COMMUNITY NEWS

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The Community News is an information service from PACDG – the Presteigne Area Community Development Group "Working Together For The Community"

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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 email the Editor on news@pacdg.org
- please contact us if you see or hear of anything that will be of help to other residents
- and if you need assistance in any way, email us and we'll pass on your message to people who can help.
- ...AND IF YOU NEED TO CHECK BACK ON PAST ISSUES FOR INFORMATION, YOU CAN SEE THESE (along with lots of other good information) ON THE TOWN WEBSITE www.presteigne.org.uk/calendar

...from Francis Dunne. Mary Daniell, formerly Dunne, neé Rodd died peacefully at her home in Ludlow on Wednesday, July 15th aged 88 years following a short illness. She was surrounded by her family and grandchildren. Mary grew up at The Rodd and then lived with her own family at Ashley Farm before moving to Ludlow 15 years ago. A talented printmaker, she was heavily involved in the early days of both MBA and Presteigne Festival. There will be a Private family funeral on July 29th with a Memorial Service to follow at a later date.

...from Rhiannon, Presteigne Library. A reminder from the library: We have a new Order and Collect service! You can now order books for pick up at Presteigne Library by going to www.powys.gov.uk/ orderandcollectbooks or ringing 01597 827460. Tell us what you like to read and we will hand-pick some great reads for you, pack them safely, and let you know when to collect them. We will also be doing special children's book bags including materials for the Summer Reading Challenge!

SPAM ALERT

...a reminder on Scam/Phishing by email or text. When you need to report a suspicious scam or phishing email, please help to protect others by forwarding the email to the Suspicious Email Reporting Service (SERS) at report@phishing.gov.uk (note: the old NFIBPhishing@city-of-london.pnn.police.uk address is no longer active).

Suspicious text messages should be forwarded to 7726. This free-of-charge short code enables your provider to investigate the origin of the text and take action, if found to be malicious Please note...you should <u>not</u> report a crime to the NCSC in this way. If you think you may have been a victim of fraud or cyber crime, and live in England or Wales, you should report this to Action Fraud at www.actionfraud.police.uk or by calling <u>0300 123 2020</u>.

...from the BBC. Fraud: Banks reveal the 10 coronavirus scams to be wary of. UK Finance has warned that scammers are preying on consumers' financial fears and has named ten Covid-19 scams the public should be wary of. See the BBC News website for full article. Local councils have recorded a 40% increase in reported scams since the start of lockdown, while Citizens Advice reckons one in three people have been targeted by a Covid scammer.

UPDATE FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES AND THE HIGH STREET

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

...from Dale at the Royal Oak. As we can't always rely on the British summer weather there's some temporary shelter erected out back (in the beer garden) before a more permanent fixture is put up shortly. Thanks to Steve Kay for letting us borrow it. Next week we're moving back to pre lockdown opening times with food available Wednesday onwards. Opening Monday to Thursday at 4pm; Friday to Sunday at midday. Table service out in the garden with booking still

advisable for the next week and the anticipated return of indoor service from hopefully August 3rd onwards. This week's specials: Wednesday - Steak Night (limited space); Friday - Fish Fryday to eat in or takeaway; Sunday - Roast dinners for takeaway or free delivery available. We highly recommend booking early for Sunday roasts as demand has been high. To book, call 01544 260842 or message us on Facebook.

- ...from The Workhouse. New newsletter out now! Link here: https://mailchi.mp/de135f29ff19/ https://mailchi.mp/de135f29ff19/ https://mailchi.mp/de135f29ff19/
- ...from Wild Card Tattoos. Roll on Monday (re-opening!). For those who have booked in and not paid any deposit please do so ASAP to secure your agreed appointment time/date. Thank you, Wild Card
- ...from Amanda's Bread. If you want to place an order for delivery in the Presteigne area on Saturday 1st August, and you missed the Monday deadline, please still get in touch and we will supply your order if we can email Amanda on : asimpsonatkins1@gmail.com phone / text Amanda on 0775 993 9526 or Julian on 0771 870 4814. Amanda's Bread now has a page on the Taste Montgomery website. Please click this link Amanda's Bread
- ...from Grace Beauty. Final preparations are being made ready to reopen our doors from Monday 3rd August. We will be in the salon on Saturday making our way through our list of clients. If you do not hear from us please give us a call on 01544 260 440. We are still awaiting clearer guidance as to whether we can carry out treatments on the face. We will update you as soon as we have clarification.
- ...from the Salty Dog. New Opening Hours Mon/Tues 9am-4pm; Wed/Thur/Frid 9am-5.30pm; Sat 9am-4pm and at long last we will be having Fresh Fish in this Wednesday!
- ...from Wild Thyme Italian. A big thank you to all our customers during the last 4 months who've supported our takeaway service on Friday and Saturday evenings... hopefully it's kept us all sane! See our Facebook page for the latest menu with a couple of NEW additions call/text 07854 428668 to order. We will be updating soon about re-opening plans for August!
- ...from The Harp, Old Radnor. As of 7th of August we will be opening our doors to welcome you back to The Harp. We want your return to be as enjoyable as possible but we also have to keep everyone safe, therefore there will be some measures in place in order to do so. To begin with, opening times will be Friday evening, Saturday all day and Sunday until 6pm, until the demand requires us to open more often. Tables for evening meals and Sunday lunch must be pre booked and pre ordered. From 12pm to 5pm on Saturday we will be offering a sandwich and snack menu only, this is available for you to just turn up, although booking will ensure you get a table - no table, no service. Tables will be outside ONLY, unless the weather is terrible, then we will move you inside so please bring coats and/or blankets to keep you warm. Tables are available for a maximum of 4 people only and we will be relying on customers to ensure that they are complying with guidelines on social distancing. A small number of tables are available to be booked for drinks only, these can be reserved for a maximum of 2 hours. Our staffing will be at a minimum to protect ourselves and others, so please be patient, we are all learning a new way of working and are trying our best to make your visit as 'normal' and enjoyable as we can. Menu to be posted soon. More information is on our website. For bookings, please email us at mail@harpinnradnor.co.uk. Thank you for your understanding and we cannot wait to see you!
- ...from The Stagg Inn. Up to £10 off on Wednesdays in August. We're delighted to announce that in August will we be opening on Wednesdays for lunch and dinner to enable our customers to take advantage of the Government's 'Eat Out to Help Out' Scheme, which offers 50% off food and soft drinks to a value of £10. To book, go to https://www.thestagg.co.uk/book/
- ...from Weobley Ash. Ageing mutton, we hang for a minimum of 3 weeks, although some are wrapped in muslin cloth and hung for 9 weeks. The hanging is the key to good tasting meat, and a great carcass to start with. We are able to supply wholesale aged mutton carcasses.

Piled high with fruit and veg, milk, butter, cheese, eggs, Marphona potatoes, new potatoes (Maris) and baking spuds. Open from 9-4 Tuesday to Saturday.

- ...Eat out to Help Out scheme. To find out which restaurants near you are taking part, visit https://www.tax.service.gov.uk/eat-out-to-help-out/find-a-restaurant for more information. The scheme will run every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday between August 3 and 31, 2020. The scheme will get 50 per cent off your food and non-alcoholic drinks up to a total value of £10 per person if you eat or drink in (so excluding take-aways). The discount also applies to children. It can be used as many times as you like. According to the UK Government website: "You don't need a voucher to use the scheme and you can use it at the same time as other offers and discounts. There is no minimum spend. Alcoholic drinks and service charges are excluded from the offer." Currently, four places in Presteigne are in the scheme Royal Oak, Wild Thyme Italian, Workhouse Gallery & Café, and The Coffee House plus, further afield, The Stagg in Titley, and The Banc, Horse & Jockey, and Little Black Sheep Café in Knighton.
- ...from Ian in the BarberVan. Appointments available for Thursday (home visits) Friday and Saturday in Presteigne. 0797700074
- ...from Arrowfield Vets. Attention horse owners. In the last couple of weeks we have seen some incredibly high worm burdens in horses. Some of these horses will actually appear completely normal and in good body condition hiding that they are carrying such a heavy burden of worms. If anyone has any concerns or questions regarding worming horses please give us a call on 01544 230567 or send us an email at admin@arrowfieldvets.co.uk

OTHER INFORMATION

- ...from the Town Council. Latest planning application received: 20/1158/HH Grid Reference: E:331612 N: 264187 Proposal: Erection of timber framed carport with workshop attached. Site Address: 25 Hereford Street, Presteigne, Powys, LD8 2AT. To be considered at the August meeting of the Town Council.
- ...from Presteigne Freegle. It's #DragonflyWeek2020. Ponds are a very good thing for wildlife, here's some handy instructions via @wildlifetrusts on how to make a mini-pond. https://www.wildlifewatch.org.uk/how-make-mini-pond
- ...from Powys CC. Discover a night under the stars in Mid Wales. Lock down restrictions ease on campsites from today (Saturday) meaning that you are once again able to pack up the tent, kids and car and have a night under the light of the milky way searching for shooting stars. Please ensure that you plan your journey and book your site before travelling to your destination. #DiscoverPowys #RespectProtectEnjoy
- ...from Recycle Now. Lots of well known packaging items now have recycling labels on them to help us to identify how different types of packaging can be recycled. Watch our video to find out more or take a look at this blog for further recycling labels explanation: https://bit.ly/38Seye4. Remember, local authorities do not all collect the same materials so if you're ever in doubt of what you can and can't put in your recycling bin at home, where your nearest recycling locations use our handy Recycling Locator tool: https://www.recyclenow.com/local-recycling
- ...from Powys CC. Restrictions might be easing for some but not for all. If you're experiencing abuse or control at home, contact @LiveFearFree #LiveFearFree 0808 80 10 800 Text 0786 007 7333 Email info@livefearfreehelpline.wales,
- ...from Powys CC. Latest news: Additional funding available for active travel and road safety schemes. A further £38m in Welsh Government grants has today, 20 July, been made available for local authorities across Wales for active travel and road safety schemes. This additional funding is on top of the £15.4m already allocated for helping councils reallocate road space and create safe conditions for walking, cycling and public transport users in response to Covid 19. Much of this latest amount of available funding will go towards previously identified projects throughout Wales, including active travel projects in Newtown and Llandrindod Wells,

a safer school route in Llanelwedd, the reopening of the redundant archway in Machynlleth and a road safety project in Libanus. The remaining monies has been shared between all Welsh local authorities to put towards smaller active travel schemes, and road safety training.

- ...from Recycle Now. Corks are not collected as part of your doorstep recycling scheme. However, they can be put in your home compost bin if you have one or recycled in some stores. Some are also used as a mulch on plants when chopped into small pieces! If you're ever unsure on how to dispose of an item, search our handy library for guidance and tips: https://www.recyclenow.com/what-to-do-with
- ...from Powys Transport. Just a reminder that face coverings are now mandatory on public transport in Wales. We still advise you not to use public transport unless your journey is essential. Please be considerate to those passengers who require peak-journeys we have increased frequency where possible to help with social distancing. Stay Safe!
- ...from Powys CC.Do you or someone you know need help with day-to-day living? Perhaps you're not as nimble on your feet as you used to be? Or perhaps you find that your memory isn't quite as good anymore? Did you know that there is a webpage which is designed to give free advice on the help that's out there? AskSara can tell you about products which make your (or their) lives easier. It asks a few simple questions and then shows you a list of suggestions of things which may help. Why not take a look?
- ...from PAVO. Do you or anyone you know use local (Powys) health or social care services and/or have you/do you care for someone who has needed services? If so this might be the opportunity for you or one of your clients. Do you or anyone you work with want to make a difference and play a key part in helping make decisions about Health and Social Care Services in Powys? Powys' Regional Partnership Board (RPB) are looking for citizens of the county who have an interest in health and wellbeing to become part of the Board and to help to shape services. Powys Regional Partnership Board (RPB) brings together a range of public service representatives including the local council, health board, third sector and other key people including citizens, to ensure that people work together better to improve health and wellbeing in Powys. It's about putting people and what matters to them at the centre of health and care services. The RPB oversees the delivery of this in Powys, which is done through its programmes: Start Well, Live Well, Age Well as well as some other work which cuts across all of these. As part of the role, you will be expected to sit for a maximum of 3 years and attend quarterly RPB meetings based in Llandrindod Wells. You will also be asked to attend additional development days and events on behalf of the RPB for Welsh Government. A PAVO officer will give full support in carrying out your role and all expenses will be covered. Closing date for applications to be sent/emailed back to PAVO by Friday, 28th August 2020 - if interested please fill in the expression of interest form in the link below and some from PAVO will get back to you. For Expression of Interest form, click here.

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