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The Bar divided by a pillar showing what was the gents' side where Garry is serving and the ladies side in the foreground.



One of the warming fires





One of three large screens

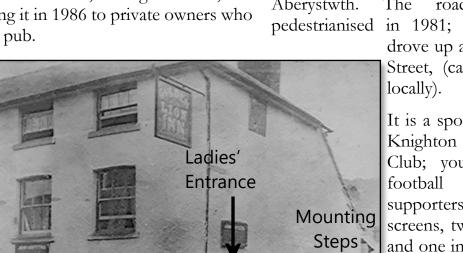


The back bar for pool/seating

Steps to barrels in the cellar

Golden Lion – Top of the Narrows in Knighton

The Golden Lion at the top of the Narrows opened early in the 1800s and has continued trading ever since. However, the building appears to be older; it is perhaps 400 years old. Brewers Ind Coope owned it for most of its trading time, adding an extension on the back, raising the roof, but finally selling it in 1986 to private owners who kept it as a pub.



The Golden Lion as it looked around 1895 when John Griffiths was the landlord, followed by George Griffiths.

The photo c1895 when John Griffiths took over shows three floors plus a cellar. Although the second floor has changed, the top floor has an identical layout to the first floor, but with old black beams; those were retained when they raised the roof. The most interesting change occurred in the 1960s when the landlady, Mrs Cornes, blocked in the side door, which is now a window. That door was the entrance for ladies who stayed on their side, gents on theirs. She also knocked down the wall dividing the two small rooms to form the more spacious front bar. The current bar still has a pillar showing the division. Like most old inns it had stables at the rear, and also a piggery.

The **Golden Lion** was in the bustling market area of Knighton with traffic arriving from Aberystwth. The road only became pedestrianised in 1981; before that locals

> drove up and down the High Street, (called the 'Narrows' locally).

> It is a sports pub sponsoring Town Football Club; you will likely find players and supporters there. Three big screens, two in the front bar and one in the pool room are a sporting attraction. It is the only place in Knighton to show both Sky Sport and BT Sports. The pool table was replaced with seating during Covid, but it will be returned shortly. The **Golden Lion** has a full schedule of Darts, Pool, even Cribbage.

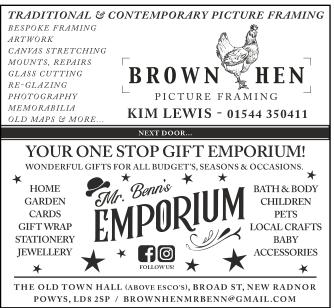
The pub doesn't do food, but continues to thrive, a

testimony to the love and care of Garry and Alison Proudman who have owned it for 15 years. Garry has lived in Knighton all his life and he has created a comfortable, welcoming pub. Laura W-J

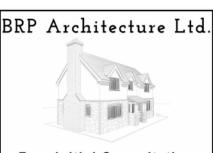
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> There are no passengers on spaceship earth. We are all crew. - Marshall McLuhan









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Dear friends,

Well what a time it has been recently. Most of you will know that I have sprained my ankle and have a long spiral fracture to the fifth metatarsal. This is irritating as well as painful. I must thank lots of you for your lovely cards, flowers, chocolates and most of all kind wishes. These really help when I am feeling sorry for myself.

There are times when we are entitled to feel sorry for ourselves but I cannot help but think of all of the people in this world who have been displaced through war and disaster. The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees states that by this time in 2021 84 million people had been displaced. The latest full count will not be finished until 2023 but we already know that we can add at least 4.8 million international refugees and 7.1 million displaced people in Ukraine.

This is an unprecedented amount of people without a place to call home, As Christians we have a duty to love one another and help in any way that we can. As a human being we have a duty to love one and other and help in any way we can. Jesus taught us to, 'love thy neighbour' and we really need to do so now.

It is easy to say that charity begins at home, which is fine if you have one!

Let us make it a habit in our lives to think and or pray for those who need help in any way. To see if there is anything we can do. As I said earlier your good wishes and kindness boosts my spirits, so think what we can do for those in a really difficult way in out towns, villages and further afield.

Love and blessings

Petra x

Cover - Peter the Fisherman

I found this image of Peter while walking the South Downs Way. Being close to the sea, the church must have wanted an image different from the usual apostle Peter dressed in royal robes and holding the keys to the kingdom. However this image is faithful to the gospels. Peter was a leader within the group of disciples. He was tough, a man who could fish all night in an open boat on the large Sea of Galilee. He impulsively jumped into the sea to get to Jesus fast; he raced to the empty tomb, but he was also capable of tears when he betrayed Jesus. A man of faith, he tried to walk on water.

The fish are important too. They became a symbol for Christians. More than once Jesus guided their fishing: telling them what side of the boat to cast their nets, calming the storm on the lake, cooking fish for them in a resurrection appearance. He told his disciples, "I'll make you fishers of men."

The image is by Joseph Nuttgens 2005, in memory of John Learmouth, former churchwarden, 1923-2002. Photo & article by Laura W-J

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Pubs up the Narrows

Salutation Inn

The **Salutation Inn** built in the 1600s was up the Narrows on the left. At street level it covered the area of four shop fronts starting with a new hair and beauty shop, Trilogy, at No 22, formerly a cobbler's, as they found a metal shoe last. They also uncovered the beautiful old beams forming an inglenook fireplace and wattle and daub ceilings. The other three fronts appear to be closed or private dwellings. If you stand back and look up you get a vague idea of the Inn. Once upon a time they used the attic, one continuous room, for archery practice. At No 21 the original 'Great Steps' once led into the Inn.

The name is biblical; it refers to the Salutation of the angel Gabriel to Mary: "Hail Mary; the Lord is with thee." She would give birth to Jesus. Puritans objected to such a sacred moment used for a drinking establishment, so a new salutation depicted a knight kneeling in front of his fair lady.

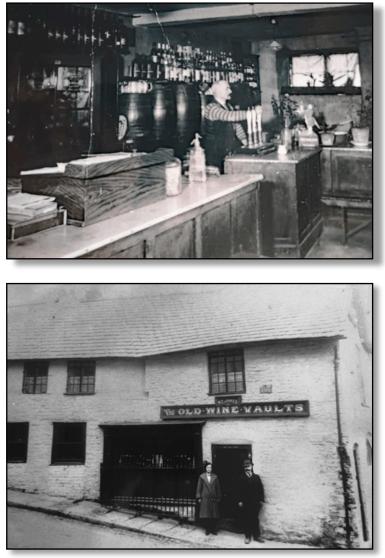
It was owned by Lord Chandos who housed his retainers there. But there are also stories of women of ill repute living there. By the 1770s it was closed.

Wine Vaults

The Wine Vaults, which is just off the Narrows, was established in the 1800s. Turn right at #22 onto Russell Street, walk along the fencing marking the old city walls. The first house on the right at the corner of "Piggy Lane" is the wine vaults with a sign over the door, "The Old Wine Vaults". It was fully licensed to sell beer and spirits and had accommodation upstairs. Its license was revoked in 1908 as business was poor with five other licensed premises within 100 yards. It was then run as a shop and in the 1980's it was a licensed 'King Offa's Restaurant'. It is a private dwelling now. *(continue on page 13)*



Sign over the door today



The Old Wine Vaults

The Salutation Inn







From #22 to the blue building the four shop fronts extending the length of the **Salutation Inn** on the Narrows. The four fronts still retain the old beams.



The Wine Vaults

Now a private dwelling



School child's crown



Girl Guide's hat



Hat and shoes for a queen



Garden Party at Buckingham Palace



The Commonwealth- created by Restorella



Knighton Church News

Bingo

Saturday July 2nd at 7pm in the Church Hall. All welcome to join in the fun. Profits to the Church Hall Roof Fund. We still have some tiles to sell; contact D. Price.

Coffee Morning

Please come along and enjoy coffee with good company. Competitions and stalls, books, produce, cakes, plants and Granny's attic. If you have items to donate please bring them along. Proceeds to St Edward's Church Maintenance Fund. The June event raised the sum of £205. Competition winners were P Medlicott, P Isherwood, D Price, A Harroway and Mrs Whitehead. Thank you to all who continue to support our coffee mornings.

Knighton Show & Carnival August 27th

The overall theme for this fun day is Cartoon Capers! Lots of scope for your entry in the two processions. The schedules for the horticulture/crafts will be available in the next few weeks.

"Jubilee Joy" at St Edward's

A huge thank you to all who contributed to make this weekend such an enjoyable and special one for so many. Our thanks to the children for making attractive crowns to add to the imaginative colourful displays, with flowers and music making it a lovely celebration of our Queen's Platinum Anniversary. We very much appreciate the generosity of the ladies who made and gave delicious refreshments and served them each day. The bunting and flags were provided and arranged by Derrick Price; our thanks to him for all his help with the event. - Jean P.

Church Kneelers

We are delighted to receive a most beautiful addition to our church. This was worked by the late Pauline Parker, who did so much over many years for St. Edward's church, including the making of so many lovely kneelers for our use. (See page 52 in Tref-yclawdd W.I for a photo.)

- Jean Price

New Life for the Cherry Tree

Sadly, earlier this year in strong winds, the flowering cherry tree at the front of St Edwards was blown over. Last week, Phil Morris took some of the arisings and converted them into a dibber and spatula. He donated them to the raffle at St Edwards coffee

morning where they were won by Petra!





Knighton Jubilee Flower Festival

The Platinum Jubilee Flower The Platinum Judice The Festival at St Edward's celebrated Queen Elizabeth with court shoes, queenly hat and crowns galore. The children from Knighton Primary displayed their crafted crowns

Horses and Riding: a real saddle, red flowers and horsy memorabilia.

Girl Guides: badges and hats (she joined at 11-years-old) and is their patron

Commonwealth: floral arrangement by Restorella with globe and foreign figures. WI: crafts and photos with all green flowers. Queen's Garden Party: official invitation, umbrella . . . just in case.

Teas were served for visitors over four days. Knighton and the members of St Edward's did the Queen proud. - Laura W-J



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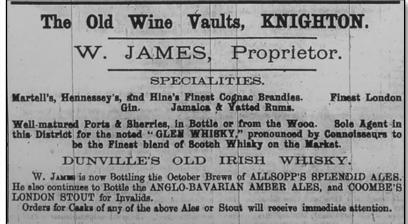
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Pubs up the Narrows (Cont.)





Lamb Inn

Two doors down from the **Golden** Lion was the Lamb Inn. It was trading in the 1800s, possibly a drovers' inn. During the construction of the Elan Valley pipeline, it housed shift workers; once one worker breakfasted on bread and ale and left for work another arrived to sleep on his still warm straw mattress.

It was a bit unpopular between 1911-14 as the widowed Elizabeth Clark, who ran the pub, was regarded as a witch because of her dark complexion

from sitting on her settle in front of the open fire. It closed in 1914 and in the 1930's became a tailor's shop and then a private home. One new resident reported that the flagstone floors were actually headstones from St Edward's churchyard. They also found Napoleonic coins under a floorboard.



Article and current photos by Laura W.J. Wine Vaults photos from Knighton Memories Facebook, from Deiniol Jones; Flagon from John Jordan; News clipping from Ian Davies "The Pubs of Radnorshire" by Tony Hobbs. Information from Jim Morris Trilogy info from Bev Frances

The Editor's Message

This is my last edition of **The Radnor** as editor, though I hope to continue supplying features. I have enjoyed getting to know our beautiful East Radnor churches and communities, the waterways and inns, but especially the people shown in the magazine. So many parishioners have sent me interesting articles and lovely photos. It has been a joy. Thank you to all who contribute and distribute and to you, our readers.

A team is forming with new editors. If you would like to join the group, please contact a priest or myself. In the meantime, have a blessed summer.

- Laura Woodside-Jones

Llanfair Waterdine W.I.



Our June meeting was a talk by one of our members, Sue Lovell, "A journey with dementia" She told us about her experiences with great humour and love. We were moved by her warmth and several members with family experience sparked an understanding discussion. Thank you, Sue.

Up and coming speakers are 1 July Fibre Artist Lynn Kisey and 5 August "Canoe the Pipe" with Andy Holman. We celebrate our foundation in 1925 with a small party on Sat 2 July. There will definitely be some "Fizz".

The woods are lovely, dark and

deep. But I have promises to keep, and miles to go before I sleep.

- Robert Frost

We welcome visitors on the first **INSPRING WOMEN** Friday of every month 7pm in the Everest Hall. For further information contact either Margaret Clugston (President) on 01547 529155 or Ann Harroway (Secretary) on 01547 528477

Llanfair Waterdine W.I. would like to thank Laura for the wonderful magazine that she has edited over a number of years and for all the help that she has given with our articles. There was always a safe pair of hands at the other end of our messages. Just please keep your lovely photographs coming!

- Ann Harroway

Welsh Words

canu to sing



fel eos *like a nightingale*

eos bren *a wooden nightingale (a poor singer)* llais fel brân *a voice like a crow*

Recipe – Spanish Rice (A vegan recipe which serves two)

- 1/2 Tbs fresh chopped sage or 1 tsp dried sage

Ingredients

- 1/2 Tbs olive oil
- ½ onion
- 1 garlic clove, crushed
- 1 courgette
- 1/2 tsp chilli powder
- 1/2 tsp turmeric
- 4oz long grained rice
- Salt and ground black pepper

- 3/4 pint vegetable stock

- 1 can of chopped tomatoes

- 3oz frozen peas (petit pois)

- 2 tbs dry white wine

- 3oz kidney beans

Method

- Heat the oil in a large frying pan and fry the onion and garlic until softened. Add the courgette and fry for 2 minutes.

- Stir in the chilli, turmeric, rice, tomatoes, and beans for 2 minutes.
- Add the stock, wine, tomatoes, and mushrooms and bring to the boil.
- Reduce the heat and simmer for 10 minutes.
- Stir in the peas, sage and seasoning. Simmer for a further 5 minutes or until rice is tender.
- Serve immediately and sprinkle on the cheese. From ACE (Association of Christian Editors)



St Ebba of Coldingham 25th August

n the early 7th century, when Ebba was Lborn, the British Isles was divided into tribes and small kingdoms. Ebba (or Æbbe) was the daughter of Æthelfrith, the king of Bernicia. Æthelfrith defeated Edwin, king of Deira, and thus the kingdom of Northumbria was born. Of course, Edwin took revenge and Æthelfrith was killed. Æthelfrith's children, Ebba, Oswald and Oswiu were sent to Dalriada for safety and came under the influence of the monks of Iona. All three became Christians; Oswald and later Oswiu became kings of Northumbria and Ebba became a nun. St Cuthbert, of Lindisfarne fame, set Ebba up with a monastery at Coldingham. It was a 'double separate monastery', which means there was a house for men and a house for women, but they met together for prayers. They all worked well to bring the Christian faith to the pagans along the eastern coast. Unfortunately Ebba was not a very good administrator and the monks and nuns got up to all sorts of high jinks behind her back. Near Coldingham is St Abb's Head, named after Ebba, and there on Kirk Hill a chapel was built. When St Cuthbert visited

the monastery he would walk over to St Abb's Head at night and spend hours praying in the sea, with his arms outstretched. A monk who followed him saw otters drying Cuthbert's feet when he came out on to the beach. Ebba died in 683 and not long



afterwards her monastery burnt down, blamed on the unruly behaviour of the monks and nuns. She also had a monastery at Ebchester, on the site of a Roman fort. For some reason she is commemorated in Oxford, where the city's most ancient recorded church is St Ebbe's, now a thriving student church.

- Rosemary Hanna

Glass by Joanna C Scott 'Pilgrims at the Waters of the Spring of St Ebba"

Stowe & Stanage W.I.

We had an illustrated talk by Mari Ffordeon pm the history of Hay Castle. She has been involved in the restoration over the past four years. She helped put together a lottery application resulting in a grant of five million pounds; another two million was added by local fundraising.

It began as a Norman castle in the 12thC, reputedly built in one night by Matilda de Braose, a giant! Gradually the town of Hay grew up around the castle. It was attacked continually, as recent archaeology discovered a trebuchet stone. In the 17thC it became a domestic mansion, retaining the medieval tower, which gradually became a ruin and a magnet for romantic painters; sketches by Turner were recently found in Tate Britain.

After a spell as a vicarage in the **INSPIRING WOMEN** 1800s, it was resided in by Lady **INSPIRING WOMEN** Glanusk and then Benjamin Guinness, illustrated by photos of this period. Sadly in 1939 a fire burned the Jacobean staircase. When Richard Booth took it over in 1964 as a bookshop, Hay flourished as a town of books, and in 1977 he declared himself king!

Restoration was completed in time for this year's Hay Festival and the castle is open seven days a week, 10am to 5pm.

At our meeting on 5 July we will be shown how to make a flower posy; August to Hampton Court, near Leominster. For further information please contact: Alison Thomas 01547 528678 or alithomas1@gmail.com

- Ali Thomas

Llangunllo Boundary Walk 2022

(Apologies, I missed this out last month! LWJ)

For the first time in several years, a party of parishioners (with reinforcements 'from off') walked the 22-mile-long boundary of the big parish of Llangunllo. On Saturday 30 April, 19 walkers – aged from 9 to 83 – and 3 dogs covered the boundary from Gravel Arch via St Michael's Pool, Hen Cefn top and Glog Hill to Monaughty on an ideal day, sunny but not too hot.

Next day, a typically cool and drizzly May Day, fewer walkers but more dogs trekked from Monaughty via Hendregenny, Blaenycwm turn and Fountain Head to Dolyfelin. Difficult barbed wire and locked gates were tackled with the aid of a thick bath mat and by lifting dogs over. The day ended with a lavish tea kindly provided by Sally and Lawrie at Roundwood and then the traditional supper at the Greyhound – which raised £100 for the Dolau School Appeal. On Monday, a faithful remnant of walkers and dogs pressed on from Dolyfelin via Beacon Hill and Glyndwr's Way back to Llangunllo, encouraged through sunshine and showers by the sight and sound of curlews, early swallows and a cuckoo. A total of 25 people and six dogs took part in the walks over the three days, and four people and one dog walked the whole length of the boundary.

Many thanks to Jan and Charles for organisation; Paul and Jake the Pub, Deb Jones and Jane Read for lifts and backup; to Caroline Breeze for contacting landowners, and Richard Lloyd for guidance and warming drinks; to Mia for her enthusiasm and Jane Lennox and Pam for their endurance; to Sally and Lawrie and the Greyhound for hospitality; to all landowners for permission to cross their land and to everyone who provided food for the supper.

> Charles Kightly Photos Charles Kightly, Deb Jones, Pip Hines, Jane Read

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Knucklas Jubilee Event

The Jubilee Children's Disco was a great success. Parents and community members met convivially in the field. The weather was fine, villagers brought scones and cakes and nibbles, and the decorations were fun. Children were dressed for the event, some even sparkly.

Everything, even the prosecco, was free. It was a relaxed time with kids tearing around the field, playing a bit of sport, dancing in the centre and the adults having a relaxed sit down with drinks, refreshments, and chat.

It was a good, low key village event to celebrate her Majesty's 70 years! Thank you to the Community Centre committee.

Laura W-J

Llangunllo Boundary Walk



Day 1. A toast at Hen Cefn



Charles Kightley



Day 3. Admiring the View

Lifting Dogs Over

Knucklas Jubilee Event









Llangunllo Jubilee Event



The Queen & assistant, Rebecca Twyman – no clash of handbags!



Master of Ceremonies, Dr Charles Kightly



Karen & Caroline know that two dresses are better than one!



Patriotic Shirley

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations ... Llangunllo Style

The Platinum Jubilee celebrations got off to a radiant start in Llangunllo, on Thursday, 2nd June. A group of dedicated villagers made the challenging climb up to The Whimble Tump to witness the lighting of a unique beacon, at 9.45 pm. They were greeted by a 40-foot, telescopic pole, topped by an adapted and crowned, revolving oil drum, which shone out red, white and blue, to everyone's delight! Huge thanks to Evan Jones, assisted by Jonathan Protheroe, for setting up & powering the beacon every evening, over 4 days, by using Evan's tractor wiper motor ... ingenious!

The festivities continued on Saturday evening at The Greyhound Inn's monthly, Open Mic session, where there were plenty of opportunities to join in with the various singing sessions and dancing

An air of anticipated excitement accompanied the ringing of St Cynllo's Church bells, heralding the opening of The Big Lunch, at Llangunllo Community Hall, on Sunday, June 5th.

The room, bedecked in Union Flag colours, soon filled up, with many attendees looking very patriotic, in the true spirit of the day. The order of events, including a jubilee message from The Queen, was laid out on easels, at the entrance. Mouth watering food platters were brought by guests and laid across tables, to share. Just before the main event, our genial Master of Ceremonies, Dr Charles Kightly, resplendent in his attire, some of which dated back to around the 1880s, invited everyone to fill their glasses and be upstanding to welcome "Her Majesty" who was assisted by Rebecca Twyman, arriving to a regal fanfare.

The toast was made at 3.00 pm and a rousing rendition of The National Anthem was sung, accompanied by Trevor Head on trombone, followed by three hearty cheers to Her Majesty. Commemorative mugs were presented to the children of Llangunllo and Bleddfa, by Chris Morgan, representing The Community Council. Later, the children were invited to find and keep, small, handmade "Winnie" corgis, with a prize given to the child who found one wearing a crown.

Next, came the parade and judging of decorated crowns, with participants of all ages receiving a prize. Whilst tea commenced, a DVD, compiled by Trevor Jones, was played, documenting The Queen's life, through photos and film footage, beginning with highlights from her Coronation. There was time to participate in a Royal question and photo quiz and soak up the atmosphere and joyful company.

In the conservatory, Henry Morgan, accompanied by daughter, Elaine, delighted onlookers with his displays and knowledge of ephemera and photos from bygone days in Llangunllo, taken from his own, magnificent collection. The weather outside may have been miserable, but it didn't deter the playing of many,



fun games, including skittles, giant Jenga, splat the rat and dunk the duck! It certainly was worth all the volunteers' hard work, making it an afternoon to cherish and remember for all time...three cheers for Her Majesty!

> Debbie Jones Photos by Debbie Jones and Michael Brown







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Don't miss the Knucklas Village Fête which will be held on Saturday 30th July from 12 – 5pm at the Knucklas Community Centre and adjoining field. Attractions include a dog agility show, plus dog competitions, a beer tent, barbeque, and classic cars. The Black Crows Viking group are returning by popular demand, with more re-enactments and weapon displays. A huge selection of stalls will offer a wide variety of hand-made and artisan goods and there will be delicious refreshments available throughout the



afternoon. Bags of fun, games and entertainment too for all the family.

Why not come by train, as the station in Knucklas is near the fête site. On Sunday 31 July there will be an Allotment Open Day from 1 - 5pm on the Castle Hill site, with teas and music. – a must for any would-be allotmenteers.

All funds raised will be used for the Knucklas Castle Community Land Project. Contact: knucklascastleclt@gmail.com - *Fiona* Roper



Messy Church Knucklas Community Centre Sunday 24 July, 4pm Sunday 28 August, 4pm

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The Eagle Hotel – New Radnor

The **Eagle** has been an imposing building in Broad Street, New Radnor for many years. In the 18th Century it was an important coaching inn and a gaol was situated on the left side of the building with dungeons below and gallows and stocks to the side. Here local Quakers were confined though by 1820 the County Gaol had moved to Presteigne and the old gaol at New Radnor fell into decay.



The Old Gaol

From what we know about the history of the Eagle there was a succession of tenants from the late 1790s and that by the late 1800s Thomas Morgan was the landlord. A newspaper article from the time details an auction in 1859 when, following the death of the tenant Stephen Evans, his widow sold up to emigrate to Australia. The items listed for sale at the auction showed that the **Eagle** was

a superior establishment even at this time. Another newspaper article dated 1895 reported a manslaughter at the premises following a brawl between William Thomas and Edward Edkins resulting in the death of Edkins. Thomas was acquitted by the Grand Jury at Brecon.

Our story focuses on the years when our Grandad, James Richard Niblett, occupied the **Eagle**. He was landlord at the premises between 1910 and 1950, having previously tenanted the Radnor Arms from 1906. Our Granny, Sarah Emily, was originally a Williams and her family ran the Radnor Arms until Grandad took it over. They eventually retired to Ivy House in Water Street where Grandad died in 1953 and Granny died 18 years later. Our Dad, Dick Niblett, was born in 1920 and grew up at the **Eagle** before he left to pursue a career in banking and afterwards served in the RAF during WW2.

Grandad worked for a time as a Land Agent for the Harpton Estate and his family, who were stonemasons, were associated with Niblett's Quarry in Harley Dingle. He was a keen cyclist and won many trophies including *(continued on page 23)*

Granny & Grandad Niblett in 1944



Granny & Great Aunty Jessie 1944



Our Dad in 1930s

winning outright the Aberystwyth Cycling Club Grand Jubilee Challenge Cup.



'Grandad with Cycling Trophies, including the Aberystwyth Cup'

During his time the **Eagle** became a very popular hotel and was well renowned for the food served there. Extensive gardens around the property provided fruit and vegetables, though much of this land has now been built on. It was a favourite stopover for 'automobilists' and cyclists and proudly displayed the Cycle Touring Club sign at the front of the building.

The Visitors Book for this time shows that it was a very popular place to stay and to have a meal, with many coming to visit the Waterfall, for hill climbing and on daytrips by rail. The railway came to New Radnor in 1875 and provided a valuable service for local

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businesses, bringing visitors and transporting goods.

In January 1917 an amusing article from the Brecon & Radnor Express told how JR Niblett was brought before the New Radnor Petty Sessions for allowing intoxicating liquor to be consumed during prohibiting hours and Richard Lewis Morgan and Samual Tippings of Walton Green were summoned for consuming same. The case was dismissed on payment of the costs. No doubt the magistrates all went back to the **Eagle** afterwards!

The Horse and Cattle Fairs were lively events in the village with horses being bought and *(continued overleaf)*

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Extract from Visitors Book 1912



Horse Fair in New Radnor

sold on the village streets. On Fair days it was traditional for Granny, helped by her sister Jessie, to serve goose with swede and potatoes followed by a solid rice and raisin pudding. The Eagle was also a posting house with the stables and yard being situated on the right hand side.

In 1941, two parachute mines were dropped on Smatcher Hill causing many windows in the village to be blown out, including the attic windows in the Eagle. In the late 1960s fire destroyed the gable ends of the building which meant that a new roof had to be

of darts tournaments, weddings, parties and much more. Sadly now the building is no longer open as a public house. Compiled by Jane Lissaman and Libby Roe with thanks to Dr Marion Evans and Dai Price

for their input. Ref: 'The Pubs of Radnorshire' by Tony Hobbs, 'Radnorshire' by WH Howse, and Church Records.

constructed giving the more

In later years the Eagle has been a centre

for village activities, a paragliding centre, a

venue for musical bands, a base for the

Football Club, and many have fond memories

appearance which exists today.

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St Cynllo's Church Llangunllo Community **Songs of Praise** In Celebration of St Cynllo's Day with the Radnor Valley Band and Other Local Musicians Sunday 17th July at 5.30pm Join Us for an Evening of Music, Fellowship and Refreshments All Very Welcome.



Evancoyd News

Organ

In celebration of the successful restoration of our organ at St. Peters, David Gallichan gave a fascinating talk and slide show about the intricate repair process which took around six months to complete. Adhering to methods and traditional materials which have been used for hundreds of years will ensure that the organ retains the same sound that it did in the 1870's and which will now last for another hundred years.

This quality was beautifully demonstrated by Kevin Holmes ABSM(P), GBSM, who studied at the Conservatoire and was Organist at the Birmingham Oratory and Plymouth Cathedral. He played music, carefully chosen to illustrate the full range of the organ and spanning a variety of different decades, to the delighted audience.

Plant Sale

We held our Plant Sale on Saturday morning 28th May at Evenjobb Village Hall. The weather was fine and a marvellous array of plants were on sale. We also had a grand raffle with fabulous gifts supplied by Alison. Thank you to everyone who supported us by supplying and purchasing plants. We made around f_{250} towards Church funds.

article and photos by Joanna Winstone





Evancoyd Organ



David Gallichan



Kevin Holmes



Whitton W.I.









Whitton W.I. members continue to be busy offering the FREE monthly coffee mornings which are held from 10.30 to 12 on the second Tuesday of the month. These have been so well supported and welcomed by our community that we hope we shall be able to continue for the rest of the year.

BUT there have also been varied activities over the past few months. We met in the Community Hall for a fascinating talk by Sorcha Lewis on the trials, tribulations and fascination of *Farming with Nature in the Elan Valley*. We spent another winter's evening admiring the designs and warmth of *Welsh Quilts*. An afternoon at the *Red Kite Centre* was a real delight, and once the lighter evenings started we were extremely fortunate to have a private viewing of a local historical home, which is not open to the public.

Our forthcoming programme (first Tuesday of the month) will include Considering our Driving Visiting a Blackcurrant Farm.... Breadmaking at a Flour Mill viewing Fabrics with the Designer.

Mark your diary now to join us on 4th October, and come along with friends and partners to a fascinating talk by Mari Fforde. *When the Americans came to town* is the little known story of Kington Camp used during and after the war by British, Polish and American troops.

The last two years have been very disruptive to our programme, which in the past has always included a Harvester Supper with entertainment. It is hoped that this will once again be available – watch this space or contact our Secretary (01547 560350).

We could not finish our report without acknowledging how fortunate we are in having

access to *The Radnor*. The Editor, Laura Woodside-Jones, gave an illustrated talk to our W.I. in January and although we already knew we received a quality publication, we learnt of the wide-ranging and considerable experience she brought to compiling our parish magazine which far out-shines anything with a similar title. The last publication notified us that Laura was stepping down from her lead role as the Editor but we very much hope that there will still be involvement to ensure the stamp of quality continues. In the meantime, very many thanks to Laura for all the hours, commitment and patience she has given in the past.

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Schedule of Services

Due to lack of clergy there will be one service of Holy Communion in the Ministry Area each week for July and August. Other lay led services can take place and some are listed here. If a church requires a service and does not have a leader contact Rev Petra who can guide you on sharing a service together. Also if you do wish to have a service, especially as some churches are not on the list, please let her know in order that it can be advertised on the media pages.

All of this is subject to change and it is asked that you please be patient during this difficult time.

The Church Day, the reading, and colours are on page 35.

Holy Communion

3 July 11am St Edward's Knighton Holy Communion 11am St Peter's Evancoyd Morning Prayer 3pm St Michael's Cascob Evening Prayer 7:30pm St Mary Magdalene Bleddfa Compline 10 July 11am St Peter's Evancoyd Holy Communion 17 July 11am St Edward's Knighton Holy Communion 11am St Peter's Evancoyd Morning Prayer 5pm St Cynllo Llangunllo Worship 24 July 11am St Mary Gladestry Holy Communion 31 July 11am St David's Heyope Holy Communion 7 August 11am St Edward's Knighton Holy Communion with baptism 11am St Peter's Evancoyd Morning Prayer 3pm St Michael's Cascob Holy Communion 7:30pm St Mary Magdalene Bleddfa Compline 14 August St David's Whitton Holy Communion 11am St Peter's Evancoyd Service 21 August St Mary New Radnor Holy Communion 28 August St Edward's Holy Communion with baptism

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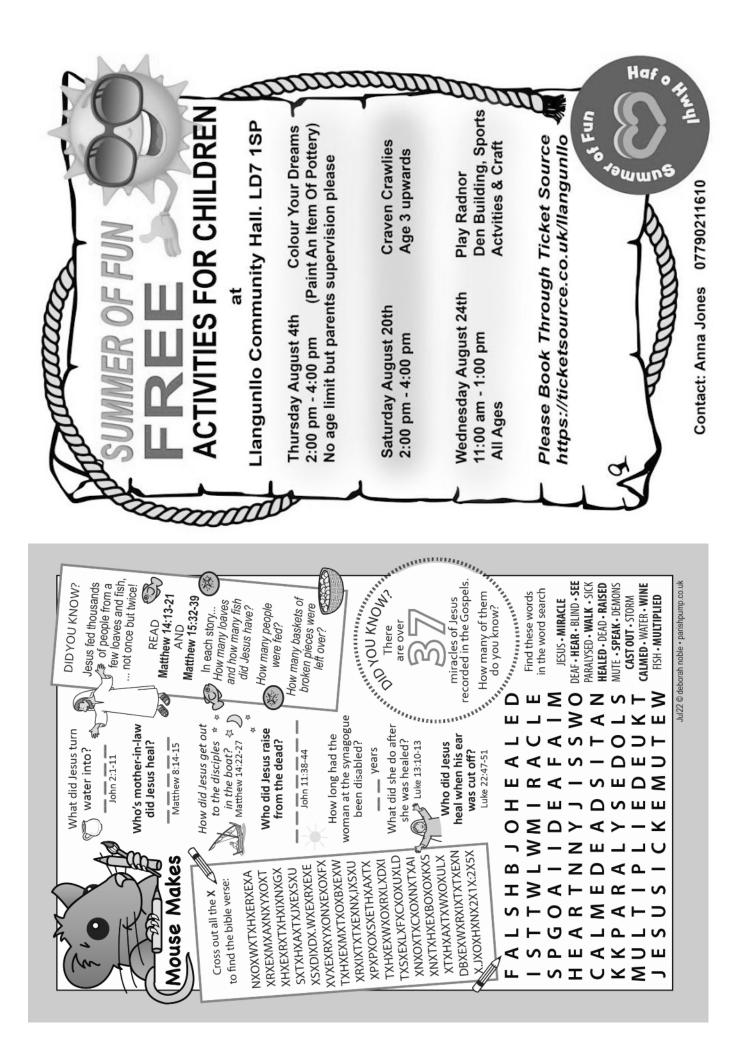
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Dutlas – The Runnis and Carpenter's Shop

Continuing Idris Lloyd's memories in the 1930s.

The Runnis:

My Uncle Tom Jones farmed The Runnis. His Uncle Allen Jones lived with him. A Jones died in the mid 30s whilst having surgery at RSI Shrewsbury.

I spent a lot of my early life helping on the farm. Firstly with my grandfather Morgan Jones opening gutters and ditches for flood water to cover the meadows along the river Teme. The flood left a fine layer of soil on the fields.

Later on it would be levelling mole heaps and picking stones off the meadows before mowing. My grandfather used to mow the hay with a scythe before Tom had a horse drawn mower.

Tom did his cultivating with a mare most of his farming life. It was all hard work in those days. He never had a tractor but had contractors do some work for him later.

Tom used to go to Knighton on a Thursday, meet some of his friends, have a few drinks and catch Owen's 7pm bus home, sometimes calling at Lloiney or Llanfair Waterdine pubs. Arriving back at Dutlas worse for wear he would cross over the river bridge to be met by his old mare and foal at the gate. He would catch hold of the mare's tail and she would lead him up the drive to the farmyard gate safely.

His mare was injured in the shoulder. The injury was a hole in the shoulder coming out above the knee. It was believed it was caused by a bullet from a German aircraft testing its guns when they were flying over on the way to bomb Liverpool. The vet from Knighton used to come and clean the wound and I would help to hold the horse. The wound healed in a few weeks and the mare returned to work.

Carpenter's Shop Dutlas:

Mr Jim Davies, Carpenter, Wheelwright, Photographer and Undertaker.

The last work I remember Mr. Davies doing was when he was commissioned to build a Hay Wagon for Mr. Richard Price of Bryndraenog, Dutlas. Mr. Davies had a building outside his workshop suitable to do his work under cover. The building was high roofed on posts with open sides. The wagon took a number of years to construct as Mr. Davies was getting old and only worked occasionally. In the early 1930's Mr. Price needed the wagon urgently as he was moving from Bryndraenog to the Walton area.

Work on the wagon was speeded up and I remember my grandfather Morgan Jones helping to get the wheels metalled by the village blacksmith, Mr. Jim Jones. The wheels were taken to the Blacksmith and suspended over a stone water trough (situated where the telephone kiosk is now).

Mr. Jones measured the circumference of the wheels with a metal disc, counting the revolutions of the disc around the rim of the wheel. Then he made strakes of iron of approximately 20-24 inches long by 3 inches wide and $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ inch thick. These were heated red hot, bent and fitted to the rim of the wheel in double widths with strake nails and cooled in the trough of water.

The wheels were then fitted to the wagon on wood and metal axles held on by washers and a linchpin in a slotted hole. The wheels were painted red and yellow, the body yellow, red lining. The wagon had a turntable and hinged shafts and was horse drawn by two or three horses. I thought very smart.

Idris Lloyd

This is the last in these fascinating snippets of life in Dudlas. Thank you, Idris.

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Readings in July August 2022

3 July Thomas, Apostle, *Red*

Habakkuk 2. 1-4 Psalm 31. 1-5 Ephesians 2. 19-22 John 20. 24-31 **10 July Trinity 4 [Sea Sunday] Green** Amos 7. 7-17 Psalm 82 Colossians 1. 1-14 L Luke 10. 25-37 **17 July Trinity 5 Green**

Amos 8. 1-12 Psalm 52 Colossians 1. 15-28 Luke 10. 38-42

24 July Trinity 6 Green Hosea 1, 2-10 Psalm 85 or 85. 1-7 Colossians 2. 6-19 Luke 11. 1-13 **31 July Trinity 7** Green Hosea 11. 1-11 Psalm 107. 1-9, [43] Colossians 3. 1-11 Luke 12. 13-21 7 August Trinity 8 Green Isaiah 1. 1, 10-20 Psalm 50. 1-7 Hebrews 11. 1-3, 8-16 Luke 12, 32-40

Green Isaiah 5. 1-7 Psalm 80. [1, 2,] 8-19 Hebrews 11.29 – 12.2 Luke 12. 49-56 **21 August Trinity 10 Green** Jeremiah 1. 4-10 Psalm 71. 1-6 Hebrews 12. 18-29 Luke 13. 10-17 **28 August Trinity 11 Green** Jeremiah 2. 4-13

14 August Trinity 9

Jeremiah 2. 4-13 Psalm 81. 81. 1-11 Hebrews 13.1-8,15-16 Luke 14. 1, 7-14

4 Sept Trinity 12 *Green*

Jeremiah 18. 1-11 Psalm 139. 1-8 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14. 25-33

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Walton Hall Events

We had a great week in the community charity shop in Kington and took over £1000. The £50 raffle prize was won by Irene Pridy from Lyonshall. Thank you to everyone. Dates for your diary: July 13. 10-1pm Book & Jigsaw Swap August 10. 10-1pm Book & Jigsaw Swap August 13. Produce and Teas 1-4pm Donations of plants & produce welcome Sept 2. 7pm Quiz night: teams of 4 or 5 Sept 24 7pm. Pudding Evening with a prize for the best pudding Oct 7. 7pm Quiz night: teams of 4 or 5 Nov 4. 7pm Quiz night: teams of 4 or 5 Dec 3. 7pm Christmas Party. Plus, every second Wednesday 10am-1pm Book Swap, Tea, coffee & cake.

For more details please contact Karan Peachey (01544 350511), Anne Goodwin, Richard Burden or Cath Thorogood Churches Together Lunch Club

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		Llanidloes SY18 6PW	
Sun 3	1- 4.30	South Street Gardens, Rhayader LD6 5BH	£5. Teas
Sun 10	1.30-5.30	Tynrhos, Newbridge-on-Wye, Llandod LD1 6ND	£5. Teas
Sun 10	1-5pm	Cultivate Community Garden, Llanidloes Rd,	£4.50. Teas
		Newtown SY16 4HX	
Mon 11	11-5pm	Garthmyl Hall, Garthmyl, Montgomery SY15 6RS	£5. Teas
Wed 13	6-8pm	Tranquility Haven, 7 Lords Land Whitton LD2 3HU	£4.50
Sat/Sun 23-24	2-5.30	Church House, Llandefalle, Brecon LD3 0ND	£5. Teas
Sat 23	10-4.30	Ponthafren, Long Bridge St, Newtown SY16 2DY	Donation. Teas
Sat/Sun 23-24	2-5pm	Llys Celyn, Llanwnog, Caersws SY17 5JG	£5. Teas
Sat/Sun 23-24	11-5.30	Brookside, Llanbister, Llandod LD1 6TW	£5. Teas
Sun 24	2-5	Glanoer, Bettws, Hundred House, Llandod	£5. Teas
		LD1 5RP [Picnics welcome]	
Sat/Sun 30-31	11-5	Evancoyd Court, Evancoyd, LD8 2PA	£6. Teas
Sat/Sun 30-31	12-5	Glansevern Gardens, Berriew Welshpool SY21 8AH	£6. Teas
Sun 31	11.30 - 5	Monaughty Mill, Monaughty, LD7 1SH	£4.50. Teas
August Dates			
Fri 5	Pre-book	Welsh Lavender, Maesmynis, Builth, LD2 3HU	£5. Teas
Sat/Sun 6-7	1.30-5.30	Moel y Gwelltyn Ucha, Llansilin Oswestry SY10 7QX	£5. Teas
Sun 7	1-5pm	Felindre Gardens, Berriew, Welshpool SY21 8BE	£5. Teas
Fri 12	Pre-book	Lavender, Maesmynis, Builth Wells, LD2 3HU	£5. Teas
Wed 17	6-8pm	Tranquility Haven, 7 Lords Land Whitton LD2 3HU	£4.50
Fri 19	Pre-book	Lavender, Maesmynis, Builth Wells, LD2 3HU	£5. Teas
Sun 21	2-5.30pm	Tyn y Cwm, Beulah, Llanwrtyd Wells LD5 4TS	£5. Teas

Flora

On warm evenings we can sit out in the garden, enjoy a glass of wine (or two) and admire the glorious colour and scent of the flowers. Following a little relaxation, the jobs of dead heading, staking, grass cutting and watering seem less work.

Take note of changes you can make in the autumn. It is surprising when you have an old favourite or add something with a different shape or colour, what a difference it will make to the overall effect.

Enjoy other people's planting schemes when visiting gardens open to the public and making note of "must have" plants with the fun of searching for less common varieties. The cottage garden style of plating was very popular this year at the Chelsea Flower Show. Cultivated plants grew happily alongside wild plants and grasses. Informal and natural fences, stone walls and ponds followed the theme with some artistic flare.

Mid-summer is the month of sweet peas, pinks, roses, lilies, honeysuckles, lupins and so many other beauties, all with a delightful scent, sending bees and butterflies into a frenzy of activity. Perfection seems hard to achieve with new plants, new ideas, new schemes and ever changing weather, but what a lot of enjoyment and satisfaction we can get from trying.

Happy gardening to all!

Jean Price

Chatterbrook W.I.



On **July 14th** we have a day trip to Hartlebury Castle; there may be spaces on the coach for non-members to join us. Cost for coach and entrance ± 18 , enquiries to Claire Brown -01544 2670172.

On **Thursday August 11** at 7.30 we will be back in the Memorial Hall for an OPEN EVENING with Ruth Kirkby and her presentation 'A Passion for Art'. Roth's beautiful botanical cards will be **INSPIRING WE** available to purchase. Visitors will

be most welcome to join us - $\pounds7.50$ to include cheese and wine refreshments.

Find us on

https://facebook.com/ChatterbrookWI Pick up a programme from Presteigne library or phone Chatterbrook Secretary - 01544267245

Knighton Community Woodlands Group

The moth and bird survey training has now been successfully completed and botanical training is well underway. Data goes to the National Biodiversity Network.



The knowledge and skills of the experts has been enlightening for our moth survey.

Woodlanders been cutting cordwood

from the autumn/winter felling. We stack the logs under cover to continue drying – "seasoning" – until next spring when they will be ready to use. We are now producing charcoal with the retort funded by grant aid from the Shropshire Hills AONB Conservation Fund. We make about 6 bags per firing. Special thanks are due to Stuart, our volunteer lead for charcoal, who is also due thanks for getting our new shed up and running and for making a shelter for the charcoal retort!



- Jane Cliff

Fun Ludlow Dog Day for Charity

7th annual *fun Dog Day* 24th July 10am – 5pm Stokesay Court

Ludlow Rotary Club has raised £120,000 for local charities and organisations over six years of the *fun Dog Day*. It is now joined by Church Stretton Rotary Club, so it's bigger and better than ever!

Proceeds support:

Hope House, St Michael's Hospice, Hereford, and local charities and organisations. 20 classes from the scruffiest mutt, the fastest sausage eater, to the best young handler. Have a go challenges: dog agility, gun dog scurry, fun dog racing. Demonstrations: e.g. *Paws for thought, Paws of Parham* display teams, *Bliss Gate Obediance*. Stalls: canine related goods, food, tea tent, Pimms' tent, Hobsons' Bar. www.ludlowdogday.org.uk facebook: Ludlow Rotary Dog Day

Michael Symonds

News from Whitton

Jubilee Beacon

Whitton and surrounding areas gathered on Litton Hill to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with the lighting of a Beacon, as did over 3000 other areas. It was a perfect night being mild with no wind and good visibility and once lit we could see around 20 other beacons as far away as the Malvern Hills and Talgarth. Well over 100 people made it to the top in vehicles, on quad bikes and on foot and were treated to hot dogs cooked by Peter and Heather Hood as well as liquid refreshment. The material for the bonfire had been brought up from the clearing out in Whitton Churchvard providing a safer place to dispose of it as well as some bales of fern to get the fire started. Grateful thanks to Edward Morris for building and lighting the fire and to the other graziers for allowing the beacon to be lit on the hill.

Jubilee Lunch

This took place on Sunday lunchtime when over 70 people joined together in Whitton Community Centre for a "Bring and Share" lunch. The Hall had been decorated and with the royal blue chairs and red and white tablecloths looked very Regal. A lot of children came along and after enjoying their lunch they made good use of the Bouncy Castle on the playing field as well as consuming a good amount of ice cream!

Obituaries

On Friday 27 May the family and friends of Donald Mills gathered at St. David's, Whitton to bid farewell to a much loved and respected member of the rural community. Over 200 mourners attended the service, which was led by Reverend Petra, coming from many miles around. For several years Donald and Pam had lived and worked at Gilfach farm, Whitton for the Williams family, Womaston, before moving to Llanwen, Knighton to begin their own successful farming career. They later moved to the Mount Farm before retiring to the outskirts of Knighton. They always retained a connection with Whitton, supporting the Church, W.I. and any Community events that were arranged. Donald, in his younger days had been a champion hedger and a lover of all things rural and after his retirement this extended to restoration of vintage tractors and ultimately ploughing using those vintage tractors. He travelled all over Wales and the border counties winning many awards and making many new friends. He ploughed a very straight furrow as was his way through life and Don will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Colin Pugh

Whitton Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

I am sure there are many who would like to send a big thank you for the members of our community who took the time and trouble to provide local residents with memorable Jubilee events.

On Thursday 2nd June the initial magic was provided by several very kind owners of 4WD vehicles who arrived at Whitton Hall to transport anyone who turned up, to the top of Litton Hill. The off-road ride and then the view at the top was breath-taking. Some other brave and energetic souls chose to walk up and up and up! and joined a gathering of about 100 people in the fading light to watch the beacons glowing on distant hillsides before 'our own' bonfire was lit. The magic continued as the 'organisers' provided free hot dogs and drinks - like Mary Poppins - they somehow provided enough for everyone! Of course,

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Jubilee at Whitton



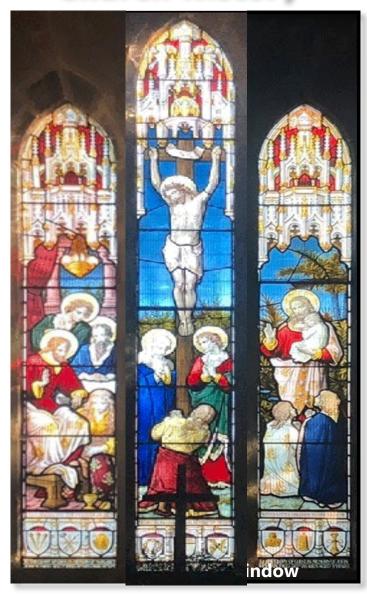


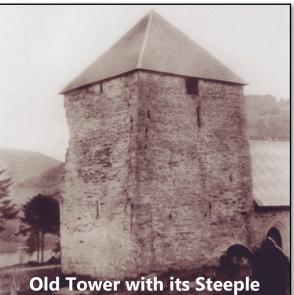


The upward course of a nation's history is due in the long run to the soundness of heart of its average men and women.

- Queen Elizabeth II

St Cynllo Church History







Llangunllo W.I.



Llangunllo News From The Past

A Family's Legacy: The name Weyman appears in Llangunllo Church records from the 1750s onwards. The family farmed at Griffin Lloyd and later also at Weston.

The East Window at St Cynllo's was given in memory of three members of the family who died in the 1880s. It is the only stained glass window in the building and its vibrant colours and detailed illustration, provide a striking contrast to the plain, diamond shaped panes of the other windows. The Chancel Arch enhances its presence and it may well be considered the "crown jewel" of the church.

In three lights, the centre depicts the Crucifixion, on the left is the story of Mary anointing the feet of Jesus with oil, and to the right a scene entitled "Suffer Little Children To Come Unto Me."

The Crucifixion is in memory of John Weyman who died in 1886. He was baptised at Llangunllo Church, but there is no record of his marriage or burial, despite the fine window bearing his name.

... died in Helonan, Egypt in 1883

The anointing of Jesus, remembers his sister, Margaret Jones, baptised and married here. She died in

Helonan, Egypt in 1883. Having died in Africa I assumed she had married an army officer in the days of the British Empire. However, church records show in 1845 she married Thomas Evan Jones, a draper from Middlesex! How had life taken her to Helonan, on the banks of the River Nile, famous for its sulphur springs and being the health resort of the ancient Egyptian Kings?!

The scene on the right is particularly poignant as it is in memory of John Weyman who died in 1883, aged three years. He was also baptised at St Cynllo's and is buried in the church yard. Research suggests the window came from "Ward and Hughes" of London. Ward and Hughes were formerly "Ward and Nixon" who produced the stained glass for the East Window of Lincoln Cathedral. If this is the case, the Weyman Family looked to bestow on the church a feature of quality, at considerable cost, reflecting their standing in the parish and a legacy for future generations to view and admire.

The family were generous benefactors, also building the church porch. The inscription



shown here reads, "This porch was erected in 1896 by Jane Weyman to the Glory of God and in memory of her brother Edward Weyman JP who died at Weston August 18th 1895. He was Vicar's Churchwarden in this Parish for upwards of 30 years."

Jane and Edward are both buried in the churchyard. The burial of their brother William in 1910 is the last entry of Weyman in the church records.

Laying of the Foundation Stone 1896: The Victorian makeover of Llangunllo Church was completed in 1896 with the rebuilding of the tower.

The present tower was rebuilt on the foundations of the previous one. The old tower with its steeple, and for a time the present one, housed a clock. The remains still exist in the church belfry. The Church Wardens Accounts of the time frequently refer to the winding and oiling of the clock.

One of the local newspapers reported the foundation stone was laid by Powlet G Milbank Esq, MP, Lord Lieutenant of the *(continued on page 51)*

Felindre W.I.

Felindre W.I.'s May/June event was a visit to The Bracken Trust's charity shop in Llandidnod Wells. Shop Manager Sunnie Luxton gave an overview of the Trust's support to people affected by cancer and explained the workings of the shop. Items unsold after three weeks are recycled. Interesting objects are valued by a professional and all funds go to support the charity.

Members were very impressed by the professionalism of the shop and the interesting range of goods. After browsing the shop and making a few purchases, President Jayne Harris thanked Sunnie for a very interesting tour and gave her a ± 30 donation from Felindre funds.

Presteigne & Borders Floral Art Society

Wed 13 July at 7.30, Memorial Hall, Demo by Gold Medal Winner at Malvern Sionedd Hughes 'Under the Influence If you received a complementary ticket for this demo at our Flower Festival in June – do remember to come along! ****

Wed 10 August 7.30, Memorial Hall, Demo Andrew Lloyd 'On a Summer Day' We welcome visitors (£6 on door) & new members. Details of these events and our Thursday Flower arranging classes at Whitton contact the Secretary 01544 340453



Correction: Last month the Beguildy nurse, Annie Harris, was named incorrectly. She is the woman wearing a mortarboard in the foreground, not

the woman receiving a certificate from Queen Mary. Apologies. Laura W-J Members then held their **INSPIRING WOMEN** business meeting at the **INSPIRING WOMEN** Metropole Hotel. Jayne had posted a celebratory message from Felindre W.I. to Her Majesty the Queen on the Thankbox Card website, congratulating her on her platinum anniversary.

Other items discussed included the County Show in June and other forthcoming Federation events, moving the bank account to avoid having to pay further bank charges, and the Felindre village Jubilee celebrations.

Felindre WI's next meeting is an afternoon visit to Hillcroft Gardens, Presteigne, on Thursday 7th July. New members are always welcome – contact Jayne on 01547 510644.

Maggie Flanders



Not everyone has a natural gift for rural ministry

Hear to Help "Drop Off" Clinic

Knighton Hearing Aid Clinic, The Comm 3rd Tuesday of the month **10am-1pm, 19 July, 16 August** [Presteigne Clinic has not re-opened yet.] For more information: Rachael Beech 07552165800 or Rachael.beech@rnid.org.uk

Knighton and District Rotary Club



"Open Doors" for Primary Schools

The Knighton & District Rotary Club wanted to open new doors for young people. They purchased small wooden doors for students at Knighton and Presteigne Primary Schools to paint on the front and write their dreams on the back. With the support of Head Teacher, Mr Lewis, the Presteigne

students completed the doors and they were attached to the school railings for the Jubilee.

Ted Pugh Obituary

It is with very great sadness that the family of Ted Pugh report his passing after suffering a heart attack in Hereford Hospital on 21st April 2022.

Ted was born at Moat Cottage, Beguildy, moving to Upper Travelly when he was very young. He spent most of his life of 94 years in the Beguildy area and was happiest there, enjoying farming life, nature and was a keen gardener.

In 2011 he moved to a bungalow in Knighton, where he remained until going into hospital.

He is at rest now in Bettws near his parents and sister. He will be sadly missed by everyone who knew him.

> Grief is the price we pay for love. - Queen Elizabeth

Some of the students' dreams included wanting to end all wars, having everyone in the world being happy, and ending plastic waste. They also had aspirations of going to the moon and being footballers, ballerinas, vets, doctors, zookeepers, gymnasts, and pilots.

Supporting Rotarian doctors in the Ukraine

The Rotary Club's first donation of £500 for Ukraine was to DEC, matched by the Government. They now support a long-term project by donating £500 to the International Rotary Fellowship of Healthcare Professionals (IRFHP), which channels funds directly where needed. You can support their humanitarian efforts by donating through IRFHP website. *Cathy Jones*

Knighton Library Opening Times Monday - Closed Tuesday 10.30 - 1pm and 2 - 5pm Wednesday - Closed Thursday 10.30 - 1pm and 2 - 6pm Friday 8 - 12.30pm 4th Sat of the month 10.30 - 12.30pm Computers/Customer Services by appointment tel: 01597 827460 Email: knighton.library@powys.gov.uk; Phone 01547 528778

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Platinum Jubilee at Felindre

The Jubilee Celebrations at Felindre were a great success with people dressed for the tea party, a royal throne, and a competition for "Best Royal Headgear". The festivities started with a beacon fire on Beacon Hill at Cefn Pawl.

Thank you to everyone who helped with all the preparations for the Jubilee tea party at Felindre Village Hall and to all the volunteers who helped during and after the event. Kind thanks to everyone who donated cakes and loaned photos for the photo display. Thank you all for supporting the event and we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

- Felindre Village Hall Committee more photos on page 63 (inside back cover)

When we are no longer able to change a situation - we are challenged to change ourselves. - Viktor E. Frankl



Knucklas Notes for July/August, 2022

As we approach the height of summer we have a spring of mixed weather behind us and the flowers, as well as some of the foodcrops certainly seem to have liked it.

Previously, I failed to mention, that, along with Colin Evans, Petra Ford also represents us on the Beguildy with Heyope Community Council. Not only that, but she is to be congratulated upon being elected onto the Knighton Town Council as well!

It is good to see brand-new deluxe rubbish/recycling bin by the bridge, the result of having greater influence in high places!

Altogether, we have a growing number of very active and community-minded people in

Knucklas now although more help is always welcomed.

Following the Jubilee celebrations, we have another Village Fete coming up on July 30th. featuring more attractions than ever.

The Hay Literary Festival (featuring more high profile celebrities than ever) and the Jubilee Holiday have been and gone, but numerous other fairs and festivals are planned in the region for this summer. But notable amongst them must be our own Village Fete planned for 30th.July, incorporating even more attractions than previously.

It is good to know that a couple of refugees from Ukraine are being housed by Knucklas residents. Robert Forbath

Llangunllo W.I. Celebrate 20's Style for Their Centenary

langunllo W.I. showed they could really celebrate 100 years of their W.I. when they decorated the village hall in true Gatsby style and dressed for the 1920s.

Following on from the tree planting event in April, members gathered for a fun afternoon with a fabulous buffet meal. The event was made extra special by members embracing the 1920s, and ensuring the buffet comprised of dishes from that era as well.

The 2022 picture is somewhat different to the one taken of members back in the 1920s below. I just wonder what future W.I. members will make of us in a 100 years' time!!!!

Members certainly enjoyed the afternoon with lots of photographs being taken in front of the

> photo booth. Don't we all look fabulous.

> We look forward to our celebratory tea with the community and guests in July, and I'm sure we will see members dressed for the occasion again.

Photos and article by Anne Newton Photo from 1928 of the 1922 formation of Llangunllo W.I.



Flashback to 1928 and some of the members of Llangunllo Women's Institute six years after its formation. In the back row are (names as supplied): Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Smith, Miss Nesta Cooper, Mrs. Davies (Greyhound), Miss Louie Hamer, Miss Evie Price (Griffin Lloyd), Miss Vera Hamer, Miss Annie Griffiths (Rock House). Middle: Teacher Alice Evans, Mrs. Williams (Monaughty), Miss Lloyd, Lea Hall; Mrs. Price (Griffin Lloyd), Mrs. Lerigo, Nurse Dodd, Mrs. Rosa Biggs. Front: Ethel (Evans), Mrs. Viney, Gladys Evans, Miss Lizzie Evans (The Back), Miss Lizzie Price.



LLANGUNLLO COMMUNITY HALL

BIG BREAKFAST

3rd JULY 2022 @ Llangunllo Community Hall 9 am – 1 pm Large £10 Small £7











 \leftarrow A Share Supper, or is it a Tea Party?



Kneeling cushion – last kneeler made by Pauline Parker, W.I. Member. The fence surrounds the four sides.





Gladestry W.I.



Tref-y-clawdd W.I.



when the exceptionally early for this month's meeting and set up the hall in readiness for our long awaited jewellery making session (delayed by lockdowns).

We decided to have a share supper during the business part of the meeting as there was a lot to discuss – each of us are contributing in some way to the County Show, entitled "Fit for a Queen" and we had to make some serious choices for each other.

After business was completed, we were delighted to welcome members from Stowe and Stanage W.I. along with a potential new member and one family member.

As expected, it was great fun with "Crackpots" who had brought 2 kilns and all supplies with them – we proudly took home

Thursday Drop-in Eatery

A drop-in lunch of soup, sandwich and a cake is available between midday and 1.30pm each Thursday in the Knighton Comm. Home delivery for local residents who cannot physically join in. The service is donation led.

Gladestry Gladestry W.I. who enjoyed their first proper meeting since their suspension last year.

Sue Mullin demonstrated Stick Weaving and brought along a lovely selection of items, from wall hangings to an elegant evening bag. Everyone was given a small four stick kit and attempted to weave a brooch whilst chatting, giggling and catching up over tea, biscuits and fresh home-made scones made by our new president. We were especially pleased to welcome four new members.

Gladestry W.I.

W.I. 'Queen' attends the Gladestry Jubilee celebrations

thew Inspiring women

The 'Queen' was part of Gladestry W.I.'s contribution to a display of memorabilia for the celebrations. The Gladestry W.I. banner is behind the 'Queen' – a tea party, singing, entertainment and presentation of diamond jubilee mugs for the children. *(See back cover)*

Lighting of a beacon on the ridge brought a memorable day to a close. A wonderful celebration in honour of Queen Elizabeth 11 *Marlene Evans*

our jewellery masterpieces that inspieces that inspieces an added bonus.

During the workshop, we had another tea break which added to the party atmosphere – it was Jubilee week, after all! A good selection of cakes and savouries was easily demolished.

The whole evening was so interesting that I forgot to take photos, but, luckily, our newest member, Lin, had remembered to photograph the supper before the workshop!

We are taking advantage of the summer months, and are planning a ladies' lunch locally when we'll be able to chat to our heart's content whilst being fed – always a treat for the cooks in the family! For further details and if you'd like to join us please phone Dorothy 01547 528692

Furniture Barn in Knighton

9am to 2pm (Monday to Friday)

Saturdays, 9am to 12.30

Photos by Lin, article by Dorothy Symonds



Whitton Platinum Jubilee Celebrations (Continued)

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then there was the pitch black ride (or walk) home to experience.

On Sunday 5th June there had been an invite to a Jubilee bring-and-share Picnic. The weather prevented a picnic but not the huge variety of food which people provided within Whitton Hall There was a bouncy castle

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County, on 14th July, with a short service and sermon at 3pm and a full choral service and sermon at 7pm. Tea was provided in the National School.

During the rebuilding of the tower several skeletons were found in a pit and the church records show many references to bones being dug up at various times and having to be

Llangunllo W.I. Go Wine Tasting

(images on page 44)

Collowing on from our 1920's celebration L 'in May, our June meeting was a trip to Kerry Vineyard. Along with some partners we had a very interesting visit.

After a quick cup of coffee our excellent guide took us through each of the stages of wine making, starting off with the vines where we learnt about planting, care and harvesting. After exploring the different types of vines we headed indoors for the next part of the talk and of course the even better bit, wine tasting!! We were given a quick lesson on how to taste wine (as you can see opposite) before we sampled 4 different wines. We looked at colour, smell and taste scoring each one.

Following the tasting, which we all definitely enjoyed, a tasty lunch was served before we

outside, which children, as always, enjoyed despite the rain! There were decorations, music, free drinks and lots of happy conversation.

It was all very much appreciated as we had had an enjoyable and memorable Jubilee thanks to unsung individuals. You know who you are though. Very many thanks. -ANON

Llangunllo History (Continued)

reburied. This was not unusual in ancient graveyards. The present tower houses one of the church vestries, the "School Room" and the church bells, the oldest dating from 1614. - Isabel Morris

> Ref – "The History of St Cynllo's Church" by Clive Townsend Church Records and Community Website Photos – Debbie Jones

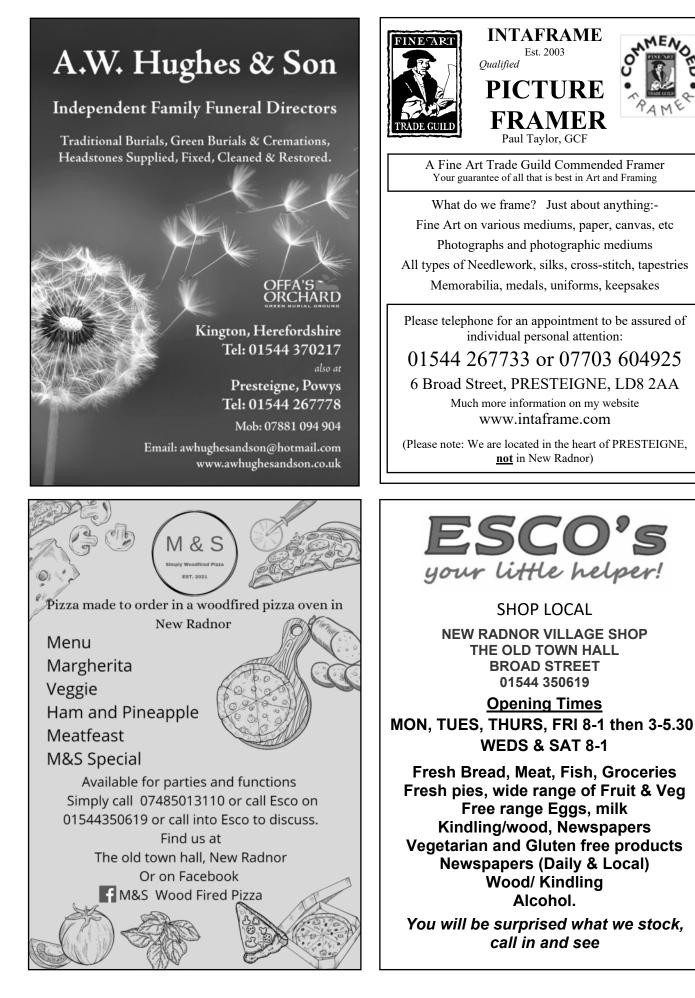
headed back home. I hasten to say with drivers who had not sampled any of the wines. Anne Newton

Special Days in July

- 7 Global Forgiveness Day
- 10 Sea Sunday
- 11 World Population Day
- 17 World Day for International Criminal Justice
- 2 World Conservation Day

August

- International Day of the World's 9 **Indigenous People**
- 12 International Youth Day
- 24 International Strange Music Day



REGISTERS: Weddings:

- 4 June St Edward's Shaun Lapper and Lousie Randell
- Blessing 10 June St Andrew's Norton Rachel and James Wood

Funerals

- 9 June St David's Whitton Elizabeth Jones
- 20 June St Michael's Cascob Ron Phillips
- 21 June Knighton Baptist Chapel and St David's Whitton Richard Lewis
- 27 June St Andrew's Norton Noraline Baynhan
- 30 June St Edward's Sue Evans Interment in Leintwardine Cemetery
- Interment of Ashes Knighton New Cemetery Brenda Aspley

Baptism

26 June St Davis's Heyope Millicent Mary Wilding Schema

Baptist Sunday Worship

July

- 3 Norton Street, 11am, Communion Knucklas Chapel, 6pm
- 10 Norton St, 11am, Morning Worship
- 17 Norton St, 11am joint service with Methodists Knucklas Chapel, 6pm
- 24 Norton St, 11am, Morning Worship Knucklas Comm, Messy Church 4pm
- 31 Norton St, 11am, Morning Worship

August

- 7 Norton Street, 11am, Communion Knucklas Chapel, 6pm
- 14 Norton St, 11am, Morning Worship
- 21 Norton St, 11am, Morning Worship Knucklas Chapel, 6pm
- 28 Norton St, 11am, Morning Worship Knucklas Comm, Messy Church 4pm
- Sept 4 Norton Street, 11am, Communion Knucklas Chapel, 6pm

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Knighton Roman Catholic Church

Service every Sunday at 11am.

Methodist Sunday Worship

Victoria Rd, Knighton every Sunday at 11am.

July

- 1 Rev Dr Neil Richardson
- 10 Mrs Vivienne Thomas
- 17 Deacon Sara Windsor Hides
- 24 Rev Roger Hides Communion
- 29 Rev Kim Stilwell

August

- 7 Mr Alan Priestly
- 14 Mrs Vivienne Thomas Communion
- 31 Mr Mike Owens
- 28 Mr Stephen Dalton

God made men and women true and upright; we're the ones who've made a mess of things. Ecclesiastes 7:29 The Message Bible

Llanfihangel Nantmelan News

Wedding

What a wonderful May/June we have had at St Michael's. We started with a wedding! Laura Lloyd married – at last – Elio Giordano. 3 years late thanks to Covid but well worth the wait! Elio had spent the time in converting the sheep shed behind their home into a fabulous venue. So bride and groom walked from the Church to their reception. They were joined in the evening by the majority of the village who celebrated with them.

Jubilee Celebrations

Then on Jubilee Sunday The Sheepshed was again used for our village celebrations. We were very grateful as the weather was not the best, but it was lovely to see so many villagers coming together to celebrate such an auspicious occasion with a bring and share picnic!!

To finish off our celebrations Rev Mark Beaton baptised Lily Rose.

Church Fete

BUT we are not yet finished!! On August 6th, for the first time since 2019, we are once again having a Church Fete!! Again we are grateful to The Giordano family for allowing us to use The Sheepshed. So we will not be reliant on the weather! Please come along and support us and let's continue to celebrate that we have come through all the upheavel of the last few years!

Funerals

Unfortunately, we have also had sad occasions. In March we celebrated the life of Ivor Davies of Pool Farm. Ivor's family is one of the oldest in the village and his dry wit will be much missed.

On 6th June Mrs Eira Powell formerly of Gwernyrargllwydd Farm, passed away. Mrs Powell was a long time supporter of our Church and was a willing helper at our Harvest Festival. - *Marjoriee Robinson*



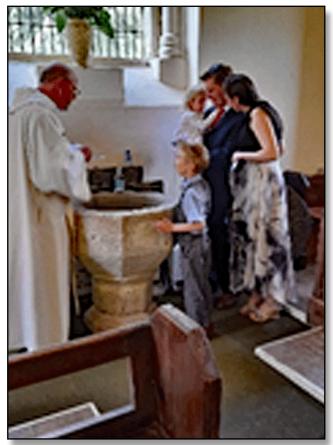


You are welcome on our walks. We walk on Wednesdays and Saturdays with shorter walks on occasional Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please see our website for details. ramblers.org.uk/east-radnor





Wedding of Laura and Elio



Revd Mark Baptising Lily





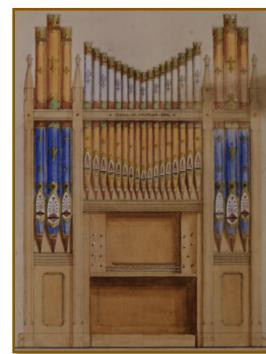
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Jubilee Celebrations at the Sheepshed







Baker's Dozen

Original sketch for St Edward's 1869 organ in West Gallery



Rev'd Petra



Nicky Payne [Bleddfa]



Jubilee Joy at the Methodist Church

Sunday 5th June saw the church Celebrating Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee. Decorations reflected the occasion, with red, white and blue the colours of the day. Members and friends enjoyed fellowship

over a bring and share lunch, toasting the Queen in sparkling elder flower or apple juice in true Methodist style! - Ali Thomas photos by Rob Fountain

Baker's Dozen at St Edward's

I was riveted by classics and curiosities at George Baker's organ concert during the Jubilee Weekend. The weird and wonderful began with a Strauss piece like a fairground carousel, and then the thumping Carnival of

the Elephants played chiefly on the foot pedals.

A composition by Lemare became famous when a lyricist set it to "Moonlight and Roses" (sung by Jim Reeves). For the Jubilee he played the six variations of Charles Ives' "America", a tune we would recognize as "God save the Queen."

He caught an international flavour with "Joshua fit de Battle ob Jericho" by a Nigerian, Fela Sowande, and then an Albanian melody adapted by Scottish James MacMillan as "Dance of the In-laws," for his son's wedding to an Albanian woman. George created a reedy Spanish sound in "Offertorio".

George ended with a tune from Elgar's, "Pomp and Circumstance." He didn't quite approve of the nationalist words added by a lyricist: "Land of Hope and Glory".

The concert explored the sounds of this lovely organ built in 1869 by Gray and Davison of London. A few statistics:

2 keyboards 30 note pedal board 8 stops 840 metal and wooden pipes (16 feet to 1 inch in size)

One can imagine how it sounded in its original position at the west gallery of the church (no longer there). It has been lovingly maintained over the years. Laura W-J

Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much. - Helen Keller

Ministry Area Service at Llangunllo

The Ministry Area had a delightful Fifth Sunday service in May at Llangunllo. Parishioners from around the benefice showed up.

Petra preached about Paul and Silas in Philippi. After being beaten in the afternoon for their beliefs they were chucked into prison, where unbelievably they sang hymns in the night. Suddenly a welcome earthquake arrived, the prison doors were blown open, and they all could have escaped, but law-abiding as they were, they stayed. Their jailer was so astounded that he converted to Christianity!

Happily we could now receive both bread and wine at communion; George Baker played the keyboard for our hymns. The good people of Llangunllo served us tea, coffee, and scrumptious homemade savouries and sweets.

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_	Free concert, Brecon Cathedral, 1pm	
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Sat 2	Bingo, St Ed's Hall, 7pm.	
Sun 3	Llangunllo Big Breakfast, 9am-1pm	
Tue 5	Stowe & Stanage WI Knighton Comm 2.30pm Whitton WI, Vill Hall.	
Wed 6	Organ Recital, Brecon Cathedral 7.30	
Thur 7	Felindre WI to Hillcroft Gardens	
Fri 8	Free concert, Brecon Cathedral, 1pm	
Mon 11	Teme Valley Gardening Club, Knucklas Comm. 7.30pm	
Tue 12	Whitton Coffee Morning, 1030-12 Writing, Knighton Comm 11-1pm	
Wed 13	Jigsaw swap/Book sale, Walton 10-1 Floral Arts, Prest. Mem'l Hall, 7.30	
Thur 14	Chatterbrook WI to Hartlebury	
Fri 15	Harp concert, Brecon Cathedral, Free 1pm	
Sun 17	Songs of Praise, St Cynllo's, 5.30pm	
Tue 19	Hearing Aid Clinic, Knighton, 10-1	
Fri 22	Free Concert, Brecon Cathedral,1pm	
Sat 23	Quiet Day, Knucklas Chapel 10-4	
Sun 24	Messy Church, Knucklas Comm, 4 Ludlow Dog Day, Stokesay, 10-5	
Fri 29	Free Concert, Brecon Cathedral,1pm	
Sat 30	Knucklas Fete, Comm Centre 12-5	
Sun 31	Songs of Praise, Gravel Chapel, 6.30 Knucklas Allotment Open Day, 1-5 Songs of Praise, Gravel Chapel 6.30	
August		
Tue 2	Stowe&Stanage WI to Hampton Ct Whitton WI, Vill Hall	
Wed 3	Organ Recital, Brecon Cathedral 7.30	
Thur 4	Children's Activities start at Llangunllo Hall, 2-4	
Fri 5	Free Concert, Brecon Cathedral 1pm Llanfair W.I. Everest Hall, 7pm	

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Sat 6	Llanfihangel Nantmelan Fete, 2.30 Concert at Bleddfa Church, 6.30pm
Mon 8	Teme Valley Gardening Club, Knucklas Comm. 7.30pm
Tue 9	Whitton Coffee Morning, 1030-12 Writing, Knighton Comm 11-1pm
Wed 10	Jigsaw swap/Book sale, Walton 10-1 Floral Arts, Prest, Mem'l Hall, 7.30
Thur 11	Chatterbrook WI, Mem'l Hall 7.30
Fri 13	Walton Hall Produce & Teas, 1-4
Sat 14	Walton Hall Produce & Teas 1-4pm
Tue 16	Hearing Aid Clinic, Knighton, 10-1
Fri 19	Free Concert,, Brecon Cath, 1pm
Fri 26	St Cuthbert's Choir, Free, Brecon Cathedral 1pm
Sat 27	Knighton Show & Carnival
Sun 28	Messy Church, Knucklas Comm, 4
Sep-22	Llangunllo at Kington Charity Shop

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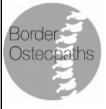
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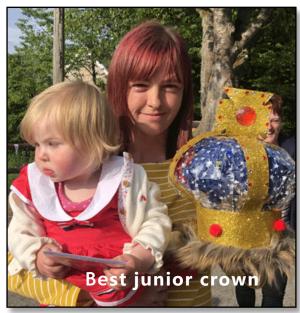
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