



The opening of the refurbished playground, Saturday 4th June 2023, Photo by David Hurn

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Two festivals in Tintern in July (and you only just recovered from the Tintern Fete!)



Derek Brockway of Weatherman Walking officially opened Tintern Bridge this Wednesday after arriving at Ferry Farm Slipway by canoe with Wye Adventures, paddling downstream from Brockweir quay with the tide. Vivian Richards spoke about the historical significance of the Wireworks bridge and how important it is to Tintern today, particularly after the opening of the Wye Valley Greenway through the Tidenham Tunnel (see [Wye Valley Greenway](#) for opening times).

With the renovations of St Michael's complete, the playground updated and the refurbishment of the Wireworks Bridge now finished, maybe its time to turn our village energy to the historic Fryers Wharf and ford at Tintern Parva, so come along to the meeting

at the Tintern Village Hall on **Wednesday, 12 July at 7pm** to learn more.

And we're looking forward to the [Folk on the Lawn](#) music festival on **13 – 16 July** and [The Wye Valley Wellness Festival on 22nd-23rd July](#), both hosted by the Abbey Mill, or you can learn a ceilidh dance at Tintern Abbey on **Saturday or Sunday 8 or 9 July**.

Sadly, on the morning of Monday 19th June, a fire started in the roof of the shop above the café at the Brockweir and Hewlifield Village Shop. The Fire Brigade were called and after some time the fire was put out. Thankfully no one was hurt and the fire did not spread to the entire building. However, there is still significant fire and water damage and a considerable amount of work will be necessary to restore the shop to a fully functioning business again. The shop therefore will remain closed for the foreseeable future, but the carpark and playground will remain open. Hopefully they can get the repairs done quickly.



There is good news is that the White Monk is now open after their fire repairs were finally complete.

Thanks, Toni Harvey (tinternnews@gmail.com)

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Update about the restoration of Fryers Wharf, by Vanessa Dodd

The Lower Wye Valley Building Preservation Trust will hold an Annual General Meeting at Tintern Village Hall on **Wednesday, 12 July at 7pm**. The LWVBPT is a registered charitable trust formed some ten years ago by a local group of enthusiasts to help restore and preserve valuable heritage in the area, much of which has been forgotten, including slipways and wharfs along the river, a ruined church with listed graveyard monuments, and with such things as village wells, derelict furnaces, old limekilns, charcoal hearths and other interesting structures in the area.



1photo of the paving stones of the ancient river crossing and the ugly misplaced pumping station

himself would receive a mortal wound. This so happened, the enemy fled, and Tewdrig standing on the banks of the Wye near the ford of Tintern received a wound from a lance.

The Tintern slipway and wharf has been an important location for river craft over the centuries, and a stopping place for ships trading between Chepstow and Monmouth. The wharf was also an important staging point for travellers undertaking the famous 'picturesque' Wye tour in the 18th and 19th centuries, some say the beginnings of modern tourism in Britain. Falling into disuse in the 20th century it was sadly neglected and allowed to decay, and in the 1950s the water and sewage company was allowed to build an ugly and totally inappropriate pumping station on top of it.

With such an important history, the members of the Trust, together with the support of the community, and with the agreed co-operation of Welsh Water, have been working towards the restoration the wharf to its former glory, for future use by the community, as a visitor attraction, and as an important addition to Tintern's status as a place of national historical significance. Grant money made possible the opening of the top and the bottom of the slipway to reveal an impressive stone structure, and CADW has expressed their support for this project. The next phase is, in co-operation with Welsh Water, to remove the pumping station, to clear the accumulated rubbish on the rest of slipway, and to undertake appropriate restoration work. Sources of funding for the project are being investigated.

Do join us at the AGM if you would like to get involved!

The old wharf and ford at Tintern Parva

Our current project is to restore the ancient slipway at Fryers Wharf in Tintern Parva next to our ancient parish church of St Michael.

This was almost certainly the site of the Tintern ford built in the early Roman period adjacent to a military camp on what is now Madgett's farm. It is also mentioned in the Book of Llandaff as the place where Tewdrig, King of Gwent lost his life. Having given up his kingdom to his son Meurig, Tewdrig retired in Tintern to live life as a hermit. During Saxon invasions in the area an angel is said to have appeared to Tewdrig urging him to show himself again in battle, whence his enemies would be put to flight, though he

Interview with *Folk on the Lawn* organiser, Jon Air, by Andy Langdon

On the weekend of 13-16th July the folk festival, *Folk on the Lawn* returns to Tintern. Once recommended by the Guardian as a “festival not to miss”, FotL has been a feature in the Tintern calendar for some years. Inspired and run by the genial, Jon Airdrie, you will find him modestly ghosting around the Abbey Mill all weekend with his folder and large sun hat quietly making sure all is well. We caught up with him to ask a few questions about this lovely, local event.



How did you come to organise this music festival? Almost two decades ago I was with a band invited to play at the Abbey Mill on a Sunday afternoon and the lawn with the surroundings of beautiful Tintern really chimed with me. I

had been a performer and a pundit at a number of music festivals at that time, but there was an absence of the uplifting at all of them and wondered if this could this be a place where something grander, something to take heed of, that touched souls, might take place. We had a small gazebo and the band's sound system and from there, with the active, tolerant and major support of Abbey Mill, we came to where we have been over the last five/six years: a number of stages; a long weekend (Thursday to Sunday) of music, poetry, the written word; over 30 performers from (almost) every continent.

Tell me about yourself: I have worked as what might be described as a consultant/academic in ‘Education’ which is very demanding. However, from a very young age I’ve also been an ‘artist’, writing and performing my own work and the works of others at gigs and ‘events’. I sleep very little!

Do the musicians cover their expenses from donations? Very few do. ‘We’ve attracted those we have, I think, because of the unique nature of our event together with the authentic warmth that’s part of the ethos of our festival...and, of course, a stunning location’. Whole bands have travelled hundreds of miles to get to us. Even solo performers coming from, say, Scotland or the north of England will be out of pocket. There’s no way performers from Scandinavia, Canada, Japan, Austria, Australia, etc. could possibly have their expenses covered. They are gracious, but we would really love to recompense them further. The only income we have is the festival wristbands, all money from which goes to the artists and is the only way we find them.

How do you decide which musicians to include? We look towards the original, the homespun. We are non-popularist and we are fiercely independent. There are no ‘headliners’ and all our publicity lists people equally. We have (joyfully!) booked everything from unaccompanied duos singing traditional Scottish songs in unison to ska/punk folk bands who have had a BBC Radio 1 ‘Record of the Week’. But we don’t book covers or ‘tribute bands’, bands with vociferous/any agents, or ‘crowd-pleasers’! Overall, our guiding principle and motto is ‘innovative folk for innovative folk’. See [Folk On The Lawn](#) website for full lineup and timing closer to the event date.

Will the kid friendly zone be set up again this year? Most certainly – and it is brain-child of my wife, Val. (editor’s note: last year my grandkids loved the shady play areas with a variety of toys and sand)

What has been your best moment at FoTL? Ah, there are MANY! I love the music of Melanie Pegge (who has been played on BBC Radio 6) and early on we had an Austrian band, Blushing Melons, who moved me through both their technical eloquence and creative artistry. I enjoy music that takes some listening to! I also enjoy working with a fabulous team of people, all sharing a common purpose. They are a hugely diverse group, but all come together beautifully over the weekend. After

the music has ended, we will often sit on the side of the stage and just chat over a beer. Those little occasions are great memories, where we muse over the shared experiences of the day just gone.



Have any FoTL bands made it to the big time? Quite a few. This year, I know we've had those who have appeared on Jules Holland's BBC TV show and also someone recording with Dave Stewart of The Eurythmics. Avital Raz has performed with her band on BBC Radio 3's 'Late Junction' We even had a band which went on to have a BBC Radio 1 'Record of the Week'! There will be many others, but, really, it is not something that interests us very much: we value people expressing their own lived experiences in imaginative ways.

How many people come to FoTL? How far do they travel to attend? We think we have about 3000 people attend and they travel from everywhere. We know that people from the European continent and North America come, having heard about the wonderful atmosphere at Folk on the Lawn.

What is the hardest part to organize? How can we help? It's a 12 month a year responsibility! But everyone involved has been SO helpful, many are professionals who freely volunteer their time. Abbey Mill are always accommodating but we need more campsites for visitors and artists. We'd also welcome more 'fringe' events; these have taken place – open mics and sessions in the pubs, for example – but to have a hive of different arts events (for example, a film night coinciding with FotL; a painting/photography exhibition; church recitals) would add to what is already a very special weekend. Finally, please get a wristband and donate to the festival!

What is the best part about it being in Tintern? When I was young, I used to ride on a Vespa scooter to Tintern, with my sandwiches and a flask, and spend the day here, reading. Tintern has a numinous quality, it is hugely friendly and accommodating, and the people are – like our event – innovative and exploratory, so it's 'innovative folk for innovative folk'.

How much does it cost? Pay what you can. Tickets are not provided in advance, but donations are encouraged on the weekend in exchange for a wristband. The wristband is not required to enter the festival but shows that you have donated and supported the festival. Folk On The Lawn is a not-for-profit festival run by volunteers, with all profits from donations shared amongst the artists.

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All adult competitors must be members of Tintern Garden Club OR live in the Tintern area.

Child competitors (16 years old & under) do not need to live in Tintern. Please mark the child's entry with their age. Children can enter ANY CLASS (not just the children's classes).

All entries to be grown or made by the competitor. Only one entry allowed by each competitor in each class.

All competitors must **register** their entries in advance by **Wednesday 2nd August 2023** with:
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Sid Jones Memorial Cup – 'Best in Show' in Section 1 Flowers

Jane McCorquodale Trophy – Most points gained in Section 2 Fruit and 3 Veg

Members Challenge Cup - 'Best In Show' in Sections 2 & 3 Fruit & Veg

Perpetual Challenge Cup – Most points gained in Section 4 Cookery

W.J. Wiggins Memorial Cup – 'Best in Show' in Section 4 Cookery

B.E. Young Cup – Most points gained in Section 5 Art & Handicrafts

Judy Bartholomew Trophy – 'Best in Show' in Section 5 Art & Handicrafts

Junior Perpetual Shield – Most points achieved by a child (16 years old & under)

People's Choice – For the entry that received the most votes from visitors at the show.

Winners hold trophies for 12 months. Awards: **3 points for 1st place, 2 points for 2nd, 1 point for 3rd.**

CARROT CAKE RECIPE (for class 59)

140g butter	2 eggs	200g soft brown sugar
227g grated carrot	200g self-raising flour	½ tsp ground nutmeg
3 tsp baking powder	1 tsp ground cinnamon	½ tsp salt
56g chopped walnuts	3 tablespoons milk	
Frosting:		
227g cream cheese	56g butter	56g sieved icing sugar
20cm deep tin, greased & lined base	Oven temp: Gas 4, 350F, 180C	¼ tsp vanilla essence

Melt butter, beat in sugar, grated carrot and eggs. Sieve together flour, baking powder, cinnamon, nutmeg and salt. Fold into the mixture, also adding the walnuts and milk. Spoon into tin and level the top. Bake 45mins – 1hour. Test with skewer. Cool for 5mins, then turn onto a cooling rack. When cold, cut cake into two layers. For frosting: Beat butter until soft. Add cream cheese, icing sugar and vanilla essence. Beat well. Sandwich cake together using ½ frosting. Spread remaining frosting on top.

FLOWERS – Section 1

Flowers in vases

1. 3 stems of Penstemon
2. 3 Dahlias
3. 3 Ball Dahlias
4. Collection of garden flowers
5. Gladioli
6. 3 Daisies (any variety)
7. 3 Hydrangea blooms
8. 3 Sweet Peas

Plants in pots up to 25cm

9. Begonias
10. Best pot plant (floral)
11. Best pot plant (foliage)
12. A pot of one or more lilies
13. Planted arrangement of succulents or cacti (container max. diameter 25cm)
14. Best succulent or cactus

Plants in planters

15. Hanging basket (in standard 30cm round)
16. Planted outdoor tub (container max. 45cm)
17. Potted standard tree (ornamental or fruit)

Members' Competition

18. Best geranium (grown in 15cm pot from plug supplied in 2023 by Tintern Garden Club)

Flower arrangements

- (Flowers for arrangements may be shop bought)
19. A foliage arrangement (max. spread 45cm)
 20. Arrangement to celebrate 100 years since Tutankhamun's tomb was opened (max. spread 45cm, accessories allowed)
 21. Petite flower arrangement (max 25cm width/depth, height proportional)
 22. Arrangement of 3 individual blooms with natural accessories (max. 45cm)

23. Flower arrangement for novice entrants who have never received 1st prize in any flower arranging class (max. 45cm)
24. Door Wreath (max. diameter 30cm, accessories allowed)

FRUIT – Section 2

25. 3 culinary apples
26. 3 dessert apples
27. A dish of soft fruit (with stalks)
28. 3 sticks of rhubarb
29. 5 plums
30. Any fruit not in any other class

VEGETABLES – Section 3

31. 3 coloured potatoes
32. 3 white potatoes
33. 5 runner beans (under 35cm)
34. 5 dwarf beans
35. Longest bean
36. 3 carrots
37. 5 tomatoes
38. Truss of cherry tomatoes
39. 3 globe beetroot
40. 5 shallots
41. 3 onions
42. 3 courgettes (up to 20cm)
43. 2 cucumbers
44. 3 peppers, chillies or capsicums
45. Collection of 4 distinct kinds of vegetables on a tray max. 60cm x 30cm. Parsley may be used as a garnish
46. A vegetable not in any other class
47. A humorous or odd-shaped vegetable

COOKERY – Section 4

48. Selection of culinary herbs (present as a bunch in water in container max 15cm tall; labelled with names)

49. Pot of named jam

50. Pot of named marmalade

51. Pot of named jelly

Classes 49-51 must have waxed disc & cellophane cover or a sealed lid which pops on opening

52. Pot of named curd – with waxed disc & cellophane cover

53. Pot of chutney – with vinegar proof lid

54. Pot of pickles – with vinegar proof lid

55. 5 white bread rolls

56. 1 savoury bread loaf

57. 5 cheese scones

58. A quiche

59. Carrot cake (made to recipe overleaf)

60. A cake decorated on a Pablo Picasso theme (to be judged on decoration)

61. 5 flapjacks

62. 3 gingerbread decorated for the Coronation

63. A lemon drizzle cake

64. 5 slices of rocky road

65. 3 home-laid fresh eggs

ART & HANDICRAFTS – Section 5

66. A knitted item

67. A crocheted item

68. A tapestry or canvas work

69. A quilted item

70. A painting or drawing

71. Group of 3 photographs depicting "The Great British Weather"

72. A single photograph "Gold"

73. An item of handmade jewellery

74. Any other handicraft item

CHILDREN'S CLASSES – Section 6

75. Artwork celebrating 100 years of Disney

76. A photograph of "My Dinner"

77. Display of flowers in a mug

78. A homemade greetings card

79. Doctor Who monster from recycled materials

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Please see our website, www.wyevallencrafts.org.uk, for more information or call us on 01291 689346.

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KIDZART Charity, by Valerie Welham

We would like to thank those of you who have become voting members and associate members of Kidzart which is a Charity Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The subscription for Voting Members is £25 per annum and is free for Associate Members. We would also like to thank those who have made such generous donations to help with the work of Kidzart. The website is in the process of being developed but does give a detailed account of the work we are undertaking so please have a look and let us know if you have any questions or would like to be involved in any way. www.kidzart.uk

Since the AGM we have been making some progress with planning for our first groups of children in the 23/24 pilot year beginning September 2023. The morning sessions will be for the Visual Arts including drawing, painting, crafts and clay modelling with teachers have been provisionally appointed. We are now considering applications from teachers for the afternoon sessions in music, singing, dancing and other performing arts. Someone in overall control of the days with skills for catering at lunchtime is also required and if you would like to be considered please get in touch. This role will also include advising and teaching the children about healthy eating. For example, we shall have bowls of fruit, raw carrots and jugs of water available throughout the day and there will be regular breaks for these.

We have given considerable thought to which neighbouring schools would most benefit from our creative days, and for the pilot year we felt that the Newport primary schools would be the ones for us to help. This has been discussed and confirmed with the Deputy Director of Education for Newport who has thanked us for choosing Newport and identified three primary schools in that city which will benefit most from our creative days. There will be 4 of these on Tuesdays, one for each age group, in each of the 3 school terms starting hopefully this coming September. Each school will be sending 4 children from each age group of 7-, 8-, 9- and 10-year-olds plus one adult who is known to the children. One of our Trustees will be arranging meetings with the heads of these 3 primary schools chosen for involvement in our pilot year and it will be the Head of the school who will identify the children in each age group who will attend our free creative days.

Funding for pilot year has been donated but we shall be thinking of fund-raising events and ideas for future years. The pilot year will give us the information to form a budget so that the planning for future years can be done at least 12 months in advance as the schools involved will also need to make the visits to us part of their timetable. Please let us know if you have any ideas for fund raising events or of foundations to which we could apply for help with funding.

We are now undertaking practical work at the Wye Valley Arts Centre to prepare for the pilot year which we are aiming to start in September. Acquiring special school furniture designed for 7 to 10-year-olds and equipment for the different subjects is already underway and it is intended that everything will be in place by the end of August. We have received some donations of musical instruments for the children to try. It is our intention that each child will have individual attention and that our music teacher will be able to identify which instrument suits them. We shall be ordering 15 ukuleles as a start for learning to play together. We would like to acquire a keyboard, percussion instruments.

We also have plans to develop our field opposite the Centre in Llandogo as a wild flower meadow with nature hides. Our orchard there is already well established. Any advise and help regarding this would be most welcome.

Please get in touch if you would like to be involved or help in any way. We shall be very pleased to hear from you. Valerie Welham, Kidzart Chair of Trustees, Wye Valley Arts Centre, Llandogo NP25 4TW

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Interview with Lucy Fear about the Wye Valley Wellness Festival 22nd/23rd July, by Toni Harvey

Can you tell me a little about yourself - what influenced your choice of career and why you decided to work in Tintern? I'm Lucy from Lucy Fear Massage Therapy and cofounder of the Wye Valley Wellness Centre. Having completed a degree in Sociology, I have previously worked in the disability and education sector. Throughout my career and also being a mum of four, I became increasingly curious about the benefits of alternative therapy.



In 2007 I completed my diploma in Advanced Massage Therapy which gave me the skills and knowledge to treat a number of conditions. In recent years I've continued to study and practice in a wider range of therapies to provide a fully varied and holistic approach to my treatments.

I grew up in Brockweir right next to the river and I always dreamed of having a wellbeing centre close to water. When a space became available in Tintern four years ago, I knew that I was destined to take it on. Tintern is a perfect location for a wellbeing centre due to its outstanding beauty and peaceful location. It is loved by both myself and my clients. Tintern also has a wonderful community that makes working here even more special.

Can you tell us what the Wye Valley Wellness Festival hopes to achieve? The event hopes to allow people to have access to the variety of local wellbeing practitioners that offer so many services that benefit the mind and body. The event is aimed at being interactive, so that people can try and learn about what alternative therapies are available and how they are beneficial. It also gives people a reason to connect with people that may be able to help them on their wellbeing journey. We aim to achieve a laid back family friendly festival that can be enjoyed by all.

Who will be participating? There are a number of other practitioners that have sponsored the event and will be involved over the weekend;

Lucy Fear Massage Therapy – organiser also offering therapy tasters in Therapy Area

Forest Retreats – Yoga in our demo area

Chepstow Massage & Wellbeing – Therapy tasters in the Therapy Area

Her Peaceful Place – Sound Healing Sessions – Demo area and Reiki in therapy Area

MB Holistic – Yoga in demo area and Jin Shin Jyutsu

Wolfgang Wildflower – Peace Tree Tea Workshops

McConnachie Coaching and Training – Wellbeing Workshops NLP CBT

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Why is an event like this important to people? With an increasing health crisis, both with people's mental health and long medical waiting lists, more people are feeling the need to connect with alternative options to care for themselves. Having access to a wide number of therapies offered by so many fantastic local therapists during the festival weekend, it makes those important connections possible for a wider number of people.

Can these therapies have an impact on people's lives? Having worked as a therapist for a number of years, I have seen how many of my clients have benefited from massage therapy. This can range from a client being able to put on their coat unaided for the first time in a number of years due to immobility to an individual with crippling anxiety and depression able to return to work and enjoy life

again. I also have helped a number of oncology patients manage their oedema and a trauma client feel confident and safe with physical contact again. The benefits of massage are endless...

What's on the programme for adults and children? There will be a fully detailed finalised timetable available a couple of weeks prior to the festival. This will be available to view on the Event Page on social media. You can access this page also by scanning the QR code on our advertising flyers. However, we are running a children's drop-in workshop on both days all day. The Peace Tree Tea demos will also be all day on both days. Yoga sessions and sound healing sessions will happen on both days at an allotted time. We have a fermented food demo on Saturday by Crafty Pickle and a baby massage session on Sunday with Essentially Daisy. Circus Skills and Tai Chi will also be taking place times tbc. Event running 11 to 5pm both days.

Will there be food on offer? The Abbey Mill are hosting the event and will be providing a wide range of nutritious food over the weekend and will be offering event specials. In addition, there will be some pre-packaged edible goods that can be purchased at the event also.

Will you do it again next year? This is the first year and we aim to keep it small and interactive, but feedback is always good, so we know how we can improve for next year.

What's on?

Therapy Area
(Sat & Sun)

Thai Yoga Massage
Seated Acupressure Massage
Reiki
Jin Shin Jyutsu
Reflexology

Workshops/Demonstrations
(Sat & Sun)

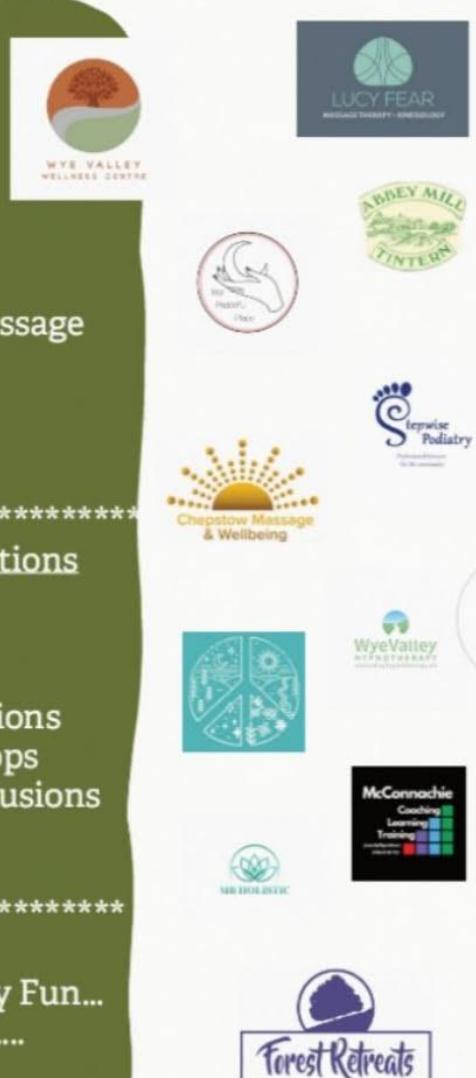
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The other Tintern Abbey with American connections, by Martin Everett

Some years ago, I set out on a search to find out more about the lives of my mother's grandparents who left County Kerry in Ireland for London in 1860s. After catching the car ferry from Fishguard to Rosslare, I drove along the main N25 westwards towards the city of Waterford. On the way a certain signpost caught my eye 'Tintern Abbey' – was it a surreal moment - Had I not left my home in Tintern in the Wye Valley earlier that day? Then, the very next road sign referred to US President Kennedy who was tragically murdered in Dallas in November 1963.



Back home I undertook some research. The Cistercian monastery of Tintern Abbey in County Wexford was one of the many religious houses that were dissolved by Henry VIII between 1536 and 1541. It was originally founded in 1200 by knight William Marshal (1147-1219). He served five British Kings was often referred to as the 'Earl Marshal' and later became the Earl of Pembroke. In 1189, he married Isabel de Clare, the 17-year-old daughter of [Richard de Clare](#) (known as Strongbow). Her father had been also at one time [Earl of Pembroke](#), and William Marshal

acquired large estates and claims in England, Wales, [Normandy](#) and Ireland which included St Briavels Castle, Pembroke Castle, and, in Monmouthshire, Usk Castle, Tintern Abbey and Chepstow Castle. William made many improvements to his wife's lands, including extensive additions to [Pembroke Castle](#) and [Chepstow Castle](#). In Country Wexford, he established Tintern de Voto (Tintern the devout), or Tintern Parva (little Tintern) Abbey, also dedicated to St Mary, as a daughter house of Tintern Major. Interestingly, several Cistercians (the White Monks) were transferred from Monmouthshire to County Wexford to establish this new religious community.

The nave, chancel, tower, chapel and cloister still stand. In the 16th century the site of old abbey was granted to the Colclough family and soon after the church was partly converted into living quarters and further adapted over the centuries. The Colcloughs occupied the abbey from the sixteenth century until the mid-twentieth. Conservation works have included special measures to protect the local bat colonies. The abbey is set in a special area of conservation and is surrounded by woodland within which are walking trails. Not to be missed is the restored Colclough Walled Garden situated within the old estate. [Tintern Parva Abbey should not be confused with Dunbrody Abbey, another Wexford Cistercian abbey founded by Isabel's brother in 1189, now also a local heritage site].

US President John Fitzgerald Kennedy's great grandfather Patrick Kennedy was born in Dunganstown, New Ross, County Wexford, Ireland in 1823 and because of the famine emigrated to America. In June 1963, 60 years ago, President Kennedy visited New Ross. The local area is now home to many places of commemoration and memorial monuments dedicated to the President; these include the Kennedy Homestead, as well as the JFK Arboretum.

We look forward to cerebrating the 900 years of our own **Tintern Abbey** in 2031.

Tintern Abbey: Saltmills, New Ross, Co Wexford

Dunbrody Abbey: Dunbrody, Campile, Co Wexford

Kennedy Homestead: Dunganstown, New Ross, Co Wexford

Action to protect our River Wye, by Nick Day

Summer is once more with us, and with it comes the usual round of village fetes and open-days. This gives us lots more opportunities to reach out to the public- it's sometimes surprising how many people aren't in our own social bubble and haven't heard about what we're doing, so there's an ongoing need to 'fly the flag' and spread the word. And sometimes these events bring about unexpected meetings- for example the Hellens Manor open day provided us with several valuable new contacts, and at St Briavels carnival it was interesting to be able to meet Mark Harper, MP. This gave us the chance to talk about the 'Roadmap' published by Avara Foods and explain that, without an undertaking to export the phosphorus (that they bring in) away from the Wye Catchment, the 'Roadmap' leads to a cul-de-sac.



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

We have received answers from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales to the questions submitted to them for our 'Working Together' evening which was held in Monmouth; along with their presentation shown on the night, these have been forwarded to all who attended.

50 folk from Friends of the Lower Wye and ACE Monmouth came on a farm tour at Brampton Abbots last week to hear about regenerative farming techniques from Ben Taylor-Davies: among these were two farmers, and Ben has announced he'll be offering a year's mentoring for two local farmers who'd like to shift to a more sustainable approach to farming.

Becoming a part of 'Transition Monmouth' has given us banking facilities which has allowed us to receive a grant from Monmouth Town Council and a donation from Ross Rotary Club, which will help fund further expansion of our sampling and testing network.

Forthcoming dates include Hereford Castle Green Saturday on 1st July and Wye July at Monmouth on Sunday 9th July.

During the Better Water Quality for Wales conference, on 27th June, the Friends of the Lower Wye presentation outlined how the groups across the Wye Catchment have come together to understand the wider picture of the distribution of phosphate levels measured across the catchment, as well as providing the example of the Trothy as a sub-catchment where we can help the regulators focus on more specific problem locations.



Friends of the Lower Wye stall at St Briavels Carnival

We are often asked whether it's safe to swim- ultimately, it's down to the individual to satisfy themselves about any safety issues- towards that end, I hope this helps give some clues!

The Wye's problems are largely due to the wash-off of nutrients from fields where excess manure

has been ill-advisedly spread. The proportion of nutrient excess ascribed to Sewage is only ~22%. And that should be mostly in treated water, with untreated waste from CSOs generally very dilute. However, apart from the Sewage Treatment Works there are also septic tanks and the like (which are not always properly run and maintained) which discharge into the river, and even some properties whose plumbing goes direct with no intervening septic tank or other treatment.

The nutrients for which we test (nitrates and phosphates) are I generally not the worst threats to human health, but their presence can encourage growth of algal blooms and other effects which could disguise the presence of other things which could be rather more toxic.

Of course, Weil's disease is another concern, so it is advisable to avoid exposure of any damaged skin to any water of which you feel suspicious.

Given the summery conditions, I understand that lots of folk may feel the urge to take a dip- my own personal advice would be that if you must get in the water, you really don't want to swallow any water and you should shower afterwards.

At Tintern Abbey in July



A day with acoustic Celtic folk band Brimstone, providing a flavour of music from the Celtic nations.

Brimstone is a Celtic folk band. On their previous visit to the abbey they introduced the types of musical structure that lie behind traditional Celtic music. On this visit they'll continue sharing these traits but also the kinds of landscape in which Celtic people lived. It will be a journey through the Celtic lands, using both traditional and contemporary songs and tunes.

Celtic Music from the Regions of Wales, Ireland and Scotland

Sat 08 Jul - Sun 09 Jul 2023

During the day (11:30-16:00), find out about the music from these countries: jigs, reels, strathspeys and more. Hear the differences and similarities. This is a great opportunity to sit, relax, listen and be immersed in gentle airs, fiery jigs and reels as they resonate through the site.

One of the afternoon sessions each day will include the chance to learn a ceilidh dance.

Brimstone is a four-piece band - fiddle, whistle, guitar and bodhran - and they have performed at local festivals around the country. www.brimstonefolk.co.uk

You can purchase your admission tickets on arrival (or book online, but note that pre-booked tickets are non-refundable)

St Michael's Church, Tintern Parva

On Saturday 25 June Jan was ordained and on Sunday we were joined by the Bishop of Monmouthshire, Bishop Cherry Vann, who talked about God's calling. The Tintern Church Lads and Church Girls Brigade and the Bishop celebrated Jan's new role and thanked her for her commitment to the church and the community.



On Sunday, the **2nd of July**, Jan will lead her first fully-ordained service and afterwards we'll share food and drink we've brought on the lawn outside, before she takes a well-deserved leave for the rest of July and August. Hopefully it will be a warm and sunny day! Come and congratulate Jan.

While she is away, the 10:30 Sunday Services will be led by:

- 9 July – Rev Jane Avery with Rev John Dearnley preaching
- 16 July - Rev Dan Damon
- 23 July - Rev Liz Perry
- 30 July – Rev Jane Avery
- 6 August - Rev Tim Dack
- 13 August – Rev Jane Avery with Rev John Dearnley preaching
- 20 August - Rev Karen Dack
- 27 August - Rev Liz Perry

Join Reverend Dan Damon for a Bible study class at the Rose and Crown starting on 29th June at 7pm.

An Art Show is being planned for **Saturday 26 August** where the work of local artists will be on display with tea, coffee and home made bakes will be offered.

The Music on the Wye Michaelmas evening concert on **Friday 29th September** will be fantastic with a Gospel Choir, so mark your calendars!

Bible Society

Join me at the Rose & Crown
7 pm Thursdays from 29th June for

The Bible Course

Explore the BIG story

Get the Big Picture at 8 weekly talks in
Tintern using interactive videos, discussions
and a take-home book

Minister: Reverend Jan Pain - 01291 624017

Churchwardens: Alan Hillard - 01291 689772 and Alan Carter 07873 514255

Holmleigh Cottage in Tintern

WE'VE JUST FINISHED
THE COMPLETE
REFURBISHMENT OF
THIS HISTORIC HOME

Spacious living area
with an open plan
kitchen/ dining room

- 3 double bedrooms
- 3 w/c shower
rooms, (1 ensuite)
- Parking
- Two two-tiered
terrace over-
looking the river



Holmleigh is a gorgeous 19th century cottage, centrally located in the valley of Tintern. It has stunning views, all the home comforts you could wish for and is within easy walking distance of all Tintern's shops, pubs, restaurants and of course, Tintern Abby.

To book contact Rebecca at HOLMLEIGHHOLIDAYLET@GMAIL.COM

Tintern Photo Competition, by Andrew Reid



Sponsored by the Tintern Fete, we are delighted to announce that the Tintern Photo Competition is happening again.

We'd like to invite as many entrants as possible into this year's competition. Open to all ages, the subject can be of your choosing, in and around Tintern in colour, or Black and white.

The winner will be chosen by the Tintern Fete Committee and announced later in the year. A photography book prize will be awarded, and all entries will be considered for inclusion in a Tintern Village Calendar which will be produced for 2024 and on sale in the Autumn.

Your picture should be submitted in JPEG format at a recommended size of over 3MB (as created by most digital cameras and smartphones). Please mail your entry with a brief description of the subject, your name and contact details to andrew.reid@huntermillerreid.co.uk. By submitting an entry, you will be certifying that the work is your own and that you are happy to release any image you send for use on the Tintern village website, social media and in a calendar for 2024. Closing date is **21st July 2023**. Please contact Andrew at email above for further information.



**Second Saturday
Every Month**

10am – 2pm

**TINTERN
VILLAGE HALL**

TinternMarket@btinternet.com

Tintern Garden Club News, by Judith Dudley

Every year in the summer, one of the Garden Club's meetings is a garden party held in a member's garden. This year it was slightly different as we met at Dol Wen which is Matt & Freyja's land where they are setting up a "Single Planet Development". They will eventually be building their house on the site but that is in the future.



For the garden party, Dave, Bernard & Colin put up gazebos for shelter. Members brought along food & drink and chairs. After a hot, sunny day, the sky clouded over which made it slightly cooler but it was still a warm & pleasant evening. We were welcomed by Matt, Freyja & baby Caius after which we enjoyed the food and drinks which had been brought along.

Matt then took us on a guided tour of the site, showing us the trees they have planted and explaining the uses of the different types. Some are to provide fruit, some for firewood, some for fencing etc. so that they can be self-sufficient in timber. We also admired their very productive

vegetable plot and fruit bushes- all grown organically. Lastly, we met the chickens which are doing a good job eating unwanted creepy crawlies and of course, providing eggs. We also heard about the water storage and treatment plans and the site of the workshop and house. Such a lot of work involved but they are really dedicated. Dave, our chairman, gave out the notices and then thanked Matt & Freyja for their hospitality. Members stayed chatting until it was getting dark, and it was time to pack the gazebos away.



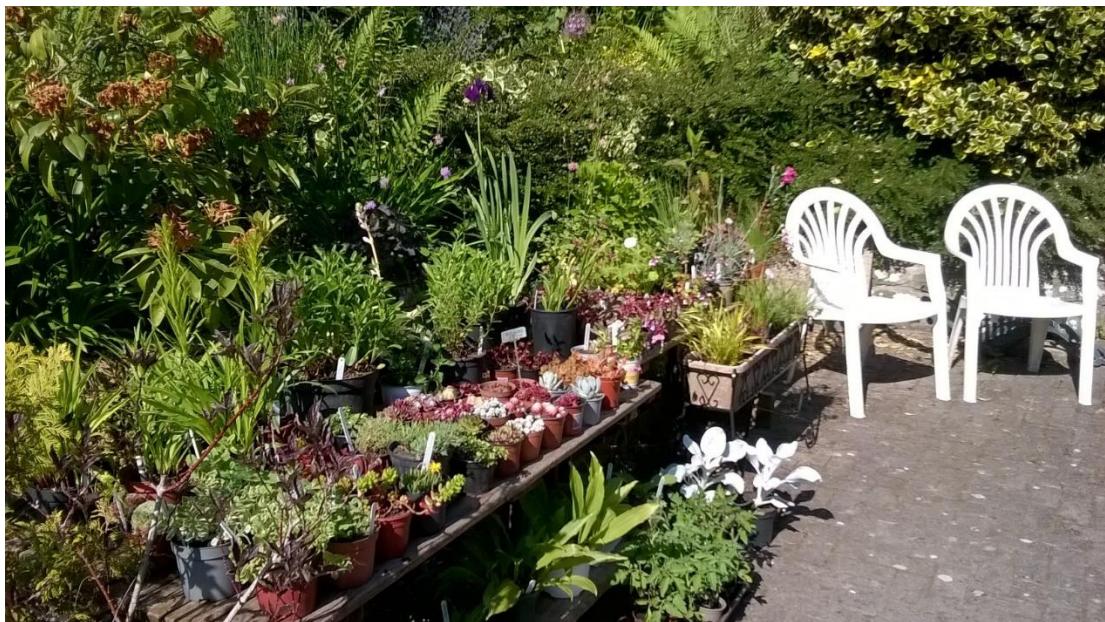
The next meeting of the Garden Club is another garden visit, this time to “Clouds Rest” at Brockweir. We will meet there at 6.30pm on **Friday July 21st**.

To join us at the Garden Club, please contact Dave Tuffery on 01291689919 or Liz Greatorex-Davies on 01291689861.

On **Saturday 5 August** the Tintern Village Show will be held and the competition judging will be for these categories, so get growing!

News from Parva Farm Vineyard, by Judith Dudley

Welsh Wine Week was at the beginning of June and was really popular with many visitors from Britain and abroad taking the Vineyard tour and then enjoying a wine tasting afterwards. We hope our visitors left with more knowledge about growing grapes and making wine in Wales and had an enjoyable afternoon. The weather played the game and several people said it was too hot and felt more like the south of France than Wales! Dave had done a good job in making the vineyard look its best for the week.





The vines are in the middle of flowering now and little grapes are developing so we need the sun to shine for a few more days until flowering is over. Then, being farmers, we would like it to rain to make the grass grow so that the cattle and sheep have plenty to eat. A drop of rain would help Colin's vegetable plot too. The shop is open from 1.00 until 5.00pm every day except Tuesdays & Wednesdays. There is a self-guided vineyard tour and visitors are welcome to try the wines. We also sell Kingstone ales and Troggi cider and other local produce as well as gifts and home-grown plants.

For more information, please call Judith on 07484670302.

Women's Institute Update, by Carol Skolimowski

It was great to start the month with some quiet reflective time in Llandogo churchyard, learning more about what we can do for bees and moths. Our speaker in June was Marianne Piper who some of you may know as she does some much for the Bridges Community in Monmouth. We learnt how to be Dementia friends and it was a interesting interactive evening with some wonderful pledges now we know more and feel more confident around those with Dementia. As I write this, we are about to go on our annual garden visit and this year we are off to Chase End at Tiddenham Chase a new garden in the NGS handbook. Our walking group have of course been to test out the refurbished Wireworks bridge in Tintern, wow what a difference.

In July we have a great singer coming along and we won't be just listening. Becki Biggins, singer, songwriter and saxophonist will be leading us in a musical workshop. What fun for a summer evening! Join us at the Llandogo Village Hall at **7:30pm on 12th July**.

Also Liz Grace reminds us that there is a quiz at the Llandogo Village Hall every 3rd Wednesday of the Month, starting at 7:30.



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

Or find us on Facebook

Classes at the Wye Valley Arts Center, Llandogo



We are very pleased to say that we are running the following classes in our lovely restored and converted building in the village of Llandogo and hope that you will be able to join us.

Our classes are informal and friendly and the number in the group is limited so please let us know promptly to reserve your place.

Newcomers and beginners are very welcome on all our courses. Please contact us (info below) if you have any queries.

PAINTING AND DRAWING DAYS with Ann Hulme

The basic approach to it all, is seeing and applying relative measurement, learning perspective, foreshortening and handling space. Painting on this course can be in watercolour, acrylics or oil paint. You can make good progress in a short space of time and try a new medium or mix media. Ann specializes in using a structured approach to help students gain confidence.

Proceeds from the art courses help support the KIDZART charity. Please get in touch for further details. We look forward to hearing from you.

info@wyearts.co.uk

Wye Valley Arts Centre, Llandogo, NP25 4TW

Tel 01594 530214 or 07796 697226

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Monday to Friday

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WYE VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Precis Minutes of a meeting of the above Council held at Llandogo Village Hall on 24th April 2023.

Present: Cllrs Shewell, Evans, Ashman, Morrison, Snell, Parker, Mawdsley, County Cllr Webb & the Clerk.

3488. Police Reports: There was an incident recently in Tintern Playground.

3489. To receive apologies for absence: None.

3490. Public Session: No one present.

3491. Declarations of interest for items on the agenda: None.

3492. To receive & approve minutes of previous meeting: Approved & signed as correct.

3493. To receive Financial Report: Charitable A/C £14,304.80, BMM A/C £4,158.60.

3494. To consider & approve accounts for payment:- Merlin Environmental Services, Clerk's Salary & Expenses, Llandogo Village Hall Sound Equipment, ICO – Data Protection Renewal Fee - All approved for payment.

3495. To discuss Planning Applications: DM/2023/00500 – Change of use of shepherds hut to commercial air b&b at Apple Tree Barn, Trellech Road, Tintern. Approval recommended.

3496. Matters Arising from Minutes:-

Repairwork to Tintern Village Hall boundary wall - Clerk spoke to AONB re possible grant funding for the work. She reported the wall might be eligible but need 2/3 quotes.

Three quotations now received so Clerk asked to apply for the full amount of work required. If funding is successful all the repairwork could be done, otherwise the lesser quote. Also asked to apply for funding for work required to The Village Pound.

Bus Emergency Scheme – Cllr Snell reported that this has been extended until the 24th July 2023 so school transport is guaranteed until the end of the school year.

Wireworks Bridge repairworks update – Bridge should be re-opened early May. It has been agreed that light vehicles will be allowed access to individual properties & land.

Dog Fouling Campaign meeting update – PSPO Report will be considered at Place Committee meeting 19th April. Next Action Day 25th May and next meeting of the campaign will be 8th June. It was also proposed that all School & Leisure Centre Fields be dog exclusion areas.

Wye Valley Villages Delivery Group – Cllr Mawdsley attended meeting on 26th April. Update given on 20mph signage, village gateway signs and details of project prioritisation workshop on the 26th April. He was told there is no money or operating funds available for this project. Next meeting of WVV Delivery Group meeting 24th May.

3497. To receive Reports from outside bodies:-

Llandogo School – MCC started the consultation process on the proposal to establish a Welsh medium primary school in Monmouth. School thanked WVCC for their donation which enabled them to purchase VR headsets which have greatly enhanced the children's learning experience. They requested that the 2023/24 donation goes to the same project.

Tintern & Llandogo Churches:- **Llandogo** - Boys & Girls Church Brigade starting 15th May. The Vicar has provisionally booked the Village Hall for a Village Fete on 15th July. He has also had the idea of a Van to sell papers, etc.

Tintern – Jan Pain's ordination is going ahead on the 24th June. Quiz on 30th March raised over £600. Music Event 12th May. Flower & Art Festival also planned. Chepstow Male Voice Choir booked for St David's Day 2024. Another Quiz booked for 12th October.

Village Halls – Llandogo: Quotation received for sound system of £8,369.34. Cllrs agreed to give the

£3,000 budgeted for provided they submit a formal request setting out where the balance of the money is coming from.

Request from Llandogo Village Hall for funding towards the Coronation Lunch.

Tintern – Picnic Lunch with Band 6th May. Coronation Craft Fair 8th May. The new monthly Produce Market on 8th May was a great success and well attended with a wide variety of stalls.

3498. Reports from Sub-Committees:- Finance. One Voice Wales are preparing updated Model Standing Orders.

3499. Discuss & complete Section 6 Report of Environment Act: Cllr Morrison has contacted two residents for assistance in filling in part of the form.

3500. Correspondence: Email from Mark Hand, MCC re off-road bikes. Cllr Mawdsley reported there is revised guidance coming out from Defra on green lanes to get TRO's imposed.

3501. AOB: Draft Annual Report for 2022/23 prepared and circulated to Cllrs. Two quotations being sought.

Cllr Mawdsley raised the point that the Broadband cabinet has a sign saying Fastershire. He wondered whether it would be possible to extend Broadband from Bigsweir to Llandogo. County Cllr Webb will follow this up.

Cllr Shewell asked for an update on the Council's request to MCC for more waste bins in Tintern. Clerk chase Sue Parkinson.

Query about the parking on The Quayside as it is being used as public parking. Nearby residents are trying to establish whether it is a public or residents parking area.

All enquires to the Clerk, Mrs. E. Greatorex-Davies

Email: clerk@wyevalleycc.co.uk

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

YOUR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE - St Arvans, Llandogo and Tintern

Ann Webb



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.

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Tintern Abbey Cottage

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- Twice Winners of Monmouthshire Best Hospitality Travel and Tourism Business.
- Winners of Forester Best Eco Business Award
- Winners of the Visit Wales National Tourism Award Best Visitor Welcome

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Peter Bradshaw, Guardian

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