



Pensychnant

Summer Programme 2014

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PENSYCHNANT'S WILDLIFE ART EXHIBITIONS 2014

Wednesdays- Sundays, 1st April - 28th September, 11 - 5pm
(plus Bank Holiday Mondays)

Exhibition of originals, prints and photographs in various styles and media. Birds, flowers, other wildlife and Welsh landscapes by Philip Snow, Betty & Maurice Mills, Emma & Steve Stansfield, Carole-Anne Kedney, Mike & Tracey Langley (O.W.L.), Paula Salmons, Chris Slinn, Pierino Algieri, Julie Horner,..... Now with a colourful new collection of freeform weaving by Eta Lawrie.

£2.50

Anyone else want to exhibit wildlife art? Please Contact me!



Betty Mills

Friday 4th July, 6pm

AN EVENING WALK UP CONWY MOUNTAIN

A classic evening walk with stunning views of the mountain and sea, led by David Bathers as part of Conwy Walking Week. 3-4 hours, to the Iron Age Hillfort and back. Steep and uneven.

**Fully Booked.
Sorry.**

Friday - Saturday 4th-5th July,

NATIONAL MOTH NIGHT

Moth Night is the annual celebration of moth recording throughout Britain and Ireland with local events led by enthusiasts, aimed at raising awareness of moths among the general public. The theme this year is 'Woodland Moths', so perfect for Pensychnant. Set traps 9pm on Saturday and stay late, or be lazy and see moths at 10am on Sunday with a cuppa. Donations to Pensychnant ☺

Sunday 6th July, 11-5pm

OPEN GARDEN FOR THE NATIONAL GARDEN SCHEME

One of the big events in Pensychnant's year. We will open for the National Garden Scheme again. Tea & cakes in the sunshine on the lawn, plants for sale. Display of corn dolly making by Jenny Pritchard, Elwy Crafts. What better way could there be to spend a lazy summer day.

£3.50 entrance in aid of Marie Curie & MacMillan Nurses.

Monday 7th July, 8pm

MOTH GROUP

Informal meeting of North Wales Moth Group. Donations to Pensychnant ☺

Tuesday 8th July, 2pm

STOTTS OF OLDHAM WALK

In Victorian Britain Stotts were eminent architects of the Lancashire Cotton Mills. This short walk along local footpaths will explore the former Estates and homes of the Stott family and recall a wealthy lifestyle; from Pensychnant down to Conwy and then homewards along Conwy Mountain. About 5 miles. Stout boots and outdoor clothes. Part of Conwy Walking Week. Booking essential.

Donations to Pensychnant appreciated.

Friday 11th July, 9:30pm till late

GLOW-WORMS & MOTHS ON GREAT ORME

A North Wales Wildlife Trust excursion to see these fascinating glowing beetles on the Orme's cliffs at West Shore, followed by moth trapping. Glow-worms are something which everyone should see at least once in their lifetime!

Very uneven path. Bring torch. Meet at West Shore Toll House. Details from Mark Sheridan, 01492 583820, mark.sheridan@hotmail.co.uk

Weekend 12th - 13th July.

ASHWORTH'S RUSTIC WEEKEND

More moths! Our annual celebration of the Ashworth's Rustic and Weaver's Wave. People have been coming to Pensychnant for these North Wales endemic moths since 1856. Set traps at 9pm and stay till late or come to see the catch the next morning at 10. Good photo opportunities. Donations appreciated ☺

Tuesday 15th July, 10am till lunchtime

WENDY'S BOTANICAL WALK

A short amble along local paths to see the flowering plants in the expert company of Caernarvonshire County Botanist for the Botanical Society for the British Isles, Wendy McCarthy. The aim is to gently learn how to critically identify just a few species that take our fancy. Bring a hand lens if you have one. £3

Wednesday 23rd July, 10-4pm

DRAGONFLY IDENTIFICATION WORKSHOP

A British Dragonfly Society course led by experts Allan Brandon and Claire Install. Their aim is to enable us to identify and record dragonflies and damselflies with confidence for the national recording scheme, Dragonfly Watch. Some indoors; some out. Details at www.british-dragonflies.org.uk/content/bds-dragonfly-identification-courses-wales-summer-2014 £20. Places limited. Booking essential from BDS at treasurer@british-dragonflies.org.uk or 07792 231925.

Monday 4th August, 8pm

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Monday 11th August, 8:30pm till late.

SANDHILL RUSTIC SEARCH

Another rare moth! As part of latest research into the Sandhill Rustic we will be searching for this rare marram specialist on Conwy Morfa by torch-light survey and trapping. Last seen here in 2004. Bring torch. Meet at Morfa car park SH762786 (West end of beach)

Sunday 24th August

THE VICTORIAN PICNIC

Recreating the family picnics of the Victorian and Edwardian Stott family at Pensychnant: Cold roast-meats, salads, trifles and candlesticks in the Paddock. Sherry will be served in the house at noon. Tickets 15 guineas (£15.75) Children £7 10/- (£7.50). Please book by 17th August to give the servants time to get organised.

Friday 29th July, 2pm

TOOTHPASTE & TOFFEE: A GEOLOGICAL WALK

A walk led by professional geologist Jonathan Wilkins, to see and understand the volcanic formations of Sychnant Pass, Penmaenbach and Conwy Mountain. The obscure title will become clear if you come. About 3 miles, with some steep bits
Donations appreciated ☺

Saturday 30th August 10am onwards

THE MERRY REAPER - WORK PARTY

With Conwy Friends of the Earth we will be scything and raking part of Pensychnant's marsh to save the wildflowers from the accruing thatch of rank grasses.

Monday 1st September, 8pm

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Friday 5th September, 7.30pm

“IN SEARCH OF WILDFOWL: A GLOBAL PHOTOGRAPHIC JOURNEY”

BBC wildlife cameraman, Mike Potts, travels from Atlanta to New Zealand following his passion for wildfowl. Cambrian Ornithological Society meeting. £1

Saturday 6th September, 2pm

HEATHLAND WILDLIFE WALK.

In August & September, Conwy Mountain is resplendent in purple and yellow. Come and enjoy the wildlife, led by Alun Jones from Conwy Countryside Services. Meet at Pensychnant. Wear Suitable outdoor clothes and bring binoculars. About 3 miles; some steep and rocky. Booking essential on 01492 575337. Donations to Pensychnant ☺

Saturday 13th September

CONWY HONEY FAIR.

Conwy's traditional street fair. Please support us! Hopefully we'll have some Pensychnant Honey for sale if the bees oblige.

Saturday 20th September

FRIENDS OF THE EARTH NETWORKING DAY

A day organised by Conwy Friend's of the Earth to showcase some local sustainable energy solutions. Talks about the possible Colwyn Bay Tidal Lagoon, Biomass, and Pensychnant's Big Biomass Boiler. 'Bring & Share' lunch. Booking essential. Donations to FoE & Pensychnant ☺

Friday 25th September, 7.30pm

“MORE THAN HONEY”

A new documentary DVD by Swiss film-maker, Markus Imhoof, looking at the fascinating life of bees and the relationship between bees and Mankind. In parts of the world 90% of bees have been lost in the last fifteen years. Without bees there is no pollination of many of our flowers, vegetables and fruits. Enchanting photography; a disturbing tale. Donations to FoE & Pensychnant

Friday 3rd October, 7.30pm

“IN SEARCH OF THE FLOWER KISSERS”

Film-maker and author Michael Leach is well known at Pensychnant for his entertaining and superbly illustrated talks. This one is a study of Hummingbirds. Cambrian Ornithological Society meeting. £1

Saturday 4th October, 7.30pm

JONATHAN RICHARDS (GUITAR) & DEBORAH BARKER (POETRY).

An evening with renowned classical guitarist, Jonathan Richards, including several tunes of his own composition, and interlaced with poetry readings by Deborah Barker from her new book. We are extremely grateful to Jonathan and Deborah for once again offering this august evening entertainment in support of Pensychnant. *Thanks!* £6 with refreshments.