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Fri 24th November – Wed 6th December -Fri 8th December –

Sat 9th December -Mon 11th December - Llangadog 5.00pm

Tue 12th December -

Thu 14th December -

Fri 15th December -

Switch on Town Lights Llanwrda 7.00pm

Llansadwrn 6.30pm Llandovery Co-op

Cynghordy 5.30pm/Heol Pluguffan, Llandovery 6.30pm

Wed 13th December - Rhandirmwyn 5.30pm/ Cilycwm 6.30pm

Llandovery Scout Hut 5.30pm/ Museum 6.30pm

Myddfai 5.30pm/Llandovery Whitehall 7.00pm



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K Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



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LLANDOVERY GARDEN CLUB

MEETING: THURSDAY OCTOBER 2023

Babs opened the meeting with thanks to the hostesses for providing refreshments and raffle prizes, and to Grant for the loan of his projector.

Thursday 23nd November: This will be our Christmas party and members are requested to bring along a plate of food. The committee will provide drinks and raffle prizes. The theme of the evening will be arts and crafts and members are requested to bring along either a project they are working on or have completed.

Guest Speaker: Vicki Weston who spoke on 'Salvias' Vicki began by describing how she began growing

Vicki began by describing how she began growing plants soon after she had moved to the Isle of Wight with her young family. They lived on a plot of land that was in a landslip area and quickly found that the only plants she could successfully grow on the poor soil were herbs. One day she stumbled upon a blackcurrant sage in flower, and it was this small plant that began her interest in the sage family.

From the Isle of Wight, she moved to East Yorkshire and began the business of marketing her herbs in earnest, on-line. Her passion for the diverse group of salvias grew and she began the task of growing the many different varieties. As her business expanded, she needed more land, and after a series of hardships and setbacks, she and her family moved from Yorkshire to Wales where they settled near Aberystwyth where she resides today.

Vicki explained that salvias are incredibly diverse, comprising over 900 species that mostly originate from the American continent. They can range from annuals to perennials, from shrubs to groundcovers, and from sun-loving to shade-tolerant plants. She grows her plants from seed, division or cuttings and recommends that they are planted out in well drained soil in good sunlight. She also recommends that the plants are not cut back in autumn, rather cut back in spring, then mulched and fed. Vicki has recently featured on Gardeners World where she extolled the virtues of salvias.

Vicki was a highly entertaining speaker, and the club warmly thanked her for her informative contribution.







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Thursday 30th November 2023, 3.00pm to 7.00pm

Telegraph Garden Centre:

Saturday 2nd December 2023, 11.00am to 2.00pm

Ysgol Bro Dinefwr:

Tuesday 12th December 2023, 5.00pm to 7.00pm

Llandovery RFC:

Saturday 23rd December 2023, 12.00pm to 3.00pm

We appreciate that this is a busy time of year for everyone so if you are unable to come along but would like to join our Community to receive regular updates then please email nopylonswales@gmail.com

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Thanks to everyone who has joined the Dinefwr Car Club so far and are making use of the community electric cars. You are helping reduce carbon emissions and normalising the concept of car sharing in the Dinefwr valley!

Further exciting news...

Anyone who will become members of the club before the end of December, will automatically be given £50 worth of credit on their accounts for use to rent out the electric cars. There is one car in Llandovery and one in Llandeilo for local use. The membership fee (£3 a month) will also be waived for the rest of the year.

The hope is to have enough members so that the Dinefwr Car Club is self-sustaining in the longer term, and that communities in Llandovery, Llandeilo and everywhere in between, have access to a shared community electric car. Please contact if you'd like to join the club or have further questions: sioned@ynnisirgar.org

This project has been funded by the National Lottery, and is administered by Community Energy Wales, TrydaNi and Ynni Sir Gâr.



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We all know that "Bethlehem is not just for Christmas"! But it's inevitable that the little village, and especially the hall, does draw a lot of attention at this time of year.

So the Festive Season kicks off in Bethlehem on the very first day of the month, Friday 1st, with the December supper, always a lovely event which gets everyone into the spirit of Christmas, with a chance to enjoy food and a few drinks with friends and neighbours, as well as an opportunity to get to know new people.

The suppers are held once a month, and carry on until the spring. Do contact us if you'd like more information.

The annual tradition of Christmas Card stamping is being upheld once again this year. The hall will be open every day 11am to 3pm from Monday 4th to Saturday 16th, in order for you to have the distinctive blue Bethlehem stamp applied to your Christmas cards for just 10p per envelope. As well as having your cards stamped, why not stay for a tea or coffee, and some cake, and browse our Bethlehem merchandise which make lovely, and unique gifts. We have Bethlehem jute bags, always so popular, very stylish blue mugs decorated with the Bethlehem star and an image of the old school, as well as unique ceramic mugs made especially for us by renowned local artist Kate Glanville, and cute little notebooks.

We also have packs of our own Bethlehem Christmas cards designed by local children, and all very reasonably priced.

The hall will be warm and cosy, whatever the weather decides to throw at us, and the welcome will be just as warm, so do call in to see us, and support our little hall. All the income from the stamping and the sale of refreshments and merchandise goes directly towards the upkeep of the Old School and helps us keep the place going as a hub for local activities.

On Monday 11th, we will be holding our December Festive Community Quiz, starting at 7.30pm. It's a lighthearted evening, so feel free to wear your Christmas jumpers and reindeer antlers, enjoy a complimentary half time buffet, and spend a fun couple of hours with fellow quizzers, neighbours and friends.

Our annual Carol Singing takes place on Friday the 15th at 7pm. If it's dry, it is held outdoors on the little green under the tree, but if the weather isn't so good then it will be inside the hall. Mulled wine and refreshments served to aid the vocal cords!

And our final event of the month is the Community Christmas party, on Friday the 22nd, from 6.30pm. This was a new event last year, replacing the children's party, and it was a big success. It's an event for everyone in the community and all those who support the hall, so do drop by, as a family (gifts for the children), come with a friend or neighbour, or just on your own. There will be music, the bar will be open, and everyone will be made very welcome. Bring a plate of food to share if you can, and enjoy a proper Bethlehem community get-together.

Events scheduled for January so far include the monthly quiz on Monday 8th, and the community supper on Friday 19th.

Contact us for more details of any of the events, or to enquire about hiring the hall.

Get in touch with Nia on 01550 777254/07747 021462 niaclement@aol.com and follow us on Facebook http://www.facebook.com/bethlehemcymru

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The Calendar Year and the Padmasambhava Yoga Year are now coming to an end. It has been a good year, with a goodly number of well-attended classes.

Padmasambhava looks forward to the Spring term and Next Year and hopes it brings good health, peace and joy to us all.

All at the Centre thank you all for your support and wish you a very happy Christmas and New Year – Nadolig Llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda.

The Spring term starts on Monday 15th January. There is a good selection of classes at the Centre in Llandeilo, as well as weekly classes at the Penybanc Welfare Hall in Ammanford, the Reading Room at Cwrt Henri, and a Chair Yoga class at the Llandeilo Bowling club. The group at Ammanford is suitable for both returning students and those new to yoga. Classes are held in the warm, spacious Penybanc Hall and the teacher Maria as well as the friendly group look forward to welcoming new students.

Chair Yoga classes are gentle movement from a sitting position on a chair, with the focus on keeping the joints mobile and muscles flexible, as well as learning relaxation techniques for daily life. No previous experience of yoga is needed. This Wednesday morning class is held at the Llandeilo Bowling Club.

The benefits of yoga resonate beyond the class and physical practices, bringing a calmer mind and body into daily life. Yoga introduces a greater awareness of the breath and its importance to our good health. Bringing awareness into breathing opens the pathway to using the breath to bring about relaxation and balance and enhance energy - all adding to a sense of wellbeing and better health. Weekly practice of yoga allows the body to gently gain strength and flexibility and these qualities are often also reflected in the mind.

Classes at Padmasambhava are suitable for people of all ages and abilities, from Beginners through to Progressive, as well as Chair Yoga. Students often remark on the sense of well-being brought about by these classes which incorporate movement (asana), breath awareness and breathing practices (pranayama) and end with the deep relaxation of Yoga Nidra. The classes are progressive throughout the weeks and terms and are suited to the students within that class. Now that classes are happening regularly at the Centre and elsewhere again, many people have noted how they are enjoying and value the sense of connection and community that coming together in class brings.

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A NEW COMMUNITY ENERGY PROJECT IN LLANDOVERY AND THE AREA

With an ever-increasing focus on climate change and the need to rely less on fossil fuels and harness natures energy in a sustainable way, as an individual it can seem a daunting task. However, when we stand together and unite our efforts, the task becomes more achievable. This is where 'Bwrlwm', a new project spearheaded by Ynni Sir Gâr, specific to Llandovery and the surrounding area, will aim to unite the local community in a collective effort to tackle the issues surrounding energy generation, use and efficiency. Collaborating with established group Climate Action Llandovery| Criw Amgylchedd Llanymddyfri, one of the main project outcomes of Bwrlwm will be to establish an Energy Local Club in the town, a membership club that links local renewable energy generators with local users ensuring a fairer cost for both.

Bwrlwm aims to develop a series of events to help make Llandovery a vibrant, resilient, and 'green' town. This will include identifying the potential for local energy generation and local use, sharing trustworthy energy efficiency and generation advice and supporting accessible and green transport links to all within the town and surrounding area. Ynni Sir Gâr's Coordinator Sioned Haf says, 'Llandovery could become an energy independent town. The Energy Local model that we seek to pilot is at the cutting edge of innovation in how to generate and use energy locally. As a part of the Bwrlwm project, Llandovery will have the opportunity to imagine a more sustainable future for the local community – a future where people, community and nature can thrive together'.

The Bwrlwm project will also support existing climate, energy and circular economy related projects in the area such as the Dinefwr Car Club and the Repair Café. Furthermore, it aims to support new community generated ideas and encourage the community to take part in co-imagining the towns future. Project Officer Vanessa Bolton-Roe is keen to get started saying, 'It is going to be a great project with plenty of opportunities to get involved either through taking part in community events planned over the year, learning with us about local solutions to climate related challenges, by being an energy provider, an Energy Local member, volunteering or simply contributing and supporting innovative ideas.'

These combined project activities will help create a vision of how Llandovery can become an exemplar 'green' town in Carmarthenshire – an exciting, vibrant, and inspiring town where people are proud to live, where the Welsh language thrives and where local solutions are developed for the benefit of the local community. For more information about Bwrlwm, or to contribute any ideas, please contact vanessa@ynnisirgar.org.

Ynni Sir Gâr is a social enterprise based in Carmarthenshire, working within our community to tackle climate change by reducing energy costs, promoting energy efficiency, tackling fuel poverty, generating clean renewable energy and keeping the profits local. The Bwrlwm project has been supported through the Levelling Up Fund administered by Carmarthenshire Council.







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Assisted dying is devolved to every Government across the United Kingdom and Crown dependencies – except in Wales. This means the Welsh people are disadvantaged.

We therefore wish to debate how we may progress our aim:

"To support further devolution for Wales, akin to Scotland, allowing elected representatives of Wales to legislate on assisted dying and related criminal justice matters, with all the necessary and appropriate safeguards, in accordance with the wishes of the Welsh people."

Panel: Jonathan Edwards MP, Adam Price MS (TBC),

and Sue Lawford

Date: Saturday 20th January 2024

Time: 11.00am – 1.00pm (buffet lunch to be provided) **Venue:** Canolfan Gymdeithasol Llangadog Community

Centre, Llangadog SA19 9BR

If you are interested in joining us please email llangadog.mdmd@gmail.com for further details.

LLANEGWAD RAINFALL



Rain fell on 23 days this month the wettest day was 29th with 46mm. The 23rd to 29th was the wettest week of the year so far with 130.5mm.

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LLANDOVERY ROTARY CLUB

As yet another year comes to a close and all of us lucky enough to be a year older can be thankful that we are still here Where do the years go?

The year has been a truly remarkable one for Llandovery Rotary Club. With the average age of the majority of Clubs in the UK rising year on year, we have bucked the trend completely with the average age here dropping at an amazing rate. Our youngest member is now just 25 years old and our oldest is errrr somewhat older! Incredibly we have had 2 new members join us last month and have another one next week. We have increased our membership by 17% already and that will rise again when another young lady joins our ranks very shortly. For over 38 years not one female applied to join but next week we will be up to 5 and they have brought great energy and enthusiasm to the club. Any more? If so contact any Rotarian.

Our first new member last month was Brian Morgan-Black from High Street. Brian actually lives in what is better known to locals as the old King's Arms pub but "NO," says Brian it will not reopen as a pub "It is now my home". Brian and his wife Tricia moved in a year ago and have settled in well being a keen supporter of the Drovers and many local activities. Brian will be our Rotary Santa this year for reasons that may be obvious! Welcome Brian.

Rosie has been very hard at work designing and making up EasyRead menus which, in her own words ".... are in EasyRead format which break down barriers and support all members of society to access local businesses who then actively participate in our wonderful community." We think they are Brilliant, as obviously do most of the local hostelries who will soon be introducing these very shortly. This really is a tremendous initiative and all taken on by Rosie. See photo.

We had our EGM this month and thankfully there were no surprises. Mickey's Treasury report was easy listening





Rosie's brilliant new EasyRead menus which will be in local hostelries very soon.

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The Officers for next year will be as follows:
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Secretary: Rosie McCartney Treasurer: Mickey Gough

Mickey thanked Ellie for her generous donations totalling £700.

Eleven Rotarians attended the superb Armistice Day Parade organised by the Royal British Legion Llandovery Branch and the Town Council. This is a wonderfully sincere event that Llandovery does so well and was attended by Civic dignitaries and hundreds of members of various organisations and individuals at the War Memorial. The service was led by the Mayor Gina Jones and many, many wreaths were laid by various organisations. Well done Llandovery.

Mark had previously been on duty selling poppies with members of the Royal British Legion at the Co-op in Llandovery. Also thanks to the public for their generosity and also thanks to the Co-op for allowing them the space and opportunity to sell there.

Yet another flu and Covid vaccination clinic was held at the rugby club recently which our marshals Neil, Dan, Ieuan, Gina, Derek and Rosie attended throughout the day. This, of course, was organised by the superb Llanfair Surgery who incidentally have been voted the Best Surgery in West Wales in a lavish awards ceremony in Haverfordwest. How very fortunate we are to have such a brilliant surgery in our midst with the Head of Practice Dr John Rees ensuring a fully staffed compliment of top class Doctors when many surgeries are struggling to stay open at all. The Nurses and Reception staff all thoroughly deserve this wonderful accolade for their dedication to duty. This is a fitting reward for their outstanding service to their patients and to the community. To top the evening off Llanfair Surgery were awarded the last award of the evening, The OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD. Well I think that says it all! Absolutely Brilliant.

Incidentally three of the Nurses, Shirley, Rhian and Louise have between them given over one hundred years of service to Llanfair Surgery and the community. And that is an outstanding achievement in itself. Massive congratulations to you all at the Surgery from Llandovery

Rotary Club. You are now officially the Best but we already knew that didn't we!

We welcomed our elder statesman Edward back after minor surgery and he looks as well as ever.

We marshalled at the Town Council organised Fireworks Display. It was a fantastic aerial show which thrilled the crowd and is yet another wonderful Llandovery annual event.

And yes, we have another new member again! There'll be a waiting list before long! This time the youngest member ever yet but someone who is very welcome indeed. Matthew Davies (Matt) joins us bringing the average age tumbling down even further. Matt was born and brought up in Llandovery and will further add to our growing youth input into meetings. Welcome Matt.

Our Llandovery Rotary Club facebook and WhatsApp pages are growing fast with followers and contributors from all over the world. The furthest followers being from Ukraine and Sydney Australia. Social media is now playing a very large part in improving communications between individuals, clubs and the outside world.

Recently it was Rotary International World Polio Day where Rotary fights to finally eradicate Polio from this world. From lighting up local landmarks to planting purple Crocuses, we planted 4,000 in town last month. There will be a beautiful show in the Spring. Rosie gave an explanatory presentation on Purple4Polio at Elidyr Communities Trust to young people in further education with complex learning needs.

All thoroughly enjoyed the presentation. We done Rosie again.

Our Life Member Colin Newman undertook a verv noble and courageous journey which we part sponsored. The recent journey made by Colin to the Ukraine involved him travelling in convoy with three friends from Skipton taking much needed, vital even, supplies to the unfortunate people who have been affected by the terrible war there. Between them they even transported a 4x4 vehicle which they left out there for the people to keep and use in their struggle. They took the ferry over the English Channel and across Europe travelling an amazing thousand miles in seventeen hours! They arrived in Lviv, dropped off their desperately needed supplies there and returned retracing their steps back to Skipton and Llandovery minus their generously donated vehicle.

Incredibly they go again at the end of the month (November) and are due to arrive back at the time this Post magazine will be published. This time they are taking two donated vehicles which have been purchased through fundraising and donations. They are taking water purification units with them which have also been donated. We were glad to provide a (smaller) donation







for this second trip. A fantastic contribution and well done to you Colin.

Coming up shortly is the Young Musician competition and also the Rotary YouthSpeaks and Welsh Writing competition. These are all in the charge of Dai Dyer.

Les from Llandovery Antiques (a brilliant place to visit) has kindly donated some children's books and toy boxes for Santa to hand out to the children when the time comes.

We are now preparing ourselves for the busy, busy Christmas period coming up shortly. Much work is being done behind the scenes all for the benefit of others. We have the pop-up Santa Grottos which will visit the outlying villages and the town. We hope to see the young children there and get their Christmas present lists. The record request for a present is when the Rotary Santa asked one enterprising young farmer's son what he wanted for Christmas, he thought for a while before replying seen the Rotary Santa completely and absolutely stumped.

We also prepare the Rotary Christmas Hampers which we will deliver on the 17th December.

We offer our sincere and grateful thanks to all of you that have supported us through the year, whether financially or helping us in other ways. Your help is always very much appreciated.

Although this may seem a trifle early, Llandovery Rotary Club wishes everyone in this area a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

See you all in 2024.

Derek Jones.



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FLORAL ART

2023 has been a busy but different year for us as we have accepted the need for change in our meeting structure. In recent years we have enjoyed many excellent floral demonstrations but sadly post co-vid many demonstrators have decided to retire. On top of that everything has become so much more expensive and flowers are no exception. Most demonstrators have to travel a good distance to get to us and we all know how much petrol has risen in price. With funds quite low we have reduced the number of demonstrations and have done some different things. Visits to gardens, talks, and some inhouse activities have kept us going and we are planning next year's programme along similar lines. We have had a couple very enjoyable hands on evenings and are hoping to hold more of these types of evening next year. Sadly we have lost a number of our members this past year for a variety of reasons, some we hope may rejoin us next February when are new year officially starts. We have also gained a few new members, whose enthusiasm and skills have been very welcome. December is our usual social evening. We are not having an AGM this year as Pat, Helen and I have agreed to continue in our posts for another year, supported ably by our members. Our last meeting of this "year" finishes traditionally our post Christmas dinner in January.

Looking forward to 2024, please remember us and let us know if you have any hidden talents that you would be willing to share with us we would be delighted to add you to our monthly programme.

Gina

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Wednesday 13th December
AGM followed by seasonal music and readings.

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2024

Wednesday 10th January

Member's response to the Christmas Challenge

Wednesday 24th January
The work of NACRO

Wednesday 7th February

The Epynt – past and present Lisa Cuscarini and Ydwena Jones.

Wednesday 21st February The work of Coleg Elidyr

Wednesday 6th March

Dragonflies – Keith Noble

Wednesday 20th March

Worn by Tools and Time: History and Culture of the metal mining industry in north Ceredigion

– Ioan Lord

We meet in Llandovery Rugby Club at 10.30am for coffee and a chat, the speaker starts at 11am. There is easy access and parking. Visitors are very welcome. For further information contact Anne Lynd-Evans 01550 750286.

LLANDEILO & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB IVEMBER MEETING

On November 2nd 2023 The Llandeilo Gardening Club welcomed back Richard Bramley from Farmyard Nurseries. Richard gave some realistic and targeted advice on growing roses in Wales. This is not an easy task by all accounts with our normally wet, windy, and mild climate. He did offer some encouragement with suggestions for beautiful and scented blooms. We look forward to seeing some rose delights later in 2024 at our Open Evening!

The next club meeting is our Christmas event, where Janet Williams will demonstrate some seasonal floral and foliage arrangements to inspire us all to bring some of the outside, inside for the winter decorating season. After the demonstration there will be plenty of time to ask questions, socialise and enjoy some refreshments. Members are asked to bring a sharing plate of snacks and nibbles for our collective enjoyment.

The meeting is at the normal venue; The Vestry, Capel Newydd, Crescent Road, Llandeilo at 7.30pm.



Books at he Dragon's Garden will be gathering with friends at Llansadwrn Reading Room on Sunday December 10th, between 12.00 noon – 4.00pm.

Joining us are Lisa from Quiet Walks with her lovely wool sit mats & walking vouchers, Lucie from Lilliwen Herbs, with all sorts of herby delights, Marnie with her delicious cakes & recyled jewellery, Antonio & Sioned from Llwyn Pur with their wine, new this year we have Roger from Coed Y Mynynis with his beautiful hand turned wood bowls & utensils, and then there's me with a fantastic choice of Fair Trade and sustainable festive gifts as well as books, treats and much more!

We'll have musical entertainment from Tony & Drew, and as usual we'll be offering Fair Trade coffee & tea, no charge but donations welcome to Medicins Sans Frontieres & Lluest Horse & Pony Trust.

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My apologies for not writing for the November issue, I was busy at the wrong time and remembered too late to write. However thanks to my fellow councillors there were a number of reminders of the different events that were being held. I am sure you all picked up my big mistake when I gave the date for the Christmas lights turn on as December not November. By now we will have celebrated that evening which I am sure has been another enjoyable one.

The Fireworks was an excellent evening with the weather behaving much better that last year. A huge thank you to Cllr Dorothy Burgess and Cllr Louise Wride for organising. Thank you to our first aiders Emma, Kim and Ella and her fellow firefighters. Rotary once again managed the tills and kept a watchful eye on the proceedings. I was nominated as the lost children officer and am very pleased to say was not needed. Our new Councillor Jason and Steve our electrician did an excellent job in transporting equipment to and from the site for the evening. We are very grateful to Clees for allowing us to use the Mart and the Sports Association for allowing us to use their field. We are very grateful to for their excellent display, much enjoyed by us all. Lastly a big thank you to all of you that came and paid. As I'm sure you appreciate, Fireworks are expensive and the money made on the evening goes a long way towards covering some of the costs. Already looking forward to next year's display.

Over the last two years a lot of meetings, emails, discussions have been held on how best to access grants and improve facilities for the town. Some ideas have fallen by the wayside for practical reasons but I am pleased to say that most have been approved and others are well on the way, fingers crossed. Cllr Handel Davies



has been the lead on the majority of those projects and we are very grateful for his hard work not only on the Town Council but also as our County Councillor.

As I touched on earlier we have recently been joined by two new councillors Huw Thomas and Jason Bourn and they are already showing their support and commitment to the town. We are now back to our full 14, voluntary councillors. Spent an afternoon in the Dyfed-Powys Police Open Doors Event recently. Learnt a lot of interesting information. Three main priority areas are 1. Domestic abuse, 2. Drugs [stop and search. They can and do test drivers to see if they are under the influence of drugs.] 3. Rape and sexual offences. Technology advances are playing a huge part in storing info and sharing with other forces. Many specialist departments all working very hard to keep us safe and reduce crime. They now also have 7 drones that they can use to monitor a wide variety of issues from missing persons, road accidents, crime, domestic abuse etc. These supplement the work of the helicopter which is a shared resource. Training is mostly done inhouse and allows very advanced training for all officers including a smaller marine unit to monitor our coastal area, and a rural crime unit. We all miss seeing our local Bobbie working on the beat but it is obvious they are working very hard to keep us as safe as possible. Many of our PCSO's have gone on to be full time officers and with recruitment hopefully the force will keep growing. Don't forget 999 is for emergency calls, please think twice is it an emergency if not ring 101, but again please think carefully is it really a police matter. They are now also answering email enquiries and with some excellent technology are able to communicate in most languages. Hope you all have a good Christmas, New Year and look forward to February's Post.

Gina, Mayor.

A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR!

A big thank you to Coleg Elidyr for inviting me to light their Christmas tree lights to open their Advent Fair. What a wonderful selection of handmade gifts to buy ready for Christmas. All tastes catered for, well done everyone you are all very clever and have obviously been working hard. Many of their goods are for sale in the Craft Centre in Llandovery. Then Dan and I were invited back for the choir in the evening and an invitation to enjoy a Christmas dinner with residents and their families. Thank you all.

Not only that but on the previous day Rhys RE won gold in Horticulture and Ethan and Matt won two silver medals in catering at the World Skills UK final in Manchester. Congratulations to the three of you and everyone who helped you get there, you have obviously all been working very hard.

Gina



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We keep a wonderful collection of new books including new & classic fiction, an inspiring children's section, nature writing, current affairs, art, food, travel, poetry and much more in both English and Welsh.

We also stock a lovely range of Fair Trade gifts, and a fabulous collection of cards and wrapping paper, we're also stockists for Niwaki Japanese garden tools.

We are able to order books for you and sell and redeem National Book Tokens.

We're already holding events, our next will be Delyth Jenkins on Saturday December 9th at 2.00pm, Delyth will be playing her harp and reading from her book "That Would be Telyn".

We'll have lots more going on after Christmas including various events in the shop and book clubs for children & adults, call into the shop for a chat if you're interested in joining.

If you want to keep up with what's going on you can follow our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/BooksAtTheDragonsGarden/ and our website www.dragons-garden.com

Last but not least, I've been a bit overwhelmed and touched by the incredible welcome from the people of Llandovery, diolch yn fawr!

Mandy & Rhian



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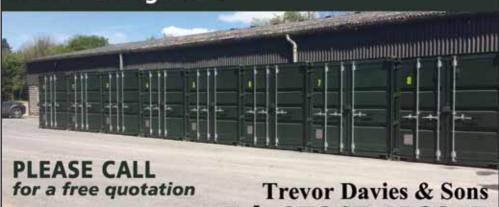
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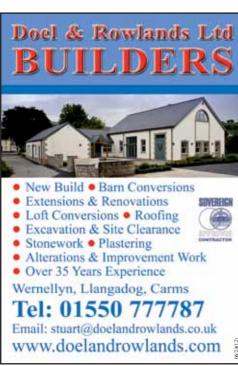


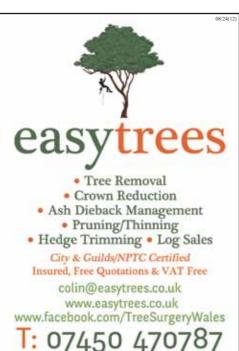
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On December 16th $2.00-5.00\,\mathrm{pm}$, we have a Children's Christmas Film afternoon. There will be a Santa's Grotto with a visit from Father Christmas, elves and a small gift for each child. Soft drinks and snacks will be available. £1.00 for adults/£4.00 per child.

For more information about these events, visit our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/llangadogcommunitycentre

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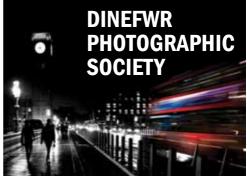
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Future meetings are.

23rd November: Internal open photo forum.

7th December: Photo Challenge, Autumn images.

14th December: Christmas social.

4th January 2024: Quiz Night, test your photography knowledge.

18th January 2024: Practical evening, portrait and lighting workshop, external guest.

The society is a group of friendly individuals of all abilities who enjoy their photography in a non-competitive and mutually supportive environment. If you are interested, please do come along, visitors are always welcome to any of our meetings and remember the first few meetings are free! The society meets on alternate Thursdays at The White Hart Llandeilo at 7:00pm. Full details of the programme will be on the society's website at www. dinefwrphotographicsociety.co.uk. For further information please contact one of the following; Dorian on 07492 741919, Simon on 07773 943536 or Will on 07768 960323.



MYDDFAI NEWS

Myddfai Shop and Café winter opening hours are Wednesday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday 11.00am - 4.00pm.

Over the festive season we will be closed from Monday 25th December - Thursday 28th December, open Friday, Saturday & Sunday and closed again from Monday 1st January to Thursday 4th January. We will be closing at 2pm on Christmas Eve & New Years eve.

We would like to thank all of our staff, volunteers. contributors and customers for their continued support and wish you all a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

What's on: December - Myddfai Christmas Fair is on Saturday 2nd December 10.00am - 4.00pm with festive refreshments on offer in our café and a wide range of local crafts, gifts and art on offer. Willow Weaving class is on Friday 15th December. Our monthly pop-up pub evening is on Friday 29th December - with food. For January we have a Samba dance class on Saturday 20th January, our pop-up pub is on Friday 26th January and Our next Farmers Market will be on Sunday 29th January 12.00 noon to 3.00pm come and join us at our events - everyone is welcome.

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Myddfai cafe will have a feast of freshly made soups, warming treats and cakes this December and January. Why not or pop in for a delicious cake and a Teifi coffee or one of our speciality teas in our cosy, warm café this winter.

Myddfai Hall is a great venue for most events and classes, from Weddings to small meetings, activity classes, kids' parties, conferences, away days and workshops. The hall is fully equipped with staging, and audio equipment. We can provide food for events or you can bring in your own caterers.

Why not join one of our regular classes in our warm hall Tuesday mornings it's Yoga with Ginny 10am-11.30am, Wednesday Craft Class is 1.30-3.30pm, Wednesday evenings it's Yoga with Sonia 5.30-7pm, Pilates is on Thursday mornings 9.30 -10.30am again with Sonia.

For further information or bookings please contact les@myddfai.org. Mobile 07879 119223 or Hall No. 01550 720449

Check our Facebook page and our website for What's On.



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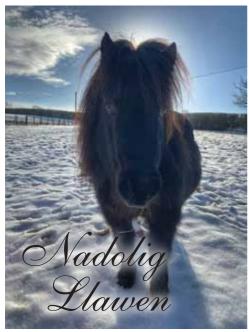
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'TAILS' FROM THE TRUST.....



As we head into the Festive season we'd like wish all Post readers a very Happy Christmas and New Year and to let you know about some of the gifts, cards and new year resolution opportunities for you at Lluest.

GOODBYES AND WELCOMES

Firstly, we'd like to share some staff news to highlight our commitment to supporting university students and graduates from across the UK who choose to develop their careers within the specialist field of equine rescue and welfare. Towards the end of September we waved goodbye to Helen who left us to return to complete her Equine Science degree after a year on placement with us. We were all sad to see her go and before she left she had a special photoshoot with her favourite pony Eva. During October we were delighted to welcome Alys to our small team. Alys recently graduated with a BSc. (Hons) Equine Sports Therapy and Rehabilitation and has also completed the Equinology Equine Body Worker Certification Course. Here she is pictured helping to school Zazu, to help him find his forever Guardian loan home.

GIFTS FOR YOU AND YOUR EQUINE

You can order gifts from us at: www.lluesthorseandponytrust.co.uk/lluest-onlinestore/ including our 2024 bi-lingual charity calendar, Christmas cards and our Lluest Sponsor Gift Packs. Yummy Maxima Mix 'N' Munch treat buckets are for



Helen & Eva



Alvs & Zazu

sale on our website and at the Trust. They are 100% natural ingredients and mollasses free and the perfect Christmas day treat for your beloved equine. Contact us on 01550 740661 if you're not sure where we are or for any questions about any of our Christmas gifts.



Our 2024 calendar



Festive Robin Christmas cards

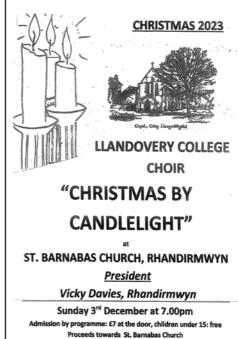


Equine treats for Christmas!

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

If you're thinking about volunteering in 2024 we currently have a number of opportunities available including stable duties, land and buildings maintenance and work in our EBay shop. As a small team we rely

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Busy volunteers helping lay mudcontrol slabs.

heavily on support from volunteers in our community, we simply could not operate without you. If you'd like to join us and have a couple of hours a week to spare please contact us by email or telephone, we'd love to talk to you about making a difference in 2024. Email: info@ lluesthorseandponytrust.co.uk Telephone: 01550 740661

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR LOCAL FUNDRAISERS

A final heartfelt Thank you to Co-op Llandeilo and its members (you know who you are) for raising a fantastic £3,772.22 through your Community Causes campaign. We are also indebted to other individuals and groups in our community who kindly organise fundraisers for us. There are just too many to mention everyone but most recently we'd like to thank St Michael's Church, Myddfai, Books at the Dragons Garden, Llandovery, Capel Gosen, Cynghordy (look out for their Live Nativity on 7th December) and Llandybie WI.....you're all amazing!



Thank you Co-op Llandeilo.

Nadolig Llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda from all the staff and Trustees at Lluest.





THE COLOURS OF CHRISTMAS

The Llanwrtyd Heritage and Arts Centre's last event of the year – our Christmas Drop-In, will be on Saturday 9th December. This year the Centre is filled with amazing displays representing The Colours of Christmas.

Decorated with themed areas in red, gold and green the Centre once again invites everyone to join them for a glass of sherry and mince pie. There will children's activities, including the opportunity to get a festive glitter tattoo (not just limited to children if there are adults that want to get into the Christmas spirit!), and also the opportunity to buy cakes and Christmas goodies or that special present from our galleries and retail section.

Once again our thanks go to Pryor & Rickett Silviculture who have donated the trees for the display.

Open throughout the day from 10am to 4pm come along and enjoy a Christmas extravaganza.

Llansadwrn Community Council DEFIBRILATOR AND CPR TRAINING

Llansadwrn Reading Room
Saturday morning 9th December, 2023
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BRING BACK THE SNOW



Camille and Emelyne (left) lead a workshop on having climate conversations for CALI (Criw Amgylchedd Llanymddyfri – Llandovery Climate Action Group) on 13 November at the LYCC.

Somebody told me recently they remembered winters when the snow was knee deep. Such things are a distant memory nowadays.

As individuals, we may not be able to bring the snow back, but that does not mean we can't do our bit for the planet – and, at the same time, for the wellbeing of our community.

Those who took part in the CALL (Criw Amgylchedd Llanymddyfri – Llandovery Climate Action Group) workshop at the LYCC on 13 November came up with ideas that may bring you comfort for Christmas.

One is switching from your current electricity supplier to a renewable electricity supplier. Renewable electricity is generated from the sun, wind or water. It is important to choose a supplier that generates this electricity and does not just buy it from the national grid. Such suppliers include Octopus, Bulb, Ecotricity and Good Energy. Switching may make you feel good because you are doing your bit for the planet and future generations, but also because you may save money. It is not necessarily more expensive to buy renewable power, you can even get renewable gas from some suppliers.

How do you switch supplier? Go on to the company's website and type in your postcode. For a really accurate comparison of costs, have your most recent bills to hand. Then sit back and relax. The company you have chosen will handle the switch over for you.

Another idea was to give money to charity instead of presents for Christmas: you select three environmental charities (e.g. WWF, RSPB, and The Woodland Trust), and ask the recipient of the present which charity they would like you to make a donation to on their behalf.

The snow may not come back, but in the meantime the members of CALl are determined to do their bits for the planet locally. They have recently cared for struggling apple trees in the community orchard, have set up a congenial Repair Café, organised a debate about sustainable farming at the Sheep Festival and a workshop on climate conversations, not to mention facilitating the community electric car you can borrow. You are welcome to attend our next meeting on Monday 4th December at the LYCC at 7 pm, and to check our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100092366083628.

LLANGADOG GARDEN CLUB



In September we had Debbie from flower_fields, Llanduesant, our local commercial flower grower, for a great talk and demonstration all about her business. The talk ended with a hands on bouquet making workshop.

In October Richard Bramley and his lovely terrier talked about Autumn into Winter, which was as always very informative. He brought a great range of plants from Farmyard Nurseries.

At the end November the group visited Luminate at The National Botanic Garden of Wales, what a spectacular, magical display, well worth a visit.

Our group will meet again in January for our AGM, all welcome and a chance to join and renew memberships. In February we will visit the Llanysul Garden Weekend, always a treat in the middle of winter. March will see The Orchadeers talk all about apples and April an update from Piers Lunt about Parc Yr Escob.

All welcome at our talks at Llangadog Community Centre on the last Wednesday of every month (excluding December). Members £8 and non – members £2 per talk. Hope to see you at our next meeting.

Donations and raffle prizes gratefully received.

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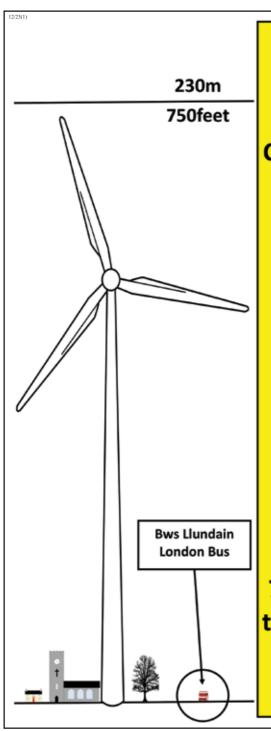
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PUBLIC MEETING at the Coronation Hall, Pumsaint on **Thursday 7th** December at 7.30pm. To discuss the development of wind turbines in this area.

Llangadog Christmas Window Advent Calender



We are in our third year of our wonderful village window advent calendar. It's been really special to see the windows over the last two years and hope that this one will be just as magical.

Villagers light and decorate their windows with each window demonstrating the creativity in our wonderful village. Each one has a number, so come and see if you can find them all. There will be a special opening at Seion Chapel, 7pm,1st December. There will also be a prize for the best window.

If you are walking around in the evening please carry a torch and be safe on the roads. We look for to having you visit our window trail and wish you all a lovely Christmas.

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NAMES TO REMEMBER CHRISTMAS 2023 QUIZ organised by Huw S Thomas

Prize is a bottle of quality claret for the Christmas table, donated by Huw S Thomas

There are many men and women from Llandovery and area, known more by their christian names/nicknames and/or situation in life, including their work positions rather than their surnames

Here is a small selection of well known characters of the town – please add their surnames (no christian names needed). Correct spelling of the surname is required in all circumstances.

Please note that no offence is intended, in any way, in the naming of the well known and – in many cases – well loved characters, past and present.

Please send your answers to huwiest@gmail.com or deposit an answer sheet at PostDatum, Stone Street. All entries must be in by Wednesday Dec 20.

Winner* announced before Christmas Day and bottle available for the Christmas lunch.

*If more than one correct entry, winner will be drawn out of a hat. Please remember to put your name and telephone number or email address at the bottom of the sheet.

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6. Dai Butch:	40. Babs:
7. Huw Llwynhowel:	41. Jake lechyd Da:
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14. Phil Fags:	45. Dougie Dog Food:
15. Dai Book:	46. John Red Lion:
16. Tony Trimsaran:	47. Twm Mount:
17. Sammy Tyres:	48. Toby The Bear:
18. Freda Black Ox:	49. Beech:
19. Dai Gas:	50. Vince Llethr:
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27. Bunty:	55. Dai Guns/Fish:
28. Chris Llwynjack:	56. Dai Trend:
29. Martin Penlan:	57. Sid Bins:
30. Sausage:	58. Captain Billy:
31. Lewi The Painter:	59. Reb:
32. Dai Sgwar:	60. Dai Ham and Eggs:
33. Tank:	33
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NAME and CONTACT DETAILS:



Spot a young female collie missing since 5th December 2018 from Gwynfe near Llangadog SA19 area Wales.



Substantial reward offered for any information leading to her safe return.

> Please ring 07760 491131 or 07746 856502

If found must be reported to the warden as required by law.





END OF AN ERA



It is the end of an era of successful trading in Llandovery draws to a close.

Following 44 years of diverse businesses in the area Michael O' Shea has decided to spend more time with his family and friends.

In 1979 Michael brought his insurance knowledge and expertise opening Caio Insurance Brokers. He traded for 24 happy and successful years before a change in career called.

He spent a short period selling giftware from Alma House before moving to The Craft Centre in 2003.

Under his direction Cegin-y-Porthmyn expanded greatly to include the Iron Work shop and in 2010 he added the Kitchen Garden Cafe to his portfolio and little did he know at that time this would lead to the meeting of Rhona, his future wife.

All who have shopped in any of Michael's outlets were assured of a warm welcome, friendly professional service, which enhanced their Llandovery shopping experience.

Wishing Michael and Rhona a long and happy new lifestyle together.

TOWY & COTHI HUNT 250 CLUB

held at the Rugby Club, 9th November 2023

£15	Angharad Ward	32
£15	Gwyneth Lloyd	52
£10	Anne Morgans	106
£10	Jill Thomas	163
£5	Dilwyn Roderick	87

House prize: Brian Davies

Next draw to be held at Castle Hotel, Llandovery

Xmas draw 12th December 2023

Perfect and Imperfect

Legend has it that in ancient times Turkish craftsmen weavers would introduce intentional flaws into their beautiful carpets. They believed only Allah was capable of perfect creation and therefore no man should even try to rival His work.

Whether that is true or not, it is extremely difficult as a crafts person, to make something that is absolutely perfect. You could argue that is precisely what makes handmade objects so desirable. Each one of them has within itself something of their maker's spirit.

Of course, sometimes the imperfections occur as a result of outside forces; a kiln that gets too hot, or not hot enough. A piece of glass that sets slightly on the wonk. An imperfection in the dying of a fabric. Or it could be a slip of a carving knife that not only takes a tiny nick out an otherwise perfect love spoon but also comes perilously close to the carver's thumb! It happens to painters and print makers, blacksmiths, jewellers and seamstresses; in fact it has happened at one time or another to all of the nearly fifty artists and crafts makers who make up **The Crafts Alive Co-operative**.

Now instead of languishing away in the back of cupboards or on top of high shelves, Crafts Alive has decided to bring these *Perfect Imperfects* into the open and put them all out for sale. Also in the sale will be some makers' end of line and stock clearance work.

So, if you want to treat yourself to a local piece of beautifully made handicraft or art at very reasonable prices then come along to our upstairs gallery at 56 Rhosmaen Street. Our **Perfect & Imperfect Sale** will run from January 3rd to January 14th.

LLANGADOG W.I.

We recently had two evenings out with other W.I. groups. Firstly, with the Cestyll group in Llandeilo Civic Hall, where we enjoyed a very interesting talk about the Royal Welsh Show, given by their C.E.O., Aled Rhys Jones. Secondly, we were off to Llanelli, with over 100 other W.I. members, to see "Elvis" (not the real one) where we all joined in the singing, with lots of dancing and fun. At our normal November meeting we held our A.G.M., where we voted for our President and Committee for the following year. This was followed by a bring and share supper. Catherine won our monthly raffle. We would like to take this opportunity to thank "The Post", for publishing our monthly reports, and all who read them, A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. For the first meeting of 2024 we will hold a New Year celebration with a 1960's fancy dress theme. We meet at Llangadog Community Hall at 7.00 p.m. on the first Thursday of every month. Visitors always welcome.

CYMDEITHAS DDINESG LLANDEILO A'R CYLCH **LLANDEILO AND DISTRICT** CIVIC SOCIETY

For its first event in 2024 the Llandeilo and District Civic Society has arranged an illustrated talk about Cwrt Bryn-v-Beirdd, one of the oldest houses in the Llandeilo area. The speaker will be the historian Eurig Davies, until recently Chairman of the Carmarthenshire Antiquarian Society.

Cwrt Bryn-y-Beirdd became a farmhouse and has been altered but in medieval times it was a substantial courtvard house. While some medieval features can still be seen from a nearby footpath, many more are concealed and they will be revealed in the talk along with this intriguing house's history including the date when it is now thought to have been built.

The talk will be on Tuesday 6 February at 7.30 pm at the Capel Newydd Vestry Hall in Crescent Road,

Llandeilo. There will be a £3 admission charge for non-members of the Civic Society. For more information about the Society and how to become a member, visit the website llandeilodistrict.org.uk or view the Society's Facebook page.

Bright Sparks is back!

Our baby and toddler's group has opened again in Llandovery. All pre-schoolers and their carers will receive a very warm welcome on Tuesday mornings between 9.30am - 11.00am at St Dingat's Church in Broad Street.

We have toys, games, songs and stories for the little ones. Just as importantly a cup of tea and adult conversation for the grown-ups.

It is easy to become isolated and lonely at home on your own with a small child. We know we've

So if you fancy dropping in we would love to

Tuesdays (in term time) 9.30am - 11.00am at St Dingat's Church in Llandovery.



CAPEL GOSEN CYNGHORDY

SA20 OLW



Beginning outdoors followed by carols by candlelight in the chapel before seasonal refreshments are served in the vestry.

LIVE NATIVITY

6.00pm for 6.30pm

Thursday 7th December 2023

Warm clothing, wellies and a torch are essential!

Sharing lifts would help car parking.

Donations to support the work of the Lluest Horse and Pony Trust and Spana would be gratefully received.



NEWS FROM CAPEL GOSEN, CYNGHORDY

On Tuesday 7th November the vestry at Gosen was packed to capacity for a talk entitled "Cynghordy Remembered" given by Susan Price. Having lived at Llwyncelyn farm, she held the audience spellbound with her account of growing up and going to school in the scattered community of Cynghordy. However, despite the geographical distances, it was obvious that this was a very close-knit community where people really depended on each other.

Susan must have been a really trusted member of Capel Cynfab School as she had the weekly task of taking all the dinner money to the post office (long since closed) to convert into postal orders so that the school could send them to County Hall Carmarthen to pay for the dinners. Similar details from the past had the members of the audience nodding and smiling.

The most enjoyable afternoon concluded with tea and cakes in front of the vestry's log fire. £240 was collected in donations for the Cynghordy Archive which will include recorded memories as well as a book based on the material collected from last year's exhibition called "Cynghordy Celebrated". Kindly sponsored by Llandovery Rotary Club, it is hoped to publish the book in 2024.

The next Gosen event will be a return of the Live Nativity. This year it will be held on Thursday 7th.

Church Services

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ST. CWRDAF CHURCH, LLANWRDA

3 Dec 9.30am Holy Communion
5 Dec 5.00pm Christingle
17 Dec 9.30am Holy Communion
25 Dec 8.30am Christmas Eucharist
31 Dec 9.30am Combined Eucharist in
Llansadwrn
7 Jan 9.30am Holy Communion

For further information, please contact Dr Marc Rowlands 01550 728319.

ST. SADWRN CHURCH, LLANSADWRN

3 Dec 11.00am Morning Prayer 17 Dec 11.00am Holy Communion 24 Dec 7.00pm Christmas Eucharist 31 Dec 9.30am Llansadwrn Combined Eucharist

7 Jan 11.00am Morning Prayer

For further information, please contact Dr Marc Rowlands 01550 728319.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MANORDEILO

10 Dec 9.30am Holy Communion
17 Dec 6.00pm Lessons, Carols
& Mince pies
25 Dec 9.45am Christmas Eucharist in
Llansadwrn

For further information, please contact Dr Marc Rowlands 01550 728319.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, CILYCWM

10 Dec 11.15am Lessons, Carols & Mince pies
25 Dec 11.15am Christmas Eucharist
31 Dec 9.30am Combined Eucharist in Llansadwrn

For further information, please contact Dr Marc Rowlands 01550 728319

ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGEL'S CHURCH, TALLEY

Sun 11.00am

For further information, please contact Revd Fr.Tim Nelson 01558 685415

ST SIMON AND ST JUDE, LLANDDEUSANT

DATES NOT AVAILABLE AT TIME OF GOING TO PRESS.

LLANDINGAT, LLANDOVERY

3 Dec 9.30am Family Service 4.00pm Christingle Service 10 Dec 9.30am Communion "Comfort my People" Ysgol Rhys Prichard 13 Dec Carol Service 2.00pm Infants, 6.00pm Juniors 17 Dec 9.30am Moringing Prayer "Servant of the Lord" 21 Dec 6.00pm Carol Service 24 Dec 4.00pm Crib Service 11.30pm Communion 31 Dec No service 9.30am Family Service 7 Jan

For further information, please contact Revd Paul Pritchard 01550 938534.

EGLWYS LLANFAIR AR Y BRYN, LLANYMDDYFRI

3ydd o Ragfyr, 11yb Cymun 17eg o Ragfyr, 11yb Gwasanaeth Carolau 25ain o Ragfyr, 9.30yb Nadolig Plygain

For further information, please contact Revd Paul Pritchard 01550 938534.

ST MICHAELS. MYDDFAI

3 Dec 11.30am Morning Prayer 10 Dec 11.30am Communion 17 Dec 6.30pm Nine Lessons and Carols 24 Dec 9.30pm Communion

For further information, please contact Revd Paul Pritchard 01550 938534

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, CYNGHORDY

10 Dec 2.30pm Famiy Service

For further information, please contact Revd Paul Pritchard 01550 938534.

ST CYNWYL'S CHURCH, CAIO

3 Dec 9.30am Holy Communion 17 Dec 4.00pm Carols & Children's Christingle Service 24 Dec 9.30am Christmas Eve Holy Communion 7 Jan 9.30am Holy Communion

Rev. Tim Nelson 01558 685415 Rev. Rik Mayes 01558 685118

ST CADOG'S CHURCH, LLANGADOG

1 Dec 6.00pm 3 Dec 9.30am Holy Communion 10 Dec 9.30am Morning Prayer 17 Dec 9.30am Holy Communion 20 Dec 6.00pm Nine Lessons and Carols 24 Dec 9.30am Morning Prayer

25 Dec 10.30am Holy Communion 31 Dec 10.30am Joint Service Gwynfe 7 Jan 9.30am Holy Communion

14 Jan 9.30am Morning Prayer 21 Jan 9.30am Holy Communion 28 Jan 9.30am Morning Prayer

Revd Jeff Thomas 01550 777758 jeffthomas@churchinwales.org.uk

ST. BARNABAS, RHANDIRMWYN 3 Dec 9.30am Morning Prayer (said)

3 Dec 7.00pm Christmas by Candlelight concert
10 Dec 9.30am Eucharist (followed by

refreshments)
17 Dec 9.30am Morning Prayer
24 Dec 3.30pm Christmas Eye Service

24 Dec 3.30pm Christmas Eve Service (Rev. Linden Fletcher)
31 Dec 11.00am Service in Talley Church

For further information, please contact Revd Fr.Tim Nelson 01558 685415.

14 Jan 9.30am To be confirmed 21 Jan 9.30am Morning Prayer 28 Jan 9.30am To be confirmed

For further information, please contact Dr Marc Rowlands 01550 728319.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, GWYNFE

3 Dec 11.15am Holy Communion
10 Dec 11.15am Morning Prayer
17 Dec 6.00pm Carol Service
24 Dec No Service
25 Dec 9.00am Christmas Eucharist

31 Dec 10.30am Combined service at Gwynfe
7 Jan 11.15am Holy Communion

14 Jan 11.15am Morning Prayer 21 Jan 11.15am Holy Communion 28 Jan No Service

ST DAVID'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, LLANDEILO

5 Carmarthen Rd., SA19 6DL

Sunday Mass 11.00am. Weekday masses – see notices or Phone: 01558 824305 or Mob. 07507 071337.

ST TEILO'S CHURCH, LLANDEILO

1st Sun 11.00am Holy Communion 2nd Sun 8.00am Holy Communion 11.00am Morning Prayer 6.00pm Evening Prayer 3rd Sun 9.30am Boreol Weddi 11.00am Holy Communion 4th Sun 9.30am Cymun Bendigaid 11.00am Holy Communion 6.00pm Compline

Every Wednesday there is Holy Communion at 10.30am.

ST JOHN'S MAESTEILO

3 Dec 9.30am Morning Prayer 17 Dec 9.30am Lessons and Carols 7 Jan 9.30am Morning Prayer 21 Jan 9.30am Holy Communion

Email: h lloyd davies@hotmail.com

HOLY TRINITY TALIARIS

10 Dec 9.30am Holy Communion 24 Dec 4.00pm Lessons and Carols 25 Dec 10.00am Holy Communion at St Teilo's, Llandeilo

14 Jan 9.30am Morning Prayer 28 Jan 9.30am Morning Prayer

Email: h lloyd davies@hotmail.com

LLANEGWAD CHURCH

2nd Sun 11.00am Eucharist 3rd Sun 11.00am Eucharist 4th Sun 11.00am Eucharist

Services on 5th Sunday are at 10.30am and rotate around the churches.

OUR LADY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH. LLANDOVERY

College View SA20 0BD (Served from Lampeter)

Saturday (vigil of Sunday) 5.00pm Wednesday 10.00am

23 Dec 5.00pm Mass 24 Dec 6.00pm Carols

6.30pm Vigil Mass for the Nativity of The Lord

Tel 01570 421003 Mob: 07495 802711 Email: davidkeithevans@hotmail.co.uk for details

WILLIAMS PANTYCELYN MEMORIAL CHAPEL

Sunday praise at 11.00am [available also via zoom]

Tuesday drop-in prayer and reflection from 10.00am – 12.00pm [available also via zoom from 11.00am]

For further information or to contact Pastor Rob please visit

www.williamspantvcelvn.co.uk

ST EGWAD. LLANFYNYDD

1st Sun 9.30am Bilingual Service 3rd Sun 9.30am Bilingual Service

See church noticeboard for special services e.g. Christmas and Easter.

EBENEZER APOSTOLIC CHURCH

(On B4302 at Cwmdu) Services every Sunday 10.30am Worship and Communion Service (Also Sunday School for under 15s) 5.00pm Evening Service Tea and Biscuits following.

Coffee Morning third Tuesday of the month at 10.30am

All are welcome.

ST TEILO'S CHURCH. BRECHFA. **SA32 7RA**

2 Dec. 10 00am Christmas Coffee to noon Morning in the Church Hall 3 Dec 11.00am Communion Service

17 Dec 6.00pm Carol Service followed by tea and mince pies. 25 Dec 7.00am Plugain on Christmas

Morning

6 Jan 10.00am Coffee Morning in the to noon Church Hall

7 Jan 11.00am Communion Service 21 Jan 11.00am Communion Service

Info - contact Rev Roger Nock

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ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH. LLANFIHANGEL RHOS Y CORN. **SA32 7RP**

3 Dec 2.30pm Communion followed by tea in the Hall

10 Dec 2.30pm Traditional Service of Lessons and Carols with our specially decorated

windows. Tea and mince pies in the Hall afterwards.

13 Dec 5.00pm Pilgrim Service - Prayer and Meditation

24 Dec 11.45pm Candlelight Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve

7 Jan 2.30pm Communion followed by tea in the Hall Pilgrim Service - Prayer 10 Jan 5.00pm

and Meditation 21 Jan 2.30pm Communion followed by

tea in the Hall

Info - contact Rev Roger Nock n 01267 202347.

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Services on 5th Sunday are at 10.30am and rotate around the churches.

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Swansea Gowerton Llanelli Ffairfach Llandeilo Llangadog Llanwrda Llandovery Cynghordy Llanwrtyd Llandrindod Shrewsbury	D D D D D D D A	05.50 07.38	05.13 05.49x 05.54 06.03 06.07 06.15A	05.47 05.58 06.08 06.44x 06.49 06.58 07.02 07.11 07.19x 07.40 08.13 09.46	09.09 09.20 09.31 10.07x 10.12 10.21 10.25 10.34 10.42x 11.03 11.36 13.13	11.38 11.50 12.03 12.46x 12.51 13.00 13.04 13.13 13.21x 13.42 14.15 15.45	14.18 14.30 14.43 15.24x 15.29 15.39 15.42 15.51 16.00x 16.17 17.01 18.32	18.19 18.32 18.42 19.18x 19.25 19.35 19.37 19.56x 20.49 22.21	21.15 21.27 21.36 22.12x 22.17 22.27 22.30 22.37A	05.49 06.00 06.10 06.46x 06.51 07.00 07.04 07.13 07.21x 07.42 08.15 09.45	09.08 09.19 09.31 10.07x 10.12 10.21 10.25 10.34 10.42x 11.03 11.36 13.10	11.45 11.58 12.08 12.46x 12.51 13.00 13.04 13.13 13.21x 13.42 14.15 15.45	14.30 14.42 14.53 15.29x 15.34 15.47 15.56 16.04x 16.21 17.02 18.35	18.18 18.30 18.42 19.19x 19.24 19.34 19.37 19.46 19.55x 20.15 20.48 22.26	21.15 21.27 21.36 22.12 22.17 22.27 22.30 22.37A	11.10 11.21 11.33 12.08x 12.14 12.23 12.27 12.36 12.43x 13.01 13.44 15.13	15.37 15.48 16.00 16.34x 16.40 16.50 16.53 17.02 17.10x 17.27 17.59 19.35
Shrewsbury Llandrindod Llanwrtyd Cynghordy Llandovery Llanwrda Llangadog Llandeilo Fairfach Llanelli Swansea	D D D D D D D D	06.26 06.32x 06.36x 06.50 06.53 07.44 08.08		05.22 07.06 07.40 07.53x 08.05 08.11x 08.15x 08.27 08.29 09.10 09.33	08.57 10.29 11.03 11.16x 11.28 11.34x 11.38x 11.50 11.52 12.40 13.03	11.22 12.56 13.41 13.55x 14.07 14.13x 14.17x 14.28 14.31 15.12 15.36	15.17 17.01 17.32 17.45x 17.57 18.03x 18.07x 18.19 18.21 19.07 19.31	18.07 19.41 20.17 20.30x 20.42 20.48x 20.52x 21.04 21.06 21.45 22.08	21.29 23.00A 22.43 22.49x 22.53x 23.04 23.07 23.48 00.16	05.23 07.08 07.42 07.55x 08.07 08.13x 08.17x 08.29 08.31 09.11	08.56 10.28 11.03 11.16x 11.28 11.34x 11.38x 11.50 11.52 12.38 13.01	11.26 12.59 13.41 13.55x 14.07 14.13x 14.17x 14.28 14.31 15.12 15.37	15.25 17.06 17.37 17.50x 18.02 18.08x 18.12x 18.24 18.26 19.09 19.32	18.08 19.40 20.15 20.28x 20.40 20.46x 20.50x 21.02 21.04 21.49 22.12	22.43 22.48x 22.52x 23.04 23.06 23.46	12.04 13.40 14.11 14.24x 14.36 14.42x 14.46x 14.58 15.00 15.40 16.02	16.20 18.05 18.36 18.49x 19.02 19.07x 19.11x 19.23 19.26 20.05 20.26

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BUS TIMES

(NOTE: SUMMARY OF MAIN SERVICES ONLY SHOWN. PLEASE CHECK WITH BUS COMPANY FOR FULL TIMETABLE)

Llandovery - Llandeilo (289)

via Crug-v-bar, Llanwrda

Llanwrda L'dovery(car park)

Llandeilo, New Road	9.35	Llandovery Car Park	13.40
Crug-y-bar	10.13	Crug-y-bar	14.04
Llandovery Car Park	10.41	Llandeilo, New Road	14.44

6.49 6.58

10.31

Golden Grove - Llandeilo -Gelli Aur Gelli Newydd 0.10 Ffair-fach 9.15 Llandeilo (Vr Hen Vic) 0.20

Salem (opp. Angel Inn)	9.30
Capel Isaac	9.40
Cwrt Henri	10.00
Nantgaredig (square) shelter	10.17
Abergwili (shelter)	10.27
Carmarthen (Rus Stn.)	10.35

17.34 17.44

13.36

Carmarthen (277)	Wed only
Carmarthen (Bus Stn.)	13.45
Abergwili	13.53
Nantgaredig (square)	14.04
Cwrt Henri	14.21
Capel Isaac	14.40
Salem (Angel Inn)	14.49

Llandeilo (Yr Hen Vic)

Ffair-fach

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Liandovery – Liandeilo – Carmartnen (280/281) Morris Travel											
-		281	280	281	280	281	280	281	280		
L'dovery(car park)		7.00	8.50	10.45	12.20	14.00	16.25	17.50	19.10		
Llanwrda		7.10	9.00	10.55	12.30	14.10	16.35	17.59	19.18		
Llansadwrn		7.15	9.05	11.00	12.35	14.15	16.40	18.04	_		
Llangadog (Rhyd-y-Fro)		_	9.14	_	12.44	_	16.48	_	- r	_	
Llangadog (Common)		7.24	_	11.09	_	14.24	_	18.12	- 1	Α	
Cwmifor		_	_	11.21	_	14.36	_	_	- 1	q	
Llandeilo, New Road		7.37	9.29	11.27	12.59	14.44	17.02	18.24	19.31	4	
Carmarthen		8.22	10.14	12.12	13.44	15.27	17.45	19.03	20.02		
	281	280	281	280	281	280	281	280			
Carmarthen	6.05	7.20	9.15	10.20	12.20	14.20	16.20	17.50			
Llandeilo	6.35	7.58	9.57	10.58	13.02	14.58	17.02	18.29			
Cwmifor	_	_	10.05	_	13.10	_	17.10	_			
Llangadog (Common)	_	_	10.17	_	13.22	_	17.21	_			
Llangadog (Rhyd)	_	8.13	_	11.13	_	15.13	_	18.42		F	
Llansadwrn (War Memorial) —	8.21	10.26	11.21	13.31	15.21	17.29	18.50		1	

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15.05

15 10 All services operate Mon-Sat

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