

# ST HILARY NEWS

NEWS, VIEWS AND WHAT'S GOING ON IN ST HILARY



## WELCOME

On Sunday September 27<sup>th</sup> it seemed that life had returned to normal in St Hilary – the only giveaway signs were the hand sanitiser stations, one way system and face coverings! The Annual Foragers Produce Market took place and was highly successful – well done to Monica Dennis and Caroline Neudegg - read the full report inside.

## KEEPING THE VILLAGE TIDY

Throughout lockdown villagers have carried on looking after our environment.

The **3Cs group** have met, outside and socially distanced, to work both in the village and up at the Clump. The working group has grown with villagers old and new being welcomed. It has been lovely to see how much visitors to the village appreciate the care and attention taken.



The ladies who “**walk, talk and pick litter**” have also kept up with their activities once COVID restrictions allowed – unfortunately the easing of lockdown lead to the return of the fast food fly-tippers! The regular litter picking has also been supplemented with other villagers doing their bit for the **Keep Wales Tidy September Clean**.

## NEWS FROM THE BUSH INN

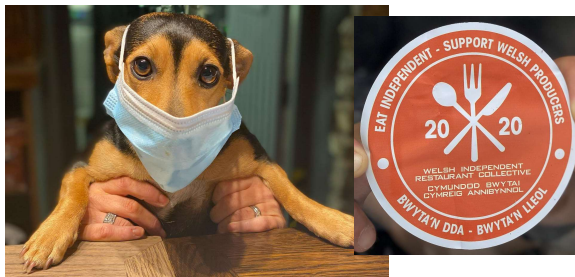
Liz, Andy, and the team at the Bush would like to say thank you to everyone who has continued to support them through this extremely challenging time. They are ever so grateful to each and every one of you.



Just a reminder, the Bush Inn is open weekends all day for food and drinks, both inside and outside.

They are operating their full menu to take away or for the eat in dining experience. The restaurant is all socially distanced and spacious but retains the cosy Bush feeling.

Please call on 01446 776888 to reserve a table and so to check weekday opening hours.



Bowie says, stay safe, wear a mask and stay positive.

## ST HILARY NEWS - HAVE YOUR SAY

If you have any items for publication in the next edition, please call Liz Loch on 07747 688219, write to Glebe Farm, St Hilary, CF71 7DP or email them to [newsletter@sthilary.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@sthilary.org.uk). Welsh and English contributions welcome.

# ST HILARY FORAGERS MARKET

£1420 raised for local foodbanks at the St Hilary Foragers Produce Market

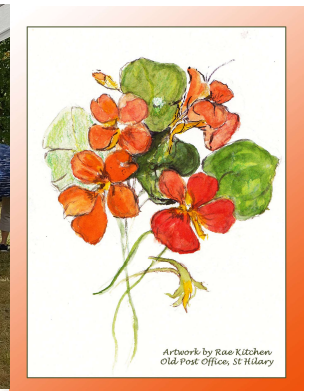


Sunday 27th September was a very special day because we were given the go ahead by Vale Council to hold our annual St Hilary Foragers Produce Market on the village green and the profit from the event was ear marked for two local foodbanks (Vale Foodbank and Action for Caerau and Ely (ACE)). As luck would have it, we chose the perfect day with sunshine all the way-which meant that we had many visitors to welcome to the event.



We were overwhelmed by the support that we received, and the generosity shown by everyone involved – which was reflected in the amount of money that we raised for the foodbanks – a staggering £1,420 in total! In addition, over £100 worth of groceries were donated on the day. A huge thank you to everyone who gave their support, either by:

- donating fruits and vegetables from their gardens/allotments
- making/baking/apple pressing
- helping with setting up/clearing up
- working on the stalls
- buying the produce – cakes were sold out with only a small amount of jam and chutney left!





And a vote of thanks to the independent stallholders who supported our event with their lovely products – Vale Cider, Dove Love Ceramics, Creative Militia, Two Dogs Roasting Company and Daisy Graze.

A brilliant event with a fantastic outcome – which could only be achieved with the help and support of our amazing St Hilary community!

THANK YOU!

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Wednesday, 30 September 2020

Dear St Hilary Villagers

On behalf of ACE, I would like to thank all those involved in the St Hilary Foragers Produce Market for raising £710 to support our Your Local Pantry project at the Dusty Forge centre in Ely, Cardiff. We are really grateful for the donation, which we will use to purchase food from Fareshare to support vulnerable families in Ely and Caerau. Our Pantry project is now open again as a community shop, where members can access a wide range of healthy food each week at the Dusty Forge. We are continuing our food delivery service for members of the community unable to come to the centre.

The Pantry provides ongoing support to members, who due to low income or other reasons are at risk of being unable to access sufficient food to maintain physical health and wellbeing. Accessing the Pantry shop gives members a choice of food and a chance to have some social engagement with the volunteers running the project, which many find a really valuable part of the project. Our volunteers have completed nutrition skills for life training, so that they can support members with cooking ideas, meal planning and healthy food choices.

I am so pleased that the Foragers Produce Market was such a success, despite the difficult current circumstances and would like to thank you all again for your support.

Yours sincerely



Sam Froud-Powell  
Community Support Coordinator



Your generous donation of **£710**, to the Foodbank is helping us provide emergency food aid for local people in crisis. We are so grateful. Thank you to all who attended and contributed.



## OTHER NEWS

### COMMUNITY HERITAGE BOARD GRANT BID

St Hilary Forum are applying for funding, on behalf of the village, to create a St Hilary Community Heritage Board. Funding, if we are successful, is from the Heritage Lottery Fund. We will be engaging with villagers, and people who use or visit the village, for their thoughts on the content and siting of the board. Forum members have been visiting other villages to look at a variety of information boards and we feel confident that we have amazing heritage that should be recorded and shared for all to enjoy. Perhaps there are places and events connected to the village that will stimulate and deepen our appreciation of our environment. We hope to use digital technology to link with the history and memories section on the St Hilary Community website. Watch this space!

*If you are new to St Hilary and want to know more about the Forum group please see*

<https://www.sthilary.org.uk/forum/overview>

### PICK UP AFTER YOUR POOCH



Sadly, in contrast to the hard work described on the front page in keeping the village tidy, we are currently suffering a

tsunami of dog excrement! Please can villagers remember to pick up after their dogs – there really is nothing worse than being sprayed with excrement while strimming the grass outside your gate, unless it is ruining your best indoor UGG boots when stepping in something unpleasant on the village green! Don't forget that dog faeces can contain toxocarasis which can lead to blindness in humans.

### LLANFAIR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Llanfair Community Council are continuing to meet on Zoom. The next scheduled meeting is Thursday November 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. David Hawkins, Mary Llewellyn and Heather Shaw are the St Hilary Councillors, their details can be found on the council webpage ([www.llanfaircommunitycouncil.gov.uk/](http://www.llanfaircommunitycouncil.gov.uk/)). Jackie Griffin, the clerk, can be contacted at [jackie.griffin1@btopenworld.com](mailto:jackie.griffin1@btopenworld.com).

### ST HILARY CHURCH

St Hilary Church is currently not open. Holy Cross, Cowbridge, and St John the Baptist, Llanblethian, are open for private prayer and a number of weekly services – details can be found on the Parish website ([www.cowbridgeparish.com](http://www.cowbridgeparish.com)).

### VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE



Terry Dennis will be standing down in November after many years as Treasurer. If you think you could help and take on this role, please contact Ewa at [ewathomas@btinternet.com](mailto:ewathomas@btinternet.com).

### THE HYGIENE BANK VALE OF GLAMORGAN



The first National Hygiene Week took place from September 14<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>. Information about the work of the charity was displayed in the St Hilary Community Phone Box which was the first registered collection point in the Vale of Glamorgan. Thank you to the ever generous villagers who donated much needed items which were shared with community partner organisations throughout the Vale.

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