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# Llandyssil Newsletter

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## NEXT NEWSLETTER JULY- SUBMISSIONS BY 20TH JUNE

For hall bookings or other things contact Lynne 07484 748614

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May POLICE COMMISSIONER VOTING – 6.30am - 10.15pm**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May WHIST DRIVE – 7.30pm**

*Great evening, no experience needed. £2 pp plus raffle. BYO refreshments.*

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May QUIZ NIGHT – 7.30pm**

*As always, a fun night (doors open 7pm) £2 pp plus raffle. BYO refreshments.*

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May LADIES GROUP – 7.30pm**

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May MAKERS by CANDLELIGHT Craft – 1.30pm**

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May AGM & OPEN MEETING – 7.30pm**

*Vote on Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Trustees. If you wish to nominate yourself for any of these positions and/or reinstate the existing positions held by current volunteers, then come along & support the Hall. Followed by the Open Meeting.*

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June ROTARY WALK ACROSS WALES**

*Walkers will be making their way through Llandyssil. Hall toilets will be open for their benefit (& spectators). So, make a time to support them (early afternoon).*

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June MAKERS by CANDLELIGHT Craft – 1.30pm**

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June MONTGOMERY OPEN GARDEN DAY**

## CAR BOOT SALES AT ABERMULE COMMUNITY CENTRE

8am – 12pm (Gates open 7am). NO DOGS on school field. Refreshments available.

Cars £6 Vans/trailers £11

If wet, please check Notice Board: Facebook or ph 07359 308879 as may be cancelled.

**Sat 4<sup>th</sup> May** – on behalf of Abermule Womens Institute

**Sat 8<sup>th</sup> June** – on behalf of Abermule Primary School

**Sat 6<sup>th</sup> July** – on behalf of Abermule Community Centre

## Words from The Kitewatcher.

Words fascinate me. Say some. Say them slowly. Say them quickly. Shout them. Whisper them.

What do they feel like in your mouth? How do they taste?

Take *moist* for instance. Say it out loud. Enunciate it as would Sean Connery: slowly, with a teaspoon of inebriated Scottishness, over and over again.

Or what about *knick-knack*? Or *albatross*? Or *hyssop*? Or *jog*, *compost*, *settee*, *mandible*, *smelt*? You will all have your own favourite words, family words, words that only you and yours truly understand the meaning of, their context, their significance. And then there are those special words your children mispronounced – *soldier* instead of *shoulder*, perhaps, *chimley*, *aminal*, *puggle*...

I think words can mean anything you want them to mean. Their meaning can change if you say them differently. Try slipping them in unexpectedly when you're talking to someone. They probably won't even notice if you get the intonation right and, even if they do, they'll almost certainly think they imagined it. (If they're family, they'll probably only be half listening anyway!)

I had a friend who could make almost any word sound like a swearword. Swearwords nearly always sound funny – when you take the time to think about them. (Don't worry, I'm not about to write a list.) Next time you feel that irresistible urge to swear – especially in public – try substituting a different word with at least one hard consonant in it. One- or two-syllable words work best. But just remember, the whole village will be listening out for your newly enjoyed, not-quite-expetive expletives.

## Village Walking Groups

Regular dog friendly walks from Llandyssil 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of month & Montgomery 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of month. See wall of the bus shelter or phone Mike 07811 712767.

Newtown Outdoor & Walking Festival 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> June. [newtownoutdoorfestival.uk](http://newtownoutdoorfestival.uk)

## Abermule with Llandyssil Community Council

Councillor Vacancies: Regrettably we have received resignations from Llandyssil Councillors, Jackie Matthews due to work commitments and Martin Aymes due to re-location. We are indebted to Jackie for the work she has put into increasing our biodiversity profile and Martin for his commitment in particular researching planning issues. For more information on Council Vacancies, please visit our website or contact the Clerk. Gwilym Rippon: [llandyssilcommunitycouncil@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:llandyssilcommunitycouncil@yahoo.co.uk)

SCHEDULED MEETINGS: Annual Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> May 7.30pm in Llandyssil Hall. Meetings are held first Wed each month May to Sept in Llandyssil Hall.

Public attendance or online audio access available, login details on the agenda published on the Council website [abermulewithllandyssilcommunitycouncil.org.uk](http://abermulewithllandyssilcommunitycouncil.org.uk).

Abermule ward Clrs: - Gareth Thomas (Chair) Jane Rees (Vice Chair) Alan Meredith-Jones, Gary Orrells, Mark Pearce, Gareth Pugh & Bryan Williams, Llandyssil ward Clrs: - Ann Brewin, Gwyneth Jones.

## Neighbourhood Awareness

Recently there have been a couple of instances where cold callers have knocked at addresses in the village.

The first was a man carrying a large rucksack, introducing himself as a person with criminal convictions and he showed a yellow ID card as he spoke.

Pedlars must apply for a Pedlar's Certificate to their local Police Force to call door to door offering items for sale. As there is no standard format and no restriction on where they can peddle their wares, these ID cards are often a forgery. A real certificate will be issued by the Police and will include the force's name and possibly their logo. The goods could be sub-standard or made under sweat-shop conditions and without any consumer protection.

The second were 2 men calling at dusk & claiming to collect for Great Ormond Street Hospital. They may be genuine, but at one address the occupant saw them both, then one disappeared whilst the other spoke to the householder.

The best advice is not to purchase from cold callers, don't open the door, or put a chain on it, or speak through a window. If in doubt ring 101 and report it. We are lucky to live in a very low crime area. Let's keep it that way, look out for each other.

## Makers by Candlelight Craft Group

We started in November 2017 and in the 50 meetings since then, we have raised £1,280 for five different local charities. Thank you to everyone for supporting the group. The next meeting will be on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May** 1.30-3.30pm. All welcome, even if you don't do crafts (join us for a cuppa and chat). Jane and Peter.

## Montgomery Open Garden Day

This year Montgomery is running the open garden event again for gardens in the surrounding areas of Montgomery, Hendomen, Caerhowel and now Llandyssil. To be held on **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June**, and they are looking for gardeners willing to enter their gardens in the scheme.

You don't have to have a perfect manicured garden, but one that you think might offer something of interest to visitors. They hope to have a varied range, incl herbaceous gardens, patio gardens, orchards, window boxes, kitchen gardens, wildlife gardens etc.

Visitors will purchase a map/ticket (£5 for adults) giving entry to any or all gardens open on the day There will (of course) be tea and cake, & some pop-up music too!

The proceeds of the ticket sales will be split between the DPJ Foundation for rural mental health, and also supporting other public and community events. After this year, the intention is to hold Open Gardens as a bi-annual event.

If you would like to be a part of this event, please obtain an entry form from [montgomeryopengardens@gmail.com](mailto:montgomeryopengardens@gmail.com) and return by **17<sup>th</sup> May** or talk to me at [jeremy.brignell-thorp@hotmail.com](mailto:jeremy.brignell-thorp@hotmail.com) we will be entering our "wildlife friendly" garden Jeremy Brignell-Thorp (Rhosser, Llandyssil)