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A Christmas Message from the Rev John Binny, Vicar of Pentyrch

Dear Friends,

Christmas means different things to different people. Young children look forward to receiving presents. There is the stocking at the end of the bed or near the fireplace on Christmas morning and the parcels around the Christmas tree. Then there are the parties and other celebrations.

We all like to receive presents and also there is the importance of thinking what gifts we can buy for relatives and friends.

And not only presents. Our Christmas cards mean a great deal, because they come from family and friends and people all over whose paths at one time or another have crossed with ours. There may be messages from those we have not seen for a long time, or from whom we do not hear at any other time. At Christmas these give us a warmth that lies in the depth of the love or concern of those who care for us – important particularly for those for whom Christmas may not be such a happy time. And we reciprocate those feelings in the cards we send.

And as Christmas comes to mean that to us, so does the religious meaning of the festival grow more important, deeper and more central. The Birth of Jesus has become the central thing about Christmas Day and we wonder at the love of the God who could come into our world with all its harshness, cruelty and irresponsibility and make himself known to us in the shape of a man to walk with us in our ordinary lives, share our joys and sorrows, our cares and concerns.

GRANT FROM 'AWARDS FOR ALL WALES'



Eventually the parties are over, the cards put away and the presents used or consumed, but God in the Christ – Child grows in wonder and meaning for us as we know He is always with us.

May the Christmas story be fresh, alive and vital to all of us in this coming Festival and always and then we shall truly have a joyful and blessed Christmas and a Happy 2004, which is my wish for you all.

John W. Binny,
Vicar of Pentyrch
with Capel Llanilltern

Pentyrch Darby and Joan have received a grant of £4785 for a respite holiday from the lottery funded grants programme 'Awards for All Wales'.

Pentyrch is quite isolated with infrequent transport which is not suitable for anyone with a walking disability. This grant will be used to give a well deserved respite break to members of the local Darby and Joan Club.

Mrs Jenny Elms, President of Pentyrch Darby and Joan Club expressed her members delight on hearing of the award. Many of her members are disadvantaged as facilities and services are limited in the area. Ms Jane Davidson A.M. and the staff at the Awards Office helped with the process of applying for the money and we would recommend the Awards for All Wales grants programme.

*Nadolig Llawen
a Bhwyddyn Newydd Dda
Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year*

*Cyngor Cymuned
Pentyrch
Community Council*

CREIGIAU 23



Creigiau 23 (so called because of the 23 founding members) is a group formed in Creigiau in 1970 to 'promote fellowship amongst the men of the village'. We are a group of a maximum of 55 members (all of whom live or have lived in the village) and there is usually a short waiting list to join. We have no affiliation to any other organisation.

Through our monthly dinner meetings at Creigiau Golf Club and various other social functions we raise funds to support primarily other organisations in the village as well as some national charities chosen by our guest speakers. In addition to helping organise the annual Creigiau Carnival, we also organise the annual Boxing Day walk and other Christmas festivities. This year, in association with Friends of Creigiau School, we held a Summer Ball in early July at The Vale Of Glamorgan Hotel.

The following organisations have been supported by Creigiau 23 in recent years:

Creigiau Brownies, Creigiau Netball, Creigiau Companions, 1st Creigiau Scouts, 1st Creigiau Guides, Friends of Creigiau School, Creigiau Tots, Creigiau Cub Pack, Cylch Meithrin Creigiau, Creigiau Ti a Fi Creigiau Golf Club (junior section), St David's Church, Groesfaen (Church Hall), Childline Wales, Mudiad Ysgolion Meithrin, Diabetes UK Wales, Y Bont, CAVMS, RNIB Talking Books, NSPCC, Cardiac Risk in the Young, Make a Wish Foundation, Weston Spirit, Cystic Fibrosis, Cardiff Friends of the Earth, Compassion UK, Welsh Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs, Pentyrch Village Hall.

We meet for dinner on the first Tuesday of the month (excluding July and August) at Creigiau Golf Club. Our programme of speakers for the 2003-2004 session is as follows:

Tuesday 4.3.2003 Lord Dafydd Elis-Thomas, Presiding Officer, National Assembly for Wales

Tuesday 1.4.2003 Mr Don Llewellyn, Pentyrch and District History Society

Tuesday 6.5.2003 Mr Iestyn Davies, Welsh Council on Alcohol and other Drugs

Tuesday 3.6.2003 Mr Richard Jones, Media Director, Oxfam Cymru

Tuesday 2.9.2003 Sir Tasker Watkins VC, GBE, DL

Tuesday 7.10.2003 Dr Rhodri Griffiths, National Botanic Garden of Wales

Tuesday 4.11.2003 Mr Patrick Hannan, Political commentator and author

Tuesday 2.12.2003 Mr Dai Vaughan, President, Dunvant RFC

Tuesday 6.1.2004 Mr Roy Noble, Broadcaster, BBC

Tuesday 3.2.2004 Professor Bernard Knight, Emeritus Professor of Forensic Medicine and Author.

Anyone requiring further information about our group may view our website:

www.creigiau23.org

Dr Peter Brooks, Chairman
Creigiau 23, 2003-2004.

Pentyrch Horticultural Show

Saturday September 6th 2003

The committee would like to thank everyone who helped, attended and participated at this year. The show was again a success with more entries in the vegetable and fruit sections than for some years. Cookery entries were slightly disappointing however, but it seems that the show could not compete with a Bowls competition!!!

Everyone who came seemed to enjoy it and hopefully many people will think – "I could have a go at that", and thereby increase next year's entries. A date for your diaries - September 4th 2004 - We look forward to seeing you there.

PENTYRCH CHESS CLUB CLWB GWYDDBWYLL PEN-TYRCH

Both Pentyrch teams had a very successful season, with the first team winning Division 3 of the East Glamorgan Chess League by a huge margin. They will play in Division 2 next season. The second team, captained by Richard Morgan, also won promotion from Division 4 to Division 3. All members of the club contributed significantly to the successful challenge for promotion made by both teams during the season. One member of our first team was the only player in the League to achieve a 100% record by winning all the games he played this season for that team, while one of our second team players scored over 80%.

Last year we were grateful recipients of a significant grant from the Pentyrch Open Gardens with which we purchased new equipment, for which we extend our thanks to the donors. That has proved to be a great asset to the club and has already seen good use.

A new member this year was someone who played for the Welsh Chess Team a number of years ago. He has already given a brief talk to the club on preparing for tournament play and we hope he will offer to speak on aspects of the game which will help us to develop and improve.

We continue to be grateful to the Kings Arms for use of what is, beyond doubt, one of the most welcoming venues in the East Glamorgan area.

We do have players of varying strengths and welcome new members of all abilities. Anyone interested in joining the club should contact the secretary, Viv Martin (20891402) or the club captain, Geof Tyrrell (20891381). Club meetings are held on Monday nights at the Kings Arms at 7.30.

Hilltop Theatre

Best wishes to Hilltop Theatre and their production of 'Allo 'Allo on 19—22 November in Pentyrch Village Hall.

THREE PEAKS RACE

For the second year running local business man Nicky Lyons, owner of Hensol Corporate Entertainment, formed a team to enter the Three Peaks Race which included Nick Evans, Russell Williams, Pete Neil & Dan O'Brien.

They had trained for six months, three days a week, in the Brecon Beacons beforehand to give them the stamina and fitness needed to succeed.

Each team has to raise £1500 for charity, this year 38 teams entered and Nick's team came home first in 18 hours and 25 mins, beating their last year's time of 21 hours and 25 mins. The record time being 16 hours and 59 mins, do they try again to beat the record? At the end of the race they all said never again although it was exhilarating and enjoyable.

The three peaks are Ben Nevis (4409 ft), Scarfell (3207 ft) and Snowdon (3558 ft). They took 5¼ hours to travel from Ben Nevis to Scarfell and then 5 hours to Snowdon, the journey time was included in the total. Each time they got out of the car their muscles had seized up and it took all their willpower, determination, strength and concentration to scale the final peak of Snowdon in the dark.

Congratulations on a great achievement.

Angela Ashley

SPRING FLOWERS FOR CREIGIAU

Creigiau 23 have been busy over the autumn in their efforts to enhance the quality of village life. They have purchased and planted 5000 spring flowering bulbs (Daffodils, Crocuses and Scilla Sibirica) at various locations around the village. They have also supplemented the local population of our native Primrose (Primula Vulgaris) by planting hedgerows and banks.

We look forward to seeing the results of their work in the Spring and in many years to come.

Peter Brooks.

Pentyrch Open Gardens



Photograph courtesy of Mike Baker. More photos can be viewed at:
http://www.bakerlite.co.uk/pentyrch_open_gardens.htm.



The 4th Pentyrch Open Gardens was an outstanding success. During July 12th & 13th approximately 600 people visited Pentyrch and its gardens. The visitors were able to experience a variety of different gardens and were very complimentary about them. New this year was the courtesy bus. Not only was it a much appreciated transport around the village but it also turned out to be a social meeting place where many tips and ideas were exchanged! 25 gardens were open to the public and the event raised approximately £4,500 for different causes in Pentyrch.

The following organisations applied for and received grants this year:

Horeb Chapel, 4th Pentyrch Brownies, 3rd Pentyrch Brownies, Pentyrch Senior Youth Club, Pentyrch Bowling Club, Pentyrch Women's, Craig y Parc School, Pentyrch Ladies, Darby Joan Club, Pentyrch Tuesday Lunch Club, Garth District Rangers, Pentyrch Village Hall.

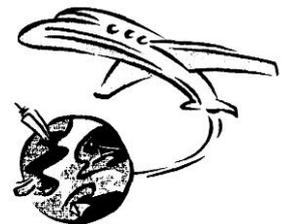
We would like to thank all gardeners, members of the working party and everyone else that participated making Pentyrch so welcoming and enjoyable for our visitors! The Pentyrch Open Garden Weekend for 2004 is July 10th & 11th.

Thank you for supporting us!

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Gwaelod-Y-Garth Village Hall

Did you know that the village hall in Gwaelod-Y-Garth is owned by the people of the village and is run by volunteers? The hall is not council funded and relies upon the support of the community for its continued existence.

The Gwaelod village hall is used by a number of interest and leisure groups and for private functions. The village would suffer if this important community resource were lost. You can help support your village hall in a number of ways:

Are you interested in joining the Village Hall Committee? We are an informal and friendly group who would welcome your support.

Do you have a special occasion to celebrate? The village hall would prove an ideal venue for parties, etc and has an entertainment licence.

Are you a member of a group looking for a meeting place, or perhaps are thinking of forming a group/organisation of your own?

Would you like to join existing groups, such as dance classes or OAP's?

Do you have a skill or expertise that could earn you money by holding classes, such as yoga or crafts?

Fees for the hire of the hall are the cheapest around, so why go elsewhere? As well as a large hall with a stage, it has kitchen facilities and a smaller meeting room for hire. Local and non-local enquiries are welcomed.

For information on bookings and events, please ring Pat Stone on 029 20811494

Knock for Knock

Many people are calling for lower speed limits through our villages and lanes. Unfortunately the County / Police will only take such action if there is a history of accidents on the road / lane.

The Police do not usually attend car accidents when no-one is hurt and are classed as knock for knock. Please ensure that the accident is registered with the Police even if they do not attend. Insist on an incident number and then we may make some progress towards making our roads safer.

Volunteer of the Year



Caroline Morgan, Creigiau, received the Volunteer of the Year Award at Cardiff Sports Awards on Monday 3rd November. Caroline had been nominated by Francis Willmot for her work with Creigiau Primary School Netball team over the last 11 years. The photograph shows Caroline receiving the Award from Chris Barker, Cardiff City Football Club. Well done Caroline.

HELP

Pentyrch Cubs, Beavers and Rainbows are in desperate need of new leaders. Both these groups have been temporarily suspended due to lack of support. Bearing in mind the recent spate of vandalism and the continual complaints about youths hanging around on street corners, it is important to keep these groups going and ensure that the next generation of teenagers are occupied. The current Scout group is run by a group of friends who share the load and a similar set up could be applied to Beavers, Cubs and Rainbows. For further details please contact Harry Rees on 20891038 (Beavers / Cubs) or Averil O'Leary 20890740 (Rainbows)

COFFEE MORNING

A Coffee Morning in aid of Capel Llanilltern Parish Church will be held on Saturday 6th December 2003 from 10.30am to 12.30pm at Derlwyn, Llantrisant Road, Capel Llanilltern, next to the Nursing Home. Everyone is welcome.

Concert

A Concert by Cantorion Creigiau will be held at 8.00pm on Friday 5th December 2003 in Pentyrch Village Hall.

The proceeds are for the Church Hall Creigiau Restoration Fund. Further details may be obtained from Mrs Janet Jones or Miss Jane Williams of St. David's Church, Groesfaen, or the Rev John Binny, the Vicarage, Pentyrch. Tel: 029 20890318. Everyone is very welcome.

Worship in the Church Hall, Creigiau

On 7th December 2003, a Family Service for the churches of the Parish of Pentyrch will be held at 10.30am in the Church Hall, Creigiau.

Everyone is warmly invited, including all who use the Church Hall during the week, members of other groups and organisations in the parish.

It is intended that a Family Service be held on the first Sunday of each month at 10.30am in the Church Hall. The 7th December and 4th January services will be Family Communion and the service on 1st February 2004 will be a Christingle Service.

PENTYRCH SENIOR YOUTH CLUB



A visit from WPC Lisa Bishop to the youth club while ideas for progress were being discussed

At long last several people have volunteered to help with the youth club and it will now be possible to open on another night. With agreement from the Scouting Organisation the Rest Centre will be available on a Thursday night as well as Tuesday. The new arrangement will start on 6th November, commencing at 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm, at a cost of 30p. The same equipment and refreshments will be available and if more funding is provided some improvements will be made. The success of the extra night will be monitored and continued after Christmas, if found to be popular.

Angela Ashley

THANK YOU TO PENTYRCH OPEN GARDENS

Pentyrch Senior Youth Club would like to thank the Pentyrch Open Gardens Committee for their generous donation towards the provision of a Basket Ball in ground system to benefit all the youngsters of the Village.



PENTYRCH AUTUMN TEA

The Annual Autumn Tea organised by the Pentyrch Tuesday Lunch Club was held at the Pentyrch Village Hall on Thursday 23rd October 2003.

An hour of musical entertainment was, provided by Amanda, a young lady from Live Music Now, on her concert harp. She explained some of the intricacies of the instrument and enthralled everyone with her repertoire of classical and popular music. Thanks once again to the stalwart Luncheon Club helpers the thirty or so people present spent an enjoyable afternoon.

If you would like to have more details of the Luncheon Club which meets on a Tuesday please contact Barbara Willis Tel: 029 2084 2404

Angela Ashley

Bus Services to Cardiff

Gwasanaeth Bysiau i Gaerdydd

Stagecoach 136 Monday - Friday

Creigiau	7.00	7.38	9.15	10.47
Pentyrch	7.06	7.45	9.23	10.00
Gwaelod	7.11	7.50	9.27	10.04

Saturday

Creigiau	7.48	8.53	10.47
Pentyrch	7.55	9.00	10.00
Gwaelod y Garth	8.00	9.04	10.04

Cardiff Buses 33 Monday - Friday

Gwaelod y Garth	7.32	8.26	9.40	10.40	11.40
Saturdays		8.20	9.40	10.40	11.40

Shamrock x49 Monday - Saturday

Creigiau	*6.20	7.30	8.30	9.45	10.45	11.45
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* not Saturday

Shamrock 138 - Sunday

Creigiau	11.00	13.40
Pentyrch	11.05	13.45

Stagecoach 136

13.17

Bysiau Caerdydd 33

12.40	13.40	14.40
12.40	13.40	14.40

Shamrock x49

12.45	13.45	14.45
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Shamrock 138 Dydd Sul

16.10	16.40	20.40
16.15	18.45	20.45

Dydd Llun - Dydd Gwener

17.32	19.3	20.30
15.00	17.38	19.34
15.04	17.44	19.38

Dydd Llun - Dydd Gwener

16.50		
15.40	16.40	17.50

Dydd Llun - Dydd Sadwrn

15.50

* dim Dydd Sadwrn

Creigiau W.I.

The ladies of Creigiau W.I. have been busy with a varied programme of activities. In July, a group attended a performance of "The Merry Wives of Windsor" at the Open Air Theatre in St. Fagans. As usual a delightful night was had by all.

We held our summer B.B.Q. in August. This popular evening is always well attended where good food and company are guaranteed. Later in the month we visited Malmesbury House and Gardens. Whilst the weather proved less than kind making umbrellas the order of the day, everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Our W.I. Ramblers spent an interesting weekend based in Tregaron, where along with beautiful walks in unspoilt countryside, new friends were made.

September events included a day at the Cadbury Garden Centre near Weston. To those of us who had not previously visited the centre, we had a pleasant surprise at the number and types of plants and gifts that were available. Some of us even managed some early Christmas shopping.

We have also taken part in a W.I. Quiz Night, we did well to win. We also had a group night out to see the film "The Calendar Girls".

Finally our annual dinner rounded off the month of October. It was held at the Creigiau Golf Club. Happily most members were able to attend and a great evening was enjoyed by all.

We are an active and lively group who welcome new members and new ideas. If you fancy days or nights out in good company then keep an eye out for our posters around the village.

Thank You

3rd Pentyrch Brownies would like to thank Pentyrch Open Gardens for their donation towards the new Brownie handbooks. The handbooks have been purchased and the girls are thoroughly enjoying them.



The W.I. August B.B.Q.



In the rain at
Malmesbury House

Useful Telephone Numbers

Age Concern	24521052
Age Concern Advocacy Service	2056 7883
Cardiff Bus	0870 608 2608
Cardiff Council- All departments	2087 2087
Consumer Advice Centre	2039 7781
Community Council - Pentyrch	2089 1417
Community Health Council	2037 7407
Gas Emergency	0800 111 999
Help the Aged - Information Line	0808 800 6565
Housebound Library Service	2022 9935
Mobile Library	2076 3849
Radyr Library	2084 2234
Lunch Club Bookings	2084 2404
Meals on Wheels	2056 6533
Police (General)	2022 2111
Police - Pentyrch (Not Emergencies)	2089 0753
Radyr & District Good Neighbour Scheme	2084 2404
Recycling	2077 5322
Shop Mobility	2039 9355
Street Lighting	2078 5200
SWALEC	0800 0525252
Trading Standards	2087 2054
Train Information	08457 484950
VEST Community Transport	2048 5036
VEST Dial-A-Bus	2048 0505
Welsh Water	0800 052 0130
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Reduce junk mail	0845 703 4599

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Cantorion Creigiau

Mae'n dymor newydd arall ar aelodau prysur Cantorion Creigiau. Bob Sul daw hyd at 80 o aelodau ynghyd o dan arweinyddiaeth Mair Roberts. Mae ganddynt gyfeilyddes newydd ers y gwanwyn - Helen Watkinson, sy'n haeddu ei llongyfarch am iddi ennill ei gradd M.Mus. yn ddiweddar.

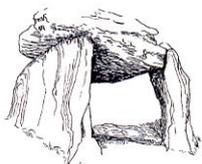
Yn barod y tymor hwn mae'r côr wedi cynnal dau gyngerdd llwyddiannus - un yn Eglwys Wesle, Caerffili i godi arian tuag at gynnal yr adeilad hardd, a'r ail yn y Ganolfan, Porthmadog lle buont yn codi arian at y Gwasanaeth Ambiwylans yn lleol. Cyngerdd hyfryd er gwaetha'r antur ar y ffordd o Ddinas Mawddwy. Yn anffodus doedd gan y bws druan ddim digon o bwr i gludo'r cantorion i fyny'r rhiw serth. Felly, doedd dim amdani ond cerdded! Yn y glaw ac yn eu sodlau uchel - y merched hynny yw! Ond mae'n gôr profiadol â chanddo'r gallu i oresgyn unrhyw broblem! Arhosodd y côr dros nos mewn 4 o dai G&B yng Nghricieth a chafwyd llety croesawgar a chyfforddus iawn. Roedd y siwrne adre yn ddiraffferth!

Rhag-hysbys i ddau ddigwyddiad lleol yn y dyfodol agos:

- 5 Rhag - Cyngerdd yn Neuadd y Pentre, Pentyrch i godi arian at Neuadd yr Eglwys, Creigiau
- 21 Rhag - Noson o garolau a darlenniadau yn Neuadd yr Eglwys, Creigiau. Croeso i bawb!

Mae cynlluniau 2004 yn cynnwys:

- Mis Chwefror - taith i Iwerddon
- Mis Chwefror - cyngerdd yn Theatr Felinfach
- Mis Medi - taith i Laignueglia, yr Eidal i ddathlu gŵyl yn yr ardal
- Mis Hydref - cyngerdd yn Cheltenham
- Nifer o gyngherddau lleol i godi arian at achosion da ac elusennau.



The new term started in September for the busy members of Cantorion Creigiau. Every Sunday up to 80 members come together under the direction of Mair Roberts. They have a new accompanist since the spring - Helen Watkinson, who deserves to be congratulated for gaining her degree M.Mus. recently.

Already this term the choir has held two successful concerts—one in the Welsey Chapel in Caerffili to raise money for the beautiful building, and the second in the Ganolfan, Porthmadog where they were raising money for the local Ambulance service. A wonderful concert despite the adventures on the way from Dinas Mawddwy. Unfortunately the poor bus did not have enough power to carry the choristers up the steep hill. So there was nothing for it but to walk! In the

rain and the ladies in their high heels. But it is an experienced choir with the capability to overcome any problem! The choir stayed overnight in 4 B&B houses in Cricieth and received a very warm welcome. The journey home was uneventful!

Two local events in the near future: - 5 Dec - Concert in Pentyrch Village Hall to raise funds for Creigiau Church Hall.

21 Dec - Evening of carols and readings at Creigiau Church Hall. All welcome.

Plans for 2004 include:

- February - trip to Ireland
- February - concert in Theatr Felinfach
- September - trip to Laignueglia, Italy, to celebrate a Festival in the area.
- October - concert in Cheltenham
- Numerous local concerts to raise funds for good causes and charities.

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Creigiau Carnival Success!!

Creigiau experienced a wonderful carnival atmosphere on 28 June when the village combined to give a display of its generosity and sense of community. Assisted by a glorious sunny Saturday, the ingredients were all there for a day of fun, competition and fundraising.

The day involved a wide variety of sporting activities from Slide-a-Hockey, Boule, 5 A-Side football, Archery and egg throwing. A variety of stalls were a firm favourite, many selling out their stock within hours and a range of entertainments from fairground rides, a magician, face painting and a superb Jazz Trio - all helped along with a few beverages and traditional Fayre !

The day was a centre piece for the Carnival month which included the fun run, disco and Summer ball held at the Vale Hotel.

The Carnival Committee would like to thank all those who helped make the various events a huge success and raise nearly £4000, which will be invested back into our community. If anyone would like to be involved in next years events please contact Gareth Williams on 209 20892283 for more information on how you can help. More information on the good causes who have benefited can be obtained by logging on to www.creigiau23.org.uk.

Parish of Pentyrch with Capel Llanilltern

Christmas 2003

Tuesday, 16th December
3.30pm 7.00pm St. Catwg's Pentyrch: Village Carol Service

Sunday, 21st December
9.00am St Catwg's Sung Eucharist and Sunday School Nativity Play
10.30am Capel Llanilltern: Service of Lessons and Carols
10.30am St David's Groesfaen: Sung Eucharist



The Creigiau Carnival King, Queen and attendants.

Gweithgareddau Cylch Meithrin Creigiau

Mae pwyllgor, rhieni a chefnogwyr Cylch Meithrin Creigiau yn parhau i fod yn weithgar yn codi arian a threfni gweithgareddau. Trefnwyd trip i weld Nodi yn Neuadd Dewi Sant yng Nghaerdydd ym mis Hydref, daeth ffotograffydd i dynnu lluniau o'r plant ar ddydd Gwener hanner tymor yn y sesiwn Ti a Fi, ac ar Ddydd Sul yr 2il o Dachwedd cafwyd parti Calan Gaeaf yn Neuadd Pentyrch rhwng 4-6pm.

Ar nos Sul Rhagfyr yr 21ain byddwn yn crwydro'r pentref yn canu carolau ac yn dymuno Nadolig Llawn i bawb.

Rydym hefyd yn casglu cetrin inc gwag o brinters cyfrifiaduron i'w hailgylchu am arian ac felly cofiwch amdanom cyn eu rhoi yn y bin tro nesaf! Cysylltwch â Teleri Jones 029 20891208 am wybodaeth bellach.

3.30pm St Catwg's – Parish Service of Nine Lessons and Carols
6.30pm Church Hall, Creigiau: Readings and carols with Cantorion Creigiau (retiring collection)

Christmas Eve

St David's Groesfaen: Blessing of the Crib and Children's Carol Service
11.30pm St Catwg's Pentyrch: Midnight Eucharist of Christmas

Cylch Meithrin Creigiau Activities

The committee, parents and supporters of Cylch Meithrin Creigiau are still busy fundraising and organising events. A trip was organised to see Noddy in St David's hall in Cardiff in October, a photographer came to the Ti a Fi session on the Friday of half term, and on Sunday the 2nd of November a halloween party was held at Pentyrch village hall between 4-6pm.

On Sunday evening the 21st of December we will be carol singing around the village and wishing everybody a merry Christmas.

We are also collecting empty ink cartridges from computer printers to recycle them for money, so please think of us before putting them in the bin next time! Contact Teleri Jones 029 20891208 for further information.

Christmas Day

8.00am St David's: Holy Eucharist
9.00am St Catwg's: Sung Eucharist
10.30am Capel Llanilltern : Holy Eucharist
10.30am St David's: Sung Eucharist

A very warm welcome to all!





RADYR & DISTRICT GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME

Readers may not realise that the Good Neighbour Scheme works not only in Radyr and Morganstown but also in Danescourt, Pentyrch, Creigiau and Gwaelod-y-Garth. It is fitting, therefore, that the newly elected chairman of the committee is Pentyrch Community Councillor, Mrs. Angela Ashley.

It was as Pentyrch Community Council's representative on the committee that Angela became involved with the working of the scheme throughout the district. She knows the district well, having lived in Pentyrch for 37 years, serving on the Community Council for more than 12 years and serving on the Parent Teacher Association at Radyr Comprehensive Scheme while her two children were pupils there. She has also attended classes at Radyr Adult Education Centre.

Most of Angela's community work until now has been directed towards the needs of the young in the community. She worked for the Prince's Trust after leaving British Gas, she helps to run Pentyrch Senior Youth Club and she was Guide leader at Craig-y-Parc. She will now bring her dedication and commitment to improving the lot of the elderly in the district. To quote her own words "I will try to follow in Norman Clewer's footsteps and attend all the events organised by Good Neighbours, as he has done. I hope to work actively with our volunteers and clients, who regularly attend the lunches, coffee mornings and teas so well presented and organised, with the help of Barbara Willis, the co-ordinator".

It is good that we have found a new committee chairman but we seem to be less successful in replacing volunteers who resign or who have left the area. We badly need the services of people willing to drive our clients to the lunches or to appointments at surgeries. Driving is not all that we do, however. Some volunteers help the housebound with their shopping or



Community Councillor,
Mrs. Angela Ashley

by changing books at the library. From personal experience, I can assure readers that volunteering is a good way of making new friendships, both with clients and with fellow volunteers (at specially arranged events for volunteers). Being a volunteer is good fun! Why not join us? Contact Barbara on 2084 2404.

Christine Curry (Hon. Secretary).

Pentyrch Historical Society

November 26th - The Welsh Drovers, Peter Davies.

February 25, 2004 Off to the Reformatory / Workhouse Schools in Wales. Dr Anita Jordan

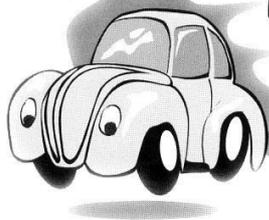
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The increasing incidents of flytipping in our lanes is putting a financial burden on both the County and Community Council. Last year fly tipping cost the Community Council around £3000. This is ultimately passed on to you the resident. There is no need for flytipping. There are various schemes available to dispose of unwanted items, many of them free of charge.

Current price for trade landfill of general waste is £41.62 per ton. Trade price for green waste is £25.16. Other prices for disposal of rubble / stone are available from the Lamby Way site on 2077 5300. Reputable garden / household clearance companies will incorporate this cost in their prices. If you are offered clearance services for less than this then they are rogue operators and the chances are your clearance will be dumped on the roadside. How many reputable companies knock doors looking for work on Sundays? Don't be fooled by a cheap option. The price comes back to you via your Council taxes.

Track 2000

will take household furniture, bric a brac, bikes, garden tools and baby equipment, highchairs, children's toys etc. All items must be in good or repairable condition. No stained or soiled items will be accepted. They will not take electrical items, carpets, heating equipment, kitchen units, doors. *Contact 20332534/5 for further information*

Charity Shops

Don't forget that charity shops will always welcome good condition clothing, bric a brac, books and small household items. Scope, Oxfam, Marie Curie, RNIB, Ty Hafren, Cancer Research, British Heart Foundation, PDSA and many more. See Charity Shops in the yellow pages. There must be one you would like to support.

Cardiff County Council

offer the following services:-

- Refuse disposal scheme - the refuse lorries parked at various locations throughout the villages will take most household / garden items. Make use of this facility on your doorstep;
- Green Collection - large garden rubbish (tree or shrubs) will now be collected by arrangement; telephone 20872087.
- Recycling - most of the villages are now covered by the County's recycling scheme. Use it - get rid of your paperwork properly - don't put it in a black bag and dump it on the roadside;
- Large item collection - including domestic furniture, settees, chairs, carpets, fridges /freezers etc. A small charge is levied (£5 per item), for items such as bathroom suites, kitchen units, doors and other items that can be described as building refurbishment - this charge is minimal compared to the costs of removing flytipping.
- Municipal sites - these are open 7 days a week until 7pm, even on a Sunday!
- Christmas Tree recycling at all municipal sites

Municipal Sites - open 7 days a week between 7am and 6.45pm. No charge for domestic waste

Lamby Way landfill, Rumney - general waste landfill and green recycling (trade only).

Waungron Road, Fairwater Civic Amenity Site) - clothes bank, kitchen / engine oil, paint, bottle banks,

Wedal Road Civic Amenity Site, Roath) - green bins, paper banks, metal, general household goods

Local Schools

Local schools sometimes have projects for which they need specific items. Junk jewellery, dressing up clothes, hats, bags, paper, sports equipment etc. Phone and find out before you throw away. Comprehensive schools will sometimes take electrical items for

Dog Fouling at Parc Y Dwrllyn (Pentyrch Rugby Club)

Despite all the publicity about the dangers of disease associated with dog faeces we are still having problems on the Rugby/Football/ Cricket areas of the ground.

Many young children play sport on these pitches and, whilst nobody should be subject to this problem, they especially are vulnerable to this unacceptable practice.

As well as the disease issue it is also very unpleasant having to clean up, once you or your child has come into contact with dog "deposits". We are therefore in the process of marking out a designated dog walking area around the circumference of the ground and we would ask dog owners to keep their dogs on a lead, stay within this area, clear up after their dogs and take the deposits home to be disposed.

We appreciate many dog owners are responsible and no doubt it is a few irresponsible owners that give a bad name to the majority.

Pentyrch Rugby Club is a private ground and we do not want to be forced into the position where we have to ban dogs. Therefore if you see any dog owners acting without any thought for others please point out their responsibilities so that the ground can continue to be enjoyed by all members of the community.

Pentyrch Sports Association

the children to practice dismantling or reuse the internal parts. Give them a ring.

Pentyrch Scouts

Pentyrch Scouts recycle toner cartridges and mobile phones. Please bring along to Scouts on a Wednesday evening.

Computers in the Community

Computers in the Community are a group which will recycle working computers (pentium 1.66 and above). Please see separate article.

Planning Applications

July - November 2003

- 03/01244/W Mr and Mrs Krip, 14 Maes Y Sarn. - Victorian style rear conservatory
- 03/01275/W Mrs Mona Miles, Ty Isaf, Main Road, - Renewal of permission 00/745 - construction of 2 no. Dwellings
- 03/01279/W Z Iqbal, The Old Mill Cottage, Capel Llaniltern, Rhydlafar - Retention of extension
- 03/01281/W Cardiff Medical, Former Rhydlafar Hospital, Llantrisant - Variation of condition 3 of planning permission 99/1296 dated 23/6/00 and introduce new shopfront, covered store extension and bin store in connection with subdivision of shop into two
- 03/01284/W Mr & Mrs S Pritchard, Henstaff Mews, Henstaff Court, Groes Faen - Ground floor extension containing dining room, study and w.c.
- 03/01335/W Karen Jackson, 9 Bronllwyn, - Two storey extension to rear and side
- 03/01337/W Ms C M Leach, 'Telynfa', Main Road, - Extension to provide gym, home office, bedroom & en suite bathroom
- 03/01367/W Mr & Mrs Fernandez Lewis, Bronwydd, Heol Y Parc, - Single storey sun lounge extension and alterations
- 03/01427/W Mr & Mrs Evans, 2 Bwthyn Clawdd Sion, Temperance Road, - Conservatory
- 03/01464/W Mr J Llewellyn and Mrs J Smith, Barn B, Cefn Colstyn Farm, Heol Y Parc - Conversion of redundant barn into residential dwelling
- 03/01465/W Mr J Llewellyn and Mrs J Smith, Barn A, Cefn Colstyn Farm, Heol Y Parc - Conversion of redundant barn into residential dwelling
- 03/01475/W Mr R Hancock, 10 Penuel Road, - Proposed new dwelling
- 03/01488/W Mr J Greenman 1 Erw Las Cottages, Heol Goch, - Side extension to ground floor and first floor
- 03/01542/W Mr & Mrs V T Parsons, Bron-Y-De, Heol y Parc - Double garage with storage
- 03/01584/W Lewis Arms, Heol Goch, - Construct new conservatory to side of public house to form new dining area and enlargement of, and alterations to, car park
- 03/01585/W Mr Crean, Y-Gocyd, Heol-y-Parc, - Retention of 'biodisc' package sewage treatment works
- 03/01706/W Mr P Morris, 64 Maes Y Sarn, - Residential dwelling building plot
- 03/01727/W Mr Patel and Miss Lewis, 8 Ffordd Dinefwr - Erect a pvcu conservatory to rear of property
- 03/01732/W Garth Building Ltd, Plot adjacent to Hafod, Cefn Bychan - New dwelling
- 03/01786/W Mr C Purdon, 95 Maes Y Sarn - Widen garage by 1.2m, first floor addition over, to incorporate an additional bedroom and en-suite bathroom
- 03/01788/W Mr G Joseph, 14 Doly-Felin - Two storey side extension
- 03/01811/W Mr & Mrs Hughes, 1 Llys Caradog - Two storey extension to side
- 03/01853/W Dr & Mrs T Davies, 49 Parc y Fro - Lounge extension
- 03/01879/W Mr D Bennet, Ty Newydd Farm, Llantrisant Road - Erection of two residential dwellings
- 03/01882/W Mr M Holley, 28 Llys Caradog - Single storey and two storey extension
- 03/01940/W Mr & Mrs B Lee, Tyn-y-Waun House, Mountain Road - Second storey extension to existing granny flat
- 03/01955/W Mr W A Mason, 24 Parc y Felin - Proposed entrance porch
- 03/02031/W Mr A Matthews, Charnwood, 13 Parc-Y-Fro - Single storey extension to semi-detached house
- 03/02081/W RCT- Request for observations - retention of access road, structure tree planting and new fence
- 03/02082/W RCT - Request for observations - retention of site enclosure car park, activity area and structure tree planting at Land at Tyn y Coed House, Tyn y Coed Road, , Outside Boundary, Nr Cardiff
- 03/02083/W RCT - Request for observations - proposed stable extension (retrospective application) - and at Tyn y Coed House, Tyn y Coed Road
- 03/02085/W RCT - Request for objections - proposed highway junction improvements to land at Tyn y Coed House, Tyn y Coed Road
- 03/02102/W Dr G Benedict, 37 Heol Y Pentre - Single storey rear conservatory
- 03/02215/W Mr R Thomas, Pantygored Farm, Heol Pantygored - Retain door and French doors in the rear elevation and retain garden layout
- 03/02216/W Mr R Thomas, Pantygored Farm, Heol Pantygored - Retain recessed cement pointing to external rubble stone built walls and leave all elevations as exposed stonework
- 03/02217/W Mr R Thomas, Pantygored Farm, Heol Pantygored - Retain door and French doors in rear elevation, brick surrounds to openings in rear elevation, rear garden layout as built
- 03/02222/W Mr & Mrs G Young, Bryn Taf, School Lane, - Single storey side and rear extension to provide utility, cloakroom and conservatory.
- 03/02267/W Mr T Murray, 54 Ffordd Dinefwr - Two storey extension
- 03/02269/W Bethlehem Congregational Chapel, Main Road - Reconstruction of collapsed boundary retaining wall
- 03/02285/W Mr & Mrs D Bennett, Lon y Goch, Heol y Parc - Revised garden levels and gabion wall height plus revised curtilage
- 03/02313/W Mr J Roszkowski and Ms L Davis, 18 Parc-y-Coed - Two storey domestic side extension and conservatory
- 03/02414/W Mr & Mrs B Edmunds, 15 Parc Castell - y - Mynach - two storey side and rear extension
- 03/02462/W Mrs K Jackson, 9 Bronllwyn - double/single storey extension
- 03/02532/W Gareth & Charlotte Evelyn Roberts, 1 River Glade - single dwelling
- 03/02539/W Mr. & Mrs. Crockett, Crossways, Heol Y Parc - erection of sun lounge
- 03/02541/W Mr A Matthews, Charnwood, 13 Parc Y Fro - Two storey extension
- A/03/00209/W Bruton Knowles, Brunel House, 5 Ynys Bridge Court - Display two signs

PENTYRCH ARE THE CHAMPIONS - AGAIN!

Once again our rugby teams enjoyed a very successful season. The A team won their league and reached the semi-finals of the Sinclair Cup for the second year running – quite an achievement for a small school. Congratulations to Mr. Jordan and the boys, who are pictured below.

Our rugby B team were undefeated in 5 games and our football teams lost only one game out of 12. Our girls' football and netball squads also enjoyed successful seasons winning most of their games in festivals and friendlies.



BARNABY BEAR ON HIS TRAVELS!

Class 1's mascot, Barnaby Bear, must be the best-travelled Bear in the country! In the past year he has visited Finland, St. Lucia, London, Rome, New York and Australia. In July Class 1 met Barnaby at Cardiff Airport when he returned from a trip to Dublin. In the next month he has trips planned to Australia and Sweden. Barnaby is pictured relaxing on the white sands of St. Lucia.

ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Pentyrch Primary's team did very well at the County Athletics Championships in July at Leckwith Stadium. Gemma Cox (pictured) won the 400 metres and the girls relay team came second in the final.



NEW SCHOOL BADGE

Pentyrch Primary has a new badge, or logo, based on a design by Abigail Freeman. The badge is featured on all our new uniform products which can be purchased from our supplier, J.M. Textiles. The new design is pictured below.

SPORTS WEEK

Sports week at Pentyrch Primary, 16-20 June, was a great success. Pupils had the opportunity to participate in a range of sports including football, cricket, rugby, tennis, netball, dance and swimming. Glamorgan and England cricketer Matthew Maynard came to school on a beautiful summer's afternoon and held a question and answer session with junior classes. The children were delighted to have an insight into the life of a professional sportsman and asked some very pertinent questions.

'OWZAT!!

Our cricketers looked very smart this season in their new kit, sponsored by Thomas Carroll. They played in the Cardiff and District Festivals, with our girls' team doing particularly well – they reached the semi-final! Some of our cricket squad are pictured with Matthew Maynard wearing their new tops.

OUR FEATHERED



Gemma Cox



FRIENDS!

On the morning of 2nd October, the children enjoyed a visit by Mr. Bob Bird of the Welsh Bird of Prey Centre. He brought with him 8 birds of prey, including a buzzard, a peregrine falcon and a Russian eagle owl. His presentation was fascinating and both the birds and the children were very well behaved. Ryan McGrath is pictured holding the eagle owl.



Report on Amersham Factory

The annual report on Radioactivity in Food and the Environment was issued on 29 October. It shows that liquid discharges of radioactive tritium wastes from the Amersham factory have continued to fall. In 2002 the reported discharge dropped below 60 TBq (terabecquerels), well below the 105 TBq in 1999.

The year 1999 was the first full year of monitoring following the discovery in 1998 that tritium levels in fish and other wildlife in the Severn estuary were reaching record levels. The then Welsh Office Minister, Wyn Griffiths, promised that discharges should be "reduced to the absolute minimum".

The latest figures show the Environment Agency Wales proposed new licence to allow liquid tritium discharges up to 130 TBq per year. Could they instead set Amersham plc still lower targets, which their own studies say can be attained through improved techniques?

<http://www.foodstandards.gov.uk/science/surveillance/radio/89684>

Amersham Re-Authorisation and Take-Over by GE

The take-over of Amersham by GE is the latest uncertainty in the re-authorisation of the Maynard Centre, Forest Farm, Cardiff.

The Environment Agency Draft Proposed Re-Authorisation for Amersham is currently with the WAG, awaiting the Minister's decision. It proposes no reduction in actual discharges of radioactivity, relying on the uncertain, as yet un-made Project Paragon for reducing discharges in the future. It is not clear what implications the take-over will have on this expensive project.

Plaid Environment spokesman, Rhodri Glyn Thomas AM., has tried to establish the time table for the re-authorisation decision, questioning the Minister on discharge limits,

Local Schoolboy wins history award

Joseph Thorne, from Gwaelod y Garth has won the National Young Archaeology Award by writing a Viking Saga. His prize was a weekend in York with Julian Richards, the television archaeologist, who read Joseph's saga a celebration banquet

'I had read things about Vikings before, but had never written my own saga', he said, 'so I based my saga on one of the famous myths'. Joseph joined the Young Archaeologists when he was eight and last year, became the Welsh Young Archaeologist of the Year with his study of the Garth Iron Ore Mines.

Since his accolade, he has been invited to the Archaeological Department of the University of Wales and has had a tour of Cardiff Castle, where they have dubbed him as the local Indiana Jones!



Joseph Thorne (11) of Gwaelod y Garth, with Julian Richards, TV archaeologist from 'Meet the Ancestors' looking at Viking bones.

Saint Catwg's Church Yard, Pentyrch

This churchyard surrounds the church and contains the burial places of over four hundred people. The graves date back to the 1790s, and are the resting place of a large number of villagers of Pentyrch.

In August 2003, a Health and Safety Survey was carried out in the churchyard of the four hundred and two memorials. It was found that fifty-two of them required immediate attention. (Notices indicating that need would be placed near the relevant memorials.) Eight of the fifty-two were identified as having the potential to cause serious injury - even possible death. These have been cordoned off with orange tape, for safety, before immediate essential work begins.

There are a further fifty-six memorials in the churchyard, that need to be monitored closely over the next six months as they too, are showing signs of potential danger.

It is proposed that work will begin in January 2004 on the first fifty two memorials. Any family feeling that it may be affected by the situation should contact the Vicar, Rev. John Binny. (Telephone 02920890318.)

perinatal mortality studies and whether the Precautionary Principle will be applied. Comments on the Draft Proposal, which is available from the Environment Agency, can be sent to the WAG.

Mobile Library

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

Creigiau

Friday — 5th December, 16 January 2004, 6 February, 27 February, 19 March, Thursday 8 April, 30 April, 21 May, 11 June, 2 July, 23 July, 13 August.

9.30 - 10.30 Ffordd Dinefwr
10.35 - 10.55 Parc-y-coed
11.00 - 12.30 Post Office
1.40 - 2.30 Parc-y-Bryn
2.35 - 2.55 Parc Castell-y-Mynach
3.00 - 3.50 Ysgol Creigiau School

Gwaelod y Garth and Pentyrch

Thursday — 11th December, 22nd January 2004, 12 February, 4 March, 25 March, 15 April, 6 May, 27 May, 17 June, 8 July, 29 July, 19 August.

Gwaelod y Garth

9.40 - 10.15 Post Office
10.20 - 10.50 Heol Berry.

Pentyrch

11.00 - 12.15 Lewis Arms
12.25 - 12.50 Maes y Sarn
2.00 - 2.30 Bron Haul, Pentyrch
2.40 - 3.50 Bronllwyn, Pentyrch

If you need any further information with regards to the Mobile Service you can contact the Mobile Library Staff on 029 2076 3849 (answerphone), or by emailing Dauphne (dausterberry@cardiff.gov.uk) or Val (vpiddle@cardiff.gov.uk) directly or outreachlibraryservice@cardiff.gov.uk



Community Council Highlights

Christmas Trees

Its that time of year again when the Christmas Trees are lit and the villages look festive. One tree was stolen last year so please could all residents be vigilant and keep a watchful eye on the trees particularly in the evenings.

Dave Jenkins Heritage Fund

Once again lack of support for this competition has led to the Community Council making an award to a local organisation that it feels is carrying on the ethos of the Dave Jenkins Heritage competition. This year the £100 prize money was given to Gwaelod y Garth Village Hall. Dave spent many an hour in the village hall attending Council meetings and the hall is the focus point of Gwaelod y Garth village for local groups and activities.

Time and time again we hear that groups are struggling to survive through lack of funds yet this competition which has a £100 prize is very poorly supported. But we do hear of projects that have been undertaken by groups which would fit the bill perfectly. Invitations will be sent out in the new year for the 2004 competition. Get your thinking caps on now.

Grants

The following grants were distributed in September 2003

- Tuesday Luncheon Club Autumn Tea £50.00
- Creigiau Netball Club £50.00

The Council allocates grant aid to applications from organisations within the Community Council area at Council meetings in March, June, September and December. All applications must be supported by recent audited accounts, as appropriate and should give an indication of the purpose for which the grant is required and an indication of the amount of the grant

14 requested.



Broadband

The Council has been busy pressing BT to bring forward their plans for the area. Letters have been sent to the MP and AM's for the area who are also pressing BT. The Council has circulated a poster to all businesses in the area urging them to register for Broadband. Over 342 people have registered but the BT target of 500 registrations has been set unfairly high. The more people who register the quicker Broadband will come to the area.

Bus shelter

The wooden bus shelter in the centre of Pentyrch village was irreparably damaged in the early hours of the morning of the 20th September 2003. There has been a mix of suggestions from residents as to the type of replacement shelter.

As this is such a large expenditure item, the Community Council are asking for your views and would be

grateful if you could return the reply slip or e-mail the office indicating your preference. The options and costs to the Community Council are:- a similar wooden shelter (cost cira £4600 + maintenance), a glass shelter (provided by Adshel, no costs involved), a stone shelter (cost cira £4000 plus maintenance) or no replacement at all.

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Tel: 029 20891417 Fax: 029 20891417 clerk@pentyrch.cc

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Clwb y Dwrllyn
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Coed Nadolig

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Cronfa Treftadaeth Dave Jenkins

Unwaith eto nid oedd llawer o gefnogaeth i'r gystadleuaeth ac felly mae'r Cyngor Cymuned wedi penderfynu gwobrwyo mudiad lleol sy'n parhau i gynnal bwriad y gystadleuaeth. Eleni penderfynwyd gwobrwyo Neuadd y Pentref Gwaelod y Garth. Gwariodd Dave oriau maith yn y neuadd bentref mewn cyfarfodydd Cyngor ac yn cymdeithasu ac mae'r pentref yn ganolbwynt i bentref Waelod y Garth ar gyfer grwpiau lleol a gweithgareddau.

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Grantiau

Dosrannwyd y grantiau canlynol ym mis Medi 2003

Te Hydref Clwb Cinio Dydd Mawrth £50.00
Clwb Pêl-rwyd Creigiau £50.00

Mae'r Cyngor yn dosrannu grantiau i geisiadau o fudiadau o fewn ardal y Cyngor Cymuned yng nghyfarfodydd y Cyngor ym mis Mawrth, Mehefin, Medi a Rhagfyr. Rhaid cyflwyno cyfrifon wedi eu harchwilio gyda'r cais, a dylid rhoi'r pwrpas a maint y grant a ofynnir amdano.

Bandeang

Mae'r Cyngor wedi bod yn brysur yn pwyso ar BT i ddod ymlaen a'i cynlluniau am yr ardal. Danfonwyd llythyr at yr A.S. ac A.C. yr ardal sydd hefyd yn pwyso ar BT. Mae'r Cyngor wedi dosbarthu poster i bob busnes yn yr ardal yn eu hannog i gofrestru am Bandeang. Mae dros 342 o bobl wedi cofrestru ond mae targed BT o 500 wedi ei osod yn anheg o uchel. Y mwyaf o bobl sy'n cofrestru yna yn gynt y daw Bandeang i'r ardal.

Cysgodfan Bysiau Pentyrch

Difrodwyd y gysgodfan bysiau pren yng nghanol Pentyrch y tu hwnt i'w drwsio yn ystod oriau cynnar fore'r Medi 20ed 2003. Derbyniwyd amryw o gynnigion gwahanol oddi wrth drigolion ynglyn â'r math o gysgodfan y dylid roi yn ei le.

Am fod hwn yn wariant uchel mae'r Cyngor Cymuned yn gofyn am eich barn a byddwn yn

ddiolchgar os y gallwch ddanfôn yr arolwg isod yn ôl i Swyddfa'r Cyngor neu drwy e-bost yn dangos eich dymuniad.

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Ffôn: 029 20891417 Ffacs: 029 20891417 cleric@pentyrch.cc

Combined Drains

A number of residents have experienced problems with combined sewers and are unsure of the correct procedures. Combined Sewers are those that service more than one property and join before connecting to the main sewers, usually via one of the property's garden/drive (imagine a Ψ shape).

The Local Authority no longer provides a service for the clearance of private drains it is up to individuals to contact and pay

private companies. If you are the unlucky householder to have your neighbours drains cross your land then don't despair. If the blockage is in the section from the join to the mains sewer then all the houses serviced are responsible. If the blockage is in one of the tributaries then the house that the tributary services is responsible.

Council tenants are still serviced by the County and the number to ring is 2078 5330. Out of hours emergency number is 2062 0223

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Membership is limited, so we have had to set a deadline date for receiving membership applications of SATURDAY 6th DECEMBER 2003. Successful applicant's membership will then run from 1st JANUARY 2004.

What can you look forward to?

As a Member, each time you visit our Restaurant you will make a saving. The savings will relate to two persons enjoying either a starter and main course, or main course and dessert, from the main Menu.

On your visits as a Member you will receive:

1st Visit. YOUR CHOICE OF A FREE BOTTLE OF HOUSE WINE.

(Or the price of a house wine off any other label)

2nd Visit. TWO MAIN COURSES FOR THE PRICE OF ONE. (The cheaper selection FREE)

3rd Visit. FREE STARTER OR DESSERT. (One free from whichever combination you choose)

4th Visit. A FREE LIQUOR COFFEE TO CONCLUDE YOUR MEAL

5th Visit. TWO FREE COFFEE AND MINTS.

ALL OTHER VISITS, 10% DISCOUNT OFF YOUR TOTAL BILL. (No matter how many times you Dine)

You can see what great SAVINGS you could make.

Membership is £25 for SIX months, from 1st January 2004 to 30th June 2004, there will be NO LIMITS to the number of times you may Dine, or the number of Dinners within your party (over and above the two starters and main course or main course and dessert).

Just workout the Savings you could make. Remember, Membership has to be limited, so sorry, first come first served.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME..... Tel.No.....

ADDRESS.....

I enclose a cheque for £25 membership/ or please debit my credit/debit card account £25 membership fee. (Please delete as appropriate)

Name on card..... Exp date.....

Card issue No. (For switch and solo only)

Please make cheques payable to J.Greenman.

Membership No. (For office use)

ALL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS BY 6 DECEMBER 2003.

VANISHING RURAL LANES

Living in the communities of Pentyrch, Creigiau and Gwaelod-y-Garth we are fortunate to have access to pleasant walking country. For the not to adventurous this entails making use of the rural lanes that run through the area. However these lanes are now under threat and are not the safe havens to walk that they once were.

As a child you could wander along these lanes at will with no thought to the danger of traffic. Indeed I once trained my dog along the lane at Georgetown Gwaelod-y-Garth with no need to resort to fastening him with a lead. The major threat to the rural lanes that I once knew is the motor vehicle. Over the years the surfaces of some lanes have been upgraded and the lanes widened aiding the passage of vehicles, whose speed as a result increases. The trend towards two car families also adds to traffic pressure on the lanes by residents who live along them, but I am not suggesting that residents should be prevented from their legal right of passage to their homes. When these lanes were built motor vehicles were not considered or in some cases not invented. The more serious threat to the lanes is posed by motorists using them as Rat Runs to speed their journeys and more seriously by Joy Riders who sometimes leave their calling card in the form of a burnt out car.

For those who still want to experience rural lanes before it is too late, take a walk along these examples:

CREIGIAU: junction Heol pant-y-gored road, Tarmac quarry/playing fields.

Tyn-y-coed road to Pentyrch. Pant-y-gored road, Rhuddin lane running to bridleway.

PENTYRCH: Heol-y-Parc lower end. Caerau lane to Cefn Colstyn. Star lane. Holdings lane. Cefn Bychan lane to Llwynda-ddu farm.

GWAELOD-Y-GARTH:

Georgetown lane. School lane. Mountain Road.

Main road north of village towards Glebe lands.

Simon John Roberts

Gwaelod y Garth W.I.



The Gwaelod y Garth WI had a wonderful day at Margam Park and Orangery in June - a Garden party being held to celebrate the 80th Jubilee of the Glamorgan Federation of Women's Institutes. A few hundred dressed for the occasion and the band played whilst copious quantities of strawberries and cream were consumed. A delightful day was had by all.

We offer a welcome to anyone wishing to join us. We meet on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm at the Gwaelod y Garth Village Hall.

Jill Thomas



LEARN WELSH THIS WINTER DAYTIME, EVENING, WEEKENDS

DYSGWCH GYMRAEG ELENÍ YN YSTOD Y DYDD, GYDA'R NOS, SADWRN A SUL

There's a class near you in

Pentyrch

Mae dosbarth yn agos atoch chi

**For a friendly chat to discuss the course,
cost, start date, etc, telephone:**

Am sgwrs a chyngor, ffoniwch

**Colin Williams
01443 402867**

VANDALISM CAUSING CONCERN

Public Meetings

Following a spate of vandalism in Pentyrch Village two public meetings were held in October with over 250 people attending each meeting. The main concern expressed by residents was centred around youth annoyance. As a result of these meetings a) the leaders of Youth Club have now got 12 more volunteers and have been able to open the club on a second night and b) representatives from all the village organisations were invited to attend a meeting, called by the Community Council, to consider the setting up of a Focus Group. This meeting was held on the 6th November and a small Focus Group formed with the following remit:-

- 1) To investigate the provision of facilities for the Youth of our Community and
- 2) To liaise with the wider community via local groups and young people.

If you have any suggestions as to how we can help the youth of the village please contact the Clerk.

BT Telephone exchange

There has been a lot of controversy over the cause of the fire to the telephone box. The Community Council has been in correspondence with the Fire Brigade and BT and have received contradictory replies. The Fire Brigade report states that the fire was caused by defective electrical wiring which overheated. BT on the other hand state that in their opinion the fire was deliberate. As far as the Community Council are aware no further action is to be taken by either organisation to establish the truth. BT have asked that their apologies for any inconvenience caused by this incident are extended to residents and have assured the Community Council that compensation will be given to those who have recorded the fault. The lack of communication may have made this difficult for some resident and BT have advised that they will accept late reports.

Clwb Y Dwrllyn

Siriol Wilde oedd yn ein diddanu yng nghyfarfod agoriadol 25ed blwyddyn Clwb y Dwrllyn yn Ysgol Creigiau. Cawsom amrywiaeth o ganeuon o'r gwerin i'r cyfoes i jazz gan Siriol gyda Mike yn cyfeilio.

Cynhaliwyd Cwis yng Nghlwb Rygbi Pentyrch ym mis Hydref o dan ofal y Cwis-feistr Huw Onllwyn. Roedd y cystadlu rhwng y timoedd yn frwd ac roedd yr ystod eang o gwestiynau yn brawf ar gof a gallu.

Mae croeso i bawb ymuno yng weithgareddau amrywiol a hwyliog Clwb y Dwrllyn ffoniwch 029 20890040 am fanylion y rhaglen a cofiwch fod y gwybodæth i gyd yn eich papur bro Tafod Elái.

Ffotograffydd o Fri

Llongyfarchiadau i Robert Morgan, Alloway sydd newydd ennill Cystadleuaeth Ffotograffiaeth Calendr gyda'r Pontypridd Observer. Enillodd y wobwr gyntaf sef £250 yn y gystadleuaeth o dan 18 oed, er mae yn Mlwyddyn 7, Plasmawr mae Robert. Derbyniodd y wobwr oddiwrth Jane Davidson. Mae gan Robert diddordeb mawr mewn ffotograffiaeth. Ychydig fisoedd yn ôl roeddwn yn dy longyfarch ar ennill gwobr Ted Breeze Jones yn Eisteddfod yr Urdd. Mae rhaid dy fod yn pendroni sut i wario'r arian nawr Robert!

Pentyrch Village Hall

During the Autumn the hall has arranged a number of fund-raising events including the Queen Concert and a Quiz organised by Hilltop Theatre.

A Christmas Market will be held on 29th November 11.30am – 2.00pm. Soup and mince pies. Craft stalls which would include – Slate planters, Swedish candles, Patchwork & Needlework kits and many more.

Remember the Cabaret and Cheese and Wine - Saturday, 17th January 2004.

Taith rygbi ysgolion i Dde Affrig



Fel aelod o garfan tîm rygbi ysgolion Caerdydd, bum yn ddigon ffodus i gael mynd ar daith rygbi i Dde Affrig yn ystod yr haf. Taith i ddatlu can-mlwyddiant y garfan oedd hon, ac roedd hi wir yn daith gofiadwy.

Aethpwyd â dau dîm allan yno. Enillodd yr ail dîm dair gêm allan o bump ac enillodd y tîm cyntaf un o'u pump gêm. Cawsom brofiadau diddorol dros ben - mynd ar saffari gyda'r nos, ar noson oer iawn! Gwelsom lawer o fywyd gwylt, yn llewod ac eliffantod, jiraffs a mwy. Gwelsom gêm rygbi rhyngwladol rhwng De Affrig a Seland Newydd a phrofi awyrgylch arbennig iawn yno. Buom yn Sun City, buom hefyd i ben Table Mountain ac o'r copa cawsom olygfeydd gwych o Johannesburg a Robben Island.

Fe deithion ni i Robben Island a chael ein tywys o gwmpas y carchar lle y bu Nelson Mandela yn gaeth cyhyd. Ymwelon â'r union gell lle y bu'n garcharor. Taith i'w chofio, profiadau i'w trysori.

Gethin Davies
Creigiau

Merched Y Wawr

Marian Evans o Radyr oedd y wraig wadd yng nghyfarfod cyntaf y tymor a bu'n sôn am ei diddordeb mewn creu sampleri.

R. Alun Evans oedd yn sôn am Droeon Trwstan ym mis Hydref. Byddwn yn dathlu'r Nadolig gyda'r Pedwar Gwron a Kate yn Ysgol Creigiau ar Rhagfyr 10ed am 8 o'r gloch. Gellir cael rhaglen y tymor oddi wrth Eifona Hewitt 01443 203809.

PENTYRCH WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Pentyrch W.I. at the moment has a membership of 74. This year the Glamorgan Federation celebrates 80 years and the Institute has reflected the occasion in their Programme. A number of members attended the Garden Party at Margam Park in their "posh frocks and hats" and the annual theme evening was a Twenties party with flappers galore! Several past members were invited and the guest of honour was Mrs Winnie Lewis who had recently celebrated a birthday.

It was Pentyrch's turn this year to host the Group Meeting. One hundred and sixty members attended and Derek Brockway, the weatherman, proved a popular speaker. Linda and Amy Coombes and company provided some delightful entertainment.

The Institute's annual four day break with husbands, friends etc. was to Brussels visiting Leuven and Bruges. The highlight of the trip was a visit to the European Parliament, Jonathan Evans MEP., entertained us together with staff from Eluned Morgan and Glenys Kinnock's offices.

During the year, we have had talks on The Royal Mint, Antique glassware, The Terracotta Warriors. In addition Feng Shui, Sheena Crossley's Quiz "Know Your Onions" as well as learning to do Salsa dancing and the Cha,cha proved enjoyable evenings.

The Afternooners have been on a tour of the Millennium Stadium, Nantgarw China Works, they've been ten-pin bowling and visited the cinema to see "The Calendar Girls".

We are constantly campaigning for improvements to Village life and are being kept up-to-date with developments to the Quarries on the Little Garth, the heavy traffic on the Hill. We are in frequent contact with the bus companies on villagers' behalf.

President Gwyneth Thomas and the Committee would like to wish members past and present a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



The W.I. in Brussels and the Margam Garden Party

THE CHURCH HALL. CREIGIAU

There can be few people living within the Community who have never visited the Church Hall in Creigiau - indeed, for most of us the Hall has provided a focal point in our daily lives over many years, as we have taken our children to "Mothers & Toddlers", "Playgroup", Brownies, "Junior Church", "Youth Club" and French Classes, among other activities. At the other end of the spectrum "Cantorian Creigiau", "Mothers' Union", "Women's Institute" and "Creigiau Companions" have all met within its walls. Add to these all the parties, coffee mornings, meetings, bazaars and social evenings that have been held there, and you will come to realise that, whether or not you were aware of it, the Church Hall has been an integral part of the lives of everyone living within the Community. Now the Hall needs your help.

Completed in 1913, on land donated by the Wingfield family, and built with funds raised by local residents, the Church Hall occupies a central location in the village, and is now a Grade II listed building. It is structurally sound, but needs considerable work to bring it into line with current regulations and to provide better facilities for all members of our Community. Grants are being sought to cover the majority of the costs (which amount to £150,000), but we ourselves need to raise a minimum of £30,000 as our contribution - indeed over



£1,000 is needed immediately to cover the cost of repairing damage caused by recent acts of vandalism - an unwelcome drain on our current resources.

It is hoped that we will have the backing of the whole Community in our endeavours to preserve this building for future generations.

In the coming months there will be many fund-raising events which we hope that you will support wholeheartedly. We would also value your personal contributions to the fund and any ideas you may have as to how we may achieve our target. We are very grateful to TESCO EXTRA, Talbot Green, who will also be supporting us in the New Year as their Local Community Project.

Further information about the project can be obtained by contacting Father John Binny, The Vicarage, Pentyrch (Tel: 029 20890318) who will be happy to speak to you, and in the meantime, thank you, in advance, for your support.

On behalf of the Church Hall
Funding Group.

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Council Meetings

The Council meets on the 3rd Monday Monthly (except August). Details of meetings are published in the Council's Notice Boards and in local Post Offices. Council Offices are open to the public 9.30am to 11.30am, Tuesday to Friday.

Cyfarfodydd y Cyngor

Mae'r Cyngor yn cwrdd ar drydydd dydd Llun bob mis (heblaw Awst). Dangosir manylion y cyfarfodydd yn Hysbysfyddau'r Cyngor ac yn y Swyddfeydd Post lleol. Mae Swyddfeydd y Cyngor ar agor i'r cyhoedd o 9.30am i 11.30am, dydd Mawrth i ddydd Gwener.

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Cwlwm Bro Community Link

Last date for entries in the next issue is 2 March 2004.

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

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Would you or your community group like help with your computer, or some computer training?

Computers in the Community (CITC) is a charity based in Splott, Cardiff, which has been providing free and low cost computers and related training and support to hundreds of groups and individuals since its inception nearly 6 years ago. Following are some of the services that CITC offers:

- Refurbished computers.
- Computer repair and maintenance.
- Hardware and software advice.
- Computer training, including how to build your own computer.
- Internet and email advice and set-up.
- Networking advice and consultancy.

Do you or anyone you know have a computer collecting dust in a corner of your home and would like to donate it?

Please call us on: 029 2046 3963 or visit our website at www.citc.wales.org.uk for further information.

Cwlwm Bro Community Link Deliveries

The Community Council would like to thank the following groups for their sterling work in delivering the Community Link in all weathers.

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