



THE COMMUNITY NEWS

From Acrefair, Cefn Mawr, Cefn Bychan/Newbridge, Plas Madoc & Rhosymedre
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DRUIDS OLD PLAYERS VISIT TO THE ROCK



Recently we were visited by Bill Roberts who played for Druids in the late forties. Bill is 95 and now lives in Ruabon, having lived and worked in France for 32 years. Bill was born in Plas Bennion in 1922. He was pleased to be able to recognise some old team mates from photographs on the wall of the Legends Lounge, especially that of his best man Bill Meredith. Bill had a tour of the ground, was given a Cefn Druids scarf and met with our manager Huw Griffiths for a chat and a cup of tea. *All Ex-Druids are most welcome at the Rock. Once a Druid always a Druid!*



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GWEN'S BENCH

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UNDERNEATH THE ARCHES

This popular event at Pontcysyllte Aqueduct returns on Friday 14th July for the fifth year running. Tickets are available now via www.underneatharches.co.uk
Please note there will be no cash entry to the event on the evening.



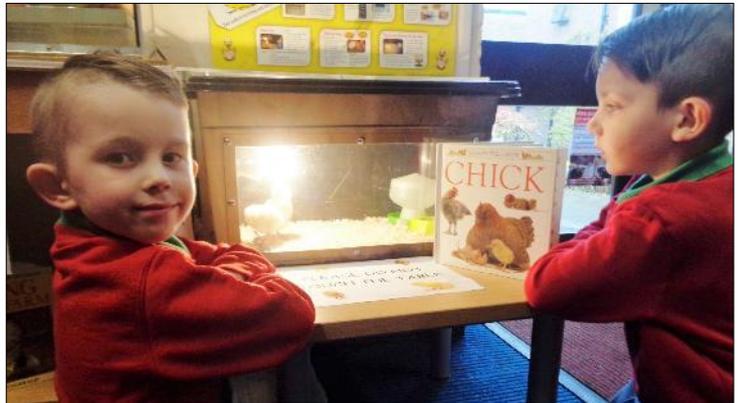
YSGOL CEN MAWR NEWS

Year 6 pupils went on a residential visit to Cardiff.

They were very busy during the day visiting many of the sites in Cardiff including the Royal Mint, Senedd, Cardiff City Stadium, the Big Pit, Millennium Centre, Techniquet and much more. They were entertained at night with a disco and bowling every one had a great time. Thank you to Miss Jones and Mrs Lancaster-Moore for accompanying the children.



Year 5 pupils enjoyed a residential visit at Glan Llyn where they had the opportunity to try their hand at orienteering, archery, bowling, falconry, raft building, etc. The children had a busy but great time. Thank you Mrs Williams and Mrs Simon for giving your time to accompany the children.



In March the pupils were treated to a delivery of eggs which they were able to see hatch, and watch how quickly they grew. When the chicks were old enough they were transferred from the incubator into a larger container where they instinctively knew how to search for food. The pupils enjoyed watching the chicks grow and continue to visit some of them as 3 now live at Ty Mawr Country Park.



Our **Year 2** pupils visited Techniquet in March. The children had a great time and took part in a Lego workshop, a sight and sound show through the jungle in the theatre, and the science activities in Techniquet.



Schools Touch Rugby at Druids Ground

Despite the awful weather it went well. Ysgol Cefn Mawr won the girls trophy on 7 points and the boys were joint winners with Acton CP on 5 points. It was lovely to see 60 children enjoy playing touch rugby as an introduction to rugby league at a great venue! The two winning captains - Dewi Parry and Sarae Williams with Andy Mousdale - player and manager at North Wales Crusaders.



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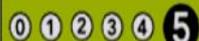


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CEFN ALBION AWARDS 2016/17

Held at the Cefn Mawr Community Social Cub, our thank to the club for looking after us and making it a fantastic night.

First Team

Players Player – Oliver Davies
Managers Player – Oliver Davies
Top Goal Scorer – Oliver Davies
Goal of the season – Alex Williams

Reserve Team

Players Player – Lewis Parry
Managers Player – Kien Morris
Top Goal Scorer – Callum Mannion
Goal of the season – Callum Mannion

SATURDAY 24 JUNE

Friends of Ty Mawr

ANNUAL FUN DOG SHOW

Entries from 11am and Judging starts at 1pm. £1.50 per class or 4 classes for £5 per dog. Stalls and refreshments available.



Like our facebook page **Community News Cefn Mawr and District** to keep up to date with events, news, activities and offers from in and around our area you will also find an album of photos for each edition.

A Message from Susan Elan Jones

I would like to thank the residents of Cefn for all their continued support.

I am delighted to have my office in Cefn and to work alongside so many people in the locality to try and get the best for our area.

My staff and I now help around 1,000 people a year and we also support many different businesses, charities and community groups.

It is privilege to do this work with the local community and I would like to thank each one of you for your support and kindness.



ST JOHNS RHOSYMEDRE NEWS

Lunches Our Fish 'n Chips and prize bingo sessions continues on the second Tuesday of the month. The next lunch dates are on **13 June** and **11 July** at 12.30pm. All are welcome, please let **Beulah** know whether you would like a fish and chip lunch, call **01978 810868**.

On Palm Sunday the congregation of St John's Church joined with the Anglican and Roman Catholic congregations from St Mary's Ruabon for a procession through the village with a donkey, followed by a joint service in St Mary's Church.



For information about Church Services please see the notices on page 18

1ST RHOSYMEDRE CUBS & BEAVERS

Beavers meet Wednesdays from 5.30 to 6.30pm
Cubs meet every Wednesday night from 6.45pm to 8pm in St John's Church Hall We welcome children age 7 and a half to 10 years old. First week is free then only £2.50 a week. For more information call Beaver Leader **Angela Jones 07946 271370** or Cub Leader **Emma Green 07886 077447**

THE PALETTE ART GROUP

We meet at St John's Church, Church Street, Rhosymedre. We are still the same small friendly art group who just like to come and do their own thing, watercolours, oils, acrylics or sketching. If you would like to get back into painting or just have a go at something new come along to our weekly meeting at the church from 10am to 12noon every Tuesday, tea and coffee provided. Parking available and the Cefn bus stops just down from us on Rock Road. Further information from **Laura on 01978 822 081**

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On April 22nd Wrexham Foodbank collected at **Cefn Mawr Tesco**. The public kindly donated 411kg of food and £57 finance. Thank you so much everyone! #EveryCanHelps'

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TESCO IN THE COMMUNITY

We spent a lovely afternoon at the Dolywern Leonard Cheshire Disability Home, where we cheered the **LCD Tour de Cymru** team as they arrived. 10 cyclists, some, members of staff, from all over Wales are cycling between each of the LCD homes in Wales starting on Anglesey and finishing in Newport, South Wales. aiming to raise £10,000 and are being helped by some of the residents too. Very inspiring! Well done all!!



CRNCA NEWS

Lunch Club at the Cefn Mawr Activity Centre The CRNCA Lunch club meets every **Wednesday** at **12.15** for **12.30pm** start and continues to increase in numbers. If

you would like to try out our meals you must be over 50 and live locally. The meals consist of two courses plus a hot drink for the small cost of £3, diets are catered for where possible. We would like to ask if anyone could assist us in preparing the tables and prep for lunches on a voluntary basis once a month to give the regular volunteers a break Please contact **Kris 07531310335** for more information
The CRNCA Changing Seasons 50+ Club
This club is open on **Tuesday** afternoons **12.30-2.30 pm** at the Cefn Mawr Activity Centre and is self-run by the group. We enjoy a number of activities and fundraise for outings and equipment it is open to all and follows an equal opportunities policy. A small subscription is paid weekly to cover costs Pop in to see us and enjoy a cup of tea and biscuit For more information call **Kris 07531310335**

HELP HELP HELP

We urgently need people to assist us in sorting the grounds out to enable the young and more senior members of the community to be outside for the good weather and we would like to put up the football nets for the nice weather. Anyone who can do litter picking, strimming, weeding or any garden work please, please contact us on **07531310335** as soon as possible. CRNCA are looking for Board members to assist in running the Charity and its building anyone who feels they may have something to contribute and would like to help in keeping the building for community use contact **07531310335**. Any one wishing to book any of our rooms please phone **01978 821515** or **07531 310335** for more information.

LITTLE SUNFLOWERS AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Monday to Fridays during school term times for children attending full time school ages 4 to 11. Healthy snacks are provided. Children can be placed in sessions from 3pm-5pm. For information please contact **Sharon Evans 019787 813914**



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RHOSYMEDRE BROWNIES

We have spaces available for girls aged 7-9, we meet at Ysgol Cefn Mawr, Plas Kynaston Lane on **Thursday** nights during term time from **6.15 to 7.45 pm**, cost is £2.00 per night. For more information please call **Tracy** on **01978 820686**

TY MAWR COUNTRY PARK NEWS

Wednesdays 7 June, 5 July and 2 August for our monthly spinning, knitting and weaving group from 1 to 4pm. Beginners welcome please contact **June Mclaughlin** on **07780 000206** or email junemclaughlin@btinternet.com

See our facebook page **Ty Mawr country park spinners/weavers/knitters**

Saturday 24 June Friends of Ty Mawr **Annual Fun Dog Show** ~ entries from 11am and Judging starts at 1pm. £1.50 per class or 4 classes for £5 per dog. Stalls and refreshments available.

Wednesday 5 July Big Dee Invasion Balsam Pull Up from 1 ~ 3.30pm, join with the Ranger to remove the alien plants that are damaging our river banks and native habitat. Meet at the Visitor Centre suitable for 16+

Wednesday 26 July Big Dee Invasion Balsam Pull Up Round 2, from 1 ~ 3.30pm, join with the Ranger to remove the alien plants that are damaging our river banks and native habitat. Meet at the Visitor Centre suitable for 16+

Thursday 27 July Pencil Toppers and Book Marks from 1.30 ~ 3.30pm receive a pencil and make a fun topper and book mark to go with it, all ages £2.50.

Thursday 3 August Landscape Collage, make a beautiful collage of local landscapes using a selection of materials, suitable for all ages £2.50.

Sponsor an animal at Ty Mawr Country Park the money helps towards the animals upkeep including, housing, feed and vets bills. To sponsor an animal, large or small, as a gift for someone or as a gift for yourself is only £10 per year for small animals and £15 for larger animals, you will receive a fact file, a personalised certificate and a chance to meet your animal on a special sponsor day, please contact the Rangers on **01978 822780** for more details.

The park is open 7 days a week and the Visitor Centre is open daily from 10.30am to 4.30pm hot drinks are available if the Café is not open. Hel's Kiosk is normally open in the daytime weather permitting. For cakes, snacks and drinks Tel: **01978 822780** for more information and see our facebook page **Ty Mawr Country park friends group**

Cllr Derek Wright Councillor for Cefn Ward

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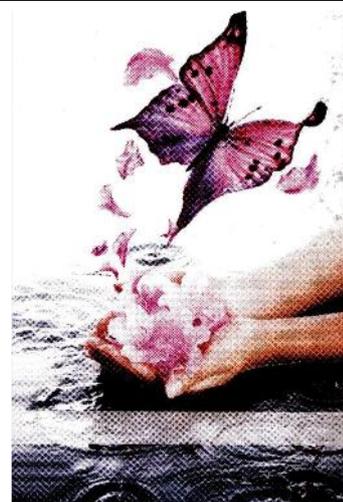
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February 2017 saw the decision by Welsh Government to phase-out the **Communities First** programme, which will end by 31st March 2018.

Whilst there will be a **Communities First** programme in the area in the coming year it will be different from what was offered previously.

A new Communities First Transition Team has been set-up to support the process of phasing out the programme and to continue delivering intensive focused support for those seeking employment.

The Team will be able to work with groups, organisations and individuals who want to assist with the regeneration of their communities beyond the final year of the programme.

Please contact the **Opportunities Centre** on **01978 820520** if you require more information on the services being delivered here and our opening times, thank you.

THE INVEST LOCAL programme, managed by **Building Communities Trust (BCT)** normally meets every **Tuesday** at 10am at Plas Madoc Leisure Centre come along and get involved in Plas Madoc's future. For further information contact **Gwen Thirsk** on **07736 158829** or gwen.thirsk@bct.wales, or have a chat with Claire at The Land or Denise at the Leisure Centre

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FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT**

In April The Rock hosted the first *Cefn Community Council Schools Football Tournament*. The day was organised by Cllrs Ken Bathers and Derek Wright. The schools taking part were Cefn Mawr, Min-Y-Ddol, Froncysyllte, Rhosymedre and Acrefair, who were the winners.

Druids said they were delighted to be hosting this and hoped it would be an annual event. A fantastic day was had by all the teams taking part.



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Zorb Sessions! Adult zorbing at Plas Madoc, we cater for hen/stag parties or a group of friends, be prepared for a lot of fun as you try out your skills in our inflatable zorbs!! If you are interested just get in touch via **01978 821600** or email **info@plas-madoc.com**

Climbing Wall We now host weekly climbing wall sessions for juniors at Plas Madoc, these courses help develop climbing skills while providing a fun and exciting activity! We now also offer private Parties on our Climbing Wall as well as private bookings. Please call us via **01978 821600** or email **info@plas-madoc.com**



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Contact Homes Instead Senior Care on **01978 660423** or email **ifo.wrexham@homeinstead.co.uk**

**Cllr Paul Blackwell
Councillor for Plas Madoc**

Residents can contact me on **07855 620891** or e-mail me at

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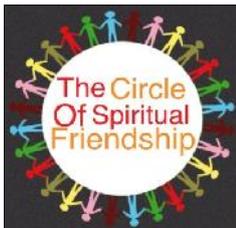
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**Cllr Sonia T Benbow-Jones
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CHARITY FUN DAY

The Air Products Club Easter Fun Day was a great success. With three great bands the maffarix, the droogs and foremost We raised £1670 on the day with a bit more to come.

Funds are going towards a local girl, Katy Weavers fighting fund as she needs to travel to London for specialist treatment for her debilitating condition called FND Functional Neurological Disorder. The rain held off most of the day and everyone had a great day. Thanks to all involved



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Every Wednesday we have **Citizens Advice Wrexham** drop in sessions from 1.30 to 4.30pm. impartial, confidential advice on any topic.. **Please note Citizens advice have changed their telephone number, it is no longer an 01978 number. The new number is 03003 301178.**

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The winner of our Easter quiz was Morgan Evans. Well done Morgan!

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ACREFAIR BROWNIES Our Brownies meet on Thursdays in the Activity Centre by Ysgol Acrefair from 6 to 7.30pm during term time. For more information please call **01978 821601**

THE TOWERS DAY NURSERY

Children from The Towers Day Nursery have been busy lately preparing Easter craft, making Easter baskets and nest cakes. They also made cards and gifts for Mother's Day.



Recently, the nursery gained a National Award from The Healthy and Sustainable Pre-School Scheme, part of Public Health Wales and Wrexham C.B.C. The award was for Healthy Nutrition. The nursery have been working closely with Helen Jones to gain this award and is now going on to the Environment component of the award.

The planting in the nursery garden is going well. So far, we have herbs, strawberries, potatoes, sunflowers, leeks, runner beans and pumpkins planted. The children are looking forward to harvesting them all! With the increased likelihood of a child in nursery having a food allergy, 3 members of staff have completed an Allergy Awareness course. Only a few nursery places are currently available, please ring **01978 822446** if you would like to arrange a viewing.

ACREFAIR OVER-SIXTIES CLUB

Our members are now enjoying the comfort of upholstered stacking chairs, thanks to the Cefn Community Council. These are greatly appreciated by the members and made the cushions redundant. We still meet in the Centre in Acrefair on Tuesday mornings although one member has fallen and cannot attend. Get Well soon Moira. We held our AGM in May and have been planning our summer outings.

Several guests have visited over the past twelve months to talk about the past and reminisce with others giving advice. We now have a mornings mental challenge set by Peter to keep the brain cells working, then some Tai Chi, then Bingo. All this together with tea and biscuits during the mornings chat. Come along if you want- everyone is welcome. If you are interested then ring us on **820392** (Clive) for more information. We can arrange transport.



The Maelor ABC Club squad and coaches ready for their recent tournament held at Flexsys Community Halls

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MAELOR ABC SCHOOLBOY CHAMPIONSHIP WINNER

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Congratulations to the St Martins boys, they boxed very well and did the Maelor ABC proud specially Tom who had to box twice in two days and beat a fresh Lewis [who watched Tom box on Saturday] and come home as champion.



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CAFÉCHURCH BREWS UP

Cefn Mawr Christian Fellowship's monthly *CaféChurch* opened its doors again recently and welcomed two new families who really enjoyed their time. The kids liked the format, especially the colouring and craft... and probably the cakes!



The Meeting Place CaféChurch meets in the **CRNCA Centre on Bro Gwilym** - known to many as the "Old Canteen" - on the first Sunday of every month. The next couple of dates are **Sundays 4 June and 2 July**.

A **cuppa and cakes** are usually available from **about 10.15am** and **shared activities begin around 10.30 until 11.45am**. There are colouring sheets for all ages, a pre-school children's area, and a craft activity just in case older ones get a bit bored. *CaféChurch* is a very different way of doing church. We gather round tables to eat, drink and chat about a topic; have fun with a video clip; learn from a presentation on the big screen TV; and say a simple prayer for the people or problems folk have shared on our Prayer Board.

The **CMCF** meet to encourage one another **every Thursday from 7.30pm at the Centre**, giving over one of these evenings each month to a Social event at which community members are welcome. Our latest Social was a "Just Desserts" evening with some great home-made puds, table-top games and lively conversation.

RECEIVE A TOUCH FROM HEAVEN

In July the CMCF is planning a special event that sort of combines *CaféChurch* and Social into one. Called **Healing Cafés** these will be held on **uesday 11th. July from 3.15-4.30pm and Thursday 13th. July from 7.15 - 9.00pm**. A *Healing Café* will provide a relaxed and non-threatening atmosphere in which local people can ask for prayer for whatever is troubling them. It could be a physical problem, but the Spirit of God can heal broken hearts too. The Spirit can break bad habits, restore peace, comfort those in sorrow, guide the confused, give hope to those in despair... and so much more. The Spirit of God comes to bring wholeness to individuals, families and communities. Like God's love, **Healing Café is free** - if you or a loved one has a need, why not come along and see what the Spirit can do? For more information on *Healing Cafés*, *CaféChurch* or any of our events, please check out our **Facebook** page - look for *Cefn Mawr Christian Fellowship*. Or call us on 810761 or 824785... we're here to help.



CEFN COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEWS

Following the Annual meeting held on Tuesday 16th May 2017, Councillor Ken Bathers was re-elected as Chair for 2017/18, Councillor Derek Wright was re-elected as Vice Chair for 2017/18. Cefn Community Council has one vacancy in the Acrefair & Penybryn Ward, interested person who wish to become a councillor please contact the Clerk for more information on **01978 821298** Council meetings are held on the fourth **Tuesday** of the month at 6.45pm, at the George Edwards Hall, Well Street, Cefn Mawr – members of the public are welcome to attend. Councillors for your ward are as follows:

COUNCILLORS Cefn Ward

A Williams,	70 Cae Gwilym Lane, Cefn Mawr.	Tel 822481	Lab
K Bathers,	Sunnyside, 11 Hill St, Cefn Mawr LL14 3AY.	Tel 820608	Lab
S T Benbow-Jones,	4 The Haven, High St, Cefn Mawr LL14 3RN.	Tel 823603	Ind
A Cook	4 Oakfield, Bowers Rd, Acrefair LL14 3TZ	Tel 864324	Lab
B C Cook	4 Oakfield, Bowers Rd, Acrefair LL14 3TZ	Tel 864324	Lab
D Metcalfe	34 Crane Lane, Cefn Mawr LL14 3RA	Tel 823700	Ind

COUNCILLORS Plas Madoc Ward

D Wright	Fern Villa, Church St, Rhosymedre LL14 3EA	Tel 822497	Lab
A E Parry	17 Maple Drive, Acrefair LL14 3LG	Tel 257350	Lab
D Williams	11 Glaslyn, Plas Madoc, Acrefair LL14 3ER	Tel 810248	Lab
M D Hughes	Pen y Coed, Gardden, Ruabon LL14 6RD	Tel 820592	IWS
A D Ennis	40 North Ave, Ruabon LL14 6BE	Tel 512466	Ind

COUNCILLORS Rhosymedre & Cefn Bychan Ward

P Roberts	5 Short Lane, Newbridge LL14 3JL	Tel 822925	Ind
G Wright	Fern Villa, Church St, Rhosymedre LL14 3EA	Tel 822497	Lab

COUNCILLORS Acrefair & Penybryn Ward

I M Twigg	Cheshire Cottage, Hughes Row, Acrefair LL14 3UB	Tel 820179	
P Blackwell	The Croft, Abernant, Acrefair LL14 3SN	Tel 822929	Lab

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Current bookings for the George Edwards Hall

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DanceZone Mondays and Thursdays from 5 to 9pm
Slimming World Tuesdays from 9.30 to 11.30am.
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CREATE YOUR SPACE FUNDING BID FALLS AT THE FINAL HURDLE

After getting down to the last 16, Cefn Mawr's bid to the BIG Lottery Create Your Space Fund narrowly failed to get into the top 5 projects funded across Wales. Feedback from BIG Lottery indicated that our bid did not offer as great an environmental transformation as the winning projects. Dee Valley Trust and the members of the Cefn Regeneration Partnership would like to thank everyone who contributed to the bid or who gave us feedback at the consultation events or online. The Cefn Regeneration Partnership will meet in June to decide its next steps. It is planned to expand the group to make it more representative of the whole of the Cefn community. The group will identify its top priorities for developing the area and then look for new funding opportunities. Funding from BIG Lottery received during 2016 was used to advance a number of projects as part of the bid development. One of these was the proposal to establish *Community Gardens* in Rhosymedre. The board of



New Dot Screenings June - July

June: I, Daniel Blake Winner of the Palme d'Or at the 2016 Cannes Film Festival, the latest from Ken Loach is a gripping, human tale about the impact one man can make. **Friday**

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July: Sing Street - A Fringe Gala event If you remember the 1980s, loved The Commitments or Once, if you love a good dance under a glitter ball, **Sing Street**, our Fringe gala event, is just for you. One of last year's best-loved Indie films,

Thursday, July 13th @ 7.30pm for 8 pm Tickets: £8; Conc. £6. Tickets for all New Dot's screenings can be purchased in person from Bailey's Deli in Llangollen or via our Facebook page or website newdotcinema.org

Community garden continued.

Dee Valley Trust has decided to make this our top priority over the next 12 months, in addition to supporting the work of the Cefn Regeneration Partnership. **Matt Rhys-Roberts** has agreed to co-ordinate the group of local people who have expressed an interest in working on the site. If you want to join the group, please contact **Matt** on **01978 823 194** Mark Lacey, Director, Dee Valley Trust mail: mark.lacey@deevalleytrust.org.uk

USEFUL NUMBERS

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WCBC Pride in Your Streets 01978 298989

WCBC Services

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- **Pest Control** 01978 298989
- **Refuse Collection** 01978 298989
- **Housing Services/Repairs/Benefits** 01978 298993
- **Council Tax** 01978 298992
- **Registrars Office** 01978 298997
- **Homelessness Services** 01978 292947
- **Visiting Warden Service** 01978 315300
- **Dog Fouling** 01978 298989
- **Telecare Solutions** 01978 292075
- **Welfare Rights** 01978 298255
- **Planning** 01978 298994
- **Trading Standards** 01978 298997

WCBC Emergency out of Hours Numbers

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- **Homelessness** 01978 264240
- **Social Services (Emergency Duty Team)** 0845 053 3116
- **Sewers & Drains** 01978 298989
- **Telecare** (was Care Call) 01978 292055

Gas Emergencies 0800 111 999

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Dee Valley (Leak Line) 0800 298 7112

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DAN 24/7 Drug & Alcohol Help Line 0808 808 2234

Floodline 0845 9881188

Home Fire Safety Checks 0800 169 1234

National Drugs Helpline 0800 776600

RNIB 020 73881 266

Wales Domestic Abuse Helpline 0808 8010800

Wrexham Care & Repair 01978 268120

Wrexham Credit Union 01978 266843

Wrexham Dog Warden 01978 298989

Dog Warden — Out of Hours 01978 292055.

Acorn Kennels 01948 662931

Wrexham Family Information Services

01978 292094

Wrexham Maelor Hospital 01978 291100

PCSO Hannah Harris 07854 997046

PCSO Ryan Jones 07989 170401

Cefn Police Station 01978 348409

CEFN MAWR AND DISTRICT MUSEUM

The Museum's last special exhibition marked the 70th Anniversary of the Llangollen Eisteddfod, which ran until the end of May. Future exhibitions will include a celebration of the 180th Anniversary of St John's, Rhosymedre, and a look at famous people from the Cefn Mawr and District area.



Recent donations include a 1950s radiogram which can play records at speeds of 16, 33, 45 and 78 rpm. We'd be interested in finding any records that play at 16 rpm! We've also done a massive overhaul on our collection of employment records from Graesser and Monsanto, many of which were very fragile. Phil Vaughan, one of our volunteers, has done a fantastic job of transcribing all the records between 1916 and 1950 into a modern, accessible document which anyone is welcome to look through – do come in and see if your family is there!

We continue to open every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10am to 1230pm and since March we have resumed our special openings on the second Saturday of each month (same times). We look forward to seeing you when you come to visit us in the Waterloo Room at the rear of the George Edwards Hall. Admission is free with excellent parking at the rear of the hall accessed off the Tesco roundabout

Find us on Facebook at '**Cefn Mawr and District Museum**'. Telephone **07972 528626**. The Museum is a partnership between Cefn Mawr Historical Society and Cefn Community Council.



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CEFN MAWR HISTORICAL SOCIETY

A well-attended March meeting of Cefn Mawr Historical Society enjoyed a humorous talk given by the Society's Vice-Chair, Rev Alan Tiltman of Rhosymedre, who spoke about, and played music from, his 'Radio Childhood' at the George Edwards Hall, Cefn Mawr. The fifth Society AGM took place on Friday 28 April 2017 in the George Edwards Hall. This was followed by a talk, given by Dr Kathryn Ellis and Mr Peter Bolton, on 'The Stiwt', Rhos.

The next meeting of the Society takes place at 7pm on **Friday 30 June** where Martin Allmand will deliver a talk on 'The Mining History of Cefn Mawr and District'. Admission is free to Members and £2 to non-members and guests on the door.

Refreshments will be available, and a Grand Raffle will be drawn on the evening

On **Friday 28 July**, we have Ruth Moore Williams with her talk on the 'Song and Story on the Dee Valley'. There is no meeting in August as we take our summer break.

The Society's Museum (in partnership with Cefn Community Council) is looking for volunteers. Interested Members should contact the Secretary, **Mrs Barbara Lloyd**, Tel: **01978 823380**.



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YSGOL RHIWABON NEWS

Ysgol Rhiwabon students recently took part in the **Phoenix Project** at Chirk Fire Station. The project, which is organised by North Wales Fire and Rescue Service, educates 13 to 17 year-olds about the importance of fire safety and the consequences of emergencies for the various services. The Phoenix Project is a great example of a multi-agency approach to encourage positive behaviour among young people. During the five day course young people engage in fire and rescue service activities such as hose running drills, fighting fires and search and rescue. They also learn useful day to day skills such as the consequences of their actions, manual handling, risk management and fire safety. North Wales Fire and Rescue Service has joined up with North Wales Police to create a film aimed at 10 to 16-year-olds to raise awareness of the dangers and consequences of the impact of emergencies in the Wrexham area. The Fire and Rescue Service has a powerful draw for young people and gives the opportunity to try to influence behaviour.



NATIONAL SPELLING BEE COMPETITION

The Spelling Bee is organised by 'Routes into Languages, Cymru' and is a yearly competition. The aim is to encourage pupils to practise and improve their vocabulary, spelling and memory skills in French, Spanish, Welsh 2nd Language, and German. Three of our Year 7 students were in the finals of the competition for French, and two of those are now advancing to the National Finals, with the third as reserve finalist. Our finalists are Lily Jones 7 EPR, Wiktoria Kobylka 7 MTJ and the reserve is Eleanor Dymont 7 MTJ. The National finals will be held at Aberystwyth University on 5th July 2017.

TESCO BAGS OF HELP ~ CEFN

We have started our much more local **Bags of Help** voting. Groups who have won a place in our voting unit at the front of store, will be LOCAL!! Have a look, ask for a token at checkouts and vote for the community project you think should win. 1st, 2nd and 3rd awards are **£4000, £2000 and £1000** respectively - so they're all winners really! If you would like to know more about our **Bags of Help** scheme, go to tesco.com/bagsofhelp.



YSGOL RHOSYMEDRE NEWS

Year 4 pupils visited Llandudno to explore the promenade, the pier and town centre. They were looking for key features of Llandudno as seaside town and compared those to where they live. The pupils also conducted a traffic survey along the main road next to the promenade. They had an enjoyable and informative day out.



Year 2 pupils have been investigating the outdoors and forest area, creating dens for their furry friends and observing mini beasts in their habitats



Pupils have also been involved in an assembly and workshops delivered by the NSPCC called 'Speak Out Stay Safe.' These sessions were to share information with the pupils about how they can keep themselves safe from harm and how to access help if they have any worries. It was a very worthwhile session for both pupils and teachers. They spoke to the pupils and staff about the valuable work they do across the country and talked about how important it is for everyone in our school community to join them in their 'fight for every childhood.'

YSGOL ACREFAIR

In February 2016 staff applied to the Arts Council of Wales to become a **Lead Creative School** and we were very excited when some months later we found out that we had been awarded this status! The Arts Council of Wales believe that **creativity is essential** to the success and fulfilment of young people; that it is



Playing with words to describe what we have found and found out!

the basis of lifelong learning, and that this begins in our schools. The aim of the Lead Creative School's Scheme is to improve outcomes for children, in literacy and maths, as well as other subjects, through engagement with the arts and creative approaches to teaching and learning. Lead Creative Schools nurture and develop the creativity of learners so that they achieve their potential, grow as well rounded individuals and are prepared with skills for life. They help to make sure that in a rapidly changing world, children and young people in Wales are able to meet the needs of the economy and to thrive within the increasingly competitive environment of day-to-day life. Our teachers work very hard to deliver a curriculum which is engaging and motivating for the children that we teach. We hope to provide children with opportunities which help them to develop skills across the curriculum and the skills that they need to understand the world around them. After we were appointed as a Lead Creative School the children in Year 3 and members of our school council worked with our teachers, and our 'Creative Agent' Vicki, to appoint a Creative Practitioner to come and work in our school. During the interviews we came across two brilliant people, Ben and Ed, who we believed could help us to achieve our vision within school. Luckily Ben and Ed were more than happy to work together and along with our teachers and the children in Year 3 they were able to begin planning the project. We will share the Project's success in our next update.

A PCSOs VILLAGE UPDATE

We asked our PCSOs to update us for the newsletter and thought we would share this reply!

THIS MORNING IN THE CEFN.

*As I walked out this morning
Along Cae Gwilym Lane*

*The birds were all in chorus
To keep away the rain*

*I strode out with a purpose
And climbed the Doctors Steps*

*I looked across the valley
With a thumping in the chest*

*This was no heart condition
I was fit for foot patrol*

*But I felt something was stirring
Within my very soul*

*The Misty Mountains spoke at once
And all was quite serene*

*I bounced up the Top of Cefn
As if it was a dream*

*But the magic of the country
Whispered to me this*

*When you get to Rhosymedre
Get yourself a bag of chips!*

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