



chELMSFORD and DISTRICT WELSH SOCIETY

JULY NEWSLETTER CYLCHLYTHYR MIS GORFFENNAF 2020

A message from Liz Armishaw

What a strange year in the life of the Welsh Society. It started so well with excellent meetings and the Noson Lawen was wonderful! What talent we have in the Society. We held a very successful dinner with guest speaker Garry Owen who was very interesting. Charity coffee mornings were hosted by Marion and Brian Farmer and Buddug and Ray Rowland Frank and we held our annual Christmas tea. Thank you everyone who participated in or hosted an event. **We raised £1784 for The J's Hospice.**

Then came Lockdown. I feel sad that a third of my year as President failed to materialise but we've managed to rearrange the meetings and the Concert to Arthur's year. The visit to Llangollen sadly couldn't take place.

I'd like to thank the Committee for their hard work and support and wish Arthur Williams, our new President a happy and successful year.

I wish you all a safe summer.

Best wishes

Liz

A special '**Thank you**' to **Liz Armishaw** for a great year under her Presidency. We presented **Liz** with some flowers and a card on behalf of all the committee and society members to show our appreciation. **Thank you** also to all **committee members** for their continued support and hard work.

A message from our Society's new President, Arthur Williams

President Natter

On Monday, July 6th, we managed a first for the Chelmsford and District Welsh Society, the committee meeting was held in a barn at Radley Green Farm, courtesy of Don and Shirley Moody. We all sat in a big circle to maintain social distancing.

My first task as President was to discuss the programme for my year as President, and what effect Covid 19 would have on our future plans. It was unanimously decided, in view of the fact that all the predictions are of a second spike of the virus in the autumn, that **no meetings should take place until January 2021 at the earliest**. We all felt that this was the safest option.

Carys and I were very fortunate during the peak of the virus, our fantastic neighbour did all of our shopping, we did try to shop on line with less than happy results. We now venture out to get our own supplies, by visiting the shops at half past eight at night. We find the shops practically empty at that time.

The virus has not been very kind to my family, my cousin's husband, Ifan Williams died of the virus. You might remember my cousin, Betty Williams, she gave a talk to our Society of her life as an M.P. On a happier note another cousin of mine. Eluned Mathias, who is 94, and living on her own, caught the virus and thankfully she recovered. She made quite a splash in the local newspapers and on T.V. If you Google Eluned Mathias and you can see a recording, on BBC Wales, of her interview from her hospital bed.

With the help of the Committee we rearranged my planned programme. We can only hope that we will be able to start again in January. In the meantime stay safe and I wish you all the best of health.

Cofion cynnes

Arthur

- ‘**Penblwydd Hapus/Happy Birthday**’ to **Ivy Price** who will be celebrating a special birthday this month.
- Congratulations to **Ron and Pauline Lewins** who are celebrating their **Diamond Wedding anniversary** this month.
- Congratulations to **Liz and Jim Armishaw** who celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary recently.



We are all very sad to learn of the death of **Ron Jones**, who passed away at home on the 30th June after a long illness. Ron had been a member of the Chelmsford & District Welsh Society for 27 years and was President of the Society in the season 1999-2000.

Ron was the life and soul of meetings he attended, and for many years he was the stalwart caller of the raffle during the evenings, becoming known as ‘Ron the Raffle’. Ron particularly enjoyed the Noson Lawen evenings, where he loved to share many of his jokes.

We will all miss his infectious smile and happy demeanour.

We send our deep condolences to Jean and the family during this sad and difficult time.

Jean would like that thank everyone for their kind messages and cards.

Here is the latest update from Radley Green Farm:

An exhausted Bella, 11am, the day after attending the committee meeting at R.G.F.

She is a very social dog - loves meeting people and seems to find the conversation quite absorbing!

For the future- please can cake be on small napkins as I was unable to find a single crumb.....Big biscuits are best.

Cofion Cynnes Shirley



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QUIZ OF THE MONTH

Thank you to **Kay Bright** for organizing a fun quiz this month. The answers will be in next month's newsletter. If you can't wait until then, please feel free to contact Kay.

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Try out these puzzles. Answers next month. Pob lwc!

Example: 7 D in a W = 7 Days in a week.

1. 12 M in a Y

2. 7 C in a R

3. 2 Gof V by WS

4. 366 D in a LY

5. G and the 3 B

6. A C P is 22 Y L

7. 4 S on the F of N Z

8. The F P of W is 32 D F

9. L T M in H is 11 H, 5 M

10. The S is 310 M T

Thank you to **Sina Williams** for organising the quiz in the **June newsletter**. Here are the **answers**:

Cryptic cake questions. What cakes are these?

1. Difficult swimming stroke- **Answer Butterfly**
2. Play with this one in the playground as an alternative to conkers or skipping –**Answer Marbles**
3. Heated and angry-**Answer Hot Cross Bun**
4. Well-cooked disreputable lady from the Peak District –**Answer Bake well Tart**
5. Scottish City delight –**Answer Dundee**
6. Do you know the ____ man? – **Answer muffin**
7. Posh Parisian-**Answer French Fancy**
8. Heavenly messenger on several levels-**Answer Angel cake**
9. A European somersault – **Answer Swiss roll**
10. Not as hard as it sounds – **Answer Rock cake**
11. Perhaps a cup of cocoa for this young girl guide- **Answer Chocolate Brownies**
12. Common money with nuts – **Answer Doughnuts**

Thank you to everyone who have contributed to this month's newsletter. **We are looking for members to contribute to next month's newsletter.** Do you have any news or would you like to write about your own personal experience during lockdown? This could be happy, sad, funny or anything that you might be interested in sharing with the rest of our members. You could write in English or Welsh. Please feel free to contact me on gwenno.gllwyd@gmail.com **before the 5th August.** Diolch yn fawr.

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