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The deadline for each issue is 22nd of January, March, May, July, September & November.

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Booking Secretary – Anne Jerman 01938 570320 Facebook: buttington trewern community centre

#### **Weekly Events:**

## **Monday**

Bowls 01938 556243 Zumba 6.15 – 7.15pm

## <u>Tuesday</u>

Knitting / Craft Group
Pilates Class

## Wednesday

## **Thursday**

Ti A Fi

## **Friday**

## **Saturday**

### **Knitting / Craft Group**

Meet alternate Tuesdays at Trewern Community Centre

1.30 -3.30 pm Term Time Only

#### Contacts:-

Margaret 570518 Linda 570529 Pam 570001

Join us for tea/coffee,
Biscuits and a chat.
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of Community room
and refreshments

# Ysgol Gynradd Buttington Trewern CP School

Head Master - Colin Jenkins 01938 570283
Please refer to website for school news.

#### **School PTFA**

Parents, Teachers & Friends Association

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| February 2022   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Door opens<br>9.45am for<br>10.30am start. | How a Newspaper Runs at COWSHACC, Welshpool. Thom Kennedy will give an insight into our local County Times. Information: www.welshpoolanddistrictu3a.org.uk  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup><br>7.30pm                                  | Schubert & Mendelssohn. A concert featuring Mary Hofman (violin) & Richard Ormrod (piano) at Welshpool Methodist Church. Tkts on door: £12, Student: £6 Information: www.welshpoolmusicclub.com  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sat 12 <sup>th</sup><br>from 6pm                                  | An Evening for Tim at Welshpool Town Hall. Live music with Lars Pluto, Dai Robs, Tammy Wilde & Barry Williams. Tickets on door, Adults £10, child £5, members of NHS & Emergency Services admitted free with proof of ID. Proceeds split between MIND & Tim Guttridge Memorial Fund. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>  | St Valentine's Day   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup><br>2.30pm prompt                           | Anther Man's Shoes. A talk by Ellie Somme at The Royal Oak, Welshpool. Arts Society of Mid Wales. https://theartssociety.org/mid-wales-borders   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| March 2022  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Tue 1st   | St David's Day / Shrove Tuesday  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Door opens<br>9.45am for<br>10.30am start. | AGM at COWSHACC, Welshpool. Speaker to be announced. Information: www.welshpoolanddistrictu3a.org.uk   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup><br>7.30pm                                  | Mirror Visions Ensemble (song recital) at Welshpool Methodist Church. Tkts on door: £12, Student: £6 Information: www.welshpoolmusicclub.com   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> 2.30pm prompt                              | Victorian Furniture – why Queen Victoria was not amused. A talk by Janusz Karczewski-Slowikowski at The Royal Oak, Welshpool. Arts Society of Mid Wales. https://theartssociety.org/mid-wales-borders                    |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sun 27 <sup>th</sup>  | Mother's Day / British Summer Time begins  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WELSHPOOL<br>10K/RUN  | Welshpool 10k Run – scheduled to start & finish at the Town Hall and run through the grounds of Powis Castle For information and to enter, visit https://www.adrenalinesportingevents.co.uk/welshpool-10k-running-event/ |  |  |  |  |  |

## Ti a Fi Group / Cylch Ti a Fi Mother & Toddler Group Facebook: Ti a Fi Buttington/Trewern

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## Contact Play Leader Elaine Pattison on 07754338079 for more information

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Please contact Mrs Mountford 01938 570 515 treasurer, if you wish to support financially but cant attend services.

The main room, approx 20ft x 20ft can be let out at other times. There is a car park, kitchen, toilet and disabled access facilities.

Please contact Mrs Mountford for charges.

#### If giving is in your blood, please help

The service is based at the COWSHACC (Scout Headquarters & Community Centre in Berriew St Car Park), Welshpool.

Next sessions: Tue 8 Feb, Fri 25 Feb & Tue 15 March 12.00 - 15.00 & 16.30 - 19.00

The safety of donors and blood supply is paramount. It is important that you visit Welsh Blood Service www.welsh-blood.org.uk in advance to check your eligibility to donate and to make your

blood donation appointment. You must wait 7 days after having your Covid-19 vaccination before giving blood, but you can donate on the same day that you have a flu vaccination. Blood collections in Wales are currently 30% down on usual levels.

#### Platinum Jubilee Street Parties



## Are you looking to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee??

To mark the Queen's historic 70-year reign, Powys CC would like to encourage residents to celebrate their connections, get to know each other a little bit better and bring the jubilee celebrations into the heart of every community by hosting street parties and joining in with The Big Jubilee Lunch.

Celebrations will take place between 2-5 June 2022 (an extended Bank Holiday weekend) during which the Council will waive the administration fee which is usually paid on applications for a road closure.



To process applications for street parties and subsequent road closures in time, any individual or group who intend to hold a community event on a public highway, need to let the council know by March 27. An application form and further information can be obtained by contacting the council's Traffic Section through

traffic@powys.gov.uk

For more information on getting involved with the jubilee celebrations, visit <a href="https://www.edenprojectcommunities.com/the-big-jubilee-lunch">https://www.edenprojectcommunities.com/the-big-jubilee-lunch</a>.

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Latest information available at: www.gov.wales
On 20 January, First Minister Mark Drakeford, confirmed
that unless the public health situation in Wales becomes
worse the following changes will apply:-

#### Applicable to outdoor events & venues from 21 January:

- Crowds will be able to return to outdoor sporting events.
- There will be no limits on the number of people who can take part in outdoor activities and events.
- Outdoor hospitality will be able to operate without the additional measures required introduced in December, such as the rule of 6 and 2m social distancing
- The Covid Pass will continue to be required for entry to larger outdoor events attended by more than 4,000 people, if unseated, or 10,000 people when seated.

#### Applicable to indoor events & venues from 28 January:

- Nightclubs will re-open.
- Businesses, employers and other organisations must continue to undertake a specific coronavirus risk assessment and take reasonable measures to minimise the spread of coronavirus.
- The general requirement of 2m social distancing in all premises open to the public and workplaces will be removed.
- The rule of 6 will no longer apply to gatherings in regulated premises, such as hospitality, cinemas and theatres.
- Licensed premises will no longer need to only provide table service and collect contact details
- Working from home will remain part of advice from the Welsh Government but it will no longer be a legal requirement.
- The Covid Pass will continue to be required to enter larger indoor events, nightclubs, cinemas, theatres and concert halls.

The self-isolation rules for everyone who tests positive for Covid and the face-covering rules, which apply in most public indoor places will remain in force after 28 January. The next 3-weekly review of the coronavirus regulations will be carried out by the Welsh Government on 10 February.

## Middletown Village Hall

Chairman – Stuart Hughes 01938 570504 Booking Secretary – Kath Onions 01938 570286 Treasurer – Judy Evans 01938 570501 www.middletownvillagehall.co.uk

The hall is available to hire to new organisations, on a regular or one off agreement. Also available for Christenings, Funerals etc.

Please get in touch if you would like to book or for more information.

## Update from Middletown Churchyard

I hope some of you have seen the changes to the back of Middletown churchyard. A huge thank you to those involved with the tidy-up - removing the existing fence, cutting the hedges, cleaning ditches and generally tidying up the area ready to be used. As always, we really do appreciate those

who volunteer to keep the church running – we would not be able to stay open without this support.
Thanks,
Gt Wollaston and Middletown PCC





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We are extremely grateful for donations to ensure the Border Gossip can continue to bring you the latest news from the area.

A big thank you to

### **Simon Boyes**

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We are very grateful for any donations we receive and thank you so much for all your support.

If you would like to make a donation please contact Marion. Every donation ensures we can keep producing The Border Gossip for you to enjoy. Thank you

Marion Hayes - marionkhayes@hotmail.com

## Mobile Library Bus



Powys CC have suspended all mobile library services until further notice due to Covid-19.

## Local Recycling Paper Bank – Middletown VH car park, to

Paper Bank – Middletown VH car park, to raise money for the VH.

Clothes, Shoes Etc – Trewern School car park to raise money for the school PTFA.

| Timetable for Celtic Travel Bus Service X75 (Valid from 29 June 2020, Mon-Sat, except public holidays)  The X75 service leaves FOR SHREWSBURY from: |          |      |      |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |
|---|----------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|--|
| Buttington – Green Dragon   | 0748     | 0951 | 1151 | 1351 | 1546 | 1706 |      |  |  |  |
| Trewern - Little Chef   | 0752     | 0955 | 1155 | 1355 | 1550 | 1710 |      |  |  |  |
|   |          |      |      |      |      | 1714 |      |  |  |  |
| Middletown – Breidden Pub   | 0756     | 0959 | 1159 | 1359 | 1554 | 1714 |      |  |  |  |
| The X75 service leaves FOR WELSHPOOL from:  |          |      |      |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |
| Middletown – Breidden Pub   | 0730 Sch | 0955 | 1155 | 1355 | 1505 | 1705 | 1825 |  |  |  |
| Trewern – Little Chef   | 0734 Sch | 0959 | 1159 | 1359 | 1509 | 1709 | 1829 |  |  |  |
| Buttington – Green Dragon   | 0738 Sch | 1003 | 1203 | 1403 | 1513 | 1713 | 1833 |  |  |  |

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#### **CHURCH WARDENS**

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Mr Peter Stedman - 01938 554855

If you have any queries please contact the Church Wardens

#### Church News

ALL SERVICES START AT 9.30 AM UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED

#### FEBRUARY 2022

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Holy Communion 4th before Lent

-Accession of Queen Elizabeth II

1952

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Morning Prayer & Praise 3rd

before Lent

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Holy Communion 2nd before Lent

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Family Service – Sunday before

Lent

### **MARCH 2022**

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Imposition of Ashes - TBC

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Holy Communion – Lent 1

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Morning Prayer & Praise – Lent 2

Sunday 20rd Holy Communion – Lent 3

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Family Service Lent 4 – Mothering

Sunday

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#### Driver Theory Refresher workshops available for mature drivers

#### New Dates for 2022

Mature drivers are being given the opportunity to revise and update their essential driving skills by taking advantage of a **free**, **two hour online course**. Powys County Council's Road Safety Unit will be holding its Driver Theory Refresher workshop on **Wednesday 16 February & Wednesday 16 March 2022**.

The course includes 'The Fatal Five'; what to do when encountering vulnerable road users such as motor & pedal cyclists and equestrians, eyesight requirements, medication and alcohol laws,

what to do in the event of an accident, and much more.

Attendees will also be given information and contact details about going on one of the free, one hour 'Drive-On' assessments with a local ADI (Advanced Driving Instructor).

For more information and to book a place on the course, contact Miranda Capecchi, Road Safety Project Officer: Phone: 01597 82 6924 or Email: <a href="miranda.capecchi1@powys.gov.uk">miranda.capecchi1@powys.gov.uk</a>

## **Powys County Council**

County Councillor – Amanda Jenner - 07800914446 Facebook.com/CllrAmandaJenner/ cllr.amanda.jenner@powys.gov.uk

Hello all.

I hope you are keeping well. Just a few things to update you on:

#### **BUTTINGTON INCINERATOR UPDATE**

As at the end of January 2022, we have not yet received confirmation from the Planning Inspectorate when the public hearing will take place. I spoke with the Inspectorate and was told that I should expect to receive notice of the hearing within the next few weeks. That would suggest that a hearing could take place this coming March. I have asked that I can attend this in order to make representations on behalf of the community.

#### TREWERN PLAYGROUND & COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Last year I completed a grant application with the Community Council, applying for funding for new playground equipment in Trewern (as there is some space there allowing for this). I'm really pleased to let you all know that we were successful and have been awarded funding from the COVID Community Recovery Grant by Powys County Council. This funding will be used to get a Basket Swing with rubber matting and we hope that it will be enjoyed by children for years to come.

Myself and the community council are constantly looking for funding for our area (like the funding opportunity for the sensory garden which I came across). This year we are looking for ideas of things which will reach across the generations. We hope to apply for some footpaths funding to open up some of our walking routes but would also love to hear from you with any ideas.

#### **HIGHWAYS**

A number of issues have been brought to my attention and I continue to liaise with the council highways team to request that our area is given its fair share of resources. I am concerned that many of our drains need looking at again and will be pushing for this to be brought forward.

Please continue to raise your concerns with me and I will do what I can.

All the best, Councillor Amanda

## CLLR AMANDA JENNER TO STAND AGAIN IN LOCAL ELECTIONS (5 MAY 2022)

I'm pleased to let you know I'll be standing again to be your County Councillor. I've really enjoyed this role over the last 5 years, representing an area which I love living in with my family. I really hope to be re-elected in May.

There's so much more I want to achieve for our area, such as:

- Continue the campaign against the Buttington Incinerator & fight for locals' views to be heard on all planning matters
- · Continue to get more school building improvements & Local Authority housing improvements
- Continue to work with our active Community Council to get local improvements, such as to improve our footpath network
- Continue trying to get our local roads improved (an on-going frustration for many of us!)

It's been a roller coaster of a few years. I've worked hard and I'm proud of what I've achieved so far, such as:

- I've proactively campaigned against the Buttington Incinerator
   I've held public meetings to update residents & kept people updated online and in the Border
   Gossip. I've worked with our MP and Welsh Parliament Member to oppose the application. In
   2018, I put a number of passionate & clever locals in touch with each other & advised they set up
   a protest group (which then became the BIIG Group). I've submitted petitions to the Welsh
   Parliament on behalf of residents.
- I've secured investment for new playground equipment and I identified the grant for the new sensory garden.
- I set up our local COVID volunteer group to support vulnerable residents during lockdowns. I
  also provided people with regular information about support and latest announcements.
- I set up our local community Facebook group.
- I've held local advice surgeries with the police and members of parliaments for residents to come & raise issues with us. I attend local events and regularly update locals through my Facebook page and the Border Gossip.
- I've organised and chaired a County Lines Drugs Awareness meeting in Welshpool.
- I've been a school governor for Buttington Trewern Primary School & Welshpool High School.
- I was the Chair of Trewern Playgroup.
- I've successfully represented residents' views on multiple planning applications. Some have been turned down due to local concern (e.g by Mount Pleasant) and on others I called for planning conditions, which will bring money for the school and improved street lighting.
- I've regularly called for the highways departments to improve our roads pothole fixes, salt/grit
  provided (e.g. I got the salt bin in Parc Caradog & a curb fixed for a resident with access needs).

On a wider Powys level, I'm really involved with Children's Social Services, sitting on the Powys Foster Panel and I chair the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Committee. This is rewarding & I'm passionate about ensuring we protect our most vulnerable children.

I would love the opportunity to continue much of the work I've started & hope many of you will support me in May.

Thanks for reading. Cllr Amanda Jenner

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## **ARE YOU HOLDING AN EVENT IN THE AREA??**

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business event adverts.

- Domestic
- Commercial
- \* Agricultural
- Commercial
- \* Inspection & testing
- \* CCTV systems

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#### **Welshpool Brownies**

For girls aged 7 to 10 years old.

Meet every Thursday Church House, Welshpool

Brownie Leader
Beverley Martin

#### **Welshpool Guides**

For girls aged 10 to 14 years

Meet every Thursday Church House Welshpool

**Guide Leader** 

Judy Evans 01938 570501



Join us! (girlguiding.org.uk)



## St Winefrides Catholic Church

Raven Street, Welshpool. 01938 555657

Father Johnson

Weekly Services - Saturday Vigil Mass - 6-30pm Sunday Mass 9am

## Do you have any repair skills? Would you be willing to volunteer your time to help your Community?

Trewern Community Council are thinking of setting up a Repair Café, which would take place locally every month, to help local residents fix/repair items, through skills such as, woodwork, sewing etc. If this was to go ahead, we would need volunteers with the skills needed to fix items.

Repair cafés are started by residents, with the support of Repair Café Wales, and run by the local community. At each repair café event, somewhere between 20 and 50 members of the public bring their damaged or broken household items for repair/advice. Typical items include electrical goods, technology, ornaments, clothes, bicycles for basic maintenance & guidance, jewellery and more! The repair café volunteers then attempt to repair the items. The visitors are encouraged to join in and learn how their item is being fixed so that they can attempt similar repairs in the future.

Please get in touch with us if this is something you would be interested in.

Thank you trewerncommunitycouncil@hotmail.com



**Mobile Service** 

**Treatment in** 

**Your Own Home** 

#### **Update from Trewern Community Council**

Hi all, Hope you are keeping well?!

We are delighted to announce that we have been awarded funding from the COVID Community Recovery Grant by Powys County Council. This grant was awarded to us to spend specifically on our play area in Trewern and so we will be having a Basket Swing installed with rubber matting in the coming months.

We, along with ClIr. Amanda Jenner will hopefully be applying for funding (when it becomes available), to re-do footpaths around the Moel Y Golfa area. However, if you do have any thoughts/ideas on how you would like us to spend money within the Community, if any grants do become available, please let us know.

We are raising Highways problems, such as drainage and pot hole issues with Powys monthly and will continue do to this.

A the moment, we are still meeting remotely but hope to resume face to face meetings in the Village Halls when the COVID situation improves, if anyone would like to join this meeting, please let us know and we can supply you with the link to the meeting or if anyone has any Community Council issues you would like to raise, please also feel free to get in touch with us.

Thank you

Councillors of Trewern Community Council

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Welshpool Tourist Information Centre is open for locals and visitors.

As well as a wealth of useful information about Welshpool and the wider area, the TIC also has gifts for all ages, takeaway coffee/tea and train and coach tickets.

REVISED OPENING HOURS Tues - Sun 9.30am - 4.45pm

Tel: 01938 552043



#### Enhanced Motorcyclist Rider Scheme

Motorcyclists are invited to sign up to a free enhanced riders training course to help improve their riding skills and the safety of Powys roads. Powys County Council's Road Safety team are providing



these courses free of charge to any motorcyclists who live in Powys or use Powys' roads, with funding from the Welsh Government.

The Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency (DVSA) Enhanced Rider Scheme is suitable for full motorbike licence holders who want to improve their riding skills, for those returning to riding after a break, riders who have just passed their test, people upgrading to a more powerful motorcycle and/or those who want to check their riding standard.

The course consists of a short online theory session and a half-day practical on-road session with an experienced trainer. There is no test, but riding will be assessed, and appropriate training given to each participant who, all being well, will receive a DVSA certificate of competence on completion of the scheme. Dates for up-coming courses in North Powys are:

Thursday 17 February - online theory session, evening Saturday 19 February - practical half-day (groups 1 & 2) Sunday 20 February - practical half-day (groups 3 & 4)

Spaces for these free courses are limited so please get in touch to reserve your places as soon as possible:  $01597\ 826924$  or

miranda.capecchi1@powys.gov.uk

Please see this video for more information on the DVSA Enhanced Rider Scheme: https://youtu.be/9OjLHO-ASmk

#### Dog waste remains a persistent issue within our area.



Trewern Community Council wishes to raise awareness of the health risks associated with dog poo; not just for humans but also for other pets and livestock.