

Aberthin Village Hall



Carol Concert

Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without the village carol concert and, as the photographs in this Newsletter show, this year's concert delivered lashings of Christmas spirit and goodwill to all who attended (and we're not only talking about Glesni Jones' eye-wateringly heart-warming mulled wine!)

The event commenced with several dozen enthusiastic carolers congregating around the village tree to sing a couple of festive carols before joining the rest of the revellers in a packed out Hall, creating a wonderful festive atmosphere.

The concert included the singing of several traditional carols, accompanied by our new pianist Julie Williams, interspersed with readings given by local villagers. The stars of the show, as ever, were the youngsters of the village who entertained us with some wonderful modern carols and expertly executed hand bell ringing and who led the entire audience in a hilarious rendition of *The Twelve Days Of Christmas*. Mulled wine, coffee and mince pies rounded off a wonderful event and sent everyone on their way with a glow in their hearts. Many thanks go to all who helped to arrange the event.

Panto!!

"Yes, it's back!" "Where?" "Behind you!!" Well, in front of you really, because the Aberthin Players are putting on *Dick Whittington* at the Hall on Friday and Saturday 19th & 20th February at 7.30 pm and 7 pm respectively.

The Village Panto never fails to entertain and is much loved by adults and children alike, not least for the cast's legendary inability to remember their lines!

Come and be entertained by your neighbours in a night of laughter and fun. Tickets on sale soon and, as they sell out quickly, you'll need to snap them up...



Village Hall Website:
www.aberthin.org

Save the Date!

Panto!

**Friday & Saturday
19th/20th February**
It's back! The best Panto in the world from the worst actors in the world! See above for details.

Dyffryn House Talk

Tuesday 15th March
Join us for a talk on the history of Dyffryn House given by Gweryll Gardner. See over..

AGM

Mon 21st March
Come along and have your say at this year's AGM.

Musical Evening

Saturday 7th May
Award winning harpist Harriet Earis returns to the Hall for an evening of music. See overleaf...

Future events and news

As well as the Panto, 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, or to run a group, it can be hired at a modest cost. See the website for details or contact your Committee representative.

Talk on history of Dyffryn House

To kick off a series of local interest talks that we hope to hold at the Hall, we have arranged for Gwerfyl Gardner, a long-standing volunteer at Dyffryn Gardens, to give us a talk on the history of Dyffryn House and the Cory Family.

The talk will be held at the Hall at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 15th March. Entrance fee will be £1.50 on the door.

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.

AGM and Duck Race

No. Not some cunning plan to combine activities and increase attendance at the AGM! Just prior notice of two important events – the *Annual General Meeting* to be held at the Hall at 7.30 pm on Monday 21st March, and the *Duck Race* which will be held as usual in April with the date to be confirmed. Why not give the AGM a try and have your say?

Your Committee:

Glesni Jones:

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Comments? – Please contact Huw

