

# YR HEN YSGOL, DINAS, NEWSLETTER JUNE 2010



**BARBECUE & BAR**  
**YR HEN YSGOL GARDEN**  
SATURDAY JULY 10th  
7—11 p.m.  
PIRATE SCAVENGER HUNT  
GWAUN VALLEY REAL ALE  
LIVE MUSIC  
CROESO I BAWB  
BRING ALL THE FAMILY

**PIG ROAST @ THE BEACH**  
**PWLLGWAELOD**  
**MONDAY** 23rd AUGUST  
6—10 p.m.  
BAR COURTESY OF  
'OLD SAILORS'  
EVERYONE WELCOME  
CROESO I BAWB

**TRADITIONAL**  
**CHRISTMAS CRAFT MARKET**  
**YR HEN YSGOL**  
SATURDAY DECEMBER 4TH  
BOOK EARLY FOR STALLS AT THIS  
POPULAR EVENT

## 2010 EVENTS

We hope you enjoy these community events. They are also organised to raise money to support the upkeep of Yr Hen Ysgol and to continue to provide a warm, friendly and safe place for people of all ages in Dinas Cross from the youngsters at the three mornings a week playgroup to our Senior Citizens who enjoy the monthly Cymdogion Luncheon Club lunches and the Age Concern Teas.

We would like to thank all those who have raised funds for us this year by either organising or supporting events, especially the Bridge Club, Cymdogion, Dinas Cross, and the Dinas W.I. *We do need help to organise events and if you would like to join our Fund Raising Group you would be made very welcome. There is no need to be part of the main Committee to do this although new committee members are also needed as there is a lot of work to do running the facility.*

For the Fund Raising Group please contact Rachel 811378

For the Committee please contact Lynne 811141

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## YOUR COMMUNITY HAS MANY THINGS TO CELEBRATE.

Thanks to a Grant from *PAVS* and a generous donation from *CYMDOGION, DINAS CROSS* we will shortly be installing a Commercial Dishwasher and new fittings for the washing up area. We intend to arrange for this to be done during the summer break and, therefore, hope there will be minimum disruption to users of the hall.

There have been some very interesting courses arranged through the *STEPS* programme which means that, although this raises much needed funds for Yr Hen Ysgol, those attending **DO NOT HAVE TO PAY!**

The first was a *Food Hygiene Level 2 Course* which was very well attended and, as these Courses carry a recognised Qualification, Certificates were gained by those attending. Currently a *First Aid Course* is in progress and also a very well attended and very enjoyable *Gentle Exercise Course*, where people of all ages are encouraged to work at their own pace and to learn about Exercise and Health. We hope to extend the Exercise Course to two sessions in September so if you are interested, please tell:  
Lynne on 811141 or Sheila on 811544 in plenty of time.

### **WE HAVE A LOT OF FUN !**

If there is a Course you would like to join let us know and we will see what is available. There are leaflets about STEPS courses in the Meeting Room to give you an idea of what they offer.

Having a *Premises Licence* now means that all kinds of events can be held at *Yr Hen Ysgol*. We have been given a very good rating as all our Fire, Safety and Risk Assessments have been taken care of. This does **not**, however, include the sale of **Alcohol**, for which organisers will need a Special Events Licence.

Please note that you will need to allow plenty of time to apply for this.

*The terms of the Licence are displayed on the main notice board*

## **LOOKING FORWARD**

Keep an eye on our notice boards, in local businesses and also on our website: [yrhenysgoldinas.org.uk](http://yrhenysgoldinas.org.uk) for new groups, classes and activities that may be starting up  
Perhaps you would like to start up your own group or club?

Watch out for dates to sign up for existing classes after the summer break or contact :  
**Lynne on 811141 or Sheila on 811544**

**We particularly recommend an early show of interest for the Computer Classes  
and for the FREE STEPS Courses !!**

**Classes may have to be dropped if people don't book promptly.  
USE IT OR LOSE IT, DINAS !**

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## The 'Management Committee'

A group of volunteers who look after the day to day running of *Yr Hen Ysgol* including all the day to day maintenance, repairs, improvements, insurance, fund raising, letting, and accounting.

Richard Barnett	-	Clover Hill	
Mani Dowsett	-	Parc yr Onnen	
Peter Duffill	-	Nyth y Dryw	
Sheila Duffill	-	Nyth y Dryw	(Secretary)
Bev Page	-	Maes yr Haul	
Lynda Perkins	-	Island Farm	
Tessa Philipps	-	Y Rhos	
Lilah Morris	-	Laurel Villa	
Steve Roscoe	-	Glanteg	
Brian Salmon	-	Swn y Nant	
Steve Taylor	-	Rock House	
Rachel Thomson	-	Clover Hill	(Treasurer)
Lynne Upsdell	-	Clifton	(Chair)

## The 'Trustees'

A group of volunteers who are responsible for strategic planning and the proper running of the two charities, namely:  
'*Yr Hen Ysgol, Dinas*' and  
'*Yr Hen Ysgol, Dinas Trust*'

Keith Battrick	Bryn y Wawr
Imogen Evans	Crug Las
David Gibbons	Parc yr Onnen
Sheila LaCroix	Glendower
Rex Harries	Ty Rhos
Walter Mathias	Eryl
Dilwyn Morgan	Wyban Wynt
John Ratcliffe	Carreg Penlas
Norman Thomas	Y Bont

## BELOW ARE SOME OF OUR GROUPS AND CLASSES

**RATES FOR BOOKING THE HALL ARE BASED ON £12 PER SESSION : £36 PER DAY,  
SUPPLEMENT OF £5 FOR FULL USE OF KITCHEN (NOT JUST MAKING TEA)  
HOWEVER THERE IS FLEXIBILITY IN RATE AND TIMES.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON BOOKING, OR TO SEE THE PREMISES, PLEASE RING  
SHEILA LACROIX 01348 811414**

AGE CONCERN TEAS	USUALLY LAST MONDAY MONTHLY	SHEILA LACROIX	811414
BRIDGE CLUB	EVERY WEDNESDAY EVG. 6.45	TONY MITCHELL	840746
COMMUNITY COUNCIL	FIRST THURSDAY (EXCEPT AUGUST)	NORMAN THOMAS	811258
COMPUTER CLASSES	WEDNESDAY 12.30 (DURING TERM)	IT OFFICE	<u>01834</u> 861712
DINAS ART GROUP	MONDAY EVGS.—NEW MEMBERS WELCOME	LIZZIE MACRAE	811362
GENTLY EXERCISE	THURSDAY 1.30—3 p.m.	SHEILA DUFFILL	811544
LUNCHEON CLUB	2ND TUESDAY—ANY DINAS RESIDENT 50+ WELCOME —HELPERS ALSO WELCOME	CYNTHIA BATTRICK	811472
MERCHED Y WAWR	3RD TUESDAY EVG. MONTHLY 7p.m.	GWENDA WILCOX	811304
PLAYGROUP	MON, TUES, & FRIDAY MORNINGS NEW CHILDREN MADE WELCOME	BEV. 811619 / LYNDA	811217
WOMENS INSTITUTE	1ST MONDAY AFTERNOON	TRICIA CURTIS	811248
YOGA CLASSES	THURSDAY MORNINGS	JENNY PARKER	811311

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## Friends of Yr Hen Ysgol

The main purpose of the '*Friends of Yr Hen Ysgol*' is to ensure that the charity has a sound financial footing for the future and a '*capital fund*' has been established for this purpose. The fund will be used to support grant-aided projects, such as replacing flat roofs with pitched roofs and improving kitchen facilities.

We cordially invite you to become a '*Friend of Yr Hen Ysgol*' by supporting this '*capital fund*'

Our target is '100 *friends*' willing to donate £25 or £50 by annual bankers standing order.

An annual '*capital fund*' of £2500 to £5000 will support our contribution towards grant-aided work. Please donate whatever you can to help secure the future of our community centre by completing the donation form enclosed.

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## Ffrindiau Yr Hen Ysgol

Pwrpas '*Ffrindiau Yr Hen Ysgol*' yw sicrhau fod yr elusen ar sail ariannol gadarn am y dyfodol ac mae '*cronfa cyfalaf*' wedi cael ei sefydlu at y pwrpas hwn. Bydd y gronfa yn cyfrannu tuag at brosiectau â chymorth grant, fel cyfnewid toeon gwastad gyda thoeon llechi, a gwella'r gegin.

Yr ydym yn eich gwahodd i ddod yn aelod o '*Ffrindiau Yr Hen Ysgol*', drwy gefnogi'r '*gronfa cyfalaf*'.

Ein targed yw '100 o *Ffrindiau*' fydd yn fodlon cyfrannu £25 neu £50 drwy orchymyn sefydlog blynyddol. Bydd '*cronfa cyfalaf*' blynyddol o £2500 i £5000 yn gefnogaith at ein cyfraniad am gymorth grant. A fydddech mor gardedig a chyfrannu'r hyn a fedrwch er mwyn sicrhau dyfodol ein canoflan gymunedol drwy gwblhau'r '*Ffurflen Rhodd*'.

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## Lottery Bid Stalled

Following extensive public consultations the Trustees and Management Committee decided to commence the process of applying to The Big Lottery Fund for a grant to improve the building. Submission of the outline proposal form did not elicit the response we'd hoped for! The letter from the Fund stated "although you could apply, we think that you are unlikely to get a grant for this proposal". However, we are still determined to achieve funding for the substantial work that needs to be carried out in order to improve and extend the facilities offered to the village. We are now in the process of looking for other funding sources, reassessing our lottery application and moving forward with proposals and the necessary planning requirements.

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## Gohirio Grant y Loteri

Er dirfawr siom i'r Ymddiriedolwyr mae'r cais am grant oddi wrth y Loteri Cenedlaethol am arian i wella'r adeilad a chymwysterau'r Hen Ysgol wedi ei wrthod. Dywed y llythyr a gafwyd yn ateb i'r cais "Er bod gennych hawl i ymgeisio mae'n annhebyg y bydddech yn derbyn yr arian i'r cais hwn".

Er hynny mae'r bwriad i wella's cymwysterau a'r adeilad yn parhau. Mae'r pwyllgor yn edrych i mewn i'r posibilrwydd o dderbyn arian o gyfeiriadau eraill ac hefyd yn ail-asesu cais i'r Loteri ac yn symud ymlaen gyda'r caniatad cynllynio sydd yn angenrheidiol.