

THE NARTH AND DISTRICT NEWSLETTER: November 2018

*****CHRISTMAS EVENTS*****

THE GLADE TAVERN will be holding their annual **CHRISTMAS PARTY** on **7th December** from 7 pm. The usual efficient and friendly bar staff will be serving you and there will be a disco, plus a Festive Ploughmans Selection (£5/head) by our local gourmet chef, Sue Flower. Vegetarian options will be available.

The Glade Tavern Team are all volunteers and welcome anyone who would like to help, especially with setting up for Friday nights or clearing up the following day. The more people involved, the smaller the workload is, so if you have a little spare time, please consider helping in one of these ways. Contact Wendy or Clark Atkinson via the email on the Committee list.

THE NARTH CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT
Thursday, 13th December at 7.30 pm, St Nicholas Church, Trellech. This should be a stunning Christmas concert with some exciting new pieces, plus many old favourites. Free entry

Closing donations will help provide another Shelter Box for victims of the Super-typhoon Haiyan. Each box provides all needs for a displaced family: food, water, shelter, even games for children. So do come along to support our local Choir and this excellent cause.

WYE VALLEY WOMEN are organising a **FESTIVE CELEBRATION** for residents on **Saturday, December 15th** from 3.30-6 pm.

£2 admission will include tea and cakes or mince pies. Mulled wine is available to buy or soft drinks. Forest Flutes will serenade us with music and carols. A **special visitor** will appear.... Let Dianne know if you will be bringing children and what age they are. (diannefidx@gmail.com or 860664).

CHRISTMAS CARD DELIVERIES

The annual delivery session will be held on Sunday, **16th December from 10-12** in the Village Hall. Refreshments will be available. A small donation is requested and cards will be delivered to addresses in The Narth, Maryland and Penyfan by local volunteers.

CHOOSE WINES FOR CHRISTMAS

Pelham Hall, Fri 30th November from 7.15
Tom Innes of Fingals Rock, a past UK Wine Merchant of the Year for Wales, will be offering 8 wines you might enjoy at Christmas and other times. All will be available for tasting.

Local cheeses to accompany these will be provided by *Tom Lewis, Marches Delicatessen*.

£12.50/head; book via the Pelham Hall website.

THANKS TO PETE WALTERS

For a number of years Pete has organised this Newsletter, keeping us all informed of local events and activities. He has finally decided the time has come to hand over to someone else. The Village Hall Committee, on behalf of all local residents, would like to pass on sincere thanks for all his hard work and dedication.

From now on, if you have any events or news you wish to have included in the Newsletter, please contact Pam Manfield (see Committee list on next page).

FILM NIGHTS

These are put on alternately in The Narth Village Hall and Pelham Hall, Penallt on Friday evenings. Doors open at 7 for a 7.30 show. Booking is not needed; further details of the films are on the village hall websites. The next presentations will be:

23rd November: *The Bromley Boys* (Narth)
14th December: *Sweet Country* (Pelham)

FOCUS ON ...

Each newsletter from now on will focus on one of the groups in the area, so residents, especially those new to the village, know a little more about what they do. (In most cases, full programmes and more details are also available via the Village Hall website - www.thenarthhall.org.uk) The first group featured is one of the newest and warmly welcomes new members:

Local Links Club

This is aimed at anyone over 50 and organised by Age Cymru. The programme includes easy exercise, talks and conversation as well as refreshments. Sessions run from 1.30 to 3.30 pm on Wednesdays and cost £3. No booking is required - just turn up. If you have a friend or neighbour who would enjoy this type of event, do encourage them to go along to the group.

LOST PROPERTY

The following items have been in the Hall for over 3 months and, if not claimed, will be disposed of at the end of December. If you wish to claim any item, please contact Ruth Williams. (See Committee list for telephone number.)

Sunglasses; 2 pairs spectacles; child's pink toy car; metal water bottle (violet); man's university club jacket; blue cagoule; black sweater, grey sweater; lady's blue cotton jacket: stripes on cuffs/collar; lady's pyjamas, slippers & hair dryer.

DO YOU HAVE A GREAT EVENT IDEA?

We are very lucky to have such a socially active village, with many people organising events and activities, but it is always good to have new ideas

and new people involved.

If you have an idea for an event/activity you would like to organise, please contact the Village Hall Committee. They can give advice and support, as well as putting you in touch with experienced event organisers, so you too can put on a super entertainment for local residents. A Dog Show has been suggested for the next Fete. If you are interested in running this, please contact Larry Stoter (see Committee List below) to discuss.

BOOKING THE VILLAGE HALL

Residents' private parties - £10/hour or £75 for a 24 hour period. Local groups - £7.50/hour. Other groups on application.

Contact Sue on 860373 or Marilyn on 860031 or use our online booking enquiry form on the website

Full booking conditions are on the Village Hall website: www.thenarthhall.org.uk

JOIN THE 100 CLUB

If you are not yet a member, why not consider joining now? For an annual payment of £12 you are entered into the monthly draw. Three quarters of funds are divided between the first and second number drawn and the remaining money goes to support the Village Hall.

You must be over 16 and can hold multiple entries. Obviously the more members we have, the better for the winners and the Hall. Application forms and payment details are on the Village Hall website. If you do not have email, contact a member of the Committee

VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

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The Committee can also be contacted via the *Contact Us* form on www.thenarthhall.org.uk

We would welcome at least one new committee member to join our friendly and active group. If interested, please contact Larry for more details.

VILLAGE ACTIVITIES & GROUPS

Discount Oil Buying Group: save money on fuel. Contact Larry Stoter on answerphone 861836

Films on The Narth and Penallt: usually every second and fourth Friday at 7.30 pm. Contact Marilyn (The Narth) on 860031 or David May (Penallt) via email david@themays.org.uk

Footpaths Project: monthly maintenance group, as well as special work parties, to maintain and enhance local footpaths. Contact Brian Mahony on 860199

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

The Glade Tavern: Your local pop-up pub; 7 pm on the first Friday of the month. Contact nikkigodfrey@mayphil.com

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

Local Links Club: for over 50s; 1.30-3.30 pm on Wednesdays. Contact: Age Cymru 01291 673300

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

Table Tennis: 5.30 pm on Tuesdays. Contact Steve Widdicks on 869142

Tai Chi: classes every fortnight on Sundays at 10.30 am and practice sessions on Mondays at 7.15 in the week between. Contact Simon 07813 104468 or email: simonjones01@hotmail.com

Whist Drive: every 3rd Friday at 7.30 pm. Contact Kay Bowen on 860594

Wild Tots - Nature-based activities for children. Check dates via Facebook "Wild Tots in Manor Woods".

Wye Valley Women: 7.30 pm on the 3rd Tuesday of the month (except June, July & December). Contact Jane Gilliard on 861974 or email: wyevalleywomen1@gmail.com

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

Zumba: 7 pm on Thursdays. Contact Nikki Reed on 07742 994540 or email: nikkireed.zumba@btinternet.com