**Sanctuary**

 The old ones found a refuge here
And took their food from bountiest sea’s
Where white capped Atlantic rollers crash
On ancient shores land of Gael

A new race now seeks Sanctuary
On self same shores, as once did Celt
They can’t converse in Gaelic tongue
But ask our help with imploring eyes

God gave all men this Earth to love
But since our hearts are small
Ordained that each one spot
Should prove beloved over all

Cwmtydu Bay and mermaids grey
Will stay long in my heart
Only the Cold, Dark will of Man
Will force them to depart

Safe from the savage sea at last
Their tiny pups just out of reach
Of dogs and man in this sheltered Coombe
Can humankind begrudge them room

Goodwill and to be left in peace
To suckle young with pure white fleece
Is this too high a price to pay
To protect the Seals of Cwmtydu Bay

                                                                          *M.J.Hadfield*

**Cwmtydu Bay Seals**

We are the seals of Cwmtydu Bay-
And we would like to have our say.
We chose this beach for peace and tranquillity-
But all we get are is hostility.

We are Atlantic Grey seals, we have searched
Far and wide – to find this beach, was a really nice surprise.
We need peace, quiet and understanding –
From all those people, who are up there standing.

For peace and tranquillity - what a setting,
Far from the Atlantic and the fisherman’s netting.
We found this beach with its nooks and crannies-
That’s just perfect for us old Grannies.
The Cows(mums) and Bulls (dads) swimming today-
Have now settled down at Cwmtydu Bay.

We have a Birthing cave, and a river too
Thank You Nature – this will do.

Of a Scottish Island, for many to see,
there was a family, shot with glee.
There were pups, Bulls, and mums to be
Why were they shot?    It’s a mystery

From Scotland to Ireland, England and Wales,
There is many a cruel story and many a true tale.

The Atlantic Grey Seals are becoming extinct –
Please help to save us from the brink.
We need peace and humanity – to help us through
NOT police and humility – as some of you think.

We have been coming to Cwmtydu for many a year
So please God
Let us stay here.
 Please do not be offended,
As we strive for life, as god intended.

*Mandy - Brynhoffnant*