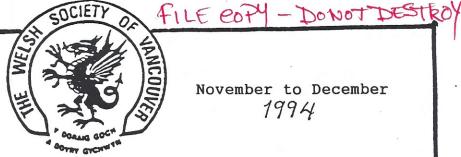
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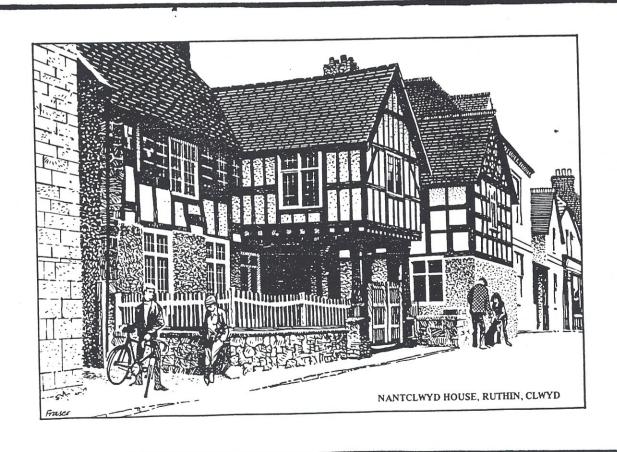


November to December 1994

Cymbe 1thas Gymraeg Vancouver



Welsh Society Rewsletter - Cylchgrawn Cymraeg



Folk Dancing News

It was interesting to see the cross-section of society attending the "Twmpath Ddawns", Saturday, October 15th.

About 40 people showed up altogether, some older, some younger and every last one of them joined in the dances so that by evening's end, they were experts!

Terry Jones came along to help us out and gave demonstrations in Cornish dances, with able assistance by our own Don Murray. Diolch Terry -and Don too!

Thanks to everyone who brought a "plate" with them to add to the well-laden refreshment table, for preparing the food beforehand and for clearing up afterwards. Pat Morris did a super job of organising the food and beverages, so a special thank-you goes out to her.

Nigel Tucker very kindly came along and played some music for us with his guitar and flute. we are much obliged to him.

Profit made from the "Twmpath" was donated to the Piano Restoration Fund.

Just recently, Pat and Keith Williams decided to become members of our dance group and we are very pleased that they did. Already they have shown that they are quick learners. Warm welcomes to you both!

On November 10th and 17th, Terry Jones will be returning to help us once again to create a video of ourselves dancing in costume. This will enable us to see where corrections and improvements are needed etc.

We will continue to practice until early in December and as in previous years, end the year with our Pot Luck Supper.

If you wish to be part of our merry little troupe, give Jack and Bertha Smith a call at 683-1335.

Lynne Hughes-Fox.

Women's Auxiliary Report

In spite of a few apologies for absence, because of ill-health, there was a very good attendance of members at our first business meeting of the Fall season.

Mrs. Eunice Johnson, one of our long-time members, has returned to live near her family back East. We wish her every happiness and better health, but we shall miss her.

Arrangements were made for our members Christmas Luncheon which will be held this year on December 14th.

It was agreed that we make our usual donation to the Children's Christmas Party.

We are still collecting I.G.A. check out slips. Please keep yours for us and hand to any member of the W.A.

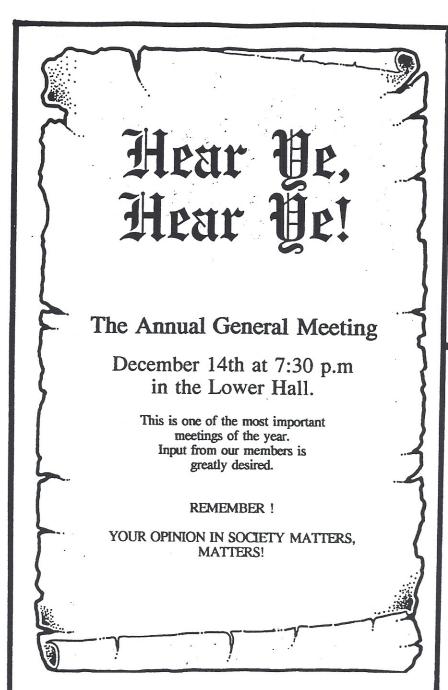
We are always pleased to welcome new members, please feel free to join us at noon on the third Wednesday of each month.

We send our sick members and everyone who is not in the best of health our best wishes for a quick return to health.

Anne G. Jones, W.A. President.







WELCOME/CROESO NEW MEMBERS!

We send out a warm welcome this month to the following people:-

David Hughes & Lou Danneberg, Vancouver, B.C.

Laurel Williams, Vancouver, B.C.

Attention!

The Red Dragon will be closed from SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17TH 1994 and will re-open on SATURDAY, JANUARY 7TH, 1995.

Our hard-working Social Committee need a break over the holidays too!

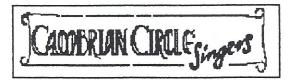
Just to let you know...

It's always nice to have visitors from home, so that we can catch up on gossip etc. and seeing Gaynor Evans' mother here was no exception.

Mrs. Ethel Williams arrived here October 3rd and stayed until the 31st.

No doubt she had a wonderful time with her grandchildren and we hope she had just as good a time with us too.

Thanks to everyone at the Hall for making her feel so welcome and she hopes to be back soon.



The Singers will be holding rehearsals on the following dates:

November: Friday 11th at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday 16th at 8:00 p.m.

December: Friday 16th at 8:00 p.m.

January '95: Friday 6th at 8:00 p.m.

Singout dates and venues are given below:

November: Sunday 20th, Kiwanis Lodge, 990 22nd Avenue, West Vancouver at 2:15 p.m.

Wednesday 30th, Chalmers Lodge, 1450 West 12th Avenue, Vancouver at 7:30 p.m.

<u>December</u>: Wednesday 7th, Century House, 620 8th Street (Moody Park), New Westminster at 8:00 p.m.

Mrs Nerys Haqq is the Cambrian Circle Singers' Director and she would be delighted to hear from anyone interested in becoming a member.

You can contact her at 278-8978.

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WELSH LESSONS

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GWERS GYMRAEG

The Welsh lessons are underway and we are in the process of completely mystifying our six new students: Phyllis Owens, Dorothy Walters, Cathy Stevens, Elizabeth Powell, Laurel Williams and David Hughes.

The verb "To be" and the mutations not to mention pronunciation are our main focus at the moment. Those of us who "mastered" these things last spring are having to work hard to keep up to our enthusiastic newcomers.

Dr. Gwilym Evans is showing great patience as we stumble along and Capt. Ieuan Lampshire-Jones is usually there to give him moral support.

One of our group Isla Jane Kail, had the courage to attend the Welsh Speaking Night in October. Good for you Isla.

Reported by Beverly Thomas.

Church Service

Services are held every second Sunday of the month.





MULLED WINE EVENING



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH AT 8:00 P.M.

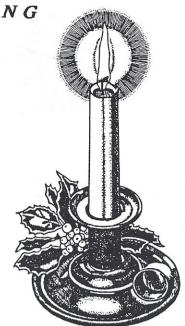
in the Red Dragon pub
with the decorating of the Christmas Tree
SERVINGS OF:

Sausage Rolls, Mince Pies, Mulled Wine

COMMUNITY CAROL SINGING

with pianist Enid Lewis

Reading of "A Child's Christmas in Wales"



"Come one, come all and share in the magic of the Season with your friends."

Hallowe'en Fun Night - A REAL Fun Night!

It was a "HOOT" of an evening down at the Red Dragon on Saturday, Oct. 29th.

All the "Hallowe'enies" turned out - despite the dismal weather, which may also have been the reason why so many stayed at home - and had a few good HOWLS, GHOULicious chili with Gaynor Owen's secret ingredient - catnip wasn't it Gaynor?!!!, played BATTY games, had a flutter on the Chepstow Races and admired the BOO-tiful decorations put up by dedicated workers that same afternoon.

A couple of "PEPPY" skunks, (two of our newest members), sauntered in and they had brought with them home-made pumpkin tarts. A very nice and welcome

gesture, which many took to A-GOBLIN down when the food was presented.

There are people we simply must thank for all of this. They are Jeff and Gaynor Owen - and didn't we all love Gaynor's "Li'l Tyke" costume? - Tony "I wanna be a Leprachaun" Tonack plus his dear wife Gwen, Joan Thomsen, Betty Morgan and Pam "Ridin' The Range" Williams.

Many stayed late to help tidy up and get the pub looking normal again, thanks for your help everyone, hope you all got home safely and had some R.I.P.Heh, heh, heh!!!!





VANCOUVER WELSH MEN'S CHOIR

Box 2978, Main Post Office, Vancouver, B.C. V6B 3X4

The V.W.M.C. have a very busy schedule for the month of December. There are no concerts for November so that they can be rested up for their hectic tour!

Listed below are the dates and venues of the concerts they will be giving for their "FALL TOUR":-

Friday 2nd at 8:00 p.m. - Ballena's Senior Secondary School, Parksville, Vancouver Island.

Saturday 3rd at 8:00 p.m. - Sid Williams Theatre, Courtenay, Vancouver Island.

Sunday 4th at 2:00 p.m. - Hornby Island.

Friday 9th at 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 10th at 8:00 p.m. - a joint Christmas Concert with the B.C. Boy's Choir at St. Andrew's Wesley Church, (Burrard at Nelson,) Vancouver.

Sunday 11th at 2:30 p.m. - another joint Christmas Concert with the B.C. Boy's Choir, at the Welsh Vancouver United Church, 2062 Esquimalt Avenue, West Vancouver.

Tuesday 13th at 8:00 p.m. - Christmas Concert with the B.C. Boy's Choir at the Surrey Arts Centre Theatre, 13750 - 88th Avenue, Surrey.

Friday 16th at 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. - 2 Mini Concerts, sponsored by Surrey Metro Credit Union, Surrey Arts Centre Theatre.

Contact Cyril Portman at 940-3318 for information regarding concerts given on the islands and for Surrey Metro Credit Union Concert.

Information on all other concerts and reserving tickets to be picked up at the door, please contact Sheena Macdonald at 467-7012.

Obituary

Mrs. Elizabeth (Betty) Granville, passed away peacefully at Hawthorne Lodge Care Centre in Port Coquitlam on Thursday, October 27th, 1994 at the grand old age of 91 years.

Following her husband's death in Porthcawl, South Wales in 1981, Betty emigrated to Canada at age 78 to live with her only son Brian, his wife Stella and their family in Port Coquitlam, B.C.

She became an active member of the Southside Baptist Church and the Silver Chords Choir.

A Memorial Service was held at Southside Baptist Church on Thursday, November 3rd, 1994 with Pastors Mike Duff and Dr. Raymond Reid officiating.



BOOM TOWN RATS!

Manhole covers fly in Pentre blast.

Taken from the "Rhondda Leader", Thursday, October 6th 1994. An Exclusive by Dave Edwards.

Do-it-yourself rat-catchers Richard Morgan and Andrew Thomas did the trick when they dropped a petrol-soaked rag into a public sewer.

But they also sent manhole covers flying throughout the air and neighbours scampering as the explosion rocked a Rhondda town.

"I honestly thought a bomb had gone off," said one shaking neighbour. "There was an almighty explosion."

Red-faced Richard said "I don' want to talk about it thank you."

The big bang shook Llewellyn Street in Pentre, sent five manhole covers hurtling through the air and brought traffic to a halt.

One of the covers sailed straight through the window of Mrs. Gladys Cilia's house, landing on her dining room table.

It all started when the dynamic duo of Richard Morgan and his pal Andrew Thomas were asked if they had any idea how to get rid of rats in Llewellyn Street. "I asked Richard and Andrew to get rid of them after I spotted them in a nearby garden," said Richard's mum Gaynor.

Richard, aged 24 and Andrew thought a ferret would be the answer, so they put one down a sewer pipe.

"That didn't work so they decided to burn the rats out." said Gaynor. "They poured some petrol on a rag, lit it and dropped it into the pipe." And that's when the explosion ripped through the quiet street.

A spokesman for the fire service said he was convinced about a gallon of petrol had been poured into the sewer before the burning rag was thrown in.

"Although there was slight damage to a nearby house, there were no injuries reported," said the spokesman.

Mrs. Morgan said "Richard and Andrew were trying to help out that's all. I think they managed to get rid of the rats."

Humorous article submitted by Veronica Gilder.

MALE VOICE CHOIR

Christmas Concerts

This year the "Orpheus" Choir will be performing two Christmas Concerts that will feature light Christmas Music and sing-along carols with the audience.

At both concerts, we are fortunate to have Mr. David Tuck as our Guest Soloist.

Saturday, December 10th at 7:30 p.m. -St. Andrew's Anglican Church, 20955, Old Yale Road, Langley.

Tuesday, December 13th at 7:30 p.m. - St. George's Anglican Church, Maple Ridge.

For further details please phone:

Milton Morgan at 298-6085. Jimmy Murphy at 526-2960.



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