

Community Newsletter

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The Aqueduct Community Association
extends a very warm and festive welcome to all
pensioners within the villages of
TREVOR, GARTH and FRONCYSYLLTE

We would like to invite you to our pensioners
Christmas party on Friday 7th December to be held
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Monday 3rd December 2018

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"Memory Lane"

8th October at Trevor & Garth Community Centre

Our Community Agent (Lynda Broe) recently organised the second "Memory Lane" event which was once again well attended. Guests put forward many ideas for future events and some are planned for the near future. Check out the "Whats On" section below for further details.

Here are a few pictures from the day. Many thanks to all who attended.



Other events.....

Trevor Community Centre:

Bingo - alternative Thursday 2 - 3.15 pm (next date 1st Nov)

Craft - every Wednesday 1.30 - 3.15 pm

Mother and Toddlers - Wednesday 9 - 11 am

Bowls - Monday and Thursday 7 - 9 pm

Telecottage opens Monday 5th November 1-3pm and Thursday 8th November 1-3pm and then every week after. Shaun Jones 01978 861400 for more details

Fron Centre:

Bingo - alternative Friday 7 - 8.45 pm

Darby & Joan - Tuesday 2 - 4 pm

Tai Chi - Thursday 10 - 11 am

Yoga - Monday 5.30 - 6.30 pm

Walking group - Third Saturday of the month 11.30 am (Except January)

Mobile Library

October 30th, November 20th, December 11th
Garth, Rockman's Arms - 9.30 - 10.10 am

Garth School - 10.15 - 11.00 am

Trevor Community Centre - 1.15 - 2.15 pm

Fron lay-by - 4.00 - 4.40 pm

Other Events

9th November - Prize bingo Froncysyllte Community Centre at 7pm, in aid of Fron Walking Group.

Friday 16th Nov Coffee Morning at Fron Community Centre 10-12 noon to include "Memory Box" from Cefn Museum.

30th November - Christmas bingo Froncysyllte Community Centre at 7pm in aid of 1st Trevor Scout Group.

1st and 2nd of December - Christmas Fair at the Chapel Tea Room, Trevor 10-5pm

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Free swim over 60's (fill in a form at reception and pay £5 for 12 months. This also includes free morning aqua classes) Also free swimming lessons for over 60, Tuesday morning 9 - 10 am

Fron Male Voice Choir welcomes new members. They meet at Acrefair School, Monday and Thursday 7 - 9 pm

Community Agent

By Lynda Broe

Over the past few months I have continued to support residents with information and I am now spending time within Llangollen Health Centre, making myself available to provide advice for the over 50's. You can find me in the waiting room on the last Tuesday of the month 10am – 12pm. The Cefn Mawr Community Agent will be available there every second Tuesday of the month 10am – 12pm.

From the Autumn newsletter I have had a great deal of interest in the 'Art' project and plan to go ahead at the start of the New Year, beginning with a series of taster sessions to 'whet' our appetite. Ideas for these are: water colours, felting, ceramics, sketching and air drying.

During the run up to Christmas, craft sessions will take place at Garth and Trevor Community Centre 1.30 – 3.30 every Wednesday. These sessions will be Christmas card making, decoration making etc. There will be a small charge for materials on the day. If you would like to join the afternoons, feel free to go along. Contact Joyce Evans 01978 823244 for more information on what is happening on which day.

We are launching a search for photographs or art work of any medium to put into a Community Calendar. The aim for this is to encourage residents from all three villages to take photographs of local landmarks, local seasonal scenes or of their own art/craft work over the next twelve months. All entries will

need to be received by the end of October 2019, and will be independently judged. The winners will feature in the 2020 Llangollen Rural Calendar, which will be available for Christmas 2019. Happy Snapping!



Entries can be e-mailed to: trevorcommunityagent@gmail.com or handed in to any community councillor who will pass them on. I hope we will have a good response to this, I will keep you updated with progress.

Would there be anybody interested in an afternoon taster session of 'Strictly Fun Dancing,' 'Zumba Gold' and 'Chair Exercises' These are low impact exercise for over 50's and beyond. With the dark nights and colder weather nearly upon us, research suggests that 'music and exercise' can stimulate the body's natural feel good chemicals. Let's do it!

International Older People's Day was celebrated in our community by holding another Memory Lane Tea and Cakes. We had an interesting afternoon with past photographs of the locality. All enjoyed the 'get together'.

Please keep in touch with any ideas or suggestions.

You can contact me on 07956292546 for more details of any of our events.

email: trevorcommunityagent@gmail.com

Sticky Ginger Bread

40g Margarine
90g Treacle
40g Granulated sugar
½ Teaspoon vinegar

1 egg
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1 Level teaspoon Bi Carb

2 Level teaspoons ground ginger
1 Level teaspoon cinnamon
1 ½ gill milk (1 gill = ¼ pint)

Method

Add the treacle, margarine, sugar and milk into a pan on a low heat and melt, then leave to cool. Sift the flour, Bi Carb, ginger, and cinnamon into a bowl. Make a well in the centre and pour mixture from the pan, add eggs, milk and vinegar into the flour and stir all together well, then pour into a papered and greased tin. Cook on gas mark 3 (165 - 170c) for 1¼ hours or until it feels spongy to the touch.

1st Trevor Scout Group

By Elaine Anderson Group Scout Leader.

Unfortunately the nights are drawing in and we will have to curtail our activities to indoors mainly, which is a great shame.

The Beavers have recently visited Manchester Airport, achieving their stage 2 aircraft badge. They managed to get pretty close to Concorde, wow. They then had a sleepover at Wrexham scout HQ. They also kindly achieved a litter pick in Trevor park, a deed for our community. Also they made a special Beaver biscuit, learning about nutrition along the way.

Cubs have increased their numbers, this term, but still have room for a few more. Boys or girls Age 8-10 ½ come along with a parent on Thursday between 7-8pm and have a chat with Akela, initially.

Cubs have been working on their level 2 Emergency aid badge.

Both sections took to the water with our canoes, by going down to the wharf here and all having a go at paddling one. Good fun.

A fun evening for both sections was picking all the apples from our tree and then everyone making an individual apple crumble, delicious. What a mess, but thoroughly enjoyed by all.

OUR MISSION.

Scouting actively engages and supports young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

Some of our Leaders and Committee will be out and about selling Xmas raffle tickets in the community. I ask for your continued support in purchasing some tickets, as this is one of our main fundraisers. Some nice prizes have been donated too.

Also on Thursday 6th December, we will as usual, be Carol singing in Tesco, please come along and join in.

From myself and all the Group, we wish you all a very Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

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Canal Update

By Moira Griffiths

The World Heritage Task Force has been busy over the last few months around Trevor and Fron basins. We have repainted benches and tables at Trevor and have repaired and painted the railings around the Fron basin and the approach to the aqueduct. The weather has been kind to us and allowed us to finish the jobs in record time. We have travelled the full length of the canal, from the Horseshoe Falls as far as Gledrid, litter picking and generally tidying up the towpath.

At this time of year there are always branches to move out of the way and controlling weeds is a job that never ends.

If you fancy a challenge, then why not join us? We meet on the second Wednesday of every month.

Contact Lynda Slater at the information point or Moira on 01978 824401.

Trevor Community Centre

By Joyce Evans

Telecottage opens Monday 5th November 1-3pm and Thursday 8th November 1-3pm and every week after. Contact Shaun Jones 01978 861400 for more details.

The Hall makes an ideal venue to host your party of up to 100 people. We have a large kitchen equipped with cups, saucers, plates, dishes and cutlery. The hall also has a lounge which can accommodate 20-30 people. Its is equipped with a large screen TV. To check availability ring Joyce Evans on 01978 823244.



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Bowls Update

By Moira Griffiths

The outdoor season has now finished and the bowlers have moved indoors. Plaskynaston players performed really well during the season and in the Saturday league some excellent results in the final few games earned the team promotion to the first division. In the Monday night pairs league the team were well placed during the season but dropped out of the promotion zone on their last few games.

The two teams in the Wrexham Vets league had some tough games and just managed to avoid relegation. In the Oswestry league the 'A' team players finished mid way in Division 2 but the 'B' team players had quite a challenge to avoid relegation, pulling out some excellent play in the last two games. With some new players they survived another season in Division 5.

Back indoors the players have just started the Tuesday afternoon league winning their first match 18-2. With some strong performances all round we are hoping to retain the title of League Champions and this has begun with a strong start.

If you would like to learn the game of short mat bowls then you can contact Joyce Evans on 01978 823244 or Moira Griffiths 01978 824401. We play in Trevor Community Centre every Monday and Thursday evenings, starting at 7pm.



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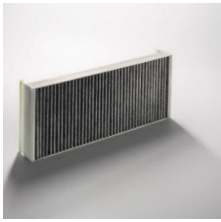
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Chairman's Corner

By Cllr Sue Kempster

I would like to begin by introducing our two new community councillors, firstly from Fron, councillor Keith Sinclair. Keith has lived in the village of Fron for four years and has had close links with the community for many years before that. Keith brings with him a wealth of experience that will be valuable to the community council. From Garth councillor Rob Playford who, as well as bringing professional experience, has lived in the village of Garth for some years. Warm welcome both. If anyone wishes to contact any of our community councillors or the clerk to the council, full details can be found on our website.

The council have been busy in recent months looking at ways we can help to reduce the amount of vehicles speeding on our roads. This has been a complex issue that has dogged us for a number of years. When we get the results of speed checks carried out by the police, these results show very low percentages of speeding traffic, however residents report vehicles traveling too fast on many roads in the community. To this end it would seem that preventative measures will

fall to the community council. We hope to have further information on this subject in the coming months.

A small reminder to people who wish to access the community agent ring 07956292546 or contact via email at trevorcommunityagent@gmail.com.

As we are now in the winter season it gives me great pleasure to bring your attention to the annual Christmas party which is held in Trevor and Garth Community Centre on the 7th of December. This is for the retired residents and friends of Llangollen rural. The council's thanks go to all those that volunteer, without your help the Aqueduct Community Association would not be able to continue hosting this enjoyable event. It just remains for me to wish you all well for the holiday season and a Happy New Year.

As ever, everyone is welcome to attend our meetings or forward any concerns beforehand to the clerk or any of the councillors.

Thank you

Birdwatch - Trevor

By Anne Arnold

Blackbirds, Sparrows, Jays, Crows, Goldfinches, Blue tit, Owls, Ducks, Buzzards, Sparrow Hawk, Magpies, Great Tit, Pheasants, Geese (overhear) Heron, Jackdaw, Robins, Pigeons & Collard Dove

County Councillor Diary

By Anthony "Rondo" Roberts

Autumn is well and truly with us now, and as I write this heavy rain and even hailstones have come down on us today. Shape of things to come.

The coming months will be a step into the unknown as far as Wrexham Council is concerned. We have been subjected to quite severe cuts in our budget from Cardiff and painful decisions have to be made. I would urge you all to participate in the "painful decisions" questions which the Council are putting out. Please make your feelings known, we will all be affected and it's your Council.

The opening of the new car park on the old warehouse site did not alleviate all our problems but having had meetings and more scheduled with both Wrexham and the Canal and River Trust, I am confident that there will be a marked improvement next year.

I have noticed an improvement in the last few weeks so I am hopeful.

I have been promised better coverage in the winter months for gritting and snow clearance so again I am hopeful of an improvement on last year.

The Community Council have been in touch with the local Police regarding a rise in anti social behaviour in our area and we are hoping that an increased presence will help. We wait and see.

The improvement to the footpath, including drainage, on the old railway line should be started the first week in November.

For those of a certain age, please join in the annual Christmas party on 7th December and enjoy the evening.

I hope you all have a great Christmas and I wish you all well for 2019.

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The Towers Day Nursery

By Ruth Roberts

At the beginning of the Autumn Term, the nursery welcomed several new children. They have all settled in very well and are enjoying all the varied activities on offer.

In October, the children had lots of fun having a party and dressing up for Halloween, making craft items and helping to carve a pumpkin from the nursery garden. They also celebrated Bonfire Night by learning about Guy Fawkes.

The Tempest photographer has been to take photos of the children and we have also had a visit from Nerys, as part of the Healthy School Campaign. The nursery is involved in the HIPP organic baby food initiative, and as well as some members of staff updating their Food Safety qualifications, we have recently, once again been awarded Level 5 in Food Safety.

In November the nursery raised money for the Children in Need Appeal by having a dressing up week and by making and selling cakes.

Christmas is going to be a very busy time for everyone with lots of art, craft, and singing taking place. The final event before closing for Christmas is the Christmas party which hopefully Father Christmas will attend, bringing a gift for everyone!



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www.llangollen-rural.co.uk

News from Froncysyllte....

By Julie Jones

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War, the names listed below are those who died in the First World War.

The war memorial stands in the grounds of St David's church, Froncysyllte and commemorates those who died in WW1 and WW2.

At the going down of the sun - we will remember them.



James Thomas	4th Bat RWF
Arthur Geo. Dickin	127 C.Y.R.E
John Henry Williams	3 rd Bat RWF
John Henry Williams	9th Bat RWF
David Hughes	1st Welsh Guards
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Thos. Ellis Hughes	22nd Welsh Reg

Robert Jones	1st K.O.Y.L.I
David Thomas	1st W.Y.R
Edward Hughes	1st Canadian Army
Edward James Jones	7th Canadian Army
Richard Elmor Jones	73rd Canadian Army
Nurse Mary Dickin	died at Wallasey
Stephen Janes	R.A.M.C died at Fron

Froncysyllte's newest Councillor:

Having been elected to Llangollen Rural Community Council, my aim is to be an active Community Councillor. I live on Gate Road in Froncysyllte. I can be contacted via KeithSinclairLLRC@gmail.com or on 07596 097274. I believe our communities are wonderful places to live but we can all collectively work to make them even better!

Community Diary Dates....

5th November - Telecottage re opens 1-3pm and Thursday 8th November 1-3pm and then every week after.
Contact Shaun Jones 01978 861400 for more details
9th November - Prize bingo Froncysyllte Community Centre at 7pm, in aid of Fron Walking Group.
Charity General Knowledge Quiz Night, Aqueduct Inn, Froncysyllte Sunday 25th November 8.00-10.00 p.m.
30th November - Christmas bingo Froncysyllte Community Centre at 7pm in aid of 1st Trevor Scout Group
1st and 2nd of December - Christmas Fair at the Chapel Tea Room, Trevor 10-5pm
6th December - Santa visits Garth, Trevor and Froncysyllte from 7pm
7th December - Pensioners Christmas Party at Trevor Community Centre at 6pm
7th December - Santa visits Llangollen from 7pm

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Please be considerate to the time of day if telephoning council members - Thanks

Police Matters

By David Jenkins (PCSO 85)

Over the last few months Wrexham County has suffered from a spate of car key burglaries generally targeting prestige and high performance vehicles but any vehicle may be at risk if basic common sense precautions are not taken. North Wales Police are taking steps to counter this current problem but need members of the public to be alert to risks and ensure vehicles and properties are kept locked and secure and that car keys and valuables are not on display.

At this time of year there can also be an increase in distraction burglaries and rogue trader incidents with the dark nights closing in and the weather getting colder. Any persons soliciting work door to door should be treated with caution, especially if they inform you work needs to be done on your property such as roof repairs, gutter clearing or trees cutting back. Do not allow unknown persons into your property including representatives of utility companies or the Council or Police if you are not sure of their credentials or a valid appointment has not been made. Any work that needs to be done is best undertaken after speaking to family or friends for recommendation of trusted tradesmen.

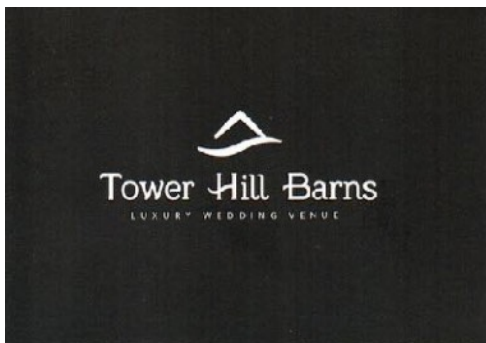
This time of year there is also a noticeable increase in cars left with engines running unattended, or even with small children in the car, outside shops and the like on cold mornings. Apart from being an offence, this action can have much more serious consequences; vehicles are regularly reported stolen opportunistically when keys have been left in the ignition. In regard to the dark nights please be mindful of bicycles without lights, the busy roads can be dangerous enough for cyclists with traffic and potholes without the added danger of not being easily seen.

Wishing you all a Happy crime free Christmas and New Year.

Please feel free to contact me regarding any community issues in person.

e-mail david.jenkins@nthwales.pnn.police.uk

Tel 07854 332425 (if I am not on duty the call will forward to the control room who will pass a message). If reporting incidents requiring Police response, please call 999 in an emergency or 101 for non-emergency matters. Incidents can also be reported online at the North Wales Police public website.



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