

# Rhosgoch Gossip

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Sheep, Sheep, Sheep, everywhere there are sheep, even playgroup are into lambing mode, but these won't take much catching!



Pictures taken from Tuesday morning mothers & tots where they made some sheep using cotton wool and glue. They had some very fluffy fingers! Over the last couple of months, the group have also made daffodils, fish and birds to create their bright spring display in the hall.



Some are white, some are black



The 2015 eclipse taken by Painscastle residents Jim & Caroline Randall



A lovely pastoral scene, happy sheep enjoying the view?



The Rhosgoch Gossip is available at Clyro Shop, and Painscastle Farmers Buying Group. It is also available by subscription (due in September) £4 for delivery in Rhosgoch and Painscastle and adjoining areas, £8 posted. We welcome all correspondence, letters, articles, local news, comments etc. For further details 01497-851609 OR m.lloyd1@btconnect.com. Special thanks to everyone who has contributed to this issue.

### EDITOR'S NOTES

In this issue you will find a variety of articles from various sources. We continue with our popular Culinary Column [P4] and Farm Focus [P2]. There are features on wildlife, [P5], locals on holiday [P3 & P6], local news and events. Free Ads [P8], Tots [P9], Mikey is still managing to get his nose in on Page 13. It is good to hear that Erwood Station will soon be back on track [P8]. It is always difficult to decide what to put on the frontpage, I have had a few suggestions including a notice [Closed for Lambing]. The consensus was, lambs are a sign of spring, so I hope you like the pictures. I hope you enjoy all the features and look forward to hearing from you in 2015 [m.lloyd1@btconnect.com or 01497-851609].  
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### FARM FOCUS

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Yes, it's that time of the year again, we can't believe how quickly it came around. It's very busy here and this is roughly what we are up to!

Our cows are calving, our herd is mainly Limousin & Belgium Blue x, usually we buy them as 'bulling' heifers ready to come into the herd after calving. We have a Limousin bull whose name is AKA Di Brutus (because we bought him off Mr Brute). John has two calves rearing on the bucket, he also looks after the tiddler lambs, which are put on a Volac machine. A few years ago he reared one hundred, he hopes not to have that number this year.

Our flock is divided into three, Charolais, Cheviots and Mules.

The Charolais have finished lambing and are already out in the fields. We mostly keep the male lambs from these for breeding. Mules are crossed with a Charolais ram or a Texel ram, and this year for the first time we are trying a Berrichon Du Cher! These lambs are bred for meat or breeding.

The cheviots are crossed with a Blue Faced Leicester and these are kept for breeding our mule flock. At present all our mule ewes are housed. When they have lambed and a bit more space is made, we will house the Cheviots. Our main flock of mule ewes are all home bred out of a nucleus flock purchased from Llandovery or Sennybridge.

The day starts early at 5.30 am. After checking that everything is o.k. each ewe that has lambed is penned individually with her lamb for 24 hours, making sure that every lamb has enough colostrum and is marked. They are then put into a larger catching pen for a further 24 hours before being taken out to the fields. Everyone is then ready for breakfast and a huge amount of food seems to get eaten. The only thing nobody wants is roast lamb, which is off the menu until after shearing (10th June).

Beau is also trying to catch moles (who seem to be very busy this year) and he has worked out a new theory. You need pepper and a big stone. Put plenty of pepper down the run and place the stone by the side of the pepper. The pepper makes the mole sneeze, the mole then bangs his head on the stone and hey presto, the job is done—the mole is dead!

Our new single application rules booklet has arrived, all one hundred and seventy four pages of it. The form has to be filled in and returned by 15th May.

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**TRIP TO THE NORTH:**

At the end of February John and I left the beginnings of spring in Rhosgoch and headed North – as far as you can go! This may seem a strange sort of holiday, especially for one who likes sun and sea, but John has Norwegian relations and they had invited us to visit them in Oslo, and then to go a further 2,000 or so kilometres north to Spitsbergen (Svalbard). (see photo of signpost)



The schooner frozen in ice

ice on a fjord – a wonderful experience.

We arrived in the dark, and next morning looked out to huge snow covered mountains, and a blue glacier front just a couple of miles from the ship. That day we went further into the unknown, over mountains and frozen fjords (and it was snowing), until we reached an almost-deserted Russian mining town. This was eerie, abandoned workings and tower block accommodations, and in the middle a very 1960's 'hotel' which has very few guests, and a staff of 9 in the whole place. No roads, no ski-scooters, everything frozen. I was glad to leave. (Photo Sascha in Russian clothes)



Oslo is a lovely city, surrounded by fjords and the mountains. The snow had mostly left the city centre and we visited museums and art galleries, and also the huge ski-jump which is on the edge of town. There are miles of ski trails just minutes from the city, and here there was still lots of snow. Also in the city are many parks, and these have large numbers of mostly naked sculptures in them!



After a few days we, and a Norwegian cousin, flew up to Svalbard for 3 days' ski-scootering.



We were kitted up with very warm suits and boots and enormous helmets and then off we went, with a guide. You always have to have someone with a rifle when going off the main streets

of Longyearben (which is smaller than Hay, but the capital of the islands) because of the polar bear danger. The first night we spent in a lovely schooner which is frozen into the

We went on to our overnight stay, a very comfortable cabin set beside the frozen fjord, and close to another blue glacier. The sky cleared, and the scenery was amazing. This is real bear country, and we did see one a long way away (thankfully). It was frustrating not to be able to go out to explore the surroundings, and the quiet – but next morning we saw a lot of bear tracks and they are HUGE! It was then back to Longyearben, a long drive, where we appreciated a comfortable hotel room with running water and electricity (missing from the cabin).

I should say that the boys drove the ski-scooters, I sat behind John and could shut my eyes when it got too frightening! However, I did have a go at driving the huskies which was our activity the next day – more my style! 6 dogs per sled, but they could not go very fast as there was a lot of new snow. Also; 4 sleds of 6/8 dogs per sled makes a lot of dog s\*\*\*; so just as well to have deep snow really!

That was it – back home with a sense of relief to be out of the snow; but with wonderful memories of a very beautiful place.

Evelyn Bally

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**Yak-Y- Da Inn and Restaurant, Hay on Wye**

It's that time of year again. The valley is dotted with brightly lit sheds, bleating sheep shuffle in rustling straw, and usually at some point the designated cook in the household has a meltdown and refuses to prepare anything beyond toast. Help is at hand only twenty minutes down the road, in the form of Yak-Y-Da. This fantastic little restaurant promising 'good health' has reborn the Holly Bush Inn, and serves authentic Nepali and Thai cuisine. If in the next month you need to pretend to be somewhere far away from a lambing shed- perhaps on a remote Himalayan mountain- then this is the place to go. If you really can't leave your post then you can bring the exotic flavours home as they do a speedy take away service.

The staff are very friendly and welcoming in the newly refurbished traditional pub, and have added their own twists on the somewhat quirky decor. Shyam the resident Nepali chef has an impressive list of places he has worked, including Kathmandu, Thailand, Hong Kong and most importantly for us, Ross-on-Wye. His Yakmobile toured the Black Mountains until he met Khadka, also from Nepal and an ex-Gurkha, with whom he started Yak-Y-Da. The menu includes both Nepalese and Thai dishes which complement each other beautifully.

We ordered a take away which was quickly prepared, and well packaged so that it arrived home still hot. The Dal Baat is a good choice if you are not sure what to order as it is a traditional Nepali set menu and consists of curry, lentil soup, rice, yoghurt, poppadom and pickles. We ordered the chicken which was generous on the meat and not particularly liberal with the hot spice, so the yoghurt was a tasty addition and not an emergency coolant. The Mountain Lamb curry was deliciously rich with aubergine and spices, with a medium spicy kick to it. This went well with fried rice with vegetables, and the soft fluffy Nepali flat bread was perfect for mopping up the sauce. From the Thai menu we had the Thai Green curry which smelled fantastic with coconut milk, lemongrass and green chillis. This is a fabulous hot creamy curry which didn't need any more zing with it, so fluffy plain boiled rice is the perfect accompaniment. This is a great takeaway treat to share with friends and family, where you can order a few different curries and taste a little of them all. 'Yak-Y-Da' certainly provides plenty of 'iechyd da,' and the dishes are richly flavoured without the greasiness that can be associated with some curry takeaways.

Food \*\*\*\* Service \*\*\*\* Value \*\*\*\*

If you don't want to buy a take-away but can't find the energy to make your own thai green curry paste, then buying a ready made jar to cook with is a good option. The Co-op does it's own brand which is fiery and fragrant. The additional advantage is that you can carefully control the tingle factor of your dish.

Thai Green curry

- 225g new potatoes in chunks
- 100g halved green beans
- 1 tbsp vegetable oil
- 1 garlic clove, chopped
- 4 tsp Thai green curry paste
- 400ml can coconut milk
- 2 tsp Thai fish sauce
- 1 tsp caster sugar
- 450g boneless skinless chicken in bite-sized pieces
- 3 wide strips of lime zest, plus extra to garnish

boiled rice, to serve

Boil the potatoes for 5 minutes and add the beans until both are tender but not too soft. Drain and keep on the side. Heat some oil until very hot in a frying pan, add the garlic and cook for a few seconds until golden. Be careful not to overcook.

Add the curry paste and stir to release the flavours. Pour in the coconut milk and let it all bubble.

Add the fish sauce and sugar, then the chicken. Let it all simmer until the chicken is cooked. Add the potatoes and beans.

Let them warm in the mixture, and then add the lime zest.

Serve with boiled rice and lime zest garnish.

Adapted from the bbc good food website [www.bbcgoodfood.com](http://www.bbcgoodfood.com)

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## OUT AND ABOUT ON THE BEGWNS

### Piles of Stone

You may have noticed 2 piles of stones near the lake. They are not new cairns, but material for the new spillway above the pipe outflow in the lake. We're just waiting for the water level to drop below the bottom of the outflow pipe so we can install a second pipe and start stone pitching the spillway. The dam wall will still be accessible after the work is finished. So why 2 piles? Well, the tractor and trailer delivering stone got stuck so had to ditch the load! When we have the digger up there we'll move the rest to by the lake.

### More New Ponds!

We've got 14 ponds mapped on the Begwns but in the winter we get more ponds forming. This winter two more have been identified and will become ponds 15 and 16. Pond 15 is on the southern boundary at the eastern end of the Begwns. Pond 16 is to the SW of the Roundabout. Thanks to Dainis and Wendy Ozols for spotting what is now the not so grandly titled Pond 15! both will be surveyed this spring and summer. You might want to ask yourself when is a pond a pond? The answer? Well, if it's a body of water with aquatic plants growing in it then I think it's fair to say it's a pond. Answers on a postcard please!



Pond 15

### Archaeology

Spring is the best time to get out and about on the Begwns to look at its historical features. Old boundary banks and enclosures really stand out without the bracken which will be in full growth come May June time.

### Begwns Talk

Don't forget my talk on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Rhosgoch Golf Club. I look forward to meeting you there.

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## HERE'S A LITTLE MYSTERY FOR YOU

Mr. Roy Lloyd of Pendre found this little scrap of newspaper in a drawer (as you do). He remembers his father telling him about Granny Roberts, who lived in The Old Shop, opposite Pendre, and made a living by cleaning the school and any other odd jobs she could do about the village. Roy's father believed that she came to Painscastle with the drovers, though she had been in the theatre in her younger days, so how she became involved with a band of travelling men is anyone's guess. I was assured that her grave was in Llanbedr Churchyard, but because it is quite a long way from any of the others, I haven't looked at it closely for some time. Having been up there this morning, I found the following inscription on it:-

In Memory of John Roberts, White Hall, Painscastle,  
Died 24<sup>th</sup> November 1923, Aged 73

Also of his wife, Margaret

Died 22<sup>nd</sup> April 1940 Aged 82

So, was John Roberts a drover who made an honest woman of Margaret and settled in White Hall? Perhaps she moved to the Old Shop after he died. She was apparently much liked by the people she lived among and lived a long and interesting (to put it mildly) life.

I have to say the back of the newspaper cutting (presumably dated about 1940) was nearly as interesting as the front, giving details of prices at the produce market (Eggs 1/6 per dozen, butter 1/5, spring chickens 1/5 per lb and boiling fowls, 8d and 9d). Only wish Mr. Lloyd had kept the whole page!"



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### TRIP TO WEST WALES

January might seem like an odd month to choose for a short trip to the West Wales coast, but as I had a birthday we thought it would be an opportunity to get away for a couple of days and we wanted to go to somewhere “new” in Wales. We set out on one of those glorious, sunny, frosty mornings that we get in winter and had a lovely journey west, with a short stop in Lampeter for morning coffee. Apparently, the first game of rugby played in Wales took place at St David’s College in Lampeter in 1850. St David’s College (founded in 1822) is the oldest institution in Wales to award degrees, and the third oldest in England and Wales after Oxford and Cambridge.



Cenarth Falls

By lunchtime, and after a stop to look at the waterfalls on the River Teifi at Cenarth, we had made our way to a delightful little bay at Mwnt. It gets its name from the prominent steep conical hill, Foel y Mwnt, that rises above the bay. Here there is a really picturesque church, set just under the hill and surrounded by a dry stone wall. The present building dates from the 14<sup>th</sup> century and is a typical example of a medieval sailor’s chapel of ease; it is a grade 1 listed building. The setting of the church makes it extremely photogenic. Mwnt is best known for its popular beach, which is owned by the National Trust. A national newspaper placed Mwnt top of its list of Europe’s top ten loveliest hidden beaches and you can see why – the location is spectacular. In summer it is possible to spot dolphins, porpoises and seals from the beach and headland.



Mwnt Chapel

From here, we drove on to New Quay, which looked a little deserted by late afternoon on a January day. However, we found a great little tea shop, which was also the post office, and we had delicious Welsh cakes which were still warm from the griddle. Dylan Thomas lived here in the 1940s and it is thought that the town might have been the inspiration for the village of Llareggub, the setting of his play, Under Milk Wood. New Quay is just as one would imagine a typical fishing village with narrow, hilly streets sloping down to the small harbour. There is also a well sheltered sandy beach and I expect that the place is really busy in the summer. The size

and number of caravan parks on the road out of town bore witness to this.



Aberaeron

Our last stop was Aberaeron where we were booked into the wonderful Harbourmaster Hotel (which we can thoroughly recommend). As the name suggests, the hotel is right on the small harbour near the entrance from the sea. The town itself is charming. Rows of beautiful Regency style houses, all painted in bright or pastel shades, line the streets and the main square. The port was the creation of a local landowner who decided to establish a town at the mouth of the Aeron early in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Soon, there was a thriving shipbuilding industry in the town and the rooms in the hotel were all named after ships built there. Nowadays the harbour is used mainly for the yachts and small fishing boats of the many visitors to the town. There is a lovely tourist information centre right next to the Harbourmaster Hotel and it is well worth a visit as it has some wonderful displays about the history of the town. Also on the harbour is an ice cream shop and Mo (who regularly frequents it when she is in the area) had made us promise that we would have one of their “famous” honey ice creams whilst we were there – it did not disappoint! Pity we couldn’t bring one home for her.

The next day, after a delicious Harbourmaster breakfast, we set off for Devil’s Bridge – I think that Den has been watching too much Hinterland on the TV and he wanted to see some of the locations from the programmes. This is a spectacular site where the rivers Mynach and Rheidol meet in an extremely deep and steep-sided gorge. The Mynach River drops in a series of spectacular waterfalls and the long walk around the site (following steep paths and steps) gives you great views of these. The site is also notable for its three bridges which have been built on top of one another and which can be seen quite clearly from the walk. The first is believed to date from the 12<sup>th</sup> century, the second from 1753 and the last, an iron bridge, built in 1901. We were very lucky to meet only one other person on our walk, but we had to be very careful as some of the paths and steps were icy because they are so shady in the winter.

The next place on our itinerary for the day was the RSPB reserve at Ynys Hir. We have always wanted to visit and so this was the ideal opportunity. The reserve contains a number of different habitats, including woodland, salt marsh, peat bog and reed beds, and so a variety of birds can be found. We spent some time in one of the hides down on the river and, as the tide was going out, there were many waders on the mud alongside the river. We also enjoyed one of the shorter walks around part of the reserve and we watched some of the visitors to the metre long bird feeder back at the most informative visitor centre. It is a lovely place to go to at any time of the year, but you really need a whole day there to do it justice.

We needed to restrict our visit to the reserve as we really wanted to visit Borth beach at low tide. Although Borth has also appeared in Hinterland, this was not the reason we wanted to go. At low tide, between Borth and Ynyslas, the remains of a forest that grew after the end of the Ice Age, about 10 000 years ago, are exposed on the beach. This is a fascinating site and covers quite a large area. At high tide, you would never know that it was there. The beach is quite wide and sandy and, I imagine, popular with tourists in the summer, but it was not looking very attractive the day we were there as major coastal defence works were being undertaken following last winter's storms.



Borth 'forest'

The next day, after a walk around Aberaeron, we made our way home. We had wanted to come back over the hills

on the small country lanes, but there had been some snow and we were not sure whether the roads would be too icy. So we made our way to Tregaron instead and decided to visit yet another nature reserve just to the north of the town – Cors Caron. This is managed by NRW and has free access all year round. At over 2000 acres, it is the largest area of peat bog in England and Wales. There are some well marked paths through the reserve, including a well maintained boardwalk which gives you access to a very modern and comfortable hide. 12,000 years ago mid-Wales was in the grip of the last Ice Age. As the climate warmed, the glaciers receded and a large shallow lake occupied this valley. A huge reed bed and woodland then developed in and around the lake, but the climate then became cooler and wetter allowing the sphagnum mosses to invade and begin the process of building three raised bogs. In the summer there is a good array of breeding wetland birds, such as water rail, but they tend to be inconspicuous. Many more birds come in during the winter including a flock of whooper swans. A number of plants that are adapted to the acidic conditions of raised bogs can be found, such as sun-dews, bog rosemary and cotton grasses. It is also home to otters, pole cats and water voles. We can recommend a visit if you are in the area.

It was a lovely few days away and we were so lucky with the weather (cold, but dry) that we did not have to resort to any indoor activities. We will just have to go back to the area to look around Aberystwyth another time.

Wendy & Dainis Ozols

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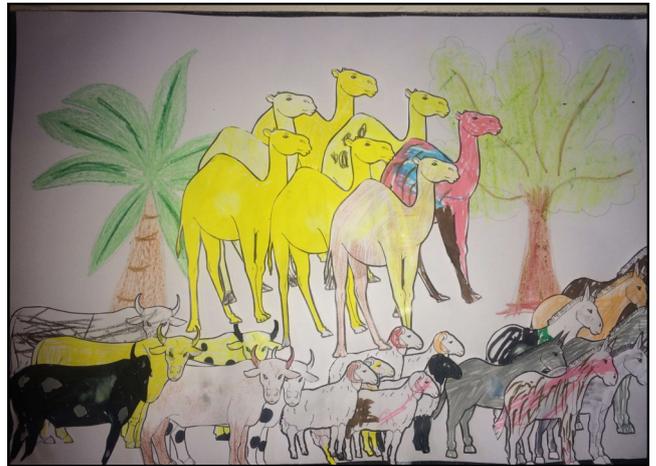
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**CONGRATULATIONS**

Best wishes to Hannah Lloyd & Louis Hodge on the birth of a son William Lloyd Hodge on 3rd March 2015. A brother for Sofia (21 months) and a second grandchild for Betty & Norman Lloyd, Great House, Newchurch

## RHOSGOCH AND PAINSCASTLE TOTS GROUP

Every week there's a wide range of toys, a craft activity, snack time and music time or storytime. We are a friendly group who meet at Painscastle Village Hall from 9:30-11:30 every Tuesday. There's tea and coffee for adults and everyone is welcome. Come and join us!



We have been baking heart biscuits for Valentine's Day and welsh cakes for St David's Day. We bake once a month on our soft play week.



Planting beans in bags to see how they grow. Everyone loved pouring in the water.



We are also meeting in the hall over the Easter holidays for some Easter craft activities. Come along and create some Easter cards, biscuits and other such delights with your tots to take home. Older siblings are also welcome to join us during the holiday get togethers.



### Summer term activities

14.04.15 photo ladybirds

21.04.15 salt dough spiders

28.04.15 soft play week and baking shortbread

05.05.15 bumble bees

12.05.15 painting

19.05.15 soft play week and baking thumb print biscuits

**26.05.15 half term week  
CANCELLED for Hay Festival**

Text & pictures Kath Jackson

We say goodbye to Lowri from Llettycoed (Llettypiad) who starts full time school at Clyro after Easter; she has been regularly attending 'Tots' since she was 10 weeks old. Good Luck & don't forget to let us know how things go.

### COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEWS

Chairman, Mrs Jenny Smith, Penrhiw  
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Robert Tyler, Lower Pentrecaeau  
Philip Lewis, Llandeivon  
Monty Graham, 2 Castle Meadow  
Treena Davies, Lettypiad  
Deri Jones, Portway  
David Nicholls, Castlefield Close

Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of the month.  
Agendas and minutes for meetings are posted on the notice boards in Painscastle, Rhosgoch and Llandeilo Graban.  
Clerk: Richard Price, Trewylrod 01497-851244

A new community website is being prepared which will enable agendas and minutes to be viewed on line.

### KERBSIDE RECYCLING & RUBBISH COLLECTIONS

Apologies to everyone for the wrong information in the last issue. The correct dates are below:

Food waste and recycling will be collected weekly while rubbish will be collected fortnightly on Thursdays.

Painscastle dates as follows:-  
Rubbish & recycling Apr 2nd, 16th, 30th, May 14th, 28th.

Don't forget the recycling centre at Painscastle Hall where you can take paper, glass, tins and plastics. The money from this project returns to the community so it is well worth your support.

### MOBILE LIBRARY NEWS

The mobile library service is changing from April 2015. It will be in Painscastle once a month on a Tuesday; the route is as follows:

Llowes	9.30 am
Clyro Castle Estate	9.50 am
Post Office	10.15 am
Painscastle Hall	10.45 am
Roast Ox	11.15 am
Rhosgoch Castlefield	11.35 am
Newchurch kiosk	12.40 pm
Gladestry	1.10 pm
Dolyhir village	1.55 pm
Old Radnor Church Hse	2.25 pm
Bronydd	3.20 pm

2015 dates:- April 21st, May 19th, June 16th, July 21st, Aug 18th, Sept 15th, Oct 20th, Nov 17th, Dec 15th.

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### COUNCIL CATCH UP

After spending the past two years campaigning right across Brecon & Radnorshire, it is hard to believe that the General Election is now only one month away.

This month, I have been delighted to invite Senior Cabinet Ministers to the constituency to see the issues that are affecting us and also to listen to the concerns of our residents. These visits included The Secretary of State for Wales, Stephen Crabb MP; The Home Secretary, Theresa May MP – to discuss Rural Crime; The First Secretary of State, William Hague MP and the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, Liz Truss MP. I asked Liz Truss to visit Brecknock YFC and to put pressure on the Labour Welsh Government to reconsider their funding of this fantastic rural youth movement. Funding plans were restored for Wales YFC within 24 hours of her visit to Brecon! It was also a great pleasure to welcome Ed Vaizey MP, the Minister for Technology, to Brecon and I am delighted that we are now seeing speedy improvements in the installation of Superfast Broadband.

For the past fifteen years our constituency has been 'off the radar' of any government, whether in Westminster or in Cardiff Bay. I am pleased to be able to make the difference and see B&R being put back on the map. I am a long way from finished as there is still so much more to do, so watch this space!

As well as campaigning and showing the Westminster Government ministers around our locality, I have been busy working on constituents' concerns such as the poor delivery of Powys Home Care, the PCC Sports Centre re-organisation, the campaign to save Llanwrtyd Wells Health Centre and on the very concerning announcement from PCC of their Secondary School re-structuring. We have already faced a very poorly handled and unnecessary school closure of Rhosgoch and we have a big fight on our hands now with Gwernyfed! So much to keep me busy and a great deal more to do to make much needed improvements in the lives of residents of Brecon & Radnorshire.

May I wish you all a very Happy Easter

Chris

Please don't forget that should you wish to contact me on any matter please do not hesitate on either of the following 07855 752110 or [cllr.chris.davies@powys.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.chris.davies@powys.gov.uk)

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### PAINSCASTLE HALL NEWS

On Friday 27th February, Painscastle Village Hall held its Annual Dinner. The evening was a great success with a delicious carvery and dessert served by Fingers and Forks. Mr Glasnant Morgan of Talybont-on-Usk gave an entertaining speech where he regaled the audience with tales from his farming background, jokes which probably shouldn't be repeated here and even some harmonica playing! This was followed by live music and dancing from fantastic local band, The Poullets, while Aimee Lloyd and Malthouse Bars made sure that the drinks kept flowing. A big thank you to everyone who came to the Dinner; it is always great to see the Hall full and a reminder of what a fantastic community we have.

At the Dinner, guests were encouraged to fill in the Community Consultation survey on the future of the Hall. These have also been available in the Hall itself and are now on the Rhosgoch and Painscastle Community Facebook Page. If you have the time to fill one in and return it we would be most grateful. We are trying to ensure that the Hall is the best it can be for the needs of the community so everyone's opinion counts. If you are unable to access a form from the Hall or on the Facebook site and would like one to complete, please let Meg know on 01497 851620.

Finally, we are very pleased to say that we are now really close to having the defibrillator for the area. We are hoping to be able to go and collect it at the start of April. The Ambulance Trust has had problems sourcing boxes for them which led to the delay, but hopefully we will be able to get the defibrillator up and ready to be used before too much longer. Once we do have it we will organise for the St John's Ambulance to come and give training on how to use it, which of course everyone will be welcome to attend.



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## ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH BRYNGWYN

The church is said to be third highest in elevation in Wales, and due to its prominent position has excellent views of Clyro Hill and the Black Mountains and over the Begwyns to the Brecon Beacons. It is built in a circular churchyard.

'Michael' means 'who is like God' in Hebrew and in British mediaeval art is shown holding scales in which the souls of the departed are weighed.

In 1818 Jonathan Williams wrote in his 'History of Radnorshire': "Bryngwyn church consists of a nave, chancel, a low tower containing two small bells, and a porch. The east window consists of three lights, divided by stone mullions supporting trefoil arches. The space above, under the pointed arch of the window, is filled up in the same manner. In the southeast angle of the exterior wall of the chancel (the corner of the church nearest the gate, on the path side) is fixed a long stone, on the east side of which is sculpted a female figure and on the south side a male, without any inscription."

The church is built on a 13<sup>th</sup> century foundation. The 'double lancet' on the south side of the chancel may be part of the original work. The window on the north side of the chancel is a 14<sup>th</sup> century work of unusual character, maybe the work of a local mason.

The upright stone in the chancel, moved from the churchyard south of the chancel in 1958, is said to be an Ogham stone - an ancient Christianised pagan stone with Ogham script. It is ascribed to the 7<sup>th</sup>- 9<sup>th</sup> centuries.

The five windows of the nave are late 17<sup>th</sup> century, or later. Tradition preserves the memory of a narrower chancel arch than the present one (19<sup>th</sup> century), probably late Norman. There is an old piscine in the south wall of the chancel. The chancel roof, a fine arched-brace with two tiers of wind braces arranged as quatre-foils and a half row above & nave-tie roof beam, is of about the 1500s.

The large porch, characteristic of Border work, is old and retains the original oak roof.

The incised stone set upright in the porch is that of a priest. The Cross has Ogee terminals and a chalice, and a missal or book of the gospels is shown on either side of the shaft. It was taken from the sanctuary at the restoration; it once formed part of the Sedilia, probably the tombstone of a mediaeval priest.

A closed western turret contains two bells hung for ringing in a late mediaeval frame of the braced-centre-post type, and fitted with oak headstocks, drive-in type gudgeons, stirrup-topped clappers, nailed ironwork, and 16<sup>th</sup> century half-wheels. The smaller bell bears no inscription, but on the evidence of shape is one of the oldest existing in Wales, early 13<sup>th</sup> century. It has a round shoulder, a long straight waist, and a flat lip 2" thick. The strike note is approximately A-flat, diameter 19.75", height from lip to crown 20.5", canons 5.5" high and argent about 7" high. The larger bell is 24" in diameter, and is unfortunately cracked in the crown. It was cast by a founder whose initials were WG and dates from the middle of the 16<sup>th</sup> century.

The church was well restored in 1874/7. When it was being restored a Burgundian coin of 1384/1404 was found under the floor, probably dropped by one of the Earl of Warwick's soldiers of Painscastle.

Parish records go back to 1615 AD, while the Church Plate is all dated 1876.

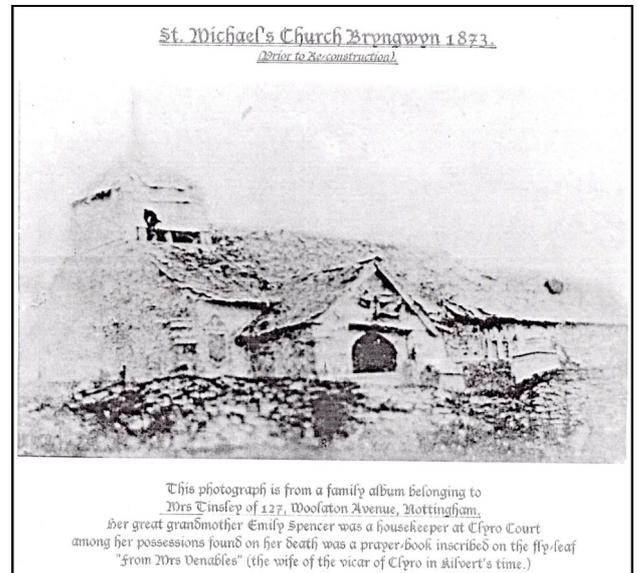
There are three 17<sup>th</sup> century gravestones, extremely rare in Radnorshire, 1662 (in latin), 1685 and 1690.

The icon of St. Michael was given in memory of Malcom Jones, born on Michaelmas Day in 1949, who collapsed and died near Bryngwyn Church at the age of 33 while on holiday in Rhosgoch.

The Altar is dated 1899, in memory of John Hughes Rector 1871-1899 & Marianne Elizabeth his wife; it was given by their children.

Flower stands are in memory of Owen Merrick Lloyd the Harbour, and vases in memory of Stephen Joyce the Grug.

The pedestal reading stand came from Clyro Court school, 1947-72.



Photograph of St. Michael's Bryngwyn in 1873, prior to reconstruction. Like most of the other churches in Radnorshire at that time it was in a very poor state of repair.

Extracts from:-

Royal Commission of the Church in Wales 1906,

Bryngwyn Parish

Population in 1901 194

Communicants 28

Sunday School attendance

Under 15 20

Over 15 13

Teachers 4

From 1893 to 1906

Marriages 6

Burials 26

1874 - 1891 Church restoration £980

1874 - 1891 Church furniture £70

1892 - 1906 Church restoration £55

Mikey's friends the tiddlers



## MIKEY'S DIARY



I have had a good idea to help occupy the humans during lambing time. I know they like competitions so I thought we could organise 'The Lundy Olympics'. Mo told me that humans like competitions, so I thought they could practise for a few months and then we could have the real thing! She has told me that I have to organise it. I have decided on some of the competitions already, there will mostly be throwing events: Frisbees, sticks, balls etc. There will also be football, I don't know who will be in the teams yet, naturally I will be the one captain, Oz is on the injury list and I don't think Bailey knows much about football. The other captain could be Gez, or Matt. TD has also been out because of injury, however he is just returning to the team, so maybe he will want to be captain!

The idea came to me when I asked Vic, who is playing with the barn walls, to throw one of the Frisbees that Ken kindly bought for me. That day he did a really good throw and he was quite excited about it, so I thought it would be nice to encourage them and let them all have a go, to see who was the best. They make quite a fuss about throwing Frisbees and sticks sometimes, I don't know why as it is bringing them back that is the hard job and I do that! Mo says that I will have to get prizes for everyone and medals, I might be able to spare some of my dog food but not sure where I can get medals from, although we could use our collars to attach them to, but we only have three and we can't always find those. Perhaps I need to ask Kate to help, as she likes sewing so she may have some ribbon we could use. I thought it would be a good idea as it would help the humans get fit and they may develop some accuracy in throwing.

Of course at this time of year everyone talks about lambing, I am finding it quite hard this year. I seem to be very tired as people are waking me up through the night as they go and 'check on the shed'. I don't know why they make so much fuss, as the shed always looks the same to me, it hasn't got wheels, it can't move. I think they give altogether too much attention 'to the shed'! Mo and Kate look after the tiddlers, they are my favourites, I always go to help. Kate says that Oz and I are in charge of quality control of the milk for the 'shepherdess'. That is a big bucket for all the tiddlers to share the milk. We have to make sure that the milk is alright for the tiddlers, as after all some of them are very little, and they don't have mums to look after them. We are allowed to clean out the bucket after they have tipped the milk into the 'shepherdess'.

I also help Mo move the ewes with their babies to the fields but they don't all appreciate my help. One day I was just minding my own business on the yard when this very bossy ewe started bawling at me, I could see her coming in my direction, and I screamed and ran, but I have very short legs and she put her head down and bowled me over and over. Joe my sheepdog friend did try to rescue me but it was an awful fright, I made sure I avoided that nasty ewe and her lambs after that.

Well let's hope we all survive lambing and see you next time.  
Mikey

## HISTORY IN THE HILLS

It is surprising how often we fail to notice clues to the past even when we think we are familiar with the area. So when an archaeologist friend asked me about some old house platforms inside an old enclosure above Glascwm, I decided to investigate. Taking the two intrepid explorers Wendy & Den Ozols with me, we met Ginny at the top of the pitch down into Glascwm. Having parked the cars we walked northwards on Little Hill, noticing the 'fort', perhaps the remains of an early castle guarding the village of Glascwm.

I am very interested in boundary markers and on the map there are boundary stones, so I decided that was the first expedition - two stones, one near a little pool and one by an outcrop of rock; needless to say, we couldn't find either of them. However, undeterred we moved on across the open hill crossing the dingle of the upper Clas brook, until we came across the abandoned settlement above Upper Cwm Twrch, right on the edge of the open hill, surely a bleak place to have lived. There was lots of evidence of walls and boundaries, so had this once been a 'hafod', a place to take the animals to spend the summer, while returning to the 'hendre' or lowland place for the winter?



We followed the edge of the hill around and came across more examples of old habitation, it just goes to show what a hardy bunch our ancestors were. For generations people tried to eke out a living, perhaps with a cow and a few sheep, while finding casual employment on one or more 'big' farms in the area. So many places have been abandoned since the 1800s, many people moving to South Wales to the 'Works' to find employment in mining or the iron industry.



We continued on to the Giant's Grave, a Bronze Age Round Barrow on the side of a track from Hundred House to Glascwm.

This is now a byway open to all traffic [BOAT] and has probably been an important thoroughfare for several millennia, as Glascwm is a very ancient settlement with links to St David and others. We descended into Glascwm and visited the church which is another place of interest. Then the long walk up Glascwm pitch back to the cars. It was a lovely walk, with some beautiful scenery as well as interesting archaeology and geography.  
ML

### LOCAL INTEREST / HISTORY GROUP

The group meets on the last Thursday of each month at the Adullam Hall, Painscastle. At the last meeting on 26th February, Margaret Evans from Erwood talked about evacuees; this opened out to a general discussion, with some interesting memories. It is hoped to gather as much information about the local men who served in World War I as well as those in World War II.

So far the list of WWI casualties that we have identified is:

- Gunner D Watkins RFA High Park, Bryngwyn
- Charles Chetwynd, Llandeilo Graban
- George Grubb, Llandeilo Graban
- J C A Williams-Vaughan, Skreen, Llandeilo Graban
- Meredith R Bevan, Crickadarn
- Rhys O Davies, Crickadarn
- Ralph J Roberts, Crickadarn
- John H White, Crickadarn
- Douglas L White, Crickadarn

#### World War II

- Graham H Lloyd, Newchurch
- Stewart G O Jones, Newchurch
- J J Smith, Gwenddwr

If you have any information about any of these men, or others who should be included on this list, please get in touch.

### Bryngwyn WI 2015 Programme

The speaker scheduled for 7th April, Eric Rees, has had to cancel his visit. Therefore, we will NOT be having a regular meeting on April 7th. We know that some non-members had shown an interest in coming to this talk and we would like them to know that we will be rescheduling it, probably for next year.

- May 5<sup>th</sup> Frank Banks** Teaching Teachers Worldwide: Stories from the Frontline
- Jun 2<sup>nd</sup> Sandra Skinner** Hay2Timbuktu: Our Work in Mali
- Jul 7<sup>th</sup> Sylvia Bigglestone** A Crafty Life
- Aug 4<sup>th</sup> A Visit to Brobury Gardens**
- Sep 1<sup>st</sup> Graham Bailey** Brecon Mountain Rescue
- Oct 6<sup>th</sup> Jim Saunders** Hay-on-Wye
- Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> AGM**
- Dec 1<sup>st</sup> Jeanette Cruse** Yule Log Decoration

Meetings are held in Rhosgoch Chapel at 7.00pm. Visitors and new members are always welcome. Please contact Mollie Moore (851296) or Tracey Martin (851711) for more details.

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### Bryngwyn Church Hall

#### Public Notice

Dear All

At our recent Parochial Church Council (PCC) meeting on 09/02/2015 we discussed the sad and unsafe state of our church hall. To repair the hall would be extremely costly and with two other premises available for social events in the area its usage would be minimal.

After a careful and thoughtful review at the hall on 14/02/2015 we have decided that the hall is to be demolished and the site made safe.

In past years the hall has hosted many memorable occasions.

Memories of these occasions will not be forgotten and our hope is that the well sited plot of land where the hall stands will offer a picturesque setting for people to enjoy in the future.

If you would like to discuss this further you can contact Revd Ben Griffith, Tel: [01982 560615](tel:01982560615) or Email:

[benedictgriffith@sky.com](mailto:benedictgriffith@sky.com).

#### With Regards

Revd Ben Griffith and Bryngwyn PCC

Bryngwyn Church Hall was built a hundred years ago and since then has been the scene of many happy community get-togethers. Perhaps you have some memories that you would like to share, if so please send them in and we can include them in the next issue of the 'Gossip'.

### RHOSGOCH RANGERS FOOTBALL

It's been a difficult few months for the club. Injuries, suspensions and unavailability of key team members have left us struggling for a squad. This came to a head when we were forced to pull out of an arranged league fixture which cost us a small fine and a three point deduction. However things are looking up and we are hoping to finish the season strongly. We are 5<sup>th</sup> in the table with 5 games in hand and can hopefully finish in the top 5 which, in our debut season at this level, would be a great achievement. We've got a packed schedule in April to get the league calendar complete.

Fixtures coming up:

- 04.04.2015 – Bow Street (A)
- 06.04.2015 – Welshpool (H)
- 11.04.2015 – Aberaeron (A)
- 15.04.2015 – Berriew (A)
- 18.04.2015 – Llanrhaedr (A)
- 20.04.2015 – Aber Uni (H)
- 25.04.2015 – Penrhyncoch (H)
- 02.05.2015 – Llanfair (A)

Please come down and support the boys if you can. It will be greatly appreciated.

Liam Jones

### GARDENING CLUB

All meetings at Rhosgoch Golf Club at 7.30pm

- Sat Mar 28th Easter Bingo
- Wed Apr 22nd Talk on the Begwyns by Ben Mullen
- Wed May 6th Talk on gardening in retirement, ponds & bog gardens - Pippa Tee
- Wed Jun 17th Visit Spaceguard Centre, Knighton

Monthly meetings (Wednesdays) at Rhosgoch Golf Club.

For further details contact Edwina 01497-851284 or Pat 01497-851632

## Paincastle Mothers' Union News

Most of you who are reading this probably don't want to be reminded of Christmas, as it should be a distant memory by now. Since I last wrote we've met for a Christmas dinner, listened to a talk by Liz Kirlew and shown off our charity purchases.

The Christmas dinner was held on 9<sup>th</sup> December at the Roast Ox. We were pleased to welcome the Revd Ben Griffith and his wife, Jean, to our celebrations. Ben kindly said grace before we all tucked into the delicious food in the warm and convivial surroundings. Our thanks go to Christine Rose who organised our enjoyable evening.

Three years ago Liz and Richard Kirlew had the mad idea of visiting all the Welsh Cathedrals in a tractor. They wanted to raise funds for the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution and the Colwyn Group of Churches, and also to highlight rural poverty in all its guises. Seven hundred miles in a tractor, towing a caravan in inclement weather, is not everyone's idea of fun, but they were made very welcome wherever they went, had a cartoon of the trip in the Church Times, found the best fish and chip shops and raised over £3000. As Liz and Richard are moving to a new incumbency in Dorset, their visit gave us an opportunity to thank them for all their hard work in the Builth Deanery during the last 6 years and give them our best wishes for the future.

Our March meeting saw us discussing the various merits of Charity shop or car boot purchases. We all go into these shops saying "I'm not buying anymore stuff" yet, occasionally, there is a must have item. Most items brought and talked about had a special importance for the owners, from ornaments to plates and jugs to household linen. All items were used regularly. It was an interesting and fascinating evening, showing the members' wide range of interests.

Please join us for our next meeting on  
14<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm

In Paincastle Village Hall,  
When the Revd Mark Beeton,

Chaplain to the Swansea & Brecon Mothers' Union,  
will talk about his association with the Mothers' Union.

Info: Fran Shaw, 01982 560480



Members of the Rhosgoch YFC cast, of 'Peter Pan' performed at Paincastle recently

## FUN RIDE

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Further details Lauren Poulton Lauren Poulton  
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## Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> April: Easter IV

9.00am: Holy Eucharist: Bryngwyn  
9.30am: Morning Prayer: Aberedw  
11.00am: Holy Eucharist: Crickadarn

## Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May: Easter V

9.00am: Holy Eucharist: Newchurch  
9.30am: Holy Eucharist: Llanbadarn y Garreg  
No Mattins at Newchurch today  
11.00am: Holy Eucharist: Gwenddwr  
11.00am: Morning Prayer: Llandeilo Graban

## April Highlights in the Erwood & Paincastle Churches

On 29<sup>th</sup> March we commemorate Palm Sunday with a Group Eucharist at Llanbedr beginning with a procession around the churchyard.

Maundy Thursday sees us at Aberedw for a bring and share Agape and Eucharist followed by the stripping of the altars.

Good Friday: MESSY CHURCH at Aberedw. The annual Sunday School Celebration all welcome.

On Easter Eve, Bryngwyn Church will be holding its annual Children's Easter Party at Rhosgoch Golf Club; if you've been before, you'll know how good it is, if you haven't, come along this year to see what you've been missing!

Later on that evening at 8.00pm, Gwenddwr Church will be hosting the Easter Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter. This beautiful service begins in a darkened church with the lighting of the fire and the Easter Candle, followed by the joyful proclamation sung by a solo voice in a candlelit church. Intrigued? Want to hear me sing a solo? Then come and join us to find out.

## May Church Services in the Erwood and Paincastle churches

### Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May: Easter V

9.00am: Holy Eucharist: Newchurch  
9.30am: Holy Eucharist: Llanbadarn y Garreg  
No Mattins at Newchurch today  
11.00am: Holy Eucharist: Gwenddwr  
11.00am: Morning Prayer: Llandeilo Graban

### Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> May: Rogation Sunday

10.00am: Holy Eucharist & Rogation Walk: Newchurch  
11.00am: Morning Prayer: Crickadarn  
2.30pm: Rogation Service & Eucharist: Gwenddwr

### Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> May: Ascension Day

7.30am: Holy Eucharist: Aberedw  
7.00pm: Deanery Eucharist: Cregrina

### Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> May: Easter VI/ Sunday after Ascension

9.30am: Holy Eucharist: Llandeilo Graban  
11.00am: Holy Eucharist: Llanbedr  
3.00pm: Holy Eucharist: Llandewi Fach

### Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 3.45pm: MESSY CHURCH: Paincastle

### Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> May: Pentecost/Whitsun

9.00am: Holy Eucharist: Bryngwyn  
9.30am: Morning Praise: Aberedw  
11.00am: Holy Eucharist: Crickadarn

## BRYNGWYN CHURCH

We are making new cross-stitch tapestry kneelers for our Church.

If anyone would like to join in this project – perhaps in remembrance of family, or to commemorate a wedding or christening –

we have a catalogue of designs to choose from, and would be very glad to hear from you.

Please contact Evelyn Bally on 01497 851719 or any member of Bryngwyn PCC.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sat Apr 4th Bryngwyn Children's Party at Rhosgoch GC 4.30pm  
 Fri Apr 10th Bingo at Rhosgoch GC 8pm in aid of Renton Cancer Unit, Hereford  
 Sun Apr 19th YFC Fun Ride from Painscastle  
 Wed Apr 15th Lunch club at Rhosgoch Golf Club  
 Fri Apr 24th Darts League Finals Rhosgoch GC  
 Mon May 4th Chinese Auction Painscastle Hall 2.30 pm  
 Thr May 7th General Election polling at Painscastle Hall  
 Wed May 20th Lunch club at Rhosgoch Golf Club  
 Fri May 22nd Messy Church at Painscastle Hall

### HERMON CHAPEL RHOSGOCH

April 3rd Good Friday Service 7 pm Rev Meredith Powell  
 May 3rd No service

ALL SERVICES EVERY SUNDAY AT 2.30PM  
 Sunday School every Sunday morning 10 – 11 am

### ADULLAM BAPTIST CHAPEL, PAINSCASTLE

Wed April 1st Resting at Bethany Service with bring & share tea 4pm  
 Sun May 3rd Reunion Service 2.30 pm Rev Anne Dowswell

### MORIAH BAPTIST CHAPEL, LLANDEILO GRABAN

Services Sundays at 2.30pm  
 Fri Apr 3rd Sankey Evening  
 Sun Apr 5th Rev G Bingham  
 Sun April 26th United Service at Rhosgoch Chapel  
 Sun May 10th Special Service Rev Maggie Rich Comm  
 Sun May 24th Brian Lopez

### Erwood & Painscastle Group of parishes

*Dear Friends,*

One of the things that I personally love most about living in this beautiful corner of Wales is the astounding, dark sky which we experience on a clear cloudless night. Having lived in places where to see a sky full of stars was a rare occurrence only makes my delight in the beautiful skies which we so often get here all the greater. Standing outside in the garden, or even walking the dog on the hills above Aberedw on a clear night, I never cease to be amazed and enthralled by how magnificent the spectacle above me is, with the sky peppered with what seems to be a million points of light twinkling and glistening above me. As an extremely amateur astronomer, I have to admit that I can only identify a mere handful, but the spectacle of all of those myriad points of light never ceases to fill me with awe and wonder. For me that sense of awe reminds me of how seemingly insignificant I and indeed we are against the vast panoply of the cosmos. Of course, such reflections and observations lead me straight back to ponder upon the mystery and the majesty of God.

I'm reminded of words from the US astronaut James Irwin after a journey into the vastness of space. "The earth reminded us of a Christmas tree ornament hanging in the blackness of space. As we got farther and farther away it diminished in size. Finally it shrank to the size of a marble, the most beautiful marble that you can imagine. That beautiful, warm, living object looked so fragile, so delicate, that if you touched it with a finger it would crumble and fall apart. Seeing this has to change a man, has to make a man appreciate the creation of God and the love of God."

What Irwin articulates here is that same sense of elation at the intricate beauty and web of creation that I can find gazing

into a starry sky or even just watching the rest of creation around me. For Irwin, for me, and I'm confident for you as well, this finely balanced, interconnected and mutually dependant creation points us directly to God who is the fount and source of it all. It also takes us directly to Christ whose resurrection and redemption of the whole of creation we celebrate at Easter. The hymn writer Graham Kendrick also expresses it in his famous hymn "The Servant King,"

Come see his hands and his feet,  
 The scars that speak of sacrifice,  
 Hands that flung stars into space,  
 To cruel nails surrendered."

As Kendrick reminds us it is the same God who breathed creation into existence, who felt such love and compassion for it, that he was prepared to become part of it in the person of Jesus Christ in order to redeem it into previously undreamt of and unattainable possibilities. This is the both simple but equally mind-numbingly complex reality which is the centre and heart of the Christian faith. As Christians, we worship the same transcendent God as our Jewish and Muslim brothers and sisters. But, and it's a massive 'but,' we go one major step beyond in our acceptance that Jesus Christ was who he claimed to be, God in human form, and that through his passion, death and resurrection the fractured relationship between God and the whole of creation was redeemed and restored. Through the resurrection of Christ, the same hands "which flung stars into space," reach out in love and compassion to not just the world but also the cosmos.

With my love and prayers, for a happy and blessed Easter.

*Ben*

### April Church Services in the Erwood and Painscastle churches

#### Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> March: Tuesday in Holy Week

12.00pm: Chrism Eucharist and Lunch: Brecon Cathedral

#### Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> April: Wednesday in Holy Week

11.00am: Holy Eucharist and Lent lunch: Aberedw

4.00pm: United Holy Week Service: Adullam Chapel, Painscastle

#### Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April: Maundy Thursday

7.00pm: Agape and Eucharist: Aberedw

#### Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April: Good Friday

9.00am: Morning Prayer and the Litany: Bryngwyn

10.30am-12.00pm: MESSY EASTER: Aberedw

2.00pm: Devotions at the Cross: Llanbadarn y Garreg

#### Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> April: Holy Saturday/Easter Eve

4.30pm: Children's Easter Party: Rhosgoch Golf Club

8.00pm: Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter: Gwenddwr

#### Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> April: EASTER DAY

7.30am: Dawn Eucharist: Aberedw

9.00am: Holy Eucharist: Bryngwyn

10.30am: Holy Eucharist: Newchurch

11.00am: Holy Eucharist: Llandeilo Graban

#### Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> April: Easter II

9.30am: Group Eucharist: Llanbedr

11.00am: Group Eucharist: Crickadarn

#### Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> April: Easter III

9.30am: Holy Eucharist for Lambing Time: Llandeilo Graban

11.00am: Morning Prayer: Gwenddwr

3.00pm: Holy Eucharist: Llandewi Fach