

Out & About 2017

in the Clwydian Range & Dee Valley AONB
and Denbighshire's Countryside



Bryniau Clwyd a Dyffryn Dyfrdwy
Clwydian Range and Dee Valley
Ardal o Harddwch Naturiol Eithriadol
Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty

Cyngor
sir ddinbych
denbighshire
County Council



Our 2017 programme offers a range of ways to enjoy the stunning landscape and heritage of the Clwydian Range and Dee Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and surrounding countryside.

Contact us

Denbighshire Countryside Service
Loggerheads Country Park, Denbighshire,
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denbighshirecountryside.org.uk
clwydianrangeanddeevalleyaonb.org.uk
ridenorthwales.co.uk

  **Check us out on social media**

- Denbighshire Countryside Service
- Clwydian Range & Dee Valley AONB
- Loggerheads Country Park
- Ride North Wales
- Little Terns

Guided Walk Symbols – don't forget to dress for the weather and terrain and bring refreshments.



Easy Short walk on a hard surfaced route or accessible family activity



Average some steep sections and loose surfaces



Difficult long and strenuous, uneven, steep terrain

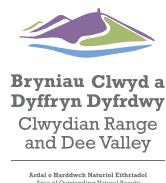
Grid Reference www.gridref.org.uk - put the grid reference into the search box, and you will be provided with a map.



The countryside can be a great day out with your dog, please be responsible and keep your dog on a lead or under close control, pick up your dog's poo and dispose of it responsibly.

We welcome feedback and comments.

Please forward your comments, ideas and suggestions to loggerheads.countrypark@denbighshire.gov.uk



Limestone

Limestone underlies many of the distinctive landscapes of the Clwydian Range and Dee Valley from the spectacular Eglwyseg Escarpment, Bryn Alyn, Loggerheads, Graig Fawr to Moel Hiraddug.

Canfod Tirweddau
Calchfaen
Discover Limestone
Landscapes



Limestone landscapes are celebrated in the Clwydian Range and Dee Valley AONB's most recent publication, *Discover Limestone Landscapes*. It provides information about how the rock was formed, remarkable archaeological sites, past industrial activities, walks and the special biodiversity relating to limestone landscapes.

Pick up your copy from Loggerheads
Country Park Visitor Centre.



One Good Tern

The Little Tern is one of the rarest breeding seabirds found in Britain.

We are fortunate in Denbighshire to have one of the most successful nesting sites for Little Terns at Gronant Dunes, just outside Prestatyn. Volunteers assist Denbighshire Countryside Service staff each year to construct protective fencing, minimise human disturbance through public engagement, scare away predators such as birds of prey and constantly monitor the state of the Little Terns.

The North Wales Little Tern Group was established in 2016 to aid the Countryside Service in protecting the Gronant colony and also to help increase awareness of the Little Tern across North Wales. Anyone who would like to help the rare Little Tern can become a member for a small annual fee, please see contact details below.

For further information on membership of the North Wales Little Tern Group, please email nwlittletern@gmail.com, visit www.facebook.com/nwlittletern or contact on 01745 356197.



18 - 26 February
10:00 - 15:00
Half Term Welly Wander

Meet: Loggerheads
Country Park

Wear your wellies and drop
in to complete our
Welly Wander
challenge to claim
your prize. £2.50

18 February - 31 March
Ysgol Clawdd Offa
Transition Exhibition

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park
Come and visit Ysgol Clawdd Offa
year 6 pupils' art exhibition working
with artists Jude Wood and Jo Marsh
at the Oriel.

Friday 24 February
10:00 - 2:00
Graig Fawr Trek

Meet : Dyserth Car Park for Prestatyn
Dyserth Way
A scenic circular 6.5 miles walk taking in
views from the top of Graig Fawr of the
surrounding countryside. Please book.

Friday 10 March
10:00 - 12:00
Loggerheads for All

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park
Celebrate disabled access day with a half
a mile guided walk around Loggerheads
Country Park's accessible trail plus 20%
discount for registered disabled people at
Loggerheads Visitor Centre.

Wednesday 15 March
10:00 - 12:00
Chirk Castle Short Walk

Meet: Chirk Castle Main Car Park
SJ267 384
Discover the legend of the red hand on
this short spring walk.

Saturday 18 March
10:00 - 12:00
Primrose Walk

Meet: Plas Newydd, Llangollen
Join the Plas Newydd Gardener on a
spring primrose walk around the
grounds of Plas Newydd. Cost £3 that
includes a Plas Newydd primrose to
take home. Please book.

Wednesday 29 March
10:00 - 15:00
Glyndyfrdwy Circular

Meet: Large lay by on the A5 on the
right as you enter Glyndyfrdwy
Join Wrexham Walkers for a 6 mile walk
from Glyndyfrdwy up to the North
Berwyn Way. Meeting at 9.45 for 10.00
start. No dogs please. Please book.

Wednesday 5 April
10:00 - 12:00
Historic Llandegla

Meet: By St Tegla's Church, Llandegla
SJ197 524
Join our County Archaeologist as we
explore the sites and stories of Tomen y
Rhodwydd and St Tegla's Well.

8 - 23 April
10:00 - 16:00
Easter Rabbit Hunt

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park
Come and find the famous rabbit hidden
in the park. A prize for everyone who
finds this sweet little bunny! £2.50

11 April - 2 May
10:00 - 16:00
Holywell Art Group Exhibition
Meet: Loggerheads Country Park
Visit Holywell Art Group Exhibition at the
Oriel Loggerheads.

Friday 14 April
11:00 - 15:00
Easter Trail at Coed Nercwys
Meet: Coed Nercwys, northern end of
the forest SJ218 593
Complete the Easter Trail around Coed
Nercwys to claim your prize.
£2 (proceeds towards the Young
Rangers Project)

15 & 16 April
11:00 - 15:00
Plas Newydd Easter Trail

Meet: Plas Newydd, Llangollen
Explore Plas Newydd Gardens and find
the woodland creatures to win a
chocolate prize! £2

Tuesday 18 April
10:00 - 12:00
Easter Eggcase Hunt

Meet: Lower Gronant Car Park Shore
Road SJ090 837
Search and find out about mermaid
purses on the fantastic shingle beach at
Gronant. Please book.

Wednesday 19 April
10:00 - 15:00
Marvellous Moths

Meet: Brickfield Pond, Rhyl
Moth trapping is great fun, first we will
look at our trap and see what species
are about, then get the chance to build
your very own moth trap.
Please book.



Friday 21 April

10:00 - 13:00

Threadwork

Meet: Plas Newydd, Llangollen
Cast a closer eye over the famous carvings and copy them in thread. Normal admission cost applies. Please call 01978 862834 to book on to this event.

Wednesday 26 April

18.30 - 20.30

Local myths and legends talk

Meet: Plas Newydd, Llangollen
It's the Year of Legends so come and find out more about your local ones in this informative talk from Gill Smith from Llangollen Museum. Please Book.

29 April - 1 May

Llangollen Walking Festival

www.llangollenwalkingfestival.co.uk

Wednesday 3 May

14:00 - 16:00

Nordic Walking Taster Sessions

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park
Nordic walking tones and burns more calories than walking and is especially good for the heart and lungs, ideal for shoulder, back and neck problems. Come and give it a go on World Asthma Day. Please book.



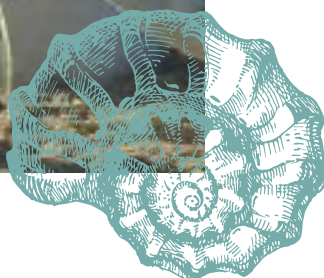
Wednesday 3 May

10:00 - 15:00

Help make a safe home for the Little Terns

Meet: Gronant Dunes, Shore Road
SJ074 842

Help with the work to fence off the shingle ridge to help protect one of our rarest seabirds.



Saturday 6 May

4:30 - 7:30am

Dawn Bird Chorus

Meet: Mount Wood Denbigh SJ046 657
Enjoy the sights and sounds of nature on the International Dawn Chorus day. Please book.



Monday 8 May

11:00 - 12:00

Beastly bug hunt!

Meet: Nant Clwyd y Dre, Ruthin
A guided nature hunt around The Lord's Garden to identify and learn about the fascinating bugs that live here. Suitable for all ages, children must be accompanied by an adult. Normal admission cost applies.



Wednesday 10 May

10:00 - 12:00

Llangar Church short walk

Meet: Stamp Layby SJ065 423

Come for a riverside walk and explore the fascinating medieval church. Please book.



Friday 12 May

10:00 - 14:00

3 Reserves, dunes, beds and woodland

Meet: Gronant car park opposite Greenacres Caravan Park

Explore sand dunes, reed beds and woodland on this 7 mile circular walk as we visit three local nature reserves at an exciting time of year with Denbighshire Countryside Service and the North Wales Wildlife Trust. Please book.



Saturday 13 May

11:00 - 15:00

Orienteering and Badge making

Meet: Plas Newydd, Llangollen
Drop in to see how quickly you can complete our Orienteering challenge.

Tues 16 & Wed 17 May

10:00 - 16:00

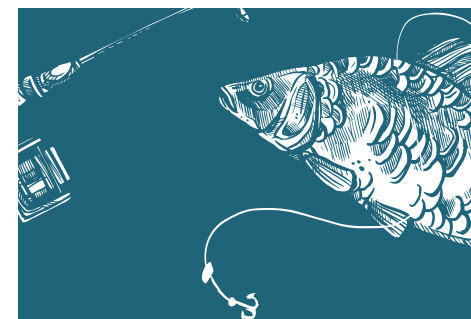
Drystone Walling

Meet: Corwen Main car park
Ever fancied learning the art of drystone walling? You can join us in Coed Pen y Pigyn for some instruction and practice.

19 - 21 of May

Prestatyn Walking Festival

www.prestatynwalkingfestival.co.uk

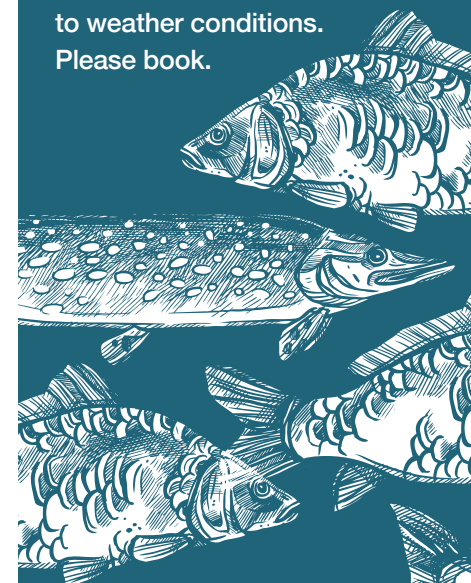


Wednesday 17 May

10:00 - 15:00

Come and have a go at coarse fishing - at the Rhyl Cut.

Meet: Rhyl Adventure Playground Car Park, Rhydwen Close, SJ007 804
Learn how to set up and fish in an effective, safe and environmentally friendly way. Tackle, bait and advice will be provided. Dress according to weather conditions. Please book.





Thursday 25 May
Tremeirchion Circular
 10:30 - 12:30

Meet: Salusbury Arms
 SJ0831 7304

Walk along a section of
 Offa's Dyke Path,
 taking in the village
 of Tremeirchion
 and the
 Community
 Miles Route.
 Please book.

Saturday
27 May
 11:00 - 16:00
Llangollen Buzz:
 Meet: Plas Newydd,
 Llangollen
 Join Friends of the
 Earth Llangollen for a

family fun day making Llangollen bee
 friendly. Help Chester Zoo discover
 bumble bees, join the Wildlife Trust in
 their outdoor lab, follow the busy bee
 trail, there will be honey tasting, face
 painting and a prize for the best
 pollinator fancy dress!

Thursday 1 June
 10.30 - 12.30 & 13:00 - 15:00
Captured on Camera

Meet: Old Gaol Ruthin
 Have your own Wanted Poster taken.
 Become captured in photos and explore
 the lives of the prisoners. General
 Admission costs apply plus £1 per poster.

Thursday 1 June
 10.00 - 13:00
**Wilflower Identification
 and Conservation**

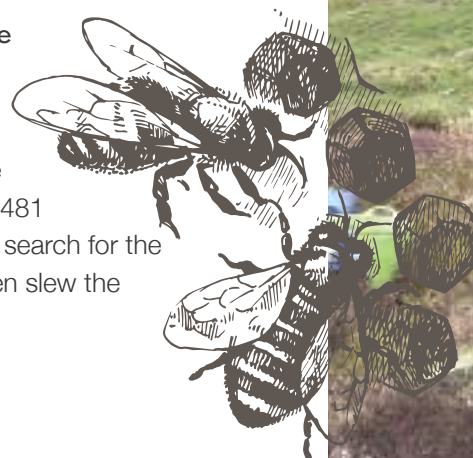
Meet: Market Street Car Park, Llangollen
 Improve your wilflower identification
 and help maintain favourable conditions
 for limestone loving plants along one of
 our Roadside Nature Reserves in the
 stunning Eglwyseg Valley.
 Please book.

2, 3 & 4 June Loggfest
www.loggfest.co.uk
 Meet: We Three Loggerheads &
 Loggerheads Country Park
 Family Fun at Loggerheads Country
 Park with Bouncy Castle, craft stalls,
 activities, face painting, zip wire (at
 Colomendy), vintage cars (at
 Loggerheads Garage) and evening
 bands (We Three Loggerheads).

4 - 10 June
Wrexham Walking Festival
www.walksinwrexham.com

Wednesday 7 June
 10:00 - 12:00
**St Collen's Well
 Short Walk**

Meet: opposite the
 Ponderosa SJ192 481
 Come and join the search for the
 well where St Collen slew the
 fearsome giantess!



1 - 7 JUNE

VOLUNTEERING WEEK

Friday 2 June 10:00 - 13:00

Help the Gardener
 at Plas Newydd,
 Llangollen

Monday 5 June
 10:00 - 17:00

Help the Gardener
 at the Lord's Garden,
 Nantclwyd y Dre, Ruthin

Wednesday 7 June 10:00 - 15:00

Learn how to build a stone wall,
 Gop Hill, Trelawnyd. Lifts available
 from Loggerheads and Rhyl.
 Please book.



27 May - 4 June 10:00 - 16:00

Butterfly and Caterpillar Spring Trail

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park

What have the hungry caterpillars in Loggerheads been eating? Follow the trail to find out and claim your prize. £2.50.

Wednesday 7 June 20:30 - 22:30

Nightlife at Moel Famau

Meet: Moel Famau Forest Car Park
SJ174 613

A walk through the forest and out onto the heathland at dusk to see what wildlife we might find in the country park at night. Look for bats, owls, moths and perhaps even the elusive nightjar. Please book.



Thursday 8 June 15:45 - 17:00

After School Mini Adventure 1

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park
Explore and learn about the natural world with the Warden at Loggerheads Country Park with these four short sessions, different activities at each event, come along to one or all four. Please book.

Thursday 8 June 20.45 - 23:00

Nightjars on Nantyr

Meet: Llangollen Market Street Car Park
Join us for a leisurely walk around Nantyr Forest as we go in search of the enigmatic nightjar. Please book.

Saturday 10 June 10:00 - 15:30

The Buzz Walk

Meet: Denbighshire County Council
Caledfryn Office, Denbigh
Join us on this summer circular walk from Denbigh to Henllan to celebrate our insect pollinators. Please bring a packed lunch for this 7.5 mile route. Please book.



Saturday 10 June

Come and have a go at coarse fishing

10:00 - 15:00

Meet: Brickfield Pond, Rhyl

Learn how to set up and fish in an effective, safe and environmentally friendly way. Tackle, bait and advice will be provided. Dress according to weather conditions. Please book.

Wednesday 14 June

10:00 - 12:00

Seabird Wednesday

Meet: Lower Gronant Car Park
SJ090 836

A guided tour of the Little Tern colony to learn about these fascinating seabirds.

Wednesday 14 June

18:00 - 22:00 pm

Berwyn UFO Walk

Meet: Public Car Park in Llandrillo
SJ035 372

The infamous Berwyn UFO crash – fact or fiction? Join us on this 7 mile moorland walk with one of the original eye witnesses. Please book.



Wednesday 14 June

14:00 - 16:00

Give Bowling a Go

Meet: Plas Newydd, Llangollen
Come and try your hand at bowling in the magnificent setting of Plas Newydd with the Friends of the Clwydian Range and Dee Valley and the AONB Officer.



Thursday 15 June

15:45 - 17:00

After School Mini Adventure 2

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park
See Thursday 8th June entry for details.
Please book.

Friday 16 June

10:00 - 12:00

Meet the Gardener Tour

Meet: Plas Newydd, Llangollen
Find out the secrets of the gardens at Plas Newydd with a tour of the grounds with the gardener.

Tuesday 20 June

10:00 - 15:00

Boardwalk Building

Meet: Presthaven holiday camp entrance
Come and help rebuild a section of boardwalk set in the sand dunes that lead to the Little Tern colony. Please book.

Wednesday 21 June

12:30 - 16:30

Prestatyn Hillside

Meet: Gwaenysgor Viewpoint Car park
SJ075 819

Join the AONB Senior Countryside Officer and site Warden for a walk to look at the interesting habitats and features of Prestatyn Hillside and the ongoing management of the site.

Thursday 22 June

15:45 - 17:00

After School Mini Adventure 3

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park
See Thursday 8th June entry for details.
Please book.



WALES

NATURE WEEK

Saturday 24 June

14:00 - 16:00

Make a Dragon Kite

Meet: Castell Dinas Bran

Come and make your own dragon kite.
£4.

Saturday 24 June

10:00 - 12:00 & 14:00 - 16:00

Llyn Brenig Archaeological Trail

Meet: Llyn Brenig Visitor Centre, before going to the Trail

Visit with the County Archaeologist and Welsh Water Warden to learn about this fascinating landscape. Please book.



Sunday 25 June

18:30 - 20:30

**The Tempest,
Shakespeare
Outdoor Theatre**

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park
Another magical performance from the award winning Taking Flight Theatre, Adults £14, Concessions £10, Children £6, Family tickets £32. Online bookings www.chapter.org 02920 04400, or buy your tickets from Loggerheads Country Park Visitor Centre. BSL interpreted and audio described. Touch / acclimatisation tours available on request. Pre theatre menu available at Caffi Florence booking required call 01352 810397.



Wednesday 28 June

10:00 - 15:00

Llangollen 7 Mile Circular

Meet: Outside Llangollen Tourism Information Centre, Castle Street
Join Wrexham Walkers for a route with some steep inclines. Arrive 9:45 for 10:00 start. No dogs. Please book.



Thursday 29 June

15:45 - 17:00

After School Mini Adventure 4

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park
See Thursday 8th June entry for details. Please book.

Friday 30 June

10:00 - 12:00

Seabird Friday

Meet: Lower Gronant Car Park SJ090 836

A guided tour of the Little Tern colony to learn about these fascinating seabirds.

Thursday 6 July

10:00 - 15:00

Balsam Bashing!

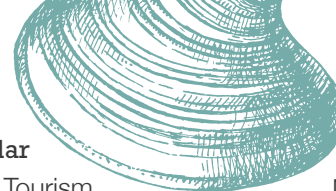
Meet: Car Park, Corwen LL21 0DN
Help eradicate this invasive species. Wellies recommended. Free BBQ.

Monday 10 July

11:00 - 13:00

Introduction to Horticulture

Meet: Nantclwyd y Dre Gardens, Ruthin
Includes plant identification, demonstrations, Q&A session and hands-on activity. £2 per person (pay on the day). Pre-booking essential, limited places. Call 01824 708232.



Monday 10 July

11:00 - 12:00 & 14:00 - 15:00

Get Arty at the Gaol

Meet: Ruthin Gaol
Come and learn to draw pastel portraits. Suitable for adults and older children. Included in admission cost.

Wed 12 July

10:00 - 12:00

Craig Arthur short walk

Meet: Llangollen Pavilion car park for lifts up
Discover the legends of this remote area.



Sunday 16 July

10:00 - 12:00

Seabird Sunday

Meet: Lower Gronant Car Park SJ090 836
A guided tour of the Little Tern colony to learn about these fascinating seabirds.

15 - 23 July

Textiles in Trees

Meet: Plas Newydd
See www.llangollenfringe.co.uk

Thursday 20 July

2:00pm

**Dee Valley Myths and Legends
Art Competition**

Meet: Plas Newydd, Y Caban
Opening of Art Exhibition and Presentation of Prizes

Saturday 22 July

10:00 - 12:00

Penycloddiau Excavations

Meet: Llangwyfan Car Park SJ1389 6684
Find out what has been happening this season during the excavations at Penycloddiau hillfort. Please book.

Saturday 22 July

14:00 - 17:00

Dragons at Dinas Bran

Meet: Castell Dinas Bran
We're having a convention!
Bring your dragons to the castle and enjoy the storytellers' tales.



22 July-3 September

10:00 - 16:00

**The Summer of Legends-A
Different Legend Every Week!**

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park
A different local legend trail every week. Giants, trolls, fairies and much more! Follow the trail to claim your prize. Complete the first 5 trails and receive the 6th trail for free! £2.50.

Summer Holiday Fun

**Meet: Ruthin Gaol &
Nant Clwyd y Dre, Ruthin**

Lots of activities and crafts to keep all the family entertained during the school summer holidays. Suitable for all ages, no pre-booking required. Included in admission price.



Sunday 23 July
National Garden Scheme at
The Lords Garden

Meet: Ruthin

6 contrasting gardens will be open including Nantclwyd y Dre and the restored Lord's Garden. Refreshments can be purchased, proceeds going to the Friends of the property. For more details of the day and tickets please see www.ngs.co.uk

Sunday 23 July
11:00 - 16:00

Archaeological Open Day at
Moel y Gaer Bodfari

Meet: Car Park available SJ0948 7098
 An opportunity to visit the excavations at the Iron Age hillfort of Moel y Gaer Bodfari. Drop in anytime between 11 and 4.

Tuesday 25 July
13:00 - 15:00

River Dipping at Gro Isa

Meet: Corwen Sports Pavilion
 Wellies recommended!

Wednesday 26 July
11:00 - 15:00

Elf and Fairy Wands

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park
 Join 'Creative Willow' on the Tea Gardens at Loggerheads to create magical Elf and Fairy wands. £4.

Wednesday 26 July
14:00 - 16:30

Walk to excavations at Moel y Gaer

Meet: Bodfari Bus Stop SJ0979 7018
 Enjoy a walk along the Offa's Dyke National Trail to see the archaeologists at the Iron Age hillfort of Moel y Gaer Bodfari. Please book.



THE
GREAT
VICTORIAN
DINOSAUR
HUNT

Tuesday 25th July

10:00 - 11:30 Loggerheads Country Park
 14:30 - 16:00 Ty Mawr Country Park

Wednesday 26th July

10:00 - 11:30 Mount Wood, Denbigh
 14:30 - 16:00 Coed y Morfa, Prestatyn

Thursday 27th July

10:00 - 11:30 Plas Newydd, Llangollen
 14:30 - 16:00 Corwen, starting at Town Centre Car Park

Back by popular demand - join us on a journey to discover creatures from the dawn of time ... maybe even the mighty T-Rex!

The quest will take the audience, to a mysterious lost valley, encountering various wild animals and dinosaurs along the way. Learning about the creatures they see, as well as having fun. The creatures are very realistic puppets. Suitable for Primary School age children. Booking Essential.

Wednesday 26 July

9:00 - 12:00

Wild at Llan

Meet: Llangollen

Forest School inspired holiday club for children between 2-8. Booking essential please call 07968016884 / 07528084925 or email wildeducation@outlook.com. £10.

Thursday 27 July

Archaeology and Wildlife at Dusk

20:00 - 22:00

Meet: Coed Llangwyfan top car park, on the road between Llangwyfan and Nannerch SJ139 668
 A walk up through Coed Llangwyfan and onto Penycloddiau Hillfort with the warden and county archaeologist. We will find out about the history of the hillfort and hopefully after watching an amazing sunset we will head back down and look out for what wildlife we might find. Please book.



Saturday 29 July

10:30 - 16:00

Coed Moel Famau Forest Fun Day

Meet: Coed Moel Famau Car Park SJ174 613

A day of fun activities, there will be stream dipping, children's craft, den building, guided walks, demos, information and local food produce (£2 car parking fee).

Tuesday 1 August

10:00 - 12:00

Penycloddiau Excavations

Meet: Llangwyfan Car Park SJ1389 6684
 Find out what has been happening this season during the excavations at Penycloddiau hillfort. Please book.

Wednesday 2 August

11:00 - 15:00

Elf and Fairy Wings

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park
 Join 'Creative Willow' on the Tea Gardens at Loggerheads to create magical Elf and Fairy Wings. £4.

Friday 4 August

19:30pm

Around the World in 80 Days

Meet: Plas Newydd, Llangollen
 Trains, ships and steamer ships; elephants, Indian princesses and a suspicious detective – it's the original global adventure! Join Off the Ground this coming summer to experience a whirlwind escapade, crossing every continent! For prices and performance tickets www.offtheground.co.uk. Pre theatre menu available at the Tea Rooms, to book a table call 01978 862834.



Monday
7 August

Plants with Purpose

11:00 - 12:00

Meet: Lord's Garden, Ruthin
Learn about the plants that
were grown in Medieval
gardens, for decorative and
sensory pleasure, but also to
cultivate for food, dyes and
ingredients for medicinal
purposes. £2 per person
(payable on the day)
Free if admission
fee paid.

Monday 7 August
11:00 - 13:00 & 14:00 - 16:00
Tales of the Gaol
Meet: Ruthin Gaol

Come and hear the stories of the gaol,
for young and old. Included in
admission cost.

Wednesday 9 August
Prestatyn Bat Walk
20:30 - 22:15

Meet: Coed y Morfa Car Park
Come on a walk around some of
Prestatyn's Countryside sites to see
which bat species we can find. Please
bring a torch. Please book.

Wednesday 9 August
10:00 - 14:00
**Moel Fferna Quarry /
Berwyn Mountain shortish walk**

Meet: layby in Glyndyfrdwy opposite the
old Butterfly House SJ157 425
We'll drive up and then explore the
legends of the
mountain – and the
fantastic quarry.
Please book.



Thursday 10 August
13:00 - 15:00
Dipping and den building in the Dell
Meet: Plas Newydd, Llangollen
Get your wellies on and come and see
what's living in the stream – nets provided.

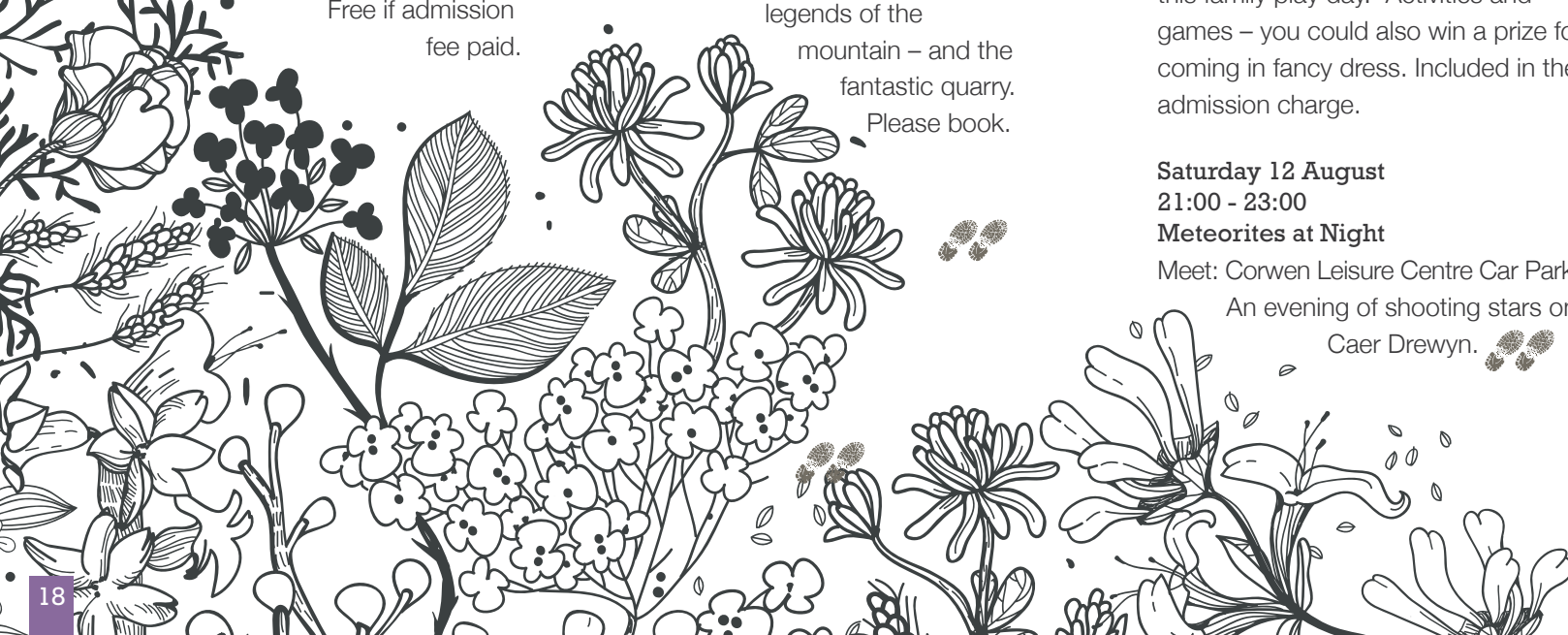
Saturday 12 August
11.30 - 14.30
Knights and Princesses
Meet: Nantclwyd y Dre, Ruthin
Come and join the fun at Nantclwyd on
this family play day. Activities and
games – you could also win a prize for
coming in fancy dress. Included in the
admission charge.

Saturday 12 August
21:00 - 23:00
Meteorites at Night
Meet: Corwen Leisure Centre Car Park
An evening of shooting stars on
Caer Drewyn.

Monday 14 August
10:00 - 12:00
Bilberry Bonanza
Meet: Moel Famau Penbarras viewpoint
car park SJ174 613
Bring the kids and a container and come
for a walk with the warden onto the
heathland to pick these delicious little
bilberries, then take them home and eat
them as they are or make muffins,
pancakes, jam or any other recipes you
can find. Please book.

Thursday 17 August
**Come and visit Denbighshire
Countryside Service and the
Clwydian Range and Dee Valley
AONB Team at the Denbigh
and Flint Show**

Wednesday 23 August
9:00 - 12:00
Wild at Llan
Meet: Llangollen
Forest School inspired holiday club for
children between 2-8. Booking essential
please call 07968016884 / 07528084925
or email wildeducation@outlook.com. £10.



Thursday 24 August

20:00 - 22:00

Bat Bonanza

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park

Learn all about bats with a short presentation followed by a gentle 1 mile stroll using bat detectors putting what we have learnt into practice! Bring a torch.

Monday 28 August

5.30 - 8.00

Purple Power Golden Hour

Meet: Westbound layby to the east of

Glyndyfrdwy for a lift up SJ157 425

Join us for a meander to the summit of Moel Morfydd to see the vast expanse of

heather moorland at the height of its

purple brilliance as the world awakens!

Please book.



Tuesday 29th Aug

GOING BATTY!

12:00 - 15:00 Meet: Nantclwyd y Dre

Are you a bit batty? We are!

Come and enjoy an afternoon of fun with our special little residents at Nantclwyd y Dre.

Fancy dress prize for best bat-themed costume, quizzes, mask making, "hunt the bat" and much more.

Included in admission price.



2 - 3 September

Corwen Walking Festival

www.corwenwalkingfestival.co.uk

Wednesday 13 September

10:00 - 12:00

Around Dinas Bran

Meet: Llangollen Pavilion Car Park for a lift up

Legends abound at Castell Dinas Bran - come and find out more!



Saturday 16 September

10:00 - 12:00

Beach Clean

Meet: Rhyl Harbour Hub Café SH995 808

Come to help us on the beach for the UK's biggest beach clean and survey promoted by the Marine Conservation Society.

Sunday 17 September

All Day

Dog Show

Meet: Loggerheads

Country Park

An informal dog show at Loggerheads with a number of classes to enjoy. Enter on the day.



OUTSTANDING WEEK

16th - 24th of September

Take a walk in the Clwydian Range and Dee Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and celebrate the UK's best landscapes with National Outstanding Week.

Saturday 16 September

Loggerheads Cilcain Circular
10:00 - 15:00

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park
Explore the Country Park Leete and Fridd of the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. 6 miles.



www.landscapesforlife.org.uk

www.clwydianrangeanddeevalleyaonb.org.uk

Tuesday 19 September

10:00 - 13:00

Railways, Old Mills and the Ascent of Moel Hiraddug

Meet: Prestatyn Dyserth Way Car Park SJ 062794

Visit a Railway that never had tracks, the best northern view from open access land and a half lost Iron Age Hillfort.



Thursday 21 September

10:00 - 13:00

Railways, Rolling Hills and Spectacular Views

Meet: Offa's Hillside Car Park SJ 073822

A walk taking in the coastal hills and early industry of the Clwydian Range.



Sunday 24 September

13:00 - 15:00

Make Mythical Creatures

Meet: Plas Newydd, Llangollen
Make your own mythical creature and shrink yourself for a photograph with it. £4.

Wednesday 4 October

10:00 - 12:00

Caer Drewyn Short Walk

Meet: Corwen Leisure Centre car park
Come and find out about the giants, ghosts and Queen Corwenna on this Iron Age hillfort.



Friday 6 October

10:00 - 13:30

What is in a name?

Meet: Llangollen International Pavilion Car Park (area next to the road)

A 4.3 mile walk along the Sun Bank Community Miles path looking at the Welsh place names in the landscape. This walk will be in Welsh and suitable for Welsh learners.



Wednesday 11 October

10.00 - 15:00

Carrog Circular

Meet: Grouse Inn Car Park, Carrog

Join Wrexham Walkers for a 6 mile walk with inclines from the Grouse Inn in Carrog. Option for lunch afterwards. No dogs please. (9.45 for 10:00 start)



Friday 13 October

10:00 - 12:00

Clwydian Range Rocks

Meet: Coed Llangwyfan top car park, on the road between Llangwyfan and Nannerch SJ139668

Join an expert geologist to learn about the rocks of the area and their formation.



Thursday 26 October

10:00 - 14:00

Autumn Stroll

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park

A 6 mile circular autumnal walk to enjoy nature's spectacular display of fantastic colours and beautiful views.

Saturday 28 October

17:00 - 19.30

Plas Newydd: Drawing with light

Explore the grounds in the fading light and draw some things that go bump in the night. £4.

28 October - 5 November

10:00 - 15:00

Halloween Hunt

Meet: Loggerheads Country Park

Complete the spooky Halloween Hunt Trail to claim your prize. £2.50

28 October - 3 November

10:00 - 16:00

Halloween week at the Gaol

Meet: Ruthin Gaol

Halloween fun all week.

Included in admission price.



Wednesday 8 November

10:00 - 12:00

Velvet Hill Short Walk

Meet: Llantysilio Green car park SJ198433

Explore the myths and history of Velvet Hill, Valle Crucis and Eliseg's Pillar – and its Bronze Age mound.



Sunday 3 December

13:00 - 15:00

Christmas Crafts

Meet: Plas Newydd, Llangollen

Festive fun at Plas Newydd. £4.

Wednesday 6 December

Annual Volunteer Hedge laying Competition

Venue to be confirmed, Join in as part of a team to lay a section of hedge.

Hedgelaying is an important craft to regenerate hedgerows one of our most important habitats.



9th 16th 17th and 22nd December

11:00 - 15:30

Father Christmas

at Loggerheads Country Park

Come and meet Santa, hear a Christmas Story and have a treat to take home with Plas Derw Trust. Target Age 4-7.

Times 11am, 12pm, 13:30,

14:30 & 15:30

£8 To book call 01352 840955

email: forestschoo@gmail.com





Pontcysyllte
Safle Treftadaeth Y Byd
World Heritage Site

Children's Crafty Saturday

Suitable for children age 3 to 10 years.

Free

11am- 3pm / 1st Sat of the Month -
March 4th, April 1st, May 6th, June
3rd, July 1st, August 5th, Sept 2nd,
Oct 7th, Nov 4th & Dec 2nd.

WALKS & TALKS

Free guided walk of the Pontcysyllte
Aqueduct & Canal World heritage site
with a trained local guide, suitable for
all ages. **Free**

11am- 3pm / Saturday 15th April,
20th May, 22nd July &
19th August.

Trevor Basin Visitor Centre

Further information: 01978 822912



**Glandŵr
Cymru**

The Canal & River Trust in Wales



Songs & Stories

Ruth Moore Williams will be
entertaining visitors with traditional
songs, myths and legends from
around Wales. **Free**

11am- 3pm / Saturday 27th May,
24th June, 29th July, 26th August,
30th September.

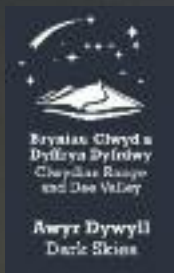


Mondays are volunteer days in the *Lord's Garden*

If you love gardens and would enjoy
helping in the historic gardens at
Nantclwyd Y Dre, Ruthin we want to
hear from you! All abilities welcome.

**Please contact 01824 709822 or
email heritage@denbighshire.gov.uk**





Look out for Dark Skies events coming soon, follow our facebook page for details.

 Clwydian Range & Dee Valley AONB

Explore further

The local towns, villages and countryside in and around the Clwydian Range and Dee Valley provide fascinating visits.

A series of town trails and community miles leaflets are the perfect guides to your visit, download these from the following websites or pick up a leaflet from Loggerheads Country Park.

discoverdenbighshire.co.uk/detail_booklets.asp
denbighshirecountryside.org.uk/community-miles
exploreflintshire.co.uk/discover/trails-and-tours



Llanelwy St Asaph

llwybr y dref town trail



LET'S GO RIDE A BIKE

Canal tow paths, road cycling, bmx, purpose-built and natural mountain bike trails, adrenalin rushing downhill courses, it's all here in Denbighshire! ridenorthwales.co.uk

Please keep to legal trails and be mindful of other users when on your bike.   @ridenorthwales

ONEPLANET ADVENTURE

Coed Llandegla, LL11 3AA

As one of the UK's leading trail centres, expect adrenalin-filled courses with thrills and spills.

WELSH CYCLING MTB

CROSS COUNTRY SERIES ROUND 2

May 7 www.britishcycling.org.uk/wales/mtb

WELSH ENDURO SERIES ROUND 3

July 8 www.borderline-events.co.uk

#MTBMEETUP

3 June

The original free MTB gathering returns to Oneplanet Adventure.

Whether you're a regular rider or new to mountain biking, there will be something for everyone.

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www.mtbmeetup.uk



ONE GIANT LEAP

Llangollen, LL20 8AR

Taking part is not for the faint hearted, but spectating is still great fun!

BORDERLINE DOWNHILL SERIES ROUND 3

June 24 - 25

www.borderline-events.co.uk

BRITISH DOWNHILL SERIES ROUND 5

August 19 - 20

www.britishdownhillseries.co.uk



Get Walking, Feel the Difference Healthier, Fitter, Happier

Join one of these regular weekly walks to improve your health, increase your fitness and and recharge your wellbeing. Regular walking benefits managing weight control, keeps your heart healthy, reducing the risks of type 2 diabetes and certain cancers.

Monday

Chirk / 9:30 / call 01691 778666 for meeting point, 60 minute walk LL14 5NF

St Asaph / 10:30 / Bowling Green 90 minute walk LL17 0RQ

Gwaenysgor / 11:00 / Village Hall 2hr walk LL186LG

Prestatyn / 1:45 / Town Council Offices 40min LL19 9LR

Rossett / 2:00pm Burton Weir by the under-pass 60 min walk

Tuesday

Corwen / 9:30 / Canolfan Ni 1hr LL21 0DP

Alyn Waters / 2:00 pm / Llay side car park 75-90 min

Dyserth / 11:00 / Community Centre 2hrs LL18 6LP

Wednesday

St Asaph / 10:30 / Bowling Green 90min LL17 0RG

Llangollen / 10:30 / Health Centre up to 60min LL20 8NU

Corwen / 1pm / Canolfan Ni 2hrs LL21 0DP

Thursday

Rhuallan / 11:00 / Methodist Church, Gwindy Street 120min LL18 5PU

Acton Park / 11:00 St Johns Church CP, Herbert Jennings Ave 50 min LL12 7YF

Llay / 11:00, Miners Welfare, up to 75min LL12 0TH

Friday

Rhyl / 12:30 Brickfield Pond 90min LL18 2YR

Regular walks are available from Llanasa and Prestatyn. Please call 01745 356197 for further details.



Become a Friend

The Friends are a new membership organisation that help people discover, enjoy and protect the outstanding landscape of the Clwydian Range and Dee Valley AONB. Here are some up and coming events to enable people to discover some hidden treasures...



For further details or to book on any of these events call 01244 535173, hello@friends.cymru

H&D Fitzgerald

Friday 31 March / 1:45pm at Salusbury Arms Tremeirchion for Car share
A rare opportunity to visit a world leading density meteorology laboratory and tree plantation.

Moel Hiraddug

Wednesday 12 April / 10:00 - 13:00
Visit this historic hillfort in the company of local guide Jeff Morgan.

Genus Cattle Breeding Station

Wednesday 10 May / 10:30 - 12:30
Near Graigfechan

Pontcysyllte Aqueduct

Thursday 25 May / 14:00 - 16:00
Visit our local World Heritage Site with Blue Badge Guide Sarah Jones.

Give Bowling a Go

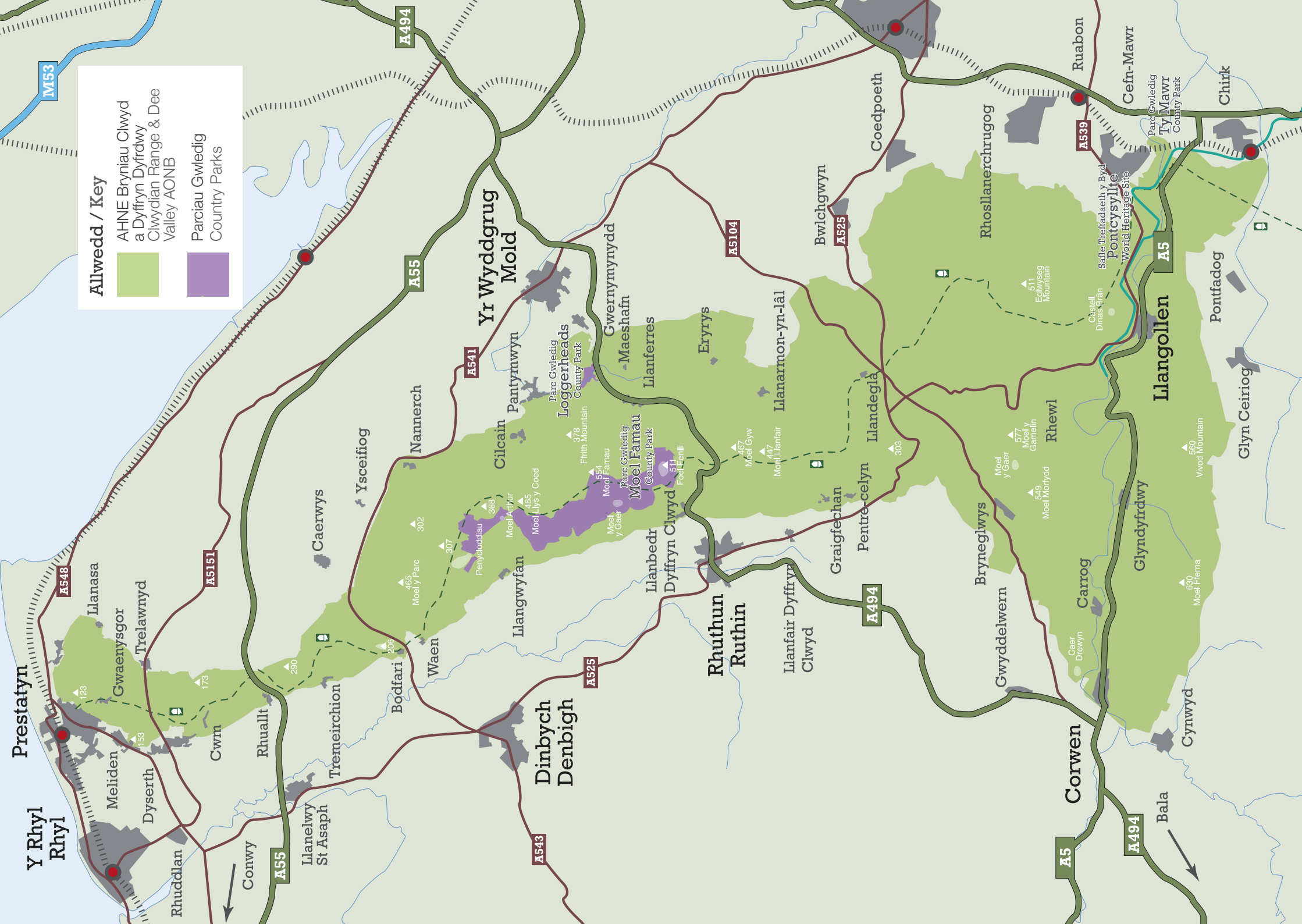
Wednesday 14 June
14:00 – 16:00
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Come and try your hand at bowling in the magnificent setting of Plas Newydd

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