Community News

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- Please contact us if you see or hear of anything that will be of help to other residents email pacdg@icloud.com
- and if you need assistance in any way, email us and we'll pass on your message to people who can help.

...from our Town Council. Under Local Authority Regulations 2020, Tow Council meetings are currently being held via video conferencing. Please contact the Clerk if you would like to view/ listen to meetings email presteigneandnorton@outlook.com or tel. 01547 528575. (ed. the next TC meeting is on Wednesday 17th June at 7.30pm, with meeting papers available from 11th June from the Town website www.presteigne.org.uk)

...from Absolute Arborists about The Radnorshire Arms. So with controversial views it was time for the mature Grandes Fir to be removed at the Radnorshire Arms. This tree was always some what of a spectacle, as it was rather large and glorious sitting in its surroundings. But many a time as I enjoyed a bev or ten, many a resident of Radnorshire would drill it home to me that the tree took too much sun from the afternoon session. I would always decline that fact as it was a beauty. But unfortunately due to its age and condition it declined rather quickly and was no longer deemed safe nor suitable to the public. So without portraying an act of vanity we were asked to remove it to a stump, where it can then be carved into a feature for us all to continue to enjoy. #absolutearborists #bwyllwyrcymru #coedcymru

SCAM ALERT

...from Powys CC. A contact tracer will never ask you for information aside from your contact list. If you have any doubts, then you should not provide the information. Please be vigilant for any signs of cyber security, spoofing, phishing or fraud. #KeepPowysSafe #KeepYourselfSafe

UPDATE FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES AND THE HIGH STREET

(things keep changing so, best first check information on websites or Facebook pages)

- ...from The Salty Dog. Change to our opening times. We have decided to open from 9am to 4pm Monday to Saturday starting this week. We've also added a couple of new dishes to Leon's Food to Order. See our Facebook page for the full take-away menu. All our meals are made fresh to order. Order from the list below on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday by 5pm and collect between 1pm and 4pm on a Thursday, Friday or Saturday Many Thanks The Salty Dog Team
- ...from Rose Cottage Flower Shop & Café. We will be offering afternoon tea delivered on Father's Day 21st June, all homemade £10.00 per head minimum of 2 people to include chocolate and raspberry box, strawberry meringue, mini scone with jam and cream, summer fruit cheesecake, coffee cake, lemon drizzle and bakewell slice and a round of sandwiches. Thank you, Lesley
- ...from Amanda's Bread. We have a full range of cakes, vegan pasties and preserves available this week. Please order TODAY Monday 8th June for delivery to Presteigne area "on Saturday 13th June, thank you. Email asimpsonatkins1@gmail.com to order.

- ...from The Workhouse. See our Facebook page for our latest newsletter. Thank you all for your patience we are eagerly awaiting the Welsh government's announcement about when we will be allowed to reopen the shop. In the meantime we are totally redesigning the space to work in this new world we live in and we think you will be pretty impressed with our efforts! We have also made some exciting additions to our webshop: https://mailchi.mp/3989c51cc5c8/chchch-changes?e=d009b1249b
- ...from Weobley Ash. Beef Boxes £60 4 ppl, £75 5 ppl Steaks, joints, burgers, mince, dice, all grass fed Hereford beef. Call 01544 598120 or email shop@weobleyash.co.uk
- ...from Presteigne Spar. Are you looking for some baking inspiration or have a socially distance birthday coming up? Why not try our easy lemon drizzle cake? A light citrus sponge with a sugary topping, simply delicious and a firm favourite https://www.spar.co.uk/recipes/lemon-drizzle-cake
- ...from Presteigne Freegle. Most of our free reuse groups are open again now including Presteigne Freegle serving everyone within 15 miles of Presteigne....it's FREE and there are no queues! If you're not already a member, sign up at https://www.ilovefreegle.org/. Freegle is an easy way to rehome unwanted clutter or to find something you need for free.
- ...from Wild Thyme. Red and yellow miniature plum and cherry tomato plants for sale at Wild Thyme.... self service of course!

THINGS TO DO WHILE STAYING IN

The fifth issue of the Lugg (lockdown) Blogg is now out. With intro and music by Pete and contributions by Tony Lawson, George Vass, Helena Attlee, John Hymas, Sarah Burton, Mid Border Arts, Sabina Rüber, Ian Marchant, Alex Ramsay, Mark Williams, Alison Giles, Bobby Dawson, Andrea Gilpin, Anne Belgrave, Pete Smith, Terry Wells, Esme Carter and Phevie Katsaites. If you haven't signed up yet to receiving the FREE Lugg Blogg then you're missing a real treat. Go to https://www.luggblogg.co.uk/blog/losing-all-sense-of-time

...from the National Portrait Gallery. See www.npg.org.uk to find out What's On in June - Discover the Cecil Beaton exhibition - Enjoy the Conversation in response to Cecil Beaton's "Bright Young Things" - Visit the BP Portrait Awards 2020 - Take Part in our HOLD STILL project.

Hold Still will capture a snapshot of the people of the UK at this time, creating a collective portrait of our nation which will reflect resilience and bravery, humour and sadness, creativity and kindness, human tragedy and hope as we hold still for the good of others, and celebrate those who have continued so we can stay safe. You are invited to submit your own photographic portrait, taken during these extraordinary times, which responds to one of the following themes:

* Helpers and Heroes * Your New Normal * Acts of Kindness.

One hundred shortlisted portraits will feature in a virtual exhibition on the Gallery's website and a selection of images will also be shown across the UK later in the year. The project is completely free and open to all ages and abilities. Images must involve people, and can be captured on phones or cameras. Each image will be assessed on the emotion and experience it conveys rather than its photographic quality or technical expertise.

The closing date for submissions is the 18 June 2020. Don't forget to share your images with us on social media #HoldStill2020

OTHER INFORMATION

...from Powys Health Teaching Board. If you are waking up today with Coronavirus symptoms - a new continuous cough, a fever, loss of taste or smell - you can have a test here in Powys. Contact our local booking office at powysresourcing@wales.nhs.uk or 01874 712600 Find out more about your testing options here in Powys at www.powysthb.wales.nhs.uk/coronavirus-testing

- ...from the Welsh Government. There's evidence to show up to 35% of people who get coronavirus don't notice any symptoms at all. They'll still be infectious though, which is why staying local, keeping a 2 metre distance and regular hand washing continues to be so important. Together we'll #KeepWalesSafe. http://gov.wales/coronavirus
- ...from Powys Teaching Health Board. Join our team to help Stop The Spread and Keep Powys Safe. Powys Teaching Health Board is recruiting to a number of roles within the Powys wide Contact Tracing team, in partnership with Powys County Council. We have bank and temporary positions available for the following roles:
- Contact Tracer, Band 5
- Clinical Lead: Contact Tracing, Band 7

The contact tracing team will support Powys to trace and track positive cases of COVID-19, playing a crucial role in our nation's response. If you would like to find out more about the role or you are interested in applying, please contact PowysResourcing@wales.nhs.uk or apply online at http://jobs.powysthb.wales.nhs.uk/job_list/s7/Administrative_Services? ts=1712824. Closing Date: 10 June. Interviews: 15 June

- ...from Powys CC. The second phase of the Economic Resilience Fund (ERF) will open on 29 June, with non-VAT firms able to apply. You can check if you're eligible from Monday 8 June keep an eye out for more details soon!
- ...from the Welsh Government. Coronavirus may only survive for a few minutes outdoors, but can survive for hours on indoor surfaces. Here are some tips to keep you and your family and friends safe if you meet up locally in a garden this weekend:
- You can pass through the house to reach a garden, but avoid touching surfaces and limit your time there.
- · Avoid using the bathroom.
- · Avoid using plates and cutlery.
- · Always stay 2 metres apart.
- Use hand sanitizer and wash your hands when you get home.

 More info https://gov.wales/guidance-changes-coronavirus-regulations-1-june#section-43079
- ...from the Welsh Government. Coronavirus has dramatically changed our lives and will have a lasting effect on us all. We want to hear your views on Wales' recovery email us with your ideas ourfuturewales@gov.wales

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If you have any questions on what's happening – or not happening – in our community, do let us know and we'll do our best to provide an answer, or at least point you in the right direction – simply email pacdg@icloud.com.