

Welcome to January/ February Newsletter

Two for one to start the year as I shall be away for a few weeks. The next issue will be early March, Jane.

Chairman's message - Dafydd Jones

2020

Blwyddyn Newydd Dda / Happy New Year to you all.

Maxine and I hope you had a happy Christmas and that Santa called and we wish you all well for 2020. The walks booklet is now out and hopefully well circulated.

Roy and I note that the actual numbers attending individual walks seems to be in decline. Can we all try and join this programme of walks and increase the numbers please. A lot of effort has gone into preparing these adventures so out of respect to Walk Leaders and Roy can we boost the numbers . I hope that 2020 brings good health and happiness to you and your families.

Dafydd, Chairman.

Footpath News - Graham Fitch, F.P. Secretary Email: graham.fitchs@gmail.com

What a great year 2019 has been in the continued footpath clearance work that has been achieved by our Tîm Taclo Llwybrau volunteers in both the Arfon & Dwfor groups. Together we worked on a total of 31 days which amounted to a total of 760 volunteer work hours. In appreciation of this Gwynedd Council treated fifteen of us to a much appreciated excellent Xmas lunch at 'The Lodge Café' Dinorwig. This was preceded by an interesting appetite walk round the local area.

The Arfon group have two work days for January. Tuesday 14th just four of us will be completing work on the paths off the Lon Las Ogwen, Bangor. Work will mostly be fixing grippers on a bridge. I am now looking for volunteers to clear and waymark a completely new path on Tuesday 28th January and dates to be arranged in February. If you would like to attend please let me know and full details as to the location etc will be sent out to you nearer the time. All tools will be supplied, just wear suitable clothing and bring your refreshments for the day. Start time around 10.00am finish around 3.00pm, all weather permitting. It would be great to have you with us and your attendance will be so much appreciated. Footpath maintenance is so necessary to ensure our value Rights of Way are kept open not only for the present pleasure of many but future generations.

Blwyddyn Newydd Dda Pawb, Graham

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Social Events - Dee Jamal, Social Secretary

TALK

By Peter Rutherford who is Access Officer for Snowdonia National Park at Snowdonia Parc Brewpub, Waunfawr LL55 4AQ

Wednesday 19 February 2020

Meet up at 6pm if eating ... for 7.15pm talk

QUIZ NIGHT

sharpen up your brain cells for a competitive night of random quizzing - with prizes!! Wednesday 18 March 2020

Snowdonia Parc Brewpub LL55 4AQ

Meet up at 6pm if eating ... for 7.30 start

Irreverent Tales from a Rambler - Anon

Recently I was discussing walking/hiking with someone in their 40's, encouraging them as I always do to join us on a few walks and if they like the walking, join the Ramblers. The response was "the Ramblers" are for retired people. I directed them to the website and Facebook page to see the photos of the walks. After all, the range of walks on offer are diverse to say the least. The path clearing group Tim Taclo are amazing, in the amount of fixing and construction that they tackle. I also pointed out the fun we have too. With the organized events like rowing, mushroom picking, barbecues etc. All this on offer. They were still of the opinion Ramblers were for retired, divorced or single people! It made me think about who the Ramblers were. I see fit, agile and interesting people from all walks of life. People who are young at heart and fun to be with. I don't know the average age of Ramblers, but it was once pointed out the average age of walk leaders is about 70. Remember age is just a number. With that said it leads me onto the next tale of hang ups we all have.

<u>Upcoming Walks and events</u> - Please always check the website in case of late changes, this is just a reminder.

JANUARY 2020

Fri, 10-01-20, Pilgrimage to Ice Age Pebble, Rachel's short walks. SH508548, Canolfan Y Fron, 10.30, D, 3, Rachel. No dogs please.

Sat, **11-01-20**, Nant Pasgan, SH684362, Moelfryn Isaf, 10.30, B, 6, Di. No dogs please. 11-01-20, Nant Pasgan, SH684362, Moelfryn Isaf, 10:00, B, 6, Di, No dogs please

Fri, **24-01-20**, Rachel's Short Walks -Mynydd Cilgwyn, SH508548, Canolfan Y Fron, 10:30, D, 2, Rachel, No dogs please

Sat, **25-01-20**, Penrhyndeudraeth and Dwyrd Estuary, SH610391, Penrhyndeudraeth CP, 10:30, D, 6, John H, No dogs please

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Sat, **08-02-20**, Rachel's Famous Short Walks, SH508548, Canolfan Y Fron, 10:30, D, 3, Rachel, No dogs please

Tues, **18-02-20**, Llanystumdwy - Footsteps of Lloyd George. , SH477384, Llanystumdwy Car Park, 14:00, E, 3, John B, Dogs on lead please

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Thurs, 20-02-20, Aberffraw Circular, SH355688, Aberffraw Square, 11:35, D, 5, Mickey, No dogs please

Fri, **21-02-20**, Rachel's Famous Short Walks, SH508548, Canolfan Y Fron, 10:30, D, 3, Rachel, No dogs please

Sat, **22-02-20**, Llyn Gwynant , SH628508, Bethania Nant Gwynant pay CP , 10:00, C, 6, John E, No dogs please

Thurs, 27-02-20, Nefyn to Towyn Coastal Path , SH283405, Nefyn NT CP , 10:30, C, 6, Dianne, No dogs please

Sat, 29-02-20, Llanberis Foothills, SH574609, Y Glyn CP Llanberis, 10:00, C, 6, John E, No dogs please

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Sat, **07-03-20**, Rachel's Famous Short Walks, SH508548, Canolfan Y Fron, 10:30, D, 3, Rachel, No dogs please

Sat, **07-03-20**, Blaenau to Penrhyndeudraeth, SH610391, Penrhyndeudraeth CP to 09:39 bus to Blaenau, 09:20, C, 10, John H, No dogs please

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Menter Fachwen Walks - Gareth - 07867 810576

FRIDAY 10 JANUARY, 10.00am. LLYN PADARN CIRCULAR (4½ miles) START: MENTER FACHWEN SHOP, 52 HIGH STREET, LLANBERIS. MODERATE BUT NO HILLS!!!! DOGS ON LEADS PLEASE.

THURSDAY 16 JANUARY, 2.00pm. BANGOR IN THE SECOND WORLD WAR (2 miles) START: BEACH ROAD CAR PARK, HIRAEL, BANGOR. SH 58762 72672. EASY.

WEEK BEGINNING 20TH or 27TH JANUARY, STARGAZING NIGHT WALKS: PART 1. The walks in this series over the next few months will be arranged last minute to take advantage of fine weather. So make sure you keep an eye on your e-mails. The first walk will look at our neighbours in space and ask the question 'What on earth is happening to Betelgeuse?'.

FRIDAY 31 JANUARY, 2.00pm.LLANDDEINIOLEN CHURCH: NEW RESEARCH (½ mile) START: GORS BACH INN CAR PARK, LLANDDEINIOLEN. SH 54314 66104

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Deadline: 2nd March 2020