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County Cllr. Robert Reed, Chairman of Mid Glamorgan County Council and Carole Willis, Chairman of Pentyrch Community Council, at the official opening of the Pentyrch Section of the Taff Trail.



Editorial

This time last year Europe was coming to terms with the demolition of the Berlin Wall. Thoughts of a united Germany "very soon" were considered premature — what a difference a year makes!

Meanwhile, the two super-powers, despite considerable domestic problems, have shown a degree of communication contemplated previously only by the flower-power people of the sixties! It was tempting to believe that, at the start of the last decade in the twentieth century, the nations of the world were beginning to think of living together in harmony.

Alas, President Saddam Hussein, apparently out of step with the rest of the world, has upset this ideal. At the time of going to press the awesome military forces gathered in the Gulf have not been deployed. Let us hope that, even at this late hour, the diplomats will reach a peaceful solution and avoid the devastating consequences of war.

By comparison the affairs of our Community Council pale into insignificance. Nevertheless, it is our aim to improve our little "world" and make it a more pleasant place. Hopefully we can all enjoy the festive season and look forward to a peaceful New Year.

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Battle of Britain

Who could have imagined, fifty years ago, a Europe on the verge of economic union. In 1940 the skies over Britain were a battlefield and the peoples of these islands fighting for their lives.

It was a truly momentous time in our history. Our community, highly industrial and close to Cardiff, was certainly affected. No one was immune during those years of war and the ones which followed.

There are therefore many stories to tell — some happy, some sad, and some of these we relate on these pages as a reminder and as a tribute to all those who lost their lives in that terrible time.

We hope to be able to publish similar articles in future Links. If you have interesting memories of our community at that time, please let us have them.



In the picture from top to bottom: Dennis Murphy, Lyn Davies, Ill Williams, Denzil Thomas, Dewi Thomas, Dan Llewellyn and Keith Jenkins.

A Wartime Childhood

Sometimes on a moonlit night I walk to the top of Y Garth and sit on the 'Pimple' — that silent sentinel which has guarded the fortunes of this ancient place since man first found it, liked it and stayed. I can just detect below me the spot where the searchlight stood in 1940, its powerful beam joining the others from neighbouring mountains to form that unforgettable lattice-work of silvery lights which nightly filled the sky. I look down at the village and think of those thrill-filled times which shaped our childhood; I perceive an existence which, although deprived of many of today's comforts, produced a glow from which we can still feel the warmth. Some memories, fifty years on, have matured like good wine and it is time to pour a glass or two.

A charabanc pulled up outside the school and a swarm of strangely accented kids emerged. We stood watching in awe, as the first evacuees to arrive in Penttyrch filed past us, some tearful and others wearing broad smiles. One or two had no possessions

apart from the clothes they wore; a few carried their favourite toys; a fat boy wearing a Kent County Cricket cap struggled with a bundle of wickets; two or three had footballs and the last of the line, a sturdy thirteen year old wore a pair of shiny red boxing gloves around his neck. We were clearly in for a very sporting time. Several girls in the party clutched dolls which were in varying degrees of health; a ginger headed girl of my own age opened a cardboard box and proudly showed us the contents: a tortoise. The visitors were to share our experiences until they returned to their homes during a lull in the bombardment of London at which time they were replaced by another wave of equally interesting newcomers from the Birmingham area.

The visitors matched us in almost every challenge that could be devised, from climbing trees (and lampposts) to stealing apples. They entered wholeheartedly into our favourite Penttyrch pastime of 'fox and hounds' which required one lad to go off to hid in the woods and hedgerows, or even village gardens and to be chased until caught. When it came to carving aeroplanes from hunks of wood they were the masters. I recall a hundred or more beautifully produced replicas of Spitfires and Hurricanes, fearsome Messerschmidts and gruesome Heinkels. The only toys that existed were the pre-war variety often incongruously stamped 'made in Germany' or 'made in Japan'. We fell to making our own. I wonder if those youngsters who fashioned such intricate models of tanks from discarded cotton reels became successful engineers in later life?

From time to time the community was deeply saddened by bad news from abroad. From Dunkirk to Arnhem the fears of local mothers were ever present and prayers were said at school assembly each time the headmaster announced the loss of yet another former schoolboy. Yet, through the great sadness a feeling of hope permeated; strengthened by belief in

the rightness of the war, the community pulled together. Even as children it was possible to understand the value of the sharing of grief.

Stripped of that feeling of menace which accompanied most waking thoughts at the time, the memories have mellowed with age but still a thousand kaleidoscopic highlights continue to excite the brain. One after another the recollections tumble together and paint a picture of a village which was vibrantly busy.

We played sixty a side soccer and rugby on Clawdd Sion. We would play cricket until 'last ball at eleven p.m.' on endless evenings during 'double summer time' pausing only to wave to Stanislaw the Polish pilot passing over in his canary coloured training place from St. Athan, he would dip his wings in acknowledgement of us and also as a gesture to his beloved young lady — one of the most beautiful of the local girls. We stood in formation in our Cubs and Scouts uniforms at their wedding at the church and we did so again a short while later at Stanislaw's funeral, for he was shot down over the Irish Sea.

In retrospect it seems as if everything was happening all at once with hardly any time to take a breath. The air-raid warnings immediately took us inside our homes. Then from the alleged safety of our cushioned 'cwtches' under stout kitchen tables or in the case of my brother and myself, under the six inch thick slate bacon slab in our pantry, we would try to identify the German bombers by the drone and throb of the engines. Next day, out and about searching for shrapnel and incendiary bomb flights; I collected over a hundred of the latter. By bike and foot to see the results of the overnight onslaught: Woodlands House near Pantygored was still burning when we arrived there. Down then to see Rhydlafar bridge after a direct hit had flattened it killing two unfortunate young men who had taken refuge there during a raid. There were bomb craters to explore all around the parish and a million other things to do.

Don Llewellyn
To be continued



A Tribute to The Eighth Army

*Do you recall that day in September,
The day that war was declared,
Although we were not ready for battle,
Because then, we were quite unprepared.
But we know that when Britain sounds an alarm,
Our men would come forward, to train and to arm.*

*You remember that day, how they came to the call
From Hamlet and cottage from Mansion and Hall,
Young men of promise ready to fight,
To uphold Britain's freedom and things that are right.
They carried our banner, light hearted and gay
Although we knew, some would fall in the fray.*

*The day came at last, they were ready to start,
But many fond parents were broken of heart.
They took up their position in that foreign land;
There with our Allies to fight hand in hand
And when at last the foe came in sight,
They hurled themselves forward against the enemies' might.*

*The fighting was fierce on that battle field
And there our lads stood, no ground would they yield,
Until all our Allies withdrew from the fight
And we alone faced the enemies might.
Although our brave lads stuck it like leaches
They were forced to fall back to the coast and the beaches.*

*Now the Huns laughed, they were all filled with glee
They knew our escape was cut off by the sea.
They forgot we had seamen all tough and bold
A name to be proud of, a name to uphold.
They came in their big ships, small ships and boats
And all they laid hands on that would keep afloat.*

*Our men scrambled in by dozens and scores
And were brought safely back to old Britain's shores;
And now on this island we stood all alone
To work harder than ever not to grovel or moan.
No! we Britons will never give in to the Hun —
We will stick to the task that we have begun.*

*Now a call to the workers, more guns to supply;
We have had a set back, but the foe we defy.
Then our women came forward and worked with our men
To supply the things needed to fight on again.
We took up again the task we began
And fought that arched tyrant neath Africa's sun.*

*At first we succeeded in making him run
And had the position in hand,
But then he attacked and drove us well back
Across that vast desert of sand;
We went further and further, time to regain,
And then made a stand at El Alamein.*

*Then we called reinforcements to fill up our ranks,
More planes, more guns, small arms and tanks.
At last came the order — Montgomery said "GO"
And all our great strength was hurled at the foe.
The highland division won fame in that land
Met the pick of the Germans to fight hand to hand.*

*The fighting was bitter, men fell by the score.
But they were men to be proud of, men we adore —
By sheer valour and courage the foe they forced back.
It was then that we knew the Germans would crack
Now Rommel could see that his army were beat
And sent out an order for a hasty retreat.*

*When they scattered and ran, many were slain
As they swept across desert and plain.
The pursuit was relentless, no quarter given
As they looked for cover in vain
And with all Rommel's boast he was drove to the coast.
But no friendly ships could he see
They had to surrender, give up the fight
Or else be hurled into the sea.*

*And now I have done, my story is told
We leave to the world their deeds to unfold
The gallant Eighth Army beneath Africa's sun
Suffered and died, but victory they won.
And as long as time lasts and history remain
We will never forget THEM at El Alamein*

Written in 1941 by Mr W. E. Lamerton, late of
26 Penygawsi Road Llantrisant Glamorgan, S. Wales

Richard is thanked for his gift of life — 46 years on



THANK-YOU NOTE: Richard Zamastil with the letter from Herbert Walk, whose life he helped save.

RICHARD ZAMASTIL is a firm believer in the saying "blood is thicker than water."

In the 1940s American-born Richard came to Wales to work with a wartime medical unit — and ended up giving a life-saving transfusion of his own blood

to a fellow countryman.

Forty-six years later, that same man has tracked him down from across the Atlantic to thank him for his gift of life.

Richard, aged 72, of Heol y Bryn, Pentyrch, was amazed when he received a letter from Herbert Walk saying how

pleased he was to have finally been able to track him down.

"It was a real shock, and it brought back a lot of memories," said Richard, who settled in Wales after meeting and marrying local girl Rosalie Phillips.

"I had forgotten all about it, but as soon as I read the letter, it all came back to me."

Herbert, who lives in Iowa, where Richard was born, was admitted to the American medical unit at Rhydylafar, near St Fagans, with a serious ear infection which was quickly spreading to his brain.

He needed an emergency operation, and surgeon's assistant Richard was on the spot with a compatible blood type.

"He had to be operated on straight away, and I just happened to be there," said Richard.

"I didn't think anything of it — it was just something that had to be done."

Herbert managed to track Richard down because of his unusual surname — though first he had to wade his way through more than 50 relatives in Iowa to find someone with Richard's address.

Although Richard would love to travel to the States to renew his friendship, the cost of the trip has ruled that out.

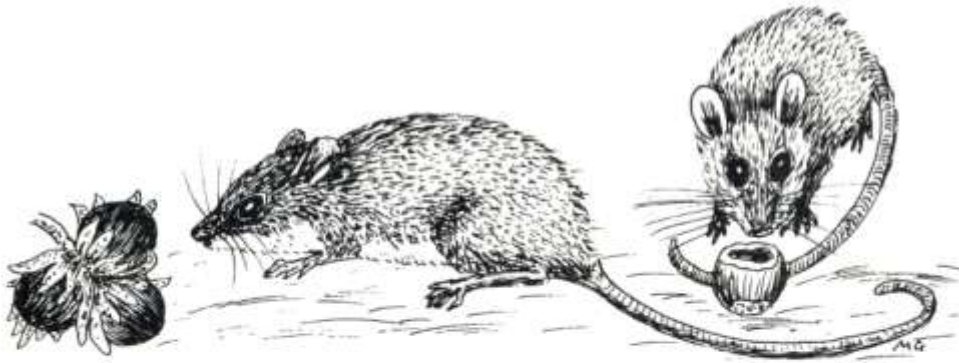
"But I'll certainly be writing to him and I would like to keep in touch," he said.

Another Scorcher

The end of a perfect year — or was it? Conditions that are a boon to some are anathema to others. Aphids have gone on their way rejoicing for a full nine months, to the despair of gardeners. The hordes of ladybirds, sponsored by the exceptionally good summer and mild winter that had gone before, should have been sufficient to deal with them. They came trooping out from hibernation in March, full of expectation, but were cut short in their prime by April frosts, which left their potential prey sucking on unhindered — from generation to generation.

Their prey had drifted upwards in the sun-warmed air and these most aerial of birds were chasing them well beyond the limits of human vision. Only on the few rainy days did they come down to our level to scream about our ears as they sieved aerial plankton from moisture-charged air.

Everything was speeded up: we could have been in Mediterranean climes. The lawns were straw coloured by May, blackberries ripe by July, bracken bronzed by August and the purple sheen of heather on the Coalfield hills faded by mid September.



As the soil dried out the worms went down in search of water and the moles followed down in search of worms. Badgers and blackbirds were denied their principal item of diet until the rains enticed this back within reach. It was then that the slugs took over from the drought in putting paid to all those carefully planted seedlings.

The nefarious nightly sorties of snails and woodlice were pursued with enhanced vigour, but nestling birds waited, cold and bedraggled, in poorly waterproofed nests, as their parents poured in vain for flying insects. While late nestlings suffered from June rains grounding the flies, early nestlings suffered from April frosts freezing the caterpillars which tits collect to shove in hundreds into gaping maws. Blue tits do not attain maturity on peanuts alone. Vegetarianism is alright for those that like it, but does not produce bonny babes. Nevertheless, it has been a long season — and not a few birds have managed to bring off three broods by starting early and finishing late.

Raspberries were much in demand as July thirst quenchers and gooseberries might disappear overnight, while blackbirds joined the chaffinches on the succulent fruits of Japanese honeysuckle (*Leycesteria*). For most of the summer we saw little of the insect-hawking swifts.

Fungi came late, unable to push through hard-baked soil, but burst forth in profusion when the sun-warmed ground softened in October rains.

Two things that this exceptional summer will be remembered for are the swarms of butterflies and the glut of fruit and nuts. Brimstone butterflies brightened the chill of March and October, like airy floating primroses, and joined the riot of others in between. Wall browns, hedge browns, speckled woods and small coppers had a particularly good year. Small tortoiseshells and red admirals were around, large as life, but few peacocks turned up in the autumn brood. Silver Y moths moved in from the south, patronising the Phlox flowers but being completely confused by the great gaudy trumpets of Petunias and unable to find the way across the expanse of colour to the source of goodies.

Nuts were raining down from the hazel bushes from early autumn, pattering onto concrete and tarmac to be smashed by passing vehicles. Beech nuts, so often 'blind', have had a mast year. The entire width of road under one mighty tree was white and sticky with the pulverised kernels, squeezed from triangular shells and bristly husks. Acorns, too, were present in profusion, scarcely affected by the newly introduced knopper galls.

Jays and squirrels have been busy burying everything in sight. They should be well supplied this winter — if they remember where they put them. Mice and voles too, have plenteous stores. The tawny owls in the valley below my house have been hooting for some weeks now in satisfied expectation of a good winter ahead.

Succulent fruits have done just as well: guelder rose, wayfaring tree, dogwood, rowan, hips and haws. Fieldfares and redwings had already arrived to feast on them by 19th October. Wasps, too, have revelled in the squishy juices, producing more workers to feed more young. Many were still busy at the ivy flowers during those glorious blue days in early November. Holly berries were reddening up for Christmas as early as September and parcels of ground are strewn with fallen crab apples. (Why do so few people make crab jelly these days?) Bramley crops have surpassed themselves where the blossom escaped those April frosts. Jackdaws are having a ball as I write, vying with each other to produce the largest holes in the roundest, rosiest apples before pushing them off the tree.

Contrary to popular belief, a good fruit harvest does NOT necessarily presage a hard winter. The plants have no means of knowing what is to come, only what has gone before. A good flowering season begets a good fruit crop — unless too many entomological, avian or human predators intervene.

Dr Mary Gillham

High Winds

*The gales have wreaked havoc
atop Garth Wood,*

Toppling huge Beeches,

Solid and good.

*They lie forlornly, with roots
exposed,*

Kings of our forest,

Now deposed,

*To a timber graveyard, eerie,
bizarre,*

In tempestuous times,

How fragile they are.

Alan Lock, 1990

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Rhidian and Rhodri Thomas of Pantygored Farm, for the wonderful way they keep the roadside hedges of their farm. Thank you on behalf of the Community Council and the community at large. Happy Christmas Boys also our regard to your mum.

A BATTLE WON??



Steetley Quarry from the northern rim.

The Public Inquiry into the Appeal to the Welsh Office to extend quarry workings at Taffs Well Quarry was opened — and adjourned on September 11th in the Village Hall at Gwaelod-y-Garth leaving those of us involved in organising the campaign of opposition bewildered and apprehensive as we were congratulated on an apparent victory.

The two weeks leading up to the Inquiry had been fraught. Our telephones rang persistently. The media was full of stories of secret meetings between the County and the Company. We read with disbelief that Councillors were being 'leaned on' by their officers to make a pre-inquiry deal with Steetley. We read that Councillors were being told that they had a personal, financial liability if the Inquiry was lost. We had a good case to put before the Inspector on your behalf. Suddenly, a planning application that had created open and very public debate was being decided behind doors closed to the press and public. This apparent erosion of the democratic process stunned members of our communities. We had fought for this Public Inquiry and access to it was suddenly removed in secrecy and under pressure.

SO, knowing that there was to be no Inquiry, we assembled ready for the event as planned. It was a serious scene inside the hall. The walls clad with maps and documents. Grey suited men paced the floor, studying dossiers of notes. Television camera men moved around them. People from the village filled the seats along with Dr. Kim Howells, MP, MEP Wayne David's representative, Doreen Moore and

Councillor Christine Friday. Promptly, at ten o'clock, the Inspector opened the proceedings. Within an hour, it was all over. The announcement was made that Steetley and the County had reached an agreement. Steetley formally withdrew the present application and issued broad outlines and a map of the new application for which a consent must be given within three months of the date of submission.

On the face of it, the deal which will form the new application is a good one. We understand that the Company will forgoe its rights to quarry the Eastern and Southern rims of the Lesser Garth; there will be no ingress into the Northern Beechwoods and SSSI; the iron working will be left intact though surface workings will suffer (this concerns the archaeologists as the most ancient areas are near the surface); the additional land taken for quarrying will be from the aggregate storage area; the access tunnel to the Ty Nant Road will be constructed; the £100,000 Trust Fund for woodland management will be set up; restoration of the present dereliction will take place; the Quarry will excavate some 18 metres deeper. The package has all the trimmings of a bonanza for local people who have fought for the preservation of this environment.

It is reasonable then to ask why the Action Committee feel apprehension at this outcome. We fear that this could be simply a 'Holding procedure', which would allow the Company to come back at any time for more.

Furthermore, this application gives the Company another thirty years of quarrying in the Lesser Garth. Deeper quarrying, we are advised, will mean greater vibration problems for those close to the quarry or on one of the fault lines.

The Committee have requested that a Public Relations Exercise be held locally to discuss this new application. Although much that we have fought for seems safe a detailed investigation needs to take place before another thirty years are signed away to Steetley Quarries Ltd. The Action Committee will continue to meet on your behalf and keep you informed through Public Meetings and the Community Link.

Norma Procter

An odd Ode to the Fighters of the Lesser Garth

*Finalised, it might not be
But to you, eventual victory
To battle on against such might
With telephone ringing both day and night
For Steetley to back down on this
We all were wondering what went amiss
To trust big money, we could not do
Even if it seems they've come to woo
So rejoice and enjoy the respite you've won
But guarded and watchful, the fight's not
yet done
For stone extraction is their aim
And wheeling and dealing is their game
In saving the rims and woodlands grand
We must be aware of the danger at hand
They're encroaching onto western grounds
Check we must what treasure may be
found
Footpaths, hedgerows, rare types of flowers
We must defend what really is ours
The deeds are Steetley's, this is true
But the world belongs to me and you
If people like you, lacked the will to fight
There would be no one to show what is
wrong from right
So any intruder would soon be sorry
And realise that you, really hunt down your
quarry*

Bernard Brown

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HOW OUR CHILDREN SEE US

It has long been the policy of the Editorial Board to involve the young people of our communities through the Link. We therefore decided that this would be an opportune time to ask local children for drawings and stories describing their villages, to be printed in this and future issues of the Link.

On these pages, you will see some example of the excellent work submitted. The children — and their dedicated teachers — are to be congratulated at the high standards achieved.

A £3 voucher is to be given for each drawing and story published in this issue.



MARK PRICE, Class 7

A view of my Village

I live in a small peaceful village surrounded by narrow twisting lanes and wildly growing bushes and trees. My village used to have a Manor house with a grand garden, but the owners were poor and were forced to sell. The house was soon destroyed as the land was needed to build a school. The lodge was left and now it sits proudly at the corner of Tregarth Close. Soon after that, people started to build more houses until instead of being surrounded by the natural lush green fields, they were looking in all directions at houses.

But what use was a cluster of houses without any shops? A Post Office was soon built opposite the 'Creigiau Inn' and later on a shop was put up and a garage was also. From the garage you can hire taxis and they will also see to any problems your car has had. The shop has a wide range of food and also hires videos to the club members. A church hall was built inbetween the Post Office and the shop, and all sorts of activities are held there. Brownies, Rainbows and Beavers have the hall as their weekly meeting place and table-tennis and important functions are also held there. Hidden away on the outskirts of the village center is a little flower shop which sells lovely bouquets and vegetables. Not many people go there but it is a very pretty store.

There is a big school for Welsh and English speaking children and a bus comes every morning bringing children from Penttyrch. We have small classrooms and some mobile ones and there is a cloakroom each for girls and boys. We have P.E., drama and games every week and some children have recorder, violin or harp lessons.

There is a small surgery which deals with illnesses and gives injections to people for German Measles, Polio etc. There is a waiting-room and

three surgery rooms and a spacious car-park at the side. The village also has a large golf course and there are meetings from time to time to which many people go.

Opposite the 'Creigiau Inn' is a park with a grassy patch of land to play on. The park has a hard concrete ground which makes you bleed if you fall on it. There are four big swings and two smaller ones. There are a number of climbing things and we have a round-about.

Further down the village is the pond. It was once going to be filled in for houses to be built, but the villagers sat round it in a circle and wouldn't let the bulldozers through. The pond is very shallow and you could walk through it if it wasn't so muddy. There are beautiful flowers surrounding it in clusters such as primroses and bluebells. The pond itself provides a home for many water creatures such as Great Diving Beetles, Tadpoles and Stickleback fish.

We also have a recreation field where you can play games like football and take your dog for a walk. Our carnival is held here every year and the field is crowded with stalls.

A group of vandels was said to be in Creigiau. A (take care children crossing) sign was knocked down and many peoples houses and cars were broken into. At Halloween time people had eggs thrown at their faces but everything is peaceful now.

I love my little village and would never swap it for a house in the city. I think that you would need to go to another village for food but there are plenty of lovely public walks around here, where in other villages they wouldn't have them. Our village has bad points as well as good but I don't think anything is perfect!

Katie Phillips

(Creigiau Primary, Std 4)

Creigiau

Mae Creigiau'n enwog dros ei hanes hynafol. Mae yna gromlech o Oes y Cerrig ar y fferm Caeryrfa (1672) chwarter milltir o'r pentref. Mae pobol yn dweud ei fod e'n bum mil o flynyddoedd oed. Hefyd yn y cae nesaf mae bwyell gareg wedi cael ei darganfod.

Mae'r ffordd Rwfainig yn mynd a'r draws y fferm yma o Gastell Goch i Gastell Llantrisant. Caerau un filltir o'r Creigiau ble yr ymladdodd y Daniaid yn erbyn y Sacsoniaid frwydr.

Mae ffermydd eraill yn y Creigiau o'r enw Pant-y-gored gafodd ei adeiladu yn y bymthegfed ganrif, a Chastell-y-Mynach. Roedd mynachdy dros mil o flynyddoedd yn ôl ble mae Castell-y-Mynach nawr. Yn yr unfed ganrif ar bymtheg roedd y teulu Mathew, oedd yn enwog yn Llundain yn byw yn y ffermdy. Mae pobol yn dweud bod twnneli dan y ddear rhwng Castell-y-Mynach a Chastell Coch.

Mae rhai hen waliau y mynachdy wedi cael eu defnyddio yn y ffermdy.

Mae yna stori am y Brenin Siarl y cyntaf yn cuddio yng Nghastell-y-Mynach yn ystod y Rhyfel Catref. Esallai dyna pam mae "Royal Arms" ar y wal yn fferm Castell-y-Mynach.

Y Chwarel

Tua 1870 cychwynwyd y chwarel yn y Creigiau gan y Welsh Brick and Slate Co. Ym 1920 Guest Keene a Nettlefolds Iron and Steel Company oedd y pechennog. Cafodd y creigiau a'r calch eu defnyddio yn y Gwaith Dur yng Nghaerdydd.

Caeodd y chwarel yn 1978 o dan perchnogaeth Dur Prydain. Yn 1983 agorwyd y chwarel eto gan Tarmac Ltd.

Crochendy

Dechreuodd diwydiant newydd yn y Creigiau yn y pumdegau — y Crochendy. Allforion nhw beth cynnyrch. Caeodd y Crochendy i lawr yn 1986. Southcliff oedd y prif berchennog.

Rheilffordd

Cafodd y rheilffordd a'r orsaf eu hagor a'r Fai 3ydd 1889. Roedd Creigiau yn boblogaith iawn i bobol oedd yn dod o'r cymoedd am ddiwrnod; roedd Creigiau'n enwog am ei gaeau hardd.

Eglwys

Does dim eglwys na gapel yn y Creigiau, ond mae yna Neuadd yr Eglwys a gafodd ei adeiladu ym 1913. Cynhelir gwasanaethau yno ar y Sul ond mae llawer o gymdeithasau yn cyfarfod yno yn ystod yr wythnos.

Virginia MacDonald

(Ysgol Gymradd Creigiau)

Village Competition

There is a village hall used for parties, lessons, plays, roller skating, which is very useful. There are lots of nice houses, also there is a Rugby Club for sports like rugby, football, cricket and tennis. Pentyrch has a newsagent, hairdresser, butcher, groceries and a video shop. There are lots of new houses being built by Westbury Homes. Some of the bad things about Pentyrch is that there is a very busy road next to the school, and lots of children have been run over, and there have been a few crashes. There are lots of careless drivers who go very fast, over the speed limit. I also think there should be more facilities for children and adults, like a leisure centre, and more playgrounds. There is also another problem. There is now a surgery but no pharmacy so elderly people have to travel a long way. Also I think that we should have a good bus service because most of the people in Pentyrch have to have two cars to go to work. (One for the husband, and one for the wife.) Overall I like living in Pentyrch because you're in the country and only a short distance away from town, but I think the Public Transport must improve and there must be more sport and facilities for adults and children.

Simon Morgan

Pentyrch Primary, Class 8R



JOANNA DIXON, Class 3

Radyr Comprehensive School Association

Radyr is your local comprehensive. More children from our villages attend Radyr than any other comprehensive school in our area. If you are a Radyr parent, make 1991 the year you decide to support the local comprehensive by becoming involved in the R.C.S.A. activities.

The R.C.S.A. was formed in 1972. Today its role is more pertinent than ever, not only in fundraising but also as an expression of parental support for the head and his staff at a time when everyone working in education needs all the support they can muster!

The R.C.S.A. committee comprises members from all feeder school areas. News of fund raising activities is contained in the half termly school newsletter. For information about events and ticket purchase contact your village

committee members:

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Pam Adams 890017
Brian Lloyd 890136
Sandra Ogilvie 891027
Wendy Price 891148

Gwaelod-y-Garth: Peter Constantine 891716

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Barbara Rodd 891584
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Recent activities have comprised the usual social round of dances, a quiz night, a 'race'

night and the Christmas Fair. The spring fundraiser which has put Radyr on the map is the 10km run with its now acclaimed course. The associated 3km run has been an attempt to involve the pupils themselves. The Autumn Clothes Show was also a venture for the pupils rather than a 'hard-sell' fundraiser.

If none of the R.C.S.A. events appeal to you, then you can pledge your support through the subscription draw with its attractive monthly prizes.

The message reads loud and clear — your local comprehensive needs your interest and support through the R.C.S.A. Check your Newsletter for the next event and make a note in your diary!

Graig-y-Parc School

Since moving to Pentyrch five years ago I, like I suspect, many of the villagers, had only been to Craig-y-Parc to attend the Biennial Garden Party.

It was only in January of this year when I started teaching there, that I began to realise what a hive of activity is contained in the handsome building. The school has 51 children aged 5-16, all of whom suffer from cerebral palsy to varying degrees. All but one of these children are sponsored by their own Local Education Authorities and come from a very wide area. The school is run by the Spastics Society.

The school is a very happy place with a strong team spirit. It has a large staff consisting of Headmistress, teachers, classroom assistants, care staff, therapists, office and ancillary staff, who all work together for the good of the children. The children, themselves, are a joy to be with, and the

school motto of 'Courage to Persevere' is very apt.

We are fortunate in having a very supportive League of Friends called Craig-y-Parc Concern who are putting on a production of "Trial by Jury" on December 7th at 7.30pm in the school hall. The tickets are £4.00 for adults and £2.50 for children and senior citizens, including supper, and are obtainable from the school or any member of Craig-y-Parc Concern. A warm invitation is extended to all to come and enjoy themselves, and to see what a lovely place Craig-y-Parc really is.

Joan Stephens

P.S. We now have Christmas Cards, designed by the children themselves, for sale at £1.50 for 6 — obtainable from the school.

New Teacher

A new teacher, Sheila Smith, was recently appointed as Sonia Luscombe's replacement at Gwaelod-y-Garth Primary School. She is due to start immediately after Christmas.

Sheila, aged 25, who hails from Llandaff and teaches at Cwmbach Primary at present, plays hockey for Cardiff Athletic Hockey Club, percussion with Tongwynlais Brass Band and helps out with Llandaff Brownies.

HOEB — 250 Years On

Anyone seeing four or five well-known ladies of the village dressed in slacks and old sweaters; wearing head scarves and rubber gloves; wielding brooms, mops, buckets and dusters; with cans of polish sticking from their hip pockets; and all beating a path to Horeb Chapel, might be forgiven for thinking that they were witnessing the run-up to a sponsored "Clean-in".

And they would not be far wrong.

For these were the ladies of Horeb Church Committee who were systematically sweeping, scrubbing and polishing the Church from top to bottom in preparation for its 250th Anniversary celebrations to be held during the third week of October; and who, incidentally, were turning up in the process long-forgotten items of the Church's past — including one very dead Church mouse who, true to his (or her, — we didn't carry out an inspection!)

anecdotes and humour to keep even we immigrants to the Village totally absorbed. How much more exciting was it, then, for those indigenous members of the community in the audience to hear references made to their forebears by name — great grandparents and grandparents — and the parts that they had played in the important events of their times.

On the following afternoon, (Thursday), a special service was held for the Senior Citizens of the village, which included members of Pentyrch Darby and Joan Club.

The service was led by the Rev. Anne Smith, whose sermon theme was: "NOW". — This is the only time that we really have. The past is behind. The future had yet to come. So why spend time worrying about either?

Very well-received by all.



reputed code of frugality, had apparently died a pauper's death by chocking on the remains of a 1950 issue of the South Wales Echo!

When the third week in October arrived, the services on the Sunday and Monday evenings had nothing at all to do with the age of the Church. They were simply normal Harvest Festivals, which would have taken place anyway; but they helped to get everyone into the celebration mood!

First, the Sunday School Harvest Festival — a great treat for anyone who loves watching and listening to children; for what these youngsters lacked in numbers they made up for with sheer volume of sound. And what they lacked in musical acumen, they made up for with tremendous enthusiasm.

Great stuff!

Proceedings did come close to being threatened at one stage, however, when one of the younger participants dropped his plastic dinosaur under the seat right in the middle of a moving rendition of the Dinosaur song. But tears, as such, were averted when Joan Lewis effected a slick recovery.

On Monday evening came our Church harvest Festival — a very happy service as usual, and quite well attended.

The scheduled programme of celebration started in earnest at 7.00pm on Wednesday 17th October, when Rev. Leslie Wynne Davies of Aberystwyth (a noted historian in the Presbyterian Church), gave an absorbing and informative talk on the development of the Revivalist movement in South Wales — with particular reference to the personalities and events involved in its arrival and growth in Pentyrch and neighbouring areas.

An outstanding speaker, treating a subject very close to his heart in a manner which held his audience's wrapt attention; and offering a sufficient sprinkling of

Also well received was the beautiful voice of Mrs. Linda Morgan of Tongwynlais. The tears streaming down the faces of the listeners as she sang "The Holy City" said it all. They were enjoying themselves immensely!

The afternoon was rounded off with coffee and cakes being served in the vestry, to the accompaniment of eighty or so very vociferous tongues!

The final event of the week was a Cymanfa Ganu conducted by Mr. Jeff Lloyd of Mountain Ash, with Mr. Philip Williams of Pontyclun playing rousing stuff on the organ.

The soloist was Mr. Colin Wilks of Cardiff; and the Rev. T.J. Davies of Gwaedol y Garth officiated as Moderator.

(With hindsight it was probably a mistake to have called this a Cymanfa Ganu, since the proceedings were conducted in English; and the combination of the two had apparently led to confusion in the minds of would-be visitors).

Nevertheless, the event was extremely well supported by members of the village and of many of the churches around us; and it was particularly satisfying to the organizers to hear two remarks being repeated throughout the week; first: "That was great. I enjoyed it very much!"; and second: "Isn't this a beautiful Church!". (Reward indeed for our "cleaning ladies").

And so, if success can be measured in terms of the numbers of people attending and by the number of favourable comments received, then assuredly we can consider our week's celebrations to have been a great success; and we are grateful to all of those people who gave us such tremendous support.

Just one small question remains. Where were all of the new faces that we had sincerely hoped to see?

Mike Peakman (Sec.)

Pentyrch Cricket Club

The Village Cricket Club enjoyed a Season of sunshine, success, cream teas and many cool long beers — and more sunshine.

The Saturday first XI, confidently led by Skipper Nigel Roberts, headed the table from May with five straight wins and finished as most emphatic high scoring champions. Alan Mould led the run charge with an elegant unbeaten century. Ian Watson, arguably the quickest of all league bowlers, spearheaded the attack with penetration and batting at number seven played some remarkable hitting innings.

Next Season will see Division One Country League Cricket at Pentyrch.

The second XI, a healthy blend of youth and experience, Colin Watson, aged 50, scored over 1000 runs and John Roberts, aged 14, over 250 runs, also benefitted from the improving green village turf to secure a creditable reserve division second place. This was achieved by a thrilling run of victories in August — John Jenkins and Glynne Leach again formed an effective wicket taking new ball combination.

The Club enjoys a real village cricket Sunday XI atmosphere entertaining many of the local leading clubs including St. Fagans, Cardiff and Penarth — also three touring sides from Southern England tasted our local beers. The social fixtures are an ideal opportunity to introduce interested local youngsters into club cricket.

During the last Season many improvements were financed at the Gound. A boundary fence added to the general appearance. New ride on mowers were acquired and expertly renovated by Reg the engineer. A new site screen constructed. Wicket covers purchased. A practice net erected — coaching is freely available on Saturday and Sunday mornings under 10 and under 15 organised village teams always welcome newcomers.

The Club seeks to recruit new players from Pentyrch and District and please contact John Moore at the Clubhouse or on 752364.

During March and April indoor nets have been reserved at the Sports Centre in Cardiff.

Finally the Cricket Club owes grateful thanks to our Rugby friends for again use of the splendid Club facility and excellent ale.

See you next Spring.

Your Cricket Correspondent — Dr. W. G. Grace

Creigiau Recreation Field

The Community Council has received complaints about the locked gates at Creigiau Recreation Field. The chairperson of CRAMC replies:

To safeguard the £20,000 expenditure already spent by Taff Ely Council on improving the condition of the field and facilities for recreational sport, it was deemed necessary by the Management Committee to position a gate to prevent the entry of cars and bicycles during the hours of darkness. Prior to this, on a number of occasions, acts of vandalism occurred which required further expenditure and physical work to repair.

This action was approved by both local Councils and an Emergency Key is available from 3 The Terrace.

G.M. Sadler Hon. Chairperson

The Taff Trail



A lovely day for the ceremony — and the walk that followed.

On Sunday, 9th September a section of the Taff-Trail was opened in Gwaelod-y-Garth by the Chairman of Mid Glamorgan County Council, County Councillor Robert Reed. The opening ceremony was the culmination of a great deal of work by Pentyrch Community Council and particularly its Footpaths Sub-committee. The Council has received sponsorship from Shell UK and the Prince of Wales Committee to waymark footpath routes and provide stiles and picnic sites around Gwaelod-y-Garth and Pentyrch.

This section of the Taff Trail is part of a long distance walk and cycle route

planned to link Cardiff and Brecon and is being developed with the help of the Merthyr Groundwork Trust. To coincide with the opening Pentyrch Community Council has published a bilingual illustrated booklet 'Pentyrch Circular Walks' describing three walks in the area. The booklet is available from the Clerk to the Council.

In the opening ceremony, which was held under a blaze of sunshine, the Chairman of Pentyrch Community Council, Councillor Carole Willis, paid particular tribute to the hardwork done by Mr David Jenkins to prepare the walks.

David, who was born in Post Office Row, Pentyrch of a well-known local family, has spent most of his life in Gwaelod-y-Garth and has always shown a keen interest in local affairs. He served on the Village Hall Committee and has taken an active part in the running of the yearly village Carnival and other events. He was also a Community Councillor from the mid-70s until 1985 when he resigned but continues as expert and chief adviser to the Footpaths Committee, where his local knowledge



proves invaluable. His contribution to the opening of the Pentyrch section of the Taff Trail was outstanding; he personally waymarked the Trail and built several of the stiles. In his spare time (apart from becoming well-known as a broadcaster on behalf of the Gwaelod-y-Garth Action Committee) he is a Country Warden and takes out walks for the Caerphilly Mountain Project.

You name it — Dai can and does do it.

CORO CAPO MELE

"One of the most memorable weeks in the history of the choir." That's how the visit by Coro Capo Mele to Wales and to this area was described. A close relationship grew between Cantorion Creigiau and Coro Capo Mele during their visit to Italy last year and in the middle of October we had an opportunity to respond to the welcome we had in Italy when the Coro — a male voice choir — travelled to take part in a full week of activities.

On Wednesday, October 17th the choir visited the Rhondda and dined with the Mayor of Rhondda. There was an opportunity on Thursday to see the sights on the Brecon Beacons and at Dan yr Ogof. That evening the choir gave a Concert at St Peter's Church, Pentre with Cantorion Creigiau and the Cory Band.

The Coro travelled to London for the day on Friday and on Saturday they had their first experience of seeing a Rugby match. Saturday evening another successful concert was held in St Peter's Church, Roath, Cardiff.

On Sunday the choir visited Creigiau and the surrounding area and in the evening they were entertained to a Welsh Evening at Pentyrch Village Hall. Amongst the artists taking part was the harpist Deian Rowlands, Guto Roberts (soloist), Mair Roberts (soprano solo), Eric Willis and a variety of items.

It was a busy and tiring time for the members of Cantorion Greigiau but by now they are all eagerly looking forward to returning to Laignueglia, Italy, in the future to enjoy the company of Coro Capo Mele once again.



Pentyrch Ladies

After the summer break we commenced with a well attended talk on Interior Design by Pamela Elias. Then followed an interesting talk and discussion by Gwyn Griffiths, Senior Public Relations Officer at the BBC. On October 6th our annual Jumble Sale took place and a staggering £400 was raised which as usual goes to local charities. Our next meeting was a talk by Mrs. Audrey Pond and as usual she gave a humorous and entertaining talk. Our forthcoming events are a trip to South Pacific at the New Theatre, a Xmas Fayre on 22nd November, all are welcome and our Xmas Meal which finishes the year's events for 1990.

Linda Churcher, tel: 891514

Community Council Highlights

Frog Pond/Pwll Broga

The Community Council has recently completed its negotiations with Ideal Homes (Wales) Ltd. for the transfer of the amenity land either side of the entrance to the Castlewood Park estate (Ffordd Dinefwr) to Community Council ownership. The Council acknowledge the work put in by the Company in landscaping the area and the advice of the Glamorgan Naturists Trust in relation to the Frog Pond, which now has the benefit of a link with Nant Coslech to avoid stagnation. Unfortunately, all this effort is currently being spoiled by the activities of Welsh Water plc who are now fully engaged in digging up the land along the Frog Pond area for a new sewer link. Vital work you might say but please, couldn't it have been carried out when the new estate was being built, not after landscaping (and the new roads) were completed!!

The Community Council will now await the completion of these works and full reinstatement of the area before it accepts responsibility for the on-going maintenance of the land.

Playgrounds

Creigiau Playground

Some good and some bad news of this playground — the bad is the destruction by vandals of the small children's spring animal and the removal of a set of swings following an inspection by the National Playing Fields Association Advisory Inspectorate. The Council is negotiating with Taff Ely Borough Council for replacement swings and the spring animal will be repaired when a new part is available from the manufacturers (last time this took 8 months). The good news is that a new roundabout is on order and will be installed on safety surfacing shortly.

Memorial Park

A set of swings has also had to be removed from Memorial Park, following an unfavourable report from the National Playing Fields Association Advisory Inspectorate. However, subject to re-determination of its resources, the Community Council now hopes to arrange a complete refurbishment of the playground including new swings and a new roundabout, on safety surfacing.

Land behind Garth Villas

The Council has, at long last, received confirmation that this land is now in its ownership and would wish to acknowledge the generosity of Mr Ken Mitchell in this matter. It has been decided that the two local ward councillors (Mrs Molly Patmore and Alan Rosser) shall be responsible for the management of the area, consulting with local residents' groups and societies who have an interest in such matters. A Woodland Management Plan commissioned from Coed Cymru will form the basis for discussions. If you have views on the Woodland, Cllrs Mrs Patmore and Rosser will no doubt be pleased to hear from you.

Office Accommodation

In view of the potential cost to the local community chargepayers, the Council has abandoned its proposal to seek to have the offices of the Council based at Pentyrch Village Hall.

Street light

The Community Council has commissioned the installation of a street light on the footpath between Parc-y-Felin and Parc Castell-y-Mynach, Creigiau at a cost of £650. It had been hoped to have the light in situ before summertime ended but, despite reminders to the Highways Authority who arrange this work, it is not yet in place.

Steetley Quarry

The Inquiry by the Secretary of State for Wales into the refusal of Mid Glamorgan County Council to grant planning permission for the extension of the working area of the quarry, opened on 11th September, only to be deferred to April, 1991 at the joint request of the County Council and the Steetley Company. It has since become clear that negotiations between the County Council, had taken place resulting in the request for adjournment.

A new application has now been filed — the Community Council is awaiting formal notification but it appears that the local lobby has succeeded in making the Company re-think proposals to the benefit of the environment.



Swan Song

A new Clerk will be in post on the 1st April, 1991 — this is probably my last edition of Community Council Highlights. The job, like the curate's egg, has been good in parts and I have learned to appreciate very much those unsung heroes of the Community — the Council's casual workers who cheerfully and conscientiously undertake some of the most unpleasant and unrewarding tasks. I wish the Council and its new Clerk every success in its endeavors to improve the quality of life for the Community.

M.D. Stratford

Clerk to the Council, 1 November 1990

Profiles

In this edition of the Community Link we would like to say a thank you on behalf of the council to the Gentlemen who work for us.



In the photograph, Mervyn is shown in his element, repairing the seats of the Roundabout in Garth Newydd, accompanied by his young assistants. Needless to say, we did not cut his wages.

Mervyn Hodges

First of all I would like to introduce Mervyn Hodges, not that he needs much of an introduction as most people know Mervyn by now. He has been working for the council for quite a few years. Unfortunately some of the work he has to undertake is the result of Vandalism which costs the Council a great deal of money, but on the credit side we are fortunate that Mervyn has his own transport which saves the council a tremendous amount of money. Keep up the good work Mervyn. On behalf of the Community Council good luck and a Happy Christmas to you and your wife and family.

Raymond Llewellyn

Raymond is another local man who was born in Pentyrch of a well-known local family and moved to Gwaelod-y-Garth in 1954. He worked for the County Council for many years and is now employed on a part-time basis by the Community Council. His speciality is cutting hedges and he has done sterling work on the hedge down the side of the Garth Newydd playing field besides cutting the hedges round the Memorial Park, Pentyrch and the small Creigiau recreation area. He has also done considerable work on footpath clearance and is always ready and willing to take on any jobs available.

W.G. Lamerton



Planning Applications

July 16, 1990 Meeting of the Community Council

Planning Approvals Notified:

56/0264 Murray, 1 Llys Dyfrig, Creigiau — bathroom, bedroom & lounge extn.

Result of Planning Appeal to Sec of State for Wales:

56/89/0870 Raybould, Wynstaf, Garth Hill, Gwaelod-y-Garth — conversion of existing garage/store to a dwelling.
Appeal rejected.

Planning Approvals notified w/e 6th July, 1990 (week 27):

56/0199 Mr Welsby & Miss Harmer, Tyn-y-Coed, Georgetown, Gwaelod-y-Garth — kitchen extn. (detailed).
56/0229 Holmes, Ty Gwyn, Main Road, Gwaelod-y-Garth — first floor extn. — (detailed).
56/0241 DeCourcy's Restaurant, Tyla Morris, Pentrych — detailed reserved matters relating to prior planning approval for 15 bedroom-suites, 2 garages, parking and new access etc.
56/0244 Whitbread Wales re Caesar's Arms, Creigiau Road, Creigiau — details relating to prior approved extn.

Planning Refusals notified:

56/0120 Llanmoor Homes Co, Talbot Green — erection of 2 dwellings on land adjacent to Robin Hill, Creigiau (outlines).
56/0256 Jones, Cilmeri, Rhiw'r Ddar, Taffs Well — outline application for dwelling on land adjacent to Ty Newydd, Heol Goch, Gwaelod-y-Garth.

September 3, 1990 Meeting of the Community Council

Planning Applications

Planning applications notified w/e 13th, 20th, 27th July and 3rd August 1990 (weeks 28-31):

[circulated to ward councillors for comment — no objections]

56/0558 Hunt, the Post Office & Stores, Cardiff Road, Creigiau — removal of derelict bakehouse and replacement with a dwelling house (outline application).
56/0587 Clements, The Lodge, Hendrescythan, Creigiau — agricultural building (stables, feed store & tack room) — land adjacent to The Lodge (opposite Ceasars Arms).

Revised plans following Council objection were received 3rd August re —

56/0503 Watkins, 11 Parc-y-Felin, Creigiau — extn.
(no grounds for objection re amended plans)
56/0623 Blackham, 1 Clos Llewellyn, Creigiau — bedroom and bathroom extn. (above existing garage — detached house).
56/0639 Howell, 13 The Terrace, Creigiau — two storey rear extn. to The Villa, Bronllwyn, Pentrych, above existing garage — detached house).

Approvals Notified:

56/0187 Burden, Pin High, Heol Pantygored, Creigiau — double garage [subject to conditions]
56/0226 Christopher, Graig Coch Cottages, Cefn Bychan, Pentrych — conversion of barn on land at Blaenbeilly, Mountain Road, Pentrych to dwelling [subject to conditions].
56/0314 Stair, Penygarn House, Heol Goch, Pentrych — new vehicular access [subject to conditions].
56/0375 Coombs, 3 Primrose Cottages, Gwaelod-y-Garth — two storey extn. (detailed).

Refusals notified:

56/0103 Webber, 13 Llys Illtyd, Castlewood Park, Creigiau — re-siting garden fence on land fronting public highway, alongside garage.
56/0345 Morgan, Bryn Hyfryd Smallholdings, Capel Llanilterne — demolition existing structure (farm buildings) & replacement with dwelling (outline).

Planning Applications notified w/e 10th and 17th August (week 32 & 33):

56/0670 J.C. Davies Sols, 399 Cowbridge Road, Cardiff — Twyn Shop Pentrych — change of use from retail to office use.

Approvals notified:

56/0420 Nunns, "Bedw Arian", Gwaelod-y-Garth — single storey side & rear extn. [subject to conditions]
56/0449 Young, "Bryntaf", School Lane, Gwaelod-y-Garth — demolition store/garage and replacement [subject to conditions excluding its use for trade/business]

October 15, 1990 Meeting of the Community Council

Planning Applications

Planning applications notified w/e 24th and 31st August, 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th September (weeks 34-39):

56/0726 Burke, Broadlands Nursing Home, Llantrisant Road, Capel Llanilterne — residential sheltered accommodation (outline)
[the Council considered that the venue is unsuitable for the elderly people being situated on a busy main road with no facilities (shops/entertainment) readily available and the proposed site was divorced from the community at large]
56/0748 Castle, 42 heol-y-Berry, Gwaelod-y-Garth — erection of detached house with garage — land rear Heol-y-Berry (outline permission granted 1988)
56/0776 Budd & Clarke, Old Drift Garage, Gwaelod-y-Garth — erection of 2 additional detached houses — (original consent for 8 houses).
56/0726 Davies, Dwrlyn Cottage, Llantrisant Road, Capel Llanilterne — change of use from residential to public house and restaurant.
[The Council considered that the problems of access and egress on to a major road should negate this proposal — they were also concerned on the possible effects of noise etc on the adjacent Nursing Home.]

Planning approvals notified:

56/0639 Howell, 13 The Terrace, Creigiau — two storey rear extn. to The Villa, Bronllwyn, Pentrych — above existing garage — detached house).
The Council taking account of the strong opposition to the proposal from neighbours affected by the proposal, also resolved to object to a further application notified separately that day:
56/0834 Hughes, 3 Garth Villas, Gwaelod-y-Garth — kitchen and porch extn. and second storey playroom.

Clerk to the Council/1 November 1990



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