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ST HILARY NEWS

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



WELCOME

The unexpectedly long summer has seen villagers taking advantage of the lovely weather to spend time out and about around the village, with several events even taking place outdoors! These have included the Parish lunch, recent drop in coffee mornings and of course the Bake off and Family Fun Day. The 2018 village photo (above) taken at the Fun Day includes villagers old and new.

BAKE OFF AND FAMILY FUN DAY

Families and friends had a marvellous time on Saturday July 14th.



Children were kept entertained by a pirate themed icing competition and a fantastic range of games and races. There were also pony rides courtesy of Misty (and Simon Lait).

For the peckish, there were mountains of homemade cakes served up with teas and coffees, along with ice cream and lollies.



The Bake Off produced some very deserving winners, with the young adults making a spectacular selection of cakes. We have a budding master baker in the village - Josh Evans (with help from brother Riley) who not only won the



young adult category, but also scooped the Star Baker and People's Choice awards (pictured above). Other category winners were Mary Thomas, Richard Calcaterra, Liz Loch and Caroline Neudegg. Phil Thomas gave a great sigh of relief at not winning because he can enter as a novice again in 2020. The word on the street is that he has taken his cake home and put it in the freezer for next time! **TD**



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 Loch at Glebe Farm, St Hilary, CF71 7DP or newsletter@sthilary.org.uk.

Deadline for the late summer newsletter is Friday August 24th. Publication of this newsletter has been made possible by a grant from Creative Rural Communities.







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RECENT EVENTS

ST HILARY WI

The speaker at the June meeting was
Deborah Fisher who spoke about the
"Princesses of Wales". There have been nine
Princesses of Wales which is a courtesy title
bestowed on the wife of the Prince of Wales. Deborah did not
talk about Diana, Princess of Wales, but focussed on her eight
predecessors, the first of whom was given the title in 1361.
The ladies of the WI held their July meeting - 'Boules in the Bush'
in the Bush Inn's beer garden. Well-earned refreshments were
served afterwards in the village hall.



LLANFAIR PRIMARY SCHOOL



This year's Duck Race was a huge success and was very well attended. We were very fortunate with the weather and everyone had a quackingly good time! Thank you to everyone who sponsored a duck and to our local PCSOs who did a fabulous job of keeping us safe on our walk to and from the stream. We raised £331.62!

Our last Bag2School collection on June 18th raised £124. Thank you to everyone who donated items. **HB**

IN OTHER NEWS

JACK BERRY FIJIAN FOUNDATION

The Summer Charity Ball held at the Vale Hotel, Hensol on Saturday June 9^{th} raised in excess of £27,000 for the Foundation.



Over 300 guests joined Jack's wife Luisa, his parents, John and Tina, and brother Charlie to celebrate his life. Following the champagne reception and a delicious 3 course meal, there was a lively auction and dancing. Thanks to Liz Silva and the staff of the Bush Inn and the Vale Resort for organising such a fantastic evening.

To date, more than £71,000 has been raised for the Foundation. AH



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EVENT

The Community Engagement tent on the green on July 14th (during the Family Fun Day) was visited by many villagers. Views were invited on future uses for the telephone kiosk, ideas for village events and feedback about St Hilary News.

Villagers suggested holding more fitness classes in the hall including "Bollywood dancing", a comedy or theatrical evening and quiz nights. Ideas for the phone box were as a plant or book swap "shop", a local history information point or a public telephone! Several positive comments were received for the newsletter.

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EVENSONG AT ST BRYNACH, LLANFRYNACH

St Hilary Choir recently sang at one of the summer Evensong services held at the ancient church of St Brynach, one of the churches within the Rectorial Benefice of Cowbridge. A number of villagers attended this lovely choral service.

The choir recently also provided the entertainment at the Friends of Dyffryn Gardens Society social evening.

EAST DOWN FARM GARDEN PARTY

Ed and Liz Lucas of East Down Farm hosted the Glamorgan Hunt Garden Party on July 14th. Over 300 tickets were sold in advance and even more people paid on the day. Having enjoyed an afternoon of food, drink and music, the last revellers made their way back to the village after midnight! The total raised for Multiple Sclerosis has yet to be announced but is expected to be significant.

ST HILARY PARISH LUNCH

Thank you to those who came to the Summer Lunch on July 1st. Everyone enjoyed the day in spite of the rain which fell for the first time in about 4-6 weeks, even the bravehearted souls who sat outside in the marquée!



I should also like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their sterling work in preparing the food and the setting up of everything needed for the day, both from church members and our village people. Thank you all so much because without us working together these events would not happen. The lunch raised £900 for much needed church funds. JW

DROP IN COFFEE MORNING



Enjoying coffee, cake and a chat outside the village hall on July 4th.

LOCAL LAMB AT THE BUSH INN

Liz & Andy are proud to have Cheryl Thomas' "Chigwell Lamb" on the menu at the Bush Inn. Minted lamb burgers, delicious new season's rack of lamb and lamb pie are on offer while stocks last!

ST JOHN AMBULANCE

Thanks to the volunteers from Cowbridge St John Ambulance who came along to the Family Fun Day to carry out CPR refresher training.

COED HILLS EXHIBITION



CELEBRATING ZIMBABWEAN CULTURE

The opening of a summer exhibition of Zimbabwean sculpture at Coed Hills Gardens



Tuesday 31st July, 1pm

Come and hear traditional mbira music throughout the day. There will also be a presentation at 5pm given by Stephen Watts on his time spent in Zimbabwe.

The sculptures will be on display in the open gardens for the summer season.

zimsculpture.co.uk.gridhosted.co.uk

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WHAT'S ON IN JULY, AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

CUT, CLEAN & CLEAR (3CS)

Wednesday August 1st and September 5th meet outside the village hall at 10am.

DROP IN COFFEE MORNING

Coffee, cake and a chat - Wednesday August 1st and September 5th between 10.30am and noon in the village hall.

YOGA@ST HILARY

Mondays at 6pm in the village hall except when there's whist when the class may take place in the Round House. Contact Ann Culverwell on 07855 448356 to register for a session or for more information.

LLANFAIR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

At the recent AGM, appointment of Officers for the year 2018/19 saw Councillor Teague (Llanfair Ward) and Councillor Llewelyn (St Hilary Ward) elected Chairman and Vice Chairman respectively.

Dates and venues for next meetings:

Thursday September 6th at 7pm in St Hilary village hall. Thursday October 4th at 7pm at Llanfair School.

ST HILARY WI

The next meeting of St Hilary WI will be held Tuesday September 11th when Julian Loach will lead a Tai Chi session.

On Tuesday October 10th the speaker is Emma Brennan from the NSPCC.

LLANFAIR PRIMARY SCHOOL

Autumn Term from Tuesday September 4th to Friday December 21st.

Half term will be Monday October 29th to Friday November 2nd.

Monday October 1st will be an INSET day.

MONDAY WHIST

Next sessions on Monday August 6th and September 3rd at 7.30pm in the village hall.

VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE MEETING

The next village hall committee meeting will take place on Wednesday September 26th at 5.45pm. Contact Ewa Thomas 01446 771728 or ewathomas@btinternet.com if you would like to raise any issues.

ST HILARY CHURCH

Regular Sunday service at 11am each week.

HARVET SUPPER FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 21ST

The Annual Harvest Thanksgiving Service followed by the Harvest Supper will take place on Friday September 21st in St Hilary Church at 7pm and then after in the village hall. More information to follow.

BAG 2 SCHOOL COLLECTION

The next collection will take place early in the Autumn term.

