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Cambrian News

Welsh Society Newsletter — Cylchgrawn Cymraeg

17 RHYMNEY & PONTLOTTYN STATION

This station is viewed towards the end of the branch with the derelict McClaren No. 2 Colliery to the rear of the station. The line continued past the station, across the Mardy Level Crossing and into the Rhymney Iron Company's Works which were off to the left of the photograph and by this time closed, sidings also led into the McClaren No. 2 Colliery. The station was renamed by the GWR on two occasions, firstly to Rhymney (Pwll Uchaf) and two years later it became Rhymney (Lower). Of interest is the B&M Iron Mink No. 500 on the extreme right of the picture, which, as can be plainly seen, is vacuum fitted, a fact not recorded in the GWR Wagon Register, in which the van is renumbered GW101558.



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*(Living a minimum of 80 kilometres/50 miles outside the city of Vancouver.)

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* Please don't forget that there is *
* the Society's annual summer picnic *
* on Sunday, July 19th at the home *
* of Jeff and Gaynor Owen. *
* It's a 'Bring Your Own Food' do - *
* but Gaynor & Jeff are allowing *
* us to use their barbecue, if you *
* wish to cook hamburgers or hotdogs *
* etc. It should be a nice relaxing *
* day for us all - so hope we see *
* you there! (Starts at 11 a.m.) *
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Don't forget...



Please bring your own lawn chairs to Jeff and Gaynors'. They have a few extra that they can supply, but obviously not enough for everyone..... the lawn is comfy, but not for very long!



WELSH SOCIETY FOLK DANCERS

There will be an "End of Season" barbecue for the Dancers on June 25th, at the home of Don and Elizabeth Murray. Details are to be arranged in the near future. What a triumphant season it has been for us too! We can really give ourselves a pat on the back. Let's hope that it continues in this way next September and onwards, but for the next couple of months we shall be taking a much needed break. Presently we are getting well and truly prepared for our final appearance for the season - our cultural contribution for the Canada 125 celebrations at the Metrotown Mall - Sunday, June 28th. Meanwhile, we wish all the other Society members a lovely Summer and we shall return refreshed in September. See you then! Hwyl Fawr, Lynne H. F.

"From the Editor"

The following is a excerpt of a letter that I received from one of the society's respected members;

Dear Editor,

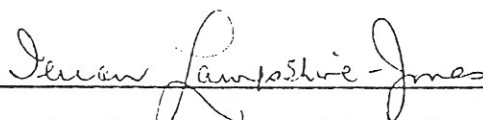
In the May edition you have thanked many people involved with our own Gymanfa on the 3rd. May, also the Penticton Gymanfa 8th-10th. May. Is there a reason why you have not thanked the Person who arranged our Gymanfa, did all the ground work, arranged the programme chose the Hymns, Chairperson etc. etc?

The same Person is Vice President of the Pacific North West Gymanfa Ganu Association, was a founder Member with Myself in 1986, who went to Penticton several times to do the ground work there on behalf of the PNWGGGA, checking the Church, Motel accommodation, prices, distance of Church from Motels, how far the Hall for the Concert was etc. etc. Was the Afternoon Chairperson of the Gymanfa and without her there would be no Welsh spoken. (None of the Seattle PNWGGGA Executive speak Welsh, She & I are the only Welsh speaking Members of the Association.) This Person is also Immediate Past President of our Society - Ann Roberts!

I hope that the omission of her name in connection with both Gymanfas was an oversight possibly due to lack of information not given to you, if so please correct this in your next issue of the "Cambrian News".

Keep up the good work,

Yours truly,



Capt. Ieuan Lampshire-Jones.

I would first like to thank Capt Lampshire-Jones for bringing to my attention this unfortunate omission, and confirm, for him, the fact that it was due to a lack of information.

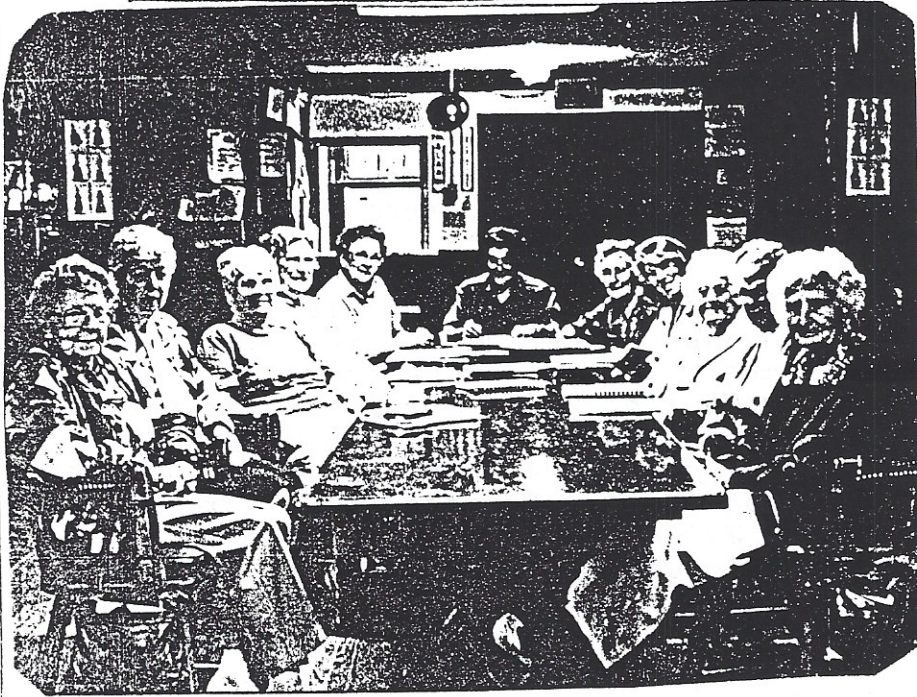
This brings me to the second matter that I'd like to address. As I mentioned at the general meeting on June 10, if there is something of importance within the Welsh Society that someone would like to publish in the newsletter, then either contact me, Rob Fox, at 737-2163, or send a letter addressed to "The Editor" at the address provided in the "masthead".

All work performed in the Society is voluntary, and it should not go without acknowledgement nor without gratitude. Yet, at times, this demands that one convey this recognition through the right channels such as the General Meeting and the Newsletter.

I'd like to express the intention of a sincere effort in informing all concerned of the important issues brought to the attention of the "Cambrian News".

The Editor

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY.



The W.A. members, May 20th, 1992. Clockwise from left: Dorothy Walters, Lettie Roberts, Gwen Tonack, Beverly Thomas, Betty Morgan (Treasurer), Elizabeth Murray (President), Phyllis Owens (Secretary), Veronica Gilder, Olive David, May Lievesley, and Bertha Miller. Absent: Nancy Abraham, Marion Armstrong, Gaynor Evans, Blodwen Gauthier, Marion Griffiths, Sally Hight, Margaret Howells, Anne G. Jones, Gwenfyl Jones, Eunice Johnson, Gaynor Owen, Tegwen Shirlaw, Bertha Smith, Dorothy Thomas, Grace Thomas, and Joan Wilkinson.

Thank you for having me ladies - and there was no need for any of you to see a hairdresser, or wear your best frocks, you all looked lovely as you were.
- Lynne H.F.

The W.A. met for the regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, the 20th of May. We were pleased to welcome Lynne Fox as our guest - she took the accompanying photograph, amid complaints that we would have dressed up, had we known we were to be stars! A belated thank you to the anonymous donor of the bottle of whiskey, for the bottle table at the spring tea.

We continue to collect receipts from "Super Value". If you shop there, please let us have your tapes, as we can get vouchers for accumulated dollars spent.

The W.A. will be going to Pat and John Morris' on Saturday, the 27th of June; members will be contacted about transportation and car-pooling.

Welcome home to Eunice Johnson and "bon voyage" to Phyllis Owens, Tegwen Shirlaw and Marion Armstrong. Our last meeting before the summer recess will be the 17th of June.

Elizabeth Murray, President.

Awning of a New Era

If you haven't already noticed them, Cambrian Hall has some lovely new awnings on the front, rear and side of the building. They are a dark green in colour and make a very smart addition to the Hall. The side awning is courtesy of the Women's Auxiliary and will help to keep us dry on the wetter evenings we spend at the Red Dragon!

The front and rear awnings were obtained through the efforts of the Building Society, headed by John Morris. Many thanks to all for your efforts, they are greatly appreciated.



Work, work, work !

Cambrian Circle Singers

The Cambrian Circle Singers will be giving their final, private performance of the season at the Carleton Private Hospital on Tuesday, June 16th. Rehearsals will resume again in September and if you are interested in becoming a member, please call Nerys Haqq at 278 8978.

WELSH SOCIETY ANNIVERSARY DINNER

The Anniversary Dinner will be held on Saturday, 3rd of October 1992. The caterers are Jordans and the cost of the tickets has been decided upon \$16.50. More information and purchase of the tickets is available from Gaynor Evans at 271 3134.

Masthead

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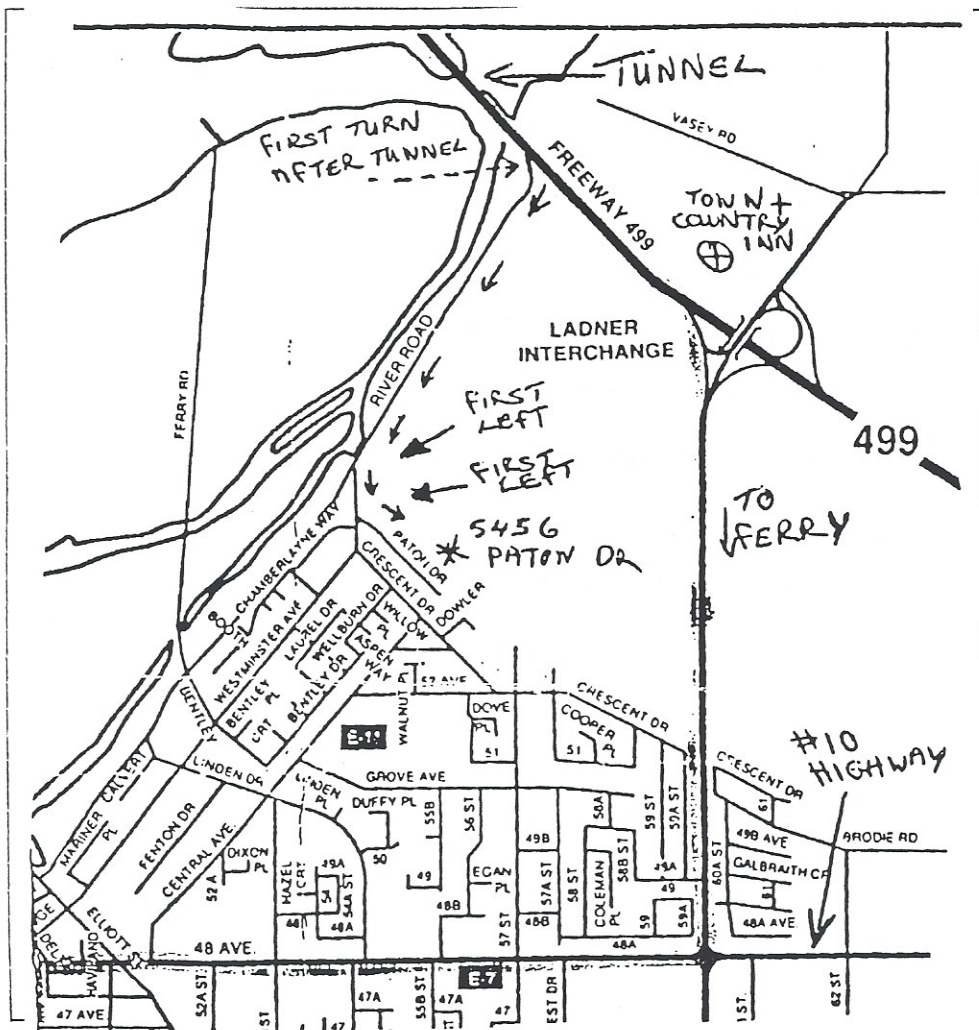
All correspondence is greatly appreciated and will be given fair consideration.

Attention all those going to Jeff and Gaynor's for the summer picnic!

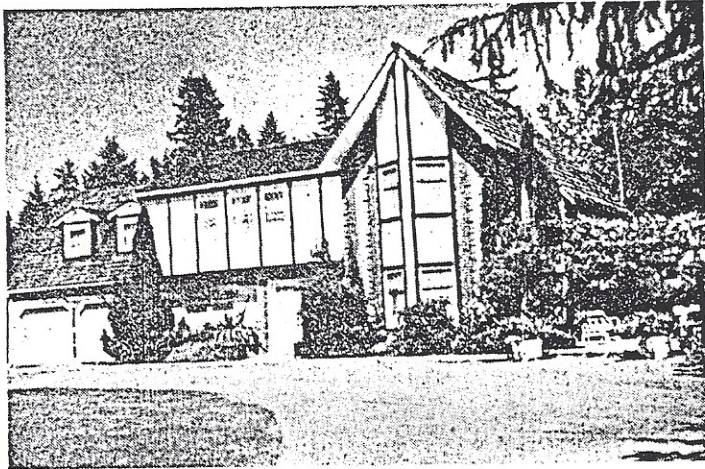
This is how you get there!

It was taken from last year's newsletter so it is reliable.

Here's hoping to see you there!



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Could this be True ?

"I see you at the Cambrian -
but you never say
hello.

You're busy all the
time you're there
with people that
you know.

I sit amongst the
members and yet
still a lonesome guy;

The new ones are as strange as I for
you old members pass us by.

But darn it, you folks asked us in
and spoke of fellowship.

Could you just step across the room -
(you've never made the trip).

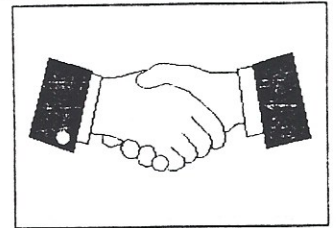
Why can't you nod and say hello or
stop and shake my hand;

Go then and mingle with your
friends - now this I understand.

Your next meeting I'll attend maybe
you could start a trend,

by introducing yourself and your hand
to me extend.

I want to be your friend".



Many thanks to Anne G. Jones for the
timely reminder we should all take
notice of.



Come Again !

The Red Dragon was bestowed with the delightful company of
Wyn and Muriel Gabriel, Saturday, May 23rd. Their
cheeriness added to the merriment of the night when Arthur
led a lively sing-a-long of old-tyme and traditional tunes.
Muriel and Wyn are visiting their relatives, Jack and
Bertha Smith and are from Swansea, S. Wales.

They are grand company and we hope that they can visit
again soon!

Couple's wedding honours tradition

WELSH wool and daffodils were very much to the fore at a weekend wedding which marked St David's Day a few hours early for a young North Wales couple.

When schoolteacher Awen Jones, 24, of Chwilog, near Criccieth, and her fiancé social worker Aled Wyn Gibbard, also 24, of Benllech, Anglesey, decided to get married as close to St David's Day as possible, little did they realise they were throwing away the chance of an annual wedding anniversary.

Getting married at St John's Church, Llanystumdwy on Saturday, February 29, meant the young couple will be slightly confused when it comes to anniversaries.

"It will make no difference really, we can always celebrate a day late three years out of four, on St David's Day," said Awen, a teacher at Ysgol Goronwy Owen, Benllech.

It was only natural that their special day turned out to be the wedding of the year in the village where statesman David Lloyd George was brought up.

They were both dressed in traditional Welsh costumes.

"It was last May that we decided to have a truly Welsh flavour to our wedding and of course St David's Day was the ideal time," said Awen.

Both are members of the Ffidl Ffadl Welsh folk group



□ Aled Wyn Gibbard and Awen Jones in traditional wedding dress

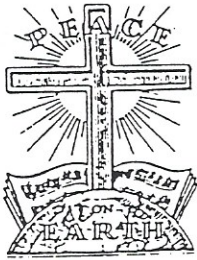
Picture: NIGEL HUGHES

Executive Highlights

~ The executive will be forming a fund raising committee to raise money for much needed improvements to the hall.

~ Planning is on the way to organise this year's anniversary dinner. It's tentatively scheduled for October 3rd.

Nothing brings the traffic regulations to mind quite like spotting a police car in the rear view mirror.....



The last church service before the summer recess will be held downstairs at the Cambrian hall on Sunday, June 14th. The group that organizes this function has done a lot for the society as a whole, and our sincere thanks goes to its members.

We hope that they can have your support in the latter part of the year.

ATTENTION BOAT TRIPPERS!

For all of you who are taking the boat trip to Bowen Island on June 19th, we have a timely reminder for you on what to wear. Running shoes are strongly recommended, or similar sensible footwear. It is probably going to be cool out on the water, so bring warm clothes such as a sweater or a spring jacket.

Coffee or tea is provided on board the boat, but trippers are reminded that this is a "Bring Your Own Food" boat trip.

(ALSO - DON'T FORGET TO BRING SUNSCREEN!)



CINNAMON CAKE

The Base:-

4 oz butter
4 oz caster (berry) sugar
2 large egg yolks
8 oz all-purpose flour, sifted
1/2 level teaspoon baking powder
4 tablespoons milk
1 level teaspoon cinnamon

The Filling:-

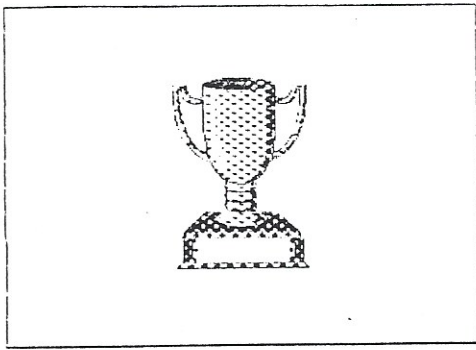
4 level tablespoons apricot jam
1 teaspoon lemon juice

The Topping:-

2 large egg whites
3 oz caster (berry) sugar
8 inch fluted flan tin, slightly greased.

Set oven to hot - 400 °F. Cream the butter and sugar together until pale and fluffy, then beat in the egg yolks. Fold in the flour, baking powder and cinnamon with the milk to give a fairly soft dough. Turn out on to a floured board and knead lightly until smooth. Roll out the pastry to a round about 9 1/2 inches in diameter, then gently shape into flan tin, pressing the dough up the sides. Bake blind (dough covered in foil) for 25 minutes, removing foil 10 minutes before the end of cooking to dry out the pastry base. Allow pastry to cool for 15 minutes, then remove from flan tin and place on a baking sheet or oven proof serving dish. Mix apricot jam and lemon juice together and spread over the pastry base. Reduce oven to moderate - 350 °F. Whisk egg whites until stiff, then add the caster sugar and continue to whisk until the meringue regains its stiffness and stands in soft peaks. Spoon on top of jam, swirl the top with a fork and bake for 15 - 20 minutes until top is golden brown.

Note: The pastry base could be made a day before and stored in an airtight tin.



The Morgan's cleaned up the board at the dart's tournament the night of Saturday, June 6th. Betty showed a deft style, to win the match against Stephanie Boggan, while Derek Jones' unyielding mastery would not hold to Milt's sustained command of the game.

The ladies consolation round showed a proficiency displayed by both Elizabeth Murray and Mer Montador, concluding with a win by Mrs. Murray.

Although the night was successful, sadly, there was not a significant turn-out of society members. This is the type of fun that we hope you will take advantage of.

Many thanks to Gordon Thomas for preparing not only a new membership list, but from that, a set of mailing labels for the newsletter. Gaynor and Gwyn's task has just become a whole lot easier. Thank you Gordon.

To Come...

Arthur...will be playing on the 27th of June. I hope that you have been patient with me in bringing his playing schedule to you.

September

Fashion Show...

October

Anniversary Dance...
October 3rd

Dylan Thomas Weekend...
October 16th and 17th

Halloween Dance...
October 24th

Noson Lawen...
October 31st

WANTED!

We are looking for volunteers to form a fund-raising committee. The projected goals include addressing the problem of inadequate kitchen facilities available to both the Welsh Society functions and the hall rentals. The solution has been envisioned for 10 years now, and it's about time it was realised. Any interested members should call Jeff Owen at 946-4956.



VANCOUVER WELSH MEN'S CHOIR

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The V.W.M.C. will be holding their Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, June 9th.

On Saturday, June 13th, the Annual President's Dinner will take place. This will be their last major function before their scheduled trip to Seattle in September.

Goffenaf "Welsach chi yn y Hydref!" 1992

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ANNUAL SUMMER PICNIC, 11 a.m. at JEFF & GRAYNOR DWENS'. B.Y.O.F.	19	20	21	22	23	24
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July "SEE YOU IN THE EARLY FALL!" 1992