# ST HILARY NEWS

#### NEWS, VIEWS AND WHAT'S GOING ON IN ST HILARY



#### **WELCOME**

Spring has finally arrived in St Hilary with dafodils nodding cheerfully in the breeze and lambs gambolling in the fields. The start of the Spring growth has been accompanied by the sound of lawn mowers and strimmers. Villagers are emerging from their winter hibernation to enjoy the lengthening days.

#### ST DAVID'S DAY SUPPER

After an enforced absence last year due to the "beast from the east", the annual St David's Day Supper took place in the village hall on Saturday March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Villagers enjoyed a three-course meal,



prepared and served by the village hall committee, their partners and some very welcome helpers.



The entertainment was provided by St Hilary Choir accompanied by Harry Williams with soloist Mared (Whelan). Unsurprisingly there was a decidedly Welsh

theme to the music with villagers being encouraged to join in with a number of the songs.

This traditional event is not only a lovely social evening but helps raise money for the upkeep of our village hall.

# CAKE SALE FOR DIABETES RESEARCH

To our lovely, generous, friendly community of St Hilary. We  $\bigcirc$  seeing so many of you today at our fundraising cake sale.



Diolch for coming to say hello, for your generous donations, excellent cake making skills and

thoughtfulness. Diolch for those of you who reached out to help and donate even though you couldn't be here today and thank you to our wonderful Bush Inn for the raffle prize and sending punters our way! You all enabled us to raise just over £1,000 for JDRF. All of which will go to research into the prevention, treatment and cure of #type1diabetes. Our £1,000 will achieve 17 hours of JDRF Wales research, who have 4 projects in Cardiff. Diolch, diolch from us all as a family

Nia Elias Pugh

#### ST HILARY NEWS - HAVE YOUR SAY

If you have an event coming up or a project you would like to tell the community about, you can send your item to Liz at <a href="newsletter@sthilary.org.uk">newsletter@sthilary.org.uk</a> or Glebe Farm, St Hilary, CF71 7DP. Publication of this newsletter has been made possible by a grant from Creative Rural Communities.









#### RECENT EVENTS

#### ST HILARY WHIST

A big thank you to Beryl Price and Joan Davies who have until recently been running the St Hilary Whist. Their fund-raising efforts over the last ten years have seen them raise thousands of pounds for Church maintenance. In December, the whist drive was taken



on by St Hilary born and bred Sue Llewellyn, Shirley Brown and her daughters Sue and Kelly! All are welcome the first Monday of the month at the village hall start 7.30 pm, £2 to play with tea, coffee and biscuits. There is a raffle on the night, the donation of prizes always gratefully received. Finally, a very big thank you to the wonderful whist players who come from near and far every month to play.

Sue Brown

#### WI

February's meeting saw us celebrating some remarkable women in St Hilary WI: Lady Molly Ranger (and Lady Sheena Sargeant)

gave a talk on their visit to Buckingham Palace to meet the Queen, in recognition of Molly's voluntary service to Country Markets (CM). She has run Cowbridge CM for many years with Sheena and others. We also celebrated our President Mrs. Betty Thomas' 90th birthday. Betty has led our WI for some 30+ years and is loved by us all.



We then discussed and voted for our preferred WI Resolution for 2019, choosing: Don't fear the smear - Cervical screening saves around 5,000 lives a year, yet attendance is currently at its lowest for a decade. The NFWI urges WI members to attend routine screening, to take action to raise awareness of the importance of cervical screening and address barriers to attendance to help eradicate cervical cancer.

#### 3CS AT THE CLUMP



Following on from the inspirational talk at the Forum Meeting in January, the 3Cs have started implementing the maintenance plan for the Clump. The first phase includes clearing away the overgrowth around the wall and removing the ivy. We will also be putting up some bird nesting boxes to encourage wildlife.

#### IN OTHER NEWS

#### ST HILARY VILLAGE HALL PAINTING

Internal decoration of the village hall will be carried out at the end of March. This much needed refresh will take place during the week commencing March 25<sup>th</sup>. All regular meetings and events will continue as usual.

#### VILLAGE FETE JUNE 29<sup>TH</sup>

The planning continues for the 2019 St Hilary Village Fete. More than a dozen people came to the planning meeting this month and



there was much animated discussion about possible stalls, activities, food, drink and entertainment. The next planning meeting is on Thursday May 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Bush. Look out for information around the village to see what is planned for the big day or contact Caroline at <a href="mailto:ceneudegg@gmail.com">ceneudegg@gmail.com</a>.

#### FASTER FUN AT THE BUSH INN



## Easter Egg Hunt



## Easter Saturday 20th April 10am-12pm

at the Bush Inn, St Hilary 01446 776888

free fun for all the family!

#### ST HILARY VILLAGE LITTER PICK APRIL 19TH



Spring Clean Cymru comes to St Hilary, working with the "ladies who walk" and litter pick on a regular basis. For more info contact Liz Loch on liz@spierlingloch.co.uk.

#### COWBRIDGE PHYSIC GARDEN



#### CHURCHYARD GRASS CUTTING

The grass in the churchyard is kept in trim by a band of volunteers from the village. If you can spare a couple of hours a month to help, please contact Simon Lait on 07929 575506 or <a href="mailto:simonlait@aol.com">simonlait@aol.com</a> – you don't need to be a Church goer to help!

#### SAFARI SUPPER

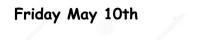
# St Hilary Village Hall Safari Supper

"The social highlight of the year in St Hilary"

Saturday May 18<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm for 7.30pm

£26 per person - 3 course meal including wine

Please book and pay for tickets by





Yes - it's nearly time again for the event where you are invited to be nosy and visit houses around the village whilst



being fed sumptuous food and chatting with fellow villagers. If you would like to attend the evening, or are able to host 6 guests for either a main course or dessert, please contact Ewa on 01446 771728 or ewathomas@btinternet.com.

## WHAT'S ON – MARCH, APRIL & MAY

#### CUT, CLEAN & CLEAR (3CS)

Wednesday April 3<sup>rd</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup> meet outside the village hall at 10am. In April we will be up at the Clump and in May we will be in the churchyard.

#### DROP IN COFFEE MORNING

Coffee, cake and a chat - April 3<sup>rd</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup> between 10.30am and noon in the village hall.

#### YOGA@ST HILARY

Yoga in the village hall Mondays at 6pm. Contact Ann Culverwell on <a href="mailto:ann.culverwell@yahoo.co.uk">ann.culverwell@yahoo.co.uk</a> or 07855 448356 for more information.

#### LLANFAIR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Dates and venues for next meetings: Thursday April  $4^{th}$  at 7pm at Llanfair School. Thursday May  $2^{nd}$  at 7pm in St Hilary village hall, this meeting will be preceded by the Council's Annual General Meeting.

#### ST HILARY WI

At the next meeting of St Hilary WI, on Tuesday April 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, the speaker will be David Payne. He will be talking about the work of the "Blood Bikes Wales". All meetings in village hall, new members are always welcome.

#### LLANFAIR PRIMARY SCHOOL

Spring term will end on Friday April 12<sup>th</sup>.
Summer term will start on Monday April 29<sup>th</sup>.
School is closed on Monday May 6<sup>th</sup>.
Half term is between Monday May 27<sup>th</sup> and Friday 31<sup>st</sup>.
Summer term will end on Friday July 19<sup>th</sup>.
Nursery term dates may vary.

#### ST HILARY CHURCH

Regular Sunday service at 11am each week.
Cowbridge Rectorial Benefice 2019 All Parish Service will take place on Sunday April 28<sup>th</sup> at Holy Cross, Cowbridge – there will not be a morning service in St Hilary that Sunday.

#### **BUSH INN QUIZ NIGHT**



The ever popular quiz has almost reached its summer recess. Last quizzes will be on Sunday March 17<sup>th</sup> and April 14<sup>th</sup> 8pm start. Entry £2 per person.

#### MONDAY WHIST

Next sessions on Monday April 1<sup>st</sup> and May 6<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the village hall.

#### VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

The next village hall committee will take place on Wednesday March 20<sup>th</sup> at 5.45pm. Please contact Ewa Thomas 01446 771728 or <a href="mailto:ewathomas@btinternet.com">ewathomas@btinternet.com</a> if you would like to raise any issues or are interested in helping the committee.

#### PILATES 4 ALL IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Pilates course started on Friday March 8<sup>th</sup> at 10.30am in the village hall. Contact Fran from Lula Wellness on 07885 838032 or <u>lulawellness@yahoo.com</u> to book a place.

#### VILLAGE FAIR & FUN DAY MEETING

The next planning meeting will take place on Thursday May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm in the Bush, anyone who is interested in helping at fete is welcome. If you would like to be involved, please get in touch with Caroline at <a href="mailto:ceneudegg@gmail.com">ceneudegg@gmail.com</a> to offer your services.

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The deadline for contributions for the next edition of St Hilary News is Friday April 26<sup>th</sup>. Send your items to <a href="newsletter@sthilary.org.uk">newsletter@sthilary.org.uk</a> or Glebe Farm, St Hilary, CF71 7DP.

#### JANE'S EGGS - STABLE COTTAGE

The girls are laying non stop, if you would like a dozen (or two!) of very fresh, free range eggs, we are in St Hilary, next to the red phone box. Normally £3.00 a dozen however they



are sometimes on special offer!

JW