

# Gwernymynydd & Cadole

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## “Dam” Housing Proposal Refused Planning Permission

FLINTSHIRE County Council’s Planning Committee has rejected an application by Wain Homes to build new dwellings on land adjacent to Siglen Ucha.

The Committee met on Wednesday, February 20th and refused the application - despite planning officers recommending the plans be approved.

County Councillor Nancy Matthews addressed the Committee voicing her concerns that the housing scheme was inappropriate and not a fitting development within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

A number of village residents also attended the hearing and listened carefully to the proceedings.

However, disappointingly, due to the fact the hearing was arranged with just five days notice, no community councillors were available to speak at the hearing.

Cllr Nancy Matthews said: “The application was refused mainly on the effect the development would have on what is an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

“Members of the Planning Committee attended a site visit and that gave them the opportunity to see the scale of the proposed retention wall which they referred to as a ‘dam’.”

She added: “Personally, I am not against development on that site so long as its sits within the shape and contours of the land and sadly, what was proposed certainly didn’t do that.



*Artist impression of the proposed development*

“Wain Homes can appeal to the Welsh Assembly Government Inspectorate. Whether they do so is a decision for them, however, I am satisfied that the Planning Committee has listened carefully to what we have said and have come to the right conclusion.”




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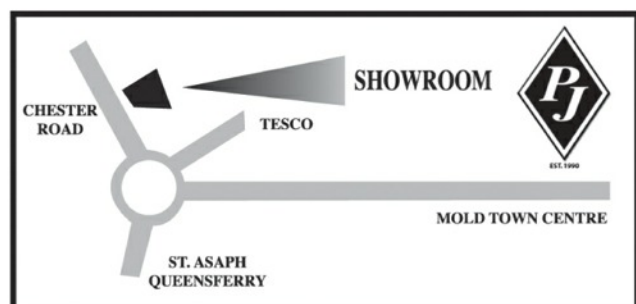
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## Dog Owners Could Be Hit With Big Fines

THE perennial issue of dog fouling is back in the spotlight after several complaints to both the Community Council and County Councillor Nancy Matthews.

And there are now calls for a Dog Watch scheme to be set up in the village.

Clr Nancy Matthews says dog fouling is a problem that affects everyone at one time or another. She said: "There is nothing worse than finding you have stepped in something unpleasant when you get home from a walk ! The fixed penalty for allowing your dog to foul the pavement is £75. And if you do not pay this you are likely to be prosecuted which could result in a fine up to £1,000. Responsible dog owners clean up after their pets but it is those that don't that we want to catch.

"If you would like to set up a DOG WATCH scheme in the village contact either a Community Councillor or myself at [sendittonancy@gmail.com](mailto:sendittonancy@gmail.com) or on (01352) 757328."

## Boxing Event Proves To Be Charity Knock-Out

FORMER village resident Andy Hughes has taken to the ring and raised a bucket full of cash for a little girl suffering from an acute form of cancer.

Anya Bentham, two, is being treated at Alder Hey Children's Hospital in Liverpool for advanced neuroblastoma.

Andy, 29, now of Connah's Quay challenged Welsh super heavyweight champion and Commonwealth Games boxer Andy Jones, 29, to a demonstration bout.



Despite the support of more than a dozen friends from Gwernymynydd the referee called a halt to proceedings in round three to prevent the gallant challenger suffering further punishment.

The night, which included seven other bouts, raised more than £4,000 toward the £250,000 needed to get Anya to America for revolutionary treatment that could, potentially, save her life.

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200g risotto rice  
1 large red onion  
2 courgettes  
2 peppers – red &/or yellow  
1 small aubergine

3tbsp olive oil  
10 leave of wild garlic  
50g butter  
1 litre vegetable stock  
Parmesan cheese

- Place baking dish in oven with olive oil & heat at 180°C for 10 minutes until oil is hot.
- Add vegetables chopped into bite size pieces into baking dish & cook for 45 minutes.

Meanwhile prepare risotto:

- Heat stock until almost boiling. Melt 25g butter in large saucepan and sweat finely chopped onion until soft but not brown. Add rice and mix well until rice is coated with butter.
- Add 1/3 stock and bring to gentle simmer and cook until stock has been absorbed. Add a further ladle of stock and cook until absorbed.
- Continue this process of adding stock until rice is cooked. Add the final 25g butter, roasted vegetables, torn garlic leaves and season to taste.
- Top with grated or shaved parmesan.

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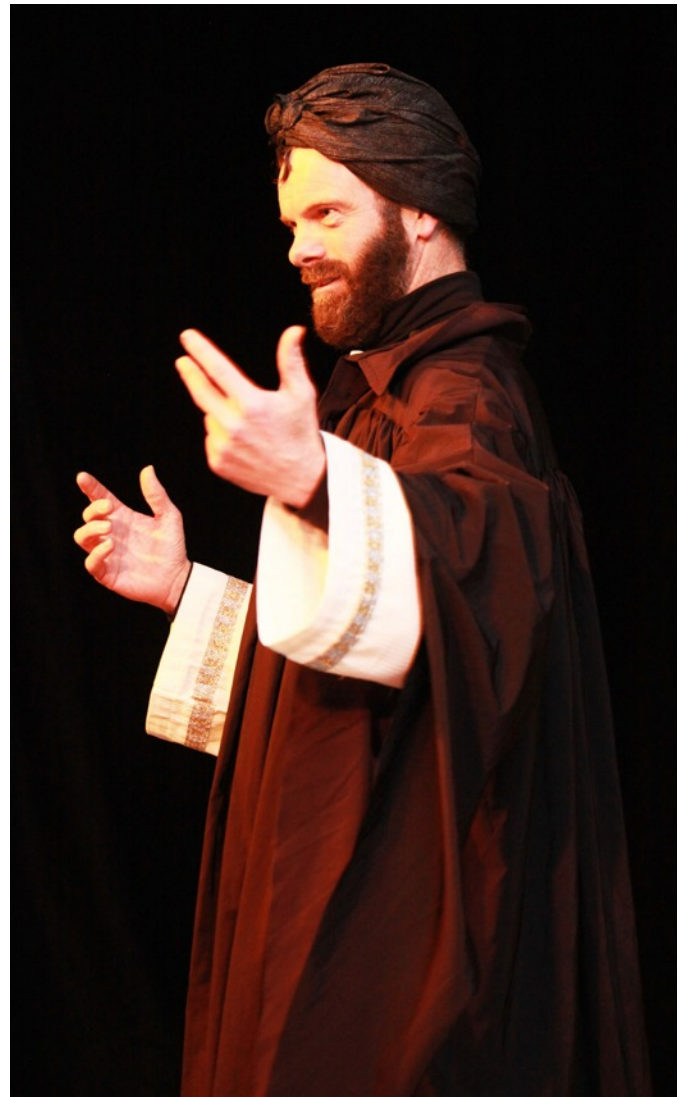
# “New Lamps

Gwernymynydd Pantomime  
Production of Aladdin



# For Old”

February 16th-18th 2013  
Village Centre



Photos Kevin Hughes



## Toddlers Enjoy Playing At School

A COMMUNITY-RUN nursery group has moved into the village school.

Children who attend Playcorner Nursery used to meet in the village centre but, thanks to an invite from the village school's head teacher, the children, parents and carers now meet for a two hour session every Tuesday in the village school's main hall.

Gwernymynydd Primary School head teacher, Louise Williams, says it made so much sense allowing the nursery to use school facilities.

She said: "Going to school for the first time, especially at reception level is always a daunting experience. However, if children are used to coming to the school and are comfortable in the environment and with staff it makes that transition so much easier



"We give the children who attend Playcorner Nursery their own space and don't interfere with sessions. However, I always try and pop in to say hello when my timetable allows."

*COOKING UP TROUBLE: Lexie, one, enjoys the play kitchen.*

*MISCHIEVOUS TRIO: Triplets, front, James, middle, Morgan and Oliver, of Buckley, enjoy their Playcorner sessions.*



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She added “The school provides a safe environment for the children, their parents and carers to meet and enjoy fun sessions. And of course we hope they feel comfortable with the school and see a little of what we are trying to do here.

“And it goes without saying, we will be delighted to welcome any child from Playcorner into our reception or early entitlement classes when they are old enough whether they live in the village or not.”

Three-year-old triplets, James, Morgan and Oliver enjoy their Playcorner sessions along with their mum, Caroline.

She says all three will be starting at Gwernymynydd Primary School shortly at early entitlement level.

She said: “I come from Gwernymynydd and went to the primary school and my mum still lives in the village of course.

It’s a great school and perfect for my boys.”

*PLAY FUN: From left, Mathew, 15 months, mum Hannah, and Henry, one, and mum, Sarah, play with toys.*



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## Fund Raising Jaunt for Eric

A SENIOR village athlete is putting himself through the pain barrier to raise a mountain of cash for a children's hospice.

Self employed company director, Eric Davies, 55, of Godre'r Coed is tacking the Excalibur Marathon on Saturday, March 23 and is raising funds for Wirral-based Claire House Children's Hospice.

Eric, who runs his own company, Eurojargon Enterprises, says he has been putting in some serious training miles in preparation for the gruelling race.

He said: "The 26.2 mile race will take competitors up, down and around Moel Famau, Moel Arthur, Penycloddiau and Aber Wheeler. Any marathon is tough but this one is particularly hard.

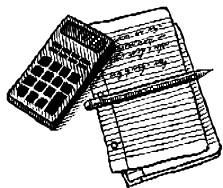
"By the time we reach the top of Moel Famau we will have run, or walked in some cases, more than 24 miles and climbed around 5,500ft. I can't wait for the downhill bit to the finish!

"I am hoping to raise around £300 and would be delighted if anyone from the village would be kind enough to sponsor me."

You can sponsor Eric at [www.justgiving.com/EBD](http://www.justgiving.com/EBD) and for more details about the event visit [www.excaliburmarathon.co.uk](http://www.excaliburmarathon.co.uk).



*MARATHON MAN: Eric Davies, 55, of Godre'r Coed, training hard for the Excalibur Marathon.*



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# Sport

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## Swans Have Their Wings Clipped In Cup Semi-Finals

CONTROVERSIAL refereeing decisions saw Gwernymynydd Swan crash out of the Deeside Sunday League Division One Cup.

Manager Glyn Jelley - who has rubbished reports he missed the game due to being away on a stag weekend, insisting he was on a scouting mission as he looks to bolster his defence - says his side were left bitterly disappointed.

He said: "Wes Brereton scored to put us 1-0 up against Flint RBL. But we then had what appeared to be a perfectly good goal disallowed for offside and then the referee turned down a blatant penalty appeal.

"We then got hit by two late long balls and they snatched the win 1-2. But their keeper was outstanding by all accounts and was named man-of-the-match by a mile."

He added: "The week before we beat top-of-the-table Mechanics 3-0 in what was an excellent league game. Terry Pughe, Dafydd Griffiths and Liam Hett all scoring. That result came on the back of another cup-semi final defeat, 0-1 to Flexys in the NE Wales Challenge Cup.

"That was really galling as we had to play with a very under-strength side due to injury and work commitments. A week early we beat Maes Gwyn, another Wrexham team, 4-1 in the same cup thanks to Terry Pughe (2) and Ant Williams (2)."

However, there is still a chance of silverware coming back to the village this season as Swan Gwernymynydd have another cup semi-final to play at the end of the month.

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