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William with his father and other forebears looking on

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## Radnor Hills



Juice vats



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Testing performance

#### William's Water

#### William Watkins, founder of Radnor Hills, talking to Mike Thompson

"We're 100 per cent part of this community - it's in our bones!"

【 】 Jilliam Watkins, the founder of Radnor Hills mineral waters and soft drinks, spoke with passion. William is proud of the company's community roots and its commitment to give to a range of community different projects that touch segments. "It engenders the most extraordinary response", William says. "We get goodwill back and people are genuinely proud of the brand" coming from their community and served on Eurostar. Today, nearly 200 people are employed to help William produce a wide range of waters and soft drinks amounting to 300 million units this year and a revenue of £48 million.

William has a keen sense of loyalty to his forefathers and the Radnorshire communities. The Watkins family originated from Dolau and William's great grandfather, Walter, took over the Heartsease farm set in the Teme valley near Knighton as a tenant of the Stanage Estate in 1903. In 1931, Walter's son, Jack Watkins, bought the 220-acre farm and developed a cattle-dealing business agreeing price on sight of the cattle and often over a glass of whisky. Jack was awarded the MBE for services to agriculture.

William's father, John, took over the farm in 1968 and acquired Taylor's farm in Norton farming sheep, cattle and poultry. William told me that agriculture is deeply instilled in his veins. When he graduated from Newcastle University in 1987 he didn't follow his friends into management trainee schemes but followed the inner call to come home to Heartsease Farm.

By 1990, William realised that the farming business was not enough for

him. "Dad was doing it really well and I told him I would interview for jobs in London." But when John suggested that he follow up his degree project on mineral water and soft drinks by creating a water business from the farm's bore hole, William decided to explore.

The underground source gathered fine, naturally filtered and plentiful water. The idea developed to a business plan. William was awarded a match-funded grant from a farm diversification scheme that enabled him to invest in his first water cupping machine. The first customers were airline caterers. Each week William would pack and deliver orders on Monday and Tuesday and farm Wednesday to Friday.

Soon lorry pallets replaced the car deliveries and William took on his first two employees, releasing him to go out and sell Radnor Hills water. William met with a McDonalds buyer who was a farmer's son and fascinated by the new Radnor Hills business. They became friends and the McDonalds contract continued for ten years which helped William to rapidly expand the business by supplying supermarkets. In 1997 he launched flavoured waters and this was the start of soft drinks products which now make up 80 per cent of sales.

In 2006, new electricity plant enabled Radnor Hills to make their own plastic

bottles which are now made from 50% recycled plastic. Today, drinks are packed in plastic and glass bottles, Tetrapak cartons and cans.

One of the biggest areas of growth for Radnor Hills has been to school caterers. Fizzy soft drinks have been replaced with fruit juices which require the speciality drink expertise developed by Radnor Hills who now supply 80 to 90% of all secondary schools.

William is proud of a committed workforce of locals, and recruiting food technologists and microbiologists locally is difficult. But William sees the opportunity to train young people with a mind for science. "We say to them, 'We'll hold your hand, teach you, send you on day release and give you a transferable skill.'"

On the deeper question of purpose, William pauses and reflects looking at the photographs of his forefathers around his farmyard office: "I've always had a Christian background and believe in a greater meaning of life. I refer it back to the business. We're here for a short time and I believe that business should be a force for good. I'm not selling it: this is a long-term collaboration with the community."

Mike Thompson Photos by Laura W-J





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#### Dear Friends,

As I look out of my window I see clearly the changing colours of nature around me. It is a reminder that even as we head towards winter there is a great deal of beauty in this world. We have come through the season of Harvest Festivals and enjoyed some wonderful fellowship. I have been astounded at the beautiful array of produce and all the hard work that has led to such wonderful services and suppers.

It is important that we keep all of this positivity in mind as we head into the dark winter nights. Winter is for many a desolate time that can allow depression to creep in. It is important to keep an eye out for each other.



Living in a rural area we tend to get to know people's habits, which makes it easier for us to spot if something is amiss. This is not always the case, however, so we must be vigilant.

The greatest thing that we can do is pray. Let us keep all those who may suffer this winter in our prayers whether we know them or not. Let us also be brave enough to ask for help if we need to.

Winter has a lot to offer, time to take stock and refresh ourselves. Time to spend with other people. These are just two. Let us all watch God's creation as it changes and pray for God to help us to prepare for the renewal of spring.

Love and blessings

Petra

#### Cover: Remembrance

The Remembrance Window for this month is from a lovely little church on the south side of the Llyn Peninsula dedicated to St Pedrog.

The stained glass is the community's war memorial for the Great War 1914-1918. An inscription below it reads:

A Tenebris ad Lucem "From Darkness to Light"

An angel lifts the fallen soldier, still clutching his rifle.

Behind is a devastated landscape. Jesus, wearing his crown of thorns, bows his head in sadness and compassion.

It is the church's prayer that Christ will transform the suffering of all war victims whether from the past or in the present.

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#### Still Travelling the Road Together



Tith open arms we greeted Petra who took our second **Ministry** Area Service at St Cynllo's. We considered the importance continuing to work together in this, a still comparatively new, venture. Readings from Corinthians 12 and 13 reminded us that everyone has a part to play in their own way and that, above all, love is the greatest thing that we can all contribute.

Although, as is to be expected at this time of year, many people were away, we were delighted to welcome members from a good many other parishes and representatives from some of those gave us the readings, took up the collection and played the organ.

Demonstrating some of the broader aspects of Christian life across the had interesting and Area we informative talks on the work of Caring for God's Acre, Drop-in Centre and Messy Church.

Those of you who attended our first Ministry Area Service, back at the very start of things, may remember the 'road' we made together with outlines of our foot prints on a length of lining paper.

It made a second appearance at this service and we were all invited to attach post-it notes to it with our name and that of a church in the Ministry Area that we would not normally attend, to signify a commitment to try, during the course of the next twelve months, to worship there. Petra was very keen to hold us to our word. The phrase 'legally witnessed contract' were uttered and talk of an annual review - anxious looks all round!!

Seriously though – in these challenging times it is so important that we support each other and getting to know one another must surely be a wonderful thing.

The general feeling of the occasions seemed to be captured with our final hymn - the rousing One more step along the road we go.'

> Pam Livingstone-Lawn Photos by Michael Brown

#### **Knighton Literary Festival**

The Knighton Literary Festival takes place 30 & 31 October and 1 & 2 November at Knighton Library & Community Centre.

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Times	Wed 30th Oct	Thur 31st Oct	Fri 1st Nov	Sat 2nd Nov
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10am - 10.45am	Tanvir Bush	Ali Ford	Judith Barrow	'Self publishing' workshop with Bob Fowke
11am - 11.45am	Peter Conradi	Mel Bryan	Marches Poets	James O'Neil
12pm - 12.45pm	Carol Graham	Writing workshop - Hilary Sheppard	Hugh Purcell	Meg Cox & Thirza Clout

#### All in the month of November

**200** years ago, on 22nd Nov 1819 that George Eliot (pen name of Mary Anne Evans) was born - one of the leading Victorian writers, best known for Adam Bede. The Mill on the Floss. Silas Marner. Middlemarch Daniel Dronda.

**150** years ago, on 17th Nov 1869 that the Suez Canal was officially opened.

**100** years ago, on 11th Nov 1919 the first Remembrance Day was marked in the UK.

**60 years ago**, on 1st Nov 1959 that the first stretch of the M1

motorway opened in Britain. The first motorway service station (Watford Gap) also opened.

**25** years ago, on 14th Nov 1994 that the first fare-paying passengers travelled through the Channel Tunnel linking England and France.

See page 13 for **30 years ago**.

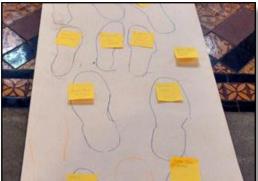




# Ministry Area at Llangunllo















#### Celtic Saint of the Month - Martin of Tours 11th November

You may well ask, what has St Martin to do with Celtic saints? He was born in Hungary, the son of a Roman tribune, in 316 or 336.

The story of his conversion involves an incident when he cut his substantial officer's cloak in half to share with a beggar on a cold winter's day. Later he is said to have had a dream of Jesus wearing his cloak, which caused him to give his life to Christ and he was baptised at the age of 18.

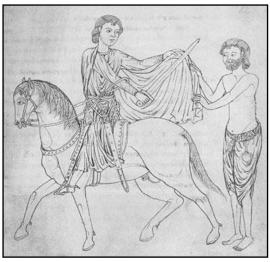
After much learning and many adventures Martin reluctantly became Bishop of Tours in 371. He was not too keen on the diocesan system. He had learned much about the hermits and monasteries of the Eastern Church and he encouraged the

community way of life. This is where the Celtic connection comes in. Martin was one of the chief

communicators of the way of life of the Desert Fathers to the Celtic Church.

Our earliest churches are St Martin. dedicated to Ninian's church Candida Casa was dedicated to St Martin and Ninian is said to have visited Martin in his monastery at Marmoutier. There is also a St Martin's Church in Canterbury. This church probably dates from the time of the Roman occupation and was definitely already in existence when St Augustine of Canterbury arrived to convert the Angles in 597. If you come across a St Martin dedication it is more than likely that you have found a very ancient church.

\*Rosemary Hanna\*



St Martin of Tours cutting his cloak for a beggar. Image MS 15219 from the British Library Digitised Images

#### Welsh

Beth gest ti i frecwast?

What did you have for breakfast?

uwd porridge

wy an egg

tost toast

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Grandad was babysitting when he heard his little grand-daughter muttering the alphabet over in hushed tones. "What are you doing?" he asked her. "I'm praying," she replied. "I can't think of the right words so I just say all the letters. God will put them together for me 'cos He knows what I'm thinking."

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Community Carols - Dec 10

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Thirty years ago this month, on 9th November 1989 the Berlin Wall began to fall. Over two million people from East Berlin visited the West in a celebration described as 'the greatest street party in the history of the world.'

We still live with walls, e.g. the walls which divide Gaza and Palestine from

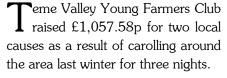
Israel. It's a strong human instinct to build walls to separate us from those we view as different and threatening.

Paul in the New Testament is still in the business of breaking down barriers. "There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus." (Galatians 3:28).

A person who thinks only about building walls, wherever they may be, and not building bridges, is not Christian.

Pope Francis

#### Teme Valley YFC raise over £1,000 for Charity



The money was split equally between Wales Air Ambulance and Bronllys Hospital. The presentation of the cheques was made by Teme Valley YFC past chairman George Morgan together with Club members, who are pictured presenting a cheque for £528.79 to Andrew Catling, representing Wales Air Ambulance.

During the presentation Andrew Catling explained that Wales Air Ambulance is funded by the people of Wales; relying entirely on the public's support to help keep the helicopters flying.

Ella Harris



Music in New Radnor
Saturday 9 November

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Despite warnings of bad weather and competition from other events in Knighton, the St Mary Magdalene Church, Bleddfa bazaar was a great success.

A steady flow of visitors throughout the morning enjoyed tea and homemade cake and chat with friends. Suitably fortified, they snapped up bargains galore, tried their luck on the tombola, guess the name of the teddy, and guess how many sweets in the jar. They bought a few raffle tickets and left for home with a bag of treats from the cake stall to enjoy at home. An enjoyable morning all round.

Thanks from all the team to the many people that supported us.



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Mikhail Lermontov

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## **Evancoyd Celebrations**









## Ceilidh Time

Let your life lightly dance on the edges of Time like dew on the tip of a leaf. Rabindranath Tagore



#### A Weekend of Celebrations at Evancoyd

#### Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival took place on Saturday 12th October. The Church was decorated with beautiful flowers and abundant with produce.

After the service Rev Mark Beaton invited us to adjourn to the Village Hall for a bring and share supper followed by an auction of produce.

Andrew Morris expertly conducted the auction with his hilarious banter

and was ably assisted by Peter Featherstone. Needless to say we were persuaded to part with a great deal of money, not least for Rosemary's enormous carrots, freshly harvested swedes and Olwen's famous Welsh Cakes! But it was all in a good cause since this year money raised will be going to the Bracken Trust, supporting people living with cancer.

#### **Baptism of Lucas**

The following day, Sunday 13th October Rev. Mark Beaton took the service for another very joyous occasion when St Peters was again full with happy people, all there to celebrate the baptism of Lucas Harrison. Lucas, just like his brother Ethan (who was baptised here in 2018) was a very contented baby and enjoyed every minute.

Joanna Winstone

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Thanks to Sylvia Capstick and the very lively music of the Radnor Valley Band we hardly put a foot wrong at our Fun Ceilidh dance on the last Saturday in September. We also enjoyed lovely folk songs from Jess Squire and Rev Mark Beaton.

This dance was organised by Heather Evans as a fund raiser in aid of the Evancoyd Church Organ Fund.

Throughout the evening we learnt a variety of dances and Sylvia told us some history about them, giving us a

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#### Dame Anna Child's Charity Grants

Due to the closure of Whitton school, from now onwards, the Charity will consider giving grants to any student within the parishes local to Whitton catchment area.

Applications for student grants are now being considered. If any student received a grant for 2018 - 2019, they may re-apply for each succeeding year of study, from school leaving until the age of 25 years.

## Dame Anna Childs Charity Whitton Grant Application Guidance

#### Criteria when applying for a grant.

- 1. School leavers between the age of 16 and 25 years old.
- 2. Preference given to past pupils of Dame Anna Child's School Whitton.
- 3. Pupils resident in the community of Cascob, Discoed, Litton, Llangunllo, Pilleth, and Whitton in the county of Powys. Also adjoining parishes as deemed relevant by the Trustees.
- 4. Applications should be made during the Autumn Term, and will be allocated during the Spring Term.
- 5. The grant will be at the discretion of the Trustees.

#### Purpose of the Grant.

- To promote the education (including social & physical training) of individuals living in the above parishes.
- This grant is to include 6th Form Colleges, Further Education, Higher Education, Apprenticeships, Colleges of Technology and University courses.

Please obtain an application form, and return to:

Jane Williams, Clerk to the Trustees
Dame Anna Child's Charity
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Charity Grant Application Guidance 2019

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#### Colva Harvest Festival

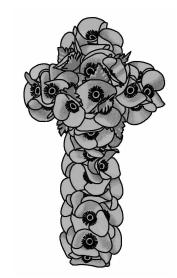
St David's Church Colva welcomed the Reverend Rachael Storer (Ithon Valley Parish) to the annual Service of Thanksgiving for the harvest. She spoke in her address of the gratitude owed to the hard working farmers growers and producers who tend the land throughout the year to provide food for our tables.

Flowers, produce and home-baked items on display were afterwards available for a donation towards St. Michael's Hospice. Also a share of the collection will be given to the cause.

Special thanks to the team who prepared the church and grounds, including flower arrangers, and all who helped with the harvest tea.

A Service of Holy Communion November 3rd at 2.30.

Ros Tarrant



Acts of Remembrance 10th November (see back page for details)

If there is magic on this planet, it is contained in water.

Loren Eiseley

#### YFC Fills Beguildy at Harvest



Harvest Festival was FILLED with the Radnor Federation of Young Farmers. Their white coats lit up our service. They came from all over Radnorshire:

Aberedw, Cantal, Dolau, Edw Valley, Howey, Knighton, Llanbadarn Fynydd, Penybont, Presteigne, Radnor Valley, Rhayader, Rhosgoch, Teme Valley.

They brought boxes and boxes of food. Unlike the rest of us they sat right in the front rows (after a little coaxing from Petra), and they read all

the lessons beautifully, showing just how sound their training has been.

Each year members of the Federation go to a different church for Harvest, making the rounds of their 13 parishes, and this year was Beguildy's turn to host them. We are grateful to young people for raising funds for charity and for giving up a Friday evening to travel to the far reaches of Radnorshire for church.

Children in the parish joined in as well with their gifts for the disadvantaged people in our communities. Revd Rachel preached a delightful sermon about being stuck behind a tractor

when you're in a hurry, a great opportunity to give thanks for all the blessings of creation!

Article and photos by Laura W-J

Photos opposite:

Will Lewis, Dolau YFC, Radnor's Competition Chairman

A.J. Powell, Penybont YFC Radnor YFC Country Chairman

Tom Harris, Teme Valley YFC. Teme Valley YFC Chairman

Matt Price, Knighton YFC, Radnor YFC County Vice Chairman

#### Does your church need an organist for Christmas?

Diocese of **h**e Hereford ■ Organists' Training Scheme (DHOTS) can help. If you, or someone you know, would like to learn the organ in order to play for services, why not get in touch with DHOTS! Contact the secretary, email Grahame Taylor, bυ on gt@gftaylor.co.uk for more information. It doesn't matter how little playing you've done before, or how small the instrument is in your church.

DHOTS celebrated its 18th birthday on 2 July with Bishop Richard of Hereford, organists, aspiring organists, clergy, church wardens, church members and interested people. The hard work of village organists was appreciated and praised. A sample lesson on hymn-playing was demonstrated with the help of a 13-year old student on the scheme.

Adult students outlined the ways that the scheme had helped to build their confidence in service playing and also described how having a regular organist to play hymns in their churches had helped to boost congregation numbers.

Most students on the scheme began as amateur pianists persuaded to help their church out, but progress to becoming confident organists, able to lead the singing in their churches, often also building choirs.

DHOTS *may* be able to take on students along the border of Hereford and Shropshire subject to resources being available. If anyone wishes to apply, then we'd do our best to accommodate them but can't make a firm promise.

Hilary Norris

## Walton Village Hall Bringing Community Together

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#### **Wellies and Woolies**

at
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Friday December 13
7pm



Revds Petra and Rachel before the Festival





## St Michael's Cascob Harvest



Gifts: fruit, fleece, wheat, water



Thomas Heakin



Petra rhapsodising on a fried egg sandwich!



Tea and Cakes



Laura Warren



Norma Olds



Harvest through the tiny 13th Century window



#### The Ancient Ritual at Cascob

To enter St Michael's Cascob I crossed over a stone etched with 1608. All of us who crossed filled this lovely old 14th Century church for a Sunday afternoon Harvest Festival. People must have celebrated Harvest here for hundreds of years. The gifts brought to the altar reflected the season: water, wheat, apples and a fleece.

We sang about golden sheaves of corn but the subject of the sermon was the humble fried egg sandwich! Petra made us see the miracle, not of culinary skill, but of God's creation. A cow produced milk and wonder of wonders it was transformed into butter (for spreading on the sandwich). How?! A chicken laid an egg. A farmer planted a tiny seed

which grew into a tomato (for the ketchup) or wheat (for the bread) or hundreds of other fruits and vegetables.

The writer of our New Testament lesson urged us to "Rejoice"! (Philippians 4.4) Such joy in all creation was made easy with scrumptious homemade cakes.

Article and photos by Laura W-J

#### **Gladestry News**

#### **Gladestry Short Mat Bowls**

The indoors bowls is back into action for two evenings of the month. We meet on the second and fourth Tuesday at Gladestry Village Hall at 7.30 pm till about 9.30. We are a small group that play for fun. The charge is £2.50 to cover hire of the hall and heating. We have two mats and our own bowls etc. All you need to bring is some soft soled shoes. We can "coach" new participants. But our level is below club level. For more information call Michael on 01544 370296.

#### Gladestry 49 Club

The winners in September were: Viv Taylor, Joan Hughes, Rob Fern and rollover. We have a few spare numbers if anyone would like to join. The cost is £1 per week and can be paid through the bank quarterly or in cash if you prefer. The current weekly prize is £22.50. Half the money received is distributed as cash prizes, and the other half is split between the Village Hall and the church fabric fund. For more information contact Michael on 01544 370296.

Michael Johnson

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Concert

St Mary's Church, New Radnor
Sunday Dec 8th at 6pm

More Details Next Month

#### **Apology**

In the October edition, page 25, the last line of the article on the Auto Club was cut off. It refers to the information and original programme (page 24) as loaned from Derek Brick and Minute Books David Vaughan. The article was written by *Rebe Brick* 

#### Bobby's Beat — Ways and Means

From the diary of a parishioner who served in the police.

One cold night I responded to "Man



threatened wife with carving knife." in a block of council flats in Wandsworth. The flat was on the top two floors of the block, accessed by a common balcony.

The wife told me her husband was an Irish labourer, who had spent much of his pay-packet on drink before he came home. The hall had a light, but some of the rooms did not. There

were bare floorboards in most rooms, but there was a TV on a box (we did not have one in those days).

The couple had three children under five years, and the wife worked as an orderly in the nearby hospital to keep them. Upstairs the kids were asleep on three beds in their underclothes, two with no bedding, and the other with a sheet. The drunken father was asleep on the bed with him.

I pondered what to do for a minute because the man was well asleep. But I woke him up, and let him order me from the house. He was quite aggressive, but I had no power of arrest IN the house, as he had not injured his wife. I let him pursue me downstairs and out onto the balcony, where I DID have a power of arrest, because this was a public place. He spent the night in Wandsworth Police cells, and I charged him with being "Drunk & disorderly" before I went off duty. I often wondered how the family fared after that, but I had no further contact.

Bobby Fuzz

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More W.I. News on p 45

### What's on at the W.I.s Tref-y-Clawdd W.I.



The celebration for our 85th lacksquare Anniversary at the Horse and Jockey was a big success. We thanked our outgoing President Julie Read for arranging it for us together with a Birthday Cake.

We also had our efforts with the glass fusing returned to us and we were all very impressed with the results.

The next meeting at the Tower House Gallery is on 6th November at 7.30pm when we will elect new officers and president. You would be very welcome to join us. For more information ring 01547 520 739

Pauline Parker

#### Llanfair Waterdine W.I.

Tt's AGM time in November. Our Imeeting will start as usual at 7.00 pm on Friday November 1st in the Everest Hall and this will be followed at 8.00 pm with a presentation by Elaine Fellowes who is a member of

The British Society of Miniaturists. This will be followed in turn by one of our spectacular suppers and it goes without saying, guests and visitors are Judith Tollman most welcome.

Felindre W.I. Cave Rescue

cave rescuers they co-ordinated the rescue of twelve young boys trapped two kilometres underground when the caves flooded behind them, which made an international news feature. Questions and answers followed and Jayne thanked Gary for a wonderful presentation explaining dangerous and complex rescue in detail. The evening continued with a tasty supper prepared and served by members. Joyce Matthews manned the Bring & Buy stall and Maggie

Flanders and Wendy Lambourne sold the raffle tickets.

Chatterbrook W.I.

Presteigne Memorial Hall

Thursday Nov 14th, 7.30

Our fifth Annual Meeting

Followed by Kurling (easy for

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refreshments

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A short business meeting included the minutes of the September meeting and points of interest in the County Newsletter i.e. Annual Council Meeting 23rd Nov, Murder Mystery Evening 2nd Nov, Mental Health Evening 4th Nov and Chinese Auction 13th Nov at Crossgates.

If you would like more details about the W.I. please contact Jayne on 01547510644. Rebe Brick

he Felindre Village Hall was f I packed for the WI's guest evening on Wednesday 2nd October, President Jayne Harris extended a warm welcome to members and local guests as well as WI members from Dolfor, Llanfairwaterdine, Llanbister, Stow & Stanage and Tref v clawdd.

Our guest speaker was Gary, the Assistant Chairman of the British Cave Rescue Council, who went to the Tham Luang Caves in Thailand last summer. With other specialist

**TX** Je were delighted at our October meeting to welcome Stephanie Kemp, founder of the Designer Weaving Company and Curator of Newtown Textile museum who gave us her very interesting talk Designed for Liberty.

For fifteen years under her label Stephanie Jane she designed and manufactured clothes for Liberty of London and their stores across the world. Stephanie had brought along her wonderful sketches and a

#### Old Radnor W.I. At Liberty

selection of her Liberty garments. We were also able to see and try the lovely jackets made under her Designer Weaving Company label.

We were very happy to welcome guests from the community and other W.I.s and especially our two most honoured guests, Joy Jones and Cicely Bayliss, both past presidents of Old Radnor W.I. Joy featured on the video as she was president when Stephanie held her fashion show in Walton Hall in 1991 and we all shared in Cicely's delight at watching Peter Bayliss doing a very good job on the catwalk. What a smile!! A very enjoyable evening.

Elsie won the competition - a corsage/buttonhole any medium. Our Annual Meeting is to be held in Walton Hall on 5th November.

Old Radnor WI Whist Drive 27th November 7.30pm Walton Hall. Come along for an entertaining evening, Refreshments included. Top prize £10. Libby Hughes

#### A Crackerjack Start for Radnor Valley School

#### New Reception Children:

Radnor Valley School welcomes all our new children and their families who joined the school in September.

#### **Harry Potter Studios:**

Dosbarth Mrs Curtis started the new school year with an exciting visit to the Harry Potter Studios.

Thery were delighted by behind the scenes stories, by seeing how the

magical illusions were created and by walking through many of the iconic sets. It was a great start to this term's theme of 'Magic and Mystery'.

#### Madley Environmental Centre:

In September Dosbarth Miss Burgoyne visited Madley Environmental Centre to support their term's work on the theme 'Above and Bevond'.

There they learned about the satellites based at Madley and what they do. They measured the distance between the planets in our solar system and explored the different features aliens could have before making their own alien out of clay.

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#### Knighton and District Rotary Club

We held our third free Afternoon Tea and Dance which was very enjoyable. These are held on the second Tuesday of every month at St Edwards Church Hall and sponsored by KINDA in Knighton. You are warmly welcome to come along just to enjoy the company and refreshments without obligation to trip the light fantastic.

We also visited the 2nd Knighton Brownies to donate money for a storage unit in their new premises and welcomed Mark and Joanna Lumb (and their bike!) from Blood Bike Wales to speak to us about the work their charity does for free for the NHS. An inspiring talk and we are proud to support them. If you want to find out more about what Rotary does please visit our Knighton Rotary Club website or Facebook page, or come visit us on a Wednesday lunch or evening -- you will be very warmly welcomed. Contact Norman Thorp 01547 529666 or Cathy Jones 07813 733240 for more details....





## Radnor Valley School



Vilsiting a Madley Dish

Harry Potter bathes in water from these taps to open the golden egg in 'The Goblet of Fire'.



The dragon is a Ukrainian ironbelly that guards Gringotts Wizarding Bank.

## New Radnor Supports Macmillan



















#### NEW RADNOR COMMUNITY MACMILLAN FUNDRAISING DAY

Our small community has a BIG heart; Together we raised a staggering £1,777.92

#### Special Thanks to

- Radnor Valley C.P. School staff who baked and to the children who bought!
- Sharon @ Esco's who acted as a mini hub; promoting and supporting the day
- Natalie @ Border Beauty, for conducting the sponsored men's' leg wax
- Michael Capstick and Ken Williams for donating the hairs on their legs, and putting smiles on our faces to raise heaps of money in sponsorship.

Thank you to local businesses, and community enterprises:

Fforest Inn, La Gala Coffee House, Kington Border Beauty, Mr Benn's Emporium, Deli Tinto in Presteigne, The Harp, New Radnor Physiotherapy, Esco's, The Community Hub.

Thanks to the team, particularly: Alison, Debby, Hermione, Jane A, Jane D, Jo, Libby, Natalie B.P.

Thank you to absolutely everyone that generously donated their bakes, makes, prizes and food on the day & evening.

And finally ... Thank you to everyone who came and supported our event on the day. Not only did we raise the most amazing amount of money for Macmillan, we had a very special, happy, fun day and evening. We gathered, young and old, from Lyonshall to Llandegley, and together we ate and drank Breakfast, Coffee, Lunch, Tea and Dinner, we were pampered, and we were entertained (a sponsored wax, a food auction). We shopped, we raffled, we chatted and we laughed...

Mel and Ruth





#### **Quiz Night**

The next quiz night is on Friday 15th November in the New Radnor Community Hall.
Doors open at 7pm for a prompt start at 7:30pm.
Teams of up to 6 players, £2 a head entry fee.

Refreshments available, bring your own bottle.

Everybody welcome.

Here are some common English phrases that orginated in the Bible:

Eat, Drink and Be Merry - from Ecclesiastes 8:15 (NKJV). "So I commend enjoyment, because a man has nothing better under the sun than to eat, drink, and be merry; for this will remain with him ... all the days of his life."

The Powers that Be - from Romans 13:1 (KJV). "Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God."

**Wit's End** - from Psalm 107:27 (NIV). "They reeled and staggered like drunkards; they were at their wit's end."

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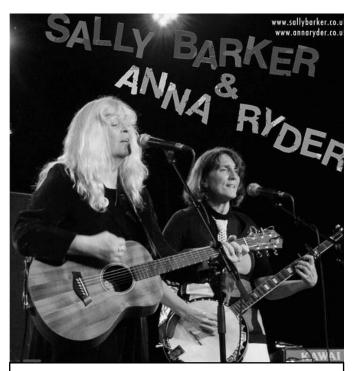
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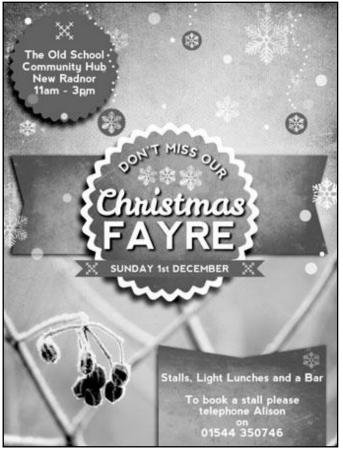


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#### **Knighton News**

## Annual Christmas Draw and Sale (St Edward's)

This annual event will take place on 30 November – coffee morning and sale of lots of goodies, together with the Grand Prize Draw. Please note this will commence at **10am** in the Church Hall.

Stalls will include Christmas Cards and Decorations, Books, Produce, Cakes, Tombola, Jewellery, Bric a Brac, and more. If you have items to donate for this special sale, please contact Jean Price on 528260 or Pauline on 520739. We can collect. Draw Prizes will also be appreciated, together with Tombola items. This is a major fund raiser for the day-to-day running of our parish church.

#### **Bingo**

Come along and join in an evening of fun, playing bingo, on Saturday 2 November in the Church Hall at 7pm. Good company, good prizes, to raise funds for St Edward's.

#### Church Hall (Raise the Roof)

The 'Sponsor a Tile' appeal is ongoing. Tiles cost £10. You will receive a certificate and your name will be printed on the tile. Enquiries to Rochelle Russell. The management committee would like to thank the family of the late Hopkin John Morgan for the very generous donation given to the Hall Roof Fund in his memory. The recent quiz night was a most enjoyable one, with another one planned. More details soon.

#### Teme Valley Gardeners' Club

The next meeting of the club will take place on 11 November at

7.30pm in Knucklas Community Centre. Visitors and guests will be very welcome to come along and enjoy a Floral Demonstration be Sue Hamer, with ideas for Christmas. There will be a small charge for nonmembers. All enquiries to Avril on 529244.

#### MacMillan Cancer Support

The Christmas Fayre will take place on Saturday 16 November at 2.30 pm in the Church Hall. There will be lots of stalls selling delights for the festive season, grand draw and competitions. It is hoped that Santa will arrive during the afternoon.

#### **Favourite Hymns**

In the poll conducted by the BBC, the following hymns rated in the top ten were:

- 1 Jerusalem
- 2 How great thou art
- 3 In Christ alone
- 4 Dear Lord and Father of mankind
- 5 Abide with me
- 6 I vow to thee my country
- 7 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer
- 8 Amazing grace
- 9 Be still, for the presence of the
- 10 I the Lord of sea and sky (Here I am Lord)

I thought this list may be of interest to our readers. Hopefully your favourite is included.

#### **Family News**

Congratulations to Neil and Diana King, who were married in St Edward's on 21 September. Diana is a member of the church choir and a reader at our services. Neil is clerk to Knighton Town Council. Our best wishes to them.

We remember in our prayers all who are unwell at this time, at home or in hospital, and remembering the patients in our hospital here in Knighton and all the excellent staff taking care of them

Our thoughts and sympathy are with those families in our community who have lost loved ones in recent weeks.

The family of John Morgan: the funeral service took place on 17 September. John was a member of St Edward's Church, past mayor of our town, and much travelled representing Wales as draughts champion, including the Olympics in Beijing.

Rose Morris will be missed by her family, friends and neighbours. She was well known in the community, a very cheerful and generous lady. Her funeral took place on 30 September in St Edward's Church.

The funeral service for Muriel Collins took place in St Edward's on 1 October. The eulogy was spoken by Rev Petra Goodband and the tribute paid by Gwen Davies. Muriel will be missed by her family and friends.

May they rest in peace.

#### **Donations**

St Edward's Management Committee would like to thank the families of John Morgan and Rose Morris for the generous donations given to church funds, following the loss of their special family member.

Jean Price

A woman is like a tea bag you can't tell how strong she is until you put her in hot water. Eleanor Roosevelt

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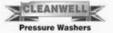








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New Info

Christmas Fair 2019 There will be a wide selection of unique craft items, all of which will make perfect Christmas gifts. The café will also be open for mince pies and all the usual refreshments. Open every day from Sat 30th Nov to Sun 8th Dec inclusive. 11am - 5pm.

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#### Bleddfa Exercises its Harvest Skills



Bleddfa's Harvest involved an exercise routine. We illustrated Deuteronomy 8 with hand motions.

Every time Mark read *the Lord your God* some of us did this:



Every time he said *the land* another group did this (waving their arms across the land):



**Water** or **spring** elicited drinking or swimming or taking a shower:



The words *forget* or *remember* gave this response.



Everyone was a good sport and acted their part – with a purpose. We really understood that God has given us a good well watered land, rich and fertile to grow wheat and barley, vines and fruit trees. Hopefully we'll remember.

Article and photos by Laura W-J

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Wed 6. Jay Bridge, Shelderton Hill, Coles Wood. 7

Wed 13. Circular walk from Llangynidr via Usk Valley Walk, Tor y Foel and Beacons Way. 8 miles. 1600 feet

Wed 20. Clee Hill East. 7 miles moderate.

Thurs 21. SHORT WALK. Covenhope, Aymestrey and Lugg Valley. 5 miles.

Wed 27. Church Stretton, Light Spout, Pole Bank. Return via Small Batch. 7.8 miles. 527 metres ascent.

#### Flora

Then cold autumn weather bites, replace your summer baskets with plants to provide colour and interest throughout the colder months. Look for plants which add texture: and conifers. grasses creeping jenny, heather, violas, perhaps a small squash or pumpkin for additional interest and colour. Garden centres are now selling a choice of brightly coloured baskets with advice on how best to take care of them. November is the last month of truly bright colour as late flowers

sparkle against the changing leaf colours of deciduous shrubs and trees: michaelmas daisies, heuchera, sedum and Russian sage, just to name a few. At our last Garden Club meeting the speaker provided excellent advice, with beautiful slides of the autumn and winter garden. It showed just how magical and interesting the garden can be with a little planning and imagination.

For flower arrangers, 5 November conjures up exciting designs in reds, yellow and orange to suggest Bonfire

Night. 11 November is a special date for remembrance. The poppy is known as the symbol of slumber but became the national emblem of remembrance. Like lots of wild flowers, poppies depend on the breaking up of soil. Battlefields, like ploughed fields, and bombed sites mean life to the poppy. In 1921 Field Marshall Douglas Haig, Commander in Chief of the British Armies in France and Belgium, organised the Poppy Appeal as we know it today.

Jean Price

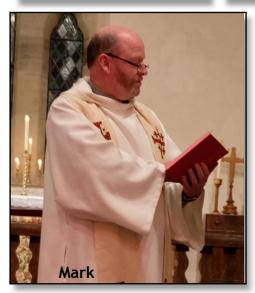
# St Mary Magdalene, Bleddfa Harvest



Rachel, Albert, Hilary and Mick pretend to drink water









# **Trial - Vintage Sports Car Club**





Photo by Alan Wicks

Steam Train over Knucklas Viaduct in October

#### Vintage Sports Car Club - Welsh Trial

The 80th Vintage Sports Car Club - Welsh Trial concluded at Cwmwhitton on Sunday 13th October after two days and eighteen hill climbs in the surrounding area.

The weather for the competitors was ideal with wet, sticky conditions throughout the weekend, but not so good for the marshalls, spectators and landowners over whose ground the cars competed. But despite the weather there was a good turnout of spectators at Cwmwhitton to see the final three hill climbs on Sunday afternoon.

Knighton and District Rotary Club were in charge of parking and collecting donations, some of which finds its way to St. David's Church at Whitton. There were some local trial winners in cars as different as a 1930 Austin 7 driven by 14 year old Archie Collings and a 1925 Bentley 3.5 litre driven by Gareth Graham both of Presteigne.

There was also an 80th anniversary Celebration dinner held at Presteigne Memorial Hall for VSCC members, Marshalls and local landowners who allow the trial to continue in its traditional form. There was a comprehensive display of nostalgic photographs from the 80 years that it has been based in and around Presteigne. Colin Pugh

# Midweek Holy Communions

St Mary's, New Radnor Wed, Nov 13th, 11am

#### at New Radnor Community Centre Followed by Lunch

Everyone is most welcome to attend either or both and there is no need to book ahead; we have never yet run out of food and sent anyone home hungry!!!

St Edward's, Knighton Wed, 20<sup>th</sup> November, 10.30am

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#### A Moving Experience! . . .

Ladies Guild were pleased to welcome Dave Philips who was to demonstrate some Tai Chi. There was some uncertainty when it came to the audience participation bit, but he soon got us all moving serenely and gracefully and without too much effort. Some of us even did Tai Chi sitting down! It was all most relaxing

and a thoroughly pleasant, peaceful experience. There was certainly a hush in the room before we all glided off for a cup of tea.

Guests are always welcome; For more information about Ladies Guild give Maggie a ring 01547 528358

A drop of water is worth more than a sack of gold to a thirsty man.



**Sat Nov 2.** Chapel Lawn Village Hall. "Rocketman (15)" Adult: £4.50. Child £3.50. 7.30pm.

Thur Nov 7. Brilley Village Hall. "Green Book (12A)" Adult: £5 Child: £2.50. 7.30pm.

Wed Nov 13. Leintwardine Community Centre. "Woman at War (12A)" Adult: £5 Child: £1. 7.30pm.

Fri Nov 15. Clun Memorial Hall. "Rocketman (15)" Adult: £5 Child: £3. 7.30pm.

**Sat Nov 16.** Everest Hall. "Stan and Ollie (12A)" Adult: £4.50 Child: £2. 7.30pm.

Fri Nov 22. Knighton Comm. "Capernaum" Adult: £4.50. 7.30pm.

**Sat Nov 23.** Dolau Community Hall. "The Lion King (PG)" Adult: £5 Child: £2.50. 5pm.

Thur Nov 28. Almeley Village Hall. "Grow Your Own (PG)" Adult: £4. 7.30pm.

**Sat Nov 30**. Bettws-y-Crwyn Hall. "Rocketman (15)" Adult: £4 Child: £2 Family £10. 7.30pm.

Sat Nov 30. Chapel Lawn Village Hall. "The Favourite (15)" Adult: £4.50. Child £3.50. 7.30pm.

#### **Live Events**

**Sun Nov 3.** Brilley Village Hall. "Little Bulb Theatre and Farnham Maltings Mountain Music." Adult: £10 Child: £5". 7.30pm. Ring 01544 327227 for tickets.

Fri Nov 22. Leintwardine Community Centre. "Ruth E Cockburn: Love Letters from Blackpool (14+)" Adult: £12 Child: £5. 7.30pm. Ring 07572 442903 for tickets.









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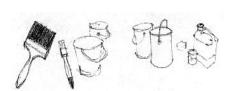
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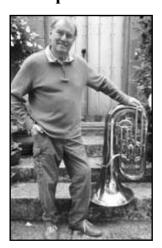
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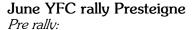
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Jess Morgan and Sally Gough – 1st in Craft

Jack Bright and Tom Griffiths – 2nd in Woodwork

Menna Breeze – 2nd in Wool Handling

Frances Beavan and Cerys Wood – 2nd in Dressing Up

Archie Roberts – joint 1st place in the Fat Lamb judging, his first YFC stock judging competition. Star of the show!

# July representing Radnor at the Royal Welsh

Rachel, Steven, Sally and Jess – winning Federation Display from Field Day 2018, Sally Gough and

Jess Morgan with their craft from Rally

Sioned Price – Welsh Black stock judging

Grace Licence and Cerys Wood – 2nd place dressing up (they stepped in at the last minute).

#### August AGM

We said farewell to Matt Price as chairman and member, also to George Gough as member as they are now too old to compete. However it won't be the last we see of them, George continues to support the club by helping the younger members and Matt has been poached by Radnor as County Vice Chairman. Our new officials were elected: Chairman – Griff Hodnet; Vice Chairmen – Jack Bright and Zak Powell; Secretary – Sally Gough.

## 6th October Field Day in Llanbadarn.

Again a lot of hard work preparing competitions.

Sam Beavan, Natalie Wood, Grace Licence, Cerys Wood, Zac Powell and Griff Hodnet – won the Federation display (to represent Radnor at the Royal Welsh Show in July)

Sally Gough, Jess Morgan & Frances Beavan – won the cookery (to represent Radnor at Malvern in September)

Jack Bright and Tom Griffiths – won the Pallet competition where they had to make a piece of garden furniture out of 2 pallets (to represent Radnor at Wales Field day in April)

Sam Beavan – 2nd place in the dancing and the poster competition.

Lynda Wood



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*Top*: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory: Sam Beavan, Grace Licence and Natalie Wood with Knighton YFC's winning Federation Display 2019.

Left: Jack Bright and Tom Griffiths's 2nd place Wishing Well at Rally 2019.

Right: Sally Gough, Jess Morgan and Frances Beavan's winning cookery display at Field Day.

# Llangunllo W.I.





We are all patchwork, and so shapeless and diverse in composition that each bit, each moment, plays its own game.

Michel de Montaigne

# Gladestry W.I.





#### What's on at the W.I.s

#### Llangunllo W.I.



#### Llangunllo WI Beat The Drums

At our September meeting we certainly raised the roof, when we learnt to play a number of musical instruments, including drums. maracas and tambourines to name but a few, under the direction of Sarah Andrews.

As well as helping us create and follow a rhythm we played as a group. She shared with us the work she and her colleagues do with a variety of groups from the elderly to children who often face challenges such as dementia or learning difficulties, and how such sessions veru therapeutic.

We certainly had a lot of fun, and there was much laughter as we tried to remember which instrument needed to be played at what point. Whilst we might not be ready for the Albert Hall just yet, we all agreed we had learnt something and even surprised ourselves at our own musical ability. Shirley Brown

#### Llangunllo WI are Patchy

A contrast for our October meeting was our visit to the Old School in Whitton. We were to learn about Patchwork, view the museum and workshop at Whitton. now established there.

Rosamund Black gave us an insight into the quilts on display, many of which are old Welsh handmade ones. We all admired the exquisite patterns and work in them.

We then tried our hand at Patchwork under Rosamund's guidance and were pleased with our attempts.

A most enjoyable time was spent there with some members now looking forward to progressing further with this craft when Rosamund has finalised dates for her courses.

Ai-Heng Byron

#### Whitton W.I. Harvest Supper

he annual Harvest Supper hosted by Whitton W.I. f I was held in Whitton Community Hall on Friday 11th October, when 60 guests enjoyed a beautiful buffet supper prepared and served by the members of the W.I.

The entertainment after the supper was provided by The Three Tenders from Hereford, who sang some well known songs from the shows and popular music which was much enjoyed by everyone, so much so that they had to perform two encores!

Unfortunately a few W.I. members could not be there, but at the end of the evening a good group of guests stayed behind to help clear the Hall which was much appreciated.



The Three Tenders

#### Gladestry W.I. Preparing tor Christmas

That a super evening everyone had at November's meeting in Gladestry village hall. Members and guests had the opportunity of producing a Christmas tree decoration.

All present were given the chance of allowing their creative juices to flow when deciding what materials and embellishments for each individual item created they could use.

The ladies followed the advice and guidance of W.I. crafting experts Sulvia Bigglestone and Kenny Keel both of whom are from Aberedw W.I.

The next meeting is on November 19th at 7.30 in the village hall when

will intellectually everyone be challenged by Marlene Evans' guizzes. Marlene's guizzes are always fun, and tend to bring the child within us to the fore! We hope you can join us all, a warm welcome is guaranteed.

Sue Mullin

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70g brown sugar

½ tsp ground cinnamon

#### Ingredients for cake

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110g self raising flour

110g caster sugar

½ tsp ground cinnamon

1 tbsp milk



#### Method:

Pre-heat the oven to 180°C/350°F/Gas Mark 4.

Melt the butter, sugar and cinnamon together until combined and pour into the 7" cake tin.

Peel and slice the apples and place on top of the caramel in the tin.

Beat the rest of the ingredients together until smooth and then cover the apples.

Bake for 30-40 minutes until the cake springs back when pressed.

Recipe from aldi.co.uk



#### Knucklas/Heyope Shared Harvest



Rucklas Baptist and St David's Heyope enjoyed a shared Harvest Festival on Friday evening at Knucklas Community Centre. We shared a meal of ham or quiche and salad and then tucked into a wide selection of homemade puddings. One noteworthy guest tried seven puddings, another four!

Menna Breeze sang with her beautiful harp a range of music we knew and loved: "The Fields of Athenry" "Edelweiss" "Danny Boy".

Michael Humphreys rounded off the evening with a special guest appearance of Tatty Ratty (Page 50) who overate at the meal and became "Fatty Ratty".

On Sunday evening we met again for our Festival Service at Knucklas Baptist Chapel. Revd Kevin Dare told us that in former times we would have celebrated harvest at the beginning of the season at Lammastide early in August. Not until 1843 were Harvest Festivals celebrated at the end of the harvest season.

Revd Petra Goodband, our preacher, extolled the uniqueness of our harvests. They had all been different, all a planting of the seed which grows into Christian faith if it falls on well prepared soil.

She told us about 'Open Door' (see below) which smuggles Bibles into 60 countries, most notably North Korea, where Christians are killed or placed in detention camps. 'Open Door' supports Christians in practical ways and helps them find places to secretly worship. A challenging job.

Our Harvest Service and Supper raised £310 for Water Aid.

Article and photos by Laura WJ

#### Work of "Open Door"

Open Door supports persecuted Christians in 50 countries. The ten highest on their list are:

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- 3. Somalia (discipleship, spiritual support, literature, community development)
- 4. Libya (training, literature distribution, practical help)
- 5. Pakistan (training, literacy and vocational projects, emergency aid, trauma therapy)
- 6. Sudan (training, community development, practical assistance, trauma care)
- 7. Eritrea (practical assistance, prayer)
- 8. Yemen (prayer, Bible resources, training believers and pastors)
- 9. Iran (advocacy for those imprisoned for faith, trauma care)
- 10. India (Bibles, training, community development, urgent relief aid)

#### **Heyope Committee Meeting**

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Arab Proverb

Only a fool tests the depth of the water with both feet.

African Proverb



# Heyope/Knucklas Harvest Supper















# Knighton Museum



Kirsty Williams AM planting a yellow crocus bulb with Julia Roberts for "Knighton & Knucklas in Bloom." Bulbs and compost were sponsored by KINDA in yellow and blue, the Makaton colours.



Jane Dodds MP and Kirsty Williams AM enjoying Knighton Museum. Kirsty is a patron of KINDA and the museum.

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New info

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#### Aberfan Male Voice Choir at Llangunllo

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Under the tight baton of their Musical Director, Jennifer Jones MBE, and Accompanist, Sheryl Kennedy, the choir provided an array of stunning arrangements, to delight the packed audience. Amongst songs included in

their versatile set were: I Believe; Calon Lan; Nella Fantasia; Rock My Soul; Siyahamba; Keep Your Lamps Trimmed; Three Times A Lady and I Understand, finishing with a rousing rendition of The Welsh National Anthem for all to join in.

The ladies of Llangunllo Singing Group, with Accompanist, Andrew Thomas, proudly supported; with creditable versions of *Sing, Let It Be, Take Me Home Country Roads* and a medley from *The Sound Of Music.* 

As an additional treat, two beautiful, ethereal medleys, slotted into the programme, by a talented, ladies Harp trio.

A raffle was drawn, and refreshments were served during the interval. A substantial buffet tea was provided after the concert. The visitors from the valleys continued their musical evening at The Greyhound's monthly Open Mic Night. We hope they return very soon!

Debbie Jones



Wondering if you are Love is like the ocean wondering if it is water.

Author Unknown

#### Another joyous occasion in St Cynllo's

We were delighted to welcome members of the Pugh clan again along with those of the Pritchard family for the Christening of their new young member Finley Ernest. With the support of Mum Becky and Dad Marc, he approached the proceedings in as relaxed a fashion as his cousin Billy had done the month before.

Once more we were charged with the happy responsibility of ensuring that

Finley sees our love every day and through that will come to know the love of God.

It was lovely that everyone seemed to feel so comfortable and 'at home' and, having made such a promising start, we are confident that we shall be seeing more of Finley and Billy in the months and years to come.

Pam Livingstone-Lawn

# Having a Splash in the Bath Knighton Hospital & Community League of Friends

After a successful application from the East Radnorshire Day Centre for a replacement Arjo accessible bath, the Chair of the League of Friends Rebe Brick and Committee members Rachael Morris, Chris Ruby and David Minton were invited to the Centre for the official opening. Rebe said on behalf of the League that it was a pleasure to support such a well deserving facility which is used by a great number of people.

In the photograph you can see staff giving a demonstration to the League members, together with Beverly Baynham the Manager and Trustee Roger Curtis of the Day Centre. In her reply Beverley said that The East Radnorshire Day Centre were delighted with the successful grant application to the Knighton Hospital and Community League of Friends, to fund the purchase of a replacement bath.

Dav Centre The offers comprehensive bathing service in a comfortable setting, with fullv qualified staff. It was fantastic to receive the grant and we are extremely grateful to everyone involved with the League of Friends.

The visit concluded with light refreshments and a guiz.

Rebe Brick





# Baptism at St Cynllo's



# New Bath for Knighton Hospital

Better keep yourself clean and bright; you are the window through which you must see the world.

- George Bernard Shaw

# **Open the Book**



Egyptian Princess shows Pharoah the baby (Moses) she found in the bullrushes



Open the Book Team enjoying a meal



God spoke to Moses out of the Burning Bush while Moses was tending his sheep.



Moses asks Pharaoh to "Let My People Go"

Moses and Aaron prepare to lead the Israelites across the Red Sea.

# ur two Open the Book teams met together for a delightful lunch at The Radnorshire Arms in Beguildy. Sue and Martyn did us proud. We had the best roast beef with all the trimmings and a tasty vegetarian risotto option, followed by a choice of three scrumptious puddings.

Early autumn has been extremely wet across the country; the rain has certainly refilled our somewhat depleted water sources, without the devastation of the recent hurricane which hit the south eastern USA and the typhoon which ravaged north and central areas of Japan, recently.

As I write, the past month or so has been a time of celebrating the harvest; rather a good one in these western parts of the U.K. which have been

Water should not be judged by its history, but by its quality.

Dr Lucas Van Vuuren

Macmillan Coffee Morning held at Beguildy Shop raised the incredible amount of

£401.07

I would like to thank all who supported this very worthwhile event in so many ways.

- Ann Edwards

#### Open the Book Team Meal

Sixteen of us met for the occasion, including some partners and our clergy: Anglican, Methodist and Baptist. In between mouthfuls we all managed to have lively conversations – a truly happy band, enlivened by the beautiful sunny weather greeting us through the windows. Everyone said

we should have another meal together soon.

In the meantime we have lots of Bible stories to present to the children at school, with a special visit to St Edward's planned for the end of term. If you would like to join our team, contact Rosemary on 01547 529296.

Rosemary Hanna

#### **Knucklas and District Notes**

spared the worst of the summer drought.

The local Baptist Chapel combined with Heyope Parish Church in enjoyable and well-organised celebrations of Harvest earlier in the month. All the proceeds went to well-chosen charities.

Apple Day is scheduled for October 26th, to enjoy the local fruit harvest and to make a lovely juice from any surplus.

November is, traditionally, the month of remembrance whilst December is the month of light and hope at a very dark time of year. Then, January is the month of spiritual enlightenment ('Epiphany').

Meanwhile, Knucklas remains a highly desirable place to live, with quite strong neighbourhood bonds for most residents though, sadly, some have to leave, when they have the opportunity.

Robert Forbath

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Heyope	SO 239745	LD7 1PY	N Radnor	SO 210609	LD8 2SS
Llangunllo	SO 211712	LD7 1SW	Gladestry	SO 230551	HR5 3NR
Knighton	SO 287724	LD7 1AG	Colva	SO 199531	HR5 3RA
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Literary Festival. 9.45-12.45, Knighton

Comm.

- Sat 2 Literary Festival. 9.45-12.45, Knighton Comm.
  Bingo, St Edward's Hall, 7pm.
- Sun 3 Music Night at The Hub, New Radnor, 7pm.
- Tue 5 Whitton W.I., A.B.M. Boccia Activity, Whitton Hall, 7.30pm. Old Radnor W.I., Annual Meeting, Walton Hall, 2.30pm.
- Wed 6 Felindre W.I, Village Hall, AGM, 7.30pm, 01547 529167.
   Tref-y-Clawdd W.I. Tower House Gallery, AGM 7.30pm.
- Thur 7 Quiet Hr, 1 Ystrad House, Knighton, 10-11am.
- Sat 9 Music in New Radnor. Pananini for Two, N.R. Village Hall. 7.30pm.
- Sun 10 Remembrance Day Services at Evancoyd, Gladestry, Knighton, Llanfihangel Nant Melan, Llangunllo, New Radnor, Norton and Whitton, check rota for times.
- Mon 11 Teme Valley Gardeners, Knucklas CC. 7.30.
- Tue 12 Hearing Aid Service, Knighton Comm, 10.30-12.30.
   Craft Club, Knucklas Comm Cent, 2-4pm. Langunllo W.I. A.G.M. Malygoed, 2.30pm.
   Tea Dance, St Edward's Hall, 2-4pm.
- Wed 13 Holy Communion & Lunch. New Radnor
   Community Centre. 11am.
   Gladestry PCC meeting. Village Hall, 7pm.
   Compline, Llanfair Waterdine, 6.30pm.
   Floral Art, Presteigne Mem Hall, 7.30pm.
- Thur 14 Theology Circle, Knighton Methodist Church, Neil Richardson. 11.30am.
- Fri 15 DEADLINE for the December magazine. New Radnor Over 60's, Tea & Talk, The Hub, 2pm.

New Radnor Quiz Night, N.R. Comm Hall, 7.30pm.

- History and Archaeology of Radnor Valley, Walton Village Hall, 7.30pm.
- Sat 16 Blackpool Night, The Hub, New Radnor 7pm.
  Christmas Fayre, St Edward's Hall, 2.30pm.
- Sun 17 Ganu Concert, Knighton Comm, 4-5.30pm. Heyope Committee at Church 2pm.

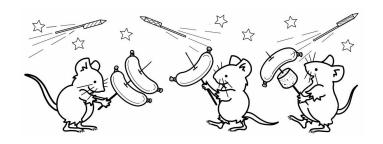
- Mon 19 Charities Fair, Knighton Comm. 10-12.30pm
  Prayer meeting at Burfa View, Evenjobb, 7pm
  followed by Evancoyd PCC. 7.30pm.
  Radnor Valley Gardening Club, Comm Hall,
  7.30, Bring garden photos.
  Gladestry W.I. Village Hall, 7.30pm.
  Ladies Guild, Xmas Wreaths, Knucklas C C,
  7.30.
- Thur 21 Folk Night, Knucklas Castle Inn, 7pm. Quiz Night, Whitton Comm Hall, 7.30pm.
- Fri 22 Knighton Flick, "Capernaum." 7.30pm.
- Sat 23 Abbey Cwmhir Event, Philips Hall, 11-3pm. Walton Hall Quiz Night, 7pm.
- Sun 24 Knighton Concert, Cello Recital, St Edward's Hall, 3pm.
- Mon 25 St Edward's Management Committee, Church Hall. 10am.
- Tue 26 Craft Club, Knucklas Comm C, 2-4pm.
  Hearing Aid Service, Presteigne Youth Centre,
  13.30-15.30.
  Prayer meeting, Long House, Broad St. New
  Radnor, 7pm, followed by PCC at 7.30pm.
- Wed 27 Ministry Area Forum. Evenjobb Village Hall. 7pm.

Old Radnor W.I. Whist Drive, Walton Hall 7pm.

Sat 30 Evenjobb Christmas Fayre, Village Hall, 2-4pm.
 Christmas Draw & Sale, St Ed's Hall, 10am.
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- Dec 1 Churches Together Ecumenical Advent Service.
  Knighton Methodist Church, 3pm.
  Christmas Fayre, Hub, New Radnor, 11-3pm.
- Dec 6 Fri: Knighton Concert, Tri Tenor (Ceredigion) + Llanfair Singers, 7.30pm. Mulled wine & mince pies, St Edward's Church
- Dec 7 Christmas Quiz Night. Evenjobb Village Hall<del>...</del> 7.30pm.
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- 10 10.30 Knighton War Memorial, 11.15 St Edward's
- 17 Deacon Sara Windsor-Hides, 11am
- 24 Rev Andrew Wyton, 11am

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5th Oct Holly Milward and Thomas Benjamin Adams-Evans. St Edward's Knighton

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24th August St Peter's Evancoyd – Rosalina Stells Watts 27th August St Mary's Gladestry – Robert Harold Simcock

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18th Oct St Mary's Gladestry - Claude Maidment

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#### November

- 3 Norton St, 11am, Café Church, Nick & Bridget
- 3 Coxall, 2.30pm, Communion, Kevin Dare
- 3 New Radnor Baptist, 3pm, Rev Christobel Hargraves
- 3 Pound with Llanbister Methodist, 2.30pm
- 10 Llangunllo Cenotaph 10.45. Shared service at Gravel Chapel, Chistobel Hargraves,
- 10 Knighton War Memorial 10.30, St Ed's 11.15
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- 10 Llanbister Methodist with Pound, 3pm
- 17 Norton St. 11am. Communion, K Dare
- 17 Coxall, Afternoon Worship, 2.30pm, A Powell
- 17 Maesyrhelem, Hubert Message, 6.30pm.
- 17 Pound with Llanbister Methodist, 2.30pm
- 17 New Radnor Baptist, 3pm, Rev Leigh Spicer
- 24 Joint Service at Methodist Church, Victoria Road, 11am
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- 24 Llanbister Methodist with Pound, 3pm

#### December

- 1 Norton St, 11am, Café Church, Nick & Bridget
- 1 Coxall, 2.30pm, Communion, M Humphreys

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AG	Audrey Green	HE	Heather Evans
CG	Christine Gould	JH	Rev John Hanna
CH	Rev Christobel	MB	Rev Mark Beaton
	Hargraves	MW	Mick Westrip
DD	David Davies	PG	Petra Goodband
GW	Geoff Weaver	RS	Rachel Storer
HC	Heather Carrington	SM	Sue Moore

# **New Radnor Harvest Festival**





Autumn is arriving in our hills





Harvest arrangements from our own gardens





New Radnor						E	East R	adnor		Ве	acon I	Hill		_	Nov
N Radnor St Mary	Llan'l N M St Michael	Gladestry St Mary	Evancoyd St Peter	<b>Colva</b> St David	<b>Whitton</b> St David	Pilleth	Norton St Andrew	Knighton St Edward	<b>Cascob</b> St Michael	Llangunllo St Cynllo	Heyope St David	Bleddfa M Magdalene	<b>Beguildy</b> St Michael	Readings	November 2019
9:15am MB Holy Communion	No Service	11:15am MB Family Service	11am HE Morning Worship	2:30pm MB Holy Communion	9:30pm DD Morning Worship	No Service	No Service	9:30am PG Holy Communion	3pm NO Evening Worship	No Service	3pm AG Evensong	7:30pm RS Compline (Note time change)	No Service	Isaiah 1.10-18 Psalm 32.1-7 2 Thessalonians 1.1-12 Luke 19.1-10	Nov 3 Kingdom 1 <i>Green</i>
10am CG Morning P 10:55 Remembrance	11am CG Remembrance	10:15am HC Morning P 10:55 Remembrance	10:50am Steve Jones Remembrance	No Service	10am JG Communion + Remembrance	No Service	11am Act of Remembrance tbc	10:30am Knighton War Memorial 11:15am St Ed's PG	No Service	wemonat	Starting at	Benefice Service	10:45 am BS	Job 19. 23-27a 2 Thessalonians 2.1- 5,13-17 Luke 20.27-38	Nov 10 Remembrance Green
9:15am MBHoly Communion	No Service	11:15am MB Holy Communion	No Service	No Service	9:30am DD Morning Worship	No Service	No Service	9:30am PG Holy Communion	No Service	No Service	3pm PG Holy Communion	No Service	No Service	Malachi 4.1-2a Psalm 98 2 Thessalonians 3.6-13 Luke 21.5-19	Nov 17 Kingdom 3 Prisoners' Sun, <i>Green</i>
10am CG Morning Worship NR C.C.	3pm MB Evening Prayer	5pm MB Evening Prayer	11:15am MB Holy communion	No Service	9:30am PG Holy Communion	No Service	No Service	11am PG Family Service	No Service	No Service	No Service	No Service	11am RS Holy Communion	Jeremiah 23.1-6 Psalm 46 Colossians 1.11-20 Luke 23.33-43	Nov 24 Christ the King, White
9:15am RS Holy Communion	No Service	11:15am MB Family Service	11am HE Morning Worship	2:30pm MB Carol Service	3pm Knighton Methodist Ch	No Service	No Service	9:30am PG Communion 3pm Knighton Methodist Church	3pm Knighton Methodist Ch	No Service	3pm Knighton Methodist Ch	7:30pm MB Compline	No Service	Isaiah 2.1-5 Psalm 122 Romans 13.11-14 Matthew 24.36-44	Dec 1 Advent 1 Purple