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Fresh start after the long winter months..

The Tintern daffodils and returning sunshine will highlight all the village improvements. The remaining old playground equipment will get a lick of paint by volunteers on **Saturday 11th March** and hopefully all the new playground equipment will be installed before Easter.

We've all seen the green fence go up around the derelict Abbey Hotel and finally progress to re-developing a hotel which will attract more visitors and certainly fix the eyesore which we've suffered for a very long time. Martin Everett found this advert below from The Times newspaper 25 years ago (27 Aug 1998). Speculation about the new owner's plans ... hopefully we'll know more soon.



■ A selection of last-minute holidays and travel opportunities at home, on the Continent and farther afield, many at bargain prices

■ A RUINED abbey standing beside a picturesque river, with rugged mountains beyond them, are among the attractions close to the Beaufort Hotel at Tintern in the Wye Valley, where half-board is available this weekend for £52.50 a person a night.

Hayley at Forest Retreats is leading a trash pickup event on **Tuesday 11th April**, so we can fully enjoy the view along our beautiful roadsides and entrances to forest trails.

The Quiz night in February at The Wye Valley Hotel to support the Tintern Summer Fete was a great success and now for a re-match, book a table for **Thursday 30th March** at St Michael's Church.

No update since late January on the Wireworks Bridge progress, but hopefully we'll get an update soon – [Tintern Wireworks Bridge Improvements - Highways \(gloucestershire.gov.uk\)](http://Tintern%20Wireworks%20Bridge%20Improvements%20-%20Highways%20(gloucestershire.gov.uk))

Thanks, Toni Harvey (tinternnews@gmail.com)

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Blog – Spring Clean inside and out! by Hayley Court

“Clutter is not just the stuff on the floor. It’s anything that stands between you and the life you want to be living” Peter Walsh

Spring is in the air; the visitors have flocked to see The Sculpture Gardens famous snowdrop display (well done Gemma and team) and next is the bluebells. Aren’t we lucky to live in such a beautiful place!

This is the time of year to dust off the winter cobwebs and come out of hibernation and spring clean inside and out!

In yoga this practice of cleansing fits well with the practice of “Shaucha” which translates to “purity” and “cleanliness”. Shaucha helps us remember who we are without the distractions and obstacles and lightens the load on ourselves (Deborah Adele – Yama’s and Niyamas)

It asks us to consider what we put into our mind and body. What we eat, drink, what we say, the people we surround ourselves with, what we listen to, information we absorb? Also how do we live in our homes and workplace? With too much stuff weighing us down or in a light and airy space to get breathe and even get creative. I know how it affects me when there is too much clutter and dirt in my house – it makes me irritable (as my husband will tell you!).

Cleansing our environments can be fun and hugely beneficial. How about a deep clean this spring (whilst de-cluttering of course!). Shake your rugs outside and let them air, open the windows and consider using natural non-toxic products and a few drops of essential oils to make your environment smell divine! To go a step further burn some white sage cleansing the energy of the space. I use this as a great grounding ritual before and after I teach yoga and massage.

Cleansing ourselves can form of increased exercise, water intake, fasting, spending more time in nature or we make choose to purify our tongue by speaking no harm or untruths for an entire day (a great practice!). I also like to shack my body, use a dry brush before a shower and may even start having a blast of cold water at the end of the shower soon as its nearly spring!

I am a great believer that we should all take responsibility of cleaning our environment outside the home. It really hurts to see rubbish in the verges and poison in the river – the state of the river last summer still haunts me. As a tourism business that uses the environment to attract customers, I believe we and other tourism businesses should take more responsibility to lead on environmental protection. Save The Wye are doing a great job of raising awareness and just hope this awareness and actions can save the river before it’s too late. We as a family litter pick everywhere we go, but unfortunately usually miss the Tintern litter pick due to work commitments at weekends.

I would personally like to propose half a day litter picking during the school Easter Holidays on **Tuesday 11 April 2023** meeting at the village hall. If you would like to join, please email me on info@forestretreats.co.uk or text 07826-557211. It’s great to litter pick as a community and anyone that attends is invited to a free yoga class!

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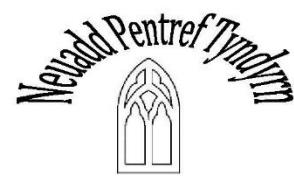
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A winner will be chosen by the Tintern Fete Committee and announced later in the year. A photography book prize will be awarded.

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 current cameras and smartphones).

Please email your entry with a brief description of the subject and your own 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 21st July 2023



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Tintern Garden Club News, by Judith Dudley

The Tintern Garden Club's first speaker of 2023 was Tintern resident Nick Day talking about the work of "The Friends of the Lower Wye". Nick showed us slides and told us about the pollution problems of the River Wye from its source in Plynlimon to the sea. The main cause of pollution (60%) is listed as "agriculture". However, this is not caused by ordinary farms, it is industrial sized chicken units and the spreading of manure from these huge sheds. 30% of the pollution is from outflows from outdated sewage works, unable to cope with the quantities being produced. All this pollution causes algae blooms which choke the river, rendering it unable to support the wildlife (both large and small) which inhabits the river. For example, 90% of the Water Crowfoot, which used to grow so prolifically in our river, is gone.

The Friends of the Lower Wye and other organisations further up the Wye are working hard to alter this situation by lobbying Natural Resources Wales, Defra and other government bodies to get them to take action. They are also taking weekly water samples up & down the river which are tested to show the amount of pollution at any one time. This was a thought provoking talk and very relevant to all Tintern residents as we live so close to this beautiful but ailing waterway.

After a break for tea & biscuits, our chairman Dave Tuffrey was presented with a prize for accumulating the most points in the monthly competitions in 2022.

The Garden Club meet every 3rd Friday of the month and new members are always welcome. Our next meeting is in Tintern Village Hall on Friday 17th March at 7.30pm when our talk will be about "Fruit growing" with speaker Roger Umpelby. The competition is for a piece of pottery with fruit decoration.

For any queries, please contact Liz Greatorex-Davies on 012910689861 or Dave Tuffrey on 689919.

News from Parva Farm Vineyard, by Judith Dudley



With the Vineyard shop being closed, and the weather being particularly dry, we have been able to get on with plenty of outside work. Colin has done lots of fencing so we have several re-hung gates and stretches of fence looking pristine (until a cow rubs on it, a sheep tries to run through it or a deer jumps it!) He has also nearly finished fencing part of our garden to keep the deer out so that I can grow roses and other plants that the deer like to eat. I have been doing my bit, tidying up the flower borders and vegetable plot and potting things up ready for when

the shop re-opens. There are quite a number of flowers and shrubs flowering in the garden at the moment, particularly snowdrops and primroses and the hazel bushes have so many catkins that they look completely yellow.

Dave is making great progress pruning the vines as the weather has been good for that. He still has more stakes to replace but they can wait a month or so.



We recently had our ewes scanned to find out what to expect when the lambs start arriving. We are glad to say that there are no triplets but plenty of twins. Lambing is due to start at the end of March but we have had four ewes which have lambed early so already have some lambs around.

We had intended re-opening the shop at the beginning of March but due to various commitments, we will not re-open until Saturday 18th March. However, we are happy to open the shop for wine sales if you ring on 07484670302 to arrange a visit.





Wye Valley Acoustic Music Club Open Mic, by Nick Beaugié

Sadly, the club has left the Tintern's Rose and Crown and now meets at the bar of The Green Man Backpackers Hostel at 13 Beaufort Square, Chepstow (the building formerly known as the Royal British Legion). I managed to make it to the February meeting. It's a very friendly group! I was a bit worried that there might be pressure to get up and perform, but there are actually lots of people willing to do that. I could sit back and enjoy performances from both amateur and professional musicians, some of them quite well known locally.

Open mics take place on the first Tuesday of the month, from 7.30pm. The next one is on the **7th March**. Why not pop along and give it a go! For more information, please contact Sue Skinner at sue.tcbelfry@btinternet.com or Adrian Birch at adrianbirch1@gmail.com.

Tintern Folk Session at the Wild Hare, by Joe

As usual on the third Sunday of the month - the **19th March 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 for more info. Just a note that for parking you need to register your vehicle in the pub reception to avoid paying any charge.

Tintern Philosophy Circle, by John Clarke

Our next meeting is at 7.30 by zoom on **Tuesday 21st March** when John will give the third of his History of Modern Philosophy talks. He has moved on to the 19th century, and will introduce the ideas of thinkers like Karl Marx, John Stuart Mill and Friedrich Nietzsche,

Meetings are free and open to all. If you would like to come please contact us on 01291 680139 or jjclar7@aol.com. You can find out more about us on our website: www.Tintern-Philosophy.org

Women's Institute update, by Carol Slolimowski

We have great talent in our area and it was inspiring to have a talk from Chris Mattison. Chris shared photos from five continents describing his experiences as a wildlife photographer. Chris' wife Gretchen is one of our members and also a very talented photographer.

Spring is coming and our March meeting will start us thinking about gardening, with a demonstration by Alex from Chepstow Garden Centre. She has an amazing plant knowledge, so you are welcome to join us on **March 8th at 7:30pm** at Llandogo Village Hall.

Friday Cafe returns on **March 3rd** after a break for half term. The Book Club are reading "Wicked Game" by Matt Johnson and the Walking Group continue with their weekly walks.

If you are thinking of joining us, now is a great time as April is the start of our new year and we have put together an interesting set of speakers. Come along to our March meeting and pick up the new programme, plus follow us on Facebook

St Michael's Church, Tintern Parva

Last month the Church was filled with song, happy children for St Valentines day when the Church Lads and Girls Brigade each shared what make them feel loved. It really pulled the heartstrings and made us all aware of the impact of a kind word or encouragement by family, teachers and friends. But that's true for all of us (Luke 6:31) - a kind word, even when it is hard to do, can change the world.

For St David's Day, the concert by the Chepstow Male Voice Choir was outstanding and highlighted Welsh culture through song, welsh soups, poetry, beer and even rugby.



Everyone is welcome to join Lenten Lunch at St Michael's on **Thursday, 2 March**, where soups and bread will be offered with teas and coffees. This is one of a series of lunches in the Monmouth area any donations received will go to the Earthquake Appeal.

Friday 3 March is the World Day of Prayer and three local churches; St Michael's, St Oudoceus in Llandogo and the Moravian church in Brockweir will join together to pray at St Michael's church at 10:30am. Please feel free to join us.

Mark your calendars for upcomming events:

Sunday, 19 March	Mothering Sunday led by the Church Lads and Girls Brigade
Thursday, 30 March	Quiz Night
Friday, 7 April	Good Friday
Sunday 2 April	Palm Sunday
Friday, 7 April	Good Friday
Sunday, 9 April	Easter

The Thursday-night Zoom Bible Study group continues to discuss the Gospel of Mark and leader, Rev. John Dearnley, welcomes diverse points of view! Please let us know if you'd like to join us.

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Saturday

69 CHEPSTOW - TINTERN - MONMOUTH										PHIL ANSLOW COACHES	Ref. 69/060921	
SATURDAYS (Not Christmas Day, Boxing Day or New Years Day)												
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WYE VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Precis Minutes of a meeting of the above Council held in Tintern Village Hall on Monday 28th November 2022.

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

3397. Police Reports: Attached.

3398. To receive apologies for absence: Cllrs Snell & Morrison.

3399. Public Session: No one present.

3400. Declarations of interest for items on the agenda: None.

3401. To receive & approve minutes of previous meeting: Approved & signed as correct.

3402. To receive Financial Report: Charitable A/C £19,449.14, BMM A/C £4,144.55.

3403. To consider & approve accounts for payment:-

Llandogo Village Hall Business Rates, Tintern Village Hall Room Hire, Earth Anchors – Noticeboard for Tintern Village Hall, Tintern Church Lads & Girls Brigade donation, Merlin Environmental Services, Llandogo Church/Dr CG Bell - donation towards boiler in Servery/Kitchen Area, Llandogo Village Hall Utility Services, Clerk's Salary & Expenses, Christmas Tree for Tintern - All approved for payment.

3404. To discuss Planning Applications:- DM/2022/01613 – Wye View House, Barbadoes – Certificate of lawful development for a summerhouse/storage to the rear of Wye View House. MCC have recommended approval despite an objection from a neighbour.

3505. Matters Arising from Minutes:-

Wye Valley Villages Gateway Signage Update & Steering Group – Meeting held 30th November to discuss Appointment of Chairman, Adoption of WV Villages Future Plan, Agree Terms of Reference, Update on introduction of 20mph zones, Update on Village Gateway Signage - commencing installation 28th November 2022. Meeting attended by Cllrs Mawdsley & Parker who understood that WVCC had agreed at a previous meeting that they did not want to sign up for the WV Villages Future Plan. Clerk to inform them it was agreed on behalf of WVCC that they did not endorse the implementation of the proposals for the WV Villages Future Plan.

3406. To receive Reports from outside bodies:-

Village Halls – Llandogo Hall – The Hall is trying to build up a programme of events to fund raise and are starting up Film Nights. Looking at grant applications for various items. **Tintern** – Now raised the entirety of budget needed for playground and fencing around it. Fund raising is still going ahead for general expenses. Xmas Craft Fayre raised over £500. Annual Xmas Hamper Lottery is running and will be announced on 21st December. Xmas Bingo 6th December. The next project will be drainage in the rear car park.

Llandogo School – Continuing apace.

Tintern & Llandogo Churches – Hoping to have a joint project with both Churches on Saturday 17th December for a Lantern Making followed by a procession and Christingle Service. Carol Services on Xmas Eve in the Church & Xmas Day Sunday Service. After the success of the Michaelmas Festival the Church may want to run another one at Easter & September. They have been asked to let the Council know in time for the Finance Meeting if they require any financial assistance towards this.

3408. Reports from Sub-Committees:- Finance. Following receipt of invoices for Llandogo Hall Services Cllrs agreed to pay £350 towards Llandogo Village Hall Services as a sum had been set aside in the budget. At the Finance Meeting Cllrs will discuss the amount to be set aside in next year's budget towards Hall Services.

Clerk to contact Sara Young and invite her to come to the January meeting to explain what their needs are for next year.

3409. Cllr Allowance Opt-Out Form: This is a mandatory payment of £152 to be paid to every Cllr. If Cllrs do not wish to receive this payment they must inform the Clerk in writing.

3410. Review of Standing Orders, Code of Conduct & Financial Regulations: These had been circulated to Cllrs. After a minor alteration to the Standing Orders relating to the number of years a Chairman or Vice-Chairman would serve both the Standing Orders, Financial Regulations & Code of

Conduct were updated and approved.

3411. Correspondence: Update from MCC on Dog Bin Fouling Contract – Following the failure to award a contract to either of the two bidders Community Councils expressed a preference to award their own contract with Merlin Environmental Services Ltd. Cllr Mawdsley will draw up a contract for discussion and approval at the next meeting.

Email from Richard Jay, MCC re Traffic Regulation Order for introduction of permanent 20mph speed limit in various villages including Llandogo & Tintern.

3412. AOB: Application for vacancy as Trustee for Tintern Charities from Noelyn Allen. Clerk inform her that her application is successful.

Clerk has sourced a Christmas Tree for Tintern from Nick Bull, Fairoak Farm. When delivered some Cllrs and residents will erect and decorate.

Report of faulty street lights - MG 209, 210 (by Wild Hare), Quay House and opposite the Wye Valley Hotel not working. Clerk to report.

Report that MCC Highways cleared gulleys last week along the main A466 in the village but did not send a road sweeper to clear the leaves from gulleys before they carried out the work so leaves are now back in gulleys. Clerk to report to MCC.

Three temporary road signs and sandbags for the road layout change near Abbey Mill are still in place and causing a hazard. Clerk report.

Reports that there have been various comments on Facebook regarding the future of Browns Shop, Llandogo, some of which are incorrect, in particular relating to the planning permission. County Cllr Webb will look into this.

Cllr Evans reported he has received several emails from residents of Parva Springs relating to the ongoing problem of off-road bikes using the green lane. He has informed them to contact County Cllr Webb.

Oak trees donated to Mr Mark Belcher are growing well, Horse Chestnut trees not.

Cllr Shewell reported there has been a major problem with the well opposite Trellech Road entrance. Cllr Ashman will look into this.

Two sets of agreements had been drawn up between Welsh Water and St Michael's Church for connection of sewage and water pipes. These had been submitted to Land Registry but been rejected as the land on Fryer's Wharf was owned by Tintern CC which has now been renamed WVCC. Legal costs to update this with Land Registry will therefore need to be budgeted for when setting next year's budget.

3413. Date of next meeting: 9th January 2023.

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

Email: clerk@wyevallycc.co.uk

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

Monday 30th January – Tintern Village Hall

Monday 27th February – Llandogo Village Hall

Monday 27th March - Tintern Village Hall

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