

The Narth and District Newsletter: July 2017

The Glade Tavern

will be open as usual from 7pm on 4 August and additionally for a prolonged period on The Great Narth Feast and Dog Show day - 27 Aug. Its organisers will be enjoying a well earned recovery period on 1 September with the next GT opening on 6 October.



FORTHCOMING EVENTS (for your diary)

Please contact **Brian Mahony** on 860199 as the Footpath Projects Group requires some more helpers on 1 and/or 2 August, waymarking the walks in the area.

Instead of a traditional fete, this year we are holding **The Great Narth Feast and Dog Show** on **Sunday 27 August**. Please get in touch with anyone on the Hall Committee if you would like to be involved; have a stall of your own; can donate a raffle prize or even loan a gazebo. It is hoped residents will, as usual, choose to decorate their gardens, but this year on the theme of Food, Drink, Banquets or Picnics.

Our next Quiz Night will be held on Friday 8 Sept. with **Skittles** fun and food for those, so inclined, on the very next Saturday, the 16th.

A new Welsh Arts Council supported '**Night Out**' event 'Brilliance' is booked for 3p.m. on Sunday 12 November with the return of Farnham Maltings who entertained us so memorably with 'In Praise of the Elephant' in 2014. Tickets will be available from Stephen Dix on 860664.

Interested in Photography? An embryonic Narth Photography Club is being considered for all levels of ability. If interested please contact Clark on clarkatkinson66@gmail.com.

Bhangra Blaze (Indian dancing for fitness) is taking a Summer break and will reconvene in September.

Yoga Classes are now also in their Summer break until mid September. Details obtainable via Emily Ryder at yoga.emily@googlemail.com.

FILMS ON AT THE NARTH AND PENALLT

28 July, The Narth is showing this year's Oscar winner **Moonlight** [cert 15]

No film in August but the season will resume in September.

Films are shown Fridays at 7.30pm. Refreshments and bar from 7pm. Admission £5, booking not necessary. Full film details on the hall web sites.

Past Event News & Thanks

The Rocket Theatre production of *Lord Arthur Savile's Crime* by Oscar Wilde served to be another success with thanks to Wales Arts Council 'Big Night' promotion.

Rebecca King deserves recognition for the great flair and energy she displayed in raising £469.57 in aid of the DEC East Africa Famine Appeal as does the Village at large for their generosity at her Cake Sale and Tea.

The Arnell Family and young friends, again excelled at their well supported May Bank Holiday Monday **Big Breakfast**, raising £430 shared equally between the Save the Children Fund and the Village Hall for which many thanks (again!).

The Widdicks family's **Italian Evening** was a riotous and highly successful precursor to subsequent Sunday tea parties, all in aid of Marie Curie with an immense £2700 raised to date. Another possible event is being discussed with the Glade Tavern Team.

The first "**Village Walk**" arranged by the Footpaths Group was sufficiently a success to have set the scene for it to become a periodic feature, showing off the wonderful local countryside.

Village Hall News

The Hall Annual General Meeting is scheduled for Thursday 5 October when it is hoped villagers will feel sufficiently inspired to attend in support of their hard working Officers and Committee and to hear what has been achieved over the year.

If you are interested in joining the Committee, volunteering as a helper or just want to know more about how it works, contact the chair, Marilyn on 860031 or marilyn@thebeechesthenarth.org.uk

100 Club winners since April were Bill Parnell and Jannie Menday (May); Gwen Bethel and Taryn Rayner (June) and Gregory Browning and 'Ted' Lipscombe (July). With just two more prizes days to go in this lottery year why not join in on a pro rata basis?

Village email list: Keep up with events and other village news: Contact Pete at plainanne@me.com. to be included. All email addresses are kept confidential.

The **village map** is available on the hall web site. Scan the QR code or go to www.goo.gl/NnenG3



The Community Draw promoted by Rotary gained us £320 this year again without costing us anything to arrange.

Grateful thanks are due to Ruth, Pam and Graham of the **Gardening Club** for ensuring the Hall garden borders are kept in shape. Also to Phil Bowen for constructing a fantastic new **barbeque** for the hall, which will be in action at The Great Narth Feast.

Hall Bookings

Smaller group meetings can now be comfortably accommodated in the refurbished rear ante meeting room at a reduced charge.

The Glade can be booked for events either with the hall (excellent for children's parties) or on its own. Updated details available on the Village Hall web site www.thenarthhall.org.uk or from Sue on **860373**.

A request received from a local horse rider: "To the well-meaning people who are moving branches on Trellech Common to block tracks. Assuming this is to prevent trail bikers from illegally using the tracks, unfortunately it also causes problems for horse riders. The police and NRW are trying to prevent illegal use and ask residents to call 101 to report incidents. If the police receive a spate of calls, they will allocate resources appropriately. Please stop blocking the tracks!"

BOOKING THE VILLAGE HALL

Residents' private parties - £10 per hour or £75 for a 24 hour period; local groups £7.50 per hour
Other rates on application.

Marquee Hire - £30.00 a day or £50.00 a weekend

To book the hall, ante-room, kitchen, glade or marquee, please contact Sue on **860373** or use our booking enquiry form on the web site

A damage bond pre-payment must accompany certain types of bookings. Full booking conditions on the Village Hall web site

Village Activities, Groups & Contacts

Ladies Keep Fit: Mondays at 10 am. Contact Lucia Ashton on 07735 221928

Line Dancing: Mondays at 6.30 pm. Contact Rosemary Thomas on 860141

Tai Chi: Classes at 7.45 pm on Mondays. Contact Simon 07813 104468 or simonjones01@hotmail.com

Women's Institute: Meets 3rd Tuesday of month at 7.30 pm. Contact Jan Stephens on 860576

Gardening Club: Usually last Tuesday of the month, plus visits away. Contact Wendy Hill on 860121

Yoga: Meets 10 am Wednesdays. Contact Emily via yoga.emily@googlemail.com

The Narth Singers: Wednesdays at 7.30 pm. Contact Alan and Jean Francis, 01600 716189
dousland@googlemail.com

Films on The Narth & Penallt: Usually every 2nd and 4th Friday at 7.30 pm. Contact Marilyn (The Narth) or David May (Penallt) via david@themays.org.uk

Whist Drive: Every month on the 3rd Friday at 7.30 pm. Contact Kay Bowen on 860594

The Glade Tavern: Your local pop-up pub opens the first Friday of each month from 7 pm – email nikkigodfrey@mayphil.com for information

Oil Syndicate: To save money on fuel orders; contact Larry Stoter on ansaphone 861836

Wild Tots: Parents and children's group in the Glade on Friday mornings. Drop by to talk to the organisers – locals are encouraged to join in

Footpaths Project: Practical group aiming to help maintain village rights-of-way and promote walking as a healthy, social activity; contact Brian Mahony on 860199

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