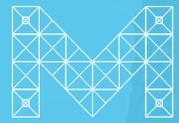




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Maindee

MAINDEE NEWSLETTER
WINTER 2023

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Editorial

The local charity that publishes this newsletter, Maindee Unlimited, is almost ten years old. This year the Charity has started to review what has been completed so far and is now thinking about future directions. You can contribute to this "futures" discussion by coming along to one public meetings being planned in 2024, writing to us at the library, calling in to arrange a 1:1 meeting, emailing info@maindee.org or phone/message us on 0748 624781. What are your priorities for Maindee?

One of the things that *has* gone well is Greening Maindee. The Greening Team has transformed loads of neglected and littered patches of land into well maintained and attractive spots for people and wildlife to enjoy. Ten of these areas now make up the "Mainbee Green Safari". You may have spotted the metal waymarkers (like the one on the cover in Jubilee Gardens) that mark the safari trail. Check out the route map here on pages 8-9 and you can use this QR code to take you to some great online content.



Autumn/Winter Events

Summer's over but there are loads of events this Autumn and Winter. Thanks to the support of the Arts Council of Wales "Night Out Scheme", we are presenting two world-class folk/roots acts (Hannah Read & Michael Starkey on 14th October and Alaw on 18th November) and the dark storytelling of the amazing Daniel Morden on 9th December.

There's a lot on!

Wednesday 4th October-

This year's Apple Day is from 10am in Woodland Park. (see page 11)

Saturday 28th October-

Our popular free annual Pumpkin Feast is at 6pm in the Library, featuring the usual madcap family games.



Saturday 2nd December-

The Library is also the venue for the Winter Market and Christmas Lights from 1pm. (Text your details to 07544 130734 to book a £10 trading table)



You are warmly invited to Maindee Festival Association's annual general meeting on **Monday November 27th 6pm** in Llyfrgell Maindee Library

Come along and find out more about the festival, some of our plans for next year and how to get involved. It's a bring and share food evening. **All welcome!**

Hannah Read & Michael Starkey



7PM SATURDAY 14TH OCTOBER
LLYFRGELL MAINDEE LIBRARY

Tickets £10 on Eventbrite or door
Level access throughout



Successful Summer Sessions

Staff at Maindee Primary School had a busy Summer holiday. Fifty children came each day for a five-week programme focussing on physical activity, food education and general wellbeing. Everyone had lunch and when the sessions finished at the end of the holidays each child's family was given a hamper of food.

Welsh Government had been funding free meals during school holidays as part of their Covid response.

That funding has now stopped, so the school decided to part-fund this year's programme from its own resources together with extra money they received from the Welsh Local Government Association.

Natalie Bingham and **Jennifer Brunnock**, shown here at one of the Summer sessions, led the team that ran the programme- a real help for some of the most hard pressed families in the area.



John's Cost of Living Booklet

John Griffiths MS, our local Senedd representative for Newport East, has published a useful booklet with details of local groups that can provide different types of support to you and your family. You can pick up a copy from the Library on Chepstow Road or by contacting John's office on **01633 222302** or john.griffiths@senedd.wales. John is also there for you if you need to discuss any matters that the Senedd covers, such as health, education and transport.



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SAT OCTOBER 28 6:00-9:00 PM

A FREE CELEBRATION OF OUR LIBRARY + FOOD PANTRY
PUMPKIN CURRY • FAMILY GAMES • OPTIONAL FANCY DRESS

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A TON A MONTH OF FOOD WASTE SAVED



Partnership Working

Three Welsh organisations have joined forces around a new project to develop the network of people and organisations in Newport working in the “circular economy”. This means using and wasting less materials, recycling more and repairing things rather than chucking them away. The picture shows: Alun Harries, Wastesavers Charity Manager; Ella Smillie, Benthyc Cymru Director; Aidan Taylor, the project manager and John Hallam, Maindee Unlimited’s Programme Manager.

The 3-year project, which has been funded by The National Lottery Community Fund, will include the development of a new Library of Things in Maindee and a workshop programme. It will be formally launched in early 2024. Contact John or Aidan on info@maindee.org for more details.

Mae tri sefydliad Cymreig wedi ymuno â'i gilydd o amgylch prosiect newydd i ddatblygu'r rhwydwaith o bobol a sefydliadau yng Nghasnewydd, sy'n gweithio yn yr “economi gylchol”. Mae hyn yn golygu defnyddio a gwastraffu llai o ddeunyddiau, ailgylchu mwy a thrwsio pethau yn hytrach na'u taflu. Yn y llun: Alun Harries, Rheolwr Elusen Wastesavers; Ella Smillie, Cyfarwyddwr Benthyc Cymru; Aidan Taylor, rheolwr y prosiect a John Hallam, Rheolwr Rhaglen Maindee Unlimited.

Bydd y prosiect 3 blynedd - sydd wedi'i ariannu gan Gronfa Gymunedol y Loteri Genedlaethol - yn cynnwys datblygu Llyfrgell o Bethau newydd ym Maendy, a rhaglen o weithdai. Bydd yn cael ei lansio'n ffurfiol yn gynnar yn 2024. Cysylltwch â John neu Aidan ar info@maindee.org am ragor o fanylion.



Greening Maindee



Maindee has such a mixture of heritage and cultures, and this project is all about celebrating this. Thanks to money from the National Lottery Heritage fund, we are able to undertake this project focusing on food and growing, as well as enjoying the outdoors and nature. We've worked hard to start an allotment garden in Maindee Primary school, create a new garden at The Bridge, created a Mainbee Trail, and undertaken trips to the Forest of Dean. As well as Tales and Trails events around Maindee, and Maindee Mondays in the parks and gardens all summer. Thank you to everyone who has come along to those events we have had lots of fun and there is lots more to come. Watch out for workshops on making your garden more climate resilient and a food festival celebration event in March!

If you are interested in volunteering on Friday mornings to help maintain the gardens contact John Stone on stonester@icloud.com. If you would like to help at the school allotments on Thursday afternoons or want more information about our events then contact Nazia / Kathy greeningmaindee@gmail.com. You can look at our Greening Maindee Facebook page too.

We are also busy trying to put a Maindee Recipe Book together to reflect our different heritages.

If you want to donate your recipe, please send it to **Naz** by emailing greeningmaindee@gmail.com. All we ask is that it is easy to prepare, vegetarian, cheap and delicious!

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN MAINDEE!



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Mainbee's Green Safari

1. Maindee Triangle
2. Chepstow Rd Corridor
3. The Mural
4. Keep Wales Tidy Flower Beds
5. Orchard Walk (River End)
6. Orchard Walk (Corpo Rd)
7. The Boat
8. St. Marys Community Garden
9. Halstead St. Pocket Park
10. Jubilee Gardens & Community House



Waymarkers



Information Plaques

Greening Maindee is run by local volunteers. We are always looking for new recruits.

If you want to help us maintain these amazing gardens, get in touch with John on 07947 359703.



Greening Maindee Events

Thursday October 5th-

FREE All day trip to St.Werburghs Community Farm in Bristol/Boiling Wells and Narroways Nature Reserve. Contact Kathy Barclay to book your place. greeningmaindee@gmail.com

Wednesday October 11th-

Fungal Foray with Steve England in Wentwood Forest, this trip with lunch was a great hit last year. 10:30-2:30pm. Contact Kathy Barclay to book a place. greeningmaindee@gmail.com

Thursday 19th October-

£5.00 per ticket (includes gardening goody bag). 6:30-8:30 "Climate Resilient Gardening Workshop" with Green Squirrel at Eveswell Community Centre. Only 20 places available so book soon!

Eventbrite link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/climate-resilient-gardening-tickets-697980136377?aff=oddtcreator>

Monday October 30th-

FREE Maindee Monday- 24pm Scarecrows and Bulb Planting at St. Mary's Garden. **No need to book.**

Saturday December 9th (tbc.)-

Free Entry Winter Fayre at St. Mary's. 2-4pm Seasonal crafts, wreaths and refreshments. . If you'd like a stall, please contact Kathy Barclay. greeningmaindee@gmail.com

We also have Greening Maindee volunteers social nights at Eveswell Community Centre on:

Thursday December 21st and Thursday February 15th



Shared Reading Group

Do you like listening to stories?

Every fortnight on Wednesday mornings you can listen to a short story being read aloud by a member of Newport Shared Reading Group at Llyfrgell Maindee Library.

It does not cost anything to join. You don't have to be able to read or take a turn reading. Stories are read aloud in English.



WOODLANDERS APPLE DAY



IN WOODLAND PARK
Hay raking in the orchard from Ten
on the fourteenth day of October
APPLE PRESSING & JUICING



Maindee Winter Market

at Maindee Library

Saturday 2nd December

2pm - 5pm

Crafts, Arts, Makers, Gifts, Decor & much more

We are looking for Traders

Are you a local makers, menders and sellers?
Get in touch

Please contact 07544 130734

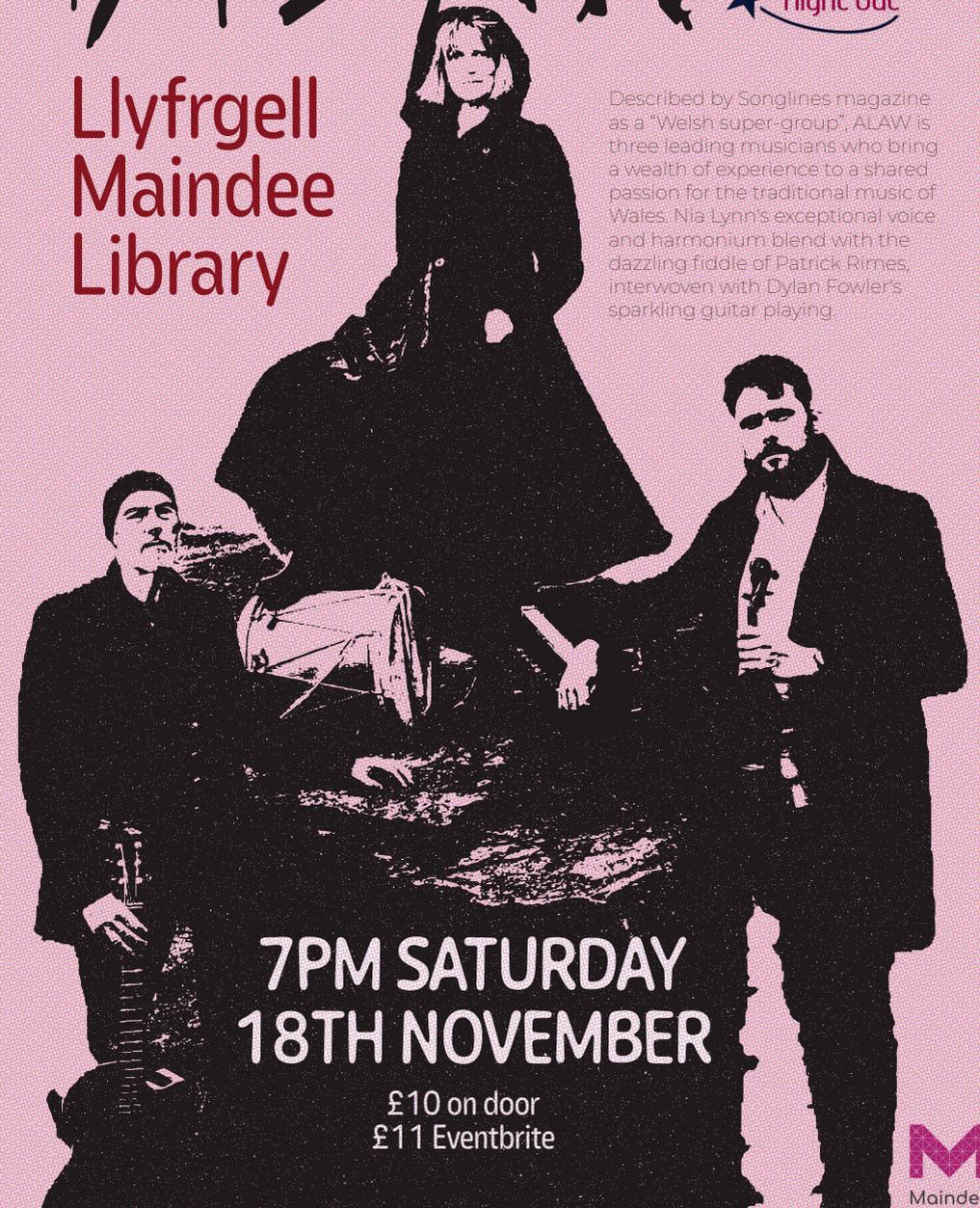
Turning on the Christmas lights by the Mayor at 5pm

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Noson Allan
Night Out

Llyfrgell
Maindee
Library

Described by Songlines magazine as a "Welsh super-group", ALAW is three leading musicians who bring a wealth of experience to a shared passion for the traditional music of Wales. Nia Lynn's exceptional voice and harmonium blend with the dazzling fiddle of Patrick Rimes, interwoven with Dylan Fowler's sparkling guitar playing.



**7PM SATURDAY
18TH NOVEMBER**

£10 on door
£11 Eventbrite



GROUP	WHAT	WHEN	CONTACT
Community Youth Project	Activities for 6–25 year-olds	Most weekdays	07746 440761
Maindee Men	Men's friendship group	Mondays 4:30 – 6:30	07837 405547
Coffee&Laughs	Women's friendship & craft group	Thursdays 1:00 – 3:00 in term-time	07376 601615
TGP Cymru & EU Settlement Scheme Support Drop-In	Advice for EU citizens	Roma Appointments Tuesdays & EU Drop-In Wednesdays	0808 802 0025 07971 554528
ESOL – English for Speakers of Other Languages	Register now for English classes	Weekdays, different times, different levels	To find a class, first book an assessment: reach@coleggwent.ac.uk 07805272916 – messages
Bundles Baby Clothing Bank & Birth Support	Support for new mums – equipment & nappies donations welcome!	Volunteers & bookings most Friday afternoons	07432 648925 Facebook- Bundlesbirthsupport/ Bundles Baby Bank
Outreach Psychological Health Practitioner	NHS one-to-one mental health and well-being advice	Also in Bengali, Hindi, Punjabi, Urdu or with an interpreter	Text/WhatsApp 07581 007498

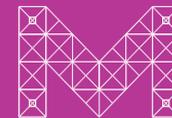
“BUILDING STRONGER, CARING COMMUNITY TOGETHER”

Other activities:

Beginners' gymnastics, coffee mornings, free meals, church services, interfaith activities, Slimming World, Cascapella Community Choir, Bulgarian & Czech/ Slovak Saturday Schools, information days and events.

Are you interested in learning British Sign Language (BSL)?

Rahat Abbas is running a free 20-week course of 1-hour lessons to be held in the library next year. Rahat, has a BA (hons) degree in Deaf Studies and Linguistics from Wolverhampton University and has been working with deaf people in Newport as a communication support worker / BSL interpreter for the past 7 years. She is now building a new brand, BSL.CLUB, and is offering these classes at no cost so she can use the course for her own assessment as a BSL teacher. The classes will start in the New Year and Rahat says they will be a fantastic starting point for people interested in learning the language. You can contact her on **07444 420420** or **rahat@bsl.club** for more info.



Maindee Unlimited is an incorporated charity run by local volunteers. It was set up in 2015. We are based in the library on Chepstow Road next to the Police Station.

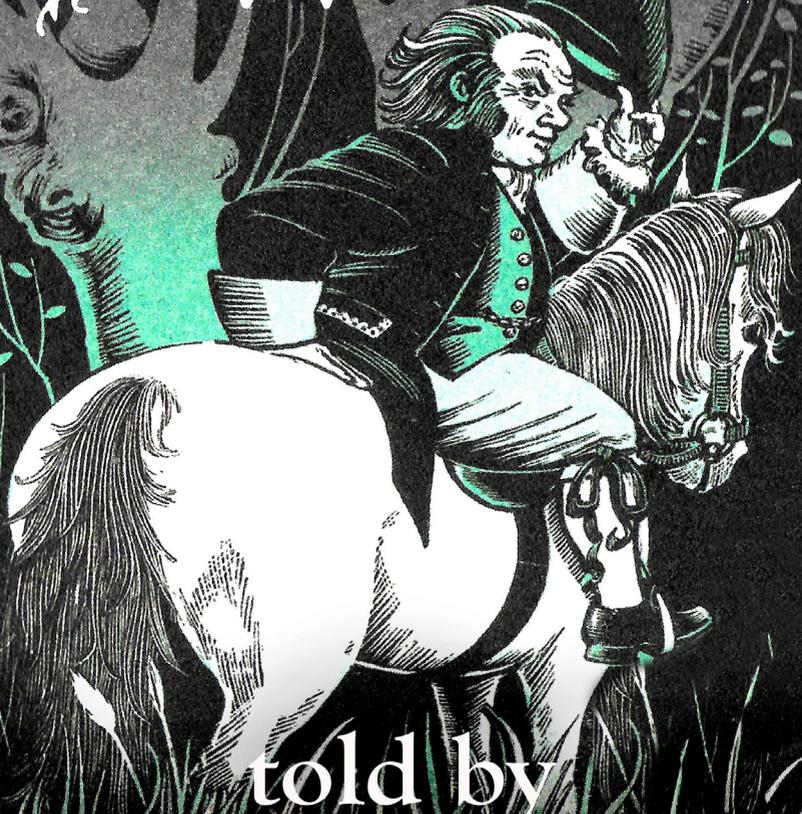
Maindee The charity publishes the newsletter three times a year. It is delivered door to door to over 3000 households in the Maindee area by a team of volunteers. Contributions are welcome. They can be dropped into, or posted to the library, or emailed to **admin@maidee.org**.

Contact us to discuss advertising. Rates are £250: full A5 page; £150: half page; £90 quarter page. Discounted rates available for small local businesses.

DARK TALES

from the

WOODS



told by

DANIEL MORDEN

Llyfrgell Maindee Library

6.30 Saturday 9th December

Admission £5, children free, but
not really suitable for under 10s.

