



**Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn Community Council  
Newsletter – October 2015  
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“Memories of Summer”

Maybe you have a photograph taken within the Community or a Community Event or one that you have taken when out and about that you would like to be put on the front page, if so then please contact the editor.

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**COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

The Community Council has over the summer recess co-opted the following applicants to be your new Community Councillors they will start with us from the October meeting.



**Richard Hughes**

Professionally I am a Chartered Surveyor having worked for the Northwest Development Agency in Liverpool involved in the regeneration of the city for 20 years and finally Head of Land and Property for Merseyside until retirement in 2011.

On retirement I joined the Gwernaffield Church Hall Association committee and have been Treasurer for the last 3 years during which time I project managed the improvements programme applying for grants and raising the funds to bring the hall up to modern standard.

We participated in the National Gardens group in the village and opened our garden for charity every other year for nearly ten years.

I am a native of Anglesey moving to Gwernaffield 15 years ago having built a house here with my wife Shirley. We have three daughters and five grandchildren. I understand Welsh but am not a fluent speaker.

My interests are travelling, golf, painting, music and ballroom dancing.

Although we have been in the same house our post code has just been changed so after 14 years of having a Gwernaffield address it has been changed to Pantymwyn.

Living at the edge of both villages I have always thought of Gwernaffield/Pantymwyn as one community.

**Richard Hughes, Coedle, Pantymwyn, Mold. CH7 5HY 01352 742112**



**Carl Hopwood**

I have lived in Gwernaffield all my life where my brothers and I went to Ysgol Y Waun. I am 40 yrs old and have two boys that also went to Ysgol Y Waen and now attend Mold Alun

I work locally as a builder in the construction industry.

My interests are my dogs and football, running and training a local team. I have supported and helped with various community events over the years and understand the value of these and would hope to bring some of this back to the community.

I feel that it is now time to be more pro- active within the community and look forward to serving as a Community Councillor.

**Carl Hopwood 7 Y Waen, Gwernaffield, Mold CH7 5DP**



### Lindsey Jones

I am mother of Caleb, 8 and Anais, 5, both of Ysgol Y Waun and wife of Paul; we have been married for 10 years. We moved to Pantymwyn in November 2013 having always dreamt of living somewhere more rural, myself having grown up in Connah's Quay and Paul, Bagillt. The opportunity came up to purchase a plot of land and we realised it was our time to make the move before the children were much older. We are currently building our forever home on Cilcain Road in Pantymwyn and are very much enjoying everything that village life brings. I am co-managing our build project as my husband has a very busy joinery contracting business, he is very much the trade element and I keep an eye on the numbers! I have a keen interest in the community. As a parent it is important to me that children and parents in the area have a voice and are able to tap into a support network should they need it or should they just wish to raise an issue. Some of the greatest villages/communities in the UK are actively supported by their volunteer community groups/councils and I am honoured to join the community council. I am very easy going, have a good sense of humour and believe good results come from good people working together for the same goal.

### Community Council News/updates

#### July – September 2015

A meeting has taken place with the Trustee's of the Gwernaffield Playing Field with regard to the forward planning and maintenance of the area. As a result of this meeting the Community Council at the September meeting unanimously voted to take on the Trusteeship of the Playing Fields and work is ongoing to legalise this. Look out for more information in the next newsletter.

The Council would once again request that dog owners use the dog bins that are available within the villages. It has also been reported that on occasion horse poo has been found on pavements. Please take care children use these footpaths to get to school.

The Community Council has now been given permission to change the name of Gwernaffield Community Council to Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn. After discussion at the meeting it was decided that Councillor Pritchard request a meeting with Mrs Ankers the headmistress of Ysgol Y Waun to see if the school would like to design a new LOGO for the renamed Council. She has agreed to do this as a school project and will send the Council designs for us to choose one.

Two new dog bins have been placed on Rhydymwyn Road.

**Please can members of the community remember to remove any posters which they place up and around the villages once the event they are advertising has taken place. It helps keep the villages looking tidy.**

## Planning Applications

Post Office, Cilcain Rd, Pantymwyn - no objections  
Blantyre, Cilcain Rd, Pantymwyn - no objections  
Laburnam Cottage, Cae Rug Lane, Gwernaffield - no objections

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## YSGOL Y WAUN



## **Welcome**

What a busy start we have had to the new school year and so many new faces. I would like to welcome Kayla, Isla, Beau, Joseph, Brooke, Thomas, Nathan, Arthur, Harvey, Ella, Orian, Erin, Kian and Layla and Joseph (JJ) to Nursery. They have all settled very quickly and are always busy when I go into class.

## General Information

Following County and WG safeguarding procedures the school gates are closed between the hours of 9.00am and 3.30pm daily.

When bringing children to school in the mornings please can I ask that parents are not to turn left as they enter the gates with their cars – they are to use the bottom visitors car park.

At home time please can I ask you to consider the residents of Y Waen when parking your car and ensure you park correctly and not blocking driveways.

In the interest of Health and Safety can we ask when your child(ren) leave school at the end of the day that they use the path down to the car park and not walk/run down the grass. This has been discussed with the children in school.

If you are bringing a bike to school for your child(ren) to ride home on can I ask they do not ride it until they are out of the school gates.

**A little request...to all residents . If anyone has any ‘U’ DVDs which are no longer used and looking for a good home please send them to school for our ‘wet break time’ box – thank you!**



## Dates for your Diary

**Thursday Club** - Last trip of the year if you would like to book a seat please contact Sheila Smith on 01352 740027

November 25<sup>th</sup> - Bury Market – xmas shopping trip

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## Gwernaffield Church

Harvest Supper on Saturday 3rd October 7.00 pm in the Church Hall. Tickets £4.00 - £2.00 children. This includes Hot Pot Supper and entertainment

Musical Evening ( Folk) with our local Duo Richard and Margaret Millington on Saturday 14th November in the Church Hall at 7.30pm. Tickets £5.00, including refreshments :- contact:-Kath Stanton 01352 740068 or Carole Bowen 01352 740550 or you can pay at the door..

### Messy Church 2015

Within the Bro fammau Parish To be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday each month at 4pm in Gwernaffield Church Hall.

20<sup>th</sup> September

18<sup>th</sup> October

22<sup>nd</sup> November

Messy Church is: Christ centred and open to anyone

Messy Church consists of:

:- creativity (various activities)

:- celebration (music,prayer and stories)

:- hospitality ( that's food and drink

### Sales Table

There is a sales table at the back of the church with marmalade, books, cards etc for sale at very reasonable prices to raise funds for our church

### **Mold Food Bank**

Donations are very welcome and can be brought to the back of the church.

### **Mothers' Union**

New members are always welcome – we meet on the last Tuesday of every month.

Please telephone Mrs Gaynor Morgan (secretary) on 01352 741515 for more information.



## SCARECROW COMPETITION

Have you registered yet to put your scarecrow in our Community Competition which will be judged over the weekend of **9th and 10th** of October. It must be visible from the road. If not then please contact - either Lynne on 01352 740972 or Kay on 01352 741334

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**WE ARE  
MACMILLAN.  
CANCER SUPPORT**

I would just like to express my thanks to everyone that either supported the coffee morning by making cakes or donating money/raffle prizes.

Also to those who came and helped on the day, and to those who supported it. A total of £ 282.00 was raised. Thank you all !!!! Lynne Pritchard

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To all our older residents:

Don't forget to book your place for our annual Christmas lunch on the 14<sup>th</sup> December at 12.30pm for the over 65's. Tickets are going fast and unfortunately there is a limited number due to seating arrangements.

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**RAFFLE PRIZES WILL BE GRATEFULLY RECIEVED  
ENTERTAINMENT**

Pantymwyn Village Hall Fun Day at The Crown Inn

The sun came out for us on Saturday Aug 29<sup>th</sup>, the day of this highly successful local family event at The Crown Inn. The Fun Day brings both local people and tourists together to support this charity event.

The Pantymwyn Village Hall Committee, with Rob Edwards (Crown Inn publican) and members of the community, organised and coordinated the event. The Fun Day is supported by small grants from Flintshire County Council & our local Community Council to help fund a marquee for the bands, refreshment tent & shelter tents against the elements. The day could not happen without this funding and the support, including that of local businesses who also gave funding & raffle prizes.

The raffle & community stall holders raised £1,300 in total which will go towards revamping the disabled toilet & incorporating a baby changing facility at the village hall. Support from the community for such events as the Fun day, have allowed the Village Hall committee to totally revitalise the hall for the use of an ever increasing number and diversity of groups. The monies raised by the Fun Day will greatly improve access for the less able users and make life easier for Mums and Dads with toddlers.

The 'Trotters' helped create a cheerful atmosphere with some great music, professionally played, during the afternoon, which was heightened by the buzz from the crowd and the stalls. This year we had more local organisations & members of the community getting involved, organisations brought their own gazebos & put on a wide range of family activities from Tombola to Family Craft and Caving.

Community support is vital for this event to continue and the organisers thank all the helpers and supporters sincerely. The evening part of the Fun day was a real success with the young and very energetic band, Hybrid Sky entertaining us all. Great to see such an age range involved with such talent, providing the perfect end to an outstanding day. It seemed to bring a winning formula again and provided something for everyone. Thank you to everyone who was involved this year & please do let us know if you are interested in lending your support for this community event in the future. Please contact, any of the village hall committee and Rob at The Crown.

Pauline Kershaw, event coordinator for Pantymwyn Village Hall.

### **What's coming up at Pantymwyn Village Hall**

In addition to the regular weekly group meetings

Monday night is Photography night

**Next meeting is Monday Oct 26th 7:45**

We meet bi-monthly & our theme is 'Autumn using Macro Photography techniques'. Bring 5 photos on a memory stick or hard copy to share.

**Wednesday afternoon is Craft afternoon**

**Sept 30<sup>th</sup> & Oct 28<sup>th</sup> 2-4 New members welcome**

**Free if you are willing to 'Take away' things to make for village fundraising**



**Thursday Night is Speaker night**

**Coming soon 8<sup>th</sup> Oct 7:15 'Caving' Tim Watts (Vice Chairman United Cavers Exploration Team)**

**Tim lives in Pantymwyn & will speak about the underground caving world in our local area.**



**Thursday November 12th 7-9pm**

The Alun and Chwiler Living Landscape Project  
Come along and hear about this exciting new project in your locality led by North Wales Wildlife Trust and supported by local organisations.

**Advance Date for your diary**

**Xmas Fayre at Pantymwyn Village Hall**



**Saturday Dec 5<sup>th</sup> 2-4 Afternoon Tea & cake ~ Join in the fun**

Tombola, Raffle, Crafts & small gifts on sale~ come along and do your Xmas shopping





### Sunbeams Playgroup - Gwernaffield

Open Monday, Thursday and Friday's 9.00 am to 11.30 am in the Community Hall of Ysgol Y Waun for children aged 2 years 3 months until nursery age. Government early entitlement is available. Will be open for four days in January 2016.

Sarah Jones - Playgroup Supervisor 07506952313 (session times only)

**\*\*\* Playgroup are holding a Pamper Evening at the Plas Hafod on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October - Tickets available from play group or contact Sarah on the above number.**

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### 100 Years of the WI

Among the many anniversaries celebrated this year, the Centenary of WI has been enjoyed by thousands of women throughout Britain.

Pantymwyn WI members, too, have taken part in many of the celebrations, including being represented at the Albert Hall for the AGM.

Our delegate gave us a firsthand account of this special occasion, which was attended by the Queen and other members of the Royal Family.

Also in June we had a celebratory outing to Portmeirion on the most perfect day, calling at Bala en route and arriving for a splendid lunch at the Portmeirion quayside hotel. We were joined by other WIs and all thoroughly enjoyed the day in glorious weather.



This year we have had a surge in numbers at Pantymwyn WI.

New members have brought friendship & fresh ideas. To mark the day of the Centenary we placed a birdbath in the community garden at Pantymwyn Village Hall, where our group has been meeting since 1948.

Although we have looked back on what has been achieved & how much has changed, we now look forward to many happy times ahead.

### **Pantymwyn WI**

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**Pen-Y-Fron Chapel** would like to thank all those that came to support the “Light Lunch” and for their generosity. A total of £ 30 was made to which the Chapel will match fund making a total of £ 70 to go towards the Refugee Crisis.

I was really looking forward to going to the Alun, but there was always a little bit of doubt. My bus pass didn't arrive so I was very relieved when the driver gave everyone a big smile and said hello. No bus pass needed!

I walked up to the bus stop with my friends and we all had doubts about getting lost, when we arrived we were shown into the Daniel Owen Hall, and then Mr Ellis sorted us into our forms and made sure everything was okay.

We all then went with our form teachers into our forms, and during the first two lessons we were given our diaries and time tables. Break time was a bit different to Y Waen with hundreds of pupils, and I struggled to move!

My first lesson was English in the school library and the teacher was a little late so the Librarian spoke to us about how the library worked, so we only had half a lesson.

It was then time for lunch and I recognised more faces from Y Waen and Clubs I've previously been to. The afternoon went quickly and soon I was on the bus again going home.

Thursday and Friday seemed to go quickly. In Biology we had to draw around one person and then were given a bag with paper organs it and had to fit them into the shape, We didn't manage to finish because my friend, who I had drawn round found a stick insect standing next to her on the floor which made her jump, and she stood in horror!

German, which I had never done before was quite interesting because some letters are pronounced as others but I suppose I'll get used to it.

I've only had 4 pieces of homework so far, am dreading the rest though. All in all, I really enjoyed it.



MEGAN BAKER-JONES  
SEPTEMBER 2015



Four of the class that went from Ysgol Y Waun to Senior School this year

**Felicity**

**Megan**

**Aysha**

**Georgia**

If you have an article that you would like to be considered for the next newsletter in January please contact me at: [lynne@lynnepritchard.wanadoo.co.uk](mailto:lynne@lynnepritchard.wanadoo.co.uk) before the 3rd January 2016

Articles can be about :

your group

a successful outing you have had

somewhere nice you have eaten

a poem

a family recipe

an up and coming event that you wish to advertise

an issue or campaign that is important to you ....

.....all articles will be considered by the Editor.

Please get in touch if we can be of any assistance.

We look forward to hearing from you!



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**Lynne',s sausage pie, try it it's yummy**

6 sausage's cooked and cut into pieces

Chop one or two onion's and either fry or boil

Cut up and quarter three tomatoes

Pack of button mushrooms (fried).

Place all in an oven proof dish and cover with gravy.

Boil some potatoes and mash when cooked.

Cover the ingredients with the mash and then grate some cheese on top.  
Can be made earlier in the day ready for tea. Put in the oven for 30 minutes to heat through.

Will easily feed a family, add some crusty bread and enjoy.....

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Think before you speak my friend

Choose your words with care

Leave only laughter, comfort and joy

To say that you were there

**writer unknown - sent in by May Williams**

### **CHRISTMAS PREPARATION**

Mother's preparing for Christmas  
juggling money as the prices rise higher.  
But as she shops out in the cold and the rain  
Father just sleeps in the chair by the fire.



Mother's rehearsing for Christmas  
with her friends in the WI Choir.  
But as she sings festive carols and songs  
Father just sleeps in the chair by the fire



Mother puts up all the decorations  
and struggles with ribbons and wire.  
And while she is dressing the Christmas  
Father just sleeps in the chair by the fire.



tree



Mother's wrapping all the presents and gifts  
she hopes folks get all they desire.  
While she sits and writes the Christmas cards  
Father just sleeps in the chair by the fire.



Mother's busy cooking the turkey



for the family and friends to admire.  
And as she is steaming the Christmas pud  
Father just sleeps in the chair by the fire



Mother's clearing the pots from the table  
the hard work has made her perspire.....



Now FATHER is doing the washing up



**While Mother sleeps in  
the chair by the fire.**

