

# RADYR CHAIN



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## My May Queen Attendant Diary - By Ella Wales

I have dreamed of being a Radyr and Morganstown May Queen my whole life. I watched the festival every year, and longed for the day, when I may finally have a turn. When I went to the audition I felt nervous, excited, and anxious. When I found out I was an attendant with one of my best friends Indiana, I was over the moon with

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## Forty Years On!

At the Civic Reception to launch this year's Festival the Chairman of the Community Council, Councillor Ralph Vaughan, presented Councillor David Suthers with a gift from the Council to mark his forty years of service to the Council. Councillor Suthers joined the Council in 1968 and has sat continuously.

Councillor Suthers is a keen music love and appropriately, the gift was a voucher to go and see the Welsh National Opera. Councillor Suthers will continue to sit on the Community Council.

## COMING EVENTS



N.B. Details of all coming events can be found in the Diary section of the website [www.Radyr.org.uk](http://www.Radyr.org.uk)

**Thur 7 June** 10:00 Probus of Cardiff West. Radyr Golf Club. An illustrated talk on "Pentyrch and the Garth Mountain" will be given by Don Llewellyn. New members welcome. Contact Mike Thomas 20408056

**Mon 11 June** 19:30 Radyr and Morganstown WI "Diet, Activity and Health" by speaker Professor Robert Pickard. Old Church Rooms

**Wed 13 June** 19:30 RCTS South Wales Broad Gauge Part II : Brian Arman

**Sun 24 June** 14:00 Tenovus Cancer Care Sponsored Walk from Cardiff Castle to Christchurch, Radyr. We will meet in the Castle grounds near the North Rd Entrance. Refreshments at Hailey park en route and free Strawberry Tea for all walkers. For sponsor forms and more information please ring 20401872. All welcome

**Sun 24 June** 15:15 Tenovus Cancer Care Strawberry Tea at Christchurch, Radyr. Enjoy the afternoon on the lawn (weather permitting). For tickets adults £5 children £2.50 please ring 20401872 All welcome.

**Sat 30 June** 19:30 Radyr Parish Music Group are performing 'AN EVENING WITH GILBERT & SULLIVAN INCLUDING A CONCERT OF TRIAL BY JURY' to be heard at Radyr Methodist Church, Windsor Road. Refreshments for this 'Trial' will be available, there is good disabled access. Tickets £10/£5 under 14's available without delay from Sue Thomas tel: 029 20 310894.

**Thur 5 July** 10:00 Probus of Cardiff West Radyr Golf Club. An illustrated talk on the "History of the Nos Galan Road Races" by Gary Marsh.

**Sat 7 July** 11:00 Parish Family Fun Day There will be plenty of fun and games of the seaside for all ages. Of course there will be a bar, refreshments, delicious lunches and BBQ as well as the usual cake, second hand book, Wardens' bottle, bric-a-brac and plant stalls. Come and join the fun at Christ Church

## The French Invasion



Some of the hosts and French visitors at Big Pit

It was the turn of our friends in St Philbert de Grande Lieu to visit Radyr this year. They always come at Whitsuntide which, like Easter, is a movable Feast, and this year Whitsun fell on the last weekend of the Festival.

Although this is not always the most convenient time for us - many of the hosting families were involved with the Festival - it was a delight to see their coach arrive at the Old Church Rooms promptly at 6.30 on the Friday evening. This year 43 French arrived in Radyr. After a welcoming reception the French descended on their host families. Many of the host families had arranged communal suppers with other hosts, and the entertaining went on until many of the French, who'd left St Philbert at 2

between 11am and 2pm New members welcome. Contact Mike Thomas 20408056

**Mon 9 July** 19:30 Radyr and Morganstown WI Puddings and Prosecco by committee and members. Old Church Rooms.

**Thur 6 Sept** 10:00 Probus of Cardiff West Radyr Golf Club. An illustrated talk on "The history of the Royal Mint" by Chris Barber. New members welcome. Contact Mike Thomas 20408056

**Mon 10 Sept** 19:30 Radyr and Morganstown WI "Fill Your World with Colour" by speaker Rhiannon of Rhiannon Art. Old Church Rooms.

a.m. started to flag.

Saturday saw a visit to Big Pit in the morning, a visit postponed from two year's ago when the Museum guides had been on strike. After lunch at Big Pit, the hosts and their guests were free until the evening Hog Roast, Pignic (misspelling is deliberate) and Barn Dance, a huge success.

Sunday saw many of the hosts and their guests descend on the Golf Club for lunch and entertainment by an Ukulele band. The evening was given over to a "Progressive supper", where we all met up at Morganstown Village Hall for starters and to be told where we would go for our main course, and a third venue for puddings, cheese and coffee. That way we get to meet up with a large number of the French and it also has the advantage of giving us an opportunity to meet with other Twinners.

All to quickly it was 8 a.m. on Monday morning and time for the French to leave, leaving behind a group of tired but happy hosts. Next year it is our turn to visit St Philbert - a delightful small town about 20 miles from Nantes. We always go over the weekend of the Spring Bank Holiday. Anyone wishing more information on the Twinning Fellowship or wishing to join us next year should contact Maggie Roberts at [bobandmaggieradyr@hotmail.com](mailto:bobandmaggieradyr@hotmail.com)

Letters, articles, reports and other contributions are invited and should be submitted by August 15th. Submissions may be subject to editing at the Editor's discretion.

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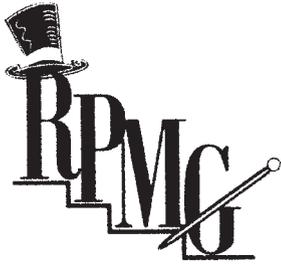
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THE AUGUST EDITION OF THE CHAIN WILL GO TO PRESS PROMPTLY ON THE 15th OF JULY. WE CANNOT GUARANTEE TO INCLUDE ITEMS THAT ARRIVE AFTER THAT DATE



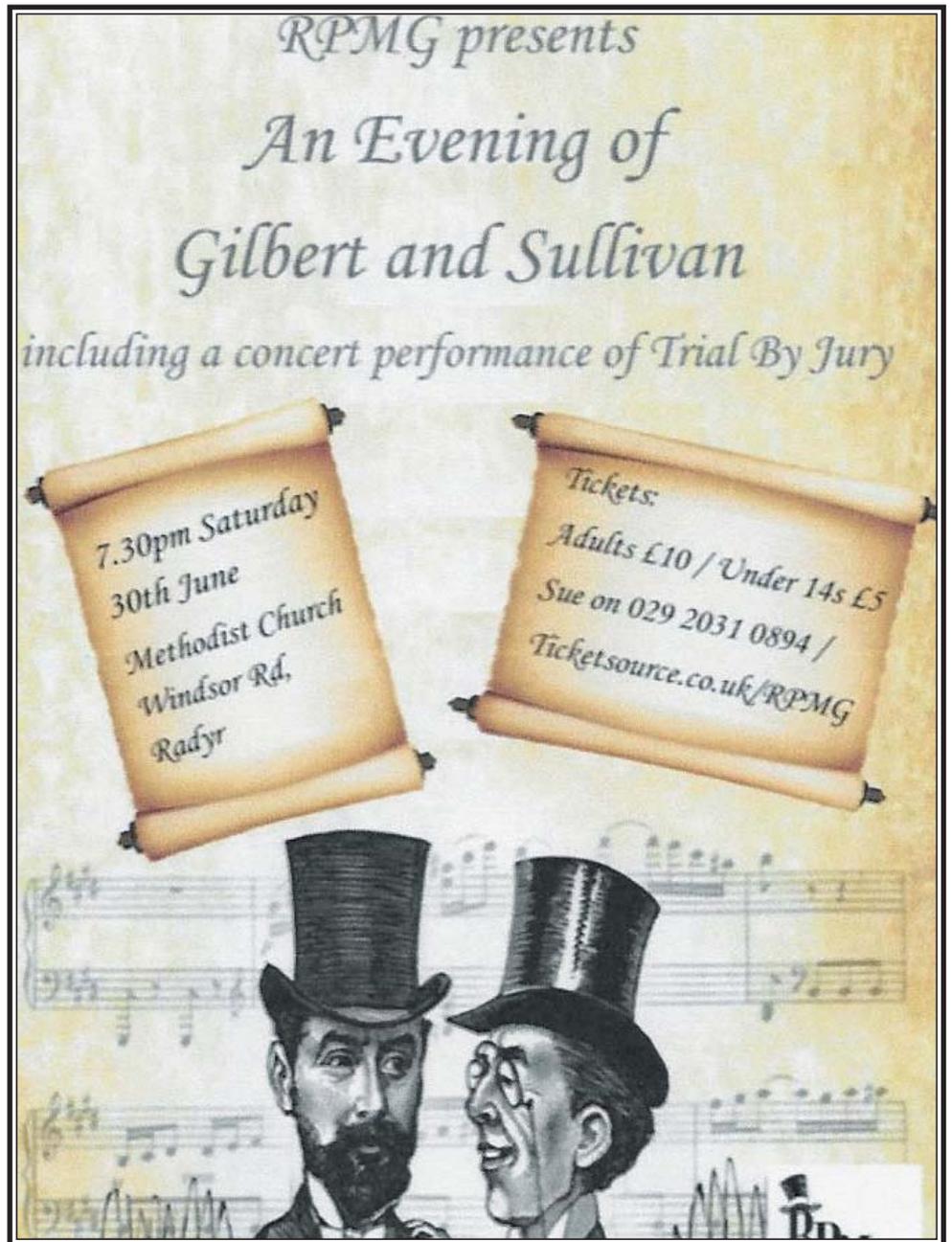
Following a successful show of 'Me and My Girl' the company will be performing next February 2019 a production of the musical 'How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying' Details of auditions and Autumn rehearsal schedule will be posted on the RPMG web and facebook page towards the end of August.

But for now, Summer is upon us, the delights of the Festival Fortnight have passed, so its time now for some musical entertainment that will appeal to the young and 'not so old' 'An Evening of Gilbert and Sullivan including a concert performance of Trial By Jury' Enjoy old favourites from past shows including Pirates of Penzance, the Gondoliers and Iolanthe.

The performance takes place at the Methodist Hall, Windsor Rd, Radyr on Saturday 30th June, and the public are summoned to take their seats by 7.30 pm prompt.

Tickets for this 'Trial' cost £10 for adults and £5 for under 14s. and are available from Sue Thomas on 02920310894

So "Silence in court", book your seats and enjoy a thoroughly entertaining



evening of Gilbert and Sullivan under the baton of our musical director Ms. Tessa Davies.

Light Refreshments will be available to purchase and the venue has a full disabled access

## Presentation

Pictured is Cllr. Ralph Vaughan making a presentation on behalf of the Radyr & Morganstown Community Council to the Junior Academy at Radyr Golf Club.

The cheque totalled £1000 and will be used for the development of junior members in golf skills by the Assistant Professional, Christian Askins.

This is the fourth donation made by the Council to encourage a variety of activities within the villages - cricket, football and the Pony Club.



## Merched y Wawr Bro Radur

Heblaw am ein gwibdaith i ymweld â stiwdios Pobl y Cwm yn y Bae ar 6ed o Fehefin, cynhaliwyd cyfarfod olaf y gangen am y tymor nos Fercher, 2ail o Fai. Longyfarchwyd Doreen Thomas ar ennill cystadleuaeth creu carden Nadolig ac edrychwn ymlaen i weld y garden wedi'i hargraffu yn ddiweddarach eleni. Derbyniom fel cangen dystysgrif am fod yn ail yn y rhanbarth am ddenu aelodau newydd.

Cynhaliwyd ein cyfarfod blynyddol a chadarnhau swyddogion y tymor nesaf - Ruth Davies, Llywydd, Ann Lewis, Ysgrifennydd ac Avril Pickard yn Drysorydd. Diolchwyd i swyddogion ac aelodau'r pwyllgor eleni gan yr is-lywydd, ac yn enwedig i Heulwen Jones ac Ann Passmore am drefnu'r baned ar ddiwedd y cyfarfodydd am flynyddoedd.

Croesawyd dwy siaradwraig sy'n aelodau cymharol newydd yn y gangen. Bu Lynwen Lewis yn sôn yn fyr am ardal ei magwraeth draw yn Sir Gâr ac yna am ei chysylltiadau agos a'i hymweliadau cyson â Lesotho. Difyr iawn oedd clywed am ei hamrywiol brofiadau yn Maseru a'i chyfeillgarwch agos gyda rhai o'r teuluoedd yno.

Ein hail siaradwraig oedd Bethan Whittall, sy'n Gymraes i'r carn er

iddi gael magwraeth yn Llundain, ond ar aelwyd Gymraeg. Adroddodd Beth o hanes ei thad yn cael galwad i fod yn weinidog ar eglwys Bresbyteriaidd Gymraeg yn Llundain, ychydig am ei

diddordebau hi a'i hobsesiwn â thîm peldroed Spurs! Wedi gyrfa amrywiol ym myd addysg, mae Bethan fel Lynwen wedi dilyn ei phlant i Gaerdydd ac wedi ymgartrefu yn y brifddinas.



*Lynwen Lewis a'i ffrindiau o Lesotho*



*Bethan Whittall*

## News from Radyr & Morganstown WI

At the time of writing, the second week of the annual Radyr Festival is about to begin. Our members have already provided refreshments at the crowning of the May Queen and the maypole dancing. The selection of cakes and their display was most impressive and the weather throughout the opening events of the festival was beautiful.

Many of our members are involved in a variety of festival activities through their links with other organisations in the village and this time of the year is always very busy.

However, on Friday May 11th, nine of our members visited the Viridor Cardiff Energy Recovery Facility (ERF) in Cardiff Bay. Housed in an interesting, wave shaped, building off Ocean Way and operational since 2014, it handles 350,000 tonnes of non-recyclable waste a year. It diverts at least 95% of South Wales's residual (mostly black bag) waste away from landfill and generates enough electricity for the national grid to power around 50,000 households. It was a fascinating visit with a tour, complete with hard hats and high-viz jackets, of the whole facility.



In complete contrast, the destination for our summer trip is Blenheim Palace. This has been booked for Thursday 12th July and, hopefully, will take place on a beautiful summer's day.

Looking back to our April meeting, the speaker was Charlotte Leek who is a "Colour Me Beautiful" Image Consultant based in Cowbridge. She gave a presentation showing images of women with different colour combinations of hair, skin and eyes and the colours which suited each

one. She then demonstrated this with some of the members, draping colour fabric swatches against them to show which colours were the most appropriate.

Also, during the April meeting, two "big" birthdays were recognised. The ladies concerned, one 80 and one 90, have both been long standing and loyal members. Each received a card and a flowering plant from the President. Their names are withheld to avoid causing embarrassment as neither of them looks their age!

Our May meeting takes place on Monday 14th May and this will be our Annual Meeting. Our President, Enid Brooker, is stepping down having completed her three-year term of office. We are all grateful to her for all her hard work. We wish the new officers and committee members all the best for the ensuing year. Of course, we don't know who they are yet as the meeting isn't due to take place for another 3 days.

Meanwhile, enjoy the rest of the Festival and catch up with WI news in the next edition of the Radyr Chain.

Email us to find out more on [radyrandmorganstownwi@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:radyrandmorganstownwi@yahoo.co.uk). Or look for our page on the Radyr and Morganstown Community website.

LJH

### Visit to Worcester

The History Society has a few places left for its visit to Worcester on Thursday June 28th. Leaving Radyr at 8.30 and returning at 5 p.m. Coach £11. Tours of the Cathedral and Worcester China Works Factory, £5 each. For details or to book contact Allan Cook on 20 843 176.

### FOR SALE

Brand new 4 player Sussex Croquet Set by Jaques of London in a strong canvas carry bag.

Suitable for all the family to play.

Would make a lovely gift!

Viewing welcome

£70.00

Tel: 07973 231681

## CHAIN COOKERY CORNER

### Spinach and Cheddar quiche with a sweet potato crust.

A vegetarian quiche with a twist. The crust is very light and quite different to pastry.

1x23 cm. or 9" sandwich tin  
oil for brushing tin  
400g. (14 oz) sweet potato - grated  
1 egg  
pinch chilli flakes  
50g. (2 oz) Cheddar Cheese - grated

Filling  
150g. (5 oz) spinach  
4 eggs  
100ml milk  
100ml double cream  
s+p  
3 spring onions, roughly chopped (optional)  
100g. (3½ oz) Cheddar cheese - grated  
1 Tb.sp chopped parsley

Brush tin with oil  
Heat oven 190C/170C fan/Gas 5  
Place sweet potato in sieve and squeeze out liquid  
In bowl combine sweet potato, egg, chilli, cheese + little s+p  
Mix well with hands  
Press into tin evenly, as quiche crust. Keep a little back  
Cook 15 mins. Patch up any holes with reserved mixture  
Cook spinach in saucepan with few drops water until wilted  
Chop finely  
Crack eggs into bowl  
Add milk+cream + little s+p. Whisk well  
Add spring onions+parsley+spinach. Mix well  
Sprinkle half cheese into sweet potato case  
Add egg mixture  
Sprinkle remaining cheese on top  
Cook 35-40 mins until golden on top but still has a slight wobble  
Leave to cool before serving

I have frozen portions and it defrosted perfectly.

A.M.P

# RADYR & MORGANSTOWN ASSOCIATION

## 31st FESTIVAL 2018

What a great start to this year's Festival with the 'Memories Parade' and fete held in glorious sunshine. After the parade from the Methodist Church to the Old Church Rooms, organised by Raymond Rivron, the fete was opened by broadcaster Beti George. The children were entertained by a Punch and Judy show, while the adults enjoyed the burgers and hot dogs from the BBQ. The bar was run by the Twinning Fellowship, and tea, coffee and cake were provided by the local Alzheimers volunteer group, newly formed this year. There were lots of stalls and competitions including a photography exhibition by Imaging 2000. The fete was followed in the evening by an enjoyable choir concert, organised by Cardiff West rotary at the Golf Club featuring Cantorion Creigiau Singers and including a new tenor, John Hopkins.



There were three events on Sunday. A new triangular tournament took place early in the morning between Radyr Golf, Tennis and Cricket clubs ending with a BBQ at the cricket ground. A Festival walk was led by Allan Cook around the historic City of Llandaff. In the evening there was a Festival Civic Service at Christ Church, the last to be led by the Rev. Jenny Wigley before she retires. This was followed by a reception organised by R&MCC. Cheryl George and Paula Langston outlined the work of the Society and thanked the community for all their generous support.



Monday morning saw the erection of the maypole in Windsor Gardens in glorious weather and whilst this was going on the fun runners were completing their 5km along the Taff Trail and back to Radyr Primary School.

In the afternoon the Festival Queen, Joy Lee, was crowned by the Chair of the Community Council, Dr Ralph Vaughan. The Queen and her party were then supplied with copious amounts of cake, squash and tea prepared by the ladies of Radyr WI before moving on to the Children's Tea Party in MVH. More cake and soft drinks! Wednesday evening featured one of our new events, the 'Summer Kitchen' with International Chef Angela Gray giving a talk whilst demonstrating her skills and providing samples of her delights for the audience. The event was sold out and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.



The Tenovus Festival Quiz was held in the New School Rooms with quiz master Nick Holmes. As usual it was hotly contested with 10 teams of 8 competing. This year, for the second time, the team from the RMA snatched the trophy in the last round holding it for another year! Friday saw the first of the lunchtime concerts from the Wales Academy of Voice. The audience was entertained by Monique Simon and Henry Ngan, accompanied by Llyr Simon on the piano. Another very professional performance. In the evening, we were entertained by Cube who produced their excellent mix of jazz, organised by the Twinning Fellowship and Raymond Rivron.



In glorious weather at the Concert in the Parc, organised by Tom Evans and Nick Cook, we were entertained by the local school orchestras and choirs, the big band from Radyr Comp, and a variety of local bands including the Radyrcals, The Filharmonics, The Fairly Awesome Five. The programme was headlined by The Dunlops. The BBQ, the real ale, provided by VOG Brewery and lager sold out and a great time was had by all. It was good to see a large crowd picnicking in one of our local parks.



The week end was rounded off with the Open Garden event, which this year also included a plant sale at the OCR. Dan y Bryn discovered a rare wild flower with a visit from a local botanist. This event made over £1000 for our charity. In the afternoon there was the Dog Show and Vintage Tractor Rally in Lychgate Gardens. There were lots of dogs and their owners but not so many local residents to see the various categories. Thanks to Val and Tom Allen and thanks to judge Lora Morgan for their continued support. A big thank too goes to the tractor drivers .



After school on Monday a very closely contested Boules tournament took place between Radyr Primary and Bryn Deri schools. 3 teams from each school played in brilliant sunshine. The score for each team ended at 12-13, Bryn Deri scoring 13 each time with Radyr Primary closely on their heels. Radyr Primary adult team retained the cup they won last year. Despite the good weather the film buffs turned up to watch film 'Gumshoe' shown at the OCR under the direction of Eric Blackwell. A crowd came to Morganstown Village Hall for a wonderful performance of 'The Lady Vanishes' performed by a large cast of Fluellen. The packed audience really enjoyed the comedy drama and the evening was a great success.



The Audio Visual evening on Thursday was organised by Imaging 2000. Mick Sullivan showed digital images of the Festival activities. A video was shown as a tribute to Gilbert and Sullivan and showing productions by the Parish Music Group during the 90's. There were also presentations of framed photos to the Festival Queen and her Attendants. On Friday lunchtime we were treated to a return visit from guitarist Rishiart Arwel in the Methodist Church. He produced a spectacular performance. Playing a selection of music which included pieces specially adopted for guitar from Spain and South America.

The final weekend of the Festival started with fine weather which we had enjoyed throughout the Festival. The Gymkhana numbers were down considerably due to a clash with the Royal Wedding at lunchtime. Meanwhile the Vintage Tea Party organised by Karen Wright and Tom Evans watched the Royal Wedding on a big screen and consumed posh cakes and sandwiches.



In the evening there was a hog roast and barn dance, organised by the Twinning group. The French visitors all joined in. Goronwy Jones, the caller, managed to get most people onto the dance floor. The dances started fairly simply but then got a bit more complex. Explaining what to do in a mixture of English, French and Welsh did make it a little bit tricky but everyone had great fun. The final day of the Festival started with a Hog Roast at the Golf Club. The patio was crowded for a performance by the Porthcawl Ukulele Band. The band even managed a few local tunes for our French visitors.

The evening was crowned with a Festival concert for Alzheimer's Society Cymru. We were treated to performances by Owain Llyr, Bree Evans, Hannah McCormack, Jacky Webbe and the One Voice Choir which had the enthusiastic audience clapping along. They sang some of the selected favourites chosen by local residents. During the event, the Festival Draw was made and the Chair of the Festival committee, David Silver, presented a cheque for £18,500 to Cheryl George on behalf of the charity. This sum includes funds raised by the community, donations and the local Alzheimer group fund raising. A tribute was paid to David Cargill, who was Festival Committee Chair for the first 30 years of the Festival, and he was presented with both the Ken Innes trophy and an engraved tankard to recognise his contribution to the community.



The Festival was a great success with a mixture of old and new events. During the week there were numerous competitions – literary, photographic, painting and colouring. Prize giving has taken place at the primary schools and a list of all the winners of all the competitions is shown on a separate page in Radyr Chain. Its thanks to the organisers of the competitions – R&MCC, Sue Mckerlich, Dave Hardman, Mark Partridge and Keith John. Special thanks to Maggie Roberts, the Festival Queen and her attendants, the barbecue team – Ian Thomas, Ralph Vaughan, Chris Wills, Alan Buckle, Terry Fitzgerald, Cyril Williams, Allan Cook and the bar team – Nick Hawkins, Tom Evans, Raymond Rivron and Bob Roberts, who worked hard at every function. Bob Roberts is standing down as Treasurer of the Association this year after 30 years and becoming Festival Cashier, handing over to Ellis Jenkins. Thanks to him for all his hard work. Thanks to the Festival Committee and all our volunteers who help with electrics, gazebos, transportation, staging, music, selling tickets and advertisers in the programme. All are a great help and more are welcome.



Special thanks to the newly formed Alzheimer's group in the village ably led by Mark Richards and Cheryl George. Volunteers include Gaynor Leaf, Pat Williams,, Sue Eades, Sue Coysh, Lesley Hall, Caroline and Cyril Williams, Tracey Stanley, David Suthers and treasurer David Cargill. It is hoped that this group grows and carries on the good work.

**David Silver, Chairman of R&MA**

# COMPETITION RESULTS FROM THE 2018 FESTIVAL

## RAFFLE WINNERS

1. Jan Doody	Amazon Fire HD8	15. Sarah Vetter	Co-op hamper
2. Pam Williams	J Lewis satchel	16. S Griffiths	Pugh's hamper
3. Thomas	J Lewis leather bag	17. T Morris	Ener-chi hamper
4. Edie Frost	The Orchard tea for one	18. M. David	P Hindmarsh photo
5. V Evans	R Gooch - whisky	19. Harobin	Everyman M of V
6. Joanne O'Brian	Whites - champagne	20. D. Newman	Everyman F on the R
7. Cliff Skidmore	Cichetti - Prosecco	21. Harobin	McColls -sweets
8. Jen Fleet	MGY - wine	22. P Evans	Headway - voucher
9. J. Waddon	Spar - wine	23. Julie Davies	Flower Den -voucher
10. Neville Jones	Thomas Wood - wine	24. J. Jenkin	Pughs - voucher
11. M John	J.Charles - duvet cover	25. Ann Palmer	Headway - voucher
12. David Cargill	Andrew Cox - voucher	26. Myra Andrews	Solo Salon - voucher
13. B John	Radyr Eyecare - test	27. Isla Frost	P. Hindmarsh -photo
14. A. Langley	Well Pharmacy - gift		

## LITERARY COMPETITION

### RADYR PRIMARY SCHOOL

YEAR 6	Eleanor Rice	Harry Williams
YEAR 5	Henry Baldwin	Erin Gould
YEAR 4	Chloe Sanders	Ruby Watt
YEAR 3	Ela Rayment	Emma MacIntyre
YEAR 2	Henry Tyler	Esme Lunney
YEAR 1	Carli Merfyn	Gwenllian Morse
Reception	Caitlyn Brown,	Gethin Downes

### BRYN DERI PRIMARY SCHOOL

Megan O'Neil	Jess Clegg
George Mainwaring	Thomas Bell
Sofia Bailey Guerra	Tomas Greedy
Naomi Damsell	Rosie Morgan
Hafren Opie	Oliver Smith
Nia Damsell	Eve Lambert

### RADYR COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL

YEAR 7	Elen Thole	Cerys Griffiths	Heidi Stamp	Evie Broome
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**TROPHY WINNERS RPS** Eleanor Rice BDS Megan O'Neil RCS Elen Thole

## COLOURING/FREEHAND COMPETITION

### RADYR PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### OVER 8's FREESTYLE

1ST	Masie Greenslade
2nd	Grace Feehan
HC	Naomi Alabi, Owen Brown

#### OVER 8's COLOURING

1ST	Sophia Mahapatra
2nd	Remy Nicole-Evans
HC	Katie Higginson Maycee Lou Tustin

#### UNDER 8'S COLOURING

1ST	Noah Baldwin
2nd	Alexis Parker
HC	Emily Jenkins Harry Rowles

### BRYN DERI PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### OVER 8's FREESTYLE

Naomi Damsell
Cloe Ledger
Oliver Davies, Abilgail Cole

#### UNDER 8's FREESTYLE

Joshua Woosnam
Nia Damsell
Jay Fowler (Reception)

#### UNDER 8'S COLOURING

Gabriel Martin-Booth
Lucy Lee
Amy Baker Brian

## ART AND CRAFT COMPETITION (Exhibited at the Methodist Church)

### ART

1st	Sarah Middleton
2nd	Martin Evans
HC	Douglas Hogg and Sylvia Middleton

### CRAFT

1st	Mary Pearce
2nd	Janet Ribeiro

## FUN RUN

CATEGORY	1ST	2ND	3rd
Adult Male	Alex Cornett	Gareth Jones	.....Eldridge
Adult Female	Kate Coombs	Ellie Powell	Sarah Arthur
Boys Yr 10/11/12	Daniel Mckerlich		
Girls Yr 10/11/12	Rhian Jones		
Boys Yr 7/8/9	Conor McNamara	Tom O'Callaghan	Ethan Clapham
Girls Yr 7/8/9	Mia Rowlands	Millie Mercer	Frances Davies Walsh
Boys Yr 5/6	Sean Hopkins	Oscar Bell	Max Clapham
Girls Yr 5/6	Grace Feehan	Crystal Wales	Maycee-Lou Tustin
Boys Yr 3/	Evan Wood	Ethan Coombs	Joshua Landon
Girls Yr 3/4	Holly Vittle	Amber Rayner	Sern Hopkins, Imogen McNamara
SCHOOL 1st:			
Radyr Primary	Sean Hopkin	Grace Feehan	
Bryn Deri Primary	Oscar Bell	Sofia Bailey-Guerra	



## Cyngor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan

### A REPORT FROM THE RADYR AND MORGANSTOWN COMMUNITY COUNCIL – MAY 2018

At the recent Civic Service followed by the Reception, I was able to convey Radyr and Morganstown Community Council's sincere thanks to the members of all the societies whose hard work and dedication makes our villages such a pleasant place to live and to bring up families. It was also a privilege to welcome to these events our local M P - Mr Kevin Brennan and A M, Mr Mark Drakeford and to thank them both for their efforts on our behalf.

There were two causes for celebration. Mr David Suthers had just completed 40 years of service as a local councillor and has made a significant contribution to the Council. The second was to congratulate Councillor Rod McKerlich on his appointment as the Deputy Lord Mayor of Cardiff which is a tremendous achievement. I am sure we all wish both well in the future. In addition, the Reverend Canon Jenny Wigley officiated at her last Civic Service before she retires in July. I am sure that all residents would wish me to thank her for her dedicated pastoral leadership over the last ten years.

There have been two improvements at the Old Church Rooms [OCR]. The first has been the paving of the area in the courtyard and further developments in the Twinning Garden. Council has also appointed Mr Karl Craddock as our new Handyman whose duties involve maintaining the OCR and caring for the several park areas which are the Council's responsibility. There remain a few problems, the most important of which is the construction of a retaining wall on the north side of the OCR and repairs to the roof.

It is disappointing to report that the weekly Nat West Banking facilities, which were available at the car park of the Methodist Church, have been withdrawn. This is the second occasion that this bank has withdrawn from Radyr. Customers will now have to travel to Insole Court to access this facility. Again this move ignored the protests from all local bodies and is particularly inconvenient to our older residents.

The development from Danescourt to Groes Faen continues apace. It involves road works, destruction of green land, house building and increases in both traffic delays and pollution. To add insult to injury, the Cardiff City Planning Authority has approved the development of 36 domestic units at The Sidings, despite both opposition by local residents and the submission by an appropriate professional consultant. This will undoubtedly lead to an increase in traffic along both King's Road and Heol Isaf and will most certainly include Heavy Goods Vehicle. This has already raised additional concerns regarding safety, particularly in reference to those attending the three schools. It does make one wonder if any consideration is given to the many objections?

However, it is apposite to note that a public meeting was held at the Methodist Hall on May the 9th to consider how to control all aspects

involved with heavy traffic along Heol Isaf. Many interesting points of view were aired. Councillor R Mckerlich spoke to the meeting, giving an update on the current objections that have been submitted to Cardiff City Council [CCC]. It is hoped that these objections will induce the CCC to revisit the current problems and seek possible solutions. Further meetings have been proposed.

It is a pleasure to report that your Council has supported several developments in regard to the future of junior groups in Radyr and Morganstown. Grants have been awarded to the Tiny Tots, the Pony Club, the Radyr Rangers and recently, to the junior academy at the Radyr Golf Club.

Finally, as I come to the end of my year as Chairman, I would like to thank most sincerely the great help I have received from fellow councillors and, in particular, from the Clerk Ms Ceri Mortimer and the Assistant Clerk, Ms Julie Hopkins.

R S Vaughan - Chairman



## Pentyrch Open Gardens Weekend

**Saturday 30th June -  
Sunday 1st July 2018**

**Sat 10.00 am - 5.00 pm    Sun 11.00 am - 5.00 pm**

**Visit many varied village gardens**

**Tickets on the day from Pentyrch Village Hall (CF15 9PY)**

**10 mins from M4 junction 32 at Cardiff.  
Take A470 north, 1st exit (Castell Coch turn off),  
turn left and follow signs to Pentyrch**

**£6 per person for a weekend pass**

**Accompanied children free**

**No dogs - except guide dogs**

- Ample parking
- Large plant sale
- Delicious homemade light refreshments served all day
- Courtesy minibus around village

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# Lord Arthur Saville's Crime



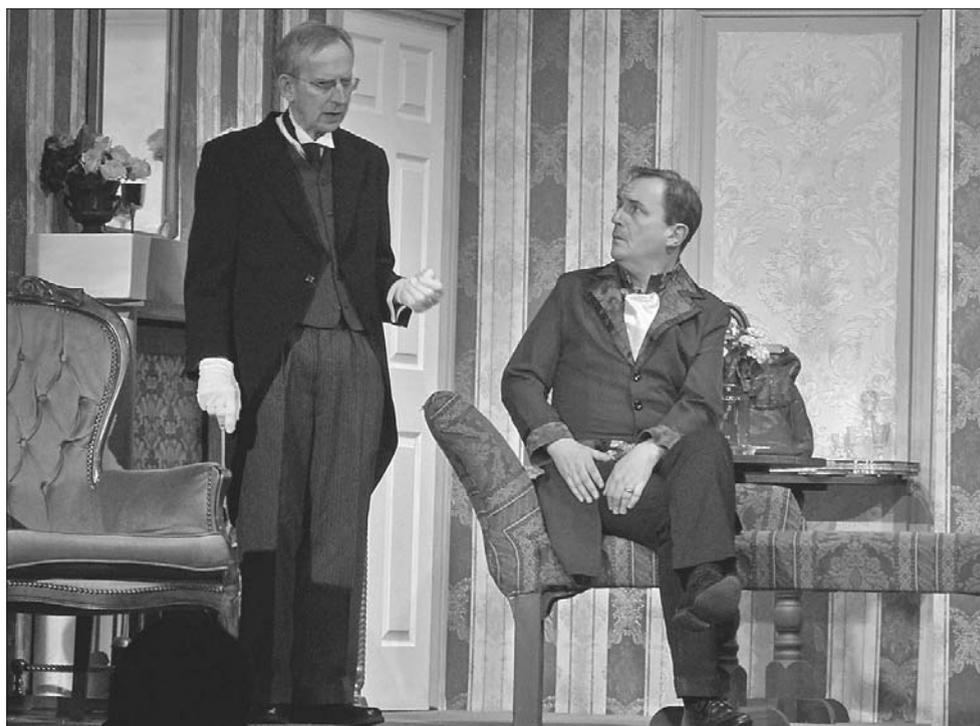
Audiences were delighted by the Drama Society's April production, Lord Arthur Saville's Crime.

This was a play that was ideally suited to the Society. Based on a story by Oscar Wilde and adapted for the stage by Constance Cox, many of the lines contained the typical Wildian wit.

The story involves a rich young man about to get married. At the time London Society is agog with its newest protege, a palmist. Lord Arthur's future mother-in-law insists that he has his palm read and he finds out that, at some point in his life, he will commit a murder.

Unfortunately Lord Arthur is as inept at committing murder as he is at everything else. An attempt to poison his aunt with a box of chocolates threatens to wipe out the whole of his family, while an exploding umbrella gets thrown out of a window before it has time to kill his uncle.

With such an overall excellent cast it is difficult to pick out individuals, but I must mention Peter Griffiths as Lord Arthur and Roger Page as the butler; while Jane Sinclair gave an excellent



performance as the dragon like future mother-in-law.

Peter Griffiths also directed and he

was ably assisted by Raymond Rivron (sets) David Burgess (lighting) and Tony Watson (sound)

## Crowd Pleasers

The Arts events at this year's Festival proved to be particularly popular and drew large audiences. This year's innovation, a talk and demonstration by chef Angela Gray from her latest book SUMMER RECIPES, was sold out and the Festival hopes to bring a similar event in future years. Both the Friday lunchtime concerts were highly successful. One wonders where the Wales International Academy of Voice finds their students, as the standard seems to improve from year to year. As well as loud



applause for the two soloists, mezzo-soprano Monique Simone and tenor Henry Ngan - is Henry heading to become one of that rare breed a Wagnerian tenor? - there was a great appreciation for accompanist Llyr Simon. The second lunchtime concert saw a delightful and relaxing concert from guitarist Rishart Arwel.

Both the opening choral concert by Cantorion Creigiau - we hear that they've been asked to appear at next year's Festival - and the closing concert for the Festival Charity, were both popular and great successes.

An undoubted hit of the Festival was a performance of THE LADY VANISHES by professional theatre company Fluellen from Swansea. They had adapted the novel previously adapted by Alfred Hitchcock into a film. This version was, apparently, closer to the original than the Hitchcock version. A thoroughly delightful evening.



## Update - June 2018

The next of Plasdwr's Radyr community drop-in sessions will take place at the New School Rooms on Heol Isaf between 4pm and 7pm on Thursday 14th June.

This is the sixth drop-in since lead developer, Redrow Homes started work at Parc Plymouth, off Clos Parc Radur, just over a year ago. The sessions are organised to ensure local residents and developers have a chance to meet and discuss local issues and plans face-to-face.

Drop-in sessions have also taken place in Llandaff and Pentreban and more have been set, including in Creigiau (see below for details) with Danescourt and Fairwater meetings also being planned.

Taking shape over the next 15 years, Plasdwr will be a garden city for the 21st Century bordering Radyr, Fairwater, Pentreban and St Fagans.

40% of Plasdwr's 900 acres will be open green space. Up to 7000 homes will be created along with four primary schools, a secondary

school, shops, offices, health and leisure centres, pubs and restaurants.

Plasdwr will be created in a number of phases, starting with the development of homes and transport infrastructure bordering existing communities. Lead developer, Redrow Homes, is underway with the first of these at Cae St Fagans, Pentreban Road and Parc Plymouth, Llantrisant Road. At time of writing, a second developer is shortly to be announced who will start work on the parcel of land between Parc Plymouth and Heol Isaf later this year.

Katie Powis, community liaison manager, said: *"Good relationships with our neighbouring communities are key to the success of Plasdwr. Some of these are already well established, and we look forward to growing more over the coming months and years."*

For more information, please visit [plasdwr.co.uk](http://plasdwr.co.uk) and to be added to the ebulletin to receive regular updates on highway works, drop-in sessions and community news at Plasdwr, please email [getintouch@plasdwr.co.uk](mailto:getintouch@plasdwr.co.uk).

### The next Plasdwr community drop-in sessions:

14th June at the New School Rooms, Heol Isaf, Radyr, CF15 8RL, 4-7pm

19th June at St Fagans Village Hall, St Fagans CF5 6DU, 4-7pm

## My May Queen Attendant Diary

...from front cover

happiness. I felt privileged and proud to serve my community.

Preparing for the festival was lots of fun - days spent dress shopping, trying on shoes and practicing my wave for the open top car! Hair painfully curled (but it was worth it!), and I was ready to be the best attendant I could be.

My favourite things about the festival were:

- Meeting new people at the parade and other festival events
- A fantastic variety of great experiences and memories
- Seeing the festival from a different point of view
- Making a new friend in Joy the May Queen

So, as the festival ends I will miss my hectic routine and hosting duties, but feel honoured to have had this wonderful opportunity within my community. I will remember these special moments for the rest of my life.

Thank you to Maggie, Julie and everyone involved in the festival.



## Poppies

Ladies of the Radyr W I and Treforgan W I hard at work putting the thousands of poppies onto a backing in preparation for the Armistice Day commemoration on November 11th. This year the 11th of November falls on a Sunday and special preparations are in hand to mark the end of that conflict, including a short Festival during the week leading up to the actual date.

To date more than 3,000 poppies have been received and the organisers ask all those knitting or intending to knit poppies to keep going so that we can flood the village with our mark of respect for those who died and those who fought in that bloody conflict.

# No funds to repair children's playground

**Cardiff Council has confirmed that no money will be made available to repair the children's playground near Drover's Way, in Clos Parc Radur.**

The play-equipment, and the safety surfaces, are in very poor condition. Indeed, some equipment has been removed, because of safety concerns. And all at a time when Clos Parc Radyr is welcoming new families, and more children, as new houses are built nearby.

Community Councillor Huw Onllwyn Jones, who has been campaigning for improvements, expressed his disappointment at the Council's decision.

Cardiff Council's leader, Huw Thomas, told me that he was keen to help' said Cllr Jones 'But it seems that these were just empty words. And to make matters worse, I am told by the Cardiff Council that the remaining equipment may need to



*Here are the swings with seats removed by the council because the frame is unsafe*

be removed within twelve months, because of safety concerns. At which point, our children will not have a playground of any shape or form. And this is at a time when the Government is becoming increasingly concerned about childhood obesity - and fitness and health in general.

In the meantime, Redrow Homes has offered to contribute to the cost of

repairs. 'This is very welcome' added Cllr Jones 'But it does make Cardiff Council's lack of support even more frustrating'.

Any resident disappointed by Cardiff Council's decision can e-mail the leader, Huw Thomas, in Welsh or English, via [huw.thomas@cardiff.gov.uk](mailto:huw.thomas@cardiff.gov.uk).

## Radyr Rangers

Radyr Rangers Football team are proud to have recently very successfully hosted our 17th Football Festival. I'm sure those of you who were able to attend will agree. All 48 slots for teams were taken and we secured a good amount of support for our festival programme and raffle prizes, including 2 tickets for the Wales v Scotland Autumn international, a Mountfield HP185 petrol lawn mower and a DeWalt Combi Drill. We had some excellent stalls including coloured hair spraying, nail painting, cakes, sweets and burgers amongst others. We also had the most superb weather, we would like to be able take credit for that! The boys returned home very hot, very tired but very happy. This is what makes all the hard work worth it.

The support and work that goes into arranging such an enjoyable and successful festival cannot be underestimated, including a 5.30am start for many of the parents and



*Radyr Rangers Under 11's*

coaches from the under 11's (team photo below)! There is no payment made to those involved in arranging and attending these fantastic festivals, all are volunteers. Similarly, those involved in coaching and running the teams all year round are volunteering their time and energy to ensure the success of the team. The reward is seeing the children's happy tired faces, team spirit and developing friendships. After many years of loyal and

excellent dedication to the team, our current Chairman and Club Secretary are stepping down. We are looking for energetic, enthusiastic volunteers to fill those roles and help us continue to grow and develop our club going forward. So please let us know by contacting our Chairman Steve at [steve.thornbury@tesco.net](mailto:steve.thornbury@tesco.net), if you would like to join and become an integral part of our fantastic team, we very much look forward to hearing from you.