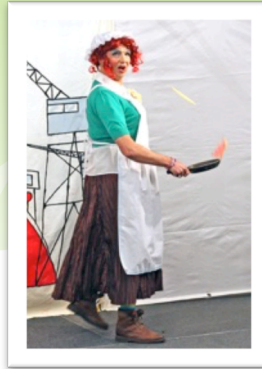


Aberthin Village Hall



Dyffryn House Talk

Our initiative to invite guest speakers to the Hall to give talks on various subjects got off to a great start last month when Gwerfyl Gardner gave us a wonderful talk on the history of Dyffryn House and the Cory family. Thanks to all who attended. More talks in the pipeline...

Panto!!

February saw the return of the bi-annual village pantomime as the Aberthin Players entertained us with their hilarious version of Dick Whittington, with two sold-out shows delighting packed audiences.

Director and writer Glesni Jones set the action on the little-known, rat infested, Aberthin dockside before taking us to Morocco and back via sea disasters and sultan's palaces as Dick, with Ianto his cat, Alys Evans, Idle Jac and fairy Bo Bells, tried to out-fox the awesome King Rat and his incompetent ratty henchmen Scratchet and Sniffit. In amongst all the action, audiences also watched one of the great love stories of our age unfold as the Dame, Sarah the Cook, chased and eventually won the heart of Mayor Evans. (People who were there will be aware that no red-blooded man was ever going to resist that red dress!!)

The Aberthin Panto always contains a twist, and this year's was provided by the appearance of a black-clad Darth Vader whose spaceship crashed into Aberthin in the middle of the performance!

Special thanks go to debutants Lewis Jones, Merlin Davies and Camilla Hopkin who played their parts with great aplomb and to Denise Burns for her word-perfect cameo as the shopper!

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What? You missed it? Never mind. Those that were there received reports from the Chair and Treasurer and on the unsuccessful BLF grant application. Oh, and the Committee were re-elected.



Village Hall Website:
www.aberthin.org

Save the Date!

Duck Race!

Sunday 24th April

Get ready for the best duck race ever! 500 little yellow ducks currently in training for the big day!

Musical Evening

Saturday 7th May

Award winning harpist Harriet Earis returns to the Hall for an evening of music. See overleaf...

Village Day

Sunday 3rd July

The biggest event of the year! BBQ, Sports, a Bar, a sunny day...

Afternoon Tea

Sunday 21st August

Join us at the mad-hatter's tea party! Lots of tea and cake and friendly chat...

And it's goodbye from Frank..

After 33 years on the Committee, Frank Hartles has decided that enough is enough and he has stepped down to spend more time with his family! Frank was one of the original members who set up the Hall as a charitable Trust and his friendly countenance will be greatly missed by the Committee.

Duck Race – Sunday 24th April

It's back! The best little duck race in the world and it happens in our village! Lots of fun for the youngsters and adults alike as you get the chance to cheer on your sponsored ducks to victory down the stream. First heat kicks off at 10.30 am and you'll be home in time for lunch. Teas and coffees served and prizes for the winners. We'll be round the village shortly to give you your chance to sponsor your favorite ducks. Quack! Quack!

An evening with harpist Harriet Earis

Saturday 7th May sees the return of the very successful Harpist Evening and we are delighted to announce the return of award winning harpist Harriet Earis who will entertain us on the Celtic harp in her own inimitable style.

Harriet is twice winner of the *Harpist of All Britain Award* and winner of the coveted '*Open Stage Award*' at the Celtic Connections music festival – chosen from over 82 acts for the title. We are delighted to host her at the Hall.

We will sell tickets around the village before the event.

Be involved...

If you are someone who enjoys the annual Duck Race or Village Day or Bonfire Night or the Carol Service, you will be aware how important such events are to our vibrant village community. We urgently need new members to join the Committee to ensure that such events continue into the future. If you think you would like to join the Committee then please get in touch with any one of the names below. We would love to hear from you and be assured that you will not be asked to do more than you wish to give.

Your Committee:

Huw Lloyd:

Laurie Golden:

Gary Rees:

Pam Roberts:

Glesni Jones:

Nick Schoner:

Roy Wiles:

Sean Richardson:

Vickie Davies:

Kate Watts:

Comments? – Please contact Huw

