

Cyngor Tref ABERGELE Town Council



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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

We are now in the festive season, our 60 hanging baskets have made way for 55 mini Christmas trees, Market Street is aglow, welcoming visitors and residents alike, along with the heritage illuminated lamp column decorations. There are four 'big' trees in and around our town from a plantation in Betws y Coed, at Belgrano, Bodtegwel, St George & Pensarn. Abergele Town Councillors are committed to improve your Christmas display every year and are proud of our local School Children who each year enter a competition to design an illuminated Christmas motif, all the winning designs are displayed on lamp post around the Tesco roundabout.

Through the nights of December Abergele Round Table, Rotary & Rugby Clubs along with volunteers, give their all come hail or rain, for 16 nights and about 60 walking miles to bring Santa to your door. Santa and his traditional float with Christmas Carols brings festive cheer to our communities, and has done so for over 40 years. They collect money on behalf of our local charities, but much more than that they bring a smile to the young and the not so young residents of Abergele. It is a sad fact that in many cases this visit from Santa may be their only visit that day or even that week. Please let us not forget our lonely and vulnerable residents this Christmas. If you don't know when the float will be in your area, you can find the float itinerary advertised in this Newsletter or in the Rhyl Journal.

It has been a very busy term of office for the Mayoress and I which has included many excellent events in and around the area, including Gwrych Castle Fete, the opening of our new observational Platform in Pentre Mawr Park, an excellent July Carnival Parade and show in Pentre Mawr Park, the acceptance of the Fair Trade Certificate for the Town, attendance at the Young Champions Awards which celebrate our young carers and helpers throughout the County, our Octoberfest event again in the park involving local Schools which was a great success over three days and our thanks to Mark Earp and his Council staff for giving of their free time.

The Mayor's Civic Service at St Paul's was a very special one for us and I would like to thank my Chaplain, the Rev Glyn Thomas, 'Alawtastic' harpists who played beautifully. Our fantastic firework display on the promenade in Pensarn, which went ahead despite the atrocious weather, organised annually by Abergele Round Table and Rotary Club which this year attracted over 2500 spectators. I have also been privileged to attend many more smaller events which are too numerous to name individually and received a warm welcome. I have to praise the work of Abergele Golf Club in raising a huge sum for St Kentigern's Hospitace and the dedicated people running all the Clubs and Societies around the Town who provide a valuable social and support network to their members through the year.

Finally my thanks to John Geraghty, the Royal British Legion for organising the Remembrance Day Parade, I was honoured to lay a wreath on behalf of the Town Council at the Cenotaph. Abergele Town Council are hosting the annual Christmass Carol Concert on Friday 6th December at 6.30pm in St Paul's Chapel where the local schools will sing Christmas carols and festive songs. Please come and enjoy this heart warming evening all are very welcome. May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Cllr Andrew Wood

Mayor 2013/14

NEGES Y MAER

Annwyl Drigolion Abergele

A gaf i fanteisio ar y cyfle hwm i ddymuno Nadolig Llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda i chi i gyd.

Rydym yn awr yn nhymor yr Ŵyl ac maen 60 o fasgedi crog wedi gwneud lle i 55 o goed Nadolig bychain. Mae Stryd y Farchnad yn lleufer, yn croesawu ymwelwyr a thrigolion. Ynghyd ag addurniadau polion lamp treftadaeth sydd wedi eu goleuo, mae yna bedair coeden 'fawr' o fewn ac o gwmpas y dref gyda choed ym Melgrano, Bodtegwel, Llansansiôr a Phensarn, o goedwigaeth ym Metws y Coed.

Yn ystod nosweithiau Rhagfyr mae'r Ford Gron, Rotari a chlwbiau Rygbi Abergele, ynghyd â gwirfoddolwyr, yn rhoi o'u hamser, beth bynnag fo'r tywydd, am 16 noson a thua 60 milltir gerdded i ddod â Siôn Corn at eich drws. Mae Siôn a'i fflôt draddodiadol a charolau Nadolig yn dod â hwyl yr Ŵyl i'n cymunedau, ac mae wedi gwneud hynny ers dros 40 mlynedd. Maent yn casglu arian tuag at ein hachosion da lleol, ond yn llawer mwy na hynny dônt â gwên i drigolion ifanc a hyn Abergele fel ei gilydd. Y gwir trist yw y gall yr ymweliad hwn gan Siôn fod yr unig un a gânt mewn diwrnod, neu hyd yn oed wythnos. Os gwelwch yn dda gadewch i ni beidio ag anghofio am ein trigolion unig a di-amddiffyn y Nadolig hwn. Os nad ydych yn gwybod pa bryd y mae'r fflôt yn eich ardal chi gallwch weld amserlen y fflôt wedi ei hysbysebu yn y ac yn y cylchlythyr a'r 'Rhyl Journal' hwn gyda'r dyddiadau y bydd yn ymweld â'ch stryd chi.

Mae wedi bod yn dymor swyddogol prysur iawn i'r Faeres a mi, sydd wedi cynnwys nifer o ddigwyddiadau rhagorol o fewn ac o gwmpas yr ardal, megis Garddwest Castell Gwrych, agoriad ein Llwyfan Gwyllo newydd ym Mharc Pentre Mawr, Gorymdaith Garnifal a Sioe ardderchog ym Mhentre Mawr, derbyn Tystysgrif Marchnad Deg ar ran y Dref, bod yn bresennol ym y Young Champions Award i ddathlu'n gofawr a'n cynorthwywyr ifanc drwy'r sir, ac yna'n gweithgaredd Hydref- unwaith eto yn y Parc gydag ysgolion lleol. Yr oedd yn llwyddiant ysgubol, a diolch i Mark Earp a staff y Cyngor am eu hamser.

Roedd Gwasanaeth Dinesig y Maer yng Nghapel Sant Paul yn un arbennig iawn i ni. Fe hoffwn ddiolch i'm Caplan, y Parch Glyn Thomas, ac Alawtastic yr telynoriaid ifanc a chwaraeodd mor hyfryd. Fe ddenodd ein harddangosfa tân gwyllt ffantastig (os ychydig yn wlyb!) ar y promenâd ym Mhensarn, a aeth ymlaen er gwaethaf y tywydd dychrynlyd, ac a drefnwyd gan Ford Gron a Rotari Abergele, dros 2,500 o wylwyr. Cefais hefyd y ffrainc o fod yn bresennol mewn nifer o ddigwyddiadau llai. Rhaid i mi ganmol gwaith Clwb Golff Abergele yn codi swm anferth tuag at hosbis Sant Cyndeyrn, a hefyd yr amrywiol grwpiau yn y dref sy'n rhoi cymorth cymdeithasol a grŵp gwerthfawr i'w haelodau drwy'r flwyddyn.

Fe hoffwn hefyd ddiolch i'r Lleng Frenhinol Brydeinig ac i John Geraghty a threfnyddion gorymdaith Sul y Cofio ym mis Tachwedd. Fy mraint i oedd cael gosod torch wrth y gof golofn ar ran y Cyngor.

Y Cyng. Andrew Wood
Maer y Dref 2013/14

NEWYDDION CYNGOR Y DREF

CYNGERDD NADOLIG

Mae'n bleser gan y Maer ac aelodau o Gyngor y Dref eich gwahodd i ymuno â nhw yn y Cyngerdd Nadolig blynyddol a gynhelir yng Nghapel Sant Paul am 6.30y.h. ddydd Gwener, Rhagfyr 6ed. Fe fydd amrywiaeth o berfformiadau cerddorol gan blant a phobl ifanc lleol. Fe fydd lluniaeth ar gael.

Am fwy o fanylion cysylltwch â'r Clerc ar 01745 833242.

DYLUNIO LLUN

Fe gyflwynodd y Maer, y Cynghorydd Andrew Wood, Dystysgrifau Gwobrwyo i fuddugwyr cystadleuaeth 'Dylunio Golau' ar gyfer y tair ysgol gynradd leol, ac fe gyflwynodd hefyd ffotograff o'i ddyluniad buddugol wedi ei fframio i'r prif enillydd o Ysgol Elfod.

Fe fydd gan Bensarn arddangosfa newydd eleni, ac mae gan Belgrano a Bodtegwel oleuadau coed Nadolig newydd. Teimlwch yn rhydd i wneud unrhyw sylwadau i Gyngor y Dref.



TOWN COUNCIL NEWS

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Mayor and Members of the Town Council are delighted to invite you to join them for the annual Christmas Concert, which will take place at St. Paul's Chapel, from 6.30pm on Friday 6th December. There will be a variety of musical performances from local children and young people. Refreshments will be available. For more information, please contact the Clerk on 01745 833242.

DESIGN A LIGHT

A Star motif was the winning design in a competition for local schoolchildren to 'Design a Light' for 2013.

The Mayor, Cllr Andrew Wood, presented the 'Design a Light' competition winners from the three local junior schools with Award Certificates and the overall winner from Ysgol St. Elfod was presented with a framed photograph of his winning design, by the Mayor. Pensarn have a new display this year. Pensarn will have a new Christmas display this year. Belgrano and Bodtegwel has new Christmas tree lights. Please feel free to make any observations to the Town Council.

CYDNABYDDIAETH

Cyfieithiad gan
Mr John Ffrancon Griffith

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Welsh translation by
Mr John Ffrancon Griffith

GWEFAN NEWYDD I GYNGOR Y DREF

Mae Cyngor Tref Abergele'n falch o gyhoeddi bod ein gwefan newydd yn awr yn weithredol. Os ydych chi'n glwb neu sefydliad yn Abergele ac yn dymuno cael cysylltiad i'r wefan, cysylltwch os gwelwch yn dda â Neuadd y Dref gyda'ch manylion. Fe fydd y wefan yn datblygu'n ystod y misoedd nesaf a'r gobaith yw y byddwch yn gallu cael mynediad iddi a chael llawer o wybodaeth leol.

YMDDEOLIAD

Ar ôl 11 mlynedd o wasanaeth trist yw gorfod ffarwelio â'n gofalwraig, Janet Williams. Bu Janet gyda Chyngor Tref Abergele ers 2002 ac fe lanhaodd Neuadd y Dref i safon uchel. Ymddeolodd yn swyddogol ar 31 Hydref. Hoffai'r Cyngor ddiolch i Janet a'i gŵr, Cled, am eu holl gymorth a'u gwaith caled dros y blynyddoedd. Mae'r Cyngor yn drist wrth ffarwelio hefyd â Mr. Ron Peacock. Bu ef yn gynghorydd uchel ei barch 2004 ac yn Faer y Dref yn. Hoffai'r Cyngor ddymuno'n dda iddo i'r dyfodol gan obeithio y bydd yn mwynhau ymddeoliad haeddiannol iawn.



NEW WEBSITE FOR TOWN COUNCIL

Abergele Town Council are happy to announce that our new website is now up and running. If you are a club or organisation in Abergele and you would like a link to the website please contact the Town Hall with your details. The site will be developing over the coming months and it is hoped that you will be able to access and gain a lot of local information from the site.

RETIREMENT

After 11 years of service we are sad to say goodbye to our long serving caretaker, Janet Williams. Janet has been with Abergele Town Council since 2002 and has cleaned the Town Council Chamber and Offices to a very high standard. She officially retired on the 31st October and the Councillors and staff would like to thank Janet and her husband Cled for all their hard work and assistance throughout the years.

The Council are also sad to note the retirement of a well-known and respected Town Councillor, Mr Ron Peacock who served as Councillor from 2004 and as Town Mayor. The Clerk and Councillors would like to wish him all the very best for the future

MARCHNAD Y SUL

Yn dilyn dymuniad cyhoeddus mae marchnad Abergele wedi dychwelyd i'r dref. Daeth yn ôl ar Awst 11eg, 2013, wedi ei lleoli ar faes parcio'r llyfrgell. Fe'i derbyniwyd yn barod iawn gan y cyhoedd, ac mae ynndi amrywiaeth o stondinau. Mae ar agor bob dydd Sul o 9.00y.b. tan 4.00y.h. Dewch i gefnogi'r atyniad hwn sydd wedi dychwelyd.



SUNDAY MARKET

Due to public demand Abergele market has returned to the town. The Sunday Market returned on the 11th August 2013, located on the Library car park, the market has been received very positively by the public, and has a variety of stalls. The market is open every Sunday from 9am to 4pm please come along and support this returning attraction.

NEWYDDION CYNGOR Y DREF (parhad)

YMGYNGHORFA'R MAER

Eisiau trafod unrhyw faterion o gonsyrn lleol?

Bydd eich Maer, Y Cynghorydd Andrew Wood, yn cynnal ymgynghorfeydd y Maer yn Llyfgell Abergele ar y Dydd Llun cyntaf o bob mis: 6^{ed} Ionawr, 3^{ydd} Chwefror, 3^{ydd} Mawrth ac 7^{fed} Ebrill 2014, rhwng 1yp a 2yp, trwy apwyntiad

I wneud apwyntiad, cysylltwch a Neuadd y Dref Abergele: 01745 833242. Neu info@abergele-towncouncil.co.uk

TOWN COUNCIL NEWS (cont'd)

MAYOR'S SURGERY

Want to discuss any issues of local concern?

Your Mayor, Councillor Andrew Wood, will be conducting surgeries at Abergele Library on the first Monday of every month: 6th January, 3rd February, 3rd March and 7th April 2014, between 1pm and 2pm, by appointment.

To make an appointment, contact Abergele Town Hall: 01745 833242. Or info@abergele-towncouncil.co.uk



HYSBYSFWRDD NEWYDD

Mae Cyngor Tref Abergele'n falch o gyhoeddi gosod hysbysfwrdd newydd yn Rhos Fawr, Belgrano. Os byddwch yn dymuno arddangos unrhyw gyhoeddiadau cysylltwch â Neuadd y Dref gyda'ch manylion.

NEW NOTICE BOARD

Abergele Town Council are pleased to announce the installation of a new notice board on Rhos Fawr in Belgrano, if you wish to display any notices please contact the Town Hall with the details.



*Fe hoffai'r Maer, Cyngorwyr a Staff Cyngor Tref Abergele
ddymuno Nadolig Llawen
a Blwyddyn Newydd Hapus, Iach a Llewyrchus i chi gyd*

*The Mayor, Councillors and Staff at Abergele Town Council
would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas
and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year*

NEWYDDION CYNGOR Y DREF (parhad)

CYNLLUN DATBLYGU LLEOL SIR CONWY

Ar Hydref 24ain, 2013, fe fabwysiadodd y Cyngor Sir y Cynllun Datblygu Lleol (CDLL) o'r diwedd, yn dilyn yr Arolwg yn Gyhoeddus yn gynharach yn y flwyddyn. Fe fydd y cynllun yn pennu'r polisi datblygu am y cyfnod o 15 mlynedd hyd at 2022. Y polisiau sy'n ymwneud â chartrefedd yw'r rhai pwysicaf a mwyaf dadleuol, mae'n debyg, gan eu bod yn effeithio ar Abergele. Ar gyfer CDLL fe gynhwysir Abergele gyda Thywyn a Bae Cinmel. Fe welir y ddarpariaeth ar gyfer cartrefi fel a ganlyn:

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Cwblhau a chaniatad cynllunio presennol | 388 |
| 'Safleoedd ychwanegol' bychain a gwella eiddo gwag | 211 |
| Darpariaeth newydd yn Tan Dderwen ac ardal Ffordd Llansansiôr | 600 |
| Parc Gwyddoliaeth oddi ar Ffordd Llanddulas | 200 |
| Cyfanswm | 1,399 |
| Gan ychwanegu safle wrth-gefn ar Ffordd Llanfair | 100 |

Mae Cyngor y Dref yn gryf o'r farn bod darpariaeth ar gyfer 800 o dai ar dir da yn ardal Abergele'n llawer gormod ac yn gwbl amherthnasol i anghenion y gymuned - safbwynt a gefnogwyd gan y mwyafrif llethol o'r trigolion lleol a wnaeth sylwadau. Un o'r rhesymau am ddarpariaeth mor fawr yw na ellir adeiladu unrhyw ddatblygiad newydd ar dir a all gael ei or-lifo. A dyna pam nad oes unrhyw safleoedd adeiladu newydd ar gyfer Tywyn a Bae Cinmel.

Fe gynhwysir union fanylion y datblygiadau newydd, ynghyd â safle sipsiwn posibl, mewn Cynllun Tref sydd i'w gyhoeddi yn 2014. Diddorol yw nodi nad ystyriodd yr arolygwyr yn yr Arolwg yn Gyhoeddus bod trafndiaeth yn y dref yn broblem ddifrifol - byddai newid trefn y goleuadau traffig o bosibl yn ddigonol.

TOWN COUNCIL NEWS (cont'd)

CONWY COUNTY LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

On 24 October 2013, the County Council finally adopted the Local Development Plan (LDP) following an Examination in Public earlier this year. The plan will determine planning policy for the fifteen year period to 2022. Policies relating to housing are probably the most important and contentious as they relate to Abergele. For LDP purposes, Abergele is included with Towyn and Kinmel Bay. Housing provision in the Plan period is as follows

| | |
|--|-------|
| Completions and existing planning permissions | 388 |
| Small 'windfall sites' and improvement of empty property | 211 |
| New allocations at Tan Dderwen and St George Road Area | 600 |
| Science Park off Llanddulas Road | 200 |
| Total | 1,399 |
| Plus contingency site off Llanfair Road | 100 |

The Town Council is firmly of the opinion that the allocation of 800 houses on good quality land in the Abergele area is excessive and totally unrelated to the needs of the community - a view which was supported by the overwhelming majority of local residents who made observations. One of the reasons for such a large allocation is due to the fact that no new development can be built on the flood plain. Hence there are to be no new housing sites for Towyn and Kinmel Bay.

The precise details of the new developments, including a possible Gypsy site will be included in a future Town Plan to be published in 2014. It is interesting to note that the Inspectors at the Examination in Public did not consider that traffic in the town was a serious problem - a change in the sequence of the traffic signals, would probably be sufficient.

NEWYDDION CYNGOR Y DREF (parhad)

CYFARFODYDD I DDOD

Fe gynhelir cyfarfodydd nesaf y Cyngor ar y nosweithiau Iau canlynol am 6.45yh.

Mae croeso i aelodau'r cyhoedd ddod i wyllo.

| Dyddiad | Cyfarfod |
|------------|-------------|
| 05/12/2013 | Cyffredinol |
| 19/12/2013 | Pwyllgorau |
| 02/01/2014 | Cyffredinol |
| 16/01/2014 | Pwyllgorau |
| 06/02/2014 | Cyffredinol |
| 20/02/2014 | Pwyllgorau |
| 06/03/2014 | Cyffredinol |
| 20/03/2014 | Pwyllgorau |
| 03/04/2014 | Cyffredinol |
| 24/04/2014 | Pwyllgorau |

TOWN COUNCIL NEWS (cont'd)

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Forthcoming meetings of the Council will be held on the following Thursday evenings commencing at 6.45pm.

Members of the public are welcome to observe the proceedings.

| Date | Meeting |
|------------|------------|
| 05/12/2013 | Ordinary |
| 19/12/2013 | Committees |
| 02/01/2014 | Ordinary |
| 16/01/2014 | Committees |
| 06/02/2014 | Ordinary |
| 20/02/2014 | Committees |
| 06/03/2014 | Ordinary |
| 20/03/2014 | Committees |
| 03/04/2014 | Ordinary |
| 24/04/2014 | Committees |

DIFROD TROSEDDOL

Os gwelwch yn dda, os gwelwch weithred o ddifrod troseddol, cynorthwywch yr heddlu i ddal y rhai sy'n gyfifol, trwy ffonio'r rhif di-argyfwng ar 101, neu trwy adrodd yn ôl am ddigwyddiad i Gyngor y Dref ar 01745 833242

CRIMINAL DAMAGE

If you witness an act of criminal damage this Christmas, please help the Police catch the perpetrators by ringing the non-emergency number on 101 or to report an incident to the Town Council please call 01745 833242.

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Hyrwyddwch eich busnes yn 2014, hysbysebchwch yng Nghylchlythyr Abergele a chyrraedd dros 5,000 o gartrefi'n lleol. Mae telerau arbennig ar gael am hysbysebion lluosog ac ar gyfer busnesau newydd.



ADNABOD EICH CYNGHORWYR / KNOW YOUR COUNCILLORS:**Pentre Mawr**

Cynghorwyr /
Councillors Mark Bond
*John A MacLennan
R Malcolm Medlicott
Dave Meredith
Brian C Roberts (Dirp.Faer/Dep.Mayor)
*Sam Rowlands
Richard G Waters

Pensarn

Cynghorwyr Gwyneth P Davies
Councillors *Jean Stubbs
Kenneth J Sudlow

Gele

Cynghorwyr *Delyth A MacRae
Councillors John E H Pitt
Morris Roberts
*Tim Rowlands
*Andrew Wood (Maer/Mayor)

St. George / Llansansior:

Cynghorwr / Councillor: J Mike D Bird

Clerc y Dref: Mrs Mandy Evans, Neuadd y Dref, Ffordd Llanddulas, Abergele. LL22 7BT. Ffôn: 01745 833242

Town Clerk: Mrs Mandy Evans, Town Hall, Llanddulas Road, Abergele. LL22 7BT. Tel: 01745 833242

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* hefyd Cynghorwyr Bwrdeistref Sirol Conwy

Y RHIFYN NESAF

Dyddiad cau derbyn erthyglau ar gyfer y rhifyn nesaf (Mawrth 2014) fydd:-

Dydd Gwener 24ain Ionawr 2014.

Fe werth fawrogiwr pe gellid cadw erthyglau i uchafswm o 150 gair a'u hanfon nail ai yn Gymraeg,
Saesneg neu'n ddwyieithog, neu trwy e-bost i:

admin@abergele-towncouncil.co.uk

NEXT ISSUE

The closing date for the receipt of articles for the next issue (March 2014) will be:-

Friday 24th January 2014.

It would be appreciated if articles could be kept to a maximum of 150 words and forwarded in
Welsh, English or bilingually, or by e-mail to:

admin@abergele-towncouncil.co.uk

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NEWYDDION CYMUNED - COMMUNITY NEWS

(Cyhoeddir erthyglau yn yr iaith y derbyniwyd)

(Articles will be published in the language(s) in which they are submitted)

ABERGELE & DISTRICT FLORAL CLUB

It has been a wonderful summer for gardens, blooms and cut flowers. If you want to know how to arrange them in your home, see the experts arrange flowers to inspire your artistic mood, meetings are held at St Paul's Methodist Chapel, Abergele, at 7.30pm on the 1st Monday of the month and following a Bank Holiday on the 2nd Monday, except August. You will be most welcome as a visitor, for £5 or join as a full member for the annual programme. We will be waiting with coffee from 7 o'clock.

On Monday the 2nd December a special event with Catherine Gledhill from Huddersfield who will be demonstrating an evening of ideas through display entitled 'Deck the halls'. Tickets are £10 to include mulled apple juice and mince pies.

Further information is available from our Chairman Jane Hunter on Tel: 01745 833834 or by email: huntershamlet@aol.com

ABERGELE LADIES WEDNESDAY CLUB

The Abergele Ladies Wednesday Club is an informal Club who meet on alternate Wednesday evenings in the Community Centre from 7.15pm - 9.15pm.

We have speakers covering a wide range of topics, demonstrations, outings, meals and more. The Club is open to females of any age and anyone who is interested is very welcome to come along.

Our Programme for Spring/Summer 2014 is as follows:-

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|------------------------|--|
| 8th Jan | Christmas Dinner Dance |
| 22 nd Jan | Sp TBA |
| 5 th Feb | Affordable Hand Made Jewellery - Elaine Jones |
| 19 th Feb | Social |
| 5 th March | Sp TBA |
| 19 th March | TBA |
| 2 nd April | Talk on Cheese - Brian Churchill |
| 16 th April | Demonstration of Egg Decoration |
| 30 th April | Sp TBA |
| 14 th May | Mystery Trip including Meal |
| 28 th May | Sp TBA |
| 11 th June | Social - beetle drive, and nominations for Committee Vacancies |
| 25 th June | Treasure Hunt & Meal |
| 9 th July | A.G.M & Buffet |

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ABERGELE STROKE CLUB

We would firstly like to thank The Mayor, Cllr Andrew Wood for his kind invitation to the Civic Service held at St Paul's Chapel in September and also for the kind donations raised at the service which will be used for the benefit of the members at the Stroke Club.

The club operates for stroke survivors, we meet once a fortnight and enjoy a wide variety of social events.

Sadly our mini bus is very much underused as we cannot find drivers and escorts, we would very much like to utilize our mini bus more by organizing various shopping trips and outings, you are a driver and can spare some time during the week please contact 01745 823534. May we take this opportunity to wish all our supporters a very joyful Christmas and a happy New Year

ACES

'SANTA'S DEADLY GIFTS' - a Christmas themed Murder Mystery, based on an original idea by Jean Staveley and written by Ann Roberts, will be performed by Abergele Community Entertainment Society (ACES) at St Paul's Chapel Schoolroom on Saturday 14 December 2013 at 7.30pm.

Tickets £5.00 (to include light refreshments) available from Society members, Best One (Whitesides) or call Ann Roberts Tel: 01745 832943.

Come along and see if you can figure out 'whodunit'!

HOLOCAUST EXHIBITION

The Holocaust Exhibition will take place at ITACA, Hesketh House, Bridge Street, from Monday 20th January to Saturday 25th January. There will be posters telling the story of the Holocaust, plus a DVD with testimonies of Holocaust survivors.

There is no charge and everyone is welcome.

ABERGELE AND DISTRICT U3A

Are you new to the area or newly retired or with time on your hands looking for new interests? Abergele U3A could be what you are looking for with a variety of indoor and outdoor activities throughout the year and it only costs £10 membership for the year with an extra fee for each session of the indoor groups. We have an Open meeting on the first Thursday of each month at 2:00pm at the Old People's club in Abergele. The Christmas meeting with carols from Ysgol Glan Morfa, Abergele is on 5th December. The first meeting of the New Year will be on the second Thursday, the 9th January.

For more information about your local U3A, pick up a calendar of events from the library, look at our web site at u3asites.org.uk/abergele or contact Pam Perkins, our membership secretary on 01745 360998

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ABERGELE HOSPITAL LEAGUE OF FRIENDS

Season's greetings from the Abergele hospital league of friends! The league of friends have had a busy year after celebrating their 50th anniversary as a league this year. They have expanded the opening times of the tea bar at the hospital (it is now open every week day from 10am to 4pm) with a magnificent group of volunteers. A recent questionnaire asking for suggestions and feedback was overwhelmingly positive with statements such as "excellent" and "best hospital tea bar I have been in". We are very proud of our achievements and grateful for all the support we get from patients, staff and the local community. Our coffee morning was well supported and we raised £540! Thank you to all who came on the day. This year the league have spent an amazing total of £32,921 on equipment for the hospital departments.

Our Christmas Carol Concert is in the Manchester Lounge tea bar on 11th December at 7pm. All welcome to this annual favourite. Make sure you arrive early as we were full to the doors last year!

Looking forward to next year, keep the 21st June free for the revival of our Summer Fete. We need your support in our community to buy much needed equipment for the hospital - your local hospital.

Can we wish everyone in our community a very Happy Christmas and New Year. We look forward to meeting you again!

ABERGELE WI

Sue Hayton gave an interesting talk on 'Theatre Costumes' which members enjoyed in September. The AGM was held in October and in November Mr Brian Churchill came to talk about 'Cheese'. We are very much hoping that the Beulah Brass Day Band will entertain us in December.

We would like to extend our best wishes to members who have been suffering from ill health recently, especially Mrs Jean Tomlinson who has recently undergone major surgery, and are pleased to hear that she is recovering well and hope she will be back with us very soon.

CHRISTMAS FLOAT ROTA

| Date/Time | Area | Start Point |
|-----------------------------|--|---|
| Mon 2 nd / 6pm | Belgrano, Rhos Fawr, Holland Drive | Holland Drive by the main road/shops |
| Tues 3 th / 6pm | Llanddulas / Rhyd - Y - Foel | Fairview INN, (outside) Llanddulas not in [Fairview]pub car park |
| Wed 4 th / 6pm | St Georges Rd, Maes y Dre, Bodtegwel | Cellar Five by old Hesketh pub |
| Thurs 5 th / 6pm | Woodlands Estate | Marford Drive / Tan Y Gopa Road, just up from the Castle entrance |
| Fri 6 th / 6pm | Pensarn | Abbeyfords Caravan Sales by Station turn off |
| Sat 7 th / 6pm | Manorafon Farm | 10am-4pm. Gwrych Castle Campsite, Santa's Grotto with Rotary |
| Mon 9 th / 6pm | Towyn | Llys Madoc by Black Cat Amusement Arcade |
| Tues 10 th / 6pm | Maes Canol | TBC |
| Wed 11 th / 6pm | Dundonald Ave, Alexandra Rd, Min y Don | Penrhos off Dundonald Ave by the A55 slip road |
| Thu 12 th / 6pm | Links Estate, Eldon Drive | Eldon Drive Start by Sea Road |
| Fri 13 th / 6pm | SPARE NIGHT | SPARE NIGHT |
| Mon 16 th / 6pm | LlanfairTH, Betws yn Rhos | LlanfairTH old filling station |
| Tue 17 th / 6pm | Beeches/Benfield | Llanfair RD, Bryn Castell, Top Estate |
| Wed 18 th / 6pm | Llanfair Road, High Street <i>9pm refreshments</i> | The Old Mill - Old ATS car park off Llanfair road |
| Thu 19 th / 6pm | Bodelwyddan (WEST) | Terfyn near the practice range |
| Fri 20 th / 6pm | Bodelwyddan (EAST) | Ty Fry pub car park |
| Fri 20 th | Abergele Tesco | 10am-4pm |
| Sat 21 st | Abergele Tesco | 10am-4pm |
| Sun 22 nd | Abergele Tesco | 10am-4pm |

**ABERGELE & DISTRICT ELECTRONIC
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ones taste.

big band sounds, music from the stage &
films,

brass band, jazz old & modern, rag time to rock
& roll,

marches, tango, pan pipes to full orchestra,
Latin American

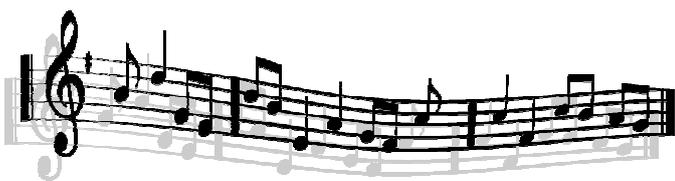
**YOU WILL BE MADE MOST WELCOME TO
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4th DEC

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ABERGELE INNER WHEEL

In May members visited the home of Ann and Colin Knowlson, where they enjoyed a lovely meal combined with a walk around their beautiful garden. President Pat Parker thanked Ann and Collin for their hospitality. Money raised from this evening was donated to Hope House/Ty Gobaith.

The AGM was held in June and the years report was read by President Pat Parker who had written a poem as her report, Pat was applauded by members for her witty and detailed report.

This year the President's position will be shared by Mrs Sally Kirkham and Mrs Ann Owen. Pat wished both ladies a happy and successful year as our leaders. On a warm sunny evening on July, members and friends visited the Cliffs at Rhyd Y Foel, where they enjoyed a lovely meal and a friendly evening. After the summer recess, the club met in September at the Kinmel Manor Hotel President Sally chaired the meeting and welcomed members. Following the business meeting and meal, a social evening was arranged and members enjoyed a 'beetle drive' fun evening.

A successful coffee morning was held in October at the Old Peoples Club. President Ann thanked everyone present for their loyal support. The guest speaker at the October meeting was Miss Glenys Owen Jones who gave a very interesting and informative talk about View Gardens.

We look forward to our November speaker who will talk about the library services and the Christmas dinner at the Kinmel Manor Hotel in December.

Nesta Jones

Club Correspondent

**Carol Singing at Tesco
21st December 2013**

Do come and join members of the churches in Abergele as they sing Christmas carols with the
Abergele Rotary/Round Table in attendance
Christmas float

CYMDEITHAS EMRYS AP IWAN

Agorwyd tymor y Gymdeithas ar ddiwedd Hydref gyda Cyngerdd gwych o dan ofal Parti'r Siswrn, Yr Wyddgrug dan arweiniad Mrs Mair Selway.

Dyma flas ar Rhaglen y Flwyddyn, gobeithio bydd rhywbeth at ddant pawb. Nid oes angen ymaelodi a'r Gymdeithas ond codir tâl mynediad o £2 y pen i'r cyfarfodydd.

Rhagfyr 8ed - Naws Nadolig am 6.00yh - Capel Sant Paul, Abergele

Ionawr 24ain - Hawl i Holi yn Festri Mynydd Seion at 7.30yh

Chwefror 27ain - Cinio Dathlu Gwyl Dewi yng nghwmni Gwenan Gibbard yn y Faenol Fawr, Bodelwyddan

Mawrth 28ain - Darlith gan Y Prifardd Llion Jones ar deithiau Syr T H Parry Williams yn Festri Mynydd Seion am 7.30yh

Ebrill - Brethyn Cartref yn Festri Mynydd Seion am 7.30yh

Mai 16ed - Cwis dan ofal Mr a Mrs Arwel Roberts yn Festri Mynydd Seion am 7.30yh

Mehefin - Gwibdaith flynyddol - trefniadau i ddilyn

Bydd croeso twymgalon i bawb i'r cyfarfodydd

ABERGELE THEATRE GROUP

The Abergele Theatre Group is made up of likeminded amateurs who enjoy all aspects of theatre production; such as acting (of course), scene making, advertising, ticket sales and just helping and supporting each other to achieve new things.

Having recently completed their challenging programme for 2013 the Abergele Theatre Group is currently rehearsing for their next programme of interesting and humorous plays to be presented in 2014. The first of the 2014 programme will be presented in March. Each evening the Group will present two separate and different plays - two plays for the one ticket.

The Theatre Group is expanding. Seasoned actors have been joined by several newcomers. This has enabled the Group to be more progressive and consider new ventures.

The Abergele Theatre Group meet every Thursday at 7pm at Mynydd Seion Hall, Chapel Street, Abergele.

If you are interested in Amateur Theatre pop in one Thursday evening.

If you are interested in booking tickets for the 2014 programme please phone 01745 824575 to register an interest for first option on tickets. Tickets for an evening in March with two shows per evening, with complimentary drinks and biscuits during the interval, will be just £5 per person. Please note that seating is limited so advanced booking is recommended to avoid disappointment.

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ABERGELE CAMERA CLUB

Abergele Camera Club's free public exhibition on Saturday 7th September 2013 was a great success. The Club Chairman, George Frost commented; 'I am delighted with the response of the people of Abergele to our exhibition and that we were able to display the talents of the club members'. Over 100 photographs of varied subjects were on display. Among the many visitors was the Secretary of State for Wales, The Rt Hon David Jones, MP who professed a keen interest in photography and was warmly welcomed by the Club Chairman.

Visitors were asked to vote for their favourite picture in the exhibition and the most popular photograph was entitled 'Hover Fly' and was taken by Mr Tudor Williams.



Pictured is Mr George Frost (Chairman), The Secretary of State for Wales RH Mr David Jones and Vice-Chairman Mr David Stanworth.

Abergele Camera Club was the 2013 winner in their annual friendly competition with the Spanish Torrevieja Digital Camera Club beating them by a slender margin of two points. The competition was judged by Mr. Philip Chadwick of Rhos-on-Sea, who complemented both clubs on the standard of the pictures submitted. In addition to winning the overall competition Abergele also took first and third places in the judging of the individual photographs. David Stanworth's picture 'Nutmeg' was judged the overall winner whilst Henry Florczyk's picture 'Nissan' was placed third.

Commenting on the win, Abergele Camera Club Chairman, Mr. George Frost, expressed his delight that this year was a triumph for Abergele and praised the quality of the images submitted by the members of both clubs. He also thanked the members of both clubs who had given their time to organise the event.

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CONTACT THE ELDERLY

Thank you Abergele!

Following a fantastic response to an article in the last edition of the Town Council newsletter a new group has started to help older people in the town.

Abergele Contact the Elderly group launched in November with seven older guests enjoying a lovely tea together at the home of Mr & Mrs Dutton. The group is supported by local volunteers who help take older people aged 75+ who live alone in the town out to Sunday tea together each month. The small group size and personal hospitality offered ensure that the older guests enjoy an informal social gathering where they can meet up and chat to friends old and new.

Jane Carey-Evans, for Contact the Elderly said

"The response to the article in the Town Council newsletter was brilliant; we had offers of help from people who wanted to drive for the group as well as from hosts who offered to invite the group to tea every now and again. We also heard from a number of older guests who wanted to join and as a result the group has been up and running since November. I'd like to thank the people of Abergele who been so supportive of the venture"

"If anyone from the town is interested in helping we're still short of one driver who could help out once a month and also a couple of hosts who would be willing to provide a simple afternoon tea once or twice a year for the group."

"Due to the popularity of the group we don't have any vacancies for additional older guests at the moment, but there will be a reserve guest list in case of holidays or illness. So if you are aged 75+ living alone in Abergele, and find Sundays can be a bit long please get in touch".

If anyone would like to volunteer as a driver for the group, or a host, or you are an older person who would like to join the reserve list please get in touch as soon as possible.

Thank you.

Please contact Jane Carey-Evans, North Wales Regional Development Officer on 01766 522136 or jane.carey-evans@contact-the-elderly.org.uk

If you know of anyone within Abergele that does not receive a copy of the newsletter please free to contact the Town Council to request a copy.

Os gwyddoch am rywun o fewn Abergele sydd ddim yn derbyn copi o'r Cylchlythyr byddwch yn rhydd i gysylltu â Chyngor y Dref i geisio copi.

CYTUN ABERGELE - CHURCHES TOGETHER

In giving gifts to family members and friends we are responding to God's generosity to us, as well as demonstrating our love for them. Do respond to God's love and generosity by joining us at any of our Christmas services.

St George Parish Church

17 December

7.00pm Lessons and Carols

Christmas Eve 24 December

5.30pm Crib Service

Christmas Day 25 December

10.00am Christmas Communion Service

St Michael's Parish Church

Christmas Eve 24 December

4pm Crib Service

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day 25 December

11.00am Christmas Communion Service

29th December

11am Lessons and Carols

St Theresa's Roman Catholic Church

Christmas Eve 24 December

7.30pm Carol Service followed by

8.00pm Christmas Mass

Christmas Day 25 December

9.30am Abergele Mass followed by 11.00am Mass - Christ the King Church (Towyn)

St.Pauls Chapel

15 December

11.30am Cristingle Service

(Rev. Keith Tewkesbury)

22 December

11.00am Bilingual Carol Service

(Rev Ronald Hall)

25 December

11.00am Christmas Service

(Rev Ginet Lanbrick)

Capel St.Paul

8 Rhagfyr - 6yh - Naws Nadolig Cymdeithas

Emrys ap Iwan

Mynydd Seion Welsh Presbyterian Church

4 Rhagfyr - Naws Nadolig - Cymdeithas Y Chwiorydd (Cinio Nadolig 29 Rhagfyr)

6 Rhagfyr - Paned a sgwrs 10yb ac hanner dydd

10 Rhagfyr - Adran babanod - Ysgol Glan Morfa yn dathlu'r Nadolig 2yh & 6yh

15 Rhagfyr - 10yb - Gwasanath Plant Ieuenctid a Rhieni

25 Rhagfyr - 9:30 yb - Gwasanaeth Cymun



COD QR

Codau bar dau-ddimensiwn yw QR y gellir eu sganio'n hawdd trwy ddefnyddio unrhyw ffôn symudol modern. Mae'r côd yn cael ei droi wedyn yn ddarn o destun a / neu'n gyswllt i wefan.

Gweler y côd QR (Quick Response) ar gyfer Cylchlythyr Cyngor y Dref. Os oes darllenydd QR ar eich ffôn symudol sganwch y côd hwn i gael copi o'r Cylchlythyr ar eich ffôn symudol.



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This code is then converted into a piece of text and/or link to a website.

Please find the QR (Quick Response) code for the Town Council Newsletter. If your mobile phone has a QR reader, then scan this code to get a copy of the Newsletter on your mobile.

FAIRTRADE

This year Wales is celebrating 5 years as a Fair Trade Nation.

Abergele has been a Fair Trade town for over 3 years.

The Abergele Fairtrade Committee has been working for over two years to enable bilingual town signs to be erected which include the statement that Abergele is 'A Fair Trade Town' Final authorisation from the Welsh Government has just been granted and we hope that the signs will soon be erected at the four main points of entry to Abergele.

More local businesses are now stocking/serving Fairtrade certified products.

Ysgol Glan Gele is a 'Fairtrade School', with Ysgol Emrys ap Iwan working towards this status, and St Paul's Methodist Church is now a Fairtrade Church'

We hope that other such organisations will be encouraged to achieve such official recognition.

There is now an official Abergele Fair Trade website in the process of development. Despite some teething problems it does advertise Fairtrade news and events and gives information about the benefits of buying fairly traded products. See:

www.abergelefairtrade.co.uk



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

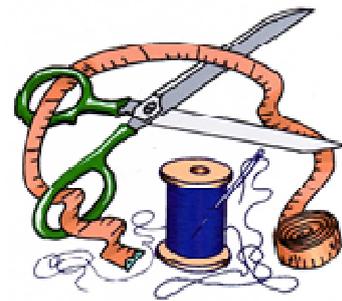
Abergele NW Committee meets every 3 months with Police Beat Managers in attendance. The next meeting is to be held on 5 February 2014 at venue to be advised nearer the time. New volunteers / NW Newsletter distributors would be welcomed.

Please contact Conwy Watch Helpdesk 01492 805050 for further information.

NATURAL RESOURCES WALES

Natural Resources Wales have recently announced that there has been an increase in the standard of Wales' 100 designated bathing waters. 99 of Wales' beaches have passed the recent water clarity testing and we are pleased to announce that Pensarn Beach, Abergele is included in the 99. This is indeed good news for the area and the tourist industry following the loss of the standard last year due to all the work that was carried out along our foreshore.

LIZZY STITCHES



For all your making, mending and alterations.

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PENSARN COFFEE & CHAT

We are pleased to announce that several new members have joined us and we would like welcome them and hope that they enjoy all the club has to offer. Members have recently enjoyed a number of outings including a mystery outing with lunch, and are now looking forward to a Christmas meal in December which will be followed by entertainment. Hopefully in January we will hold our New Year Celebrations.

We would like to congratulate Mrs Blodwen Roberts on becoming a great grandmother and extend our best wishes to those members who are currently unwell and we look forward to having you back with us very soon.

Thank you to all who contribute and help with the activities of the Club throughout the year.

FRIENDS OF ABERGELE PARKLANDS

The Autumn Fest has not long taken place within the confines of Pentre Mawr Park and this event has proven to be the biggest and most successful so far which was spread over a 3 day period. The first day, Friday 4th October, was specifically arranged around the local schools and had a turnout in excess of 500 children who were educationally entertained with tree planting, geocaching, the observation platform, the newly formed woodland walk/nature trail plus static events.

Day 2 & 3, the Saturday and Sunday being open for all and what a turnout it was and free to all at point of entry - this being the only such event that takes place within Conwy and puts Abergele on the map of places to visit.

Thank you to everyone who came to support the event and to everyone who helped organised and participated during the weekend. We are hoping to continue with the event next year.

FRIENDS OF ABERGELE PARKLANDS (cont)

The recent Town/Village Green application to protect and safeguard the green fields on Rhuddlan Road from being developed into a housing estate with access roads has now been deposited with Conwy Borough Council.

If this application is successful it will prohibit the 'field' from being sold and protect this green area for future generations.

If any resident remembers or has pictures regarding the use of the green field going back over 20 years and you strongly agree that the protection of this area is needed, please send details to

cllr.andrewwood@conwy.gov.uk

Cyngor Tref ABERGELE Town Council

The Mayor and Members of the Council invite you to join them for the Annual **CAROL CONCERT** followed by tea, coffee & mince pies

St Paul's Chapel Bridge Street

Fri 6th December 2013 at 6.30pm

Joint performances by local primary Schools and Ysgol Emrys Ap Iwan

FREE ADMISSION

The Friends of Abergele's Parklands



PENTRE MAWR OBSERVATION PLATFORM

Since the official June opening the platform in our park has been enjoyed by all our residents and many visitors who have come to see the wildlife (especially the birds), that have settled into homes on either the new artificial round or rectangular reed beds, that will slowly establish themselves as dense reed islands over the next few years. Below is a list of the local species of birds seen in and around the park and ponds over the last three seasons - can you add any more species to the list?

- Mute Swan
- Shoveller
- Widgeon
- Gadwall
- Mallard
- Teal
- Tufted Duck
- Red Breasted Merganza
- Little Grebe
- Cormorant
- Grey Heron
- Water Rail
- Moor Hen
- Coot
- Red Shank
- Common Sandpiper
- Black Headed Gull
- Herring Gull
- Lesser Black-backed Gull
- Great Black-backed Gull
- Common Gull
- Common Tern
- Feral Pigeon
- Wood Pigeon
- Collared Dove
- Swift
- Swallow
- Housemartin
- Great Spotted Woodpecker
- Grey Wagtail
- Pied Wagtail
- Wren
- Dunnock
- Robin
- Blackbird
- Redwing
- Mistle Thrush
- Song Thrush
- Sedge Warbler
- Whitethroat
- Chiff-Chat
- Willow Warbler
- Goldcrest
- Long Tailed Tit
- Blue Tit
- Great Tit
- Coal Tit
- Nut Hatch
- Tree Creeper
- Magpie
- Jackdaw
- Carrion Crow
- Starling
- House Sparrow
- Chaffinch
- Goldfinch
- Greenfinch
- Siskin
- Reed Bunting

Thank you to WREN who kindly provided funds for the structure to be built together with the support from Abergele Town Council and Conwy County Borough Council.