

# Llais Llandyrnog Voice

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## Dawn till Dusk walk

The Dawn till Dusk walk was an amazing event. A total of £2,249 was raised for the Lis Morris Memorial Stage Project. The amount of love and support that has been shown really indicates how special Mrs Morris was, and continues to be, to so many.

Many thanks to everyone who took part in the walk, purchased food/drink and made kind donations. Special thanks to Phil O'Loughlin for taking photos,



*The Morris family, ready for the off!*



Daniel Jones & Sons Butchers for the donation of the food, the Morris family for opening and closing the event and Jason Jones for organising such a great day.

The next fundraising event at Ysgol Bryn Clwyd will be an in-school talent show for our pupils and their families, but we will keep you informed of any further community events.

Once again, diolch o galon!

## Llandyrnog Virtual Show 2021

The booklet containing photographs of the entries for the virtual show will soon be available at the Post Office and Daniel Jones & Sons. A colourful feast for the eyes awaits you!



**Thanks to all who have contributed articles to this edition and to those who have given generous financial contributions for the upkeep of your magazine – it's greatly appreciated**

# Around the village

## Congratulations to ...

... **Elan Foulkes**, Pentrefelin and **Adam Stone** of Derby who were married on 29 September at Knockerdown, Ashbourne, Derbyshire. Elen is a cardiovascular physiologist at Leeds General Hospital and Adam is a software developer. Their future home will be on the outskirts of Leeds.

... the Golden Lion's A pool team on becoming champions of the Denbigh and District Pool League.

... Heather Powell, Capel Isa, Head of the North Wales Co-operative Music Service. The service is one of the three finalists for the 'Tech for good' category of the prestigious Social Business Wales Awards. The awards ceremony will be held on Tuesday, 5 October.

## Welcome to ...

... **Ruby Grace**, daughter of **Vicky and Danny Owen**, Craig Lea.

... **Professor Waqar Bhatt** and **Dr Afshan Khawaja** and their daughters to Pen y Bryn, Llangwyfan.

... **Manon and Colum** to Parc Ty'n Llan.

## Condolences to ...

... the family of the late **Owen Hughes**, Maes Tyrnog.

... the family of the late **Bob Hall**.

## Best wishes to ...

... **Brenda Williams**, after a short stay in hospital and to **Grace Jones** who is in hospital at the moment.

## Good luck to ...

... **Beth Jones Owen**, Y Wern (Tyrnog liveries/racing yard), who will be running the London Marathon on 3 October 2021, raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support. If anyone would be generous enough to sponsor her, she would be hugely grateful. Visit <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/> and search for Bethan Jones Owen. Also, on Saturday, 16 October, there will be a coffee morning at the village hall to support her fundraising effort.

## Coffee Morning

10am Saturday, 16 October at the Village Hall in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support.

Donations gratefully received for cake and home-produce stall and raffle.



## Village Hall Hiring Charges

For a period of six months only from 1 October, the main hall and kitchen will be available for hire for a special charge of £28 for two hours but only to people living within the community wishing to arrange a coffee morning to raise funds for recognised charities. The organisers will be expected to lay out the tables and chairs and put them away afterwards.

**Gwen Davies**, formerly of Hafod y Bryn, would like to thank her friends for their greetings on the recent occasion of her 90th birthday. She's pictured here with her grandchildren Hywel, Non, Lisa, Elin, Manon, Tomos and Ifan.



# Church services

## Llandyrnog

3 Oct, 11.15am: Holy Eucharist, Harvest Thanksgiving

10 Oct, 11.15am: Morning Prayer

17 Oct, 11.15am: Morning Prayer

24 Oct, 11.15am: Morning Prayer

31 Oct, 11.15am: Holy Eucharist

## Llangwyfan

17 Oct, 5pm: Holy Eucharist

## Messy Church

10 Oct, 3.30–5.30pm Llandyrnog Village Hall. Crafts, worship, food for all the family. A warm welcome to all. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

# Dyffryn Chapel services

3 Oct, 11am: Rev. Eric Jones

10 Oct, 9.45am: Children's Thanksgiving

17 Oct: No service

24 Oct, 9.45am: Rev. R. G. Jones

31 Oct, 10am: Circuit Service

## Messy Church

Messy Church is back! After over a year of sending out Messy Church in a bag, we finally came together on Sunday, 19 September. It was lovely to see everyone again and to see how much the children had grown. We celebrated God's creation and learned of ways we can help animals and insects to thrive. Jack made a hedgehog hotel, which we then painted and it is now in the churchyard, where we hope it will attract a visiting hedgehog. We also made bug houses in (biodegradable) plant pots filled with bark and cones, and home-made bird-feeders and hedgehogs out of pine cones. We decorated magnifying glasses and then used them outside on a bug hunt. As the weather was fine, we held our worship session outside and then all enjoyed a barbeque together. Our next Messy Church session will be on 10 October at 3.30pm in the Village Hall and all are welcome.



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# Hurdle race to Italy

With mixed feelings, we boarded the Ryanair aircraft in Manchester Airport mid-July, feelings probably similar to Sydney McLoughlin, the Olympic record breaker in the recent Women's 400m Hurdles. We were so thankful that the flight would carry us that much nearer to our family in Italy after a long ten months. We didn't heed Mark Drakeford's 'stay at home' policy, since we believed it was more important to see our family. The usual preparations for travelling to Italy were miniscule compared to this year's rules and regulations – at least a dozen extra 'hurdles' to overcome!

To start in reverse order, we had to assimilate all the latest Welsh Government information on how to return home safely. We googled the Italian embassy in London to check the latest updates on entry to Italy, then checked new rules for Ryanair, Manchester Airport and its M & G Parking.

Where to begin? List of requirements for Italy:

1. Complete a Passenger Locator Form for Italy – a long and detailed form.
2. Obtain a certificate to show that both of us had received the double COVID vaccines. To complete the form, we had to go on to the NHS Wales website ... but technical problems. Had to resort to the dependable phone, and both certificates arrived by post safely.
3. A COVID-19 test was required 48 hours before the flight – two NHS vaccinations were not sufficient. 'You must use a private company,' they said. Decided on the reliable Boots pharmacy. Boots in Wrexham was the nearest, providing a PCR test but they couldn't guarantee that the results would return in time. Therefore, we opted for the other test – the Antigen – as that would suffice. The nearest Boots

offering this test was in the centre of Liverpool. So, off we went, and to our relief a negative result in 20 minutes.

4. Before receiving the Ryanair boarding passes, we had to upload all the completed written documents so they would be available digitally.
5. Arrived at Manchester Airport at 5am, into M & G T3 Parking as usual, but not a soul in sight – no one to meet and greet us. Crisis! Where were we supposed to park the car then? After further instructions, returned to the same long-stay multistorey car park, found ourselves a parking bay and pocketed the keys. Then a brisk walk from Terminal 3 to Terminal 1 for the flight.
6. The extra paper documents were meticulously checked before the actual check-in by staff to see that they matched the digital boarding passes. Then they were rubber-stamped in the old-fashioned way – 'DOCS OK'. Relief once again. Just 30 people on the aircraft with a capacity of 192. The stewards were very friendly, with all the time in the world for the passengers (a nice change). It was like travelling in a private jet.



*Picking melons at 34°C*

# Hurdle race to Italy ... contd

7. Arriving at Rome Ciampino Airport, we went at a snail's pace through customs and all its extra checks problem-free. Still wearing our masks, we took a bus to Roma Termini (main railway station), and a train to Nettuno where our family live. Nettuno is a seaside town on the Tyrrhenian Sea in the centre of Italy, 60km (37 miles) south of Rome, and has a population of 50,000. Just 4km along the coast lies the town of Anzio – a town remembered for the famous beach landings in January 1944 during the Second World War. The scars of war can still be seen on some buildings, with numerous British and American war cemeteries nearby.

8. On our arrival, Italian rules meant that we had to register our stay with the Lazio authorities, and quarantine at home for five days. But we were quite happy at home with the three grandchildren. In Italy, schools close 15 June until 15 September for the summer holidays, therefore we were able to help with their *il compito* (homework – e.g. about 176 pages to complete for a seven-year-old!) as well as enjoying their entertaining company. Our teaching skills came in handy and it suited us during the quarantine, with temperatures over 30°C outside.

9. We had to have another COVID test at a pharmacy after five days' quarantine. Elen knew the pharmacy owners in Nettuno (very useful) and we had the tests completed (negative) with no fuss for 20 Euros. Had a wonderful time with the family when we were free to roam, and had many a trip to the seaside, eating fresh fish and pizza, drinking cappuccini, visiting Deruta, Perugia – home of the famous maiolica (painted tin-glazed earthenware) ceramics, and helping Elen in the melon fields (even hotter, 34 °C!)

## BACK TO WALES

10. We had to complete a new Passenger Locator Form for the UK. This time you had to state that you had already purchased a PCR COVID kit online for a Day 2 test after returning home. We had no choice but to order the PCR online with the only company recognised by NHS Wales, CTM (£88 each!). In the meantime, some good news, as Welsh Government had decided that there was no need for a ten-day quarantine after returning to Wales and no Day 8 test.

11. We took a COVID test (antigen) by the same pharmacist 72 hours before flying. Elen dropped us off at the airport on her way to inspect other melon fields. Going through passport control, we placed our passports in the usual box. Lo and behold, a big red X appeared on the screen. *What's wrong with this machine today?* we thought. A passport officer soon informed us that we were in the wrong queue and pointed us to the correct, long queue – the Non-EU queue. Reaching the correct passport officer after three-quarters of an hour, a Yorkshire man behind us voiced his opinion openly and cursed Brexit for the wait.

12. So, finally, on Day 2 after returning home, we performed the expensive PCR COVID test and sent them to be analysed via first-class priority post. The following day, the results arrived – Ann negative, but Iestyn invalid – oh no! Another hurdle! Another test required (but free this time), at Ruthin the following day. Hey, bingo – negative!

And that brought us to the end of our complicated 12-hurdle race and back home safe and sound. We were glad that we had ventured during very difficult times, and we were rewarded with memorable and happy times with our family!

**Ann & Iestyn**

# Recipes of the month

## Cheesy chicken-stuffed marrow bake

1tbs tarragon, freshly chopped  
50g (2oz) butter  
450ml (<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>pt) milk  
50g (2oz) plain flour  
Salt  
250g (8oz) cooked chicken, diced  
1 slice white bread, made into breadcrumbs  
125g (4oz) mature cheddar cheese, grated  
2tbs parsley, freshly chopped

### Method

Preheat the oven to 190C, 375F, Gas Mark 5

Peel the marrow, cut in half lengthways and scoop out the seeds.

Bring a large pan of lightly salted water to the boil, add the marrow (cut in half if the pan is not big enough) and simmer for 4–5 minutes.

Drain and arrange cavity side up in a lightly oiled ovenproof dish.

Make the cheese sauce by melting the butter in a saucepan, stir in the flour and cook for 1 minute, stirring occasionally.

Gradually stir in the milk, bring to the boil and simmer for 2–3 minutes until thickened and smooth.

Remove from the heat and stir in most of the cheese, most of the herbs, the chicken and seasoning to taste.

Spoon into the marrow cavities.

Mix together the breadcrumbs, remaining herbs and seasoning to taste. Sprinkle over the marrow filling and bake in the preheated oven for 25 minutes until heated through and golden.

For an extra crunchy top, place under a preheated hot grill for 1 minute before serving.

## Quick and easy pea soup

1 large knob of butter  
1 medium onion, chopped  
1 medium potato, chopped into smallish pieces  
1 clove of garlic, chopped or crushed  
1 litre hot vegetable stock  
500g frozen peas

### Method

Melt the butter in a large saucepan then add the onion and potato and simmer gently until softened but not coloured.

Add the garlic and continue cooking gently for a few minutes.

Add the stock and the peas, bring to the boil and then cook for about 5 minutes or until the potatoes are cooked.

Remove from the heat and blend until smooth.

To serve, top with crispy bacon or mint and season to taste.

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# From the Rector

Many of you will be familiar with the song 'What a Wonderful World', made famous by Louis Armstrong. Look again at the words – there are many truths within them, including 'the bright blessed day and dark sacred night'. The dark is sacred, it is a time of rest and recuperation, of seeking peace in our busy world. The dark enables us to appreciate the brightness of the day.

Autumn is once again upon us, the nights are drawing in and the dark winter days lie ahead. Somehow the dark nights seem to approach much quicker than the lightening of the days in spring, but darkness and light are both part of God's creation. God said, 'Let there be light and God saw the light was good and he separated light from darkness. He called the light day and the darkness night.' Genesis 1:3.

Our world is continually revolving, so while one part is experiencing midnight, another is looking to the dawn and another enjoying the noonday sun. It is said the darkest hour is just before dawn, and the best way to appreciate the beauty of a sunrise is to begin in the dark. Darkness and light are also true in our lives, where we have times of joy and times of sorrow.

When we are facing difficulties in our lives, God promises the dawn will break through and God will change our darkness into light.

We will all face times of darkness – the loss of a loved one, a diagnosis of illness or a sudden change in circumstances that we are not prepared for. But those times of darkness are often a time of growth, of appreciation of what we have and looking to the future with hope. Captain Tom Moore, who raised more than £38 million for the NHS at the start of the pandemic, always seemed to look to the future with hope. He had the philosophy of 'tomorrow will be a good day' and this enabled him to still be positive at the age of

100, to bring hope to thousands in a time of great challenge in our world. Maybe it is a philosophy we all need to adopt.

October is Harvest Festival month when the Church gives thanks for the good gifts God has given us. We give thanks for the cycle of the farming year and for all who have worked hard to provide for our needs. Our Harvest Thanksgiving service will be in St Tyrnog's on Sunday, 3 October at 11.15am. A warm welcome to all.

With Every Blessing

Val Rowlands

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## Speed Survey

The speed survey data for Groes Efa Bach, between Celynog Crossroads and Llangwyfan crossroads, does not demonstrate that there is enough evidence for a reduction in the speed limit. The survey shows that the average speeds of vehicles is 36.5mph and 32.6mph in the two directions. These figures demonstrate that the overwhelming majority of motorists are driving the route at an appropriate speed. As with most routes in Denbighshire there appears to be a small minority that drive at a faster speed. For example, there was a record of one westbound motorist doing 58mph between 6am and 7am on Thursday, 5 August. However, changes to speed limits should be based on the mean speed and not individual instances of inappropriate speed.

As a result of the above, further action is not proposed at this time.

# Notes from Plas Ashpool

At the time of writing we are still enjoying a wonderful Indian summer and long may it last, I say! Such a joy to still be in the garden at this time of year, many flowers putting on their final show and with that delicious hint of autumn promise still to come.

As much as I love our beautiful vale and all the splendid views we are lucky enough to enjoy from the surrounding hills, and would never for a moment want to seem disloyal, I have to admit that last week I visited a part of the country with a view that is beyond spectacular!

The mission was to collect some new hens and bantams to add to our dwindling flock. At long last, after much searching, I had been given the address of a farm in Shropshire that could supply me with an assortment of my favourite Pekin bantams and a mixture of pure-bred large fowl too. Yippee!

As it happened, work was taking my husband to Shrewsbury anyway, so I tagged along for a little outing. Always a beautiful county to drive through at any time of year, Shropshire was looking particularly beautiful on this day. Like all good adventures it started well but there followed the typical string of mishaps, often resulting from a husband/wife conversation of 'let's have a day out'.

(1) Short business meeting turned into long, three-hour epic due to unforeseen delays for other person travelling on motorways. (Not to worry, wife can occupy herself sorting out clutter in shopping basket and rest of contents of car quite happily, with the knowledge that hens are on the way.)

(2) Hungry husband. Problem solved. Let's find suitable eating establishment to satisfy rumbling tummies. Simple.

(3) Have an excellent tour of the sights of town, several times over, as grumpy, ravenous husband searches every street looking for parking space. All seemingly

designated to 'unloading'. Finally park, eat and we are off once more. Hooray!

(4) Satnav happily taking us to Gobbet's Farm ... so we thought. Roads become lanes, lanes become tracks. You know the story.

(5) Wife notices orange warning light of low fuel. Petrol stations nowhere to be seen on horizon.

(6) Fuel exceedingly low, husband exceedingly cross. My description of a 'short way from Shrewsbury' was turning out to be a long way from the truth.

(7) Finally, Gobbet's Farm in sight. Turn in. Remember no cash in purse. Not likely that rural farm accepts cards. Optimistic comments from wife do not go down well.

(8) Joy! Hens and bantams beautiful and plentiful. Can't make up my mind. Have the urge to have one of each colour. Husband remains in car.

(9) Cards not taken, surprise, surprise. Let's do telephone banking transfer. Problem solved.

(10) No mobile telephone signal. Set off to find post office for cash or very high hill for signal. Find neither. Car now moving on fresh air, plus fumes from irate husband.

(11) Finally find a hill with some crackly signal. Make payment. Kind automated voice tells us said payment should go through within two hours!

(12) Return to farm, payment gone through (thankfully), grab hens and banties, set off down even teenier lanes. Kindly hen farmer assured us it is only a few miles along this route to the service station and salvation. Phew!

(13) Take several wrong turns, much reversing to allow sudden rush of school-time traffic travelling in opposite direction, reach destination. Petrol station. All is well!



## Plas Ashpool ... contd

And the point of this whole long-winded account was to let you know that everything really was 'all well' because there at the end of a million miles of country lanes was the most magnificent view. It truly took our breath away. Clee Hill. Absolutely amazing. Somewhere between Ludlow and Bridgnorth lies the view of all views. If ever you are in this part of the world, do make a point of visiting it. I promise, you will not be disappointed. But please, just remember, ignore your satnav, fill up with fuel and, better still, pack a picnic just in case! You might be pleased to hear that after a cup of tea and then a pub supper, husband was his old self. Hens survived the journey home and are settling in well with the old girls. It might just be a while before we set out on another 'little outing' again. Until next time, enjoy all the adventures of life that come your way and to you all ... happy gardening.

**Fiona Bell**



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## Tractor run

Maybe some of you noticed that some classic, modern and vintage tractors passed through the village on Saturday, 4 September. To give you some background – Llanrhaeadr had no show this year; however, they were still keen to have their annual tractor run, which coincides with the show. So it was arranged rather last-minute to be honest. Somewhat surprisingly, about 35 tractors turned up. We had a lovely run from Llanrhaeadr to Llandyrnog along to Dre Goch and turned right past Berth and up the track down to London Bridge. We then headed up past Glyn Arthur and turned down a steep track where we had lunch with stunning views over the vale. Then down past the Siglen and left to Llangynhafal, Hendrerwydd, Gellifor and an amble back to Llanrhaeadr through Llanynys. One gentleman, Bill, had driven all the way down from Scotland in a Series 1 Land Rover (in photo below) the day before, stayed with friends in Llandyrnog and came along for the ride before heading back up to Scotland late afternoon – what a star! I did text him later on to check that he had returned safely and he said he had – just that he was deaf and stiff! Despite the last-minute arrangements, we all put £10 in the bucket and £350 has since been handed over to St Kentigern's.

**Bryn Davies**



# Ysgol Bryn Clwyd

The juniors started off the term by designing and making mini marble crazy golf courses. They had to measure and create their own three-hole course, which they could play with their partner. They have also been investigating chemical reactions, including what causes the reaction that makes slime.



*Designing and making a tabletop golf course*

They finally solved the mystery of why stone gargoyles change over time, but it required them to go outside and investigate what causes explosions.

The after school clubs this half term are: Monday – film club with Mrs Lyon; Tuesday – talent show with Miss Birkett; Wednesday – gardening club with Mr Jones.

The infants have been working really hard on their independent challenges in our new 'Working Woods' this week. They have also been doing science investigations. The question was, 'What will make a crayon melt?' All the children had great ideas and enjoyed seeing their different methods of testing. The crayons from their story have been travelling the world and are about to arrive in Llandyrnog. Hotels have been made for them to stay in when they arrive.

The pupils have been carrying out elections to vote in their pupil Council groups. The Eco Committee, the School Council, y Criw Cymraeg and Healthy Schools committees will be meeting soon to discuss plans for the school year.

The school's new trim trail was fitted last week. However, the children had to patiently wait a few days for the posts to set in the ground before they could use it! It was worth the wait and has been in good use this week! Thank you again to the Community Council for its generous contribution towards it.



Thanks to Emma (Dan and Jackson's mum) who has volunteered to join the governors as a parent governor. Also to Owen (Ollie's dad) who will remain as Ysgol Bryn Clwyd's second parent governor.

The school is looking forward to October's events: the annual harvest service led by Rev. Val, the talent show, a visit from Professor Llusern Mathmagician, and a Halloween party. A few busy weeks before the school closes for half term!

**James Davies, MP for Vale of Clwyd**

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# Procter Johnson update

## Residents' meeting 6 September 2021

Following news of the sale of the old Arla creamery site to Procter Johnson, some residents were concerned about how this new company might impact on the area and had concerns about noise, dust and chemicals. I decided to invite all the immediate neighbours and Community Council members to a meeting with Harvey Jackson so he could introduce himself and the new company, Procter Johnson Ltd. It was an opportunity for the residents to ask questions.

There was a good turnout and a good discussion on how the new company will be operating, including a guide on operating time, traffic and noise. I felt that the residents engaged well and that the outcome was a good one. Harvey Jackson left an open invitation for any resident to contact him.

Following the meeting I suggested that at some point nearer time of start of production in Llandyrnog that the Community Council should meet up with Harvey Jackson and his team so we can have a clearer understanding of operations.



Vale of Clwyd MP, Dr James Davies, also met Harvey Jackson, MD of Procter Johnson at the site

*(Photo: Dr James Davies)*

# Photo of the month

The Three Castles vintage car rally drove through the parish on a timed run from Denbigh to Nannerch.



*Phil O'Loughlin's photo of a Porsche 911 from the rally*

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# Eight facts about autumn

The time of year that Keats called the 'season of mists and mellow fruitfulness', autumn is famous for its harvest, turning leaves, cooling temperatures and darkening nights.

## 1. Autumn begins

There are two different dates when autumn could be said to begin. Autumn, as defined by the Earth's orbit around the Sun, begins on the equinox, which falls on 22 or 23 September. However, to record climate data, it is important to have set dates that can be compared, so meteorological autumn always begins on 1 September.

## 2. Trees prepare for winter

One of the most stunning signs of autumn is the turning of the leaves. The shorter days are a sign to trees to begin to prepare for winter. During winter there is not enough light for photosynthesis to occur, so as the days shorten throughout autumn, the trees begin to close down their food production systems and reduce the amount of chlorophyll in their leaves.

## 3. The chemistry of colour

Chlorophyll is the chemical that makes tree leaves green and as it declines other chemicals become more prominent in the leaves. These are responsible for the vibrant ambers, reds and yellows of autumn. The chemicals responsible are types of flavonoids, carotenoids and anthocyanins.

Did you know that some of these chemicals are the same ones that give carrots (beta-carotenes) and egg yolks (luteins) their colours?

## 4. People born in Autumn live longer

A study in the *Journal of Aging Research* found that babies born during the autumn months are more likely to live to 100 than those born during the rest of the year.

Their study found that 30% of US centenarians born during 1880–1895 were born in the autumn months.

## 5. The days get shorter

The word equinox comes from the Latin *equi* (meaning equal) and *nox* (meaning night), accounting for the equinox marking the time when day and night are of equal length. We often notice the nights begin to draw in from this point as, after the autumn equinox, the nights are longer than the days, until this is reversed at the spring equinox.

## 6. A date for your diary – 24 September 2303

Generally speaking, the autumn equinox always falls on either 22 or 23 September, but not quite always. Because the Gregorian calendar is not quite in perfect symmetry with the Earth's orbit, the autumn equinox will very occasionally fall on 24 September. This last happened in 1931 and will next happen in 2303.

## 7. Persephone's return

In Greek mythology, autumn began when Persephone was abducted by Hades to be the Queen of the Underworld. In distress, Persephone's mother, Demeter (the goddess of the harvest), caused all the crops on Earth to die until her daughter was allowed to return, marking spring.

## 8. Autumn and fall

We typically think of 'fall' as the North American version of the word autumn, but it was, in fact, in widespread usage in England until relatively recently.

Originally a shortening of the phrase fall of the leaf, the phrase was common in England in the 17th century. The word autumn entered English from the French *automne* and did not become common usage until the 18th century.

# The First Children's Parliament

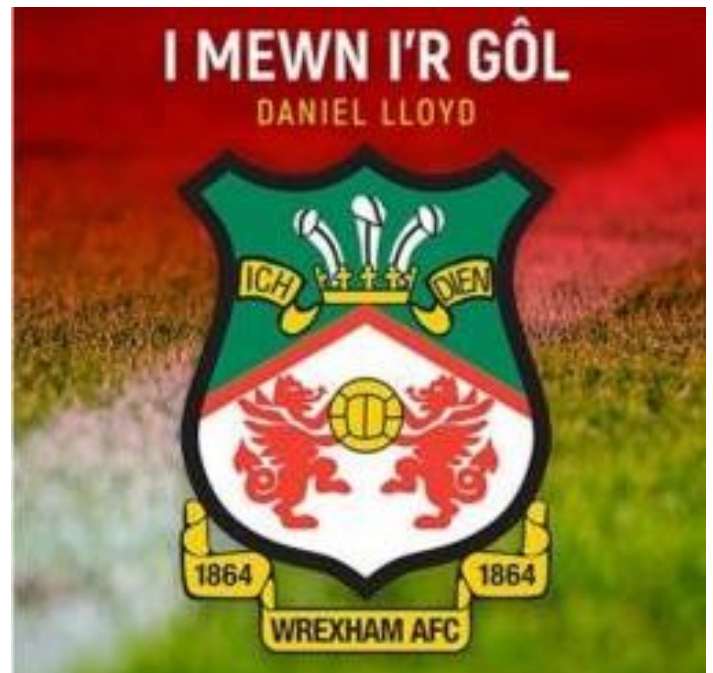
The first virtual Children's Parliament is set to take place next month and Dr James Davies MP is looking for a young person to represent the Vale of Clwyd.

Some 650 Child MPs, from primary schools across Britain, made up of children between 7 and 11 years of age, will be debating their views on a range of issues, in the first virtual Children's Parliament, which will take place at 5pm on Friday, 29 October.

The virtual parliamentary session will be held in a House of Commons-style 'chamber', with half of the children representing HM Government and the other, HM Loyal Opposition.

'I am really keen to ensure that the Vale of Clwyd is represented and therefore encourage nominations, which can be emailed to me at james.davies.mp@parliament.uk.

'The event takes place at the end of next month, so nominations need to be submitted quickly so that we can select a Child MP for the Vale of Clwyd as soon as possible.'



More than 40 years after Brymbo Male Voice Choir recorded the well-known song, *I mewn i'r gôl* (Into the goal) to support Wrexham FC, back in 1978, Daniel Lloyd has arranged and recorded a brand new version of the song for the club's new era.

The new version was recorded for BBC Radio Cymru's documentary, *I mewn i'r gôl* – a programme celebrating the club's golden age under the new owners, the actors Ryan Reynolds and Rob McElhenney.

After working on a new arrangement with his friend and co-composer, Greg Palmer, Dan then did all of the recording, producing, mixing and mastering work at home in his spare bedroom.

The song will be played at the Racecourse before every home game.

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*The trees that are to be felled in Coed Llangwyfan due to being infected with Phythophthora ramorum, or larch disease.*

*(Photo: Gerry Connell)*

# Matters discussed in the September 2021 meeting of Llandyrnog Community Council

There was a discussion about whether there is any appetite in the community to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June 2022. It was suggested that an article be included in *Llais Llandyrnog Voice*.

Following comments from residents of the Groes Efa area, DCC carried out a speed survey in the area and there was not enough evidence to warrant reducing the speed limit in the area.

DCC has confirmed that the road between Llangwyfan and London Bridge has had a temporary repair, with more permanent repairs to be considered once all the timber has been cleared from Coed Llangwyfan.

Following a request by the CC, DCC carried out a light survey and a street lamp is going to be erected in Maes Llan car park.

DCC has an online survey wanting to know how they could improve their services. To complete the survey, visit [Denbighshire.gov.uk](http://Denbighshire.gov.uk) and click on 'How is the Council doing?'.

There were discussions about the former Arla site now owned by Procter Johnson and Cllr Parry agreed to prepare an update for inclusion in *Llais Llandyrnog Voice* (see p.11).

It was reported that the Llandyrnog Sports and Football Association was considering improvements to the pavilion so that the community as a whole could make better use of the building. They have engaged an architect to prepare a concept drawing for further discussion.

Details have been received from DCC about a community events infrastructure grant intended to make improvements to community buildings post-COVID and to make events easier to organise.

Inconsiderate parking along Olivers Row has improved dramatically since the intervention

of the PCSO.

Super fibre broadband installation at the Cocoa Rooms is nearly complete. Further discussion is needed with the community about how they would like to make best use of this facility.

Three planning applications were discussed: erection of extension to side of 5 Maes Llan; details of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale of land opposite Cwm Tawel; and conversion of outbuilding to granny annexe, Hafod Derw, Llandyrnog.

A request will be made to DCC to remove the bin that has been fitted inside the bus stop at Waen.

We need to consider removing some of the shrubbery in Cae Nant as it is proving expensive to maintain, without much benefit. We decided to meet on site to discuss the matter further.

DCC has sent through the criteria regarding signs warning people that there will be horses on the road. The road from Llangwyfan to Celynog does not qualify. However, we decided to approach DCC again to see whether signs can be installed coming into Llandyrnog from both Waen and Llanychan areas, as there are liveries in the area and this will forewarn drivers that they can expect to meet horses.

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