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WHAT CAN A POPPY DO?

With a typical British summer receding once again Remembrance Sunday will soon be in the thoughts of many while others may well question "What is the Royal British Legion? Why a poppy appeal? What does the Legion do? The answer to these questions takes us back to the First World War and the cessation of hostilities in 1918. Servicemen returning from the battlefields of France had been led to believe that they would be returning to a land fit for heroes- but what did they find? They did in fact return to a shambles: - mass unemployment, lack of housing, pension problems and no medical care. In consequence several ex-service organisations sprang up to fight for improvements and a fair deal.

The new battle, this time for social justice, was accelerating. In 1921 various ex-service organisations combined to form the British Legion. The registered charity was granted its Royal Charter by King George V and in 1971 the Legion was honoured by the pre-fix "Royal" its patron being the Queen.

It was in 1915 at Ypres that Col John Mcrae, a Canadian army surgeon wrote the poem "Flanders Fields". He died in France in 1918 in France from wounds. The Punch magazine had published his poem in 1915. Miss Michael, an American who worked for the YMCA, saw this. She wrote a reply

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and started to wear a red poppy to symbolise her keeping the faith. Miss Michael later met Madam Gwerin the Secretary of the French YMCA who suggested red poppies should be made and sold to help ex-servicemen and their dependants.

These two ladies were to make history and the first official Poppy Day was on the 11th November 1921 - three years after the official cessation of hostilities. This raised £106,000 from poppies actually made in France. They then took over a disused factory in the Old Kent Road and went into production with 5 employees before moving premises to Richmond in 1926.

There are approximately 3500 branches of the Legion, including some in Spain, France, Germany and other countries. There are some 900 Legion Clubs and in total the Legion has a total membership in excess of 800,000.

The object of the Legion is to promote the welfare of both serving and ex-service men and women, their dependants and to relieve hardships where they exist. It is most important to note that you do not have to be a member of the Legion to seek its help. The call on funds is immense. It must be realised that in this country there are 8 million ex-service personnel with some 10 million dependants. This accounts for almost a third of the population.

The Legion receives approximately 200,000 calls for help each year. The assistance given by the Legion can take many forms such as: -

1. Financial Help towards the purchase of food clothing bedding etc. After full and proper investigation payments are made direct to suppliers and not to the individual applicants.
2. Convalescent Holidays are provided for the sick and recuperating patients in three high class purposely designed homes. The nearest to this area is in Weston Super Mare.
3. War Pensions. More than 50,000 are helped each year regarding War Pensions including 2,000 or more War Pension Appeal Tribunals. This work is done free of charge by the Legion.

4. Homes for the Aged. There are six Residential Homes the nearest being at Rhayader in Mid Wales.
5. War Graves Pilgrimages. A thousand people are helped each year to visit War Graves throughout the world covering up to 25 countries. Many of those helped are of course widows of men killed in action.
6. RBL Training Centre Tidworth for the training of ex-personnel in trades and modern technology.
7. Employment. The Legion has several associated companies including the security arm and RBL Industries,
8. Youth Activities supports the "exchange student" arrangement with South Korea
9. Disabled People The largest employer of disabled people. The poppy factory alone employs over 150 people and each year makes 35 million poppies, 76000 wreathes and 250,000 Remembrance crosses.

This brief summary indicates the vast amount of work done by the legion. The immense costs involved will be obvious hence the need for the Poppy Appeal.

The poppy appeal has increased each year since 1970 keeping pace with inflation for example in 1985 it was £7.08 million and in 1996 just short of £16 million whilst 1999 has seen a total of £19 million with a target for 2000 of £20 million.

The legion being non-political, non-sectarian and non-denominational has enjoyed the support of a generous public for many years and hopefully this will continue. As many of those involved in the last war are now in their late seventies and eighties they frequently require help. As do the younger men and women who have served their country in such conflicts and areas as Korea, Malaya, Aden, the Falklands, Northern Ireland, Kuwait and so many more.

The wearing of the Poppy is a symbol of faith and gratitude. The motto of the Legion "Service not Self" is one we all may wish to bear uppermost in our minds as we go about our daily lives in this materialistic society.

BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION COFFEE MORNING

A Coffee Morning in aid of the British Heart Foundation will be held at the Old Church Rooms, Park Road Radyr on Tuesday 24th October. Starting at 10.30.am, there will be the usual range of coffee morning treats - home produce stall, bric a brac and a raffle, as well as British Heart Foundation roses, badges and, dare I say, Christmas Cards. Tickets will be available on the door or in advance from Glenda Meakin on 20890148.

Profits from the morning will fund research into the causes and treatment of heart disease, rehabilitation and support for people with heart problems, education and the purchase of life saving cardiac equipment.

Don't miss this opportunity of not only supporting a worthwhile cause, but also of seeing the lovely refurbished ceiling in the Garth Room.



PARTI 21 Clwb y Dwrlyn

Eleni mae Clwb y Dwrlyn yn dathlu ei benblwydd yn un ar hugain. Daeth yr aelodau ynghyd i dathlu yn Llyscoed ar noson braf o haf. Cafwyd hwyl yn chwarae gemau, gwledda ac wedi torri'r deisen hardd, cafwyd tan gwyllt i ddiweddu'r noson. Bydd Clwb y Dwrlyn yn ail gychwyn yn yr hydref ac, os hoffech fwy o wybodaeth, cysylltwch a John Williams-rhif ffon 029 20890101

URDD NATIONAL EISTEDDFOD - CARDIFF & THE VALE 2001

The Appeal Committee for Creigiau, Pentyrch and Gwaelod-y-Garth is pleased with the initial progress over the summer. At the end of July, £4,200 had been raised towards the target of £15,000 by June 2001. The bulk of this was from early Gift Aid donations and chairman John Williams (20890101) will be pleased to receive further contributions throughout the year.

There were two busy Jumble Sales at Pentyrch Village Hall and the cast of the Welsh Soap Opera, Pobol-y-Cwm, had a most enjoyable Cricket Day at Creigiau.

Nearly 200 people turned out for a Fun Sports Event for the local children at Pentyrch Rugby Club on a splendid summer evening when the Eisteddfod mascots, Bute and Bro, made an appearance.

A Summer Supper evening with Brian and Enid Davies of Heol Pantygored raised over £500 with generous donations for raffle and auction.

The next main event is a Twmpath with Jac-y-Do in Neuadd Dowlais, Crown Hill on the 6th October.

EISTEDDFOD GENEDLAETHOL YR URDD - CAERDYDD A'R FRO, 2001

Mae Pwyllgor Apel Y Creigiau, Pentyrch a Gwaelod-y-Garth yn fodlon gyda'r cynnydd hyd yn hyn. Erbyn diwedd mis Gorffennaf, fe codwyd £4,200 tuag at y nod o £15,000. Roedd y cyfraniad mwyaf yn dod o rhoddion cymorth cynnar, a bydd John Williams (20890101) yn falch i dderbyn rhagor drwy gydol y flwyddyn.

Bu dwy Ffair Sborion brysur yn Neuadd y Pentref Pentyrch, ac mwyhwyd diwrnod hwylus dros ben o griced gyda chast Pobol-y-Cwm. Llwyddiant hefyd oedd y Rali-Gamps dan ofal Peter Evans a Dewi Hughes yng Nghlwb Rygbi Pentyrch. Noswaith o haf yn llawn sbri i blant yr ardal, ac ymweliad arbennig gan Bute a Bro, mascots yr Eisteddfod.

Fe godwyd dros £500 mewn Swper Haf yn Heol Pantygored gyda Brian ac Enid Davies.

Mae sawl peth ar y gweill ond yr achlysur mawr nesaf yw'r Twmpath gyda Jac-y-Do yn Neuadd Dowlais ar 6ed Hydref.



Fun Sports Event with the Eisteddfod mascots, Bute and Bro

25TH ANNIVERSARY

Were you one of the founder members of the Pentyrch Village Hall 25 years ago in 1976?

We're planning a celebration for our "silver" anniversary on April 7th 2001, and would love to hear from anyone still in the area, (or not!), who was involved in the early days. It should be a special night for everybody; reviving old memories and informing "new" villagers of the huge effort made to have a Pentyrch Community Hall.

Please contact me if you know of anyone who would be interested in helping in the celebrations. Book the date in your diary now and look out for more details in December's Link. Barbara Rodd; Tel. 2089 1584

PENTYRCH BOWLING CLUB

Although we are approaching the end of the competitive bowling season outdoors. The rink will remain open into September and it is a good time for newcomers to visit us and receive some coaching ready for next year !... No membership fees are involved for this year.

We hold a club night every Monday at 6.00pm. This is a fun evening and is well attended. Anyone who would like to try their hand at bowling are most welcome and we will provide the bowls and tuition. You are sure to enjoy the friendly atmosphere and the social side of the game. For any further information contact Mr.N.Poulson (Secretary) on 029 20891259.

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CANTORION CREIGIAU

Reg. Charity No. 505574

Cantorion Creigiau have had another highly successful and busy year. They have travelled many miles and raised money for many charities.

The Choir has performed 13 concerts around the country. Two of these were a first not only for Cantorion Creigiau but for the organising bodies. In March the Choir travelled to Chelmsford, the first time a mixed choir had entertained the Chelmsford and District Welsh Society. In April they travelled to Sudbury, Suffolk. Both were very successful with return visits possible in the future.

As well as their concert bookings the Choir have taken on extra work this last year as they were invited to participate in several events. One came from BBC. Radio Wales to sing in the World Cup Rugby Programme which went out live, nightly, from the Slurping Toad in Cardiff. Following the success they were invited to sing for a second evening.

The Choir participated in the Songs of Praise held on January 2nd. live from the Millennium Stadium. This was indeed something different, and special, to say that we were part of this celebration.

In April a return weekend visit to Dublin took place. A concert was given in the Castlewarden Golf Club, County Kildare on the Friday evening and on Saturday the Choir entertained a few hundred at a Hospitality event in The Bank of Ireland prior to the Wales v Ireland rugby match. As many people discover the hospitality by the people of Dublin has to be experienced to be believed.

About 18 months ago Mair Roberts and Rev. Graham Holcombe discussed the possibility of the choir singing a work to celebrate the Millennium. As part of Pentyrch 2000 Celebrating the Millennium May 14th. this year St. Catwgs Church Pentyrch was the venue for a "Come Sing Messiah". Graham Holcombe was the organist, Kate Burnett the pianist. Soloists were



The photograph shows Judith Clarke (left) Chairman of Cantorion Creigiau and Mair Coles, Publicity Officer, presenting the money to John Burnett, Appeals Co-ordinator of Velindre Hospital.

Mair Roberts, Ray Pye (Choir member), Jeff Davies and Elizabeth Toye both of Creigiau. The Choir sang selected choruses. The Church was full and the evening was enjoyed by all and was the accumulation of months of hard work, on top of their weekly rehearsal night. A repeat performance was held in a full St. Mary's Church, Whitchurch 28th. June and raised £400 for their Organ Appeal.

The Choir now in their 30th. year also held a concert in the All Nations Centre, Heath, Cardiff on June 17th. their 500th. performance. All proceeds went to Velindre Hospital Scanner Appeal, as a thank you from the Choir, for the care and treatment given to several members over the years. Stan Stennett, a Patron of the Hospital was the Guest Compere. It was a successful night for the Choir and financially for Velindre Hospital. Donations and profits from the concert enabled us to give the Hospital £1,232. A big thank you to all who attended or gave donations.

Arranged via their internet site a joint concert was given with Montpelier Combined Choir from Vermont, U.S.A. on June 24th. in Bethany Baptist Church, Rhiwbina. It was the only concert given in Wales by the American Choir, in fact they spent only 7 hours in total in Cardiff, before returning to Bath to conclude their tour. An invitation

has been given to Cantorion Creigiau to visit Vermont.

The Choir is now having a well earned rest until they re-commence rehearsals at Creigiau School Sunday September 10th. at 7.30p.m. and every Sunday during school term time. Anyone wishing to join us please come along. Bass and Tenors are especially welcome to boost the sections. All styles of music both in English and Welsh are in the Choirs' repertoire, concerts are always bilingual and sometimes with non-musical items as part of the evenings' entertainment. By reading this article you can see we do have a busy, but variable and enjoyable time.

We have bookings for next season into 2001 and next February we plan to record a C.D. as we have sold out of our previous recordings. Further tours abroad are also being discussed. The Community Carol Singing will take place again in Creigiau Church Hall on Sunday 17th. December. There is possibly a joint concert to be held with the children of the locality, in aid of the Urdd Eisteddfod being held next year in Cardiff.

Please come and support us when we give concerts in the locality. Become a member if you enjoy singing. We have many followers further afield but does need the support of the village.

MAIR COLES (Publicity Officer)

LOCAL POLICE NOTES

Scrambler Motorcycle Complaints.

Regular complaints are being received about the illegal use of scrambler motorcycles. There has been an apparent increase in the use of these machines recently by youngsters from the villages. Danger and annoyance is caused to members of the public. Farm animals have been chased and damage caused to farm fencing etc. Some activity is taking place at Pentyrch quarry and the nearby woods. The quarry management do not allow people to trespass on the site, which is dangerous at the best of times, a recent example of this danger is highlighted by the lad in the Gwent area who was buried in sand on such a site.

I am not aware of any locations around this area where these machines can be lawfully used. If you are a parent reading this please consider the health and safety of your child. Ensure that your child is properly supervised and uses his machine where he has permission to do so. If you can't comply with these conditions I would urge you to think twice about spending money on a machine that can not be used legally. The law on this matter (Road traffic Act 1988) makes it an offence without lawful authority to drive/ride a motor vehicle on land not being part of a road.

Youths Annoyance.

Complaints have been received about large groups of youngsters gathering in certain locations close to residential properties such as the grass area at Heol Y Bryn, Pentyrch during the summer evenings. The youngsters have been getting drunk and end up becoming a nuisance to residents by their behaviour, resulting in a call to the police. Also the amount of empty beer cans and litter etc left behind has to be seen to be believed.

There is a certain amount of criticism from some parents that the youngsters have to do something. However the real test is would you like to have fifteen drunken youngsters sat outside your house all evening. Please ensure that you know what your youngsters are doing when they go out in the evenings.

Crime Trends.

The majority of burglaries that are evident in our areas at the current time involve theft of tools, cycles and lawn mowers from sheds and garages. Please ensure that these premises are secured and security is adequate to house valuable property.

Community Spirit.

On a more positive note I would like to thank the public spirited attitude shown by several youngsters from the Creigiau area.

They observed a car being driven around in a reckless manner and began to suspect that something was amiss. As a result of their prompt action in contacting the police four persons were arrested for the theft of this car, having abandoned the car and were detained running into the Pentyrch children's park.

CLWB CRICED CREIGIAU CRICKET CLUB

As the 2000 season draws rapidly to a close, the Club will be holding its annual presentation evening at Creigiau Church Hall on Saturday 23rd September. Please see any Committee member for more details.

This season has seen more success for the club with the senior side reaching its first ever cup final in the mid week league cup, playing Barry Internationals at the Barry Island ground. In an exciting



Winners of the Junior six-a-side competition 2000 season.

match, Creigiau batted first, but after a good start could only manage 99 runs from the 20 overs. However good bowling and fielding kept the pressure on the opposition, but the Internationals finally won with only one ball to spare.

All the senior and junior teams have continued to consolidate their positions in their respective league competitions and the annual six-a side weekend was again successfully

enjoyed by all. Next year the club is hoping to field a second XI weekend league team, particularly to provide regular matches for the talented younger cricketers being developed through the club's junior structure.

Anyone who is interested in any aspect of the club should contact Peter Morgan, Club Secretary on 20890828.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Light at the end of the tunnel

Residents in the Heol y Bryn, Heol Gam area will have noticed a new street light on the footpath between the two street. Following requests from residents the Community Council approached the County to request a light was installed. Unfortunately the County were unable to assist and so the Community Council have installed the light for the benefit of residents.

New Bus shelter for Creigiau

At last Creigiau is to have a bus shelter. Following consultation with the Community Council the County are to install a bus stop opposite the Church Hall. This location was chosen as it will serve both bus routes and cause least disruption to neighbouring residents

Creigiau Post Box

The Community Council have received confirmation from the Post office that the post box outside the old Post office will be moved nearer to the One Stop Store as soon as possible.

Asda Bus

Did you know there is a free bus service to Asda Coryton from Pentyrch, Creigiau and Gwaelod y Garth. The bus starts from Queen Charlotte Drive at 11.30 and travels through Creigiau stopping at Station Road at 11.35, Pentyrch stopping at the shops at 11.41 and down to Gwaelod y Garth stopping at Garth Newydd 11.48. The bus runs Wednesday and Fridays and will pick up at all bus stops on route.

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS

00/00915/W	Pentyrch	Mr D Thomas, 11 Troed y Garth, - part demolition of garage and utility room and construction of 2 storey side extension containing garage utility room and play room ground floor and lounge bedroom and ensuite shower 1st floor
00/00976/W	Creigiau	Persimmon Houses, Land off Brummell Drive, - erection of two detached dwellings
00/01035/W	Gwaelod y Garth	Ms A Enoch, Heol Berry, - single storey rear playroom extension
00/01037/W	Pentyrch	Mr & Mrs Mullard, 2 Brodeg, - extension to living accommodation, porch and conservatory
00/01040/W	Creigiau	Mr & Mrs P O'Reilly, 3 Llys Dyfrig, - single storey extension to side of property
00/01068/W	Pentyrch	J Barry Davis & Betty A Cerrig Lloyd, Plot fronting Lon y Goch, Heol Y Parc one two storey dwelling
00/01143/W	Gwaelod y Garth	Primary School, Main Road, Gwaelod y Garth CCC temporary (demountable) classroom unit and covered play area
00/01172/W	Pentyrch	Mr A J Loveless, 22 Lon y Fro, - 2 storey rear extension and single storey side extension and pitch roof to garage
00/01191/W	Creigiau	Mr C H Edwards, 20 Parc y Fro, - single storey extension with kitchen and attic room on side elevation
00/01240/W	Rhydlafar	Crest Homes (South West) Ltd, roundabout at junction of Heol Isaf with Llantrisant Rd.
00/01270/W	Rhydlafar	Barratt South Wales, Prince of Wales Hospital & BTC, Llantrisant Road - Replan of plots 1B - 77B and 19W-23W and 1W-17W
00/01319/W	Pentyrch	Mr & Mrs Simon Walrond, land at 1 Penmaes, - erection of one dwelling

Planning Permission refused

99/02093/W	Capel Llanilltern	temporary caravan for agricultural worker personal permission for life South View Farm, Holdings Lane,
00/00583/W	Creigiau	proposed first floor extension to existing house 11 Llys Dyfodwg,

Planning permission granted

00/00708/W	Pentyrch	barn conversion to swimming pool and changing facilities, Pentwyn House, Heol y Parc,
99/01296/W	Rhydlafar	erection of 155 two & three storey dwellings with garages and associated works together with neighbourhood store, Prince of Wales Hospital & BTC, Llantrisant Road

Appeal against refusal of permission

Creigiau	erection of illuminated vertical sign at former Creigiau Motors, Cardiff Road,
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PENAWDAU'R CYNGOR CYMUNED

Bws Asda

Oeddech chi'n gwybod fod bws rhad ac am ddim o Bentyrch, Creigiau a Gwaelod y Garth i Asda Coryton. Mae'r bws yn cychwyn o Queen Charlotte Drive am 11.30 yn teithio trwy Creigiau gan aros yn Station Road am 11.35, mae'n aros ger y siopau ym Mhentyrch am 11.41 ac yna i lawr i Waelod y Garth gan aros yn Garth Newydd am 11.48. Mae'r bws yn rhedeg ar ddydd Mercher a dydd Gwener a bydd yn codi ar bob arhosfa ar y ffordd.

Bydded Goleuni

Mae trigolion ardal Heol y Bryn a Heol Gam wedi sylwi ar olau stryd newydd ar y llwybr rhwng y ddwy heol. Yn dilyn ceisiadau gan drigolion bu'r Cyngor Cymuned yn gofyn i Gyngor Sir Caerdydd i osod golau. Yn anffodus nid oedd y Cyngor Sir yn fodlon cynorthwyo ac felly gosodwyd y golau gan y Cyngor Cymuned er budd y trigolion.

PENTYRCH MID-SUMMER MILLENNIUM LUNCH

A Mid-summer Millennium Lunch was held in Pentyrch Village Hall on a very wet Thursday in June for the senior citizens of the area. However, the weather did not detract from the delicious lunch served inside the hall. More than 40 senior citizens from the Creigiau, Gwaelod y Garth and Pentyrch areas attended the lunch and an enjoyable afternoon was had by all. The lunch was rounded off with a raffle and a game of Bingo.

Our thanks to every one who made the event such a success especially the volunteers in the kitchen who prepared and served the food, the volunteer drivers and the local community council for help with funding the event.

Cysgodfa Bws Newydd i Greigiau

O'r diwedd bydd Creigiau yn cael cysgodfa bws. Yn dilyn ymgynghoriad gyda'r Cyngor Cymuned mae'r Cyngor Sir am osod cysgodfa gyferbyn Neuadd yr Eglwys. Dewiswyd y safle hwn oherwydd y bydd yn gwasanaethu y ddau wasanaeth bws a bydd yn cael llai o effaith ar drigolion cyfagos.

Blwch Post Creigiau

Mae'r Cyngor Cymuned wedi derbyn cadarnhad oddi wrth y Swyddfa Bost y symudir y blwch post o'i safle ger yr hen Swyddfa Bost i leoliad yn agosach at y siop One Stop cyn gynted â phosib.

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PENTTYRCH CRICKET CLUB

Penttyrch C.C. has historically been blessed with an abundant assortment of cricketing characters - from the early 1880's the founder, Morgan Thomas, a local school master captured the cricketing imagination, passed on to Shoni Israel, who played with bare feet and big hitting Tom Miles who

reputedly in 1909 struck the ball from Clawdd Shon to Penygarn fields.

Another early benefactor, Colonel Henry Lewis and local grocer E.T. Lewis were devoted to village cricket life, as was Conway Lewis and Trefor Mr. Cricket Llewellyn.

With Welsh league division two championship success in year 2000 one perhaps detects a twinkling eye from our illustrious predecessors, particularly as their club traditions of sporting fellowship and consumption of fine ales are being so enthusiastically upheld.

Most encouragingly our junior and youth boys excitedly arrive in vast numbers attracted by the adventure of our great game - like generations before. J M.

CYLCH MEITHRIN GWAELOD Y GARTH Y FESTRI CAPEL BETHLEHEM MAIN ROAD GWAELOD Y GARTH

Mae Cylch Meithrin Gwaelod y Garth gyda llefoedd ar gael yn Mis Medi am blant o 2l i oedran ysgol.
Rydyn ni ar agor dydd Llun i ddydd Gwener 9 a.m. tan 3.15 p.m.

Cylch Meithrin Gwaelod y Garth has places available in September for children from 2 to school age.
We are open Monday to Friday 9 a.m. until 3.15 p.m. All our sessions are suitable for children who will be going to either the Welsh or English medium units in Ysgol Gwaelod y Garth.

Gallwch i fewn neu ffoniwch ni
Call in and see us or give us a ring 20813980

Rydyn ni'n edrych ymlaen at weld chi,
We look forward to seeing you,
Ann Williams & Judith Gough

PENTTYRCH OPEN GARDENS

On July 1st and 2nd 2000, the inaugural Open Gardens Weekend was held in Penttyrch. A passing remark last year led to 22 gardens being opened up to the public; approximately 450 tickets sold; and £1500 profit being given as a donation to Penttyrch Village Hall for the Car Park fund.

Most importantly, it was a community event, with new and old villagers alike mixing and getting to know each other. It was summed up best by a gardener telling an organiser that they "haven't stopped smiling all weekend."

Visitors came from, amongst other places, Bridgend, Dowlais, Dinas Powys, Creigiau, Radyr and Morganstown, to see the village and went away promising to come again - what an advertisement for Community Spirit!

Next year, the Open Gardens event is planned for 30th June / 1st July 2001 with at least twelve additional gardens to view. If you are interested in getting involved - organisation, raising plants, selling tickets, opening your garden - then please come along to our first meeting at 8pm. on September 22nd at Penttyrch Village Hall, or contact either Helen Edwards (20891337) or Barbara Rodd (20891584).



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END OF AN ERA

The end of an academic year always brings joys and sadness. So it was at the end-of-term celebrations for Pentyrch Nursery. The children enjoyed their end of term party and the magic show by Eric and Elsie.

However much the children enjoyed the day; it brought to an end a long-term commitment to the very young children of the village by "Auntie" Carol Saint and "Auntie" Muriel Gough. Carol had been the organising inspiration behind the Nursery for the last ten years, but she felt it was time for someone else to take over and leave her free to develop other interests. Muriel had been an "Auntie" at the nursery since it first started in January 1976 soon after the opening of the Village Hall, completing an amazing 24 years and 2 terms! No wonder she is known to so many of the village's youngsters as "Auntie Muriel"! After all that time she was probably seeing the children of the children she first met almost 25 years ago!

"Aunties", from times past and current, gathered for a celebratory drink after the children had left and again later that day at the Lewis' Arms to reminisce and wish one another well for the future.

Both Carol and Muriel were moved by the many tokens of good will from colleagues and parents both



past and present; they would like to thank everyone for their kindness, cards, flowers and presents.

Fortunately for the village, a new nursery will be established in September. J.G.

PENTYRCH SENIOR YOUTH CLUB FOR THE 13+'S

HELD ON THURSDAY NIGHT
AT THE SCOUT HUT
7pm-9pm

HELP URGENTLY NEEDED TO SUPERVISE

Please ring the Community
Council Office on 20891417 to
leave Name & Contact Number

We need your help to carry on.

If you can spare any time we could
have a rota of helpers

CREIGIAU COMPANIONS

Creigiau Companions a group for people over 60 meet alternate Thursdays at Creigiau Church Hall from 14.00 -16.00.

Events planned for the autumn includes: -

- 14 Sept Gardening with Harry Mason (If wet in the hall, if fine in the garden)
- 28 Sept Trip to St Fagans.
- 12 Oct Poetry Reading. Bring your favourite poem to read or to be read by another.

New members would be very welcome and transport can be provided through the Good Neighbours Scheme for anybody who would otherwise be unable to attend. Entrance 50p (includes refreshments and a raffle)

For further information please contact Barbara Willis of the Good Neighbours Scheme. Tel 2084 2404

GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME

TUESDAY LUNCH CLUB

The Tuesday Lunch club re-opens after its summer break on Tuesday, 5 September in Pentyrch Village Hall. A two-course meal is provided at a cost of £2 (including coffee and a raffle) for senior citizens from Creigiau, Pentyrch and Gwaelod y Garth. New members are always welcome and transport can be provided for anybody who would otherwise be unable to attend. Places must be booked in advance.

An Autumn Tea has been arranged for senior citizens in the area on Thursday 26 Oct. from 14.00 at Pentyrch Village Hall. Again transport can be arranged for this event

Looking further ahead the Christmas Lunch will be on Thursday, 7th Dec. in Pentyrch Village Hall

For further details of any of these events or to book your place please ring The Good Neighbours Office 20842404



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For further information contact Emily on 01443 841405

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The Capital Transport guide which is produced by Cardiff County Council is available from various outlets within Cardiff. These include Cardiff Bus Sales Offices (Wood Street), Central Library, City Hall, County Hall and Tourist Information.

The guide is free of charge and provides details on bus, train and coach services as well as descriptions of places of interest and how to get there.

If you would like a copy of the guide please write to the:

Public Transport Group
Traffic and Transportation Department,
County Hall,
Atlantic Wharf,
CARDIFF.
CF1 5UW

PENTYRCH VILLAGE HALL

Thanks to a grant from Pentyrch Community Council, the Hall has been decorated throughout this spring. It looks splendid again, the Committee having taken the opportunity to have a clear out and have the curtains taken down and cleaned for the first time in many years.

We also received a donation of £1500 from Pentyrch Open Gardens to go towards the car-park fund. Very many thanks for such a splendid gesture.

Pentyrch English Nursery has a new leader, Mrs. James, and the Hall Committee wishes Mrs. Carol Saint all best wishes for the future in her retirement.

Bookings are now being taken for the new school term, with concessionary rates for those organisations using the facility on a regular basis.

The Hall is holding a Quiz on September 29th to raise funds, with tickets available from myself or any other Committee member. Don't forget the Autumn Fayre on November 18th when organisations retain a percentage of their profits for their own funds. Barbara Rodd - Chair

SUCCESS FOR CREIGIAU ARTIST

Creigiau Resident James Charlton is starting to make his way in the art world. James won 2nd prize in the National Eisteddfodd in Bala in 1997 and went on to complete a Fine Art degree in Plymouth University. Working from his studio in Cardiff he has a solo exhibition to be held in the Washington Oriel Gallery Penarth on the 22nd September for 1 month. He is also exhibiting at the Affordable art Fair in Battersea Park London from the 25 Oct to the 29 Oct.

BUSY YEAR AT PLAYGROUP

We have had another busy year at Creigiau Playgroup. The children and staff enjoyed a lovely Christmas Concert and ended 1999 with a party for both our children and the children from the Meithrin.

The new millennium brought John Davies our local "Lollypop" man to playgroup. He came and talked to the children about his job and road safety.

We have visited Techniquet and enjoyed a couple of lovely mornings at Alphabet Zoo. In June we organised a "sponsored Toddle" for the benefit of Barnados. This raised a lot of money for a very worthwhile cause and also a little for playgroup.

During the Summer term we enjoyed a Sports day with the children followed by our "Summer Trip" to St. Davids Hall to see "Rosie and Jim".

During the last week of term we were invited by the Meithrin for a lovely end of term party which was enjoyed by all.

If you would like details about Creigiau Playgroup and all the fun we have contact Calrole Schuler on 20892332 or 20892762

YMLAEN PENTYRCH ONWARDS Calendar of Events for 2000

04.10.00	Pentyrch W.I. Meeting
10.10.00	Pentyrch Toddlers photo session pm
12.10.00	Pentyrch Ladies
17.10.00	Friends of Pentyrch School FOPSA - Body Shop Party
20.10.00	Pentyrch School "Mad Hare" Day
31.10.00	FOPSA Halloween Party
01.11.00	Pentyrch W.I. Meeting
09.11.00	Pentyrch Ladies
12.11.00	Fireworks At The Rugby Club
12.11.00	Service of Remembrance 3pm
18.11.00	FOPSA Elvis Tribute Singer
23.11.00	Pentyrch Ladies
06.12.00	Pentyrch W.I. Meeting
09.12.00	FOPSA Christmas Fayre
14.12.00	Pentyrch Ladies

PLANNING AN EVENT

Why not let the Community Link Know of the dates and details of the event you are planning. This can then be used to set up a Community Diary which we can include in each Community Link

EVOLUTION?

What converted randomness into
direction,
Blind chance into apparent purpose
In the machinery of living,
Made the carbon jump
From ultra violet space
Into the early sea
And the acids link,
Reproduce, replicate and reproduce
Not only reptiles, like crocodiles and
lizards,
But fantastic fossil creatures;
Mesozoic remains
And membrane winged pterodactyls,
Whale-fish -lizards,
Huge fish paddles,
Lizards unlike anything before or
since,
Gigantic plant eaters, giant ostriches,
Dinosaurs like speeding tanks.

Compute environmental pressures
And select the five toed squabblers,
Mammalian integration and
flexibility,
An ape that swung from trees,
Binocular vision and manipulation by
hands,
An arboreal beginning.

The realisation of possibilities;
The eye was born and photic
radiation became light,
Then colour
And the complicated transactions,
The translation of nerve impulses,
Their frequency and intensity
Into the wholly different quality of
sensation.

Transmute quantity into quality,
So-many impulses per second is
Summer and red.

Proconsul and Pithecanthropus
Australopithecus, Sianthropus
Ad hoc tool using to tool making.
The flint makers, the breakers of
skulls,
Homo faber, the tearing of flesh.
The animal struggle,
A fist of stone.
The weak cracked,
Homo sapiens fossilis.

Then came the verbal concepts.
"We can detect no trace of mental
activity
At the instant of birth."

PENTYRCH NURSERY UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT!

After a period of uncertainly,
Pentyrch Nursery is set to continue
in the Village Hall under the
leadership of Dawn James.

Many months of planning have
ensured that for the first time the
new Pentyrch Nursery will be able
to offer free nursery places to
under 5's in Pentyrch. This has
been achieved through the
introduction in the nursery of
"The Early Years - Desirable
Outcomes Curriculum". As part of
the ongoing monitoring of the
curriculum, the nursery will be
inspected on a regular basis by the
Local Education Authority and
will also be working towards a
quality assurance accreditation.

Dawn James takes over the
management of Pentyrch Nursery
having worked in the nursery for
the last 5 years. Married with four
children (all of whom have
attended the nursery prior to going
on to Pentyrch Primary School),
she has lived in Pentyrch for over

Brain waves, alpha waves,
Reality is a pressure of electrons
We are afraid....

How can chance produce elaborate
design?

As if.....Delme Bowen



13 years. Assisting Dawn in the
nursery are Gwyneth Jones,
(Senior Playgroup Leader,) Bernadette Rainford and Jane Bunker all of whom live in Pentyrch.

The nursery is committed to
providing a stimulating
environment that develops
learning in the under 5's. In
addition, it has committed to
ensuring that all its full time staff
have or are working towards the
relevant child care qualification.
The nursery is already ensured a
successful start with 27 children
registered for September 2000.

The nursery is open Monday to
Friday, 9.00am - 12.00pm during
the school term. For further
information about the nursery,
contact Dawn James on
20891882.

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WE NEED YOUR HELP

The editorial board of the Community Link are always seeking ways to try to improve the Link

We need your comments

Are you happy with the content?

Is there anything you think we should add to the content

Is there something you think we need not include

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK

Please send your comments to the Editor Stuart Thomas 10 Parc y Felin Creigiau or to the Clerk of the Council, Community Council Office The Police Station Penuel Road Pentyrch

PENWYTHNOS YN NHY DDEWI

Bu 34 o aelodau Clwb y Dwrllyn am benwythnos i Dy Ddewi ym mis Gorffennaf eleni. Tywynodd yr haul ar daith gerdded y prynhawn Sadwrn, a gwelwyd yr arfordir fendigedig yn ei holl ogoniant. Ni fu pall ar egni'r aelodau oherwydd, ar ol cerdded a gwledda tan oriau man y bore canlynol, bu'r dewraf ar daith gerdded arall ar hyd yr arfordir tra y bu rhai yn mynychu'r oedfa yn Eglwys Gadeiriol Ty Ddewi neu yn chwarae golff. Penwythnos i'w gofio yng nghwmni ffrindiau.

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Mae Bwrdd Golygyddol Cwlwm Bro o hyd yn edrych am ffyrdd i wella'r papur.

Rydym angen eich sylwadau. Ydych chi'n hapus gyda'r cynnwys? A oes unrhyw beth y gallwn ychwanegu i'r cynnwys? Pa bethau ydych chi'n meddwl y gallwn ni adael allan o'r papur?

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