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Contrary to our recent experience, the visit to Castle Troggy and Llangwm Church was blessed with lovely weather, so much so that the cool interior of Llangwm Church was a refreshing change. We have no walks or talks planned for the next few weeks but two events elsewhere are worthy of consideration:

The Great Severn Flood of 1607 *Friday 25th - Monday 28th May* *10.30am to 5.30pm*

The 400th anniversary of the Flood, now thought most probably to have resulted from a Tsunami, is being commemorated jointly by the three villages of Redwick, Goldcliff and Nash over the Spring Bank Holiday weekend. The activities are centred on the three churches and village halls, with refreshments available at Nash.

The three churches are each worth a visit in their own right, being both beautiful and historic. The opening event will be at Nash Village Hall and include country dancing by pupils of Magor School.

There will of course be information about the Flood, the Tsunami theory and the possible consequences of rising sea levels in the Estuary. Also there will be History Trails, floral exhibits, brass rubbing, a video room and children's activities. Admission is free.

Exhibition: Caldicot *A Growing Community in a Changing Landscape*

The exhibition includes documents, maps and many photographs. It covers the development of Caldicot from the Domesday Book until the 1950s. It is on in the Woodstock Tower of Caldicot Castle until the end of September, every day from 11am to 5pm. Admission is free to residents of Monmouthshire. Proof of residence, eg a library card, will be required, otherwise the general admission fee for admission to the castle grounds will apply.

Caldicot was hived off from Caerwent in about 800AD and only part of the territory was restored to us in 1985. Nevertheless some of the material presented is directly relevant to Caerwent and the rest, of course, is part of our very close history.

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