



The community news paper for Carrog and Lidiart y Parc

We hope this month we are back on track with monthly newspapers but Summer is always a busy time and it may well be the July/August edition will remain a combined one for the future.

Graham Hindley has been working extremely hard on the "Y Bont" website and we have an article about it in this months edition. Various ideas have been put forward as regards its use to benefit the community, so please read the article and put forward any ideas of your own.

Could the editors also remind everybody that this is a free voluntary paper, and firstly to keep going we need your support at the Bash on 17th September so please attend, secondly, we do not have the time to seek out stories and articles - if you want something published you need to submit it, our telepathic abilities are somewhat limited so if we do not know about something it will not appear. As busy people we also have to remember many other things, so a casual verbal mention will not necessarily result in something appearing - if you think it is important please give it to us in writing or in a specific 'phone call.

CARROG - PLOUYÉ TWINNING VISIT

There is now a Carrog in Brittany - "Place de Carrog" to be precise, which was officially inaugurated and named on the last weekend in August. The occasion was the visit of seventeen of us to Plouyé, where our hosts have created an permanent amenity area in the centre of their village, the centrepiece of which is a large "menhir" or standing stone which now bears a Welsh slate plaque commemorating the occasion. A full report on the visit will be printed in next month's issue.

Our photograph shows from left to right: Ian Lebbon - organiser of the visit, Rhys Webb who presented the plaque on behalf of Carrog, Marcel Le Guern - Mayor of Plouyé and Marc Parayre - Chairman of the Plouyé Twinning Committee.



OBITUARIES

It is with great sadness we report the deaths of two well-loved local people, both born in Carrog: Grenville Teague who died on 2nd August aged 77 years and whose outstanding and long service to the community is well known. Doris Jones who died on 30th July at the age of 69 years who also contributed a great deal to community life. They will both be sadly missed.

ST. DAVIDS

From 22nd August 2005 the responsibility for approving and inspecting private hospitals will transfer from Care Standards Inspectorate Wales to the Health Care Inspectorate for Wales. Community Councillor David Jones will be ensuring that they are aware of our concerns concerning St. Davids.

CONGRATULATIONS

National newspapers seem to argue about whether exams are easier or harder than they used to be. We don't! "Y Bont" offers sincerest congratulations to all those young people from our community who have been successful in school or college examinations and are now about to embark on further levels of education or start work. We should all be immensely proud of their efforts and wish them well for the future.

"Y BONT" BASH

SATURDAY 17TH. SEPTEMBER

How about a cheap night out in the village with friends before autumn sets in? To top up our meagre funds we have booked "Tonic" to entertain you all and will be providing refreshments and a late bar. We also intend to use the occasion to present the Three Peaks Challenge sponsor monies to Hope House, our nominated charity. Please support your free local newspaper on the 17th. September!

WAR MEMORIAL

Arrangements had been made to renovate and re-gild the memorial. The Contractor has apologised that, due to unforeseen circumstances, this will not now be undertaken before 2006.

VILLAGE HALL LOTTERY

July Winners

1st Prize - Mrs. R. D. Jones - £20

2nd Prize - Mrs. R. Tinniswood



UPDATE ON “Y BONT” WEBSITE

Visit the site at www.ybont.co.uk.

The site is coming along, slowly. We always wanted to put the printed issues on the web in a format which retains all the layout, advertisements, formatting, photographs, etc. This has been achieved using PDF files which are, however, much larger than other types of file used on the internet such as HTML. For those without ‘broadband’ connections it can take up to five minutes to download a PDF file, so it was decided to post all articles for each issue in HTML format as well. This means people can read all, or individual articles, which will download to their computer far more quickly, even on a ‘dial-up’ connection.

There is considerable work and time involved in preparing the files as well as creating the menu and site map each time an issue is posted on the site. Currently Issues 1 – 12 (October 2003 – September 2004) and Issues 21 and 22 (June 2005 and July/August 2005) have been posted.

Presently the web site is an archive site for the editions of the paper, however, it has been suggested the site could be used to promote the village and surrounding area and those who live, work and have businesses here. This would make it a ‘live’ site of interest and benefit to the whole community.

One suggestion is to promote other websites from Carrog and Parc by providing ‘links’ to them through the “Y Bont” site and that web site providing a reciprocal link. If you have a web site and are interested in this idea please get in touch. A one-line résumé of the site should be included for the link.

It has further been suggested “Y Bont” should also provide web space, at a small charge, for those who do not have a site of their own, or would like to simplify their present arrangements. Again, if you are interested please contact us directly.

Any other suggestions as to how to make best use of the site for the benefit of the community would be welcome. Please make any such suggestions as soon as possible to Ian Lebbon, Colin Roberts or Paul Fisher, (telephone numbers appear in every edition) or directly to the webmaster Graham Hindley. We cannot promise to use every suggestion but we do promise to examine them all seriously.

PICTURE COMPETITION

Valmai Webb was the winner of the photo competition - being the first to name those pictured as left to right: David Nelson Jones, Tan Llan; Bob Bryan, Llan Farm; Idris Williams, Carrog Isa; Grenville Teague, Maes y Waen and Trevor (Esso) Jones, Dolwar. Valmai kindly donated the £5 prize to “Y Bont”.



This is the Sunday School in 1982 - do you recognise the people in the photograph? Here are some clues (all of which have been in “Y Bont”) - the two girls on the left are sisters and one was married last year and one this year. The next little girl on the left recently made her parents grandparents again. The handsome young man has a problem these days with the time it takes to climb mountains and next left is his sister. The other two young ladies have left the Village. The Sunday School teacher is Mrs Scott.



SUMMER FAYRE

The Summer Fayre raised £549.65p this year. The sum of £950 was distributed between the following organisations within the village:

Village Hall £250.00
"Y Bont" £200.00
Over 60's £100.00
Church £100.00
Baptist Chapel £ 50.00
Methodist Chapel £ 50.00
School £ 50.00
Youth Club £ 50.00
Snooker Club £ 50.00
Eisteddfod £ 50.00

The Summer Fayre committee would like to thank everyone for their help and support. Nia Roberts, Chairperson

This is Nia's last year on the Carnival committee and we should like to thank her for her hard work and dedication in organising the Summer Fayre/Carnival over the last few years. The event has been highly successful at raising money for organisations within our community and giving them much needed financial assistance.

CARROG SCHOOL

A warm welcome to Sam, Maddie, Frances, Osian, Joe, Maisie, Megan and Max who are now in school full-time and to Eimear in the Nursery. We hope that the nine pupils who left at the end of the Summer Term are settling in to their new Secondary schools.

The 'After School Club' is looking for an assistant to work from 3.15 until 5.15 on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. The job can be shared if anyone is interested in working for one or two afternoons. Please contact the school on 01490 430262.

DIARY

Flower Arranging on Thursday 22nd Sept @ 7.00pm in the Village Hall. Tickets £4.00. Proceeds Carrog Church.

"Y BONT" Bash Saturday 17th September 8.00pm at Neuadd Tickets £4

HARVEST SUPPER Saturday September 24th at 7.30pm. Music and singing with 'Triglwm' Tickets £8 in aid of the Urdd Appeal.

ONGOING AND FUTURE EVENTS

Monday mornings 9.15 – 11.00 Cylch Ti a Fi, Carrog (Mother and Toddlers)

Tuesday and Thursday mornings 9.00 - 12.00 Post Office
Every other Thursday from 8 September 14.00 – 16.00
Over 60's Club

Thursday evenings 19.00 – 21.00 Tai Chi

Friday evenings 19.00 – 21.00 Youth Club

Friday 7 October Regional Welsh Assembly Meeting

Wednesday 12 October 19.00 – 21.00 Corwen W. I.

Tuesday 25 October 19.30 – 21.00 Edeyrnion Historical Society

Wednesday afternoon 26 October Baptist Chapel (check with Lil Powell)

Monday 7 November 19.00 – 21.00 Village Hall Committee Meeting

Saturday 12 November 1940's evening

Monday evening 14 November Corwen Healthy Living Talk and Roadshow

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Dear Editor,

We want to say a big 'thank-you' to everyone in Carrog for making us feel so welcome.

This is such a special place and we are very happy to be here. Does the novelty ever wear off?

We fear we may soon gain a reputation as 'weirdos' as we are forever standing in night attire at ridiculous hours taking in the stunning views, heron spotting, etc.

Kind regards to all.

Mike and Sue Lawley.

Bryn Afon.

Contributions to "Y Bont" may be made by telephoning the editors on 430625, 430558, 430309 or by e-mail to editor@ybont.dee valley.com

THREE PEAKS CHALLENGE

Captains Log stardate 10.06.2005 1245 hrs

The Voyage continues.....

The opposing teams' expedition crew emerged from the blaze of sunshine emanating from summit station Wyddfa, and in a flash were gone in a blaze of high carbon, oil and rubber emissions. Their fleet was far more nimble than the Millennium Falcon and the Cargo vessel Mercedes, their pilots younger but could they match the experience of the mission veterans?

A drone was despatched from the Millennium Falcon to search for its explorers, and returned without making contact. The ground crew had retired to take on nourishment (2 had retired full stop). Base station Wyddfa did not have protein pills or high-energy carbohydrates, so a cup of PG and a biccy was the closest acceptable substitute. The drone was despatched a second time no contact. A third time - at last - Contact at 1330 hrs!

The Millennium Falcon crew swapped driver for navigator, now Navigator Roberts JR was in charge of the ol' girl. The explorers were loaded, full thrust applied to the forward transmission and away. Almost immediately Nav. Roberts JR applied full hydraulic pressure to stop forward movement to avoid flattening an aged explorer from another system, who had considered it prudent to stand along side his ship, (Hired from Saga Holidays) and was contemplating an expedition to the watering station.

The Millennium Falcon raised a loud alarm, the expedition crew ejected questionable expletives out of the open ventilation hatches, the obstruction cleared. Forward thrust applied and away, warp factor 70. Capt. Fisher followed on with the cargo vessel Mercedes, but was soon lost, as the Millennium Falcon was a nimble beast at this point in time. Visual contact was re-established and away again.

Explorer Lebbon made contact with the navigator of the Falcon, to warn of spies in the sky and that the warp factor of the Falcon could be too high. Under protest, Nav Roberts JR released the pressure on the forward thrusters. The crew of Cargo vessel Mercedes chuckled as they sailed past the Falcon.

Dodging and weaving for 2.5 hours on the interpeak highway lead to a change in cabin crew for the Falcon, as Capt. Lee needed to take charge of his beloved Falcon over the most treacherous leg of the mission. Teeth marks in the upholstery of the Falcon led Nav Roberts JR to think that maybe his piloting skills left a great deal to be desired, and that his challenge to a female Land Rover driver may have proved too much for the crew.

Capt. Lee skilfully approached base station Pike over the vertical single-track highway with the cargo vessel Mercedes close behind. The nimble Falcon ascended the vertical challenge with ease. Meanwhile the vessel Mercedes had to deploy touchy feely tactics as the vessel was wider than the highway. The crew of the Falcon chuckled heartily as Capt. Fisher muttered and protested his way up the mini peak, trying his best not to ground the vessel or drop it into the valley bellow.

Capt. Lee asked his navigator, "Left thrust?" - "No Captain, maintain forward thrust", was the answer. The

Cargo vessel Mercedes followed precariously, senior Navigator Sheasby was disagreeing with Nav Roberts' decision. Unbeknown to Nav Sheasby, Nav Roberts had the situation in hand and was looking for a left turning after a Cow land mark..... No Cow, secretly, Nav Roberts was beginning to doubt his own decision but carried on. The Explorers began to question Nav Roberts' decisions and demanded to know how the decision to follow this route was taken. Nav Roberts explained reluctantly that he was looking for a Cow. Several expletives later and a chuckle or 3, Nav Roberts took Nav Sheasby's advice and instructed his captain to rotate the Falcon through 180 degrees and take the left which is now right. Nav Roberts fell silent for the remainder of this leg of the mission, afraid of ridicule and reprisal.

Both the Millennium Falcon and the Cargo Vessel Mercedes deployed their explorers at base camp Pike, One of the oppositions fleet was strategically placed at base camp pike ready for a quick get away. The other, apparently, was in a ditch.

The veteran crew had a plan more cunning they thought than the opposition. The Falcon and the cargo vessel set off around the mountain to collect the explorers from the other side a quicker route to base station Nevis, ... they thought....

To be continued...

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The community news paper for CARROG and LLDIART y PARC

Benefit Bash

8.00pm Saturday
17th September

Neuadd Carrog Village Hall

Entertainment by

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Entrance £4

(Children accompanied by parent or guardian -Free)

Including Supper

Tickets from The Grouse or Post Office Glyndyfrdwy