



# Talybont Matters

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*Please send in articles!*

- The newsletter will be published quarterly, at the end of January, April, July and October. All articles to be submitted by 20th of these months to appear in the next issue.
- Be a journalist, send in articles, news, and what's on in Talybont.
- Wherever possible your articles will be published in the next issue. However the editor reserves the right to edit articles or hold them back for subsequent issues should there be insufficient space in the current issue.

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## Talybont-on-Usk Annual Show Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2013 from 1.30pm

The full show programme is available at [www.talybont.org](http://www.talybont.org).  
Just click on ....More..... and then Garden Club

Highlights of this year's show will include a ride-on steam miniature railway, a brass band, a bouncy castle, animal petting, bike skills plus all the traditional floral, vegetable, art and craft and photography competitions. The show will start with a fancy dress competition and will also include sports events on the field and many other side shows. It promises to be one of the best ever!

Don't forget there are competitions for

Runner Beans, Peas, Onions, Shallots, Beetroot, Potatoes, Tomatoes, Carrots, Cucumbers, Parsnips, Leeks,

French Beans, Cabbages, Lettuce Marrows, Culinary Herbs, Courgettes, Ugliest Vegetable, a Basket of Home Grown Vegetables, a Beginners Class, & prizes for Culinary Apples, Dessert Apples, Plums and Pears with lots of opportunities for Asters, Sweet Peas, Dahlias, Gladioli, Pansies or Violas on a Board, Pot Plant, Fuchsia in a pot, Pot Plant Foliage, Gent's Buttonhole on Board, Lady's Corsage, Succulent, Cactus, Phlox, Vase of Cut Flowers, Vase of Herbaceous Perennials, Spray Chrysanthemums, Vase of any Plant In Flower, Vase of Roses, Fragrant Rose, an arrangement of flowers or foliage.

For **children** there are competitions for photography, gardening, cookery, painting and other art, handwriting, and modelling.

For all cooks there prizes for sloe gin, jam, marmalade, pickles, chutney, fruit flan, Welsh cakes, carrot cake cheese scones, savoury pasties, apple tart / pie, decorated coffee

sponge, boiled fruit cake, trifle, a Bara Brith, chocolate brownies, and a vegetarian quiche.

For the **crafty** there are competitions for:

a Hand-knitted scarf, Tapestry or Embroidered article, Pair of book ends, Crocheted article, Soft toy, Walking stick, Item in wood / metal for a desk, Decorative item for the home;

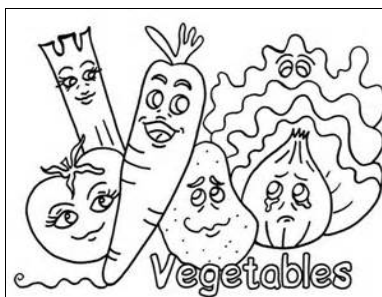
and for the **arty**, prizes for: Computer-designed poster, Water colour, Hand-made Valentine card, Drawing, a Small carving;

and a **photo** competition for: Landscape, Wildlife, Portrait, or a Rural event.

**All entry forms to be in the hands of Audrey Holliman 'Iscoed', Pencelli, LD3 7LX phone 665500 by Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August. Alternatively, entries may be left in the Show Entry Box, located in the porch of The Malt House, Talybont-on-Usk.**

The organisers need YOUR help please – to set up the show on the evening of Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August and to take down after the show. Please phone Gareth on 676200 for more information. Do please help us – many hands make light work!

Peter Seaman



**HENDERSON  
HALL**

**FORTHCOMING  
EVENTS**

**TALYBONT-ON-  
USK SHOW**  
Sat 24 August

**VILLAGE LITTER  
PICK**  
Thurs 19 Sept 6.30 pm

**BONFIRE NIGHT**  
Sat 5 Nov - 7.30 pm

**TALYBONT  
FLICKS**  
Tues 24 Sept - 7.30pm

**REGULAR  
EVENTS**

**Playgroup**  
Mondays  
10 - 12 am  
Kirsty Carr  
01874 676514

**WI**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Wed each month  
7pm - 10pm  
President:  
Kathryn James  
01874 623496

**Brownies**  
Thursdays  
6.30pm - 7.45pm  
Sue Thorne  
01874 676293

**Cricket Club**  
Wednesdays  
5pm - 6pm  
Geraint James  
01874 676272

**Junior Tennis Club**  
Wednesdays  
6pm - 7pm  
Margaret Cox  
01874 676697  
Sarah Osborne  
01874 676633

**Gardening Club**  
7.30pm 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday each  
month Sept to June.  
Chair: Neville Danby  
01874 676630

**Tea and Chat**  
1st Monday in the  
month 3-4.30pm.  
Cherry Jones 676232  
Andy Robinson  
01874 676584

**Short Family  
Service** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday  
each month 11am for  
approx 25  
mins.

**Henderson Hall Contacts**

Clare Wright (Chair) 676679 Donna Darbyshire (Treasurer) 676304  
Shirley Hemmings (Caretaker) 676456 Sue Thorne (Bookings Secretary) 676293

**Your Village Hall**

The hall has been home to The Arosfa Day Centre for the last three months whilst their own building has been totally refurbished. They are due to leave at the beginning of August but a huge thank you to them for using the hall and for being so lovely.

Without this extra bit of income the hall would have had a very hard start to the year with a gas leak, meaning we had to reposition a new tank and install more pipes, a drain that needed extensive work to be connected to the soak away and a water tank that needed to be repaired.

Looking to the future, we now have to start thinking about repairing our flat roof but also have had some exciting plans drawn up for new external toilet facilities,

bike dock and bike wash area, showers and sports pavilion. This will be using as many green initiatives as possible with run-off water for the toilets and showers, along with solar thermal for heating water. We also hope to be able to install air source heating and reposition the disabled toilet in to the front porch.

Big and exciting plans that will need big amounts of money! We will be looking at ways fund all of the above and will keep you posted of the progress.

**Hall Events &  
Dates For Your Diary**

Thank you to everyone who came to our Big Band Night which raised £400 for the Village Hall.

**Talybont Tennis**

We have had an excellent season, having been able to play on the outside courts for all except one evening. Most evenings we have had up to 14. The older group are showing signs of becoming excellent players. The younger ones are getting the hang of it, they are all very enthusiastic.

The Community Council have had the courts swept and re-lined; this has made a great difference to the playing surface. They have also purchased a new

net and post. We are very grateful, also to Nerak who made a donation towards the cost of having the post erected. We have written to thank them both.

Coaching will re-start in early September, in the Henderson Hall - a definite date will be advertised at a later date.

We continue to seek grants for resurfacing.

*Margaret Cox  
Chair*

**Help to Launch Grebe Rafts!**

Special floating nesting rafts are to be provided and installed at Talybont Reservoir for Great Crested Grebes. These beautiful diving birds frequently have their nests flooded by the rise and fall of water level and the rafts should hopefully provide them with a safer area on which to

nest. The project, one of a number being carried out by the Friends of the reservoir, will take place on Friday 9th August. If you would like to help launch the rafts, just phone Peter on 01874 676225.

*Peter Seaman*

November 5<sup>th</sup> will see our normal Firework and Bonfire Night. Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December we will be holding a Table Top Sale for anyone who wants to come along. It will be £5 to hire a table and £1 entry to include a cuppa and cake. If you want to have a de-clutter and hire a table, come along at 1pm and the doors will open to the public at 2pm to finish at 5pm. Please note that any items not sold must be taken back with you!

Christmas Bingo Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December, doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start.

We are hoping to have a Ceilidh in January. We haven't had one for quite a few years and is a good fun night for all the family. Keep your eyes peeled for more information.

*Clare Wright*

**Talybont-on-Usk  
Energy  
AGM**

**Wednesday 31st July from  
7.30 pm**

Enjoy live music from Brecon's finest band, **SCRIBBLEMAN!** Also see who wins our 'Thinking Energetically' competition...he or she will walk away with £100 cash!

Free drinks and nibbles

**Talybont Flicks**

There will be no film night in August. Next film will be Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September - film as yet to be confirmed.

However, we are hoping to have a Silent Film Night with pianist on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November. More information to follow.

*Clare Wright*

## Talybont WI

Talybont WI meets the  
2<sup>nd</sup> Wed of each month  
7-10pm Henderson Hall

Newcomers welcomed!

### Autumn Programme:

August - no meeting  
11 Sept - Tour of Treberfydd house  
& gardens  
9 Oct - Millinery of  
Hattohaveit  
13 Nov - AGM  
11 Dec - Christmas dinner

## Additional Bus Stop for Talybont

Following a request to the Stagecoach bus company and a subsequent site meeting with Rod Jenkins from Powys County Council, residents of Gilestone Cottages will be pleased to learn that a bus stop will soon be created on the approach to Benaiah bridge.

*John Jones*

## Interested in forming a Woodland Group?

Are you interested in forming a Woodland Group in Talybont on Usk?

Gareth Davies of The Green Valleys has identified a tract of land within strolling distance of Danywenallt, and so I have arranged a site visit on Tuesday 30 July.

Meet at Henderson Hall at 7pm so that we can car share. If you're coming from Aber, we'll see you at the Danywenallt end of the Dam at 7.15. The purpose of a woodland group is to manage the land in order to maintain biodiversity, and also to be able

to harvest wood for domestic use. An additional benefit is that it's highly enjoyable!  
Call me for more details or to tell me you're coming, on 07581 226524

*Adele Nozedar*

## Talybont Litter Pick team up with the Brownies!

We had another very successful Litter Pick on 3rd May with 12 adults participating. Once again we had a dry morning which made all the difference, and we collected 10 bags/part bags of rubbish which were left by the toilets for the Council to collect. All the bags had high visibility "Collected by Volunteers" labels on!!!

It was unfortunate that the children of the village had not been able to join us as Saturday mornings are taken up with other activities, but on Thursday 13th June Sue Thorne borrowed all the "litter kit" and the Brownies did a wonderful job of checking and picking up from the canal towpath through the

village – they certainly had a job to do as "in The Pink Canal Walk" had taken place a few weeks prior and there was still lots of pink bits lurking around which were picked up enthusiastically by the girls. Well done to you all and many thanks. They ended up their evening with well earned ice creams!!

The next litter pick date is going to be on a Brownie night so that the adults can join in!!!! So please make a note of Thursday September 19th, all to meet at the Hall at 6.30pm. I will send out reminders to all those interested nearer the time.

*Sandra Briskham*

### TALYBONT VILLAGE LITTER PICK

Next Litter Pick

**THURSDAY 19th SEPTEMBER 2013**

Please meet at the Hall at 6.30pm  
All equipment will be supplied - all we need  
is **YOU** for a couple of hours!  
Contact: Sandra Briskham 676297



## Rachel Farr - from Brownies to a Teaching Career

Rachel Farr is off to teacher training in Carmarthen in September, she has developed her skills to date and her empathy with children, in part by her tireless work with Talybont Brownies. She joined the Brownies at the age of 7 and has really never left!

Rachel enjoyed many new experiences in the Brownies, the things I remember that she particularly loved were kayaking and the cook outs. Rachel also enjoyed our many pack holidays her first to The Gower; then, in Foot and Mouth year, we stayed in Talybont walking from the field study centre to Tor y Foel, where

we cooked on the hillside (with landowners permission) in a howling gale. We went to Dolygaer, when Rachel, who by then was an older Brownie, showed skills of leadership as she helped and supported the younger girls.

Rachel joined the Guides in Llangynidr but soon came back to help us in the unit. Over the years Rachel trained as a Pack Leader and gradually took over more and more of the organisation of activities as she trained for her leadership award. This she completed in 2012 along with her Silver Duke of

Edinburgh's Award. This year she started her Gold Award and also trained to take the girls out walking by taking her Walking Leadership Award. The last evening for Rachel before leaving for teacher training was a cook out; it was a great evening which all the Brownies enjoyed.

I cannot thank Rachel enough for the help and support she has given to me; the girls too have loved her. She will be very much missed but we wish her well in her future career and hope to see her back when time allows.

*Sue Thorne*





# THE *ENERGISER*

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE  
TALYBONT on USK ENERGY GROUP  
JULY-SEPTEMBER 2013

*Here comes the Sunshine.....Hello there, Heulwen!*



L to R ToUE Directors: Peter Williams, Nick Willson, Mike Bugler, Michael Wright, Barbara Angelzarke, Alison Kidd.

It's very appropriate that, during the hottest weather we've enjoyed for ages, Talybont welcomes its newest Community Vehicle, Heulwen, (meaning Sunshine'). You'll never see Heulwen queuing up for petrol; she runs on electricity, so instead she's plugged in at Henderson Hall, soaking up the rays generated by the solar panels on the roof. Heulwen has a realistic range of 80 or so miles and can carry up to 5 people and/or lots of stuff.

Contact us if you'd like to use her, details on the next page.

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## About ToUE...

Beautiful TALYBONT ON USK is the proud home of an inspiring and exciting not-for-profit community enterprise scheme.

A 36kw hydro electric turbine, housed in the original stone-built turbine house above the dam that you can see on the Talybont Reservoir, enables us to generate electricity which is then sold to Good Energy. The income from this power is then invested in further energy-saving and community-enhancing schemes in Talybont and the surrounding villages, including Aber, Pencelli and Scethrog.

If you would like to find out more, visit our website [www.talybontenergy.co.uk](http://www.talybontenergy.co.uk)

.....Or email us on [info@talybontenergy.co.uk](mailto:info@talybontenergy.co.uk)

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.....Or follow us on twitter  
[www.twitter.com/talybontenergy](http://www.twitter.com/talybontenergy)

***Finally, if you prefer to see and speak to a real person as opposed to a virtual one, drop in to the Village Stores on the last Thursday of every month from 9am -11am and have a chat!***

## TALYBONT ON USK ENERGY AGM NOT YOUR *NORMAL* SORT OF MEETING. OH NO.

*What do you get for nothing these days?*

*QUITE A LOT if you come to our AGM at 7.30pm on 31<sup>st</sup> July at Henderson Hall!*

*Free drinks and nibbles*

*Chance to win £100 cash (see separate leaflet)*

*Live Music courtesy of Scribble Man!*

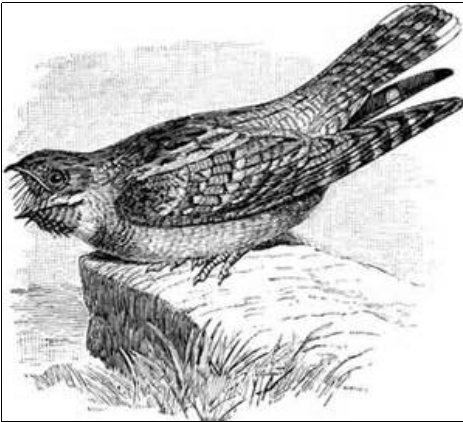
***IT'S ALL FREE!!!***

ToUE is a community endeavour. We LOVE it when people get involved! So, we thought we might entice you along with the promise of cash, food, drinks and live music at our AGM. All ages welcome; come and meet the Directors and find out what they've been doing on your behalf for the last year. What's not to like about that?!



## Nightjars in the Usk Valley

The Nightjar *Caprimulgus europaeus* is a beautiful and mysterious bird, and, for those who know what to look for, can be found in clear fell areas of forestry in the Usk Valley.



It is nocturnal which makes it a lot more difficult to see. The 'churring' song of the male is all that most people get when they go to look for them. The Spanish name for Nightjar is 'Goatsucker' which refers to an old folklore that they fed from the milk of goats – the Latin for goatsucker being caprimulgus.

They are a medium sized nocturnal species (26 – 28cm in length) with long wings (57 – 64cm) with a weight of between 65 and a 100g. Their feet are very small rarely used for walking but they have long pointed wings. The plumage is cryptically coloured making them

blend in with leaves and bark. They perch along a branch as opposed to across it, which reminds me one I watched in France one time which was perched lengthways across a telephone wire in the daytime.

Late evening and the early mornings are the best time to see them. Dimly lit shapes are the usual sightings as they perform their courtship displays, with the male wing clapping. Their habitat varies from dry open coniferous woods, scrub and heath land. Their shape is similar to a small falcon.

They feed on night flying moths and large insects, and although they have a very small beak, this can be opened very wide and also has fine hairs along the upper and lower mandible which gives them more chance of catching insects.

They nest on the ground making a small scrape where two eggs are laid which are glossy-cream colours which are spotted and blotchy with yellow or dark brown mixed in. The males have white patches in their outer wings, and it is true that if you wave a white hanky it can attract the males closer as they are inquisitive that it may be a rival male. In fact I used this technique when leading guided evening bird walks to see these species a few years ago, and we had the male flying low above our heads...

It also reminds me of a funny tale of when I took a client to the Warren Forestry near Caerphilly one year. It was a lovely warm evening and we were on site at about 8.15pm waiting for the light to drop. The midges were out in force and causing a real annoyance to us. Long sleeves were not enough and as time went on we were being annoyed relentlessly as they swarmed around our heads.

Eventually drastic measures seen me with my hood up over my face, and my client had found a purple coloured carrier bag which he placed over his head with two eye holes put in place. So there I am waving two white hankies looking like a Morris dancer and the guy next to me wearing a bright purple bag on his head. At this point I notice a guy walking a small dog coming towards us along the path. He takes one look at us and quickly turns around and heads off in the opposite direction. We fell apart laughing at how we must have looked – I often wonder what he must have been thinking.

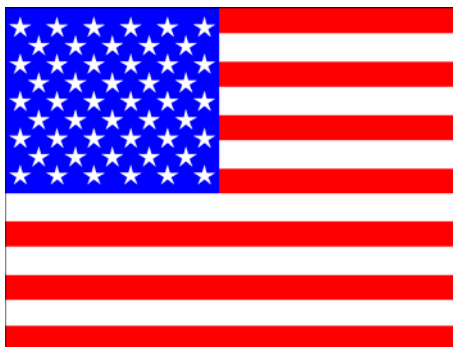
**Neville is a natural history expert and walks leader. He can be contacted via [www.ecologycymru.co.uk](http://www.ecologycymru.co.uk)**

*Neville Davies*

## Californians hosted at Scethrog

Between 26 June and 3 July the Friendship Force of South Wales hosted a party of 17 members of the Friendship Force of San Francisco Bay area. I hosted at Scethrog Nancy Menz, a retired office manager for the Bank of America and Martha Leroy, a retired nurse. I could not have had 2 more supportive or well mannered guests: they were real ambassadors for the people of the US. They happily accepted a cramped bedroom and my ready meal based catering.

The programme for the visit included a reception by the Lord Mayor of Cardiff at Cardiff castle and an underground tour at Big Pit, Blaenavon. A visit to the Brecon area included a stop at the Mountain Centre, a cruise on the canal



and either a guided walk around Brecon town centre or a guided visit to the cathedral. The day gave the Californians a taste of what Brecon and the Usk valley offers.

On a free day I took my 2 guests to Brecon market and a garden opened for

the day at Llanfihangel Nant Bran: they found the garden, based on natural features such as wild flowers, trees, bushes and a brook, fascinating. Hosting involved work and more driving than I would have chosen but the company of my guests far outweighed any discomfort. Hosting was a rewarding experience that I shall be glad to repeat.

Contact me if interested to hear more about Friendship Force.  
Gerard Purnell:  
e-mail [feudysect@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:feudysect@yahoo.co.uk)  
or phone 01874 676487.

*Gerard Purnell*

# Iaith Fyw - A Living Language

*Ar hyn o bryd mae Llywodraeth Cymru yn edrych ar ffyrdd i gryfhau'r iaith Gymraeg dros y blynyddoedd nesaf. Addysg Cyfrwng Gymraeg wedi chwarae rhan fawr yn sirchau dyfodol iaith ond mae angen iddo gael ei ddefnyddio fwy yn y cymunedau o fewn Cymru.*

The Welsh government is currently looking at ways to strengthen the Welsh language over the next few years. Welsh Medium education has played a big part in securing the languages future but it needs to be more widely used in the communities within Wales.

*Siop Siarad yn ymgwlais i wneud cyfraniad at y broses honno ac os ydych chi am fod yn rhan o hynny wedyn yn dod at y Hydd Gwynn ar fore Gwener yn wythnosol.*

Siop Siarad is an attempt to make a contribution to that process and if you want to be part of that then come to the White Hart on Friday mornings on a weekly basis.

*Mae'n cyfarfod anffurfiol o bobl sydd am ddysgu'r iaith, yn dysgu'r iaith, rhai sy'n rhugl yn yr iaith a siaradwyr gwadd dwyieithog achlysurol.*

It is an informal meeting of people who want to learn the language, are learning the language, some who are fluent in the language and occasional guest speakers.

*Felly dewch i wrando, cyfranu a bod yn rhan o newid - 10:30 i 11:30 ar fore Gwener!*

So come along, listen, contribute and be part of changing things - 10:30 to 11:30 on Friday mornings!

Les Williams  
01874 676568  
07754 840966  
lrweryri@hotmail.com

## This August at YHA Danywenallt

At YHA Danywenallt National Park Study Centre we've got a busy start to the month ahead which will get the summer holidays going in style! We're running a week of Bushcraft activities for children from 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> August, followed by a weekend of music and fun for all for the Brecon Fringe Festival. More details below; please ring 01874 676677 or email: [danywenallt@yha.org.uk](mailto:danywenallt@yha.org.uk) if you want to find out more or make a booking.

### BUSHCRAFT ACTIVITY WEEK 5TH-9TH AUGUST

All week we're putting on a series of outdoor activities that will encourage confidence in the outdoors, develop new skills and forge new friendships. As well as the 'headline' activity, there will be teambuilding, problem-solving and creative thinking games.



Children can come along to explore, discover and get messy - whatever the weather! All that's needed are old clothes and an adult.

Open to anyone aged 7 – 11 yrs.

Cost: £5 per session or £20 for 5 sessions.

Each session will commence at 1pm and finish at around 4pm.

**Booking is essential.**

#### Monday 5th - Firelighting

Forage for fuel, get the fire going and try your hand at cooking something simple on it!

#### Tuesday 6th - Shelter Building

Build a shelter from materials at hand, and find a little sustenance from the surrounding area.

#### Wed 7th - Tracking and Journeying

Wayfinding and a bit of geocaching in the Talybont Forest - don't get lost! Whilst out and about, look out for signs of wildlife and food for free.

#### Thurs 8th - Making Camp Furniture

You built your shelter, now make your camp comfy - what will you build? Table? Chairs? Picket fence? We'll also build ballistas and launch a missile!

#### Friday 9th - Backwoods Cooking

An end of the week party, prepare and

cook campfire food – you'll be amazed at what you can do! We'll also have a few games and celebrate a week well-spent, getting to know the great outdoors.

### BRECON FRINGE 9TH-11TH AUGUST

Music, food and fun in beautiful surroundings for the Festival Fringe. Accommodation from £80, camping £9, plus restaurant & bar available.

#### Friday 9<sup>th</sup> from 7pm:

**Antique Toy**, an acoustic trio from Cardiff, playing everything from folk, to funk & pop;

**Cefn Junction** a four-piece that play a mixture of Irish tunes and songs plus some Scottish and Welsh tunes that will really get your feet tapping.

#### Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> from 7pm:

**3MPH** - another trio, playing original music influenced by Americana, blues and ballads.

#### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> from 1pm:

**Family Fun Day**, with a storyteller, music, face paints, balloons, BBQ and a harpist.

#### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> from 7pm:

**Welsh Tapas & Tales** - a melange of Welsh music and food with a twist, including contemporary harp, traditional music, storytelling and poetry.

Stephen Tyrrell  
Activity Leader



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Aber, Buckland, Llansantffraed,  
Pencelli and Scethrog

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#### The 200 Club Draw

Winners of the last Draw were:

- £50 Mrs Rhoda James
- £35 Lady Large
- £25 Mr David Brockwell
- £15 Miss Brenda Powell
- £10 Master Cairin Vaughan

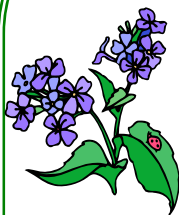
New members are very welcome  
Contact Brenda on 676639.

## TALYBONT-ON-USK & DISTRICT GARDENING ASSOCIATION

We are always looking for new  
members to join us.

We are a very informal group with reg-  
ular speakers and garden trips out dur-  
ing the summer months,  
indoor meetings always ending up with  
tea, coffee and biscuits!!

Annual membership is only £5 per annum.



**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August:** ANNUAL VILLAGE SHOW & SPORTS, HENDERSON  
HALL & PLAYING FIELD

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September:** Annual Show Report and Discussion.  
All interested residents are asked to contribute "feedback" to this  
important event and to plan for next year's Show.

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October:** "Great Dixter and the Lloyd Family" illustrated talk by  
Pat Wilkie.

**NEW AUTUMN COMPETITION** - Arrangement of Berries, Twigs and  
Ivy displayed in a Flower Pot.

For any further information please contact either the  
Chairman: Mr Neville Danby 01874 676630 or the  
Secretary: Mrs Sandra Briskham 01874 676297



## Church News

### SERVICE TIMES:

For the next 6 months (July to  
Christmas) the Joint Benefice Coun-  
cil has decided to try experimenting  
with moving times of services  
around to 9am in Beacons group &  
10.30am in Talybont. Of course  
united services on the 1<sup>st</sup>. Sundays  
will stay @ 9.30am. Let us know  
what you think!

### PICNICS!!

We had 2 successful fami-  
ly services & picnics out-  
doors in Groesffordd &  
Talybont in June & July.  
Where were you?!!

### KEEPING FIT!

A "Walk to Worship" to  
the top of Pen y Fan is  
planned for Sat. 31 Aug.!!!  
Make your own way up,  
by any route, for a short  
service at 2.30pm. Collec-  
tion for Mountain Rescue.  
Watch notices/posters for  
further information near-  
er the date. Doctor's pa-  
pers needed in order to  
be excused!!!

### HARVEST THANKSGIVINGS:

Cantref 6pm Sunday 22 Sept.;  
Talybont 11am Sunday 29 Sept. @  
Llansantffraed Church & 12.30 lunch  
in Henderson Hall; Llanfrynach 6pm  
Sunday 5 Oct.; Llanhamlach 6pm  
Sunday 13 Oct.  
Pick & mix returns!!!

*Andy Robinson*

