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ST. DAVIDS CITY COUNCIL  
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# SOLVA & ST DAVIDS NEWS

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**Dr. Beynon's Farm grub kitchen**

**The Bug Farm & Grub Kitchen**

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## SOLVA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Clerk - Bruce Payne

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## YOUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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### NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of Solva Community Council (SCC) will be held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 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.

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/>

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## COUNCILLOR'S CORNER

### Solva



August is usually a quiet month for meetings in County Hall but we have recently had a run of 3 extraordinary meetings including what was probably the shortest Council meeting on record at just 8 minutes. The Head of Children's Services had taken a promotion to another authority and Council members had to authorise the recruitment of a replacement officer. There has been some public concern in that the salary published is in excess of £90k but it is a very responsible post and the right person has and can continue to create savings and improvements to the way Children's Services are delivered

I also attended 2 Services Scrutiny call in's the first one to decide how much PCC contributes to the tourism promotion service Visit Pembrokeshire. It was decided that after an initial reduction the contribution should remain the same for 4 years based on the importance of tourism to the Pembrokeshire economy. The second meeting looked at the agreement between PCC and the Long Course Weekend and the Committee decided further Cabinet input and scrutiny was needed

I have recently had conversations with 2 residents in respect of second homes premium applied to their properties. I am always happy to help anyone who has concerns with this topic, please ring 07976 553912 if you need assistance or just don't understand. I would also urge anyone whose circumstances change in relation to Council Tax, in particular if you become the only adult in a property to contact County Hall to check if you are entitled to a discount.

As the summer comes to an end I am engaging with PCNPA to try and ensure there remains support from them to fund the toilets. The current funding expires at the start of November and I am determined to try and prevent the cost falling on local residents. The provision of toilets at Solva harbour is absolutely essential. I am also engaging with PCC Highways to speed up the planned surface improvements to Lewis Terrace

Finally I continue to assist the Solva CLT by putting pressure on PCC and hence ATEB to move forward the housing project at Upper Solva It is absolutely ridiculous how long this project has taken

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! Email [cllr.mark.carter@pembrokeshire.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.mark.carter@pembrokeshire.gov.uk)



## COUNCILLOR'S CORNER St Davids



Please get in touch with me with any issues in the usual ways:

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Kind regards/cofian cynnes, Bethan

### Meddygfa Penrhyn Peninsula Practice

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#### \*\*\* IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT \*\*\*

The practice will be switching to a new clinical system on the 02/09/25. As a result, we will not be able to access our computers or any aspect of your medical records from 6pm on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August.

This means that we will be running at a significantly reduced service and will have the capacity to deal with urgent matters only. Please contact the surgery if you are taken ill during this downtime in the normal manner. Alternatively, please use your local Pharmacy or ring 111 for advice.

Our online functions such as e-consult and the NHS Wales App will also be unavailable during this period.

**\*\*\* If your repeat medication is due between Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, we ask that you put your request in by Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August. If you have enough medication to last you, please order after 3<sup>rd</sup> September.**

This transition will cause extra upheaval for all staff and patients, and we apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Please pass this information on to your families, friends and neighbours.

Thank you

Meddygfa Penrhyn



## SOLVA FORESHORE FESTIVAL OF FOOD

September 13 at 2.30pm

See out the summer in style! Come and join us for friendly food, cider, and music on the foreshore. This is an event to raise money for the Clubhouse.

Contact Josh ([joshuaphillipssolva@gmail.com](mailto:joshuaphillipssolva@gmail.com)) or Ifor ([07971038643](tel:07971038643) or email [ifor.thomas@gmail.com](mailto:ifor.thomas@gmail.com)) for details.

## Menevia W.I.

2025 marks the 9th consecutive year that Menevia WI has cared for the troughs on the Cross Square. Liaising with Cllr Frank John, each Spring and Autumn Menevia members meet up to clear the troughs and plant for the season ahead. Throughout the summer a rota of volunteers ensures the troughs are watered & weeded daily, and the flowers are deadheaded to encourage a prolonged display. This year's 'Blue Clary' Salvia Viridis, 'Indian



Prince' Calendula and 'White Dwarf Sensation' Cosmos, grown from seed, have been much admired by locals and visitors alike, and one trough has been planted with wild flowers in support of the St Davids Bee Friendly commitment.

Our next WI meeting is in September as we don't have a meeting in August. So, I'll give more details in the next newsletter. Visitors and new members are always welcome. Please contact the secretary Andrea Cartwright, [meneviawi@gmail.com](mailto:meneviawi@gmail.com)

♪♪♪ ST DAVIDS ♪♪♪

♪♪♪ COMMUNITY CHOIR

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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. 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. 😊♪♪

### St Davids Penknife Club

Classical Brit Award winners  
Formerly with Only Men Aloud

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PETER HORTON

LOUISE OLLEY



**Côr Tadau Trisant**  
**27th September 2025**  
 Doors open 6.30pm Starts at 7pm  
**Tickets £20**  
 Funds are being raised to help local community groups

SCAN HERE FOR TICKETS

St Davids Penknife Club Registered Charity No 1187151



## 80th anniversary of VJ Day

At 9.00am the flag was raised on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August to commemorate the end of the Second World War.

An act of remembrance and wreath laying ceremony was held in

the Memorial Gardens was led by St Davids Cathedral. Cathedral members, Mayor and Deputy Mayor of St Davids and City Councillors were joined by the Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Dyfed, Mr Roger Smith, 14th Signals Regiment, Major John Williams, Headmaster, Mrs Rachael Thomas and pupils of Ysgol Penrhyn Dewi, members of the community and visitors.



A tribute to all those who served in the Far East and the Pacific, and a show of gratitude to the men, women and children who dedicated their lives to the war effort.



A sincere thank you for the continued support with the preparation and assistance of these events - St Davids Cathedral, Canon Leigh Richardson, Ben Richards, Robert Davies - Gwyn Davies & Sons Ltd, City Councillor members and staff, Flag Master Cllr

Malcolm Gray, Leslie Phillips, Major John Williams, Ysgol Penrhyn Dewi, and 14th Signals Regiment.



A beacon was lit by the Mayor on the Cross Square in the evening at 9.30pm to represent the light of peace that emerged from the dreadful darkness of war.

### 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  
[solvanews@outlook.com](mailto:solvanews@outlook.com)*

### Coffee & Chat

Wednesdays 10.00am – 12noon at the Drop In Centre, City Hall, St Davids  
All welcome to attend  
**Free of charge**



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City Hall, High Street, Haverfordwest,  
Pembrokeshire SA62 6SD

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## Notice of St Davids City Council Meetings:

CYNGOR DINAS TYDDEWI



ST. DAVIDS CITY COUNCIL  
*Cywir i'n Daw a'n Gwlad*

Monthly Meeting – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September – 7pm in the Memorial Hall.

The agenda and minutes are available from the Clerk and on the City Council website: <https://stdavids.gov.uk/>

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 discussed.

Members of the public wishing to attend on a remote basis should notify the Clerk to the Council by 12pm on the day of the meeting so that guidance can be provided on how to attend.

## FREE 'KEEP FIT' COMMUNITY CLASSES

OPEN TO ANYONE AGED 60+

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09/09/25 - 28/10/25

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## LOCAL MEAT & EGGS

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Lifeboats

## St Davids RNLI Curry and Quiz Night The Cambrian Inn Solva

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October  
6:30pm for 7:00pm

**£20 a ticket**

Please ring for tickets

07989836352

07875156902

## Homeworks

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### THE HARBOUR INN

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*A DOG FRIENDLY PUB ON THE SEAFRONT OF SOLVA.*

## SIOP Y BOBOL

### St Davids Charity Shop

#### Opening Times

Monday – Friday from 10.00am – 1.00pm

Saturdays 11.00am – 2.00pm

## SOLVA CHIROPRACTIC

### Patrick - 07533281486



**Chiropractic can help:**  
*Back pain/Sciatica/  
Headaches/Neck pain*

\*Home clinic in Solva\*  
Available for home visits

## Cwtch Sheds



A place anyone in need of a little extra help can pick you up food supplies

Cwtch Sheds open 24/7 in Solva (Bayview Stores) and St Davids (Rugby Club)

## AJD LANDSCAPING

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## Flower Displays in St Davids

On behalf of the City Council and community, a big thank you to Eluned Philips and Cllr Frank John for planting and looking after the flowers in the troughs outside the City Hall, they look beautiful every year! Our lovely neighbours from the Bench water the flowers regularly and so thank you to Katy and her staff also.

Menevia WI plant and water all the troughs on the Cross Square and have done a great job for the past 9 years. The flower displays underneath the welcome signs into St Davids are kindly maintained by Cllr Frank John and the grass is cut by Terry Philips.

All their work is greatly appreciated and really enjoyed by locals and visitors, THANK YOU!

In addition to this we are very grateful to Sarah and Andy from the Bug Farm, and Eco Dewi for their efforts in organising a lovely new meadow on Glasfryn Road.

Lastly, thank you to the PCC staff, those responsible for the Cross Square Memorial Garden flower displays, they always look wonderful, and to the PCC Highways Team, who work closely with the City Council ensuring initiatives such as the new meadow on Glasfryn Road are a success. Diolch yn fawr iawn!



Due to an error, some of the above information was omitted from the last printed newsletter and so please accept our sincere apologies.



# PENINSULA FOOD MARKET



## YOUR LOCAL FARMERS' MARKET ONLINE

Selling a wide range of local produce, of exceptional quality, including meat, vegetables, bread, dairy, eggs and a wide range of cupboard essentials from Suma Wholefoods

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 Peninsula Food Market  
 peninsula\_foodhub

Order online & collect on Saturday morning

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## PLANT CONTRACTOR

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## St. Davids & District Day Centre

Mondays in the City Hall  
2 pm to 4 pm

Transport is available

For more information please contact  
Rebecca Thornton 07890629014



Bingo Quiz games



Speakers come & give talks on different subjects



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## St Davids Thursday Outdoor Market

Come and support your local producers at the Thursday Market on Cross Square.

Open from 9.00am to 4.00pm weekly from 1st March until the end of October (weather permitting).

The market offers a wide range of food, drinks, gifts and crafts that have all been locally produced.



# LET'S PLAY!

YOUR WEDNESDAY SWITCH-OFF

## GAME NIGHT AT THE HALL



Take a break, have a laugh – all welcome!



WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

SOLVA MEMORIAL HALL | 7PM – 10PM

No experience needed

Bring a friend (or come solo!)

£5

**GP SURGERY DROP-INS**

**COME AND CHAT TO YOUR COMMUNITY CONNECTOR**

Let us help you take control of your health and wellbeing

### Things your Community Connector can help with

- Loneliness and isolation
- Social connections and activities
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- Support for carers

**Meddygfa Penrhyn/Peninsula Practice**

**2-4.30pm**

**1st Monday of the month**

For more information contact **Pembrokeshire Community Hub** 01437 723660



### 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!

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Day & Time: Mondays at 10:30am  
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Bring: Mat, Water, Towel



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**NOSON ALLAN NIGHT OUT**

**A NIGHT OF SWINGIN' BILL'S VINTAGE REVUE**

**TICKETS £10**

**SWING, JAZZ & JIVE**

**SOLVA MEMORIAL HALL**  
**18<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2025 @ 7.30PM**

**FOR TICKETS OR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT DEBBIE ON 07771928576 / 01437 720948**



## Solva Memorial Hall is celebrating!

We have received funding from **National Lottery Awards Funding for All**.

We are getting power assisted internal doors along with an upgraded lighting system, which will include dimmable lights in the Main Hall to allow us to create different ambiances at our events.

We hope that these changes will make the Hall more accessible and welcoming to everyone. 'Our project has been made possible thanks to National Lottery players. Looking forward to seeing you at future events!



**Save the date!**

**Wednesday October 15<sup>th</sup>**

for a

**'Celebration of Life in Solva' - Now and through the years.**

All are welcome to join an evening hosted by Solva Care as part of the launch of our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Report, providing entertainment and interesting facts about the history of Solva.

Look out for posters with more information nearer the time.

Venue – Memorial Hall starting at 6pm. Licensed Bar or BYO

The Trustees look forward to welcoming you.

## **Name the Scarecrow**

Many thanks to everyone who took part in this year's competition. Very special thanks to Molly Page who knits the scarecrow dolls each year. A couple of people who have won a doll when they were children have said that they still keep them on their bed as adults! A reminder of summer holidays in Solva.

The winners for 2025 were.... Dick, Elliot, Percy, Jack, Dai, Randy, Carl and Ben.

## **SOLVA MEMORIAL HALL**

It has been a pleasure to welcome visitors and residents to our Thursday coffee mornings during the lovely summer weather. A reminder that on September 25<sup>th</sup> we will be holding a special morning in aid of MacMillan Nurses. The donations, cakes and raffle on that day will all go to that excellent good cause. Last year we raised over £500. Please join us to see if we can do as well or even better in 2025.

## Edge Festival 2025



Set against the breath-taking backdrop of the Pembrokeshire coastline, the 2025 Solva Edge Festival delivered a weekend of pure joy, unforgettable performances, and heartfelt community spirit. This 10th anniversary edition, Edge X, proved once again that small-scale, community-driven events can deliver big on atmosphere, talent, and soul.

Thankfully Solva was bathed in sunshine all weekend. Families picnicked on the grass, children roamed freely, and neighbours - new and old - shared stories under the Pembrokeshire sky. It was, as one attendee put it, “just brilliant”

Edge X boasted one of its strongest line-ups to date, blending home-grown Local and Welsh talent with crowd-pleasing tribute acts and the newly constructed Shipwreck stage, which also played host to the Festival’s first DJ set, provided some great summer vibes for both adults and kids alike.



Local crafts, henna tattoos, and vibrant clothing stalls added colour and charm for those looking to upgrade their festival wardrobe and of course our fantastic local charities were on show selling items to boost their coffers and putting on activities for the children.

An expanded children’s and Arts and Crafts area saw both kids and big kids alike having a go at everything from making mosaics and floral crowns through to decorating sgraffito, clay ornaments using mud from local beaches, and for those needing a bit of inner balance Wiktorja provided some fantastic Pilates and dance sessions.





Our literature session featured author Mark Lewis and illustrator Peter Stevenson, whose work “Erimos” explored myth and folklore.



The now legendary Green Scar Bar was once again a hub of conversation and refreshment, with all of the twenty one ales coming from within Wales and this year all of our twenty four craft ciders being 100% whole juice with a huge bias again towards Welsh producers.



Once again our fantastic food vendors dished out everything from gourmet bites to comforting classics, keeping bellies full and spirits high.

But what truly sets the Edge apart is its volunteer-driven ethos. The festival really is 100% volunteer powered with none of the organisers being paid for their time. Every tent peg hammered, pint poured, and

marquee raised was done out of love for the community, with all of our suppliers and service providers coming from the local area and all surplus funds put back to support local youth and community groups.



With no rain, no mishaps, and nothing but good vibes, the 2025 Solva Edge Festival was a triumph. It wasn't just a weekend of entertainment; it was a celebration of place, people, and purpose.

Whether you came for the music, the magic, (and there even was a magician) or the camaraderie, Edge X reminded us all why this festival matters.

If you missed it this year, mark your calendar for 2026. Solva Edge Festival isn't just an event—it's a feeling and it's one you'll want to experience again and again.



Photos by Ianto Môr Photography

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*'A Community Benefit Society'*

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## Eisteddfod Y Garreg Las - Bore Coffi Codi Arian

The National Eisteddfod known as Eisteddfod y Garreg Las, is coming to Pembrokeshire next year and so the St Davids City Council held a Coffee Morning Fundraiser in the City Hall to raise some funds.

Anona Gray and Linda Jones contributed to the fundraising efforts

by running a book stall at the coffee morning, which, combined with all the cake sales, helped raise a total of £304.50 to support the upcoming Eisteddfod y Garreg Las in Pembrokeshire.



Members of the St David's Peninsula and Area Appeal Committee sold tickets for their grand raffle, raising a total of £180 on the day also.

A big thank you to all those who helped on the day, kindly donated cakes and books, and to those who attended the fundraiser.

Diolch yn fawr iawn!

## Peninsula People

*Robin and Hannah of the Cambrian Inn, Solva*



Pembrokeshire has always been a very special place for me and a very important part of my life. My grandfather came to Pembrokeshire as a boy and my family have continued to spend special time here ever since. Growing up in the Midlands, my mum was an early years teacher, so every school holiday, she would pack the car up and drive me and my two brothers down to Little Haven, with all the pets in tow, where we had a bungalow. We would spend every day of every holiday there.

Growing up about as far away from the sea as you can be in the UK, the coastline was a magic place. We were constantly in and out of the sea. I have countless happy memories as a child visiting all the beaches with my brothers and my parents; endless picnics, surfing, fishing off The Point in Little Haven, the sand dunes at Fresh Water West & fires at Druidstone to name but a few. On the rainy days we would be running round Pembroke Castle with devil bangers and cap guns. On the unexpectedly rainy days we would be sheltering on Newgale underneath a ground sheet eating sandy sandwiches & Mr. Kipling country slices. We visited St. Davids regularly to see what Ma Simes had to offer or visit the marine life centre. As we got older, we'd often walk the coast path from Little Haven to Solva

with the dog in tow. We'd set off first thing in the morning and then meet mum and dad for lunch at The Cambrian. My mum and dad then retired to Little Haven 20 years ago, so in that time Pembrokeshire has become our family home.

My partner, Hannah, and I lived in Cambodia, South East Asia for over a decade. When we returned to the UK with two babies we had a decision about where we wanted to land and raise our children. That was when we started really thinking about moving to Pembrokeshire and what that might look like. However, things don't go according to plan and we ended up spending eight years in London where Hannah grew up. During that time we continued the family tradition of spending every holiday in Pembrokeshire. We'd often feel sad when we were driving the five hour journey back to London so would console ourselves by talking through fantasies of moving here and how we could make that happen.

I've worked in hospitality pretty much my whole life, and when we lived in Cambodia, I owned and ran a bar, a restaurant and a guest house. Back in London I then spent 8 years running and cooking in some beautiful old gastro pubs with lots of heritage but was keen to have my own business again.

We knew The Cambrian well, and in 2023 we saw it for sale and finally took the plunge and made Solva our home. Throughout my career in hospitality, I've always had a passion for fresh local food prepared with love, served with a smile. That's what we're trying to bring to The Cambo.

Since we took over The Cambrian, we've loved hearing everybody's connections to the place and it's made us so aware of the rich history around the pub. It holds a special place in many people's hearts, and we're excited to be a part of this next chapter. We want to create a friendly, welcoming atmosphere for visitors and locals alike, where you can pop in for a coffee after your dog walk or yoga class, eat a relaxed lunch on the terrace, or come for a special occasion.

We love running the pub! We have a great team who are all committed to helping us take the business forward and implement our vision. We're committed to being positive employers and providing a happy work environment where everyone can grow and develop. We've also felt very welcomed by the local community as everyone has been so supportive.

As we've settled into our new life, watching our girls grow up here and thrive in this environment, and sharing it with our friends and family is truly a blessing. Crabbing on the quay, building dens in the lime kilns, body boarding at Whitesands and



playing in the river in Prendergast woods have become regular highlights of our new life and will surely add to our children's own bank of special Pembrokeshire memories.

We feel so lucky to be raising our family as Solva residents within this wonderful community and incredible location.



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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.*

A team of five **Action Researchers** has been recruited as part of the **Cynefin** Project, here on the **St Davids Peninsula**. The team is researching the **Wellbeing Economy**, exploring what **Regenerative solutions to local challenges** might look like here. 'Cynefin' has been adopted as the project name, building on from past work undertaken by community members. We are researching an initiative to support **local businesses** and the wider community on the **Peninsula**. Focusing on the **Circular Economy** and **Local Revenue Flows**. For more info : <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.tfcpembrokeshire.org/en\\_gb/together-for-change-leads-delivery-of-community-led-action-research-in-partnership-with-lpip/](https://www.tfcpembrokeshire.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:

4 Sep A Complete Unknown (15)  
2 Oct The Salt Path (12A)

Doors open at 7 pm and 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% of the ticket price and the use of a free cushion! We offer tea/coffee and soft drinks and there is also a bar. Any questions or suggestions please email us at [solvacinema@gmail.com](mailto:solvacinema@gmail.com) New committee members are always welcome.



### 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 4<sup>th</sup> September**

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 the 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 on 07377059265 or email [fran34hb@gmail.com](mailto:fran34hb@gmail.com).

We provide free parking in St. Davids and free mini-bus to the boat and back.

# AQUAPHOBIA

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SA62 6SB

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**www.aquaphobia-ramseyisland.co.uk**

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

## Café on the Quay

Trinity Quay, Solva Harbour

Fine Italian Coffee  
Homemade Cakes and Solva Crab  
Sandwiches & Local Ice Cream

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Enjoy the Solva sunshine sitting on the Quay...  
Bring the family crabbing! We sell bait and lines.



### Golden Wedding Celebrations

A St Davids couple that are celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary this week are Mr Des and Mrs Gwenda Jenkins of Heol Dewi.

The couple received a congratulatory bouquet of flowers from the Mayor of St Davids, Cllr David Griffiths on behalf of St Davids City Council, who send the couple their very best wishes and warmest congratulations!

*N.B. The beautiful flowers were arranged by Imogen Higgs of Perfect Little Flowers*



## Under 3's Parent & Toddler Group

Wednesday mornings 10 - 11.30

Solva Community Club House

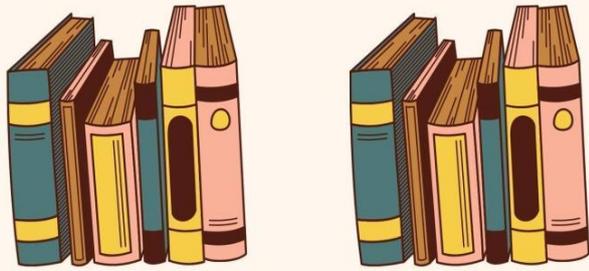
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ALL WELCOME!

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Any questions please contact Helen  
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St. Davids Library  
now open  
Saturdays from  
10 am - 12pm



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



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TO GET TO  
DOCTOR'S  
APPOINTMENTS?**



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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.  
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ST DAVIDS CITY HALL

**SATURDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> SEPT**  
**BETWEEN 10AM + 3PM**

Come and  
have your  
say!

- Meet your City Councillors
- Get involved in your community
- Find out whats going on

*ALL WELCOME*

**REFRESHMENTS & SNACKS  
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FOR MORE INFO EMAIL: [DEPUTY CLERK@STDAVIDS.GOV.UK](mailto:DEPUTY CLERK@STDAVIDS.GOV.UK)

Condolences to a regular contributor to the newsletter, Pearl Kaill of Caerfarchell, whose husband Ian passed away suddenly on Wednesday, 6 August, 2025 at Withybush 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.





## CLWB SOLFACH - SOLVA LUNCHEON CLUB

Solva Lunch Club will restart on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September in Solva Memorial Hall at 12.30.

Please encourage anyone within an accessible area and aged over 55 to attend. The price of the meal will remain at £5 for the time being and consists of a main course, sweet & tea or coffee.

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



## SOLVA WI

Our first meeting following the summer break will be held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September at Cruglas where members will enjoy a cookery demonstration followed by lunch.

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



## St Davids RFC

There have been some changes to the club in the last few months. Our tenants left at the end of June and since then we have been running the clubhouse as volunteers until such time as we can secure new tenants. We are extremely thankful for the help and support we have received from our wonderful community.

Pre-season training started in August for our seniors and September sees us taking on Crymych on 6 September away in the Pembrokeshire Cup. Our league season starts on 20 September when we welcome Llangwm RFC at home. Our Minis and Juniors Section start training again in September and the U13's are currently fundraising for a tour to Naas, Ireland in October.



SOLVA  
CARE

## Friday Club 2025

**We will start again on Friday 5  
September 2025 2-4 pm at the Solva  
Football Hub We look forward to seeing  
you then!**

**All welcome!**

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)



## Scarecrow Trail 2025

### Theme: Horrible Histories

The Winner of Best Scarecrow and the Trophy was Gill Thomas with Rattus rattus. This was a splendid papier mache Black Plague Rat. The Winner of Scariest was Frazer Nicol with Ann Boleyn (very gory). The Winner of Funniest (Debbie & Patrick Moore) was Julius Caesar (a mixture of a Roman emperor and a salad!).

The Trail Competition was won by Nanny Pots Team, Caermedris Farm. Solva

Overall the Trial, the car park collection and the Naming the Scarecrow competition run by Carol Ann Jones and Molly Page raised several hundred pounds for the Memorial Hall. Many thanks to all who took part.



## Struggling in the water?

**Relax and move  
your hands and  
legs to help you  
stay afloat**

**Tilt your head  
back with ears  
submerged**

# FLOAT TO LIVE

Photo: RNLI

The RNLI is the charity that saves lives at sea  
The Royal National Lifeboat Institution, a charity registered in England and Wales (209603), Scotland (SC037736), the Republic of Ireland (CHY 2678 and 20003326), the Bailiwick of Jersey (14), the Isle of Man (1308 and 006329F), the Bailiwick of Guernsey and Alderney, of West Quay Road, Poole, Dorset, BH15 1HZ

  
#RESPECTTHEWATER

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## St Davids Peninsula Carnival

The annual St. Davids Peninsula Carnival proved a stunning success on Bank Holiday Monday as Britain's smallest city enjoyed its biggest turnout for many years.

Huge crowds lined the streets for the parade, led by the carnival band, before heading to St. Davids RFC for the judging, music, and entertainment.



The winners were as follows:

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 pop star by Sienna Cooper, Boy- Dog Man

Women - Fish

Man - Captain Robyn Copley

Best group- Red riding hood

Well done 🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷! And a huge shout out and thank you to Bethan Stevens for her wonderful prizes 🍷🍷🍷



## 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.



## ST DAVIDS YOUTH CLUB



**OPENING TIMES**  
EVERY TUESDAY  
6:30PM - 8:30PM

### WHATS ON?

Age 11+? We are here to offer you lots of fun activities and challenges. We also offer support, information and guidance. Just pop in and find out more.

### WHERE?

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




## 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.



**ECO Dewi**  
HINWMAWYR HAYDUW CYMRUEN  
For more information contact: [communitygarden@ecodewi.org.uk](mailto:communitygarden@ecodewi.org.uk)  
[www.facebook.com/dewisacre](http://www.facebook.com/dewisacre)



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**Trinity Quay**  
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### Solva Memorial Hall

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### SCALE OF CHARGES

#### VENUE HIRE

##### MAIN HALL

*with Changing Room...*

HOUR

£20.00

ADDITIONAL  
2 HOURS

£5.00

*with Kitchen & Social Room...*

£35.00

£7.50

##### SOCIAL ROOM

*with Kitchen...*

£15.00

£3.50

##### MEETING ROOM

*Upstairs private room...*

£10.00

£2.50

## Ty Curtis Hall, Bryn Road, St Davids

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**

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ABOUT  
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OPPORTUNITIES



## Ysgol Penrhyn Dewi

Ysgol Penrhyn Dewi travelled to South Africa and Lesotho for a Sports tour in July, taking years 10 and 11 boys and girls to play a mixture of sports including Rugby Football and Netball. The tour was for 12 days and the students had a fantastic time experiencing matches in various schools with Klerksdorp first stop, playing after 30 hours of travelling.



They also visited Lesotho with a fantastic welcome for the teachers and students alike. What a day they had at Mahloenyeng High School, our partner school in Lesotho! Hard to put into words what a special time it was, making

the most amazing memories. We are so thankful to all of their staff for hosting us so wonderfully and working so hard to feed such a large group of us. There were a great variety of sports and games played including football, netball, volleyball, table tennis and chess, throughout which our pupils were making new friends, being shown around the school and singing songs together. Face glitter was applied, hands were held, photos were taken and new bonds were forged. The experience of playing together and forming new friendships through sport was definitely an experience we will never forget.



The girls played netball against the Panthers netball club. Lots of the opposition were older with lots of experience which the girls took on board and learnt from, another great experience.

The trip also included a trip to Rorke's Drift and Isandlwana for a bit of history, Durban for surfing, and a safari trip catching sight of giraffes, rhinos,

elephants and water buffalo. Also a boat safari on the St. Lucia River with sightings of a family of hippopotamus. This was a trip of a lifetime for the students of Ysgol Penrhyn Dewi.

They represented the school with good manners and respect. The experience of this trip will stay with the students for a lifetime.

From the parents of the students we would just like to say a heartfelt thank you to all the teachers who gave up their time to chaperone the 40 plus students safely and

well looked after to South Africa and home again. We are truly grateful for looking after our children so well and giving them this once in a lifetime opportunity.

Mr Bruce Evans has now retired from his role as PE teacher and we would like to wish him all the best for a happy retirement. You have helped so many students through the years and now it's time for you to have some time for yourself.

Also thank you to our sponsors for helping us to get our kits, kit bags, airport transfers etc



Also to all of the local community for supporting us buying ducks for duck races, raffle tickets and coming to bingo nights. Without all this support trips like this wouldn't go ahead. Thanks as well to our sponsors, Rising Sun, Adref Construction, Mathias Hardware Store and TYF hotel.



**MÔR-ISH** 



Serving local beef, lamb and chicken burgers + more on the Pembrokeshire Coast @ Caerfai Farm Campsite, St. Davids THURSDAY, FRIDAYS, SUNDAYS 5:30-8:30PM Prebookings welcome INSTAGRAM @MORISHBURGERS or FACEBOOK for weekly specials

**TACO WEDNESDAYS** (every Wednesday in school summer holidays) No need to prebook Includes vegan options, loaded nachos and fries, desserts + more!



## WANT TO BE IN THE NEWS?

**Advertise your Business! Promote your Event! Tell everyone your good news!**

This free newsletter is published every month and distributed to all homes in Solva, St David's and Whitchurch, as well as being available in shops, pubs, halls etc. for visitors. It can also be downloaded from solva.gov.wales.

Production costs are met by charging very reasonable rates for advertising. Editorial is always welcome.

If you would like to include something in Solva & St Davids News, and for advertising rates, please contact the editor Mic Rushen. The deadline is currently the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month preceding publication. If you need help with designing an advert or anything else, just let me know.

Mic Rushen, Newsletter Editor.

**[solvanews@outlook.com](mailto:solvanews@outlook.com)**

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**Amqueddfa 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. Not only does the exhibition feature *The Sea Horizon series*, but it also brings together a rare assembly of Fabian Miller's later camera-less works.

**St Davids Room**

**Coedwig Gwylt - A Ten-Year Study of Coed Tŷ Canol by Andrew Warren - 15/08–14/09**

This exhibition presents a collection of framed and mounted photography prints from Andrew Warren's book, *Coedwig Gwylt – Wild Woodland*. It is a ten-year photographic study of Coed Tŷ Canol, nestled in the Preseli Hills. Each image is accompanied by a written statement, offering deeper insight into these magical ancient woods and managed by the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority.

**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**

**Dream Island by Bron Jones - Friday 8 August – Sunday 7 September**

This exhibition showcases the expressive paintings and ceramics of Bron Jones, capturing the wild beauty and vibrant energy of Skokholm Island in Pembrokeshire. Through abstract style, bold colour, and dynamic forms, the works celebrate the island's unique landscape and rich wildlife. It is home to globally significant populations of seabirds. Ronald Lockley, ornithologist and naturalist, called Skokholm his 'Dream Island'. Now protected by the Wildlife Trust of South & West Wales, Skokholm is a haven of unspoiled nature and is recognized as Britain's first bird observatory and a Site of Special Scientific Interest. Sales from the exhibition will support ongoing conservation efforts for this ecological island.

**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**

**Jen Miles - Saturday 19 July – Tuesday 23 September**

This exhibition showcases a stunning collection of fine art photographs captured across the Pembrokeshire National Park, with a focus on its beaches, wildflowers and wildlife. Each photograph is uniquely framed in handmade, bespoke frames crafted from driftwood collected from local Pembrokeshire beaches.

**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.

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

## REGULAR EVENTS – September 2025

### DYDD LLUN – MONDAY

St David's & Solva Art Group in Solva 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 the 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 7.30pm

Playgroup in Solva 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 the 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 Clubhouse (term time)

Open Mic at the Harbour Inn 8pm

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

### DYDD GWENER – FRIDAY

Friday Club in Solva Clubhouse 2pm – 4pm

### DYDD SADWRN – SATURDAY

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

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

Solva & St David's News would like to thank all the dedicated volunteers who help distribute the newsletter in the community, as well as the businesses and councils for their continued support in funding our publication. We truly appreciate all the support received.

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## What's On – September 2025

- 3 Medi - Cyfarfod Merched y Wawr, Cangen Bro Ddewi, yn y Ganolfan Galw Heibio, tu ôl i Neuadd y Ddinas, am 1.30 o'r gloch, y prynhawn. Cyfarfod Cymdeithasol.
- 4<sup>th</sup> September – Solva Community Cinema, Memorial Hall, 7pm
- 5<sup>th</sup> September – Eisteddfod Fundraising Dinner, Memorial Hall, Solva
- 6<sup>th</sup> September – Live Music (Strait Up ) at the Harbour Inn, Solva
- 10<sup>th</sup> September – Games Night, Solva Memorial Hall, 7pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> September - Live Music (Hideaway Trio) at the Harbour Inn, Solva
- 13<sup>th</sup> September – Solva Foreshore Festival of Food, 2.30pm
- 18<sup>th</sup> September – Cuffern Manor Music Night with Ainsley Hamill Trio
- 19<sup>th</sup> September - Live Music (Two Suns ) at the Harbour Inn, Solva
- 25<sup>th</sup> September – Charity Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan, Solva Memorial Hall, 11am
- 27<sup>th</sup> September - Live Music (Blacksails ) at the Harbour Inn, Solva
- 27<sup>th</sup> September – Cor Tadau Trisant at St Davids Cathedral, 6.30pm
- 27<sup>th</sup> September – Drop-In Day at St Davids City Hall, 10am-3pm
- 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
- 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
- 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> July 2026 – Solva Edge Festival 2026

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

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