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A note from the BG team:

I'm very sad to say that this will be my last issue editing the Border Gossip.

If anyone out there would like to take over the voluntary job of being Editor I will be more than happy to show you the ropes otherwise, sadly this will be the last issue.

Thank you for all your support over the years,

Kim Mountford

The deadline for each issue is

**22nd of January, March, May,
July, September & November.**

If you have any questions, stories or interesting items to put in the border gossip please feel free to contact me through the Facebook page or email me. Email is temperamental so I will send confirmation if I receive something.

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- ➔ Rent arrears
- ➔ Mortgage problems
- ➔ Borrowing money
- ➔ Budgeting

There are also various options that exist to help you deal with your debt problems. These include bankruptcy, debt relief orders, debt management plans, administration orders, debt consolidation and Individual Voluntary Arrangements (IVAs). We explain how they work and whether they might be right for you.

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secretary, for further information

Hope to welcome you to the chapel soon

The Chapel needs YOUR support , otherwise it is likely to close soon, after
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Please contact Mrs Mountford 01938 570 515 treasurer, if you wish to support
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Please contact Mrs Mountford for charges.

Celtic Travel

**Celtic Travel have reissued the timetable for their X75 service. The
new timetable, valid from 4th September 2023, can be found at:**

www.celtic-travel.co.uk/bus-timetable

The new timetable is more detailed. It is in English & Welsh and has
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The AGM for 2022/23 will be held at 7pm, followed immediately by the concert. All other concerts will begin at 7.30pm

Thursday 16 November: The Giraldu Duo: Helen Schilsky (viola) and Simon Reynolds (piano)

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For further information, see our web site:

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Church News

ALL SERVICES START AT 9.30 AM UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED

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SUNDAY 8TH - Morning Prayer and Praise – 18th after Trinity

SUNDAY 15TH - Holy Communion – 19th after Trinity

SUNDAY 22ND - FAMILY SERVICE – 20th after Trinity

SUNDAY 29TH - COMBINED SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION AT GUILDSFIELD

NO SERVICE AT BUTTINGTON – Last Sunday after Trinity

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY 5TH - Holy Communion – ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS

SUNDAY 12TH - Morning Prayer and Praise - 3rd before Advent

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

SUNDAY 19TH - Holy Communion – 2nd before Advent

SUNDAY 26TH - FAMILY SERVICE – Christ the King

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SUNDAY 29TH OCTOBER COMBINED SERVICE OF

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NO SERVICE AT BUTTINGTON

SUNDAY 12TH NOVEMBER MORNING PRAYER AND PRAISE

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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
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Day	Time		Dates
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Tuesday	2 - 3pm	Knit & Knatter	Oct 10 & 24 Nov 7 & 21

For latest information visit Y Lanfa on Facebook



NatWest Mobile Branch is available on Tuesdays in Tesco Car Park, Welshpool 13.45 – 14.30

Note: It has been announced that the building previously occupied by Lloyds Bank is to be the home of the new **Banking Hub** in Welshpool. No opening date given.

MOEL-Y-GOLFA: BIG JUST and the GYPSY MONUMENT

Moel-y-Golfa is the highest of the Breidden Hills, a volcano that erupted 450 million years ago. Many of us have climbed to the top and admired the views across to the Wrekin, Stiperstones, Cader Idris and the Berwyns, and the Severn meandering far below. On my visits I have also been curious about the Gypsy Monument. Who built it and how was it built? I recently read a press cutting from *The People* in November 1963 which answered many of these questions.

Ernest Burton was a Romany Chell (Chief), who travelled throughout our area and dealt in cattle and horses. Cars and trailers gradually replaced the horse-drawn caravans, but the work continued. His sons helped him break the horses in. Before he died in 1960, he asked his family to spread his ashes on the top of his favourite mountain. His son Uriah, better known as Hughie or Big Just, went up in a plane to carry out his father's wish. Later, he and his 'relatives and good friends' pledged to build a lasting monument, obtaining the permission of the landowners, Powis Estates. First they approached contractors, who said the task would be impossible. So they set about making a track, starting from the lane above Middletown Quarry.

Big Just explains in the newspaper article how he kidnapped members of the travelling community with handcuffs to join in the work they had pledged to complete. He brought the men from Wales, England, and even Scotland: 75 were on site during the first weekend. Big Just organized food and drink for them, and provided horse-boxes and a marquee as dormitories. Although he offered £4 a day, only ten of the 75 accepted his cash; the others worked 'as a matter of pride.' (£4 a day in 1963 represents about £75 today). The three huge stones of the monument came from Cornwall, of an especially hard granite. They weigh 12, 10 and 5 tons. They were loaded onto an eight-wheel lorry, lent by Mr Hepworth from Doncaster. With bulldozers at front and back, the unusual convoy began its slow ascent up the muddy track, which is steep in places. Big Just's brother Osiah calmly drove the lorry. Every few yards the men kept blocking and scotching (fastening) the lorry; chains '... snapped like candles. With wire ropes we fastened it to trees, but it pulled the trees out by their roots.' After two days, they reached the top. Unfortunately, Big Just does not explain how the higher stones were raised on top of the lower one, but perhaps someone can remember, and continue the story?

Big Just died in November 1986, and a second plaque was added to the monument. It states that 'Uriah was a fighter for the weak, good to the poor, teacher to the ignorant, and a true legend in his lifetime. He was known and respected by all gypsies and creeds. He was never beaten in fisty cuffs from the age of five to sixty. A man who led his people into the twentieth century. He was a good husband, father and granddad and was truly loved by all his family.'

Simon Boyes

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The Trust will run a small grants scheme in 2023.

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Funds are limited and priority will be given to groups who have not previously received an award from the Trust.

Full details of the scheme and an application form may be obtained by writing to The Burgesses' Land Trust, The Cockpit, New Street, Welshpool, SY21 7SF; or by emailing tony@montgomeryshire.eu Telephone enquiries should be addressed to Dr A.P. Harvey at 01938 559087. Please indicate if you are happy to receive the forms, &c. electronically or require a hard copy. In the latter case do please provide a postal address.

The closing date for applications will be December 31, 2023.

Upcoming Events at Powis Castle & Garden

These are free events but normal admission charges apply to the venue. Booking is not needed for these events.



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Further information at:

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- **15 Sept 23- 28 Feb 24, 10.00 - 16.00 Paws at Powis** Paws for a stick, paws for a selfie or paws for a treat. Dogs are welcomed into the gardens (not usually allowed).. See *website for detailed guidance on visiting with your dog.*
- **1 – 30 Oct, 10.00 – 16-00 Autumn Trail: Colour & Compost** Learn more about why leaves change colour as you adventure through the colourful landscape.
- **7 Oct & 4 Nov, 11.00 – 13.00 Photography Group** This group is informal and relaxed. Learn from others and share your expertise. Enjoy all nature has to offer at this wonderful time of year and meet new people. Whether you've got a digital camera or like using your phone, everyone's welcome to come along - all ages & abilities. After the hour session, feel free to wander the garden and castle (no photography inside) as you wish.
- **4, 11, 18 & 25 Oct, 10.15 – 11.15 Wellbeing Wednesdays** Take a moment to unwind and recharge with a morning walk in the gardens. In conjunction with partner organisations Ponthafren & Credu.
- **28 Oct – 5 Nov, 10.00 – 16.00 Half-term Pumpkin Trail.** Discover a Halloween inspired, self-led trail. Fun for all ages.

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Rodney's Pillar set to be demolished

Contractors working on behalf of Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to repair this iconic local landmark have discovered the structure is much more unstable than initial surveys showed. The current structure is set to be demolished, with NRW pledging to rebuild the monument in a way that faithfully reflects the original.



The pillar, atop Breidden Hill, is a popular place to visit but meanwhile will remain cordoned off to ensure public safety. It was built in 1782 to commemorate the naval victories of Sir George Brydges Rodney during the American War of Independence. The pillar is of local stone, 54 feet (16m) high, and topped with a drum and finial which replaced the original gilded ball after a lightning strike in 1847. It is believed that the ships of the fleet were constructed from oak delivered from Montgomeryshire.

Postal rates up again!!

On October 2nd the price of a first-class stamp for a standard size letter increased

from £1.10 to £1.25. It is the second time first-class postage has gone up this year. Second-class stamps for standard letters remain at 75p. A first-class stamp for large letters increased from £1.60 to £1.95 and a second-class stamp for a large letter went up from £1.15 to £1.56. Royal Mail has a full list of prices as from October 2nd on its website. Some Parcelforce prices also changed.



In addition business account customers will face paying a **Green Surcharge** of 2p an item as from November 6th to help fund "decarbonisation measures." Business account customers will also have to pay an additional 5p or 10p **Peak Surcharge** for deliveries between November 20th through to January 7th 2024. Full details can be found at:

www.royalmail.com/business/mail/surcharges

Middletown Hill Race Wednesday 2nd August 2023

The reason the Dragon was flying on Middletown Hill, this race. Those that came to watch saw a great race. The juniors race at 7 for ages 6 – 14 was fantastic, with 14 runners lining up at the start and were quickly underway, each age group has a different turn around and it wasn't long before the youngest were back to the finish, racing down the finish field better than some of the senior runners, who keenly watched hoping to pick up some race techniques. The last of the junior runners came in to rapturous applause. The seniors event at just 1.8 miles long may be mistaken for an easy race, but it has 1450ft of climb and descent in that distance. 80 runners were on the start line and were quickly off. By the time they were out of the start field (750m) the race had spread out, at the top of Middletown Hill the first time to the Red Dragon there was a clear leading group of five runners. Dominic Jones, Jack Agnew, Adam Bentham, Andy Watkins and last years winner Sara Willhoit. Though places changed out of sight on the precipitous descent to Belle Eisle on the other side of the hill, when they came back into view on the second climb up to the Red Dragon Jack and Adam had a clear lead, with Dom Jones in third place being chased by Andy and Sara. On the final descent into the finish field Jack maintained first place in 24.03 Adam came in 2nd in 24.16, and Andy overtook Dom to take third spot with Sara finishing in 5th place.

This was a fantastic race to watch with the last runner over the line just under the hour. This is regarded as one of the toughest short races in the region. It is worth training for if you want to do next years event which is likely to be Wednesday 7th August.

Middletown Hill Race is part of the Shropshire Summer Series which is eight races from April to August each year with races from the Wrekin to the Long Mynd to Middletown Hill.

Thanks to Stwff and Things for supporting our event.

The Breidden Hills Race (Sun 15th September) starting from Criggion is the first race in the Shropshire Winter Series.

For more info on Fell/hill running contact

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Middletown Village Hall



Middletown Village Hall is available for groups, business and private hire.

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Buttington Trewern Community Centre

Booking Secretary – Anne Jerman 01938 570320

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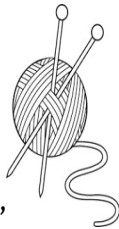
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Please refer to website for school news.

School PTFA

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*Rhyme & Story Time (for under 4s), previously held at
Welshpool Library, has been discontinued*

*Amser Stori a Chân (as above but in Welsh) now takes
place in Ystafell Gwmunedol at Ysgol Gymraeg*

Y Trallwng, SY21 7AT, dates for October:

Dydd Llun 2 Hydref @ 1-30pm

Dydd Llun 9, 16 & 23 Hydref @ 2-00pm

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MARSTON ELECTRICAL

Events at Gregynog Hall, Tregynon, SY16 3PL

Bonhams Fine Art & Antiques Evaluation Day Monday 2nd October from 11am

No obligation verbal valuations of any items which you may be considering selling at auction.



Sinfonia Cymru – Music for String Quartet Saturday 7th October at 11.30am

The hour long programme will include Excerpts from The Art of Fugue (JS Bach) and Mendelssohn's String Quartet no. 2 in A Minor. Tickets £9.50 for adults and £3 for under 16s.

Further information and booking link at:

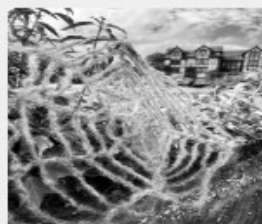
<https://sinfonia.cymru/programme/music-for-string-quartet/>



Mid-Wales Opera Saturday 14th October at 7.30pm

Berlioz's hilarious final opera, a tale of warring singletons who eventually find love, based upon Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing*. Tickets £16 for adults and £13 for under 18s. Further information and booking link at

www.midwalesopera.co.uk/productions/beatrice-and-benedict/



Haunted Half Term

28th October – 5th November, 10am – 4pm

Spectacularly spooky Halloween Trail through Gregynog's weird and wild woods. Trail pack available from the Courtyard Cafe for £6 (includes a cake & drink). Plenty of surprises along the way. Advance booking not necessary.

£2.50 car park charge applicable at all above events

Book a lifesaving donation today

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

Next sessions: Tuesdays 3 & 17 October 2023

12.30– 15.00 & 16.30 – 18.30

See website for July dates



Welsh Blood Service

It is important that you go online to check your eligibility to donate and make your blood donation appointment in advance.

More 17 – 30 year olds are needed in the fight vs blood cancer. Young people are needed to join the Welsh Bone Marrow Donor Registry. The latter is a panel of donors who have volunteered to become bone marrow or peripheral blood stem cell donors. **See www.welsh-blood.org.uk**



www.welshpool1940sweekend.co.uk



Attractions & entertainment in the town centre throughout the weekend.

Special Events:

**Spirit of the Blitz Variety Show
Fish 'N' Chips + Cockney Singalong
Tea Dance
Blitz Ball
Closing Concert**

More Dates For Your Diary

October 2023

Wed 4 th 9.45am for a 10.30am start	<i>Costa Rica</i> A talk by Gareth Jones at COWSHACC, Welshpool. Further information: www.welshpoolanddistrictu3a.org.uk
Fri 6 th 11am -1pm	<i>35 years wilder: weaving & wandering</i> at severn Farm Pond, SY21 7DF. Special MWT event to celebrate 35 years of the pond making Welshpool wilder. Free event though donations are welcome. Booking essential, contact charlotte@montwt.co.uk
Sat 14 th Doors open 6.30pm for 7pm	<i>Roy Evans brings a spooky night of ghosts, myths & legends of Mid-Wales</i> to Church House, Church Street, Welshpool. In aid of Hectors Greyhound Rescue (Regd Charity 1202146). Tickets £7 each from Welshpool Jewellers.
Tues 17 th 7.30pm start	<i>Quiz Night at the Old Bakehouse, Welshpool</i> in aid of Welshpool 1940s Weekend. £2.50 per pers on for table of 4. Please book in advance. Contact: 01938 558860 or theoldbakehouse14@gmail.com
Fri 27 th 2.30pm	<i>The Sistine Chapel Ceiling Cracked.</i> A talk by Daniel Evans at The Royal Oak, Welshpool. Arts Society of Mid Wales & the Borders. www.artsocietymidwalesandborders.org.uk
Fri 27 th 7.30pm	<i>The Jerseys Live</i> at Welshpool Town Hall Celebrate the timeless music of of Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons. Book tickets at www.ticketsource.co.uk
Sun 29 th	<i>Halloween Parade & Disco</i> at Welshpool Town Hall Further info contact Kimberly@welshpooltowncouncil.gov.uk

November 2023

Wed 1 st 9.45am for a 10.30am start	<i>The Submerged Landscape & Historical Wrecks</i> A talk by Deanna Groom at COWSHACC, Welshpool. Further information: www.welshpoolanddistrictu3a.org.uk
Sat 4 th	<i>Fireworks Display</i> at Maes-y-dre Recreation Ground, Welshpool Further info contact Kimberly@welshpooltowncouncil.gov.uk
Sun 5 th 11am-1pm	<i>30 years wilder: migrants & memories</i> at Llyn Coed y Dinas, SY21 8RP. Special MWT event to celebrate 30 years of the lake making Welshpool wilder. Free event though donations are welcome. Booking essential, contact charlotte@montwt.co.uk
Wed 15 th 7.30pm-9.00pm	<i>Montgomeryshire Wildlife Trust Bird Group</i> at Welshpool Methodist Church Hall. Hear ornithologist Keith Offord talk about our smallest bird of prey, the Merlin. Entry £3, under 18s free. Light refreshments available. Further information contact loattie@montwt.co.uk
Tues 21 st 7.30pm start	<i>Quiz Night at the Old Bakehouse, Welshpool</i> in aid of Welshpool 1940s Weekend. £2.50 per person on for table of 4. Please book in advance. Contact: 01938 558860 or theoldbakehouse14@gmail.com
Sat 23 rd Door opens 7pm for 7.30pm start	<i>The Art & Culture of fin de siècle Vienna.</i> A talk by Gavin Plumley at The Royal Oak, Welshpool. Arts Society of Mid Wales & the Borders. www.artsocietymidwalesandborders.org.uk
Sat 25 th	<i>Welshpool Winter Festival</i> around the Town Centre Further info contact Kimberly@welshpooltowncouncil.gov.uk

Community Council & County Councillor Update

County Councillor – Amanda Jenner - 07800914446

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Hi, we hope you are all well and looking forward to the Summer holidays. This month we have done another joint update from both the community council and Cllr Amanda Jenner.

Reminder about the Speed Limit Changes

There has been some changes to the speed on some of our County roads. Along Criggion Road, from the trunk road to just past 31 Severn Wynde has become 20mph and from that point out to just past Garth and Gwelfryn properties, PCC plan to impose a 30mph limit. In Middletown, the road off the trunk road leading to the housing on Golfa Close etc, has become 20mph and the section from just after Pinewood House and Southbank, PCC plan to drop the speed limit to 30mph. The housing on the other side of the A458 towards Mount Pleasant has also become 20mph.

Potters Waste Management and Recycling Collections

Unfortunately, parts of the ward have had a number of recycling and waste collections missed on numerous occasions over the last few months. Cllr Amanda has asked the Portfolio Holder for Waste to address these as a matter of priority. Please continue to report any missed collections directly to the council here:

<https://en.powys.gov.uk/article/825/Report-a-missed-bin-collection>

Potters are no longer accepting tyres. You will now need to contact your local garage or tyre centre to now dispose of your used/unwanted tyres. Potters are also no longer accepting used/empty gas bottles either, again you will need to dispose of these through your gas supplier.

Planning Applications

There has been a further planning application put in for 8 houses at Penyfoel, Middletown. I know that some residents are concerned about this. If you wish to comment on the consultation, you can comment here:

<https://pa.powys.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=RZU1P JMP00S00&activeTab=summary>

Community Council Meetings

Our next Community Council meeting will now be held in October. If anyone would like to join this meeting, please let us know and you can either attend in person or we can supply you with the link for you to join online.

Again, we are continuing to raise any Highways problems, such as drainage and pot hole issues with Powys monthly. If you would like to highlight any concerns to us or if you have any other Community Council or County Council issues you would like to raise, please get in touch with us.

Thank you

Local McDonald's awarded a 1-star rating after recent Food Standards Agency (FSA) inspection

Following a complaint from a member of the public concerning flies on the premises at Buttington Cross, environmental health officers from Powys County Council recently carried out a visit to investigate and undertake a full Food Hygiene Rating Scheme Inspection. A Food Hygiene Rating Score of one was subsequently awarded.

Ratings are a snapshot of the food standards found at the time of inspection. This includes – handling of food, how food is stored, how food is prepared, cleanliness of the facilities & how food safety is managed. Businesses which are given a 1 rating must make major improvements to hygiene standards. A food business operator has 21 days to appeal an awarded rating and/or request a revisit. At the time of writing (18 September) the one rating remains displayed in the restaurant's window.

Earlier this year the Buttington Cross McDonald's was named in an interview by 2 Michelin-star chef, Gareth Ward of Ynysir Hall near Machynlleth, as his favourite place to eat out.

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CHANGE OF DATE

Buttington Trewern CP School 70th Anniversary Celebrations

We have decided to change the Friday evening event to a picnic/coffee afternoon on

Sunday 1st October 2-4:30 pm.

During the afternoon there will be tea, coffee and cake in the community centre. We would be very grateful of cake donations. Please feel free to bring a picnic and relax in the grounds.

There will be a display of school photos through the decades. Please bring some along and we can photocopy them ready for the centenary in 2053.

A supervised tour of the school every 30 mins.

*We ask that no one wanders the school without a guide please.

*we do have accessibility e.g. lift for wheel chair users

A chance for ex pupils to meet up and also complete our memory book. We also hope to have our legacy art piece in situ or soon after to celebration this special Mile stone for Buttington Trewern CP School.

Any local experts who know the history of the school I would love to hear from you email office@trewern.powys.sch.uk