



## Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn Community Council Newsletter – October 2016 Issue No 7



Have you a small piece of green on your estate or road that does not interfere with pedestrians or vehicles, where you could place a planter.  
Why not be like the residents of Y Waen who clubbed together for the ones on their estate.

## **COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

The Council has received many complaints from residents regarding hedges and trees that are overgrown and causing a hindrance on footpaths and walkways.

Streetscene went out with councillors in July to make a visual report and Streetscene then sent out letters advising the relevant residents that they needed to trim/cut back any hedges or trees that they have back to their boundary line. All hedges and trees should be kept in line with resident's boundary line's this includes those that back onto public footpaths. This will be reviewed in September/October.

Ongoing work is being done to the footpath down to Mold, Streetscene has a programme in hand for doing this work but of course this will take time.

Streetscene has over the summer months been continuing with patch work over our local roads and has raised a job for a centre line down the main road.

The council has advertised for a new Councillor for the Gwernaffield ward.

New replacement lights have been put up both in Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn, more will be replaced as and when finances allow, until all the Community lighting that the Council is responsible for has been upgraded. Mean while if you see a faulty light please contact the council clerk.

Over the summer recess the new directional signs for Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn have been put in place. Flower planters have been put under these signs, as well as other places within the community, the Community Garden, Cae Gafn and Y Waen, Flintshire Foodshare are to sponsor one on the corner of Pen y Fron road and Pantymwyn WI will sponsor one on Cilcain Road Pantymwyn.

The council would like to thank Dragon Motors and Pantymwyn Village Hall for sponsoring the planters under the signs. Thanks also go to Thursday club for the planter in the Conservation garden, to Lynne Vaughan for Cae Gafna and those residents in Y Waen who clubbed together for the four planters in Y Waen. Lastly thanks go to Tesco and Bevans for donating bulbs.

At last the Community Council has become the legal Trustee's of Gwernaffield Playing field. A public meeting was held in August to hopefully start a fundraising group.

This was achieved and a committee has now been formed under the name of 'Friends of Gwernaffield Playing Field', although every meeting to be held is open to any member of the public who would wish to help. The Group have set up a just giving page so if you would like to donate then they would be most grateful. £60,000 is their aim to improve and refurbish the Playing Field.

Hopefully by the time you get this newsletter the replacement Post Box will be in place in Gwernaffield. It has been a long time coming.

Planning applications received:

High Croft – Cicain Road, Pantymwyn	- no objections
May Villa - Cefn Bychan Woods, Pantymwyn	- no objections
Bryn Y Garreg - Bryn Road, Gwernaffield	- no objections
Coppy Farm – Cilcain Road, Gwernaffield	- objection raised with FCC
McCabe Creative <u>Constuction</u> - Panty Buarth	- no objections

All applications and associated documents can be viewed on Flintshire County Councils Planning Portal

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## **ST DAVID'S AWARDS**

**Do you know of anyone or a group who could be nominated for these awards.**

AM's are urging Flintshire people to nominate their community heroes for national awards.

Nominations are now open for the 2017 St David Awards. Now in their fourth year, the awards acknowledge the achievements of people the length and breadth of Wales.

They were created to recognise the deeds and contributions made by people from all walks of life.

There are 8 categories nominated by the public, Bravery, Culture, Enterprise, Citizenship, Innovation and Technology, International, Sport, Young Person and the First Ministers Special Award.

Every day in Flintshire there are people who work hard to make their communities better. If you know someone who goes that extra mile, why not show them that what they do is appreciated by nominating them for a St David Award.

To nominate someone for an award visit [www.stdavidaward.org.uk](http://www.stdavidaward.org.uk) by midnight on October 21<sup>st</sup>.

Winners will be presented with their award at a glittering ceremony hosted by Welsh television presenter Angharad Mair and rugby referee Nigel Owens at the Senedd on March 23<sup>rd</sup> 2017

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Why not join **Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn Group** on facebook. Keep abreast of what's happening in and around your community, use it to buy and sell. Ask for help or information. It is a public group.



## SCARECROW COMPETITION

There will again be a scarecrow competition over the weekend of **21 – 22 October**. You can register your scarecrow with either the Clerk or Cllr Pritchard. You must register before **the 16<sup>th</sup> October** to enable a list to be made public for people to go and see them. Don't forget they must be visible from the road.

Call 01352 740972 or  
[lynne@lynnepritchardwanadoo.co.uk](mailto:lynne@lynnepritchardwanadoo.co.uk)



To all our older residents:

Don't forget to make a date in your diary for our annual Christmas lunch on the 12<sup>th</sup> December at 12.30pm. Tickets for lunch and entertainment are on sale now at the Post Office or contact Cllr Lynne Pritchard.

Please contact: [lynne@lynnepritchard.wanadoo.co.uk](mailto:lynne@lynnepritchard.wanadoo.co.uk) 01352 740972

## SUNFLOWER COMPETITION 2016

### Winners

Judging took place over the weekend of 2<sup>nd</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> September by the sponsor Dylan Kelsall.

1<sup>st</sup> - Jane Newman, 6 Fron Deg Pantymwyn her flower measured 320 cm

2<sup>nd</sup> - John Guinness, Caravan 36 Pantymwyn his flower measured 292 cm

3<sup>rd</sup> - Hughes Family, Fellside Pantymwyn and their sunflower measured 224 cm.



Prizes will be presented on the evening of October 26<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in The Crown, the same night as the scarecrow winners. Well done to all that took part.

## Gwernaffield WI



Sheila Blackburn of High Park and Gwernaffield WI won the Flint and Denbigh Craft Cup in this year's Show. Her beautiful cross stitch entry of a 'Winter Snow Queen' was part of the Gwernaffield Co-operative entry. Sheila and her husband are participants of many crafts and are both very talented.

Sheila was a very worth winner



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Congratulations go to Aria Beadle Dovey youngest daughter of Emma Dovey a long time resident of our community. Aria went to Ysgol Bro Famau Llanferres, and then Ysgol Brynhyfryd Ruthin. She has been accepted at GLYNDWR UNIVERSITY to do a BSc in Cyber Security. Well done Aria.

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## Pantymwyn Village Hall

Did you get to see any of the Helfa Gelf Art Trail in our area?

There were several Open Studios in our locality, including 'A View 2 Pantymwyn' at the village hall. The artists Marlene Clarke and Julia Jones would like to thank everyone who helped make their Helfa Gelf venture this year another resounding success. Thanks go to the local community, and visitors from further afield, for their patronage, purchases and wonderful comments, to the village hall committee for their hospitality and support, and to all those who helped behind the scenes. Special thanks to Pauline and the wonderful members of the Pantymwyn Art Group for baking cakes and manning the kitchen. A superb effort by all. Thank you & hope to see you at our Open Studio next September, Marlene and Julia.



**Saturday 3rd Dec Xmas Fayre      2:00 – 4:00 pm**  
**Pantymwyn Village Hall    Tea & Cakes    Raffle & Tombola**  
**Xmas Craft goods**



**Speaker Session Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Oct 7pm**  
**'Swizz Cheese'**  
**Illustrated Talk    Jo Tobler**

from the Pantymwyn Village Hall Committee & The Crown Inn for helping to make the **Village Fun Day a BIG success..** This community event relied heavily on local business sponsorship & a great deal of support from individuals & local groups



















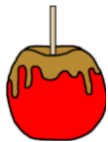
**Three cheers everone**

**Gwernaffield Youth Club**  
**Youth Worker In Charge – Alison**  
**Assistant Youth Worker – Lydia**

*Weekly Activities – Badminton, Table Tennis, Arts & Crafts, Nintendo Wii.*

**Every Monday – termtime only**

**6.30 p.m. – 9.00 p.m.**

Date	Activity
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Welcome back – brownies, open club night and board games</b>   
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>pool, making pizza &amp; careers</b>   
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Fashion/model/bandanas, skipping &amp; pancakes</b>   
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Arts &amp; crafts and making toffee</b>  
Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> October & Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	<b>Residential – Colomendy, archery &amp; climbing</b>   
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	<b>closed</b>
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>Badminton cookies competition &amp;</b>  
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>Party, dress up competition, toffee apples</b>   
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> & 31 <sup>st</sup> October	<b>Closed for half term</b>

## **Pen y Fron Team Forthcoming Events:-**



Oct 2 (Sun) Penyfron Chapel Harvest Thanksgiving 2.30

Oct 11 Soups 12-1.00

Oct 21 (Fri) Film Night 7.00

Nov 8 Soups 12-1.00

Nov 22 Soups 12-1.00

Dec 6 Soups 12-1.00

Dec 14 (Wed) Penyfron Chapel Carols by Candlelight 7.00

Jan 10 Soups 12-1.00

All the events, unless stated as the Chapel, are held at the Village Hall, Pantymwyn and everyone is most welcome! The Pen y Fron Team.

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### **Sunbeams Playgroup & Toddlers**

are holding a pamper night at the Plas Hafod on 10<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30 pm  
for tickets see: Playgroup, Sarah Jones or Rachel Foley.

Play group are now taking children from two years of age, contact playgroup as to what days it is open.

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### **Letter received by the Community Council by a resident**

Dear Councillors,

I sincerely apologise for the delay in writing this letter, but it still seems important to give my thoughts after following attendance at the last AGM.

Firstly I was very impressed with the professionalism of all present.

Whilst I really appreciate the news letter you now produce, I came to realise just how much of a summary it is for all the time and effort you put into maintaining and developing our community.

Of particular note was the debate about street lighting in order to help the local application for darker skies whilst considering the safety of residents, the development of the playground in Gwernaffield, and the general enthusiasm for making our village's pleasant places to live and grow.

I know there have been further meetings since the AGM which reflect your labours, including the responsibility for the playground, and the flower boxes to brighten things up.

I would recommend any resident to attend at least one meeting, just to witness the efforts made on our behalf, and wish to thank you all for your continued representation and hard work. Shan Keaney - Resident in Gwernaffield





The newly formed fundraising group for the Playing Fields have got off to a flying start, raising over £400 at a fun night held in 'The Hand' with Shirley Roberts of Gwernaffield winning a meal out and overnight stay at the Woodlands Hotel in Ruthin.

More fundraising activities are in hand, Quiz night, children's Christmas disco, dates yet to be confirmed so keep a lookout for posters.

A Christmas fair will take place on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November at the Church Hall 1pm - 4pm. For more details contact Katie McDonald 01352 740749 or Lynne Pritchard 01352 740972 [See our Facebook Page](#)

But next on the agenda is a bingo night with some rather great prizes.



The newly formed fundraising group for the Playing Fields are to hold a PRIZE BINGO on Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> October in the Church Hall Gwernaffield.

**There are some fabulous bingo and raffle prizes.**

Voucher for Plas Hafod    Spa Day    Wine Hamper    Hair Do    'MOT'  
Meal Crown Inn    Bird Table    Smellie's    Jewelry    Bottle wine  
And many, many more

Eyes down 7.15pm

Free refreshments.

Please come along and support the Playing Field we need your help to raise funds

