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The community news paper for Carrog and Llanidart y Parc

So, we are into February already, January has gone, and Christmas is something that happened last year. January is a traditionally quiet month, which is why this month's edition is a slightly more "Compact" Bont, if the Times can do it then so can we. During January, villagers have had time to recover from the pressures of the previous months and to detox, (although a few haven't bothered with the detox bit).

The photographs this month are of Carrog several Januarys ago, but does any one know exactly how many? We don't see scenes like this anymore, is it a good or bad thing?

Looking forward to village life and "Y Bont" over the next few months, we can expect the trials and tribulations of lambing on the Llan and one of our editors will be dispatched to Murrayfield (under protest) to give a special report on the Wales V Scotland match in the Six Nations tournament. April to June will see coverage of the three peaks challenge, where village "elders" will take on a carefully selected team of Carrogites (you know who you are). This will bring us neatly into July and the Llangollen Eisteddfod, no Bretons this year unfortunately, but we will be graced with the presence of a dance group from the Isle of Man. Apparently they don't have bagpipes, which will please some members of the community! Finally we are looking forward to the sacks full of letters that you are going to send us this year so that we can publish bumper Bonts! Please keep your eye on the diary and try and support at least some of the events that are happening in and around the village, after all, this is what makes us a community.

TSUNAMI APPEAL - LOCAL TALENT EVENING FRIDAY 4th MARCH - WE NEED YOU!

To either help in showing off your own talent and there is plenty here of all ages! Or in helping to organise a local talent evening to help sponsor a village and school in the worst hit areas chosen by the children of Ysgol Carrog.

If you have no talent or hide your light under a bushel or cannot assist directly please attend and lend your support.

This method of fundraising was chosen as it allows the Village to target funds raised to a specific village and school. If we were to be become part of a larger fundraising effort this would not be possible and we hope that there will be longer term benefits involving both communities. Prospective participants should contact either Ysgol Carrog, e-mail ybont@deevalley.com, or telephone the editors.

Cheques for £50 have so far been received - if you want to make a donation please make cheques payable to "Y Bont", marked on the back Tsunami Appeal and give your cheques or cash to any of the editors, Janice Sheasby or Alan Dolben.

St. DAVIDS PUBLIC MEETING

There is a continuing lack of information regarding any proposals for a change of use at St. Davids and following the article in last month's "Y Bont" there have been numerous requests for a public meeting to be held regarding the issue. The Community Council are therefore to be asked to formally convene a public meeting to which Mental Health Care UK Ltd will be requested to attend along with Denbighshire County Council and our County Councillor. Notification of the meeting will be issued shortly.





CYMDEITHAS CARROG

All society members wish to thank everyone who contributed towards our annual carol singing around the village this year, and many thanks to John and Jane at Riverdale for the welcoming refreshments. We collected £120 towards Hope House. Thank you all very much.

CYMDEITHAS CARROG
A night to celebrate St. David in the company of
"MEIBION LLYWARCH"
Saturday 26th February at 7.30 pm
at the Neuadd Carrog
Entrance £8 including supper.
Telephone 01490 430324 for reservation.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Phil and Jenny Jones on becoming grandparents on Tuesday 18th January.

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To Mathew Jones for successfully completing NVQ Level 2 in Bar and Drinks Service

### PLANNING SURGERY

Anybody seeking advice on local planning matters can attend a Planning Surgery which is to be held at the One Stop Shop and Library in Corwen on the following dates:

10th February 2005 - 10.00 am to 1.00 pm

24th February 2005 - 10.00 am to 1.00 pm

### GROUSE POOL TEAM

The team have had a very consistent start to the year, losing against the Bridgend (5 - 2), The Bull (4 - 3) and The Ponsonby (5 - 2).

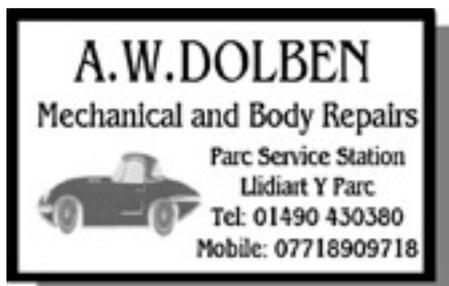
### SNOOKER

Llandrillo A- 6 v Carrog - 0.

### 100 CLUB

1st Prize - David Taylor - £20

2nd Prize - Paul Fisher (again) - £10



### DIARY

26th February St Davids Day evening at Neuadd Carrog - details in "Y Bont".

8th February - Tuesday 9.30 am to 11.00 am - Coffee Morning at Mrs R.D. Jones.

4th March Local Talent Evening in Neuadd - details in "Y Bont".

AND don't forget:

Every Thursday Tai Chi at 7.00 pm..

Friday Childrens Dance Class at 4.30 pm and at 7.30 pm Youth Club.

Church Services - times are displayed on the board outside the Church and in the Grouse.

### YSGOL CARROG

The older children enjoyed a play, "Why did the chicken cross the road", performed in Neuadd Carrog for Ysgol Carrog, Ysgol Glyndyfrdwy and Ysgol Llantisilio pupils.

Clwb yr Urdd is meeting after school every Thursday and is an excellent opportunity for the children to participate in Welsh games and songs.

All the junior children took part in the inter-school cross country at Ysgol Dinas Bran.

As part of the Goya exhibition at the Corwen Gallery the pupils attended a story workshop with Fiona Collins using the art work on show.

### NEUADD CARROG

Just a reminder that the Neuadd is available to residents of Carrog/Parc for private functions at the very reasonable rate of £25 per evening, or £10 morning or afternoon. Special rates are available for Corwen or Glyndyfrdwy residents, and organisations from outside Carrog/Parc.

Contact the Booking Secretary on 430644 for further information. Organisations/Societies based within Carrog/Parc are of course free of charge.

### **THE 3 PEAKS CHALLENGE. 2005.**

Following a meeting in the Grouse on 16th January, it was agreed that the event would go ahead, starting 11am on Friday 10th June at the foot of Snowdon, with the target finishing time of 9 am on Saturday, at the foot of Ben Nevis.

The `Carrogites` have agreed to join the `Record holders` in the challenge, with the main objective being to better the previous time of 22 hours 13 min.

Both teams will be made up of 4 walkers. There will be 4 vehicles used and a back up team of 8 drivers.

Some members of both teams have decided to attempt to raise money, via sponsorship, for the same charity as on the previous event, Hope House Children's Hospice. This is a home for terminally ill children, based in Oswestry. An extremely worthwhile, local charity.

### **WELLIES AND WHEELBARROWS**

As it was dry last Friday I took the opportunity to spread some muck in an attempt to prevent my muck heap from spreading onto the road. I must explain that my muck spreader is an old land device Salopian which I bodged together from two old spreaders that I bought from Keith Penarth for the princely sum of twenty quid. Having taken out a few loads without any hitches I was starting to congratulate myself on my shrewd investment and was full of confidence in 1950s technology. It was during this rare moment of self belief when everything went wrong. The bed chain snapped and I was stuck with a muck spreader that would not spread. Believe me, there is nothing more humiliating than standing in your muck spreader in the middle of a field with a muck fork emptying it by hand.

Mr. Woodhall (the vet) came to check the cows were in calf earlier in the week. As the results weren't too promising on his last visit I was somewhat worried. As it turned out there was no problem all the cows proved to be from 4 - 6 months pregnant. The following day I had a bovine inspection by the Ministry. This involved checking every animals ear tags and all the cattle movement records. This again went OK, apart from the fact that every cow seemed to take great pleasure from standing on my feet or crushing me against the stalls. With my usual impeccable timing I started laying a hedge just as the 70 mph gales hit Wales. A battle of wills ensued between myself and mother nature and although it was a close run thing I gave up and waited 'til the wind dropped to carry on.

Hedge laying is a job that I enjoy but don't get much opportunity to do, so it takes me a while to get into the swing of things. The first stretch I laid is a bit dodgy to say the least, which is a pity really as it's visible from the Morfydd. The last stretch, however, looks good even if I do say so myself. Unfortunately that's out of site at the bottom of Cae Pwll so you'll just have to take my word for it.

Gareth Llan

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### **NEW TEAM MEMBER**

We are very grateful to Gwen Evans from Ruthin who has very kindly agreed to share the task of translating with Sue Jones. Gwen is a professional translator but gives her services free of charge to "Y Bont".

### **PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE APPLICATION**

I, D. C. Roberts, give notice that I have applied to Denbighshire County Council for the Renewal of a Public Entertainment Licence in respect of CARROG VILLAGE HALL, Carrog, Corwen Denbighshire LL21 9AW between the Hours of 7 pm to 11.45 pm Monday to Saturday. Any persons wishing to make representations regarding this application must do so in writing to the Head of Planning and Public Protection Services, Licensing Section, Denbighshire County Council, Wynnstay Road, Ruthin, Denbighshire, LL15 1YN within 14 Days of the appearance of this notice.