

RADYR CHAIN



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Childminders Retire



Jayne and Steve with their dog Albus

For about thirty years Morganstown Childminders Jayne and Steve Adams were a familiar sight walking groups of children to and from Radyr and Bryn Deri Primary



Schools. With schools closed for the summer holidays, the couple who have three daughters of their own and minded over one hundred children at their home have now retired. They have even looked after children whose parents they had previously childminded. Along with their friend and fellow Childminder Helen Thomas, they ran a successful Toddlers Playgroup

for many years at Morganstown Village Hall. Lots of local children, their parents and other Childminders enjoyed going there. Long lasting friendships were made.

*Happy Retirement Jayne and Steve!
Enjoy your travels and walks with your dog, Albus!*

Robert W. Jones

Deputy Lord Mayor

Congratulations to one of our two County Councillors, Helen Lloyd Jones, on being appointed Deputy Lord Mayor. Helen follows in some distinguished company. Rod McKerlich and his wife Sue were Lord and Lady Mayoress for an extended period during the Covid pandemic, and Rod's predecessor, Marion Drake was also Lord Mayor.

Since taking over in late May Helen has been extremely busy, undertaking both her own duties and covering for the Lord Mayor who has been in hospital. One of Helen's highlights was when she inspected the Welsh Guards before they set off the gun salute on the King's official birthday, in Cardiff Castle.

The photograph shows her at the flag raising ceremony for the Independence Day of the Philippines.

Sadly we hear that our other County Councillor, Calum Davies, has been in hospital and we wish him a speedy recovery.



COMING EVENTS



N.B. Details of all coming events can be found in the Diary section of the website
Please check that they are going ahead
www.Radyr.org.uk

Thur 1 Aug **10:30 Probus Club of Cardiff West** CARDIFF CITY HOSPICE - This talk will be given by Katie Vaughan at the Radyr Golf Club. For more information please phone Geoff Foot on 07780 990 847. Coffee and tea at the start, plus lunch afterwards are all available. If you think you might like to join our Probus men's club, you are welcome to come along too. For more information please phone Geoff Foot on 07780 990 847.
radyr.org.uk/directory/probus-club-of-cardiff-west/

Sat 10 Aug **R & M Litter Pickers Group** Litter Pick Radyr Station Car Park 10am details from rmlitterpickers@gmail.com

Thur 5 Sept **10:30 Probus Club of Cardiff West** PUBS IN THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN. Sit back and enjoy this journey described by the author & broadcaster Graham Lovelock Edwards at Radyr Golf Club. For more info please phone Geoff Foot on 07780 990 847. Coffee and tea at the start, plus lunch afterwards are all available. If you think you might like to join our Probus men's club, you are welcome to come along too.
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Mon 9 Sept **19:30 Radyr & Morganstown W.I** Tonight's talk will be given by Benedict Pearce from "Maggie's" about the good work done by them. We meet at The Old Church Rooms, Park Road, old and new members will be welcomed.
radyr.org.uk/clubs/radyr-wi/

Wed 11 Sept **RCTS South Wales** OCR 7 for 7.30 "Welsh Narrow Gauge" Alan Williams; details from rctssw@gmail.com

Sat 14 Sept **R & M Litter Pickers Group** Litter Pick Radyr Hub 10am details from rmlitterpickers@gmail.com

Thur 3 Oct **10:30 Probus Club of Cardiff West** CARDIFF GEOLOGICAL HISTORY & LANDSCAPE. Will it be buried by houses? An illustrated talk by Andy Kendall at the Radyr Golf Club. For more information please phone Geoff Foot on 07780 990 847. Coffee and tea at the start, plus lunch afterwards are all available. If you think you might like to join our Probus men's club, you are welcome to come along too.
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Sat 6 Oct **R & M Litter Pickers Group** Litter Pick Morgantown Village Hall 10am details from rmlitterpickers@gmail.com

Wed 9 Oct **RCTS South Wales** OCR 7.00 for 7.30 "From West to East and Back Again" Steve Rickett

Mon 14 Oct **19:30 Radyr & Morganstown W.I** Tonight, Ian Ogden will be giving us a talk about the Royal British Legion. We meet at the Old Church Rooms, Park Road, old and new members will be welcomed.
radyr.org.uk/clubs/radyr-wi/

Thur 7 Nov **10:30 Probus Club of Cardiff West** CARDIFF IN WORLD WAR II. What was it like? Speaker Alan Thorn will be telling us this tale of heroism, at the Radyr Golf Club. For more information please phone Geoff Foot on 07780 990 847. Coffee and tea at the start, plus lunch afterwards are all available. If you think you might like to join our Probus men's club, you are welcome to come along too.
radyr.org.uk/directory/probus-club-of-cardiff-west/

Sun 10 Nov **10:45 Act of Remembrance - Radyr War Memorial.** The Parade and service starts with an outside service at the War Memorial in Heol Isaf attended by local groups, the laying of wreaths and ending at 11:00 with the Last Post. HEOL ISAF WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE DURATION OF THIS SERVICE. There will then be a service in Christ Church starting around 11:10. All welcome.

Mon 11 Nov **19:30 Radyr & Morganstown W.I** Tonight, Helen Lloyd Jones will be giving us a non-political talk on her role as a councillor. We meet at the Old Church Rooms, Park Road, old and new members will be welcomed.
radyr.org.uk/clubs/radyr-wi/

Sat 30 Nov **11:00 Get Ready for Christmas** The annual fair returns to Christ Church and the New Schoolrooms in Radyr from 11am – 2pm on 30 November 2024, with the usual variety of entertainment and stalls. Something for all the family. GarthMA.wales/ChristChurch120

Sat 30 Nov **19:00 Beetle Drive for Alzheimer's Society.** A Beetle Drive is a fun game for all the family, involving good old-fashioned pencil, paper, dice, teams and a little bit of artistic flair! This event is a fundraising event organised by the Radyr and Morganstown Alzheimer's Fundraising Group, and tickets will be available for sale soon. Will include a bar and light food.

Thur 5 Dec **10:30 Probus Club of Cardiff West** SONGS OF THE ISLANDS. An illustrated talk by speaker Taylor Swift (subject to confirmation) at the Radyr Golf Club. Member's wives & partners invited too. For info please phone Geoff Foot on 07780 990 847.

Fri 6 Dec **18:30 Christmas Lights across Radyr & Morganstown** Join the seasonal celebrations with carols in Windsor Gardens from 1830 and lights turned on at 1900 in Station Road.
radyr.org.uk/christmas

So long, farewell, auf Wiedersehen, goodbye!

Well, here we are. The last issue of *Radyr Chain* to be produced by the current team. As previously reported, Jeff and Hildy Davison are retiring after 23 years and 140 issues.

J & P Davison became the printers in 2001 and started on issue 133. In August 2017 Jeff and Hildy took on the editor's role on issue 231 when Bob and Mary Pearce, the previous editors, decided to retire. Issue 259 saw Hildy take on the advertising part of the process.

Over the years we have seen the number of copies increase from the original 2,150 copies in April 2001 to 3,300 copies for the current issue which shows how many new properties have been built in those 23 years.

After the magazine is printed it is delivered to Chris Wills, who takes care of the distribution by the many members of the 'Chain Gang', who are given their allotted number of copies for delivery.

We would like to give a big thank you to Chris Wills who has been the distributor since 2010.

Linda Turner has been the treasurer since issue 253 - April 2021 when she took over from Ellis Jenkins. Previously she had organised the advertising, dealing with new and existing advertisers. Thank you Linda for all of your hard work over the years.

Grateful thanks also to Allan Cook who has assisted with the editing, providing many interesting articles over many issues.

The Chain is financed solely by advertising and many of the advertisers within the magazine have been with us for many years. Without them the Chain wouldn't exist so our sincere thanks go out to them for their loyal support.

We have tried in vain to find someone to carry on production and hopefully at some point in the future it can be started again as it is a valuable source of information and advertising within Radyr and Morganstown.

Finally, thank you to all our readers for your input and support. Here's hoping that *Radyr Chain* will carry on in some form in the future.

Jeff & Hildy Davison

New Vicars for the Garth Ministry Area

The Bishop of Llandaff, is delighted to announce that the Rev'd Edward Owen and the Rev'd Mary Evans have been appointed as Vicars in the Garth Ministry Area.

Edward is well known to the Diocese of Llandaff, having served in different posts right across the diocese. He is currently Vicar in the South Cardiff Ministry Area, overseeing St Dyfrig & St Samson's and St Paul's Grangetown and will be joining the Garth Ministry Area as Vicar for New Worshipping Communities.

Mary, who was ordained in the Diocese of Swansea and Brecon, and served in the Diocese of St Asaph, joins the Diocese of Llandaff for the first time as Vicar for Spirituality and Invitation for the Garth Ministry Area.

Bishop Mary says: "I am delighted that Edward and Mary are joining the Garth Ministry Area. Their appointment completes the clergy team and, I am confident that their



Rev'd Edward Owen

pastoral wisdom, spiritual energy and their experience will set the foundation for the next stage in the life of the Garth Ministry Area as they seek to reach into the new communities in the ministry area and deepen the spirituality of those in their congregations."



Rev'd Mary Evans

Both Edward Owen and Mary Evans will start in early Autumn. Edward will have pastoral oversight of the communities of Pentyrch, Capel Llanilltern and Groesfaen and Mary will have pastoral oversight of the communities of Radyr and Danescourt.

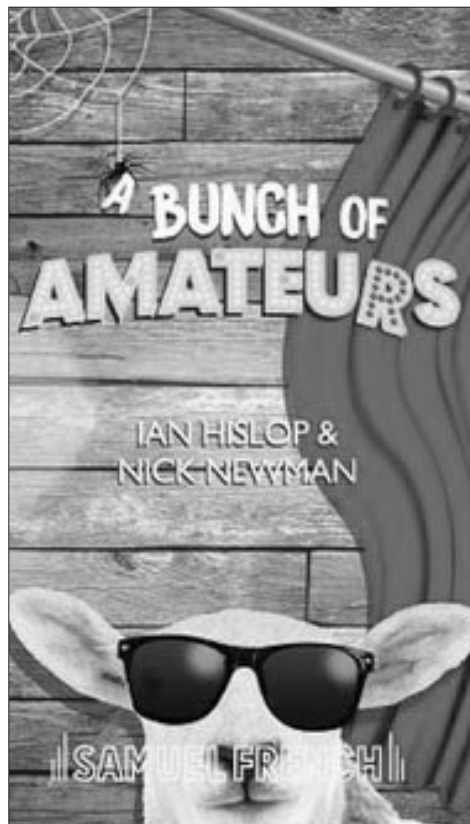
Hollywood comes to Morganstown

The next Drama Society production A BUNCH OF AMATEURS by Ian Hislop & Nick Newman can be seen at Morganstown Village Hall between Weds the 27th Nov and Fri the 29th.

Director Peter Stickler says "This clever comedy about a failing Amateur Theatre group will give you the audience a glimpse behind the scenes of what we go through to bring every production to the stage, it is so true to real life it is uncanny" A brief synopsis.

Keen to boost his flagging career, fading Hollywood action hero Jefferson Steele arrives in England to play King Lear in Stratford – only to find that this is not the birthplace of the Bard, but a sleepy Suffolk village. And instead of Kenneth Branagh and Dame Judi Dench, the cast are a bunch of amateurs trying to save their theatre from developers. Jefferson's monstrous ego, vanity and insecurity are tested to the limit

by the enthusiastic am-dram thespians. As acting worlds collide and Jefferson's career implodes, he discovers some truths about himself – along with his inner Lear.



Radyr Chain Deliverers

A big thank you to all volunteers past and present, that have distributed and delivered the Radyr Chain since I took over distribution in June 2010. In that time the number of copies per edition has risen from less than 2700 to over 3300.

You have all made it possible to deliver the Chain to every household in all conditions.

The current team that produces the Chain is retiring and unless a new team comes forward there will not be any future editions.

If a new team does come forward I hope all of the current volunteers will be able to support whoever takes over my role.

Chris Wills

Ruby Anniversary of the Radyr Guide Centre

... from back cover

All girls have also received a special souvenir badge to commemorate the anniversary.

The Friends of Radyr Guiding are holding a further Ruby Anniversary Celebration in October for those who have



supported the Radyr Guide Centre over the past 40 years. If you have supported the Centre, we would love to hear from you, please contact radyrguidehall@gmail.com or call 07927 020037.

If your daughter is interested in joining Rainbows, Brownies or Guides or you would like to find out about volunteering for Girlguiding please visit <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk>.

The Radyr Guide Centre is available to hire for birthday parties and family get togethers (from £40 for three hours) and regular or occasional hire for £15 per hour. Please email radyrguidehall@gmail.com or contact Katherine on 07927 020037.

BUDS

We hear very good reports of the new cafe in Park Road, BUDS opposite the Primary School. They open from 8.30 to 4 p.m. Wednesday to Sunday. Good for breakfasts, snacks, salads, light meals, teas, coffees and cakes and patisserie's.

We hear that one of the chefs won a television cookery programme. We also hear that they are planning to open in the evenings as things progress, and they plan to have an alcohol license.

We send them our best wishes for success.



Play Pétanque

Cardiff Harlequins

The Diamond Ground, Forest Farm Road Cardiff CF14 7JN

Pétanque also known as boules is a friendly yet competitive game that requires no previous experience.

The new club is a recent addition to the facilities at Cardiff Harlequins Rugby Club that is also the home of Cardiff Cricket Club.

Some benefits of playing Pétanque include:

Anyone can play
It's easy to learn
Being outdoors

We are:

8 minutes on foot from Radyr Railway Station
2 minutes from Ffordd Morgannwg
12 minutes on foot from Whitchurch Village

There is plenty of on site parking.

Come and play:

Sunday:	2-4 p.m.
Wednesday:	2-4 p.m.
Friday:	2-4 p.m.



Contact: Phil, 07950020463
harlequinspetanque.com



Talking Rubbish!

Radyr & Morganstown Litter Pickers

R & M Litter Pickers celebrated three years of trying to keep the streets and parks of our villages clean and tidy with a Dinner at the Ty Nant in June, shown below. In this time, members have collected over 2,000 bags of litter and contributed more than 1,500 hours of their time to the community.



Also in June, Radyr Cubs collected 11 bags of litter from the banks of the Taff and from Longwood Drive, using our kit and that provided by the Hub; a great achievement, thank you.

Successful? Not really because it still means that some of you are still dropping litter, or more particularly, throwing it from your vans and cars, sometimes food waste. Ugh!

Please come and join us or one of our group picks, dates are shown in the

calendar on page 3 of The Chain. Do say Hello! when you see them, it's great to feel appreciated. If you would like to join us on our monthly group picks - or go out individually using the kit provided for us by the Community Council or Cardiff Council - please contact us at rmlitterpickers@gmail.com.



Radyr resident at the Olympics

I think this is the first time that we have had the opportunity to wish a resident of R&M best wishes while they take part in the Olympics. Alistair Chalmers who lives in Parc Plymouth with his partner Ellie and dog Sam, will compete in the 400 metres hurdles on August 4th. Alistair, originally from Guernsey, graduated from the University of Bath and currently trains out of NIAC (Cardiff Met) with trainer Matt Elias.

Alistair did not make the road to Paris easy for himself. He failed to make the Olympic qualifying time at the Europeans Championships and then had a false start at the British Championships held at Manchester. He was asked to leave the track, but lodged an appeal on the grounds of noise at the start. He was allowed to

run the race while his appeal was considered. He won the race with a personal best - which was within the Olympic qualifying time

At this stage he still didn't know whether he had been allowed to take part in the race officially and whether he would be going to the Olympics. Two hour, of what must

have been sheer hell, later, his appeal was upheld and his personal best and his inclusion in the British team was confirmed.

"I honestly can't believe it," he said, "it's the best day of my life. It's been the worst, but also the best - a stressful day."



Radyr Cricket Club

One of the things that you notice running a club such as RCC is the constant desire people have for information: it seems as if everyone wants a piece of you. The latest form I have to complete is from Cricket Wales who want to know, well, everything. Last year the gathering of these statistics and the submission on line, seemed to take days, but I'm sure that wasn't the case. However whilst I moan about this, I cannot avoid admitting that this 'snap shot' does actually show the direction that the club, and cricket in general, is travelling. The first statistic that leapt out at me, following my information gathering, was the twenty five percent increase in registrations that the club achieved in the All Stars/Dynamos programme, going to two hundred children: a quite remarkable figure, which is the second highest in Wales. It only seems the other day that CW lauded us for achieving one hundred. But what this means is that more facilities, coaches and administrators are required to keep all the children and their parents happy. That being said Friday evenings at RCC are like nothing you've ever seen before, with the dedicated individuals imparting their knowledge of cricket onto the youngsters, who are having a ball.

Looking further into these figures there is no doubt that the better organised the junior section has become the more youngsters want and are able to play the game. This applies not just to the youngest but those up to the age of eighteen, where the club now runs three sides in most age groups: this is almost a fifty per cent increase in the last two years. Cricket is clearly growing and this applies especially to the girls and womens game. At RCC this is one of the club's priorities to expand a part of the game which has been sadly lacking for far too long.

The senior season is now well over the half way stage and all our eight sides have seen both 'triumph and the very rare disaster'. Currently the most successful of the sides are the Second XI and the Womens Second

XI, who sit astride their respective divisions. It is hoped these two sides continue on their path and others improve just slightly to push themselves into the promotion positions. It is also very encouraging that the numbers of youngsters playing senior cricket is on the increase: this week's Sixth XI consisted of five under eighteens, whilst a few weeks ago all the ten wickets taken by the Fifth XI came from this age group, including leg spinner Will Lamb, whose figures were an amazing 6-21, his second five wicket haul of the season. Clearly giving youngsters their opportunities is paying dividends for the various teams and is an example of why RCC puts so much energy into youth development.

On Saturday the club celebrated another wonderful Vice Presidents Day, where a superb luncheon, coordinated by Helen O'Neil, the President's wife was enjoyed by all those present. Again the President put on an amazing display in the marquee of some of his cricketing memorabilia and a number of the jackets worn by former Australian cricketing greats were a sight to behold. It was also good to meet up with old team mates and reminisce about games past and raise a glass to absent friends. It was quite humbling to realise that some of these people managed to keep the show on the road through both fires and floods, otherwise the great strides made by the modern generation would not have been possible. The VPs are great supporters of the club and their financial backing is vital in keeping the club at the forefront of recreational cricket in south Wales. A tour of the ground, led by Peter Sullivan, was greatly appreciated by those who joined the line and as they snaked around looking at all the nooks and crannies, their rapt attention made him look like a modern day Pied Piper.

The European Championship ultimately ended in disappointment for England which was a sad turn of events for many of the club's members from across the Severn, who have made south Wales their home. However some months ago one member, Joseph Jones, came up with the brilliant idea of organising a

club sweepstake for not only the winners but also the Golden Boot: this not only raised funds but brought a lot of fun to the proceedings. It was very pleasing to see the names of all the winners and Joseph is to be commended for his superb organisation. A lot of the members watched the Final in the clubhouse partaking of a pre game barbecue, having watched the Fifth XI play a re-arranged League game. Again another incredibly busy weekend at RCC.

Finally as we enter the latter stages of the season the club's Fantasy Cricket competition is entering the business end and regrettably yours truly is most definitely mid table. My little victories earlier in the season seem to have gone west and I think I might need some crampons to stop me spiralling into oblivion. This great competition, organized by Scott Clode, plus the Euros mentioned above shows the great commitment people have to include all members in off the field activities and raise money at the same time. RCC is a wonderful institution, full of amazing people and it is a privilege to lead.

Christopher Hitchings -
Radyr Cricket Club - Chairman

Radyr and Morganstown Friends of Tenovus

Would like to thank all volunteers and supporters past and present, who have been responsible for producing this wonderful paper.

We would also like to advertise our future events. The first being our Coffee Morning to be held on Thursday October 24th at Radyr Golf Club from 10.30, tickets £3 from members from September.

The second is another bag collection on Thursday November 7th at Radyr Guide Centre from 12 till 2.

News from Radyr & Morganstown WI

In May, as soon as the Festival Fortnight finished, we had our AGM where there was no change for our committee.

We had a change to our programme for June as the speaker was unavailable so instead, we had our Social Night with sandwiches wraps and Strawberries and Cream, as well as drinks. After, there was a game of bingo which seemed to go down well with the members present.

Our Gardening Group visited Nant-y-Bedd near Crickhowell which is a partner garden of the RHS. They were met by Sue who gave a short talk about the history followed by tea and homemade cake. They were then split into two groups and were let loose in the vast gardens with plenty to see. We are all looking forward to forthcoming visits to various gardens in the area.

July's meeting was a talk by Dr. Graham Cope who gave us a very interesting talk about the use of antibiotics after Covid. He first talked about the scientists who discovered penicillin before talking about their use during Covid when there were problems using antibiotics at that time as over the year's we have all become resistant to their use.

Since the last report, we have had lunch in Cicchetti's which was very well attended. We have also continued with our monthly meetings in the Golf Club which continues to be popular with our members who enjoy a chat over a cup of coffee/tea.

As well as the Gardening Group, we also have two Book Groups. These occasions give members a chance to have a social get together with refreshments and a chat. There are plenty of plans for visits by car or train as well as organising other events such as visits to the theatre/cinema as well as lunches.

So, if you are interested in joining us, we meet on the second Monday of each month at 7.30pm in the Old Church Rooms, Park Road, Radyr, CF15 8DG. We would be very please to see you and if you need any more information, please email us at rmwi@radyr.org.uk.

Details of further meetings can be found on the Events section of the Radyr & Morganstown web site.

CHAIN COOKERY CORNER

Blackberry ripple ice cream

No need for any special equipment to make this simple, creamy ice cream and you can vary the recipe by using any seasonal fruit.

Ingredients

- 250g blackberries
- 2 tbsp caster sugar
- 600ml double cream
- 1 tin (397g) condensed milk
- 2 tsp vanilla essence

Method

Put the blackberries and sugar along with 2 tablespoons of water in a saucepan over a medium heat and leave to cook for 7-8 minutes until the fruit has cooked but still retaining their shape. Divide the mixture in half and liquidise one half until smooth then add to the other half. Leave to cool.

Pour the cream, condensed milk and vanilla essence into a large bowl and whisk until stiff and until a spoonful falls easily off the spoon.

Pour half the cream into a 12 x 20cm x 6cm deep container suitable for the freezer and pour a third of the mulberry sauce over swirling gently for a ripple effect. Repeat with the rest of the mixture (keeping half of the mulberry sauce to serve) finishing with the mulberry ripple. Cover with a lid and freeze for 6-8 hours or overnight.

Remove from the freezer at least 30 minutes before serving and pour over the mulberry sauce to serve.

Nerys Howell
ARBENICWR BWYD FOOD SPECIALIST

Radyr and Morganstown Alzheimer's Society Fundraising Group

Thanks to everyone who supported us as the chosen charity for the Radyr and Morganstown Festival. All events were hugely successful and have contributed to raising over £5,000 so far – final figure still to be confirmed. Thanks also to Friends of Hope who gave us a donation of £400, and the R&M St. Philbert Twinning Fellowship – from whom we received a cheque for £560.

We are still collecting silver, gold, and costume jewellery. Any items, including broken items, can be dropped in to Pat at 25 Drovers Way or Gaynor at 5 Bryncoed.

Our next event will be a Beetle Drive on Saturday 30th November, at the Old Church Rooms. If you are not familiar with a Beetle Drive, this is a fun game for all the family involving good old-fashioned pencil and paper, dice and (limited) artistic flair (or artistic licence if you prefer)! Tickets will be available soon and the event will also include a bar and light food.

We will have a stall at the Christmas Tree Lighting event in December, and there will be a bucket collection at the Santa's Sleigh run this year. We are looking for fit and active volunteers who can help support the bucket collection. Please get in touch with Mark Richards if you could support any of our proposed events.



Merched y Wawr, Bro Radur



Gardd Berlysiâu'r Bont-Faen / Cowbridge Physic Garden

Ar brynhawn digwmwl o Fehefin, aeth aelodau'r gangen ar wibdaith i'r Bont-faen, Bro Morgannwg. Roedd yn ddathliad ar ddiwedd blwyddyn arall o gymdeithasu.

Yn gyntaf cawsom ginio blasus yng ngwesty poblogaidd The Bear ar brif stryd y dref. Yn ail aethom ar ymweliad â Gardd Berlysiâu'r Bont-faen.

Achlysur arbennig yn ystod y cinio oedd cyflwyno tlws pren a thystysgrif i un o aelodau'r gangen, Gwen Emyr, am ennill gwobr gyntaf cystadleuaeth yng nghylchgrawn y mudiad, *Y Wawr*. Jên Dafis, Swyddog Hyrwyddo/Datblygu Canghennau, a drosglwyddodd y wobwr. Llongyfarchiadau gwresog i Gwen ar ei llwyddiant.

Ar ôl hynny, a'r haul yn dal i'n gwahodd, cerddodd y fintai (group) i'r Ardd Berlysiâu gerllaw sydd â'i mynediad yn rhad ac am ddim. Yno cawsom arlwy arall, gwledd o wybodaeth. Roedd sgwrs Carys Whelan yn ddi-ddorol iawn ac yn fwrwlm o hiwmor. Mae hi'n weithwraig yn yr ardd ynghyd â thîm o wirfoddolwyr brwd.

Mae hanes yr ardd yn unigryw. Cafodd ei hail-greu ar safle a fu unwaith yn rhan o Hen Neuadd y Bont-faen, cartref y teulu Edmondes o'r ddeunawfed i'r ugeinfed ganrif. Datblygwyd y cynllun fel rhan o ddathliadau pen-blwydd 750 derbyn siarter bwrdeistref y Bont-faen. Mae yn yr ardd amrywiaeth ysblennydd o blanhigion a pherlysiâu meddyginiaethol a fyddai wedi cael eu defnyddio'n draddodiadol i drin afiechydon, coginio a lliwio defnydd. Mae'n nodweddiadol o erddi perlysiâu'r cyfnod, ac yn rhoi cip cyfareddol i ni ar nodweddion llesol planhigion

Rhannwyd yr ardd i wahanol adrannau i gynrychioli'r moddion hynafol a ddefnyddiwyd gan ein cyndeidiau dros ganrifoedd lawer yn ymestyn yn ôl i gyfnod y Groegiaid



Y Dr Mary Nicholas

cynnar. Esboniodd Carys mai cyfuniad o wybodaeth feddygol ac ofergoedd oedd wrth sail yr hen gredoau ynghyd â dogn helaeth o ddysg werinol a etifeddwyd o genhedlaeth i genhedlaeth. Gwelir enghreifftiau eraill o hen ddulliau'r oes a fu yng Ngardd Fotaneg Genedlaethol Cymru, Llanarthne, sy'n dathlu hanes Meddygon Myddfai.

Yng Ngardd Berlysiâu'r Bont-faen mae deuddeg dosbarth o blanhigion yr oedd ein hynafiaid yn credu eu

bod o gymorth ar gyfer gwahanol gyflyrau corfforol. Roedd yn hawdd gennym ryfeddu at y planhigion amrywiol a'r cyfoeth o flodau persawrus fel rhosynnau a lafant.

Profiad hyfryd oedd crwydro'n hamddenol o gwmpas yr ardd. A phleser oedd y wibdaith ar ei hyd.

Byddwn yn cyfarfod nesaf am 7.30 nos Fercher 11 Medi pryd y cawn gwmmi Côr Taflais yn ysgoldy Eglwys Crist, Radur.

Dr Mary Nicholas



Carys Whelan a Heulwen Jones yn y Gerddi

Cyngor Cymuned Radur a Threforgan

Report from the Chair of the Community Council.

I very much hope that this is not the last edition of the Chain, but at the moment it looks as if it could be. The Community Council will continue to discuss a possible solution with interested parties.

The Community Council has now reformed with the Chair, Vice-chair and Chairs of committees in place. It is particularly challenging time for our Committees, Environment has the problem of Ash die back in many of our open spaces - the Community Council manages many of our open spaces directly or on behalf of the County Council. Publicity is looking to provider a new web site and to try and cover for the Chain while Finance is strengthening its financial systems. The Old Church Rooms Board has just confirmed a new lift will be installed shortly to improve access to the upstairs of the building and a new floor in the Wier Room as well as the routine maintenance of things like the central heating system and deep

cleaning the chairs during the summer break.

It's a big ask for eleven volunteers, we should be twelve but are one short. If you think that you'd like to join us why not contact the clerk on clerk@radyr.wales phone 029 2084 2213, we well be electing/coopting a new member in the near future.

Finally, we haven't had much of a summer so far, can I wish all readers a good summer with plenty of sunshine and that you all return refreshed to what will undoubtedly be a busy autumn.

Allan Cook.

Chairman, Radyr & Morganstown Community Council

A public meeting to discuss
The Future of a Community Newspaper
on Monday 2nd September
Old Church Rooms
7.00 p.m.



On Saturday 27 July a group of staff, parents and community neighbours volunteered to garden and support other outdoor tasks at Radyr Primary School. Team work made a great impression and there are plans to do more team sessions in the future.



Fighting Hidden Hunger Restoring Hope
Brwydro Newyn Cudd Adfer Gobaith

The collection in June raised another wonderful 165kg of food and £40 in financial donations which were passed to Cardiff Foodbank. Thanks as ever to everyone for their continued support.

Since then the national government has changed. The Trussell Trust has welcomed this and stated "We welcome the government's commitment in their manifesto to end the need for large numbers of people needing to seek emergency food. We want to see them set out an urgent plan to tackle hardship, introducing immediate measures to prevent people being pulled further into crisis and a spiral of hardship and debt, while we wait for promised long-term change. The government must act now to ease the pressures coming this winter and ensure hunger does not worsen on their watch."

For the next collection, donations will be accepted in the foyer of Radyr Methodist Church between 10 a.m. and 12 noon on Saturday 10th August and at the morning service at 10.30 a.m. on Sunday 11th August.

The foodbank currently needs the following:

- Sponge puddings and long life cakes, Sweets/chocolate,
- Condiments e.g. ketchup, mayonnaise, salt, pepper
- Tinned custard, Jams and spreads
- Cooking sauces. Tinned meat
- UHT milk
- Deodorant/Anti-perspirant and soap

They currently have plenty of PASTA,BAKED BEANS. TEA. and CEREALS.

The foodbank is unable to accept fresh, home-made or perishable food. Every donation, of whatever amount, is appreciated so please consider whether you can help.

Thank you so much.



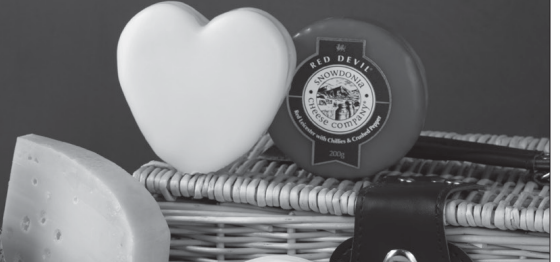
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From Helen Lloyd Jones



This morning, I was so impressed by Cardiff Council. I sent an email at 8:38 am to an officer about broken glass in the playground close to Radyr Woods. I explained that Caroline Dallimore had over the weekend picked up as many pieces as she could but that she was concerned there may be smaller pieces of glass that she had missed.

By 10:41 am, a Ranger had checked the playground, made sure it was safe and had reported back to the officer.

When I went past this afternoon, there were children playing happily in the playground. Thanks to Caroline and the very quick responses from the Officer and the Ranger Team. Great work.

One of the things I like so much about Radyr and Morganstown is our proactive approach to many of the small problems that come our way. I have reported incidents before, only to find that someone has sorted the problem out. Nearly all of us try our best to keep the community pleasant for ourselves and for everyone else.

It's that time of the year for brambles. If you have bramble stems arching out of your garden and hanging down over a pavement, please cut them back. When there was more money available Cardiff did arrange for some roads to have their hedges trimmed, cutting the brambles back

at the same time.

Now Cardiff Council is writing to homeowners and asking them to cut the overgrowth back.

I have already crept out and cut some overhanging bramble stems rather than a household having a letter from the Council, but I can't cut everyone's brambles! So, if you can cut your own back, please do. Perhaps you could have bramble parties in your close!

Let me know of elderly or disabled people who can't cut back their overgrowth and I'll ask the Council if they could help. And if you are willing to help anyone else, please do. It would be wonderful if we could collectively sort out the errant brambles. Then we can have blackberry picking sessions in a few weeks' time and make blackberry pies!

Helen Lloyd Jones
Councillor for Radyr and

Goodbye?

RADYR CHAIN

This is the last edition of the Chain that the present team will produce. The Community Council and several individuals and groups are working to see whether it can be saved in one form or another.

One of the problems has been that over the years the base on which The Chain rested has eroded. It now needs more than one person, a printer, an editor, someone who understands desk top publishing and layout, someone to look after the advertising, someone to look after the circulation, as well as a Treasurer.

Over the past week I have spent some time in the Library/Hub looking at back copies of the Chain. The Library/Hub has a complete set of The Chain, most of them are bound.

It started in April/May 1979 - the first edition does not have a publication date, but the first event noted in the *What's On* section is dated May 2nd. It was eight pages including adverts, it was black and white and was printed in typewriter type. In those days producing it was much more difficult than it is today as the printer would need to know the type face and size - nowadays we can juggle the print size to fit a space, enlarging or reducing type face by as little as 1/2 a point at a time.

The early editions explained the origin of the name. In those days the Old Church Rooms were still owned by the church authorities and contained a tree stump and a length of chain which has been the toll gate at the top of Waterhall Road during the 19th century. Carts and wagons were stopped by the chain until they had paid the required toll. The chain was removed to St John's Church, Danescourt when the Old Church Rooms were sold to the community.

In the second edition Seward and Co., then the leading Estate Agent in

R&M had a map of the new developments printed. The new developments were Castle View and Loughor Gardens - now more commonly known as The Trees. Seward had an office in Castle View opposite Bryn Deri School.

It included a photograph of those leaving the 6th form of Radyr Comp. that summer, they had been the first intake of 11 year olds to the school when it opened in 1972. Another piece was by our regular policeman P.C. Mike Jones.

Other early editions looked at some of our craftsmen, Bert Chapman, a cobbler who repaired shoes in Station Road, and Master Baker Selwyn Newman, who sold bread from his bakery in Springfield Gardens, Morganstown.

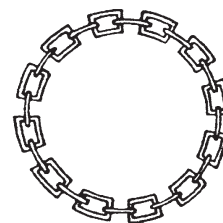
It is interesting to note that back in the late 1970's Radyr had a Symphony Orchestra and a Choral Society, and Morganstown Rugby Club. Otherwise items were similar to today, the cricket and tennis clubs, Christ Church and the Methodist

Church, the schools, the Adult Education Centre, Remembrance Day and Christmas arrangements; and the charities, including the NSPCC, which we lost a few years ago.

The Scouts and Guides were strong then and in a world before recycling became fashionable, were in the forefront of recycling newspaper. This was started by the Scouts and taken up by the Guides to help pay for the new Guide Centre on Bryn Derwen.

It was a lovely wander down memory lane to a very different world nearly fifty years ago.

Allan Cook
Chair
R&M History Society.



Church Fete

One of the highlights of the Church Fete in July was a visit from Vale Owls, which is always popular especially with the children.. They brought several owls from their collection to the Fete including this barn owl.





Members of the R&M Alzheimer's Society receive a cheque for £7,000 from Festival Chair, David Silver. This is a first instalment as the Society is the Festival charity until the end of 2024 which will cover the Christmas tree lighting and street market in December.



Members of Aryan Ghoniya's family, friends from Radyr Comp, members of the Community Council and County Council attended a simple ceremony in Windsor Gardens on the second anniversary in July of his tragic death, to unveil a plaque in his memory. The delightful plaque had been designed by Aryan's younger sister.

Radyr & Morganstown Festival 2024

Colouring Competition Winners

RADYR PRIMARY SCHOOL

8 YEARS AND OVER

1. Lyla Cornett
 2. Emily Boyes
 3. Trisha Gaonker
- HC Emyr Jones



7 YEARS AND UNDER

1. Isabelle White
 2. Max Hammond
 3. Cloeisha Varsni
- HC Atla Isabel Roberts

BRYN DERI PRIMARY SCHOOL

8 YEARS AND OVER

1. Ruth Bennets
 2. Amana Geisel
 3. Ruby Knight
- HC Poppy Williams
HC William Sommers



7 YEARS AND UNDER

1. Graice Lund
 2. Olivia Ali
 3. Jasper Harris
- HC Emily Haf McCarthy
HC Melissa Normansell

RECEPTION

1. Bobby Pinches Burrowes
2. Angus Wyatt
3. Eleanor Wong



*Our sincere thanks go to Abigail Cole
who provided the artwork and Keith
John who judged the competition*

Ruby Anniversary of the Radyr Guide Centre

The Radyr Guide Centre was opened on Saturday 16th June 1984 by Lady Baden-Powell, the granddaughter of Olave Baden-Powell who was the first Chief Guide. Since then, countless girls have enjoyed being part of the Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers groups which meet at the hall. Many more of us have attended fitness classes or community groups, hosted birthday parties and cast votes in the hall.

This June, a Ruby Anniversary Celebration was held for all eight guiding groups which meet at the Centre. It was a huge success with the girls enjoying crafts, cake decorating, a BBQ and toasting marshmallows over a campfire.

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Treforgan WI

Our group photograph was taken before our annual afternoon tea, which is always a very enjoyable affair with delicious food prepared by Sue Philpott and her helpers. So far, we have been lucky with good weather for each annual group photograph. Long may it continue! We had our annual meeting in May, when we had a small change of

committee members – Trish, our president stood down after quite a number of years in the role and steering us very confidently through covid – she was presented with a bouquet of flowers in appreciation. Then in June we had a very enjoyable trip on the Brecon Canal, with afternoon tea and later in the month a super afternoon listening to Christine Purkiss, who had sung with the D'Oyly Carte company,

telling us about “Broads on Broadway”, singing show songs and even getting us to join in. Everyone went home with a big smile on their face and joy in their hearts. We are now looking forward to talks on Puppets, Surf Ability and much more, so if you think you would like to join us please contact our secretary, Diana Langmaid on 07596 729385 or dblmaid44@yahoo.co.uk

