# Aberthin Village Hall



# Village Day

Those of you who spotted little gaggles of youngsters wandering around the village on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June, peering at house names, or pointing at lamp posts, or jumping with glee when spotting something obscure and out of your sight, will have witnessed the resurrection of the Village Day Treasure Hunt; a fiendishly difficult test of observation and patience that was taken on with great enthusiasm by the children of the village to kick off this year's hugely successful Village Day.

Later on, when the points were being counted, the bar opened and the spiralling smoke from the BBQ announced that the al fresco lunch was about to be served. The warm sunshine held up long enough to complete a wonderful meal before a snap shower sent everyone scurrying for cover and signalled the start of the Children's Sports on the Downs.

Any fears that kids who enjoy computer games and electronic gismos would turn their noses up at a 3-legged race were soon allayed and whoops of laughter and screams of delight could be heard across the Downs as races were won and lost and a wonderful summer event drew to its close.

# And the winners...

In the end, the Treasure Hunt test could not separate the joint winners – the *Adamites* and the *Bottoms*.

On the Downs the winners were too many to mention here but can be seen on the village website. Well done to everyone who took part.

And finally our thanks go to all those villagers who gave up their time to help prepare the day, mow the Downs, make the salads, cook the meals, wash the dishes, and to all who attended and made it a great day.



Village Hall Website: www.aberthin.org

#### Save the Date!

#### **WW1** Exhibition

**Friday & Saturday** 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> August and Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September An exhibition of life in the village around the time of WW1. See overleaf.

## WW1 Centenary Tea

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August An Afternoon Tea to commemorate the centenary of WW1. See overleaf for details.

# **Bonfire Night** 5<sup>th</sup> November!

Bonfire, fireworks, hot dogs and mulled wine up on the Downs.

#### Carol Service 21<sup>st</sup> December

Join us for the Village carol service. Sing around the tree and in the Hall and enjoy some fellowship

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# Future events and news

The Village Hall Committee is arranging the following events over the next few months. If you want to use the Hall for your own event it can be hired at a modest cost. See the website for details or contact your Committee representative.

# Exhibition to mark outbreak of WW1

To mark the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War, the Village Hall is hosting an exhibition curated by Keith Edwards and Frank Hartles showing what life was like in the village between the 1880s and 1920s during times of peace and during the Great War, the farms and cottages, the villagers and the chapel, its chandelier and hour glass, and showing the challenges faced by an agricultural community during the Great War. Friday 29<sup>th</sup>& Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August 11am – 5pm. Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Sept 11am -1pm. Entrance free.

### Afternoon Tea to commemorate WW1

In conjunction with the above exhibition, the Village Hall is holding a traditional Afternoon Tea at the Hall at 3.00pm on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August to commemorate the centenary of the outbreak of World War 1. Please come and enjoy some home made cakes and traditional pots of tea. The event features certain aspects of the exhibition and is free.

# Hall Redevelopment

In June this year, after years of hard work, we passed another hurdle in our attempts to obtain grant funding to redevelop and refurbish the Hall when the Big Lottery Fund kindly agreed to give us an initial grant of  $\pounds 11,000$  to develop our designs in preparation for a final application for the full grant which will be submitted at the end of the year. Thanks go to the Big Lottery Fund and to all those involved in the process.

## Your Committee:

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