

he Heritage Herald December 2011

The Caldey Island Ogham stone

Researching local heritage increases a community's knowledge of what is in its area and reveals what makes a place special, distinctive and gives it its "Sense of Place". PLANED's work with heritage and tourism is focused on increasing the enjoyment and appreciation of Pembrokeshire for both locals and visitors.

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Welcome to our Heritage newsletter.

We are continuing our work celebrating and appreciating the role local heritage has in communities with our two new projects that began in March 2011.

This newsletter will inform you of some of the heritage work that we are doing under PLANED's 'Sustainable Communities' and 'Adding Value to Community Tourism' projects.

These projects are funded through the Rural Development Plan for Wales 2007-2013 which is funded by the Welsh Government and the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development.





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The staff working on heritage projects until 2013 will be Bethany Lloyd, Kate Lindley and Sarah Diment, all of whom, I'm sure are familiar faces to you.

Archaeology Day a sell-out success

Pembrokeshire Coast National Park's Archaeology Day was given a community twist this year with the help of PLANED. Whilst Pete Crane concentrated



Some of the exhibits at Pembrokeshire College

on getting fantastic speakers, PLANED organised the exhibition stands. There were 15 different groups and organisations who provided excellent displays for all



Saundersfoot's Exhibition

to see. More than two hundred people attended this increasingly popular event which this year sold out during the week before. The morning speakers were George Nash who spoke about prehistoric rock art and Chris Caple, a regular speaker at the Archaeology Day, who kept us up to date with the fascinating goings on at Nevern. The afternoon saw Medwyn Parry giving us a taste of

military life and Peter Crane updating on all the archaeological news from across Pembrokeshire. After a final chance to look at the exhibits, Geoff Wainwright shared

the



Templeton's Exhibition

results of his dig in the Preselis earlier this year to round off the day. The Archaeology Day will take place on November 17th next year. You are advised to book early as we're sure it will be a sell-out success again.





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Pembrokeshire's Industrial Past



group continue to go from strength to strength. After and field trips to back up their new found knowledge,

The Industrial Past they have put together the first exhibition of their work.

Supported by the PLANED heritage team, they had their first months of research major exhibition at the Archaeology Day in Pembrokeshire College to show off their research and wowed

entrants with the wide range of industries covered.

The group, led by Dr Peter Claughton, are always looking for new members from all over the county so if you have any information or photographs, please get in touch.

Dinas Pigsty



Before

The National Park came to us for funding support as they were concerned

about the Pen y Wennol pigsty on Dinas Mountain. The pigsty is a rare example of a 17th century

circular structure with a 'corbelled' roof, the stones of which overlap in thin courses, forming a rough dome-shape.

By 2010 there was a hole in the roof and the pigsty was in danger of collapse. National Park volunteers were able to clear all of the overgrowth and Rob Scourfield, Buildings Conservation Officer, led the

restoration. If you look through the entrance, you are still able to see the domed roof.



After

Celebrating Heritage in Saundersfoot

In 2010 PLANED commissioned Trysor, to undertake a Community Heritage & Natural Environment Audit of the Saundersfoot and Kilgetty area. The purpose of this audit was to collate information and map all potential heritage resources. The audit drew attention to the wealth of industrial heritage of the area and highlighted that there was



Panel at Saundersfoot

scope to interpret the local history for the benefit of locals and tourists alike.

To build on the findings of the audit a 2-stage interpretation project for the area was

commissioned. As part of the first stage Letha Consultancy developed an interpretation plan to tell the industrial heritage story of Saundersfoot and Kilgetty area. The plan identified unique stories and themes linked to



Panel at Amroth

industrial heritage and recommended ways these should be interpreted.

The second stage dealt with the implementation of the interpretation plan. A number of interpretation products have been delivered in the area; these include:

Interpretation panels in Saundersfoot telling the story of a thriving coal harbour servicing the industrial boom of the 19th



Picnic bench at Cresswell Quay

century; picnic benches at Cresswell Quay depicting a story of a village from where coal was exported for over 700 years; an interpretation panel at Burnett's Hill Chapel revealing the difficult conditions miners had to work in. Amroth and Colby woodland garden also benefited from this project with interpretation boards telling a story of Amroth's industrial past.



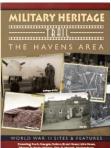
Close up of picnic bench plaque

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Trailing Military History

A new Military Heritage Trail leaflet for The Havens area has been launched by the children of The Coastlands Primary School, seventy years after Dale Airfield was built.

The leaflet is the work of members of the Coastlands Local History Group as well as



individual military heritage enthusiasts from the area, who have come together to celebrate and commemorate The Havens'

contribution to World War II. The trail leaflet includes World War II sites and features in the villages of Roch, Newgale, Nolton, Broad Haven, Little Haven, Talbenny, St Brides, Marloes, Dale, St Ishmaels and Herbrandston. It is the product of months of hard work and research by the local group.

The launch of the leaflet took place at an officers' billet on Dale Airfield which is also home to the acclaimed Barrack Room Art. These are paintings of various aircraft and war scenes that have survived from the 1940s as unusual 'graffiti' which would normally have been removed. The artist, pilot Sub.Lieut. (A) Dashfield, RNVR, was well known for his cartoons and illustrations, and his wife still continues to visit the site today.

Children from The Coastlands Primary School visited the Barrack room as part of their study of World War II and



learned about the Dale Airfield site from members of the Military Heritage Group. Margaret Copley, of the Coastlands Local History Group said: "The children were fascinated by the drawings and were surprised to learn of the important role the area played during the war."

You can pick up a copy of this leaflet throughout the Dale area, at Haverfordwest Tourist Information Centre or find it online at

www.experiencepembrokeshire.com

Military Guide marches on 👰 👰 👰 👰

PLANED has encouraged and supported local people in their research with the aim of raising awareness of the military heritage in the county. Already, over 40 communities have access to their military past through the Guide to the Military Heritage of Pembrokeshire: Civil War to Cold War. The next communities to be included in the 5th volume are:

- Begelly Burton Cilgerran Llanddewi Velfrey Llangwm Narberth Penally
- Puncheston Rosemarket Slebech St Dogmaels Tenby Trecwn

If you have any information which

relates to the military heritage of these communities or would like to find out more about the project please e-mail:

militaryheritage@planed.org.uk

We are also keen to hear from communities that have already been included in the guide and wish to update the information.



Templeton Airfield

The Templeton Heritage Group have been busy working on a number of projects to celebrate their community Sense of Place. One of the projects concentrated

Heritage Audits

Trysor has been commissioned to produce Heritage and Natural environment audits for a number of communities across on raising awareness of the history of the Templeton Airfield to locals and visitors alike. The interpretation panels, beautifully illustrated by Basil Foraud, a member of the heritage group, have been

Pembrokeshire. The audits aim to identify and record the heritage and landscape sites within your area and can be a good starting point for future opportunities to develop tourism installed at the two entrances to the airfield.



products based on heritage and the natural environment.

The audits will be available on <u>www.planed.org.uk</u>



Celebrating your Community



The Pembroke and Monkton Historical Society have been working hard to produce a leaflet for Pembroke. It has been printed and will be launched in the new year. If you

would like a copy of any of our other leaflets, please contact your local TIC or you can find an electronic version on www.experiencepembrokeshire.com

The community of Lamphey was very pleased with two beautifully illustrated panels with drawings by local artist Geoff Scott. The historical information



Panels at Lamphey

of the village was researched by the community. Paper copies of the panels were

donated to the primary school. New panels have also sprung up at Abereiddi and Goodwick thanks to PLANED. The

Goodwick panel is situated at the start of the breakwater and depicts the Last Invasion. Abereiddi has two new panels, one at the beginning of the footpath and another at the Blue Lagoon.

A panel has been erected at the Old Castle, Newport, depicting what the castle looked like in the 15th century.

Panels are currently being worked on for Dinas and Wolfscastle.



Preseli Bluestone

During the early summer months Prof Geoff Wainwright, with his team, undertook a number of excavations and geophysical surveys to explore further the prehistoric environment in the

Preseli Hills. The aim was to evaluate a selection of settlements, burials, ceremonial and industrial sites as well as to document the changing environment of the study area over the past 10,000 years through the sampling of peat

deposits and buried soils. PLANED supported the project and also organised a Sense of Place tour led by Prof Wainwright to the Croesmihangel round barrow and Carn Menyn cairn, both subject of excavations.

Photography Competition

This year, PLANED entered a photography competition run by **Triodos Bank and Social** Enterprise UK in association with Social Enterprise Live.

The competition's aim is to find images that show the unique and transformative work of social enterprise.

Photographs were entered

Next year...

25th January - pan Wales Community Tourism Forum - a chance to network with members of community heritage groups from across Wales and listen to interesting speakers. To find out more or book a place please

by 121 different enterprises and were whittled down to the best twelve. The twelve finalists make up a calendar and the photographers attended a training session in London where the winner was also announced. Unfortunately we didn't win first prize but there is always next year!



PLANED's photographic entry of the Industrial Past group at Cresswell Quay

contact Sarah on 01834 862107. Most of you are familiar with our Heritage Days we've run in the past. As part of the **Experience Pembrokeshire** Festival (19th May – 9th June) we If your community would like to are planning to hold a Heritage Day with a twist! For more information about the festival and

the Heritage Day e-mail Bethany bethanyl@planed.org.uk

We are pleased that Wendy Marmara will be working with us to develop oral history projects. celebrate your local history through an oral history project, please let us know.

