



# SOLVA & ST DAVIDS NEWS

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# Saturday 1st November

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### NOTICE OF MEETING

The next meeting of Solva Community Council (SCC) will be held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October commencing at 6pm in Solva Community Clubhouse. This is a multi-location meeting allowing community councillors and members of the public to attend virtually or in person. Those wishing to attend on a remote basis please contact the Clerk to be provided with guidance on how to do so.

Members of the public are warmly invited to attend and are encouraged to notify the Clerk in advance which business items on the agenda they wish to contribute views on.

Agenda and minutes will be available from the Clerk and at [Solva Community Council](https://solva.gov.wales/) <https://solva.gov.wales/>

SCC Annual Report 2024–2025 - The SCC Annual Report 2024–2025 was formally approved by Community Councillors on 10th September 2025. It is now available to view on the SCC website or by request from the Clerk.

Bruce Payne - Clerk to the Council [brucepayne241@gmail.com](mailto:brucepayne241@gmail.com) 07890 987259



## COUNCILLOR'S CORNER

### Solva



One of the recurring concerns raised by residents in Solva is the speed that traffic passes through the village. Since September 2023 the default 30mph limit dropped to 20mph and in Solva this runs from the bridge by the Smithy to the furthest point of Bro Dawel. Default speed limit means that all roads with streetlights over 650 metres span are 20mph with round enforcement signs at the start and end of that limit. Some residents have suggested that there should be repeated signs and painted reminders on the road but in a 20mph zone legislation does not allow this. Other roads with street lights that are faster than 20mph may well have reminders in the form of small round signs or painted markings.



Recently two officers from the police attended Solva Community Council to discuss, amongst other things, residents' concerns in regards to excessive speed. The first, most basic thing is that residents report to 101 any vehicle that they consider to be driving at an inappropriate speed. Please note the registration number, date, time, location and also a description of vehicle and driver. It has also been suggested that residents may like to be trained to operate speed cameras to provide information to go back to Gosafe via our local PCSO. Anyone interested should contact the Community Council. One problem is, by the nature of the road in Solva, it is hard to safely position

a Camera van that is effective in the vicinity of the Memorial Hall from where most concerns seem to originate. I will continue to monitor the situation.

The issue of the continued provision of the toilet block at the Harbour remains unresolved. I understand that Solva CC is arranging a survey so please do respond. What is clear is that without external funding, PCC are very unlikely to continue to provide this service.

As we are now in autumn, streetlights and working drains are very important. If there are any issues, please can you report via your PCC "My Account" or if that is not possible, contact me and I will report it. New signage has been fitted to the Upper Solva play park asking that dogs are not taken in there as there have been incidents of fouling in there; this seems to have been effective.

In County Hall, I have been busy sitting on Planning, Licensing and Scrutiny Committees and also I have been involved in making recommendations as to how much the Second Homes Council tax should be for the next financial year.

Finally I send my [congratulations](#) to Gareth and Dawn Evans after they were allocated a bungalow in Bro Dawel. I have been asked many times to assist residents by writing an email of support in their application for housing in Solva. I am happy to do this but it is usually a struggle to achieve due to the huge demand, and

quite often there's criticism that someone from Solva does not get a vacant property. In this case, I am delighted that a couple that have done so much for Solva have been allocated a bungalow in their home village and I am sure that all residents will join me in wishing them a long and happy retirement in their new home.

As always, as your County Councillor, I am here to help, please contact me with your Council related issues on 07976 553912.

Best regards,



Cllr Mark Carter

Pembrokeshire County Councillor for Solva Ward. As usual if you need any help with a Council related matter then please call or text me on

**07976 553912.** Christmas/Bank holidays or evenings not a problem!

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## **Solva Firework Display - Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

Once again Solva Community Council will be hosting its now famous fireworks display from the foreshore in lower Solva.

In a break from tradition, to avoid the clash with Halloween, it will take place on a Saturday, with inclement weather back up dates later in the week, which will be announced via the SCC Facebook page.

Things will kick off at 6pm with our ever popular low noise display and followed by the main event soon after 7pm. There will be hot food and drinks including mulled cider available, hopefully this year live music and of course all of the pubs in the village will be buzzing, so come down and support them.

Be sure to arrive in plenty of time if arriving by car, and do please park considerately. Extra parking at no charge will be available in the Community Carpark and at the Clubhouse in the upper village. **Please note the lower carpark will not be available after 2pm.**

If you have a business that would like to sponsor the event then please do get in touch and we will promote you on our posters and across our social media channels.

## **Lower Solva Carpark Toilets**

From November this year following the end of their commitment to fund the running of the public toilets in Solva, PCNPA will no longer be funding the running of the toilets in the carpark and currently the likely outcome is that they will close.

Solva Community Council is currently assessing the possibility of taking over the running of the toilets, but there are several obstacles not the least of which is the £13,000 annual operating costs.

Please fill out our google survey form in order to make your comments and let us know what you think. For further information please contact Gareth

[gareth.solva@gmail.com](mailto:gareth.solva@gmail.com)

The form can be found here <https://forms.gle/QADKnVAQMeyhXEzAA>





## COUNCILLOR'S CORNER

### St Davids



Hello/Shwmae,

I hope you all had a lovely Summer. St Davids was certainly busy, and the lovely weather definitely helped. I hope all the businesses did well and that trade was good. I also hope all the Staff and Pupils of Ysgol Penrhyn Dewi had a relaxing summer break, and I wish them all well as they now start the beginning of the new school year.

I had no Council meetings in August, but I was still busy as a Cllr here in St Davids. In July I attended a small street party at Llys Glasfryn which was organised by Rachel and Lauren from PCC Housing Department. It was a party for the new residents of the new housing estate and for the private homeowners. It was an enjoyable few hours and I look forward to the second street party when phase 2 of the Glasfryn Development is completed.

I attended the Dewi Campus the morning pupils received their Exam results. It was an emotional morning for both Staff and Pupils. The results were excellent, all that hard work paid off and I wish all the Pupils well as they start their next journey.



I organised a Litter Pick around St Davids but due to the time of year and residents busy with work or on holidays I had a lot of apologies and was going to postpone it but Denise, a resident from Fachelich, joined me and between the two of us we picked up a lot of litter in the two hours. I was very surprised by some of the items we picked up; they went from items of clothing to Boyzone CDs. I will try again to organise another litter pick and hopefully have more volunteers now that St Davids has become a bit quieter.

I am still waiting for the Go Safe team to visit Carnhedryn as motorists are still not abiding by the 40MPH through the hamlet. I was though very pleased to see the team on the stretch of main road by the entrance to Fachelich.

I have received complaints regarding the uneven pavements at Heol Dewi and have reported them to PCC. Please get in touch with me if you have any concerns regarding potholes, uneven Pavements etc and also send me across a photo and I will send across to the correct department at PCC.

I will be holding another Cllrs Surgery in the Autumn term. A date will be in the next edition but in the meantime please get in touch with me the usual way.

Cofian Cynnes/Kind Wishes,

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## St Davids Penknife Club 24hr Charity Walk

The Penknife Club and friends of the Penknife Club ran another successful charity walk this August. The first 20 hours or so were dry until rain set in Saturday morning, but not before our Mayor, Cllr. David Griffiths walked three laps in his robes at 6am on Saturday. He is pictured with one of the organisers from the Penknife Club, Les James.



Many other Councillors and locals joined in the event including the Deputy Mayor, Cllr Sarah Foster and other members of the Penknife Club, who completed their laps in the rain on Saturday morning - they should have got up earlier!

Some of the money raised will go to St Davids Girl Guides, who partook in the walk, along with The Brownies. The

Guides also contributed to the event selling delicious homemade cakes on Saturday morning. A cheerful sight on a wet and windy morning!



Other charities who will benefit are Give the Boys a Lift and Alaw Rees, a little girl from Cardigan who is 3 years old and raising funds to help her buy her first braille equipment as she starts her learning journey in school. Alaw and her family started the walk off with Les Friday afternoon.

This was another successful community event engaging various groups in our special City. Thanks goes to the Penknife Club on behalf of the City Council for organising this brilliant event and to all those who took part. Diolch I chi gyd!

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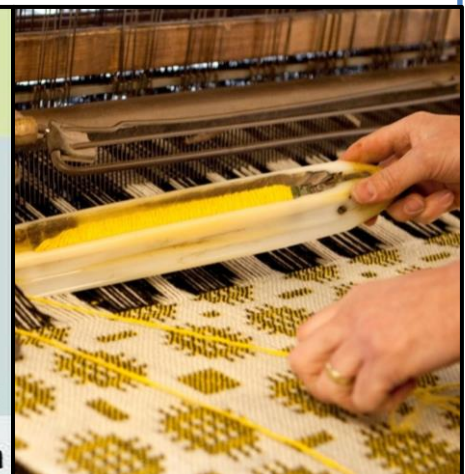
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## **Solva and St Davids Newsletter**

The Solva and St Davids newsletter recently carried out a survey with a view to looking at the content, coverage and future distribution of the Newsletter. Amazingly over 100 of you responded.

We were pleased to see how the vast majority of you were happy with both the quality, and relevance of the content and that over 85% of you felt that the newsletter was an important or very important community resource.

By far and away the most important content to you was your local community news and “What’s On”, however we are very aware of many events that never make it into the newsletter. Our research tells us that nearly 80% of our respondents had acted on information they had seen in the newsletter so it’s a great place to publicise your activity or event.

Also we are aware of plenty of local groups and organisations who don’t provide copy for the newsletter; please get in touch if you would like your group or organisation added to the monthly reminder list.

Your most common comments were regarding the relevance of the content; unsurprisingly St Davids residents wanting more St Davids content and Solva residents wanting more Solva content. This is all driven by you. Our wonderful editor Mic can only do so much to generate content, so if you have an event you need promoting, or to report back on or just something you want to say then please do get in touch.

For anything relating to content or advertising please get in touch with our editor Mic at [solvanews@outlook.com](mailto:solvanews@outlook.com)

Another common issue was how to access large print copies of the newsletter. We do produce an A4 sized copy of the newsletter which in Solva is available either by delivery or to pick up from Bayview Stores, Solva Memorial Hall or Solva Community Clubhouse. If you require an A4 copy delivered then please get in touch.

For those of you in St Davids, A4 copies are currently available at Coffee and Chat on a Wednesday in City Hall.

By far and away the majority of you would like the newsletter delivered to you but we have a growing number of readers who would prefer to access the newsletter online or via your inbox.

We are currently reviewing the newsletters distribution so please get in touch if you might be interested in receiving the newsletter into your inbox or need to know where to access it online.

For all matters concerning distribution please contact Gareth at [gareth.solva@gmail.com](mailto:gareth.solva@gmail.com)

## Menevia W.I.

As autumn starts to settle in, our sights are set on this year's Christmas Tree theme for the City competition! Our collective hive minds will start the thinking and planning processes in September's craft meeting!

Our guest speaker in October is Mic Rushen, who is the editor of this newsletter! She is going to talk to us about her Icelandic Horses and her interesting work around the Solva and St Davids newsletter.

Menevia WI is growing in numbers, which is fantastic! If you are interested in joining the WI or want to see what Menevia WI is about, come along to a meeting which is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month in the City Hall, St Davids (SA62 6SD). You never know, it might just be what you're looking for! Visitors and new members, contact the Secretary, Andrea Cartwright, email [meneviawi@gmail.com](mailto:meneviawi@gmail.com)



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### Animal Portraits by Mic Rushen

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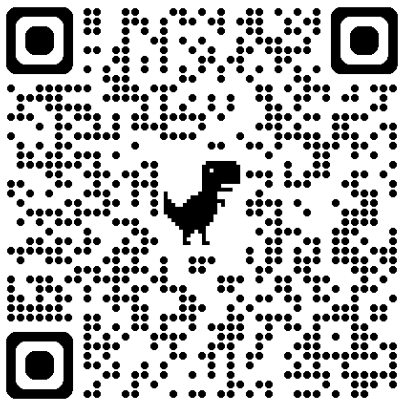
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St Davids City Council is excited to share our community's brand new Well-being Action Plan (WAP). Huge thanks to Together for Change, who made this possible and all the community members who contributed.

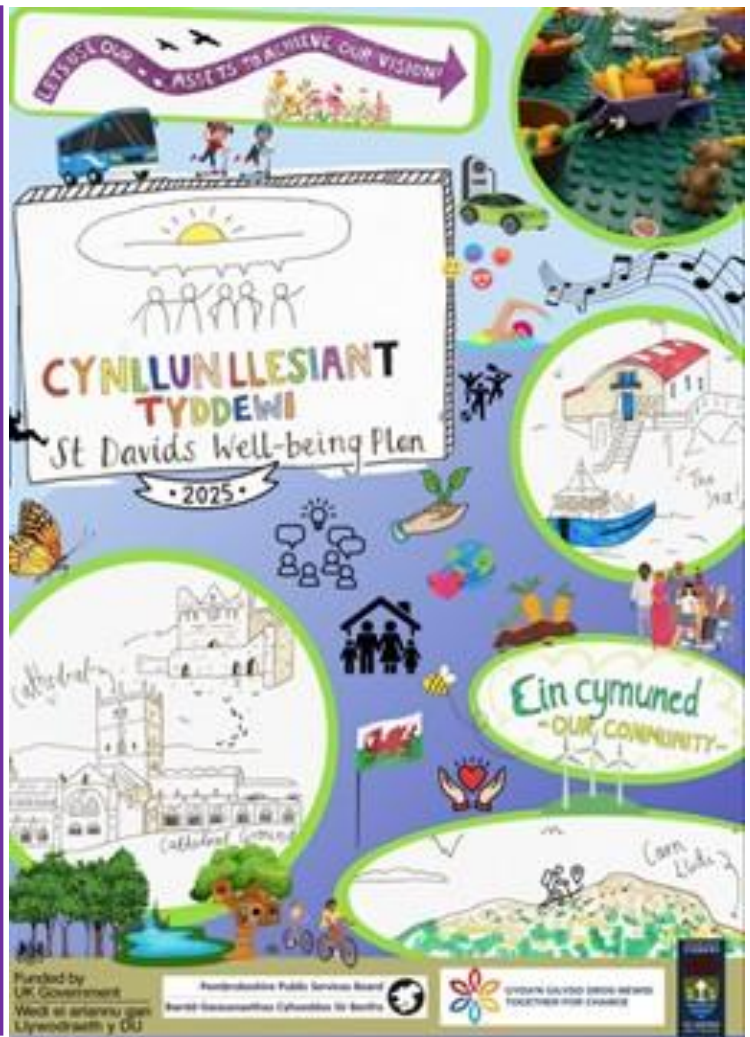
Please follow the link or scan the QR below to access the plan:

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♪♪♪ ST DAVIDS ♪♪♪  
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Do you enjoy singing? If you do, then please come and join us on Wednesday evenings in term time at 7.30pm in Ty'r Pererin on Quickwell Hill, St Davids, SA62 6PD. There's no audition! Please email [annedixonemlych@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:annedixonemlych@hotmail.co.uk) to be added to our email list. You will then be notified of the start date of our next term (sometime around mid September) a couple of weeks in advance. We look forward to seeing you and singing with you. 😊♪♪



## Help Us Keep Solva's Play Areas and Sports Pitch Clean and Safe

Solva Community Council (SCC) is asking for your support in tackling an ongoing issue of dog fouling in our public spaces, particularly the upper play park and adjacent sports pitch.

Unfortunately, both areas have recently been found contaminated with dog mess. This is not only unpleasant, but also poses serious health risks, especially for children who regularly use these facilities.

To protect our community spaces, SCC has agreed to take the following steps:

- Clear new signage will be installed, making it explicit that dogs are not allowed in play parks at any time.
- CCTV warning signs will also be put up, and access will be monitored.
- On the sports pitch, dogs will still be allowed for now, but only along the edges and *always* on a lead.



Remember to take bags whenever  
you go for a walk.  
**Your dog, your job.**

We want to be clear: if this situation doesn't improve, we will have no choice but to ban dogs from the sports pitch completely.

We know the vast majority of dog owners are responsible, and we thank you for helping to keep our parks clean, safe, and enjoyable for everyone.

Let's all do our part to keep Solva's community spaces welcoming and safe!

**THANK YOU**

### Family Announcements

**Are you a Solva/St Davids resident who is celebrating a birth or marriage? Or do you wish to mark the death of a loved one?**

**We welcome contributions to the newsletter from locals.**

***Please contact  
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### Coffee & Chat

Wednesdays 10.00am – 12noon at  
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## Notice of St Davids City Council Meetings:

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ST. DAVIDS CITY COUNCIL  
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Monthly Meeting – Monday 6<sup>th</sup>  
October – 7pm in St Davids  
Memorial Hall, SA62 6SD.

The agenda and minutes are available from  
the Clerk and on the City Council website:  
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Members of the public are welcome to  
attend and are given reasonable  
opportunity to make representations about  
items of business on the agenda to be  
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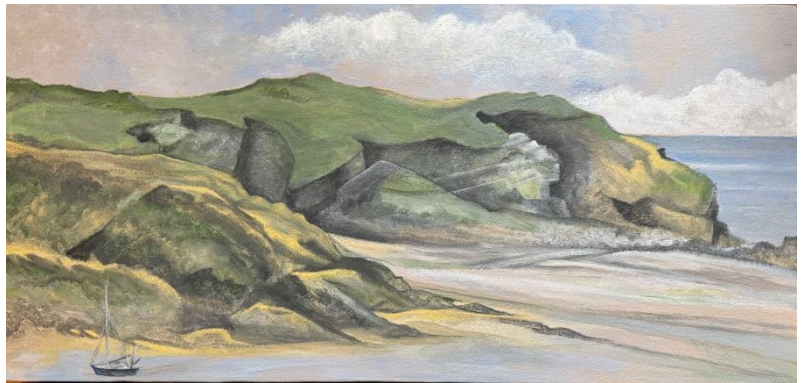




## St Davids and Solva Art Group

In August we held our annual Summer exhibition in the City Hall and it was the most successful for several years. We would like to thank everyone for supporting us during the two weeks by calling in, maybe buying a painting but also having a chat, leaving lovely comments in the visitors book and voting for your favourite painting. This started as an activity to engage children so Mum and Dad could look at the pictures but, after adults were asking if they could vote too, we opened it up to all.

We are now in a position to donate funds to local organisations again and would welcome messages from any groups who would like some help. If you are interested, please email the secretary, [sianhemingway@hotmail.com](mailto:sianhemingway@hotmail.com) with your request.



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### Solva Care Donations

With this newsletter there will be a leaflet about ways to make donations to the charity. If you would like to donate to us, whether regularly or a single donation, and if you are still working, we can claim back gift aid.

There is a form that you can download from our website [www.solvacare.co.uk](http://www.solvacare.co.uk) or if you would like a printed copy, please contact Lena Dixon, Solva Care Co-ordinator on 07805 717556 or [lenamdixon@gmail.com](mailto:lenamdixon@gmail.com).






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## GAME NIGHT AT THE HALL



Take a break, have a laugh – all welcome!

WEDNESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER  
SOLVA MEMORIAL HALL | 7PM – 10PM

No experience needed  
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£5

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# A NIGHT OF SWINGIN' BILL'S VINTAGE REVUE

TICKETS £10

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## SOLVA MEMORIAL HALL

18<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2025 @ 7.30PM

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**Meddygfa Penrhyn/Peninsula Practice**

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**1st Monday of the month**

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# BINGO Night

**12th of November**  
**Solva Memorial Hall**  
**Doors open 7pm, eyes down 8pm.**  
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## KJ Fitness Classes

**Strengthening Body & Mind**

**Contact me on 07702482918**

**SCHEDULE FROM SEPTEMBER 2025**

### KETTLEBELLS

**Day & Time:** Mondays at 9:30am  
**Location:** St David's Rugby Club  
**Bring:** Kettlebell, Mat, water, Towel



Our kettlebell strength training sessions are designed to improve your overall fitness, focusing on technique, strength, balance and endurance. Suitable for all levels, get ready to sweat!

### CORE & MOBILITY

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**Bring:** Mat, Water, Towel



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**Would you like to see more about Solva or St Davids in this newsletter?**

**Would you like to be our next "Peninsula Person"?**

**Want to promote your event?**

**Want to advertise your business?**

**Want to congratulate, commiserate or celebrate your friends and family?**

**Email the editor, Mic, on [solvanews@outlook.com](mailto:solvanews@outlook.com)**

**Happy to design adverts, correct grammar or spelling (no judgement here!), edit photos or anything else you might need. Let's get this newsletter full of interesting stuff!**

**Next deadline for the November newsletter – October 15<sup>th</sup>.**





A **Public Access Defibrillator** is located on the right side of the St Davids City Hall building and is available 24/7. There are several defibrillators located throughout St Davids and individuals can visit <https://www.defibfinder.uk/> to familiarise themselves with the locations of their nearest defibrillators. This will accelerate revival if instructed by a 999 call handler. Defibrillators are easy to use,

with clear instructions. Training is not required. In the event of an Emergency, call 999 and the ambulance service can provide you with assistance, including informing you of the location of the nearest defibrillator.

St Davids City Council is part of **The Circuit** - the National Defibrillator Network. The Circuit ensures that thousands of unregistered defibrillators are added to the centralised network for emergency access. To find out more or to register a Public Access Defibrillator please visit the following website: <https://www.bhf.org.uk/how-you-can-help/how-to-save-a-life/defibrillators/national-defibrillator-network-the-circuit> .



**Cymru Wledig LPIP Rural Wales**  
The Rural Wales Local Policy and Innovation Partnership

*Connecting researchers, communities, & policy-makers to support inclusive, sustainable development.*

**Our Cynefin Project Action Researchers want to hear your views on the proposed Peninsula Local Economy Initiative that we are researching.**

Tourism revenue is vital for local employment, social well-being and the overall prosperity of our community. The purpose behind the proposed Peninsula Local Economy Initiative is to highlight, name and brand the identity of local products, businesses and services, with accreditation according to a defined set of criteria, which confirms to visitors their local provenance.

This would promote, highlight and confirm to the buyer that their purchase(s) contribute to our local circular economy.

For more info email [beckylloydpembs@gmail.com](mailto:beckylloydpembs@gmail.com) or visit <https://www.facebook.com/CynefinDewi>



How can we balance our economy with social and environmental needs? You can find out more about LPIP here [https://www.tfc-pembrokeshire.org/en\\_gb/together-for-change-leads-delivery-of-community-led-action-research-in-partnership-with-lpip/](https://www.tfc-pembrokeshire.org/en_gb/together-for-change-leads-delivery-of-community-led-action-research-in-partnership-with-lpip/)



Funded by UK Research and Innovation through Cymru Wledig LPIP Rural Wales and Aberystwyth University





## Solva Community Cinema

Upcoming films at Solva Memorial Hall, 39 High Street, Solva, SA62 6TE

**2<sup>nd</sup> October - The Salt Path (12A)**

Please note that we will hold our AGM before the screening at 6.30 pm. All welcome!

**6<sup>th</sup> November - Mr Burton (12A)**

The film starts at 7.30 pm. Tickets are £5 for adults and £3.50 for under 18's. You can become a member for £5/year which gives you 20% off the ticket price and the use of a complimentary cushion! There are refreshments for sale - tea/coffee/soft drinks & snacks and there is also a bar. Any questions or suggestions, please email us at [solvacinema@gmail.com](mailto:solvacinema@gmail.com)



## St Davids City Hall

The City Hall is located at the heart of St Davids and offers a range of facilities for arts, sport, exhibitions, sales, community events and meetings.



For bookings and enquires please contact: Mrs Katie Bolger on 07821656233 or e-mail [hallmanager@stdavids.gov.uk](mailto:hallmanager@stdavids.gov.uk)



## St Davids Policing Team - Drop In Surgery

Members of Dyfed Powys Police run a monthly Drop In Surgery on the first Thursday of each month from 10.30am – 12 noon in the Youth Drop-In Centre (entrance via Bryn Road). This is an opportunity for local residents to bring any matter to the attention of the Police.

No appointments necessary.

**Next Surgery – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**

Please contact the Clerk on 01437 721 137 or [clerk@stdavids.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@stdavids.gov.uk) for more information.

St Davids City Council, City Hall, High Street, St Davids, Pembrokeshire SA62 6SD

## Solva Pop-up Shop – In Solva Memorial Hall and On Demand

To support Solva Care and other village activities we run the Solva Shop. We have a store shed which is now full of items donated by people in the local area. We “Pop-up” twice a month at the Thursday Coffee morning. We have a very varied selection of goods running from kitchen and garden items and pottery to ornaments and textiles, dog leads and everything in between. If you are looking for any particular item at a reasonable price or would like to run an event with bric-a-brac or book stalls, we can provide goods. For dates we are in the Hall, or for further information, please contact Fran Barker [fran34hb@gmail.com](mailto:fran34hb@gmail.com) or 07377059265.

Solva Memorial Hall SA62 6TE



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St Davids, Pembrokeshire  
SA62 6SB

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**[www.aquaphobia-ramseyisland.co.uk](http://www.aquaphobia-ramseyisland.co.uk)**

**Book your trip at Ramsey Island booking office.  
Office by the Grove Hotel, opposite the TLC.**

Condolences to a regular contributor to the newsletter, Pearl Kaill of Caerfarchell, whose husband Ian passed away suddenly on Wednesday, 6 August, 2025 at Worthybush Hospital, Haverfordwest, aged 77 years.

Ein cydymdeimlad â Pearl Kaill o Gaerfarchell, cyfrannwr rheolaidd i'r cylchlythyr hwn, y farw yn sydyn ddydd Mercher, 6 Awst, 2025 yn Ysbyty Llwynhelyg, Hwlfordd, yn 77 mlwydd oed.



## Café on the Quay

Trinity Quay, Solva Harbour

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## Under 3's Parent & Toddler Group

Wednesday mornings 10 – 11.30

Solva Community Club House

SA62 6XW

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Any questions please contact Helen  
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ERW DEWI / DEWI'S ACRE

# GARDENING OPPORTUNITY

## GARDEN TO CREATE COMMUNITY

Erw Dewi exists to be a space where people can meet others and build friendships locally.

## GARDEN TO LEARN NEW SKILLS

Everyone is welcome, from total beginner to experienced gardener. Just join in, share any knowledge & experience, and learn new skills.

## GARDEN TO ENHANCE WELLBEING

It is well known that being outdoors enhances our wellbeing and positivity. See what being outside in Erw Dewi can do for your wellbeing and mental health

## GARDEN TO SUPPORT OTHERS

Our community garden is run by volunteers to help benefit the local community and our environment. Why not help out by volunteering.



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For more information contact:  
communitygarden@ecodewi.org.uk  
www.facebook.com/dewisacre



## STRUGGLING TO GET TO DOCTOR'S APPOINTMENTS?



ST DAVIDS CITY COUNCIL ARE WORKING WITH PARTNERS TO FIND A SOLUTION!

We need to establish how many people are in need of this service.

Contact Maggie on 07582580646 or email communitytransport4@gmail.com

Tell us your challenges, talk to your local councillors or phone Bethan on 07767398924. We are compiling numbers of people having difficulties.



ROYAL VOLUNTARY SERVICE



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Gyda chi ar eich taith  
With you on your journey



St.Davids Library  
now open  
Saturdays from  
10 am - 12pm



Opening hours  
Tuesdays 10 am - 1 pm and 2 pm - 5 pm  
Thursday 10 am - 1 pm and 2 pm - 5 pm  
Saturday 10am - 12pm

St Davids City Hall SA62 6SD







## CLWB SOLFACH - SOLVA LUNCHEON CLUB

Lunch Club restarted on a very wet and windy Wednesday, the 10<sup>th</sup> September. Unfortunately, this meant that a few people were unable to attend. Hopefully, the weather will improve! Lunches will be served every Wednesday until 17<sup>th</sup> December when we have a break for Christmas. We would be pleased to welcome anyone 55 or over to enjoy a hot main course, pudding and a tea/coffee for £5. Lunch is served at 12.30pm in Solva Memorial Hall (SA62 6TE). Contact Jane Pascoe 01437721544.

*Please contact Jane Pascoe on 01437 721544 if you would like to help or come along.*



## SOLVA WI

To mark the 110th birthday of the WI we celebrated with members of Milford Haven WI, and four retired airline staff (friends of Solva WI) at 'Cruglas' Hotel.

We were welcomed with coffee and Welsh cakes, and a viewing of the bedrooms. A demonstration followed on cleaning and dressing a crab by Sandra, which most members had never done. A delicious main course meal was then followed by a choice of puddings, and tea or coffee. We then watched a demonstration by Janet of preparing hors d'oeuvres and then another on her renowned Sticky Toffee Pudding. Everyone enjoyed and was very impressed with our celebration idea.

Our next meeting will be in Solva Memorial Hall on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm when Julian Cremona will show us a presentation on Patagonia.

Potential new members are always welcome to our monthly meetings which are held in Solva Memorial Hall (SA62 6TE) at 2pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month.



## St Davids RFC

The Seniors beat Teirw Crymych 47 - 12 in the Pembrokeshire Cup and so go forward to the next round. Our minis and juniors season is well underway! Although Storm Amy cancelled the U7-U11's home matches against Crymych. The U14's Tour to Naas Ireland is on track for October and fundraising continues to give them a fantastic experience on the first tour in years!. The M&J Saints Super Lotto envelopes can be found in most hostelryes around the city plus the club and St Davids Fish and Chip Shop. Join in, costs £1, you could win!

We are asking for your continued support, no matter how big or small! Become a member, join the 100 club, sponsorship a match or if you are interest in volunteering at the club please contact Andrea Cartwright, Interim Secretary  
[secretary@stdavidsrugby.com](mailto:secretary@stdavidsrugby.com)



### Clwb Clonc Solfach

Llongyfarchiadau i Jane Holland a Clwb Clonc Solfach am Digwyddiad Ardderchog yn Neuadd Goffa Solfach ar y Pumed o Fis Medi. Dros gant o bobl mynychodd i gwrando ar yr Arbenigwr y Delyn Deines, Robin Huw Bowen, yn berfformio.

Yr oedd pobeth wedi'i drefni i berffeithrwydd. Yr oedd y naws yn y Neuadd yn arbennig, y bwyd yn blasus ar adloniant yn wych. Roedd y gynulleidfa wrth eu bodd yn gwrando i Robin, ennillwr y Gwobr Glyndwr. Codwyd y Clwb mwy na thair mul o bunnoedd ar gyfer Eisteddfod y Garreg Las.

Wedodd Jane "Ymdrech tim oedd hi, Gillian a Ifor Thomas, Meic a Helen Thomas a fy ngwr John. Diolch hefyd i'n holl ffrindiau a weithodd yn ddiflino drwy gydol y noson. Diolch i bawb a wnaeth iddo digwydd.

Y mae'r Clwb yn cwrdd pob wythnos i rhoi cyfle i Ddysgwyr ymarfer ei Cymraeg. Moto y Clwb yw "Maen bwysig nad nhi ywr Genhedlaeth Olaf i Fwynhaur Trysoraur laeth Cymraeg."

Congratulations to Jane Holland and the Solva Club Clonc for an Excellent Event in the Solva Memorial Hall on the 5th of September. Over a hundred people attended to listen to the Expert of the Welsh Triple Harp, Robin Huw Bowen.

Everything was organised to perfection. The ambience in the Hall was superb, the food delicious and the entertainment excellent. The audience were delighted with Robin's performance. The Club raised the sum of over £3000 towards the funding of the Eisteddfod of the Blue Stone.

Jane said that "it was a team effort- Gillian and Ifor Thomas, Mike Thomas and his sister Helen and my husband John. Thank you to all of our friends who worked tirelessly throughout the evening, Thank you to all who supported us and made it Happen."

The Club meets every week to give Learners an opportunity to practice their Welsh. The Clubs Moto is "It is important to ensure that we are not the last generation to enjoy the Treasures of the Welsh Language."





## **SERIES OF AUTUMN TOURS AND TALKS IN ST DAVIDS CATHEDRAL LIBRARY**

St Davids Cathedral Library is holding a series of Tours and Talks this autumn. The annual Libraries Week at the beginning of October will have a range of interesting Talks and Tours, including revealing new research findings. 2025 is the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Bishop Connop Thirlwall who oversaw the restoration of the cathedral to the building we know today. The iconic west end of the cathedral is a memorial to Connop Thirlwall and incorporates a statue of him. A new book on his life and work is being researched by Emerita Prof Frances Young and Rev Christopher Cunliffe. On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October the cathedral will mark the anniversary with a tour, led by Bishop Wyn Evans, of the parts of the cathedral that benefitted from Thirlwall's restoration. In the afternoon Frances Young and Christopher Cunliffe will talk on Thirlwall's wider life and work. Online Tickets can be accessed through the library page on the cathedral website (see link below).

Over the summer many local people, as well as hundreds of visitors, came to the cathedral to see the first Bible in Welsh. This copy was originally given to Westminster Abbey Library by Rev William Morgan in November 1588. This summer was the first time this Bible had been in Wales. On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October there will be a panel discussion session revealing initial joint findings on the 1588 Bible by the Library teams in Westminster Abbey and St Davids Cathedral. Online Tickets can be accessed through the library page on the cathedral website.

More information on all the Libraries Week sessions and other events can be obtained during the public cathedral library sessions on Monday and Friday afternoons between 2pm and 4pm – and also by email on [Library@StDavidsCathedral.org.uk](mailto:Library@StDavidsCathedral.org.uk).

Library diary dates:

- October 7th. Tuesday. 11am. Tour of Cathedral restoration by Bishop Connop Thirlwall on his 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- October 7<sup>th</sup> Tuesday. 2pm. "Bishop Connop Thirlwall: scholar, linguist, bibliophile". Anniversary Talk in north transept.
- October 9th. Thursday. 2pm "1588 – a Bible in Welsh and What happened next". Talk, and panel discussion, on the historic events around the first Bible in Welsh coming to Wales for the first time in summer 2025.
- October 10th. Friday. 10.30am. "Visitors Books - with case study of Emmeline Pankhurst 1908". In Cathedral north transept.
- October 10th. Friday. 1pm "Detectives in work of Agatha Christie" Talk by Archdeacon of St Davids. In Cathedral north transept.
- October 10th. Friday. 2pm-4pm library open to public
- December 27th. Saturday. 11am-12.30pm. Tour of Rarely Seen parts of Cathedral
- December 30th. Tuesday. 11am-12.30pm. Tour of Rarely Seen parts of Cathedral

**Tickets for tours & talks from [www.StDavidsCathedral.org.uk/discover/library](http://www.StDavidsCathedral.org.uk/discover/library)**

# ST DAVIDS CARNIVAL 2025

1st Place Adult Float - Peninsula Food Market run by **Eco Dewi**

1st Place Children's Float - Porthmawr Surf Life Saving Club

2nd Place Float - Penknife Club

3rd place Float - WI

Under 6 – Girl - Hermione Granger by Ela George

Boy - Ninja Turtle by Gene Evans

Over 6 - Girl- 80's popstar by Sienna Cooper

Boy - Dog Man

Women - Fish

Men - Captain Robyn Copley

Best group- Red riding hood



A huge shout out and thank you to Bethan Stevens for her wonderful prizes, and to St David's community! Float makers went above and beyond, and we know what hard work goes into them 🥰 People/families dressing up! 🙌 Without you there would be no carnival! What a fabulous 2025! We will see you next year!! 🙌🙌🙌🙌





## Wedding Anniversary Celebrations?

If you know of any couple in St Davids that may be celebrating a Golden or Diamond Wedding Anniversary, please contact St Davids City Council by phone (01437 721137) or email [clerk@stdavids.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@stdavids.gov.uk)



## ST DAVIDS BEFRIENDERS

If you, or someone you know, needs help, or just a chat, get a Befriender.

Ring Alan York (07946418439) or Bethan Price (07767 398924 ).

Hope to hear from you.



## 'Celebration of Life In Solva'

- Now and through the years

with music, poetry, line-dancing, short film & more. There will be some refreshments or bring your own. There is a bar or BYOB.



Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2025  
at 6 pm in Solva Memorial Hall

39 High Street, Solva SA62 6TE

**All welcome!**

Help us celebrate our 10th AGM!

*Connecting our Community*

For more info, call 07805 717556 or email [contact@solvacare.co.uk](mailto:contact@solvacare.co.uk)

## \*Defibrillators in Solva\*



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Post Code: SA62 6TE



**Bay View Stores**  
What3words: places.examples.crackling  
Post Code: SA62 6TX



**Lower Solva Car Park – Harbour Inn**  
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Post Code: SA62 6UT



**Trinity Quay**  
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## Solva Memorial Hall

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## Ty Curtis Hall, Bryn Road, St Davids, SA62 6QX

**Currently: 4hrs £14      8hrs £28      Full day £30**

**Contact 07952 201813 to hire. Also available for parties, craft classes, music etc. Garden also available.**

**Monday** - Available for hire

### **Tuesday**

10am-11.15am Tai Chi with Judy Schunemann. Contact No.07890 647338

6.30pm-7.30pm Vinyasa Yoga. Contact Sophie [www.theflyingfitfoodie.com/classes](http://www.theflyingfitfoodie.com/classes)

### **Wednesday**

9.30am & 10.45am Pilates for strength, flexibility and functionality. Contact Christine Higgins

6.30-7.30pm. Slow Flow Yoga with As You Are Yoga & Wellbeing. Contact Abbie on 07817851853 or [www.asyouarewellbeing.co.uk](http://www.asyouarewellbeing.co.uk)

**Thursday** - Available for hire

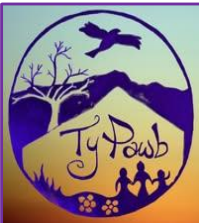
**Friday** - Available for hire

### **Saturday**

8.30-9pm My Journey Weight Loss class

### **Sunday**

11am until 12.Cyfarfod Crynwyr Tyddewi/ St David's Quaker Meeting.  
Contact Nia Harries 01348 872002.



## **TY PAWB OLD SCOUT HUT ST DAVIDS**

**MONDAY** Life Drawing 7-9pm

**TUESDAY** People's Shed & Knit & Knatter 10am-12

Pilates 5.30-6.30 + 6.30-7.30

Ballroom Dance 7.30-8.30 (solo for adults)

**WEDNESDAY** -

**THURSDAY** Dance Kids (6-10yrs) 5.30-6.30

Pilates 6.30-6.30 & 6.30-7.30

**FRIDAY** Stitchy Witches 10am-12

**SATURDAY** Pilates 10-11 & 11-12

**SUNDAY** Y Groesfan Church 4.30-5.30

To attend one of  
these activities  
or book the hall  
for a one off  
private or public  
event/activity

**Contact Becky  
07788633719**

TALK TO BECKY  
ABOUT  
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Manx Shearwaters - these striking black-and-white birds, which nest in burrows on the islands of Skomer, Skokholm, Midland, and Ramsey, embark on an epic migration each autumn - crossing the Atlantic and the equator to spend winter off the coast of South America.

Pembrokeshire plays a vital role in their lifecycle, hosting around 60% of the global breeding population, with Skomer

Island alone home to an estimated 350,000 pairs.

However, fledgling Shearwaters often become disoriented by artificial lights on the mainland or boats. Leaving their burrows under the cover of darkness, they can be drawn inland, where they face serious threats from predators and traffic. Without human help, many will not make it back to the sea.

People across the peninsula, including Solva and St Davids, have been helping out rescuing stranded Manx Shearwaters. Sadly, the combination of strong westerlies and light pollution means many more than usual have flown inland rather than heading for Argentina.

So far volunteers have rescued more than 1000 stranded birds from across Pembrokeshire, and especially in hotspots such as Newgale, Broad Haven, the Milford Haven Waterway, and Tenby. Not all the birds stay in Pembrokeshire

– they have been rescued from as far afield as Wolverhampton and Lichfield!



**Jack Isles of Solva, with the Newgale Mobile Rescue HQ**

### **Found a Manx Shearwater? Please get in contact.**

If you are able to, wearing gloves, place the bird carefully into a well ventilated cardboard box, close the lid, and place it somewhere quiet and undisturbed; for young birds this is like being back in their burrow.

Then contact us on the number below and we'll do our best to help:

# 01437 723193

Please leave a message if no answer & someone will try to call you back ASAP



*Please note that this is a Pembrokeshire based project but we will do our best to advise you in other locations.*

**MANX SHEARWATER RESCUE**  
(Pembrokeshire)

Thanks to the swift action of local volunteers and members of the public, these birds were safely released to continue their journey south.

The group has also erected signs at Newgale appealing for drivers to slow down, as so many birds are run over there each year, and slower speeds at night might just help prevent deaths and allow them to be rescued.





## October: Embrace the Season of Change



In October, we see the beauty of autumn, a time for letting go of what's no longer needed, and for preparing for the quiet stillness ahead. This encourages you to appreciate the natural world's transition, find beauty in change, and reflect on letting go of the past while looking forward to the coming season.

### *Embracing October's Spirit*

- **Letting Go:** Just as the leaves fall from trees, October reminds us that it can be beautiful and healthy to let go of things that no longer serve us, whether it's habits, situations, or possessions.
- **Transition:** It's a season of transition, a symphony of permanence and change as nature prepares for winter.
- **Beauty and Wonder:** October offers a unique charm, with its golden light, vibrant colours, and crisp air creating a beautiful and memorable atmosphere.

### *Practical Applications*

- **Be Present:** "You don't waste October sunshine" – take time to enjoy the moments and beauty around you.
- **Reflect and Prepare:** Think about what you can release to make space for new growth or simply to welcome the quieter time of year.
- **Find Joy in Simplicity:** "Autumn carries more gold in its pocket than all the other seasons". Find the richness in the season's simple pleasures, like a crisp walk or enjoying the changing colour.



**ST DAVIDS YOUTH CLUB**

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City Hall, High St, St Davids, Haverfordwest  
SA62 6SD  
St Davids City Hall (Back entrance through the blue gate)





**MAMMOTH DJ**

**HAPPY HALLOWEEN**

**LATEST DRINKS OFFERS**

**8-LATE**

**BEST DRESSED**

**HALLOWEEN PARTY**

**FANCY DRESS HALLOWEEN PARTY**

**FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER**

**HARBOUR INN, SOLVA**

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**Amgueddfa Cymru Gallery**

**Môrwelion/The Sea Horizon – Garry Fabian Miller - Saturday  
12 July – Spring 2026**

Take time to pause and connect with the timeless beauty of 'The Sea Horizon' series. Drawing on over four decades of deep observation, Fabian Miller's images examine our enduring fascination with the horizon – the meeting point of land, sea, and imagination. Not only does the exhibition feature *The Sea Horizon series*, but it also brings together a rare assembly of Fabian Miller's later cameraless works.

**St Davids Room**

**Embrace by Kate Kelly - Friday 19 September – Sunday 9 November**

This exhibition by Kate Kelly features vibrant, layered paintings on canvas that capture the dynamic atmosphere of coastal conditions. Bold colours and textured strokes depict the moody sea, dramatic cliffs shaped by wind and tide, and the ever-changing light on the water and landscape. Reflecting her deep connection to the freedom and beauty of the coast path, Kelly's work immerses viewers in the raw power and serenity of the coastal environment.

**Tower**

**Set in Stone by Colin Barnett - Friday 12 September – Sunday 2 November**

Coastal rocks hold the memory of time—sculpted by tides, marked by elemental forces. Set in Stone reimagines these ancient forms through digital solarization and colour transformation, revealing a hidden spectrum of light and energy within the landscape. Each image in this series shifts its visual spectrum, dissolving the boundaries between reality and abstraction. The altered hues and tones echo the unseen forces that have shaped these stones over millennia—weathering, erosion, and the ceaseless motion of the sea.

**Discovery room**

**A Fresh Start by Ty Hir - Friday 26 September – Wednesday 5 November**

Ty Hir Craft, consisting of Ty Hir Turning and Green Bean Bags, embraces a sustainable design approach using reclaimed, recycled, and locally sourced materials. Ty Hir Turning transforms locally found wood, including wood from ash dieback management, into vibrant, decorative pieces, giving new life to trees that are no longer viable. Green Bean Bags repurposes recycled coffee bean sacks, combining them with designer and vintage fabrics to create unique, colourful bags. This exhibition highlights their innovative approach to sustainability through craftsmanship.

**Events**

**Witch's Potion Trail - Saturday 25 Oct – Sunday 2 Nov, 9.30am – 4.30pm, £4 per child**

Can you help the witch to find all the ingredients for her magic potion. They're hidden deep in the woods, high in the tower and around the courtyard. Can you figure out which potion she is trying to create?

**Make and Take: Batinator Bat Headdress - Monday 27 Oct, 10.30am – 4pm, £4 per child, drop in**

Join us to create your very own Batinator Bat Headdress — the perfect spooky accessory for Halloween!

**Make and Take: Pumpkin Suncatcher - Wednesday 29 Oct, 11am – 3pm, £4 per child, drop in**

Get creative this spooky season and make a window decoration that glows by day and lights up at night! Eco-friendly, fun, and frightfully fabulous!

Please [visit the website](https://www.pembrokeshirecoast.wales/oriel-y-parc/) for more information. <https://www.pembrokeshirecoast.wales/oriel-y-parc/>



## REGULAR EVENTS – October 2025

### DYDD LLUN – MONDAY

St David's & Solva Art Group in Solva Community Clubhouse 10am – 1pm

St David's Day Centre for the Elderly in St Davids City Hall 2 – 4pm Contact Kay Kimber 07791352349 or Bethan Price 07767398924

St Davids Badminton Club 7-9pm in St Davids Sports Hall. Contact Tom 07535 369356

### DYDD MAWRTH – TUESDAY

St David's Library in St Davids City Hall, 10am – 5pm (closed 1-2pm)

St David's & Solva People's Shed in Ty Pawb (The Old Scout Hut) St Davids 10am – 2pm

Friends in Harmony Choir meet in Haverfordwest 7.30pm. Car shares available from Solva & St Davids – Contact Sylvia 01437 720228

### DYDD MERCHER – WEDNESDAY

Luncheon Club in Solva Memorial Hall 12.30pm

Coffee & Chat in the Drop-In Centre, St David's City Hall 10am – 12pm

St Davids Community Choir, T'yr Pererin, Quickwell Hill 7.30-9pm

Playgroup in Solva Community Clubhouse 9.30am – 11.30am

Dai Ball's Quiz 8pm in The Ship, Solva

Tower bell ringing practice, St Davids Cathedral 7.15-8.30pm

### DYDD IAU – THURSDAY

St David's Library in St Davids City Hall, 10am-5pm (closed 1–2pm)

Coffee Morning and Mini Lending Library in Solva Memorial Hall 10.30am – 12pm

Brushstrokes Art Group 1.30pm – 4pm in Solva Community Clubhouse (term time)

Open Mic at the Harbour Inn 8pm

St Davids City Bowls Club 7pm-9pm in St Davids City Hall

### DYDD GWENER – FRIDAY

Friday Club in Solva Community Clubhouse 2pm – 4pm

### DYDD SADWRN – SATURDAY

My Journey Weight Loss Group in Ty Curtis Hall, St David's 9am

St David's Library in St Davids City Hall, 10am – 12pm

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## What's On – October 2025

- 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Solva Community Cinema, Memorial Hall, 7pm
- 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Erin Rae at St Davids Tabernacle
- 10<sup>th</sup> October – RNLI Curry & Quiz Night, Cambrian Inn, Solva, 6.30pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> October – Bingo in Solva Memorial Hall
- 15<sup>th</sup> October – Celebration of Life in Solva, Solva Memorial Hall, 6pm
- 18<sup>th</sup> October – Swingin' Bill's Vintage Revue, Solva Memorial Hall
- 18<sup>th</sup> – October – Treginnis Autumn Fayre, 12-4pm, St Davids SA62 6RS
- 24<sup>th</sup> October – Purely Cher at the Harbour Inn, Solva (£10 pp)
- 31<sup>st</sup> October – Fancy Dress Halloween Party at the Harbour Inn, Solva
- 1<sup>st</sup> November – Solva Fireworks at the harbour, 6pm quiet display, 7pm main display. Food, cider, live music etc.
- 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> July 2026 – Solva Edge Festival 2026

Details of most of these events can be found inside this newsletter. Find out more about them on Facebook, or contact the organiser.

*For more events, please visit*

*"What's On – St Davids & Solva" on Facebook*



*Rescuing stranded Manx Shearwater fledglings at Newgale*

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