half Shoulders @ £12.00/kilo  
Half Legs @ £10.00/kilo

##### Smaller Pieces

Diced Shoulder of Lamb (1/2kilo packs) @ £12.00/kilo  
Leg Steaks (packs of 2) @ £12.00/kilo  
Lamb Shanks @ £12.00/kilo  
Lamb Kidneys (packs of 6) @ £12.00/kilo  
Lamb Chops (packs of 4) @ £12.00/kilo  
Lamb Mince (1/2 kilo packs) @ £7.00/kilo  
Minted Burgers (packs of 4) @ £4.00  
Neck Rings (packs of 2) @ £3.50  
Noisettes (approx 300g each) @ £18.00/kilo  
Rack of Lamb @ £18.00/kilo

THE ROYAL BRITISH  
LEGION



# Lake Vyrnwy Branch

THE ROYAL BRITISH  
LEGION



After nearly 90 years in existence our Branch here at Llanwddyn is facing closure simply due to a lack of members.

**PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING US, TO NOT ONLY SAVE OUR BRANCH BUT ALSO TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT TO THE SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN WHO PROTECT OUR COUNTRY.**

**For ONLY £11 PER YEAR you can do this!**

By becoming a member, you can do as little or as much as you want to support our branch. We currently have an annual meeting and one fundraising event a year.

Included in your membership are 6 bi-monthly copies of The Legion Magazine which highlights the great work of the British Legion.

**Without the Branch here at Llanwddyn the Standard wouldn't be able to be presented at the Memorial Stone on Armistice Sunday but would have to remain inside the Church at all times.**

**Please contact me, STEVE BENSON,  
Branch Secretary on 01691 828608 for more information**

*Thank you/Diolch yn fawr*

Also, and equally as important, can you ladies of the village please consider joining the Womens' Section of the Royal British Legion here at Llanwddyn.



We currently have 3 meetings annually and we support the Poppy Appeal by means of collection boxes around the village and with an annual Coffee Evening.

A Womens' Section can only exist if there is a Mens' Section, so also please encourage the male members of your family to become members.

Please talk to me, Linda Roberts on 01691870634 about joining our small group.

*Thank you/Diolch yn fawr*