# CÆRWENT-HISTORIC-TRVST

# **Notice of AGM**

Our Annual General Meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Monday January 26<sup>th</sup> 2009 in the Westgate Barns, Caerwent.

## **Subscriptions**

Any members (= supporters) who have not yet paid a sub this year could give it to any Trustee or alternatively contact our membership Secretary Mrs Jan Hewlett, 01633 400817. Household membership is £5 (£3 for single persons).

# The Midwinter Sunrise Sunday December 21st

We'll be up to see the sun rise from the prehistoric alignment on Gray Hill, about ten past eight. The effect should be very similar on  $22^{nd}$  or  $23^{rd}$ . Best footwear is wellies. Meet at the Standing Stones (or else the triangle on the south side of the hill at 7.50am, OS map reference is 442930). If you are not sure about the starting point or are not a good walker, ring for advice.

#### **Metal Detectorists**



The Gwent Metal Detectorists treated us to a stunning exhibition of their finds in S.E. Gwent. Unfortunately our own attendance was rather low. I wish we could compile a full list of things which have shown up all over our district. Fortunately the Portable Antiquities Scheme is now encouraging all detectorists to come forward with their finds. Shown below are a musket ball, two buttons and a thimble detected by Mike Connor at Caerwent Brook. Also, from the Roman era (but not from metal detecting), the brooch from Caerwent Churchyard and a coin from Brockwells Farm. N.B. metal detecting is not allowed on the sites of Ancient Monuments

## **Stop Press – next Dinham Factory Tour**

Will be a detailed tour, car assisted, hopefully covering the old villages too, 10.00am Saturday morning, March 21<sup>st</sup> 2009.

\*\*\* HAPPY CHRISTMAS! \*\*\*