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*Harvest - Plough Chapel, Brecon*

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Images Clockwise:

- Invoice
- Ruth Casson and Jean Thomas at the pump
- Post Office before the roof was raised



# Bleddfa Shop and Post Office

The earliest record found of a shop operating in Bleddfa is in the 1861 census where Sarah Davies, widow is recorded having an occupation as a grocer.

In the 1871, 1881 and 1891 census George Lloyd Powell, Tailor and Grocer, is recorded living in the property now known as the Old Post Office with his family.

The Post Office was originally established 16 July 1881 and set up under the Post Town of Knighton. In 1884 the administration of Bleddfa was transferred to the Railway substation of Llangunllo. Bleddfa received its own rubber stamp in 1895.

The 1901 census shows George Lloyd Powell (60) Tailor, Martha Powell (56) Sub Post Mistress, Albert Powell (26) Tailor and Postman and Rosalind Powell (22) Post office Assistant living at the shop.

In the early 1900s, Mr and Mrs Hardwick moved to the Post Office from Cascob with their children Joel and Eva. Joel, who had served his apprenticeship as a grocer with Hamels in Knighton, took over the Post Office, with his sister Eva taking charge of the shop in his absence. When Eva left to get married, Joel married Janie and they ran the shop side by side until they retired at the end of 1948 when the shop was sold to Mr & Mrs JC Benbow.

The Benbows sold to Mr H Dean on 16th September 1950. They in turn sold to Mr and Mrs M Casson on 31st October 1955

Ruth Casson ran the shop and post office until Jean Thomas, Ruth's daughter took over as postmistress on 1st October 1988 and continued to run the "short shop", a shop for when people ran short. Fresh bread and cakes were delivered to the shop every day and papers at the weekend. Travelling salesmen would deliver cigarettes (Players) and ice-cream.

The Post Office was closed temporarily in 2006 when Jean became ill. Jean died in November 2007 and the Post Office closed its doors forever a year afterwards.

Albert Thomas, Jean's husband, remembers when he was left in charge for the day. A lovely young couple came in with 2 half pint bottles and 2 one pint stone bottles of brown ale they'd won at a local fete. They didn't drink so asked if they could trade them for lemonade. Albert gave them a couple of bottles. A while later he took one of the bottles out to the back and enjoyed a beer. He decided to have another and discovered the remaining 3 bottles contained water! On close examination he found the tops had been tampered with and one of the bottles had the wrong top altogether.

After Ruth's death in 1992 the post office and house were unoccupied for a couple of years. Albert woke one morning to find the back door to the property had been forced and that the safe, an axe and £113.00 had been stolen. The police were called and informed that there had also been strychnine (for killing moles) in the safe, which was a cause for concern. The safe was found at Beggar's Bush with the back smashed in and the contents taken. The culprits were never apprehended but there was a gang operating in the area and a few other post offices had also been targeted. The incident was reported in the Brecon & Radnor Times.

The shop had a petrol pump outside, operated by a hand pump. The maximum sale that could be made from the pump was 3s 6 ½d. They sold Esso (put a Tiger in your tank!) and sold tiger tails in the shop for one shilling each. Graham George was the last person ever to buy petrol from the pump 3rd October 1980.

Arthur Joseph was the local postman who lived at Lower Hivron. When the post van came from Knighton to collect and deliver post they would call by and put Arthur and his BMA bike in the back and give him a lift to Bleddfa, getting there for 7.30am. They would have a cup of tea and chat in the back whilst Ruth sorted the post, then Arthur would deliver round the parish.

*Albert Thomas and Nicky Paine*



*Joel Hardwick*



*Receiving award for Best Kept Village*

# A Letter from the Vicar's Study

Dear Friends,

We are in the season of marking harvest as a church and community. The schools will be having their Harvest services in Church, and we as a community will also be celebrating with worship and feasting in churches and halls together.

Harvest is a good season when we can stop and recognise what we have, particularly focussing on the produce the farmers provide for us, and we remember how thankful we are for the good things we have in our lives.

Let us give thanks to God for the amazing countryside around us, the people we have in our lives and the many, many good things we have, even when things aren't quiet going to plan. Let us concentrate on the good things that are in our life and have an attitude of gratitude!

*Blessings, Rev Rach*



## About the Cover - Harvest, The Plough

This traditional Harvest image is from the Plough Chapel in Brecon. The mountains of Cribbin, Corndu, and Pen-y-fan stand behind the farmer who determinedly works his fields with oxen and plough. Fittingly a couple of leaves and flowers from a recent flower festival appear in the photo. At harvest tide the scene tugs at our hearts. It represents an earlier time, but one that is still within living memory for some, a simpler way of farming. The Plough Chapel, built in the 1890s, grew from its former life as an inn of the same name. It is one of the finest chapel interiors with beautiful curved oak pews raked upwards and two staircases leading to either side of a pulpit carved richly with roses and lilies.

*Photo and article by Laura Woodside-Jones*

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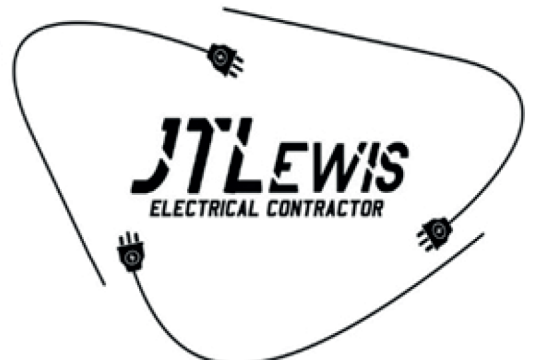
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## Gladestry WI

Members and friends of Gladestry WI joined together for a trip to Aberystwyth in August. After picking up in Walton, New Radnor and Rhayader, a coach of 34 happy trippers were on their way!

Some spent their day in Aberystwyth, others, after a breath of seaside air and lunch, met the coach and were taken to Aberystwyth Arts Centre to see the amazing production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory! An afternoon of music, dancing, song and wonderful acting left us buzzing.

Thanks go to Paul, our driver with M&J Travel. He patiently picked up and dropped off at various places in Aberystwyth and delivered us home safely. The weather had been kind to us - we'd had a lovely day and already booking for next year!

Our next WI meeting on Tuesday 17th September will be making corn dollies with Kristina. Visitors are welcome. We meet at 7pm in Gladestry village hall on the third Tuesday in the month- look forward to seeing you.

*Marlene Evans*

## Tref y Clawdd WI

We've been celebrating again this month. Despite a few last minute changes owing to various illnesses, we obtained very high marks for our entries in the Knighton show and came away with a very respectable outcome - Third place. Congratulations to all. Well done!

Our 90th birthday is in September so we gathered together at a member's house for an amazing afternoon tea. The sun shone down on us as we sang Jerusalem for old time's sake. We drank Prosecco and toasted members past and present and look forward to our centenary next. All members brought a contribution and we had plenty of food to share with members, visitors and friends - everyone had gone the extra mile and the table was positively groaning with beautiful food - which took a few hours to eat!

The friendships formed in the WI are very special and we all enjoy meeting new members and joining other groups in various ventures or activities that we have a special interest in. Crafts/books/bowling/walking/gardens are all catered for and many others besides.

We meet on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7pm in St Edward.s Church Hall. Do join us - you'll be made very welcome.

Phone Dorothy for details 07974 678 514

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## Stowe & Stanage WI

There were congratulations to the team responsible for our entry in the Knighton Show at our September meeting. It was a superb effort and we were delighted to be awarded first place; Rene won the rose bowl for the best craft item.

Our speaker was David Weller, local beekeeper, who told us about his hobby. Bees have been in existence for 30 million years, and honey was used by the Egyptians as currency. Honey found in Tutankhamun's tomb when it was opened years after his burial, was apparently still viable.

The sole purpose of the drones is to mate with the queen who can lay up to 2,500 eggs per day. These eggs are looked after by the worker bees who travel up to 3 miles to find pollen and nectar. One bee makes one twelfth of a teaspoon of honey in its lifetime! David passed round a sample of his honey for us to taste and it was delicious!

Our October meeting is on 1st October at 7pm in the Reynolds Room, when Maureen Conway will tell us about her cycling journey into breeze. All are welcome. Contact Alison Thomas [alithomas1@gmail.com](mailto:alithomas1@gmail.com) for information.

*Marlene Evans*

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## Old Radnor WI

Would you like to be inspired, learn a new skill, or make new friends? Old Radnor WI members will welcome you at their monthly meetings at Walton village hall. First Tuesday of the month at 7pm. For further information please contact [jane.c.lloyd@gmail.com](mailto:jane.c.lloyd@gmail.com).

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## Gladestry WI



## Stowe & Stanage WI



## Tref y Clawdd WI



**Whitton WI visit  
to Rhos Organic  
Market Garden  
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Whitton Coffee  
Morning**



*Harvesting*



*Marigolds*



*Black Toms*



*Cucumelon*



*Seedlings*



*Poly Veg*



*Top of flower fields*



*Lucky dip raffle*



*Heather, Peter and Dorothy*



*Coffee Morning Crowd*



*Tilly, Theresa,  
Barbara and Idris*

## Whitton WI

All are guaranteed a welcome and plenty of good food at Whitton Harvest Supper. There will be entertainment from Glasnant Morgan and a raffle in aid of Blood Bikes. This popular social event is at 7.30pm (open from 7pm) on **Friday 25th October**. Tickets only £15 (£7 under 16 yrs) booked in advance Tel. 01547 560 327 or contact WI Members.

Early in September we had a very pleasant visit to Rhos Organic Market Garden. The fields were full of produce but the tomato vines had been stripped of their leaves to enable the remaining fruits to ripen. We saw the experimental patch and were invited to sample the grape-sized cucumelon... strange. The flowers which are sold in the Knighton shop were still looking bright and healthy, as were the seedlings for next year's crops. It was one of the last of the few bright summer evenings and we lingered happily in the fields and polytunnels as Mick and Alice spoke of their business - which was also clearly their passion.

At our last coffee morning we enjoyed a dram of whisky but at the recent coffee morning we put a different slant on the raffle. As always it was FREE but the prizes were not visible - it was a lucky dip, as winners made their choices from bags which could not be 'shaken or stirred'. Some bags were very enticing and all very different - as were the prizes! Next coffee morning is **12th November** (where has this year gone?)

Our October meeting will see us inside Whitton Community Hall with a Craft Session. Then in November we are looking forward to hearing about Blood Bikes. We are a small group and always pleased to see new (and not so new) faces - please feel free to join us at 7pm on the first Tuesday of the month.

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## Radnorshire Bridge Club

On 5th September Radnorshire Bridge Club held a social evening with the Craven Arms and Culmington Club. There were 10 tables playing, which also included some of our friends from the Lyonshall Club. It was a very successful evening with wonderful refreshments provided by many of the host Club members. The results reflected the mixture of Clubs: winners, Peter Smith and Kay Taylor 64.35% (Radnorshire); 2nd, Nick Holcome and Mickie O'Neal 62.96% (Culmington); and 3rd, Zita Chilman and Yvonne Thomas 58.10% (Lyonshall).

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## Llanfair Waterdine WI

For our September meeting (6th), we had a very interesting and informative talk by Jonathon Hodges from Mid Wales Fire and Rescue, followed by a wonderful supper.

In October (4th) we are planning a social night with a Beetle Drive; always fun and enjoyable with lots of laughs.

Then for November (1st) we will be having our AGM.

Our meetings are on the first Friday of the month in the Everest Hall, Llanfair Waterdine. Meeting 7pm. Speaker/activity 7.30pm. We are always pleased to welcome visitors to enjoy the speaker/activity and share our finger buffet supper. So please come along.

For further information contact Margaret Clugston 01547 529 155 or Christine Chainey 01547 519 254.

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## Teme Valley Gardeners' Club

The allotted speaker failed to turn up to the last meeting, but, no problem, there was a lot for members to talk about, insights to be shared and refreshments to be enjoyed.

Under the chairmanship of Margaret Clugston there was a most useful spontaneous discussion which helped to show that the club can enjoy a worthwhile evening without necessarily importing talent, a luxury which is becoming increasingly expensive.

The next meeting is at Knucklas Community Centre starting at 7.30pm on **Monday 14th October**. The subject to be addressed is: *'Gardens Lost and Found'*. The competition is: *'An arrangement of Michaelmas Daisies'*. Refreshments and a raffle are always available. Visitors are always welcome.

*Robert Forbath*

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The Festival begins with a poetry themed afternoon featuring three outstanding poets: Grahame Davies, Nicholas Murray and John Barnie who will read from and discuss their recent collections. In the evening Flicks in the Sticks will be showing the film *Bright Star*, starring Ben Wishaw as John Keats in a portrayal of the thwarted romance between the poet and his neighbour Fanny Brawne.

On Saturday 12th October there is a full day of talks on a wide range of topics including Monica Macias' fascinating memoir of growing up in North Korea; and Ariane Bankes' account of the charismatic and devastatingly beautiful Paget sisters who overcame a meagre education to take 1930s London society by storm in the 1930s. Jem Poster and Sarah Burton dispense advice on writing and discuss their new Victorian detective novel *Eliza Mace*. Fiona Sampson explores the meaning of place, how we shape it and how it shapes us in *Limestone Country*, while Joe St Clair addresses the subject of spirituality at a time of huge global upheaval, change and uncertainty in *Transcendence*.

On Sunday, astronomer Martin Griffiths, the director of the Brecon Beacons Observatory examines the Celtic night sky in his guide to astronomy and its links to the ancient mythologies of the Welsh peoples. Stand-up comedian turned novelist Ian Moore will be talking about his hilarious series of murder mysteries set in the Loire Valley. The Festival ends with a performance of *Twelfth Night* by the Willow Globe Theatre group.

The Festival is sponsored by Knighton Town Council, Knighton Community Centre, Literature Wales, and Knighton Rotary Club. There is a small charge of £5 for most of the talks, and a discounted weekend ticket available at £25. Admission fees for the film and the play are not included in the weekend ticket.

More information about the Festival programme and all our speakers, together with booking details can be found on the website [knightonfestival.wales](http://knightonfestival.wales). Tickets for all the talks can be purchased on the Eventbrite website.

## Friday 11th October

### Poetry Afternoon

- 2pm Grahame Davies: *A Darker Way*
- 3pm Nicholas Murray: *River Run for the Wye in Hard Times*
- 4pm John Barnie:  
*Dunes of Cwm Rheidol*
- 6pm The Picturemakers exhibition:  
Meet the artists event
- 7.30pm Film: *Bright Star*

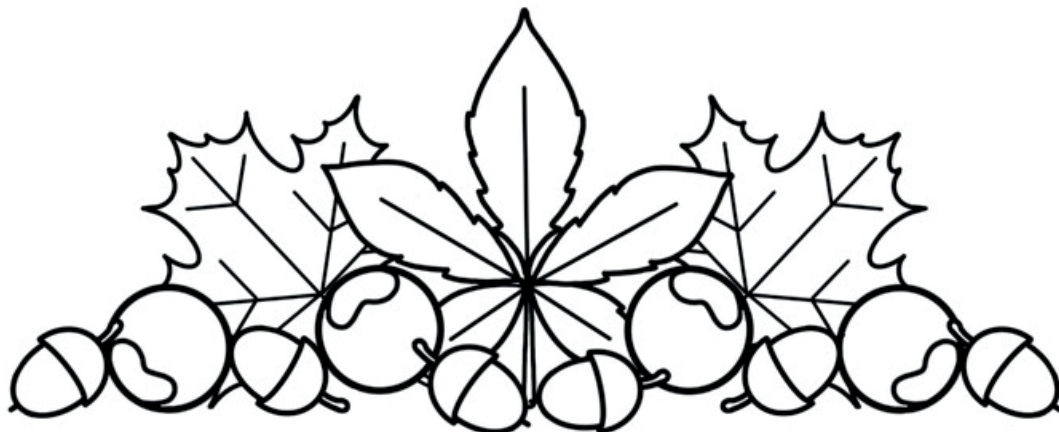
## Saturday 12th October

### 10am -4pm Books, art and crafts market

- 10am Jem Poster and Sarah Burton:  
*Writing the book you want to write - a discussion for aspiring writers*
- 11am Monica Macias:  
*Black Girl from Pyongyang*
- 12am Fiona Sampson:  
*Limestone Country*
- 1-2pm Lunch in café with music from  
Kandinsky's Daughter
- 2pm Jem Poster and Sarah Burton:  
*Eliza Mace - a discussion of historical fiction/detective fiction*
- 3pm Ariane Bankes:  
*The Quality of Love*
- 4pm Joe St Clair: *Transcendence*

## Sunday 13th October

- 2pm Martin Griffiths:  
*Dark Land Dark Skies*
- 3.15pm Ian Moore:  
*Follet Valley mystery series*
- 5pm Willow Globe Theatre:  
*Twelfth Night*





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## **Radnor Valley Gardening Club Events Calendar for 2024**

**21 Oct - 7.30pm - AGM**

**18 Nov - 7.30pm - Sabina Ruber**

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## Welsh Words

**mis Hydref** – October

**hydref** – Autumn  
(lit. the bellowing of  
stags, the rutting season)

**hydrefwynt** – Autumn wind

**hwch ddu gwta** – Tailless black sow said  
to chase people at Hallowe'en



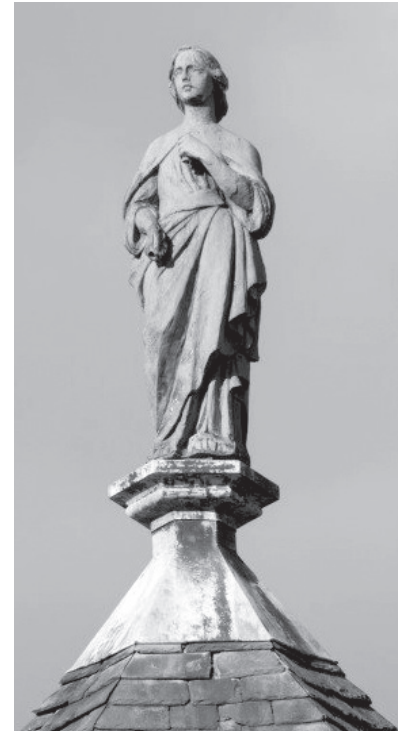
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## Celtic Saint of the Month

### St Triduana – 8th October (4th-8th Century)

Triduana is the Latin version of her name, the name she is remembered by in Restalrig, a village that is now in the middle of Edinburgh. The ancient church there was rebuilt and dedicated to St Margaret, but in the churchyard is St Triduana's Aisle. This is a two-storey hexagonal building, which was restored at the beginning of the last century. The top half had been completely destroyed at the beginning of the Reformation, as the veneration of Triduana was so strong, even in the 16th century. In 1906 the rubble was cleared from the bottom half, which was partly below ground level. It had been used as a burial vault, but they found that it was actually a wellhouse and contained Triduana's holy well. She was so popular for centuries as it was believed she could heal blindness and other eye conditions. The legend is that Nechtan, King of the Picts, had fallen in love with her on account of her beautiful eyes. So she plucked out her eyes and sent them to him, attached to a thorn branch. This is when she lived in Rescobie near Forfar in Angus, but later she moved to Restalrig, where she eventually died and was buried. By the way, there was more than one King Nechtan in Pictish times, which is why we don't know which century Triduana actually lived in.

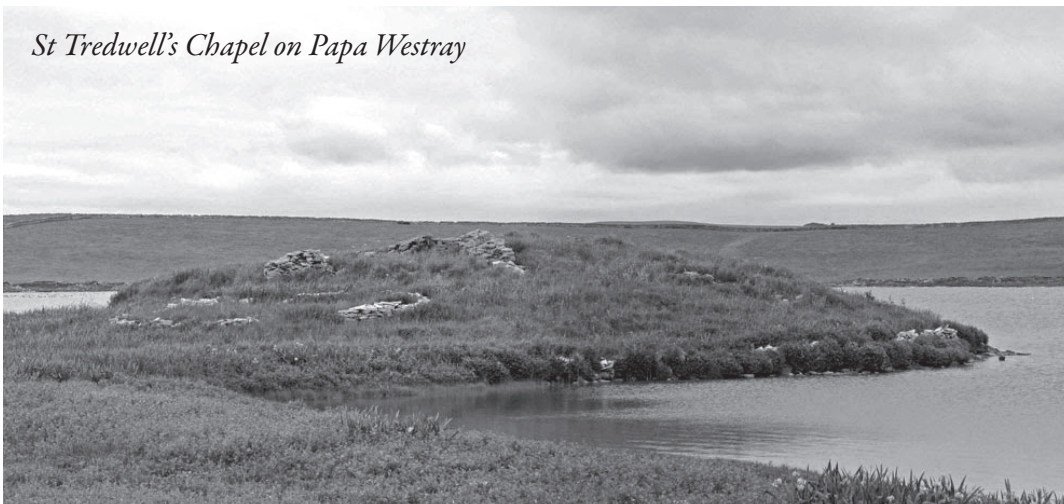


Triduana was known by other names in local languages, especially in the far north of Scotland. On Papa Westray, one of the Orkney islands, there is a small island in St Tredwell's Loch, where there are the ruins of an ancient chapel dedicated to her. It was a very popular pilgrimage destination, especially for those with eye diseases. They would walk around the loch and then bathe their eyes in the water beside the chapel and their eyes would be healed. The local Presbyterian minister was not happy and tried to stop them from such idolatry.

A chapel near Brora in Sutherland bears her name as St Trolla on the Kintradwell estate.

The Norse version of her name was Trollhaena and there is an account in the Orkneyinga Saga about Bishop John of Scrabster in Caithness. He had disobeyed Earl Harald who decreed that he should be blinded and his tongue cut out. Bishop John prayed to St Trollhaena and was carried to her "resting place" where his sight and speech were restored. It is thought that the "resting place" might have been the chapel at Ballachly, not far from Scrabster. In the midst of the moor is an overgrown burial ground on the site of Triduana's medieval chapel. The adjoining farmland used to be known as Croit Trolla, the croft of St Trollhaena.

*St Tredwell's Chapel on Papa Westray*



So these are the traces of a mysterious pious lady who caught the imagination of medieval believers, but even today she is not forgotten. The modern Catholic church in Restalrig is still dedicated to St Ninian and St Triduana.

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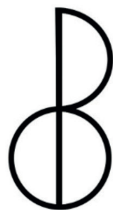
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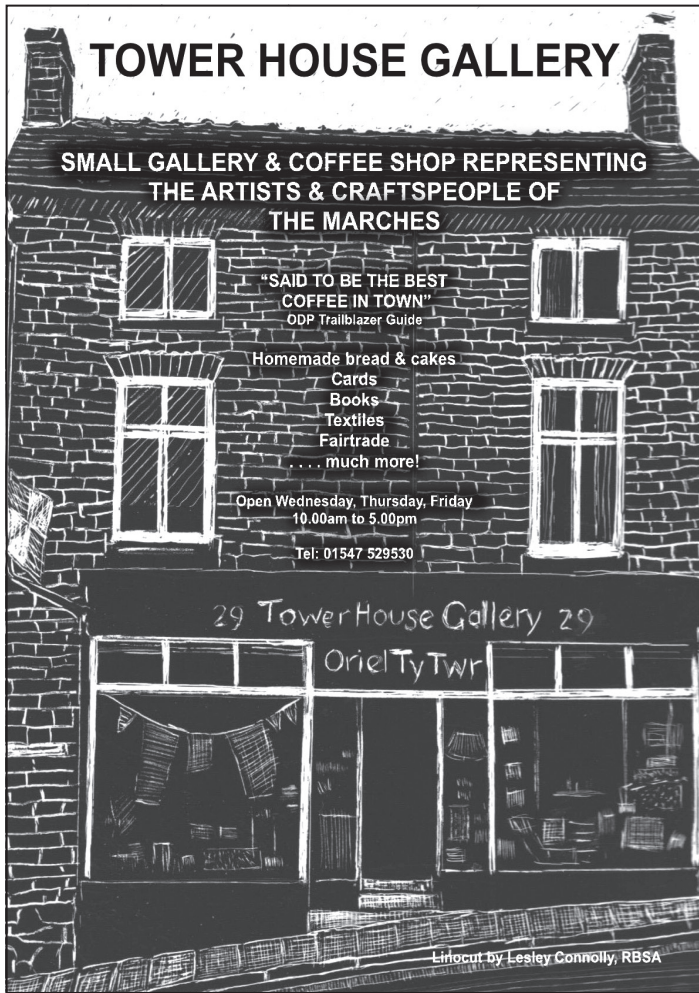
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## Knucklas Notes

We have seen some big events in Knucklas recently: Lottie and her family's amazingly attended party around their home, Judith and Jonathan's family party up at Tan y Bryn, and the funeral of Duncan Powell. His coffin had a huge escort of motor cyclists from his well-loved Knucklas home to the service at Knighton Community Centre. None of these, nor the recent successful gig at the Knucklas Community Centre featuring an ABBA tribute group, caused any disturbance to local people. It is good to see such an atmosphere of mutual respect.

This October, the Midlands and Welsh Vintage Sports Car procession, setting out from Presteigne, is due to pass through Knucklas any time between 8am-2pm on **Sunday 13th**. This is a week before the 20th, when the Knucklas Apple Day will be celebrated in the Community Orchard. Prior to that, there is the Knucklas Castle Hill Community Land Project AGM on Saturday 5th, being held at Knucklas Community Centre at 7pm.

The Community Centre itself held its AGM recently and showed itself to be geared to action rather than talk. Under the chairmanship of Suzanne Pardoe-Bouchard an increasingly attractive Centre is being provided for the local population and beyond. Projects well up the pipeline include: attempts to re-start a youth club, evenings of communal music and a patio for enjoyment of sunshine, fresh air and the view, a welcome extension to the hall.

The Herefordshire Arts Week went with a swing in Knucklas with plenty of locals and visitors visiting our five exhibitors.

The Baptist Chapel, led by Gareth Davidson and his team, continues to be a welcome presence, with regular services as well as walk-in coffee mornings and activities for local children. The chapel yard is beautifully kept and not infrequently in demand.

Active clergy are becoming increasingly rare around here with the recent departures of Revd. Petra Goodband (Anglican), Deacon Sara (Methodist), both Knighton based, and Revd. Dr. Martin Quayle from across the Teme. Harvest time will nevertheless be celebrated in Knucklas and also at Heyope.

Local people are sad to learn of the passing of Jim Williams, previously of Monaughty Poeth, after a long illness.

Congratulations to Joe Hayward and Katie Davies, who have set up home opposite us, upon their recent marriage; they wish to be known by the surname Hayward-Davies.

*Robert Forbath*

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**East Radnor Ministry Area  
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The East Radnor Ministry Area is now up and running but there are still some essential people needed to ensure that it will run smoothly.

We need a Ministry Area Treasurer, Secretary, Warden and more members of the Ministry Area Council to fill roles on various sub committees.

If you would like to know more about what is involved, please contact Rev'd Rachael Storer

# Knighton News

## Coffee Morning

We will meet as usual on the third Saturday of the month, **19th October**, in the Church Hall at 10am to midday. It is always an enjoyable social occasion so do come along. You will be very welcome. There will be stalls for you to browse, a raffle and competitions, all in aid of church funds. Last month raised the sum of £230.00. Competition winners were: P Pugh, J Price, J Vickerstaff, V Price, L Heakin and Phylis Pugh. Our thanks to all who support the stalls and provide prizes each month.

## Bingo

Do you fancy an evening of fun with good company, playing bingo? The next date will be **26th October** at 7pm in the Church Hall. Large jackpot waiting to be won. All profits for hall roof fund.

## Harvest Festival

The festival service will take place in St Edward's Church at 11am on **13th October**, led by Geoff Weaver. If you are interested in decorating with flower or harvest related items, please phone Jean on 528 260.

## Altar Guild

A huge thank you to all our flower arrangers who provided lovely displays for Petra's last service, not forgetting the brass cleaners, including one gentleman.

## Christmas Tree Festival

We will be holding our usual tree festival on the weekend of **6th December**. Lots of time to make your decorations for your tree, which we hope you will bring along to display in St Edward's.

## Annual Christmas Draw

The tickets will be available shortly to sell for church funds. We need your help please to sell them. It is not too late to donate an item for the draw, which will take place on **14th December** in the hall. Contact J Price or S Rawlings for further details.

## Shampoo

I don't know why I didn't realise this sooner. It's the shampoo we use in the shower. When I wash my hair the shampoo runs down my whole body, and printed very clearly on the shampoo label is this warning: *"For extra volume and body"*. No wonder I have been gaining weight! I am getting rid of the shampoo and am going to use dishwashing liquid instead. Its label reads: *"Dissolves fat that is difficult to remove"*. Problem solved!

## Knighton Show and Carnival

It was a very successful and enjoyable day for all in our community. Blue skies, sunshine and lots going on for all ages. The two processions were excellent, with lots of young people taking part, having spent a lot of time dressing up and decorating to portray their chosen theme. There was a large crowd, including many visitors to the town, anxious to view the horticulture and flower exhibits in the community centre, competitors eager and excited to look for the winner's red card on their entry. On the show field, lots of attractions were enjoyed. Show day involves a lot of planning, all done by volunteers, lots of work raising funds, meetings and, on the day, stewards, judges and much more. A huge thank you to all who run the show to make a fun day for everyone. The AGM will be taking place in November. If you are interested and have ideas to share, why not go along?

## Show Winners

Congratulations to Stowe & Stanage WI, the winners of the Silver Tref-y-Clawdd Cup, with their delightful display depicting a local Welsh castle. The exquisite needlework box in their exhibit was chosen best item in the displays, winning the Memorial Rose Bowl. Congratulations to Mrs Rene Morris for her beautiful work. Other church members who won prizes included S Rawlings, P Pugh, J Price, S Beddoes and S Sahingoz.

*Jean Price*

# Llanfair Waterdine Bike Show 2024

On Sunday 4th August we held a Classic Bike Show at Llanfair Waterdine. This was put on to raise funds for BloodBikes Wales.

The first thing I have to do is give a huge thank you to the people of Llanfair Waterdine and surrounding area for putting up with us. Not only do they put up with us but the help and cooperation from the village has to be seen to be believed, it's like the whole village and valley turn out and want to do something towards making the event a success.

I have to thank so many people and I'm sorry if you don't get a mention. The people that make the homemade cakes that appear still warm, Pauline, Julie and the team serving the cakes, tea and coffee, Elaine for washing up (although she makes me do it at home), Abbie and her friend selling raffle tickets, Rob Gwilt for an absolutely amazing display on the history of the Graig scramble and once again thanks to one of the stars of the Graig Scramble Andy Robertson for judging the bikes. Steve, Matt and the lads who are putting on this weekend's fun day at the same venue and have been a big help, Steve and Donna for publicising the event far and wide, Rose for making the fantastic posters, Dean and his wife for their help, Jenny and Jane for doing the banging burgers with Fred doing the cooking, Pete, Clive and Marion parking and gate duties, Sue walking miles to catch all the entries ready for judging as well as the Classic Car folks and the Salop VMCC for joining us and a big thanks to John Cadwallader for bringing the London to Sydney rally car. A special thank you has to go to Robert and Ruth for allowing us to use their field for parking as I don't know what we would have done without it.

Anyway, just a quick word about BloodBikes Wales for people that aren't aware of what we do. BloodBikes Wales is a 100% volunteer charity which provides a completely free courier service to the NHS, delivering blood, samples, plasma, donated human milk, documents and other items anywhere that's needed. There are no Government grants or funding of any description and it is funded purely by donations and events like this show. We are very busy locally and have six volunteer riders within the Knighton area. We operate mainly in Wales but a lot of our daytime jobs involve picking up urgent medications from Hereford Hospital which we deliver direct to patients houses. Most of our work involves pathology samples which have to be taken to the larger hospitals for testing, this is very often out of hours of NHS transport. The very urgent jobs would have been taken by police car or ambulance but we can now cover that which frees them up for the roles they need to carry out. We also carry human milk which is picked up from donors' houses and taken to either Chester or Swansea for screening and then we will transport it to whichever hospital it is needed. Locally we operate from 9am until 10pm seven days a week, 365 days a year. Although we are the Powys BloodBikes Area we travel anywhere and very often go to Cardiff, Newport, Cwmbran, Machynlleth, Shrewsbury as well as the local hospitals. So if you see a BloodBike in Hereford, Shrewsbury or anywhere local just give them a wave as it will probably be one of our boys and I'm sure they will appreciate it.

Back to the show. This year's show was a tremendous success and as of today this show and the people of Llanfair have made £5057.14 for BloodBikes. Every single penny of this will go to running the bikes, nobody in the charity takes a wage, there are no fancy offices, it is just run from people's homes and it's all voluntary right up to the Chairman. We as riders often get thanked for what we do but this is a collective effort, every person that paid £5 to get in, bought a burger for £3, made a cake or made a donation is part of the team that allows BloodBikes to work so thank you.

I could not finish without thanking the main man Dave Barrett. Without Dave this event would not run, fact, there are always willing helpers but it needs somebody to drive it and that someone is Dave. Thanks Dave.

*Phil Evans (one of the BloodBike Riders from Knighton)*

## Show Awards

### Trail Bike

1. Dave Lloyd - *XL125*
2. Rob Watkins - *KMX200*
3. Dick Savvie - *XT500*

### Trials/Enduro

1. Rob Watkins -  
*Bultaco 350*
2. Jim Didlick -  
*Greeves Scottish*
3. Julian Kowalewski -  
*Beta 125 ES*

### Scramblers

1. Martin Jenkins -  
*CCM 500*
2. Jim Didlick -  
*Rickman Bultaco Matisse*
3. Dave Barrett -  
*Montesa 250*

### British

1. Ken Stoll -  
*Vincent Comet*
2. Richard Hearnden -  
*Velocette MAC 350*
3. Dean Cockayne -  
*Triumph Bonneville*

### Japanese

1. Mike Breakspear -  
*Suzuki GT750*
2. Dave Barrett -  
*Kawasaki 750 H2*
3. Steve Rolands -  
*Kawasaki 500 HI*

### Rest of the World

1. Phil James - *Yam XJ550*
2. Steve Rolands -  
*MV Augusta 350*
3. Steve Edwards -  
*Beneiii Quattro*

### Peoples Choice for best in show.

Rob Watkins - *Bultaco 350*

*(If you are wondering why an XJ550 won the Rest of the World class it was because the owner had made a lot of the motorcycle himself with some very clever engineering.)*

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## Knighton Thursday Drop-in Eatery

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

## Walton Hall Events

There is a book and jigsaw swap at Walton Hall on the second Wednesday of every month, from 10.00am to 1.00pm. Come and have a cup of tea, a slice of cake and a friendly chat with us.

A craft afternoon is held in the hall on the first and third Tuesday of every month from 2.00pm to 4.00pm. Spend a relaxing couple of hours working on your own arts and crafts with some like-minded enthusiasts. £3 entry, which includes bottomless tea and coffee and a slice of cake.

## Citizens Advice available via the Knighton Community Centre

For anyone in the Knighton area who needs help or advice from the Powys CAB, the Community Centre in Knighton are offering a video link appointment with a CAB adviser every Tuesday between 10 am and 1 pm.

At the Community Centre they offer a private room, computer access and help with starting the interview. All interviews are by appointment only. To make an appointment either phone the Community Centre on 01547 428 088 or drop in on Tuesday or Thursday mornings or message the Comm's Facebook page.

You can also self-refer to the CAB contact line 0345 6018421.

## Knighton Library Opening Times

Monday Closed

Tuesday 10.30am - 1pm & 2 - 5pm

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## Llangunllo Community Events

### Singing Group at the Village Hall

1st Wednesday of the Month.

Between 7.30 and 9pm. All welcome

### Table Tennis at the Village Hall

Every Thursday, between 5 and 6.30pm.

£2.00. All welcome

Please see our Llangunllo Village Website:

[www.llangunllo.co.uk](http://www.llangunllo.co.uk)

## Hear to Help "Drop Off" Hearing Aid Clinic

### Knighton Community Centre

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# Knighton Primary School's Values Mosaic

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# What's on in the East Radnor Ministry Area?



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Raise the song of harvest home!  
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Ere the winter storms begin;  
God, our maker, doth provide  
For our wants to be supplied;  
Come to God's own temple, come;  
Raise the song of harvest home!

We ourselves are God's own field,  
Fruit unto his praise to yield;  
Wheat and tares together sown,  
Unto joy or sorrow grown;  
First the blade and then the ear,  
Then the full corn shall appear:  
Grant, O harvest Lord, that we  
Wholesome grain and pure may be....

*By H Alford (1810 - 71)*

Very probably, you will sing this well-loved Harvest hymn this month. It was written by the Revd Henry Alford DD, a Victorian clergyman who had been a fellow student at Trinity College, Cambridge with Alfred Lord Tennyson, and whose transparent goodness and friendliness seem to have made him liked and appreciated wherever he went.

His ministry began as Vicar of Wymeswold, a tiny village in Leicestershire with a badly neglected church. Over 18 years, Henry rebuilt the faltering Christian community, faithfully visiting every person in his parish, and preaching his way through the Bible in sermons that were so clear that everyone could understand him. He then moved on to the incumbency of Quebec Chapel in London for four years, before moving to the Deanery of Canterbury, in 1857, where he lived until his death in early 1871.

Henry was one of life's good people; gentle, kindly, grateful for everything he had (he used to say 'grace' before AND after each meal), and eager to encourage all those whom he served. He was prodigiously productive: writing something like 50 books. The best known of these was a four-volume exposition of the New Testament, which took him nearly 20 years.

His famous hymn draws upon two of Jesus' parables: the story of the wheat and tares (Mt 13:24-30) and also the story of the seed that grows unbeknown to the sower (Mark 4:26-29). Both are parables drawn from agriculture; both are about the ultimate harvest of our souls before God. During this lifetime we properly give thanks to God for our harvest of His gifts of creation, but we should also reflect on what seed we are sowing in our lives, and what harvest we may expect; as one day God will gather together *only His own* for the eternal heavenly harvest.

*From Parish Pump*

## David Roberts Poetry

This poem could have been written today! - not 100 years ago or more!  
Modes of transport now be different....

### **The Sabbath Day**

Day of rest and joy and gladness  
'Tis the Sabbath Day;  
We would banish all our sadness,  
On this sacred day.

Every tongue and every nation,  
Men of high and humble station,  
Join to sing of God's salvation,  
On the Sabbath day.

Why should men forget their Maker  
On the Sabbath day?  
Over fields and woods they wander,  
On the Sabbath day!

Distant friends and far relashuun  
On this day gets much attenshiun,  
There be visits and commoshion  
On the Sabbath day.

Church and chapel be half empty  
On the Sabbath day

Some there be who seem so busy  
On the Sabbath day!

Hobstakles they be much bigger,  
Troubles too, be always greater,  
And the body be much weaker,  
On the Sabbath day!

Tired folks do rest and slumber,  
On the Sabbath day;  
Some do search and find a worker  
On the Sabbath day  
Horse and trap, and bike be movin',  
Frendly visits folk be makin',  
But you'll miss 'em from the meetin'  
On the Sabbath day.

Some we see, their bundles armin',  
On the Sabbath day;  
They be takin' home their washin'  
On the Sabbath day;  
Courage, now, O Christian brethren;  
While we help to teach the heathen,  
Shall we sit while Radnors children  
Break the Sabbath day?

All our Sabbaths will be number'd -  
Every Sabbath day;  
Strict account must be deliver'd  
Of each Sabbath day;  
O, awake ye men of Radnor!  
Six long days ye have for labour,  
On the seventh praise your Creator,  
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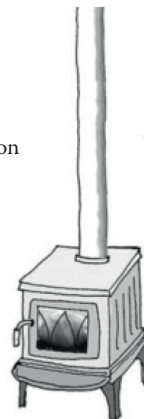
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# Llangunllo Show Makes A Triumphant Return

There were only a couple of days before the opening of The Llangunllo Show...yet a tent lay on the floor, flattened by the wind, and drizzling rain obscured the view over the Lower Bailey field. Thankfully, all the volunteers' spirits weren't dampened or blown away and everyone rallied round to make sure the final preparations for the big day were all in order before the opening.

We needn't have worried about the weather on Saturday 17th August, as the sun was shining and a gentle breeze made for a perfect temperature, as the many visitors started arriving. With Show Chairman and Chief Steward, Clodagh Weingart holding the reigns, proceedings were already well underway in the horse events. There were 12 classes to get through to keep the judges busy, with a cup presented to the show champion. It was wonderful to see the proficient handling skills from competitors of all ages taking part.

The Dog Show started shortly after opening time, giving Jen Smith of 'Be Brilliant Dogs', plenty of work to do as judge for 10 competition classes, each with many entries from all sorts of dog breeds and handlers of all ages, with cups, kindly donated by Bryan Morgan, awarded for Best Young Handler and Best In Show.

Over in the main tent, the judges also had plenty of decisions to make, as the fantastic competition entries for both adults and children flooded in! Extra room had to be made on the display tables to fit in the many types of produce, crafts, artworks, photography and floral arrangements. The calibre of entries was of an extremely high standard, with a cup awarded for the most points in the adult competitions and The Janet Davies Memorial Cup awarded by Ryan Davies, on behalf of Janet's Family, for the most points in the children's classes. Also available in the main tent was a place to sit and relax, have a chat and enjoy a large selection of delicious refreshments. In the field were other tempting attractions.

Around 2pm an array of vintage and modern tractors set off on a Tractor Run, lasting several miles through the beautiful countryside of the local area. Next, it was the turn of the children to shine in the football tournament, followed by the children's and mixed teams of the Tugs of War, to the sound of much encouragement by onlookers and interspersed with music by The Outlaws Of Babylon.

It was then time to move to the Lower Bailey barn across the way for the Speed Shearing. Beginning with Juniors, through to Intermediate, Seniors, Local Farmers and a Fun Relay all against the clock, there were some excellent cash prizes up for grabs, totalling over £1000, as well as pride for the fastest, cleanest shearing.

Huge thanks goes out to everyone, and especially to our President, Haydn Jones for his kind permission to use his field and barn. I think everyone would agree it was well worth the 23-year wait... here's to the next time! Congratulations to everyone who was placed in any of the competitions, but here are the overall winners:

**Adults Competition Winner's Cup:** Sheila Jones

**The Janet Davies Memorial Cup (Joint Winners:)** Mia Jones and Austin Pugh

**Horse Events:** Show Champion - Alice Lloyd-Norton

**Dog Show:** The Bryan Morgan Cup, Best In Show - Cai Samuel with Pickle

**Best Young Handler:** Paige Morris with Bracken

**Speed Shearing Winners:**

Junior; George Hodnett

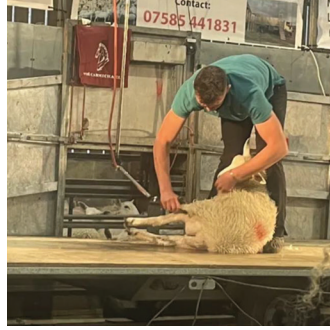
Intermediate & Senior; Harvey Samuel

Open; Jack Samuel

Local Farmer; Ashley Jones



*Article by Debbie Jones. All photos by Michael Brown, Charles Kightly, Trev Jones, Debbie Jones, Tina Samuel.*



*Children's & Adults Tug of War... pull!*

# Llangunllo WI Summer Round Up

**June** saw members and guests enjoying our annual BBQ courtesy of Di and Chris, who hosted in their lovely garden. The afternoon was enjoyed by everyone and for once the weather was kind to us.

**July** was our visit to the Powys Archives in Llandrindod Wells and it certainly didn't disappoint. We had a tour and talk, and then several members took the opportunity to look at records relating to their homes and to the surrounding area. It was certainly well worth the visit. Following the visit, we enjoyed a lovely lunch at the café by the Lake, so all in all a lovely day.

**August** saw members and partners visiting Aulden Farm garden and nursery just outside Leominster. The garden is a lovely combination of rustic and formal settings and has been lovingly developed by the owners who enjoy sharing the garden with visitors. The visit was blessed with good weather, and the refreshments at the end were lovely. It is definitely a garden worth visiting.



**August** also saw us entering Knighton Show where we came joint second for our staging and display. The theme for our display was Ludlow Castle and we were delighted with our result and the judge's comments. Our medieval pasties were certainly a hit, with many visitors to the show asking about them.

**September** saw Llangunllo WI turn the clock back to the Bronze Age to host an open meeting to hear a talk from Yvie George, a local Archaeologist, on the Bronze Age Heyope Hoard. The talk attracted a lot of interest, with over 40 people enjoying Yvie's presentation, and a chance to look at the replica torcs and information relating to the find, from its journey from being found whilst ploughing the land in 1955 to having a police escort, being declared as Treasure Trove, and now being displayed in the National Museum of Wales. The evening was rounded off with refreshments and lots of discussion as everyone looked at the interesting items Yvie had brought with her. It was also nice to hear from guests a few days after the evening how much they had enjoyed the talk.



*Left: Replica Torcs*

*Right: Yvie George*

For more information about our WI please contact our secretary Isabel Morris 01547 550 689  
*Anne Newton*



## Methodist Church News

On 31st August we welcomed our new minister, Rev Phil Summers, in a service led by our District Chair, Rev Rachel Parkinson, and Superintendent Minister, Rev Richard Hall. It was a joyful service attended by several local preachers and friends of our church, as well as Phil's wife Jo, and his daughter, son-in-law and grandchildren.

Phil told us that as a member of the Northumbria Community he stands by their basic tenets:

Who is it that you seek?

How then shall we live?

How shall we sing the Lord's song in a strange land?

Gareth Davidson, Baptist pastor, welcomed Phil, and looked forward to their working together. A splendid array of cakes and welcome cups of tea enhanced a time of fellowship.

Our Harvest Supper with entertainment takes place on Monday 7th October in the Victoria Road chapel at 6pm; tickets £8 available from church members.

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## Flora and Fauna

We now appreciate that the season of autumn is here: crisp mornings, chilly afternoons, but hopefully some bright blue skies and sunshine to come before the word "frost" appears on the forecast. In the garden we still have a lot of flowers providing much colour: crocosmia, dahlias, chrysanthemums, geraniums, Michaelmas daisies (asters) and rudbeckias (coneflower), a real delight in vivid yellow.

Colours can help change your mood. Rich colours like red, crimson and orange grab your attention; blue is calming and yellow cheerful. You cannot help but smile when you see a golden daffodil or a patch of yellow crocus, even a buttercup. It is rewarding when planning a border to choose the colours that excite and make you feel better.

It is now time to purchase and plant bulbs for your early spring display: snowdrops, crocus, iris, daffodils and alliums. With so many new varieties to choose from, garden experts say that iris, alliums and tulips continue to be must have bulbs for the modern garden. It is best to leave planting tulips till November to avoid them suffering from fire disease. The colder weather prevents this.

Autumn is the time of abundance, with flowers, berries, fruit and vegetables. Let's join in the thanksgiving for all the many blessings we enjoy, for the crops of corn, the harvest of the sea and for all who work hard to provide what we take for granted. The harvest festival service in churches everywhere is one of joy and appreciation for all God's gifts and an opportunity to enjoy singing the special harvest hymns of thanks and praise.

4th October is the day we remember St Francis of Assisi, a saint who loved flowers, animals and birds. St Francis is one of the saints children remember, a favourite of many famous painters and the subject for lots of flower festivals.

Remember the clocks will go back later this month, so for all of us with gardens, there is much to do before the daylight shortens for another year.

*Jean Price*

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## Powys National Garden Scheme

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**Gregynog Hall & Garden**, Gregynog, Tregynon, Newtown SY16 3PL..... Sat 19th & Sun 20th October, 10.30 - 4pm

**Tranquility Haven**, 7 Lords Land, Whitton, Knighton LD7 1NJ..... Sun 20th October, 2 - 4pm.

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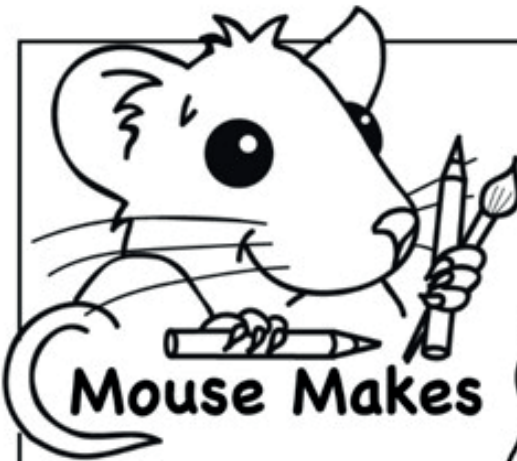
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*Psalm 86:11*



"For we **walk** by  
\_\_\_\_\_  
not by sight."  
*2 Corinthians 5:7*

"**Walk** in  
\_\_\_\_\_  
as Christ loved  
us and gave  
himself up for us."  
*Ephesians 5:2*

"**Walk** by the  
\_\_\_\_\_  
"  
*Galatians 5:16*



Jesus said:  
"I am the light  
of the world.  
If you

\_\_\_\_\_  
me you won't  
have to **walk**  
in darkness  
because  
you have  
the light  
that leads  
to life."  
*John 8:12*

"**Walk** in  
a manner  
worthy of the  
Lord, fully pleasing  
to him, bearing  
\_\_\_\_\_  
in every good work  
and increasing in  
the knowledge  
of God"  
*John 8:12*

"\_\_\_\_\_  
is everyone who  
fears the Lord,  
who **walks** in  
his ways."  
*Psalm 128:1*



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## Gravel Baptist Chapel

13th Oct, 2.30pm, Harvest Festival, Gordon Bingham  
 Further information from Keith Williams 01597 851 122

### Sankey Services & Songs of Praise 2024

Sun 27th Oct.....7.00pm...Crescent Christian Cnt, Newtown  
 Above details are correct at time of printing, but if in doubt please check first.

## Knighton Roman Catholic Church

Service every Sunday at 11 am

## St Mary's Church, New Radnor, Services

Every 2nd Sunday, 10am, Morning prayer in church  
 Every 3rd Sunday, 4pm, Evening Praise in Community Centre  
 Every 4th Sunday, 10am, Holy Communion in Church  
 Please contact Reverend Rachael Storer for any queries  
 about the services, thank you. The Rectory, School Lane,  
 New Radnor. Telephone: 01544 350 760



## New Radnor Baptist Chapel

Sunday 13th October, 3pm, Richard Mansell  
 Further information from May Hardwick 01544 350 680.  
 All very welcome

## Methodist Church Preachers

### October

6th.....	Rev Phil Summers.....	Harvest Festival
13th.....	Kingsley Duah.....	
20th.....	Vivienne Thomas + Church Council.....	
27th.....	Adrian Williams.....	Holy Communion

### November

3rd.....	Kingsley Duah.....	
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## Baptist Church Services - October

Fri 4th.....	6.30pm.....	Harvest Supper - free of charge but please contact us to reserve tickets.....	Knucklas Community Centre
Sun 6th.....	11am.....	Worship Service.....	Norton Street, Knighton
	6pm.....	Sunday @ 6 Harvest Service.....	Knucklas Chapel
Mon 7th.....	7pm.....	Prayer Space.....	Community Room, Norton Street, Knighton
Sun 13th.....	11am.....	Harvest Service.....	Norton Street, Knighton
Sun 20th.....	11am.....	Worship Service.....	Norton Street, Knighton
	6pm.....	Sunday @ 6 Service.....	at Knucklas Chapel
Sun 27th.....	11am.....	Worship Service.....	Norton Street, Knighton

In addition to the above, our popular Toddler Group meets 10.00 -11.30am each Thursday morning in the Community Room at our Knighton Chapel during school term times. We also have a network of Lifegroups meeting daytime and evenings during the week - please call our Pastor, Rev. Gareth Davidson for details of times and venues on 01547 528 679. For details of other events and news, please see our Facebook page.

# Readings for Principal Services October

## The Lectionary Readings for all Harvest Celebrations are:

Joel 2. 21-27  
 Psalm 126  
 1 Timothy 2. 1-7  
 Matthew 6. 25-33

### 6th October

#### Continuous

Job 1. 1:2. 1-10  
 Psalm 26

#### Related

Genesis 2. 18-24  
 Psalm 8  
 Hebrew 1. 1-4: 2. 5-12  
 Mark 10. 2-16

### 13th October

#### Continuous

Job 23. 1-9, 16,17  
 Psalm 22. 1-15

#### Related

Amos 5. 6,7, 10-15  
 Psalm 90. 12-17  
 Hebrews 4. 12-16  
 Mark 10. 17-31

### 20th October

#### Continuous

Job 38. 1-7, (34-41)  
 Psalm 104. 1-9, (24, 35c)

#### Related

Isaiah 53. 4-12  
 Psalm 91. 9-16  
 Hebrews 5. 1-10  
 Mark 10. 35-45

### 27th October

#### Continuous

Job 42. 1-6, 10-17  
 Psalm 34. 1-8, (19-22)

#### Related

Jeremiah 31. 7-9  
 Psalm 126  
 Hebrews 7. 23-28  
 Mark 10. 46-52

### 3rd November

Deuteronomy 6. 1-9  
 Psalm 119. 1-8  
 Hebrews 9. 11-14  
 Mark 12. 28-34

## Diocesan Prayer

Our diocesan prayer, which captures our vision for Ministry Areas so well, says this:

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## EP - Evening Prayer

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**Morning or Evening Worship/Praise** - A less formal service. Sometimes with a theme eg harvest.

## Compline - A short Night Office

Set readings and prayers for night time.

**Compline Plus** - A service of hymns and reflection based around the liturgy of Compline.

**Holy Communion/Eucharist** - A service that includes the sharing of bread and wine as directed by Jesus at the Last Supper. This can be with hymns or said without hymns. The Liturgy will be CinW 2004, BCP or occasional Celtic.

Are there any types of service that you would like to see? If so please contact your church sub warden, any member of the Ministry Area Team or the clergy.

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# East Radnor Ministry Area Service Rota October 2024

## Friday 4th October (Green)

6.30pm..... St Michael's, Llanfihangel Nant Melan..... Harvest Festival Service

## Saturday 5th October (Green)

6.30pm..... St Peter's, Evancoyd..... Harvest Festival Service

## 6th October – Trinity 19 (Green)

10am..... St Michael's, Llanfihangel Nant Melan..... Morning Worship

11am..... St Edward's, Knighton..... Holy Communion

2.30pm..... St David's, Colva..... Harvest Festival Service

3pm..... St Michael's, Cascob..... Harvest Festival Service

6.30pm..... St Mary Magdalene, Bleddfa..... Harvest Festival Service

## Friday 11th October (Green)

6.30pm..... St Michael's, Beguildy..... Harvest Festival Service

7.00pm..... St David's, Whitton..... Harvest Festival Service

## 13th October – Trinity 20 (Green)

11am..... St Peter's, Evancoyd..... Holy Communion

11am..... St Edward's, Knighton..... Harvest Festival Service

4pm..... St Mary's, New Radnor..... Harvest Celebration

## 20th October – Trinity 21 (Green)

9.30am..... St David's, Whitton..... Morning Worship

10am..... St Mary's, Gladestry..... Holy Communion

11am..... St Peter's, Evancoyd..... Morning Worship

11am..... St Edward's, Knighton..... Holy Communion

4pm..... New Radnor..... Informal Worship @ the Community Centre

4pm..... St Cynllo's, Llangunllo..... Harvest Festival Service

## 27th October – Trinity 22 (Green)

9.30am..... St Edward's, Knighton..... Holy Communion

10am..... St Mary's, New Radnor..... Holy Communion

4pm..... St Mary's, Gladestry..... Harvest Celebration

## 3rd November – Trinity 23 (Green)

10am..... St Michael's, Llanfihangel Nant Melan..... Morning Worship

11am..... St Peter's, Evancoyd..... Morning Worship

11am..... St Edward's, Knighton..... Holy Communion

2.30pm..... St David's, Colva..... Holy Communion

3pm..... St Michael's, Cascob..... Evening Worship

7.30pm..... St Mary Magdalene, Bleddfa..... Compline Plus