

Llansilin Newsletter



CHRONICLE OF CYNLLAITH A TRIUMPH



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Times of Worship



Llansilin Parish Church

1st Sunday	Holy Communion in English	10.00am
2nd "	Matins	10.00am
3rd "	Holy Communion in English	8.30am
4th "	Holy Communion in Welsh	9.00am
	Evensong	6.30pm
5th "	Family Service	10.00am

Llangadwaladr Church

2nd Sunday	Holy Communion	2.30pm
4th "	Matins	2.30pm

Rhiwlas Mission Church

1st Sunday	Holy Communion	2.30pm
3rd "	Matins	2.30pm

Llangedwyn Church

1st Sunday	Evensong	6.30pm
2nd "	Holy Communion	8.30am
3rd "	Family Service	10.30am
4th "	Holy Communion	10.30am
5th "	Holy Communion	8.30am

Please contact the vicar to arrange home communion, visiting or special services

Gofalaeth Bro Llansilin a'r Cylch

Medi

4	Parch Stanton Evans	Rhiwlas	2.00pm
	Pererindod (i'wq drefnu)		
11	Parch Ifan P Lewis *	Llansilin	2.00pm
18	Miss Rhoswen Charles	Cefnfanol	2.00pm
25	Mr John Rosser	Rhiwlas	2.00pm

Hyd

2	Parch Stanton Evans (C)	Llansilin	6.30pm
	Diolchgarwch yr Ifanc		
9	Mr C Hywel Evans	Cefnfanol	2.00pm
16	Parch Gwilym O Jones *	Rhiwlas	2.00pm
23	Mr Thomas Morris	Llansilin	10.00am
30	Parch John Curig Thomas	Cefnfanol	2.00pm

Tach

6	Parch Stanton Evans (C)	Rhiwlas	10.00am
13	Parch E Elfyn Richards	Llansilin	2.00pm
20	Mr Moelwyn Jones	Cefnfanol	2.00pm
27	Parch Ddr Elfed ap Nefydd Roberts	Rhiwlas	2.00pm

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Gweinidog

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Ringing practice on Wednesdays at 7.30 pm

Churchyard grass cutting:

April to October every Thursday at 6 pm

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Llangadwaladr Church

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THE VICAR'S VALEDICTION

"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you."

I can't think of any words more appropriate than Paul's greeting to the Christians in Philippi with which to begin this, one of the most difficult letters which I have ever had to write. Of course, not all the memories are happy: looking back I can see all too clearly the opportunities which I let slip, the nettles which I failed to grasp and the times when I knew that I had let someone down. But seldom, or never, did you let me down: the warmth, kindness, understanding and generosity of the people of Bro Cynllaith, not to mention your capacity for sheer hard work, have encouraged and supported me during this last quarter-century.

And how much we have been able to achieve together! I have only space to mention a few of the highlights: the major roof repairs which closed the church for months, the flower festivals, "Dechrau Conu, Dechrau Canmol", the new kneelers, the schoolchildren's "wedding", the restoration of the bells, the pageant only a few weeks ago, and the planning and building of the parish room, still ongoing as I write.

There have been changes too: church and chapel have drawn closer together and women have been admitted to the priesthood – a reform overwhelmingly endorsed by the PCC after a memorable debate. And the congregation has seen its changes. Nowadays, when I walk past the lowest ranks of gravestones in the churchyard, most of the names bring faces to mind – well-loved faces some of them, and others all too young. And a generation has grown up who can remember no other vicar.

When I came here, after a time of anxiety and insecurity when I could never see the future more than a few months ahead, I resolved to stay until I was baptising the children of the children I was baptising then, an ambition which I fulfilled in July when little Llion Jones played a central role at a moving reunion of many of those children, his father among them.

So now, it's time for me to go – though only as far as my "bolt-hole" in the hills. High time, as my cracking joints remind me. I am very sorry that the financial and pastoral crisis in the Church in Wales means that I will probably be the last vicar to live in Llansilin, but the vicarage is to be retained, hopefully to be occupied by a priest on a "house for duty" basis. You may well find yourselves pastorally better off than now, while the officers and PCC are more than capable of running the parish administration and planning imaginative new developments to make the most of the altered church layout and parish room.

As we sang at the end of the pageant, the future's in your hands – and in God's hands too. When I knew that I was coming here, I celebrated with a cup of tea in the old Coach and Dogs café in Oswestry and I was intrigued by the Welsh words carved on an old oak bedhead fixed to the wall: "Wrth Orwedd ac Wrth Godi, Bydded Duw yn Nefod". I still have them copied out and framed above my own bed, and with those same words I bid you goodbye (which means "God be with you"):

"As you lie down, and as you rise, may God be in Heaven", and may God's blessing rest on this little patch of Heaven on Earth.

Kit Carter

DIARY DATES

Reminder for August

27 Local sheepdog trials, pet dog show 2 pm
Karaoke party night, 8 pm, Wynnstay Inn

29 Open sheepdog trials and village show

September

3 Church gate produce sale 10 am to 12 noon

24 Deanery meeting at Llanwyddyn 9.30 am

24 Grand concert, Memorial Hall 7.30 pm

25 Evensong - the vicar's final service, 6.30 pm

October

1 Church gate produce sale 10 am to 12 noon

9 Harvest service 10.30 am at St Slin's
Harvest lunch in village hall 12 pm

29 Consecration of Parish Room by Bishop John

November

5 Church gate produce sale 10 am to 12 noon

13 Remembrance Day

Looking forward to December

2 Llansilin Plygain 7.30 pm

Final church produce sale in the Parish Room
(details on posters)

Flower and Cleaning Rota at St Silin's

September

4 & 11 Lynnette Moss and Margaret Lloyd

18 & 25 Janet Davies

(25th joint decorate for vicar's last service)

October

2 & 9 Deborah Hill-Trevor

(9th joint decorate for Harvest Festival)

16 & 23 Dot Renshaw and Christine Williams

30 Mary Morris

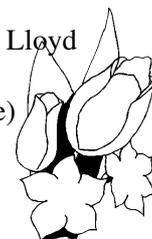
November

6 & 13 Mary Cunnah and Val Talbot

20 & 27 Esther Milner and Eileen Bignall

(27th Advent - no altar flowers; arrangement in porch.

Joint clean for Christmas)



BIDDING FAREWELL TO THE VICAR

THE VICAR'S SPECIAL SUPPER PARTY



To mark the forthcoming retirement of our Vicar, the Reverend C F Carter, a supper party was held in the Memorial Hall on 27 May. The entrance and main hall, as well as the tables, were suitably decorated to depict the interests of the chief guest. A large number of deanery clergy, church members and friends sat down to an excellent meal. The Reverend R Hughes of Llanrhaeadr conducted the proceedings, punctuating them with many amusing anecdotes. Grace was said by the Archdeacon of Montgomery, the Venerable J Thelwell, who paid tribute to the Vicar for his 25 years of ministry in Llansilin and for the time he had spent as Rural Dean. Tributes then came thick and fast from his colleagues: the Reverend M Bennett of Llansantffraid, the Reverend M Balkwill of Llanfyllin and from Canon L Rogers, now retired from Llansantffraid, who sang "Come and join us" as his first piece of advice to the vicar on contemplating his retirement.

Entertainment was provided by members of the Tanat Theatre, demonstrating the contribution made by Kit over the years and making us all laugh at the many occasions on which he had inadvertently re-arranged the scenery or props! The highlight was when Kit himself took to the stage, obviously in his element.

Special and sincere thanks were given to everyone by the Vicar, clearly delighted and overwhelmed by his super "send-off". The evening concluded with Mrs Esther Milner at the piano and everyone heartily singing both the Welsh and English national anthems.

Thank you to everyone who helped in so many ways – too numerous to mention, but you know who you are! Finally, thank you to everyone who came and supported this very special event.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

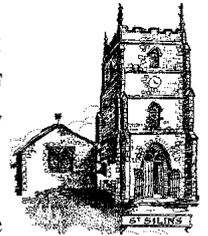
A service of thanksgiving for the Vicar's 25 years ministry in Llansilin was held on the following Sunday afternoon, to a large congregation, with the clergy of the Deanery present. The Reverend M Bennett of Llansantffraid conducted the service, the lessons were read by the Reverend E Yendell of Llanwyddyn and the Reverend M Balkwill of Llanfyllin, the prayers were led by the Reverend J Davies of Llanrhaeadr and the sermon was preached by Canon L Rogers. The service commenced with the Reverend M Bennett welcoming everybody and, during the singing of the first hymn, the clergy processed around

the church, led by the Church Wardens, Esther Milner and Mary Morris, while Margaret Lloyd carried the processional cross.

All the hymns were specially chosen by the Vicar himself and Cor Llansilin sang 'The Lord's my Shepherd' to the tune of the Vicar of Dibley and 'St Patrick's Prayer' by John Rutter. The Reverend M Bennett gave the blessing and the congregation was entertained to refreshments at the end of the service.

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Would you have guessed that in 25 years as Vicar in Llansilin, the Rev C F Carter had baptised 87 to be new members of the Family of God?



As many of these as possible were invited to a special service of thanksgiving and renewal of baptismal vows on 31 July. The church was full of the families and friends of the 35 who were able to attend. The service was made even more memorable by the baptism of Michael Llion Arwyn, son of Anthony and Bethan Jones (formerly of Derwendeg, Llansilin and Pentre Felin, Llangedwyn respectively), thus bringing the Vicar's total to 88. Anthony was himself baptised by the vicar years ago, as were Stephen Sockett, Moeliwch, and Tom Williams, Fron, who took the collection with Church Wardens, Esther Milner and Mary Morris.

THE PARISH ROOM

Readers will have seen the steady progress on the new extension at St Silin's, which we have decided should be known as "The Parish Room". At the time of writing, we are hoping for completion some time in September and the official opening by the Bishop of St Asaph has been arranged for 2 pm on Saturday, 29 October.

On the financial front we have mainly good news, though the heating system will cost us significantly more than the original budget. However, this has been compensated by some further donations and by the excellent performance of the Grand Draw, Promises Auction and the Pageant, which means that we now seem to have reached our minimum target and can make a quiet start to re-building the contingency budget, which was heavily raided to cover the heating costs.

Once again, many thanks to all who have supported us directly and also through the Draw, Auction and Pageant.



THE CHRONICLE OF CYNLLAITH



During the weekend of 2 and 3 July more than 500 people attended St. Silin's church to see the 'Chronicle of Cynllaith'. Their comments as they left were music to the ears of all those involved.

Following a small inaugural meeting before Christmas to consider the feasibility of staging a village pageant, the brain-child of People's Warden, Mary Morris, an open meeting was held in January. Sub-committees to cover all aspects of the production were set up and a team of researchers and script-writers, led by the Vicar, set to work. A technical team looked into possibilities for providing suitable lighting and staging, taking into account that the church is a Grade I listed building. A wardrobe department researched appropriate costumes for the many different ages of the suggested scenes and the front-of-house team tried to anticipate what would be required. Grants were applied for to help finance the project.

Once sufficient script was available the director, Gaynor Richfield of the Tanat Theatre, started rehearsals. It had become clear that a sizeable number of actors would be required to cover the large list of characters and numerous persuading, pleading and arm-twisting 'phone calls were made until, with the support of members of the Tanat Theatre, all the roles were filled.



As weeks went by the village became a hive of industry. Numerous costumes were made or borrowed; diverse props produced; impressive special-effects created and sound-effects acquired; tickets printed; an eye-catching programme-cover was designed, posters and sign-boards were put up and hundreds of flyers were distributed. The church was transformed into a theatre with large areas of staging, a lifting backcloth and stage-lighting. Finally, a marquee was erected in front of the porch for ticket sales, refreshments etc.. Throughout all this time, actors and singers were hard at work rehearsing.

There was great relief when it was discovered, just hours before the first performance, that two doves, which had decided to roost on the beams above the north aisle, threatening to soil the costumes, props and the audience, had finally left. Tickets sales, which had been somewhat slow at first, improved dramatically and Sunday evening was a complete sell out.

The performances were opened with a special banner, made by Llansilin C.R.A.F.T. Group, being paraded

through the church. St. Silin (played by the Vicar, who later assumed the roles of the Bishop of St. Asaph around the year 1200, Kyffin in the early 16th century and, finally, himself) entered and described in a work-song, which was updated several times during the performance, the building of the first wooden church in Llansilin. The audience learned how this was replaced by one of stone on the orders of Einion Efel; burnt to the ground (cleverly portrayed with mock flames, smoke and sound effects) by Prince Hal; rebuilt circa 1500; before it came under noisy musket-fire and was ransacked by the Roundheads. It was finally restored by David Davies in 1890.

As well as following the history of the church, the scenes, all carefully researched but with a dash of artistic licence, brought to life many other local events and characters. These included poets such as Iolo Goch and George Borrow, courtships and scandals, disputes between Welsh and English law, and sound effects of a war-time bomber crashing into Bwlch-y-Rhiw. The dialogue was interspersed and enhanced with accomplished singing, harp-playing and dancing. The final scenes brought us to the present day with the restoration of the bells and lively singing and dancing by the primary school children, accompanied by guitar and drums. The final member of the cast to appear on stage was Oliver Morris, born this year, who heralded the future.

As the performances progressed an initial feeling of relief that everything had gone smoothly turned into euphoria as successive audiences were over-whelmingly complimentary. For a new team, working together for the first time, it had proved to be a very challenging project but extremely worth-while. **Thank you all.**

PS Thanks to the hard work of everyone involved with the production, the proceeds came to £2700 and it has been agreed to donate £1000, in varying amounts, to the following causes: Pennant Melangyll Foundation, Severn Hospice, Gweinidogaeth Bro Llansilin Chapels, Owain Glyndwr Sign Fund, Friends of Llansilin Fountain, Ysgol Bro Cynllaith, Cor Llansilin, PALS (Llansilin Drama Group), St Silin's Overseas Mission (Niger Appeal) and Hope House Hospice. The remainder will go to the Church Redevelopment Fund, as originally planned.

There will be a display of photographs in the Church over the weekend of the village show.

LLANSILIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

At the Annual General Meeting held on 10 May Cllr D W Davies was appointed chairman and Cllr E T Jones vice-chairman. The retiring chairman, Cllr Mrs M Evans, was thanked for the diligent manner in which she had discharged her duties and she, in turn, thanked members for their support. Everyone signed a "Get well" card to Cllr E O Evans.

CADW had indicated that they had a 5-year management agreement with the occupier of the land at Sycharth to improve the condition of the mound and allow access at reasonable times. They would also endeavour to persuade the highway authority to provide direction signs. The liaison meetings between Powys CC officers and representatives of town and community councils had been very well attended and were most interesting and informative. Further discussion took place on the public conveniences (see the July report below). The service level agreement between the county council and the community council on youth club funding had been signed.

The following planning applications were approved: extension at 11 Maesyllan, Llansilin; alterations and extension at Geufron, Llansilin; installation of septic tank at Tynywaen.

The chairman, vice-chairman and Cllr E O Evans were appointed to serve on the planning sub-committee. Cllrs Mrs Carol Foulkes and E O Evans were re-elected to the Youth Club committee.

A request to improve visibility at the cross roads south of Llansilin, accompanied by a signed petition, was supported. Other complaints included: damaged "30" mile sign near the White House; potholes by Rossett and on Tyncoed road; broken concrete gully near The Mount; active badger sett by Ffrydlyn. Communal litter bin near Cefn Canol chapel requested.

At the July meeting the clerk reported that improvements would be undertaken at the crossroads south of Llansilin and at Derwendeg, subject to the land owners' co-operation. Having previously agreed to assume responsibility for the Llansilin public conveniences, Cllr Carol Foulkes confirmed that she would undertake caretaking duties. Remuneration and hours were agreed. The draft agreement between the two authorities was received and Powys CC agreed to attend to the roof repairs. Members agreed to donate £25 to Hope House and to increase their funding of one issue of the Llansilin Newsletter to £75.

The following planning applications were approved: extensions in Llansilin at Cefn-y-Braich, Fron Lledrod and Tyndor and at Tyncelyn, Cefn Canol; resiting of dwelling at Tynllyn, Moelfre; 2 pairs of semi-detached dwellings at the Old Police Station, Llansilin; 4 houses and 2 bungalows at Bryn Dentyr, Llansilin; erection of overhead lines between Llansilin and Llanrhaeadr.

The clerk was asked to deal with the following: potholes near Rhiwlas village sign and Rhiwlas school; water on the road near Hafod and on road adjacent to Tynyfron and Tyncelyn; bend sign missing in Cefn Canol; unlicensed car on car park; request for Cefn Canol signs on approaches to village. Also to contact the local health authority to request an improvement in the Shrop Doc emergency medical service.

OUR INTREPID 80 YEAR OLDS TAKE TO THE SKIES

On a warm and balmy evening in June, Dorothy Bullard, Jessie Hanson, Norma Garment and Ned O'Connell took off in a hot-air balloon on one of their



many 80th birthday celebrations, soaring away over Llansilin to the cheers of the crowd below who had gathered to watch the launch. They were thrilled to recognise familiar sights that looked so different from up there – the patchwork of fields and hedges, wooded banks, the river Tanat like a stream and masses of sheep as small as maggots! They had a smooth landing in Meifod an hour later and their champagne glasses were soon being raised to "the next time!"

What it is to be 80! Just one adventure after another!

LLANSILIN YOUTH CLUB

Re-starts Thursday, 8 September

Everyone between 11 and 18 years old welcome

Llansilin Youth Club has received funding this year to the tune of £3628 by Awards for All Wales (Lottery). This has enabled their leaders to plan a wide and exciting programme of activities designed to build up skills and offer new experiences, while at the same time providing enjoyment to the youngsters taking part. .

Next term's activities include horse riding, first aid, go-karting, pottery, bowling, African drummers, T-shirt printing, swimming and body painting. Makes us wish we were young again!

This is the only youth club in the local area and is obviously a valuable asset for young people. Elena Jones (772477) has been youth leader since 1996 and Wendy Clough-Jones (791444) since 1998. Give them a ring if you'd like to know more.

YOUR LOCAL POST OFFICE

Are you going on holiday? If so, did you know you can get all your travel needs right here in Llansilin? Foreign currency, travellers' cheques, E111's and even a travel insurance quote. By the way, if you bank with Lloyds/TSB, Barclays, Alliance & Leicester, the Co-op Bank and others, we can save you a trip to town too by offering full banking facilities right here in the village.

Opening hours:
Tuesday 8.30 am to 2.30 pm
Thursday 8.30 am to 12.30 pm

NEUADD GOFFA LLANSILIN MEMORIAL HALL

GRAND CONCERT

**GAENOR and HOWARD ELLIS
and LLANSILIN MIXED CHOIR**

Saturday 24 September 2005 at 7.30 pm

Tickets £5 Children £3 (phone 791 346)

GOOD NEWS AT LLANGADWALADR

Much progress has been made during the summer at St Cadwaladr's Church. The whole building has been rewired and is now up to modern requirements and complies with insurance regulations. There is improved lighting inside and safety lighting outside. More importantly, those ancient bar heaters perched on the window sills have been replaced with high level quartz heaters. Winter services are going to be so much more comfortable.

Thank you to all those who have given support and encouragement. The visitors' book makes interesting reading – people do appreciate this rural idyll. For more information contact Vera Evans, Churchwarden (791471)

GWEINIDOGAETH BRO

Mis Mai, mis Neges Ewyllys Da Ieuenctid Cymru i'r Byd, ac eto eleni fe gafwyd gwasanaeth i gyd fynd a'r achlysur. Darllenwyd y Neges gan Gwenan Griffiths ac roedd chwech aelod ifanc arall yn cynorthwyo yn y gwasanaeth. Thema y gwasanaeth oedd, "Colli y Ffordd, Colli y Fflam a Cholli y Ffydd". Trefnwyd y gwasanaeth gan Y Parch Stanton Evans. Bu Gwyl Bregethu Capel Rhiwlas, Nos Wenwr, Mai 20fed. Y Parch John Owen BA. BD. Rhuthun oedd yn pregethu, ac fe gafwyd dwy bregeth fendithiol iawn. Roedd te bendigedig i bawb rhwng y ddau gyfarfod.

Roedd llawer o aelodau'r weinidogaeth yn rhan o basiant 'Cronicle Llansilin', ac wedi mwynhau pob munud o'r ymarfer a'r perfformio. Does dim ond canmol i'w glywed o bob cwr am y perfformiadau. Llongyfarchiadau i bawb.

Cymerwch ofal, mae'r Parch Stanton Evans yn medru eich gweld yn llawer gwell y dyddiau yma, ar ôl iddo fod am driniaeth tynnu cataract o'i ddwy lygaid. Da i'w deall ei fod nawr yn medru gyrru a bod y driniaeth wedi bod yn llwyddianus.

Ar hyn o bryd rydym yn meddwl ac yn gweddio dros Mr J.W.Jones, Plas Moelfre. Mae wedi bod yn anlwcus bod effaith yr anesthetig wedi effeithio arno cymaint. Hyderwn y daw gwellhad buan iddo nawr ac y gwelwn ef yn ein plith unwaith eto. Deallwn bod ei benglin yn dod yn ei blaen yn wych.

CÔR LLANSILIN CHOIR

If you will be scratching your head not knowing what to give someone as a Christmas present or otherwise, then what about a CD of Llansilin Choir? Members have been busy rehearsing the 20 selected songs (16 Welsh and 4 English), and it took two whole Saturdays at Bala to complete the recording. The CD. will be on sale before Christmas: look out for it.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Christian Aid Week proved a great success, with a total of £560 sent to help alleviate poverty in Mozambique. At the coffee evening guest speakers, Ron and Monica Jones spoke eloquently of their project in Uganda. The bilingual service in Bethania chapel was led by the Reverend C Carter, with church and chapel members taking part and a moving address by Tom Ellis of Llanyfyllin.

Secretary, Rhiannon Lewis and treasurer, John Jones, wish to thank everyone who helped and gave so generously for such a worthy cause.

THANK YOU TO CHURCHYARD VOLUNTEERS

As a regular visitor to my parents' grave, I feel I must congratulate the people responsible for the upkeep of the churchyard. It really is a credit to everyone involved. It is a pity my local church does not follow your example.

REVISION OF THE 2005 CHURCH IN WALES ELECTORAL ROLL

Recently, forms have been given out to all members on the 2003 Roll. Thank you to everyone who has completed and returned them. For the ones who haven't yet done so, we would be grateful if you could do this in the near future. Anyone who wishes to be added to the above Roll please contact the Church Wardens or collect a form from the church. Thank you very much.

STOP PRESS

The church gate stalls are again proving very popular, helping to raise funds for the day-to-day running costs of the church. Thank you to all those who run the stalls, contribute preserves, home baking, produce, plants, etc and also to all our loyal buyers who support us each month. We are very grateful to you all. Please enter the following dates in your diaries:

Saturday, 3 September

Saturday, 1 October

Saturday, 5 November

The final sale of the year will be a special one early in December in the new Parish Room. Look out for posters giving details.

AUTUMN NEWSLETTER SAVED

Our very grateful thanks to Sheila and Peter Wilks of the Post Office and to the Over 60's Club who have very kindly funded the autumn edition, which has no permanent sponsor. Unfortunately, our previous printer has now closed down and the cheapest quote we have been able to find for 300 copies is £75 – an increase of 25%.

Village Activities

and other useful bits of information



Bell Ringing (6 bells, 5-3-0): practice on Wednesdays at 7.30 pm

Bowls Club 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall on Mondays. Contact Ray Deney ☎ 791 434

Community Council meets every second Tuesday on alternate months 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall. Contact Harry Hughes ☎ 657 972

Cymdeithas Ddwylliadol Llansilin (Welsh Cultural and Literary Society) Mondays 7 - 9 pm September to April in the Memorial Hall. Contact Sarah James ☎ 791 346

Drawing and Painting for all at Rhiwlas Community Centre Tuesdays 10 am - 12 noon.

Garage Shop Monday to Friday 8.30 am - 6 pm
Saturday 8.30 am - 1 pm

Closed for lunch 1 - 2 pm

Llanfyllin Group Practice Patient Participation Group
Comments and questions regarding any aspect of medical care and practice to Rob Ellis ☎ 791 214

Llansilin Mixed Choir practice weekly in the Memorial Hall. Contact Henry Evans ☎ 791 410

Llansilin Playscheme for after-school activities in sport, drama, arts and crafts. Contact Sian on ☎ 791 371

Local History Society: contact Chris Burton ☎ 791 274

Meals on Wheels: contact Olive Jones ☎ 791 363

Memorial Hall and The Institute: Secretary and Booking Clerk Arthur James ☎ 791 346

Mobile Library: every other Monday at Llansilin Church at 1.30 pm, then Moelfre layby 2.40 pm, Llangadwaladr 3.15 pm, Rhiwlas 3.45 pm. ☎ 01938 553001

Mothers Union meets in the Institute every third Thursday at 2.15 pm. Contact Glenice Jones ☎ 791 296

Over 60's Club meets alternate Tuesdays at 2.30 pm in the Institute. Contact Sarah James ☎ 791 346

PALS (Llansilin Drama Group) meets most Tuesdays at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall. Contact Alison Beeston ☎ 791 262

Parochial Church Council Meeting: every second Tuesday monthly at 7 pm in Church

Playgroup in the Institute: Monday and Wednesday free education for over 3's 8.45 am to 11.45 am (over 2½ welcome for £3 a session). Ti a fi Monday 9.30 am to 11.30 am (£2.50). Contact Menna Ashley ☎ 791 517

Police	Welsh	0845 607 1001
	English	0845 607 1002

Post Office	Tuesday	8.30 am - 2.30 pm
	Thursday	8.30am - 12.30pm

Rhiwlas Community Centre: contact Will Thomas ☎ 680 451

Rhiwlas Gardening Club: every third Wednesday in the Community Centre at 7.30 pm. Contact Debbie Taylor ☎ 600 329

Rural Car Service for visiting the doctor, dentist, chiropodist, etc. Contact Christine Williams ☎ 791 563 between 8 and 9 am and 6 and 7 pm unless an emergency

Shopping/Mobility Bus every Friday £1 return, free to bus pass or token holders. Leaves Llansilin 11 am and returns from Oswestry at 1.15 pm. Suitable for wheelchair user. Contact Border Community Transport ☎ 01938 556 281

Whist drive every second Wednesday September to May, 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall. Contact Emyr Evans ☎ 791 240

Women's Institute: every second Friday at 7 pm in the Institute. Contact Tanya Jones ☎ 791 580

YFC: contact Richard Evans ☎ 600 228

Youth Club meets Thursdays 7 - 9.00 pm in the Hall. Contact Youth Leader, Elena Jones ☎ 780 315

Thank you to everyone who helps to keep this list up-to-date. Please carry on checking.