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NEW 'CREIGIAU' SIGN OFFICIALLY UNVEILED



On Thursday 29th July 2013 the new Creigiau village sign was officially unveiled by The Rt Hon The Lord Mayor of Cardiff, Cllr Derrick Morgan. The opening was supported Cllr Graham Thomas, (Creigiau & St Fagan's who is also a Pentyrch Community Councillor), and members of the Creigiau 23, including Eurof Davies, Chairman, and Steve Link who really made this happen.

Creigiau 23 first discussed the idea back in 2004 and when Steve Link became Chairman in 2011 he made it his number 1 priority. After a lot of effort getting the appropriate permissions from Cardiff Council, they obtained agreement in October 2012. The project was also supported by Pentyrch Community Council. The construction started in March 2013 carried out by two Creigiau 23 members, Dave Brown and Bruce Howells, in their own time and on a voluntary basis. The design was done by Glyn Jones, again on a voluntary basis and as a member of the group. Creigiau 23 funded all the materials and buried within the foundations is a "time capsule" with items from the

pupils of Creigiau Primary School and some Creigiau 23 artefacts.

Commenting on the new sign, Cllr Graham Thomas said : "A massive thank you to the members of Creigiau 23 for making this happen. The sign is a superb addition to the village and something we can all rightly be proud of. I know how much work went into this project over many years by a team that continue to make great things happen in this village."



The Save Creigiau Action Group is looking for volunteers with expertise in key areas to help fight plans to construct 10,000 houses near you. If you can help contact us on Facebook or on www.savecreigiau.co.uk

Pentyrch Bowling Club Annual Tour May 2013

Pentyrch Bowling Club enjoyed glorious June sunshine on their Annual Tour to Somerset. Staying in Weston Super Mare, with views of Flat Holm and the Garth from their hotel, the 28 tourists played 3 matches at clubs with excellent facilities, giving the Welsh side a first class Somerset welcome. With the Bristol Channel lapping at the edge of the green Pentyrch lost narrowly 101-111 to Clevedon Promenade, despite winning on 3 of the rinks. Day Two and Pentyrch had settled

Creigiau Carnival 2013



down to touring and won 120-104 at Taunton. Another late night (for some) and the superb hosts of Ashcombe Park (Weston) held off the battling, but weary tourists, to win the very close game 101-106.

Pentyrch Bowling Club always welcome new members, experienced or not, to their green on Monday evenings. More details can be found on the club web site www.pentyrchbowlingclub.co.uk, or ring Alan on 20890390.

Pentyrch Tuesday Lunch Club

Tuesday Lunch Club for senior residents will restart on Tuesday, 3rd September after our volunteers have taken a well earned summer break. If you would like to join our cheerful group in Pentyrch Village hall, every Tuesday please telephone 20842404 by 9.30 on Monday, 2nd September to book your place at the first lunch in September. A hot, two course meal and hot drink is just £3.50 and best of all no shopping or washing up.

On 24th October Good Neighbours Annual Autumn Tea will be held in Pentyrch Village Hall - no charge but places must be pre-booked. Pentyrch School Choir will entertain us before a delicious afternoon tea with home made cake is served.

Tuesday Lunch Club and the Autumn Tea are both open to all senior residents in Creigiau, Pentyrch and Gwaleod y Garth.

For more information or to book your place telephone 20842404. If you are not able to use public transport or do not have transport one of our volunteers may be able to transport you to either of these events.

Barbara Willis Co-ordinator Radyr & District Good Neighbour Scheme
Tel 029 20842404

CREIGIAU NETBALL CLUB

The junior section of the club has been fortunate to receive a donation from Creigiau 23 which will be used to help provide netball club polos for the u11, and u13 sections.

The Club continues to thrive with team at under 11, 13, 15 and 17 taking part in junior leagues plus a number of the juniors also play for one of the 5 adult teams in the Cardiff & District League.

Training takes place at Radyr or Howells Schools on a Tuesday night from September to May.

Anyone interested in joining the club please contact Sandra Popple on 07792892865 or you can email us at admin@creigiau.netball.co.uk

Christian Aid Week

Christian Aid wishes to thank all those who contributed by contributing or collecting, to the success of the 2013 Christian Aid Week appeal.

The collection, run under the auspices of the Parish of Pentyrch, which took place in the villages of Pentyrch, Creigiau and part of Groesfaen and raised £3,886.

This money is now on its way to relieve poverty in the under-developed areas of the world. For more information about the distribution of this money go to www.caweek.org
Gordon Longmore

Pentyrch Art Group Annual Exhibition

Pentyrch Art Group held their 18th annual exhibition on Sunday, May 19th at the Village Hall.

We were delighted with the large numbers of people who attended. Well over 300 people came during the course of the day, many stayed for well over an hour, chatting with people they hadn't seen for ages and enjoying the free refreshments. It really has become a lovely social occasion in the village. The first

paintings were sold by two minutes past 10! In all we sold 64 framed paintings and 14 in mounts, plus a large number of cards. With some wonderful comments from guests, many of whom had been before, but there were also a large number of new faces.

Thank everyone who took the time to attend, and we hope to welcome you again next year.

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Pentyrch Surgery Update

Good news!! Planning permission has now been given for the temporary accommodation of "Pentyrch Surgery". A portacabin is to be situated in the Village Hall car park behind the existing squash courts.

The building will house two consulting rooms for a doctor and a nurse. We are endeavouring to resume normal service as soon as is possible but will notify patients of a definite date as soon as we are able to do so.

Meanwhile, if you need to see a doctor, we operate a morning surgery :-

Monday-Friday 8.30 – 10.30am at the Acapela in Horeb Chapel opposite the Spar in Pentyrch.

You can also attend the Llandaff Surgery at 19a High St, Llandaff, Monday – Friday 8.30-11am with open access and 3.30-5.30pm for booked appointments.

Tel. No:029 20576675.

Many thanks for your continued support.

HILLTOP THEATRE COMPANY'S 'CALENDAR GIRLS' RAISES MONEY FOR CHARITY



Hilltop Theatre Company have recently completed their 33rd production, since opening in September 2002, with the play 'Calendar Girls' on 27-29 June. This told the inspiring and hilarious story of a group of WI women who spark a global phenomenon by persuading one another to raise money for cancer research by posing for a charity calendar with a difference! The play was a great success with over 300 people attending and enjoying another great Hilltop production, which was full of laughs and also some more poignant moments.

Hilltop also raised in excess of £500 for McMillan Cancer Support through

selling calendars and sunflowers seeds on the night, both of which featured in the play, and a general collection. Many thanks to all those who attended the production and for contributing to making it such a successful one for Hilltop and also for

McMillan Cancer Support, who provide invaluable practical, medical and financial support to those with cancer.

Hilltop are now on a summer break, having closed their eleventh season in such great style with Calendar Girls. They will open their twelfth season from September 2013 onwards, and their next main production will be the musical version of Charles Dickens's 'A Christmas Carol' in November 2013. Hilltop would welcome new members. We rehearse on Thursdays and Sundays, 7.30pm, Pentyrch Village Hall throughout the year (except August). For more information please contact info@hilltoptheatre.co.uk or visit the website www.hilltoptheatre.co.uk Richard Jones.

Allotments in Pentyrch

For some years now the Community Council has been trying to establish allotments in Pentyrch through CCC which, as the Local Authority, has a statutory duty to provide allotments if 6 or more residents request them. Despite this, CCC has ignored these requests claiming poverty and the lack of an adequate budget. Nevertheless the PCC ear-marked land to the east of Fairmeadow, Pentyrch for allotments on the CCC Local Development Plan and this was accepted in the Preferred Strategy Document that was published last year.

It was hoped that the money from the sale of the Rest Centre would fund the infrastructure necessary to start up the allotments but the allotments were a casualty of the Rest Centre money allocation, because of the relatively few people who would benefit. Nevertheless there is a little money available to, perhaps, kick-start a group of allotmenters to create their own allotments. It is hoped to put together a committee to take the formation of the Fairmeadow allotments forward.

We have already sought help from those allotmenters in Creigiau who live in Pentyrch and had a good response, so if anybody else wants to assist please contact the Clerk on 2089 1417 or email clerk@pentyrch.cc.

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GWAELOD-Y-GARTH NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

A public meeting was held on 26th March 2013 to discuss the future of Neighbourhood Watch, which had become defunct for a number of years, and it was agreed by those present to officially close the account which amounted to £600 and distribute the money to local groups.

To that end, cheques have been given for £100 to each of the following; GYG WI; The Evergreens; Welsh Youth Club; English Youth Club; Eco Club; and The Lan Mine Disaster Fund.

Merched y Wawr

I gwblhau blwyddyn llawn o weithgareddau aeth Merched y Wawr Cangen y Garth i gerdded ym Mae Caerdydd ym mis Mehefin. Er gwaetha'r gwynt a'r glaw, llwyddodd criw bach dewr gerdded ar hyd morglawdd Bae Caerdydd. Roedd y daith yn rhan o brosiect Gill Griffiths, y Llywydd Cenedlaethol, i gerdded arfordir Cymru. Ymunodd mwy yn y swper a drefnwyd yn y Café Rouge ar ddiwedd y daith.

Pen-blwydd Don

Ar brynhawn Sul godidog y 19eg o Fai daeth criw hwyliog at ei gilydd ar gyfer achlysur arbennig i berson arbennig - Don Llewellyn, sgweiar pentre Pentyrch i gynifer ohonon ni, yn dathlu ei ben blwydd yn 80ain oed. Roedd y clwb rygbi'n llawn o'r teulu, cyd bentrefwyr oes; cyfeillion hen a newydd; cyn gyd weithwyr yn H.T.V, a chriw o Glwb y Dwrllyn oedd wedi galw mewn i godi rhywfaint ar y canu. Dyn y

lluniau oedd Don ond cafwyd blas o'i ddawn arbennig wrth drin geiriau hefyd wrth iddo fwrw golwg yn ôl dros ei fywyd yn ei arddull ffraeth a chyfoethog arferol, ac yna daeth hen, hen gyfaill - Dennis Murphy - i hel atgofion a nodi cyfraniad aruthrol Don i'r gymuned leol mewn cymaint o wahanol ffyrdd, yn enwedig ei waith fel hanesydd swyddogol y pentre. Ac i gloi, ymunodd pawb mewn rhyw hanner awr o ganu cynulleidfaoel. Pen-blwydd hapus Don, a diolch am y cyfraniad pwysig i gadw'r iaith, y traddodiadau, yr hanes a seiniau hyfryd y Wenhwysseg yn fyw yn y pentre'.



Dau o'r ardal ar eu ffordd i weld Mickey Mouse

Mae Daniel Calan Jones o Heol Caerdydd, Creigiau ac Alys Thomas o Meisgyn wedi ennill penwythnos i'r teulu cyfan yng ngŵyl Gymraeg Disney yn Paris. Ennillodd y ddau wobrau cyntaf yn Eisteddfod yr Urdd yn Sir Benfro. Alys am ganu unawd blwyddyn 3 a 4, a Daniel am gloccio dan 15 oed. Diolch i'r Urdd a Disney byddant yn hedfan ar nos lau i Baris ac yn perfformio mewn dathliad ar y dydd Sadwrn. Byddant yn rhannu llwyfan gyda Mickey Mouse yn y paréd o gwmpas Disneyland Paris.



CLWB Y DWRLYN

Eleni cynhaliwyd penwythnos cerdded Clwb y Dwrllyn yng nghanol mis Mai yn y gobaith y byddai cyfle i weld y blodau gwyllt ar eu gorau. Felly y bu, ac ar benwythnos annisgwyl o braf 'roedd y cyfoeth o liw ar y clogwyni a'r cloddiau yn ychwanegu at ysblander yr arfordir. Fore Sadwrn teithiodd y cerddwyr i Draeth Mawr ger Tyddewi ac anelu am Benrhyn Dewi lle ceir olion anheddiad Oes yr Haearn, a Choetan Arthur, siambr gladdu Oes y Cerrig sy'n dyddio o 4000CC, ac yn gamp beirianyddol anhygoel. Yna cerdded ar hyd yr arfordir a chael mwynhad mawr - y golygfeydd, y blodau gwyllt ac, wrth gwrs, y sgwrsio difyr ar y ffordd.

Nos Wener, Mehefin 21 cynhaliodd Clwb y Dwrllyn noson Gymdeithasol i'r teulu yn y Clwb Rygbi. Daeth criw da iawn i fwynhau'r adloniant a'r bwffe gan gynnwys nifer o blant ac fe'u swynwyd gan ddawn Daniel a lestin Jones o'r Creigiau a'u gloccio medrus. Diolch i Gary a'r pwyllgor am flwyddyn ddi-ddorol ac mae'n siwr y caiff Eirlys Eckley ein cadeiryddes newydd a'i phwyllgor yr un gefnogaeth. Dewch i ymuno â ni ym mis Medi. Am wybodaeth pellach ewch i www.tafelai.com

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Community Council Highlights



Cardiff County Council Local Development Plan

The next process of the LDP is the Draft Deposit Plan and that is scheduled for September 2013 and you can't help but feel that the process is deliberately long and drawn out so that people will become bored with it and won't bother to keep raising their objections. The biggest incentive to the developers is surely the apathy of the general public but thankfully there are several individuals within our area who are prepared to fight this apathy all the way and keep the campaign in the public's hearts and minds.

The Creigiau Steering Group has been meeting, plotting and planning to do just that and if they are successful in preventing the disintegration of Creigiau as a village, then they will be feted and applauded for generations to come. At the Creigiau Carnival the latest trick to keep the issues uppermost in residents mind was red balloons with the logo 'Save Creigiau' and bilingual pamphlets reminding people that the threat hasn't gone away.

In the meantime the Community Council has joined with St Fagans CC, Radyr & Morganstown CC and the Llandaff Society in deciding what the next step should be. One of the issues being considered is instructing a specialist barrister to represent the joint Council's interests at the deposit plan stage. Whatever is decided the aim is the same and that it to maintain the rural nature of these beautiful villages on the outskirts of Wales' capital city.

Don't forget to stay up to date with what is happening and check out the 'Save Creigiau' web-site on www.savecreigiau.org.uk or you can follow on Facebook at Save Creigiau or on Twitter @SaveCreigiau1

The next grant consideration will be at the September 2013 meeting and any applications should be made to me, preferably by email, (clerk@pentyrch.cc), and should be accompanied by the last set of accounts or financial statement. Grants are considered at the June, September, December and March meetings.

Ael y Bryn Pentyrch

Our efforts to create a Terrier Map that can be put onto the web-site so that all residents, as well as Councillors, can understand what it is that the Council owns and, therefore, what it is responsible for maintaining, is proving to be a long and drawn out affair. We are discovering that things aren't quite as was assumed to have been and a classic case in point is part of the amenity land at Ael y Bryn, Pentyrch. For over three decades the Community Council has been maintaining the land to the north of Ael y Bryn to the east of Bronllwyn and the south of the footpath that runs from Bronllwyn to Penmaes. There are two distinct grassy areas here separated by trees and hedges. The grassy area directly to the east of houses on Bronllwyn is fine but the grassy area to the north of Ael y Bryn has now been discovered to still be owned by the developer of the original land, which is now Persimmon Homes. We consequently contacted Persimmon Homes, through the Council's

solicitor, and initial exchanges were encouraging and it was hoped that a simple transfer of the land to the PCC would mean that we could continue to maintain the land. Unfortunately Persimmon Homes have been procrastinating since and emails and letters have remained unanswered. Unfortunately this means that we have no right to maintain this land and the consequence is that the condition of the valued and much used grassed area has deteriorated. The residents of Ael y Bryn have all been advised individually but if you walk through Ael y Bryn, as there is an adopted public highway through the area from Ael y Bryn to the footpath between Penmaes and Bronllwyn, and want to complain then please contact one of the following: myles.thomas@persimmonhomes.com or C2C@cardiff.gov.uk and tell CCC that their highway is becoming overgrown and that the owners are not maintaining the area.

Grants

Grant applications, from within the Community Council area, were considered at the March meeting, which was the last meeting of that financial year, and also the June meeting, the first of this financial year. Dealing with the March meeting first, it was agreed to make the following awards.

- £50 for Pentyrch Open Gardens
- £500 for Radyr & District Good Neighbours;
- £150 for GYG Old Age Pensioners Association;
- £50 for Taffs Well United Church
- £50 for the Welsh National Mining Memorial.

The grants awarded in June meeting

- £100 for Gwaelod y Garth WI;
- £100 for Pentyrch Rangers Football Club and
- £100 for Pentyrch RFC Mini & Junior Section.

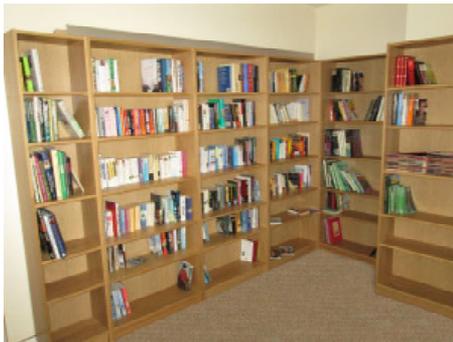
New Village Signs at Creigiau

The new village signs at Creigiau promised by CCC, several months ago, have finally started to appear, and very nice they are too. Unfortunately the residents of Heol Pant y Gored, from the entrance to Creigiau Recreation ground up to Pant y Gored Farm, must be feeling disenfranchised as the Creigiau Village Sign has been placed at the junction with Station Road and not at the other end of the road. I am unsure whether they consider themselves to be fortunate or unfortunate about being excluded from the village, nevertheless, I have written to CCC on their behalf querying why the village boundary has been changed without consultation. At the time of going to press I had not received a reply!

Pentyrch Surgery

Reference has been made elsewhere in this publication to the peripatetic presence of the Pentyrch Surgery which will have, hopefully, moved three times before the end of the summer holidays. It started off 2013 in the old surgery on Bronllwyn, but had to move when the lease expired. It then set up temporary accommodation in the Acapela Studios (the old Horeb Chapel) thanks to the largesse of the proprietors. It then applied for and got planning permission to house a 'demountable' on land behind the Squash Court at Pentyrch Village Hall and it is hoped that this will be in place by the end of the summer. A big thanks to all concerned who have helped the surgery to remain viable within the village, especially Catrin Finch, Hywel Wigley and Pentyrch Village Hall Committee. The hard work then starts to identify a permanent site for the surgery and if anyone has any constructive suggestions, I will be only too happy to pass them on for you.

Lending library at Council Offices



The lending library in the old police room of the Council offices is now fully functional although, as you can see from the photograph, there are lots of empty spaces on the shelves just waiting to be filled with surplus books from your own overflowing bookcases. Council agreed that donations of 20p per book borrowed, or 50p for three books borrowed, at a time would be suggested to borrowers. The money collected will be added to the budget from which the S.137 Grants (referred to above) are paid in order to give the money raised back to local organisations. Please contact me at the Council offices, tel. 20891417 or email clerk@pentyrch.cc. All contributions will be gratefully received and if you want to arrange collection from your house.

County Council Notes

By your local County Councillors

Cllr Graham Thomas, Creigiau & St Fagans and Cllr Craig Williams, Pentyrch

IMPORTANT UPDATES TO LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Cardiff Council's Local Development Plan (LDP) will be released in September 2013 and goes for public consultation in the Autumn 2013. You will remember the draft LDP came out last year with potentially massive changes proposed for our local areas. 7,500 houses were proposed for land between St Fagans, Rhydlafar and Radyr, and another 2,750 houses proposed South of Creigiau and North of Junction 33 of the M4.

Locally, these proposed 10,000+ houses caused a public outcry against the plans. Residents united to form a strong campaign including petitions, surveys, banners, posters, etc. For more information see www.savecreigiau.co.uk. But the plans will affect the entire region so please everyone keep updated on proposals.

With a 'DRAFT' of the next stage of the plan (**Deposit Plan**) made available in June 2013, it would seem that Cardiff Council are now proposing that EVEN MORE green open space be allocated on the city's northern fringes for building. They have added "flexibility" to the LDP allowing for :-

- a minimum of 1,250 homes on land between Llantrisant Road and the M4, bounded by the edge of Radyr to the east and the former Rhydlafar Hospital to the west.
- A further 41 hectares of land at nearby Junction 33 of the M4 has also been added, with the potential for a further 1,250 homes.

Cllr Graham Thomas said: "This goes completely against what the people of Creigiau want. There is overwhelming support to scale-down the developments and all we have seen is even more green space and houses being allocated. The Council's plan could mean Creigiau becoming five times the size it is now!!"

Cllr Craig Williams said: "All this additional building is betraying people and residents. Everyone will be affected by this there simply isn't the infrastructure to take building on such a large scale."

In September 2013 more details will emerge from the Council and we will keep you updated. These are the most important ever proposals to hit the area, and it is vital that all residents stay fully up to date.

Blocked Road at Gwaelod y Garth

Garth Hill is, confusingly, the name of the road that runs from Mountain Road, Pentyrch along the side of the Garth Mountain to Gwaelod y Garth, emerging at the Gwaelod Pub via the worst bend in the council area. Last December, during violent rainstorms, a land slip occurred which blocked the road. Events like this usually get resolved fairly quickly, as there is a need for the Local Authority to quickly re-open the public highway. Unfortunately, if the public highway is a little used back-road, the urgency would appear to be not so great and CCC were more interested in discovering who owned the land so that they could foist the bill on the land-owner. Now this Council owns 255 acres of the Garth Mountain but our boundary does not merge with the road until the lay-by half-way along towards Pentyrch. Back in the 19th century this land was built upon but all the houses became derelict and the ownership



of the land has, presumably, been lost in the mists of time. I am now advised that CCC, after months of obfuscation and procrastination have out-sourced the repairs needed to Capita who, hopefully, will put the repairs out to tender sometime soon. It won't be soon enough for one frustrated resident who has resorted to advising travellers in his own unique way of the blocked road. I can't help but feel sympathetic towards his plight.

Community Noticeboard

<p>Pentyrch Tuesday Lunch Club, Tuesdays 12.45 - 14.00 (term time) in Pentyrch Village Hall Contact B Willis Tel. 2084 2404</p>	<p>Pentyrch Horticultural Show 7th September 2013 Horticultural Show Pentyrch Village Hall Programmes at Pugh's Garden Centre & 20 Lon y Fro, Pentyrch</p>	<p>Garth Gardeners 20 September a talk by Andrew Teague on Tredegar House and Gardens Pentyrch Village Hall Bill Rodd (Tel: 029 2089 1584)</p>
<p>Pentyrch Village Hall 11 October 2013 - Quiz 7.30 p.m. Pentyrch Village Hall Anthony Smith Chair</p>	<p>Pentyrch Village Hall 8 November 2013 6.00p.m. Christmas Fair Anthony Smith Chairman</p>	<p>Clwb Gwyllbwyll Pentyrch Chess Club. Meets Monday evenings at 7.30pm (Sept – April) at the King's Arms, Pentyrch. Sec : Viv Martin T : 029 20891402</p>
<p>HILLTOP THEATRE COMPANY'S A musical version of Charles Dicken's A Christmas Carol' Pentyrch Village Hall</p>	<p>Good Neighbours Annual Autumn Tea Thursday, 24th October Pentyrch Village Hall Entertainment Pentyrch School Choir 029 2084 2404</p>	<p>This Community Noticeboard is to promote and advertise non commercial events that are being planned. Ideally notices should answer basic questions</p>
<p>Cantorion Creigiau Concert Creigiau Church Hall Friday October 4th 2013 Mair Coles Tel. 01446 450198 www.cantorion-creigiau.org</p>	<p>Cantorion Creigiau Concert Creigiau Church Hall Sunday 22nd December at 6.30pm Mair Coles Tel. 01446 450198 www.cantorion-creigiau.org</p>	<p>Who Name of the Club/Society When Will the event be held What The event is Where Is the event to be held How Can readers find out more</p>
<p>In early September the revised LDP proposals will be available. Please keep up to date when public meetings to discuss the proposals will be held & also when Cardiff County Consultations will be. For more information look on www.SaveCreigiau.co.uk and follow on Facebook and Twitter.</p>	<p>Craig Y Parc School Christmas Fayre Friday 6th December 12.30pm</p>	<p>Notices to be included should be sent to Clerk@Pentyrch.cc. When submitting notices please allow for the final dates for publication and the anticipated date for distribution</p>

ST CATWG'S YEW TREE
The Pentyrch Open Gardens service this year began as a gathering around the ancient yew tree in the grounds of the St Catwg's Church yard. We can't be sure of it's exact age but it is almost certainly at least 800 years old and some have speculated that it may stretch back as far as 1000 years. It obviously well predates the present Church and any previous church buildings on the site.
Many Churchyards have yew trees, they have long been regarded as sacred. Some have called them the tree of life because of their amazing longevity, our celtic forebears revered all of nature but yews had a special religious significance. So this year to celebrate the beauty of our local environment, we gathered beneath the branches of our village yew for just a few minutes to pray and to sing a hymn

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of thanks to God. It was a powerful moment. This great and ancient tree with it's glorious roots, trunk and branches covered, almost enveloped us for the short time we were gathered. There was a sense of the assurance that, despite the transience of our own lives, there is strength, faithfulness and permanence to be found if we look in the right place.
I'd commend this ancient tree as a haven to come and sit or stand for a while if you feel the need to find a new perspective or to reflect on anything or simply spend time in the shade of a wonder of nature. Michael Long

Planning Applications to 27th July 2013

13/00312/DCO Mr S Dow, 16 Maes yr Hafod, Creigiau, applied for a change of use of dwelling for child-minding of up to 12 children. Permission was granted on 9/5/2013.

13/00385/DCO Mr Courtney & Ms J Wilson, Elm Cottage, Heol y Parc, Pentyrch, applied for the conversion of Barn A to residential and upgrading of Barn B to form stable/store at the barns south of Elm Cottage, Heol-y-Parc, Pentyrch. This is still under consideration.

13/00387/DCH Mr Stuart Raybould, 7 Castle Close, Creigiau, applied for a two and single storey rear extension at 7 Castle Close, Creigiau. Permission was granted on 13/5/2013

13/00406/DCH Mr & Mrs Stockdale, White Oaks, Bronllwyn, Pentyrch applied for a rear ground floor extension. Permission was granted on 22/4/2013.

A/13/00030/DCO [Advertisement] Blackstone Partners, 2 Celtic House, Ynys Bridge Court, Gwaelod-y-Garth, applied to retain existing signage at 2 Celtic House. Permission was granted on 8/4/2013.

13/00512/DCH Mr & Mrs Hoyle, 10 River Glade, Gwaelod-y-Garth, applied for a side extension, above existing ground floor accommodation & rear domer roof extensions. Permission was granted on 30/4/2013.

13/00565/DCO Mr Jones, CCC (Education), applied for the installation of replacement double demountable classroom unit at Creigiau Primary School, Tregarth Court, Creigiau. Permission was granted on 22/5/2013.

13/00599/DCH Mr Kevin Tame, 2 Glan Yr Afon, Gwaelod Y Garth, applied for a single storey rear kitchen extension. Permission granted 17/5/13.

13/00605/DCH Mr S Pearce, 66 Windsor Drive, Miskin, Pontyclun, applied for a single storey house extension on the rear; raising roof on the side; new entrance converting garage into living room at Birchfield, Holdings Lane, Capel Llanilltern. This is still under consideration

13/00685/DCO Pentyrch Village Hall Committee, Heol y Bryn, Pentyrch, applied for the installation of temporary modular building to be used as a doctor's surgery at the Village Hall. Permission was granted on 7/6/2013.

13/00718/DCH Mr Edward Lewis, 132 Parc y Fro, Creigiau, applied for a front porch. Permission granted 14/06/2013.

13/00751/DCH Mr David Brooksbank, 5 Troed y Garth, Pentyrch, applied for the construction of a single storey extension to the rear. Permission was granted on 14/06/2013.

13/00785/DCH Mrs A Jones, Brynglas, Heol Creigiau, Creigiau, applied for a single storey rear extension. This is still under consideration

13/00793/DCH Mr & Mrs Austin, 110 Maes y Sarn, Pentyrch, applied for a single storey side extension. Permission was granted on 20/6/2013.

13/00816/DCH Mr & Mrs Moore, Penygarn House, Heol Goch, Pentyrch, applied for a two-storey side extension. This is still under consideration

13/00835/DCO Mr Griff Griffiths, 1 Nant y Garth, Gwaelod y Garth, applied for a new detached dwelling on part of the existing residential garden of 1 Nant y Garth. This is still under consideration

13/00836/DCO *Outline Planning Permission* ~ Bovis Homes (South West) Ltd applied for the development of 53 houses for residential purposes, with vehicular access from Heol Goch, on land north of Heol Goch, Pentyrch. This is still under consideration

13/00879/DCH Dr S Ward, 76 Heol Berry, Gwaelod y Garth, applied for a rear single storey kitchen extension. Permission was granted on 11/7/2013

13/00881/DCH Mr & Mrs Hill, 8 Llys Illtyd, Creigiau, applied for the construction of a first floor extension above the existing attached garage. Permission was granted on 11/7/2013

13/00895/DCO Pentyrch Community Council, 1 Penuel Road, Pentyrch applied for the erection of a cricket score box for Creigiau Cricket Club on the existing outfield at Creigiau Recreation Field, Heol Pant-Y-Gored, Creigiau. Permission was granted on 11/6/2013.

13/01041/DCH Mr Alan Jones, 5 Riverglade, Gwaelod y Garth, applied for a first floor extension on the side and rear dormer. This is still under consideration.

13/01113/DCO Macob Holdings Ltd, c/o Agents, applied for the conversion of a main barn and shelter shed to a residential dwelling, the demolition of a lean-to extension and the erection of one and a half storey extension on land at Heol St y Nyll, Capel Llanilltern. This is still under consideration

13/01125/DCH Mr Evans, 56 Parc Castell y Mynach, Creigiau, applied for the conversion of loft space to create 3 bedrooms and a bathroom to include extensions to create flat roof dormers to the front and rear elevations. This is still under consideration

13/01137/DCO *Outline Planning Permission* ~ Mr Thomas, c/o Agents, applied for the erection of 8 dwellings and associated works at land at Cardiff Road, Creigiau. This is still under consideration.

13/01138/DCH Mr M E McGrane, Nant Coslech, Peterston Road, Nr. Groes Faen, applied for the conversion of existing outbuilding to dwelling to provide ancillary accommodation for family member(s). Still under consideration.

13/01149/DCO Dr H Davies, Parc Cawl Ltd, c/o Agent, applied for a single storey extension to the existing pharmacy at Creigiau Pharmacy, 69 Parc-y-Bryn, Creigiau. This is still under consideration.

13/01193/DCH Mr Jeff Lane, 12 Tregarth Court, Creigiau, applied for a single storey rear garden room extension. This is still under consideration.

13/00955/DCO Mr D Paul, 60 Lakeside Drive, Lakeside, Cardiff. The proposal is to take down existing building and build six self-contained flats at The Surgery, Bronllwyn, Pentyrch. This is still under consideration

13/01158/DCH Mr M Jones, 1 Penffordd, Parc Saint Catwg, Pentyrch, applied to replace existing boundary fence and tree line with a brick wall and the existing wooden gates to be replaced in hardwood. This is still under consideration

13/01369/DCH Mr Jenkins, the proposal is for the erection of a garage with a loft studio at 13 Tyn-y-Coed Road, Pentyrch. This is still under consideration

13/01402/DCH Mr Webb, 30 Bronllwyn, Pentyrch applied for a two storey rear extension to house plus single storey extension to garage. This is still under consideration

13/01362/DCO Mr S Axe, The proposal is for a detached dwelling at: land adjoining 13 Penuel Road, Pentyrch. This is still under consideration

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CLOSING DATE

MONDAY 30th SEPTEMBER 2013

**Decided Applications
from previous Link**

12/00033/DCO Mr Burt applied for the renewal of planning permission 08/00251/W for the erection of 5 log cabins for holiday accommodation on the west part of Pantycaerau Nurseries, Church Road, Pentyrch. Permission was granted on 28/3/2013.

12/02211/DCH Mr Duncan, 10 Heol Berry, Gwaelod-y-Garth, applied for a canopy and bay window to the front, rear and side/front conservatory extensions. Permission granted 27/3/13.

13/00028/DCH Mrs Helen Blackler, Lorien Cottage, 6 Georgetown, Gwaelod-y-Garth, applied for a single storey rear extension. Permission was granted on 1/3/2013.

13/00038/DCH Mr Henderson, 33 Parc-y-Fro, Creigiau, applied for the demolition of the existing single storey garage and utility room and the construction of a two-storey extension to the side elevation comprising a garage, kitchen, bedroom and ensuite. Permission granted on 4/3/13.

13/00040/DCH Mr Ken Gummery, 6 Castle Close, Creigiau, a two storey rear and side extension, side roof extension to change from hipped to gable end and rear dormer extension to form granny flat. Permission was granted on 18/4/2013.

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13/00106/DCO Mr Griff Griffiths applied for a detached dwelling on land adjacent to 1 Nant y Garth, Gwaelod y Garth. Permission refused 11/3/2013.

13/00116/DCH Mr Porch, 36 Heol-Y-Pentre, Pentyrch, applied for the demolition of a front upvc porch, side garage/outhouse and rear single storey extension and the erection of a side 2-storey extension, a rear single storey extension and a front single storey lean to. Permission granted 22/3/2013.

13/00170/DCH Mr GK Rowlands, The Gables (formerly Copper Beeches) Heol y Parc, Pentyrch, applied for a first floor extension, 2 storey atrium extension, alteration works and dormers. Permission was granted on 12/06/2013.

13/00204/DCH Mr & Mrs Richard Culf, 60 Parc y Felin, Creigiau, applied for a first floor side extension. Permission was granted on 19/3/2013.

13/00223/DCH Mr Paul Broad, 16 Parc y Felin, Creigiau, applied for the removal of an existing garage, carport and conservatory & the construction of a new single storey extension. Permission granted on 5/4/2013.

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Dog Mess.

These comments have been received from one resident *We all know how important it is for dog owners to pick up their dog's mess. There is one person, however, who takes the dog onto the Garth mountain, picks up the dog's mess in a light green bag, and then leaves it on the ground where it remains for many weeks unable to decompose. There are farm animals on the mountainside who might well attempt to eat the bag,*

Naturally that the dog owner realises his responsibility and picks up the mess is commendable however to then litter the countryside in the way described is not only self centred that he expects somebody else to clean up after him but is also an offence of creating a litter nuisance. In the warm weather this summer even the litter bins around the village have smelt repugnant where dog owners have disposed of dog mess into the bins. These litter bins are not meant for this purpose.

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Cycling proficiency

The year 5 and 6 children at Pentyrch Primary School have taken their cycling proficiency tests this May. The first day they rode through heavy rain and cold while learning the basics. The next day they ventured out onto the roads of Pentyrch, learning how to signal and therefore let the traffic know where they are going. This will help them stay safe on the roads around Pentyrch and beyond. The next three days they repeated these activities, battling through hot weather, until they had all successfully completed their cycling proficiency tests. So, if you see a child riding their bike in Pentyrch, you will know that they will do the right thing and keep safe!



Key Stage 2 Assembly

On Friday 24th May Key Stage 2 put on an assembly about World War 2. If you didn't come don't worry! Once you have read this you feel like you have been.

Each class chose a different aspect of the war. Dosbarth 3, put on a play about being in an air raid shelter. Dosbarth 4 explained how rationing worked and Dosbarth 5 showed what it was like to be an evacuee. We sang wartime songs and showed our project work.

Afterwards we had a cake sale and the parents stayed for tea and cake. We thought our school assembly was a winner! We are looking forward to our next assembly and hope you can come!

The Joust



On Friday 21st June all of Pentyrch Primary school went to Cardiff castle to watch the Jousting. When we all came to school everyone holding a lunch bag had a great big smile on their faces.

When we got to Cardiff castle there were armoured knights with axes and spikes (what a scary surprise, they were guarding entry into the castle), everyone was laughing as they were wearing pink tights!

First we went to the top of the Keep, where we could see for miles around, we could see the Millennium Stadium and the Garth! When we came down from the Keep we went to the Circus skills tent, where we could learn to juggle and spin plates on sticks. We then visited the birds of prey and the Peacocks.

The best part of the day was to come with the knights fighting and the jousting. We watched the knights fighting while we were eating our lunch; there was a Red knight and a Blue knight, the Red knight won!

After lunch it was time to go and watch the Jousting. Again it was Red v Blue. They did lots of sword fighting and horse riding whilst jousting against each other; Henry VIII was the king watching over the fighting, after lots of competitions the Reds again won!

Eco Club

Every Thursday after school some children from Years 2 and 3 get together and run an Eco Club. In Eco Club we always try to help the environment. We need to help the environment to keep our world clean and safe.

In Eco Club we have been gardening. We have weeded the beds, planted flowers and vegetables and looked after them. We have made posters to encourage recycling in our school. Eco Club is a lot of fun and we think it is important to help the environment and make our planet a better place to live.

Sports Day 2013.



On June 7th the whole school got together for sports day.

There were four events: obstacle race, skipping, sprint and relay. The children were divided into their four house teams: blue team, red team, green team and yellow team. It was a close contest which was eventually won by red team who took home the coveted Sports Day Cup this year!

Perhaps the most memorable races were the parent's races, which were very competitive (especially the Dad's race!).

Despite the forecasted showers, the entire event finished before the first drops of rain started to fall – a relief for everyone!

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Creigiau Sport's Day

The annual 'School Sport's Day' and, 'NO RAIN' (surely a mistake)! The pupils of the four houses: Iestyn, Gwrgant, Einion and Collwyn competed in a number of running and throwing events. The final result was very close but Einion prevailed, retaining the shield by 6 points. It was wonderful to see all of the pupils taking part, smiling and enjoying the opportunities they had, and doing so in such a sporting manner. It was also a delight to see the Year 6 and Dosbarth 6 pupils helping and looking after the younger pupils. Children often get a bad press but, as was demonstrated during the day, the majority are caring and considerate.

Top Cobs!



The police are regular visitors to the school, taking a number of lessons linked to a variety of topics. This year they brought a few friends with them! The police-horses are used to control large crowds and the pupils were encouraged to make as much noise as possible to show how well trained the horses are. The horses didn't flinch and the children were very loud!

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

The 'School Council' has been working towards the 'Healthy School Award', Phase 2. by improving our, 'Hand Hygiene'.

Firstly we ran a poster competition, asking pupils to design a poster to encourage people to wash their hands, and when to do it. These posters are now up in all of our toilets and prizes were awarded to the two best designs, created by Ben and Harry.

We then used a 'Glitterbugs' kit to go around all of the classes, teaching other children how to wash their hands properly. The 'Glitterbugs' kit includes an ultra-violet light and a magic potion which makes children's hands glow blue if they haven't washed their hands properly. Everybody enjoyed using it and we are spending much more time washing our hands now!



Urdd Eisteddfod



During half-term, in May, a large number of pupils competed in the 'Urdd Eisteddfod' in West Wales. The school is very pleased with all the pupils who took part and a number of pupils did very well.

The, 'Grwp Llefaru' (Welsh Second Language - Group Recitation), came second and were able to perform on the Maes (stage). We are very proud of them and the pupils are very grateful to the members of staff who helped during the group's rehearsals.

Imogen Beard, Dosbarth 1, won the 'Art and Craft' competition and her art work can be seen above.



TAFWYL 2013

In June members of the Welsh Foundation Phase took part in the, 'Tafwyl Festival', at Cardiff Castle. The festival is a celebration of the Welsh language and culture and the pupils sang a medley of well known tunes. The parents and staff were very proud of them all and they certainly are our, 'Ser y Cregiau'.



Creigiau Primary Independent Party (C.P.I.P.) Sweep to Power



The pupils in Year 6 have recently held an election as part of their P.S.H.E. work. Five parties were created and each party had to create: a logo, slogan, manifesto and produce a party political presentation. The presentations were followed by a secret ballot of over 180 voters.

The winning party's manifesto consisted of a number of points which have been presented to Mr. Evans, the head master: metal cutlery for Year 5 and 6, mirrors to be put on the wall in the junior toilets, the reintroduction of an afternoon break and a monthly, 'Fab Fun Friday'.

P.C.I.P. did not win an overall majority (winning 42% of the vote) so they will have to form a coalition with one of the other four parties!

Trip the Light Fantastic

School trips used to be warm 'Spam' sandwiches (ah nostalgia) and a visit to Bristol Zoo, but no more!

The Year 1 class went to St. Fagans where they investigated the way houses have changed over time. The pupils looked at thatched cottages and saw the huge changes that occurred inside when they went into the 'Rhyd-y-Car Cottages'.

Year 2 went to Cardiff City Hall to listen to an author, Simon James, and on a follow up trip went to Cardiff Castle. Whilst at Cardiff Castle the class made a DVD on Little Red Riding Hood.

The Year 3 visit to Cog Moors was interesting and enjoyable. The class undertook pond-dipping and even saw a beetle larva eat a tadpole (sushi anyone?).

The Class 4 trip to Cardiff Bay allowed the pupils to develop their geographical skills and enjoyed the boat trip.

Year 5 and 6 went to Cardiff Castle to learn about the air-raids on Cardiff during World War Two. The class went inside the castle walls, which acted as an air-raid shelter, and got to use a hand pump, which was used to extinguish incendiary bomb.

**Creigiau Open Gardens
Another Successful Year**



Two days after the Summer Solstice and the weather should have been hot and sunny – however this was not the case in Creigiau when seven gardens opened as part of Creigiau Carnival week. Despite a biting wind and a couple of squally showers, almost 80 people visited the gardens. There was plenty of variety on offer – from cottage style to formal; flowers and veg; decks and summerhouses – and of course plants sales and teas. This was the fifth year of Creigiau Open Gardens and a great success, raising £730 for Carnival funds. Thank you to everyone who opened their gardens to share with the village.

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NHS Direct Wales	0845 4647	Shop Mobility	2039 9355
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Cardiff Council- All departments	2087 2087	Electricity Emergency	0800 052 0400
Consumer Advice Centre	2039 7781	SWALEC	0800 052 5252
Community Health Council	2037 7407	Trustmark (Approved tradesmen)	01344 63 0804
Community Care Services	2053 6444	Care & Repair (Assistance on repairs & adaptations for older people)	2047 3337
Gas Emergency	0800 11 1999	Trading Standards	2039 7782
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Carer's Centre (information, support for carers)	2022 1439	VEST Dial-A-Bus	2049 0325
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Radyr Library	2084 2234	Reduce unwanted phone calls	0845 070 0707
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Pentyrch Brownies seek new Brown Owl

4th Pentyrch Brownies has had an action packed, fun filled couple of years, but is now facing closure unless a new Brown Owl comes forward to run the group.



In the last 12 months, the Brownies have participated in a litter pick at Pentyrch Rugby Club, joined the Bowls club as part of their Sports Badge, had a visit from local Olympian Non Evans and been climbing at V9 in Nantgarw. They've visited Fairwater Police Station and experienced life in the cells and they have taken the train into the centre of Cardiff to visit Cardiff Central Library and to see the Gang Show in the New Theatre.

The girls have fed spring lambs at a local farm and petted snakes and tarantulas when the Really Wild Show came to visit.

Last month they had an evening in Gwaelod-y-Garth woods, playing games and toasting marshmallows over a campfire.

As well as participating in a range of exciting activities and new experiences, the Brownies have worked towards several badges, including Book Lovers, Homemaker, Toymaker, Seasons and Craft and put on a Christmas show for parents and family.

Unfortunately the current Brown Owl of 4 years, is unable to continue and unless we find a replacement, the group will close.

If you think that you can help and would like to find out more please email Ellen Petts: 4thPentyrchBrownies@gmail.com. Full training for new leaders is provided by the Guiding Association and you will have support from the local District Commissioner. There are also three young leaders that help out weekly and a number of regular parent helpers.

Brownies meets weekly on a Tuesday night between 6.15pm and 7.45pm in Pentyrch Village Hall. We currently have 20 girls aged between 7 and 10yr old in the group.

PENTYRCH TENNIS CLUB

Anyone for tennis?. New members are always welcome at the Pentyrch Tennis Club (located behind the Pentyrch Rugby Club). Why not come along to club night to give it a try before joining - from 6-8 pm on Tuesdays for Ladies and Thursdays for men. Junior coaching is at 10 am on Sunday mornings.

Coaching for adults, juniors and children is also available.

You can just have a knock-around with family or friends or at club nights, or join one of the teams playing in the South Wales Leagues, A new off- peak family membership has been introduced at just £50 per family.

For further details please contact Helen on 20890980 or Graham on 20891595 or Eric on 20892253



CREIGIAU COMPANIONS

Once again we have had an interesting and busy period and even the poor weather in the New Year barely affected our attendances which average 30. We have enjoyed a raft of interesting speakers and have, on times, entertained ourselves with suitable in-house activities.

Our summer outing was a short one just along the M4 to Caerleon where we found the Roman Legionary Museum, in all its four locations extremely interesting. The day was made even more enjoyable with a good lunch. Our activities and speakers will continue through the summer and autumn on alternate Thursdays at 2.15 p.m. in the Parish Hall, Creigiau. New members are always welcome. There is no signing on fee, just £1.50 each meeting to cover the costs of speakers, tea and biscuits, and a raffle.

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Times have moved on, and as we are now in the world of social networking, it makes a lot of sense that we additionally communicate with the village via Facebook. We recognise not all villagers will be Facebook users, but we estimate at least 70% of households will have a user. Coupled with local neighbourly communication, we feel Facebook really should be used in terms of getting as close to real-time issues/updates out to villagers.

So by way of the article included in the most recent Newsletter delivered to all homes in the village, the Facebook site is now live and running, and we've already had numerous visits and likes to date. Thanks.

Please check out our new Facebook site, by searching for 'Pentyrch Neighbourhood Watch'.

There are of course some ground rules that we have to observe, as to what we can and cannot place on Facebook. We've worked closely with our Police representatives, and they are equally enthusiastic to see the Facebook site go live. We have already published articles of interest, monthly crime reports, and, most importantly, reports of recent crimes that the Police have alerted the Watch.

We're very excited about moving into the Facebook environment, and hope you will visit it, make use of it, and post comments.

CANTORION CREIGIAU

As have many choirs, we have had a very quiet season, though we are ending on a high!! On June 29th we were involved in Creigiau Carnival to let people know that we are still performing and looking for new members. Then we ended the season, slightly earlier than usual, with a concert on July 4th.

What more could one have but a concert sharing the stage with an American choir on July 4th! Cor Cymraeg Rehoboth are from the American Welsh Society in Delta, Philadelphia. We were very lucky to be offered the use of Bethany Baptist Church, Rhiwbina. Proceeds are to go towards assessments and possible therapy for Sammy, the Ministers' son, who has Autism.

Concerts next season

- Oct. 4th Creigiau Church Hall helping to celebrate its Centenary.
- Dec. 4th The Gate Arts Centre, Cardiff. A Christmas Concert in aid of Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.
- Dec. 15th Green Street Methodist Church, Aberdare Carol Concert in aid of Save the Children.
- Dec 22nd Annual event in Creigiau Church Hall. at 6.30p.m

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CLEARANCE AT THE LAN - GWAELOD Y GARTH



Phase One of the Lan Memorial Project took place mid May. Residents, under the supervision of a CCC Forest Ranger, cleared saplings and undergrowth from the drift mine entrance, previously largely hidden. The quarry company, Cemex, have now cleared the growth from the top of the old mine, having first ensured its safety by supporting it with a structure of acros.

The Lan Project aims at creating Memorial woodland around the site of this old colliery entrance. The undergrowth will be cleared, thus opening-up a canopy of woodland that has grown wild since the Lan ceased production. With light to the woodland floor, natural woodland flowers will grow. The remaining

archaeology - the entrance and fan-house base - will be restored by Cemex, who will also put in hard standing and paths to create easy access to the Memorial. An open air class room will be installed for the children. Once finished, it is envisaged that the Lan Memorial Woodland will be a place where residents and visitors can walk or sit.



The 1875 disaster at the Lan cost the lives of 16 men and boys. Many families in our villages were affected and poverty was rife. The place of the Lan Disaster in the history of Wales lies partly in that (Sir) William Galloway, surveying the accident for the coroner, recognised the part played by dry coal dust in the



explosion. His method of damping the air is now universal mining law. It was first practised at the Lan in Gwaelod y Garth.

Anyone wishing to help in the project can contact: Matthew Murphy Kitto: 07746 893 876; Norma Procter 02920 813346 or via <http://normaprocter.wix.com/lan-memorial-project> Norma Procter.

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

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A Message from Creigiau Neighbourhood Watch

Unfortunately, recent months have seen a rise in crime in Creigiau. Most of it has been theft from cars, garages or sheds, but there has been at least one house break in. These incidents mainly occur during the cover of darkness.

It is up to us all to use common sense precautions to secure our homes, cars, and possessions:

- Don't leave valuables in your car, or at the very least keep them out of sight
- Lock your car when it is parked, and make sure windows are closed
- Park in a well-lit area
- Lock all garages and sheds with sturdy locks
- Don't leave bicycles or other expensive items outside
- If you have alarms, use them
- Don't leave windows open in unattended rooms
- If you see someone you believe to be in the act of committing a crime, dial 999
- If someone who rouses your suspicions, dial 101

Drug dealing and its ensuing anti-social behaviour continue to be a problem here. Inform the police if you come across such activities. The youngsters involved have not come from another planet, but are members of our community. Do you know where your young son or daughter is, and what he/she is doing? No willing drug takers would mean no need for local drug dealers. creigiauunw@googlemail.com

PENTYRCH HILL RACE

This year was the 27th time that we have staged the race since its inception 28 years ago.

We have always been the biggest fell (mountain) race in south Wales and this year we had 203 entries and 202 athletes finished the course! To put it into context, the following Monday one of our competitors told me that he had entered a similar race in Gwent where the field was about 30.

The 203 athletes set off on the 7 miles, one-lap course, climbing about 1600 feet in the process. Around the course we had 34 marshals, two St John ambulances and police support. As a race it was extremely competitive throughout the field, with Daniel Bodman (Aberdare Valley A.C.) and Peter Ryder (Cardiff A.C.) never more than a metre apart until the final mile run in to the finish. Peter's finishing time was 45 minutes 14 seconds, a very fine time, but some way from Matthew Collins' time of 42.46 set in 2006. Two Pentyrch athletes finished

well with Nicky Comerford, a former senior Welsh cross country champion, in 8th place overall, (48.00) but the first senior athlete (over 40 years of age). Luke Richards, finished 17th in 51.14.

Last year 27 ladies took part and this year that rose to 48 with last year's winner, Niki Morgan (Chepstow Harriers), competing in the women's over 45 category, leading all the ladies home. She finished in 42nd place (men and women run together), in 55.14, almost two minutes faster than last year.

Once again we hosted the South Wales Regional Fell Running Championships as part of our race. My thanks to all the athletes, the officials, the police, St John Ambulance, the Rugby Club for their Club House facilities and the marshals scattered around the course: without them the race could not take place. Most of the marshals are from St Catwg's Church, including a number who were in place 28 years ago! John Gough

PENTYRCH CHESS CLUB CLWB GWYDDBWYLL PENTYRCH

The club runs two teams in the East Glamorgan League, playing matches between early September and late April.

The League has 4 Divisions, each of 10 teams, with a "3 down; 3 up" relegation; promotion arrangement.

In the 2012-13 season, Pentyrch 'A' played in Division 1. Although eventually relegated in 8th place, all our regular players in that team had some good results against much stronger opponents during the season.

Our 'B' team played in Division 3 and, under the able captaincy of Matthew Lunnon, sustained their place in that Division, finishing 7th. The core members of the team (Nadi Grewal; Ray Angle; and Richard Morgan) all made significant contributions to the team's spirit and its competitive edge. It was also possible to give a newcomer, Ian Gerbex, the opportunity of playing in matches from time to time.

As it is now over 30 years since the club was established, our webmaster, Ray Angle, has lately invested considerable time in transferring the available paper records to the archive on our website www.pentyrchchess.co.uk

Anyone interested in joining the club can contact , Vivian Martin on 20891402 (vivsomartin@gmail.com). The club meets at the Kings Arms at 7.30 on Monday evenings from the beginning of September.

Craig Y Parc School

Our topic for the Summer term was 'Water' and students had great fun exploring it's properties, especially when the sun was out and we could go outside.

We also had our Summer Garden Party to prepare for and each class took responsibility for an area of the gardens where they grew plants, both edible and beautiful. Our new, fully accessible greenhouse has been a fantastic resource and this has linked nicely into learning about the uses of water.

Our students have been out on a number of community visits including the beach and riverside to see water in its natural form. They have been to the garden centre to choose plants for our gardens and to the Welsh Botanic Gardens for some grand planning ideas!

Our leavers went on a an outdoor adventure week to the Calvet Trust where they were able to abseil, whiz down the zip-wire, go horse-riding, and climb on the climbing wall. They had a fantastic time.

We are very proud to have had a number of students take part in GCSE examinations this year, in ICT and Maths and others working towards Entry Level qualifications in English, Maths, Science, History and ICT.

One of our young people, Jamie Love, attended the Scope

Conference in London and presented a Motivational Speech which was extremely well received. You can hear what he has to say on Youtube if you follow this link:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hrhvcQVTGul&feature=youtu.be>

Our next event will be our Christmas Fayre to which everyone is welcome. Come and join us on Friday 6th December 12.30pm.



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Garth Gardeners

We recently completed our second successful season and our monthly meetings continue to cover a broad range of topics. This year we introduced The Parsley Challenge where everyone was given the opportunity to grow a pot of parsley



from items provided. Although many fell by the wayside, fourteen were proudly presented at our end of year social with Liz & Dick Wallek judged the worthy winners.

Another challenge is planned for the autumn.

Our trips have also proved popular; over thirty of us recently visited the spectacular Laskett Gardens, near

Hereford, created over forty years by Sir Roy Strong and his late wife.

A smaller party also enjoyed a trip to the Wells Flower Festival.

Our final trip this year is to the RHS Malvern Autumn Show in September on Sunday 29 September (contact us if you'd like to come along).

The new season starts on 20 September with a talk by Andrew Teague on Tredegar House and Gardens. Other topics planned for the autumn are Gardens of the World and Hedgehogs. New members and visitors are always welcome (membership remains at £10 for the season, visitors £3 per meeting).

We meet at Pentyrch Village Hall, usually on the third Friday of the month, doors open at 7.15 pm. The guest speaker is followed by refreshments and a chance to chat with fellow gardeners. We also have a well-established "Trading Post" and are proposing a small lending library of gardening books next season.

For more information, please contact Bill Rodd (Chairman) Tel: 2089 1584 email: garthgardeners@btinternet.com <https://garthgardeners.wordpress.com>

Creigiau Cricket Club Scorebox



A great thank you to everyone who sponsored us on our South Downs Way walk, the response was amazing.

We are thrilled to say that the direct sponsor money together with other donations has enabled us to present Creigiau Cricket Club with a cheque for £2,000 towards the new Scorebox in memory of our son Jonathan and in addition we are delighted to have raised a further £1,000 for the Progeria UK Charity towards the annual reunion.

Other members of Creigiau Cricket club have also been busy raising funds for this project and with the support of Pentyrch Community Council planning permission has been obtained. Construction will start soon!

Caroline and Peter Morgan

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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.

Members of the public are always welcome to attend these meetings

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Gwaelod y Garth	
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11.00 - 12.15	Lewis Arms
12.25 - 12.50	Maes y Sarn
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When submitting an entry for inclusion in the Community link contributors are requested to take note of the following:-

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- The text of articles should be submitted either as a Microsoft Word document i.e. doc files or in rich text format i.e. rtf files or even as the main body of an email. Articles in other formats may well not be compatible and therefore lost.
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Your co-operation in submitting articles in this way will be much appreciated. *Stuart Thomas Editor*

Cwlwm Bro Community Link

Golygydd Stuart Thomas Editor

Last date for entries in the next issue is

1 November 13. 9:00am

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

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YOUNG ARCHAEOLOGISTS RESEARCH THE LAN DRIFT

An interactive archaeology session with Jan Bailey from Glamorgan Gwent Archaeological Trust and children from Gwaelod y Garth School, will culminate in July with an exhibition of the children's work. Georgetown resident, Arthur Welsby, who has lived in the village all of his life will join the children on-site at the end of June. He recalls playing at the old mine in childhood and has vivid memories of where old walls, now hidden, were still in place.

Jan Bailey of the GGAT speaks of the Lan as an important part of the story of industrial Wales. As a drift mine, its preservation is critical - the image of the pit head should not be the only image of mining coal in Wales. The 1875 accident at the Lan, in many ways, resembles that at Gliesion a few years back - another drift mine.



The disaster in Gwaelod y Garth has historic significance. On December 6th, 1875, the massive explosion at the Lan, which took the lives of 16 men and boys, has gone largely unexamined. Children of as young as 11 were killed. Men were reported to be 'burned to a cinder'. Now, children at school rather than underground winning coal, will be part of the mapping of the Lan's history. They will follow the paths of Sir William Galloway, a pioneer researching the action of coal dust in colliery explosions, who inspected the accident for the Coroner. His theory of damping the air, which became world-wide mining law, was first practiced at the Lan. Now, in the damp air of the summer of 2013, a group of children from Gwaelod y Garth school will photograph, map and create information boards so that the story of Lan disaster will never die.
Norma Procter

Editors Note For anyone wishing to read a full account of the disaster go to :-
<http://www.welshcoalmines.co.uk/GlamEast/Lan.htm>
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/theregy/3049399039>

ROTARY CLUB OF CARDIFF WEST NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

We are the newest Rotary club in Cardiff, started in 2010 and are always ready to welcome new members or those who just want to find out more about Rotary.

Since we began we have organised a number of events, including quizzes, concerts and trolley dashes, for fun and fundraising. We have raised money for the Teenage Cancer Trust, Ty Hafan and Macmillan Cancer Support and we have also been involved with bucket collections following disasters such as the Japanese Tsunami.

We meet once a week on a Tuesday at Radyr golf club and we usually have a speaker. Our programme can be found on our website and non-members are welcome.

We are also part of a much larger global organisation.

Rotary International has 1.2 million members in 34,000 clubs worldwide, offering the opportunity to connect and network with Rotarians in other countries. Rotary provides the possibility to give back to communities, both locally and globally, to meet people and to build friendships. Rotary helps young people to develop and grow through the various youth programmes Rotary offers and Rotary is at the forefront of the campaign to eradicate polio.

If you would like to find out more about our club, or join us at one of our meetings, you can email to sec.cardiffwestrotary@gmail.com or you can visit our website www.cardiffwestrotaryclub.wordpress.com You can Like us on facebook (Cardiff West Rotary Club) or you can follow us on twitter @cardiffwestrota

CREIGIAU 23'S RECENT DONATIONS.



Creigiau 23 are happy to announce their support for the Mini and Junior section of Pentyrch RFC on their forthcoming tour to Rodez, France, with a donation of £405.

During this year's Creigiau carnival, Creigiau 23 Chairman Eurof Davies took the opportunity to present a cheque to Jamie Hughes and Gary Lovering from the Mini and Junior Section. Also, present was Andrew Miles, Creigiau Carnival chairman.

As well as thanking all the Creigiau 23 members who volunteered at the annual carnival, a special thanks has to go to Andrew and the rest of the carnival committee for organising the event. After all, it is one of our main sources of income and we would not be able to make donations to local organisations without their good work.

Other groups that have received support in the last few months have been, Cylch Meithrin, Pentyrch Rangers AFC Under 13's and Creigiau Cricket Club. This is in addition to the Creigiau village sign. (see Page 1)

More information regarding Creigiau 23 can be found on their website www.creigiau23.org.uk

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CREIGIAU CARNIVAL 2013

Carnival week had a flying start on Saturday 22nd June with Carnival fun run. On Sunday events continued with the most successful open gardens which once again raised a huge amount. The childrens disco to choose the Carnival King, Queen and attendants was held on Monday evening and on Tuesday the Creigiau Inn was full for the carnival quiz..

With the sun out for Carnival day the village once again turned out in force, To the theme of Video Games we saw some great floats and fancy dress. As they left Parc-y-Fro Green and proceeded around the village to the Recreation field the procession was headed by Samba Galles, followed by the float for King and Queen and their attendants.

On the field, there was something for all ages -games and side shows, 5-a-side football, cricket, coconut shy, bouncy castle, roundabout, and a variety of stalls selling such things as plants, books, cards, bottles, skin products, cakes, etc., refreshments included a beer tent, barbecue, teas, coffees, cakes, ice creams and candy floss

Finally the Carnival committee would like to thank everyone behind the scenes who helped to make Carnival week a great success. Look out for next year's theme later in the year. If anyone would like to join the Carnival Committee please contact Andrew Miles (Carnival Chairman) Tel No. 02920891116 or 'e' mail aj_miles@btinternet.com.



PENTYRCH VILLAGE HALL

I want to thank all those who have helped the Village Hall over the last twelve months in one way or another- whether it is by helping with the management of the hall itself or helping at one of the many events that have been held at the hall? Your help is very much appreciated. It is a marvellous facility for Pentyrch and all the more so as it is not owned by the Local Authority but by the PCC under the terms of a Trust for the benefit of all local residents of the village. That we can keep the hall running in these difficult economic times is a credit to all. (we have calculated that the hall has a footfall of 44,000 people a year). As I am sure that you are aware it is a very popular building and is used seven days a week.

To maintain the high standards of the building leaks to the main entrance foyer and the Squash Club roofs have been repaired recently. The hall will be closed as usual during August when it will be deep cleaned and the floor re-sealed ready for the Autumn term.

200 Club Winners

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| March | Mr P Vincent, Mrs C Philips
Mr & Mrs A Davies, |
| April | Mr & Mrs J Young, Mr &
Mrs K Davies |
| May | Mrs K Farrance, RE Evans
and Mrs H Williams |

Please contact us if you would like to join the 200 Club. Cost £12.00 per year. Monthly prizes of 1st - £40.00, 2nd £20.00 and 3rd £15.00. Half the proceeds will go to hall funds. Anthony Smith Chair

PENTYRCH VILLAGE HALL DOCTORS' SURGERY

Planning permission has been granted for the erection of demountable buildings to the side of the Squash Court. It is anticipated that these will be installed over the summer months and that the Doctors' Surgery will be re-housed in these buildings.

This may lead to teething problems, in particular the parking, and the committee would ask anyone using the car park to be watchful of children particularly at nursery school time and in the afternoons.

Please report to the committee anything dangerous activity, especially with regard to night-time activities.

Anthony Smith Chair Pentyrch Village Hall