



MAINDEE NEWSLETTER AUTUMN 2024

Welcome to Autumn!



Library Plus

After it closed as a Branch Library in August 2015, a group of volunteers reopened Llyfrgell Maindee Library + in October 2015.

At the time, David Hando persuaded the group to add the plus sign (+) to the end of the name saying *"It's more than a library – it's a library plus!"*. David was right. Alongside the book loans and free computer access, the library hosts lots of regular groups, the food pantry and classes plus one-off events, like concerts, parties and conferences. Feel free to pop in for a visit. The library is next to Maindee Police Station at 79 Chepstow Road NP19 8BY.

Public opening hours:

Monday 2.30pm – 5pm
Wednesday 10am – 7pm
Friday 2.30pm – 5pm
Saturday 10am – 1pm



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LLYFRGELL MAINDEE LIBRARY
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7.30pm RHAGFYR / DECEMBER 14

'A LANDMARK IN WELSH MUSIC'
ANDREW CRONSHAW, ROOTSWORLD

*'UNIQUE, LOVINGLY CONNECTING WITH AND REVIVING
A LOST HERITAGE FOR A NEW GENERATION.'*
ANJA S BEINROTH, FOLK LONDON

Tickets (£12) from Eventbrite or on the door. Acoustic set.
Licenced bar. Vegetable soup and homemade bread.

**Noson Allan
Night Out**

Award-winning children's author Oliver Sykes comes to Maindee.

Fans of Jacqueline Wilson, Phil Earle and Anthony McGowan will love Fishing for Rainbows, written and performed by Oliver Sykes. The show is in the library at **3pm in the afternoon on Saturday 12th October.**

Inspired by Oliver's own experience of being raised in poverty by his single-parent dad of Romany heritage, Fishing for Rainbows follows 12-year-old Kezia, and her boisterous twin brothers, Duke and Danior, who are also growing up in a single parent family after the death of their mum.

While her brothers regularly fish with their dad, Kezia stays at home, cooking and cleaning, until one day, when she is called upon to prove what she can do with a fishing rod... What could possibly go wrong...?

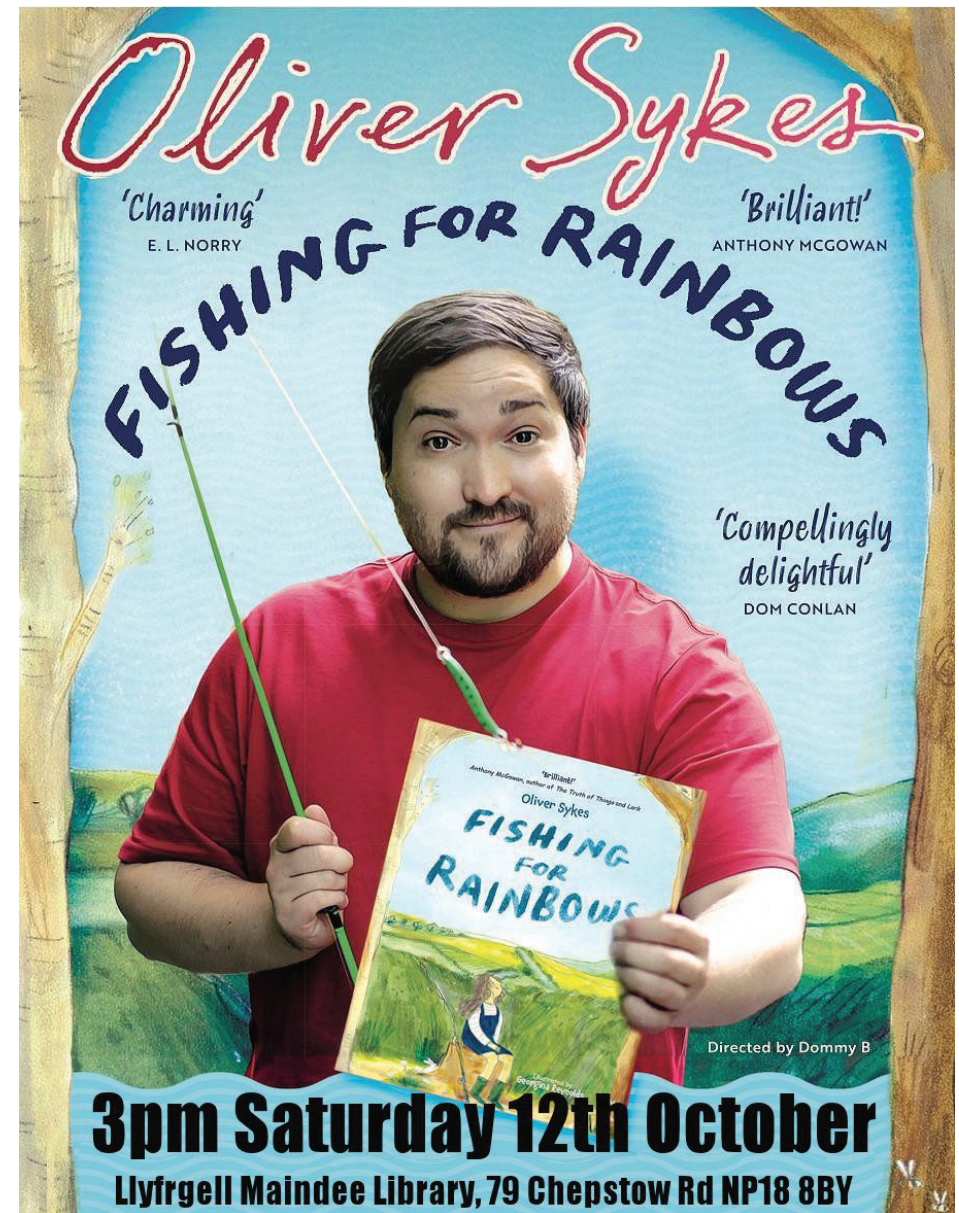
You can buy tickets on the door. Adults' tickets are **£5**, Children's' tickets are **£3** and a group ticket (for up to two adults and three children) is only **£10**. This wonderful show is suitable for children over 5.



Quiet Sunday mornings in the library

Over the next few issues we will publish a short profile of one of the regular library user groups written by one of its members.

David Haggart from Newport Quakers, who meet on Sundays from 10.30am to 11.30am, writes: "Our origins are Christian but we are open to those of all faiths or none. Meetings usually lasts for an hour. In Quaker worship there are no ministers or creeds. We first gather together in silence to quiet our minds – we don't have set hymns, prayers or sermons. In the stillness we open our hearts and lives to new insights and guidance. Sometimes we are moved to share what we discover with those present. We listen to what everyone has to say to find its meaning for us. Everyone is welcome to share their thoughts. After the worship we share tea, coffee, biscuits and conversation. If you are interested in joining us then more information, a contact page and links can be found on our website at www.newportquakers.org.uk"



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or Family (four) £10

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100 Chepstow Rd, Maindee, Newport NP19 8EE
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Calendar Dates



Full Colour Maindee –

Saturday 28th September; Festival of Street Art, Chepstow Road Triangle and MUGA (see pages 8-10).

Oliver Sykes' Fishing for Rainbows –

Llyfrgell Maindee Library; **Saturday 12th October 3pm**, Ticketed family event. (see pages 4-5).

Halloween Party –

Llyfrgell Maindee Library; **Thursday 31st October 5.30pm – 9pm**; Games, food, music, fancy dress – Annual free family party to celebrate our community-run library.

Christmas Market and Lights –

Library and Chepstow Road, **Saturday 30th November 2pm – 6pm**. Stalls, Father Christmas, Music, Turning on the Lights at 5pm, Music (5pm). (Text 07544 130734 to book an indoor trading table / outdoor pitch)

Annual General Meeting –

Library; **Saturday 7th December 2pm – 4pm**. Maindee Unlimited's Annual Meeting to report to the community on 2023/24 progress and the Charity's accounts. Election of Trustees. All welcome. admin@maindee.org

Winter Festival in Woodland Park –

Saturday 14 December 10am – 1pm, Make a festive wreath, Childrens' activities, food and drink – free! Nadolig Llawen!

VRI –

Library, **Saturday 14 December 7.30pm – 10pm** – Three young men from deepest, darkest chapel-going Wales who have mined the cultural upheaval of past centuries. The best Welsh folk. Bar. Food. www.vri.cymru. Tickets £12 or door or eventbrite. (see page 3)



FULL COLOUR ★ MAINDEE

12pm – 7pm Saturday 28th September

There's a great day out to enjoy on Chepstow Road at the end of September when local and international graffiti and mural artists will be creating a series of amazing artworks as part of Full Colour Maindee – a new festival of street art. The participating artists (*including Consumersmith, Farrah Fortnum, Molly Hawkins, Jade Peplar and Rhys Webber*) have been recruited by Andy O'Rourke, who has just created this colourful splash on The Triangle stage. You can expect a festival vibe – live music at The Triangle and the MUGA – performance art, street food, bar, market stalls and street games.

When you arrive check in first at Maindee Carpark or on The Triangle for full programme information.

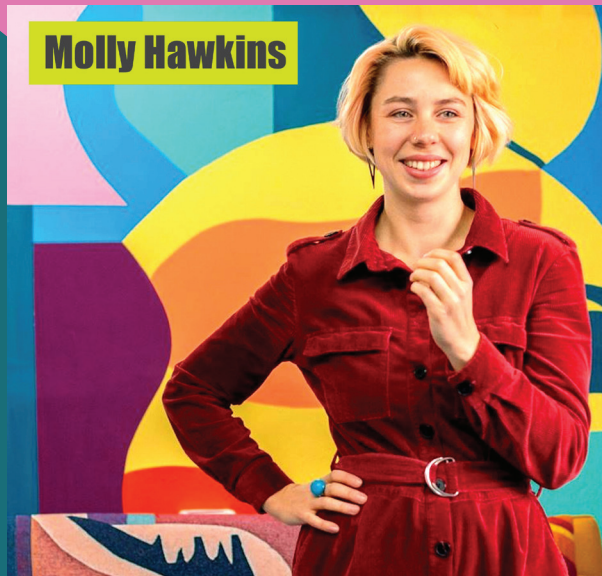
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Full Colour Maindee Street Artists

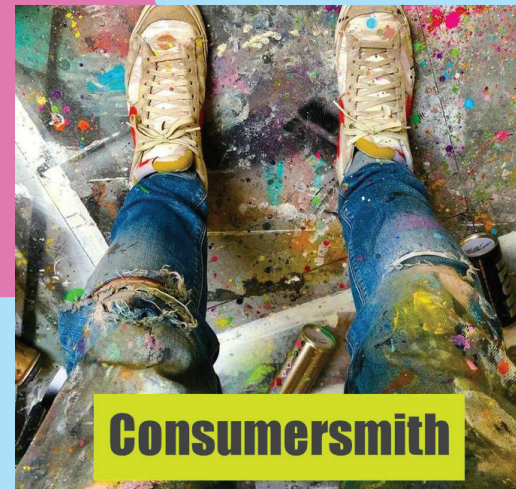
If you asked someone to name a current British artist they are likely to say Banksy – a street artist. He is probably the best known of a growing number of UK street artists who paint, spray or stencil, often radical, art work directly on outdoor walls and other public surfaces – usually in the street. You will be able to enjoy the work of hugely talented group of these artists who will be working in the district centre.

Molly Hawkins



Molly Hawkins' work is inspired by natural forms and movement. She has created large scale public artworks in Mexico, Colombia and throughout the UK and Europe (see www.mollymural.com) and will be leading a team to transform the outdoor ball court at the back of the Maindee Car Park into the biggest floor artwork in Wales. If you can help over the weekend of 13th – 17th September contact ruthessex@gmail.com.

Andy O'Rourke, the Festival curator, studied Fine Art in Newport in the 1990s. Since then he seems to have never stopped either drawing, painting, sculpting, spraying or designing. Andy is fondly remembered by hundreds (maybe thousands) of former local school children for the consistently outstanding parade arts workshops he provided for the first twenty Maindee Festival parades. Now he creates equally stunning large-scale murals – often inspired by the natural world. A total local ledge, Andy will be working on a major piece on Chepstow Road. www.andyorourke.com/murals/



Consumersmith

There are a many other Newport-based artists who will be working at the festival. Check out **Jade Peplar** – who uses scraps from magazine and social media pictures to collage new joyful, playful imagery of stuff. **Consumersmith** specialises in sprayed murals on all sorts of surfaces – often featuring large scale portraits of musicians and other famous folk. www.instagram.com/consumersmith/.

Rhys Webber will be pasting up a set of photographic portraits as part of his ongoing 'Cymry o Bob Man / Welsh From Everywhere' project celebrating the rich ethnic and cultural diversity of Cymru in the 21st century. www.webber-photo.com/cymry-o-bob-man-welsh-from-everywhere. We hope that **Dilp Singh**, **Marega Palser** and **Marion Cheung** will also be participating – *the more the merrier!*

Farrah Fortnum is popular street artist in the Bristol area. Her work, often painted on a dark background, features paint strokes applied repeatedly to the surface to create a powerful sense of collective movement and colour. Farrah says that her work is influenced by her Pakistani heritage, Arabic design and the rhythm of nature. farrahcontemporaryart.com



Grants for Maindee District Centre Businesses

Older readers may recognise Mike North, shown in this picture watering plants outside his shop on Chepstow Road. We cannot turn the clock back, but we want to encourage more pride and investment in business frontages throughout the District Centre. The good news is that, thanks to funding from UK Government, Maindee Unlimited is offering local business owners a small grant up to a value of £3000 to help meet the costs of improving frontages. Get in touch if you would like to give your building a facelift. The costs of small repairs, scaffolding, cleaning, pressure washing, painting, or even Christmas window decorations (see next page) could all be eligible. Email districtcentre@maindee.org to find out more.



Trading at Maindee Christmas Market

This year's Maindee Christmas Market is on **Saturday 30th November**. Small scale crafters and all other traders are welcome to book a 6ft table in the library or a larger outdoor pitch on the Triangle. To reserve your table or pitch email your details to admin@maindee.org, text them to **07544 130734** ring or call into the library.

Maindee Christmas lights will be turned on at **5pm Saturday 30th November** at a ceremony on The Triangle. All shopkeepers are encouraged to decorate their windows facing onto Chepstow Road. Contact districtcentre@maindee.org if you would like discuss financial support to recruit an artist to create a special Christmas window display for your premises.



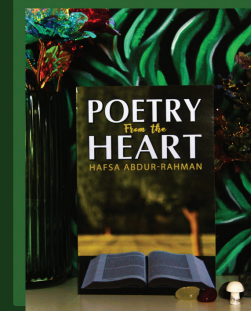
Newport New Writers... We welcome Hafsa & Kate to the stage!

Come join Hafsa & Kate for their poetry night! Where our very own library volunteer and published author, Hafsa, will read from her own captivating words, conveying a variety of emotions from "melancholic phases of life" to "moments of sheer joy and optimism". And Kate, who's written a variety from Welsh poems to short stories! As well, through her writing she expresses the essence of living with autism. So come down, sit around, enjoy your night with refreshments!

OCT 18th 2024

6:30PM - 8:00PM

Llyfrgell Maindee Library
79 Chepstow Road, Maindee, Newport, NP19 8BY



District Centre - next steps

We all want Maindee District Centre to be safe, clean and attractive – but how do we achieve that?

Having good quality public spaces is definitely part of this. The Greening Maindee volunteer crew continue to improve and maintain many outdoor public garden areas. The Maindee Unlimited team behind “Full Colour Maindee” is also now working on a range of further improvements. The area at the back of the car park will soon be getting seating and an outdoor table tennis table. An RHS award-winning garden designer is working on the site at the corner of Wharf Road and Chepstow Road. The new garden should be there in 2025. The team is also in touch with Newport City Council, who have commissioned a new design for the Maindee Square planting area. That work is also due to start next year.

Great food shops, like **Jim Oliver Butcher**, **ABC Supermarket** and **The Farmhouse Bakery** make the area more attractive to daytime shoppers – and the newly opened **Maindee Fresh Food** is giving people even more choice. Cafés, restaurants and takeaways are also on the up. There is even talk on social media about Maindee being the new “food capital” of Newport. Is this time for a City-wide food marketing campaign – and maybe some sort of Maindee Food Festival?

Contact **Ruth Essex** at info@maindee.org for further information.



Maindee Christmas Market

30th November 2024

2pm till 6pm

Maindee Library
79 Chepstow Rd Newport NP19 8BY

Craft stalls, festive food & drink plus a visit from Santa

Traders: leave your details at the Library or at 07544 130734

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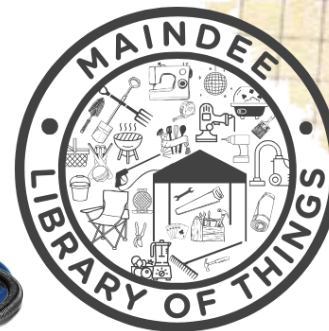
CIRCULAR NEWPORT

What a fantastic Summer! It's been great to see how successful swapping, repairing and reuse events have been in Maindee, and there is plenty more coming up soon. Highlights for us have been the Tent of Intent at Maindee Festival which was visited by hundreds of people, and launching the Maindee Library of Things which is now open every week with an excellent range of items to borrow - find details on the next page. We hope to see you at an event soon! Check out maindee.org for updates.



CASNEWYDD CYLCHOL

Wel, am haf gwyh! Bu'n hyfryd gweld mor llwyddiannus fu'r digwyddiadau cyfnwidd, trwsio ac ailddefnyddio ym Maendy, ac mae digonedd yn rhagor ar y gweill yn fuan. Ein huchafbwyntiau ni fu'r Babell Byd Gwell yng Ngŵyl Maendy, ble daeth cannoedd o bobl i'n gweld, a lansio Llyfrgell Pethau Maendy, sydd bellach ar agor bob wythnos, gyda dewis ragorol o eitemau i'w benthycu -manylion ar y dudalen nesaf. Gobeithio y cawn eich gweld chi mewn digwyddiad yn fuan! Ewch i maindee.org am y diweddaraaf.



Save money and free up space in your home. Borrow useful items from the Maindee Library of Things!

Open: 9:30 am to 4:00pm
Monday and Friday

Find us / Dod o hyd i ni: The Reuse Centre,
I38-I42 Chepstow Road, NP19 8EG

Register online
Cofrestru ar lein
www.maindeelot.co.uk

Arbedwch arian a gnewch fwy o le yn eich tŷ. Benthycwch eitemau defnyddiol o Lyfrgell Pethau Maendy!

Ar agor: 9:30 am tan 4:00pm
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EVENTS LISTINGS

Look out for event updates at maindee.org

TUESDAY 29TH OCTOBER 2024. MAINDEE TRIANGLE - Halloween Costume Making / Upcycling / Repair - Join RE:MAKE for this drop in spooky, crafty zero-waste costume workshop between 10am and 4pm. We will also be running a halloween costume library from the Maindee LOT close to the date - save money and reduce waste by borrowing a costume this year!

WEDNESDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2024. COMMUNITY HOUSE - Warm this Winter Workshop - Join RE:MAKE and others for a special event helping you to directly save energy and money this Winter. Craft a draught excluder, learn some simple tricks to keep your house warm for less.

SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2024. LLYFRGELL MAINDEE LIBRARY - Christmas Green Gift Making - Join RE:MAKE for zero-waste craft and gift making for the festive season as part of the Maindee Christmas Market.

RHESTR DDIGWYDDIADAU

Cadwch lygad am y newyddion diweddaraf am ddigwyddiadau ar maindee.org

MAWRTH 29 HYDREF 2024. MAENDY TRIANGLE - Creu / Uwchgylchu / Trwsio Gwisg Calangaeaf - Ymunwch â RE:MAKE ar gyfer y gweithdy gwisgoedd sbwci, crefftus, dim-gwastraff hwn rhwng 10am a 4pm. Byddwn ni hefyd yn cynnal llyfrgell gwisgoedd Calangaeaf o LOT Maendy yn nes at y dyddiad - gallech arbed arian a lleihau gwastraff drwy fenthycu gwisg eleni!

MERCHER 13 TACHWEDD 2024. Tŷ CYMUNEDOL - Gweithdy Cynnes Dros y Gaeaf - Ymunwch â RE:MAKE ac eraill ar gyfer digwyddiad arbennig i'ch helpu i arbed ynni ac arian dros y gaeaf eleni. Lluniwch ataliwr drafftiau, dysgwch driciau hawdd i gadw eich cartref yn gynnes am lai.

SADWRN 30 TACHWEDD 2024. LLYFRGELL MAENDY LIBRARY - Creu Anrhegion Nadolig Gwyrdd. Ymunwch â RE:MAKE am sesiwn crefftiau a chreu anrhegion dim gwastraff ar gyfer tymor yr Ŵyl; fel rhan o Farchnad Nadolig Maendy.

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Mark Phillips

**Tuesday September 17th
Nos Fawrth Medi 17 2024
6:30pm**

Book a free ticket here

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SCAN ME

**The Riverfront, Newport
Glan yr Afon, Casnewydd**

**Archebwch eich tocyn
rhad ac am ddim yma**



An evening presenting Mark's unique photographic storytelling on repair cultures from around the world. Meet the photographer and hear about their practice.

Noson i gyflwyno straeon ffotograffig unigryw Mark am ddiwyllianau trwsio o gwmpas y byd. Dewch i gwrdd â'r ffotograffydd a chlywed am y gwaith mae'n ei wneud.

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LIVE PAINTING - LIVE MUSIC - STREET FOOD
LICENSED BAR - MARKET STALLS
PAINT JAM - FACE AND BODY PAINTING
STREET GAMES - PERFORMANCES - ARTS

ACROSS 10+ VENUES AND ON THE STREETS
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