#### **CRONICL CAEREINION CHRONICLE**



#### MAY



ISSUE TEN

#### A Warm Welcome from the Chair

Hope you all had a lovely Easter! Welcome to the May edition of the Town Chronicle.

There are some great community projects starting this month. We have been successful in getting a grant from the lottery community fund to set up and run a youth club in the town. Matt Evans has been selected as the leader of the club. Many members of the community have fond memories of the club from their youth, it will be good to see the opportunity for it to start again.

The community has seen an ongoing feasibility trial to see if there is interest in a community café. For the trial period it will be open Thursdays and Fridays to gauge the level of interest.

There is a Coronation Dance and Hog Roast on the  $5^{th}$  May and the Carnival on the  $17^{th}$  June to look forward to.

As the editor has asked for some old photos, I thought I'd add one from the 70s featuring 2 members of the council.



(Picture features Chair Ian Davies in the pram and Vice Chair Robert Astley pushing)







# Llanfair Caereinion Town Council Defibrillator locations

- 1) Mount Field (clubhouse wall)
- 2) High Street (telephone box)
- 3) Watergate Street by Maesglas (telephone box)
  - 4) Market Square (Black Lion pub)
    - 5) Leisure Centre (outside wall)
      - 6) Doctors Surgery (inside)
      - 7) Institute (back of building)

#### Cyngor Tref Llanfair Caereinion Lleoliadau'r diffibrilwyr

- 1) Cae Mownt (wal adeilad y clwb)
  - 2) Stryd Fawr (blwch ffôn)
- 3) Stryd y Dŵr gan Maesglas (blwch ffôn)
  - 4) Sgwâr y Farchnad (tafarn y Llew Du)
    - 5) Canolfan Hamdden (wal allanol)
      - 6) Y Feddygfa (y tu mewn)
    - 7) Yr Athrofa (yng nghefn yr adeilad)

#### Cyngor Tref Llanfair Caereinion Llanfair Caereinion Town Council NFWS

#### YOUTH COUNCIL

The Youth Council, in consultation with the Town Council, has produced a Youth Plan and is working with the Town Council on the planning of a new Youth Club. The Youth Plan can be found on the council website under 'council'.

#### **TOWN WIFI**

The long-awaited town Wi-fi system is due to be installed around the town centre during April 2023. It will enable all visitors and residents to gain Wi-fi signal when out and about. The system is being installed at no cost as it is being funded by Welsh Government and Powys County Council, this includes maintenance into the future years.

#### **YOUTH CLUB**

The Town Council is pleased to announce that Matt Evans has agreed to join the Council as Youth Officer, leading the Youth Club in the future. Many of you will know Matt and his wide experience with the youth of the area will be invaluable.

#### **DERI WOODS FITNESS TRAIL**

Thanks to the National Lottery Community Fund we have received £7000 funding to implement a fitness trail in Deri Woods. Further information about the fitness trail will follow after discussion.

#### **LYCHGATE**

You may have noticed some work being undertaken to replace some timbers on the Lychgate at the entrance to the church graveyard. The work will return the metal cross on the top of the roof and ensure that the Lychgate is there for years to come.

#### WELL-BEING PLAN

The Council has published its well-being plan to record what the town is doing to make Llanfair Caereinion a better place to live. The plan can be found the council website at www.lanfairtowncouncil.co.uk under documents.

#### **COMMUNITY CAFÉ**

The Town Council is pleased to be supporting the Community Café which opens on Friday 14th April from 2pm to 5pm in the Institute (Youth Room). Coffee/tea, cakes and good company. The Café will be open on Thursday mornings and Friday afternoons for a trial 8-week period.

#### THE CAEREINION CHRONICLE TRANSLATION

The chronicle will be operating in English, with the Welsh version available upon request. This is due to the printing costs of the chronicle. Issues of the Caereinion Chronicle in Welsh can be obtained by contacting the town clerk. Details on page twenty.

#### LLANFAIR CAEREINION TOURISM WEBSITE

Take a look at the Llanfair Caereinion Tourism website at llanfaircaereinion.org.uk

Robert Robinson, Clerk.



# Coronation Dance Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 7pm – The Institute Llanfair Caereinion



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#### From St Mary's Church

We have just celebrated Easter Day, recalling the story of Mary discovering the empty tomb, encountering the risen Jesus and then realising that he is alive. The church was beautifully decorated for Easter Day with spring flowers reminding us of new birth. Also, the idea of a knitted Last Supper came to fruition in an amazing way, with three scenes being produced, plus the Easter Garden and so the whole story of the events leading up to Easter and the day itself were on display for everyone to enjoy. Leading up to Easter there were many events such as a pilgrimage walk, quiet reflections and a Passover meal.



Over the last few months, the church has welcomed people to its 'Welcome Wednesday', where folk have been able to come for a chat over a cuppa and to share a soup lunch. Originally this was envisaged as a warm space for people to come to over the winter, but there is a need for somewhere for people to drop in for company and so the church will continue providing a space once a month for folk to gather for company. During the weeks people have tried to complete a jigsaw; it has been challenging and is an ongoing project. Any jigsaw addicts would be welcome to come and help complete this!

Looking ahead, the church is planning a flower festival to raise funds towards the clock repair and for the running of the church.

The ceiling has been repaired and the building is now open again every

day as a quiet, sacred place for everyone to come and enjoy the tranquillity of the space. Rev Jane is also available to anyone for prayer and support.

A sleeping world emerges to new possibilities, weakening winter's icy grip, and birdsong and bleating lamb announce to all the promise that in due season creation bursts into life.

And whilst leaves that fell in winter lie upon the ground, soon to feed the earth, in nature's wondrous cycle of death and rebirth, within the tree is a stirring of new growth.



**Every Blessing** 

Rev Jane



#### A Warm Thanks from Encil Melangell



It was wonderful to welcome so many friendly faces to Encil Melangell's open morning on the 1st of March and over the past month for treatments.

Just a reminder that I am offering local people a free 30min Reflexology taster appointment on Monday 8th May as part of The Big Help Out. As part of Fibromyalgia

Education & Awareness Month I am also offering those living with Fibromyalgia a free 30min Reflexology taster session on Friday 19th May. There are a few spaces remaining on both days; to book your appointment please contact me on 0785288457.

You may also like to get in touch if you are interested in running a popup shop or workshop at Encil Melangell during the summer months. There will be no charge for local small businesses to use the space but you will need public liability insurance (I have some information from Business Wales that maybe useful for short term insurance).

I look forward to hearing from you,

Amber.

#### Community Café



A very successful opening of the Community Café on 14<sup>th</sup> April with a very high attendance to sample the delicious cakes on offer. The café will run for a length of eight weeks initially, opening Thursdays 10am – 1230pm and Fridays 2pm – 5.30pm.

Left: three of the volunteers manning the café, Sharron Richards, Gwyneth Bowen and Kate Roberts.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

to Kelsie Webster on securing a place in the under 18 Welsh rugby

squad.





#### Llanfair Bowling Club

With a very successful last season, we have taken the past few months to rejuvenate ready to meet next season! We hope that our meeting for new members welcomed a lot of fresh new faces, as well as the old bunch. Many exciting events are planned, including two home matches in May against Guilsfield and Machynlleth, so let's get practicing! We hope to welcome you all to our quiz and whist drive over the next couple of months.

# Llanfair Bowling Club

President - Maldwyn Evans

Chairman - Arwel Rees

Secretary - Trevor Jones



Treasurer - Carol Isaac

Captain - David Edwards

V Captain - Richard Edwards

Meeting for members and new members at bowling club on 24th of April

First home match on 4th of May against Guilsfield Second home match on 11th of May against Machynlleth

#### Dates for your Diaries:

Whist Drive on the 12th of may at the Bowling Club for 7 - 7.30pm

#### Dates for your Diaries:

Quiz on the 9th of June at the bowling club for 7 - 7:30pm

#### Llanfair United FC

The Club has had a very busy few months since we were last updated, with the 'Llanfair 1' walking football group winning the all ages walking football tournament in Oswestry.

There was a successful quiz held at The Black Lion, raising £128 in aid of the Football Club. Thank you to everyone who supported.



The girls' team has been very busy, some were even spotted live on BBC 2 at the Wales ladies vs Northern Ireland match waving the Llanfair United Girls flag!

A congratulations are also in order to five of our girls' team members who represented Powys in an Under 12 Interleague Festival!

The Under 8's, 10's and 12's girls' teams also took part in a festival in Berriew recently, having lots of fun and playing well.



The Reserves will be taking on the Veterans in a charity match for the Andy McVeagh Memorial Cup on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 2:30pm. There will be a bar, BBQ and children's competitions with the proceeds being split between the club and British Heart Foundation. All are welcome.

#### A Worthy Award

We would like to congratulate Cherilee Freeman who won the Powys Volunteer of the Year Award back in March. Cheri, after having health issues struggling with chronic fatigue due to a brain injury, has been volunteering for two years. Cherilee volunteers at Ponthafren, a mental health charity based here in Powys, aiming to help people who are struggling. Alongside her outstanding work with Ponthafren, Cheri leads the Powis Castle gardening group, and has ensured the groups continuing success. Congratulations Cheri, very well deserved.





#### **Coffee Morning**



A very successful coffee morning was held Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April in aid of the Alzheimer's Society, raising an amazing £515.

#### **Samuel Roberts**

Samuel Roberts, born circa 1720, was a farmer and self-taught clockmaker who made around 600 clocks between circa 1743 and circa 1787. His detailed records survive for the years 1755 to 1774 and show that the example below was made for John Watkins at a cost of £2 25 od. Most of his clocks are individually numbered.



Antique Welsh 30-hour longcase clock with a single hand and engraved brass dial, dated 1773.

The oak case has a square hood with a bold cornice and flattened "caddy top" and finely turned pillars, above a trunk with a shaped door over a plain base raised on a shaped plinth.

Some of the cases were made by Roberts' neighbour, the joiner John Lloyd who, unusually for the period, attached paper labels.

Samuel is recorded as having died in 1800 and lived at Pant y Tanws, possibly what is now known as Pant y Tanhouse.



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#### A Blast from the Past- YFC Edition!

First meeting of Llanfair YFC Committee outside Llanfair Institute 1938.





Chariot race winners at RWS 1986- Arwel Rees, Christine Owen, Colin Owen, Mark Bright, Andrew Wilde, David Williams, Philip Morgan and Andrew Bumford.



YFC rally at the Graig-Mrs Lewis, Margret Frank, Ella Griffiths, Llinos Jones, Betty Wigley, Helen Jones, Margret Jones and Margret Jones Front-Tegwen Jones, Margret Gittins and Phyllis Jones



Tug of war County winners 1963-Merfyn Davies, Dennis Gittens, Glyn Jones, Jim Jones, Gerallt Jerman, Edward Edwards, Glyn Roberts and Victor Gittins

Thank you to Arwel Rees for submitting these photos from the YFC 70-year anniversary book.

#### Hall Hire Details-

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Pauline Bennett on 07814 274472 The Leisure Centre: 01938 810634

The Bowls Club: Contact Mark 07808804559

Rhiwhirieath Community Centre: Contact Arwel on 07890710153

#### Excerpt from newsletter of Russell George, SM.

We were pleased to receive the news that Welshpool's Air Ambulance base is to remain open until 2026. Whilst this is very positive news and shows that local campaigning is having a significant impact on decisions - the fight is not yet over.

You don't have to drive far until you see a large campaign poster promoting the Welshpool base. Local campaigning on this issue has been overwhelmingly in favour of a Mid Wales base remaining in Welshpool. People from across Montgomeryshire and beyond have worked incredibly hard, rallying to support the principle that a base remains locally. I have been incredibly proud of our area's response. I'm grateful to the Save Welshpool Air Ambulance campaign group, other local politicians, and individuals for all the effort that has been put in.

Last month's announcement from the Wales Air Ambulance charity outlined that Air Ambulance missions will continue to operate from Welshpool for now as a result of the signing of a new contract to 2026 but closure remains firmly on the table. We must continue working together and make sure we all take part in the engagement process as soon as it starts. I will keep you updated when news is released.

The engagement and communications around this proposal has been abysmal. Welsh Government ministers, the Welsh health service and the charity themselves have all made failings which have caused worry for people across Mid Wales. I hope that these bodies can seriously improve their efforts so we have clarity and transparency going forward. However, recent news demonstrates that our campaign

#### **Dates for Your Diary!**

#### May

8<sup>th</sup>- Reflexology taster appointment. Book with Encil Melangell 12<sup>th</sup>- Whist Drive at the Bowling Club 7pm 5<sup>th</sup>- Hog roast and coronation dance in the Institute 7<sup>th</sup>- Charity match at Mount Field 2:30pm 24th - Bach Flower Remedy System at Encil Melangell 6:30pm June

 $9^{\text{th}}\text{-}$  Quiz at the Bowling Club 7pm

17th- Llanfair Carnival

18<sup>th</sup>- Charity lunch and auction at Llanoddian Isaf in aid of Llanfair Hockey Club and Severn Hospice

24<sup>th</sup>- President's evening for Llanfair Caereinion Show at Caereinion Leisure Centre

I would like to send my apologies as there will be no July issue of the Caereinion Chronicle, however there will be lots of exciting things to come in the September addition. Thanks, Sarah Astley.

### Sudoku

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Council Meetings/Cyfarfodydd y Cyngor:

4th Monday of the month at 7pm/ 4ydd dydd Llun y mis am 7 p.m. All meetings are held in the Youth Room of the Institute/ Cynhelir pob cyfarfod yn Ystafell Ieuenctid yr Institiwt Agenda and minutes on the website at/

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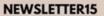
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