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It was with great surprise and pride that Pentyrch Primary School heard about the honour bestowed on our crossing patrol lady Mrs Hazel Davies. As many of you may be aware Mrs Davies has been given a British Empire Medal.(BEM) in the Queen's Birthday Honours list.

The 74-year-old Lollipop lady Mrs. Davies has not missed a shift in

more than 40 years. She joked: "I hope the ceremony will be in between shifts so I can nip down there, pick it up and be back for the afternoon!"

Mrs Davies, who helps youngsters cross the road outside Pentyrch Primary, said she was overwhelmed. "I was quite emotional really," she revealed. "It's one of those things you never think of getting. You see other people getting them and you think it would be nice to get one."

Hazel added being a lollipop lady "It's very rewarding. You see the little ones starting in September but soon they are all going off to another school."

She has not been able to tell anyone else in the weeks since, and she added: "It's very difficult for a lollipop lady to keep her mouth shut."



New Planter for St Catwg's

Thanks to a very generous grant from Pentyrch Open Gardens, a new Romanesque bowl style planter in Portland stone now graces the churchyard of St Catwg's church. The planter has been positioned next to the bench (also provided by Pentyrch Open Gardens) so that those appreciating a little quiet sitting time in the churchyard can now also enjoy the floral display.

End of an Era



Creigiau Carnival 30th June 2015 Theme "The Ocean"



Cylch Meithrin - The Reef



Creigiau Brownies - Jelly Fish

The Headmaster of Creigiau Primary School Mr Peter Evans is retiring after a most successful 36 years at the school. Mrs. Delyth Kirkman who is presently the Deputy Head has been appointed as the new headmistress.

Mr. Evans originally joined the school in1979. He was the Deputy Head for two years before becoming Headmaster. We extend our best wishes to him for a long and healthy retirement.

Mrs Kirkman joined the school in 2009. She has been teacher to Dosbarth 5 and the school's Deputy Head

Over the last two years she has had a hands on approach to being the head during the periods Mr. Evans was supporting mentor to another school in Cardiff. Also over the last year Mrs Kirkman has "job shared" the role of head with Mr Evans working on a more part time basis. We wish Mrs Kirkman every success in her new role.

ELECTION RESULT

The result of the election for a County Councillor for the Pentyrch & Gwaelod y Garth Ward on the 30th June 2015 was:-

Cadan AP TOMOS	AP TOMOS Welsh Liberal Democrat	
Paul Edward FISHER	Welsh Labour	234
Gavin HILL JOHN	Welsh Conservative	561
Munawar A. MUGHAL	Independent	24
Ruth Melanie OSNER	Green Party	22
Hywel Arthur WIGLEY	Plaid Cymru	543

SUNDAY INDEPENDENT HAPPY LIST



Colin Coughlin

Two Gwaelod men, Doug Castle and Colin Coughlin, were selected for the Sunday Times Happy List for the work they do at the Lan Memorial Woodlands. They are part of a team of residents who work at the Lan. The List is a recognition of people who give to their communities and often go unnoticed

The Happy Listis backed by the Prime Minister. Last year David Cameron introduced Points of Light, the government's scheme to recognise the work done by inspirational volunteers, some of whom also appeared the pages of

Pentyrch Guides

The reopened 1st Pentyrch Guide unit has got off to a great start! From line dancing to campfires and spa evenings to hiking, the girls are having lots of fun, building strong friendships and learning valuable life skills.

We are very grateful to many in the local community who have helped and supported us in our activities. Thanks must go to local farmer, Bob Smith, for the use of his field for den building, Nick Lyons of HCE Adventure, who hosted a fantastic orienteering evening in the beautiful location of Canada Lakes and personal trainer, Steve, who put the girls through a circuit training hour immediately before his regular keep fit class in the village hall on Tuesday!

We are also delighted to have been awarded a Community Council grant, some of which will fund our summer trip to Cardiff Castle which we have exclusive use of after closing time!

For more information about Guides in Pentyrch, or to put a name on the waiting list, please contact Sharon O'Leary on 02920890740 or olearysharonc@gmail.com.



Doug Castle

the Sunday Independent.

Doug and Colin's work has really made a difference to our village. Guided by CCC Ranger, Richie Roberts, the work at the Lan falls largely to these two quiet men. Doug and Colin work at keeping the woodland paths clear, free of litter and undergrowth. They will now be invited to the Happy List 2015 party, which is to be held in London on the 20th July. Emma, the Indy Happy List Coordinator says that since the list was published there has been huge praise for everyone on it. Norma Procter

Dangerous Cyclists

An issue that has been brought up at Community Council meetings has prompted local residents to write to the council:-

Please could attention be drawn to the current dangerous practice of cyclists using the local roads, particularly Mountain Rd, coming down from the Garth, and Heol Goch as downhill cycle tracks. On numerous occassions I, and others, have seen cyclists, sometimes alone, sometimes in groups, literally hurtling down the middle of these roads with no regard for their own, or more importantly other road users safety. Sometimes they are actually in the "tuck" position! Should they hit a pothole (of which there are many) or on unsuspecting oncoming vehicle, pedestrian or horse/rider there would be serious & potentially fatal consequences especially if the pedestrian was a child / elderly person. These "runs" occur at all times of the day but more so in the evenings & at weekends and the cyclists often have no lights on or any high-vis clothing, making them difficult to spot especially under the dark tree cover of Heol Goch and around the blind bends of all the roads.

CANTORION CREIGIAU

In December, the choir celebrates its 45th birthday. It has grown and evolved over the years from small beginnings singing carols in aid of a local children's home to a successful mixed choir which has sung in a variety of venues, big and small, throughout Wales, in England, Ireland, Europe and Hong Kong. We shall be holding an anniversary dinner for current and former choristers and plan a trip to Amsterdam next March to sing with other European choirs in friendship concerts.

In March, the choir sang in Creigiau Church Hall to raise money for the Mayagna Children's Fund, an organisation which helps projects in Ni caragua for disadvantaged children and women. A large, generous and enthusiastic audience enjoyed a varied programme and a glass of wine and donated £1,200.

At Bethel Baptist Church, Whitchurch, we performed in aid of Mummy's Star, a charity which supports families where the mother is diagnosed with cancer during pregnancy or soon after birth and raised £900.

Most recently, we travelled to Inkberrow, 'The Archers' village in Worcestershire where we sang in St. Peter's Church to a packed and enthusiastic audience who appreciated our programme of choir pieces, solos and comedy items. Afterwards, choristers gave an impromptu concert at The Old Bull, which seemed to go down well with the customers!

Next local concerts:-

Saturday 7th November- Creigiau Golf Club.

Sunday 20th December- Carol Concert- Creigiau Church Hall.

Tickets from choir members.

Did you see our tent at the Carnival? Why not join us next season? Practices start on Sunday September 13th in Creigiau School. Contact- julesajwe@aol.com or for concerts- variongapper@gmail.com Julia Winkler (Chairman)

I am not anti-cyclist - indeed all my family cycle but on designated traffic free paths - but I am becoming increasingly concerned that there will be a serious incident leaving a cyclist, pedestrian or horse/rider injured or worse and an unsuspecting innocent motorist feeling guilty for the rest of their life.



CC Community Council Highlights

Obituary

It is with immense sadness that I have to record the sudden death of Lyndon Brain, on Monday 15th June 2015 from a subdural haematoma. Lyn was the Administrative Assistant here at the Community Council offices where he had worked since April 2011. He was well known to many people in Pentyrch and the surrounding area, as one of his main responsibilities was dealing with the administration of the Community Link. He was the conduit between contributors, advertisers and the Editor and was well liked and admired. Lyn was born in Ebbw Vale on 23rd April 1949 and married his childhood sweetheart Pat after getting his degree. He qualified as a Solicitor and worked, initially, for the Crown Prosecution Service before going into private practice. He and Pat moved to Pentyrch in the late 1970s and brought up three sons, Simon, Matthew and David. was passionate about sport with Formula One, Cricket, Football and Rugby (in that order) preferences. He also loved music, claiming to have played in a band many years ago on the same bill as Fontana and Mindbenders. Pat died 10 years ago at the early age of 54 and Lyn never really got over it. Judging from the condolences I have received, his own unexpected death was a shock to everyone who knew him. Our thoughts and sympathies are with his sons, daughter-in-laws and grandchildren, who will miss his cheerful smile as much as the rest of us who knew him. His funeral was on Monday 6th July at St Catwg's Church.

Community Link Back Issues

I am indebted to Mrs Linda Reed of recently retired Creigiau. Creigiau Primary School, for digging out her back copies of the Community Link in a major decluttering exercise and ringing me to see if the Council would like them. We only had bound copies back to Issue 47 so it enabled me to make up bound copies back to the very first Community Link. The only ones she had missing were Issues 11 & 17. If anyone has spare copies of these Links please let me know.

Monolith at Ael y Bryn



Those of you who have walked along the footpath between Ael v Penmaes/Bronllwyn. Bryn and Pentyrch cannot have failed to be impressed with the monolith presented to the Community Council by Cemex (Taffs Well) Quarry to commemorate the granting of village green status for the area on 16th July 2014. The colours on the stone are truly beautiful and the photograph below does not do justice to it. Council have agreed in principle to have a bilingual plaque to be placed on the stone commemorating, for future generations, the achievement. Tenders for this work are still in the process of being sent out.

World Cup Success

Congratulations to Creigiau's Mark Sampson head-coach of the England Womens football team in reaching the FIFA Womens World Cup Semi Finals for the first time ever.



Congratulations to Hazel Davies on being awarded the British Empire medal in the Queen's Birthday Honours list. Hazel is the lollipop lady at Pentyrch School and has been carrying out her task in all weathers for 44 years. The Council felt that they would like to add to the honour bestowed upon Hazel and Cllr John Harrison presented her with a bouquet of flowers on behalf of the Community Council

Grants

Since the last edition of the Community Link, grant applications from within the Community Council area were considered at the March 2015 and June 2015 meetings. At March meeting Pentvrch Rangers were awarded £200, the GYG WI £100 and £150 was awarded towards the National Eisteddfod which, this year, is being held in Caerphilly. There was an underspend in the grants budget of £303 for 2014/15 and it was decided to carry this over to increase the 2015/16 grants budget to £1,803. At the first grant meeting of the year in June an award of £250 was made to the newly reformed Pentvrch The remaining grant Guides. applications for 2015/16 will be considered in the September, December and March meetings. Should any community group or organisation wish to apply for a grant, applications should be made me, preferably by email. (clerk@pentyrch.cc), and should include the last set of accounts or financial statement.

Creigiau Quarry

In this Link there is a lot about the likelihood that Creigiau Quarry will be re-opening so it was with some surprise that one of the missing Links donated by Cllr Stuart Thomas (Issue 29) had an article entitled 'The Haul Road' all about the 'anxiety and speculation concerning traffic from Creigiau Quarry following the submission of an application by Tarmac Roadstone Limited, the owners of the quarry, for the construction of a haul road along the old mineral line to relieve pressure on Heol Pant y Gored.' The Community Council held a public meeting in Creigiau School on 30th November 1992 to discuss the issue further and hear from villagers. A letter was then sent to the Taff Elv Borough Council insisting certain conditions be adhered to. Ironically the last paragraph was that Council Community pressing for the County Council to undertake 'reinstatement works' to the road and pavement on Heol Pant y Gored. As residents will recall that didn't occur until about five years ago, some 18 years after the request!

'Purple Orchid'

Whilst talking of flowers the below picture of the orchid was taken in Creigiau Recreation Ground right next to the Skateboard Park. Amazing!

Funny Money

Many thanks to the two readers who identified the unknown banknote as being a Thai baht, although no-one was able to identify which note was left in the donations tin in the library. To put you out of your misery it was the Czech note.



Community Council Library

The Community Council Library continues to be, potentially, a tremendous asset to the Community and I would urge residents to make more use of it. The books are sorted into Fiction (alphabetical order), around the walls and two of the central four bookcase with nonfiction in the remaining two central bookcases. The Library is open Monday to Friday between 9am and 1pm although, it is advisable to ring first, as there is nobody to cover for absence on holiday or illness, and we wouldn't want you to have a wasted journey.

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Minutes of meetings of Pentyrch Community Council as well as backnumbers of Community Link are available on the Council's website.

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The Community Council is seeking a part-time Administrative Assistant to assist the Clerk to the Council

The job is for 10 hours a week
Specifically from 9.30 am – 11.30 am on
Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays
& 9.00 am – 1.00 pm on Fridays.

Salary is between Scale Points 5 – 8 of the National Salary Scales currently starting at £304 per month.

Applicants should be computer literate and possess appropriate administrative abilities

Applications should be in writing to the Clerk enclosing a current cv and details of relevant experience.

CLOSING DATE ~ FRIDAY 31ST JULY 2015.

Please Note:

A job description, person specification and further details are available from The Clerk to the Council, 1 Penuel Road, Pentyrch (Between) 9am – 1pm Monday to Thursday or ring on 2089 1417 (voicemail facility) or email clerk@pentyrch.cc

PENTYRCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Museum and Library Council Office, 1 Penuel Road, Pentyrch is open

Monday - Friday 9.00am — 1.00pm

The museum has been prepared to bring together various aspects of the history and traditions of the area. It includes many old photographs and maps and a website with further information about the history of the area.

Please telephone 20891417 before travelling

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3 November 15. 9:00am

Articles should be limited to 250 words where possible and should be sent to the Council Clerk or to any Councillor.

e-mail: clerk@pentyrch.cc

The views expressed in the Community Link are not necessarily those of the Community Council.

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Planning Applications

<u>Planning Applications to 18th</u> June 2015

15/00199/MNR Mr O'Keeffe, 2 Glebe Gardens, Bassaleg, Newport, applied for the removal of Condition 12 (Street Lighting) of Planning Application 14/00123/DCO at Forgeside, Church Road, Pentyrch. Permission granted on 30/4/2015.

15/00240/DCH Mr A Davies, Tyddyn, Garth Hill, Gwaelod y Garth applied for a single storey side extension on the North side of the existing house, including parking area within the lower garden. This is still under consideration.

15/00250/DCH Mr & Mrs S Coxall, Aubrey Villa, 52 Cardiff Road, Creigiau applied for a ground floor rear extension incorporating a kitchen and dining room. Permission was granted on 30/4/2015.

15/00351/MNR Mr S Axe, 13, Penuel Road, Pentyrch applied to build a detached dwelling on land adjoining 13 Penuel Road, Pentyrch. Permission was granted on 24/4/2015.

15/00482/MNR Pentyrch Bowling Club, Parc yr Dwrlyn, Penuel Road, Pentyrch applied to replace their worn and deteriorating porta cabins at Pentyrch Bowling Club with a single storey, permanent and timberframe clubhouse. This is still under consideration.

15/00547/DCH Mr J Emms, 16 Parcy-Fro, Creigiau, applied for a single storey front extension. Permission was granted on 21/4/2015.

15/00626/MNR Ms Sagarmendi, 54 Heol y Pentre, Pentyrch, applied for a change of use from Retail to Retail (Gift Shop) and treatment room for advice, sport massage and reflexology at 2 High Corner, Bronllwyn, Pentyrch. Permission was granted on 28/5/2015.

15/00726/DCH Mr & Mrs Jones, 10 Penffordd, Pentyrch applied for a *Certificate of Lawful Development* in respect of a single storey rear extension. Permission was granted on 19/5/2015

15/00864/DCH Mr Williams, 71 Parc-y-Coed, Creigiau, applied for a new single storey extension to rear of existing dwelling with some alteration and refurbishment work. This is still under consideration.

15/01060/DCH Mr A Bulmer, 16 Llys Dewi, Creigiau, applied for a single storey extension to the rear of the property. This is still under consideration.

15/01131/MNR Mr J Hurley, WYG Planning & Design, 5th Floor, Longcross Court, Newport Road, Cardiff applied for the discharge of Condition 7 (Construction Management Scheme) of 14/02360/MNR on land at Cardiff Road, Creigiau. On 27/5/2015 they were granted a full discharge.

15/01146/DCH Mr M Wordley, 6 The Terrace, Creigiau, applied for the non-material amendment, to planning application 14/02838/DCH, for a gable end light on a rear extension. Permission was granted on 21/5/2015

15/01149/MNR Mr Amodeo, Robin Hill, Cardiff Road, Creigiau, applied for the demolition of the existing house and the erection of a new 7-bed house with adjoining garage, courtyard and associated garden landscaping. This is still under consideration.

15/01167/MNR JRS Homes Ltd, applied for the discharge of Condition 17 (Materials) of 14/02360/MNR in relation to land at Cardiff Road, Creigiau. This is still under consideration.

15/01187/MNR Mr Hywel Wigley Dan y Coed, Gwaelod y Garth, applied for listed building consent to alter the downstairs seating area of the Acapela Studio (Horeb Chapel) in Pentyrch, from the current pews to free standing comfortable chairs. This is still under consideration.

15/01208/MNR Mr Taylor, Heatherton Lodge, Upper Druidstone Road, Michaelston y Fedw applied for a change of use from garage to 2 bedroom dwelling at Ampleforth, 10a Penuel Road, Pentyrch. This is still under consideration.

15/01322/MNR JRS Homes Ltd, via Agents: WYG Planning and Environment, 47 Newport Road, Cardiff, applied for the discharge of Condition 20 (Tree Report) of planning application 14/02360/MNR relating to land at Cardiff Road, Creigiau. This is still under consideration.

You can view pending planning applications on the County Council website www.cardiff.gov.uk/planning and follow the appropriate links Use the 'View Planning Applications' to lodge comments on current applications

Decided Applications from previous Link

14/01861/DCO Djialli Associates, The Surgery, Bronllwyn, Pentyrch, applied for the discharge of Condition 9 (Materials) of 13/00955/DCO. A full discharge of the Condition was granted on 6/3/2015.

14/02224/MNR Mr O'Keeffe, Forgeside, Church Road, Pentyrch, applied for the discharge of Condition 16 (door and window details) of 14/00123/DCO. A full discharge of the Condition was granted on 10/4/2015.

14/02360/MNR JRS Homes Ltd applied for the erection of 8 dwellings, access arrangements and associated works on land at Cardiff Road, Creigiau. Permission was granted on 8/5/2015

14/02398/MJR Mr Roberts, 1 River Glade, Gwaelod-y-Garth, applied for a discharge of Conditions 3 & 4 of 13/01784/DCO. A Full Discharge of Conditions was granted on 17/3/2015

14/02562/MNR Mr James, Springfield, Church Road, Pentyrch, applied for the construction of a detached dwelling & associated external works. Permission was granted on 12/3/2015

14/02600/MNR Mr Tremlett, The Gables, Station Road, Creigiau, proposed new build of a single storey dwelling. Planning permission was refused on 5/5/2015.

14/02693/MNR Mr Griffiths, 1 Nant y Garth, Gwaelod y Garth applied for a single detached dwelling (on existing residential garden and paved hard standing with existing pavement crossover access) onto Main Road frontage. Planning permission refused on 12/2/2015

14/02786/DCH On 1/12/2014 Mr Hill-John, 3 Field Terrace, Pentyrch, applied for a non-material amendment to Planning Application 14/01546/DCH to alter the roof pitch. Permission was granted on 17/3/2015

14/02913/DCH Mr Holmes, Glas Fryn, Cardiff Road, Creigiau, applied for the demolition of existing timber roof structure over driveway to allow for construction of proposed single storey side extension and re-roofing of existing lean-to extension. Permission was granted on 23/2/2015

Making our community park a better place to play.

With over 1,000 houses, a population of approximately 2,400 people and growing, and a local primary school with over 400 children between the ages of 3-11, there is a shortage of structured safe play spaces in Creigiau, and those that do exist are in need of modernising. Creigiau Park Community Group is a collection of people who live in the local area who are aiming to try to improve these facilities at the local playground, and bring the community together to support their fundraising efforts. They are well motivated to carry this out, but are always looking for others who may wish to help out their cause, be it through joining the

committee, providing specialist advice and help, or arranging and aiding in fundraising activities.

Though this project is in the early stages we hope to keep everyone informed of our progress and will welcome any input along the way. Our children love to play so please support us in building a safer, and improved community play space for ALL our children and parents to enjoy.

If you would be interested in helping us in any way please contact us via our facebook page "Creigiau Park Community Group". Or by contacting James Thorne at Creigiaupark@aol.co.uk

Decided Planning Applications

15/00222/DCH Mr Bilham, 9 The Terrace, Creigiau, applied for the replacement of a pitched roof rear extension, with a flat roofed extension (amendment to Planning Permission 14/01439/DCH). Permission was granted on 25/3/2015

15/00234/DCH Mr Knight, 27 Parc-Y-Coed, Creigiau, applied for an extension refurbishment of the existing property including front garden and parking bays. Permission was granted on 27/3/2015

15/00275/MNR D Herbert (Builders) Limited applied for land east of Cardiff Road, Creigiau, for a residential development comprising four detached house & garages. Permission was granted on 30/4/2015.



County Council Notes

By Cllr Graham Thomas, Creigiau and St Fagans

It's an incredibly busy time at **Cardiff Council** at the moment with a lot of changes going on, including major housing developments across the city, the Local Development Plan, a new Bus Station and Central Square, the BBC Relocation, changes to Waste Management, the Potential City Deal with London and much more.

Locally of course, a lot of this affects our villages directly, not least of all the potential re-opening of Creigiau Quarry. This came out of the blue for many at a public meeting with LaFarge Tarmac in June. The truth is this has always been on the cards as the quarry is just waiting for a market for the mineral. As I write this we still don't know when it might reopen but they are certainly preparing plans. Shortly they will lodge a planning application on quarry permissions, which we urge everyone to get involved in. I along with Gavin Hill-John from Pentyrch have set up a Quarry Liaison Committee which meets in July for the first time. In this forum we can ensure that Lafarge Tarmac are aware of the local issues and press them to provide the best possible solutions to them. I am also working with the County Council on the matter and will keep a keen eve for the proposals when they do emerge. The Local Development Plan is

The Local Development Plan is also still on going. We have managed to get the Council to make some changes to the plan, such as protecting the old railways line routes for any future Metro, but that doesn't guarantee it will be built as



Overlooking the quarry drawings at the Creigiau Carnival

that part is up to the Welsh Assembly. We continue to press the case on transport issues and others. The Assembly will make a final call on the LDP later this year which will be a binding and final decision.

It was fantastic to meet so many people at the **Creigiau Carnival** where I set up stall with the above issues and more. Residents are naturally worried about all these matters and how they will affect the village. It is important that we all engage with the powers that be and make our case heard.

Finally I would like to congratulate Craig Williams who was elected as MP for Cardiff North in the recent General Election . Subsequently Craig Williams resigned his post as County Councillor for Pentyrch & Gwaelod y Garth. The by-election was held on the 30th June. Congratulations to Gavin Hill John who was elected. The hard work starts now!

If you want to contact me about any of the above, or indeed any other issues contact me by telephone on 07805 850812, or email at: graham.thomas@cardiff.gov.uk.

Pentyrch Art Group

The Art Group continues to flourish. We recently held our 20th Annual Exhibition at the Village Hall. This was hugely successful- there were visitors at the hall all day- enjoying the social aspect as well as the work of our members. The expected lull around lunch time never arrived, there was a buzz in the hall all day! We sold a good number of paintings and had many lovely comments, regarding the high standard of our work. Thank you to all those who came along on the 17th Mayseveral from quite far afield-Swansea and Stourbridge to name

We still have a permanent, small exhibition at the King's Arms. This is changed regularly and has resulted in many sales. We are grateful to

Andy, the landlord, for his support of the group.

Members also exhibit a few times a year at Garth Olwg. This is a two to three week exhibition of about 40 paintings, and is another successful outlet for our work.

The group have varied demonstrations and lessons throughout the term and several members are attending a workshop in Abergavenny at the end of May with professional artist Jantien Powell. We shall also be holding a pastel workshop at The Scout Hut Creigiau in early October.

Once again, we should like to thank people for their continued support-look out for dates of future exhibitions in The Community Link. Ann Peebles



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Mobile Library

The area is served by Cardiff County Council Mobile Library every 3 weeks.

Creigiau		Thursdays 3 Weekly		
Fridays 3 Weekly,		Gwaelod y Garth		
			9.40 - 10.15	Post Office
9.30	- 10.30	Ffordd Dinefwr	10.20 - 10.50	Heol Berry.
10.35	- 10.55	Parc-y-coed	Pentyrch	·
11.00	- 12.30	Post Office	11.00 - 12.15	Lewis Arms
1.40	- 2.30	Parc-y-Bryn	12.25 - 12.50	Maes y Sarn
2.35	- 2.55	Parc Castell-y-Mynach	2.00 - 2.30	Bron Haul, Pentyrch
3.00	- 3.50	Ysgol Creigiau School	2.40 - 3.50	Bronllwyn, Pentyrch.
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Members of the public are always welcome to attend these meetings

Cyfarfodydd y Cyngor

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- Articles should not exceed more than 250 words. If your submission is longer than this it may well be summarised or have to be omitted.
- The text of articles should be submitted either as a Microsoft Word document i.e. doc files or in rich text format i.e. rtf files or even as the main body of an email. Articles in other formats may well not be compatible and therefore lost.
- Articles should not be submitted as pdf files. Although these may be smaller to email they cannot easily be adjusted to suit the column sizes.
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- The photographs should not be reduced in size or definition.
- They should never be submitted as part of a word file nor as a pdf.

Creigiau Open Gardens – A Successful Return

Following a break in 2014, Creigiau Carnival Open Gardens re-opened as part of Carnival Week on Sunday 21st June. There were 10 gardens, which included two new gardens, and Creigiau Primary School.

Although the date clashed with Father's Day, and the weather started out a bit overcast, at least 60 visitors supported the event raising a total of £700 for Carnival funds. There were plant sales and tea and cakes at several gardens, which proved very popular.

A special thank-you is extended to Perkin Elmer of Llantrisant, who supported the School with a 'volunteer day' in June and helped with a lot of the garden tidying and preparation.

Creigiau Open Gardens will certainly be back for 2016, and if you would like to take part please get in touch with Lesley Sherwood (02920 890055). Three of the gardens at Maes y Nant and Pant y Gored, will also open on Sunday 19th July (11.00am-5.00pm) for the NGS.

Thanks to everyone for supporting the event and the Carnival.

Creigiau Recreation Field (also known as The Rec)

Over the past 30 or so years CRAMC (Creigiau Recreation Management Committee) has overseen the development of this great facility for the use of the village. There have been some great strides forward thanks to the members. Many villagers make use of huge efforts of the individual clubs and the very hard working the facilities including the cricket, tennis, archery, petanque and football clubs plus the allotmenteers not to mention all the dog walkers, skateboarders and other members of the public. It is the focus of the Creigiau Carnival each year and an undeniable asset to the village.

Going forward we are working on plans to include a perimeter path for easy access to all parts of the ground for wheelchairs and prams. This could also be used as a training track perhaps to include exercise stations as in other parks in Cardiff. The biggest future development must be an improvement to the Pavilion, to include disabled access, more toilet / changing facilities and a

larger function room. Whilst this is a long term plan it is essential that we begin the process of producing plans and gaining funding commitment.

We also wish to set up a web site and need help with the design and layout to ensure it is a hub for all the clubs and activities that take place on the recreation field.

As with many services we are under financial pressure. The field belongs to Pentyrch Community Council and the maintenance is shared between CRAMC and the PCC. However our share is rising each year and without access to more funding we are in danger of not being able to meet our commitments. We are intent on raising further funds ourselves but do need the support of the whole village to ensure this fabulous facility stays within the control of the people of Creigiau.

If you wish to help or have any suggestions regarding developments or raising funds, please contact me at colin.belward@outlook.com

Colin Belward Chairman CRAMC

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Pentyrch Village Hall 5th September 2015 Doors open 2:30pm

Pentyrch Open Gardens

A Quiz night Saturday 5th September contact Chris or Helen Edwards 20891337

Cantorian Choir Concert

Saturday 7th November-

Creigiau Golf Club.

Tickets from choir

members

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Cantorian Choir

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Our fourth season has been a busy and successful year with numerous speakers, socials, challenges and trips. Membership now stands at 119 and we are averaging 70 per meeting.

In April we worked with *Hedgehog* Helpline and Creigiau Allotments to create a feature garden for the RHS Cardiff Show. This was a great success and we were rewarded with the coveted "Best Show Feature" award. Our thanks to everyone who helped create the garden and staff it over the weekend, especially Judy Keenor and Lesley Sherwood.

Spring meetings covered propagation and flower arrangers' perennials and we finished the season in May with our AGM & Social with Barbara Wells' pot of alliums winning the Spring Challenge. May also took us to the Malvern Spring Festival followed by a trip to *Hidcote* in June. Both days were blessed with fine weather.

We now look forward to our summer recess before our next trip to RHS Wisley on 13 September. Our new season then starts on Friday 18 September with Bob Brown, the

Pentyrch Village Hall

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We are looking for anyone who has the interest of Pentyrch at heart and who might be willing to progress with the committee.

If you feel you would like to share the responsibility by giving some time and energy, please contact me, Barbara Rodd 20891584, or call at 31 Lon y Fro. It will be well worth it!

nurseryman, who you may have seen on Gardeners World recently. If you would like to join us we would love to see you. We meet at Pentyrch Village Hall, usually on the third Friday of the month, doors open at 7.15 pm and we are always keen to welcome new members and

For more information, please email garthgardeners@btinternet.com ring 20891584.

Alternatively visit our web site at https://garthgardeners.wordpress.com/ Bill Rodd (Chairman)

Pentyrch Tennis Club

April 11 the opening of the new Floodlights was held which was attended by officials of organisations which assisted with the financing of the Project together with representatives of other Pentyrch sports clubs and past and present members of the tennis club. These are high quality lights as approved by the Lawn Tennis Association and cover all three courts.

On May 8 fundraising Quiz Night was held at the Village Hall which was enjoyed by over 80 people who attended.

annual Open Day on May 8 attracted some new members to join the Tennis Club . A Junior coaching taster session was held together with a Cardio Tennis fitness workout and YC Sports presented their latest tennis equipment and gear.

members of all ages will be made very welcome whether beginners or experienced players.

Coaching, if required, is also available.If you want to try out before joining please come along to the club nights from 5.30 to 8.00 pm on Tuesdays for ladies and Thursdays for men.

More informaion is available on the website www.pentvrchtennis.co.uk or telephone Graham on 20891595, Anne on 20890542. Tom on 20899435 or Eric on 20892253. **Eric Thomas**



The History of the Church Hall Creigiau.

The Creigiau 23 website states: (we have) a village hall (known as The Church Hall). Let me state at the outset that that should read: We have a Church Hall used as a Village Hall.

From its inception the Hall in Creigiau has been a Church building. In the Parochial Church Council minutes of 7th January 1911, the following is minuted: "Mr E. R. Marten suggested the necessity of creating a Hall in Creigiau. Resolved that each member of the Church Council be provided with a book authorising each member to receive subscriptions towards same: books to be presented at the Quarterly meetings and an account to be The Creigiau opened namely Church Hall Fund". This, then, was the first reference to the Church Hall.

Then on the 29th April 1911: "The Vicar presented a letter from Messrs Warren stating that Mr Wingfield was prepared to grant a 99 year lease at a nominal ground rent of 5/of the site north of Creigiau Stores for a Church Room to be controlled by the Llandaff Diocesan Fund."

On 6th July 1912: "Plans of proposed



new Church Hall at Creigiau were referred to Building Committee".

The "Parish Hall Committee" met on Thursday 18th April 1912 in the Creigiau Hotel. The following was agreed:

A Parish Hall would be built with seating accommodation for 300.

Mr T.H. Sparkes (y Gocyd Pentyrch) would prepare plans and costs.

It was resolved, subject to the approval of the ladies, to hold a bazaar "to provide means for building".

On 31st January 1913, Mr Sparkes was directed to look again at his draft plan "with the idea of reducing the cost".

On 13th February 1913, Mr Sparkes

proposals were approved; he was instructed to "prepare a bill of quantitie and specification". The Vicar was authorised to apply for a grant of £25 and a loan of £700 from the Llandaff Church Extension Fund at an interest rate of 21/2% for ten years.

Tenders, from £911-7-0d to £1079-10-0d, were submitted but were

considered too high. It was then proposed that the following items should be left out:

- 1. Terra cotta ornamentation.
- 2. The north vestibule.
- 3. Wainscoting
- 4. The Gothic arches inside to be replaced by flat heads.
- 5. Changes to the roof trusses to bring the tender to £725 plus £25 for contingencies making a total of £750.

Owen and Davies (a Creigiau building firm), and the Architect, Mr T. H. Sparkes, were appointed.

On 9th May, because of the nature of the ground, it was resolved to set the stage and the anterooms at the south end of the building.





Tŷ Hwyl After School Club Coming to Creigiau Soon!

Scouts Hall, Castle Close, Creigiau, Cardiff CF15 9NJ

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The 9th of June at 6 p.m. Mrs Marten of Henstaff Court laid the a foundation stone which can be seen near the entrance door.

250 chairs were ordered at £1-11-0d per dozen: four 300 candlepower Miller pendant lamps at 23/6 each; one 100 candlepower at 15/6 and four bracked lamps for the cloakroom and an oilcan.

Thursday 11th December 1913 at 3 p.m. Mr Wingfield opened the Hall followed by tea. A grand concert was held in the evening.

On 13 May 1914 the final costings of £804-13-6d were presented, and a scale of hire charges were set out ranging from £2-2-0d for a dance (equivalent to £190 today) to 2-6d for the hire of the ante room.

From the outset, services were held on a Sunday and a Sunday School was established. These continued, including during the war years, until the mid 1990s when, for a reason I have not been able to establish, they stopped. They were reinstated when Revd John Binny was inducted in 2003.

On 26th October 1981 the purchase of the freehold was completed.

It was not until 31 January 2000 that the Parish Hall was granted a grade 2 listing for: "its special interest as a small village hall of unusual Arts and Crafts design." (Cadw Listed Building Database Record)

The Restoration

In September 2001 the Llandaff Diocesan inspection of churches was completed and the estimated cost of repairs was £45,485. A Church and Hall Users' Committee was established and ways of raising money were developed.

By 2004, it became clear that the

degeneration was more extensive and the estimated construction costs were £161.668 for external work and £127.270 for internal work. Grants from The Lottery Heritage Fund through the Welsh Assembly Government were sought. The Parish and Hall users began serious fund-raising with activities such as coffee-mornings. lunches. concerts. dances, raffles. Local organisations donated monies and Tesco Extra in Talbot Green made the restoration one of its charities for the year (2005), raising £2,000. Other donations from £50 to £5,000 were received.

By 2006, initial work on the ceiling, flooring, plasterwork, decorating and a disabled ramp costing £27,642 was met by the Welsh Assembly Government. Then came the bills for drainage, electrical work, radiator covers (£6,395.25), woodworm infestation, window repairs, further plastering (£3,217.15) and, in 2008, a new roof for £117,618 from the Welsh Assembly Government. A new kitchen cost £12,473.91 and the back garden for children to play outside in a safely, £5,291.05.The grant from the Assembly was £14,739.45.

A condition of The Welsh Assembly Government grants was match funding, hence the need for the extensive fund-raising. A Fundraising Committee of church members: Alison Woodley, Andrew Dodd, Stewart MacKay, T.I. Hall, Harry Mason, Jean Wood, and Revd John Binny was established.

In 2013, the Hall had its 100 birthday, and is now in a position to look to the next 100 years. So how has the Hall been used? This is a 1956 list of users.

PENTYRCH VILLAGE HALL

As I am sure that you will appreciate we are constantly trying to improve the facilities in the hall. We have therefore just installed a commercial dishwasher (at a cost of £1,300.00) that will allow users to wash cups and saucers quickly in a two minute cycle. There are some events taking place over the summer when large numbers of people will be at the hall so I am sure that it will be very useful.

We held the A.G.M. in April and, as with all A.G.M.s, there was a modest attendance. The hall is a Charity run by people from Pentyrch. If you do feel that you can help us to run it we would love to see you (please contact me on 029 20891568)

Did you know that we held our very own Racenight in April? It was certainly very profitable (funds towards the new roof). If you would like us to run another please let us know. In any event we would like to have suggestions for any new events that people would be interested in. We have already discussed whether there would be any interest from families if we held a Film Afternoon - Perhaps Disney's Frozen. Do let us know.

The replacement roof for the foyer is still on our "To Do List" but we are still waiting for the plans to be drawn before we can go out to tender.

Anthony Smith Chair

Church use:

Service on first Sunday in month; Junior Church on three Sundays in the month; Lent lectures; PCC meetings; Hall Committee meetings; Mothers' Union; St David's Day lunch; St David's Day party; Harvest Suppers; Frugal Lunches; Autumn Fayre.

Community use:

Playgroup; Mother and toddler group; Badminton Club; Table Tennis; Brownies; Guides and Rainbows; Scouts and Cubs; Keep Fit; Youth Club; the Women's Institute met monthly and additional activities included Whist Drives, Concerts and Dances.

This article is extracted from a more detailed one that I prepared for the centenary of the opening of the Hall; copies are available in St David's Church, St Catwg's Church and from the restoration committee members mentioned above. A full Bibliography of this article is included in that booklet. John Gough



Creigiau Open Gardens

As part of the 'Creigiau Carnival' a number of gardens, in Creigiau, were open to the public. The school took part, for the first time. Pupils, parents and staff worked extremely hard to ensure the 'School Garden' looked its best.

Staff from Perkin Elmer did a fantastic voluntary job, creating a new compost area. We are very grateful for their hard work. The pupils, in Year 6, have researched how to make compost but if there is an expert out there please contact the school.

NETBALL

During May, School took part in the Welsh Netball National Primary Schools Championship. The first round comprised only of schools in the Cardiff area. We entered two teams. Both teams had hard matches and played very well. The A team was successful in reaching the final but lost, narrowly. As runners – up, we went automatically into the next round, which was the Cardiff and Vale Primary Final.

The A team played 5 games to go through to the Semi-final to play against St. David's, they were successful again which sent them into the Final. Creigiau had to play against Bro Eirwg and Danescourt. These were tough games; we narrowly lost against Bro Eirwg and won against Danescourt. This meant that as runners- up in the group we were going through to the Welsh Netball National Primary Schools Championship, held at Sport Wales National Centre, at Sophia Gardens on the 20th May.

We played 6 games in the pool stages playing schools from all over Wales! Of the 6 games played we won 4, it meant we had to wait until all pool games finished to find out had we got through. Unfortunately, we lost going through to the semifinal, by goal difference, of 1!

The standard of netball was very high and all Creigiau 8 players did exceedingly well. They were professional throughout and gave their all. We hope the girls will continue to play netball when they go to their new respective secondary schools in September. Well done! Mrs Hussey and Mrs Stone

Urdd Eisteddfod at Llancair Fawr



Choir at the Urdd Eisteddfod

During Whitsun half-term a large number of pupils, from both English and Welsh Sections in Creigiau Primary, competed in the 'Urdd Eisteddfod' in Nelson. The school is very proud of all the pupils who took part and a number of pupils did extremely well, having already come through a preliminary round.

The, 'Grwp Llefaru' (Welsh Second Language – Group Recitation), came first and the Welsh Section Recital Group came second. Kira, from Year 6, came third in the individual recital. Their performances, on the Maes (stage), were broadcast live on S4C.

The 'School Choir' performed brilliantly but the standard was incredibly high and they didn't get onto the stage. It was a joy to hear a number of choirs performing and



CHWARAEON

Llongyfarchiadau i dîm trawsgwlad yr ysgol ar eu llwyddiant yn rownd derfynol Cystadleuaeth Cenedlaethol yr Urdd yn Aberystwyth ym mis Mai. Fe ddaeth y tîm cyfan yn fuddugol a chyflwynwyd tarian "Clwb Athletau Aberystwyth" iddynt. Llongyfarchiadau i Sophie Knoyle am ddod yn gyntaf yn y ras i ferched Bl.3, ac i Freya Roberts am ddod yn drydydd yn y ras i ferched Bl.6

Ar yr un penwythnos, fe lwyddodd y tîm rygbi hefyd i gyrraedd y rownd gogynderfynol yng Nghystadleuaeth yr Urdd.

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seeing the obvious pleasure it gave the children.

Casis and Nell, Dosbarth 3, came third in the 'Art and Craft'.

We are very proud of them and the pupils are very grateful to the members of staff who helped during the group's rehearsals.

EISTEDDFOD YR URDD

Llongyfarchiadau i'r canlynol ar eu llwyddiant yn Eisteddfod Genedlaethol yr Urdd yng Nghaerffili:

Grwp Llefaru Bl.6 ac iau am ddod yn ail yn ei cystadleuaeth. Grwp Llefaru Bl.6 ac iau i ddysgwyr am ddod yn fuddugol yn ei cystadleuaeth

Kira Devine am ddod yn drydydd yn y gystadleuaeth i lefarwyr ail iaith blynyddoedd 5 a 6

Casi a Nel Thomas am ennill y drydedd wobr am eu gwaith Celf a Chrefft

ATHRAWES NEWYDD

Llongyfarchiadau i Miss Lowri Rees ar ei phenodiad fel athrawes barhaol yn yr ysgol. Mae Lowri wedi bod yn ein plith ers blwyddyn yn brysur iawn yn rhannu ei dysgu rhwng dau ddosbarth sef Dosbarthiadau 1 a 5. Braf iawn cael dy gwmni gyda ni'n barhaol o Fis Medi 'mlaen nawr, Lowri.

Sports Round-Up

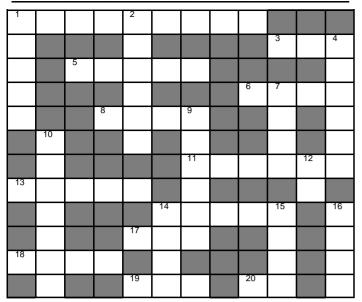
It has been a busy sporting period this term, with a number of notable performances

Urdd Cross Country Championship After qualifying in the regional competition the team headed to Aberystwyth for the finals. The team performed well with the following individual and team successes:

Sophie (Year 4): - Gold, Freya (Year 6): - Bronze, Year 3 Girls: - Gold, Year 3 Boys: - Bronze, Year 4 Boys: - Silver, Year 5 Girls: - Silver & Year 6 Girls: - Silver

A further award was then announced and Creigiau Primary was then declared the overall winners. Everyone in the team contributed and a marvellous trophy was presented to the School.

CREIGIAU NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH CROSSWORD



Across

- 1 Don't wear too much of the expensive kind if you go out clubbing. (9)
- 3 For advice on ____ to make your home more secure, contact a Crime Prevention Officer. (3)
- 5 See 9 down.
- 6 $\underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ 101 to report a non-emergency police matter.
- 8 Don't leave them on display in your home. (4)
- 11 & 14 across:
 - take care with these; a thief would like to get his hands on them. (6,5)
- 13 Using timer switches and security lighting may help you avoid a _____ in. (5)
- 14 See 11 across.
- 17 Get a ____ to look after your home when you're away on holiday. (3)
- 18 ____ your car in well-lit places when in town. (4)
- 19 Call ____ police on 999 in a real emergency. (3)
- 20 Thieves are not only after your valuables, but want to steal this from you too. (2, abbreviation)

Down

- 1 A tool a burglar might use. (5)
- 2 Don't leave one available outside; it could be used to break into your house. (6)
- 4 A pickpocket will have his eye on this. (6)
- 7 Don't put it down on a table when you're out in a bar; it could easily disappear. (4)
- 9 & 5 across:
 - Don't advertise here when you're going away leaving your house empty. (6,5)
- 10 A person you want to keep out of your home. (7)
- 12 ___ you are a victim of any kind of crime, report it! (2)
- 14 Don't carry more of this than you need. (4)
- 15 Has yours got a good lock on it? A common local crime is to break into this building. (4)
 - 16 ____ doors, windows, and your car when you're not about. (4)

CNW CROSSWORD ANSWERS

Down 1 Jemmy 2 Ladder 4 Wallet 7 IPad 9 Social 10 Burglar 12 If 14 Cash 15 Shed 16 Lock

The 20 ID

Across 1 Jewellery, 3 How 5 Media 6 Dial 8 Keys 11 Credit 13 Break 14 Cards 17 Pal 18 Park 19

Pentyrch WI Centenary Dinner



Pentyrch WI invited past members to join with them to celebrate WI's Centenary Dinner in the beautiful De Courceys Manor in Pentyrch.

We were greeted with a welcome drink and this gave members time to catch up with past members and view the albums of photographs which recorded events of many years ago. There was much amusement when we saw ourselves in pantomimes and on carnival floats in our earlier years.

Ann Parsons, a past President, opened the evening with details of how WI was founded in Canada and how Pentyrch WI was founded sixty-six years ago. The meal was delicious and our present President Eileen Boddington thanked the excellent restaurant staff and members who had arranged the evening.

Members returned home delighted with the venue and happy memories of past years.

We welcome all to our meetings on the first Wednesday of the month in Pentyrch Village Hall. Gwyneth Thomas.



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Pentyrch Netball Team

Since this September Pentyrch Primary has started a netball team for pupils in Years 3-6. As a new team the girls needed new kit and equipment to help enhance their skills and enthusiasm for the sport. We were lucky enough to gain sponsorship from Monmouth Building society for new netball dresses and hoodies. We are very grateful for the funding and now look extremely smart.



The girls have improved greatly throughout the year which was evident in their last match against Llysfaen Primary school. Their confidence has grown and they always show true team spirit and sportsmanship.

I am sure the squad will continue to grow and a win is on the cards. Miss Wheeler is very proud of the girls and their commitment this year! She is looking forward to next year when we are looking to play more matches against local primary schools and enter competitions..

The first week after Easter, Dosbarth Ddraig were amazed to find out that they were going to have their own personal hwb+ account. Parents from the classes were invited in to have a look around our Hwb+ and see what we are able to do at home. The first thing we did was change our profile pictures. We had a massive variety of different types of avatars, then we changed our theme there was loads of choices for everyone.

We learnt how to how to reply to our classes discussions. Mr. David set up discussions for us to use and now we are able to make our own discussions. Instead of giving us homework in class we can now do it on the Hwb+ class page and continue to contribute to our group work when we get home.

Each class has their own page. On this we can look at pictures and videos that we have done in class. We can show our parents what we get up to as well. There are also linked websites for educational games, so you can learn as well as have fun!

Finally we have been shown how to use our Hwb+ emails, we sent formal and informal e-mails to each other in the class and to other classes in the school. Now we are starting to use our office 365 apps such as Word and PowerPoint online.

Hwb+ is an educational and fun site that all of us enjoy!

We have really enjoyed our first year as FOPSA (Friends of Pentyrch School Association) Chair and. as ever.



remain grateful to the whole FOPSA team, the school and the wider community for their support in raising £3,500 since the start of the school year!

In March we held the annual Easter Egg Hunt which, despite the awful weather, was a great success, with over 90 families attending. April saw the brilliant 'Old Skool for New Skool' gig at Acapela, hosted by dads Richard Phillips and Andy Brockway who very kindly donated all proceeds from the evening to the school.

The Great Pentyrch Bake Off, held in May, was a first for us. This was an enjoyable day that encompassed the whole community, and we were truly overwhelmed by the number of people who took part. Chips also seemed to be in favour on the day – The Kings sold over 50kg of potatoes during the event!!

Funds raised have been used to purchase play and sports equipment and re-mark playground games and the netball court with further purchases to be made over the summer term. Alongside this, we have worked with Zoe Rogers to secure a grant from GE to develop a forestry school... more on this exciting development in the next edition.

Details of future events will be available via village notice boards, school newsletters or the school website. If you are interested in joining FOPSA, or if you have any fundraising ideas that you would like us to consider,

Please contact Nic and Em via email fopsachair@gmail.com

etitions.. Foundation Phase Garden Party

On Friday 22nd May the Foundation Phase ended their Theme 'In the Garden' with a garden party planned by the children of Dosbarth Daffodil. The children had worked very hard using their ICT skills to create posters, their language skills to write invitations and their maths skills to cost items for the party.

The Children invited their parents and siblings to join them play games and enjoy hotdogs and bug pots. Unfortunately the weather wasn't on our side and the bouncy castle had to be cancelled.

However in spite of this everybody had a lovely time playing a few competitive games of quick cricket and football, there were busy children building in the sand pit, children using the climbing equipment, riding bikes and playing pin the tail on the donkey.

We would like to thank all who came to join us and the parent helpers for their help and support it was very much appreciated. We look forward to holding similar events next year.

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Ddiwedd mis Chwefror cynhaliwyd Rifiw blynyddol Clwb y Dwrlyn. Nia a Colin Williams fu'n brysur yn cydlynu'r cyfan ac fe agorwyd y noson gyda theyrnged gynnes os doniol i Margaret ac Ifan Roberts a fu'n gyfrifol am y noson am nifer o flynyddoedd. Roedd y Rifiw yn wledd o hwyl a chwerthin.

Cynhaliwyd Cinio Gŵyl Ddewi Clwb y Dwrlyn yng Nghlwb Golff, Creigiau prynhawn Sul, Mawrth 1af. Arwel Ellis Owen, oedd ein gŵr gwadd, ac fe'n atgoffodd o'r criw bychan, brwd a gwlatgarol gychwynodd Clwb y Dwrlyn yn1979. Ac yn ôl y dystiolaeth mae'r Gymdeithas wedi mynd o nerth i nerth, y niferoedd o Gymry Cymraeg wedi tyfu a'r gefnogaeth yn dal yn frwd. Yn ei araith hynod ddifyr gwnaeth Arwel gwmpasu llawer. Anecdotau o fyd gwaith, ambell i dro trwstan tra'n teithio pellafoedd byd, ambell i berl o gamgymryd un person am un arall. Roedd y bwyd yn dda, y cwmni yn hynod ddifyr a'r Gŵr Gwadd yn tip-top! Diolch Arwel!

Yn dilyn y mwynhad a gafwyd y llynedd gwahoddwyd Frank Lincoln i'n diddanu unwaith eto a'r tro yma ymunodd Christine Pritchard a Geraint Wyn Davies ag e' wrth gyflwyno darnau o farddoniaeth a detholiadau o ddramau, yn eu plith Branwen ac Ar y Trên, Saunders Lewis (dramau a oedd yn unigryw am iddynt gael eu comisiynu gan y BBC ar gyfer y teledu.)

Dinbych y Pysgod oedd cyrchfan taith gerdded flynyddol Clwb y Dwrlyn ym mis Mai. Fe enwyd y criw o 36 yn "Clwb y Dwrlyn Ramblers " gan westy'r Parc. Ar y Sadwrn mewn tywydd ffafriol dechreuwyd ar y daith gerdded o Amroth nes cyrraedd Saundersfoot a chael picnic ar y traeth yno. Yna wrth i rai ddiffygio, aeth y gweddill dewr ymlaen am Ddinbych y Pysgod.

Alun Wyn Bevan fu'n tywys yr aelodau i Blaencwm ym mis Mehefin i glywed am y cynllun i ail-agor y twnel rheillfordd ac yna i weld rhyfeddod Sgwd Henrhyd — yr uchaf yn Ne Cymru.

Am wybodaeth am Clwb y Dwrlyn ffoniwch 029 20890040.

Merched y Wawr Cangen y Garth



Dr Gethin Ellis a staff Adran Cardioleg Ysbyty Morgannwg yn derbyn teclyn i fesur Curiad y Galon.

Cawsom ddathlu Gŵyl Ddewi mewn steil eto eleni yn Acapela ysblennydd! Daeth tua deugain ynghŷd i fwynhau doniau Steffan a Marged Jones y brawd a'r chwaer hynod dalentog o Gaerdydd. Fe'n croesawyd gan Hywel roddodd ychydig o hanes Acapela ddoe a heddiw

Noson yng nghwmni **Gill Griffiths** ydoedd **'Llaw ar y llyw'** - cyfarfod mis Mai. Orig hynod ddifyr lle bu Gill yn adrodd hanes ei dwy flynedd fel Llywydd Cenedlaethol y Mudiad. Roedd tri phen megis i Lywyddiaeth Gill - sef materion sy'n agos iawn at eich chalon - 'dysgwyr, drama a daioni' - ac fe weithiodd Gill yn ddi-flino a di-ildio dros yr agweddau hyn. Trwy 'Apêl y bagiau' fe godwyd y swm anhygoel o £24,000 tuag at waith Cymorth Cristnogol yn Ethiopia

Yn sgil sgwrs gan Dr Gethin Ellis i Ferched y Wawr cylfwynwyd rhodd ariannol i waith yr Adran Cardioleg Ysbyty Morgannwg. Defnyddiwyd yr arian i brynu teclyn i fesur Curiad y Galon a gwahoddwyd Gwenfil Thomas a Carol Williams i'r Ysbyty i drosglwyddo'r teclyn yn swyddogol i'r Adran.

Ym mis Mehefin aeth criw dethol i Grochendy Nantgarw ac fe'n croesawyd gan Gwen Griffiths a Jude! Cyfeillion Nantgarw. Gyda'i hafiaith arferol adroddodd Gwen hanes cynhyrchu llestri gorau'r byd ar un cyfnod yma yn Nantgarw. Byr ydoedd y cyfnod ond mae'r cynnyrch yn hynod hardd, yn hynod werthfawr ac yn drysor prin. Daethom i adnabod Mr William Billingsley a'i deulu ac hefyd Thomas Pardoe - dau o baentwyr tseina gorau Ewrop yn y cyfnod.

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Life saving work

This year has witnessed another magnificent response from our area to the annual Christian Aid appeal. Christian Aid Week this year happened to coincide with the first of the recent devastating earthquakes in Nepal and along with other members of the D.E.C. this charity acted quickly to assist in the relief effort. But Christian Aid works globally and seeks also to eradicate the causes of poverty, striving to achieve dignity, equality and freedom for all, regardless of faith or nationality. Those who posted and collected the envelopes in our villages spoke of the kindness they encountered on people doorsteps with thanking them for their efforts. These kinds words were well deserved as those who collected motivated purely by compassion for their brothers and sisters in dire need.

To those of you who have been generous enough to contribute, a massive word of thanks on behalf of the people whose life you have helped to save.

A fund-raising Christian Aid lunch was also held. So this money, along with that collected through the week some of which was gift-aided, an incredible £5,138.69 was raised in total. Thank you. Michael John

Pentyrch Bowling Club



Pentyrch Bowling Club recently enjoyed their 21st Annual Tour to Southsea. An excellent hotel on the seafront was marred on the first day with heavy rain which postponed the first fixture. Day two saw glorious sun and after some sightseeing in Portsmouth, the tourists narrowly lost to Waterside BC in the New Forest, Chippenham were the hosts for the final match of the tour and the very strong home side were too good on this occasion for the now weary tourists. Next year's tour is already in the advanced planning stages, which will help celebrate the 25th anniversary of the opening of the bowling green.

New members were welcome at the club as its' 2015 season opened in May, and anyone else is assured of some great fun in the sun if they should turn up on a Monday

CREIGIAU LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Creigiau Tennis Club would like to welcome members old and new to our 2015 Season. We have 3 all weather courts, one of which is floodlit, in a lovely setting on the Creigiau Recreation Ground.

We play all year round with a ladies' team during the summer months and, during the winter season we have a ladies' team and a mixed team.

Tennis coaching is available for both junior and senior members. For details of the coaching, subscription fees and any other queries please ring Trudi Evans on 20890036.

evening. If things proceed to plan the club should celebrate its 25th anniversary with a new clubhouse that will be the envy of all of South Wales. The club's 2 main supporters – Thomas Carroll Insurance & Carpet Services Cardiff, have boosted the club profile's with the generous sponsorship of striking new red match shirts.

The social side of the club is important and forthcoming attractions are the Race Night in the rugby club on 7th August, and a Treasure Hunt in September. The annual inter schools match between Ysgol Creigiau and Pentyrch will again be hotly contested in July. More details from Brian 20891814, or www.pentyrchbowlingclub.co.uk

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SCHOOL LANE GWAELOD Y GARTH PROJECT

A thirty year campaign to upgrade School Lane has an end in sight! A petition was handed to the Community Council 30 years ago; mountains of letters have been exchanged; articles have been published in the Link and the South Wales Echo. Meetings and site meetings have proliferated. Two County Councillors have been involved over the years.

The lane is a disgrace. Pot holes and flooding make it dangerous. Bits of old rail track iron stick up through an ever disintegrating surface. Children heading for school and residents alike plough through either mud or water. The lane is regularly impassable, the Main road has no pavement and is dangerous. Walkers and wheel chair users have no safe means to move through the village Ownership issues, quoted for the lack of repair, are now resolved. In 2014, as Chris Priday had done before him, Craig Williams, held meetings in the Village Hall. A consultation displayed CCC's three option discussion document for moving forward. The Option for a complete upgrade of School Lane was chosen by residents.

Cardiff County Council have agreed they need to support 'safe routes to schools' as this is a Welsh Government and Council objective. The Council has developed a basic full scheme which is 'draft' and as yet has not been approved or agreed. Any scheme that is agreed will prevent the road being utilised as a through road. This is of paramount importance as School Lane narrows as you approach the school and therefore encouraging through traffic would be detrimental to the objective of providing a safe route to school.

Discussions are now ongoing between, CCC, Pentyrch Community Council and all residents to iron out any last minute hitches and ensure that positive progress is made to finally resolving this long running issue'.



Creigiau Companions

Are you retired or at a loose end? Why not join us in Creigiau Companions for an afternoon with a stimulating speaker, lively discussion and a good natter over a cup of tea and a biscuit?

All retired people (that does not mean of pensionable age!) are welcome at our meetings that take place every other Thursday throughout the year at 2 p.m. in the Church Hall in Creigiau. There is no joining fee; just pay your £2 each meeting and spend a pleasant afternoon in pleasant company.

During July the meetings will be on 2nd, 16th, 30th so why not come along? Our members are mainly from Creigiau and Pentyrch, but others come from Pontyclun, Llandaff, Efailisaf and Rhydlafar.

For more information telephone: - 20891721. John Gough





The 29th Pentyrch Hill Race. 7 miles; 1600 feet climb

We had been lucky with the mainly dry weather leading up to the event. On the night, it was dry but cold & very windy, though that wind combined with the underfoot conditions may have helped produce the fast times.

After last year's record entry of 248, it was a delight to record another big field, with the entries reaching 246. This year's winner was Harry Jones (Mynyddwyr de Cymru). His winning time of 43:45 was the fastest since 2007 - when there were only 104 competitors!

Despite running the first 16 miles of the London marathon on the Sunday, Daniel Bodman claimed second spot (44:55), 55 seconds ahead of a second Mynyddwyr de Cymru athlete, Chris Jones (45:50), who held off the challenge from Peter Ryder by seven seconds. Peter had finished 21st in the Greater Manchester Marathon earlier in the month. Thomas Burden (unattached), a top five finisher for the last three years, slipped down to sixth this year in a time of 47:29, just outside his best of 47:08 set in 2014. This year, Peter Coles regained that 'first vet' to finish title, coming home 16th in 49:43.

In 2012, there were 27 women competing. The number increased to 48 in 2013 while, last year, there were 61. We had a new total this year - 63, including 40 seniors. This the first woman to finish was last year's junior winner Clara Evans (Pontypridd Roadents) who improved her 2014 time (59:15) by just under six minutes (53:31), finishing 40th to claim the win on her first appearance as a senior. Niki Morgan (Chepstow Harriers, W45) last year's winner, was the first woman over 40, in 63rd with 56:04. There were five other women in the top 100.

There was good support from local clubs - Les Croupiers, Pontypridd Roadents, and San Domenico as, for the seventh consecutive year, the event included the South Wales Regional Hill Running championships, with individual and team medals on offer.





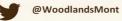




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James Llewellyn:07739 461 791 The provisional date for next year's event is Tuesday.

Oscar Peña: 07779 192 922

Organised by St Catwg's Church with support from Les Croupiers and others. Adapted from a report by Peter Morris

April 26th, 2016

Montessori Education Coming to Creigiau

With the exciting news that the first fully Montessori nursery in Cardiff will be opening in Creigiau you may be wondering what Montessori is all about. Maria Montessori was the first woman to graduate from Medical School in 1896 from the University in Rome. She became interested in education when treating children with special needs. She developed an approach to teaching to help aid the children's development. Children who were deemed incapable of learning progressed remarkably and started writing. It was then that people began to take note. Montessori accepted a new challenge to open a childcare centre in a poor inner-city district. Utilizing scientific observation and experience from her earlier work she designed learning materials and a classroom environment that fostered the children's natural desire to learn. The centre was a resounding success and as news spread more and more schools put her methods into practice. By 1910 Montessori schools were acclaimed worldwide. There are now 22,000 Montessori schools in at least 110 countries and many aspects of early years education have used elements of her methodology. A key aspect of Montessori education is that each child works at their own pace and is encouraged to follow their interests. Montessori is recognised for its ability to empower people to think outside the box and some famous Montessori Alumni include the founders of google, wikipedia and amazon.



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Pentyrch Open Gardens



I hope you have noticed the new planters around the village! These have been provided by Pentyrch Open Gardens with some help from Neighbourhood watch and CEMEX. A subcommittee was formed to oversee this work and huge thanks must go to Dave Bilham of Sunnybank who is responsible for growing and planting both the summer schemes and the winter ones. Thank to the community council for allowing these to be placed.

The cost of the planters is huge - £1107 for 3 plus compost, plants, fertilizers etc. for planters, hanging baskets and troughs - totalling approximately £2200. We want to add a few more planters and try to add some Christmas decorations too. Pentyrch Open Gardens will continue to co-ordinate this and help fund some of this if you want to join the community planting sub committee see contact details at the end! Any offers to help with the watering will be gratefully received as only the baskets are on an irrigation system.

A Quiz night will be held on Saturday 5th September to start the Winter Planting fund - please come along and do your bit! Please contact Chris or Helen Edwards 20891337

CLWB GWYLLBWYLL PENTYRCH CHESS CLUB

Our 2014-15 season in the East Glamorgan Chess League was marked by a prolonged spell when both our teams lingered in the relegation zones - in Divisions 2 and 3 respectively. Those games of dalliance with danger ended when each of the teams (Pentyrch 'A', captained by Mike Maguire, and Pentyrch 'B', led by Matthew Lunnon) made strenuous efforts to revive their fortunes. By the end of April they succeeded in making good their escapes from the lower depths and achieved places in mid-table.

A disappointment, though, was losing both the home and away friendly matches against the Downend and Fishponds team from Bristol.

New members of the club are always welcome and can contact Viv Martin on 2089 1402 for details. More information about the club is on www.pentyrchchess.co.uk. We are indebted to Ray Angle for maintaining it and, over the last year or so, for inputting all the club results since 1982/83. Membership subscriptions remain at £20pa.

After taking a break during the summer, the club will resume in September 2015 on Monday evenings at 7.30pm in the Kings Arms. We remain most grateful to Andy and the staff at the Kings Arms for accommodating us and the visiting teams and look forward to continuing this long-standing arrangement.

Creigiau Quarry — Proposals to re-open

The History of Creigiau Quarry Creigiau Quarry is a long established limestone quarry which lies to the east of Creigiau and to the west of Pentyrch. Quarrying at the site for building stone and aggregate began in around 1890. It later became an important source of limestone for use in the production of steel at the East Moors Iron and Steelworks in Cardiff.

The quarry temporarily stopped production in 1978 when the East Moors Steelworks closed. It was then acquired in 1986 by Tarmac and quarrying was resumed, primarily to provide aggregate for the construction industry, as well as limestone for use in the Port Talbot Steelworks. Work was temporarily stopped again in 2002, however, planning permission to quarry at the site remains in place. Cardiff Council's Proposals on Quarrying at Creigiau

The draft Cardiff City Council Local Development Plan (LDP) includes a series of proposals relating to the future of Creigiau Quarry. These include a desire to prevent further extraction of limestone within parts of the permitted south western and north western areas of the quarry which contain ancient woodland and associated wildlife interest.

Instead, the LDP allocates alternative land for quarrying to the south east of the existing quarry. This area does not have the same landscape woodland constraints and would provide equivalent reserves while protecting the landscape in the south western and north western areas.

With the improving economic outlook, Lafarge Tarmac intends to re-open the Creigiau Quarry, and are preparing plans on how the quarry should be worked and progressively restored.

For more details see their website www.lafargetarmac.com/creigiau, and follow the link at the bottom of the web page

Operations at the existing quarry are regulated by planning conditions issued in 1994 and 1997. The end date for quarrying imposed by these planning conditions is February 2042. There are already conditions in place from previous planning permissions that control a number of en vironmental considerations, including working hours, noise, blast vibration and dust. Because these were put in place over 20 years ago,



Cllr Graham Thomas and Community Cllr Nikki Howard at the open evening

if planning permission is granted for the proposed development, Lafarge Tarmac intend to take the opportunity to work with the local authority to update these controls to ensure we implement the most modern conditions and environmental controls across the whole quarry area. When the quarry re-opens, additional controls on the operation of the mobile processing plant will be enforced via an Environmental Permit.

They will also undertake an Environmental Impact Assessment to consider the potential environmental effects of the development, and the mitigation measures they can put in place to minimise potential impacts.

The intention to re-open the quarry was announced to the village with an invite to attend a public drop-in session held at Creigiau Golf Club on the 9th June. Unsurprisingly this has resulted in a significant public reaction and a petition against the opening has already been circulated.

Blank copies can be obtained from Lady Janes, Pentyrch Pharmacy, The Creigiau Inn and the Creigiau Post Office

From the numerous articles received by the Community Council the points raised include that:-

- The potential structural damage to homes from blasting
- Lararge are expecting to remove between 3-400,000 tonnes of stone each year carried by up to 70 lorries (140 trips) entering and leaving the site each day.
- Damage to Pantygored Road which isn't suitable for trucks as

- there isn't sufficient space to pass two trucks without mounting the pavement.
- Dust is produced as a result of crushing and the blasting of the lime stone with explosives
- The quarry is literally just over two fields away from Pentyrch School, but LaFarge want to quarry the stone from even nearer. This will be a huge problem for those of our children who suffer with asthma or allergies.
- The health problems will particularly affect the school which will be one of the closest building and will suffer reduced air quality in the playground.
- Noise from the crushing and grinding operations
- The skate park at the Creigiau Recreation field has been built by the County Council since the quarry was last closed. It is located less than 20 metres from the quarry access road down a steep bank. The dust from the access road would cover everything and everyone using the skate park, not to mention the dangers of children playing metres from HGV traffic passing above them
- Concerns about reinstatement proposals when the quarry finish it's operations. The include concerns it could be used for landfill or become another Cosmeston lake. Details of the company proposals are on their website see above.

Arrangements are being drawn up to establish a Liaison committee with Lafarge-Tarmac involving the County Councillors, Community Councillors, local representatives although at this early stage this has not been formalised yet. However it is hoped that if a liaison committee does evolve it will have influence on the planning application that is eventually submitted.

Editor's Note

This article does not necessarily reflect the views of the Community Council who have not as yet had any opportunity to discuss the proposals to re-open the quarry. The article has been constructed from extracts from the Lafarge-Tarmac website and the various articles and letters received by the Community Council for inclusion in the Community Link.