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## Glorious Summer in Tintern!

OK, it was a bit warm for the Folk on the Lawn Festival at Abbey Mill, but the heat created feeling of contented slowness, a shared experience drawing everyone together, trying not to melt but wanting to stay for just one more act... The beer and ice cream obviously helped too, so all had a great time.

Fortunately, the record breaking heat was not until Monday the 18th, when the high of 34° made us realise how lucky we are to have our deep forests to hide in!

Then there was the strange midnight alien abduction event on the 19<sup>th</sup>, with loud noises, dogs barking and two bright lights hovering over Tintern for a half an hour... later reported to be a search and rescue effort for missing paddleboarder who had made his way upstream to Tintern.

Vivian Richards reports that Monmouthshire County Council informed her of a delay to the commencement of the Wireworks Bridge renovations: "A quick update following the latest project meeting to advise that start on site has been delayed a fortnight due to a delay with materials. This means there are two more weekends when visitors can enjoy walking across the bridge, which may be good news to hospitality business. The closure is expected from the start of August." Maybe they will grace us with a few more days of our bridge in summer.

Good news that our new local shop, Abbey Stores, will be opening soon! We're all watching progress with anticipation as the shelves go up, fridges are stocked, lights on, new flowers in the planter...

The Post office Van is not likely to make it Tintern in August after Tina's boss broke her leg and so Tina is required in the main PO.

Chepstow hight street is to be re-opened to cars after two years, with hopes that it will re-vitalise the businesses after survey showed there was little support for the pedestrian plan.

How are those sunflowers doing? They love the longer days and sunshine but mine suffered in the heat. And now is the time to plan your entry to the Tintern Village Show on Saturday **13<sup>th</sup> August**. Contact Lindsay Cobb for a schedule and entry form ([lindsaycobb1@btopenworld.com](mailto:lindsaycobb1@btopenworld.com)).

Please send me any info to include in the September issue or contact me about advertising in the Tintern News. Any articles contributed are VERY welcome.

Thanks, Toni Harvey ([tinternnews@gmail.com](mailto:tinternnews@gmail.com))

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# Your Community Council Website, by Steve Evans



You are probably thinking "why would I want to look at that?"

There are a number of reasons to check out the site from time to time as it incorporates tools which you can use to keep informed about the work of the Council and contact information for all seven Councillors in Tintern and Llandogo.

All of our meeting dates and locations are listed along with minutes of past meetings and agenda for the next one (three days before the meeting). All of the minutes, for the last twelve months, can be searched for any text.

Planning applications for Tintern and Llandogo are listed along with the current status. Each application is displayed until thirty days following its acceptance, rejection or withdrawal but those not currently displayed can be found by searching for any text, date or application number. This section also includes quick links to the Monmouthshire search pages for weekly and monthly lists of applications.

Notices including road closures and events are listed until sixty days after the date of the event and all notices, even those older, can be searched for any text.

## Notices

Notices which expired over 60 days ago are not shown. Notices are shown in order of expiry date, earliest first.

Search notices [Search](#)

There are 3 active notices

- 13-06-2022 UPDATE ON WIREWORKS BRIDGE
- FORGE ROAD TEMPORARY CLOSURE
- M48 SEVERN BRIDGE COMPLETE CLOSURE

### M48 SEVERN BRIDGE COMPLETE CLOSURE

Highways England have issued the following statement:

Unfortunately, weather conditions last weekend while we held the M48 bridge closed (25 and 26 June) meant we weren't able to complete all the necessary works to lift the gantries into place on the support trestles, as it wouldn't have been safe to do so.

As such, weather permitting, a further full closure of the M48 Severn Bridge will be taking place this weekend, from 7pm on Friday 1 July until 6am on Monday 4 July. During the full closure, diversion routes will be in place across the M4 Prince of Wales bridge. The eastbound foot and cycle path will remain open.

And, of course, every effort has been made to ensure that the site is readily accessible to those who are visually impaired.

If you would like to suggest anything for inclusion in the site which you feel could be of benefit please contact Steve Evans via the web site.

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## Planning

For direct access to Monmouthshire CC Planning click for weekly [list](#) or monthly [list](#)

Planning search for 'llandogo'

Search planning again

Click here to return to Planning		
Application Number	Description	Status
DM/2022/00788	Laurel Bush-Cottage Bargan Wood Road Llandogo Monmouthshire NP25 4TG - Non Material Amendment to planning decision DM/2019/01688T (Revision to drawing 2008 to revise the note on the window frame colours.)	07/06/2022
DM/2022/00579	Gwenfield M48 CATCHMENT COURT 1a Biglower Bridge Llandogo Monmouthshire NP25 4TA - Conservation Area 6 week notice to fell the cypress tree.	04/06/2022

Financial returns and budgets along with all of the tangible assets owned on your behalf are available to show you how we use our part of your council tax and standards show the rules by which we operate to serve your best interests.

There's a page of useful links including Severn Bridge status, St Michael's and St Mary's on-line burial records, and Monmouthshire County Council.

# TINTERN VILLAGE HALL

## Events Coming Up

### August

- **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> 7.45pm – Tintern Film Nights: ‘The Phantom of the Open’**
- **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm – Tintern Garden Club Annual Show**

### September

- **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> 7.45pm – Tintern Film Nights**
- **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> – Race Night – playground fundraiser!**

### October

- **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> 7.45pm – Tintern Film Nights**
- **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> 7.30pm – Tintern Garden Club speaker meeting**
- **tbc – QUIZ (in the Wye Valley Hotel) – playground fundraiser!**
- **29/31 - Halloween Spooktacular – playground fundraiser!**

**Remember our regular groups in the Village Hall include:**

CLCGB Brigade (for ages 5-21) – Mondays 6pm

Wye Valley Community Council meetings – last Monday of each month 7pm

Wye Valley ZUMBA – Wednesdays 7.30pm and Fridays 9.15am

YOGA with Poppy – Thursdays 6pm

**Come along and join in!**



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# Tintern Garden Club



## 47th Annual Show

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2022  
2.30pm (for public viewing)  
Tintern Village Hall**

**Come along to view the fabulous skills of our  
village growers, bakers & makers!  
Everyone welcome! FREE ENTRY**

If you would like to compete in the show, please email  
[LINDSAYCOBB1@BTOPENWORLD.COM](mailto:LINDSAYCOBB1@BTOPENWORLD.COM) for the show schedule.  
All competitors must register entries by 10<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

All adult competitors must be members of Tintern Garden Club or live in  
Tintern area. Child competitors (up to & including 16 years old) do not need  
to live in Tintern. All entries must be grown or made by the competitor.

Entries to be staged by 11:45am on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

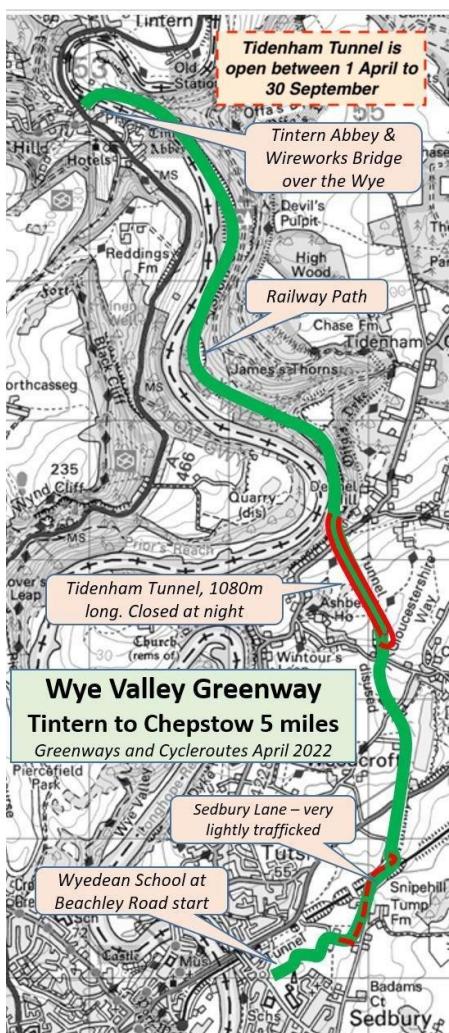
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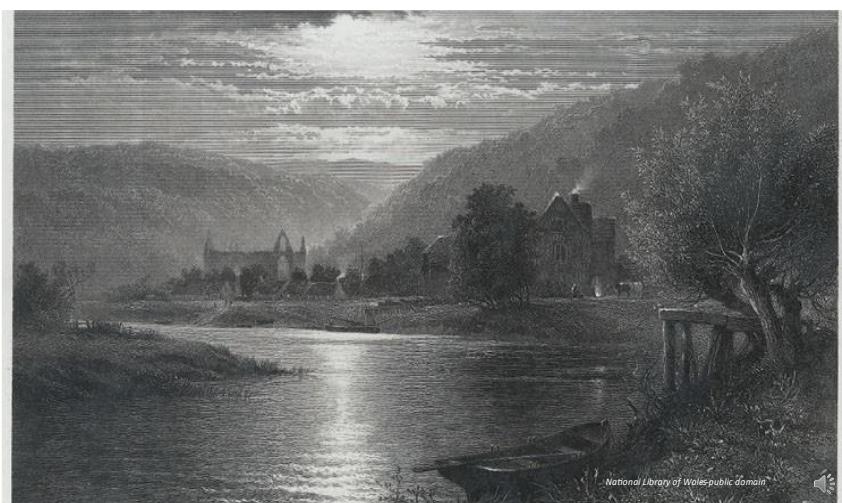
# The importance of Tintern Abbey to the Wye Valley Railway, by Kev Daniels, Wye Valley Greenway volunteer



In 2021 the route of the Wye Valley Railway from Chepstow to Tintern was reopened as a walking and cycling route by Greenways & Cycleroutes Ltd, a local charitable community benefit society. Greenways have been supported by over 120 local volunteers who have helped to build and maintain the path. Important information on restricted access can be found at <https://www.wyevalleygreenway.org/>

On 28 September 1874, confident claims in a Prospectus to attract Investors for the Wye Valley Railway were published in The Globe: 'The railway will command a very large traffic from tourists... '

The Wye Tour, a two-day boat trip along the Wye from Ross to Chepstow became the height of fashion in the late 18th century. By 1850 well over twenty guidebooks had been published. On 26 May 1880 over 2000 excursionists arrived by special train at Tintern Station to walk to the Abbey and view the harvest moon rising through the Rose Window.



Tintern Abbey by Moonlight on the Wye, engraving of c1850 (National Library of Wales-public domain)



1890 poster

In the early years the advertising impact of posters depended only on the variation in the style of lettering and the size of the typeface. New technology that became available after this 1890 poster meant that high quality colour printed posters could be produced in quantity.

The GWR actively promoted destinations such as the Wye Valley and in 1930 produced the colour poster below to promote the railway's 'Land Cruises' to the American Market. These were similar to today's package holidays and the Wye Valley was one of the first destinations to be offered. Two hundred of these posters were printed and sent for display in the USA. The artwork was by Freda Lingstrom.

The colour poster is a copy from a ‘free to use’ original in the Science Museum Group Collection. The location of the abbey is mistakenly shown as England. Curiously a replica on the wall of the Old Tintern Station café corrects the location to Wales!

At the end of World War II, when the demand of advertising posters greatly diminished as photography, radio, and television emerged Lingstrom then shifted her focus from poster art to the production of children’s content. She was the co-creator of Andy Pandy and The Flower Pot Men, in the 1950s and became Director of Children’s Television in 1951.

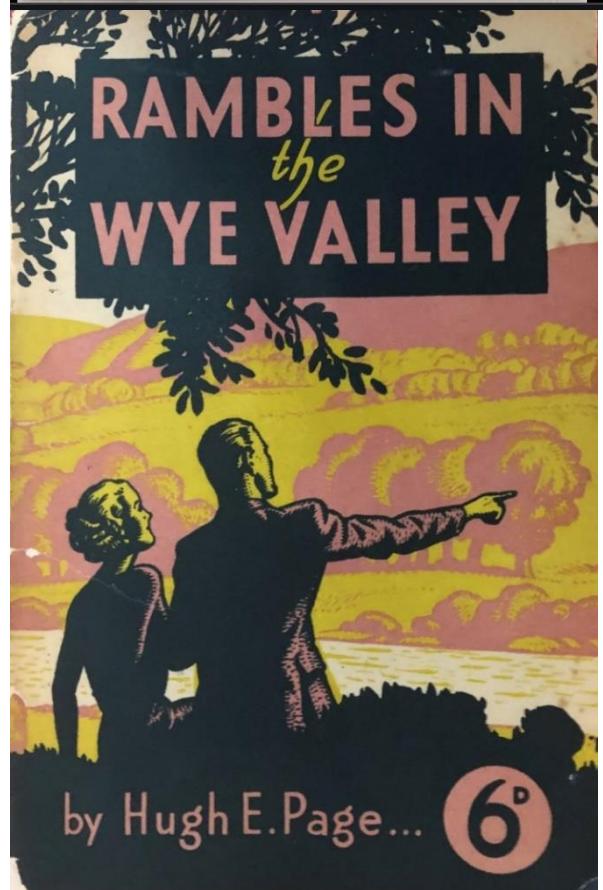
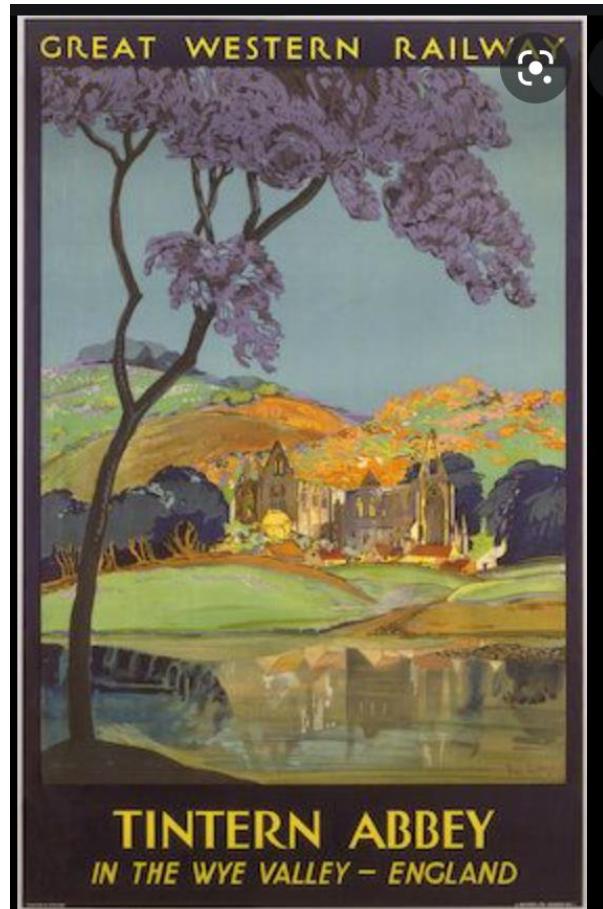


Children watching Andy Pandy (BBC Television)

In a further attempt to attract tourists in 1923 and then in 1938 the GWR published two booklets, ‘The Wye Valley from Hereford to Chepstow’ and the ‘Rambles in the Wye Valley’. The former may be the source of the mistaken location of Tintern on the Lingstrom poster, with the description ‘There is nothing quite like Tintern in all England’. The rambles book includes 3 circular walks along the Wye Valley line. No 1 is a route from Chepstow to Tintern, Brockweir and Netherhope with the option of buying a ticket to finish the ramble at any station and taking the train back to Chepstow. The abbey is described: ‘The setting of the Abbey, by the river among wooded hills, is no small part of its charm, and it is a fascinating delight to look at those great banks of woodland through the fine windows’.

But for Tintern Abbey and the active promotion given to rail tourism there is little doubt that the Wye Valley Railway would have struggled to survive throughout most of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. But the end of passenger traffic was clearly close when on 30 August 1958 it was reported in the Western Mail: ‘Only one ticket sold during a day at Monmouth Railway Station recently – and that was a 6 ½ d one.’ Passenger traffic was withdrawn from Tintern station on 5 January 1959.

If you’re interested in volunteering to help maintain and further develop the Greenway, please contact [wyevallygreenway@yahoo.com](mailto:wyevallygreenway@yahoo.com).



# Tintern Playground Appeal



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## In Times Past when not so Fast, by Martin Everett

A report from *The Cardiff Times* published on Saturday 25th June 1904.

### MOTORING AT TINTERN

Hon. C. S. Rolls Summoned

At Chepstow on Tuesday the Honourable Charles Stewart Rolls was summoned for driving a motor car at a speed dangerous to the public at Tintern on Whit-Sunday. Mr J. W. Staples Firth, London, defended. P.C. Love alleged that he saw a car sweep round the corner near the post office, coming from the direction of Monmouth, about 70 yards away. He raised his hand for Mr Rolls to stop, and Mr Rolls slowed down to four miles an hour, and passed the constable, and then picked up speed again. At the Abbey the car stopped, and the constable found it there, and spoke to one of the party, and Mr Rolls came up and asked what was the matter, and he told him that he had recklessly driven a motor car through the village, and neglected to stop when signalled to do so. Mr Rolls replied that he saw the signal but did not think it was a signal to stop, only to slow down, and that had he known it a signal to stop he should have done so. The constable alleged that he told Mr Rolls that he would report him for furious driving and neglecting to stop. The defence was that the car was of low gear, specially built for the rough roads of Canada, for Mr John Joseph Candra, and was on a testing trip. It was well under hand and coming down hill into the village the engine was disengaged from the propelling power, and the two brakes on, as Mr Rolls knew the narrowness of the road and that there would be the usual holiday makers about. He saw the constable hold up his hand horizontally and wave it, which was known all over the world as a caution signal and meant to slow down. The stop signal was the hand held above the head. He accepted as a caution signal, went on slowly and stopped at the Abbey some few hundred yards beyond. Mr Rolls and Mr Candra both alleged the constable said that he would report Mr Rolls for disobeying his signal and said nothing about furious driving. The Bench said they thought the case was one which should have come before them and complimented both sides on the fairness of the evidence given. They thought the single given was an ambiguous one, and that had Mr Rolls thought the signal intended for him to have stopped he would have done so, and they dismissed the case.

### Charles Rolls – The Life of the Motoring and Aviation Pioneer

Charles Stewart Rolls (1877-1910), a motoring and aviation pioneer, is best known for co-funding Rolls-Royce Limited. However, he was also an aviation pioneer but unfortunately, his passion for aviation would turn out to be fatal for him.

He was the youngest child of Lord and Lady Llangattock who lived at Hendre, just outside of Monmouth and was one of the first car owners in Wales (he travelled to Paris to buy Peugeot Phaeton at the age of 18 in 1896). With the help of his father, he opened one of the first car dealerships in Britain in 1903. His firm, C. S. Rolls & Co. was importing and selling Peugeot and Minerva cars. Rolls was introduced to Henry Royce by his friend Henry Edmunds, a director at Royce Ltd. who drove one of the first three Royce's vehicles. In May 1904, Rolls and Royce set a joint motor manufacturing business known today as 'Rolls-Royce'.

In addition to being a motorist pioneer, Rolls was also an avid aviator. In 1903, he helped create the Royal Aero Club and became the second person to gain the license to fly from the Club. In 1909, Rolls bought Wright Flyer aircraft with which he made over 200 flights. One year later, he became the first person to make a non-stop double flight across the English Channel for which he was awarded the Gold Medal of the Royal Aero Club. However, only one month after his successful crossing of the English Channel, he was killed in an air crash during a flying display at Bournemouth on 12 July 1910 becoming the first Briton to die in a plane crash. He was only 32 years old when he died.



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# **Tintern Welcome Project - a questionnaire for visitors, by Vivien Richards**

Further to the announcement of the Welsh Government Brilliant Basics Funding for the Tintern Welcome Project, Monmouthshire County Council are conducting a visitor survey.

A questionnaire has been developed that includes questions relating specifically to the grant funded infrastructure improvements and others which will provide the baseline information needed for the project so that the County Council can understand where visitors to Tintern come from, how they get here and how regularly they visit. (The questions have as far as possible been aligned with the MCC Destination Survey so comparisons can be made with other parts of Monmouthshire and Wales). The survey is accessed via the QR code below.



## **Tintern Abbey August Programme**

### **Saturday 6 Aug - Resting at the Abbey during the Wars of the Roses – 1471**

It's 1471 and a company of archers and their families rest at the abbey in order to pay their respects to William Herbert, Earl of Pembroke. They set up camp in the grounds and continue to practice their civilian skills, such as fletching, spinning, dyeing, cooking, leather working, rush weaving and, of course, enjoying recreation in the tavern tent. One can even write! Come and see all this close up, and maybe try your hand at medieval board and dice games, or even braid making. Watch the cooks prepare the company's meal, and question the arrow-smith and bowyer on their skills and kills.

### **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August - Falconry display**

Learn how the Tudors used birds of prey and why falconry was the most popular sport of the day, and how birds of prey live.

### **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August - Brother Thomas the Cellarer**

Step back in time with Brother Thomas and learn what life was like as a monk in Tintern Abbey. Our sympathetic brother will give you inside information about the monks' rituals and responsibilities.

### **Saturday 27 Aug - Monday 29 Aug 2022 – The Greatest Knight**

To celebrate the life of one of Tintern Abbey's greatest patrons, we will be welcoming William Marshal and his wife, Isabel, to Tintern for the 801st anniversary of her death.

Living history, medieval re-enactment, music and horse displays will transport the abbey back to its earliest days, to honour the life of Earl Marshal and his influential spouse - as the Greatest Knight returns!

## Friends of the Lower Wye- SoS for the Wye, by Nick Day

Our stall at the **Tintern Fete** provided much welcome publicity for our campaign to improve the health of the river- we had a lot of interest from both local residents and visitors. It was good to be able to explain that despite poor water quality resulting in plummeting numbers of various species in and around the water, there are many people working to try to help improve the river's condition.



*Our stall at the Tintern Fete (photo Nick Day)*

At Monmouth we had many queries of various natures and saw a Combination of new and old faces. We gained a number of 'extra contacts', both individuals and groups and organisations; we also had the chance to brief and be briefed by a number of newly appointed councillors. We were particularly excited to meet Freddie Drabble, one of the 'Sons of Neptune', who took on a fight against Yorkshire Water over plans to building a sea sewage outfall pipe near Scarborough.

With the holiday season upon us, there has been no let-up in the campaigning, at least in part because of the success of these events- we've had follow-on meetings with the Environment Agency (EA) to discuss their interest in Citizen Science, with Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to talk about excessive levels of Phosphate in the River Trothy, with Dwr Cymru Welsh Water, and with MPs and Members of Senedd, and with all the other Citizen Science groups across the catchment.

On the Citizen Science front, Cardiff University have recently produced their final report on their efforts last year during which they coordinated the testing groups within the catchment. Also, the Friends of the Upper Wye hosted a get-together with consultants Mott MacDonald who we hope will offer advice regarding both current activities and suitable future developments. Both the EA and NRW are becoming increasingly keen to make use of Citizen Science efforts to assist with targeting their limited resources. Within the volunteer water quality testing groups we hope to set up ever-



## Friends of the Lower Wye Protecting the river's health & wellbeing

Over the weekend of **8 - 10 July**, the '**Wye July**' whole-river event celebrating everything about the river from arts to citizen science, and promoting our hopes for a healthy river, was an immense success. Other events took place in Hereford, Leominster, and Hay-on-Wye. Our local gathering, in Monmouth on the Sunday, was well attended and very well received.



*Angela Jones meets Freddie Drabble at 'Wye July' in Monmouth (photo Emma Drabble)*

improving means of visualising what the data is telling us throughout the catchment.

Regarding invasive species, groups coordinated by the Friends of the Lower Wye have continued working vigorously against a particularly large stand of Himalayan Balsam at the Old Station. Gradually we are beating it back- there is much more to do, but this is a good start.

To hear the latest about Friends of the Lower Wye, visit our Facebook page, and /or Email us at [FriendsoftheLowerWye@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsoftheLowerWye@gmail.com) to be put on our newsletter distribution.

This will keep you updated about:

\*challenging environmentally damaging planning applications (with templates/ examples, and highlighting in our communications)

\*group litter picks, and invasive species culls in conjunction with AONB ‘WISP’ events

\*water sampling (citizen science) -together with Cardiff University, WUF, CPRE, etc.

## **Llandogo Women’s Institute, by Carol Skolimowski**

We started the month with Gwent Federation Show in Monmouth. A wonderful show competing against all the other WIs in our area, with the theme “The Commonwealth Games”. Judith Dudley had great success in the Floral Art and our Cooperative Team gained more points than the last time they entered. It is great seeing how talented our members are and the support they get to have a go and improve each time.

Some members had a wonderful garden visit to Highfield Farm near Goytre. The Book Club reviewed “The Lovely Bones”. The Walking and Ambling groups have been out and about and when the heat got too much, switched to coffee at the Old Station and a good chat. Our July meeting speaker Jo Powell, was from Jamie’s Farm at Redbrook. A really interesting place and Jo really brought it to life for us. They had an open day on 30th July and a number of our members visited.



Our August meeting on **Wednesday 10th August** at 7:30, will be a social one. We are planning a BBQ outside Llandogo Village Hall and welcome visitors. Its a good opportunity to come along and have time to chat to our members and see if its for you.

No doubt there will be discussions on the recently approved resolution about Women and girls with ASD and ADHD, that will be our be our next national campaign. There is always someone that is interested in a topic that you are passionate about.

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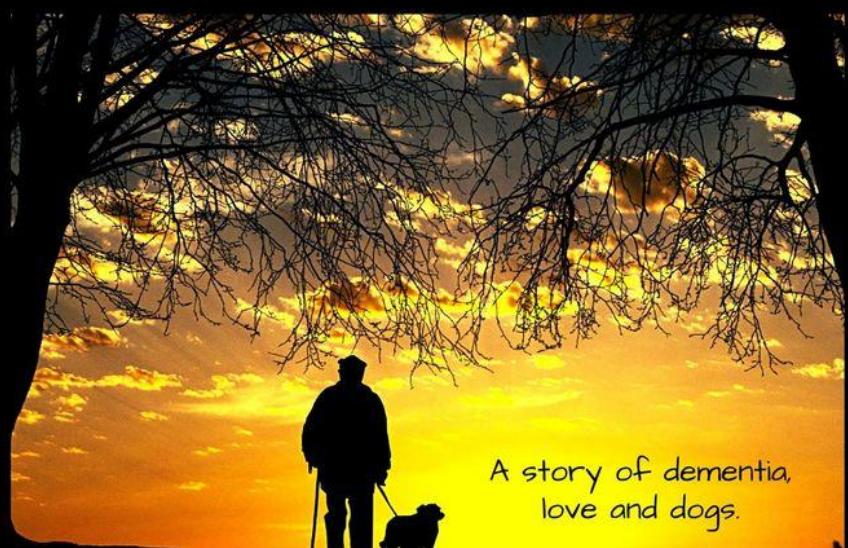
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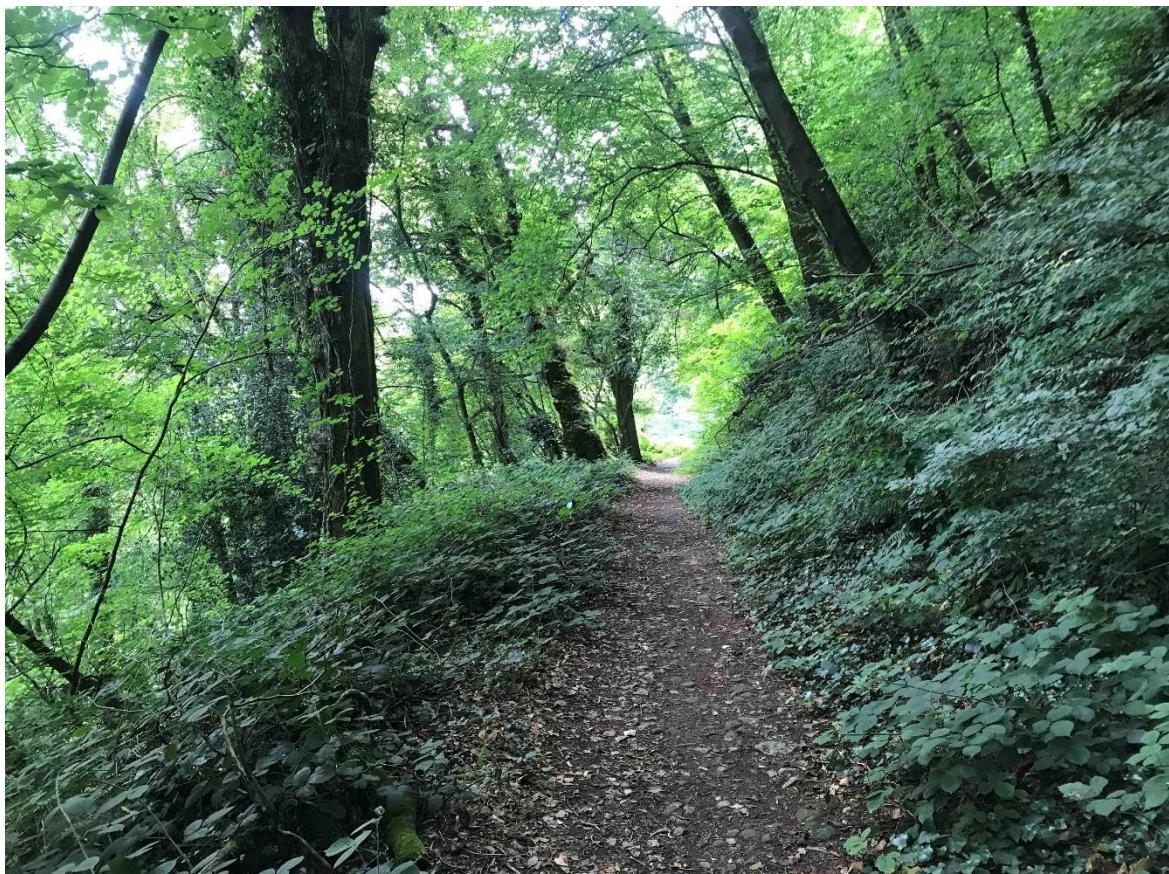
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## Shinrin-Yoku, by Toni Harvey

The Mental Health Foundation has launched a new guide - **‘Our Best Mental Health Tips’** – full of suggestions to help protect people from common problems such as anxiety and depression. Their new guide is based on their own rigorous, peer-reviewed and published research study of what works best. The full doc can be found [here](#), but number one on the list is getting closer to nature. Being in Tintern we have amazing access to “Forest Bathing” what the Japanese call Shinrin-Yoku. No specific attire necessary!

### 5 Simple Steps in Practicing Shinrin-Yoku<sup>1</sup>

1. **Pick your Spot** – find a quiet location away from busy streets with plenty of trees. Not everyone has access to the luxury of natural forests, but they are on our doorstep here in Tintern.
2. **Choose a Perfect Time and Duration** – a simple nature walk per day. Walk longer and soak yourself in the natural environment filled with trees. Even short sessions of 15-20 minutes can have significant health impacts.
3. **Go Slow and Take Note of Minor Details** – the primary purpose of Shinrin-Yoku is to slow down and let your senses feel the tiniest details of nature. Use your hands to touch and connect with nature’s wonders. Feel the breeze and let the sun shine on you under the tree canopies as you rid your mind of any thoughts.
4. **Listen to Nature** – find a comfortable spot and just sit listening to birds, insects, and other natural sounds. Take note of how different animals behave and sound in your presence.
5. **Use Your Nose** – find locations with rich smells and aromas from the plants, flowers, and soil. Remember, some plants, such as Cedars, produce beneficial phytoncides that boost the production of white blood cells responsible for boosting the immune system.



<sup>1</sup> [Shinrin Yoku - Forest Bathing in Japan - \(nihonscope.com\)](#)

# TINTERN FESTIVALS ASSOCIATION - TINTERN FETE 2022 REPORT,

by Vivien Richards and John Livermore



## Overview

Tintern Fete was held on Saturday 25th June 2022 after a pause in 2020 and 2021 owing to the Covid pandemic. For that reason alone, it was a notable occasion, giving everyone in our community the opportunity to get together and reconnect with old friends and neighbors. It was also a perfect event for new residents to get involved and meet people.

The enforced break did pose a few challenges and caused the Fete Committee some nervousness that the previous support we had enjoyed over years since 2012 may not be repeated:

Challenges such as having to find a replacement marquee at very short notice after Bulwark Scouts discovered that the marquee that we have hired from them in previous years had been destroyed by rats during the lock-down period.

There was nervousness that appeared to be justified when applications from stallholders were noticeably lower than in 2019, despite our decision to keep pitch fees at the 2019 level and when the weather forecast was uncertain in the weeks leading up to the Fete. Fortunately stall bookings eventually picked up and Tintern's ability for delivering consistently good weather for the Fete was in evidence once again despite heavy rain being reported in the surrounding area.

It is hard to calculate the numbers of people attending the fete but there was a steady flow throughout the day and evening at the higher end of our expectations. The feedback we have received has been overwhelmingly positive with many commenting on the relaxed and happy atmosphere.

## Theme

This year's theme was based on Children's Literature, which coalesced around the Alice in Wonderland stories of Lewis Carroll, as a result of collaboration with Llandogo Primary School. We had successfully applied for a Sustainable Development Fund grant from the Wye Valley AONB which helped us to fund two writing workshops by the children's author Eloise Williams; one for Llandogo School which was the culmination of a celebration week exploring the world of Lewis Carroll and the surreal in general; and the other at the Fete for budding young writers including the brilliant winners of the story competition that we organised. You can see the work produced by the pupils of Llandogo School during their celebration week here: <https://www.tinternvillage.co.uk/Fete/photos/> The winning entries for the story writing competition can be viewed here: <https://www.tinternvillage.co.uk/Fete/>

We are hugely grateful to Mrs Merrett, all the staff and pupils at Llandogo School for their inspiration, enthusiasm and hard work. We would also like to thank the Wye Valley AONB for their financial support.

## Family Activities

The Fete Committee are pleased and proud that the Fete continues its tradition of providing great family attractions and a varied programme of live music from midday into the evening which are all completely free of charge, with no entry fee. It's one of the features that makes the Tintern Fete so special.

Looking around during the afternoon, there were an amazing number of children present enjoying learning circus skills and the aerial show, in the safe and secure environment provided by the

entertainers from Higher Beings; watching Arnie Kazam's Magic Show, Rainbow Gecko's wonderful bubble display and the Community Martial Arts demonstrations; marvelling at (and maybe being slightly scared of) the giant White Rabbit and Queen of Hearts stilt walkers; learning more about bees at the incredibly popular stall run by our local Wye Valley Beekeepers.

### **Live Music**

Throughout the afternoon music fans were able to enjoy the Rob Connolly Band, 2acoustiX and Tintern teenage solo artist, Isla Davies. The evening line up was Lee McCrory, Outrun the Rain and the Ronaldos.

### **Stalls**

28 pitches for stalls were taken up, roughly half the number at the 2019 Fete. Of these 14 were non-commercial. The commercial stalls sold mainly craft items, food, drink, and plants in addition to the very popular Hook a Duck game. Further information regarding the non-commercial stalls can be found below in the Community Opportunities section.

### **Food & Drink**

Food outlets in the Food Court next to the Village Hall catered for a variety of tastes and dietary requirements including vegetarian. There was also a vintage ice cream cart from Brookes Dairy, Devauden. All the caterers had a successful event with several asking to return next year.

Silver Circle Distillery created an outside bar selling their local gin products, which was a new feature for 2022.

The bar in the Village Hall was run by the Fete Committee with Kingstone Brewery supplying draft ale, all seven barrels being sold out with other drink being supplied on a sale or return basis.

### **Health and Safety**

St John's Ambulance were present once again to ensure the wellbeing of visitors. No accidents were reported.

### **Finance**

It has always been the policy of the Fete Committee to prepare a budget for the fete on a break even basis and also to ensure there is sufficient cash left in the bank to cover ourselves against any unexpected costs, the main risk being that of very bad weather. As it turned out the weather for the 2022 Fete was excellent and we didn't have to access our reserves.

Our planned income mainly comes from fund raising social events organised beforehand, 2022 calendar sales, a TCC grant, local sponsorship, stall and food outlets and bar sales. All performed very well, in particular bar sales which achieved double that allowed in the budget. In fact, we sold out of Kingstone ale before the night was out and recognition should be given to Paul Christie and his team of bar staff, all unpaid, which greatly contributed to our profit. Our costs included generator/tent hire, licenses, insurance, literature workshop, publicity, bands and other entertainment and by careful management we were able to keep our costs below that allowed for in the budget.

As a consequence, the Fete committee is able to report the achievement of an overall healthy surplus. The committee will meet early in August during which the formal accounts will be discussed and any decisions concerning the surplus will be made.

### **Sponsorship**

Despite the trading difficulties faced by many businesses in the period since the 2019 Fete several local businesses provided financial support for the 2022 Fete through our sponsorship programme. These partnerships helped to fund much of the entertainment and part of the children's literature workshops.

The Fete Committee is immensely grateful to our sponsors:

- Silver Circle Distillery
- Hill Farm
- Parva Spices
- Abbey Mill
- Kingstone Brewery
- Chepstow Bookshop

### **Community Opportunities**

A primary aim of the Fete is to celebrate and support our community.

The Fete Committee has a policy of providing free pitches to stallholders representing community groups and charities. This year half the stalls were in this category, including local organisations raising funds such as The Church Lads and Church Girls Brigade, Tintern Sports Club and Tintern Garden Club; Charities and volunteer groups such as Lost Souls Dog Sanctuary, FOD Cat's protection; Gwent Wildlife Trust, Tintern Ambassadors, Five Rivers Childcare Fostering and Friends of the Lower Wye Valley.

We were delighted to welcome back both the Gwent Police, who were promoting crime prevention awareness throughout the afternoon and the Fire Service who, as in previous years, dispatched a Fire Engine to the Fete from Chepstow Fire Station, which as always was a popular attraction for a lot of excited children.

It was particularly gratifying that the Village Hall Committee raised over £700 for the Playground project through the sale of refreshments.

### **Volunteers**

Putting on the Fete involves many people in our community pitching in and working together. Most of the tasks are unglamorous and unseen. Some require specialist skills or knowledge. None of them are paid! The rewards are the sense of satisfaction from seeing the event come together successfully, the team spirit created, the friendships made and, most of all, seeing everyone having a good time.

Our heartfelt thanks go to every individual who volunteered, some even giving up precious holiday time to help with the preparations and others who worked tirelessly throughout the whole weekend and of some of our younger helpers who whizzed around the Leytons Field positioning recycling and rubbish bins.

### **Fete Committee**

The committee is a sub-committee of the Tintern Festivals Association and this year it members were Rod Adshead, Alan Carter, Helen Carter, Paul Christie, Andrea Etheridge, Ben Ford, Neil Foreman (General Manager, The Anchor Inn), Harry Hoskins, Jessica Carter James, John Livermore (Treasurer), Andrew Reid, Vivien Richards (Chair) Terina Scheeres, John Topp.

Two members of the Committee - Andrea Etheridge and Terina Scheeres - are standing down this year. They will be sorely missed, and we thank them very much for their hard work and the contributions that they have made to the success of the fete. Terina in particular has been a member of the Committee since 2012 and has been responsible for organising the entertainment and music programme for most of that time.

## Acknowledgements

In addition to our sponsors, the Fete Committee would like acknowledge the support of other businesses and organisations:

- Heartstone Inns own Leytons Field and the active support in all kinds of ways of their management and staff at The Anchor Inn is invaluable and much appreciated.

- Tintern Sports Club, who maintain Leytons Field and provide us with a close mown safe, level surface.

- The Village Hall Committee who host the bar and provide storage for some of our equipment.

- St Michael's Church for the loan of their display panels.

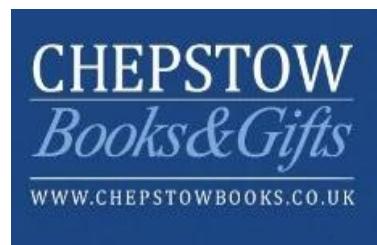
- Tintern organisations, local businesses and individuals who have helped with our fund raising activities. In particular we would like to thank: The Rose and Crown, The Wild Hare, The Wye Valley Hotel, Parva Farm Vineyard, The Filling Station, Chepstow Race Course, Trims Butchers, Gales Garden Maintenance, Tintern Blooms, Radiance Organics, Wye Valley Zumba, Toni Harvey, Rhiannon Pretorius, Chris Van Buren, Eloise Williams.

- Monmouthshire County Council officers for advice on event safety and management and who arrange the waste and recycling services.

- Wye Valley Community Council for their substantial donation.



PARVA SPICES



## The Rose and Crown hosts the Wye Valley Acoustic Music Club Open Mic, by Sue Skinner

Sally and Jason at The Rose and Crown continue to support the popular monthly open mic nights. All musicians, singers and poets are welcomed by hosts Sue Skinner and Adrian Birch.

“People turn up from far and wide, from Ross to Chipping Sodbury to Newport, as well as locals. There is always a wide variety of entertainment for the audience, which often includes holidaymakers from many parts of the UK.

We particularly encourage those who may not have performed much before, and are a friendly, welcoming bunch” said Sue.

Open mics take place on the first Tuesday of the month, from 7.30pm. So next is **2 August** - Why not pop along and give it a go! For more information, please contact Sue Skinner at [sue.tcbel-fry@btinternet.com](mailto:sue.tcbel-fry@btinternet.com) or Adrian Birch at [adrianbirch1@gmail.com](mailto:adrianbirch1@gmail.com).

## Tintern Folk Session at the Wild Hare, by Joe

As usual on the third Sunday of the month - the **21<sup>st</sup> August at 7:30**, at the Wild Hare, there will be an informal folk session. Bring instruments and music to get involved! It's free to come and play, sing or listen. We will mostly have sheet music or you can play by ear and we can start tunes slowly so new people can get to grips with them. See [www.facebook.com/tinternfolksession](https://www.facebook.com/tinternfolksession) for more info. Just a note that for parking you need to register your vehicle in the pub reception to avoid paying any charge.



## Wye Valley Music In Schools- Outreach programme



Wye Valley Music In Schools ( WVMiS) was launched in 2018 to provide local Primary Schools with one-off music programs from workshops to concerts and lectures by professional musicians already performing for Wye Valley Music and by performers specialising in introducing musical instruments to children. We're looking for new volunteers to help run the programme; please email us at [info@wyevaleymusic.org.uk](mailto:info@wyevaleymusic.org.uk) if you're interested. With the help of grants from the Lark Trust and donations from our members, we have conducted live music workshops in over 12 local schools for over 1,300 children. In the spring of 2022, we also contracted a pianist to lead one local primary school choir and support two more. If you're a musician and would like to apply to work for this programme, please see this info - [Wye Valley Music - Schools Ad](#)

## Tintern Garden Club News, by Judith Dudley



On Friday 15th July, on a beautiful summer evening, 19 members of Tintern Garden Club visited “Green Fields”, Brockweir for a garden visit. This was a beautifully maintained, colourful garden with a wealth of unusual and interesting plants. Some of them were so unusual that even the plant experts amongst us did not recognise them! After spending time exploring the

many different areas of the garden, the evening was rounded off with tea (or coffee) and delicious home made cakes served in the garden. This is a NGS garden but also caters for private parties and is well worth a visit.



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Garden Club does not have an August meeting. Instead, they will organise the Tintern Village Show which is held in the Village Hall on **Saturday 13th August**. Entry forms should be with Lindsay Cobb by Wednesday 10th August. Entries can be staged from 9.00am until 11.45am on the day of the show after which the judging will take place. Viewing of entries takes place from 2.30pm.



There will be a raffle and tea and cakes will be on sale. If you would like to enter but do not have a schedule, please email Lindsay [lindsaycobb1@btopenworld.com](mailto:lindsaycobb1@btopenworld.com)

If you are interested in joining the Garden Club, please call Colin Dudley on 01291689636 or Liz Greatorex-davies on 01291689861.

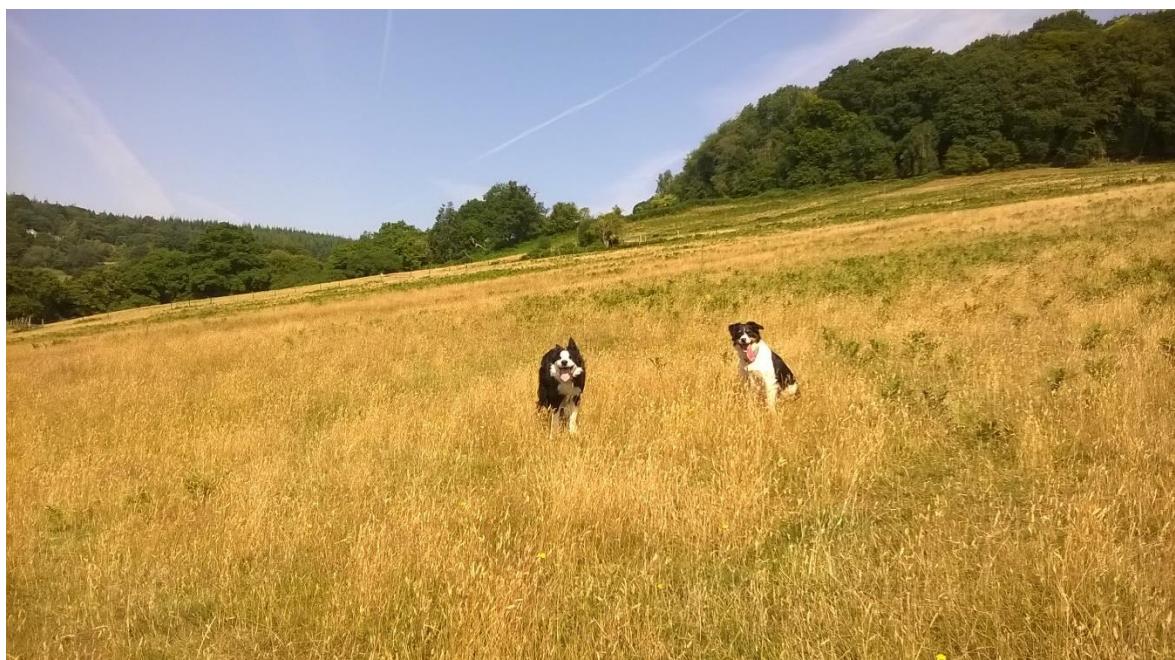
## News from Parva Farm, by Judith Dudley



After having covid and then the heatwave, things are feeling a bit more normal now. We are still desperate for rain on the farm as the grass on the hill has scorched off with the high temperatures leaving very little for the sheep to eat. We decided to wean the lambs a bit early this year so that they can have what little good grass there is on the lower field. The ewes will have to make do with what is left up the hill. We are already feeding hay to some of the cattle and unless things improve, this will be continuing until autumn.

Of course, things are different in the vineyard as vines like hot weather and have continued to grow well. They will of course need some rain to swell the berries before harvest. The dry weather means that there have been few disease problems which is great news.

The shop is opening from 1.00 until 5.00pm every day except Tuesday & Wednesday. There is a self-guided vineyard tour for £2.50 per person and free wine tastings. Dogs on leads are welcome.



## St Michael's Church, Tintern Parva

Since Jan's ordination, the church has been vibrant and happy, celebrating two baptisms

and at Jan's granddaughter's baptism we even had her sister playing a lovely flute solo.



### TINTERN MICHAELMAS FESTIVAL

A weekend of music  
commemorating St Michael  
and all angels  
24-25<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Set in the historic St Michael's  
Church, Tintern in the heart of the  
Wye Valley.

Join us for inspiring, uplifting  
entertainment for all, inside and  
outside the church.



There is a PCC meeting  
scheduled for **14 August** after  
the normal 10:30 service which is  
open to all.

The Vespers Service at the  
Abbey on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September** looks like it will take  
place this year after Covid  
cancellations in the past.

Plans for an Autumn Michelmas  
Festival at the church are  
progressing, so mark your  
calendars for **24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> September** to come hear live  
music and enjoy wine and cream  
teas.

#### Contacts:

Minister: Jan Pain - 01291 624017  
Churchwarden: Alan Hillard -  
01291 689772 and Alan Carter  
07873 514255



# Llandogo Early Years

Excellent Playgroup run in Llandogo, fantastic facilities with emphasis on learning outdoors.

**We will be offering the 30 hour Childcare Offer**

**Monday - Thursday 9-3 & Friday 9-12**

**Children welcome from 2 years old.**

We offer Nursery Funding the term after children are three

We are registered with Estyn and CSSIW

Forest School Sessions with a trained practitioner

Creative Gardening sessions with Miss Daisy

For more information call Rachel Davies on 07786831401 or [Rachellou9@aol.com](mailto:Rachellou9@aol.com)  
Or find us on Facebook

## TINTERN'S POST OFFICE VAN TIMES

On hold for some time..... Tina is covering for a colleague with a broken leg

## YOUR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE - St Arvans and Tintern

As your elected Member to Monmouthshire County Council which provides all local services, my wish is to represent your views and assist wherever possible.

If I can be of assistance to you, please do contact me.

Home Farm  
Trellech Grange

Telephone: 01291 689559 or 07816678948  
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# NO 69 BUS TIMETABLE

Monday to Friday

69 CHEPSTOW - TINTERN - MONMOUTH										PHIL ANSLOW COACHES	Ref. 69/060921	
MONDAY - FRIDAY (Including Good Friday, But Excluding Other Bank Holidays)												
CHEPSTOW (Bus Station)	0745	0920	1020	1120	1220	1320	1420	1520	1620	1720		
CHEPSTOW (Com. Hospital)	WS	0924	1024	1124	1224	1324	1424	C	1624	1724		
ST. ARVANS	0751	0928	1028	1128	1228	1328	1428	1528	1628	1728		
TINTERN (Royal George)	0759	0936	1036	1136	1236	1336	1436	1536	1636	1736		
LLANDOGO (Shop)	0807	0944	1044	1144	1244	1344	1444	1544	1644	1744		
REDBROOK (Bell)	0815	0952	1052	1152	1252	1352	1452	1552	1652	1752		
WYESHAM (Woodland View)	---	---	1059	---	---	---	---	---	---	1759		
WYESHAM (St. James Church)	---	0958	1100	1158	1258	1358	1458	1558	1658	1800		
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REDBROOK (Bell)	0802	0925	1025	1127	1225	1325	1425	1525	1625	1727	1827	
LLANDOGO (Shop)	0810	0933	1033	1135	1233	1333	1433	1533	1633	1735	1835	
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WS - Operates via Welsh Street												
H - Operates via Hillcrest Road in Wyesham												

Saturday

69 CHEPSTOW - TINTERN - MONMOUTH										PHIL ANSLOW COACHES	Ref. 69/060921	
SATURDAYS (Not Christmas Day, Boxing Day or New Years Day)												
CHEPSTOW (Bus Station)	0740	0920	1120	1520								
CHEPSTOW (Com. Hospital)	0744	0924	1124	1524								
ST. ARVANS	0748	0928	1128	1528								
TINTERN (Royal George)	0756	0936	1136	1536								
LLANDOGO (Shop)	0804	0944	1144	1544								
REDBROOK (Bell)	0812	0952	1152	1552								
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REDBROOK (Bell)	0845	1025	1425	1625								
LLANDOGO (Shop)	0853	1033	1433	1633								
TINTERN (Royal George)	0901	1041	1441	1641								
ST ARVANS	0909	1049	1449	1649								
CHEPSTOW (Com. Hospital)	0913	1053	1453	1653								
CHEPSTOW (Bus Station)	0917	1057	1457	1657								

# WYE VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Precis Minutes of a meeting of the above Council held 27<sup>th</sup> June 2022 in Llandogo Village Hall.

**Present:** Cllrs Shewell, Evans, Parker & Snell, County Cllr Webb & the Clerk. Members of the public – Mr Ian Mawdsley.

**3310. Police Report:** Clerk ask who the Police contact is for Llandogo.

**3311. Apologies for absence:** Cllrs Ashman & Morrison.

**3312. Public Forum:** No one present.

**3313. Declarations of interest:** None.

**3314. Approval of minutes of previous meeting:** Approved & signed as correct.

**3315. Financial Report:** BMM A/C £4,132.52, Charitable A/C £16,669.71. VAT Refund received of £408.87.

**3316. Accounts for payment:-** ROSPA Tintern Playground Annual Inspection Report, SLCC – Remote Cllr Training Invoice, Merlin Environmental Services, Plants for planters, Chairman's Honoraria, Clerk's Home Allowance, Clerk's Salary & Expenses, Tintern & Llandogo Churchyards - annual donation towards churchyards upkeep, Website Hosting Fee - All approved for payment.

**3317. Planning Permissions:-**

DM/2022/00733 – Hill Farm, Barbadoes Wood – approved.

DM/2022/00845 – Temporary change of use & erection of film-making set on Land adjacent to Livox Quarry – approved.

**3318. Updates:- Wye Valley Villages Project** – Awaiting signs to be installed.

**Wireworks Bridge** – Tender submission process now complete and bids assessed. Contractor has been formally awarded the contract. Community drop-in event held 21<sup>st</sup> June 2022. The bridge will be closed to pedestrians from early July 2022 for mobilisation works and then commencement of work.

**3319. Reports from outside bodies:-**

**Village Halls** – Llandogo held a pleasant Jubilee Picnic and made good use of the grant from WVCC. Hall Committee still trying to sort the new boiler and informed WVCC who will be doing the work. This will hopefully be carried out in the school holidays. Tintern held a well attended Jubilee Picnic. Village Fete took place 25<sup>th</sup> June and was well attended. Cake Stall & Teas made over £700 which will be going towards the Playground. Next event is the Over 60's Cream Tea on 29<sup>th</sup> July. To date funding of £17,000 has been raised for the Playground Project.

**Llandogo School** – School running smoothly and now have a joint caretaker who has repainted outside and inside. Interviewed and accepted a new Assistant Head for both schools.

**Tintern & Llandogo Churches** – Llandogo Church - The new Servery is to be fitted end of August/September. Request received for funding of £500 from WVCC for plumbing work and hot water taps. Cllrs Parker & Snell were happy that WVCC pay this sum & Cllrs agreed to its payment. Tintern Church – Jan Pain ordained last Saturday with celebratory first service yesterday. Renovation works completed for which WVCC have already made a contribution.

**3320. Reports from Sub-Committees:- Finance.** (a) Discuss allocation of reserves between WVCC & TUCC. After discussion Cllrs agreed with the division of reserves. Clerk notify TUCC of this. (b) Discuss Finance & Government Toolkit. It was suggested this be discussed by the Chairman, Vice-Chairman & Clerk who will then report back to the Council.

**3321. Review of Standing Orders, Code of Conduct & Financial Regulations:** These having been circulated to Councillors were reviewed. Cllr Parker stated that new model Standing Orders are due

to be published soon so it was decided to postpone a decision to update them until these are issued and revisit the review in six months time.

**3322. Appointment of Councillor to fill Vacancy, Llandogo Ward:** One application received from Mr Ian Mawdsley. Cllr Evans proposed & Cllr Snell seconded his appointment and all Cllrs agreed with his co-option.

**3323. Update on Court Hearing for Licensing Application at Tintern Old Station:** Hearing postponed until the 18<sup>th</sup> July. Meeting of WVCC held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2022 with members of MCC & MonLife to discuss the whether this hearing should still take place. None of the objectors were prepared to give evidence so after a discussion Councillors agreed that they do not now wish the full hearing to proceed. Members of the public who attended the meeting also felt reassured with the revised license. Clerk to notify Court of request to vacate.

**3324. Award of Brilliant Basics Fund Application for Tintern Welcome Project:** Email received informing the Council that the Brilliant Basics Fund application by MonLife for the Tintern Welcome Project has been approved, securing £250,000 Welsh Government grant funding for a package of improvements, to be delivered by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023. The project is aimed at reducing visitor pressure and addressing capacity issues in the village. Three elements are review of existing welcome, orientation and wayfinding signage, smart footfall monitoring system and the Lower Wireworks Car Park will be resurfaced. Clerk to ask Nicola Edwards to attend the next meeting to explain the proposals.

**3325. Correspondence:** MCC's plans for active travel following Welsh Government funding.

**3326. AOB:** Cllr Snell has now remotely attended two councillor training sessions. Cllr Shewell asked County Cllr Webb whether there is active interest in finding affordable housing sites in Tintern. She will make enquiries. Cllr Snell reported that some pavements in Llandogo are badly overgrown. County Cllr Webb will report.

**3327. Date of next meeting:** 25<sup>th</sup> July.

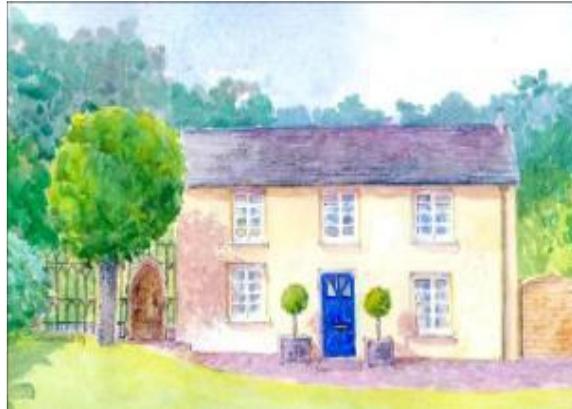
**Future Meeting Dates** - All enquires to the Clerk, Mrs. E. Greatorex-Davies  
Email: [clerk@wyevallycc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@wyevallycc.co.uk)

Meetings to be held alternate months in Tintern Village Hall or Llandogo Village Hall  
commencing at 7.00pm

- Monday 22nd August - Llandogo
- Monday 26th September - Tintern
- Monday 31st October – Llandogo
- Monday 28th November – Tintern
- Monday 2nd January 2023 – Llandogo
- Monday 30th January – Tintern
- Monday 27th February – Llandogo
- Monday 27th March - Tintern

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Tintern Wine Tasting 1 <sup>st</sup> Monday of each month	Alan Hillard	<a href="mailto:alan.hillard@gmail.com">alan.hillard@gmail.com</a>



## **Tintern Abbey Cottage**

In a premier position with unparalleled Abbey views. Our totally refurbished 5-star 18<sup>th</sup> Century cottage now has a smartly contemporary interior offering deliciously comfortable, comprehensively equipped holiday accommodation.

Sleeping up to 6 in three bedrooms, it has two bathrooms (one en suite), and attractive facilities including superking 6 ft beds, a whirlpool bath, a shower with dinnerplate head, cosy woodburner, range cooker, flatscreen 37" TV, more TVs in bedrooms and kitchen and superfast WiFi internet access. A well-behaved pet is welcome (large unfenced front garden to protect the stunning view but the back garden is fenced and wonderful walks adjoins)

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of the Open



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**Mark Rylance and Sally Hawkins**

A British underdog comedy-drama about the world's worst golfer with lovely, warm, affectionate performances from  
Mark Rylance and Sally Hawkins.

A hugely enjoyable film with "Mark Rylance's  
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*Tom Shone, Sunday Times*

**Friday 12th August 7.45pm**  
**Tintern Village Hall**

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