

Craig & Penllyn Residents' Association



Village Newsletter

Autumn 2014



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Editor's Note

I hope you like the new front page to the Newsletter—I am taking advantage of the new printing equipment at VCVS on both the centre and outer sheet of paper

I was delighted to receive so many photos for this issue. I realise that the village has been very active this summer—and there is more to come in the next three months!!

Please let me have articles, comments, congratulations etc. for the next issue of the Newsletter by

November 24th 2014

Val

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I would also like to thank the Vale Council for Voluntary Services for advice, and for printing the Newsletter.

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We have been very lucky to have the support of local businesses over the years who have given us financial help with the printing. If you can help, please contact Jonathan Case, the Residents Association Treasurer, on 01446 776462

Community Council Website: <http://www.penllyncc.org.uk>

Joint Residents' Association & Village Hall Committees Message from the Chairman.

Dear All

May I take the opportunity to thank everybody who supported the family fun day in July and made it such a success. In particular I would like to thank the sponsors for my haircut. The event raised vital funds for the Village.

There have been exciting developments within the committee over the summer: Up to 10 villagers have joined the committee and have been heavily involved in the preparation of the fun day. Out of this group Dave Hughes from Craig Penllyn has put himself forward to take on the role of coordinator for the Parish Field and he has already organised a very successful hay rake with record attendance on a Sunday with blue skies. Well done Dave and thanks to everyone, who helped raking.

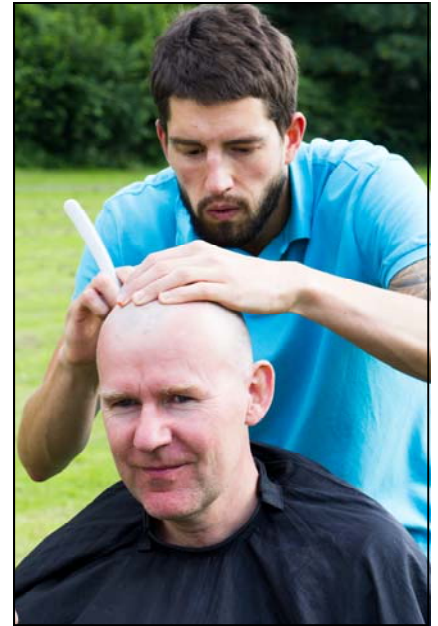
Let's keep this momentum going - interested new members are always welcome.

Please look out for village events in the near future including a possible autumn theatre evening.

Enjoy this autumn.

Best wishes

Lars Tiessen, Chair Penllyn & Craig Penllyn Village Hall & Residents' Association, ChairJC@penllyn.org.uk



Penllyn Village Hall

There are regular bookings for 3 or 4 evenings during the week, but we can fit in an early party and weekends are usually available. For a donation residents can borrow equipment from the Hall.

Please contact Val on 775794 or val.t.caple@care4free.net for bookings

Marquee

Residents can borrow the Marquee (but not the six strong men required to put it up!) It must be collected from the Penllyn Estate barn.

Please contact Val on 775794 or val.t.caple@care4free.net for bookings

Penllyn Table Tennis Club

Keep fit this winter and join us in Penllyn Village Hall on a Monday nights at 8.00 pm. The Table Tennis Club is always ready to welcome new members. All levels welcome from absolute beginners to expert. Bats provided

If you are interested in joining them contact Awen or Alun Evans (772291)

Whist Drive and Raffle

We were all saddened by the news that Anthony Powell had passed away. However he was delighted that several people had approached him concerning the continuation of the Whist Drive and Jenny Stephenson has now taken over as organiser. We hope it continues to successfully raise funds for Penllyn Church and other charities

Jenny Stephenson on 771065 or Jstephensonhj@hotmail.com

Penllyn & District WI

The WI took a break over August, largely to recover from our strenuous efforts for the Glamorgan Federation Show at the end of July. We returned triumphant with a trophy to our name and a healthy collection of placings and highly commended. The standard of entry as ever was extremely high.

We have started our Autumn programme with a guided tour and afternoon tea at Fonmon Castle which was enjoyed by all who attended. We learned a great deal about local history as well as the history of Fonmon and the Boothby family and plan to repeat our visit in the future.

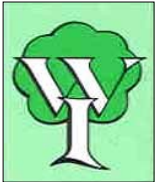
We are having a day trip in October to the American Museum near Bath to include a guided tour of the quilt collection. The museum holds a collection of folk and decorative art and showcases American cultural history. As an added bonus for the craft-minded among us, our visit coincides with the Kaffe Fassett exhibition so we will be treated to his explosion of colour in knitting and needlepoint!

Our talks at the monthly meetings include the history of famous stores, all about Facebook, and demonstrations. We will be marking the 50th anniversary of our founding in November with a special celebration. None of the original members is still a member but we are hoping that several of them will be able to join us for the occasion.

We will be holding our Christmas Fayre on Saturday 6th December at the Village Hall from 10.30am to 2pm. Do some Christmas shopping with our handmade gifts! We will also have a cake stall, tombola, book stall, raffle and refreshments.

Our regular meetings are on the first Tuesday of every month (except August) at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

For further information contact Novello 01656 674191, or Rhiannon 775520.



The WI members at Fonmon Castle



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Penllyn Tennis Club News

For future events please check the notice board on the Tennis Courts
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Family	£77	Junior	£22
Couple	£66	Adult	£44

To join, or rejoin, contact Peter Cole on 01446 774061

Cowbridge University of the Third Age

The Cowbridge U3A use the Penllyn Village Hall for some of their meetings, including Table Tennis, Bridge and Art.

If you are interested in joining the U3A why not attend one of their monthly meetings — they meet on the second Wednesday of each month at the Cowbridge Town Hall at 2.00pm. There are a variety of speakers at the Meetings and at the October Meeting the talk will be on Mersey Ships in the Congo, November will be a talk entitled 'It shouldn't happen to an RSPCA Inspector' and we have the Old Spice Barbershop Quartet in December to put us all in the Christmas spirit. There are over 20 separate groups within Cowbridge U3A which can be viewed on the website www.u3asites.org.uk/cowbridge.

Pat Smith

Neighbourhood Watch

At the meeting on September there was again a discussion on how to improve the security of houses in the village, including the possibilities of a 'group order' for individuals wishing to install their own equipment to improve their personal security. If you would be interested please contact one of the people below.



There was a burglary in the area which took place while the occupants were upstairs. Remember to lock your doors if someone could enter your house without you realising it—or acquire a dog!

The next meeting will again be held at the Red Fox on Wednesday 15th October, 11am. All are welcome

If you have an issue to raise please contact your neighbourhood watch

Your Neighbourhood Watch contacts are:		
Graig Penllyn	Liz Madge	01446 773187
Penllyn	Ted Marker	01446 773006
Pentre Meyrick	Gillian Petty	01446 773907
The VOG Coordinator	Stacey Evans	01446 450207

representative

When to call 101?

Do you need to speak to the police but don't require an emergency response? Call 101the number can be used to report a non-emergency to any force in Wales and England.

In an emergency, Always dial 999

For more information see www.ourbobby.com or www.south-wales.police.uk or www.neighbourhoodwatch.net or www.safervale.co.uk

Police Community Support Officer Hilary O'Callaghan, 07805 301416

July Fund Raiser Reaches its Goal!

On Saturday 5th July the Graig and Penllyn World Cup Family Fun Day took place on the Winchfield in Graig Penllyn. The weather turned fine just in time and the event reached its aim of raising over £1,000 for the new goal posts and nets. The fund raiser was part of the ongoing efforts to maintain and improve the facilities available to residents and visitors of all ages. The Fun Day was organized by the Joint Residents Association and Village Hall Committees, supported by a great team of helpers who responded to the recent call for volunteers.

The Fun Day was kindly opened by Jane Hutt, AM for the Vale of Glamorgan. Jane visited the stalls and was impressed by the skills on display, the efforts of the helpers and the smiles on the faces of children enjoying the buzz. Jane learned how the installation of the new goal posts with nets, together a contract for regular cutting of the grass, makes our football pitch on the Winchfield a much more attractive facility for local youngsters - especially in World Cup Year!

Over 100 supported the day with many enjoying sun-lit picnics and the photo opportunities. The day featured a fantastic BBQ, iced lollies, book stall, crafts, cakes and lemonade stalls, glitter tattoos and face painting, a bouncy castle, skills challenges and games with prizes. Local policemen Steve and Rhys helped youngsters to be boys & girls in blue for the day. Rhys even offered himself for target practice in our Famous Village Stocks. A real highlight was Lars Tiessen, our Chair of the Residents Association bravely offering, with nervous permission from his wife, to be sponsored to have his head shaved while locked in the stocks. Through his efforts the total raised pushed beyond our target of £1000. Thanks go to local hairdresser Ben who wielded the cut-throat razor masterfully even when being interviewed on radio microphone about his technique by Paul Smith. Many thanks to Lars for helping to raise funds for the villages in this way. Superstitious types might suggest that Germany winning the FIFA World Cup was in some way linked and therefore Lars needs to repeat the shave whenever they play!

Towards the end of the day, the South Wales melodic rock group Orca provided great live music. Orca was originally formed in South Wales way back in the early nineties. Since then they have played numerous gigs across the country



with Barrie on vocals & keys, Ron on guitar & vocals, Andrew on bass & vocals and the great Mel driving the drums.

Finally, special thanks to our energetic volunteer Elaine O'Connor, our resident technical expert Colin Parsons, organiser Barbara Smith, the great BBQ duo of Pam and Dai Harris, and of course to all those organising and supporting this successful event.

Paul Smith. Photos by Kerrie Hughes, more on the website



Infant baby massage classes-

These are suitable from birth until one year of age- Tues/Wed - 10-11.30 am at Penllyn Village Hall. 5 weekly sessions- grandparents also very welcome...please e mail or phone to discuss or book... Individual sessions at home if preferred...

Relaxation sessions and instruction for parents to help children relax...see www.positive-connections.biz... and feel free to contact me to discuss... suegibson@positive-connections.biz/07512658177

New baby group meeting in Penllyn

The Vale of Glamorgan Twins and Multiples group - "Glam Twins Club", is now meeting in Penllyn Church hall. The group which is set up for parents of twin and triplet babies, meet in the newly refurbished vestry, for tea, cake and lots of playing every Friday morning from 10am. It's been fantastic to use this amazing village facility to bring together Mum's and Dad's who need to meet those in a similar situation (with their hands full!). The group which is run by Helen King who lives in The Meadows, Penllyn also hope to start a new group in the Church for local mums of babies and toddlers. Watch this space for dates and times!

Helen King

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St John's Church, Penllyn Church and Community Room

As you will all know, we very sadly lost our Warden Anthony Powell a few weeks ago. It was a devastating loss to Betty and family, and also to us all in the church. Anthony had been a very faithful and long serving member of our team, and a very special man in this community. We all have a lot to be grateful for to Anthony in Penllyn, his time on the council, as a school governor, as a fund raiser, as a warden, and as a friend.



Anthony with his Australian cousins in 2012

In memory of Anthony, Betty has started the Anthony Powell Organ Appeal, and we shall keep you informed of its progress through the website and newsletter. If anyone would like to make a donation, please contact me or Betty.

Our annual Dog Show took place at the start of September and we had more dogs than ever before and so much fun. Thanks to all those that entered, enjoyed, and especially helped on the day. We raised over £600 for church running costs which helps immensely in maintaining the beautiful church that we have.

In the last few issues of the newsletter I have been telling you about the progress of the community room, and explaining how it could be used once finished. Well it is just about now! The kitchen and toilet are in use, the furnishings bought, and we have our first regular bookings. The Multiples in the Vale group meet there every Friday and it is wonderful to see the room used for something like this. If you are wondering what it is like and if it is suitable for something you are thinking of, then just pop in and have a look (but not on a Friday). If you have any queries then just call me. This room belongs to all of you. Please use it.

By the time this newsletter comes out we shall have had our Village Harvest Service, led by Bishop David Wilborne. As always, you are welcome to attend any service we have, and we shall let you know via the village email any special informal services we intend to have. As usual the service times are 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of the month at 9.15, and 2nd and 4th are at 11am. On the first Sunday we have Sunday school during the service and refreshments afterwards.

We still collect for Pontyclun food bank.....you will see the box inside by the font, and also toiletries for Llamau homeless teenagers charity. Please put one item for them in your shopping basket when you go, and drop off with us to deliver. Many thanks to those who continue to support us in this venture.

Forward diary....Christmas Eve Carol Service at 6.30 pm as usual lots of carols and a true start to Christmas. Christmas day service at 9am.

Please let either myself or Rev'd Edward Dowland—Owen know if anyone is poorly, would like visiting, or wish to talk about anything.

Your warden, Pam Harris. Tel. 772027, daiandpam@gmail.com.

Rev'd Edward Dowland Owen. 775381

Parish office, 772302

Llanfrynach Church

Key available at Cross Inn

Llangan Primary School

Llangan holds an annual end of year awards ceremony where they recognise outstanding pupils and their achievements.



Musician of the year: Tom O'Connor

Sportsman of the year: Iwan Price

Pupil of the year: Orla Galton

Good citizenship award: Jenna Hammond

Elaine O'Connor

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Please help us raise much needed money for our school by recycling your old clothes.

Llangan used a company called Rags2riches4schools to help us raise valuable funds to spend on resources for the children. Our next collection is due on October 22nd. You can donate any items listed below. Please bring them to school by 21st of October. If you are unable to transport the items please contact the school and we will arrange to collect them from you.



Noah's Ark Appeal

I will again be including Xmas Greetings in the next issue of the Newsletter with donations being sent to the Appeal. Last year we raised £170, let's see if we can do better this year. Please let me have your message and donation any time before December.

Val Caple

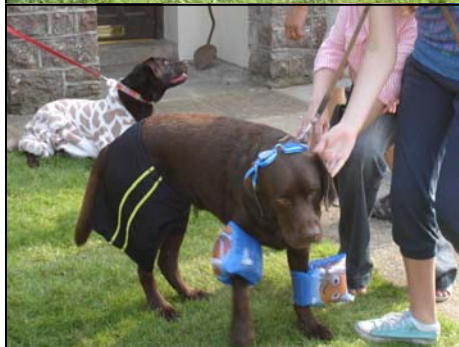
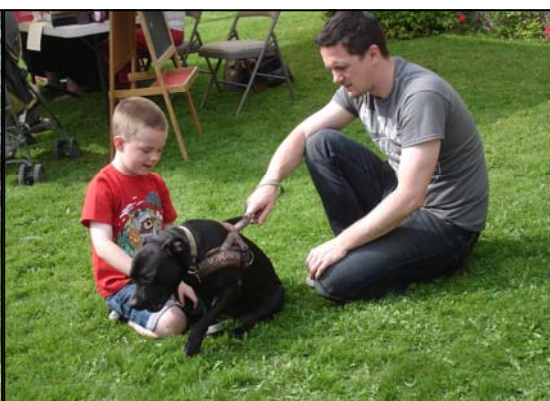
Penllyn Church Dog Show 2014

We were really lucky with the weather for this year's dog show. The sun shone and lots and lots of dogs from the village and beyond gathered on the lawn outside our church.

We enjoyed a fantastic selection of sandwiches and delicious cakes. For the first time we had the use of the new kitchen in church which made the washing up a good deal easier than in previous years. Late summer sun, home-made cakes and dogs, who could ask for more?

	1 st	2nd	3rd
Most Handsome Dog	Cookie (Grace Treadwel)	Jake (Rhys Llewellyn)	Kip (Bea)
Most Beautiful Bitch	Lexie (Alex Beaumont)	Twig (Tilly)	Febe (David)
Perfect Pup	Toby (Matt Board)	Mali (Ellen James)	Diesel (Bobby)
Super Senior	Moss (Mila)	Jess (Grace)	Rascal (Laura)
Best Family Dog	Oscar (Gabby John)	Harvey (Dylan)	Zonda (Clare)
Best Rescue Dog	Timmy (Julie Townsley)	Jessie (Clare)	Tia (Ros Esplin)
Waggiest Tail	Milo (Mel Davies)	Olive (Issy)	Nacho (Madison)
Most Appealing Eyes	Holly (Richard Antuch)	Honey (Jess)	Beauty Boy (Margaret)
Best Trick	Rosie (Mel Davies)	Babs (Alex Beaumont)	Alfie (Camelia & Serian)
Fancy Dress	Olive (the Gibbons)	Brad (Piers & Justine)	Poppy (Grace)

Dog Agility Winner	Twig and Tilly
Dog & Athlete Winner	Ollie Llewellyn & Jake
Child Agility Winner	Bobby Reegan





Sarah Fenner. More photos on the web

Parish Field

The good weather brought out the crowds for this year's Hay Rake on Sunday 21 September.

The event was a great opportunity to catch up with old friends and neighbours, meet some new ones - and help the meadow retain its SSSI status (Site of Special Scientific Interest).

The rake is an important part of the field's annual management and relies on the support of all the brilliant volunteers who turn up after the Vale rangers cut the field for us. Removing the vegetation encourages the growth of rare plants and grassland that help to make this an important and unique space.

Gill Barter, Team Leader from 'Natural Resources Wales', was also on hand to unveil a plaque recognising the field as a 'Coronation Meadow'. This scheme, instigated by HRH Prince of Wales, aims to celebrate wild-flower meadows, with one field being granted this status in each county of Great Britain.



Dave Hughes. Photos by Kerrie Hughes. And Val Caple More on the web



Welcome

Please announce the arrival of our second child in the next village newsletter. Theo David Maydew arrived yesterday at 18.38 weighing 7lbs 15oz.

Many thanks,

Nick and Alison Maydew, Old Mill Barn



Welcome to the Egan family in Craig Penllyn. Richard and Sheena and their daughters Emily and young Sophie, born this July.

Also welcome to anyone who has joined us recently. Please send me your email address and I will add you to my distribution list.

'Penllyn, A Celebration of the History of a Vale of Glamorgan Community'

The book, which was written and published by the Craig and Penllyn Residents' Association, is given free to all new residents.

It is also for sale if you would like to give a copy as a present to show friends and family what a lovely village you live in..

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Back2you.osteopathy@gmail.com or

Website: www.back2youosteo.com

The Superfast Broadband

Cowbridge exchange has been upgraded to provide Superfast Broadband, but it will take time to roll out around the area. There may be an advantage to as many households as possible in Penllyn and Craig Penllyn registering an interest, to try and push ourselves up the list ?!

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