

The Grand opening of the Pwll Melin Mosaic Steps

Only seven months since starting, and the Pwll Melin

Mosaic steps are finished and looking resplendent with lovely art work, new

slabs and attractive railings. For our grand opening,

Councillor Phil Baker cut the ribbon and lots of people came to the Hall to celebrate, including Cllr. Mark Carter and SCC





Chair Josh Phillips. This has been a successful community art project, and ideas are already pouring in for what we might do next. Sue, Penny and Maddie would like thank all who took part and supported the Project. Following the success of the "Steps Project" further classes and projects are planned for an October start. So, Watch this space!

Open Gardens Upper Solva

Saturday 16 & Sunday 17 June - In support of Solva Care.

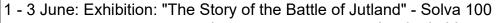
Eight small gardens will be open for viewing from 10.30 am to 4.00 pm on both days. The gardens are quite close together (easy walking distance) between Glan Hafen and Bryn Seion. Three are accessible to wheelchairs; most of the others have steps. Please start at any garden and pay £3 per person. Refreshments available at some locations.



Brochures – which are being sponsored by Daisybus Garden (many thanks) - are available from Bay View Stores (Top Shop) and can be viewed on the web at www.solvacare.co.uk or please contact Fran Barker on 01437 721164 / email franhb34@talktalk.net.

Solva - First World War Commemorative plan

1 June at 6 pm: Event marking the Battle of Jutland, Trinity Quay. Service by Rev Michael Rowlands, poetry, readings and wreath laying in the harbour.



Years Ago - sponsored by Solva Heritage Society and to be held at St Aidans and Capel Ucha.



Gone fishing again!

Willie's bench is now installed on the quay near Willie's Shed, both commemorating the life and times of the Solva born fisherman - William Phillips, probably better known as Willie Bach or Will the Fish - who spent his whole life (1934-2018) working in Solva. His last boat, The Vital Spark, was much photographed and painted and will be as well remembered as his blue, three-wheeled Robin Reliant bearing the



Will the Fish logo. The seafood business that he and his wife Jan established is now under a new name, Mrs Will the Fish. Local crab and lobster - caught by a new generation of Solva fishermen: Jono Voyce and Kevin Dufton - can be bought daily (9 am - 6 pm), freshly dressed from Parc Benny in Upper Solva. Please contact Jan on 01437 721571 / email mrswillthefish@gmail.com.







Solva WI

The main items of business at our meeting on Thursday 10 May were followed by discussion to enable members to decide which way to vote for the resolution "Mental Health Matters" - the only resolution to be voted on at the NFWI Annual meeting which is to held in Cardiff on Wednesday 6 June.



Members had attended and enjoyed various events including the County Round at Crundale, Dewisland Spring Group meeting at Camrose and the Spring Council meeting at the Pavilion on the County Show ground where Solva won a cut glass bowl for the best calendar (clarity, layout and the varied subjects and themes of our Speakers). Our thanks were recorded to Mary Haughton who designs and arranges the programme.

There were a few arrangements then made for various outings including a visit to the Penrallt Garden Centre and a walk, the "Year of the Sea" celebration hosted by Croesgoch WI, the Strawberry Soiree & Quiz at Mathry and the annual Car Treasure Hunt. Plenty more to come in the next 2 months!

The speaker was the ever popular Sheena Crossley with an illustrated and ever-humorous talk on "Gardening by the Sea".

Our next meeting on Thursday 14 June will start off with a short business meeting in the Hall at 2 pm, after which we will visit the "DaisyBus Garden".

Parc y Capel 100 Club

The final draw for 2017/2018 took place at the coffee morning at the

Chapel on Monday 14 May the winners are:

1st	Rhian Perry	No. 10	£50.00			
2nd	Julie Davies	No. 34	£30.00			
3rd	Ian Robertson-Steel	No. 113	£20.00			
Membership renewals are due by 6 July, for						
those who pay by standing order payments will						
be going out on 31 July as usual.						

Parc y Capel fete

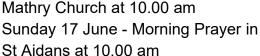
The sun shone, the band played and a large crowd enjoyed the wonderful atmosphere of this event.



All the stalls were busy, especially the bottle stall, the raffle and the sunflowers. All manner of items were bought, prizes were won and ice lollies, tea and cake were extremely welcome. Many thanks to all who attended and to all who worked so hard to make it happen.

Church Services for June:

Sunday 3 June - Holy Eucharist in St Aidans at 9.30 am Sunday 10 June - Joint LMA service



Sunday 24 June - Holy Eucharist in St Aidans at 9.30 am

The Church Fete & Fun Dog show will be held on Thursday 2 August at 2 pm in Parc y Capel.

Solva Regatta Raft Race

A large crowd enjoyed watching a full compliment of raft racers: first assembling their crafts,



then seeing if the rafts survived the drop off the quay wall and the race itself. It was a close fought race, with the "Aquamarine" team first to reach the finish line. Well done to all and thanks to all the work of the organisers.



Solva WI welcomes new members and visitors. We meet most months in Solva Memorial Hall on the 2nd Thursday at 2 pm Contact Kathy 01437 721283

Singing for Fun - is BACK!

Monday 4 June in Solva Memorial Hall from 7.00 - 8.30 pm. £4 per session. A big THANK YOU to all of the singers for being so patient, while Anne has been nursing her mother. See you all very soon!

Ysgol Solfach / Solva C.P School

Residential visit to The Urdd Centre, Cardiff Bay

We are so proud of our Year 5 & 6 pupils who recently represented Ysgol Solfach on a residential visit to the Urdd Centre in Cardiff. The trip was from the 16 - 18 May and the pupils were accompanied

by teachers Mrs Jones and Mr Jones. The pupils had the opportunity

to take part in a varied range of educational activities including visits to The Big Pit in

Bleanwern, Cardiff Castle, Techniquest and The Royal Mint in Llantrisant. Congratulations to our talented pupils on their Urdd Eisteddfod successes and to Llyr, Meg, Pippa and Faye who won County Prizes in the Urdd Arts and Craft Competition. A special well done to Faye who came 3rd in the National Eisteddfod. Congratulations also to Hattie, Skye, Daisy and Harriet on coming 2nd in the 2nd Language Writing Project. We send our best wishes to our Dialogue Group and Recitation Party who will be competing on the Monday and Tuesday in the National Urdd Eisteddfod at Builth Wells during half term.





Urdd Rugby Area competition

Congratulations to the two teams from Ysgol Solfach who took part in the area Urdd Rugby competition which took place at Neyland Rugby Club on Monday 30 April. Ysgol Solfach entered a 7-a-side contact boys rugby team and a 7-a-side girls tag tournament. Both teams performed so well, even in the atrocious weather conditions. Da lawn Pawb!



Thank you to Solva Sailing Club

A big thank you to Solva Sailing Club who organised a taster Sailing activity for all our Year 5 & 6 pupils down on Solva Quay. This was such a special opportunity for the children and we are grateful to all involved in making it so enjoyable.



Ysgol Solfach – A Celebration

On Saturday 14 July there will be a special day of events to celebrate Ysgol Solfach. Further details of the plans for the day will be sent out in the June edition. Everyone is welcome to attend. If anyone has any photographs, old school reports or memorabilia from the school that they would like to share please get in touch with us, email: admin.solva@pembrokeshire.gov.uk

Solva Sailing Club

Young sailors at Solva Sailing Club were surprised to find a new instructor at their evening sailing session. Micky Beckett turned up, fresh from winning a silver medal at the Laser European Championships in La Rochelle, to lend a hand with this year's beginners. "Solva has a reputation for producing good sailors," he said, "and it's great to see the progress being made by the children, some of whom had never been in a sailing boat until a few weeks ago."



Solva Cinema
AGM will be
held on
Thursday 21
June 7 pm in the
Royal George
All welcome!



SOLVA COMMUNITY CINEMA

Thu 7 June: Call me by your name (15)
Thu 5 July: Three Billboards outside Ebbing, Missouri (15)
Thu 2 August: *Musical* - The Greatest Showman (PG)
Thu 6 September: The Shape of Water (15)

Adults: £5.00; Under 18's: £3.50 Doors open: 7.00 pm / Show: 7.30 pm



Solva Community Council

Two proposals have come before the Solva Community Council which involve the whole village so it's important that we start a debate. The first proposal involves thinning out the trees between the

Memorial Cross and the quay road. Early photographs of Solva, shown at the presentation entitled Solva 100 Years Ago, given by Grace Davies to a packed Memorial Hall, showed Solva to be completely devoid of trees.

The Memorial Cross, erected in 1920 could be clearly seen when looking up from the water's edge and the sweep of the harbour could be seen from the cross, as the photograph shows. Whilst nobody wants the wholesale felling



of trees, a thinning out of the sycamores between the cross and the quay road would restore a very interesting vista and reinstate the view that was available nearly 100 years ago. The PCNP tree adviser, Mike Higgins has been consulted and he would support a proposal of tree management as suggested. What do you think? Let SCC know before we take the proposal further.

The second proposal to come before the SCC is to introduce car parking opposite Bay View Stores. This would involve moving the fence to the football field and early discussions with representatives of the football club have been positive, as there is adequate space to reconfigure the pitches. This proposal has been been further extended to become part of a plan to create a wheelchair route from upper Solva down to the lower car park. Solva has made huge strides forward in becoming a beacon for Wales, and indeed the UK, in care of the elderly, a truly dementia friendly place. With regards to mobility however, there is still a great deal to be done. The detail of the proposal has yet to be defined but it is envisaged that wheelchair users could drop off in the newly created car park and then travel along the side of the football pitch into Glanhafan, St Brides View, past the newly refurbished Dolphin Court then back down on the Fort footpath. People have expressed concern over existing footpaths being covered in tarmac and this of course would be avoided. The wheelchair route proposal is still very tentative and depends upon many factors, notably getting the support of all the community. What do you think? Please let us know.

Solva Clean-Up Report

One Sunday in May a band of volunteers picked up their litter bags, donned their rubber gloves,



(kindly donated by our County Councillor, Mark Carter), and began to scour the whole village for rubbish. Ian Meopham of the National Parks accompanied the team. It was no surprise to find that we do, in fact, have a very tidy village, so the task was not so onerous as was first imagined. Nevertheless some interesting items of rubbish were collected ranging from cigarette butts to a tent. The morning event culminated in the Harbour Inn where Josh, the SCC Chair, kindly laid on a generous buffet to end the exercise. We have a very clean village - let's keep it that way.

Brilliant Bats at St Davids Bishop's Palace

Saturday 23 June 8.30 - 10.30 pm.

Embark on a guided tour with a

National Park Ranger, and with the help
of provided bat detectors, to get a little
closer to these mysterious creatures. Entrance £4

Child, £6 Adult - Booking essential: 01437 720392

Solva Community Council will meet on Wednesday 6 June at 7 pm in Solva Memorial Hall. Agenda items:

- Community Consultation on Play and Skate Parks
- First World War commemorative plans
- Finance report
- Planning applications
- Community Social Enterprise
- Community Action Plan 2017
- AFC Project
- SCC Logo Competition
- Local Concerns

Members of the local community are welcome. Please call Bruce Payne 07890 987259 if you wish to attend.

Solva AFC will hold its AGM at the clubhouse at 7 pm on Tuesday 5 June.



SOLVA CARE (registered charity No. 1172878) Coordinator Lena Dixon 07805 717556 / solvacare@solva.gov.wales / www.solvacare.co.uk



NEWS

On Tuesday 22 May we took 5 residents to watch "Singing in the Rain" at Theatr Gwaun - their first dementia friendly cinema event. There will be another one at the end of July with "Summer Holiday" starring Cliff Richard. There is subdued lighting, lower sound and a break in the middle - with ice cream! Contact us if you would like to come along and need a lift.

Solva Care is embarking on a grant funded project within a project called Prevention, Integration and Partnership, or PIP for short which Lesley Robertson-Steel is taking forward, working closely with Lena. Look out for more cultural activities spanning music, the arts and physical activity, so that there is something for everyone wanting to build and maintain good health.

Advocacy Survey

Questionnaire about Advocacy for people in Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire. "We want ideas and thoughts to help make a new service that suits you". This message is from a group of organisations including Age Cymru. Details and survey form can be viewed at www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FDP7JVC. What is an Advocate? An advocate helps you to speak up for yourself. An advocate can help you to communicate with social workers, carers, support workers and even family members. If you would like to respond to this survey or help Solva Care to respond, please contact Lena (Solva Care Coordinator) on 07805717556.

Shalom House - Get involved in 2018 and beyond... We have a number of fundraising events this year for which we need your support. The Shalom Coast Path Challenge runs from 1 July - 31 August. Please join us by picking a section you would like to walk with friends, get a few sponsors or make a donation and walk your section. Let us know when you've done it and we'll cross it off our BIG map at Shalom. Our patient 'Walking Group' has already signed up for a wheelchair accessible section and our staff are set to walk at

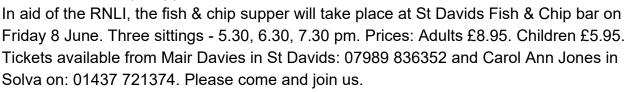


has already signed up for a wheelchair accessible section and our staff are set to walk at weekends to complete other sections. But we need your help too. We have set up a Just Giving page for online donations and we have sponsorship forms if you wish to collect cash. Get in touch by phone on 01437 721344, or by email info@shalomstdavids.org or call in to Shalom House to check out our BIG map. Please put these two dates in your diary for later in the year:

- Saturday 8 September Open Garden and Teas at Dyrffyn Fernant 1 5 pm
- Saturday 13 October Welsh themed Afternoon Tea at Crug Glas 3 5 pm

More information on both these events in the coming months.

RNLI - Fish & Chip Supper Fund Raiser





St Davids Sports Hall - We would really like to spread the word about our facilities in St Davids. The Centre has an 18 station fitness suite plus free weights ranging 1 kg - 30 kg. There is a four court sports hall that can be hired for football, racket sports and team events. We have plenty of car



parking space and a lovely reception area for groups to meet. Come along and meet the team to find out more. April 16 - July 24 2018 Classes: Tuesday: 11.00 -12.00 Pilates - Thursday: 19:00 - 20:00 Dance Fusion - Friday: 10:30 - 11:30 Core and Stretch.

For information and opening times call St Davids Sports Hall on 01437 775506.

Edge Festival News

The sold out VeganAmazing dinner went very well, hosted by Mamgu Welshcakes. Twenty happy diners sampled plant based food ranging from curry to cakes. Congratulations to everyone who put their meat preferences to one side and ate on the green side. The meal was accompanied by vegan wines and beer, the consumption of which perhaps helped the food go down. £200 was raised for the Edge. Early bird tickets are now on sale at £35 for the whole weekend; it must be cheapest festival in the UK. A weekend ticket will increase significantly in price at the end of June, so get in touch with Ifor on 07971038643 or Josh in the Harbour to secure yours. We are still looking for volunteers - many interesting jobs available, please put your name down at the Bay View Stores.

St Davids Surgery

The new Community Connector for North Pembrokeshire, Matthew Townsend, is holding monthly "drop-in" sessions at St Davids Surgery. Community Connectors aim to help patients combat social isolation and loneliness. If you, or someone you know, would benefit from a chat with Matthew, please come along to see



him at St Davids Surgery on Wednesday 13 June between 11 am and 2 pm. The session is open to patients registered at both St Davids and Solva Surgeries (no appointment necessary). For details of following sessions, please phone the surgery on 01437 720303.

Arthritis Care Support Group

Do you suffer from Arthritis? If so, are you interested in attending an Arthritis Support Group run by Arthritis Care? We are trying to gauge interest for such a support group in the local area - the group would be open to patients registered at both St Davids and Solva Surgeries. If you are interested in attending a local arthritis support group, please call in to St Davids Surgery and complete an evaluation form at reception or ring us on 01437 720303. We will post a form out to you. Once completed, just return the form to us and we will forward it to Arthritis Care for you.

Safer Dyfed-Powys Diogel

The #TourdeForce, Safer Dyfed-Powys Diogel team completed an amazing 500 mile cycle-ride in 5 days in aid of launching the charity, in order to support projects across the Dyfed-Powys area.



The charity's current goal is to fund and work with a selection of

youth projects within the Dyfed-Powys area and looks to support five youth projects in each of the four counties: Carmarthenshire - Ceredigion - Pembrokeshire - Powys.

The scheme will run for six weeks, closing on Friday 29 June 2018. Each community group and / or charity within the Dyfed-Powys area can apply for a maximum grant of £1000. Projects must be linked to young people aged 25 years and under and must support one or more of the principles in the Police and Crime Plan. Full guidance and instructions on how to apply can be found on the Police and Crime Commissioner's website.

The Wellbeing Garden Party at Daisybus Gardens has, unfortunately, had to be cancelled, due to car parking problems. Hopefully, these will be resolved and the Wellbeing garden party can go ahead later in the year.



Solva Boat Owners Association

For those members who have not added, or are having difficulty obtaining 3rd party cover (£3m) for kayaks/canoes or small dinghies the following company will help: Towergate Insurance: 0344 892 1987 or e-mail: marinecs@towergate.co.uk. I look forward to receiving copies of your insurance and then I can issue the relevant stickers.





WHAT'S ON

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Fri 1 June	WW1 Commemorative event, Trinty Quay	6 pm
Fri 1 - Sun 3 Jun	WW1 Commemorative exhibitions, St Aidans and Capel Ucha	10 am - 3 pm
Sun 3 Jun	Holy Eucharist, St Aidans, Solva	9.30 am
Mon 4 Jun	Singing for Fun restarts, Memorial Hall	7 pm - 8.30 pm
Tue 5 Jun	Solva Football Club AGM, SFC Clubhouse	7 pm
Wed 6 Jun	SCC meeting, Memorial Hall	7 pm
Thu 7 Jun	Solva Cinema presents "Call me by my Name (15) TBC, Memoria	l Hall 7.30 pm
Fri 8 Jun	RNLI Fish & Chip fundraiser supper, St Davids Fish & Chip bar	sittings: 5.30, 6.30 & 7.30 pm
Sun 10 Jun	Joint LMA service, Mathry Church	10 am
Wed 13 Jun	Community Connector at St Davids Surgery, St Davids	11 am - 2 pm
Thu 14 Jun	Solva WI meeting followed by visit to DaisyBus gardens, Memoria	l Hall 2 pm
Sat 16 Jun	Solva Open Gardens, Upper Solva	10.30 am - 4 pm
Sun 17 Jun	Morning Prayer, St Aidans, Solva	10 am
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Thu 21 Jun	Solva Community Cinema AGM, Royal George	7 pm
Sun 24 Jun	Holy Eucharist, St Aidans, Solva	9.30 am
Fri 29 Jun	Safer Dyfed-Powys Diogel scheme closes	5 pm
Sat 14 July	Ysgol Solfach - A Celebration, Ysgol Solfach	TBA
1 Jul - 31 Aug	Shalom Coast Path Challenge	
Thu 2 Aug	Church Fete, Parc y Capel	2 pm

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M ←	10.00 - 11.00 am 10.30 - 12.30 pm 2.30 pm 7.00 - 9.00 pm 7.00 - 8.30 pm	REGULAR EVENTS Solva Tai Chi Coffee & Chat Welsh Conversation Class Solva Youth Club Singing for Fun	LOCATION Memorial Hall Capel Ucha Capel Ucha Football Club Memorial Hall	CONTACT Fey: 720889 Grace Davies: 721533 Grace Davies: 721533 Anne Hughes 07742 576031
T	6.30 - 7.30 pm 9.00 pm	Fit4Life Tony's Big Time Bingo	Memorial Hall Harbour Inn	Helen Platel: 07920 197317
W	12.30 pm 2.00 - 4.00 pm 6.00 pm 9.00 pm	Solva Senior Citizen's Luncheon Club Solva Craft Club Youth Rowing Club Quiz Night / Open the Box with Dai Ball	Memorial Hall Football Club Trinity Quay Harbour Inn	Maggie:720478/Jean:929351 Steve Probert: 07970 063074
T	10.30 - 11.30 am 10.30 - 12 noon 2.00 pm 2.30 pm 6.00 pm 7.30 pm	St Davids Pilates - Intermediate mat work Coffee Morning (+ Mini library, Shalom Cha Solva W I (2nd Thursday of month) Word searchers Bible Study Group Rowing Club Solva Cinema (1st Thursday of month)	Memorial Hall arity collection / 2 Memorial Hall Capel Ucha Trinity Quay Memorial Hall	Pip Marsh: 720314 Thurs/month), Memorial Hall Kathryn: 721283 Grace Davies: 721533 Steve Probert: 07970 063074
F S	2 - 4 pm TBA 10.30 am 8.30 pm	Solva Care - Senior Group Music & Movement, Memorial Hall Lena Dixon 07805 717556 Sunday Church Services (St Aidans & Whitchurch) See new rotas at either church. Sunday Service Capel Ucha Grace Davies: 721533 Barry's Fun Quiz & Raffle Royal George		

Scarecrow Trail 2018

This year the event will take place on Sunday 12 & Monday 13 August.

The theme is **Detectives and their Villains**.

To enter please contact the Chief Scarecrow on: 01437 721164.

Gardening & Wildlife Club

Roch Village Hall and venues 2 - 4 pm
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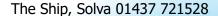
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