



Welcome to Wales!

A tree survey has been undertaken and completed for Broneirion and the campsite, resulting in the felling of some unsafe and diseased trees. One of the Broneirion Wellingtonias had to come down. Here are some pictures showing different stages of the skilled operation



Friends of Broneirion

'Friends of Broneirion make a difference!'

'Friends'....meet old friends and make new ones.

'Friends'... join in the fun and festivities at Broneirion for our special 'Friends' events.





'Friends'....encourage membership of 'Friends' within Guiding and external users of Broneirion.

'Friends'.....promote awareness of Broneirion and all that it offers.

'Friends'... ..help to fund structural or equipment needs for Broneirion.

Why not join Friends of Broneirion today?

You'll enjoy lots of new exciting opportunities with other like minded people who care about Broneirion.

Help 'make a difference.'

For a membership form

Download one from the Broneirion or Girlguiding Cymru website.

Or contact admin@Broneirion.com (01686) 688204

Or contact Jane Smart (Chair - Friends of Broneirion) rj.smart@sky.com (01656) 650027

Or come to Friends Day on July 10th at Broneirion and see how more and more Friends can help to make a difference.

We look forward to welcoming you to 'Friends'



What's On at Broneirion

29-1 May - Mentors Training

This Training has been cancelled.

Throughout May the "Leadership Fun Bus" will be travelling around Wales and stopping near you. Don't miss out.

6-8 May - Leicestershire County Weekend

13-15 May - Rainbow Guiders Training.

Your chance to air and share any ideas or problems you may have and keep up to date with the programme. Open to all Rainbow Guiders and Young Leaders 16+.

20-22 May - Carmarthenshire County Weekend.

28-31 May - 1st Llandaff Cathedral Brownies Pack Holiday.

3-5 June - Commissioners Training.

Calling ALL Commissioners - need some help with your job? Come to Broneirion and find out about the new Commissioners Pack, share problems and find some answers.

Special rate of £25 for Girlguiding Cymru Commissioners.

3-5 June - 1st Response Trainer Training

This event is now fully booked.

10-12 June - Trainers Annual Weekend.

By invitation only.

17-19 June - Central Glamorgan County Weekend.

24-26 June - Broneirion singing Circle



County News

A "dilapidated" wooden scout and guides hut has been flattened to make way for a £350,000 purpose-built brick replacement on [Anglesey](#).

The new-look Menai Bridge Scouts and Guides building has been officially opened

by Falklands War veteran Simon Weston, president of Scouts Wales. Helen Murdoch, president of Girlguiding Cymru, also took part in the opening ceremony



The hut is built on the slopes beneath Thomas Telford's suspension bridge.

It is used by more than 120 children and young people each week.

Scouts and guides have been meeting in Menai Bridge for more than a century, of which 70 years were in the old hut.

But the wooden hut, built on brick pillars, was beyond repair, and had no facilities for people with disabilities.

The new building has eco-friendly features such as photovoltaic panels on the roof to produce electricity, with any spare being sold back to the National Grid.

It is now available for community use by other groups or individuals, said Malcolm Rogers, chairman of the management committee.

The project received funding through the Assembly Government's rural development budget and the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development, as well as grants from the community facilities and activities programme and Anglesey Council.

"We would also like to say a big thank you to the local community who have

supported our own fund raising activities over the last eight years, helping to raise over £20,000 of our own contribution towards the project costs," said Mr. Rogers.

(Taken from the Bangor & Anglesey Mail)



Executive Snippets

Two days of County "Go!" Training took place at Broneirion on both 12th & 13th February. Both days were well attended and participants gained skills and confidence in using the membership database.



Girlguiding Cymru and Scouts Wales are joining together to promote the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. Badges are to be produced and a syllabus will be available shortly. The launch will take place at the Royal Welsh Showground in June.



40 places were booked on the BP Challenge Adventure (Paparazzi Party) which was held in April. In view of the popularity another similar event may be held in the Summer.





Members are requested to encourage girls to become involved in the RSPB project and achieve maximum publicity from the events. Details can be found on the Girlguiding Cymru website.



On 5th November there will be a service held at Westminster Abbey for 500 members, plus a guest each, to celebrate those who have completed 40 and 50 years long service. Invitations will be sent out from Girlguiding UK.



The President reminded members that although the Centenary celebrations had finished, she would still like to be invited to County events, and that it was important to continue to influence outsiders and raise the profile of Guiding. Members are requested to let the office know of persons and ambassadors who they wish to be included in newsletter/mailling distributions.



Level 1 - Walking training at Crickhowell

For Leaders and adults helping with groups of girls within Guiding

**Saturday 21st May 2011
10.30am – 4.30pm**

This walking training gives you the skills needed for taking groups of girls of all ages out and supervising Duke of Edinburgh Award expeditions in Lowland country.

Attendance for the day will cover most of the syllabus for Level 1. There will be a small charge to cover costs for the day (£10 or less)

To gain the qualification you will also need to have a First Response

Certificate, a logbook showing details of walks you have been on and lead a walk that you have organised. More details of this on the day.

If attending you will need a copy of the walking scheme training opportunities book.

To apply (applications needed by Sat 14th May), or for further information, please contact Chris Hutchinson

Tel: 01291 626376 or

e-mail: chris.hutch4@btinternet.com

Brownie Takeaway



Fairy Tales & Legends 2011

ALL BROWNIES AND THEIR LEADERS ARE PERSONALLY INVITED TO JOIN US AT BRONEIRION FOR A DAY OF FUN

COME ALONG AND ENTER THE LAND OF MAGIC AND FANTASY

TAKEAWAY CRAFT ITEMS, GIFTS, INSPIRATION AND MEMORIES OF FABULOUS DAY OUT

Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd July 2011

**COST £10 per girl - to include a full day of activities and a souvenir badge
£3.00 per adult - to include tea and coffee and a souvenir badge**

More information & booking form at <http://www.girlguidingcymru.org.uk/girlguiding-news/brownie-takeaway-fairy-tales-and-legends-2011>